

# HUT GOSSIP

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## Queensland Celtic Festival

When: Sat 6 & Sun 7 Oct 2018

Where: Imperial Hotel, Eumundi & Eumundi Brewery. Tel: 07 5442 8811

Website: [www.imperialhoteleumundi.com.au](http://www.imperialhoteleumundi.com.au)



## Noosa International Film Festival

When: Thu 25- Sun 28 October 2018

Where: Noosa and Eumundi

Website: [www.niff.com.au](http://www.niff.com.au)



## Noosa Triathlon Multi Sport Festival

When: 31 October - 4 November 2018

Where: Around Noosa

Website: [www.noosatri.com.au](http://www.noosatri.com.au)

## President's Bit

As my term as President comes to an end, I would like to reflect on this last year which has certainly been one of the toughest and busiest years in my role as President, starting with the passing of our dear friend George. You never really realise how much someone does until they are no longer there to do it!

With a little help from my friends, I took on the role of organising and running the annual events that George was so passionate about, the Noosa Long Weekend Heritage Walk and the Pioneers Luncheon were both very successful and quite stressful events.

This year I put on the invitations that donations would be appreciated and we had a really generous response.

We also combined the celebrations for the 21st Anniversary of the TH&HS and the 17th Birthday of Parkyn's Hut which was quite a big event. I think a great day was had by all who attended. I was very honoured, of course, to receive an Honorary Life Membership and also thrilled to receive my pamper package.

Another thing I organised was a family to the Marina and the subsequent Quiz.

I have been liaising with Jane Harding re George's Heritage information and also trying to get our sign updated.

With Gary's help, I also put together our little "Things to do in Tewantin" Booklet and thanks to Michael we now have a Sponsor to cover its printing costs.

We had some fun when Maz, John and I decorated the Hut and ourselves to cheer on the Commonwealth Games Baton.

Prior to the 21st Anniversary celebrations, I helped Jan King put together a booklet of the history of the TH & HS from its early days.. Unfortunately, with Jan's sudden departure, a lot of the other projects we were planning have been put on the back burner for now.

One of those was putting in an entry for the VIC of the Year Awards at the QICA Conference.

Tourism Noosa have put in a submission to hold the QICA Conference in Noosa next year. If they get it, we will certainly put an entry in then.

In closing, I just want to thank everyone on the committee for their support, hard work, loyalty and friendship during the year. I wish the incoming committee all the best and offer them my full support..

... Gail McBurney  
(President)

## Rosalie's Story

In 1971 I met Olive Donaldson as the mother of my first boyfriend, I had just turned 18 years of age. From our first meeting we became good friends. As time went on, the first love went along its usual course and came to an end, but Olive and I retained our friendship and during 1972 I spend quite a bit of time visiting Tewantin. For me life went along its way and over time I had less contact with Olive as I traveled in Europe and then at a mature age began studying again.

Over the years I always maintained a fond memory of my time spend in Tewantin before it became a holiday hotspot. While I have visited the Sunshine Coast only a few times over the last forty years I did not have the opportunity to revisit Tewantin.

For the last 10 years I and my 2 sisters, who have our birthdays in the first week of September, spend a weekend together to celebrate. This year we were at Marcoola.



On Sunday I was by myself and had time on my hands, so decided to take that drive up to Tewantin, just to see what it was like after 45 years.

What I remember about Olive was that her maiden name was Ross and that the Ross family was a strong name within the community. I thought I would just walk the main street and see if the Ross name showed up on any shop signage. On passing the Information Cottage I thought I might ask the ladies enjoying the sun on the front veranda, if either of them know anything about the Ross family, ... was there anyone still living in the area.

What happened next was such a surprise. It was to Debbie (as her name tag indicated) that I address my question to. Debbie then looked over to her companion and the look between them sent messages to me that something was up.

I then looked closer at her companion, in particular her name badge. At the point I read her name and called her the family nickname, I think she also clicked as to who I might have been.

What a joy to see Olive again, we hugged and then sat down to catching up on our lives over the past 45 years. I think on that Sunday morning all the 'stars' seemed to line up to bring us together and I am looking forward to picking up and continuing our friendship into the future.

## Timed parking arrives

Council is set to make parking arrangements at Noosa National Park fairer from Monday 3 September, with the introduction of time-regulated parking.

The agreement with the State Government will see four-hour parking come into effect in the carpark at the end of Park Road, as well as at the Laguna Lookout, Mt Tinbeerwah and Wooroi Day Use Area carparks.

