



Traffic Lights in Place to Speed up Road Works

CB Constructions Manager, Trevor Mudge has advised the road works traffic lights now in place on Kinsellas Road West will remain for two weeks whilst that section of road within the barriers is upgraded to include a round-about. Lights will then be removed and Traffic Monitors will once again govern traffic movements on the next section to Ruby Street due to the many exit points for individual households.

A number of concerns have been raised at the length of time that lights remain Red. The *Mango Hill News* has been advised that timing is governed by strict safety standards and all motorists are urged to be patient and resist the temptation to move against the lights to ensure safety of all motorists and the level of your hip pocket!

The primary reason given for the lights is to speed up the works so the full section of Kinsellas Road West from Lamington Road to Ruby Street is completed before Christmas.

Progress Association Meeting Wednesday

16th November
(7.30 pm)

Mango Hill Community Centre
(Chermside Road, Mango Hill Village)

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Watch

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BBQ

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Saturday
19th November
at 11.00am

North Lakes 1 Neighbourhood watch will hold its November General Meeting out in the sun at 11.00 followed by a free BBQ for all residents who wish to attend. Please bring a hat, sunscreen and a chair.

This is an opportunity for Village Residents to be aware of the role of your local Neighbourhood Watch of which the Mango Hill Progress Association is a significant contributor. For more information:

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OAM Award is one for the Mango Hill Community

Mango Hill residents Barry Midson (right) and (left) Ken Wilkinson, (Aide de Camp to the Governor) with Laurence Christie on his award of OAM at Government House..

It was truly a wonderful occasion for me on 27th September where a number of other very deserving Community Volunteers and Service personnel were also honoured. It was an added pleasure to have fellow residents Ken Wilkinson (also Aide de Camp to Her Excellency, Mrs Penelope Wensley) and great friend Barry Midson along with my family (wife Gail and Children Evan and Angela).

To have had the opportunity to be involved with such a dynamic community as Mango Hill and Warehouse Cricket ("my other hat") over a period of 25 years, has been in itself reward enough. But to be nominated by your peers for an award such as OAM is a great honour and one that reflects strongly on the wonderful Community that is Mango Hill Village and the great benefits of sport. It has been a challenging but rewarding journey and one on which I have been joined by a great team of volunteers, many of whom deserve to be recognized similarly. Mango Hill is unique and our own share of paradise. But it has been hard won through perseverance, resilience and hard work by so many volunteers, past and present.

To my wife Gail and children who sacrificed so much family time to allow me to be involved in community issues, I cannot ever thank you enough. As well, while there are so many who have worked with me along the way and to whom I owe a great deal of appreciation, I could never have continued to lead our Progress Association for so long without the loyal and unselfish support over 20 years of our Secretary Yvonne Mackenzie. Yvonne also deserves a great deal of appreciation for her work in this community.

To everyone who was involved in nominating me for this award, I say a sincere and genuine Thank You and look forward to continuing to work with you to enhance our quality of life in Mango Hill.

New Life Seventh Day Adventist Community Makes Mango Hill Its Church Venue

After setting up their own congregation in early 2010, the folk of the New Life Church worship on Saturdays at the Mango Hill Community Centre. Church spokesperson, Flora Homan said the fellowship numbered about 60 folk each week but would welcome all residents to join with them from 10.00 each Saturday.

With most of the congregation coming from Mango Hill, North Lakes and Deception Bay, Flora has indicated that members are keen to be involved in the Mango Hill Christmas Tree celebrations. Watch this Space!

Contact for Flora = 0424-953 116





Park Vista Development takes Shape but at cost to Residents

For Residents along Kinsellas Road West, the past 3 months have been “horrendous” stated Chris Thomas who lives directly opposite where a stand of 20m high Gum trees once shrouded the then Buchanan’s farm and provided a home for native fauna. When in place, that stand of trees did provide some defence against the inevitable dust from the old farm and would have greatly assisted in reducing the effects of dust during the current development of Park Vista had it been allowed to remain until the end of that area of construction.



DUST: The Mango Hill News has been advised that this is a constant issue amongst residents in the vicinity of Kinsellas Road West and nearby streets, many of whom have written to Councillor Julie Greer seeking redress and action. Whilst CB construction Manager has often stated that 3 water tenders were on site, their ability to keep dust down has been overtaken by the size of the development at one time and appears to be minimal.

