

Weather

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Mackay: Cloudy with light rain. A thunderstorm or two in the afternoon and evening. Mostly light to moderate SE to E winds. Max 26.
Saturday. Light rain. Possible thunderstorm. Min 21 Max 26.

Rockhampton: A few showers and a possible thunderstorm. Light variable winds.

Gladstone: A few showers and a possible thunderstorm. Light to moderate SE to NE winds.

Central Coast and Whitsundays: Cloudy with patchy rain and thunderstorms. Light to moderate SE to E winds, freshening a little along the coast during the afternoon and evening.

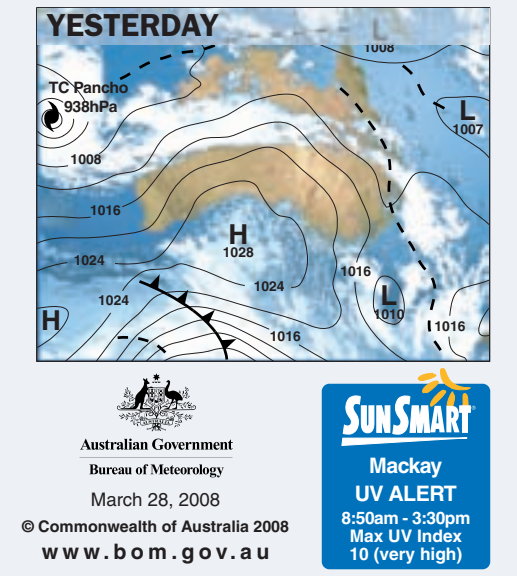
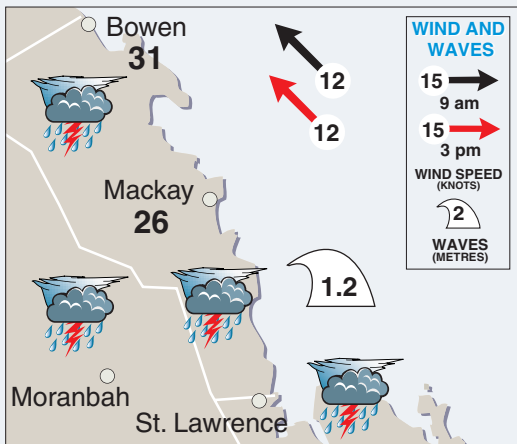
Capricornia: Light rain. Showers and possible thunderstorms developing. Light SE to NE winds.

Central Highlands and Coalfields: Cool and cloudy with patchy rain and isolated thunderstorms, contracting to north and east of Emerald during the morning. Light to moderate SW to SE winds.

COASTAL WATERS

Bowen to St. Lawrence: SE winds 15 to 20 knots. Seas to 1.7 metres in open waters. Rain areas, isolated afternoon and evening showers and thunderstorms.
Saturday. SE to E winds 15 to 20 knots.

St. Lawrence to Burnett Heads: S to SE winds 10 to 15 knots, increasing to 15 to 20 knots in the afternoon. Isolated afternoon and evening showers and thunderstorms.
Saturday. S to SE winds 15 to 20 knots.



Tide and sunrise/sunset times

Date	a.m.	p.m.
28	0206 4 29	0538 4 18
FR	1422 3 26	SU 1836 3 53
	2016 2 40	
29	0335 4 06	0011 2 29
SA	1135 2 58	0645 4 56
	1700 3 18	MO 1333 1 83
	2220 2 57	1922 3 96

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5 MINUTE MERCURY

LOCAL Pedestrian hit

A MAN with serious injuries was taken to Proserpine hospital last night after being hit by a vehicle at Jubilee Pocket near Airlie Beach. Police said the man in his late 20s was struck near the intersection of Erromango and Shute Harbour roads about 9.55pm. Firefighters assisted ambulance officers at the scene.

Woman, 79, airlifted

A CLERMONT woman, 79, was flown by RACQ-CQ Rescue helicopter from Moranbah to Mackay yesterday. She was a passenger in a stationary vehicle at Coppabella when it was struck from behind by a four-wheel drive about 10am Tuesday. Her numerous injuries included multiple broken ribs on both sides, a fractured arm, suspected spinal injuries, bruising to her lungs and a possible tear in her aorta.

Vehicles roll

A MAN was taken to Moranbah Hospital with minor injuries after his car rolled on the Peak Downs Highway at Coppabella at 7.30am. A second rollover occurred on the Mackay-Habana Road at Habana at 3.30pm. An occupant of the vehicle was taken to Mackay Base Hospital.

Classic generosity

MACKAY Classic Car Club has continued its long-standing commitment to helping the Mackay community by donating \$500 to the Flood



Grant Torta, Nikita Saunej and Andrew Woodley. PHOTO: CONTRIBUTED

Trainee of the Year

NIKITA Saunej is the pride of her community. Ms Saunej has been participating in the Wiri traineeship program, developed and funded by Hail Creek Mine and managed by the Mackay Area Industry Network, and was recently named Trainee of the Year. The indigenous trainee, who completes her 12-month program with MACS Engineering in April, encourages other members of the Wiri community to make the most of opportunities. Nikita was presented with her Trainee of the Year award by MACS Engineering CEO Grant Torta and Hail Creek Mine general manager operations Andrew Woodley.

POWERBALL:

16 30 40

41 42

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Relief Appeal. The club conducts fundraising activities as part of its community work, which includes manning the driver-reviver rest area at Waverley Creek, near St Lawrence, during holiday breaks. At a recent meeting members agreed that assistance to victims of the February 15 flood was a priority. The club provides social activities for members including outings to aged care facilities where residents are taken on short trips in members' classic cars. Meetings are held on the last Tuesday of each month at West Football Club and mem-

bership is open to anybody with an interest in classic vehicles. Actual classic car ownership is not a requirement. Secretary Don Stewart can be contacted on 4959 0665 for details.

NATION Saved from croc
DARWIN: A drunken miner was only seconds away from being attacked by a crocodile in Australia's northern waters when police saved his life by shooting at the reptile. Horrified onlookers watched from the shore outside the

Alyangula Recreation Club on Grootte Eylandt as the determined crocodile closed in on the man yesterday. The 27-year-old man, who works at the nearby Gemco mine, was drinking with a mate when he was apparently dared to swim out to a croc trap 70 metres offshore. As terrified onlookers screamed out to the man to try and get his attention, Commander Colin Smith said an officer steadied himself onshore and took the first of several shots with his Glock pistol. The crocodile eventually turned away.

WORLD Teens in the money

DUBLIN: Two Irish teenagers have sold their fledgling computer software venture to a Canadian company in a multi-million deal. Brothers Patrick and John Collision sold their auctomatic.com to new media company Live Current Media, based in Vancouver. The sale price is thought to be in excess of \$US5 million (\$A5.4 million). "That's ball-park. We can't give the exact figure but that's close enough," Patrick, 19, said. Auctomatic, set up last year in Limerick in the southwest of the country, involves commerce technology and tools that enable sellers easily to transact online through sites such as eBay. Patrick and his 17-year-old brother have two British partners and the proceeds of the sale, which will be closed in May, will be shared among all the owners.

SPORT New swim records

SYDNEY: Australian sprint stars Eamon Sullivan and Libby Trickett last night reclaimed their crowns as the fastest swimmers in the world, scorching the Olympic trials with a pair of freestyle world records. Sullivan reasserted his dominance with a world record in the 50m freestyle and Trickett followed up an hour later by becoming the first woman to legally break 53 seconds in the 100m freestyle, clocking 52.88s to slash 0.42s off German Britta Steffen's record.

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