

# Maleny District Sport & Recreation Club Inc



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## Clubs' Calendar Events

**Witta Touch**  
Sign-on 4th Sept 6.00 pm

**Maleny Little Athletics**  
Season start Maleny SHS 5th Sep  
8.30 am msc70349@bigpond.net.au

**Maleny Junior & Senior Cricket Club**  
(including In2Cricket)  
Sign-on 5th September 10.00 - 12.00  
5478 5135

**MDSRC**  
CPR planning workshop 12th Sep  
1.30 - 4.30 pm (at Maleny Bowls Club)

**Maleny Range Croquet Club**  
Eileen Harrison Memorial Friendship  
Day 17th September 9.00 am  
vinal2@bigpond.com

**Maleny Show Society**  
AGM 24th September 7.30 pm  
5494 2008

**Maleny Bridge Club**  
Learn to play bridge  
24th September 4.30 pm  
5499 9252

**Maleny Bowls Club**  
Live Life Villages Bowls Day  
Mixed Fours (Teams - 2m/2f)  
24th September 11.30 for 12.00  
5494 2335

**Maleny Swim Club**  
Open Day and sign-on 3rd Oct  
10.00 - 2.00 pm

## CPR Group Questionnaires Out



As was reported at the AGM, MDSRC has engaged the professional services of The CPR Group to assist MDSRC with the creation of a strategic business plan. This plan is vitally important as it will provide the MDSRC with more finite information about the potential users of the club and their particular requirements. Accordingly, two surveys are being conducted and questionnaires are being circulated. One is for affiliated club members, (in addition to interested and relevant user groups) the other for individual members and non members. It's important that MDSRC works in consultation with all user groups on the Precinct to ensure the process is as fruitful as possible. The data obtained will be used by the CPR Group to assist in the preparation

of the required strategic business plan for the SCRC. **A reminder to MDSRC members** that the online survey for individual members should be completed by 11th September please. It's at this link: [www.cprgroup.com.au/mdsrc](http://www.cprgroup.com.au/mdsrc). Affiliated club representatives and their respective committees are also asked to make sure their completed questionnaires are submitted by the same date. On September 12th, CPR's Steve Connelly (pictured) will be organising and facilitating a planning workshop that all member groups are invited to participate in. Steve Gould, Council Officer from Jenny McKay's working group will also be in attendance to update clubs with the latest news from SCRC regarding the Master Planning process on the Precinct.



This beautiful king-sized quilt, lovingly made by Helen Johnston, has been generously donated by Helen to the club as a fund-raiser towards plans for the combined club house on the Precinct. Fund-raising is a very important part of club life and MDSRC is delighted to be the beneficiary of Helen's work.

## Look Out for Helen's Quilt!



Tickets will be \$2.00 each and the winning ticket will be drawn at the MDSRC Christmas party. You'll see MDSRC members selling raffle tickets around town over the coming months - please support the club by purchasing a ticket! Books of tickets will also be made available to sporting clubs.

## Update From the President

I am pleased to advise that the Maleny Precinct Advisory Group has been reformed under the chairmanship of Cr Jenny McKay and the first meeting of the Community Engagement Plan Phase 2 was held on Wednesday 26th August. To avoid any confusion regarding the outcome of these meetings, it has again been agreed that an official statement will be released by Council as and when required. I believe that this is the best policy so would request that members keep an eye on The Range News for these official statements.

On a personal note, I believe that Council has to be strong in its resolve to finalise the Precinct planning and meet its deadline - set for the end of the year. A generally agreed plan that will satisfy the vast majority of users was tabled and accepted in Council last year.

What has to be agreed now relates to funding and governance. These are the real issues that will determine the extent of the Precinct development and that will also determine the priorities and fine tuning of the development. They are issues that need to be resolved and can be, by Council officials and the community working together, so that when the Masterplan is presented to our councillors, it will be a truly representative submission.

Related to the Precinct viability are the business plans necessary to show the bona fides of the Precinct potential lease holders and I would like to thank those 30 members who have already returned their individual survey responses. I am aware of the amount of work being undertaken by the affiliated clubs in preparing their responses and am again very grateful. As the biggest potential user of the Precinct in terms of numbers, it is very important that we can reflect our membership's support in terms of the survey so I do request that you return as many responses as possible to the CPR Group.

