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## Bastille Day Celebration

## Calendar of Events



See Plus Function Centre , The Wharf  
Mooloolaba - From 6pm

Opposite Underwater World Corner of River Esplanade and  
Parkyn Parade

**Complimentary Welcome Drink.**

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**3 course Menu by French Chef Christophe Guillou**

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energize the dance floor.

**Members: \$50.00 Non-Members: \$56.00**

Bookings required before Friday 08/07/2011 4pm

**Licensed Venue**

To book, please send payment to AFSC

BSB 084 620 A/C 829976937 or by cheque to

AFSC PO Box 347 Bli Bli QLD 4560

Please quote **"Bastille"** with your payment.

Any dietary requirement, please let us know when booking

- **14<sup>th</sup> July 2011: Fête Nationale** (see Editorial)

- **23 Juillet 2011 – 10.00am: Library Conversation**



**Beerwah Library Meeting Room.**

(Off Peachester Road)

Gold Coin Donation

Hosted by Cécile & Verity

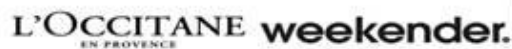
We will play Bingo and "Jeu de l'oie".

Phone Cécile on 0407 070 467 to  
book your seat.

- **8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> October 2011:** The AFSC will participate to FESTURI 2011 Village of Diversity in partnership with CALOUNDRRA Music Festival. We will present a "French for Kids" Workshop. More details closer to event.



- **17<sup>th</sup> November 2011: Opening of the Beaujolais Nouveau.** Details to follow closer to Event



## French Classes

### Adults: Beginner, Elementary 1, Elementary 2 & Intermediate.

10 weekly night classes

20<sup>th</sup> July 2011 to 21<sup>st</sup> September 2011

Cost: \$245 (members) \$270 (non-members)

Enquiries **0413 810 344** or **07 5494 0459**

Classes held at the Italian Schools Committee

premises, Suite 9/68 Jessica Boulevard

MINYAMA QLD 4575

Classes are in the early evening on Wednesdays and Thursdays. **More details...**

## “Get your TV talking French”:

As a member/student of the AF DE LA SUNSHINE COAST you will benefit from a special offer from **LBF Australia**. LBF Australia, subsidiary of Canal Caledonie established in Australia since 2001, offers French Television via satellite reception on a subscription basis.

With 35 Channels and Services including news, cinema, sport, kids programs, discovery, generalist, entertainment and music, LBF's subscribers can easily stay in touch with France or improve their proficiency in the French language.

**More Details...**

## Membership News:

**Memberships now run on a calendar year basis.**

Join now and your membership will only expire on **31<sup>st</sup> December 2011**. Current memberships will also expire on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2011.

If you have paid but not yet received your Membership card, email us on [info@afsunshinecoast.org.au](mailto:info@afsunshinecoast.org.au)

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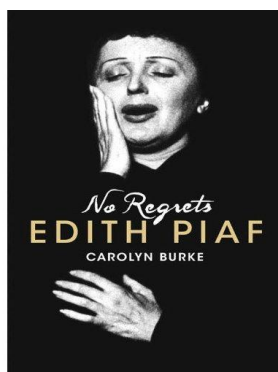
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**Proverbe du mois: “Juillet sans orage, famine au village”:**

Literal Translation: “No storms in July, famine in the village”

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## Cultural News



**No Regrets**

by

**Carolyn Burke**

Australian Writer

Now available in libraries

The iconic French singer comes to life in this enthralling, definitive biography, which captures Edith Piaf's immense charisma along with the time and place that gave rise to her unprecedented international career.

