50th Anniversary Naming of the Sunshine Coast Project Program

Date	Organiser	Details
6 – 9 January	Caloundra Pottery Group	LIVING IN SYNC An exhibition of numerous and varied displays of our flora and fauna from the Sunshine Coast region from the hinterland to the ocean - depicted in lifelike reproductions in paint and clay.
24 January	Sunshine Coast Council	Sunshine Coast Australia Day Awards The Sunshine Coast Australia Day Awards are a celebration of the contribution that individuals, community groups and organisations make in our region.
26 January	Sunshine Coast Council	Australia Day Citizenship Ceremony Each year around 1500 Sunshine Coast residents become Australian citizens every year. The ceremony is a celebration of becoming an Australian where recipients receive their Certificate of Australian Citizenship. From that date on, they are officially Australian.
26 January	Sunshine Coast Council	Australia Day Flag Raising The 2017 Australia Day flag raising ceremony was hosted hosted by Cr Tim Dwyer, Division 2 and will include the raising of both the Australian flag by cadets from both Air Force and the Navy. Australia Day ambassador and special guest speaker, local high-profile chef and regional food ambassador Matt Golinski.
27 January	Sunshine Coast Sports Federation	Sunshine Coast Sports Star of the Year Awards The Sunshine Coast Sports Awards are in their 25th Year this year. They have been an integral part of the sporting landscape and the Sunshine Coast community through that time. The aim of the Awards is to recognise and reward the outstanding achievements and contributions that both individuals and teams have made to sport on the Sunshine Coast.

27 February	Sunshine Coast Council	Mary Cairncross Scenic Reserve Rainforest Discovery Centre Opening Offering the most spectacular views of the heritage listed Glass House Mountains, the \$4.7 million Discovery Centre features an elevated viewing platform and boardwalk, and the Rainforest Education Centre. The Governor of Queensland, His Excellency the Honourable Paul de Jersey AC will officially open the centre together with Sunshine Coast Council Mayor Mark Jamieson.
28 February	Sunshine Coast Council	Sippy Creek Animal Pound Opening Lost pets and livestock on the Sunshine Coast can now being cared for at council's new Sippy Creek Animal Pound. Mayor Mark Jamieson will officially open the new facility which enhances council's community services.
14 March	Sunshine Coast Council	Beerwah Depot Opening The new purpose built depot, ideally located to service the new development areas to the south and west of Caloundra, will be officially opened by Mayor Mark Jamieson. To retain character, refurbished buildings and new structures all form part of the site.
19 March	Sunshine Coast Council	Heritage Showcase Enjoy a free fun day out with the whole family. View displays and talk with volunteers from over 15 local museums and heritage organisations. There will be everything from parades of fashion through the eras, demonstrations of and workshops in lost arts such as butter making and wood carving, lots of live entertainment, a Retro Café and much more.

5 March	The Anglican Parish of Buderim	A concert of songs created and sung at Aboriginal Missions and Reserves in the 20th century will be presented by indigenous researcher Jessie Lloyd and her vocal quartet.				
1 March – 30 June	Mapleton Men's Shed	Forestry Industry in Mapleton – a retrospective view The establishment an interpretative centre using ephemera collected from the site and the community. The Mapleton Men's Shed have transformed the original Mapleton Forestry Office barracks building into their shed.				
14 April – 17 April	Coolum Art Group	Art and Craft Exhibition A diverse collection of tradition and contemporary art and crafts produced by the artists of the Coolum Art Collective and associated master craftsmen and women.				
3 May	Sunshine Coast Council	Kings Beach Heritage Signs Launch Life-size Picture Sunshine Coast images showcasing classic Kings Beach scenes from the 1920s to the 1950s. The signage commemorates the 50th Anniversary of the Naming of the Sunshine Coast and celebrates our region's history.				
6 – 7 May	Sunshine Coast Council	Heritage Discovery Weekend Over 12 local museums and heritage places open their doors over this special weekend to celebrate the heritage of the Sunshine Coast.				
13 May	Palmwoods Singers Theatrical Society	"Walkin' in Sunshine" a musical tribute to the last 50 years A musical-comedy performance of a selection of songs which reflect the lifestyle enjoyed by residents of the Sunshine Coast. Set on the Sunshine Coast in the 1960's it is sure to make you laugh.				