It has recently come to our attention that some sporting bodies who may be in need of equipment or clubhouse modifications are looking for funding. The MDSRC is more than willing to assist with grant applications or letters of support and would request that clubs or groups contact us if they need our assistance at any time.

With the construction of a golf driving range commencing, the gathering and sourcing of all sorts of equipment needed is underway by the golf club; I hear a good home is promised for practice balls and any old clubs and gear that might be donated, for use by beginners.

MDSRC supports the development of new sporting facilities for the district and is pleased to see the progress made by the golf club.

Mike Norman



**To promote sport and recreation facilities for Maleny and surrounding districts**

**To create, establish and sustain sport and recreation facilities on The Maleny Precinct**

**To cooperate with other similar organizations in Maleny and surrounding districts**

Affiliate/individual membership: \$20.00

Membership forms available from:

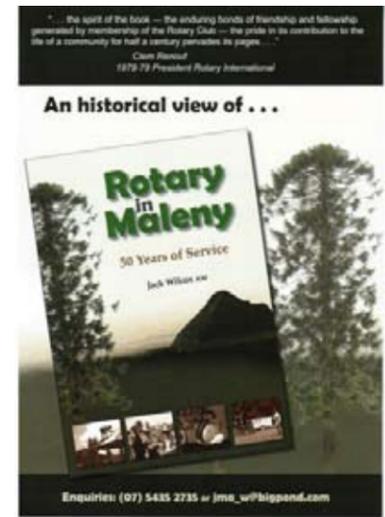
John Brown

Mitre 10, Teak Steet, Maleny

or download one from:

[www.mdsarcinc.com](http://www.mdsarcinc.com)

## Copies still available



**Tales of challenges, achievements and camaraderie abound in this fascinating 50-year journey** involving a wide cross section of current and former residents of Maleny. There are nearly 700 names in the index. Contact Jack Wilcox on 5435 2735 or email to [jma\\_w@bigpond.com](mailto:jma_w@bigpond.com)

## The Other Side...

A man had two of the best tickets for the FA Cup Final. As he sits down & another man comes along & asks if anyone is sitting in the seat next to him.

"No", he says, "the seat is empty."

"This is incredible!" said the man, "who in their right mind would have a seat like this for the Final, the biggest sporting event of the year and not use it?"

He says, "Well, actually, the seat belongs to me. My wife was supposed to come with me but she passed away. This is the first Final we haven't been to together since we got married."

"Oh... Geez. I'm sorry to hear that. That's terrible. I guess you couldn't find someone else, a friend or relative or even a neighbour to take the seat?" The man shakes his head... "No. They're all at the funeral."

**Fr Murphy wakes up** one beautiful Sunday morning, and he really would rather play golf than say mass. He calls another priest and fakes his illness and the priest says he will take Murphy's place at church. Father Murphy puts on his golfing clothes, grabs his bag, and sneaks out of the rectory driving to a golf course about 40 miles away so as not to be recognized. As he tees up on the first hole, a 450 yard par 5, God and St Peter are looking down on him. St Peter turns to God and says "You can't let him get away with this, you have to do something". God replies "I guess I do". Fr Murphy hits the ball with tremendous force, it flies a long way, bounces twice, rolls up to the green, and straight into the cup. St. Peter turns to God and says "I thought you were going to do something?" God smiles and says "Who's he going to tell?"

# Maleny Golf Day Fundraiser

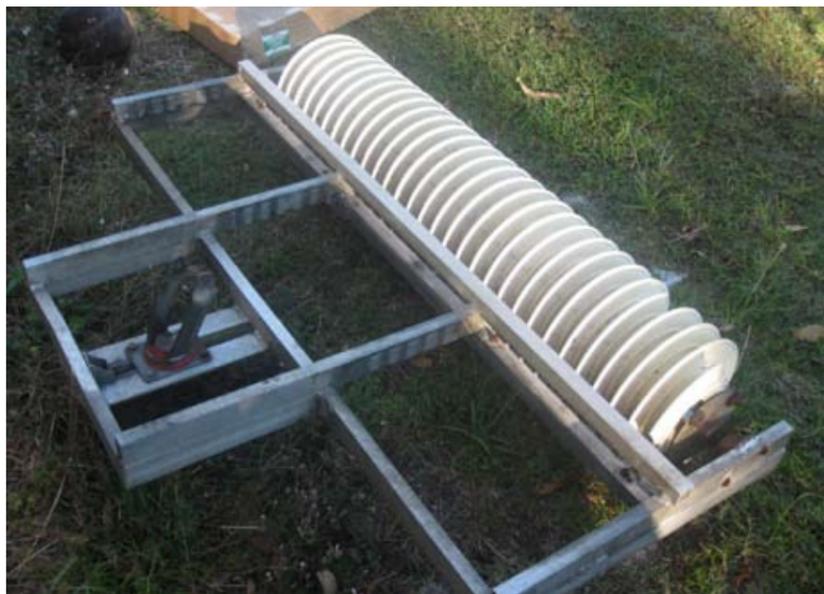
**Sunday 27th September  
at Woodford Golf Club**

