



# BATES BULLETIN

our Mudgeeraba

Edition 18

## Dear Residents

### Happy New Year Mudgeeraba!

This year will be an even busier year with Local Government elections in March and the State election on 31 October 2020, which will now be for fixed 4 year terms.

I will continue to fight for local infrastructure, community funding and better services for the Mudgeeraba electorate and hold the Trad/Palaszczuk Labor Government to account as both your local member and as the Shadow Minister for Health and Ambulance Services and Women.

Whilst we have had plenty of wins thanks to local community support, there is more to be done and I will continue working hard to deliver for you and your family.

As always, if there is anything I can do to assist you or your family, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

*Ros Bates MP*

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**LNP Member for Mudgeeraba**

Shadow Minister for Health and Ambulance Services  
Shadow Minister for Women



### CONGRATULATORY MESSAGES

If you or someone you know is celebrating a birthday or wedding anniversary my office can assist you with a letter or certificate of congratulations.

Depending on the occasion we can arrange a letter from myself, the Premier, the Prime Minister or the Queen to recognise this milestone for you or someone you care for.

### JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

My office has a qualified JP available to assist members of the community with witnessing documents during office hours on Monday, Wednesday and Friday between the hours of 3-5pm. JPs are trained Queenslanders who can witness and certify your routine legal documents. No appointment is necessary.

### PHOTOCOPYING

My office is able to assist local community groups and non-profit organisations with small scale, black and white photocopying.

Whether club newsletters or flyers advertising community events, we are happy to lend a hand during office hours, with no appointment necessary.

### LETTERS OF SUPPORT

I always encourage local community groups to apply for funding through a number of government and private sector grants programs. If I can ever assist through a letter of support for a specific funding application, please do not hesitate to ask.

### Get in Touch with Ros

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## What's happening in the Mudgeeraba Electorate

### MERRIMAC TRAIN STATION

The Cross River Rail Delivery Authority has announced plans to build a new train station in Merrimac.

The site is in the preserved Merrimac rail corridor and myself and the local councillor support this option. Other options mooted in an industrial estate parallel to the M1 would have cost \$40M more and would not service the rapidly growing suburbs of Merrimac and Carrara.

In addition Catholic Education have purchased the school site on Ghilgai Road for a new primary school to feed into St Michael's Secondary School.

There are plans for a new road entrance to the station, 750 metres east of the M1 on Gooding Drive and should include dual laning of Gooding Drive westbound.

I urge locals to take part in the planning process. Further information can be found at <http://bit.ly/2ZEFbid>



▲ Discussing traffic and parking issues in Merrimac with Cr. Bob LaCetra

### RURAL FIRE HEROES

Thank you to our wonderful rural fires, QFES, and local volunteers. These fires truly showcased the resilient Mudgeeraba community spirit.

After the recent bushfires, which particularly affected parts of Mudgeeraba such as Lower Beechmont, Natural Bridge, as well as the Numinbah Valley, it was amazing to see the community respond. Our local volunteers did a phenomenal job of containing the bushfires, cleaning up afterwards and taking care of each other, all with a sense of humour!

For more tips on how to be bushfire ready, visit: [www.ruralfire.qld.gov.au](http://www.ruralfire.qld.gov.au)



▲ Ros with hard working local rural fires from Gilston/Advancetown brigade

### SECOND M1 NEEDED NOW!

5 years later, we are no closer to progress on the Second M1, despite current roads being at capacity, bottlenecks and calls from local MPs for action.

Under Labor, not a shovel is in sight and progress is perpetually stuck in the "planning" stage. Time's up on Labor's excuses.

**SIGN THE PETITION NOW:** <http://bit.ly/2Yvk1IM>





# AL ISSUES

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## How you can help in the Mudgeeraba Electorate



### SICK OF HOONS IN OUR LOCAL AREA?

Despite immense pressure, the Labor Minister continues to ignore Mudgeeraba locals who've had a gutful of hoons threatening property and personal safety.

Recently I drove around the electorate to our most prominent Hoon spots such as Beechmont, Springbrook, Nerang-Murwillumbah, Worongary, Bonogin, Hardys, Tolga, Austinville Roads and Observatory Drive just to name a few. If you want **real action** please utilise my Hoon Watch Form on my website. These are sent directly by me to either Nerang, Mudgeeraba or Robina Senior Sergeants for action. The more complaints I receive, the easier it is for the police to target the right areas at the right times.

Email me the **HOON WATCH FORM**: <http://bit.ly/34GPTG5>

### AIRCON FOR CLASSROOMS

With temperatures currently exceeding 40 degrees, the LNP has reiterated its commitment to air-condition every state school classroom.

The LNP has committed to investing in infrastructure to air condition every state school in Queensland. Our kids can't learn in hot classrooms. We all know that cool kids are smart kids and it's time Labor backed our plan instead of pork barreling in Labor seats.

**SIGN THE PETITION HERE:** <http://bit.ly/2QgDAML>



# Community

## Feedback

Tell **Ros** what you think:

### 30 Second Survey

What are the top 3 issues that concern you?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Creating local jobs                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Improving local public transport        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tackling crime in our community              | <input type="checkbox"/> Supporting small business               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Easing cost of living pressures              | <input type="checkbox"/> Supporting our agricultural industries  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Access to local health services              | <input type="checkbox"/> Reducing traffic congestion             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Improving local schools                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Upgrading the M1/building the second M1 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> New infrastructure to meet population growth | <input type="checkbox"/> Reducing Queensland's debt              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Improving local roads and highways           | <input type="checkbox"/> Upgrading local roads                   |

If you could fix one problem in our local area what would it be?

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At elections, do you usually vote:

☐ for the same political party each time OR: ☐ change depending on the candidate/policies

Your Details:

Name

Address

Phone

Email

Once completed, please return your form to:

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Thanks for having your say

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