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'Music is the mediator between the spiritual and the sensual life' – Beethoven



Acclaimed UK violinist Victoria Sayles was one of the soloists who performed at the finale of yet another successful Bangalow Music Festival. Surrounded by the crème de la crème of the festival's performers, Victoria played an exquisitely textured *Lark Ascending* by Vaughan Williams to an enraptured audience. The date of next year's event is already set for August 14-16. Photo Eve Jeffery

■ See Sharon Shostak's short documentary about the Bangalow Music Festival at Echonetdaily.net.au – go to echo.net.au/?p=107959

Byron Central Hospital plans up this week

The Byron Shire Central Hospital proposal is set to go on public exhibition from this Wednesday.

The six-hectare 'state significant' development is located near the intersection of the Pacific Highway with Ewingsdale Road. It will cost an estimated \$100 million and has been over 20 years in the making.

The NSW planning department says the development comprises 'one- and two-storey hospital with approximately 9,400sqm of floor space, 64 beds and emergency department, maternity services, mental health care services, emergency care services, chemotherapy services, oral health services a pharmacy and staff areas.'

Additionally public comment on the development of

two parcels on either side of the proposed Byron Shire Central Hospital site closed August 12.

Developers John and Leigh Belbeck say that they want to 'deliver an integrated seniors living and health care precinct,' and that 1.65 of the 15 hectares would be 'set aside for a medical centre, shops and business premises.'

'These premises would be modest and restricted to a maximum of 3,000m².'

Plans for the Byron Shire Central Hospital will be available this Wednesday from Council in Mullumbimby or at www.planning.nsw.gov.au.

Public exhibition closes September 19.

NSW govcorp push to influence local elections

Hans Lovejoy

Proposed legislation aimed at 'giving business a voice in local elections' by the NSW Shooters and Fishers party and supported by coalition government, has been widely condemned by the entire opposing political spectrum, including the peak body representing NSW councils.

It complements yet another dreadful week for the NSW Liberal-National parties, which have seen more of their MPs resign over ICAC corruption investigations.

While the *City of Sydney Amendment (Elections) Bill 2014* applies only to Sydney, critics say there are plans for it to be applied across the state. Similar laws exist in Melbourne, and this proposal would give non-resident owners of rateable land two votes in local government elections.

In introducing the bill to Parliament on Thursday, Shooters and Fishers party MP Robert Borsak thanked broadcaster Alan Jones and the *Daily Telegraph* for their support.

Meanwhile, local NSW MP Don Page (Nationals) supports the idea – which Local Government NSW (LGNSW) says came without warning – and told *The Echo* the reforms will fix changes introduced in 1998 that created barriers to prevent non-residential voters from 'exercising their democratic right.'

'To be clear, businesses have always had the right to vote,' he said.

'Unfortunately, to do so they have to navigate through significant bureaucratic barriers within a three-month period. If they find a way through the red tape, they have to do it all again at the next election because

the non-residential roll is deleted. No other Australian city deletes the non-residential roll after each election.'

Mr Page took aim at the lack of engagement on the bill, saying that, 'Some who claim there was no consultation did not even bother to make a submission. Others that did are simply scaremongering.'

Mr Page also recited some of the Shooters and Fishers' MP Borsak's speech in parliament.

'A person can only be enrolled once, meaning they only get one vote. A person who owns 20 properties in Sydney will only be enrolled once, not 20 times.'

'The reforms address an injustice that prevented those who contribute 78.5 per cent of the City of Sydney's revenue (\$188 million a year) exercising just 2.13 per cent of votes at the last election.'

Voting rights based on wealth: Greens

But such voting rights could mean a return to the 'nineteenth century voting rights based on wealth' says NSW Greens MP David Shoebridge.

'The NSW coalition has consistently shown that they follow the money wherever it takes them and that they believe developers and businesses should control the political process. With this Bill, the coalition is directly handing political control to corporate interests.'

NSW Labor's Sophie Cotsis said, 'Given everything that is being revealed at ICAC, it is unthinkable that the Liberals and Nationals are proposing these changes.'

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Practical early childhood advice



Helle Heckmann, founding director of Denmark's pioneering kindergarten Nøkken, visited the Periwinkle Preschool in Byron Bay last week. She was advocating ideas that mainstream education could adopt in early childcare, such as good nutrition, exercise, routine, plenty of sleep, the opportunity to learn from other children of different age groups and good observation of their parents. Photo Eve Jeffery

Inventors converge on Aug 28–29

Inventors, innovators and entrepreneurs from around Australia will converge on Byron Bay for the Innovation Pipeline event August 28–29 at Byron Bay Community Centre.

The event, which will teach inventors how to use crowd-funding campaigns to test the market and fund their ideas,

is part two of a three-part series created by inventor and resident Ric Richardson.

Trade expo

Other speakers at Innovation Pipeline include Ted Esdaile-Watts and Braden Wilson from Cocreators Industrial Design, the found-

ers of Zeoform, and Marcus Schappi from Geek Ammo.

The event will also offer a trade expo for local creative professionals to market their services.

For more information on tickets to the Innovation Pipeline, go to <http://bit.ly/innopipe>.

Street campers cop \$4K in fines

Three Sydneysiders were fined over \$4,000 last week for street camping in Byron Bay.

Byron Shire Council's manager of governance Ralph James said the matter was heard in the Mullumbimby Local Court and the outcome sent a strong deterrence message to potential street campers. 'Council spends significant resources in regulating street camping to protect the amenity for locals and encouraging campers to book into a caravan park and not use the Shire's streets,' Mr James said.

At about 3am on a weekday in April this year, Council officers say they visited a car-parking site in the residential area of Cavvanbah Street, Byron Bay.

'The officers woke up the occupants of a hired removal trailer who offered no explanation as to why they were camping in the area,' Mr James said.

'An abundance of rubbish was strewn around the immediate vicinity of the trailer.

'The rubbish strewn across the ground included bottles, plastic, cans, cardboard and other domestic waste.

'A "No Camping" sign located on the verge of Cavvanbah Street was about 50 metres to east of the trailer.

'Given the nature of the camping, the litter and the flagrant breach of Council signage, the three campers were issued court attendance notices.

'Two people received penalties of \$1,300 and a third person \$1,650.'

Mr James said the differing amounts were due to two of the people indicating that they would plead guilty prior to going to court.

Koalas protected from highway upgrade by 'conditions': minister

Darren Coyne

'The best-case scenario,' is how Ballina Friends of the Koala spokesman and Ballina councillor Jeff Johnson (Greens) described the strict conditions that will be placed on protecting a koala population in the way of a planned highway route.

Federal environment minister Greg Hunt announced last week that work on the

Woolgoolga to Ballina section of the Pacific Highway would not proceed until he was satisfied that conditions had been met.

NSW Roads and Maritime Services, headed by Duncan Gay (Nationals), came under fire from environmentalists – they claimed that the dwindling koala population numbers would continue to decline owing to the new road.

Mr Hunt said, 'The NSW Roads and Maritime Services must prepare a Ballina Koala Plan that includes peer-reviewed population modelling for the Ballina koalas.'

Friends of the Koala president Lorraine Vass said she hoped 'this decision isn't just smoke and mirrors,' and that 'the spotlight is now on the NSW government to do the right thing.'

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Double vision for festival announcements

Story & photo Eve Jeffery

Both the Falls Festival and the Mullum Music Festival have announced stellar line-ups for their upcoming festivals.

Held over four days around New Years at the North Byron Parklands in Yelgun, The Falls Music & Arts Festival has announced that the first queens of hip hop, Salt N Pepa, will ring in 2015.

The Alt J, Spiderbait, John Butler Trio, Bluejuice, Cold War Kids, Jamie XX, SB-TRKT, Vance Joy, The Presets and The Temper Trap are just some of the other performers who will join hundreds of local musicians and artists for the festival.

Also limited allocation of all event type tickets for all Byron Shire and south Tweed Shire residents (40km north or west of North Byron Parklands), will go on sale from 9am Thursday August 28 through byron.fallsfestival.com.au/locals.

Meanwhile, The Mullum Music Festival has an-



Brandon Saul (Falls Fest) and Glenn Wright (Mullum Music Fest) celebrated the artist announcements for their respective festivals over the weekend. Photo Eve Jeffery.

nounced that The Church will join a line-up of over 80 international and national acts from November 20 to 23 in venues around the town.

Other acts announced include Hurray For the Riff Raff (New Orleans), Bollywood-inspired 11-piece The Bombay Royale and Melbourne

outfit Saskwatch. There's afro-folk from South African artist Bongeziwe Mabandla and blues from Kim Churchill.

Mia Dyson returns this year and indie folk act Husky.

Hiatus Kaiyote vocalist Nai Palm, Brisbane up-and-comer Holy Holy, and Frank Yamma will make their festival debuts.

For tickets go to www.mullummusicfestival.com or festival hotline 02 6684 6195.

An interview with festival directors Brandon Saul (Falls) and Glenn Wright (MMF) is online at www.echo.net.au.

■ Read more on this story at Echonetdaily.net.au

Beachfront market move divides stallholders

Eve Jeffery

A proposal to relocate Byron's Sunday markets from the Butler Street reserve to the town's beachfront has divided stallholders at a meeting held at the Byron Community Centre on Monday last week.

The centre, which manages the Byron market, hosted the information session to further discuss the proposal, with around 70 attending the meeting.

The turnout showed that the issue is very contentious, and it would appear that a lot more work and discussion needs to take place before there is a resolution.

Community Centre gen-

eral manager Paul Spooner said, 'The information session was to encourage stallholders to get informed and have their say about whether they want to move the markets to the beachfront.'

'The proposal has been divided into a two-stage process to achieve the best outcome.

'The first stage is a vote by stallholders to see if they support the move to the beachfront. If at least 60 per cent of stallholders do support the move, the second stage will be undertaken by the Community Centre; they will approach Council to seek approval for such a move.'

Objections to the concept came from stallholders who

felt that both parking and site degradation would hamper the move.

Others felt that money would be better spent upgrading the current site.

Discussion also focused on the voting process, with some stallholders concerned that if they were identified in their vote, it may cause complications. Several voiced the hope that votes could remain anonymous.

Revenue and tourist potential

Community Centre president David Sweet says that the plan to move the market was being considered because

the iconic Byron Bay beachfront may generate additional revenue for stallholders and might also attract additional tourists to Byron Bay.

'The markets that we hold at the beachfront location [three times a year] are a great success for stallholders,' Mr Sweet said.

'However we appreciate that it might not work for everyone and we welcome the diverse views.

'We made it clear that even if stallholders support the move it is in no way guaranteed that Council will approve it.

■ Letter from GCAT opposed to the move, page 13

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SGB gardens boosted by Splendour success

A \$10,000 donation to the Shara Community Gardens in South Golden Beach is one donation that Splendour In The Grass organisers have made after another successful event.

Over \$375,000 has been splashed at community groups over the past 14 years, say organisers, and this year's amount totals \$27,500.

Shara Community Gardens' spokesperson Dee Wakefield says, "This grant is vital in further establishing the gardens as a community hub and to provide a much-needed social meeting place for one of the biggest demographics in this area: families with children."

New playground

Ms Wakefield says improvements will include a new children's playground, with a seesaw, balancing structures, shaded sandpit and even a cob pizza oven.

Splendour In The Grass co-producers Jessica Ducrou and Paul Piticco said, "We are so happy to be able to sup-



Local builder Steve Child with Village Sounds CEO (Splendour In The Grass) Matthew Evans, Louis Pavlin and Dee Wakefield from the Community Gardens. Photo Eve Jeffery

port these very worthy local organisations.'

'Splendour has a long history of implementing green initiatives and we are very excited to partner with Shara Community Gardens to provide some much-needed infrastructure for what has

become a really important meeting and education space for our local community.

'We'll be waiting for our invite for pizza!'

Beneficiaries

Other beneficiaries this year include \$5,000 for the

Ocean Shores Public School music program partnership (\$25,000 over five years), \$5,000 for Brunswick Valley Landcare, \$5,000 for Brunswick Valley Rescue and \$2,500 for The Training Station partnership with Mulumby Music Festival.

Buck\$ challenges GM over bypass cost analysis

Preliminary legal advice is being sought by resident Fast Bucks aka John Anderson on whether Council gave proper consideration to a business case/cost benefit analysis for the proposed Butler Street bypass in Byron Bay.

It comes in response to councillors voting recently to continue to pursue the bypass instead of the rail corridor, which runs parallel to Butler Street.

In a letter to Council's general manager Ken Gainger, Mr Anderson says he's 'particularly concerned that as general manager you by your own admission were aware that Roads & Maritime Services (RMS) sent a document described as a business case to the minister... it is unclear from your comments whether you have seen the document or provided input.

'You assured Council that the said document endorsed the proposal as "favourable," which makes me wonder why you didn't make that document available

to councillors and the public.'

Mr Anderson goes onto to say he is concerned 'about the willingness of most councillors to spend other people's money on a project that might temporarily give us 20 per cent reprieve in congestion along Shirley Street.'

The letter concludes with a challenge to Council to make the business case available to councillors and the public for assessment, 'followed by a further vote.'

GM replies

But general manager Ken Gainger told *The Echo* that Council does not currently have the financial resources to build the Butler Street bypass.

'Accordingly, it has put a proposition to the government that it should fund the bypass. The minister for roads, in contemplation of the council's proposal called upon the RMS to prepare a business case for funding the bypass.

'It is understood that the final business case prepared by the RMS will be tabled with the minister imminently.

Council not privy

'Byron Shire Council is not privy to the RMS business case but has requested a copy from the regional manager.

'As the document is a ministerial briefing document, it belongs to the RMS and they will need to authorise the document to be made publically available.

'However, in conversation with the RMS, I understand that the business study has a positive cost benefit and would thus be favourable to the bypass funding request.

'While not a complete solution to Byron's traffic congestion, the bypass will significantly help reduce time for locals and business people needing to get from one side of town to the other,' Mr Gainger said.

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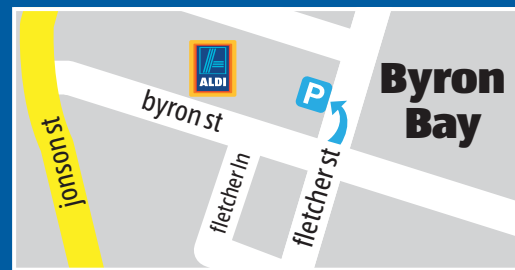
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Reducing the stats



Photo & story Eve Jeffery

Free breath testing and transport information was on offer at the recent Splendour In The Grass festival, and the stats collected from the initiative are in.

At the Keys Please Kiosk, festival-goers were encouraged to party safely and were offered storage for valuables and phone charging.

As part of the The STEER project to improve young driver education, co-organiser Phil Preston told *The Echo* the kiosk provided over 1,200 voluntary breath tests.

‘Forty-four per cent changed their behaviour after the test and 100 per cent who thought they maybe able to drive home changed their

behaviour after a test indicated they were over their legal limit’, he says. ‘The kiosk positively influenced drivers by creating a person-to-person connection at the coalface’, he said.

‘Regional areas, and the Byron Shire particularly, are disadvantaged by a lack of safe transport options. This results in many young people choosing unsafe transport options.

‘The Keys Please Kiosk may have changed the behaviour of almost 500 patrons thinking about driving over their legal limit. The response was a lot more positive than I expected’, Phil said.

‘The people who came were just so engaged and really responsive.’

For more information visit www.steerproject.org.au.

Badalotti’s Mercato shopping centre plans



Big plans for the southern end of Byron Woolies Plaza will soon be before Council again after public comment closed Monday August 18.

Previous plans for a shopping centre and underground car spaces by QLD-based developer Robert Badalotti were criticised by Council and the public as being out of character with the town.

According to the developer’s planner, Darryl Anderson Consulting, the revised Mercato shopping centre

proposes 324 below-ground car spaces (two levels), a ‘groundfloor supermarket of a minimum 3,800m²’ and an extension to the Palace Cinema yielding a ‘total of seven cinemas with a total of 500 seats’.

A bowling alley and art gallery space are also proposed.

While public exhibition has closed, the 14 attachments that support the development are available at www.byron.nsw.gov.au/development-applications/2013/587/1.

Israeli film fest screens

Political documentaries, hot-blooded romances, rollicking comedies and sensitive dramas comprise the upcoming Israeli Film Festival, to be held at the Palace Byron Bay Cinema from August 21 to 27.

Opening-night film *Self Made* explores themes of

identity and politics.

It’s Shira Geffen’s story of two women – one Israeli, the other Palestinian – who find themselves living life on the other side after a mix-up at the border. Singer/songwriter Noam Blat will also perform on opening night.

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It's Smiles All Round at the New National Dental Care Clinic

In December 2013, Bay Centre Dental was delighted to join National Dental Care (NDC) and looking forward to a new era at their Bay Centre Arcade clinic. But water damage after the January 2014 fire meant a change of plans and a temporary change of scene.

Dr Rod Whitehead at Byron Dental Centre welcomed the whole team into

his Middleton Street clinic, while the Arcade was brought back to life.

Now, Bay Centre Dental and Byron Dental Centre have joined together under the NDC banner and the brand new, bigger practice is opening its doors in the Arcade late August. With all-new modern equipment and ultra-comfortable furnishings, they're as

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Top talking heads for Mullum fest

The Living Community Festival at the Mullum Community Gardens has so far attracted Costa Georgiadis, ABC's gardening guru, environmental scientist Prof Ian Lowe and Clive Hamilton of The Australia Institute to participate in a Q&A discussion forum.

The festival will be held on Father's Day, Sunday September 7, from 10am-6pm.

The event will also feature a workshop program covering topics on organic gardening, permaculture, biodiversity, health, crafts, and sustainable technologies.

The day will kickstart with a street parade through Mullumbimby at 10am, arriving at the festival for the opening ceremony at 11am. To participate in the parade contact streetparade@mullumbimby.org.

For further details and ticketing, visit <http://mullumbimbycommunitygardens.org>. Anyone interested in volunteering, please contact Evan Anderson keelingturn@gmail.com.

Sustainability leadership training program open

An award-winning leadership program from the Centre for Sustainability Leadership has launched in the northern rivers, offering leadership development training to 20 individuals from the region.

The program is run by the Sydney-based Centre for Sustainability Leadership, a not-for-profit organisation with ten years' experience empowering leaders in sustainability.

Participants will have access to inspirational speakers and mentors and the program is delivered through face-to-

Film crew hits growth spurt



Mauricio Laratro, Kim Brisbane and Salvador Castro from Turtle Films

Films are bubbling up at video production house Turtle Films, based in Mullumbimby.

The team say they are currently in the developmental phase of several exciting projects including creating a video for a music-sharing app crowdfunder.

Salvador Castro says they have recently completed a mini-doco for NITV about Aboriginal artist Blackboi, called *Ocean Music*, as well

as a film homage to last November's Mullum Music Festival. 'And a recent project for Uniting Care took us as far afield as Sydney and Wollongong,' he says.

Salvador says their latest project is a six-part television series featuring one of Aus-

tralia's leading 'expectant and new-dad' specialists, founder of *Becoming Dad*, Darren Mattock. 'It will follow Australian men as they navigate pregnancy, birth and their early parenting journey.'

For more information visit www.turtlefilms.net.

March again for better government: August 31

Following the March in March event, another day of action to protest the federal Abbott government is planned for August 31 in Ballina. Commencing at noon in Fawcett Park, Ballina speeches will be followed by a march down to the Missingham Park Amphitheatre. 'The day

will be about empowering the community with optimism and voicing the changes we want from our government,' says co-organiser Timothy Pembroke.

Those interested in participating as a group, speaker or performer, email march-byronballina@gmail.com.

Wayne Swan launches book

Former federal Labor treasurer Wayne Swan will be in Byron Bay this Sunday to launch his new book entitled *The Good Fight: Six Years, Two Prime Ministers And Staring Down The Great Recession*.

Cr Paul Spooner says Mr Swan is also 'interested in promoting the community

preselection process and my standing as a candidate.'

Cr Spooner, who is also the Byron Community Centre manager and a councillor, says the book launch will be at 2pm and a meet and greet will follow at 4pm, upstairs at the Byron Community Centre. Tickets available at the door.



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Bruns youth award open

Byron Shire Council will sponsor a youth award in the first-ever Brunswick Heads Customer Service Awards.

The town's chamber of commerce have also partnered with local job-search agencies, Tursa, Nortec, EnviTE and Max Employment for the awards. The chamber's Cherie Heale says she is 'excited that the council has come on board to especially acknowledge the younger workers, under 21 years, who help maintain the "Simple Pleasures" branding of our town with a high standard of service.'

Forms are available at the Visitor Centre, participating businesses or online at www.brunswickheads.org.au.

Byron's new graffiti mural



A large graffiti mural 6x8 metres now adorns the building on the corner of Ewingsdale Road and Bayshore Drive. The Boardshop's Tony Gembeck came to check out the work with organisers Luke Shirlaw, Andy Sachs (front) and New Zealand artist Askew.

Photo Eve Jeffery

Tweed approves holiday lets

Luis Feliu

Tweed Shire councillors have overturned their planners' advice and given 'dual-use approval' for up to ten dwellings on the Tweed coast at last week's meeting.

Those dwellings can now be used either for permanent residency or holiday letting.

An estimated 700 properties are being used for holiday letting in the Tweed without any approval from Council, while owners of holiday apartments on the other hand have been seeking approval to rent their properties permanently. The approvals are for upmarket properties between Kingscliff and Casuarina.

Mur'bah High gets sniffer dog visit

Murwillumbah High School students were met by sniffer dogs and police as they arrived at school last Wednesday morning.

A similar operation sparked outrage at Mullumbimby High School recently, with NSW Greens MPs and NSW Council of Civil Liberties saying it was 'entirely

inappropriate'. Both aspiring NSW Labor and Nationals candidates declined to comment to *The Echo* on 'operational grounds'.

One parent who witnessed the Murwillumbah operation told *The Echo*, 'It's intimidating young kids, that's what it is. What sort of message is this sending to the public?'