Competition will be a 2BBB Stableford  
with modest prizes for best scores and nearest the pins

Hit off: 1st Tee at 7.00am  
& 1st and 10th Tees from 7.30 to 8.30am

**\$50** (includes lunch)

Limited places – book your ticket by contacting  
Gary West: [sngwest@bigpond.com](mailto:sngwest@bigpond.com) 54999232  
Max Whitten: [maxwhi@aapt.net.au](mailto:maxwhi@aapt.net.au) 54943175



The Maleny Golf Club, supported by the MDSRC, will run a Golfing Day at picturesque Woodford Golf Club. Funds raised will be used for equipment purchase for the driving range on the Maleny Precinct. And it should be a good social golfing outing for members of MGC, MDSRC and friends.

A maximum of 84 players can be accommodated, so it will be first in, best dressed. If you would like to reserve a spot for this enjoyable event either for yourself or a group of four, book early (contacts above) and don't be disappointed! Directions will be provided on confirmation of bookings and players will be advised during the preceding week as to start off times for each group. It will help if, when booking, a preference for earlier or later hit off time is given. Lunch will be provided after play, with winners rewarded during the lunch.

The temporary driving range on the Maleny Precinct is under construction and MGC is currently sourcing items such as: range balls, a ball picker and prime mover. All funds from the Woodford Tournament will go towards equipping the driving range. The picture (at right) shows the first stage of the driving range preparations - volunteers and machine operators have so far worked hard on weed removal, and preparation of the car park and teeing area. Further working bees are planned to scarify the driving range, to raise and remove loose rocks, so that the ball picker, like the one pictured can be operated successfully.

## Social Bowls Every Friday!



New manager of the Maleny Bowls Club, Peter Hulton, has advised that the Maleny Bowls Club regular social bowls are well underway. With the return of the good weather, why not get your friends, family together and try your hand at social bowls, run by the friendly folk at the The Maleny Bowls Club (every Friday afternoon). This popular activity is loads of fun, easy to learn for all ages (club members provide on-going teaching for beginners) and the bowls club has all the equipment you need to join in.



Come on down to the bowling greens, a lovely spot (next to the Maleny Hotel) where there is plenty of parking. Refreshments available at the bar and everyone is welcome. Time: 2.30 for 3.00 pm every Friday. Social membership is available to all. The Sponsors' Prizes for club members is drawn at 6.00 pm every Friday - the prizes are substantial vouchers from IGA, (jack-potted to \$300 last week) Full Monte, Beechwood Bakehouse and Live Life Villages but you have to be present to claim your prize!  
Enquiries: Peter Hulton 5429 6523 or club phone 5494 2335.



# Witta Touch, Swim Club, Cricket and Athletics sign-on

**Touch Football** season is very close and Rod Wild advises that sign-on for senior and junior touch teams will be taking place out at the fields on 28th August & 4th September at 6.00 pm. (Sign-on only, no games).

**Maleny Cricket Club** is signing up all players, junior (u/10's - u/16's) including In2Cricket for the 5 to 10 year olds, and senior grades (3rd and 5th division), last chance to sign up will be Saturday 5th September at the training nets, Maleny Showgrounds 10.00 am – 12.00 noon. Season is Oct 4th – March 13th with a family-friendly holiday break 12th December to January 30th for the juniors. Senior and In2Cricket enquiries: Greg Corkin 0427543662, junior cricket: Tim Selman 5478 5135 bluebellcottage@iprimus.com.au

**Maleny Little Athletics** held their the last sign-on last Saturday - any families who missed it can still sign on at each Saturday competition from 8.00am. Maleny Little Athletics will commence competition at Maleny High School on 5th Sept, start time 8.30am, every Saturday for summer season. (Holiday break - 1 week only Saturday 26th September 09. December break TBA) Enquiries: Terri Schaumberg msc70349@bigpond.net.au

