HUT GOSSIP

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Sounds like Summer Fest: Fri night

When: Fri 4 Dec to Fri 29 Jan 2021

Where: Noosa Junction

Price: Free



Noosa Summer Swim

When:21 & 22 Feb 2021

Where: Main Beach, Noosa Heads Website: www.worldseriesswims.com.au/



Noosa Eat & Drink - High Tea Soiree

When: 20 Feb 2021 Where: Noosa Woods +++

Website: www.noosaeatdrink.com.au/high-tea

President's Bit

We have resumed normal hours again although COVID restrictions still apply and now with a digital App for Government registration at the front desk.

A farewell tribute was held for Davina and Gary Rossiter in recognition of their 10 years service as Roster Clerk, Famil planner, party organiser and hostess as well as many other tasks. This was combined with a Meet and Famil for all our new Volunteers aboard the Noosa Queen for her Sunset cruise.

The International Volunteers Day held at Noosaville Lions' Park was well attended by our Vollies. Noosa Council hosts this event annually and this year it was supported by Mayor, Clare Stewart and Councillors, Frank Wilkie, Joe Jurisevic and Brian Stockwell. The entertainment was great, provided by the Sandflys Band and Park Bench Ukulele. Once again, Noosa Meals on Wheels did a great job providing plenty of delicious food. Some enjoyed a free massage, others tried the outrigging and those with white trousers came back with blue bottoms! A group photo was taken with some of the Parkyn Hut vollies who were around at the time.

Our Christmas party was held at Noosaville Bowls Club. New vollies and partners were welcomed, intermingling and chatting and getting to know each other. A very successful ham/cake raffle was organised and run by Michael and Patsy Fayne The Hut is decked out with tinsel and bows and a swinging Santa.

Wishing you and your families a peaceful, healthy and happy New Year and I look forward to catching up with you at different events during the coming year.

... Elvie Johns (President)



Asking for information ...

On a beautiful summer's day, two English tourists were driving through Wales. At the town of

Llanfairpwllgwyngllgogerychwyrndrobwylllantysiliogogoch they stopped for lunch and one of the tourists asked the very blonde waitress ... "Before we order, I wonder if you could settle an argument for us ... can you pronounce where we are - very, very very slowly?"

The girl leaned over and said, "Burrr ... Gurrr ... King."

HO, HO, HO ... or should that be OH, OH, OH?

The Parkyn's Hut Vollies Christmas Celebration, once again was held at

the Tewantin Noosa Bowls Club (see photos on following pages).

The new-ish Chinese caterers agreed to provide us with the same kind of meal at the same price as we'd had in previous years, which was a real bonus and our Treasurer ensured no one went home thirsty.

Michael and Patsy Fayne, arranged to have some hams raffled and a couple of Lions Club Christmas Cakes. Congratulations to the winners, two of whom were not vollies or their partners - never mind, they had bought up big, covering the cost of the bottles of wine so generously provided to each table !! We'll get the timing right next year as we had arranged for meals to be served at 6.30pm, and the kitchen had them plated and ready to go at 6.30pm, but in their wisdom did not serve them because the raffle was in progress!

Bit of a shock, but not the first time most of us have had to eat a cold meal. Next year will be different, folks, we're on to it now!!

President Elvie Johns welcomed us all, about 48 in total and thanked us for our efforts this year. Sincere thanks to Historian Gail McBurney who distributed hand crafted greeting cards to all Vollies - what a tremendous personal effort ... much appreciated by us all Gail!!

No party games this year - Davina was too hard an hard act to follow it seems. But the time soon went and we had the opportunity to drift from table to table for chats.

Thank you for your engagement in our roster throughout the year to keep The Hut open (but not for the required 362 days this year!). We look forward to a much more normal year in 2021.

... Ed



Michael & Patsy – nothing if not creative ...

Michael made the deer from trees that were felled at the golf club. The other one was taken at a Christmas golf day....and yes, that is a plum pudding on my head!





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INTERNATIONAL VOLUNTEERS DAY CELEBRATION

Lions Park, Noosaville - 4 December 2020

Noosa Council has celebrated the contribution and efforts of our hardworking volunteers and their impact upon our community.

As part of International Volunteer Day, volunteers were treated to a free brunch to celebrate.

Most people volunteer because they find it satisfying to help others. "It makes for a happier disposition of life – it keeps it real you could say."

Deputy Mayor Frank Wilkie said Noosa was lucky to have such a wonderful group of unselfish, giving people.

"Noosa is known as an incredibly giving community because of people who put others first, especially in times of need," he said.



Thanks to ... Meals on Wheels, Park Bench Ukulele Players, Outriggers, Mobile Massage and the coffee man !!













Noosa Queen Famil & Farewell

On Tuesday 3 November, Parkyn Hut vollies gathered at the Marina for some very pleasant reasons ...

- (I) To farewell in fine style, Gary & Davina Rossiter after their 10 years of exceptional service with Parkyn Hut. Over their years of service, both absorbed more and more responsibilities, such that their departure required the appointment of three to four competent vollies to cover all the duties involved. Thank you again Gary & Davina!
- (2) To offer the opportunity of a famil to our newer vollies and the opportunity for partners to join vollies at a social event and perhaps, as a result of the experience, spread the word about what a great experience the Noosa Queen provides.