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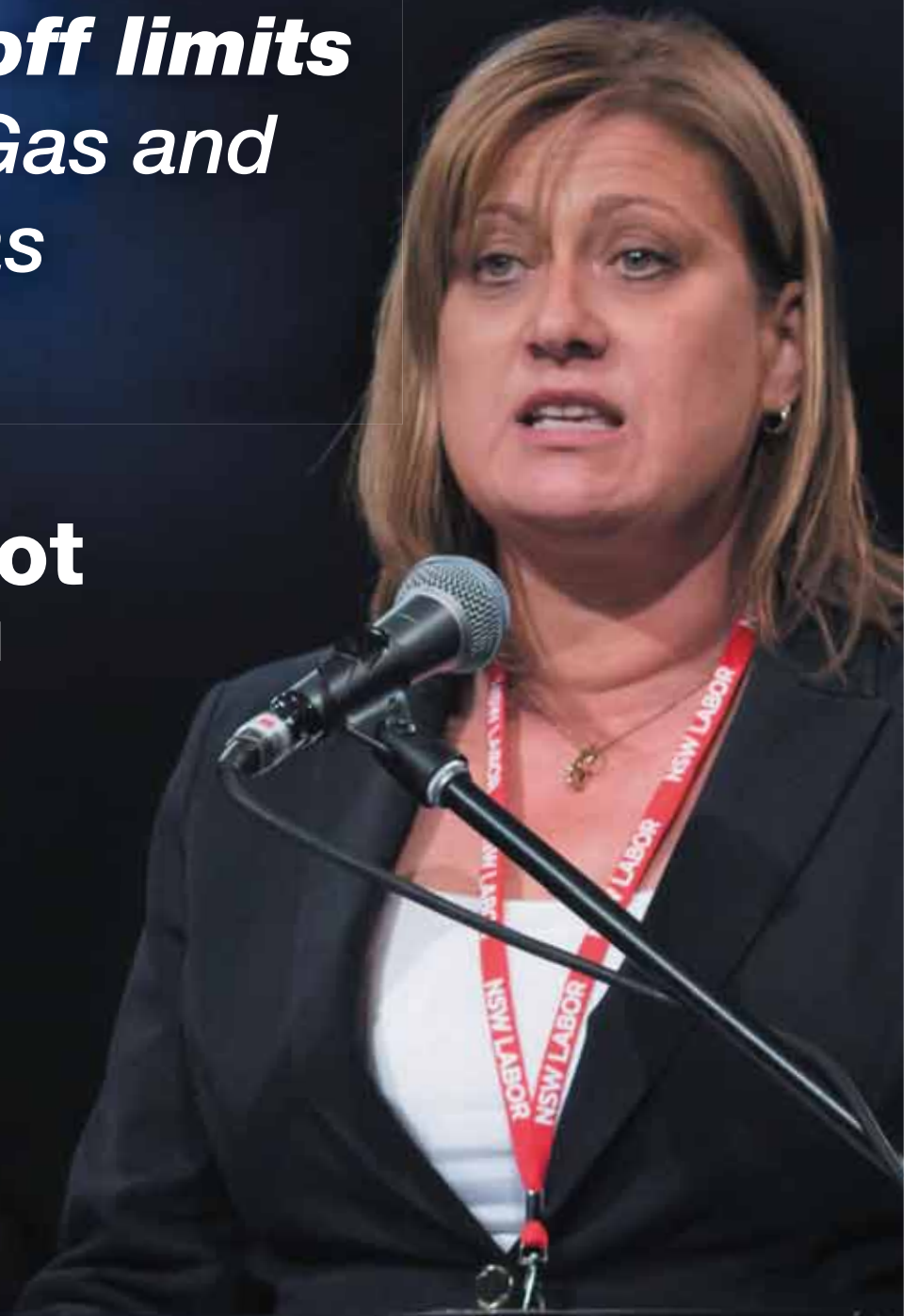
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We've been Borsaked

Congratulations, Robert Borsak of the Shooters and Fishers party, for trying to give big business 'a voice' in Sydney.

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The idea of forcing tens of thousands of businesses to vote in Sydney City Council elections came without warning and is 'outrageous', says Local Government NSW (LGNSW).

But with help from extremely rich wealthy white people Alan Jones and Rupert Murdoch, this debacle has been given a special oxygenated bubble in which to exist.

Indeed no-one except govcorp – ie this government, the corporations and local Nationals MP Don Page – thinks this is a good idea. So much for supporting small businesses, which is the backbone of our economy.

The core argument appears to be comparing Sydney to Melbourne's existing model, but as shareholder activist and Melbourne councillor Stephen Mayne told *The Newcastle Herald*, the Melbourne model was 'exclusive' to Melbourne and was intended as a counterbalance to the city's largely left-wing residential population. 'The result [in Sydney] will be a pro-business, pro-growth council,' he said.

But there are smelly fumes belching from this secret deal with the coalition: Fairfax reports that the ICAC had been asked to look into links between former Liberal state energy minister Chris Hartcher and his former adviser, 'who had worked on a "local government strategy" for the City of Sydney.'

Hans Lovejoy, editor



'I don't put a lot of faith in economists'

Team Australia is in real trouble so we must get those unemployed working, said Nationals federal senator John Williams on his whistlestop tour last week

Responding to a media call, I find myself surrounded by a small hushed audience as Inverell-based federal senator and former sheep shearer John Williams (Nationals) rapidly fires figures signalling Australia's imminent economic apocalypse.

'As of last Friday, we owed \$326 billion – that being the Australian people under the federal government.

'That is forecast to go to \$667 billion by around 2025. We are paying a thousand million a month in interest and we are borrowing the money to pay the interest.'

Six years ago, he says, John Howard left us with a clean slate and, ever since, Labor has unleashed an unsustainable debt avalanche.

So I take a different tack: 'What economists, if any, support your government's position and budget measures?'

'First you have to define an economist,' he says. 'An economist is someone who has a fifty per cent chance of accurately predicting the past.

'They don't always get it right. I remember saying to head of Treasury, Martin Parkinson, in 2011, "The next interest rate movement would be down." He laughed at me.

'And later in 2011 interest rates began to drop. So the Inverell shearer was right and the boss of Treasury was wrong. So when it comes to economists, I don't put a lot of faith in them.'

There's a pause as that sinks in. Arguing intuitively 'from



the gut' or because it 'feels right' without regard to evidence, logic, intellectual examination or facts actually has a name: *Truthiness*. US news satirist Stephen Col-

bert coined the term and now it appears in the *Oxford English Dictionary*.

So back to the big mess. Not the one the current Ab-

'I'll tell you one thing,' he says, 'You will never make the poor wealthy by making the wealthy poor.'

Dear God, I am thinking at this point, these are the adults in charge and have no fucking idea.

The lives of the less fortunate hang in the balance when you cut their income. Medication, transport and food for

example. Why don't they go do that work? I sheared sheep 'cause I wanted to earn money and make a living. I don't know if there's a harder job. Did it for 27 years. What I am saying to the young ones is: go out and get a job, help us get the budget back in order, and you'll feel better about yourself.'

'Yeah, but isn't this being blown out of proportion?' I ask. 'The sorts of problems we have with global tax avoidance – wouldn't pursuing that be a better use of time...'

'Good point, like Google based in Ireland. We gotta clamp onto them. Bill Heffernan [Nationals] has been onto this for a few years. We have a lot of people avoiding tax. It could help bring the budget into line; it's been going on for years.'

'So what's your government doing about it?'

'There's... been a lot of discussions,' he stumbles for the first time.

'So why don't we hear more about this than trying to get dole bludgers into work?'

'Who mentioned dole bludgers? You did, not me.'

Whatever.

Given this government's track record of ignoring scientific evidence and everyone's advice except their own, our international reputation is fast becoming a legendary poo stain on the world stage of ugly and awkward entertainment.

Is Labor much better?

■ We wish Mungo a speedy recovery and look forward to his return to these pages

'I'll tell you one thing', senator Williams says, 'You will never make the poor wealthy by making the wealthy poor.'

by Hans Lovejoy

bott government is making, but the one Labor left.

'Tax the super-wealthy then,' I suggest helpfully.

'We already have a pretty good tax system where the wealthy pay more tax,' he says. 'I'm on \$200,000 a year and pay \$85,000 a year in tax. I am a high-income earner so I pay the tax.'

'But not a super-high income earner,' I reply. 'I am just making the point that it appears your government is hitting the lower- and middle-income earners a lot harder. Treasurer Joe Hockey is denying or refuting official Treasury figures...'

He interjects, 'But what Treasury didn't look at was the amount of tax we're already paying in the high incomes.'

'I'm only [potentially] hit for an extra \$4,000 a year. It didn't say I was paying \$85,000 a year in tax, did it?'

It's truthiness all over again and this is not even remotely believable.

All people like Williams will lose from this budget proposal is a few bottles of 1952 Grange Hermitage from an air conditioned cellar.

After he finishes, I start asking about the powers of corporations but he interjects: 'You mean the corporatisation of government bodies? That happened decades ago,' he scoffs. 'Should we go back to the 18th century?' he taunts.

'Oh no,' I reply, 'I am just interested in how corporations rule politics...'

He interrupts again and changes the subject back to his favourite subject – himself.

It's the second time he suggests that I read his maiden speech, which of course I won't.

Eventually he meanders to another pet topic: unemployed lazy young people. 'In Inverell we have 900 people employed in abattoirs, and there are so many people from Brazil, the Philippines...yet we have stack loads of unem-

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Beachfront no place for markets

The Byron Markets are considering applying to Byron Council to permanently move monthly markets to the beachfront Crown reserve at Main and Clarkes Beach. The Green and Clean Awareness Team are longtime carers and volunteer regenerators of the adjacent dune reserve and we are opposed to this choice of site.

There are a number of issues potentially threatening the dunes and the community need to be fully aware of what is at stake. We also believe that a major impact (and potential restriction) on shared parkland and beachfront is not just a licensing

matter between the applicant and Council and therefore public consideration needs to take place.

The dunes have been worked on by community volunteers for over 17 years repairing damage after sand mining (1935-75). Recovery has been slow but sure and today we share a beach with attributes comparable to a declared nature reserve. This natural beauty we enjoy has only a 30m buffer zone away from one of the busiest and most sought-after beachside towns in the country. The buffer is the lawn space separating the dunes from

the built environment where we picnic, walk, play and occasionally congregate with minimal impact and harm. This is where it is intended to put 200 market stalls.

Many people may not know that 30 years ago much smaller markets were removed from the beachfront because of damage to the grassed part of the foreshore reserve. This area is itself an old dune and thus an inadequate substrate for anything other than light (ie current) use.

We believe this proposal threatens invasion and misuse of the dunes, damage of planting sites and trampling

of established and regenerating plant communities. It also threatens disturbance to wildlife through a range of noise intrusions, broadcast entertainment, vibrations, and vehicle manoeuvres, not to mention litter and waste issues such as dunes being used as toilets.

On behalf of the dunes and in respect of the vast support and resources donated by the community to get this far, we ask folk to discuss this issue.

Veda Turner, Teresa Heal, Udo Moerig, Miles Shorten
on behalf of Green and Clean Awareness Team,
Byron Bay

The noise continues

Just because there are no complaints about the skydiving aircraft noise from Tyagarah, that does not mean locals are happy. But during winter we have a bit of a relief from the frequency of the flights (but not today!).

The 20 per cent of the population that are sensitive to the noise still hope to be at peace in their bed, their home and their garden.

Just change your flight

path and go to the direction of Byron Bay, but I guess you will have even more complaints!

Barbara Carol Anderson Hill

Bypass interests

Sometimes vindication comes from the strangest places. In the agenda for the August 7 Council meeting we have GM Ken Gainger saying the following on page 16: 'It is somewhat curious that this

alternative proposal for the construction of the bypass within the existing rail corridor has not been properly and thoroughly canvassed during the 15 years or more of public debate over this project.'

Now, it's well known that I suggested using the rail corridor for a bypass years ago. I repeated the suggestion to Council about four years ago. On both occasions I was met with a deafening silence

from your elected councillors. It is only in the last year that a group of Butler Street residents have taken the suggestion seriously and caused some councillors to examine the proposal.

Mr Gainger's contribution to the debate is of course illicit; the role of the Executive (ie the public servants) is to provide background information and advice, not to participate in policy matters. One might also ask why it is the GM himself who has intervened in this way rather than the council's manager

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As usual, Russia was hot favourite but, as usual since Garry Kasparov's retirement, the Russian open team could not live up to its pre-tournament ranking. Unusually, Armenia and Ukraine were also spluttering, leaving what US captain John Donaldson described as 'the most open Olympiad in history'.

In the end, China's consistency gave them the gold medals by a comfortable margin, with Hungary and India second and third on tiebreak.

The Chinese team lost only one game in the entire event, all the more remarkable because they left three of their five

highest ranked players at home, going for form rather than reputation.

Australia's open team enjoyed a stellar Olympiad, drawing with twelfth seed Germany in the final round to finish equal 24th out of the 172 teams.

13-year-old Anton Smirnov was the star, completing the Olympiad undefeated on board five, although Australian Champion Max Illingworth also contributed a series of key victories in the final rounds.

In the Women's Olympiad China had to settle for second place behind Russia, who thereby recorded their third consecutive Women's Olympiad title.

Australia's women's team, with Giang Nguyen and Emma Guo performing strongly, secured their best result since Istanbul 2000, finishing equal 27th out of 134 teams.

As eight of Australia's ten players in the open and women's teams are aged under 30, the signs for the future are excellent – with only two years to wait before the 2016 Baku Olympiad.

Future of the Mullum Telstra site

■ Byron Shire Council selling off the Telstra site in Mullumbimby by public auction to the highest bidder should be ringing alarm bells for those who care about the future of Mullumbimby.

Yes, BSC needs some cash as always but have the BSC bureaucrats and councillors really thought about the ramifications?

The Telstra site on Station Street is a pivotal site in Mullumbimby town planning wise. It sits in the rail corridor between Woolworths and the old stationmaster's cottage adjacent to our 'welcome to Mullum CBD' roundabout.

It has huge potential as a gateway site to Mullumbimby, especially in time when hopefully the cottage site could be purchased from State Rail. The site needs to be owned by our community for community use, not by the 15th largest retailer in the world.

Some vision is required and at least BSC could give

the local community a chance to be creative, finding a way to use this site that will be more in keeping with the town's character.

Otherwise we will be looking at a Woolies petrol station/drive-in liquor outlet/pharmacy or bank (the latest expansionist direction being pursued by the duopoly). BSC is offering a cheap and fabulously easy opportunity for Woolworths to expand at the expense of the character and long-term sustainability of Mullumbimby.

Hopefully councillors will be able to rethink how the sale can be made: one which brings in cash for Council and provides opportunities for Mullumbimby to grow and thrive.

Judy MacDonald
 The Pocket Upper

■ I see that old Council chestnut, the Mullumbimby Telstra site, is coming up for auction. What a bonanza buy that was. Purchased by

a poorly directed Council in 2008. In their hurry did they even realise at the time the site was contaminated?

Jan Barham refers to a 'Mullumbimby Community Appeal' opposing Woolworths. What percentage of the town did that involve, or was it just the noisy minority? Let's remember Woolworths only came here in the first place because this insignificant group opposed Mallams moving to Station Street.

If our perennially cash-strapped council can sell the site, my forlorn hope is that the proceeds go towards areas such as parks and gardens, footpaths and bikeways, and beautifying our town to benefit locals and visitors alike.

Terry Newling
 Mullumbimby

■ Almost two years ago the group that later formed Creative Mullumbimby made lease and purchase proposals for the Telstra site to Council that we believed would ben-

efit both the community and Council. It soon became clear Council's priority was to recoup their investment as soon as rezoning was concluded.

Now a very rapid auction process is announced in the paper, excluding any way to apply a community benefit clause in its sale.

What can the community do? There are two options: one is to lobby councillors to change or halt the sale process as an emergency motion on August 28 or to form consortiums and be part of the auction.

If there are individuals or groups in the community interested in investing philanthropic or commercial money in a development of tangible value to the Mullumbimby community, Creative Mullumbimby is happy to share with you the design, planning and financial options we have explored.

Malcolm Price
 President, Creative Mullumbimby

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 for public works.

The gist of Mr Gainger's unasked-for intrusion was that we need to move quickly to secure government grants for the bypass and that it's too late now to be looking at the railway option. It seems to me, however, that it's never too late to consider the better option, especially when we're at the very beginning of the process.

Being of a suspicious disposition when it comes to right-wing pushing and shoving, I've formulated my own theory as to why after

20 years it's suddenly all so urgent. I note that the state election is due next March. I note also that the coalition is on the nose after ICAC's many revelations about corruption. Could it be that the conservatives fear that a newly moral Labor Party might get elected? And that they might look at the current bypass proposal and decide that it's not good value for money?

That might explain, mightn't it, why councillors were not given a cost-benefit analysis regarding any of the route options. And it may or may not be relevant that the

current minister for roads Duncan Gay is a good mate of Ross Tucker's. Duncan was a witness for Ross during the latter's defamation action against *The Echo* and gave evidence that they'd known each other since army days. Council's pecuniary interest register shows furthermore that the pair went trekking in New Guinea together about six years ago. Must be nice to have friends in high places.

Fast Bucks
 Coorabell

■ As Fast Buck\$ points out (Letters, August 12), the pro-

posed bypass will increase traffic congestion at the Suffolk Park end of town. Contrary to Simon Richardson's comments it will not be good for Suffolk Park residents or anyone accessing town from the south. It will also be bad for Butler Street and the Cumbebin swamp. It will waste money and won't solve the problem.

The congestion tells us that too many cars are coming to town. Attempting to fix this problem with more roads is like a junkie trying to fix their problem by taking more
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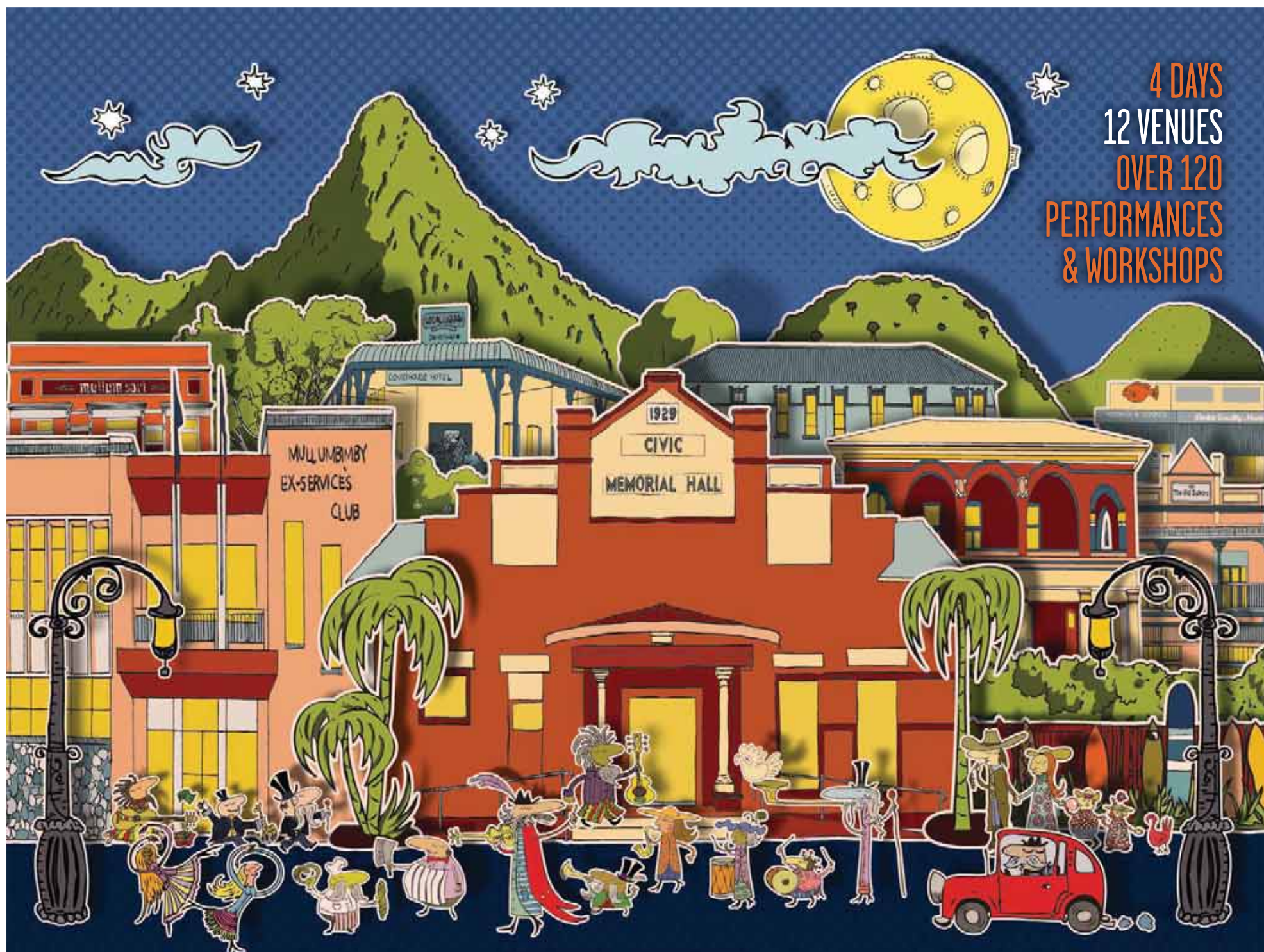
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Nimbin's heart on fire (Larnook, Wednesday, 6.45am)

S Sorrensen

Change is the only constant.

This antithetic epigram is cute – the sort of fancy-fonted fluff you might see on a bumper sticker or on a Hallmark 60th birthday card – but it's also true.

This morning, Nimbin's Rainbow Cafe and Nimbin Museum both burnt to the ground. Gone.

Now, in a week where I have grieved the awful immolation of a neighbour and shaken my head at the growing firestorm in Iraq, this burning of buildings is a blazing reminder that at any time, anything can happen.