30 May	Sunshine Coast Council	David Low Way Pedestrian and Cycle Bridge Opening A new \$2.98 million dedicated cycle and pedestrian bridge across Eudlo Creek on David Low Way will be officially opened, providing a safe and easy route between Maroochydore and Bli Bli.
16 – 18 June	Sunshine Coast Agricultural Show Society	50 Years of Agriculture Goodness Cookbook A cookbook of recipes loved by locals that are nutritious and healthy, showcasing and utilising the Sunshine Coast local produce.
1 – 2 July	Nambour and Maroochy District Band	49th Festival of Brass Feature Concert A concert featuring two of the Sunshine Coast's premiere instrumental music groups and hosted by Sunshine Brass Band as part of the Festival of Brass.
1 – 2 July	Queensland Air Museum	30th Anniversary Open Cockpit Weekend A two-day event which has family activities including historic aircraft flyovers and a historic aviation collection of over 65 aircraft.
1 July	Sunshine Coast Natural Dyeing Interest Group	Tree Place Exhibition and Natural Dyeing Workshops Part of the Tree Place project an exhibition celebrating environment and creativity.
1 July – 30 August	Sunshine Coast Amateur Radio Club	Special Event Radio Call Sign A unique call sign issued by the Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA) t with accompanying collectible QSL card, in commemoration of the 50 th Anniversary of the Naming of the Sunshine Coast. The radio call will be used by amateur radio operators worldwide.

8 July – 19 August	Sunshine Coast Council & University of the Sunshine Coast	From the Mountains to the Sea This collaborative exhibition focuses on broad Sunshine Coast historical themes, drawn from multiple museum collections, extending beyond local history over the last 50 years. The exhibition also includes community memories compiled from heritage film footage donated by the community and from the Heritage Library archives, and a commissioned film that looks at creative landscapes on the Sunshine Coast through the eyes of contemporary artists, authors and architects.
1 July – 10 October	Eumundi and District Historical Association	Discover Eumundi An exhibition and event series highlighting what it was like to live in Eumundi and the surrounding district in the 1960's
15 July	Sunshine Coast Yacht Club	Sunshine Coast Ocean Regatta An offshore yacht race series with a commemorative race day, involving yachts from 30 foot to over 60 foot from yacht clubs along the East Coast.
24 July	Sunshine Coast Council	Sunshine Coast Solar Farm Opening & Commissioning Sunshine Coast Council is Australia's first local government to offset its entire electricity consumption across all its facilities and operations from renewable energy generated at the 15MW Sunshine Coast Solar Farm. Located at Valdora, the farm will provide \$22 million in savings, after costs, over a 30-year period (based on today's electricity costs).
25 July	Gheerulla Hall	Festival of Community Halls – Media Launch A SERIES of events across Sunshine Coast community halls during the Festival of Community Halls is set to remind residents of the role the venues have played, as part of the 50th Anniversary of the Naming of the Sunshine Coast celebrations.

1 August	Sunshine Coast Council	Official Commemoration Morning tea Officially commemorated on 1 August 2017, 50 years after the name the Sunshine Coast was officially endorsed by the Minister for Lands, Alan Fletcher. Cr Jason O'Pray and Sunshine Coast Council will celebrate the commemoration together with recipients of the 50th Anniversary grants.
3 – 5 August	Maroochydore Orchids Society	Annual Orchid Show An annual three day orchid show, established in 1973 appealing to plant lovers of all ages and is a showcase of orchids, bromeliads, anthuriums, ferns and other foliage plants
12 August	Mooloolaba Primary P&C	Annual Trivia Night A fancy dress trivia night with the theme "Sunshine Coast Icons".
4 – 25 Aug	Suncoast Clayworkers	50 Vessels, Celebrate the Creative Cauldron Fifty ceramic artists will be presented in a careful and creative manner, bringing collectors and lovers of ceramic art to the Arts and Ecology Centre from all over Australia.
5 August	Maroochydore Australian Rules Football Club	Sunshine Coast 50th Anniversary Women's Cup The first of an annual Women's AFL Cup event leaves its legacy, supporting White Ribbon, DV Brisbane and a local women's refuge to help stop violence against women.