Noosa Queen Famil & Farewell





Chinese Horoscope 2021

Year of the White Metal Ox

The Chinese New Year 2021 of the Metal Ox will begin on February 12, 2021 and end on January 30th, 2022

The Ox is the second out of the twelve zodiac signs: Rat, Ox, Tiger, Rabbit, Dragon, Snake, Horse, Goat, Monkey, Rooster, Dog, and Pig. The Year of the Metal Ox comes right after the Year of the Metal Rat (2020) and before the Year of the Water Tiger (2022)!

The years of the Ox in the Chinese Horoscope are: 1913, 1925, 1937, 1949, 1961, 1973, 1985, 1997, 2009, and 2021. This year is going to be lucky and also perfect to focus on relationships, whether we are talking about friendships or love

In the Chinese Zodiac, the Ox is very hardworking and methodical. 2021 is going to be a year when work will get rewarded, and those zodiac signs who are lucky in terms of money this year will be the ones that will make a considerable effort.

The Yin energy, specific to the Chinese zodiac sign of Ox, will be quite poignant. This is going to be a year when we will fully feel the weight of our responsibilities, a year when it is necessary to double our efforts to accomplish anything at all. Since this is a Metal year, for the second successive year, the colour of 2021 is going to be white.

Besides white, we have the lucky colours of the Ox: yellow and green, colours that, in Feng Shui, attract prosperity and success. To increase your luck, wear metal accessories.

This year, no explosive or catastrophic events will occur, so it is a favorable year for economic recovery or consolidation, a year of long-term investments (especially for creating a reserve stock for the coming unproductive years).

The Metal Ox year is also great for making order in the family life. After all, if the family life is peaceful, everything gets solved! Thus, 2021 is a year when all the problems get solved with discipline. A lot of discipline! Obviously, with an extra effort from us in organising our time.

Find out also what zodiac signs will be lucky in 2021 according to the Western Horoscope. Yearly-Horoscope. Org recently published the 2021 horoscope.

Feel free to publish a summary of this article (in English or translated into another language) along with a link to the full piece https://www.thechinesezodiac.org/chinese-horoscope-2021-year-of-the-metal-ox/

Did you know?

According to the Gympie Times [published on the 26th February 1992] on Friday 21 Feb 732mm (or 28.82 inches for us oldies) of rain fell in 24 hours at Tewantin beating the previous record of 448 mm recorded in January 1974. After the crazy year we have had what will happen in 2021 ???

... Gail McBurney
Historian

Six of the best with

Kerry Surtees

Q1. Where do you originate from?

Arrived in 1977 from the Eastern Suburbs of Sydney ... sounds posh, but we were working class :)

Q2. What do you like to do to relax or chill out?

Walking, yoga and reading, love our Noosa Library

Q3. Where are your favourite local places to eat? Little Humid and Gusto

Q4. Share any great local experiences that you have enjoyed?

Tewantin Noosa Golf Club Pro-Ams in the late 70s and 80s, which had many sports people, pollies and celebrities playing. One year I caddied for the English cricketer and commentator Fred Trueman who was really quite pompous, he was playing along side the comedian Ronnie Corbett who took the mickey out of Trueman endlessly ... it was hilarious!

Q5. Name 3 of your favourite places to visit, or things to do locally?

*Any time spent on or along the Noosa River

*Swimming [bobbing] at Noosa Beach

*Noosa National Park

Q6. What do you love about living here?

The natural beauty, particularly Noosa National Park, with many thanks to the early endeavours the Fearnleys and Harrolds without whom we would have a road around the headland from Sunshine Beach to Hastings Street!



The 2021 Noosa Holiday Guide has arrived! You will find this in Visitor Information Centres, available at key tourist stops, handed out to media and trade contacts and more!

We have a limited supply of The Guide available for the busy holiday season – copies of The Guide will be available to members early in the New Year.

To see and share a digital copy of The Guide, click here.





Just a Big "Thank You" to all Vollies who have helped out and filled in, over the busy Christmas period ...

It is such a busy time for everyone!

Thank you to Thelma Turnbull who is retiring after 18 years of service to the Hut. Such a wonderful contribution! And Joan Challinor after nearly 2 years.

To all our past and present Vollies, "Drop in and say hello any time, we'd love to see you."

... Tania Murray



Noosa Australia Day Festival

*When - the 2021 event is not going ahead - see you in 2022!

*Where - Lions Park, Gympie Tce

*Time - breakfast from 7am, live music family fun from 10am

More info: http://www.noosaaustraliadayfestival.com





Save the date, 12-14 October, 2021!

If you're travelling from Brisbane, Dalby will be your first stop in the Western Downs. Home to around 12000 people, Dalby has one of the largest Cattle sale yards in Queensland.

Pioneer Park Museum has Queensland's largest collection of working early model trucks, tractors and agricultural equipment and this museum is also home to a letter from the infamous Ned Kelly. Fun fact: Dalby is home to Luke and Cody Cook, winners of the hit TV show House Rules in 2016.

2021 QICA Conference

2021 Conference Connections - Miles, Western Downs

12 - 14 October 2021

Arts and Culture in the Western Downs

Western Downs hosts a plethora of Art Galleries, Museums and street art.

When you come to Conference 2021, you will be visiting us at Miles Historical Village Museum. Known as one of the finest examples of Australian history in regional Australia, we offer over 30 buildings with authentic memorabilia.

Our museum will be the host for the VIC of the Year Awards, with drinks and old fashioned fun and games.

Miles Historical Village Museum is excited to be welcoming you in October 2021





Enjoy the spectacular native waterlilies on display at Chinaman's Lagoon. These waterlilies are significant as they are a species of rare tropical waterlily extinct in its natural habitat.

Now only surviving in a handful of locations throughout Australia, of which Chinaman's Lagoon is one.



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