Sure, as the owner of the museum said – in true hippy style as the old heart of Nimbin lay smoking in the street (the building, not Michael) – it's just stuff. But it is (was) the stuff of dreams. The Rainbow Cafe and Nimbin Museum were where

the Nimbin dreaming was mulled over, and the flames of change were fanned.

But lately it seems to be fire season for dreams.

Change may be the only constant but I'm not sure how to cope with it. When I was younger I embraced change.

Nimbin was the agent of that change. Change opened my eyes; saved me from a fate worse than dull.

But now, I'm such a stick-in-the-mud. I am a collection of cultivated habits and rusted-on opinions that resist change. Age has hardened me. I'm scared.

As the forests burn, Gaza smoulders, love sears, and Abbott heats up the war rhetoric for the polls, change is ever threatening to torch the house this little pig built.

But hey! I'm not going to be all negative and gloomy. No, I am determined to be upbeat and positive in this



wonderful world, this lovely life. I am determined to write a happy column. La, la, la.

After all, I was recently called a 'cynical bastard' by a woman I respect.

Me? Cynical? I didn't realise. So, I'm changing. La, la, la. Just because the planet

is spiralling into oblivion doesn't mean it's all bad, right? No need to be Mr Grumpypants...

Like a dam across a wild river, I will hold back my negativity and rejoice in fond memories of the Rainbow Cafe. I suppose it's an

obituary of sorts – so it'll be upbeat and partly true.

I came to Nimbin in the early 80s, a refugee from north Queensland where the police had taken to shooting hippies.

(That's not cynical. Police were protecting the livelihoods of barbers and cobblers.) I thought it was a pretty place, set among the hills, a pall of smoke hanging over the muralled shops. (No building was burning, there was just this pall of smoke...)

Keen to try something new, I started working.

The Rainbow Cafe had been empty for some months so my north Queensland family and I took over the lease. We spent a few months preparing the cafe for its opening.

During those months we actually lived in the Rainbow (living wasn't illegal in the early 80s), sleeping on

mattresses in the kitchen by night, and installing stove, stage and potbelly by day.

Uncomfortable in a world of social conformity, religious abuse and environmental degradation, I'd found a haven of love, gentleness and positivity that fearlessly embraced change.

On grand opening day, I put a Bob Marley cassette on the stereo (*Catch a Fire*), a new sarong around my waist and welcomed my new community into their cafe, as lovingly as they had welcomed me into their town.

Nimbin was, and is, my place of dreams. The Rainbow Cafe was my portal into a softer world that not only didn't fear change, it embraced it.

(I went into the museum once and very nearly didn't come out...)

So farewell, Rainbow Cafe and Nimbin Museum.

Thank you.

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drugs. To proceed without proper studies on this matter is a bit like taking drugs without even knowing what they are.

Alistair Bell
Byron Bay

■ Remarks by Cr Sol Ibrahim as reported last week declaring the Grab the Rail bypass proposal was 'too late' to be considered in Council's proceedings towards a bypass EIS are typical of Council's response to this proposal for over six years; it is simply not factual. The Grab the Rail bypass proposal was first submitted to Council in late 2007 with several representations to, and activities with, Council since then.

Council staff have continually dismissed the proposal in

vague and inaccurate statements to councillors and the community, many of which continued right through to last week's meeting.

Butler Street Community Network will continue to inform and urge residents and visitors to support the Grab the Rail campaign for a better bypass solution for Byron Bay. We are seeking new members, funding and signatures on our petition. Go to www.change.org and search Grab The Rail for our online petition, like us on Facebook/Grab the rail and email gtrbypass4byron@gmail.com for more information.

Paul Jones
President, Butler Street Community Network

Pothole hero

I love the Byron pothole painter. I have saved so much

money in new tyres and suspension as the potholes are now clearly marked and so artistic.

I heard it was illegal to paint potholes. It should be illegal to have so many roads with so many potholes.

Stop the persecuting of pothole painters. They save us money, make our roads safer and decorate our roads.

Well done. I have some paint if you want it.

J Shiels
Byron Bay

■ News on the street tells me that the infamous pothole painter was arrested in Byron Bay last week before he even finished the canyon he was working on. On what grounds was he arrested? Defacing a pothole? Surely the police have edgier crimes than that to deal with. I reckon

on he should be sponsored by the local paint shop and paid by the council. If they won't/can't actually fill the road mines, the least they can do is support Mr Pothole in his generous, public artistry.

He has saved us all thousands of dollars of car repairs with the advanced warning of approaching craters. Anyone out there willing to sponsor him or pay for his fine? Imagine if he got jail time – how he would pretty up the place.

Magenta Appel-Pye
Mullumbimby

Camping perils

Last week I submitted a letter with photo detailing how the camping areas at the recent Splendour festival posed a serious danger to their patrons. The *Echo* response was a short dismissal in an article

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 on the basis of a council assurance there was a bush fire evacuation plan – nothing to do with my concerns.

The camp areas were severely overcrowded with no discernable layout pattern and surrounded by a high fence with limited exits. I spoke to a number of campers and none was aware of any evacuation plan.

Any fire, gas explosion or other violent event at night, with many campers affected by alcohol or other drugs, would have caused an extremely dangerous situation as people struggled to get away in the dark.

I asked the mayor, who attended the event (hopefully at his own expense), if he was happy with the council's approval of these areas. He mentioned the bush fire plan and expressed confidence that the staff had done their job – but rather undermined this assurance with the comment, 'it was much worse last year when they couldn't even get the fire trucks in'.

As a former scientifically trained army logistics officer (experienced in field layouts)

and a qualified health surveyor, I know what I am talking about.

If the mayor and GM are happy that Council has adequately performed their duty of care in this matter let them say so – and if they think they have – then go away and revise their protocols before someone gets killed.

Tom Tabart
 Bangalow

The Gough years

I read with interest the article by David Lovejoy in your August 12 edition. David has certainly 'belled the cat' with his astute comment commencing paragraph four, noting that most readers would not have firsthand memories of the Whitlam government and its dismissal.

Well, fortunately, some readers do have long and firsthand memories and are able to recall many of the failures and excesses of the Whitlam years.

For the past 40 years, both Mungo and Kerry O'Brien aka 'our ABC' have made it their life's mission to airbrush and sanitise the Whitlam period, endeavour-

ing to con the unsuspecting who were not around at the time with tales of Alice in Wonderland proportions. The real truth is one of gross mismanagement, waste and internal turmoil, with the interests of Australians placed last.

The proof was actually in the 1975 election, when Gough, receiving every drop of voter sympathy over his sacking, was then sacked by the voters in a thumping defeat.

But there is a further story, post Parliament, where Gough Whitlam showed his further utter contempt for the taxpayer. Perhaps Mungo's next publication should delineate Gough's expenses over the past 40 years. It would be a mighty volume.

Tim Harrington
 Lennox Head

Residents' rights

In 2004 the former NSW Department of Environment and Conservation undertook a valid survey of 750 NSW residents on their understanding of the law and the effects of neighbourhood noise on their lives.

The results showed that 89 per cent of those surveyed were unaware of the law relating to the control of offensive noise and the large majority felt that they had no control over offensive noise in their neighbourhood and weren't aware of their rights.

This is not the case. Residents subjected to offensive noise from holiday lets and other sources of neighbourhood noise have rights.

They should know the law can help them and must contact their local council, as Victims of Holiday Letting has said previously. They can also contact the police.

If police are called to a holiday let from where offensive noise is coming, they will make a qualitative assessment as to whether the noise would disturb the comfort or repose of someone outside.

The police would issue a warning and if they receive a further complaint a noise abatement directive is issued. If further complaints are made fines can be imposed.

Doug Luke
 Co-ordinator, VOHL
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Coral Tree project

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U3A Brunswick Valley

Tues 26 Aug: 10am–noon at the Uniting Church Hall, Fingal St, Brunswick Heads. Phone 6685 1732.

Play reading

'Exit Stage Left' play-reading group for adults, Byron Bay Library, Friday 22 Aug, 10.30–12.30. Free and fun! Meg: 0474 098 428.

U3A Ballina/Byron

At our next meeting at 10am on

26/8/14 in the CWA rooms, Mullumbimby, Rae Richardson will speak about Botswana. Enquiries 6680 7350.

Go topless

GoTopless Australia will be hosting a peaceful protest gathering at the Byron Peace Pole on 24 August at 12pm as part of an International GoTopless Day <http://gotopless.org/>. Men may be supportive to the cause with respect and are invited to wear a bikini top.

Byron Forums

Thursday 21 August, Byron Forums will continue with the Gaza-Ark project to aid Gaza children, 6pm, with meals available, at Cafe Osk, 1 Carlyle St, Byron Bay. Sunday 24 August, Gaza-Ark fundraiser at 12 noon with lunch and lantern-making followed by a prayerful lantern vigil at Belongil Beach at 5pm.

OS Art Expo

Don't miss the Ocean Shores Art Expo 2014 titled 'Home'. The opening launch party is Friday 29 August. See www.osartexpo.com.

Garage sale

The Byron District Hospital Auxiliary

will hold a garage sale at 105 Beech Dr, Suffolk Park, on Saturday 23 August at 8am. Enquiries 6685 3162.

Aged care AGM

Byron Aged Care Aux are holding their AGM in the activities room of the Home on Monday 1 Sept, commencing at 10am. New members welcome. Enq to Jan 6684 7241.

Lone Goat gallery

An exhibition of paintings by northern rivers artist Stephen Phibbs titled *Alive & Kicking* will run until 27 August.

Friends of library

Byron Shire Friends of the Library will be celebrating life memberships and the history of the Friends of the Library. Members are asked to bring a plate to share on Wednesday 20 August at 10am in the Arakwal Room at the Byron Library.

Chem-free landcare

Byron Shire Concerned Citizens Chemical-free Bitou next working bee Saturday 16 August, 9am–12.30pm. Meet at carpark south of the Brunswick Heads Surf Club. byronshirechemicalfreelandcare@gmail.com

Byron Sophia

Byron Sophia Philosophical Group: The Man behind Rumi, Shems of Tabriz, presented by James Cowan, Thursday 21 August, 1–3pm, at Masonic Centre, 6 Byron St, Byron Bay. Info: Celia 6684 3623.

Garden comp

Byron Bay Garden Club Annual Garden Competition entries open to the 2481 area and must be in by Friday 29 August. Enquiries Anne 6685 4941 or Jeni 6685 7816.

Autism meeting

The Far North Coast Centre for Autism meets Friday 29 August at the Far North Coast Centre for Autism, 23 Commercial Rd, Alstonville, 10am–12 noon. Enquiries 6628 3660.

Crones wanted

Are there older women wanting to participate in a group of 'crones' to unleash and empower ourselves as

elder divine wisewomen? Phone Maree 6684 5065.

Bangalow AGM change

The date previously advertised for the Bangalow Historical Society AGM has been changed to Friday 22 August at 4pm at Heritage House, Cnr Ashton and Deacon Streets. All society members welcome. Further info 6687 2183.

SGBCA AGM

South Golden Beach Community Association Inc is holding its Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 20 August, 6.30pm, at South Golden Beach Community Centre. Membership information available at www.southgoldenbeach.com.

Compassionate Friends

The Compassionate Friends is a caring support group for any parent whose child has died at any age. The next evening sharing meeting of The Compassionate Friends will be held at 7.30pm on Thursday 21 August. For further information phone 6621 4086 or 6621 5558.

Op Shop

Uniting Church Op Shop, Dalley St, Mullumbimby, open each Saturday 8–noon. Big clearance of all adults' winter and summer clothing till end of August.

Attention seniors

Are you lonely or a newcomer to the area? Come along Wednesday mornings to Byron Bay Autumn Club in the Senior Citizens Hall, Marvell Street, Byron Bay between 8.45am and 11.30am. Friendship and fun is the aim of the club; cards and indoor bowls are available as well as a delicious morning tea. Come and have a look to see if you would be interested in joining us.

Cancer action group AGM

The Brunswick Valley Cancer Action group AGM to be held 1pm Thursday 21 August at 23 Fern Street, Mullumbimby. Arrangements for Daffodil Day on Friday 23 August to be finalised.

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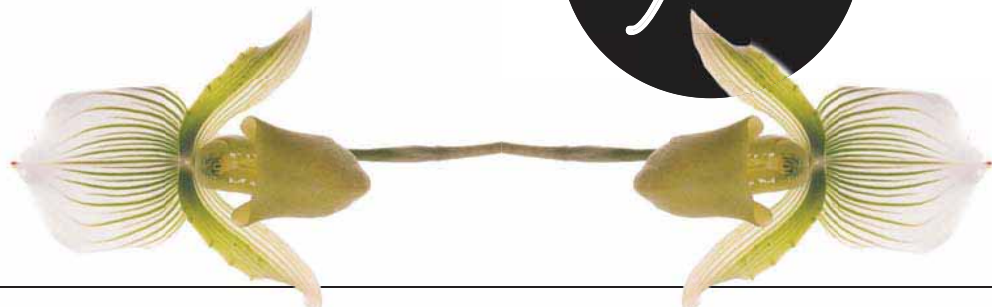
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Thinking you shouldn't place so much importance on beauty, constantly comparing yourself to others, believing you are ugly, can all cause varying degrees of anxiety and insecurity. The important thing for any of us to do is to try to understand why we hold the beliefs we do. If you are full of self-doubt because you think your nose is too big or your back's too hairy, it's good to know you can do something about it if you choose to. If having beautiful nails makes you feel terrific, why not? That's what these pages are all about. We are very lucky to live in an area that offers experienced practitioners in all fields of beauty.

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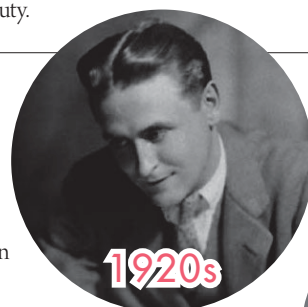
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There is an increasing incidence in the number of people presenting with eczema (and dermatitis).

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Primary triggers (including medications, vaccinations, distress and viral infections) initiate the flare-up. Secondary triggers (including diet, chemical, hormonal and environmental sensitivities) may continue to exacerbate the condition. While utilising this valuable resource, practitioner Barry Donnelly BHS Sc CM ND WHM N is achieving exceptional results, for example: 'Mick' (a lifelong sufferer) presented at the Good Skin Clinic with eczema.

On his first visit to the clinic, Mick's skin was extremely itchy, red and inflamed. Scratch marks were present on his legs, arms and over most of his body. The condition was also causing him many sleepless nights.

Mr Donnelly found a number of food-related triggers and reactions to different materials such as some found in his bedding and

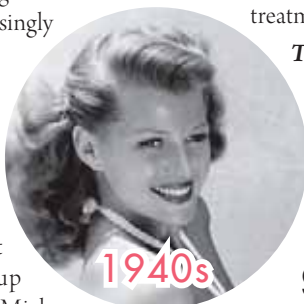
clothing.

The initial improvements in Mick's skin were seen within a week of starting treatment. By six weeks he was back to sleeping seven hours a night and his skin was increasingly clear.

Remission and long-term relief from eczema is achievable when you are able to address the triggers that are flaring up on your skin. Mick stated that he has not had this kind of relief for at least 15 years.

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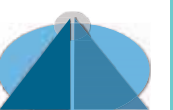
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Growing evidence of organic goodness

Matthew Michaelis

I asked a local expert how much evidence there really was that naturally grown food is better for you. I know it is, and you probably do too... but how can we tell that what we're buying really is really good for us, apart from the fact that it looks 'grown', green and crunchy? Alasdair Smithson was well placed to answer my questions, as he's a local organic farmer and owner of Munch Crunch Organics, an online organic fruit and vegetable delivery service.

At last count, I have five children and I certainly wouldn't feed any of them a spoonful of phosphate, or pretend to be a crazed airline pilot landing a mouthful of 'Mortein' or 'Round-up' on their tongues (well, providing they'd been well behaved that is...). So, is 'organic' food really better for you or do we need a complex study to convince us?

Here Alasdair Smithson explains the latest science to hit the streets on 'organics'.

Alasdair Smithson

New research published in the *British Journal of Nutrition* on July 15, which was peer reviewed by more than 300 scientists, has found that organic crops such as fruit and vegetables are up to 60 per cent higher in a number of key antioxidants than non-organic crops. This extensive study and analysis is the largest ever of its kind to measure organic versus conventionally grown foods and was carried out by an international team of experts led by the University of Newcastle in the UK.

The key findings of the study were that organics, compared with their non-organic counterparts, have:

More antioxidants: Organic crops have significantly higher concentrations of antioxidants/(poly)phenolics.

Fewer pesticides: The frequency of occurrence of detectable pesticide residues is four times higher in non-organic crops

Less cadmium: The anal-



ysis detected 48 per cent lower concentrations of the toxic heavy metal cadmium in organic crops.

Less nitrogen: nitrogen concentrations are linked, in some studies, to an increased risk of certain cancers such as stomach cancer.



In my opinion a report of this nature provides a solid argument for all farmers and consumers to convert to organic foods and farming methods. Choices in organic foods not only help to protect our health but also help to protect the environment that we live in.

Next time someone asks you why organic food is more expensive than non-organic, the answer, should be - it's not. It's

actually cheaper if you use this logic: you can eat less of it to get the same nutritional content as from eating a higher quantity of non-organic food. There are also no associated ongoing costs with choosing organic food as there are with non-organic. Such as: paying taxes to clean up pesticides from waterways; paying doctors to treat health problems that are associated with non-organic foods; ruining the soil of the very earth we live on through the over-use of chemicals and dealing with the fact that non-organic farming methods

are destroying not only the pollinators in our food chain, the bees, but also the birds.

In some ways it's a shame that we have to rely on science to come to conclusions about the benefits of organic food and farming, as really they should just be everyday commonsense choices that we make.

■ Alasdair Smithson is an organic farmer and the founder of Munch Crunch Organics, an online local organic fruit and vegetable home delivery business: www.munchcrunchorganics.com.au.

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hot plate Flavours that'll drive you bananas



I felt peckish but not hungry. It was 11am, blood sugar was low and the Empire Cafe was near at hand. I politely enquired, 'Do you have a small treat I could have with a tea?' I was incognito but stopped short of writing a review on the crazy collection of banana breads they then offered me.

Head baker at the Empire, Michelle Connon, is regularly baking eight loaves of the wackiest compounds, and I thought it worth an honourable

Building an Empire on banana bread. Right: Michelle Connon, head baker.
Photos Matthew Michaelis

mention this week. Sourcing local ingredients, they've come up with flavours that include (if you can stomach the idea): Pumpkin and blue cheese - I confess this was actually lovely; Bacon, maple and pecan; Chocolate and Chai; Coffee; and Rum and Raisin as well as some more standard combos such as Raspberry/Pineapple Coconut; Carrot/



Walnut; Mixed Berries; Figs/Honey and Apple/Cinnamon. If trying to choose a flavour drives you bananas, then beware: it's unlikely you'll run out of choice here.

■ Mullumbimby Empire Cafe
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Wales meet again...

Matthew Michaelis

This one's for the locals to take heed of. I came here to meet with a coffee grower that I was featuring in last week's issue (Ewingsdale Coffee). Robert Frater prefers to share the love of his coffee blends with locals and his recommendation to meet at Soul Bowl opposite the Surf Club in Byron was probably a shameless plug for his own coffee, but I can't blame him for that – it's on sale here and it's a good brew.

The place started to catch my eye as we talked, not because it stands out; it's a fairly standard concept juice and salad bar. It's clean and shiny with a large windowed salad display, drinks fridge and stainless benches – all as you'd expect to find in similar healthy-food places. No, it was my ear that

caught the endearing comments coming forth from a table of travellers. I assumed they were from somewhere else as their accents were musical and not quite as jarring as our own can be. I sidled up to their table and asked these three where they hailed from, and what drew them to the Soul Bowl.

Betham, Holly and Steph are travellers from Wales who put me straight without a vested interest in sight. They were very clear about the fact that in Wales cuisine is a 'pie and chips, pastry and pizza' affair. The praise went on as they explained that here they get 'healthy stuff' they just don't get in Wales. A meal made from 'super foods' like quinoa, goji berries and kale, can be cheaper than the price you'd pay for the individual ingredients, particularly on Mondays.



Matthew Maill (owner) reflects on his Soul Bowl. Right: From left to right: Steph, Holly and Betham; 'flashpacker' regulars from Wales. Photos Matthew Michaelis



This super salad is normally \$13, but on Monday when everything is \$8.50, it's doubly a treat for these three wise travellers and now one wised-up writer.

'It's our kitchen away from home. We're so sick of greasy takeaway kebabs and we love it here. They know our names and we feel right at home,' they told me. I regret-

ted asking them about the choices available apart from salads as they were hard to quiet. Juices, wraps of fresh fillings, baked potatoes and freshly made muesli bars – enjoy!

At the Soul Bowl, it's a casual affair, with healthy fresh produce and ingredients and without too much handling, fluffing about or travelling. We'll leave the 'food

miles' to our foodie flashpackers from Wales; it sounds like they'll be meeting here again.

■ Soul Bowl

Eat-in/takeaway, 8am–8pm 7 days.
Byron Bay – 2/14 Bay St (opposite Surf Club), phone 6685 5252.
Burleigh Heads – 26 James Street, phone 07 5535 7007.

Love and light

Matthew Michaelis

So many people have met the owners of Heart and Halo, Samiya and Tusta. I know this because people tend to gush when you mention this hidden and unassuming little Indian-inspired vegetarian eatery in Byron Bay.

They usually start with, 'Wow they are really lovely people'. As a food writer it's smart to follow the crumbs of appreciation that lead to the off-mainstream eateries like this one. I've found many a gem behind bushes, under footpaths and between walls this way.

Heart and Halo isn't a salubrious joint. I can say that it is generous, and makes you feel strong and always a little happier.

To explain my take on why everyone appears to love this special place, I need to get a bit metaphysical. The couple that own Heart and Halo appear very much to be conduits of energy.

The 'lovely people' tag is spot on. I believe that somewhere down the line they decided that they liked their fellow humans – very much. Their special gift to a diner here is an 'energetic' sustenance; the food you'll receive here comes with a sort of positivity and, dare I say, love and light.