6 August	Friends of Lift	Our Sunshine Coast This musical spectacular that draws together local artists and community groups to create an outstanding event to commemorate the historic occasion. Imagine a 100-piece orchestra, 200-voice choir plus 40-voice children's choir plus dancers at the Sunshine Coast Stadium, conducted by Kim Kirkman – a birthday spectacular. The performance includes a Beatles medley, original songs written to celebrate the occasion and the epic Carmina Burana by Carl Orff.
11 August	Caloundra Committee of the Services to the Aging	50th Anniversary Concert A concert as the closing element of their Senior's Week program.
12 August	Sunshine Statesmen Barbershop Chorus	50th Anniversary Concert A concert performance featuring the nationally recognised, Sunshine Coast Barbershop Chorus.
13 August	Palmwoods Community Kindergarten	Palmwoods Community Kindy Fair The second annual Palmwoods Community Kindy Fair is a fun family day out, with kids and family activities and face painting.
13 August	Sunshine Coast Junior Eisteddfod	Junior Eisteddfod and 50th Anniversary of the Naming of the Sunshine Coast Gala Concert A concert to showcasing musical talent from across the coast concluding with an afternoon tea.
Kenilworth and District Chamber of Commerce and Citizens		The First and Last – Sugar Production in Nambour A program of archive film from the opening of the mill in Nambour in 1899 to the last crush, presented by local film maker Kev Franzi at the Film and Photography Museum.

18 August	Sunshine Coast Council	Travel Writers Dinner UP TO 350 travel writers, food bloggers, photographers, videographers and social media influencers will descend on the Sunshine Coast for the Australian Society of Travel Writers annual convention at Novotel Twin Waters. The Sunshine Coast is on show with local food and beverages paired with From the Mountain to the Sea exhibition.
19 August	Caloundra Community Centre	Recollections – 50 Years of Loving Landsborough Part of the larger Newsmakers a community event, exhibition and community arts workshops held on the Loving Landsborough Day.
20 August	Yandina Chamber of Commerce	Yandina Street Fair 2017 A full family fun day presenting local artists, music, dance, food, crafts and children's activities illustrating the past 50 years.
30 August	Mooloolaba Yacht Club	50th Anniversary Commemorative Booklet Launch A commemorative booklet celebrating the cultural heritage of the Mooloolaba Yacht Club's 50th Anniversary.

		Festival	of Community	Halls	
		Date	Time	Location	Event
		August			
		4 th & 5 th	9am-4pm	Montville Hall	50 Years of Mooloolah Memories
	Gheerulla Hall and Recreation Association Inc.	5 th	5pm	Obi Obi Hall	Country Rocks the Obi
			9am-2pm	Mapleton Hall	Retro Fantastic
			7pm	Mapleton Hall	Live Music Locally
			7.30pm	Belli Hall	Retro Old Time Country Dance
		6 th	1-4pm	Eudlo Hall	The Musos at Eudlo
		11 th	6-10.30pm	Peachester Hall	"Indigo Jones and the Deluge" Movie, Meal & Memorabilia
		12 th	7am-12pm	Montville Hall	From Farm to Café
			7pm	Kenilworth Hall	Kenilworth Show & rodeo Princess Ball
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tember	Recreation Association Inc.		3-5pm	Landsborough Hall	High Tea with a Twist
			5.30pm	Palmwoods Hall	The Picture Show
			7pm	Gheerulla Hall	"Dancin' the Night Away" with The Strangest Dreamers
		25 th	7.30pm	Eumundi Hall	Movie: "A Perfect Day" Movie Night
		26 th	10am-3pm	Kureelpa Hall	Kureelpa Tramstop Festival
			2-4pm	Eudlo Hall	Dandyman and Ruby Rubberlegs
		27 th	2.30-6pm	Maleny Hall	Noosa Orchestra Concert
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		2 nd	7.30pm	Glasshouse Hall	Spring Ball
		9 th	7pm	Verrierdale Hall	Full Moon Dance
			7.30pm	Belli Hall	Retro Old Time Country Dance
		10 th	9am	Obi Obi Hall	Motorcycle Show
			3-5pm	Ridgewood Hall	Music at the Hall
		15 th	6.30pm	Valdora Hall	Trivia Night with a touch of local history
		16 th	6pm	Eumundi Hall	Eumundi Rocks around the Clock with Little Pattie

			7-10pm	Maleny Hall	Dangerous Song with Lindsay Pollak		
		Sunshine Coast Connections - Discover, Create, Celebrate A series of events highlights the unique coastal, creek and marine environments of the Sunshine Coast. DISCOVER more about local environments and wildlife through interactive workshops and learn how you can get involved in citizen science. CREATE eco-art with local artists that shares the beauty of our natural environment. CELEBRATE the inspiring wildlife and environments we live, work and play in. You're sure to find an activity that suits you with this series of catchment crawls, eco safaris, mystery eco tours, art projects and marine discovery days.					
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		8 th	9am-4pm	Ecollaboration	Eco Safari		
		31st	9am-4pm	Ecollaboration	Eco Safari		
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		24 th	9am-4pm	Ecollaboration	Eco Safari		
7 September	Lions Club of Buderim Inc.	The Bud hosting of families.	lignitaries, com As well as a co	celebrate their 50 th A nunity members, clu mmemorative bookle	Anniversary of their founding. A dinner and ib partners and sponsors plus members anet highlighting 50 great projects from the cluculture and personality of Buderim through	d their ıb in 50 years,	