The four-hour limit will ensure a more frequent turn-over of spaces. [Read more.](#)

# ROSTER NEWS

submitted by Davina Rossiter

Our combined 21st Anniversary of the TH & HS and the 17th Birthday Party of The Hut was celebrated upon the Noosa Ferry. Special recognition was made of Olive Donaldson and Gail McBurney by awarding each of them Life Membership of the Society. Both Olive and Gail have contributed enormously since the incorporation of the heritage group and the honour was well deserved.

Additional recognition was made to Vollies who have offered continued service for 5 years, those being ....

Margie Boyd John Reubenicht  
Noel St J Wood Jan King

During the year we have added nine new Vollies and we thank you for your interest in Volunteering

Mike Porter, Kathy Lynch, Barb Shellshear, Gail Crummins

Peter Burfoot, Viv Devonshire, Gail Orr, Karen Read, Margot Angus

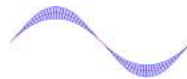
As is always the case, Vollies move on and most notably we lost our Historian Jan King who chose to return to her family in Wales.

Additionally long serving Rosemary Dwyer retired due to health reasons and Jenny Mason left to pursue other interests.

Throughout the year a number of our team took extended leave due to illness, however we are pleased to note that all have made good recoveries.

Fire Safety training was again conducted at the Tewantin SES and the paper based quiz has had several editions. Local Marina famil and Sunset Cruise together with a visit to Australia Zoo have enhanced the Vollies knowledge.

Our appreciation to those Vollies who put their hand up to fill last minute vacancies, it makes our job just a little be easier.



## Opening date announced !

Noosaville Library will reopen on Monday 26 November!

With the bulk of the refurbishment work nearing completion library staff are very excited to see all the plans taking shape.

The official opening will be held on 4 December, which marks 25 years since the library first opened its doors.

Watch this space for more details of the opening event or [follow us](#) for updates.



## Calendar of Major Events Noosa 2018

### OCTOBER

4 - 7 October

Noosa Surf Film Festival

11 - 14 October

Noosa International 7's Rugby

13 - 14 October

Wild Women Adventure Race

25 - 28 October

Noosa International Film Festival

### NOVEMBER

31 October - 4 November

Noosa Triathlon Multi Sport Festival

10 - 17 November

Noosa Festival of Motoring

### DECEMBER

11 December

Noosa Golf Club Legends Pro-Am

31 December

New Year's Eve Fireworks in Noosa

## LADY ELLIOTT ISLAND LIGHTHOUSE

*145 years old*

This year marks 145 years since the construction of Lady Elliot Island's Heritage Listed Lighthouse.

The white and red lighthouse was pre-made in England and shipped to the Island in pieces in 1873. It was the first lighthouse in Australia with a timber frame and weatherproof cast iron external cladding.

The lighthouse was decommissioned in 1995 when a fully automated solar powered light tower was built. [Click here](#) if you would like to read more about the fascinating history of Lady Elliot Island.

*Photo credit:AMSA*



## National Parks, Forests and Reserves

The Sunshine Coast is a mecca for natural wonders, and the stunning national parks, forests and reserves across the coast are no exception.

The iconic [Glass House Mountains](#) are picturesque from every angle and home to more than 150 species of native plants including scribbly gums, bottle brush, and stringybark. Appreciate the charms of this heritage-listed national park on a gentle forest stroll or more strenuous day hike - and keep an eye out for native wildlife including echidnas, kangaroos and wallabies. There are a number of picnic areas and facilities throughout the park, so pack some sandwiches, find a scenic outlook and be serenaded by the local birdlife as you relax al fresco. If you're short on time, head straight to the Glass House Mountains lookout on

Woodford Road to enjoy absolutely spectacular views of the mountain peaks and forested valley below.

TIP: Always check the [Department of National Parks, Sport and Racing](#) for conditions and alerts before you set off on a hike in the Glass House Mountains National Park.

[Buderim Forest Park](#) is tucked away on the north side of [Buderim](#), just 10 minutes from Mooloolaba Beach. This hidden gem is a 45ha wonderland of mature trees and cascading waterfalls, and is also home to an abundance of birdlife. Enjoy a peaceful bush walk and take in the fresh clean air and natural beauty of this breathtaking nature reserve.

[Maleny's Mary Cairncross Scenic Reserve](#) is a living museum of plant and animal life.