I know, this may place a bit of strain on some of our more pragmatic readers, so I'll make the statement a more practical one. I believe when a chef or cook is attentive, proud and passionate about their creations, it marks the dish. Whether they know it or not, they transfer their mood to the food. On the other hand, when the kitchen is miserable and off-hand... well, it's not a difficult concept. We're all living surrounded by energy in some form or another, be it mobile towers or, in this case, cheerful humans (I prefer the humans).

It's time to return to Earth for



Daily buffet of light-filled foods. Right: Amiya and Tusta – Owners with heart. Photos Matthew Michaelis



a feed. It's a wholesome international buffet style in bain marie, a choice of three sizes at the counter: \$9, \$14, or \$18. There's a heat box filled with warming Indian-inspired pastries, and with organic and gluten-free pizza. The oval dishes are served up any way you'd fancy. Plonked together, or perhaps you'd like to partition – it's your choice. Dishes are the stuff of Indian staples like dahl; or a pumpkin,

chickpea and mustard seed mix; eggplant, pea, potato and whole cumin; salads of fennel, parsnip and pumpkin flecked with fresh herbs; or quinoa and carrot, topped with a pinto bean hummus.

Leftover food is quickly despatched to the Liberation Larder and frozen meals are always available for takeaway too. I've eaten the millet Halva with coconut custard here and, although it's a great dessert, it's too sweet for my taste. Look on Trip Advisor though and you'll see that it's 'world class'. Person-

ally, my favourite is the fresh turmeric, rice milk, ayurvedic chai they serve here, it's straight from a boiling saucepan – piping hot. I habitually pair it with a colossal squared-off piece of freshly baked currant and strawberry cake, or whatever the flavour is for the day.

The service is casual and familiar. The music and food is reminiscent of Govinda's Hare Krishna restaurants. The food is healthy, simple and generous, made with heart, and perhaps you'll glimpse an aura around the hosts' heads.

■ Heart and Halo

Eat-in/takeaway, 8am–8pm
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Wild Ferment Cabernet Franc 2013

Witches Falls Winery is a James Halliday Five Star winery (2014) and one I visited on a fleeting overnight stay in Mt Tamborine recently. Here the wines are made with minimal intervention using the indigenous yeast present on the grape skins. The wines are barrel fermented, giving added complexity and structure. They bottle here from their own grapes and in this case the Cabernet Franc I tasted was grown near Ballandean in the Granite Belt. The Granite Belt sits on the Great Dividing Range 850m



above sea level and 95km inland from the coast. The winters are cold and frosty and with warm summers produce a continental climate, similar to the Loire Valley in France, which is widely planted with Cabernet Franc.

If you collect wines that you imagine have potential, and like the rewards of cellaring, then have a try of this newly bottled star. I was pleasantly surprised on tasting it – it's a party in a glass; there was a new aroma on each sip.

The winemaker's tasting

notes always provide sexy reading so here's their take on this \$32 Cab Franc: 'Spicy plum and violets while juicy blackcurrant and cinnamon combine on the rich and complex palate'. Of course it's all true, and for a very young wine this shows a lot of potential. As for food, this would go nicely with Middle Eastern flavours such as sweet and spicy Moroccan curries. Where: Cellar door, Witches Falls Winery, 79 Main Western Road, North Tamborine QLD.

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A walk in the Park

Matthew Michaelis

When you come across people with vision and experience you tend to see it straight away. When it comes to restaurants though, you don't always meet the people behind the food you're eating, but you soon get a sense of what they might be trying to accomplish. The results of experience and vision, and often the lack of these attributes, soon reveal themselves on your plate and in the hands of those delivering it.

If you happen to have eaten in the Park Street Pasta Bar in Brunswick Heads, you'll see that years of service and understanding are present and accounted for.

The menu has good and interesting pasta dishes made from organic flours and fresh local produce. It may have 'Pasta Bar' in its title, but don't be discouraged if you're after something more than Italian cuisine. There's fusion in an inter-

esting and sexy mix finding its way through the specials. Entrees that may be wasabi oysters, or perhaps Asian styled pulled pork, are black-boarded weekly specials.

I've eaten here breakfast, lunch and dinner and the fare is consistently good and carefully brought to plate. Their Italian is impeccable (not just their grasp of the language) and made on the premises.

Maki and Michael Dackiw are the owners here. They met in Milan where Maki owned and operated her restaurant La Pesa Trattoria. This is now their third eatery so you can assume this wife and husband team are no amateurs. Michael was the maitre de table and sommelier in La Pesa but is now head chef at Park. Maki is up front here as she was in Milan.

This place is very much al fresco. Inside seating and an outside wooden promontory for sun. A decor that's as tasteful as any boutique

eatery could be. Fresh garnish hangs on a rustic wall across from wooden boards groaning with 'cronuts' (a handmade organic donut/croissant cross originating in New York). The cronuts here are so popular I was told, that people are phoning ahead from Brisbane and the Gold Coast to reserve their share. Try breakfast with organic corn fritters or Possum Creek free-range eggs; or burnt butter organic ricotta pancakes with a banana and date butter. Dinner or lunch just happens here – try a handmade organic seasonal vegetable lasagne or a vegetarian Pasto Trofie (pesto made with fresh green beans and in-house semi-dried roasted tomatoes). Vegans – look away now! A weekly 'protein' special with dishes such as slow-cooked beef cheek, celeriac puree, sautéed spinach and Jerusalem artichokes may catch your eye.

You're not hungry when you book a restaurant in advance so it may be comforting to know that, in this restaurant, professionals are arranging your meal out. It



Above: Fresh herbs on hand at Park Street Pasta. Below left: Corn Fritters. Below right: Chic and modish interior. Photos Matthew Michaelis

takes some restaurateurs years to realise that the customer pays the bills. For the operators, the tables are their living. For the diner, I get the

feeling that receiving professional service and good food will be a walk in the Park.

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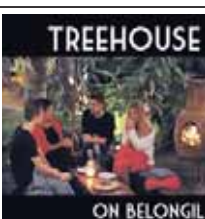


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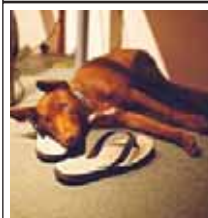
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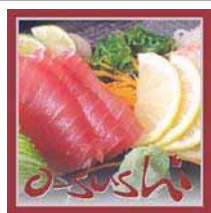
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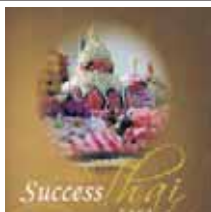
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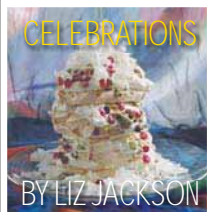
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FIND YOURSELF IN THE CHURCH AT MULLUM MUSIC FESTIVAL

With five-star rave reviews for their 2011 album, a standing ovation at A Day on the Green, the boys welcome Powderfinger bass player Ian Hogue to the fold with a brand-new album due out in October and a select number of national performances, including Mullum Music Festival.

Peter Koppes is The Church guitarist, multi-instrumentalist, music academic and of course founding member. Koppes actually credits Poinciana Cafe owners Keven and Karin Oxford for seeding the idea that created this highly acclaimed musical outfit.

'Keven Oxford started the band,' says Peter, 'I was mixing a band and had lights and a PA and a truck; in fact I was mixing for Karin's brother's band. Keven used to do the markets with Steve Kilbey and he said why not start a band. So the starting rights belong to Keven, who has a cafe in Mullumbimby!'

Koppes is a true artist, unconventional, passionate, uncompromising. For him it's been and continues to be a rollicking adventure on the road less travelled.

'Every minute I have spent in music has been a wonderful journey.

'I believe it's ceremonial; it's the only way we can touch god. Years ago I became a member of the theosophical societies. One of their expert lecturers who comes around was telling us about the second level of heaven. I asked him once could I take songs to the other side? And without flinching he said Yes.'

For Koppes, songwriting is not just a creative pursuit, it's an exacting science. A lecturer at the University of Technology in Queensland, Koppes credits a lot of The Church's difficult and unusual compositions to a deeper understanding and implementation of pure music theory.

'When you start talking about songwriting you have a can of worms! If you believe the Greeks, then music is the ultimate art form – it is the science of harmonisation.

'We are DNA ingrained with the scale that Pythagoras discovered; he put a line out and worked out that there were 12 octaves – there are such close associations with quantum physics – and without knowing it a lot of composers have been doing maths!

'Music is right in that dreamy part of maths, because you have these 12 intervals where you can put in different arrangements; they call it the Diatonic progression of chords. Blues came along and messed with it and put minor over major, and at the time it was called an abomination!'

As a songwriter, a guitarist and a lover of musical theory Koppes explains the genius of the Beatles.

'The Beatles took the blues back to classical – of course it was slightly tarnished classical with a blues 7th; they took the minor 7th back into classical and left the other ones out – they made the music a lot more 'majory'. John Lennon had an intuitive and great mind to assimilate this mathematical information and patterns. I think that is why they were such a phenomenon; they



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had classical structures with slight jazz.

'They took the risks and went forward with songs that most people would have dumped. Most other competing bands in the UK would get someone else to complete their songs; most other people had session musicians to help them finish their songs!'

Koppes believes that true songwriting skill lies in a musician's ability to finish a song.

'We made a joke about our new album,' says

Koppes. 'We wanted to make *Abbey Road* meets *Dark Side of the Moon*. Our the working title was *Dark Side of Abbey Moon!*'

Koppes talks of Kilbey's genius in the same way he speaks of John Lennon.

'Steve Kilbey is a musical genius and an intuitive creative genius without being theoretical. I am the theoretical one. I did a lesson with George Golla from Galapagos Duck a long time ago.

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LIVE MUSIC



NEEM AT BYRON BREWERY ON SATURDAY.

ON YOUR NEEM

After only one year of performing together as an official band, **Neem** has created a captivating sound that has attracted thousands of fans to admire their innovative and soulful songwriting. With more than 50,000 hits on SoundCloud on their first single *Ray of Sunshine* in only one month, and their newest single *Purple Days* currently trending as well as ranking number one in their area on Reverbnation, Neem is already taking the world by storm. With their lively retro overtones this four-piece Gold Coast band plays a mixture of folk, blues, pop and country with a hit of rock to keep your blood pumping.

Their live act is just as charismatic and upbeat as their songwriting and it awakens the audience to their solid beats and melodic sound.

While this is just the beginning for Nim and Nathan, Sally and Rick have had colourful careers working beside industry legends such as Daryl Braithwaite, Paul Kelly, Vika, Linda Bull, Ray Young and many more. Sally is currently completing her next album *The 11th Hour*, produced by Govinda Doyle, who previously won an Aria for producing *Big Jet Plane* by Angus and Julia Stone.

Also these four musical prodigies are happy to announce that they are working with Govinda once more on their debut EP.

While Nim and Nathan are just beginning their music careers, don't underestimate them. Nim is a born musician and has been stealing the spotlight from his mother Sally since he was 10 years old.

Nathan also comes from a musical family; he has been playing the drums and singing from the early age of nine and has performed in numerous productions.

With Sally's earthy passionate voice, Nathan's tasty drum beats, Rick kicking it on the bass, Nim's soulful sound and unbeatable guitar hooks, Neem will have every foot tapping **Saturday** at the **Byron Brewery** from **8pm**. Free entry.

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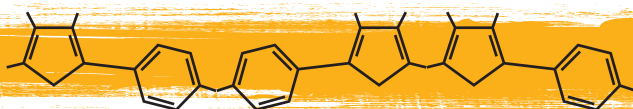


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Listen up girls, I have some good news. After 14 years in exile, of being vilified as the vagina's pubic enemy number one, the bush is back! That's right! The humble pube has pushed its way back into the spotlight and reclaimed the sacred triangle! Mr Short-and-Curly has bounced back, waving farewell to the cruel and relentless tyranny of the wax strip!

My heartfelt commiserations to the girls who went the full monty and had their bush actually lasered off. I remember warning a friend of mine at least a decade ago when she told me she was planning on zapping her pudenda into oblivion with a few laser treatments. For her there's no coming back. The pubes are long gone. There's no gentle fuzz for her, no soft place to fall, no way; downstairs she's more Lady Kojak than Lady Marmalade.

She thought I was being too feminist and refused to believe that the bush would ever make a comeback. 'It's just fashion,' I insisted 'and you know what fashion is like; everything makes a comeback eventually.' My friend didn't share my ability for pubic prophecy and suggested I take my furburger back to the hills and continue communing with my fluffy friends.

Although I do have sisterly sympathy for the fact that my friend nuked the sacred muffin back to a pre-puberty state, part of me feels vindicated, because I was right! While she'll be getting around with a plucked chicken, I'll be able to grow the full 1970s lady beard. My friend is a slave to fashion, so it won't be long before she'll be online looking for a pubic surrogate. If she can't grow her own fur, she'll have to outsource it.

And she won't be alone. Any smart-minded entrepreneur will be marketing the merkin – a pubic wig to hide the bald shame. Let's face it, there are going to be a lot of girls battling to produce even one lonely little Mr Curly. Fourteen years was a long time for a trend. In fact, like my lasered friend, there was even a point when I didn't think the muffy muff was ever going to reappear. I thought maybe we'll just evolve to the point where we never grow pubes. They'll become obsolete.

It's amazing what an impact the Brazilian has had on society. Did you know that entire species of pubic lice have been rendered extinct? That plastic surgeons have enjoyed a boom time with the huge number of women presenting their naked labia for remodelling, trimming and, in some cases, even removal? That gussets on women's underwear have got smaller? There are some young fellas out there that have never even seen a pube.

So why pubes? And why now? I think it has a lot to do with the beard. We girls

THE BUSH IS BACK

owe a debt of gratitude to the blokes who pioneered the return of facial hair. Throughout recent history the upstairs man-beard has been almost as maligned as the downstairs lady-beard. Young men have decided to buck the clean-shaven or even manicured goatee trend and push on with a fully wild bushranger beard. The kind of beard you'd grow if you were shipwrecked or living rough.

Groovers did what groovers do best. They took something no-one else wanted and made it desirable. Suddenly people who feared beards (the pognophobic) and people who defamed beards suddenly started thinking... maybe beards aren't so bad, in fact, I think beards are cool. I am going to grow a beard. Now I have a beard, I belong to the bearded and I will fight for the right to wear a beard, whether that beard be up, or down.

We have seen the beard worn proudly in inner-city cafes, by actors and rockstars in fashion magazines, and suddenly no-one can remember when the beard wasn't cool. I have even started to look at some men disparagingly, muttering 'disgusting clean chin'. So time to let yourself grow, girls – go wild, and woolly. Be proud. Show the world just what sort of woman you really are. Throw back the gates and let Bin Laden out of his cave.

Mandy's new book *Boyfriends We've All Had and Shouldn't Have* is available at Mary Ryan's in Byron and the Book Warehouse in Lismore.

**COUNTRY IN THE BLOOD**

Guy Kachel grew up in Tamworth, the country music capital of Australia. Music was always one of his first loves and it was the music that inspired him to pick up the guitar and start to emulate his heroes. He esteems and embellishes the legacy of icons such as JJ Cale, John Hiatt, Rodney Crowell and Little Feat with his style of playing and writing. This sometimes so-called country blues rock artist left Tamworth in 2004 and moved to the northern rivers in search of stories and tales to enhance his songwriting repertoire. Guy's live shows leave you with no doubt this passionate performer's heart and soul are committed to his music. Guy plays **Sphinx Rock Cafe** in Mt Burrell on **Sunday**.

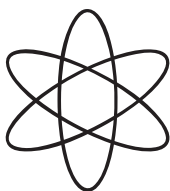


JOHNNY CASH SHOW AT THE BALLINA RSL ON SATURDAY

CASH ON DELIVERY

Superstar Johnny Cash was a music industry legend for more than half a century, with an instantly recognisable voice and style. The hit movie *Walk the Line* introduced his dramatic life story and his unmistakable, tough music to a younger generation of music lovers. Johnny Cash fans now cover three generations. Even people who might confess to hating country music are nevertheless enthusiastic about his legendary up-tempo hits such as *Folsom Prison Blues*, *Ring of Fire*, *Get Rhythm*, *I Walk the Line* – there are just so many great and unique songs in the Johnny Cash repertoire.

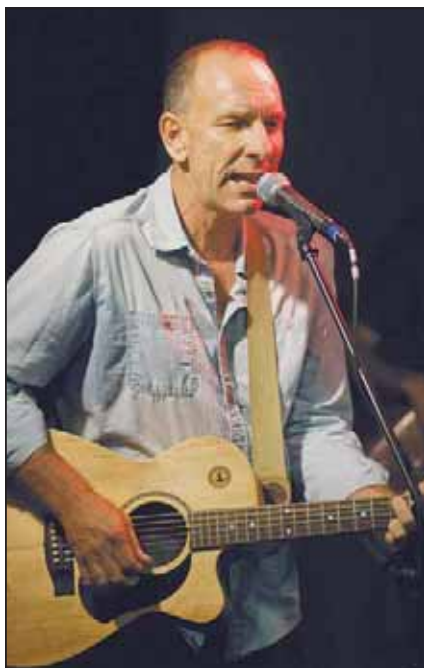
Those familiar with the highly successful bio-pic will know of the enduring love story between Johnny Cash and June Carter. A member of the iconic country music group The Carter Family, June grew up in showbiz and became an accomplished comedienne, singer, and songwriter – a true music professional.



Together they were a towering force in American music. Vocalist and writer Barry Ferrier has brought together a team of talented musicians to create an immersive show based on the interaction between these two gifted

and unique musical artists. Barry has the vocal depth to emulate the unique Johnny Cash sound and the vivacious Ilona Harker 'hoots and hollers' her way through this toe-tapping, side-slapping mix of great songs and stories.

Johnny covered songs by many of the greatest 20th-century songwriters such as Bob Dylan, Kris Kristofferson, and Willie Nelson and in later life he brought his unique authority to a later generation of songwriters such as U2 and Tom Petty, so the repertoire is extremely broad and interesting, including some of the greatest popular songs written over the past 60 years. *I Hear that Train a-Comin'* plays the **Ballina RSL** on **Saturday** at 8.30pm. Tickets for sale at the club.



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'In half an hour he laid out the dionetic progression and I got it. For most people it's enough to know there is a science to help them.'

Koppes describes songwriting using a metaphor.

'As a songwriter I say to people, just open the door on the first idea and it's a matter of taking a footstep in the right direction.

'People ask how do you know when the song is finished. I say, when there is nothing left that irritates you!

In The Church we have such complex arrangements because we can understand the theory of it.'

In explaining, Koppes tells the story of *Under the Milky Way*, a Kilby composition originally written on piano as a Frank Sinatra-style song to be sold to a crooner. Fortunately management knew a good thing when they heard it and insisted it become part of The Church repertoire.

'I played a wrong note in the solo at the end and it ended up being the right note: it was a special minor. When other people play that song they go to play it the way it should be played and miss the wrong note so it never sounds quite right!'

As for *Unguarded Moment*?

'Steve's wife, who was mine at one time, says she wrote that song with him! They got on a keyboard and knocked it out. He says it was just a 60s riff, a mixture of *Needles and Pins* and *When You Walk in the Room*. When the drummer put his vocal – that high refrain in the chorus – we played it back and we knew we had a hit. We hadn't played that in a long time, but we do these days; it's too over-emphasised not to!'

For Koppes, the shows he enjoys doing with The Church now are not straight rock shows 'where you kick off all the things you have to do with all the rock endings. I like to play with a bit of virtuosity. We always loved Pink Floyd. There were some people that have called us the modern Pink Floyd! We are getting more courageous at presenting music that is more intense.'

As for the new album due out in October, Koppes believes, 'music is like a conversation. Marty left, he didn't say why, he just went, and we thought how are we going to do this, but Ian Hogue from Powderfinger replaced him and it's a different conversation now, but we are all very excited about this new album and what we are playing.'

'Ian Hogue has a sense of privilege in the best sense of the word – he was in a band that had to have five number-one albums inside this country. He's come into the fold. Powderfinger loves The Church. We've be one of his favourite bands, and we are a musician's band after all. Radiohead are aware of our structure, and someone said to me that Tom York based some of his music structure on The Church.

'We deserve to blow our trumpet after our lack of success! Ian is a magnificent addition to our guitar work and musicianship. He wasn't intimidated by us because he has his own platform of success and we have our own platform of respect. He'd lost his band and we'd lost our guitarist and thought we could never replace him, but then realised that with Ian there was an explosion of ideas! This music we are making now is more foot tapping! The Church has always been a heady band, but now there is a joyousness – Steve is even singing falsetto!'

The Church headline **Mullum Music Festival**, alongside US sensation Hurray for the Riff Raff, Harry James Angus Band, Saskwatch, Husky, The Bombay Royale, Mia Dyson, Nai Palm, Kim Churchill and over 70 more acts. November 20–23, with tickets available on www.mullummusicfestival.com or on the hotline 6684 6195.



TRACEY MCNEIL BAND AT THE COURT HOUSE HOTEL ON SATURDAY

THE GOOD LIFE OF TRACY MCNEIL

It's almost three years since the **Tracy McNeil Band** last played Mullumbimby, but those who caught her set at Mullum Music Festival on the Rhythms Stage back in 2011 will remember a stunning performance! She is returning to showcase her superb new album *Nobody Ever Leaves*.

Tracy's voice is strong and pure, and her latest songs have a gritty road-worn pop sensibility not previously evident in her writing. She has surrounded herself with a band of musicians, The Good Life, so complementary that they magnify her strengths tenfold. Canadian-born Tracy McNeil arrived in Melbourne in 2008 and teamed up with Jordie Lane as Fireside Bellows (alt country/folk duo), releasing their only album *No Time To Die* to rave reviews across the country.

Going their separate ways to pursue solo careers, Tracy then put together a band of sympathetic musicians and recorded *Fire From Burning*, which cemented her reputation as a respected and formidable force on the alt country circuit, and saw her go on to support international artists such as Old Crow Medicine Show, Eilen Jewell, Mary Gauthier and Tony Joe White among others. **Supported by Mr Cassidy**, you can catch this show on **Saturday** at the **Court House Hotel** in Mullumbimby at 7.30pm. To Pre-Book tickets visit the website www.trybooking.com/86533.

