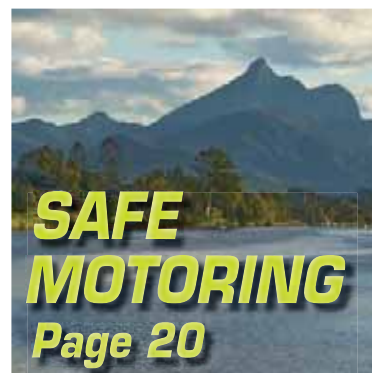




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New Byron plaza given green light

Chris Dobney & Hans Lovejoy

A large-scale 'green star' redevelopment of the southern end of the Byron Woolies plaza has been approved by Council.

And despite it breaking height restrictions for the town by around 10 per cent, Greens mayor Simon Richardson gave it a glowing endorsement throughout Thursday's Council debate (seven votes to two).

The existing cinema, carpark and shopping centre will be redeveloped to create a 3,400 square metre mall called Mercato on Byron, and will include a ground-floor supermarket, first-floor retail shops, restaurants, a bowling ally, an art gallery, a seven-cinema complex, two-level basement car parking and a terrace over the Jonson Street road reserve.

A centrally located roof feature will provide natural light and ventilation, contributing to the green-star rating but placing the building above the set height limit.

Cr Richardson told *The Echo* that 'No-one will see it from the street, and the height means a natural air vent will be in place instead of just air-conditioning.'

QLD-based developer Robert Badalotti previously put forward plans that were criticised by the public and the mayor as not befitting the town's character. But the current design has gained the mayor's complete support.

'We are lucky the proponents agreed to consider community concerns,' he said. 'It's a great position for a developer to start with. Council

and the proponents worked together to get a five-star green-star building, the only one in regional Australia: a building with an art gallery and public spaces,' Cr Richardson said.

'I think it is the best we can get within the parameters; it's a great testament to [planning director] Ray Darney and planning staff.

'It's a great template for future developments and says to developers, "If you're content with maybe a bit less and give us something the community wants, Council is prepared to be flexible".

'As a council and staff, we are re-shaping how we deal with community opportunities in our town,' the mayor said. He added he thought he would never find himself spruiking a shopping plaza redevelopment.

Possible toxic soils

With the building being situated on potentially radioactive tailings, *The Echo* asked Council's planning director Ray Darney what remediation works would be undertaken to mitigate the result of decades of sand mining in the town.

He told *The Echo* that part of the consent approval conditions required soil monitoring throughout the construction process. 'If toxicity issues arise, the developer will be required to remediate the site to limit any further contamination.'

Fast food clause

And as part of the consent conditions, Council has sought to prevent major multinational fast food chains

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You and the night and Mullum music



Sound and colour were everywhere for the seventh annual Mullum Music Festival, held over the weekend. Quality music, art, food and street performance spread around over a dozen venues and the shared community experience for both locals and musicians gave the town a great atmosphere. Meanwhile, police equipped with riot gear, horses and sniffer dogs were on hand to maintain the millennials in Byron Bay as Schoolies kicked off. Pictured is festival patron, Harry Angus, during Sunday's parade. Photo Jeff 'Blow Hard' Dawson.

■ More photos on page 31. See Sharon Shostak's documentary on the festival at Echonetdaily.net.au

Tallowood moves to protect forested areas

In an effort to protect the ridgeline overlooking Tallowood residential development in Mullumbimby, reduced lots and residential sizes for stage 3C have been announced.

One of the estate's developers, Eric Freeman, told *The Echo* that he met with Council staff Friday to come to the revised plan that 'considerably reduces the size of the three lots proposed in Stage 3C and places the parts of the land in stage 3C that are forested to now be incorporated into the shelter belt along the ridgeline.'

The amendment comes after resi-

dents voiced concerns about new blocks that had been released for sale on the ridgeline. They feared the area, which is known as a wildlife corridor, would be reduced in size owing to the block sizes being proposed.

Adding to residents' concerns is a NSW bill aimed at reducing fire hazards. It sparked fears of habitat loss with large-scale clearing near homes in the Sydney suburb of Hornsby, among others.

Minister Brad Hazzard's comment on *The Rural Fires Amendment (Vegetation*

Clearing) Bill 2014 at the time was, 'people before trees is the priority.'

Meanwhile Mr Freeman said, 'Council officers present at the meeting welcomed the amendment, as it removes the issue of "potential damage to trees on the ridgeline".

'Council will now consider the new plan in detail and will refer the proposed design to the NSW Rural Fire Service. Once the comments of the Rural Fire Service are received, a final determination will be made.'

Mr Freeman added the new blocks will be 'pegged as soon as **continued on page 2 ➤**



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Indigenous event says thanks



A recent Buninj Boothrum cultural event held at Durrumbul Hall on October 18 has raised funds for a number of local Indigenous projects, says event co-organiser Elen Butler, pictured left.

'Donations will go toward the North Lismore Plateau Protection Group, Yamba Women and Cultural Language Group and Nimbin Cultural Centre,' she said.

And a painting by Lewis Walker (Wahrlabul Bygal), entitled *Yarble-geebe Jugun* (Songline Country), was the raffle prize at the event. Pictured with Elen is winner Nic Borchat and Chief Golsby-Smith.

Photo Bruce Perry

Tallowood reduces block sizes

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possible in the coming week by our surveyor.'

'Council officers will visit the site after survey to review the new, smaller lots and the house locations and Council officers will then meet with interested residents to discuss how the forested areas of Stage 3C area are now protected as a result of Tallowood Ridge proposing that the Shelter Belt

be widened in two areas to include the forested land.

'Under the Rural Fire Service "10/50 code" property owners are only able to remove trees standing on their land and cannot use the 10/50 code to remove trees in public open space.'

For more visit www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/plan-and-prepare/1050-vegetation-clearing/tool.

Byron plaza approved

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opening up.

A clause reads, 'prior to issue of an occupation certificate, both council and proponents develop a formal agreement based on a section 88E *Conveyancing Act 1991* restriction, that is supported by both parties.'

Cr Sol Ibrahim agreed with the mayor that the final plan was a good outcome, however told *The Echo* he was initially frustrated at being not included in initial earlier discussions. Those frustrations were also shared by Cr Basil Cameron.

Cr Ibrahim said, 'In relation to the leases and tenancies, I think we now have a workable compromise.'

'In landscaping, there was a lot already set and there's now an opportunity to make a beautiful open space for the community. Early on I had concerns about the height but I found the argument from the architect compelling.'

But Cr Di Woods strongly opposed the attempts to keep out multinational food chains, which she described as a restriction of trade.

'My understanding is the proponents have given verbal undertaking and I think this

is a slap in the face. I think it's probably anticompetitive,' she said. Cr Rose Wanchap also queried whether such measures would exclude multinationals that source local produce and offer healthier food.

Cr Cameron remained opposed to the development on the grounds that it could come back to bite Council in future.

'Councillors are feeling the weight of commercial and legal pressures and they simply aren't prepared to stand up for what's important, he said.

'Height is arguably the most important provision - no other more clearly reflects the nature of Byron Bay - yet we're prepared to roll over on it.'

Handful of replies

A media spokesperson for the developer told *The Echo* that they received 'only a handful of community responses to the plans, which we interpret as the community being comfortable with the design.'

They added there are no current plans for the existing Woolies building, should the supermarket take the new premises. The development was approved, with the unlikely duo of councillors Woods and Cameron voting against.

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Christmas fair comes with big name acts

The Voice's Gabriel and Cecilia Brandolini along with the ABC's Shep Huntly as MC are just two acts lined up for the St Finbarr's Christmas Fair, to be held Saturday, December 6.

Main stage co-ordinator, Gabby Le Brun, says she is thrilled with how the entertainment program has come together.

'As part of the fair magic, the "Village Green" is transformed into a live music venue and features local established musicians and performers. We've also included the incredible talent of the St Finbarr's students, giving them the unique opportunity to perform alongside some of the best in the business.'

And one such act is The Daisy Chains duo, comprising Tess and Alicia, 'who have been best friends since they meet in kindergarten at St Finbarr's'.

'The gorgeous duo discovered their musical talents in



St Finbarr's Catholic Primary School presents their Christmas Fair on December 6. Clockwise from left back are Cammilla, Lenox, Jasmine, Mitchell and Sophia, who all got in the Christmas spirit at the launch of St Finbarr's famous fair. Photo Jeff Dawson

year six when they formed The Daisy Chains and went on to win the 2013 St Finbarr's talent quest,' says Gabby.

Tess said she is very ex-

cited to be performing at the St Finbarr's Christmas Fair.

'Alicia and I have been to the fair every year since we were in kindy and it feels

pretty special, having graduated from the school, to be invited back to perform.' The free main stage program starts at 10am and finishes at 3pm.

Byron Central Hospital works begin

Those heading into Byron on Ewingsdale Road will have seen that work is now underway on the site of the new Byron Central Hospital.

To mark the occasion, the office of health minister Jillian Skinner sent a press release last week name-calling

Labor as spending 'almost two decades delivering nothing but empty promises to the Byron Shire community'.

The berating by Ms Skinner continued with, 'Sadly, Labor continues its scare campaign about the services provided by the new Byron Central Hos-

pital. This is rich considering they did not invest a single cent to build the new facility'.

The comment was in reference to claims that day surgery would be outsourced.

Ms Skinner said, 'I want to assure the community the new Byron Central Hospital

will be a public hospital which provides free public health care for public patients'.

The Echo has asked the Northern NSW Local Health District to explain its plans for both hospitals once the hospital opens in mid-2016. A reply is expected this coming week.

Community meets over development push

Around 200 residents attended last Thursday's public meeting regarding the state government's push to develop West Byron, just outside the town's CBD.

According to Byron Residents Group's Cate Coorey, the group mobilised into six working groups.

'The groups are made up of those who are either specialists or have an interest in that field. There's an ecology group and even a youth group,' she said.

She says residents have, 'vowed to fight and throw everything they have into reversing the decision.'

'Community action has worked before in Byron,' she added.

Residents claim that the large-scale proposal is flawed with planning inconsistencies, and community requests were ignored.

After ten years of failing to get Council approval, the West Byron developers applied instead to the NSW government and were recently successful in gaining a

rezoning for the 108 hectares.

Returning planning to communities

But the decision and the NSW coalition's election promise of 'returning planning to communities' came under fire from Labor and The Greens.

Despite the coalition abolishing the Part3A legislation that allowed developers to bypass councils, there appears to be now the same provision to do so under the newly established state significant development application, which falls under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

When The Echo asked local NSW MP Don Page (Nationals) for clarity on his party's election promise and why developers can still bypass councils, he replied: 'The hypocrisy of Labor is breathtaking! It was Labor that brought the rezoning in under the state significant state environmental planning

policies (SEPP) in 2009.'

'The then-Green majority Byron Council had advised the then-Labor government they didn't have the resources to deal with the rezoning ap-

plication. The rezoning has never been subject to Part3A, which we abolished on coming to government in 2011. It's always been dealt with under the SEPP.'

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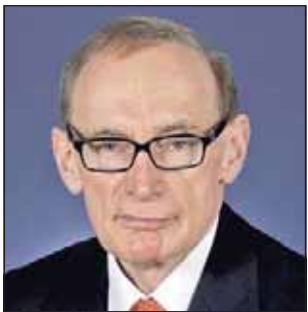
Hans Lovejoy

What journo would refuse an opportunity to interview former NSW Labor premier and foreign minister Bob Carr?

Mr Carr, along with celebrated author Thomas Keneally, will be in Lennox Head as part of a book tour, and thus a phone interview was arranged.

The call came through, and there were obligatory niceties. Then I asked the softest, squishiest question on how his young impressionable life was affected by Saint Gough Whitlam. 'I was a teenage-Whitlamite,' Bob enthused, 'and joined the party at 15. It became rapidly clear in my view that he was the only the person who could articulate a modern vision. He was also capable of catching the swinging voter...'

But it soon became rapidly apparent too that Bob didn't want to answer any questions unrelated to the golden Whitlam years. It was like boxing a glacier. 'Do you think ICAC has overstepped its charter by investigating barrister Margaret Cunneen?' He stopped me mid-sentence and said flatly he knew nothing of the case.



Okay. Then I asked, 'Do we need a federal ICAC?,' to which he said No. 'You would need a strong case for that, and you would have to think long and hard about it,' he replied.

Okay – back to wonderful Gough. 'Wow, Gough sounded like a great man,' I said.

How tedious. Attempting to salvage the conversation, I asked if he thought Gough's dismissal was in part owing to a US intelligence hit job.

Whitlam is said to have pushed the US over its spy base at Pine Gap near Alice Springs, which is off limits to Australians. And the US are well known to overthrow leaders of other nations if they suspect it conflicts with their interests.

Journalist John Pilger even claims that the CIA officer who helped set up Pine Gap, Victor Marchetti, told him,

'This threat to close Pine Gap caused apoplexy in the White House... a kind of Chile [coup] was set in motion.'

Anyway, back to Bob: 'I have never seen evidence of CIA involvement, and Whitlam himself said he didn't think it was to do with the US.'

Mr Carr did go on to say that then-governor-general, John Kerr, was solely responsible for Gough's demise and then expanded on other elements that caused him to topple: 'The government was broken by the economic crisis in the mid 70s; the oil crisis, unemployment and inflation...'

'He had pushed the limits of government spending, something he admitted in his memoirs.

'There were rising prices, a wages boom. An absence of a wages policy was another.'

Alas, further attempts to tease out comment over matters of foreign or domestic policy were rebuffed.

Mr Carr and Keneally will be in conversation with Candice Baker from 5pm at the Lennox Cultural and Community Centre on Saturday, November 29.

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'The exciting news is that we have doubled the size of our store and now include Organic Fruit, Vegetables, Meat, a Café, Bulk Foods, and much more,' says co-owner John.

'Our aim is to bring everything to Ballina so that our customers don't need to leave town to get the provisions they need. Come in on Friday 28th and Saturday 29th to meet our farmers, sample a great selection from our extensive range, taste our amazing selection of foods including organic coconut ice cream or simply enjoy a coffee, juice or smoothie in our new store.'

Having operated in the Ballina shire for nearly twenty years these co-owners have observed a definite shift in the awareness to natural health and a wholesome and natural based diet.

'The quality of our food has become paramount to our wellbeing; we are dedicated to bringing our customers the purest and most nutritious food possible,' says Serge, Naturopath and co-owner.

'Being a local business we value the importance of sourcing the highest quality produce from local and sustainable farms and have developed great relationships with our suppliers. This weekend will give our customers the opportunity to meet the growers,' says Serge.

'We have always worked hard to provide our customers with a diverse range of quality food – now we are proud to say that you can buy organic chickens and seedlings!

'We also have environmentally-friendly products like toothpaste, cleaning products, toilet paper, and tissues from sustainable organic sources or made from recycled materials like sugar cane or bamboo.'

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Overcoming unimaginable tragedy

How the mother of a US school shooting victim sought forgiveness and love

Mandy Nolan

Almost two years ago at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Connecticut, a lone gunman murdered 20 children, many of them first-graders, and six adults. When the police turned up, Adam Lanza turned the gun on himself.

For many of us this kind of tragedy is unimaginable, and how a surviving parent or sibling manages to make sense of life, or even start to heal, is unfathomable. Scarlett Lewis is an inspiration.

On the morning of December 14, 2012, Scarlett said good bye to her first-grader son Jesse. Six-year-old Jesse never returned.

'Right after the tragedy, I asked myself the same two questions: how could something like this happen and what could I personally do to make sure it doesn't happen again?' Scarlett said.

Since the loss of her son, she established the Jesse Lewis Choose Love Foundation to teach the simple message of choosing love over anger.

'My personal thought was the tragedy started with an angry thought in the shooter's head. I pictured him as a little boy having an angry thought without the tools from a nurturing environment to handle that.

'Anger can snowball if left unchecked. It can lead to rage, and it can negatively impact us on a cellular level; it can change our biology.

'I believe that rage leads to acts of violence. I believe that is what led to the act of violence. The amazing thing is a thought can be changed; at any point in Adam's life, his anger could have been changed.

'I wanted to start a move-



ment to help people and children understand they are not their angry thoughts and they can change.'

And so began Scarlett Lewis's healing journey to forgive her son's killer.

'Three days after Jesse was murdered, I got up at the memorial service and told them my theory. I told them I believed it had started as one angry thought in Adam Lanza's head. Everyone has asked what can we do for you?'

'I asked that people consciously change one angry thought into a loving thought every day. It will make you happier and make it a peaceful world.

Change thoughts

'People left the memorial service and I got feedback a week later that people took that message to heart.'

Scarlett believes we are not given the necessary tools to manage complex emotions like anger.

'For children, it's not just academic learning that is important - it's the social and emotional learning. It's understanding our feelings and why we have them and what we do with them.

'It's moral awareness, mindfulness, character value and understanding how our brain works. When we have our angry thoughts, we can understand how they hijack

our brain and how we can self-regulate.

'Our education system has never addressed these questions, and in the end it's more important than academics.'

As part of her family's healing, Scarlett and her son JT become involved with Rwandan genocide survivors.

Rwandan story

'They reached out via Skype through an interpreter and told JT and me their story. At this point I hadn't gone back to work and JT hadn't gone back to school.

'Our friends kept trying to tell us we would be okay but we knew they hadn't experienced a devastating loss.

'But here were young people with a legitimacy. People who had experienced something far worse than us in their life.

'They told JT they were sorry to hear about his brother and shared their personal stories. One girl, Chantall, had witnessed her entire family being murdered at eight.

'She then had her throat slit and was buried alive in a shallow grave with her family.

'She had to hide for days, she dug her way out and found her way to an orphanage. After her physical wounds had healed, she felt incredible gratitude for the walls, the food and made the conscious choice to forgive the people

who had murdered her family, otherwise she would go down the same path as the perpetrators. She told us that her healing was the act of forgiving.'

The conscious choice to forgive

'That night JT and I sat down and talked about things we had that we were grateful for. We both made the conscious choice to forgive so we wouldn't stay in the pit of anger and despair.'

