

### Episode 602 Sunday 17 February 2008

#### **Eumundi Gourmet Sofie Formica**

Celebrated author Jill Morris has a property in the Sunshine Coast hinterland called "Book Farm", and she encourages groups of budding poets and authors of all ages to spend a day with her, learning to write.



The farm comprises hectares and hectares of rolling green hills, and a wonderful pocket of remnant rainforest that straddles Obi Obi Creek. The school groups that Jill hosts spend time rediscovering their five senses on a tour of the property, and then put their experiences and descriptions to paper.

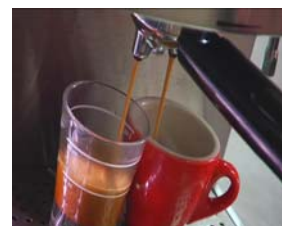
Excursions to "Book Farm" are flexible around particular needs, and costs vary, but they are by appointment only.

#### **Contact Book Farm**

330 Reesville Road, Maleny,  
[www.greaterglider.com](http://www.greaterglider.com)  
(07) 5494 3000

#### **Di Bella Coffee Richard Champion**

Di Bella Coffee in Bowen Hills is Australia's fastest growing boutique coffee business. Visitors are invited to pop into the factory and enjoy a coffee tasting and a bite to eat.



Another activity Di Bella offers is a free one hour training session on how to get the best results from your own coffee machine. Feel free to bring it in and get instruction from experienced staff, although it is recommended that you book ahead. Di Bella also offers guided tours of the factory.

#### **Contact Di Bella Coffee**

[dibellacoffee.com.au](http://dibellacoffee.com.au)  
(07) 3252 5858

### **Your Home Movies – Share then with The Great South East**

If you have old home movies featuring scenes of the Great South East in years gone by, and if they are in a reasonable condition, then we'd love to see them and share them with other viewers.

Just email or write to us with an explanation of what you have and when it was taken, and include your contact details so that we can get in touch with you.

#### **Contact The Great South East**

GPO Box 604, Brisbane QLD 4001 - [info@greatsoutheast.com.au](mailto:info@greatsoutheast.com.au)

### **Gold Coast Video Club Laurel Edwards**

If you fancy your skills as an amateur camera operator but would like to hone them a bit further, then it's a great idea to share knowledge with like-minded souls.



The Gold Coast Video Camera Club has been operating for many years and Garth and Glenda Threlfall are long-time members who have a wonderful collection of family archives that goes back to grainy holiday films from the early 1960s.

The Gold Coast Video Camera Club holds meetings on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at Mudgeeraba Primary School. You don't need to have all the video and editing gear. In fact, it's probably a great place to gather some recommendations if you are in the market. It costs \$25 to join, then there's an annual family fee of \$40.

**Contact Gold Coast Video Camera Club**  
Mudgeeraba State School, Old Coach Road  
Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month  
\$25 Joining Fee & \$40 Annual Fee per Family  
[ggthrelfall@bigpond.com](mailto:ggthrelfall@bigpond.com)  
(07) 5534 4485

### **Frangipanis John Hawkins**

Mike Earnshaw owns DJs Way, a nursery dedicated to frangipanis. His collection contains hundreds of different varieties that he's personally collected from around the world. Colours range from the more common whites & yellows through to pinks, stunning multi-colours and exotic black reds. Mike sells a large range of frangipani seeds, plants and oils on his website.



Propagating your own tree from a cutting is simple – cut a good sized branch from a healthy tree and let it dry out for a couple of weeks. After being planted in potting mix, it should begin forming new roots within a fortnight.

Frangipanis do well in a sunny and well-drained position that's frost-free. Do not over water and, in winter, use an active mulch to keep the roots warm.

**Contact DJs Way Nursery**  
[djsway.com](http://djsway.com)  
(07) 5599 7117

### ....WHAT'S ON....

#### **Clean Up Australia Day**

There can never be enough helping hands for Cleanup Australia Day, so encourage your friends and family to get involved on Sunday the second of March.

There are cleanup sites all over the great south east. For a full list or to register your support, head to the cleanup website or call the toll-free hotline.

The Great South East is a beautiful place, lets all help to keep it that way.

#### **Contact Cleanup Australia Day**

Sunday March 2

Held at various locations

[cleanup.com.au](http://cleanup.com.au)

1800 282 329

#### **Cotton Onto Energy Festival**

This March, every family, farmer and fashionista will want to be in Dalby for the Cotton onto Energy Festival.

Formerly known as Dalby Cottonweek, I'ts an extravaganza of fashion, racing, sport, music and family fun.

The festival concludes on March 15 with plenty of hijinx at the Dalby Race Course. For the full program, head to the cottonweek website.

#### **Contact Cotton onto Energy Festival**

March 12-15

Dalby

[cottonweek.com.au](http://cottonweek.com.au)

1800 680 303

#### **Contact Family Fun Day**

March 15

Dalby Race Course

Adults \$15

Children FREE

#### **Noosa Festival of Surfing**

The surf's up at Noosa for the annual Festival of surfing in early March.

Other than the obligatory surfing comps, there will be live music, surf film screenings, surfing workshops, and SurfEXPO, which is a display of every surfing product imaginable.

Don't miss this celebration of the surfing lifestyle at one of the Great South East's most recognised beach locations.

#### **Contact Noosa Festival of Surfing**

March 2-9

Noosa Drive & Main Beach, Noosa

[www.usmevents.com.au/noosasurf/](http://www.usmevents.com.au/noosasurf/)

(07) 5449 0711