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There will be prizes for the most creative placard. All proceeds go towards the Northern Rivers Greens. With S Sorrensen as MC and featuring performances by The New Christs, Mick Daley and the Democratic Outbursts, Davey Bob Ramsey, The Blue Skillet Rovers and more. **Italo Club in Lismore** where dissent never felt so good!

GIVE MUSIC A KOOLII AT THE HOTEL BRUNSWICK

Koolii are a band pushing boundaries in contemporary Australian music. Their compelling fusion of afrobeat, reggae and world rhythms has earned them a glowing reputation, both on record and on stage. Their music brings together soulful vocals, three-part harmony and a deeply set rhythm section in an ageless and familiar sound that echoes through city and country. Over the last ten years, they have toured extensively throughout the Australia and New Zealand, gathering a devoted following along the way. Other festivals they have played include Island Vibe, Reggaetown, Kuranda Roots and Parihaka (NZ). The group's lead singer and trumpet player, Peter Hunt, seeds the majority of their songs, influencing their distinct feeling and message.

Cultivating these as well as group compositions are the group's core members, all of whom are highly expressive and skilled musos well travelled through many musical lands where they have collected the parts for their art. They are Dom Hede (drums), Tom Hinchliffe (bass), Lachlan Mitchell (guitar) and Conan Griffiths (guitar). Individual creativity shines strongly while a unity between them serves the creation of music that moves on many levels. **Sunday** at the **Hotel Brunswick**.

TROMBONE KELLIE AND HER MUDDY ROADERS!

Trombone Kellie and her Muddy Roaders will swing their way into **South Tweed Sports Club** this **Saturday** from 7.30pm, bringing the swing and their dynamic sound to the dancefloor. Always giving their all, the band will play the downstairs auditorium for the very first time to the delight of homegrown fans after their successful gigs in and around the northern rivers and jazz clubs of NSW. Bringing a rich blend of vocals and classic swing big-band style, the Muddy Roaders will delight the senses and thrill with their dynamic upbeat style and melodies. Bookings www.trybooking.com/97811 or at the door. Group bookings available for 15 or more. Book early – 0418 723 908.

THE GOOD OIL COMPETING IN HEAT 3 OF THE NATIONAL CAMPUS BAND COMP AT SOUTHERN CROSS UNI ON MONDAY



LIVE CULTURE

RAISING FUNDS FOR THE CHILDREN OF GAZA

It's almost impossible to draw a line in the sand about who is right and who is wrong when it comes to the conflict in Gaza. I guess when it comes down to it, it's a reminder that conflict is wrong; everyone has their own opinion about who is the victim and who is the perpetrator. In this case, I think it can go without question that the real victims of Gaza are the children who are being massacred daily in a war that rages literally in their living rooms.

Byron Forums have been hosting conversations around this topic and this **Saturday** they are hosting a lantern vigil at Belongil Beach (lantern making starts at Cafe Oskas at noon) with a forum and fundraiser at the Byron Centre to follow at 7pm. Featured performers/speakers are Phil Monsour, Lewis Walker and Willy McIlroy. Please support the children of Gaza.

KNOCK KNOCK DR WHO'S THERE!

The Tardis lands in Byron this Sunday when the *Doctor Who* Season 8 premiere feature-length episode *Deep Breath* screens in cinemas around Australia, including Palace Byron Bay. This year's screenings follow the success of BBC Worldwide's global cinema release of *Doctor Who's* 50th anniversary episode *The Day of the Doctor*, which was screened in more than 1,500 cinemas around the world, allowing fans to come together to watch the show like never before. In addition to the main feature, which like the 50th anniversary episode will also be available on TV, cinemas will be offered 15 minutes of exclusive content not available through television: five minutes of specially scripted content to play before the feature and 10 minutes of behind-the-scenes after.

Dr Who: Deep Breath screens at 12pm on **Sunday**; tickets \$20-\$25 now available at **Palace Byron Bay** box office or online at www.palacecinemas.com.au.

TALENT IN THE RAW

Exposing and cultivating artists of every medium has never been more exciting. This **Wednesday** industry professionals, headhunters, and art lovers head to Byron's **Beach Hotel** for the latest **RAW** showcase: *Allure*.

Now in its second year, and more than halfway through the 2014 season, RAW Byron Bay is fast developing a reputation as one of the most fun and organic cultural events in the northern rivers region. Raw events are 18+. Tickets are \$15 pre-sale or \$20 at the door. For more information, including details about Byron Bay's featured artists, and to book tickets, visit: rawartists.org/byronbay/allure.



STEVEN J WHITELEY EMCEES BELLY LAUGH AT THE BREWERY OPEN MIC ON THURSDAY

WHITELEY BELLYLAUGH

The Brewery's free monthly open mic comedy night takes to the stage this Thursday with host, comedian **Steven J Whiteley**! Steven J Whiteley first found himself on stage back in 1996 when Adam Hills put a bit of pressure on him to put a five-minute performance together. Since then he has performed for every major Aussie comedy festival and compered for comedy luminaries such as Stephen K Amos and Ed Byrne. Steven is also a co-producer of Brisbane's favourite Chanel 31 show, *Thursday Night Live*. **Byron Brewery. Thursday. 8pm. Free.**



AFRICA CALLING

This Saturday **Gabriel Otu** and his musician friends from 'Happy Africa' come to Brunswick Heads bringing positive attitudes in their mission to 'bring people together in happiness'.

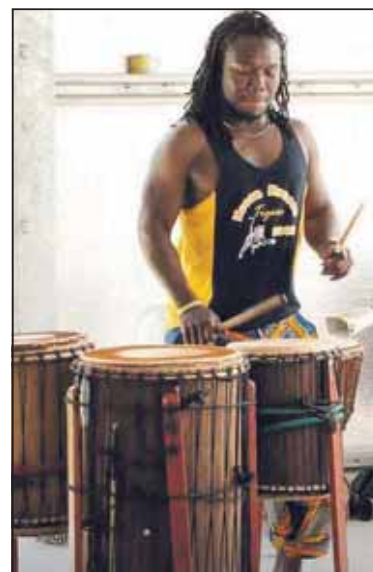
Gabriel is a dynamic master dance and drum performer who presents and uses powerful and energetic traditional West African music, dance, storytelling, culture, and participation, whether it is to simply entertain or to foster acceptance and learning within a fun and inclusive environment.

'We are respecting the ancestors of this country and Ghana, sharing our cultures and wanting to bridge the spirit of two ancient lands,' says Gabriel. 'This event is for everybody. You don't have to be the best dancer or drummer. Just come and have fun. There is a lot to worry about in the world right now and that is why it is important to keep the balance and do something that takes your mind into a happier place...'

'In Ghana, my grandfather lived a long life; he lived until he was 115. He always had time for all his grandchildren - he had 50 of us! He was happy and strong and full of spirit. Here in Australia, I meet people who haven't seen or spoken to their mother or father in years. That doesn't happen in Africa. Not in indigenous culture. Family and friends keep us strong. We sing, we dance, come together, play music, tell stories.'

Inspired by Uncle Bob Randall's teachings of 'Kanyini', to love and care for each other and for Earth, event co-organiser Iris Ray Nunn feels Gabriel's classes and performance will be an opportunity to bring her community together. Friday at 5pm there will be a welcome to country and traditional gift offering from Ghana to local custodians at the Brunswick River Park.

Then on **Saturday morning** the **drumming and dancing workshops** begin from 9am till 12.30pm at the Brunswick Heads Memorial Hall, Fingal Street. The afternoon session runs again at 2-5pm and flash mob practice performance in the park. All happy people from the workshop are encouraged to invite their family and friends to come to the hall that



GABRIEL OTU AT THE BRUNSWICK HEADS MEMORIAL HALL ON SATURDAY

night to watch them perform their new skills. Gabriel and friends will also perform their wild dance and drumming show and then everyone can dance and drum and party together to West African traditional beats and DJ.

Evening event starts at 7pm at the **Brunswick Heads Memorial Hall, Fingal Street**. \$10 adult \$5 for teenagers (kids under 13 years free). Tickets for the night-time show at the door. All welcome. The day drumming and dance workshop is \$80. (\$50 for either dance or drumming and \$5 drum hire. Discount for kids. First Nations people free!) For enquiries or to join in this happy event, call 0452 191 657 or 0417 937 720 or FB Happy Africa. (People are asked to bring a plate of food to share for lunch and to taste a spicy African dish made by Gabriel.)



CRITICAL STAGES AND DEAD PUPPET SOCIETY PRODUCTION THE HARBINGER AT THE BYRON COMMUNITY CENTRE ON WEDNESDAY AT 1PM & 7PM

"What's In The Basket Kid?!"

Byron Bay High HSC Drama 2014

Fri 22nd Aug
Program A: 4pm
Program B: 7pm

Sat 23rd Aug
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Program A: 7pm

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Mercury’s move this week into the practical sign of precision thinking brings analytical equilibrium to the flamboyant conversation of planets in Leo...

- ♈ **ARIES:** This week lights your fire. But as the flames blaze higher aim for radiant heat, rambunctious Rams. You don't need anyone's approval for doing what you know is right, so respect others doing what's right for them. Tune out distractions and dive deep into your own amazing creative zone

♉ **TAURUS:** Treat this week's dramas as part of the general entertainment, because taking dummy spits too seriously won't benefit anyone. Especially when the present super-charged package of celestial benevolence is blessing you with interesting initiatives, creative inspirations, even the occasional mind-blowing revelation...

♊ **GEMINI:** Mercury's arrival in precise Virgo issues a warning against guesswork, speculation and assumptions. If you fail to get your facts straight around midweek Gemini moon, acknowledge errors instead of arguing the point. Generous gestures, goodwill and gratitude are all acceptable forms of apology.
- ♋ **CANCER:** This buoyant week's brimming with joie de vivre. Not feeling it? Then step out of your own way so the perfect inspiring person, heart-warming story, delightful surprise or appropriate quote can change your day in an uplifting way. Spend late-week Cancer moon lavishing love on your homies.

♌ **LEO:** This week's Mercury in Virgo puts grand plans on the drawing board for a feasibility study to balance ambitious strategies with practicality, cut through hype to the bottom line, through glitz and glitter to the nitty gritty. While you continue as regal ruler of party central...

♍ **VIRGO:** If Mercury in Virgo starts focusing on flaws in the perfect picture, remember we're not on a perfect planet. Then when empathetic midweek moon touches a sensitive spot, you might find yourself saying one of those three most difficult phrases: I love you, I'm sorry, or I need help.
- ♎ **LIBRA:** With Venus booked in for a three-week holiday in your house of friends, recreational pleasures are guaranteed to sizzle, pop and fizz over the top. This week thinks big. Opens doors. Offers insights that it's actually not about others. Those changes you're going through are all about you...

♏ **SCORPIO:** This week's Mars/Saturn alignment in Scorpio makes it easier to delete extraneous possessions and unnecessary connections. To release expectations and judgments of people and situations so you can recognise them as simply part of your path. Forgiveness doesn't make the past better, it makes the future better.

♐ **SAGITTARIUS:** Read the fire warning above for Aries. Don't drive when upset; stop and settle before you press pedal to metal. Effective energy management's a must this week, because there's an absolute bonanza of enthusiastic encouragement eager to support you if you can relax and let it in.
- ♑ **CAPRICORN:** After a half-year retrograde your captain planet Saturn's on the move, downloading a powerful new program of confidence and conviction – although singing that Capricorn favourite, *You'll Do It My Way*, won't get much cooperation this week. Sensitive late-week moon's perfect for sharing with someone you trust.

♒ **AQUARIUS:** The present planetary ragout's designed for breakthroughs and innovation. As the zodiac's most original thinkers, this week suggests Aquarians could come up with new uses for old material, fresh ways of marketing a dormant talent or a creative makeover of an unused resource.

♓ **PISCES:** This week's temperature could burn up regrets for what you have or haven't done and turn a lukewarm commitment red hot. And also heat your waters to boiling point round emotional midweek moon, in which case temper your awesome instincts and intuition with plenty of solid common sense.

Mungo's Crossword

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Cryptic Clues

ACROSS

1. Trade preserve for bottleneck (7,3)
6. Ray claims to exist twice (4)
10. Snark-hunting hotel employee (7)
11. University tenor to play piano – that's ideal (7)
12. Reported stiffness with Italian bed – requires work by Verdi (9)
13. Food firm with radio skill (5)
14. About to steal seedpod (5)
15. Naturally monks go in for healthy lifestyle (2,7)
17. Crazy Bogle grabs note and coin (9)
20. Bird, a new giant (5)
21. Photographic evidence (5)
23. The French twice invade chart, a French national emblem! (5,4)
25. Quality, alternative: rat (7)
26. Detach with hesitant admission of unpunctuality (7)
27. And another thing – Gore's nothing (4)
28. Brutes surround ruined fane for parties (10)

DOWN

1. Row about British-Roman flower (5)
2. Badly allergic, with nothing symbolic (9)
3. Handouts for Domino covered badly, in my belief (6,7)
4. Beat the weight – duck! (7)
5. Visual humour? (7)
7. On the outskirts of 17. A bush (5)
8. Little wildebeest confused by warning signal (6,3)
9. Fresh, hot: free world OK. There's mutual responsibility (4,3,3,4)
14. Queen Cole, a part badly played (9)
16. All together, taking communion (2,3,4)
18. Unhappiness about the code (7)
19. Officer takes charge – a legend (7)
22. Works over Capone for the jewels (5)
24. Releases say: don't move! (5)

Quick Clues

ACROSS

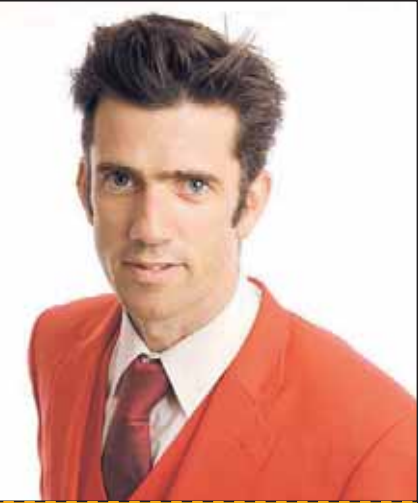
1. Road problem, gridlock (7,3)
6. Shine, put out rays (4)
10. Staffer at a plush hotel (7)
11. Unattainable, ideal (7)
12. Opera by Verdi (9)
13. Skill, artfulness (5)
14. Chocolate substitute (5)
15. Cigarettes banned (2,7)
17. Off-centre, slightly crazy (9)
20. Gold Coast footballer (5)
21. Decisive evidence. Verification (5)
23. Canadian flag (5,4)
25. Deserter, double-crosser (7)
26. Separate from others, set aside (3)
27. As well, too (4)
28. Celebrations, lavish meals (10)

DOWN

1. River of Rome (5)
2. Symbolic, like a parable (9)
3. Australian middle-class welfare (6,7)
4. Young duck (7)
5. Watery, of liquid found in the eye (7)
7. Heath bush (5)
8. Signal sixty seconds before start of a race (6,3)
9. Mutual responsibility for the unemployed (4,3,3,4)
14. Egyptian queen (9)
16. Taken as a group, all together (2,3,4)
18. Repentance, ruefulness (7)
19. Title text for a picture (7)
22. Australian gems (5)
24. Rescues, liberates (5)

Last week's solution N032

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JOEL SALOM – ONE OF THE COMEDIANS AT ST JOHN'S WINTER SIDESHOW SPECTACULAR ON SATURDAY

CUBAN FEELING

Northern rivers locals Heather and Martin Elphinstone established **The Latin Underground Downunder** in 2014 to share their love of Latin American music and dance and have been teaching classes in Cuban casino, son and cha cha cha, as well as bachata from the Dominican Republic. They have provided classes in Lismore and social dance opportunities in both Lismore and Lennox Head during 2014 as The Latin Underground Downunder, but have been learning, teaching and performing various styles of street latin dance in the northern rivers region since 2002.

After a decade's worth of attending a variety of local and national dance events including the Byron Latin Fiesta, Sydney Cuban Congress, Canberra Multicultural Festival, as well as other events in Brisbane and New Zealand, they travelled to Cuba in 2012 to soak up the local culture and dance their way around the island.

To complement their monthly social event Cuban Chill – **every second Sunday**, Heather and Martin are now bringing to **Club Lennox** members and guests the opportunity to learn to dance casino, the original and authentic form of social dance from Cuba that has since become popularly known as Cuban Salsa. Classes will be run on the second and fourth Sunday mornings of every month. At 9am absolute beginners can learn correct timing, footwork and partnering techniques; a series of 8–10 foundation classes will not only provide the student with the ability to dance socially and impress their friends but also graduate to intermediate level classes where more complicated steps and combinations are taught. Intermediate-level classes will be run 10–11am for those who already have a solid foundation in casino. Classes start this Sunday. See website for more information clublennox.com.au.

LONE WOLF AT LONE GOAT

Lone Goat Gallery presents an exhibition by northern rivers artist **Stephen Phibbs**. This exhibition comprises a diverse range of artworks that highlight a professional career spanning fifteen years, including new and experimental paintings. Stephen Phibbs, an accomplished painter, was part of the successful ABC TV documentary series *Painting Australia* and his paintings were recently shown at the Seattle Art Fair in the US. He has exhibited extensively throughout Australia and his works are held in private collections around the world; he is represented by galleries in Melbourne, Sydney and the Gold Coast. His work is on show at the **Lone Goat** in Byron Bay **until Wednesday 27 August**. Open 10am–4pm daily.

A RUMI OF HIS OWN

Jallaludin Rumi is considered the greatest medieval Persian poet. His work has been compared to that of Dante. What few people know is that he was inspired to write by another man, Shems of Tabriz.

A vagabond intellect who seized upon Rumi to be his voice, Shems may be compared to Zorba in Kazantzakis' novel *Zorba the Greek*. The concept of intellectual friendship runs deeply in the Middle East. James Cowan's talk will explore the various motifs that make Shems and Rumi unique to world literature. Cowan is the author of more than 30 books. His work ranges across poetry, essays, novels and travel books. He was awarded the ALS Gold Medal in 1998 for his novel *A Mapmaker's Dream*. His other works include *Desert Father*, *Letter from a Wild State*, *Mysteries of the Dreaming* and *Divan of Shems of Tabriz*. **Byron Masonic Hall at 1pm on Thursday**.

STUDENTS HAVE DRAMA IN THE BAG

Year 12 HSC Drama students from **Byron Bay High School** will be performing their HSC Drama pieces this **Friday** and **Saturday**. This year 18 students have produced three and a half hours of relevant and engaging theatre spread over two afternoons and evenings. The theatre includes monologues, films and four small group plays incorporating original and scripted material. The four original group plays will be performed both days and include *Bunker 101*, an extraordinary 12-minute treatise of dystopian society (is this where we are heading?), *The Wild Things*, examining the creative and destructive 'wildness' of imagination and reality, *Witch Hunt*, 'a subtle yet powerful piece where students examine the heartlessness of Australia's Sovereign

Borders policy, and *Sunnyside*, a tongue-in-cheek and very funny examination of our obsession with prescription drugs. Fifteen eight-minute monologues will accompany the group plays and range from an incredible version of Beckett's *Happy Days* through to a poignant and most beautiful original piece, *Sylvia Plath*. Teacher Robert Owens says that the HSC class of 2014 is a dedicated, talented and intelligent group. 'Their work is truly inspirational and epitomises all that is beautiful, honest and hopeful in a generation that will ultimately have to correct the mistakes of their foolish parents. Through the theatre arts these young people have given voice to their hopes and disappointments. They demand to be heard.' **4pm and 7pm** in the **Performing Arts Centre at Byron High School**. \$5/10 Book at front office Byron High or ring 6685 8188. Tickets are limited and may not be available at the door. Performances are not suitable for children under 14 years.

WOOHOO FOR WOODLEY

You only need to spend a few moments with **Frank Woodley** to realise he's the love child of Buster Keaton, Charlie Chaplin, Peter Sellers and Jerry Lewis. How those guys managed to pioneer cutting-edge IVF I don't know, but the end result is astounding. Frank is the youngest of seven children, which isn't surprising as he seems to have that lucid confidence of the last born, combined with the child-like spirit. I was talking about him to my husband the other night and he said, 'Oh I loved him in *The Two Woodlies*. I said, 'that's *The Two Ronnies*. He was one half of Lano and Woodley.' He stopped for a while and said, 'I think I was thinking of the tennis players.' Sheesh. If it's tennis you are after this is not your gig, but if you want world-class slapstick left-of-centre comedy by an Australian comedic icon, catch Frank Woodley at the **Brewery** on **Friday**. Tickets can be booked by calling 6619 0529 or by going to the Brewery website and purchasing online.