8 -10 September	Nambour and District Tennis Association	Nambour Open Tennis Championships The three day Open Tennis Championship, attracts male and female tennis players from across Australia to Nambour, the championship was established in 1949 and has been part of the Sunshine Coast's identity since that time.
9 September	Brookes Street Nambour Community Kindergarten	Brookes Street Kindergarten Party A party with face painting, balloon art and a family movie night at the Brookes Street Community Kindergarten in Nambour. This year marks the 50th Anniversary of both the kindy and the Naming of the Sunshine Coast and a statue and plaque will be revealed in commemoration.
16 September	Sunshine Coast Concert Band Inc.	Sunshine Coast 50th Anniversary Concert Sunshine Coast Concert Band presents "Songs We Were Singing in the 60's". The 50th Anniversary Concert, Celebrating 50 years of the Sunshine Coast. A band of 40 volunteer members are set to perform music from the past 50 years at the Kawana Community Hall in Buddina. Directed by Ken Chadwick OAM with Vocalists Dave Stygall and Wendy West.
25 September	Landsborough and District Historical Society Inc.	The News Makers - 50 years of Stories that made the News A cross-section of significant stories that captured the headlines over the past 50 years are explored in photograph, text, film and oral accounts are explored in this professionally curated exhibition

27 September	The Royal Australian Institute of Architects	Sunshine Coast Open House Launch Launched by the Governor of Queensland, His Excellency the Honourable Paul de Jersey AC, at a special event hosted by the University of the Sunshine Coast. Other special guests included Sunshine Coast Mayor Mark Jamieson, Noosa Mayor Tony Wellington, USC Vice-Chancellor Professor Greg Hill and Sunshine Coast award-winning architect John Mainwaring. The free Sunshine Coast Open House provides visitors with the rare opportunity to tour architecturally diverse, well-designed and historic buildings across the region.					
29 September – 2 October	Kenilworth Arts Council Inc.	Then and Now Photographic Display Part of the Kenilworth Arts Festival a photographic display showcasing changes in locations, people and happenings between 1967 and 2017. Photographs taken 50 years ago (borrowed from the Kenilworth Historical Society), these photographs will then be 'copied' by rephotographing the original place. The display will show case 'Then and Now', a comparison of locations, people and happenings from 1967 and 2017.					
		Eumundi - Our Story Past, Present & Future Six Eumundi organisations and businesses have come together to dress-up, throw a party, host a dance off, supper dance, grand parade, live music and the showing of vintage cars.					
		Date	Time	Location	Event		
		September					
29 September –	The Eumundi Chamber of	29 th	3-6pm	Deadly Espresso Cafe	Deadly Collective Indigenous Storytelling + Cultural Creative Art		
1 October	Commerce		7.30pm	Joe's Waterhole	60's Dance Party, Best Dressed Competition + Live Music		
		30 th	3pm	Memorial Parade	Grande Parade Celebrating Eumundi's Past, Present & Future		
			5pm	Imperial Hotel	Beer + Music Festival		
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		1 st	11am	Dick Caplick Park	Family Fun Day at the Park		
			2.30-5.30pm	Templeton's Dance Studio	Learn to Dance at Templeton's		

30 September – 2 October	Rotary Club of Mooloolaba	Sunshine Coast Festival of Sands International sand artist Dennis Massoud 'the Sandman' will be creating a sand sculpture right on Mooloolaba Beach. Adults and children alike will be amazed at what can be created from sand.
2 October	Nambour Garden Club	Nambour Garden Club's Tribute to the Past 50 Years – Commemorative Book An A4 commemorative illustrated book with colour and black and white images along with information of 50 gardens has been collected from historical records, schools, community gardens, events, and also from the club's publication, 'Garden Gabblings'.
7 October	Sunnykids	Mayoral Ball The 2017 Mayoral Ball is the most significant fundraising event on the Sunnykids calendar, with every dollar raised making a difference to a child in the community. The aero-themed, black tie event held at McDermott Aviation hangar at the Sunshine Coast Airport, wows guests with amazing local cuisine catered by celebrity chef Matt Golinski, paired with great wine, entertainment and friendship.
8 October	Coolum HeARTs	Sing Out Concert "SING OUT" - Celebrating Mental Health Week during the 50th Anniversary of the Naming of the Sunshine Coast. An afternoon of entertainment and Birthday Party for the Sunshine Coast - with our focus on the Coolum Community in support of Mental Health Week.
9 -28 October	Celebrate Glasshouse Country	Celebrating Our Heritage A three-week 'pop up' heritage display in a vacant shop in Beerwah coinciding with the Beerwah Street Party.
11 October	121 Care	121 Care's 25th Anniversary Luncheon A celebratory luncheon reflecting on how far disability support and inclusivity has come in the last 25 years, including a presentation by Queensland's Anti-Discrimination Commissioner Kevin Cocks.