“Had the trees on Kinsellas Road West been left even whilst the construction phase was ongoing would have made life bearable”, bemoaned Vikki Thomas. “Now the damage has been done and the sooner the development is finished the better and let us

get on with our lives”. The dust goes through everything in the house despite being shut up. As a result, the electricity bill has risen sharply as we have had the air-conditioning running almost continually.



CB Constructions Manager, Trevor Mudge has advised the Mango Hill News that a fourth water Tender will be on site from 14th November. As well, Hydromuching of the new laid soil at both ends of the development commences this week and will reduce the areas of dust in the coming weeks.

Residents call on Council to Monitor Safety of Road Works



Residents generally acknowledge that delays and interruptions are a realistic outcome of a development phase of the former Buchanan's Farm. However, over recent weeks the Mango Hill Progress Association and Councillor Julie Greer have been contacted by many residents to express very strong concerns on a number of aspects and safety practices of the road works along Kinsellas Road West from Lamington Rd up to Ruby Street.

Concerns have centered on lack of attention to movement of vehicles by Traffic Controllers, rehabilitation of road surface each evening, late times of work and the safe passage of vehicles along the narrow single lane available.

Natalie wrote to advise *“my husband and I and our two toddlers were driving through and our car actually sunk into the preliminary surface on the road. We managed to get ourselves out without being bogged down and have now resorted to waiting for no cars in site to drive on the part of the road (Wrong side) so that it won't happen again.”.*

Alice Street resident Anni Gibson who has described traffic control measures and the condition of Kinsellas Road West in recent weeks as *“appalling”* considers the Traffic Light System as a *“step in the right direction if safety is improved.”* However a number of other residents are not so sure and question if the lights are simply there to reduce costs on employing Traffic Controllers. (As indicated on Page 1, the Traffic lights have a separate role to allow a fast tracking of the construction of the round-about).

Whilst, Councillor Greer has sought to assure residents that the correct protocols are in place and are being monitored by Council Officers, genuine concerns remain. Patience and cooperation of all drivers will also assist.

26th Mango Hill Christmas Tree Christmas Hamper collection

Weekend 3th & 4th Dec



Lyn Thompson working through the wonderful donations from a previous Hamper Collection

For the past 25 years, it has been a wonderful tradition for the residents of the Village to support the Mango Hill Progress Association by donating Christmas food/drinks and items which go to make up a number of fantastic Christmas Hampers. Over those years there have been over 200 happy folk taking home baskets of goodies for Christmas Dinner Festivities.

These Hampers are raffled off at the **Mango Hill Christmas Tree** each year. In short, we ask you to donate items to our "Christmas Hamper Baskets" that **YOU** would love to win.

The Association asks that you assist us to honour this tradition and purchase one or two extra items for the Hamper basket over the next few weeks and have them ready for collection on the dates above.

The raffle tickets that you purchase help us to pay for childrens give a-ways, entertainment (fireworks/music etc) and other items provided for the event. We seek your co-operation and generous spirit to donate items which will make up a special hamper which no doubt you would like to win.

THANK YOU!

Laurence Christie
(President)

Mango Hill Christmas Tree
Sunday 11th December
4.00 to 8.30 pm



Can you help with the collection of our Hamper donations?

Contact Laurence Christie
(3204-2020)

Hamper Donation Collections - WHEN

Our volunteers are coming around on the following times to collect your donation. You will also have the opportunity of buying raffle tickets from collectors or at the Mango Hill Christmas Tree.

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| Starting from Sat (3th Dec) from 2.00 pm > | From northern end (Chermside Rd) |
| <i>if weather intervenes or your donations are so large as to delay our collectors!!</i> | |
| Then we come back on Sun (4th Dec) from 2.00 pm > | Through to Anzac Ave |

If you are out, please leave you donation at your front door. If we miss you, please call either Ken (3203-1866) or Laurence - (3204-2020) and we can come to you. Or

Leave any donations at any time with

- Carol Cassidy - 22 May Street
- Lyn Kubler - 33 Mary St West
- Ken Hatchman - 19 Muriel Street
- Laurence Christie - 42 Rose St West
- Yvonne Mackenzie - Crn Kinsellas Rd & Hamilton Rd

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Improvements well underway to Danzy Buchanan Park

(Draft Design of Moreton Bay Regional Council's planned improvements to Danzy Buchanan Park)





Paris & Jasmine Teasdale celebrate news of Park Upgrade
(Picture: courtesy of North Lakes Times 26/1/2011)

Consultation Process a winner for Residents on Park Improvements.