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WEDNESDAY 20

- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, BYRON **DAN HANNAFORD**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON **DAVID KNIGHT**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 7.30PM **RAW SHOWCASE ALLURE**
- BYRON THEATRE 1PM & 7PM **THE HARBINGER**
- BYRON BREWERY 7PM **OPEN MIC**
- COCOMANGAS, BYRON **DJ JIMMY D**
- WOODY'S SURF SHACK, BYRON 7PM **DJ SANCHEZ**
- BALLINA HOTEL 6PM **OPEN MIC**
- TATTS HOTEL, LISMORE 8PM **OPEN MIC**
- SCU UNIBAR, LISMORE 5.30PM **OPEN MIC**

THURSDAY 21

- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, BYRON **ANNE TAYLOR**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON 7PM **THE PROPELLERS**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 8PM **MUSICAL BINGO**
- BYRON BREWERY 7PM **ARTSEXPOSURE DJS**
- 8PM **OPEN MIC COMEDY WITH STEVEN J WHITELEY**
- BYRON MASONIC HALL 1PM **THE MAN BEHIND RUMI**
- COCOMANGAS, BYRON **DJ JIMMY D**
- WOODY'S SURF SHACK, BYRON 7PM **CLUB RAIDERS DJS**
- TREEHOUSE, BELONGIL 7.30PM **WARREN EARL**

FRIDAY 22

- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, BYRON **FLOATING BRIDGES, DAWN CHORUS, THE SILVER DOLLARS**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON 7PM **BOSSY BIG HEART**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 5PM **SCOTT DAY-VEE DUO**
- 9PM **THE FAMILIARS**
- BYRON HIGH PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE 4PM & 7PM **WHAT'S IN THAT BASKET KID?**
- BYRON BREWERY 8PM **FRANK WOODLEY, MANDY NOLAN, FIONA MCGARY**
- BYRON THEATRE **JACK CLEMONS**
- COCOMANGAS, BYRON **DJ QC**
- AQUARIUS, BYRON 7.30PM **OPEN MIC**
- CAFE OSKA, BYRON 7PM **BALEARIC FUNK**
- WOODY'S SURF SHACK, BYRON **DJ DANIMAL**
- PIZZA PARADISO, SUFFOLK PARK 6.30PM **PASANDO**
- TREEHOUSE, BELONGIL 7.30PM **VINCENT CROSS**
- BANGALOW HOTEL 7.30PM **DAN HANNAFORD**
- BRUNSWICK HOTEL 7PM **ZIGGY ALBERTS**
- MULLUMBIMBY SERVICES CLUB 8PM **OPEN MIC WITH ILONA HARKER**
- OCEAN SHORES TAVERN 7.30PM **TONY FALLON**
- BILLINUDGEL HOTEL 8PM **ADAM BROWN**
- LENNOX HOTEL 8.30PM **RICHIE WILLIAMS**
- BALLINA RSL 8.30PM **GLENN MASSEY & THE THREAD**

SATURDAY 23

- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, BYRON **JIMMY THE SAINT & THE SINNERS, WAXHEAD, DEAD BOOKS**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON **DILLION JAMES BAND**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 9.30PM **GG MAGREE**
- BYRON BREWERY 8PM **NEEM**
- BYRON HIGH PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE 4PM & 7PM **WHAT'S IN THAT BASKET KID?**
- COCOMANGAS, BYRON **DJ QC & DJ JIMMY D**
- WOODY'S SURF SHACK, BYRON **DJ SANCHEZ**
- TREEHOUSE, BELONGIL 7.30PM **HEARTWORN HIGHWAY**
- PIZZA PARADISO, SUFFOLK PARK 6.30PM **KARL WALTON**
- BANGALOW HOTEL 7.30PM **CHEYNNE MURPHY**
- BRUNSWICK HOTEL 7PM **ARCHIE RYE**
- BRUNSWICK MEMORIAL HALL 7PM **GABRIEL OTU & FRIENDS**
- LULU'S, MULLUMBIMBY 11AM **CHRIS FISHER**
- ST JOHN'S HALL, MULLUMBIMBY 7PM **WINTER SIDESHOW SPECTACULAR W MC SHEP HUNTLY, SUZY LEIGH, JOEL SALOM & BOSSY BIG HEART**
- COURT HOUSE HOTEL, MULLUMBIMBY 7.30PM **TRACY MCNEIL & THE GOOD LIFE + MR CASSIDY**

- MIDDLE PUB, MULLUMBIMBY 7.30PM **SURF REPORT**
- DOMA CAFE, FEDERAL 12PM **JESSE MORRIS BAND**
- BILLINUDGEL HOTEL 8PM **FAT ALBERT BAND**
- LENNOX HOTEL 9.30PM **SABOTAGE**
- BALLINA RSL 8.30PM **JOHNNY CASH WITH BARRY FERRIER & ILONA HARKER**
- HENRY ROUS HOTEL, BALLINA 10PM **DIRTY CHANNEL**
- SHEOAK SHACK, FINGAL HEAD 3PM **RATTLEHAND**
- CABARITA SPORTS CLUB 7PM **JASON DELPHIN**
- LISMORE WORKERS CLUB 7.30PM **CHRIS COOK BAND**
- MARY G'S, LISMORE **CATH SIMES BAND**
- TATTS HOTEL, LISMORE 8PM **FLAMING WRECKAGE, ETERNAL TORMENT, DERAIGN, SIV**
- ITALO CLUB, LISMORE 5PM **RAGE AGAINST ABBOTT W THE NEW CHRISTS, MICK DALEY AND THE DEMOCRATIC OUTBURSTS, DAVEY BOB RAMSEY, THE BLUE SKILLET ROVERS, MC S SORRENSEN AND MORE**

- TREEHOUSE, BELONGIL 2.30PM **DJ STREET SIGN**
- 6PM **WADEEP**
- BANGALOW HOTEL 1PM **NICOLE BROPHY**
- BRUNSWICK HOTEL 4PM **KOOII**
- DOMA CAFE, FEDERAL 12PM **LUKE HORSFIELD**
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TUESDAY 26

- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, BYRON **KYLE LIONHART**
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By John Campbell



AND SO IT GOES

'It was less than I hoped for, but more than I expected.' Depending on whether you are a half-empty or half-full type of person, you could say that about life in general, but in this instance it applies perfectly to Rob Reiner's latest rom-com.

The words are uttered by Oren (Michael Douglas) after an outing with Leah (Diane Keaton). Both are widowed and seemingly on the shelf as far as mature-age hanky-panky goes. While waiting for his mansion to be sold, Oren, as rich as Croesus, has moved into a subdivided gingerbread house with a flyscreen door and verandah that is perpetually bathed in New England sunlight. He is a crotchety old bugger – a bit like Clint Eastwood in *Gran Torino*, only with a wardrobe of pastel shirts and cream linen suits and an army of hair and makeup people in the wings. And he drinks a lot of martinis rather than Buds. Leah, who lives alone in the adjoining apartment, weepily sings standards in an up-market nosher for cashed-up fogeys (I couldn't believe it either). Oren is roped into looking after his darling granddaughter, whose existence he was unaware of, when his son is unjustly thrown in the slammer for six months. Unwilling to take on the responsibility, he agrees to let the kid move in with Leah...

Can you see where we're headed? Reiner (who plays the pianist in Leah's support trio) cut his teeth on American TV sitcoms and has been around the traps long enough to know all there is to know about making this type of movie. Among others, he directed *Stand By Me* (a personal all-time fave) and, more recently, *The Bucket List*. His films are reliably warm-hearted and positive, though they have lost the irreverence of *This Is Spinal Tap*.

Both Douglas and Keaton appear to be sleep-walking through very tired roles but, being the pros that they are, they manage to make a cheesy ending less rancid than it might have been under more gauche guidance.

THE HUNDRED-FOOT JOURNEY

You are not likely to see anything quite so silly at the movies this year as Helen Mirren swanning around some chocolate-box village in France playing the owner of an haute cuisine restaurant. Swedish director Lasse Hallström, who first came to prominence with the endearing *My Life As A Dog* (1985), has turned back the clock and set his saccharine and entirely predictable story in one of those strange foreign lands where, but for an occasional 'incroyable!' and a muttered 'd'accord', everybody speaks English. The Kadam family, headed by Papa (Om Puri, who looked much more comfortable as Zia-ul-Haq in *Charlie Wilson's War*), are taken to start a new life in Europe after Papa's wife died in the fire that ruined their thriving diner.

Son Hassan is something of a kitchen prodigy, so it is their goal to take Indian cuisine to their new abode. The locals, Madame Mallory in particular, won't have a bar of it. It just so happens that among her staff is a beautiful young cook by the name of Marguerite (Charlotte Le Bon). Fate has Hassan meet Marguerite early in the piece, after the Kadam's van has broken down. Back-lit by sunshine that gilds her auburn locks, Marguerite's eyes meet Hassan's and it's all over red rover as far as there being any mystery about where the film might be headed. To his credit, Hallström works hard at making a statement about how we should all try to live in harmony and, when it comes to food and music and other potential points of cultural antagonisms – vive la difference!

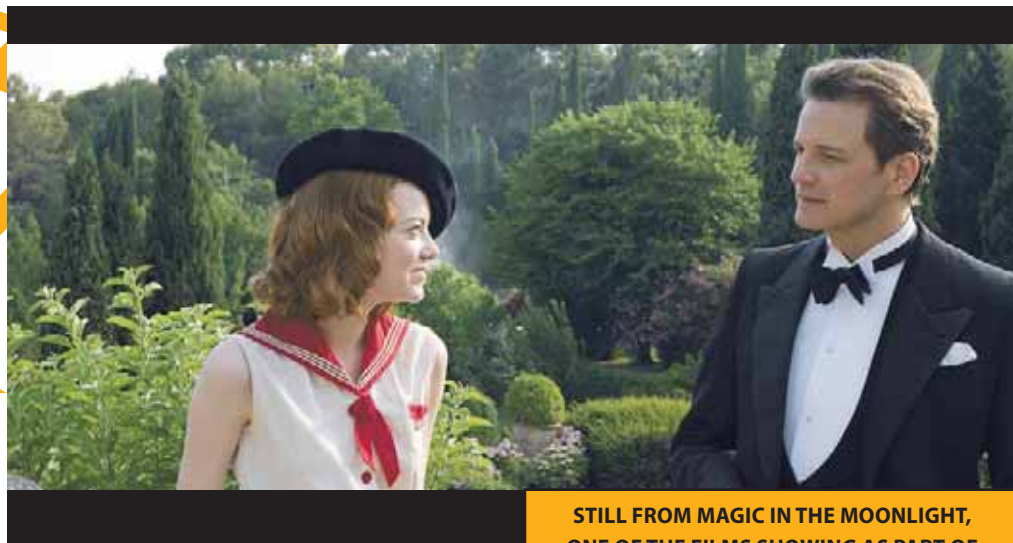
In fact, there is an excellent scene in which Madame forces her aggressively xenophobic chef to recite some of the hateful, less uplifting lines from *La Marseillaise* (and isn't it time we dropped the *fair* from our own national dirge?). Hassan's later career path might have proved more fruitful ground for a case study than the kitsch morality tale that occupies most of a movie that is needlessly long and overcooked.

ISRAELI FILM FESTIVAL

Singer/songwriter Noam Blat will be entertaining patrons at the opening night of the **Israeli Film Festival at Palace Byron Bay** this **Thursday**. Noam's compositions are unique, colourful and deeply moving, ranging from melancholic melodies and heart-opening songs to dynamic upbeat world grooves, combining his Israeli background with flavours from Spain, India, and eastern Europe. Noam's shows carry a strong message of unity and peace, particularly relevant at this time of conflict in the Middle East.

The opening-night film *Self Made* is Camera d'Or winner Shira Geffen's story of two women – one Israeli, one Palestinian – who find themselves living life on the other side after a mix-up at the border, in a highly acclaimed and innovative film that explores themes of identity and politics. The festival continues until Wednesday 27 August with a selection of the best of contemporary Israeli cinema; the program's diversity is reflected in the various films' languages including French, Italian, English, Spanish, Arabic and Hebrew.

Previewing at the festival on Friday is Woody Allen's latest film *Magic In The Moonlight*. Once again, Woody has put together a stellar cast including Colin Firth, Emma Stone, Eileen Atkins, Marcia Gay Harden and Australia's own Jacki Weaver for this romantic comedy about an Englishman brought in to help unmask a possible swindle. The film is set in the south of France in the 1920s against a backdrop of wealthy mansions, the Cote d'Azur, jazz joints and fashionable spots for the wealthy of the Jazz Age. Other festival highlights include *The Kindergarten Teacher*, an ambitious, aesthetically potent drama at once bizarre, beautiful and deeply unsettling, following a woman obsessed with her five-year-old student and his gift for poetry; the black comedy *Mr Kaplan*, in which



STILL FROM MAGIC IN THE MOONLIGHT, ONE OF THE FILMS SHOWING AS PART OF THE ISRAELI FILM FESTIVAL AT THE PALACE IN BYRON FROM THURSDAY 21 AUGUST THROUGH TO WEDNESDAY 27 AUGUST

a 76-year-old retiree who fled Europe for South America during World War II becomes convinced that a local restaurant owner is a former Nazi; and the French co-production *The Dune*, an elegant mystery featuring a stellar international cast.

Closing-night film *The Green Prince* is an engrossing, terse documentary about a spy and a handler who forge an unexpected friendship. Tickets and programs available at **Palace Byron Bay Cinema** or online at aiceisraelifilmfestival.com.

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CHARLIE'S COUNTRY (M) Tue 19-Wed 20: 4:40, 8:50pm Thu, Mon: 10:00am Fri: 9:30am Tue, Wed: 9:40am

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☾	First quarter	August 4	10:50			
☾	Full moon	August 11	04:10			
☾	Third quarter	August 17	22:26			
☾	New moon	August 26	00:13			
Day of month		Sun rise	Sun set	Moon rise	Moon set	
1	F	0629	1715	0912	2150	1137
2	S	0628	1716	0947	2244	
3	S	0628	1716	1024	2339	0020
4	M	0627	1717	1105		0115
5	T	0626	1717	1150	0036	0219
6	W	0625	1718	1240	0134	0332
7	T	0625	1718	1336	0234	0444
8	F	0624	1719	1437	0333	0546
9	S	0623	1719	1542	0429	0643
10	S	0622	1720	1651	0523	0735
11	M	0621	1720	1759	0613	0826
12	T	0620	1721	1907	0700	0916
13	W	0620	1721	2012	0744	1007
14	T	0619	1722	2116	0827	1058
15	F	0618	1723	2218	0909	
16	S	0617	1723	2317	0952	0005
17	S	0616	1724		1035	0101
18	M	0615	1724	0015	1121	0205
19	T	0614	1725	0109	1208	0316
20	W	0613	1725	0201	1256	0428
21	T	0612	1726	0249	1346	0527
22	F	0611	1726	0334	1437	0614
23	S	0610	1727	0416	1529	0655
24	S	0609	1727	0455	1620	0730
25	M	0608	1728	0531	1712	0805
26	T	0607	1728	0606	1803	0838
27	W	0606	1729	0640	1854	0911
28	T	0605	1729	0714	1946	0945
29	F	0604	1730	0749	2039	1022
30	S	0603	1730	0825	2133	1100
31	S	0601	1731	0904	2229	1144

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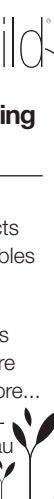
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Apply by email only to:
Katie Davies
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kdavies@spanline.com.au

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RUDI 'NAVHAL' POLS
Sadly passed away on 12th August 2014 (83yrs). Navhal's passion, kindness, love and spirit were felt by all who knew him. 'Look after the Earth, it is the only one you have.'
A celebration of his life will be held on Saturday 23rd August at Coronation Park, The Channon at 2pm. All welcome

FUNERAL NOTICES

Erin Christine FALLANDER



Well-known and well-loved English teacher of Murwillumbah and Mullumbimby has sadly passed away on Saturday 16th August 2014.

There will be a funeral service for Erin at Melaleuca Station, 9394 Tweed Valley Way, Chinderah at Midday (12pm) on Saturday 23rd August.

All those who knew and loved Erin who would like to attend are requested to wear bright and colourful clothing, in recognition of Erin's colourful and playful fashion sense.



Ben & Emma Little
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RETURN THANKS
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Mary & Family

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We miss you!
Our gorgeous boy
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MULLUMBIMBY HOSPITAL**6684 2266**
BYRON BAY HOSPITAL**6685 6200**
POLICE Brunswick Heads.....**6685 1277**
Mullumbimby**6684 2144**
Byron Bay**6685 9499**
Bangalow**6687 1404**
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AL-ANON Help for family & friends of alcoholics **1300 ALANON**
ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS 24 hours.....**1800 423 431**
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NORTHERN RIVERS WILDLIFE CARERS.....**6628 1866**
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NSW Wildlife Information & Rescue Service (WIRES).....**6628 1898**

MSF's Reach of War looks at Syria conflict

The international medical humanitarian organisation Doctors Without Borders/Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) has launched *The Reach of War*, a multimedia documentary feature exploring a single day in the life of the ongoing conflict in Syria, through the perspective of medical workers, patients, and refugees.

Now in its fourth year, the war in Syria has killed more than 150,000 people and driven more than nine million from their homes, nearly a third of whom have fled the country. As staggering as the figures are, they fail to convey the scope of the conflict and its ongoing impact on individual lives. By focusing on a single day, *The Reach of War* illustrates the relentlessness of the Syria conflict and the immense range of medical needs that must be addressed moment after moment in numerous locations at once.

‘Overwhelming’

‘The war is so overwhelming that it’s easy to lose sight of what it means for individual Syrians,’ said Dr Joanne Liu, MSF’s international president.

‘Working in Syria late last year, I saw children suffering from blast wounds and preventable diseases, families without proper shelter and women who could not deliver their babies in a safe environment. There is generally a lack of humanity with respect to Syria because when we talk about it, we usually talk about figures. This project bears witness to the personal toll of a brutal, relentless conflict.

‘Short films, photo essays, and a narrative report convey the very personal dimensions of the conflict, as lived by Syrian refugee patients and the MSF staff members treating them. Due to insecurity, it was

impossible to document these stories inside Syria.

In producing *The Reach of War*, MSF collaborated with award-winning photographers and videographers, including Kate Brooks, Yuri Kozyrev, Moises Saman, Daniel Etter, and Ton Koene. Late last year, they visited MSF clinics and hospitals in refugee settlements in Domiz, Iraq; the Bekaa Valley, Lebanon; and Ramtha and Amman, Jordan to document the circumstances and the work being done through the course of a single day.

Each setting provides glimpses into the daily challenges, obstacles, and burdensome fears facing Syria’s countless displaced, and, through their stories, the situation inside Syria.

In the northern Jordanian city of Ramtha, severely wounded Syrians – including children – regularly arrive at MSF’s trauma surgery program. Just three miles from the Syrian border, it is within earshot of the war’s explosions. Word arrives that three badly wounded patients are on their way, and Dr Haydar Alwash, an MSF surgeon and former Iraqi refugee, cuts short a training session to prepare for surgery. ‘The work is really demanding, but it is what the patient needs now, not tomorrow, not another week,’ he says.

Chaotic

In the bustling Domiz refugee camp in northwest Iraq, home to at least 60,000 Syrian refugees, Dr Mustapha Khalil, himself a Syrian refugee, is greeted in the morning by the sight of dozens of people in a waiting area outside the MSF clinic. ‘Every morning is like this,’ he says. The cameras follow him during a chaotic day of treating patients, and documents two MSF community health workers as they walk through the tightly packed warren of tents, visiting families to inform them of available health services.

Scattered across Lebanon’s Bekaa valley, Syrian refugees take shelter wherever they can, from canvas tents to empty schoolhouses. Hanane Lahjiri, an MSF community health worker, travels throughout the area to learn about health conditions and share information about the services MSF provides at a local clinic. ‘I’m pregnant, so I’m more sensitive to their situation,’ Lahjiri says of the women she meets. ‘When a woman told me her baby died, it was very difficult. I imagined myself in the same situation.’

MSF began working in Syria soon after the war began, first supporting medical facilities with donations of drugs and supplies, then establishing its own facilities where possible.

See more at www.msf.org.



Uplift festival presents Embodiment in Mullum

Over the weekend of August 22, 23, 24 at the Mullumbimby Civic Centre, festival group Uplift will present 'a weekend immersion exploring the essence of Embodiment, featuring yoga, dance, Somatic Movement and Pilates, with evening music and uplifting kirtan.'

'This will be a special opportunity to enjoy some of Byron Shire's best yoga and movement teachers, where you can deepen your practice, ignite your dancer and celebrate with community,' say organisers.

'The unique event will unite facilitators from various disciplines including Simon Borg-Olivier (Yoga Synergy), Rachel Zinman (Vinyasa), Consta Georgossis (Ashtanga), Nirupa Hoffman (Somatic Movement), Bhavani Lev (Pranayama), Max Schlueter (Pilates), Leyola Antara (Kundalini Dance) and Geash Bowler (5Rhythms).

'These world-class teachers

will share a diverse selection of movement practices and will also join panel discussions to deepen the exploration into the nature and practice of Embodiment.

'Each day will be followed by an evening celebration of music and kirtan featuring local musicians Sangeeta Levin, Amir Paiss and special guests.'

'To me Embodiment means yoga,' says yoga teacher Simon Borg-Olivier.

'In its ultimate form yoga is the realisation that we are all connected.'

Other weekend highlights will include a flower puja ceremony, and organic vegetarian lunch and dinner.

The cost for the weekend is \$120, and there is capacity for 120 people.

The weekend pass also includes entry to the opening night.

Tickets are available online at www.upliftfestival.com or at Santos Mullumbimby.

Weekly events and services

Is alcohol a problem?

Call Alcoholics Anonymous 1800 423 431 or 0401 945 671 – 30 meetings a week in the shire. www.aa.org.au

Family Drug Support

Are you concerned about the alcohol or drug use of someone close to you? Support meetings every Tuesday 7–9pm Byron Bay, upstairs at 75 Jonson Street (stairs beside Westpac bank). Phone Margaret 0427 857 092 or Jeff 0435 992 639 or Jane 0410 494 933.

Bangalow CWA

Bangalow CWA meets each Wednesday in their rooms at 31 Byron St, Bangalow, 10am–2pm, for craft and friendship. Contact Di 6685 4694.

Heartcircle

Heartcircle devotional singing, sharing, meditation group every Sunday at South Golden Beach Community Hall 10–11.30am. Enq Linda on 0415 412 514.

Toastmasters

Byron Cavanbah Toastmasters practise public speaking and leadership skills in a supportive environment 1st and 3rd Mondays 6.15pm, St Finbarr's school. www.byrontoastmasters.org. MullumMagic Toastmasters meet 2nd, 4th and 5th Mondays at 7pm, Presbyterian Church Hall in Mullum. Call Robyn for more info: 6685 1836.

End-of-life choices

To learn how to make the right decisions about your end-of-life choices, come to the meetings held quarterly. Phone Elaine for more details 0421 796 713.

North Coast news daily: www.echonetdaily.net.au

Byron young mums

Byron Young Mums' Group meets every Friday at 10.30 at the Byron YAC; free for young mums and expectant mums 25 and younger. Contact Lotte 0477 591 555 or email byronyoungmums@gmail.com.