## MALENY SWIMMING POOL NOW OPEN



Maleny Swimming Pool is now open and operating for the 2009/2010 swim season. Pool times are as follows:

<b>Monday – Friday:</b>	<b>6.00am – 10.00am (6.00am - 8.50am in Term 4 after Sept hols)</b>
<b>Monday – Friday:</b>	<b>2.30pm – 6.00pm</b>
<b>Saturday:</b>	<b>8.00am – 6.00pm</b>
<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>10.00am – 6.00pm</b>

For information on Learn To Swim and Squad phone Tim Dwyer (manager/coach) on 0488 160 740 anytime or 5494 2589 during pool open times.

The Maleny Swimming Club Open Day is being held on 03 October 2009 from 10am – 2pm for swim club information and sign-on. The first club night will be Wednesday 07 October 2009.

Pictured is newly appointed manager/coach Tim Dwyer with (left) Robyn Graham, Treasurer and (right) Theresa Campbell, President).

## Croquet Dates

**September 17th The Eileen Harrison Memorial Friendship Day.** For visitors from other croquet clubs. Maleny Croquet lawns; morning tea 9.30 am.

**October 10th Our good friends at Nambour have their Q150 Fun Day.**

**October 23rd Range Croquet Club Street Stall in Maleny - please drop by!**

**November 4th -7th Lions Festival in Maleny. Enquiries: [vinval2@bigpond.com](mailto:vinval2@bigpond.com)**

## Community clubs worth \$1.8 billion

The first study in ten years of Queensland's not-for-profit community clubs has revealed the industry is worth at least \$1.8 billion to Qld communities. The Social and Economic Impact Study (SEIS) undertaken throughout Queensland in 2008-09 by research consultancy Dickson Wohlsen strategies, and independently reviewed by BDO Kendalls, revealed how much clubs reinvest into Queensland in just one year.

"While these Queensland clubs figures are impressive they are not surprising. Everyone knows how important local community and sporting groups are to Queensland" the Minister responsible for Liquor Licensing and Gaming, Peter Lawlor said. The club industry contributes significantly to the quality of life of Queensland communities through their sporting and recreation activities".

## Advantage, Tennis ....

**Social Tennis at Witta Courts:**

**Monday Ladies Social Tennis 8.00 - 11.00 am**

**Tuesday Mixed Social 7.00 - 9.00 pm**

**Thursday Mixed Social Tennis 8.30 - 11.00 am**

**Saturday Mixed Social Tennis 1.00 - 4.00 pm**

**enq: [Denis denishic@bigpond.com](mailto:Denis.denishic@bigpond.com) 5494 4055**

**Court hire please contact The Witta Store 5435 8697**

**Claire Hickey of the Witta Tennis Club**, and committee member of the Sunshine Coast Mid Week Ladies Tennis Assoc (SCMWLTA), also advises that their Mid Week Ladies Tennis is a vibrant, pro-active competition with upwards of 36 teams across the Sunshine Coast. Made up of 5 divisions and a diverse range of standards from Division 5 up to Division 1, if you are keen to play competition, they will assist in finding the right grade for you. Currently Maleny and Witta have a team each in Divisions 4 and 5, playing against teams from Noosa, Peregian, Coolum, Cooroy, Kawana, Mooloolaba, Maroochydore, Caloundra, Eumundi, Nambour and Yandina.

Playing doubles only, in teams of 4 players, there are 2 yearly seasons: Feb-June and July-Dec. The competition is played on 2 courts wherever possible, starting at 9.30am and finishing around 1.30pm. New teams from district clubs and individual players interested in joining a team or playing as a reserve, are all welcome; contact Claire on [clairehic@bigpond.com](mailto:clairehic@bigpond.com)



**Social Tennis:**

**Maleny Tennis Club:**

**Monday 6.00 - 9 - 10 pm**

**Tuesday 1.30 - 5.00 pm**

**Saturday 1.30 - 5.00 pm**

**Sunday 1.30 - 5.00 pm**

**Contact Sylvia or Terry Harker 5499 9989 for fees**

**Maleny Tennis Club** reports that progress is well underway - the old building has been cut down to one level, with the asbestos roof now replaced. Next will be a big deck (to go the left hand end of the clubhouse as you look at the picture). Sliding doors front and side make it much more user friendly in terms of watching play on the courts and access from clubhouse to courts.