Danzy Buchanan Park will receive a \$150,000 upgrade as part of the Moreton Bay Regional Council move to improve facilities in Mango Hill following submissions & ideas put forward by the Mango Hill Progress Association. Park Vista Developers, GEO properties have also contributed funds towards the project which include the new shelter on the oval and the extension of the pathway network around the park.

Mary St resident, Russell Bremner at whose specific suggestion the circular pathway was adopted, stated he was overwhelmed. *"I didn't expect to see it this side of Christmas"*, Russell commented brimming with sheer delight at the new pathway. *"Already there are many more people using the pathway with parents pushing strollers, kids on blades and folk simply walking around. It is wonderful!"*

On 15th October a number of members of the Association met with Councillor Julie Greer and Council Parks Project Manager, Gary Perfect to discuss further aspects of the draft plans for the Park. Both Julie and Gary are to be commended for approving a very detailed program of improvements and their willingness to accept a number of local suggestions which are included in the plans as shown on page 6. New pathways will be added to the current network of paths around the Community Centre

The next stage will commence early in the new year and will include upgrade of shelters, replacement of play equipment with exciting new swings being included. The children were also consulted on the type of swings they wanted and Paris and Jasmine Teasdale were not backward in putting forward their preferences.

Areas of the main oval will also be repaired following earlier construction of the sewerage pipelines for the Park Vista Development.

Progress Association Pursues Traffic Light Sequencing on North South Arterial Road

The Progress Association continues to promote to Officers of Moreton Bay Regional Council our concerns that the traffic lights at the junction of the North South Arterial Road and Kinsellas Road West (opposite Memorial Drive) are extremely inefficient, not allowing optimum traffic flow with no lessening of road safety. Despite comments from Council Officers supporting this view, the official correspondence of Moreton Bay Regional Council received on 8th August rejects this assertion.

The primary issues are:

- No dual cross traffic over the North South Arterial Road is possible from either north or south directions if a vehicle is not in a turning lane. (one direction at a time only)
- Right hand arrows (east and west) along the North South Arterial Road are fixed even if there is no traffic coming in the opposite direction and line of sight is clear and safe. Most times, motorist using a "turn right arrow" are made to wait unnecessarily.

While the Association's highest priority is the safety of all road users, our request is that Council consider the same commonsense Traffic Light signal sequencing that exists all round our region.

Councillor Julie Greer has asked for more information and has indicated she will follow this up with Council Officers.



Progress Association to operate Mango Hill Community Centre (officially)



Reflecting new Council policy, the Progress Association has signed a 5 year agreement to operate the Mango Hill Community

Centre on behalf of Council. For over 20 years, this centre has been a home base for many community groups with an emphasis on families. (The Mothers Group, Kallangur Slimmers and Mango Hill Sunday school are foundation organizations)

New Village Residents Welcomed

Over the past 25 years, *Mango Hill News* has helped record a little of the history of what is a rapidly expanding community of Mango Hill in what we know to be the best country on Earth. Every week we are joined by new neighbours, some who come from across the sea or other parts of this nation (next door or far flung regions). The *Mango Hill News* seeks to promote in a positive way, the aspirations and experiences of everyday residents and those ongoing issues that affect our lifestyles. If you are new to Mango Hill, Welcome! Each of us has settled here for our own reasons. Many are simply seeking to settle down, start a family and travel life's pathway in our own style and remain unnoticed except for friends and family. Others may wish to play a wider role in society whether that be with their childrens sporting team or community group. The Mango Hill Progress Association also welcomes your support.

Why Mango Hill Village? Each of us has own our own goals and that is respected. We welcome all new residents who have moved in in recent months and trust that you are enjoying living in what we consider to be a unique and wonderful place to make your home.

This month two families have moved into the Village, both into Rose St West. For one couple, it is starting out on life's journey together. For another, it is a case where that political and economic cards have been dealt in a harsh way and govern their outlook on how we as Australians deal with the issues around us.

WELCOME TO MITCH AND NIKKI



CRUISING IN BEAUTIFUL CARS

If you see the purple 1973 Chrysler cruising up Kinsellas Road West it is likely that Mitch and Nikki are indulging in one of life's passions, driving beautiful cars. Mitch and Nikki Hourigan have only weeks ago taken up residence and look forward to making the Village Home. Their modest two storey home in the quiet cul-de-sac of Rose Street is light years away from the bustle of city life (Redcliffe). *"It was an easy decision to make"*, stated Nikki. *"We love to see the wildlife life around the Village. It is a wonderful place to bring up a family"*.