Her son JT then went on to set up a non-profit organisation to help young Rwandans attend college.

Scarlett believes that being in the service of others is where we heal. 'It's the most healing thing we can do - to be in the service of others.

Jesse Lewis may have died on 14 December 2012, but short six years have inspired many to live a better life.

'The mission of the foundation started when I saw a message Jesse had written on our kitchen chalkboard just days before he died,' says Lewis.

'He had written "nurturing healing love". I found it after he died. I knew immediately that he had a spiritual knowing that he wasn't going to be here much longer and that he wanted to leave a message of comfort. And that message was meant for the world because it is what we need to move towards.

'Jesse was a force to be reckoned with... and in the end it's not the length of your life, it's what you do with it.'

Scarlett Lewis is a featured speaker at Uplift Festival at the Byron Region Sport & Recreation Centre, Ewingsdale Rd, 11-14 December. For more information visit www.upliftfestival.com.



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Council gathers to plot its next move to improve the community

Hans Lovejoy

It's never a dull moment in the house of pain, which occurred at Council's meeting last Thursday.

Early in the day, mayor Simon Richardson launched a blistering assault on the lack of community engagement or interest by Byron Woolies, 'Who in three years that I know of, have given only a \$100 shop voucher to Schoolies.'

'It's a corporate disgrace,' he said. The outburst was in relation to the impending Schoolies onslaught, which the mayor says needs more business support. Council managed to

cough up \$3,500 to support the Schoolies Hub on Main Beach, which operates as a 'safety response' for the youngsters.

Camping

Moving on, a 12-month trial of a Freedom Camping site/s will be explored after Cr Spooner's motion gained support.

Aimed at addressing camper vans that are part of the tourist mix, staff have been asked to identify appropriate partner/s to undertake such a trial through an expression-of-interest process.

Meanwhile deputy mayor Alan Hunter managed to gain

unanimous councillor support to amend the conditions on operating his storage business at the end of a quiet street in Myocum. Cr Hunter, who previously managed to get a 'change of use for a farm building to road transport terminal,' will now will be allowed, 'a maximum number of 10 truck movements per week.'

No doubt it's another blow to his long-suffering neighbours, who claim the commercial operation is better suited to industrial areas and is not directly farm-related.

West Byron clarity

And West Byron got yet another run before Council with a mayoral urgency motion.

It sought to request 'immediate discussions' between the NSW Planning Department and Council regarding West Byron's Development Control Plan (DCP).

The motion reads that 'The purpose of these discussions is to clarify the department's response to the issues raised in Council's submission regarding the West Byron Urban Release Area State

Significant Site Report.'

Specifically, Council want the acknowledgment from the NSW Planning Department that Council, 'is the responsible Local Government Authority for the preparation of the urban release area DCP.'

Council will also enquire with the planning department 'as to whether the [zoning] gazettal prevents the lodgement of DAs prior to adoption of a DCP.'

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Boutique market pops up

There's a new boutique market on the block – the Bangalow Designers' Market.

Market co-organiser Karen Gee says, 'The designers have been selected for their fun, innovative, and highly creative work. Inspired not only by their local environment, but also picking up ideas from world travels, the stallholders have given the community the opportunity to see new, exciting and interesting items in a stimulating and collaborative environment.'

At the upcoming Christmas market on Saturday December 13, held in the picturesque grounds of the Bangalow Heritage House, visitors will see the gardens transformed into a design hub – with more than 40 stalls. Runs from 8am to 3pm.

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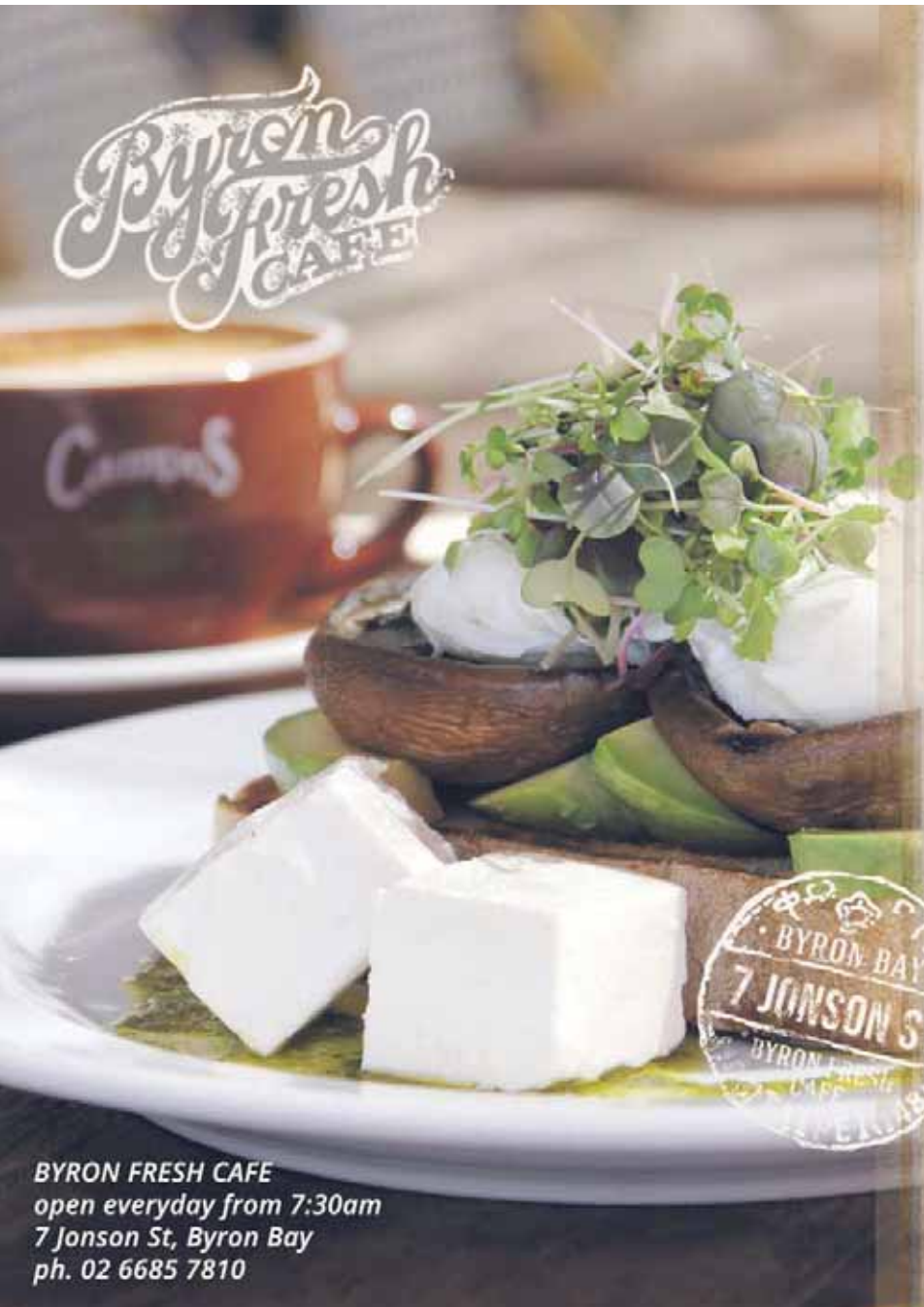
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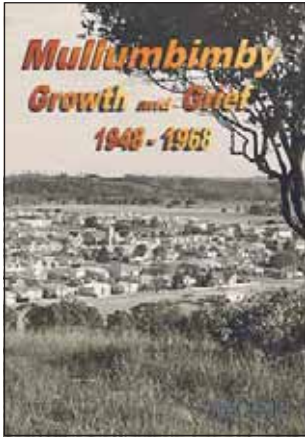
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Latest book on Mullum’s history launched

A new book chronicling the area’s history was launched by councillor Basil Cameron recently at the Brunswick Valley Historical Society’s 30th celebration.

It’s the fourth in a series by Peter Tsicalas, and is titled *Mullumbimby: Growth & Grief 1948–1968*.

Cr Cameron said, ‘Peter’s work is a lively and entertaining recounting of our recent past, filled with familiar names, faces and events that will challenge much of our understanding of ourselves. An understanding that is often



clouded in current folklore.’

The book explores how, as once the region’s fastest growing town, Mullum peaked

with building approvals falling from the late 1940s. Heroically, townsfolk fought to provide for and maintain their own; the organisation and fight by farmers to sustain rural industries and the early signs of an emerging tourism industry had in fact masked a slow decline.

By 1971, the population had declined by six per cent and the town appeared to be on course to meet the fate of so many country towns facing a collapse in rural activity. For more visit www.mullumbimbymuseum.org.au.

Self-cleaning toilets for Apex Park

New toilets are expected to be delivered at Apex Park on Byron’s beachfront by the end of the week, say Council.

Called Exeloos, a block of three self-cleaning, unisex toilets will take two weeks to install, says Council’s infrastructure services director Phil Holloway.

‘In listening to feedback from residents and visitors, the beachfront toilet amenities have been long overdue for an upgrade.

‘The new toilet block will be in place for the peak season and will include a baby change table.

‘In the meantime, the old amenities will be gutted and change rooms and storage lockers put in place. While an interim measure, the new toilets are far superior to the existing facilities and will be able to accommodate a higher number of usages owing to their self-cleaning capability.’

Mr Holloway says the

block of three self-cleaning toilets is being located next to the existing toilet facilities at the Surf Club to help provide connection to existing water and sewerage services.

An additional six porta-loos have also been brought in to help service the additional needs during schoolies, New Years Eve and the school holiday period.

Public toilets near Fish-heads will also continue to be available 24 hours.

Utility privatisation transparent: MP

Suggestions that privatisation of some of the state’s electricity grid – or the poles and wires – will impact on the public purse have been hosed down by local Nationals MP Don Page.

NSW Labor candidate for Ballina Paul Spooner ‘challenged’ the MP to take the issue to a referendum.

Mr Spooner claims the coalition’s plans to privatise the publicly owned infrastructure – if it wins government next year – ‘will increase electricity prices for families and rob the state of over a billion dollars each year that funds infrastructure, hospitals and schools.’

He said, ‘The electricity network represents decades of public investment in in-

frastructure that returns over a billion dollars each year to pay for building and maintaining schools, hospitals, roads and pays the wages of teachers, nurses and police.’

One billion dollar returns for govt

The Echo asked Mr Page why his government would try to unload an asset returning a billion dollars a year, as claimed by Labor.

He replied, ‘The government’s policy on poles and wires is that we intend to lease 49 per cent of the metropolitan poles and wires.

‘This will raise around \$20 billion to invest in much-needed infrastructure; \$6 bil-

lion of this will be spent in the regions like the north coast.

‘All the regional poles and wires will remain 100 per cent in public ownership.

‘The government has no plans to change the current water assets situation.

No referendum

‘There is no need for a referendum. Our government is putting our policy out there in the public domain in a totally transparent way prior to the election so people can make a judgment on the issue then.

‘The Nationals did a very good job negotiating to get \$6 billion spent in the regions even though there will be no lease or sale of any regional poles and wires.’

Food needed ASAP for farmers

‘Farmers out west are struggling to feed their animals, let alone put food on their own tables’, says Anne Thompson, who co-organises hampers that are sent to remote farming communities.

She says it will be a very lean Christmas once again for many. ‘We are finding it hard this year, as many people are struggling. What is needed is non-perishable food in tins, pack-

ets and jars, but also festive food such as Christmas puddings... At least this guarantees them a nice meal together on Christmas Day. Money is most welcome so we can shop; the details are: Summerland Credit Union A/C 22266650 BSB 728-728. Deadline for the Byron area is Tuesday December 2. Items can be taken to the Byron Bay Anglican Op Shop, Bangalow CWA Shop or the Mullum Uniting Church Op Shop.

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Younger gen mobilise over Byron's future



A group of young local residents have united to form the Byron Young Residents Alliance, or BYRA.

The group says it aims to encourage open discussion and involvement with all young Byron Shire residents and provide a platform to represent the demographic on local community issues.

One member is Ben Gordon, who grew up in Ewingsdale and is drummer with award-winning band Parkway Drive.

He told *The Echo* a meeting held on Sunday drew about 50 people. 'And from that, we elected eight senior members.'

'The group was very impassioned and motivated to make a difference on local issues that they feel strongly about.'

Another spokesperson for the group is university student Narayan Wallace.

He told *The Echo* the group's demographic is a mix of self-employed graphic designers, professional musicians, business owners and uni students, 'one of which is studying to be a town planner.'

'Everyone [in this group] has grown up here and wants to have a say and the goal is to open the communication channels.'

No political affiliation

The group's statement reads, 'The group would encourage all younger residents of the shire to make contact with the group and follow along as it progresses.'

'BYRA has no political affiliation and has a focus to encourage other young adults to become more active in the future of the Byron Shire.'

A vision statement was also formed.

It reads in part, 'The catalyst for formation of BYRA has been what we see as the general perception that the younger generations lack either interest or investment in local issues, the West Byron and Ewingsdale Lot 101 developments being prime examples.'

'We feel that the younger demographic frequently get overlooked and misrepresented in such issues and hope to change that by uniting.'

'As a group, we seek to play a proactive part in the sustainable development of the shire and, as such, are putting our hands up to represent its younger residents in current and future matters that will affect us all.' To get involved visit www.facebook.com/byronyoungresidentsalliance or Instagram: [byronyoungresidentsalliance](https://www.instagram.com/byronyoungresidentsalliance).

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Smells like teen spirit

The title of this piece comes from a song written 23 years ago now, and its author Kurt Cobain could have been the father of any of the teens gravitating to Main Beach in Byron Bay.

He would have cautioned them against people like him.

The lyrics provide little illumination other than on Cobain's fascination with the words 'mulatto', 'albino', 'mosquito', and 'my libido', which might provide a clue.

Originally 'teen spirit' had little to do with the heady mix of chemicals which hangs over Main Beach like a lubricious cloud but was written on a wall as a reference to an American brand of deodorant. Out of such inconsequential stuff anthems to restless youth are born.

None, you would think, would wish to be too near this powerful mating ritual which needs a David Attenborough to do it justice, but some folk do need to work in town or pick up groceries.

If they can't exult in the adolescents' lust for life and alcopops, then perhaps they can exercise a little forbearance.

Of another species altogether are the (chiefly) men who prey upon the schoolies. It is a sad failure of character – and a black mark on a person who might be a parent one day – that attempting to rape children is considered a sport, and deception and drugging are part of their tools of the trade.

It is no wonder they are known as toolies. Even in my youth, back in the early Jurassic period, a 'tool' was a term of derision for a person who behaved idiotically. (Tool is also the name of an American rock band which formed about the same time as Nirvana.)

I hope that most parents have warned their headstrong offspring against the dangers of toolish seducers and told them not to leave their drinks unattended in case a nasty drug is slipped into them.

If not, then fortunately the crew of HUB and Red Frogs are at the beach to offer advice and sugar. It's not too late to volunteer for the 24/7 safety hub by contacting Nicqui Yazdi on 0402 013 177 or nicquiyazdi@yahoo.com.au.

It's a great service and hopefully its protection, and the camaraderie of peers, will generate the euphoria all teens seek before the far scarier pheromones of responsibility kick in.

Lost in my own aspergic idyll, I think of the school leavers out there who are not captives of the herd mentality, the need to be celebrated by as many others as possible in person or on Instagram.

Somewhere, they are quietly reforesting a few hectares, helping out at a soup kitchen, knitting a cardigan, building a drone with a few mates in a garage over some cold ginger nectars, or raiding mum's San Pedro cactus garden in order to generate the entheogenic epiphany to round off a year hitherto devoted to quadratic equations.

I couldn't wait to get out of school and into the big world. If only I'd known how big the world really is.

Michael McDonald

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Tony's wrecking ball begins to crack

Barack Obama's speech to the University of Queensland during the G20 bash was undoubtedly a show-stopper: spell-binding oratory which included a powerful message urging the people, particularly the youth, to demand more action on climate change.

Obviously and inevitably it was seen to aimed squarely at Tony Abbott, who had done his best to gag or at least mute the climate change issue at the meeting he was presiding over.

And of course it worked: the headlines responded.

But it should have been a one-day wonder: as the G20 subsided and Abbott's big numbers with China's Xi Jinping and India's Narendra Modi took the stage, our great leader should have been accorded the attention he hoped for and expected. The fact that the Obama address continued to distract from the plaudits he craved was due not from the recalcitrance of the leftist media but from the paranoia of his own supporters.

From day one Abbott's bestie, *The Australian's* Greg Sheridan, led what turned out to be a running series of attacks on Obama: he was gratuitous, and ungracious to speak openly on a subject Abbott wanted to avoid.

Not only that, the speech was not given to Abbott in advance, presumably so that our prime minister could be forewarned, or better still censor it. And it turned out that the US ambassador in Australia and even some of Obama's own advisers wanted it toned down.

The culmination was an enormous feature from Sheridan last weekend, reprised as a front-page news story, that Obama had shot himself in the foot: he had diverted from his own message about the American commitment in Asia. Bloody lame duck dysfunctional – a bit like Kevin Rudd, really.

Well, just let's get this in context, as another of Sheridan's bugbears, Malcolm Turnbull, might put it. Obama's concerns about climate change might well be embarrassing for Tony Abbott, but they were neither new nor surprising. For months the President have been proselytising on the importance of action both at home and abroad.

He tried to bring in an ETS in the United States and more recently made his agreement with Xi the centrepiece of APEC.

And significantly he opened

rather, of the state and federal management of it. Agricultural run off, mining and using the reef for dredging waste was no longer permitted, she boasted.

True; but Obama was not talking about dumping and drilling or any of the other short term vandalism perpetrated and proposed in the past.

He was talking about the future of global warming and the damage it would cause to the reef through rising sea temperatures and increased concentration of carbonic acid, which will

ing from the free marketeers, the public was not impressed. There would, admitted the economists, be losers as well as winners. Alan Jones berated Abbott about Chinese takeovers, energy companies warned that gas prices might rise and agriculture minister Barnaby Joyce admitted that food might go up as well.

