

# Maleny District Sport & Recreation Club Inc



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## Logo Winners

Congratulations to Newton King, winner of the recently held competition to come up with the new club's logo. He won a mountain bike, donated by Range Hardware.

Runners-up, winning \$30.00 gift vouchers from Old Magnolia Lane giftshop, were young designers Callum Robertson and Liam Graham.

MDSRC would like to thank the judges, Maleny graphic designers Vic and Marjorie Bussey, the Maleny businesses who generously donated the prizes and The Range News, who were co-sponsors of the competition.

## AGM July 3rd

where Maleny Bowls Club  
time 7.00 pm

All affiliate club representatives and members are invited to attend this first AGM of The Maleny District Sport & Recreation Club.

## New Councillor Jenny McKay Meets MDSRC



The Maleny Bowls Club kindly hosted the half day meeting in early May. Representatives from MDSRC plus invited guests from affiliated clubs lunched with Jenny McKay after a morning of excellent presentations from the various clubs planning to move onto the Precinct.

Pictured are Kev Bartlett (Club Patron) Jenny McKay (SCRC Councillor for Division 5) and Rod Wild (Vice President MDSRC).

Our club spent the morning outlining the various plans we hope to put into place and make a reality on The Maleny Precinct.

Jenny was most appreciative of the well presented information and commented on the well organised and co-operative approach.

Lunch was a joint effort, provided by many members of the different clubs - a delicious feast enjoyed by all present and the club thanks all involved in making the day a success.

MDSRC is hoping that after the three month review period called for by the new Council, plans will commence immediately for the funding, planning and execution of plans.

A wonderful opportunity lies ahead for clubs and families in the Maleny district to share in the Precinct land owned by Council.

MDSRC is committed to representing the interests of all parties properly to Council and will be keeping members updated regularly via our newsletter and new website, under construction.

## Interim Committee contacts

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# Message From the President

This inaugural newsletter is to welcome our 22 affiliated organisations and 215 individual members to the Maleny District Sport & Recreation Club, to acquaint you with the way the structure is evolving, and to let you know the issues we are facing and what is planned to be done about them.

Support from Maleny clubs and individuals has been overwhelming; you are now part of likely the largest club Maleny has ever had. This has come about in a matter of 3 months; sincere thanks to you all for getting behind this historic club and building its strength. The diversity of affiliations and the number of people involved means our representations cannot be ignored by government, grants organisations or potential contractors.

After a meeting in late February, the club became legally incorporated and included an interim executive committee (*see committee contacts*) responsible for the overall conduct of club business. In addition, the committee also includes representatives from swimming (Joyce Newton), Maleny Players and Junior Cricket (Gail Denver), Maleny Rangers Soccer (John Brown), Maleny Bowls (Ian Hansen), and Maleny Golf Club (Max Whitten). I represent the Maleny Bridge Club.

With so much involved, each of the 22 affiliated clubs will need to maintain representation within MDSRC to make sure every voice is heard and all needs are considered.

The first general meeting will be on Thursday 3rd July. The executive committee will be elected by all members and will replace the interim committee. Much needs to be addressed in the next three months.

The new Council is deliberating on how to proceed with the Maleny Precinct. They have inherited a very much preliminary plan for The Witta Sports Ground and have yet to show the masterplan for the new look Showground.

User groups will form committees to ensure facilities are established and maintained. For example, the indoor activities like conferences, singing, drama, gym, bridge, etc. would be involved in the planning for and delivery of the shared convention centre, practice hall, change rooms, storage, and other needs to house the pursuit of all the activities.

MDSRC and representatives will be responsible for liaising with the new Council in order to make a start on building the playing fields, the shared club house, swimming facilities, the gardens and golf facilities that have been tantalisingly close for so long. Our plans are to inform, work with and support our new Councillor, the Mayor and other Councillors and to illustrate clearly the crying need in our community to have the much needed facilities for our kids and all our residents. So many facilities are overflowing already and enough time has passed. So please watch our campaign and contribute your ideas and energy where you can.

It is truly a shame when youngsters wanting to play touch football are turned away because there is just not the capacity to expand. And Maleny will be welcoming lots more families into the future, many of them wanting to play touch football, soccer etc. and take part in an active community life.

The entire committee involved thus far has been working hard to organise many things in a short time, and hope you will forgive us if there are questions that are still not answered.

Some of the open questions are very basic:

- When will new facilities begin to be available?
- When will it all be up and running?
- How does it all get paid for?
- What will it cost each club to belong?

It would be nice to answer these seemingly simple questions clearly, but right now we cannot. The Council is examining the Precinct issue and is currently conducting a 3 month review of the Caloundra City Council's decision to approve the Plan that this club supports in principal. The sources of funding we need really can do little for us until the Council's position is resolved. As an eternal optimist, my hope would be access and tenure by October, with detailed planning in the first quarter, start on earthworks by the end of summer, and start on club house construction at the end of next year.

Such events do not occur spontaneously. There is a lot of work to do between now and the first time a bowler uses the new indoor rink. With good membership support and involvement, we have reason to hope.

Sincerely,  
Brian Molloy, President



## Maleny District Sport & Recreation Club

***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

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