14 October	The Royal Australian Institute of Architects	Sunshine Coast Architecture – Past, Present and the Future Six leading Sunshine Coast Architects, on how architecture has evolved on the Sunshine Coast over the past 50 years and how it could evolve over the next 50 years. Speakers include John Mainwaring, Lindsay Clare, Ian Dimond, David Teeland, Dan Sparks and John Robertson. Each panel member brings different experiences and design ideals to the discussion and will review the design challenges 50 years ago and what the design challenges will be for the next 50 years. They will consider how Sunshine Coast architecture has evolved since the 1960's and what are the design possibilities for our changing sub-tropical urban lifestyle in the future.
21 October	The Royal Australian Institute of Architects	2017 Sunshine Coast Open House For the first time the Royal Australian Institute of Architects are giving you an opportunity to explore a selection of buildings by opening them up to the public for free. Discover the hidden wealth of architecture, engineering and history in buildings and places around the Sunshine Coast. This event is proudly supported by the Sunshine Coast Cultural Heritage Levy.
22 October	Hot Ginger Chorus Incorporated	Sunshine 60's Twilight concert featuring sixties music performed by Hot Ginger Chorus and friends. The naming of the Sunshine Coast will feature in the 'Sixties' story of social, cultural and political events occurring locally and elsewhere. Refreshments to follow.
22 October	Caloundra Off Road Cycling Association	Sunshine Coast Mountain Bike Expo A mountain bike expo held in October to celebrate 50 years of cycling on the Sunshine Coast. Caloundra Off Road Cycling Association will showcase mountain biking with a range of stalls, displays, activities, guided rides, skills instruction and other aspects designed to attract new riders into the sport.

24 October	Sunshine Coast Council	Buderim Cricket Ground Opening Councillor Christian Dickson will officially open the \$270,000 facility which includes a five-pitch turf wicket block with irrigation and drainage, top dressed and renovated playing field, state level field fencing and sightscreens, storage shed and spectator shade awnings.
17 November	The Eumundi Chamber of Commerce	Wandarin'in Art The Tree Place Community Exhibition brings together creative work inspired by trees and the environment. Included are spoon carvers of all levels, from well known artists Gary Field and Corrie Wright to a collection from up and coming carvers from Noosa Pengari School in Doonan.
20 November	Sunshine Coast Council	Coolum Library Upgrade Celebrate one of the milestone projects of the 50th Anniversary of the Naming of the Sunshine Coast, mayor Mark Jamieson will officially open council's newly renovated Coolum Library. The \$2.48 million improvements include an inviting reconfigured entry and an expansion of the children's zone allowing for dedicated areas for storytelling, reading nooks and tables for colouring in and other children's activities, technology upgrades, dedicated event zone and a new open timber deck area where patrons can enjoy reading a good book.
2 December	Yandina Community Gardens	High Density Commemorative Tropical Orchard The planting of a high density orchard to commemorate the volunteers that have contributed to the Yandina Community Gardens since 2002, demonstrating how fruit trees can grow successfully in a small space.

14 - 16 December	Pente Poets	The Sunshine Coast Hinterland Poetry Trail & Book Launch Over 3 days the Pente Poets will launch the Sunshine Coast Hinterland Poetry Trail at 3 different locations. In these locations poets, artists and the environment have united to celebrate the unique beauty and reflect on local history. The book 'On the Poetry Trail' at the Montville site launch on 15 December. • Maleny - Thursday, 14 December 2017 • Montville - Friday, 15 December 2017 • Little Yabba Creek Kenilworth - Saturday, 16 December 2017
31 December	Sunshine Coast Council	NYE Mooloolaba New Year's Eve Mooloolaba is the region's largest free celebration to welcome in the new year. This family-friendly event will be held along Mooloolaba Esplanade on Sunday 31 December from 4pm to midnight. Entertainment kicks off at 4.30pm on the Main Stage with a range of live music and kid's entertainment.