In the circumstances the news that coal and dairy exports would increase did not exactly lead to dancing in the streets.

The coalition parties blinked, and blinked again. The troops are not panicking – yet. But they are not happy. Bishop has been a firm ally, and Matthias Cormann remains indefatigable, even saying that Abbott's lie on no cuts to the ABC wasn't actually a lie – by no cuts he meant well, an efficiency dividend – in other words, spin for cuts. Malcolm Turnbull conceded that Abbott had said no cuts but they and Joe Hockey had said there would be a bit of trim all around.

And he might well have said it; but no-one was listening. What the voters heard was the clear and unequivocal commitment from their leader, who promised, above all, honesty and trustworthiness.

And ominously, the rest of the cabinet, most of the junior ministers, and just about all of the backbench seemed stunned into silence. So, what is to be done? Demagoguery, obviously, and fortunately Andrew Bolt has the answer with a detailed ten-point plan for redemption.

Actually it is a bit simpler than that: a couple of slogans in fact. Bolt's advice to Abbott can be summed up as: No more Mr Nice Guy, and Keep it simple, stupid.

Or perhaps, given Bolt's determination to avoid the science on climate change and bring Abbott back to the one true path: Keep it stupid.

Now there's a mantra to take to the next two years.

Bishop, like the republican guard of Newscorp, was more concerned with protecting Abbott's arse than advancing the argument.

by Mungo MacCallum



the climate change summit in New York, calling it the over-riding challenge confronting the world – a view endorsed by UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-Moon and shared by politicians, scientists and countless ordinary citizens throughout the planet.

Abbott, of course, conspicuously snubbed this event, in spite of being on his way to the UN in the same city. For Sheridan and others to demand that Obama should now ignore his long held beliefs and passions in order to condone Abbott's ignorance and massage his fragile ego is an absurdity – but it has been one supported not only by *The Australian's* usual suspects, Paul Kelly, Dennis Sheridan and the self-parodist Gerard Henderson, but also by politicians who ought to know better.

Queensland Premier Campbell Newman was particularly miffed: why, he had gone out of his way to host Obama's event, and look what happened.

And Foreign Minister Julie Bishop sprang to the defence of the Great Barrier Reef – or

affect coral in the same way as it is already affecting the great food supplies of Antarctic krill.

Bishop, like the republican guard of Newscorp, was more concerned with protecting Abbott's arse than advancing the argument. But at least she was trying, and that part of the prime ministerial anatomy – the sanctum of the suppository of all wisdom – is looking particularly vulnerable.

The last Newspoll was, for the party room, appalling. The headline figure, a 10 per cent gap after preferences, was mega-landslide territory. But wait, there was more: Labor now led on primaries, which was almost unprecedented, and the barely visible Bill Shorten was now seen as a better prime minister than the beleaguered incumbent.

And this had happened after what was supposed to have been a good week. But when you're hot you're hot and when you're not, well, you're Tony Abbott.

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Get tough on illegal holiday-lets

■ Illegal holiday letting cannot be resolved. It is a crime. Under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, Sections 76A and B. Recent judgment? Dobrohotoff v Bennic [2013] NSWLEC 61. It is very, very clear. Google, read, understand.

Dwelling house means dwelling as in home. Not commercial letting. End of story.

Penalties? Section 126:

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(2) A person guilty of an offence against the regulations is, for every such offence, liable to:

(a) the penalty (not exceeding 1,000 penalty units) expressly imposed by the regulations, or

(b) if no such penalty is imposed, to a penalty not ex-

ceeding 1,000 penalty units.'

And what that translates to is \$1.1 million, plus \$110,000 per night. This is on top of on-the-spot fines that may be issued. If they don't pay up, they go to jail.

When the corruption stops, this game is going to end, bitterly.



Matt Hartley
State candidate
Byron Bay

■ It's hard to believe that after all the complaints and the horror stories behind them, VOHL (Victims of Holiday Letting) are urging us to 'actively support' the proposed holiday letting strategy currently on exhibition by Council (Letters, November 18). The moment this short-term renting is made legal, there will be absolutely no way it can be controlled and this is what residents really need to understand.

Council has been almost completely negligent in enforcing the rules under the current LEP which is still in operation but at least with a

workable policy and determined implementation, they still could and surely this should be focus of any new DCP, not the extraordinarily complicated and unrealistic policy on exhibition – and if anyone thinks I'm exaggerating, please try to read the policy on Council's website.

Perhaps it's time victims of holiday letting – and there are many – should consider a class action against Council, which has certainly not carried out its duty of care towards them.

I'd suggest returning to what we had before, amended to suit our changed conditions. Traditionally, some people let their homes during some of the school holidays and Council turned a blind eye – unless there were complaints when action was taken. I'd think this not unreasonable and what needs to be spelt out in policy is holiday letting during school holidays only, with fines – I'd make them heavy – for any initial upset to residents and termination of letting if a sec-

ond complaint is upheld.

No short-term letting at any other time of year, no ridiculous 'categories' which Council staff could hardly be expected to actually police (or even administer); in other words keep it simple, manageable and fair. I intend to submit along these lines to Council and, as opposed to last week's letter writers, ask that others do also but not in support of making holiday letting legal; give the illegal operators a 'sunset clause' – a year or two at most to shut down their illegal operations and warn of action to follow against any non-compliance – and mean it. The illegals are easily found on the net.

Jenny Coman
Bangalow



Labor on CSG

Interesting to see the letter from Tamara Smith, Greens candidate for Ballina (*Echo*, November 18). She claims Labor will allow CSG mining in most areas of NSW.

Let's set the matter straight. This is Labor's position: 'Coal seam gas drilling poses clear and present risks to the in-

tegrity of our state's drinking water. It has the potential to damage aquifers, interfere with fragile marine life and compromise our food basin. Labor supports an immediate moratorium on this industry.

'We would suspend all coal seam gas exploration licences and cease issuing extraction licences. The coal seam gas

industry in NSW simply does not have the social licence to proceed – especially in the absence of further scientific evidence to clarify its effects on the environment.

'Labor also supports a permanent ban on coal seam gas activity in the core water catchment areas of

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Letters to the Editor

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Sydney and the Illawarra... Establishing an extra buffer around core drinking water catchments recognises that there are certain no-go zones where coal seam gas extraction should never be allowed – now and for all time. Labor is committed to exploring similar protections in catchments right across NSW.

'A Labor government will also declare a total ban on CSG in the northern rivers... Labor will not allow new CSG exploration licences, will refuse to grant CSG extraction licences, reject renewals of existing licences and refuse any applications to expand existing operations in the northern rivers.'

How clear cut is that.

Ross Cornwill
Lennox Head

Dead fish

On the morning of Tuesday November 18 I was dismayed to see a large number of dead fish along the tide line of Main Beach. I am wondering if anyone knows what caused the fish kill.

Not so long ago I saw the tide deposit a slimy green mat all along Belongil Beach, and I have heard a few people saying they have seen no dolphins for a while. Could it be that the Belongil estuary health has been compromised, and some serious and independent assessments need to be done before any go-ahead of any proposal which could increase toxicity and damage marine and human life?

Suzie Deyris
Byron Bay

Defining toffs

In reference to 'the Ewingsdale toffs' (Jeff Barnes, Letters, November 18). 'Toff': British English slang, a toff is a derogatory stereotype for someone with an aristocratic background or belonging to the landed gentry, particu-

larly someone who exudes an air of superiority.

So you don't get mixed up at all here, Jeff, along the way: 'landed gentry' often referred to people with family origins or wealth or land holdings that all have the ability to earn money for the family over time. May we assume then, that a shop owner in Newrybar or a descendant of a wealthy family in Byron Bay may be considered as belonging to this category?

Recent studies in psychology have identified the evolutionary bases and the mental mechanisms of hypocrisy, tracing its roots to adaptations that serve contradictory functions in the human brain, and to cognitive biases and distortions that predispose humans to readily perceive and condemn faults in others, while failing to perceive and condemn faults of their own. Over to you, old mate.

Damien Antico
Ewingsdale

Standing up

June Grant (Letters November 18): I do not deal in ideologies, I deal in actions, and I don't speak for the community as the radical Greens reportedly think they do.

I don't care if the person dishing out the abuse or bullying is a political opponent, the prime minister of Australia or the leader of the opposition, a male refugee, the king of England or the bloke down the road.

If he's openly abusing or bullying a woman in public, then I'll stand up for the woman, no matter what her political persuasions are, because it's the right thing to do.

It's called 'common decency', June, and I'm surprised another woman would sanction such poor behaviour from a man, especially when he was warned by the mayor to desist or suffer the consequences. No point in that person complaining about

his treatment in the paper afterwards.

It's about time society put a stop to bullying, and for the record, you don't know me, even though you think you do.

Tina Petroff
Ocean Shores

We paid for it

The taxpayers of Australia paid for the G20 big bash in BrisVegas the week before last. It cost \$400 million. I thought we were broke and it was all the Labor Party's fault?

So who's spending all our money now? Why, it's the cigar chompers in Canberra, that's who.

Are you feeling the squeeze, Australia? Well, it's only going to get worse and we'll get squeezed until bust.

But the big end of town sectors won't feel a thing, eg the mining industry with all the tax breaks, yeah, easy street.

It's all so easy to keep blaming the other side isn't it, Abbott, not that they were without blame, were they?

Paul Brecht
Mullumbimby

Informed polity

Bob Hawke used to speak of enlightened self-interest. More recently he used the phrase 'intelligent self-interest'. Which seems to me to be a mark-down in the marketplace of ideas, yet it is still a worthy star to steer by.

Intelligent self-interest is currently focusing world attention on Ebola, as much for its ability to disrupt world economics, in a very short time, as its potential for coming to our homes.

Way down the line appears to be empathy with poor black people in Africa.

The tardiness with which our own government (and many others) approached this 'clear and present danger' does not bode well for our ability to deal with the other, less immediately pressing problems that threaten our very existence. We are far from enlightened self-interest.

I'm with Matt Hartley. We need direct democracy, but by an interested and informed polity rather than a compulsory vote of the uninformed and uninterested who are given the mushroom treatment.

Jim Nutter
Main Arm

Rural respect

Rural landowners and residents deserve the same respect and rights to privacy as those on your smaller town blocks.

To avoid trespassing on adequately signed private rural properties without consent, and subsequent legal prosecution under the Privacy Act, you must remain within 10m of permanent

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The fiction of nation-states

The issue of whether or not Palestine is a 'fiction' has been canvassed in these pages and online at *Echo*netdaily. Its sovereignty is disputed by Israel but Palestine has received diplomatic recognition from 135 states out of some 190 and has been accorded UN observer status. Israel itself is not recognised by 32 UN member states, mainly for political

and religion-based reasons. All nation-states are actually a fiction, invented for imperial, social and religious imperatives, in terms of the ecosystem. In any case, I am closing down the exchange of letters on 'fictions'. Letters on the Palestine/Israel conflict in general will still be considered on their merits.

– Michael McDonald,
letters editor

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 waterways (and it's also common courtesy not to abuse waterway areas that are obviously maintained for private use). Private does mean private, and someone else's home-space is equally, if not more so, sacred as yours.

National Parks and Byron Shire Council have indicated a lack of resources to create and facilitate rural public walkways in adherence to strict public liability insurance guidelines; should rural private landowners be expected by the community and visitors to the shire to provide what both a national and local body seem so far incapable of? Could Abbott's green army be deployed to construct water-side walkways to public liability standards?

There remains an apparent misconception within the community that the privately maintained pathway right be-

side our home on our large rural property is gazetted for public right-of-way and insured for public use. This is not so.

Numerous daily intrusions of our peace and privacy greatly detract from the enjoyment of our home and are a violation of the Privacy Act. Until such time that the community acts with a positive and unified voice and works for a legally maintained public access (which is obviously what many people want), private landowners have little recourse but to employ secure fencing, lock the gate, prosecute trespassers, cease pathway maintenance and allow nature to return in impenetrable chaos.

Please direct your concerns to either a national body (National Parks), your local representative body (Council), or legal counsel (your choice).

Most rural landowners and

residents guard and care for the land and hold little regard for those who disregard respect and due process.

P Domaille
 Huonbrook

Support small birds

Recently on the ABC there was a report on the decline of songbirds and other small birds supposedly owing to 'loss of habitat'. These small birds rely on shrubs and low bushes to give them protection against big birds and especially noisy miners. This is where the problem lies.

Most gardens have lawns and these lawns are mowed with ride-on mowers. Very efficient, but there is a problem. Ride-ons do not like low branches. They make it hard to mow around bushes, so once a ride-on comes into a garden, the garden is tidied up and all the protective low-hanging branches are cut off,

so the little birds go elsewhere for a place to live.

If you want small birds in your garden, leave the low branches, and plenty of shrubs. Let your garden get a little bit untidy and maybe even leave a small clump of lantana for birds to live and hide in.

Andrew Hall
 Huonbrook

Say what?

George Orwell would have been most impressed with comments from finance minister Mathias Cormann this week about cuts to the ABC. The \$254 million by which the national broadcaster's budget will be reduced over the next five years is apparently not a 'cut'. Rather, it is 'an efficiency dividend being imposed on the ABC'.

Pardon me?

Dave Lisle
 Mullumbimby

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Schoolies HUB volunteers

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Byron Community College

You're invited to Byron Community College's 21st Birthday Party and Art Exhibition on Friday 28 November at the Mullumbimby Campus from 5pm and the Laneway Studio from 6.30pm.

Christmas Art Exhibition

Christmas art exhibition and sale, one night only on Friday 28 November at 5pm at Ocean Shores Country Club. No entry fee.

Camera club

The Ballina Camera Club print and digital review Thursday 27 November at 6.30pm at the Kentwell Community Centre. Enquiries Mark 6686 6915.

Sunday Serenade

Sunday Serenade, a fundraiser concert for Our Kids, Sunday 30 November at 3pm at Gretel Farm Eureka, \$45/\$35/children free includes afternoon tea. Bookings essential to 0425 243 860.

Family movies

Byron Youth Service is hosting a free

family movie night at the Suffolk Park Community Hall, Friday 5 December at 7pm - short movies made by local young people and family movie *Son Of Rambo*. Bring a pillow to sit on.

BEC AGM

Byron Environment Centre AGM on Friday 5 December at 2pm at the Cumbebin Wetland Sanctuary in Byron Bay. More information 6687 1538.

Lone Goat Gallery

Lone Goat Gallery presents *I'm Talking to You*, the debut exhibition of Georgie Wicks, Emily Moxham, Tristan Griffin and Michele Bevis, four graduating Visual Art students from Murwillumbah TAFE. Opens Thursday 27 November at 6pm, runs until 10 December.

Overnight Bush Camp

Dr Arne and his team are running an overnight bush camp for girls aged 7-11 and their fathers, 29-30 November; bookings info@doctorarne.com.

School garage sale

Bangalow Public School Massive Community Garage Sale Sunday 30 November 8am-12pm at the school. \$10 for a stall spot and 10% of takings go back into the school's P&C funds. To book call Margo 0414 622 666.

Food For Farmers

Food For Farmers Christmas Appeal - non-perishable food items needed for Christmas hampers for farmers out west. New toys and gifts also appreciated. Drop off at Byron Bay Anglican Church Op Shop Mon-Fri 9am-1pm; Mullumbimby Uniting Church, Dalley

St; Bangalow CWA Shop, Main St. Anne Thompson 6629 1041, 0412 910 523.

Bushdancing

Hide the Potato with a dance caller will be held on Sunday 30 November 4pm to 6pm at the Brunswick Heads RSL Hall, Fawcett Street. Gold coin donation. Enquiries Court 6685 0072.

Repair Cafe

Mullumbimby's Repair Cafe at the Mullumbimby Campus of Byron Community College in Burringbar Street on Saturdays 9am till 12 noon. Volunteers will be there to help you fix things that might otherwise end up in the tip.

Liberation Larder

Liberation Larder is in need of volunteers to nurture our vegie gardens on Fletcher St. A couple of hours from 7am Mon or Thurs. Info Helen 0439 409 655.

Newrybar fair

Newrybar Hall 4th seasonal fair on Saturday 6 December 8am-2pm. More information newrybarhallfair@gmail.com and www.newrybarhall.org.au.

Garage sale

AIAA Fundraising Garage Sale will be held 9am-3pm Sat 29 November at our new office 6/19-21 Centennial Ct, Byron industrial estate. Donations appreciated, ph 0405 463 663.

Candlelight Remembrance

Lismore Chapter of The Compassionate Friends Candlelight Remembrance at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Bexhill, on Sunday 14 December, 6pm. Enquiries Glennys 6621 4086.

Gem Club stall

The Byron Gem Club stall on Fri 28 Nov outside the NAB in Jonson St, Byron Bay. Rocks, crystals, gems, mineral specimens and jewellery for sale.

Street stall

RSL Auxiliary Ladies of Mullumbimby are holding a street stall and guessing comp on Friday 28 November at 8.30am at the taxi rank. Items include cooking, plants and books. All donations welcome.

Buddhist meditation

From Monday 1 Dec Buddhist Meditation teaching and practice will move to the 'Living Yoga Sanga', First floor, 63 Stuart Street, Mullumbimby, 6-7.30pm. Contact Mishaela on 0438 858 842 or mishaela@si.org.au.

Probus

Brunswick Valley Probus meets Tuesday 2 December at 10am, Ocean Shores Country Club. Guest speakers are members Robyn Madden and Bob James. The club's Christmas luncheon will follow. Phone 6680 1975.

Bangalow CWA

Bangalow CWA is happy to invite anyone who is interested in learning how to knit, crochet or embroider to join us on Wednesdays from 9am till 2pm or the second Monday evening of every month from 5pm till 7pm. 6687 0617.

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Nominations are now open for the 2015 Australian Surfing Awards incorporating the Hall of Fame.