Having met at High School, Nikke commenced her teaching career 3 years ago in Yeppoon and is now at Redcliffe High. Mitch is studying graphic design and looks forward to starting his own business in that industry. The Progress Association welcomes you to our community and trusts that your aspirations will be achieved.

Out of (economic) Hell into Heaven

is how Lionel and Yvonne Webster described their experiences in their native land of Zimbabwe. This is a just a little of their story.

"We are both decedents of pioneer stock from Zimbabwe, formerly Rhodesia. Yvonne was born 50m across the Victoria Falls (border of Zambia), a factor that would prove to be frustrating in later years as she was seen a a "foreigner" whilst I was born in Bulawayo in the south. Yvonne comes from a farming background and loves gardening and animals. whilst I (Lionel) love fishing and have worked for 44 years in the mining industry



Having originally done all we could to provide for a comfortable retirement, nothing could have prepared us for what happened when the economic conditions deteriorated. 23 "zeros" were added to our currency within 7 years eg: \$1 in 2009 had the same value as \$100,000,000,000,000,000,000,000 in 2002. it was very difficult for everyone with shelves in supermarkets empty and no basic amenities or services to our home as we enjoy here in Australia. Crime was also rampant.

To us Australia is heaven. We are so lucky to have family in the local area and whilst Yvonne (a young 74) must continue to work given our economic situation. we are loving it here in the Village where we have met so many lovely people already.

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Typhoon Nanmadol fails to dampen Sam's Philippine Mission



The Mango Hill News has followed a number of our young residents as they have left the comfortable surrounds of their home and sought to make a difference in the lives of children across the world, many in areas who need it most.

Kinsellas Road West resident, Sam Veritz maybe a very new

carpenter in the trade but already his career includes restoring homes in the Goodna area where many two storey houses had only their roofs out of the floodwaters. Back in August, Sam joined his new Boss, Phil Ginn and several other Tradies in building a new medical centre in remote northern Philippines. (small by out standards but a mansion to the local folk)



"We flew to Manila, the capital of the Philippines, then flew north to Tuguegarao (ta-gig-a-row (wow with an "r") city, then took a 20 minute flight in a small helicopter to a far, north east tribal community called Valley Cove. We built a small 6m x 6m besa block building for the community. It is to be used as their medical centre, to store supplies, and for the missionaries to assist the locals with their medical needs.

The Typhoon lasted for 3 days and one the dangers was the flying coconuts, the roof coming off our new building and 250kmp winds! It may have been only a few weeks, but we did manage to make a difference and the kids loved having us around."

Note: Helping others must run in the family as Sam's sister Cass also visited the Philippines some years ago as reported in the Mango Hill News. Now it is back to restoring flood affected homes in Brisbane.

Congratulations to Cass and Patrick on arrival of Levi

Mango Hill News may recall how Cassie Veritz met her future husband when they both joined a mission ship to the Philippines some years ago. After graduation as a primary school teacher, Cassie moved to Wiepa for two years before moving back to Redcliffe and married Patrick Mjambili.

Cassie's Mum and Dad (David and Elsie-Anne) are now proud Grandparents of young Levi who arrived at Redcliffe Hospital recently.

(across – Young Levi takes life in his stride with a wide Yawn with a proud Mum and Dad)



Congratulations to Mango Hill's Jason Kubler who has secured his first Futures title after taking out the Players' Choice Open Titles in the United States. Jason did not drop a set in winning the Title and defeated Japan's Yoshihito Nishioka 6-3, 6-2 in the final.

(courtesy of North Lakes Times)

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Mango Hill Community Centre

The Mango Hill Progress Association forms the Management Committee of the Mango Hill Community Centre on behalf of the Moreton Bay Regional Council. We welcome all our Groups using the Hall. Readers of the *Mango Hill Village News* are welcome to contact any of these groups if interested.

For those looking for something to do in Mango Hill or North Lakes, there is the Tennis Court or the local full Basketball court.

You are welcome to contact Organizers of the various events at the Community Centre if you have an interest in these activities.

HALL BOOKINGS = Laurence on 3204-2020
TENNIS COURT = Lyn on 3203-3121

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The Mango Hill News is the official publication of the Mango Hill Progress Association and seeks to publish informative editorial of community interest. Progress Association meetings are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month (Feb to Nov) and all members of the community are encouraged to participate in community activities. Annual Membership = \$10 per family.

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