This subtropical rainforest reserve has a new world class discovery centre where you'll discover a world of fascinating information about local plants and native animals. The 55ha walking tracks have also been upgraded providing a choice of accessible trails through the majestic rainforest. Take in the view of the Glass House Mountains from the new café or enjoy a BBQ or picnic at the park grounds.

## What's happened at Elanda Point ??

Hi folks, Took a friend for a drive out to Boreen Point and Elanda Point the other day. It was a bit wet and not a Sunday, so didn't stop at the pub for lunch.

The Caravan Park at Boreen Point is looking in great shape. Clean, tidy and well organised ... inviting !! The current management is doing a good job. Happy to recommend.

And what they've done at Elanda Point in the last 12 months is quite amazing!! Now its "Habitat". About 12 'glamping' tents, all the huts painted in earthy tones rather than rainbow colours as before.

The reception area is open & welcoming. The Bistro & Bar area is sooo smart !! The menu is interesting as are the kegs of boutique beers. There's a log fire for wet, wintery day at one end of the Bistro.

Outside there's a large outdoor eating/drinking area with retractable roof and a group area tucked around the corner.

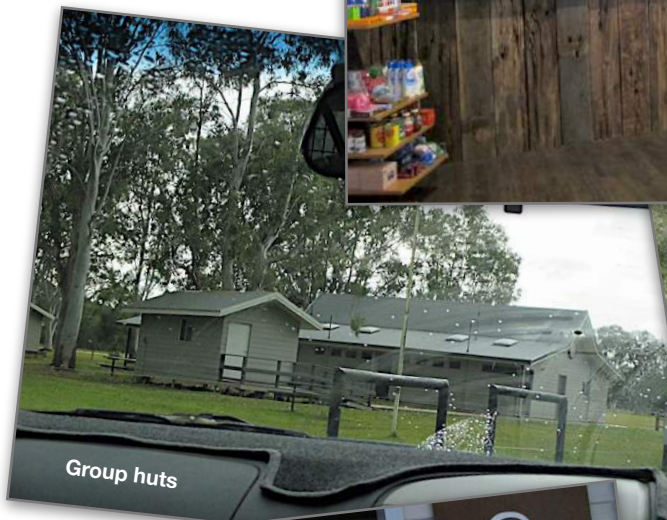
It looked like there was a portable climbing wall ready to be erected for the school holidays too.

They tell me the Golf Course is also up and running and it looks like they are servicing their Discovery 4WDs on site out there too.

Tourism Noosa had been out for a sticky shortly before my visit and they would welcome a visit from Parkyn Hut.

... Wendy Ivanusec

Please note: Members are encouraged to contribute their experiences to our newsletter for the benefit of all.



## And finally ...

### *Six of the best with*

### **Elvie Johns**

**Q1. Where do you originate from?**

*Mornington Peninsula, Melbourne*

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

*Can't be without my books!  
Lunching with old friends.  
Movies  
When younger, outdoor activities  
... outrigging, camping, etc.*

**Q3. Where are your favourite local places to eat?**

*Moondoggies, Apollonian Hotel & Home*

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

*Girl Guides - Leader for 6+ years  
highlight being 3 of 'my' girls  
qualified for the honour of the  
BP (Baden Powell) Emblem.*

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

*Noosa River, Mt Tinbeerwah,  
Cootharaba, Boreen Point &  
Rainbow Beach areas*

**Q6. What do you love about living here?**

*Weather, Waterways, Hinterland,  
Beach & accommodating,  
friendly people.*



**BP Award** (*Baden Powell Award used to be Queens Guide Award*)

Guides read through options in their "Aim High" book and then work on 3 challenges in each of the following areas.

- Promise and Law
- Outdoors
- Service
- Guiding Traditions
- World Guiding
- Patrol Systems

When you have completed 9 activities you will be presented with a silver endeavour badge.

Then once you have completed the other 9 activities you will receive your BP Award at a special ceremony.



### **PARKYN HUT CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION**

Where: Bistro - Tewantin Noosa Bowls Club  
When: 11 December 2018  
Cost: \$15pp same as last year for two course  
alternate drop menu. Hard to beat!

Roast Pork served with fresh seasonal vegetables & gravy  
OR Roast Chicken served with fresh seasonal vegetables & gravy  
Sticky Date Pudding served with butterscotch sauce & ice-cream  
OR Passionfruit Meringue Roulade served with passionfruit & Chantilly cream  
Vegetarian & GF catered for.