Surfing's night of nights will be held in Manly, Sydney, on 12 February 2015 and will feature the who's who of the Australian surfing community.

Current ASP Men's World Tour champion Mick Fanning and current ASP Women's World title contender Tyler Wright took the honours last year for the Male and Female Surfer of the Year awards, while North Narrabeen great Col Smith became the 36th inductee into the Hall of Fame.

Other awards to be presented on the night will be the Rising Star Award, Waterman of the Year, ASB Surfing Spirit Award, Peter Troy Lifestyle Award, Surf Culture Award and the Simon Anderson Club Award. The 37th

inductee will be voted on by members of the Australian Surfing Hall of Fame.

The Awards will also feature the Nikon Surf Photo of the Year and Nikon Surf Movie of the Year, which will showcase the finest work taken by Australia's best surf photographers and filmmakers during the past 12 months.

The winner of the Nikon Surf Photo of the Year will be awarded with a new Nikon D4S DSLR.

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For more information and to nominate visit www.australiansurfingawards.com or for information on the Nikon Surf Photo and Movie of the Year visit www.mynikonlife.com.au/partners/surfing-australia/.



Luke Shadbolt's image which was named the 2014 Nikon Surf Photo of the Year.

Australian Youth Football Institute comes to town

Local junior soccer players will have the chance to enhance their skills, with the Australian Youth Football Institute coming to the region.

Coaches at the Institute were impressed by the quality and enthusiasm of local juniors at a three-day clinic held a few months ago.

As a result the AYFI are conducting courses outside of their base in Sydney for the first time in their ten-year history.

The Lake Ainsworth Sport & Recreation Centre in Lennox Head will play host to the clinics, which are open to juniors from six to 16 years.

The Skills and Drills Development Program is being held each Sunday until December 14 and will be conducted by the Institute's head coach George Lazarou.

Lazarou played in the National Soccer League with Sydney Olympic and is well qualified, holding an Asia B Licence.

'We were impressed with what we saw up here a few months ago, and we're hoping to have regular courses in the region by next year,' he said.

The introduction of the Institute was aided by Lazarou's contact with Lennox Head premier league coach Troy Taylor.

'Troy helped us understand the area and the need for this sort of support for promising players up here, so we're looking forward to helping them reach their full potential,' said Lazarou.

For bookings and further details about the clinic call George on 9746 5303 or visit the Institute's website at www.ayfi.com.au.

Bringing it to summer



A gritty performance from flanker Tane Meek during the Summer Youth League's round 7 couldn't break the Workers' resolve.

Story & photo Dogwhistle

With round 7 of the Summer Youth League coinciding with the start of Schoolies, both the SAE-Qantm Byron Bay squad and Lismore Workers took to the pitch with skeleton crews.

The young Rams were also missing some of their older and more experienced players and, while only fielding eleven, the Workers team was an older and much more experienced unit that any the Byron boys have faced so far.

Young Rams' striker, Adam Budd, put Byron on the scoreboard in the opening minutes with a deft tap

into the bottom corner.

The early goal spurred Workers into action, however, and their dominance increased throughout the game. Byron's depleted midfield and defence struggled to contain the Workers attack. Byron managed many powerful counterattacks, but couldn't break the Workers' back line.

Byron captain and mentor, Ben Ahern, penalised repeatedly for his tough tackling style, was eventually ordered from the field after receiving his second yellow card.

Already outgunned, the 10-man Rams team did

their best to hold back the red tide but age, experience and numbers were against them. The final whistle blew on a 5-1 scoreline despite a valiant effort from the Rams against a polished display from Lismore Workers.

Round 8 sees the Rams at home against traditional rival, Lismore Thistles. Round 7 upsets have seen Richmond Rovers and Bangalow bump Byron and Thistles out of their equal-second spot so this week's match will see them battling for fourth spot on the ladder.

Be at the Ewingsdale ground for a 7pm kick-off and cheer our lads on.

Government opposes Ballina sports centre

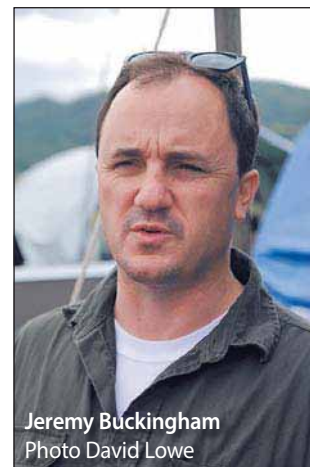
The Greens NSW sports spokesperson Jeremy Buckingham last week condemned the Baird government for opposing a motion in favour of building a multi-purpose sports centre for Ballina, saying that the National Party are failing to deliver for the people and particularly the children of Ballina.

'The Greens moved this motion in parliament to put the issue of a multi-purpose sports centre for Ballina on the political agenda,' said Buckingham. 'It is disappointing that the government opposed the motion and continues to drag its feet on this issue.'

'Why do other major centres enjoy this kind of facility, but a growing Ballina misses out? It is not fair and the Greens will continue to campaign to have funds and land committed to a new sports centre.'

Mr Buckingham plans to move a motion that calls on the NSW government to fund the construction of an indoor multi-purpose sports and events centre for Ballina, recognises that Ballina is the only town of its size in New South Wales that does not have a multi-court indoor sporting facility, recognise the potential for a modern, world-class indoor sports facility in Ballina to support the 2018 Commonwealth Games on the Gold Coast, and boost the regional economy, recognise the work of the

Ballina community and in particular the Ballina Basketball Association, Ballina Regional Indoor Sporting Association, Southern Cross School, Basketball NSW, and Ballina Shire Council in supporting this project, and condemn The Nationals for failing to gain funding for this important project, despite its being over five years since the indoor sport and events centre was approved by Ballina Council.



Jeremy Buckingham
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Thanks to *The Echo*, we have \$3,000 to give away in vouchers to local shoppers to spend at local stores. This campaign is in keeping with the values of Mullumbimby Chamber of Commerce, which include stimulating

the local economy, fostering employment opportunities, garnering transportation options, promoting the arts and entertainment, and managing the visitor economy, all with a mind to a sustainable future.

We wish you all a prosperous lead-up to the festive season and a wonderful start to the new year.

FROM THE ECHO: Mullumbimby. *The Echo* grew up around here and we're proud to support the 'Buy Local' campaign, because those of us who've chosen to live here love it. You can walk down the street with your

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It's probably been like this for a hundred years: 'oyster bars' have been replaced by cool cafes, organic stores and computer shops; and it's a bit harder to get a park, but you can still see your friends from the hills shopping in Mullumbimby's main street or at the music festival. There's a great sense of community here that we should support by shopping locally.

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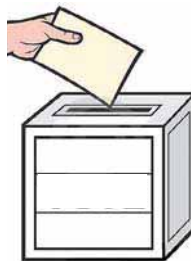
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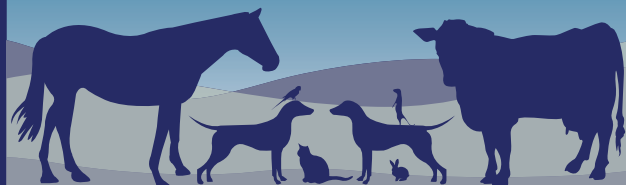
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The long and winding road

Take a drive through a mix of Lismore's distractions, places along the way and attractions worth spruiking.

Matthew Michaelis



special feature

I travel to Lismore when there are things to do and places to go, maybe a friend needs a specialist and I've offered my car and chauffeuring, or I'm hunting a few things at once, a Bunnings here, an Officeworks there, and a little of the 'hip-to-be-Square'. This isn't an ad for these places, it's the reality when Lismore calls. So, when I speak of going out to Lismore from the Byron Shire, it's about the drive, that long and winding road... that leads to Lismore's door.

Before you even step foot in the city, there's the obvious country distractions. I've spoken in a fashion of the towns dotted throughout the undulating hills of the region but I'll recap: Clunes Store and the Old Romantic Shack for some bric-a-brac; a little to the right is Dunoon, known as the Macadamia Capital of Australia and also as the gateway to Rocky Creek Dam; the major source of the region's drinking water and a fine picnic and barbecue spot. Take the kids or your friends on one or all of the four walks that you can do from the picnic area at Rocky Creek Dam. With each walk you'll see different aspects of the Rainforest Reserve and get a little bit more exhausted. Off the Lismore to Bangalow Road, between Clunes and Bexhill, is the historic railway village of Eltham, a worthwhile diversion for all with The Pantry and the Eltham Pub (I've personally eaten at both and highly recommend a visit).

Then Bexhill with its Open Air Cathedral ('bless me Father... or Farther, dependent on how naughty you've been) and before we go too far there's The Channon, home to the original north coast craft market and over 30 years on their 'make it, bake it or grow it' philosophy still exists. Nimbin too is a place not to be ignored, although it's a trek from Byron; if you're already in Lismore it's 30km north and you'll be knee-deep in quirky township, with a unique mural streetscape of indigenous, rainforest and psychedelic facades and local characters. Cullen Street has an array of cafes, craft shops, galleries and retail outlets. Some of the go-to places include the Nimbin Candle Factory, The Rainbow Power Company and the Djanbung Permaculture Gardens. Back again to Rosebank and last, but not least, Wyrallah, once a bustling river port – it's downstream from Lismore on the Wilsons River.

Lismore CBD

The town of Lismore has retained its older more interesting buildings, unlike other overdeveloped towns. The activities do abound here: CBD walks, trailing the art galleries and studios and the Mother of Galleries of course being the Lismore Regional Art Gallery. Naturally, like all regional areas, if you're serious, the local Tourist Information Centres are the first place to

visit, or take a squiz at their websites if you're time poor (www.visitlismore.com.au). If they're good at the job they'll tell you where to go and at the same time flog the many locally made products they retail in house (perhaps a gift to take home for those guests up for the week).

The art of walking

The Back Alley Gallery is a walk through the laneways of the city centre with local and national artists graffiti and stencil artworks on show. This walk will immerse you in the street-art culture of Lismore.

Train your tots

If you're in town with the kids on board, get some peace for a minute with the Heritage Park children's playground. The first thing I noticed here was the ample shade, something nearly every play area ever built seems to have forgotten. There's an assortment of play structures and a good spread of them to keep the interest. The second thing I noticed was the tiny train station and a miniature train track around the grounds – whoopee! I have a train-obsessed toddler. This mini-train costs \$2 and could be the ticket to a big smile and a quick calm coffee. Runs Sat and Sun 10am-4pm, Thurs and pub hols 10am-2pm. School hols every day 10am-4pm – confirm on 6629 8186

Word of mouth

The first thing I do when I'm in unfamiliar territory, in an eating sense, is get the locals lowdown on places. A mean-average of recommendations will narrow the online onslaught to a fine point and generally get you in a good eatery quickly avoiding the shonky. Here's what I gleaned from a number of kind locals. This is in no particular order.

Light my fire

Though I've given a full account of the Black Sombrero's food in these pages, it may just be a coincidence that Fire in the Belly was started by these same folk. What is



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1. A Lismore street scene;
2. The Loft eatery Lismore;
3. The Fire in the Belly's unique dragon oven;
4. Lismore icon – the Pie Cart;
5. Walks around Rocky Creek Dam & Minyon Falls;
6. Kids love tiny trains – Heritage Park Miniature Train. Photos 1, 5 & 6 are courtesy of Lismore City Council.



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evident is that all who spoke to me of this award-winning modern wood-fired pizza couldn't praise it enough. It's as well known as the dragon Smaug is in *The Hobbit*. This isn't a metaphor, it relates to the colourful and uniquely sculptured smouldering dragon that drapes over the wood fire oven at this eatery. I haven't as yet eaten here, though the walls are adorned with Restaurant and Catering Assoc' awards including one for the 'Best pizza in Australia'. I'm told the pizza bases are made fresh daily in-house using ingredients the likes of stone-ground organic flours. I guess the consistent local recommendation (without trip adviser to assist me) compels me to state this recommendation blind. You be the judge when next you're in Lismore. 109 Dawson Street Lismore. Enquiries 6621 4899.

Eat these shorts

The following are a bunch of eateries with dining cred given a big tick by local Lismorites.

La Vida: for some highly-regarded tapas and a Mediterranean courtyard (if you've got kids and they're not mannequins, I'd hazard a guess they could be a stress at dinner here). 178 Keen Street, Lismore: 6622 4664.

The Loft, I've been told is a good place to have an affair. I'm only concerned with the affairs of eating. The service is all the talk 'snappy and efficient' along with the range of dishes, most people equated the food with local, fresh quality produce 'it's beautifully presented and expertly cooked'. Up Nesbitt Lane (opposite The Pie Cart). 6 Nesbitt Ln, Lismore: 6622 0252.

The Pie Cart has to be on this list: as I stood taking photos, I was greeted by two friends from distant places in the space of three minutes. It's an icon of course and who doesn't like sloppy peas and gravy? I had a duck and

mushroom pie and enjoyed it thoroughly; 11 Magellan St, Lismore, 6622 2946.

Goanna Bakery is the place where your crust is in good hands. Organic healthy and wholesome goods baked daily here and I do love their wholemeal pie cases. 171 Keen St, Lismore: 6622 2629. **Dragonfly Cafe.** Again this place I've yet to try, but it has the locals' approval: 'Always packed and the coffee is made by one of the best baristas I have ever known', 'great honest food'. 36 Carrington St, Lismore, 6622 6556.

20,000 Cows is an easy and a hard recommendation at the same time. People who are vegetarians and vegans rave about this place, I'm neither veg or vegan and I love the food that comes forth. Here you need plenty of time – it's a slow-food place but it's worth the wait. 58 Bridge Street, Lismore, 6622 2517.



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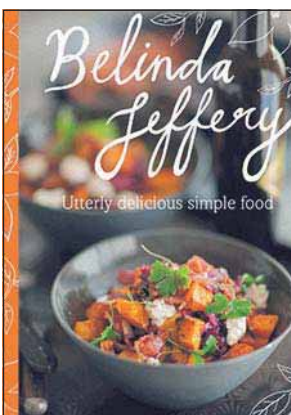
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The summer wine tasting

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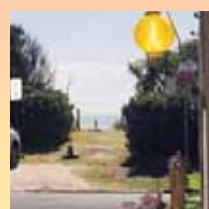
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A view to clean and simple choices

Photos and story by
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Table View is a beach suburb situated in Cape Town in South Africa and also the namesake of the latest addition to Brunswick Heads. Table view was also the birth-place of the two bros, Allen and Marc Shubitz, who recently gutted the little eatery Cino Bambino and rebirthed it in its current form. The brothers have travelled far and wide around the globe and see the name as more than just a birthright but as Allen explained to me, 'a table in a cafe or restaurant when you're travelling is a refuge to sit and be for a while – to gather your thoughts and in our case we gathered interesting ideas too.' So, that's the name explained. While I was banging away on my laptop here, Darren Robertson, one of the chefs of the Three Blue Ducks Farm venture, sauntered in. It looked like a pleasing refuge for him also.

I find the food here is imbibed by the boys' Danish bloodline. You'll find really clean and clear flavours



Left: Good local products used like a local Jersey milk haloumi.

Right: Table View's new owners, brothers Allen and Marc



and choices. Meet the lads and you'll agree that they too are sort of refined, definitely slender and polished fellows. Their menu is a melding of their Danish influences along with their experiences travelling and this eloquent temperament they both appear to possess (must be good parenting). Add to this, Marc's time working in Copenhagen for the Coffee Collective and as head barista in Harry's in Bondi, and a good coffee is certain to come forth. Marc is clearly into his coffee. Intelligent information is hanging on hand so the cup in hand is explained from origin to

mouth; just look or ask.

Allen and Marc lived on a vineyard in Italy 'where they always served simple food with simple flavours, rough cut tomatoes, oregano, good oil and balsamic, cow's liver, potato, three or four ingredients per dish with lots of wine, lunch and dinner. We now have a good relationship with local farmers and create seasonal daily specials to take advantage of the tremendous produce we're surrounded by,' Allen explained. Danish cuisine is noted an uncomplicated cuisine, smørrebrød for example, is a good rye bread with a seasonal topping. Here, they make their own Danish rye for an avocado,

lemon zest and chive menu item. Local Jersey milk haloumi, the Reuben sandwich, and the black bean corn fritters. Again, pleasantly clean and fresh dishes. A signature organic coffee cherry soda should not be missed - a delicate steep of the coffee cherry husks, subtly sweetened and served over ice. Cold pressed juices and cold brewed coffee with a six hour extraction is an attraction too.

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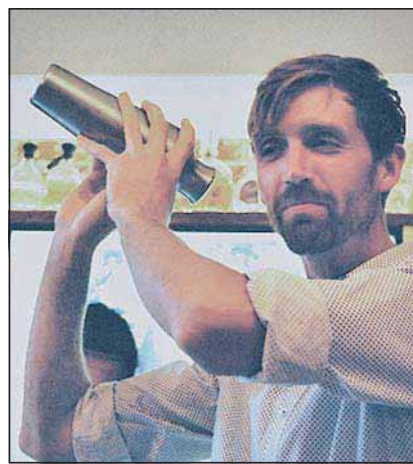
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Like the Aztec emperor, Montezuma in his last days as a captive of the Spanish conquistadors, typical versions of Mexican food seize my tastebuds, hold them hostage and mortally wound them. Of course, I'm referring to the ever-popular 'Tex-Mex' cuisine. Hey don't get me wrong, I'm the first to have a cheese meltdown with good corn chips guac' and the kids – at home though. Personally, I think, traditional pubs and the house-made (your own house) should be the only places you find the token beans and sour cream. When I'm out dining, don't taunt my tum with lashings of gas-producing dishes, glued together with yellow cheese

and formalised with a spoon of avo and a dollop of sour cream.

I think this phobia of mine came from watching too many spaghetti Westerns as a teen; heavily-bearded outlaws moping up great frying pans of beans just before ending the cantina owner. I imagine quite a few eateries were built on this paradigm. It seemed to inspire a number of restaurateurs into a frenzy of overpriced eateries. Whole chains opened based on the profit margin of a nachos alone – they became the outlaws, the ignorant were robbed like marks in a wild west country fair.