Buddhist meditation

Teaching and practice Wednesdays 6–7.30pm, SIA Centre, 1/22 Fawcett St, Brunswick Heads. Info 6685 8842, mishaela@si.org.au.

Narcotics

Anonymous

Narcotics Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women for whom drugs had become a major problem. We are recovering addicts who meet regularly to help each other stay clean. For information and meetings: 6680 7280.

Lions meeting

Lions Club of Brunswick-Mullumbimby meets every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month at the Ocean Shores Country Club at 7pm. Phone 0417 019 343 for more information or write to PO Box 12, Mullumbimby 2482.

Co-dependents

Anonymous

Co-dependents Anonymous (CoDA) is a worldwide network of groups of men and women learning how to develop and maintain healthy and fulfilling relationships. For more information, and meetings in your area, visit www.codependent-anonymous.org.au or phone 9281 3330.

CoDA is also holding its first Australian national convention, in Bangalow, on Saturday 27 September. To register visit www.ozcoda.webs.com/coda-convention.

COUNCIL CONTACT DETAILS

Council administration centre 6626 7000
Opening hours: Front counter 9.00am to 4.00pm
Switchboard: 8.30am to 4.30pm

Email council@byron.nsw.gov.au
Web www.byron.nsw.gov.au
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Works Depot 6685 9300
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Myocum Waste & Recycling Centre 6684 1870
BRSCC (Byron Regional Sport and Cultural Complex) 6685 5911

Community Access Points: Documents on exhibition are available for review at the Council Administration Centre (Mullumbimby), Bangalow Post Office, Chincogan Real Estate Ocean Shores, Suffolk Beachfront Holiday Park and Brunswick Heads Library.

POLICY EXHIBITION

Mayor and Councillors Payment of Expenses and Provision of Facilities

At Council's Ordinary Meeting held on 7 August 2014 it resolved to place the above amended Policy on public exhibition for a period of 28 days for the making of public submissions.

The amended Policy is available for viewing at Council's Administration Office, community access points around the Shire and on Council's website at www.byron.nsw.gov.au/public-exhibition.

Submissions should be in writing and addressed to the General Manager, Byron Shire Council, PO Box 219, Mullumbimby 2482 or sent by email to submissions@byron.nsw.gov.au. Emailed submissions to this address only will be acknowledged.

Submissions close: Tuesday 16 September 2014

Enquiries: Mark Arnold 02 6626 7122

Submissions will be made public in accordance with Schedule 1 Part 3 Clause 1(a)(vi) within Schedule 5 Part 2 of the GIPA 2009 regulations as applicable including both the substance of the objection and the identity of the objector. For assistance with this please call Council's Records Coordinator on 02 6626 7113.

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Lone Goat Gallery Section 355 Committee

Would you like to contribute to the betterment of our Shire by joining a committee?

Council is currently calling for nominations for an additional member to assist the Lone Goat Gallery Section 355 Committee. The additional member should have appropriate skills to assist with duties in the role of Treasurer.

All expressions of interest for this volunteer position must be submitted on an approved nomination form.

A nomination form and information on this Committee and their operations are available on Council's website at www.byron.nsw.gov.au/section-355-committees.

Nominations close: Friday 29 August 2014

Enquiries: Gayle McCallum 02 6626 7045

EWINGSDALE ROAD – BANKSIA DRIVE TURNING LANE CONSTRUCTION

Road users are advised that Council intends carrying out road construction works on Ewingsdale Road, from 120m west of Banksia Drive, for the purpose of constructing a turning lane into Banksia Drive. Works will commence from Tuesday, 12 August 2014 for approximately three weeks (weather permitting).

Motorists are advised that delays could be experienced and they should allow additional travel time in this area. Motorists are encouraged to use alternative routes where possible and as directed by site signage. A partial road closure of Banksia Drive will be necessary during some phases of the works.

Motorists are requested to approach the area with caution and to observe all warning and directional signage. Working hours during this period will be from 7.00am to 5.00pm Monday to Friday, and 8.00am to 12.00pm Saturdays with Traffic Control in place for the duration of the works.

Byron Shire Council apologises for any inconvenience caused during these essential works.

Enquiries: Kristian Penrose 02 6685 9328

REQUEST FOR TENDER NO: 2014-0023

South Golden Beach Hall Alterations and Additions

Byron Shire Council invites tenders for a contract to complete alterations, additions and associated compliance works to the South Golden Beach Hall at Pacific Esplanade, South Golden Beach. Details of the proposed contract and the assessment criteria requirements are set out in the Request for Tender documentation referred to below.

Request for Tender documents may be obtained by contacting Tenderlink at www.tenderlink.com/byron. If you experience difficulties accessing the website, please call the Tenderlink helpdesk on 1800 233 533.

A mandatory tender briefing/site inspection will be held at 1.00pm 21 August 2014 at South Golden Beach Hall Pacific Esplanade, South Golden Beach.

Tenders close: 2 00pm Tuesday 2 September 2014

Council invites any person willing to fulfil the requirements of the proposed contract to submit a tender to Council by the deadline specified in this advertisement and in accordance with the tender documents referred to above.

Please note: The canvassing of Councillors or Council staff in relation to this tender will disqualify tenders from the tender process.

POLICY EXHIBITION

Draft Amended Policy On-site Sewage Management Systems in Reticulated Sewer Areas

Council at an Extraordinary Meeting held on 26 June 2014, resolved to place the above draft amended Policy on public exhibition for a period of 28 days for the making of public submissions.

The draft amended Policy provides parameters for the design, installation and operation of on-site sewage management systems within reticulated sewer areas to encourage demand management, the reuse of water and self sufficiency whilst maintaining environmental and public health standards.

The Policy is available for viewing at Council's administration office, community access points around the Shire and on Council's website at www.byron.nsw.gov.au/public-exhibition.

Submissions should be in writing and addressed to the General Manager, Byron Shire Council, PO Box 219 Mullumbimby 2482 or sent by email to submissions@byron.nsw.gov.au. Emailed submissions to this address only will be acknowledged.

Submissions close: Tuesday 2 September 2014

Enquiries: Wayne Bertram 02 6626 7050

Submissions will be made public in accordance with Schedule 1 Part 3 Clause 1(a)(vi) within Schedule 5 Part 2 of the GIPA 2009 Regulations as applicable including both the substance of the submission and the identity of the author. For assistance with this please call Council's Records Coordinator on 02 6626 7113.

ROAD CLOSURES

Living Community Festival Street Parade, Mullumbimby

In accordance with the Roads Act 1993, Council has approved (14-349) the temporary traffic arrangements proposed for the Mullumbimby Living Community Festival street parade for **Sunday, 7 September 2014** including the use of temporary road closures between 9.30am and 11am as follows:

- Station Street, between Burringbar Street and Council's car park
- Burringbar Street, between Station Street and Dalley Street
- Dalley Street, between Burringbar Street and Whian Street
- Whian Street, between Dalley Street and Station Street
- Stuart Street, between Whian Street to end

These changes will be signed in advance with detour and traffic control provided. Short delays however can be expected.

Submissions should be in writing and addressed to the General Manager, Byron Shire Council, PO Box 219 Mullumbimby 2482 or sent by email to submissions@byron.nsw.gov.au. Emailed submissions to this address only will be acknowledged.

Submissions close: 28 August 2014

Submissions will be made public in accordance with Schedule 1 Part 3 Clause 1(a)(vi) within Schedule 5 Part 2 of the GIPA 2009 Regulations as applicable including both the substance of the submission and the identity of the author. For assistance with this please call Council's Records Coordinator on 02 6626 7113.



DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS DETERMINED COMPLYING DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATES ISSUED

Section 101 EP&A Act 1979 and Clause 124 & 137 EP&A Regulations 2000

The following development consents and complying development certificates, together with any conditions imposed may be inspected free of charge at Council's administration centre during ordinary office hours. The validity of these consents cannot be questioned in any legal proceeding except those commenced in the Land & Environment Court by any person within 3 months of this notice.

APPLICATIONS APPROVED

10.2014.306.1 – OCEAN SHORES

6 Narrogal Court (Lot 194 DP 238456)

Dual occupancy (Construction of additional detached dwelling)

10.2014.441.1 – MULLUMBIMBY

37 Station Street (Lots 25 and 26 Sec 3 DP 2772)

Tree removal – five trees

10.2013.506.2 – MULLUMBIMBY

16 Ann Street (Lots 31 and 32 Sec 4 DP 4721)

S96 to alter the developer contributions and water and sewer levy requirements (Torrens Title subdivision of two lots into two lots, demolition of a garage and construction of a dwelling-house)

10.2013.625.2 – MULLUMBIMBY

121 Dalley Street (Lots 1 and 2 DP 588312)

S96 to amend the condition relating to Section 94 contributions (convert motel to mixed commercial/residential development including tree removal)

10.2014.388.1 – SUFFOLK PARK

72 Teak Circuit (Lot 31 DP 811498)

Construction of a new part single part two storey dwelling in front of existing dwelling on the lot to create a dual occupancy

10.2014.351.1 – MYOCUM

2 Benloro Lane (Lot 3 DP 247336)

Dwelling-house

10.2012.2.3 – SUFFOLK PARK

2 Alcorn Street (Lot 10 DP 270196)

S96 to alter Bushfire Safety Conditions (additions and alterations to existing tourist facility and 11 lot Strata subdivision)

10.2013.243.3 – BRUNSWICK HEADS

8/3 Newberry Parade (Lot 8 SP 88728)

S96 – reposition of internal stairwell

10.2014.275.1 – MULLUMBIMBY

51 New City Road (Lot 4 Sec 2 DP 12528)

Alterations/additions to existing dwelling and garage

10.2014.194.1 – OCEAN SHORES

7 Tongarra Drive (Lot 1754 DP 246054)

Two storey dwelling

10.2013.333.2 – NEW BRIGHTON

3 Pacific Street (Lot 3 Sec 4 DP 6745)

S96 make numerous minor changes to the approved additions

10.2014.445.1 – MYOCUM

51 Fig Tree Lane (Lot 4 DP 882336)

Tree Lopping – six trees

10.2014.444.1 – MYOCUM

49 Fig Tree Lane (Lot 3 DP 882336)

Tree Lopping – six trees

10.2014.58.1 – BYRON BAY

67-71 Shirley Street (Lot 1 and 2 DP 221844, Lot 14 Sec 54 DP 258207)

Demolition of existing buildings, tree removal (16 trees), construction of six dwelling-houses, a swimming pool and spa, and Strata Title subdivision

10.2011.530.2 – CLUNES

155 Stewarts Road (Lot 1 DP 793478)

S96 to delete conditions relating to on-site sewage management system (rural industry in the form of a water bottling plant (change of use of shed))

10.2011.333.2 – MYOCUM

119 McAuleys Lane (Lot 2 DP 1109359)

S96 to reduce the size of the garage

10.2014.387.1 – OCEAN SHORES

4 Gahwang Court (Lot 9 DP 1145251)

Single storey dwelling

10.2013.117.3 – SUFFOLK PARK

113 Beech Drive (Lot 19 DP 811498)

S96 – minor alterations to floor plan, garage and balcony of existing dwelling, tree removal, amend site boundaries and consent conditions

10.2014.397.1 – BYRON BAY

12 Orara Court (Lot 12 DP 819457)

Alterations and additions to an existing dwelling-house to create a secondary dwelling

10.2014.180.1 – BYRON BAY

38 Paterson Street (Lot N DP6270)

Demolition of existing dwelling-house, erection of a detached dual occupancy and strata subdivision

10.2014.399.1 – BYRON BAY

39 Fletcher Street (Lot B DP 302467)

Swimming pool and tree removal

COMPLYING DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATES ISSUED

16.2014.39.1 – BRUNSWICK HEADS

36 Tweed Street (Lot1 DP190428)

Secondary dwelling

16.2014.15.2 – BYRON BAY

52 Jonson Street (Lot D DP 158128)

Shop fit out and increase patron numbers (alteration/addition to existing restaurant)

PUBLIC EXHIBITION OF DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979

The following development applications have been received by Byron Shire Council and may be viewed on Council's website at www.byron.nsw.gov.au/development-applications-on-exhibition, or at the Council administrative centre during ordinary office hours.

For further information on making a submission please refer to the factsheet 'Making a submission on a development application' available at Council or online at www.byron.nsw.gov.au/submissions-on-development-applications.

There are also requirements in relation to the disclosure of political gifts and donations. Refer to Council's website to satisfy yourself that you are complying with your disclosure obligations prior to lodging a submission at www.byron.nsw.gov.au/political-donations.

Please quote the development application and property description when making a submission.

EXHIBITION CLOSES 25 AUGUST 2014

10.2014.432.1 – NASHUA

37 Nicholson's Lane (Lot 1 DP 778661)

Northern Rivers Survey Pty Ltd: *Subdivision to create 2 lots*

10.2008.707.5 – BYRON BAY

Milton Street (Lot 2 DP 1158309, Lot 2 DP 736832)

Byron Bay Brewing Company: *S96 to alter access/exit arrangements to meet BCA requirements (additions/alterations to existing entertainment complex (Buddha Bar))*

EXHIBITION CLOSES 1 SEPTEMBER 2014

10.2009.299.2 – BYRON BAY

16-18 Lawson Street (Lot 1 DP 791604)

Planners North: *S96 to alter staging and carparking (additions and alterations to existing hostel including increase in guest beds from 160 to 304 and provision of additional carparking spaces accessed by a car lift)*

10.2014.100.2 – BANGALOW

6-10 Station Street (Lots 3, 3A, 4 and 4A DP 367355)

Chase Bangalow Developments Pty Ltd: *S96 to alter the location and use of approved buildings (change of use from hardware and building supply to art studio/gallery; six retail outlets for arts/crafts and associated carparking)*

10.2011.381.4 – BYRON BAY

2 Bayshore Drive (Lot 1 DP 567252)

RJG Architecture Pty Ltd: *S96 to alter building and carparking (Demolition of existing structures and construction of a hardware, home improvement and nursery outlet (floor area 2,760m2))*

EXTENDED – EXHIBITION CLOSES 1 SEPTEMBER 2014

10.2013.587.1 – BYRON BAY

108-110 Jonson Street (Lots 6 and 7 DP 619224 and Lots 8 and 9 DP 617509)

Global Centres Australia Pty Ltd: *Amended Proposal – Redevelopment of existing shopping centre including ground level supermarket, shops, restaurant, and kiosk and associated streetscape/landscape works including a performance stage. First floor level shops, restaurant (including verandah over road reserve), bowling alley, art gallery and extension of existing cinema. Two levels of basement parking. Subdivision of existing 4 lots into 2 lots and demolition works.*

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Thursday 28 August 2014

Council meetings are scheduled to be held at Station Street, Mullumbimby.

9.00am – Ordinary Meeting

Notices of Motion

- Meeting to Consider Organic Waste Disposal Options

Reports

- Belongil Creek Risk Management Study and Plan
- Investments – July 2014
- Resolutions Review January to June 2014
- Operational Plan 2013/2014 Biannual Review June 2014
- Carryover for Inclusions in 2014/15 Budget
- June Quarterly Budget Review
- Amendment to Adopted Fees and Charges 2014/15
- Section 355 Management Committees/Boards – changes to membership
- Report of Youth Council Minutes February to July 2014
- Community Gardens Licence – Mullum SEED Public Exhibition
- Year to Date Finance Report July 2014
- Year to Date Finance Report June 2014 (*referred from the Ordinary Meeting 7 August 2014*)
- Public Art Proposal – donation of Judy Cassab paintings
- Free camping in Byron Shire
- Councillor nominations for Arakwal National Parks Management Committee, Byron Coast Area Management Committee and Cape Byron Trust Board
- PLANNING – Planning Proposal Amendment Byron LEP 2014 Bangalow Bowling Club
- PLANNING 10.2013.132.2 S96 to delete condition regarding the culvert creek crossing
- Community Gardens Policy – Public Exhibition Submissions
- Re-establishment of Alcohol Free Zones Byron Bay Mullumbimby Suffolk Park Ocean Shores and Brunswick Heads
- PLANNING 10.2014.248.1 Sculpture Walk Brunswick Terrace Mullumbimby
- PLANNING State Environmental Planning Policy No. 1 (SEPP 1) Variations to development standards 01/04/2014 to 30/06/2014
- PLANNING Deferment of payment of S94 contributions on approved consent 10.2014.157.1
- Bangalow Skatepark
- Water, Waste and Sewer Advisory Committee – Community Representative Nominations (*referred from the Ordinary Meeting 7 August 2014*)
- Report of the Transport Advisory Committee Meeting held on 24 June 2014 (*referred from the Ordinary Meeting 7 August 2014*)
- Report of the Local Traffic Committee Meeting held on 25 June 2014 (*items 5.7, 5.10, 8.2 referred from the Ordinary Meeting 7 August 2014*)
- CONFIDENTIAL Tender Evaluation 2013-0040 Underbore DN140 Water Main at Lighthouse Road, Byron Bay
- Report of the Local Traffic Committee held 6 August 2014

2.00pm – Byron Shire Reserve Trust Committee Meeting

Reports

- Crown Reserve 84627 Proposed Lease – Mullumbimby Golf Club Limited

The above listed items may change. Meeting agendas are available prior to the meeting on Council's website at www.byron.nsw.gov.au/meetings, at Council's administration centre in Mullumbimby and at community access points around the Shire.

Requests for public access on an item in an agenda must be lodged with the General Manager or Mayor by 12 noon one working day prior to the meeting. Register for public access at either www.byron.nsw.gov.au/forms/public-access-sessions-and-submissions, on 02 6626 7000 or by emailing public.access@byron.nsw.gov.au. Public Access will be heard at the commencement of the meeting. Only one presentation for and one presentation against may be made on an item in the Agenda, with a maximum of five minutes allocated to each presentation. More than one speaker for or against an item may share the allotted time of five minutes.

Please note that Public Access sessions are recorded as a result of Council Resolution 08-638.

Enquiries: Joylene 02 6626 7317

Devils make a rod for their own back in Casino debacle

Story & photo John Campbell

On Sunday morning, regardless of the outcome of their away fixture at Casino, the Byron Bay Red Devils were almost assured of a top-three finish on the NRRRL ladder. By sundown they had been relegated to fourth after Kyo-gle defeated the competition's high-flyers, Murwillumbah, and the Devils themselves put in one of their poorest efforts of the season.

In going down 28-6 to the Cougars – and it was worse than it reads, for the hosts ran in six tries to one – the Bay have left themselves with the daunting task of now beating all four of the other top-five aspirants if they are to claim the champion's crown. They are capable of doing that, but a mighty improvement on last week's performance is imperative.

In truth, it was a pretty awful game of footy, with no



Byron captain Ryan O'Connell thought he was playing for the North Sydney Bears when he put his socks on on Sunday morning. He might as well have been. The Red Devils were well off the pace in receiving a 28-6 drubbing.

player more influential than the ref, who was called upon to blow the pea out of his whistle as countless mistakes and infringements were made.

After overnight rain heavy enough for the Mullumbimby Giants v Ballina clash to be cancelled, Casino kicked off under a cloudless blue sky. The

major attraction for the crowd was the Cougars' number four, Matt King. The former Storm and Souths centre/winger, star of Origin and tests, was back

in his hometown to add a little class to what promised to be an enthralling encounter. His Jimi Hendrix hair looked fab, and he put his winger over in the corner with his first touch of the ball, but Dally Messenger himself could not have made a silk purse out of the sow's ear that was served up over the ensuing seventy-odd minutes.

In fairness to the Bay, they lost Tyler Blanch, their hooker and dummy-half, in the warm-up and had injured players dropping like flies before they were able to settle. Cameron Green and Hemi Mullen succumbed, while forward leader Simon Kelly soldiered on though as crook as Rookwood.

Tireless Peter Flannery raked a 40/20 out of the blue to put the Devils on the attack, but no sooner had they got close to Casino's line than they squandered their opportunity by spilling the pill.

Within minutes Casino's five-eighth was hurtling towards the line with Byron's defenders hanging off him like he was carrying the Ebola virus. By the time somebody decided to tackle him it was too late and a trend was emerging. The Devils were asleep at the wheel.

Casino scored a third, unconverted try before William King was first to a loose ball after a chip from Ryan O'Connell to put Byron on the board. Billy Goldsmith steered his kick between the posts and the Devils were behind only 12-6 at the break.

They appeared to be asserting themselves in the battle up front, but it was as close as they were to get. Casino came out hungrier and a little more composed for the second forty and Byron were never really in the hunt.

The sides meet again on Saturday in the first elimination semifinal. The Devils will win it with your support.

Byron 2 Bruns Beach Run

The rain kept away for Sunday's running of the Byron 2 Bruns Beach Run, a fundraiser for the Brunswick SLSC.

First across the line was Tim Brebner (pictured) in a time of 38:04 and first for the women in fourth place overall was Heli Murray in 44:13.

In first place for the juniors was Lennox Bird with a time of 55:29 and for the girls, Chloe Lang crossed the line in 58:38.

More information and the link to results can be found at the Run's website: <http://byron2brunsbeachrun.com>.



Tick tick on the soccer clock

Dogwhistle

The pendulum swung true on Saturday when the Park Hotel Byron Bay Rams travelled to Lismore to meet arch-rivals Lismore Thistles for the penultimate round of the 2014 season.

The Reserve grade match was yet another frustrating outing for the Byron boys. The second-string Rams, despite totally dominating proceedings in the first half, couldn't seem to find the net. The Thistles' reserves, conversely, rarely made it into Rams territory but did manage to win a penalty and lead 1-0 into the break. The second half saw more Rams' attacks broken on the Thistles' defence until a late cross from Tane Meek found the head of Steve Kirkpat-

rick who, in turn, found the net to equalise and salvage a point for Byron.

The Premier Rams fared no better. With the Minor Premiership already secured, the Rams Prems had little to play for beyond their long-standing rivalry with Thistles. The Lismore squad, however, had second spot in their sights and a lot of pride on the line.