Raised by turns in a brothel, a circus caravan, and a working-class Paris neighborhood, Piaf began singing on the city's streets, where she was discovered by a Champs-Élysées cabaret owner. She became a star almost overnight, seducing Paris's elite and the people of its slums in equal measure with her powerful, passionate voice. *No Regrets* explores her rise to fame and notoriety, her tumultuous love affairs, and her struggles with drugs, alcohol, and illness, while also drawing on new sources to enhance our knowledge of little-known aspects of her life. Piaf was an unlikely student of poetry and philosophy, who aided Resistance efforts in World War II, wrote the lyrics for nearly one hundred songs (including “La Vie en rose”) and was a crucial mentor to younger singers (including Yves Montand and Charles Aznavour) who absorbed her love of *chanson* and her exacting approach to their métier.

Here is Piaf in her own world—Paris in the first half of the twentieth century—and in ours. Burke demonstrates how, with her courage, her incomparable art, and her universal appeal, “the little sparrow” endures as a symbol of France and a source of inspiration to entertainers worldwide.

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**Test your knowledge of French:**

Practise for the “Test de connaissance du Français” by clicking on: [www.tv5monde.com/tcf](http://www.tv5monde.com/tcf)



**Bastille Day** is the French national holiday which is celebrated on July 14th of each year. In France, it is formally called **La Fête Nationale** (*The National Celebration*) and commonly **le quatorze juillet** (*the fourteenth of July*). It commemorates the 1790 Fête de la Fédération, held on the first anniversary of the storming of the Bastille on 14 July 1789; the anniversary of the storming of the Bastille fortress-prison was seen as a symbol of the uprising of the modern nation, and of the reconciliation of all the French inside the constitutional monarchy which preceded the First Republic, during the French Revolution. Festivities are held on the morning of 14 July, on the Champs-Élysées avenue in Paris in front of the President of the Republic.

### Events and traditions of the day

The parade opens with cadets from the École Polytechnique, Saint-Cyr, École Navale, and so forth, then other infantry troops, then motorized troops; aircraft of the Patrouille de France aerobatics team fly above. In recent times, it has become customary to invite units from France's allies to the parade; in 2004 during the centenary of the Entente Cordiale, British troops (the band of the Royal Marines, the Household Cavalry Mounted Regiment, Grenadier Guards and King's Troop, Royal Horse Artillery) led the Bastille Day parade in Paris for the first time, with the Red Arrows flying overhead. In 2007 the German 26th Airborne Brigade led the march followed by British Royal Marines.

The president used to give an interview to members of the press, discussing the situation of the country, recent events and projects for the future. Nicolas Sarkozy, elected president in 2007, has chosen not to give it. The President also holds a garden party at the Palais de l'Élysée.

Article 17 of the Constitution of France gives the President the authority to pardon criminals and, since 1991, the President has pardoned many petty offenders (mainly traffic offences) on 14 July. In 2007, President Sarkozy declined to continue the practice. (Source:Wikipedia)

**Celebrate BASTILLE DAY with us**  
Thursday 14 July 2011

Alliance Française de la Sunshine Coast

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#### How does it work?

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3. Upon approval both your advertisement and link to your web address will be posted on our AFSC site for a period of 12 months
4. Any invoice/receipt for sales made to our members will need to show "10% discount AFSC Member Nr xxxx" off your list price.

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**Contact Robert on (07) 5641 4056**

##### French Tuition for Children:

All Ages / All Levels  
Enquiries **0407 070 467**

Tuition held at the premises of one of our Committee members or by Skype, during or after school times.  
Playgroups Welcome. Tuition follows national curriculum

##### French Psychologist

Evy Berger, registered with the National Board of Psychologists since 2004, offers counseling services to French speakers and English speakers.  
**Enquiries: 0411 231 589** or [evypsychologist@hotmail.com](mailto:evypsychologist@hotmail.com)  
Location: Office 1, 12 Duporth avenue, Maroochydore 4558.

##### Living Inspired & Reiki Workshop by Christine Maudy

Living Inspired: July 9 and 10 2011  
Reiki I: June 25 & 26 2011 or September 3 & 4  
Reiki II: September 17 & 18

(Christine offers a \$10 discount on workshops for the Alliance française members)

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