This sort of Tex-Mex banditry still goes on, it's the scared tastebud that continues to order the only thing it knows. I went out looking for my old adversary ready to



From left: Authentic house-made taco. Rustic, primordial skewers of meat. Informed and smooth bartenders in a festive atmosphere

draw my pen in a stand-off, but I was pleasantly surprised by the authentic Mexican food I found at Lismore's Black Sombrero.

Lismore's latest drawcard

On first inspection of the deserted street, Black Sombrero Mexican Taqueria and Tequileria seemed to be in a part of town that, frankly you'd rather not be seen in after dark (much like the cliché towns in cowboy westerns at sundown), but according to the owners council applauds their stand in opening after 5.30pm, and to me this smart Mexican Cantina seems just the way to revitalise the CBD in the evening.

The night was as muggy as Mexico – thick with the day's heatwave still cooking the streets. With some appropriate aficionados for witness and company, we left the balmy night outside and found the joint was jumping inside. The mood was lively, festive and colourful and pulled us into the atmosphere without a problem. As a result, we were in the mood for mar-

garitas and food. My guests were not just 'ordinaire' types, having travelled widely throughout Mexico, they were my token experts: Senor Costa, Senorita Juana and I entered and were seated in what we agreed was a bit of a 'Bermuda Triangle'; an area of an eatery that isn't covered by any one waitperson, the folk on such tables (us) are often overlooked even if there are copious staff on.

Fishing for complements - not compliments

We needed drinks and were served reasonably quickly, then we were after the food to complement our liquid. It was a bit like fishing, once you hooked yourself a waiter, they were great, fully engaged, friendly and attentive. But it was busy, so every time we had a need, we had to go fishing for that service. I decided to get my camera out to gather curiosity (it was a desperate measure but worked).

James (our first waitperson) started with, 'We have a great nachos...' but when

he was interrupted with a clear and unequivocal 'no Tex Mex please!', he sighed with relief: 'That's great! It's been a slow and steady process getting people to try authentic Mexican dishes', he said. We ordered the 'Sombrero tasting plate': an inclusion of three unadulterated signature meats. Meats here don't just appear, they're lining up all skewered and flaming behind a windowed rotisserie char grill – a perfect addition to an already jumping Mexicana atmosphere. These came fresh and tender. Pulled pork, shredded beef and chicken placed alongside fresh fried tostadas (small corn chip style addendums). As with the range of house made taco's we tried, it was thumbs up from the travellers 'just like the Mexicans do em', they chirped.

When it came to the margarita menu, tequila and the art of drinking - a la Mexican, there were certainly no disappointments here. When Costa mentioned top shelf tequila I gave him a new pseudonym: Costa Lota. A three times filtered tequila, came still in the

bottle with its very own chaparron carrying it – Rob from the bar appeared an authority on alcohol, an encyclopaedia of tequila. We had a verbal tour of the gestalt of this smooth agave FOC with the expensive tipples sided with fresh slivered green apple to boot.

This place prepares and cooks tacos like a Mexican Eat Street – fresh, house-made and soft with filling flamed and fabulous. I'm happy I overcame my Tex-Mex induced preconceptions about entering this humble comida; it was a full house and we sat on its edge and were served really good and authentic energetic Mexican food. If you have the urge to be festive and you're out in Lismore, then Black Sombrero clocked high on my taco-meter and will have your tastebuds dancing a quebradita – buenos noches nachos!

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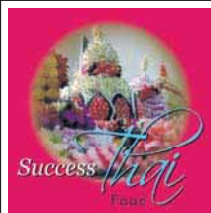
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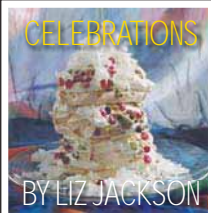
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A large part of my diet is jazz, but I'm listening to a lot of classical as well.

You're loved for your eccentricity. What are some of the more bizarre things you've had a crack at over your career?

I did a striptease in France a few years ago. Just to make sure the crowd was awake.

Are you a believer in mentoring new musicians? What advice would you have for new players coming into jazz today?

Absolutely. If people are interested in the music I'm always keen to give them a go and tell them my philosophy on music. At the Wangaratta Festival a couple of weeks ago I held a great workshop, and had them all playing – violin, didgeridoo, saxophone, trombone – had them all playing together and making music.

What do you think of this emerging new Jazz Party scene happening among the groovers in Melbourne? Why do you think all the inner-city hipsters are being turned back onto jazz?

Inner city groovers. Great. There's plenty of young folk being turned onto jazz at the moment. My sons play jazz guitar with me and various other players around Sydney, but are also involved in hip-hop and street art. Fantastic. Just go for it. There's so much to learn from jazz going back 100 years or so. I could go on forever about the next generation.

What attracted you to the genre when you were a happening young hipster?

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What are the songs that have touched you most deeply?

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What is it about singers such as Billie Holiday and Ella Fitzgerald that originally fascinated you?

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What are the subjects that you are drawn to explore in your songwriting?

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how did you find the strength to get help and to get your life back on track?

The love of my husband and family and God.

Is staying clean a daily process? Is it challenging in an industry that sometimes normalises addiction for musicians?

Yes, it's challenging for me.

Who are the people who have been integral to the journey of your reclaiming your place centre stage?

Many. My husband Scott and manager David Wolff; Jeff Beck, Slash, Buddy Guy, Joe Bonamassa; my label; luck; God; no-quit mentality and all the people on my team, such as Bianca Poldermans, who work very, very hard for us all. I've been very very blessed to have these loving and believing people on my side.

What was different for you when you came back to making music?

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Tell me a little about the solo album that is due for release in 2015?

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DRIVING US OVER THE EDGE

Here's a riddle for you: How many cars can you fit on Ewingsdale Road? Maybe the state government can answer it for us. They seem to have got all approval crazy on green-lighting development in Byron. In fact, I'm finding it hard to keep up with just how much new housing is coming our way. Last count I guesstimated around 3,000 new dwellings in the Ewingsdale/Sunrise/Chicken Farm region.

I'm all for it. I mean, the one thing missing around here is a ghetto. I mean, why not put more cars on the road? It's not like there's a problem with global warming and we need to make more sustainable communities. Yeah, it's an excellent idea to approve massive increase to developments without any plans for public transport.

Traffic jams are why people come here now. We should be marketing them. It's Bikram Yoga in the car. We've got some of the biggest traffic jams outside of Sydney. Traffic jams can be spiritual; I think they are an excellent place to practise mindfulness. You have to be in the moment when you're trapped.

I have another riddle for the state government. Surely the number of cars a seaside village can take is finite? Particularly as there's been no major improvements to existing infrastructure since white settlement. Something like 17,000 cars already use Ewingsdale Road daily. Most dwellings have a minimum of two cars each. So that should be at least another 6,000 vehicles. If vehicles are around 4.5 metres in length, and we stacked them end to end, that's 27 kilometres of cars. Surely at some point at least 3,000 of the vehicles are going to want to nip into Byron to go to the luxurious new mall? When you live in a ghetto, the mall is where you hang.

I don't think we've got 13.5 kilometres of street to park 3,000 cars on. The state government forgot to install parking! Cars are going to be a major problem. In Future Byron, if you want to go to the shops you are going to have to plan your trip and leave a few

days before you need to get there. 'I'm just nipping down the shops for milk' would happen on Tuesday, and you'd be back Thursday. Meanwhile the kids are foaming at the mouth from two days of dry Weet-Bix.

When it comes to cars we have to start thinking outside the box. Koalas have survived in that area for years without hassle and do you know why? Koalas don't use cars. I think it's time we started to live more like koalas. If I were on Council I'd introduce a radical new plan. Byron is going to have to do a car cull. It's the only way. It would have been good to have some sort of light rail, but clearly no government is going to commit valuable resources to reliable, energy-efficient, sustainable transport that will last centuries. It's just not feasible. And if we start saying who can have a car and who can't it just gets messy. It will create a black-market in counterfeit resident stickers.

Nah, I reckon no-one gets a car. Byron goes 'Car Free'. Cyclists give everyone the shits too and I think 23,000 bikes on the road may be tricky. Especially when there're only about four bike racks in town. When it comes to transport we're going to have to get really creative. I am thinking we could engage our local tourism industry, and get WWOOFers. People want somewhere to stay – they could live with locals at the Stinking Dead Chicken Carcass Estate and they could piggyback local residents into town. The great thing about getting rid of cars is that we won't need any parking – we can mall the entire town. Make it a big shopping centre. With air-conditioning to protect us from global warming. Our menopausal tourism numbers would go through the bloody roof!

I think it's a winner. So Mayor Richardson, what do you say? It's not a bad slogan: 'Byron Bay. It's Easy to be Carefree when you're Car Free.' Inappropriate development is going to drive Byron into the ground. And that's all we need. More angry people who can't find a park.

DOUBLIN' NO TROUBLE FOR YOUTH FEST!

For the past three years Byron's **Yackrockcafe** has been putting youth music on the world map. This **Saturday** and **Sunday** will see many of the bands who have played on the YAC stage play two massive shows, the Metal United Down Under – Byron Bay event and the Which Way Festival.

Metal United Down Under is a national event happening in 16 locations across Australia, all on the same day, that aims to celebrate the diversity of metal bands and genres that Australia has to offer. The Byron show is a special one, being that it will be an all-ages event, mainly showcasing young metal bands.

The Which Way Festival is set to become an annual event. This is the second Which Way Festival, the first having happened in January 2013. This special event will also showcase regular Yackrockcafe bands, across all styles and genres, but with a focus on hardcore, punk and pop-punk. Both events have 11 bands each day and will run from midday to 9pm at the Byron Youth Activities Centre Amphitheatre.

They are all-ages and drug- and alcohol-free events and tickets are just \$10 at the gate. These two events are the major fundraisers for the weekly youth music program that happens at the Byron YAC each Friday night, the Yackrockcafe, and will help to kick-start the program in 2015.

Over the past three years, the Yackrockcafe has had more than 400 separate performances, with young bands coming from all across Australia, to perform on the YAC stage. Yackrockcafe coordinator Nicqui Yazdi said, 'The Yackrockcafe is a great stepping stone for many young bands who are just starting out. It gives them a space to perform for live audiences, build up their fan bases and connect to other bands and the music industry as a whole.'

We've been very blessed to be able to help so many bands to get a foot in the door to their chosen careers, with a number of our bands even recently having tours to Indo, which has a massive hardcore scene. It's a great program that we'd like to see continue long into the future.'



AS CHAOS FALLS - PLAYING AT THE BYRON YAC ON SUNDAY FOR THE WHICH WAY FESTIVAL



SEABOUND - PLAYING AT THE BYRON YAC ON SATURDAY AS PART OF THE METAL UNITED DOWN UNDER SHOW

A full lineup of all 22 bands playing in both events can be found in the events page on the Yackrockcafe Facebook page – facebook.com/Yackrockcafe.

GINGER POB

The connection between DJ and dancefloor can become perpetual motion. It's an ancient thing in modern form and **Pob** continues to be inspired by it. The music evolves and the dancefloor changes but ultimately everyone knows when it hits the mark, you're in a groove and you feel the affinity. As a DJ, Pob has a wealth of experience and style known for keeping folks on the dancefloor. He's impossible to pigeon-hole and seamlessly weaves the finest house, tech, techno, grooving electronica and alternative beats to create rich and captivating sound environments. With inventive mixing, wit, a gracious attitude and sensitivity to the dancefloor, Pob maintains a loyal and eclectic underground following. DJ Pob spreads the Good Vibes on **Friday at Ginger Pig**, 9pm – midnight. Free entry.

NOTES TO SELF

This **Saturday** the Lismore-based chamber choir **Vox Caldera** will present their final concert for the year in the A&I Hall in Bangalow, a venue favoured by choirs owing to its bouncy, reverberating acoustics. They will sing the sublime Bach motet *Jesu, meine Freude* (Jesus, my Joy), along with spine-tingling works by Monteverdi,



DJ POB AT GINGER PIG IN BYRON ON FRIDAY

Josquin and Bruckner, and the whimsical work *Ab Estatibus Foribus* (At the Gates of Summer) by Australian composer Ross Edwards. And there will be a repeat performance of Britten's *Hymn to St Cecilia* owing to popular demand! 7.30pm. Tickets: \$20, \$15 and \$5, available at the door.

FALLING FOR ART CAMP

Byron's Falls Festival is calling out for local volunteers to get involved in a five-day Art Camp being held at Mullumbimby Showgrounds over Dec 15–19 to help create large-scale puppets and parade floats for the festival. Participants will learn building and design skills under the direction of local artists Daniele Poidomane, Joey Ruigrok, Martin Pedder and Kellie O'Dempsey, and will then become part of the performance team for the parade on 2 January at Falls Festival.

Each participant will receive a complimentary four-day ticket to Falls Festival and be provided with meals during Art Camp. Applicants who have a creative background in visual arts and/or physical performance will get the most out of the Art Camp.



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Please send a short bio and a few sentences about why you would like to be part of this event to valley@roundabout.net.au by Monday.

CLUB LENNOX GETS THE BLEED

Acid Bleed is a unique six-piece band playing a virtuoso blend of hot gypsy swing with a latin groove. All local to the northern rivers, the band members are accomplished musicians who have been playing together for four years making their mark on the north coast jazz scene. Lead vocalist Gerri Loong is a sultry chanteuse with a honey voice that brings back nostalgic memories of Piaf and trips on the *Orient Express*. They play **Club Lennox** on **Sunday** at 4pm.

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WHAT HAPPENS IN WASHINGTON

On *There There*, Megan Washington's second full-length album and the followup to her ARIA-award-winning platinum debut *I Believe You Liar* (2010) Washington flexes her songwriter muscle, diving headfirst into themes centred on anxiety, bad sex, being unfaithful, being reckless and selfish, losing a best friend, and of course heart-cracking sadness.

It was producer Sam Dixon whom Washington credits with helping to crack her songwriting wide open.

'The writing and recording process was about four months long. If you can imagine spending eight hours a day every day in a room the size of your bathroom speaking about ideas and emotions, very quickly your measure of normal and the culture of that space rapidly becomes a safe haven where anything can be shared. All I did for four months was confide in Sam. We did so much talking. So by the time he got around to saying you have these habits I can identify, like when he said, 'You don't write about things that are really important to you. You just [write about] things that affect you moderately. You will never write a hit song because, let's face it, if it's bullshit then why would anyone care about it. It made perfect sense, although the process of breaking those habits was extremely painful.'

At one stage, Sam gave Megan homework. 'He told me, "Go home and think about something in your life – something that's actually happened, but you've never written about. Something you believe to be songworthy. Tomorrow we're going to write about that."' Megan remembered she had once been engaged. 'I'd never really written about it, because I always had held the belief that it was too complex a situation to be contained in three and a half minutes.' That evening though, between glasses of wine and bed, she wrote about having her engagement ring resized. The song became a key track titled *Marry Me*.

'I always cringe when creative people talk about breakthrough moments,' she says. 'There's something so clichéd about pretending 'eureka moments' happen all the time. In my experience, they don't. But something about this song – about being connected to the subject, and the terror you'll get it wrong – was a breakthrough.'

'Part of the difficulty of writing that song was the process of identifying what sort of song it should be. Is it a "we were together and broke up and I hate you"

or "I regret it" or "fuck you"?

'What actually was it? It took me a while and I reached a point where I could find something reasonable. In the end I went for "I can't believe you would have done that because I'm so fucked up". Which is the truth... so I was comfortable with that.'

Washington has a disarming honesty, something she laughingly refers to as a bit of a setback in the world of celebrity, which often calls for a more duplicitous approach.

'I am a terrible celebrity. I do that celebrity thing really badly because I just want to feel connected – I am a bit of a sucker.'

Anxiety is also a constant companion for this talented singer/songwriter.

'When it's really active I just wake up with this impending sense of doom – and that's something I have experienced on and off since I was a teenager. I've come to find some easy safeguards against that; for example I am a vegan now and that is extremely effective, my levels of anxiety almost halved when I stopped eating meat. I think it's like an energetic transfer; when you eat meat you are eating little slabs of fear... I don't know any creative person or any slightly intelligent person who doesn't have some sort of anxiety about something – they say ignorance is bliss – I feel like anxiety is really really normal.'

Refreshingly frank, it's perhaps Washington's penchant for critical self-examination that is the most charming.

As for the new album, Washington's creative thirst is sated, at least for now.

'I wrote all the songs I was afraid to write... I told the truth, as best I remember.'

Megan Washington is one of the many featured performers at **Falls Festival**. There are still **New Years Eve** (31st day and night \$99) tickets available for Byron Shire and south Tweed Shire residents through byron.fallsfestival.com.au/locals.

Multi-day passes have sold out.

Car passes are now on sale through the website too. Camping is free and included in ticket prices but punters will need to purchase the appropriate car pass (fully refunded if three or more festivalgoers in the car).



DALLAS FRASCA'S BEAUTIFUL

Melbourne riff rock trio Dallas Frasca have launched their controversial new single *You Are Beautiful* via The Music and have embarked on a 17-date national tour. The clip for the new single drew upon the power of social media, with frontwoman and band namesake Dallas Frasca putting out the call for participants online and receiving a massive response.

'You will see the diversity in the people who believe in the message and are in the clip,' she said of the video in a statement. 'We all got our kit off for the cause and we hope this song will inspire people to be more aware of what they are reading and to feel beautiful the way they are.'

The single is the first to be taken from the band's impending full-length *Love Army*, which is due out early next year. Well before that's in your hands, though, the three-piece will be setting off for their 20-date national tour in support of *You Are Beautiful*, proudly presented by The Music. They play the **Hotel Brunswick** with CC The Cat this **Sunday** from 4pm. Free.