While still down a couple of key personnel, the Rams played their usual fast and efficient football but seemed to lack the hunger and passion of the Thistles. Despite solid performances from the entire team, and the outstanding work-rate Kazuhiro Tsukamoto, Michael Kelly, Barry Wood and Jono Pierce, the Rams never quite hit their straps. Tsukamoto ran riot

among the Thistles' defence and James Tomlinson had yet another titanic battle with Thistles' towering defender, Max Hospers, but the Rams remained scoreless. Thistles once again made the most of their forays into Rams' territory and finished a gruelling match two goals up. Byron keeper, Chris Jones, lost his usual composure after Thistles' second goal and found himself looking at a red card. Coach Damon Bell will have to find a replacement keeper for the final match of the season against Lismore Workers.

The final round, a home game for the Rams, will most likely decide who takes second spot for 2014 and will undoubtedly be another hard-fought battle.

Reserves kick off at 1pm and the Prems at 3pm.

Heading toward the 'red zone'

Brian Mollet

Nick Shand found his inner champion when the newsletter he produced to protest rough treatment of locals by the constabulary became *The Echo* we all know, read and line the catbox with today.

The eighteenth season of the Nick Shand Memorial cricket series has been one of the closest on record and on Sunday the inner champions were coming out like Thorpie as the Left Bankers played Main Arm in the battle of the hill-dwellers.

Lomath Oval was as damp and sloppy as your first pash but both sides were keen to play as Bucko of the Arm won the toss and chose to bat. Punk rocker Dan opened the batting with Brian and the batting sparkled like the wet grass. Dan (32 n/o) lifted one off his chin over deep forward square and raced to retirement like a state Liberal MP. Experienced as a Hendrix groupie, Brian looked like doing the same until Leon (2-18) and fab Phil ended his run on 25. Steady bowling from Blake, Dave and Eli (2-8) reeled the Arm in.

Gaz put one into the skatepark and was threatening more but Leon's diving effort at fly slip meant the skaters could take their helmets off again. Bucko (30 n/o) and a very jetlagged Bourkey eased the score along and Greg-O had a swing at the end of

the innings but the steady Bankers limited the Armers to a middling 151. The Bankers' reply stuttered early as Bucko, who was obviously playing well beyond the pain threshold, wound up the old frame for a quick early spell downwind. Aaron (25) played nicely until Dan skidded one through his guard, and Scruff and Eli also made good starts but fell short of bringing home the smoked pork comestibles. The old Main Arm boys only needed four wickets to win and force a countback for the finals berths and were streaking home with a wet sail. Russell (32 n/o) took the game away from the Armers, however, with a studied burst of hitting including 22 off one over (the bowler's name has been withheld to protect what is left of his ego).

Blake and Mattie then enjoyed themselves cracking up the winning runs with the pressure off, guaranteeing top spot for the Bankers and condemning six-time Shand champs Main Arm to the dreadful role of finals spectators.

The unseen committee then duly convened, and after due obeisance and the uttering of the ancient formulas, brought forth the invisible abacus. Results were punched in with extreme prejudice, revealing Left Bank (1) with three wins, Suffolk Swingers (2) 20.48, Geckos (3) 17.4, and Byron Full-Tossers (4) 13.4 based on runs scored divided by wickets conceded.

Next week's first semi is thus the Left Bankers versus the Byron Full-Tossers; anticipation levels are sure to hit the red zone by Sunday.

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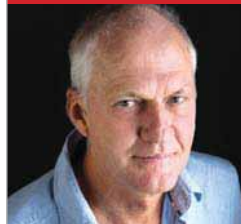
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Tallowood releases creek frontage land

Tallowood Ridge estate in Mullumbimby has released Stage 3B of its development and two lots sold in the first week.

'Of course we have been thrilled with the response to Tallowood Ridge,' said John Bennett, one of the collective of owners.

'Pushing forward the release of Stage 3B to meet demand has been a great thing to be able to do.

'It's quite remarkable to watch this community unfolding. What continually blows us away is the ownership and commitment of the residents to Tallowood.

'They have been instrumental in setting up community gardens, working with Council and each other.

'One family built a fabulous treehouse in one of the reserve areas. It's used by lots of different families and is always a hub of activity.'

There are now 11 home sites available, priced from \$224,000 for a near-level 450sqm site on a quiet street facing north, to \$298,000 for a 560sqm site in a premium position with frontage to both creek and nature reserve.

The backyards of the new home sites in Stage 3B face the morning sun and this is the very first opportunity to buy creek frontage within Tallowood Ridge. Twenty metres on either side of the creek is being rehabilitated into nature reserve.

Only 42 per cent of the 145-acre site will be developed for housing. The majority of the site, 84 acres, is being set aside for environmental protection, parks and recreation areas.

Tallowood Ridge is working closely with Wetland Care, who provide restoration, rehabilitation and monitoring services for the



community. Work undertaken this year includes planting five thousand native species, erosion and weed control.

Tallowood Ridge has been divided into ten management zones set aside for environmental restoration and rehabilitation, which are linked to particular stages of the development.

Granny flats and pets are both welcome at Tallowood Ridge, which offers full NBN coverage to all home sites.

'The houses being built reflect a very high standard,' said John Bennett. 'We are very pleased to be getting feedback that the quality of housing has improved considerably.'

See more at www.tallowoodridge.com.

OPEN FOR INSPECTIONS

BANGALOW REAL ESTATE & BYRON HINTERLAND PROPERTIES

7 Barby Crescent, Bangalow. Sat 11-11.30am

507 Coolamon Scenic Drive, Clunes. Sat 12-1pm

ELDERS BANGALOW

797 Fernleigh Road, Brooklet. Sat 10-10.30am

23 Rifle Range Road, Bangalow. Sat 10-10.30am

12 Thomas Street, Bangalow. Sat 11-11.30am

38 Granuaille Road, Bangalow. Sat 11-11.30am

11 Lizray Road, Federal. Sat 12-12.30pm

106 Eureka Road, Eureka. Sat 1-1.30pm

FIRST NATIONAL BYRON BAY

58 Brandon Street, Suffolk Park. Wed 2-2.30pm

15 Bottlebrush Crescent, Suffolk Park. Wed

2-2.30pm & Sat 11-11.30am

5 Koonyum Range Road, Wilsons Creek. Thu &

Sat 11-11.30am

5 Hakea Cres, Suffolk Park. Thu & Sat 12-12.30pm

1 Bobra Glen, Ocean Shores. Thu & Sat 1-1.30pm

9 Red Bean Cl, Suffolk Park. Thu & Sat 1-1.30pm

3/84 Centennial Circuit, Byron Bay. Thu 2-2.30pm &

Fri 12-12.30pm

58 Brandon Street, Suffolk Park. Sat 11-11.30am

4/8 Hazelwood Close, Suffolk Park. Sat 11-11.30am

15 Cape Vista Drive, Ewingsdale. Sat 11-11.30am

5/6 Prestons Lane, Tyagarah. Sat 12-12.30pm

14 Citriadora Drive, Ewingsdale. Sat 12-12.30pm

142 Parkway Drive, Ewingsdale. Sat 1-1.30pm

43 Federal Drive West, Eureka. Sat 2-2.30pm

GNF REAL ESTATE BANGALOW

5 Thomas Street, Bangalow. Sat 11-11.30am

LJ HOOKER BRUNSWICK HEADS

22 Beach Ave, Sth Golden Beach. Sat 11-11.30am

4 Namoi Glen, Ocean Shores. Sat 11-11.30am

8 Tongarra Drive, Ocean Shores. Sat 12-12.30pm

LJ HOOKER BYRON BAY

Figtree Fields, Ewingsdale. Daily 10am-11am

906 Coolamon Scenic Drive, Byron Bay.

Sat 10-10.30am

MCGRATH BYRON BAY

305 Coolamon Scenic Drive, Coorabell.

Sat 10-10.30am

3/2 Bryce Street, Suffolk Park. Sat 10-10.30am

39 Hardy Avenue, Ocean Shores. Sat 10-10.45am

2 Tincogan Street, Mullumbimby. Sat 10.30-11am

10/2 Cemetery Road, Byron Bay. Sat 11-11.30am

335 Federal Drive, Federal. Sat 12-12.30pm

30 Coachwood Court, Federal. Sat 12-12.30pm

21 Rifle Range Road, Bangalow. Sat 12-12.30pm

4 Blackbutt Place, Byron Bay. Sat 1-1.30pm

335 Federal Drive, Federal. Wed 3-3.30pm

21 Rifle Range Road, Bangalow. Wed 3.30-4pm

3/2 Bryce Street, Suffolk Park. Wed 4.30-5pm

4 Blackbutt Place, Byron Bay. Wed 4.30-5pm

39 Hardy Avenue, Ocean Shores. Wed 4.30-5pm

RAY WHITE BYRON BAY

10 Comet Close, Byron Bay. Wed 12.30-1pm &

Sat 11.30am-12pm

3 Orara Court, Byron Bay. Thu & Sat 10-10.30am

Lot 1 Station St, Mullumbimby. Thu & Sat 1-1.30pm

AUCTIONS

ELDERS BANGALOW

Auction 2pm onsite September 6

797 Fernleigh Road, Brooklet

Auction 6pm September 25 in our rooms

53 Fox Road, Rosebank

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28 General Stubbs Drive, Rosebank

FIRST NATIONAL BYRON BAY

Auction 12pm onsite August 29

3/84 Centennial Circuit, Byron Bay

Auction 2pm onsite August 30

1 Bobra Glen, Ocean Shores

Auction 12.30pm onsite September 6

5 Koonyum Range Road, Wilsons Creek.

Auction onsite September 13

58 Brandon Street, Suffolk Park

GNF REAL ESTATE BANGALOW

Auction 11am onsite Saturday September 13

5 Thomas Street, Bangalow

MCGRATH BYRON BAY

Auction 11am onsite Saturday August 23

5/2B Kalemajere Drive, Suffolk Park

Auction 4pm onsite Friday September 5

4 Blackbutt Place, Byron Bay

Auction 5pm onsite

Friday September 5

10/2 Cemetery Road, Byron Bay

Auction 10am

onsite Saturday

September 6

39 Hardy Avenue, Ocean Shores

Auction 11am onsite Saturday September 6

2 Tincogan Street, Mullumbimby

Auction 12pm onsite Saturday September 6

335 Federal Drive, Federal

Auction 1.15pm onsite Saturday September 6

21 Rifle Range Road, Bangalow

Auction 10am onsite Saturday September 20

3/2 Bryce Street, Suffolk Park

Auction 1.30pm onsite Saturday September 20

30 Coachwood Court, Federal

RAY WHITE BYRON BAY

Auction 10am onsite Saturday August 30

Lot 1 Station Street, Mullumbimby

Auction 10am onsite Saturday September 13

3 Orara Court, Byron Bay

Auction 10.30am onsite Saturday October 4

42 Paterson Street, Byron Bay

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• 849 Fernleigh Road, Brooklet, 5 acres with DA

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FIRST NATIONAL BYRON BAY

• 15 Cape Vista Drive, Ewingsdale. Interest Over

\$1,295,000

• 28 General Stubbs Drive, Rosebank. Auction

Pending.

• 4/8 Hazelwood Close, Suffolk Park. Forthcoming

Auction.

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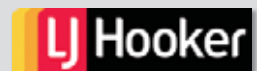
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- ✓ 4½ years old, this home has been finished to exacting standards
- ✓ High ceilings, stone kitchen bench, landscaped gardens & bamboo flooring
- ✓ Quality 4 bedroom home with office or 5th bedroom with NE aspect
- ✓ Open plan spacious kitchen, living and dining, with separate media room
- ✓ Master suite w. ensuite on both levels
- ✓ Salt water pool, covered deck, landscaped gardens, granite edge coping

✓ This is open plan Village living at its best
Inspection by appointment.
Vendors will listen to offers prior to Auction.
Auction 5.30pm October 8 at Lennox Hotel Function Room.
Contact Mark on 0429 868 001 or Lois 0428 877 399.

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All class and charm

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17 Ballina Road, Bangalow

- ✓ Located at one of Bangalow's highest points, less than 1km from the CBD
- ✓ Charming 120 year old home with fabulous rural views at the front & rear
- ✓ Stunning combination of modern & antique. Features include pressed metal, breezeways, french doors & hoop pine flooring
- ✓ 2 spacious bedrooms plus study/office with dual access from front verandah
- ✓ New kitchen with granite bench tops

✓ Perfect retirement home
The price range of this property also makes it a candidate for the recently increased capped price for the first home buyers' grant.

For Sale – offers over \$700,000.
Contact Lois on 0428 877 399 or Mark on 0429 868 001

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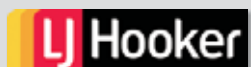
Beachfront Suffolk Park

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1 / 4 Alcorn Street, Suffolk Park.

- ✓ Ideal for both holiday & rental income
- ✓ 2 bedroom house plus 858m² beachfront land
- ✓ Open layout with separate living and dining room
- ✓ Neatly appointed kitchen

- ✓ Easy access to wide balcony
 - ✓ Front entertainers deck
- Price from \$750,000.**
Contact Liam Annesley 0417 780 795



3/50 Armstrong Street, Suffolk Park

- ✓ Beautiful modern town house close to the beach
- ✓ Private and serene position
- ✓ Small complex of three with low Body Corp
- ✓ Spacious design and well-appointed throughout
- ✓ Superb large courtyard with covered entertainment area

✓ Pet friendly
Great opportunity to secure a designer home close to the beach in desirable Suffolk Park.
Call Melanie on 0421 560 936.



For Sale – Alstonville

2/23 Arrowsmith Ave, Alstonville.

- ✓ Quaint 2 bedroom unit. NE aspect.
- ✓ Large garden with volcanic soil for growing fruit & veges
- ✓ Block of three units on large parcel of land. Extremely private
- ✓ Brand new guttering, downpipes, drainage

✓ Airconditioning, separate toilet
✓ Garage with internal entry
Price 258,000 NEG.
Contact Gary on 0412 880 744.
gary@scottharveyrealestate.com.au



5 Hakea Crescent, Suffolk Park

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Interest Over \$675,000

- Sensational opportunity to add value
- Open plan kitchen/meals/living opening onto deck
- Huge downstairs rumpus room with extra bathroom
- 2 street frontages provide endless options and convenience
- Excellent location with easy access to schools and shops

Open: Thursday, 21 August 12.00 – 12.30pm
Saturday, 23 August 12.00 – 12.30pm
Enquiries: Sharon McInnes 0408 659 649



3/84 Centennial Circuit, Byron Bay

- 'Lightforce Computers' building with fabulous fit out
- Outstanding freehold property with strong income potential
- 124m² ground floor, large mezzanine, 2 entrances and car space
- Excellent exposure to main road into Byron Bay's CBD
- This quality property will be sold with vacant possession

Open: Thursdays 2.00 – 2.30pm or Fridays 12.00 – 12.30pm
Auction: 12pm onsite – Friday, 29 August
Enquiries: Tara Torkkola 0423 519 698 or Paul Prior 0418 324 297

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24 James Street, Dunoon

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- 69 acres of seclusion, undulating scenery, magnificent views and meandering creeks
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- Fully integrated gourmet kitchen featuring German appliances and designer range hood
- The ultimate fully enclosed outdoor entertaining area – perfect for all year round use
- Beautifully landscaped gardens, unlimited water, 2 large sheds, solar and 3 phase power

Auction Pending

Open: By Appointment
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First National Byron Bay or
Sharon Dowling 0416 242 772
Professionals Lismore



142 Parkway Drive, Ewingsdale

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Interest Over \$1,175,000

- Stunning, north facing home in parklike surrounds
- 1 elevated acre, spacious yard and established gardens
- Triple garage with high ceilings, ideal granny flat conversion (STCA)
- Contemporary design with timber features and outdoor entertaining
- Minutes' drive or bike ride to beaches, shops and the Steiner School

Open: Saturday, 23 August 1.00 – 1.30pm
Enquiries: Su Reynolds 0428 888 660

15 Bottlebrush Crescent, Suffolk Park

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Interest Over \$699,000

- Character home with elevation, privacy and guest accommodation
- North aspect and filled with natural light and breezes
- Large downstairs room ideal for separate guest accom or 4th bed
- Plenty of space to build a granny flat
- Walk to Tallow Beach and shopping centre

Open: Wednesday, 20 August 2.00 – 2.30pm
Saturday, 23 August 11.00 – 11.30am
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5/6 Prestons Lane, Tyagarah

Interest Over \$1,100,000

- 8600m2 of prime land with panoramic ocean and lighthouse views
- DA approval to build a superb 5 bedroom, 5 bathroom home with pool
- Set in an exclusive subdivision high on a private and elevated sunny ridge
- The ocean and beach are a short bike ride or stroll down the lane
- Only a 7 minute drive to Byron Bay CBD. This is a truly outstanding property!

Open: Saturday, 23 August
12.00 – 12.30pm
Enquiries: James Young 0419 856 840
Tara Torkkola 0423 519 698



1 Bobra Glen, Ocean Shores

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Interest Over \$479,000

- Large family home with endless opportunities
- 2 separate levels, rental \$640 per week
- Ideally located close to beaches and shopping centre
- Modern and light with great outdoor entertaining areas
- This property will be sold; your inspection is a must!

Open: Thursday, 21 August 1.00 – 1.30pm
Saturday, 23 August 1.00 – 1.30pm
Auction: 2pm onsite – Saturday, 30 August
Enquiries: Tara Torkkola 0423 519 698 or Paul Prior 0418 324 297



5 Koonyum Range Road, Wilsons Creek

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- 'Fly like an eagle' spectacular ocean and hinterland views
- Set 300m above sea level offering 17 acres of pristine nature
- Private timber home showcasing indoor/outdoor living
- Sought after Koonyum Range Road only mins to Mullumbimby
- A special property with rarity value – you must see to appreciate!

Open: Thursday, 21 August 11.00 – 11.30am
Saturday, 23 August 11.00 – 11.30am
Details: 12.30pm onsite, Saturday 6 September
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Sale

Guide \$500,000 to \$550,000
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Brett Connable 0408 155 931
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property ID 1174808
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Auction



Sale



Sold By
Kaye Wilkie 0412 856 208

Large, Charming La

Byron Bay 58 Butler Street

This historic, light-filled Byron Bay home is impeccably renovated; full of old world charm and modern amenities; right in the heart of Byron, and only five minutes walk to Main Beach.

- Spacious living room and kitchen overlook a sub-tropical garden
- French doors from two bedrooms open onto front verandah
- Fully self-contained flat with upstairs attic bedroom
- Garden includes a lovely patio area, great for BBQs & entertaining
- Rear lane access providing parking onsite

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Contact Kaye for sale information

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Lovable Lilli Pilli Area

Byron Bay 3 Orara Court

Here is your opportunity to buy an affordable, freestanding character filled home on approx 450sqm, ripe to renovate and turn into your dream home. This is a great opportunity to get into the Byron Bay property market and with a home that has so much potential in a lovely area.

- Polished timber floors
- Open plan living onto sunny decks
- Quiet beautiful treed area
- Great garden space

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Auction

Sat 13th Sept 10.00am On Site
Inspect Thu & Sat 10—10.30am

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It was a hard knock for the counterculture (and tourism) in Nimbin last week with the burning down of the Nimbin Museum and the Rainbow Cafe. These icons, and the murals by Benny Zable on the old timber buildings, will be sadly missed. There is still some of the museum online at nimbinmuseum.com. And fortunately the Rainbow Archives, to a large degree collected and donated by Pip Wilson, at the State Library of NSW hold a wealth of documents, photos, and footage.

A resident tells us Byron Council staff are currently investigating the unauthorised removal of some 60 trees on private property on Coopers Shoot Road. Freehold title is not a right to do anything you like, which seems to be the 19th-century worldview some folks still adhere to.

We thought Joe Hockey's 'the poorest people either don't have cars or actually don't drive very far in many cases' couldn't be beat, but we didn't count on Maurice Newman, the PM's chief business adviser, remarking in that bastion of denial, the Murdoch press, that acting on climate change is 'as primitive as civilisations offering up sacrifices to appease the gods.' That prompted the youngsters at AYCC to create a petition to have Abbott fire Newman: www.aycc.org.au/newman.

Renowned journalist Robert Fisk noted in his 2005 book *The Great War for Civilisation* that war 'represents the total failure of the human spirit'. But it's great for the stock market. From Bernard Keane



Staffers go crazy for Queensland premier Campbell Newman's birthday last week, celebrating with a \$12 Cheesefactory cake. After the candles were blown out it was back to persecuting the public service, the poor, the elderly, the young, the disenfranchised and the disabled while ignoring dire poll numbers and providing the elite with handouts. Fun fact: a journo at the recent Byron Bay writers fest told the audience Newman has a huge painting of Sir Joh in his office. Aspiring to corruption is the new black – pity there's no QLD ICAC.

in *Crikey*: 'Last Friday morning American time, when the New York Stock Exchange opened, the share prices of Lockheed Martin, Northrop Grumman, General Dynamics, Raytheon and L3 Communications all immediately spiked between 1.5 per cent and 3 per cent. The night before, President Barack Obama had announced that the United States would be using airstrikes against ISIS forces in Iraq.'

Or to put it another way: 'Our economic model is at war with life on Earth.' This is the pitch for Naomi Klein's forthcoming book *This Changes Everything: Capitalism vs the Climate*: <http://bit.ly/kleinbk>. Klein's stark view on free-market capitalism probably helps to sell books but it's a bit of a stretch to see all businesses, apart from those stuck in oil and coal, will

willingly change if the consumers lead the way.

International Overdose Awareness Day (www.overdoseday.com) looks at the impact of prescription medicine. According to a press release from state MP Amanda Fazio, 'prescription drugs, in the main medical opioids, contributed to 71.1 per cent of [drug] deaths in Australia between 2007 and 2009 compared with 28.9 per cent for heroin.' Nearly four Australians die every day from overdose. Overdoses out-numbered road fatalities in Australia in 2012. According to the Australian Bureau of Statistics overdose deaths totalled 1,427 in 2012, while road deaths, which have been steadily declining, ended the year at 1,338. If you're thinking of reaching for mother's little helper, as the Stones called it, call Lifeline instead on 13 11 14.

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