THE GREATEST HITS OF UKE

The votes are in: this month **Miss Amber** and **Stukulele** present a compilation of the best songs from all the Uke Nights from 2014. **Uke Nights at The Court House Hotel** have had great turn-outs each month with awesome songs, lots of strumming, laughter and spontaneous eruptions of dancing in the aisles. Don't miss one the best fun nights in Mullum town with special guest vocals from Chris Mallory, Rex Carter on drums, Rod Coe on bass and Al Park on keys.

Sign up to the mailing list at ukemullum.com for the music. Bring your ukulele or just show up with a smile. Great meals from around 6pm. Entry is \$10 for grownups and \$2.50 for kids under 15 years – **Thursday** from 6.30 till just after 9pm.

SHAKIN' IN THE MIDDLE

After a weekend of alt-country folkie stuff, Mullumbimby is ripe for a welcome dose of pub rock from local guns **Shake Appeal**.

Featuring **Jason Matheson** belting them out like only he can, **Mick Lonsdale** grinding the riffs and slaying the solos, and rhythm section **Karl Perske** and **Greg Buckman** laying it down behind them, these guys serve up cool rock and roll hits from all eras guaranteed to get you all shook up. Free from 7.30pm this **Saturday** at the Middle Pub.



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DOING YOUR JAZZ WASHING

The musical integrity of jazz – melodies, lyrics and the thought that's going into the playing. I still love playing blues and rock and loud music. But playing acoustic jazz is my preference.

What are you listening to at the moment?

Mixing up my listening at the moment. Anita O'Day, Ravell, Bob Wills and His Texas Playboys, Duke Ellington. Debussy. Classical guitar, flamenco, orchestras. You name it I'm mixing it up.

Tell me about the band you are playing with and what we should expect for your Condong Show.

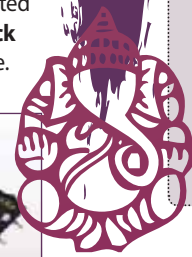
I'm bringing Feel The Manouche. We have a new album out called *The Moon Has Left Town*.

Manouche is a term derived from the Romany gypsies of Europe, what we in Australia call gypsy jazz.

This fine band has been put together by its individual members as an exercise in small-group swing.

Feel The Manouche has a 'world music' feel. Through its use of double bass, guitar, accordion and fiddle, the band achieves a strong melodic groove that can take on gypsy waltzes, swing jazz, chore and many other flavours of music from our diverse planet. We invite you to sit back and Feel The Manouche.

Friday at the **Condong Bowling Club** from 6.30pm. Opened by **The Early Birds** with **Feel the Manouche** from 8pm. Bookings to 6672 2238.



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Stars
WITH LILITH

With the sun and Venus in adventurous Sagittarius, this week has legs, energy and plenty of optimistic ideas...

ARIES: As November's personal transformation finalises, this mood-lightening, life-brightening, spirit-lifting week offers the refreshing perception that things you thought big deal aren't really all that important. Its beneficial cosmic geometry says get ready to think big picture, dance with unexpected developments and move on rather than hang on.

TAURUS: This week's full of fiery delights, exciting invites, seductive dreams and attractive schemes. Enjoy the game play, but don't – as naturally your sensible selves won't – get inveigled into extravagant financial outlays. Your brief is to counter seasonal frenzy with calming concepts like composure, collaboration and a cruisy attitude.

GEMINI: This week invites you to ditch what's no longer working. Be daring, bold, experimental. Stretch your comfort zone, seize the day and take it out to play. While at the same time keeping your feet and finances on terra firma by balancing realistic probabilities against fantasy extravaganzas. Good luck!

CANCER: With only another month of sleeps to the Big Event, this week's moon report for you lunar beings suggests it's worthwhile getting together with congenial compats to firm up December plans. Don't get trapped into rehashing past dramas though – it's time to write some exciting new stories.

LEO: Don't be too concerned about what people say this week, because it's mostly unedited thinking aloud. Or worry if your friendship sector narrows, because it's deepening. If November hasn't been all fun and frolics, healing Neptune/Chiron vibes are busy reviving your natural joie de vivre. Celebrate new beginnings.

VIRGO: With people offering their opinions this week whether you want them or not, choose your company with care. A simmering issue could erupt if boundaries are overstepped or expectations unmet. And as Virgo rapper Prince Ea says: Till you handle it with grace, it will stay in your face.

LIBRA: This week's people have ants in their pants – some the lively, fun kind, while others are impatient, opinionated and très tiresome. This restless energy isn't letting up any time soon, so best enter its spirited dance and look for the magic in the mix rather than focusing on the merde.

SCORPIO: As November's detox draws to a finale, Neptune/Chiron's healing understanding sets memories of unhappy events into a workable perspective. Mysteries that were puzzling, peculiar or painful are illuminated and energy lightens as pieces fall into place. This week you'll have a keen eye for the shrewd buy. Or lie...

SAGITTARIUS: The Sun and Venus in Happy Birthday Sagittarius, plus Jupiter in your house of travel and study, open a magnificent portal for getting clear about what you want, what you're resisting doing, what needs to end and what to begin – along with a brilliant breakthrough in your money case.

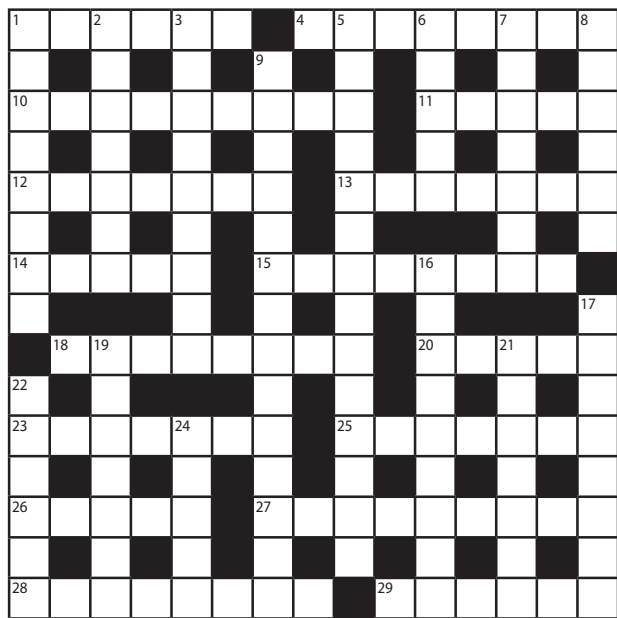
CAPRICORN: The sun in the sign of wheels on fire suggests a candid look at habits that don't support you and a responsible commitment to ditching them. As the rough end of the cosmic pineapple softens, this week brings something wonderful: an exuberant opportunity, delightful surprise, illuminating insight or exciting invite.

AQUARIUS: With so much planetary pizzazz this week in your social zone and house of career contacts, disappointments in love or friendship can be overcome by willingness to put history, assumptions, judgments or blame to rest and start over – willingness which gets an extra boost during late-week Aquarius moon.

PISCES: This week sets the stage for a sudden growth spurt that has been incubating for a long time. If you've been reasonably honest with yourself and even halfway diligent about deleting old habit patterns, expect a bubbly sense of internal renewal. If you haven't, why put it off any longer.

Mungo's Crossword

N047



Cryptic Clues

ACROSS

- 1. "Grab that woman" says the emperor (6)
- 4. Live well with nothing? Must be magician (8)
- 10. Swift horseman – Brisbane suburb report (9)
- 11. Take up weapons about nothing but a smell (5)
- 12. Life principles, essential ingredient of 5 and 9 (7)
- 13. (7)
- 14. Frank has finished with a shirt (5)
- 15. Swap old coins (8)
- 18. Take flaming torch to perverse spies – that's the framework for a poem! (8)
- 20. Checks for parasites (5)
- 23. Give guns to the orchestra, an identifying accessory (7)
- 25. Refinement of bacterial mould (7)
- 26. Teacher bathed with iodine (5)
- 27. Lo, I entail ecological disasters (3,6)
- 28. A song about a grim lad (8)
- 29. One quiet pitch for the goddess (6)

DOWN

- 1. Firm, he is taking charge of bonding (8)
- 2. The learned, unhappily, die. True. (7)
- 3. At first, revolutionary ethic includes islands of disbelief (9)
- 5. Blending cold curacao, man provides alternative to 9. (3,3,4,4)
- 6. Container in the roadway is barely enough (5)
- 7. Running away, as you would expect from 16 (7)
- 8. Irish protestant to circle over mountains (6)
- 9. Stir, shake in odd ways: a mixed drink (7,3,4)
- 16. Springboks' worker escapes (9)
- 17. Valuer finds idiots so right (8)
- 19. Libertine poet? Sounds like a killer for the movies! (7)
- 21. Two lines allowed after masterstroke (7)
- 22. Paid to free distressed on Mars (6)
- 24. Mohammed goes both ways? I wasn't there at the time (5)

Quick Clues

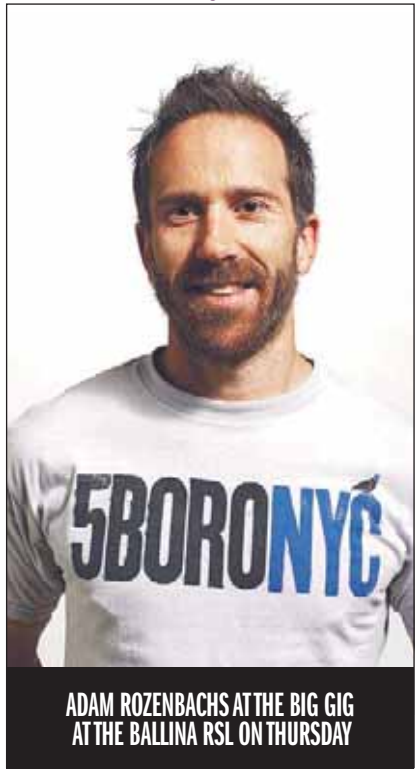
ACROSS

- 1. Roman emperor (6)
- 4. Character in "The Tempest" (8)
- 10. Intelligent horse from "Gulliver's Travels" (9)
- 11. Scent, odour (5)
- 12. Ghosts, revenants (7)
- 13. Nil, zilch (7)
- 14. Frank, open (5)
- 15. Trade, swap (8)
- 18. Type of poetic meter (8)
- 20. Checks, approves (5)
- 23. Sign of rank or identification worn on upper bicep (7)
- 25. National ethos, refinement (7)
- 26. Indian teacher (5)
- 27. Leakages of petroleum products, usually from ships (3,6)
- 28. Song for several voices, usually contrapuntal (8)
- 29. Babylonian goddess of love and war (6)

DOWN

- 1. State of uniting, sticking together (8)
- 2. Learned, scholarly (7)
- 3. Convinced of the non-existence of a deity (9)
- 5. Mixed drink based on bacardi or Bundy (3,3,4,4)
- 6. Scarce, barely sufficient (5)
- 7. Running off to marry (7)
- 8. Citrus fruit (6)
- 9. Mixed drink based on scotch or bourbon (7,3,4)
- 16. African deer – elands or gnus for instance (9)
- 17. Valuer, usually for insurance (8)
- 19. 19th century French poet and libertine (7)
- 21. Two lines of poetry, usually rhyming (7)
- 22. Money paid to free a hostage (6)
- 24. Defence that accused was elsewhere at the time of the crime (5)

Last week's solution N046



ADAM ROZENBACHS AT THE BIG GIG AT THE BALLINA RSL ON THURSDAY

GETTING YOUR GOAT

I'm Talking to You is the debut art exhibition of graduating Visual Art students from Murwillumbah TAFE. Using painting and sculptural techniques and recycled materials, the students have addressed issues such as animal rights, media bombardment of celebrities, relationships, and consumerism of the planet. Through our artworks we have expressed various opinions in the hope of sparking discussion around topics that we are passionate about, says Emily Moxham, one of the exhibiting artists. This collaborative exhibition by four students, Georgie Wicks, Emily Moxham (Moxie), Tristan Griffin and Michele Bevis, opens on **Thursday** at 6pm at the **Lone Goat Gallery** in Byron Bay and runs until 10 December.

SHELLEY'S MONSTER AT THE PALACE

Childlike in his innocence but grotesque in form, Frankenstein's bewildered Creature is cast out into a hostile universe by his horror-struck maker. Meeting with cruelty wherever he goes, the friendless Creature, increasingly desperate and vengeful, determines to track down his creator and strike a terrifying deal. This unique production addresses concerns of scientific responsibility, parental neglect, cognitive development and the nature of good and evil, within this thrilling and deeply disturbing classic gothic tale.



Directed by Academy Award winner Danny Boyle (*Trainspotting*, *Slumdog Millionaire*), *Frankenstein* starred Benedict Cumberbatch and Jonny Lee Miller, alternating the two roles of Victor Frankenstein and his unforgettable creation. Owing to popular demand, Palace Byron Bay is holding encore screenings of this extraordinary cinema experience. Version 1, starring Jonny Lee Miller as Frankenstein and Benedict Cumberbatch as the Creature, screens at 1pm on Saturday, and Version 2, with Cumberbatch as Frankenstein and Miller as the Creature, screening at 12.30 pm on Wednesday 3 December.

SAD DARK OPERA

In October this year, renowned Spanish tenor Plácido Domingo gave a stunning performance in the opera *I Due Foscari*, Giuseppe Verdi's sixth opera and one of his darkest and saddest. In this production from the Royal Opera House, captured live at London's Covent Garden for screening in cinemas worldwide, Domingo sings the role of Francesco Foscari, the Doge of Venice, a despairing father torn between love for his family and duty to a corrupt city. Jacopo Foscari, son of the Doge, is convicted of murder and treason. His wife Lucrezia is sure of his innocence but the Doge, trapped by the machinations of a corrupt city, is forced to make a terrible decision. Conducted by Antonio Pappano, music director of the Royal Opera, and starring Francesco Meli and Maria Agresta alongside Domingo, *I Due Foscari* screens at **Palace Byron Bay Cinema on Sunday** at 1pm and **Wednesday** 3 December at 11am.

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LET'S BE COPS

It's as though some movies just don't know when they are onto a good thing. That was my initial reaction to this – it might have been worthwhile but it quickly degenerated into yet another piece of boofhead rubbish.

I suppose I should not have been surprised, given that the American buddy genre is almost exclusively aimed at catering to the boy-man's sandpit sensibilities. Ryan and Justin (Jake Johnson and Damon Wayans Jr) have come from Ohio to make it big in LA. Both have promise, but the dream has not eventuated for either of them and they find themselves disillusioned and going nowhere. They arrive at a masquerade party foolishly dressed as police officers and after leaving with their tails between their legs they are identified on the streets as the real deal.

Adventures ensue and the fake coppers, whose self-esteem had previously been at rock bottom, are intoxicated by the respect and high regard that they are shown. Mistaken identity is an old trope – Shakespeare regularly called on it (not that Luke Greenfield's movie is remotely Shakespearean) – and it can be employed to create life-changing circumstances for those characters allowed to escape themselves. The problem here is that Greenfield, in opting for the easy sight gag, clichéd mobsters (Russians – what else?), and 'what the fuck' dialogue, has presented us with not just another gross-out comedy but a crass-out dud. You could see it coming when the guys are called to trouble at a raunchy hens' night and again when a squealing Sumo wrestler with no clothes on (just like the naked Chinaman in *The Hangover*) falls on top of Justin.

The shame of it is that there was a story of some depth needing to be explored. Alienation and a sense of personal failure are endemic in the shark pool that is our celeb-besotted market society – Ryan (Johnson is impressive) and Justin's everyday plight deserved a better treatment than low-brow goofiness.



THE HUNGER GAMES: MOCKINGJAY PART 1

After a decidedly inferior sequel to *Hunger Games 1*, Katniss Everdeen (Jennifer Lawrence) has made a mighty return to the screen. It's not absolutely essential to be au fait with what has happened previously; the preamble will only briefly confound those not familiar with the conflict.

Soon enough it is apparent that we are in a dystopian society that is ruthlessly controlled by a central power. Katniss and her followers represent the great unwashed of the outer districts, but in her case she was once a figurehead for the oligarchy. She is no longer a babe in the woods and, with the insights offered by the minders who have joined her side, including Haymitch (Woody Harrelson), Effie (Elizabeth Banks) and Plutarch (Phillip Seymour Hoffman), she has become acutely aware of the value of image, propaganda and role-playing.

Haymitch has one of the best lines when, to Katniss's 'what if I get killed?', he replies, 'Make sure the cameras are rolling'. Katniss also understands that power can corrupt the leader of any cause as the rebel forces' President Coin (Julianne Moore) strives to overthrow the wicked President Snow (Donald Sutherland).

The subterranean problem inherent in this and similar 'liberation' blockbusters lies in the movie's struggle to free itself from the straightjacket of its own double standard. How dare an industry that awards itself grotesque salaries and presents its stars as demigods pose as the champion of the downtrodden when it is comfortably ensconced as a down-treader? Or as the iconoclast that would shake the ground on which its Beverly Hills palaces are built? It's bogus, of course the people who profit from these movies don't want the world to change one bit... but, nevertheless, the fire might catch on.

Lawrence, Sutherland and Harrelson are great, and the CGI, now overdone to the point where it is merely repetitive eye-candy for boneheads, is used to brilliant effect when Katniss brings down a jet-fighter with her bow-and-arrow. The message is urgent, but not so urgent that we can't wait for a Part 2.



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THURSDAY 27

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- BALLINA PLAYERS 8PM **HIGH SOCIETY**
- TATTS HOTEL, LISMORE 6.30PM **COLE COX LOVEJOY**
- NIMBIN HOTEL 6.30PM **SURF REPORT**

FRIDAY 28

- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, BYRON **VELSHUR, THE NEW HIGH, KYLE LIONHART**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON 7PM **THE 9TH CHAPTER**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 5PM **SCOTT DAY VEE DUO** 9PM **MADISON KAT**
- BYRON BREWERY 8.30PM **NEEM**
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- BILLINUDGEL HOTEL 8PM **KOBYA WITH DR BAZ**
- CLUB LENNOX 6.30PM **DJ VIC LETO**
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- BALLINA RSL 8.30PM **ROCHELLE LEES BAND**
- SLIPWAY HOTEL, BALLINA 8PM **BO JENKINS BAND**
- BALLINA PLAYERS 8PM **HIGH SOCIETY**
- ELTHAM HOTEL 7PM **NICOLE BROPHY**
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- TATTS HOTEL, LISMORE 5PM **JIM BIRD** 7.30PM **AZREAL, THE BLACK SWAMP, NESCIENT**
- NIMBIN HOTEL 7.30PM **EASTWOOD**
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SATURDAY 29

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- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON 7PM **BOSSY BIG HEART**
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- YACROCKCAFE, BYRON 12PM **MY FRIEND THE BETRAYER, SEABOUND, SIV, THE BLACK SWAMP, EVIL EYE & MORE**
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- WOODY'S SURF SHACK, BYRON 8PM **DJ SANCHEZ**
- TREEHOUSE, BELONGIL **BEN PANUCCI**
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- DOMA CAFE, FEDERAL 12PM **SWEET MUSIC**
- LULU'S, MULLUMBIMBY 11AM **SLIM PICKENS**
- MIDDLE PUB, MULLUMBIMBY 7.30PM **SHAKE APPEAL**
- BILLINUDGEL HOTEL 8PM **BETTY BLISSETT**
- CLUB LENNOX 6PM **DJ MAX PERROT**
- LENNOX HOTEL 9.30PM **ROGUES GALLERY**
- BALLINA RSL 6.30PM **DAN HANNAFORD**
- BALLINA PLAYERS 8PM **HIGH SOCIETY**
- ALSTONVILLE BOWLING CLUB 8.30PM **CHRIS COOK BAND**
- SHEOAK SHACK, FINGAL HEAD 7PM **MURPHY'S LAW**

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- TATTS HOTEL, LISMORE 9PM **CRACK UP COMEDY**
- CABARITA SPORTS CLUB 7.30PM **ADAM BROWN**
- SOUTH TWEED SPORTS CLUB 8PM **LISA HUNT**
- COOLANGATTA HOTEL 8PM **MARK OF CAIN & KING OF THE NORTH**

SUNDAY 30

- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, BYRON **DAN HANNAFORD**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON 7PM **CHRIS COOK BAND**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 4.30PM **RICHIE WILLIAMS BAND** 8PM **SORORITY PARTY**
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- COCOMANGAS, BYRON 8PM **DJ JIMMY D**
- GINGER PIG, BYRON 3PM **DJ CHRIS BRADLEY**
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- BANGALOW HOTEL 3PM **SUNDAZE SESSION**
- BRUNSWICK HOTEL 4PM **DALLAS FRASCA + CC THE CAT**
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- DOMA CAFE, FEDERAL 12PM **YVETTE MEOW**
- CLUB LENNOX 4PM **ACID BLEED**
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- BALLINA PLAYERS 2PM **HIGH SOCIETY**
- THE POINT HOTEL, BALLINA **LUKE & SEBASTIAN**
- ELTHAM HOTEL 2PM **ROD MURRAY DUO**
- LISMORE CITY BOWLS CLUB 2PM **TROMBONE KELLIE & THE MUDDY ROADERS**
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MONDAY 1

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- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 8PM **MUSICAL BINGO**
- BYRON BREWERY 4PM **BREWERY DJS**
- GINGER PIG, BYRON 8PM **REGGAE DUB**
- WOODY'S SURF SHACK, BYRON 8PM **DJ ED**
- COCOMANGAS, BYRON **SLICE'N'DICE**

TUESDAY 2

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- BYRON BREWERY 2PM **MK, AREA10, DEFECTED, HOT CREATIONS & MORE**
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1	M 0540	1929	1412	0142	0434,1.48; 1645,1.48	1037,0.55; 2307,0.36
2	T 0540	1930	1513	0223	0532,1.57; 1750,1.45	1147,0.49
3	W 0540	1939	1614	0304	0627,1.66; 1810,1.59	0000,0.36; 1252,0.42
4	T 0540	1931	1715	0347	0717,1.75; 1945,1.42	0048,0.36; 1348,0.35
5	F 0540	1932	1814	0432	0803,1.81; 2034,1.41	0134,0.38; 1439,0.30
6	S 0540	1933	1911	0520	0848,1.84; 2121,1.39	0218,0.40; 1525,0.28
7	S 0540	1933	2005	0610	0930,1.84; 2205,1.36	0300,0.42; 1607,0.28
8	M 0540	1934	2055	0702	1011,1.81; 2248,1.34	0342,0.46; 1648,0.31
9	T 0540	1935	2141	0755	1049,1.76; 2330,1.31	0421,0.51; 1728,0.35
10	W 0540	1936	2223	0848	1127,1.70	0501,0.55; 1806,0.39
11	T 0541	1936	2302	0941	0011,1.29; 1205,1.62	0543,0.60; 1845,0.44
12	F 0541	1937	2338	1033	0054,1.27; 1245,1.54	0627,0.65; 1927,0.48
13	S 0541	1938		1124	0141,1.26; 1329,1.46	0717,0.69; 2011,0.51
14	S 0541	1938	0012	1215	0232,1.27; 1420,1.38	0815,0.73; 2100,0.53
15	M 0542	1939	0046	1307	0329,1.31; 1519,1.32	0922,0.74; 2152,0.54
16	T 0542	1939	0120	1359	0426,1.36; 1623,1.29	1031,0.72; 2243,0.53
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18	T 0543	1941	0233	1548	0606,1.52; 1822,1.30	1234,0.57
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20	S 0544	1942	0359	1744	0734,1.73; 2001,1.37	0101,0.44; 1411,0.37
21	S 0544	1942	0450	1844	0818,1.83; 2049,1.41	0145,0.40; 1457,0.28
22	M 0545	1943	0546	1942	0904,1.90; 2138,1.44	0231,0.37; 1542,0.20
23	T 0545	1943	0647	2037	0950,1.95; 2228,1.46	0318,0.35; 1629,0.16
24	W 0546	1944	0750	2129	1038,1.96; 2319,1.47	0409,0.35; 1716,0.15
25	T 0546	1944	0855	2217	1128,1.92	0501,0.37; 1806,0.17
26	F 0547	1945	1000	2301	0012,1.47; 1219,1.84	0557,0.41; 1857,0.22
27	S 0547	1945	1104	2344	0107,1.47; 1313,1.72	0655,0.46; 1949,0.28
28	S 0548	1945	1207		0205,1.47; 1410,1.58	0759,0.52; 2044,0.34
29	M 0549	1946	1308	0024	0306,1.49; 1515,1.46	0908,0.56; 2141,0.40
30	T 0549	1946	1408	0105	0408,1.53; 1624,1.36	1023,0.57; 2237,0.44
31	W 0550	1946	1508	0147	0510,1.58; 1733,1.31	1138,0.54; 2332,0.46

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Family and Friends are warmly invited to celebrate her life at 2.30pm
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PUBLIC HEARING – PLANNING PROPOSALS TO AMEND BYRON LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN 1988 AND BYRON LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN 2014

For properties at

Lot 1 DP 952598 (No. 125) Vallances Road Mullumbimby, Lot 15 DP 1178892

(No. 1) Dingo Lane Myocum and Lot 16 DP 1178892 Dingo Lane Myocum

Council at its meeting of 9 May 2013 resolved that an area of land at Lot 1 DP 952598 (No. 125) Vallances Road Mullumbimby, Lot 15 DP 1178892 (No. 1) Dingo Lane Myocum and Lot 16 DP 1178892 Dingo Lane Myocum, be reclassified from 'community' land to 'operational' land. The reclassification is intended to reflect the potential use/sale of Lot 1 and Lot 16, and the potential use of Lot 15 being part of the buffer surrounding the Myocum Tip.

The public exhibition for the Planning Proposal is complete and Council is now required under section 29 of the Local Government Act 1993 to hold a public hearing for each proposed reclassification. The public hearings are to be held commencing 4.00pm on Tuesday 9 December 2014 in the Council Chambers, Station Street Mullumbimby.

Enquiries: Greg Smith 02 6626 7105

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 1 DECEMBER 2014

10.2014.655.1 – BRUNSWICK HEADS

3 Fawcett Street (Lot 1 DP 114278)

Planners North: *Change of use to yoga studio*

10.2014.649.1 – BYRON BAY

19-23 Lawson Street (Lot 1 DP 876261)

Byron Ventlink Pty Ltd: *Mixed development comprising: demolition, retention of existing building, erection of a new building to be used for backpacker accommodation (250 beds), shops and restaurants*

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS DETERMINED AND COMPLYING DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATES ISSUED

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

The following development consents and complying development certificates issued, 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

10.2014.659.1 – SOUTH GOLDEN BEACH

18 Peter Street (Lot 77 DP 31166)

Alteration/additions to existing dwelling

10.2014.556.1 – COOPERS SHOOT

350 Coopers Shoot Road (Lot 5 DP 255770)

Relocating existing dwelling, constructing a carport and swimming pool

10.2014.463.1 – EWINGS DALE

61 Plantation Drive (Lot 35 DP 786291)

Secondary dwelling

10.2014.657.1 – BRUNSWICK HEADS

1 Bayside Way (Lot 2 DP 635614)

Tree removal – one tree

10.2014.93.2 – BYRON BAY

1/10 Wollongbar Street (Lot 1 SP 73252)

S96 to modify Section 94 contributions (Caretakers Residence)

10.2014.498.1 – BANGALOW

23 Parrot Tree Place (Lot 25 DP 879204)

Additions to a dwelling and construct secondary dwelling

10.2014.601.1 – BYRON BAY

39 Kingsley Street (Lot 1 SP 81567)

Swimming pool

10.2014.537.1 – BYRON BAY

63 Carlyle Street (Lot 11 Sec 30 DP 758207)

Alteration and additions to a dwelling creating sub floor and carport

10.2014.658.1 – EWINGS DALE

22 Plantation Drive (Lot 21 DP 738059)

Tree removal – four trees, tree lopping – one tree

10.2014.646.1 – BYRON BAY

Bay Street (Lot 10 DP 1049827)

Use of Apex Park to place temporary structures for the Schoolies Safety response for 18 days during November and December annually (approval granted annually for 5 consecutive occurrences)

10.2014.538.1 – MULLUMBIMBY

121 Dalley Street (Lot 12 DP 1197934)

Alterations and additions to mixed commercial residential development - existing use rights

10.2014.306.2 – OCEAN SHORES

6 Narrolog Court (Lot 194 DP 238456)

S96 to delete conditions 8 (Dual occupancy (Construction of additional detached dwelling))

10.2014.370.1 – MIDDLE POCKET

Chinamans Hill Road (Lot 2 DP 584475)

Subdivision to create two lots

10.2014.452.1 – OCEAN SHORES

6 Kanandah Court (Lot 416 DP 238451)

Detached Dual Occupancy

10.2014.605.1 – BYRON BAY

7-9 Childe Street (Lot 1 DP 714899)

Tree Removal - six trees

10.2014.578.1 – BRUNSWICK HEADS

11 Teven Street (Lot 17 Sec 25 DP 758171)

Secondary dwelling and carport

10.2013.82.2 – EWINGS DALE

14 Bay Vista Lane (Lot 13 DP 258951)

S96 to alter design and layout of building (Recreational facility - including yoga studio, amenity block, storage shed, carport and existing dwelling extension)

10.2014.550.1 – BYRON BAY

94 Lawson Street (Lot 8 DP 9281)

Alterations and additions to existing bed and breakfast establishment (Comprising the addition of a 2nd storey)

10.2013.626.2 – EWINGS DALE

11 Ewingsdale Road (Lot 5 DP 848222)

S96 Modify road works and access (Cheese Making Facility and farm cafe)

10.2014.516.1 – MULLUMBIMBY

47 New City Road (Lot 1 Sec 2 DP 12528)

New Primary dwelling and secondary dwelling on Lot 2 and relocate shed from Lot 2 to Lot 1

10.2014.456.1 – MULLUMBIMBY

29 Casuarina Street (Lot 19 DP 261910)

Four lot subdivision, tree removal and construction of three single storey dwelling houses

10.2014.567.1 – BYRON BAY

1 Mott Street (Lot 21 DP 25086)

Convert existing dwelling to secondary dwelling and construct a new two storey dwelling-house and tree removal

10.2014.591.1 – BYRON BAY

7 Mott Street (Lot 24 DP 25086)

Extensions to dwelling (Carport and Patio)

10.2014.540.1 – SOUTH GOLDEN BEACH

20 Royal Ave (Lot 213 DP 31166)

Secondary dwelling

10.2014.599.1 – NEW BRIGHTON

3 Byron Street (Lot 301 DP 755687)

Two storey dwelling

10.2014.570.1 – BANGALOW

2 Granuaille Road (Lot 1 DP 801126)

Alterations to a dwelling to create an attached secondary dwelling

10.2014.555.1 – BYRON BAY

2/1 Border Street (Lot 2 SP 83141)

Two storey dwelling and swimming pool

10.2008.480.3 – MULLUMBIMBY

148 Left Bank Road (Lot 11 DP 1127908)

Reconfiguration of approved lots and amendment of description of development

10.2014.429.1 – BYRON BAY

17-21 Jonson Street (Lot 1 DP 171102)

Alterations to existing tenancy (Spar Supermarket) and internal fitout to create a food shop, relocation of existing automatic teller machine and minor changes to existing front glazing on northern elevation

10.2014.425.1 – BRUNSWICK HEADS

28 Fingal Street (Lot 12 Sec 7 DP 758171)

Alterations and additions to existing residential flat building, demolition of existing structure, removal of three trees and construction of a new building with a vehicle garage at ground level and a new residential unit at first floor level creating a total of 5 residential units within the property

10.2014.480.1 – BYRON BAY

Milton Street (Lot 2 DP 1158309)

Construction of an amenities building

APPLICATIONS WITHDRAWN

10.2012.613.3 – BYRON BAY

39 Fletcher Street (Lot B DP 302467)

S96 to review the vehicle entry gate (Alterations and additions to existing shops and residence)

COMPLYING DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATES ISSUED

16.2014.92.1 BANGALOW

40 Rankin Drive (Lot 60 DP1011009)

Insulated Patio Roof

16.2014.35.1 BANGALOW

39 Palm Lily Crescent (Lot 95 DP 1198066)

Relocated Dwelling including Alterations and Additions and New Carport

Byron Bay Town Centre Masterplan – we need your BIG IDEAS



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EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Coffee Cart Operations

Byron Bay Library Building Foyer

Council is calling for Expressions of Interest (EOI) from interested parties to operate a coffee cart from the foyer of the Byron Bay Library building for a trial period of 12 months.

The EOI process is designed to be open to allow applicants to present their ideas on how the operation would be beneficial for the vendor, Council and patrons of the library building.

There are approximately 600-750 library users per day and 40-60 visitors to the Lone Goat Gallery providing applicants with a good client base when considering their application.

The 12 month term of the trial is to assess the viability of continuing its operation into the future. The EOI should demonstrate that the operation will be financially beneficial for the operator and for the Council.

Interested applicants should refer to Council's website for further information and the EOI documentation at www.byron.nsw.gov.au/expressions-of-interest.

Submissions to be delivered by hand and placed in the Tender Box at 70-90 Station Street, Mullumbimby NSW 2482 (by the Applicant or the Applicant's private agent) or lodged via the e-tender portal at www.tenderlink.com/byron.

Submissions close: 2.00pm Friday 28 November 2014

Enquiries: Greg Ironfield 02 6626 7000 or greg.ironfield@byron.nsw.gov.au

Development of a Technical Brief for the Byron Bay Community Safety Camera Program

Byron Shire Council is calling for expressions of interest (EOI's) for an appropriately qualified and experienced consultant to design the Byron Community Safety Camera Program and deliver a technical brief/specification and recommendations to Council.

An Expressions of Interest document outlines the details and is available on Council's website www.byron.nsw.gov.au/expressions-of-interest.

Submissions close: 4.00pm Friday 5 December 2014

Enquiries: Joanne McMurtry 02 6626 7316

Submissions should be in writing addressed to the General Manager, Byron Shire Council, PO Box 219 Mullumbimby 2482 or sent by email to council@byron.nsw.gov.au.

Please note: The canvassing of Councillors or Council staff in relation to this expression of interest will automatically result in disqualification of offending submitters.

Are you managing an event during the peak summer season?

An opportunity for cross promotion with 'Safe Summer in the Bay'.

Byron Shire Council is seeking expressions of interest from event organisers with events that meet the key objectives of Safe Summer in the Bay and occur during the December – January peak summer season.

Safe Summer in the Bay is an initiative of Byron Shire Council and seeks to showcase Byron Shire as a vibrant, inclusive, family orientated holiday destination during the peak summer season whilst showcasing some of our local talent.

If you are already planning an event that meets the following objectives, we would like to hear from you. This is an opportunity to be included in cross-promotional activity that is being undertaken by Byron Shire Council around Park and Ride, New Year activities and promoting a safe summer.

Objectives of Your Event:

1. Scheduled between 13 December 2014 and 26 January 2015
2. Provides community inclusive cultural activities/events in the Byron Shire
3. Showcases local talent (from the Northern Rivers area)
4. Your event has strategies to assist with keeping crowd levels manageable and contributes to the positive image of Byron Shire as a holiday destination
5. Is ultimately, an expression of local community core values which encourages visitors to share and respect our local places.

Further details and an expression of interest form is available on Council's website at www.byron.nsw.gov.au/expressions-of-interest

Submissions close: 4.00pm Friday 12 December 2014

Enquiries: Joanne McMurtry 02 6626 7316

Submissions should be in writing (a form is provided) addressed to the General Manager, Byron Shire Council, PO Box 219 Mullumbimby 2482 or sent by email to council@byron.nsw.gov.au.

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PUBLIC EXHIBITION

Byron Local Environmental Plan 2014 Amendment

For property at Lot 101 DP 1140936, Ewingsdale Road, Ewingsdale

The Planning Proposal to permit seniors housing, medical centres, business premises, restaurants or cafes, and shops at Lot 101 DP 1140936, Ewingsdale Road, Ewingsdale is to be re-exhibited from 11 November until 8 December 2014, for a period of 28 days and is available at Council's administration centre or on Council's website at www.byron.nsw.gov.au/public-exhibition.

Members of the public are also invited to speak with Council planners at one of two Community Information Sessions, to be conducted between 5pm – 7pm on Monday 17 November and Tuesday 25 November at the Ewingsdale Hall.

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: 4.00pm Monday 8 December 2014

Enquiries: Matt Walker 02 6626 7039

Planning Proposal to permit Detached Dual Occupancies and Secondary Dwellings in RU1 and RU2 Zones

The Planning Proposal to amend the Byron Shire Local Environmental Plan 2014 to permit detached dual occupancies and secondary dwellings in RU1 and RU2 Zones is on exhibition for a period of 53 days and can be viewed at Council's administration offices in Mullumbimby, community access points around the Shire or on Council's website at www.byron.nsw.gov.au/public-exhibition.

The intent of this Planning Proposal is to amend LEP 2014 so that development of detached dual occupancies and secondary dwellings can occur with Council consent in the RU1 Primary Production and RU2 Rural Landscape Zones. The Planning Proposal also sets out consent considerations for both types of development and establishes a minimum lot size for detached dual occupancies in the RU1 and RU2 zones.

The Minister for Planning and Environment has issued an authorisation for Council to exercise delegation to make this LEP amendment.

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. Only submissions emailed to this address will be acknowledged.

Submissions close: 4.00pm Friday 16 January 2015

Enquiries: Julie Francombe 02 6626 7118 or 02 6626 7126

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.

POLICY EXHIBITION

Volunteering with Council

At Council's Ordinary Meeting held on 30 October 2014 it resolved to place the above Policy on public exhibition for a period of 28 days for the making of public submissions.

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: 4.00pm Tuesday 9 December 2014

Enquiries: Greg Ironfield 02 6626 7217

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 66267113

BYRON BAY CHRISTMAS – NEW YEAR

Road Closure and Special Event Parking Area

New Year's Eve (NYE) road closure

Jonson Street, Byron Bay between Lawson Street through to the car park entry at Railway Park (north of Marvell Street) will be closed from 1pm on 31 December 2014 and reopen by 7am 1 January 2015. Detours will be in place and delays can be expected. The closure is provided for the 'Soul Street' event. See Council's website for more details.

Special Event Parking Area (SEPA)

Unless signed otherwise (e.g. 1P, 4P), a 2-hour (2P) time limit will apply within the Special Event Parking Area (SEPA) for the 7 days inclusive of 29 December 2014 to 4 January 2015. The 2P SEPA limit will apply to on-street parking in Byron Bay that is between and:

- east of the Belongil Creek Bridge on Ewingsdale Road;
- north of Seaview Street, Byron Bay; and
- north of Paterson Street and Browning Street intersection.

This area covers Belongil and Wategos and the streets west, east and within the town centre and south to and including Browning Street. For a list of the streets and map see Council's website. Most streets in the SEPA are residential where no time limit is signed, however during SEPA a 2P time limit will apply for each 24-hour period.

Permit Holders – eligibility and collection

Those who reside or work within the SEPA are eligible for a SEPA Permit. The permit will be available for collection weekdays from Council's Mullumbimby office 1-24 December and BRSSC 15-23 December. When correctly displayed, the SEPA permit provides an exemption from the 2P SEPA time limit only, noting that other parking laws and signs still apply and must be obeyed.

Obey all signs

For example if you park where 1P or 4P is signed, which is typical in the town centre, then that time limit applies as per the signage. Similarly No Parking, No Stopping and other such parking laws remain in place.

Penalties apply

Not obeying parking signage or laws where they apply will result in an offence being committed and penalty issued. Where and when SEPA applies, vehicles staying beyond the 2P limit will need to leave the SEPA in order to avoid committing an offence. Moving the vehicle from one location to another location within the SEPA will not avoid the commission of an offence. The maximum penalty for the offence is 20 penalty units (\$2,200). The on the spot fine is \$236.

For more details on SEPA and New Year's Eve and other Council initiatives including Park and Ride visit: www.byron.nsw.gov.au/new-years-eve.

Submissions on any of the above 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.

Enquiries: Simon Bennett Traffic and Transport Planner 02 6626 7000

TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE

Byron Street, Bangalow

2014 Christmas Eve Carnival

Under the provisions of the Roads Act 1993, Council will consider approval of the temporary closure of Byron Street, Bangalow between Granuaille Road and Market Street for the holding of the annual Bangalow Christmas Eve Carnival.

Subject to approval, the closure with detour available via Deacon Street, will be in effect Tuesday 24 December 2014 between the hours of 5.30pm and 10.00pm.

Submissions can be lodged by 19 December 2014 and addressed to the General Manager, Byron Shire Council, PO Box 219 Mullumbimby 2482 or sent by email submissions@byron.nsw.gov.au.

Enquiries: 6626 7080

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1142 Coolamon Scenic Drive, Montecollum. Wed &
Sat 11-11.30am
82 Tooheys Mill Road, Fernleigh. Wed & Sat 12.30-1.30pm
3/16 Helen Street, South Golden Beach. Wed & Sat 12-1pm
708 Dunoon Road, Tullera. Sat 11am-12pm
9 Byranger Road, Goonengery. Sat 2-2.30pm
541 Federal Drive, Federal. Sat 3-4pm

FIRST NATIONAL BYRON BAY

3/20 Sunrise Boulevard, Byron Bay. Wed 12-12.30pm &
Sat 10-10.30am
2/22 Cooper Street, Byron Bay. Wed 1-1.30pm &
Sat 11-1.13am
2C Pacific Vista Drive, Byron Bay. Wed 5-5.30pm & Sat 10-
10.30am
16 Coral Court, Byron Bay. Thu 1-1.30pm & Sat 10-10.30am
3 Burns Street, Byron Bay. Thu 2-2.30pm & Sat 12.30-1pm
18 Blueberry Court, Byron Bay. Thu 2-2.30pm &
Sat 10-10.30am

9 Dudgeons Lane, Bangalow. Sat 10-10.30am
35 Alcorn Street, Suffolk Park. Sat 11-11.30am
1 Plantation Drive, Ewingsdale. Sat 11-11.30am
15 Plantation Drive, Ewingsdale. Sat 11-11.30am
1/50 Armstrong Street, Suffolk Park. Sat 11-11.30am
14 Citriadora Drive, Ewingsdale. Sat 11-11.30am
29 Benloro Lane, Myocum. Sat 12-12.30pm
41 Beech Drive, Suffolk Park. Sat. 12-12.30pm
12 Beachcomber Drive, Byron Bay. Sat 1-1.30pm
12 Miram Parade, Ocean Shores 1-1.30pm

GNF BANGALOW REAL ESTATE

2 Lawlers Lane, Bangalow. Sat 11.30am-12pm
28 Standing Street, The Channon. Wed 5.30-6pm &
Sat 11-11.30am

LJ HOOKER BRUNSWICK HEADS

7 Bower Street, Brunswick Heads. Sat 11-11.30am
22 Beach Avenue, South Golden Beach. Sat 12-12.30pm
12 North Head Road, New Brighton. Thu & Sat 1-1.30pm

LJ HOOKER BYRON BAY

Figtree Fields, Ewingsdale. Daily 10am-12pm
10 Gordon Street, Mullumbimby. Sat 11-11.30am

LOIS BUCKETT REAL ESTATE

30 Amber Drive, Lennox Head. Sat 10-10.30am
43 Pacific Parade, Lennox Head. Sat 11-11.30am
5 Palisade Way, Lennox Head. Sat 12-12.30pm
8 Angus Kennedy Close, Lennox Head. Sat 1-1.30pm
37 Survey Street, Lennox Head. Sat 2-2.30pm
381 Fernleigh Road, Fernleigh. Sat 2-2.30pm
32 Old Tintenbar Road, Tintenbar. Sat 3-3.30pm

MCGRATH BYRON BAY

131 Parmenters Road, Wilsons Creek. Sat 10-10.45am
2 Citriadora Drive, Ewingsdale. Sat 10-10.30am
1/43 Alcorn Street, Suffolk Park. Sat 10-10.30am
2/21 Marvell Street, Byron Bay. Sat 11-11.30am
298 Tyagarah Road, Myocum. Sat 11-11.30am
305 Coolamon Scenic Drive, Coorabell. Sat 11-11.30am
1 Argyle Street, Mullumbimby. Sat 11.30am-12pm
26 Tristran Parade, Mullumbimby. Sat 12-12.30pm
39 Main Street, Clunes. Sat 12-12.30pm
161 Tandys Lane, Brunswick Heads. Sat 1-1.30pm
3 Nelshaby Court, Ocean Shores. Sat 1-1.30pm
77 Cathcart Street, Girards Hill. Sat 1.30-2pm
26 Tristran Parade, Mullumbimby. Tue 2-2.30pm
298 Tyagarah Road, Myocum. Tue 3-3.30pm
161 Tandys Lane, Brunswick Heads. Wed 4-4.30pm

PROFESSIONALS MULLUMBIMBY

87 Prince Street, Mullumbimby. Sat 12-1pm
20 Tristran Parade, Mullumbimby. Thu & Sat 12:15-1pm

RAY WHITE BYRON BAY

4/80 Centennial Cct, Byron Bay. Wed 11-11.30am &
Sat 10-10.30am
D1/62-64 Lawson Street, Byron Bay. Thu & Sat 12.30-1pm
558 Middle Pocket Road, Middle Pocket. Sat 12.30-1pm
8 Lilli Pilli Drive, Byron Bay. Sat 11.30am-12pm
3/137 Broken Head Reserve Road, Broken Head. Thu &
Sat 1.30-2pm

AUCTIONS

ELDERS BANGALOW

Auctions December 6

82 Tooheys Mill Road, Fernleigh
1142 Coolamon Scenic Drive, Montecollum

Auction December 17

3/16 Helen Street, South Golden Beach

FIRST NATIONAL BYRON BAY

Auction 1pm onsite November 29

3 Burns Street, Byron Bay

Auction 11am onsite December 6

35 Alcorn Street, Suffolk Park

Auction 12pm onsite December 6

6/24 Bay Street, Byron Bay

Auction 10am onsite December 6

9 Dudgeons Lane, Bangalow

Auction onsite December 13

2/22 Cooper Street, Byron Bay

Auction 12pm onsite December 20

41 Beech Drive, Suffolk Park

GNF BANGALOW REAL ESTATE

Auction January 17 unless sold prior

2 Lawlers Lane, Bangalow

Auction 11am December 13

28 Standing Street, The Channon

Auction 6pm January 29

2 Elliot Road, Clunes

LOIS BUCKETT REAL ESTATE

**Auctions 5.30pm Wednesday December 10 at
Lennox Hotel Function Room**

5 Palisade Way, Lennox Head

8 Angus Kennedy Close, Lennox Head

37 Survey Street, Lennox Head

32 Old Tintenbar Road, Tintenbar

381 Fernleigh Road, Fernleigh

Auction 10am onsite Saturday December 13

43 Pacific Parade, Lennox Head

MCGRATH BYRON BAY

Auction 1pm Saturday December 6

1 Argyle Street, Mullumbimby

Auction 10am Saturday December 6

298 Tyagarah Road, Myocum

Auction 2.45pm Saturday December 13

161 Tandys Lane, Brunswick Heads

Auction 1pm Saturday December 13

26 Tristran Parade, Mullumbimby

Auction 10am Saturday December 20

2 Citriadora Drive, Ewingsdale

Auction 11am Saturday December 20

2/21 Marvell Street, Byron Bay

Auction 12pm Saturday January 17

39 Main Street, Clunes

RAY WHITE BYRON BAY

Auction 10.30am onsite Saturday November 29

4/80 Centennial Circuit, Byron Bay

NEW LISTINGS

ELDERS BANGALOW

- 3/16 Helen Street, South Golden Beach -Auction 17
December
- 1142 Coolamon Scenic Drive, Montecollum. Auction 6th
December On-site.
- 708 Dunoon Road, Tullera. \$949,000.
- 2 Elliot Road, Clunes. Auction 29th January.

FIRST NATIONAL BYRON BAY

- 41 Beech Drive, Suffolk Park. Auction Onsite 20/12/14 12pm
- 59 Carlyle Street, Byron Bay. Interest Over \$2,500,000
- 50 River Street, New Brighton. Expressions Of Interest

LOIS BUCKETT REAL ESTATE

- 43 Pacific Parade, Lennox Head
- 32 Old Tintenbar Road, Tintenbar
- 5 Palisade Way, Lennox Head
- 8 Angus Kennedy Close, Lennox Head



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- ✓ Two entertaining patio areas, one covered

- ✓ Build 2nd level for vast ocean & rural views (subject to council approval)
- Auction 5.30pm in our rooms 10 Dec.**
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8 Angus Kennedy Cl, Lennox Head.

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- ✓ Detached single lock-up garage
- ✓ Timber floors and high ceilings
- ✓ Large level 879m² block with rear lane access
- ✓ Byron Council approval for a secondary dwelling

- ✓ Adjacent to Heritage Park and the Brunswick River
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- LJ Hooker Byron Bay, 6685 7300.

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OPEN HOUSE
Saturday 11-11.30am

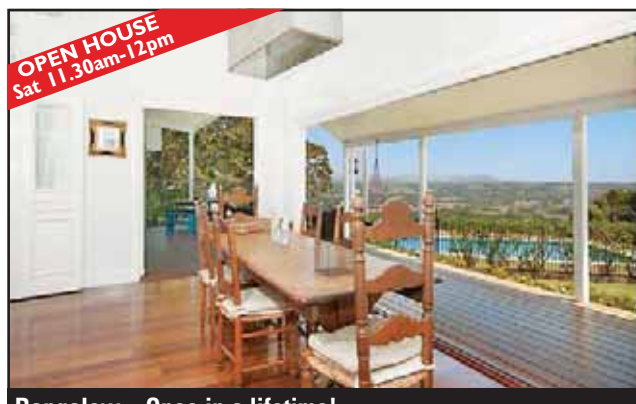
Brunswick Pearl, Bower Manor

7 Bower Street, Brunswick Heads.

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- ✓ 759m² block with amazing gardens
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Thu & Sat 12.15-1pm

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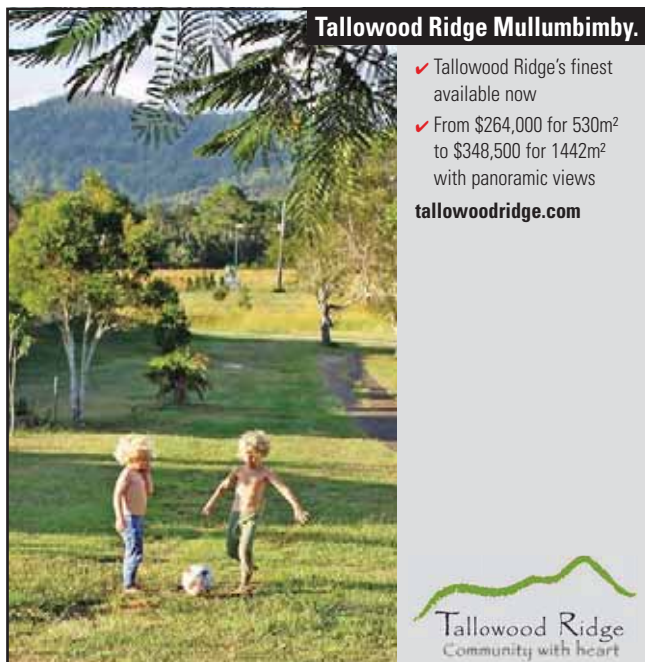
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New Brighton

12 North Head Road

Auction – Owner already moved! Gorgeous Timber Beach House

- Stylish, character filled, timber beach house
- Split level living, timber floors, high ceilings
- 3 living areas, 2 verandahs, 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms
- DA approval for 2 more bedrooms, office & lounge
- Under house parking + storage, 569m2 land rear lane access
- 80 metres to the beach, river, 3 mins to golf and shopping centre

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View Thursday & Saturday 1-1.30pm

Auction 11.30am December 20, 2014 at the Brunswick Heads RSL Auxiliary Hall

Contact David Mutkins
0421 906 460

LJ Hooker Brunswick Heads
02 6685 0177

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Exceptionally quiet, this gorgeous 2.5 acre sanctuary edged by natural rainforest & ideal for horses features an impressive north facing home, enhanced by treetop ocean scenery. Two self contained areas comprise a main upper level while downstairs is a guest retreat.

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Guide over \$1,200,000
Auction Saturday 13th December 2.45pm*
View Sat 1.00 - 1.30 & Wed 4.00 - 4.30
Heidi Last 0416 072 868
Stuart Aitken 0419 242 432
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59 Burringbar Street, Mullumbimby 6684 2615
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Property in Focus

Apartment Living in CBD location



This apartment, situated at Fiesta Palms on Lawson Street, offers unique holiday and/or residential living options!

Centrally located in the heart of the Byron Bay CBD and within walking distance of beaches, bars, shops, restaurants and public transport. Ideally suited to those seeking an investment or in town residential accommodation.

Currently holiday let, this popular choice for holiday guests and tenants alike, is perfect for investors. In addition, the apartment is only one of six in the complex and comes with four car spaces, a separate laundry, separate bathroom and WC.

The living and dining areas open out to the screened outdoor alfresco area; perfect for entertaining or relaxing!

Address: 4/29 Lawson Street Byron Bay offers above \$595,000

Contact: Sophie Christou 0419 399 222, Julie-Ann Manahan 0411 081 118.



Property in Focus

Location ! Views ! Lifestyle !



- Rambling timber country home approx 100 years old.
- 5 double bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, multiple vehicle parking.
- Period features, large sunny timber deck, granite kitchen.

A hundred years ago the Spinaze brothers arrived from Italy and carved a farm from the bush that became a local showpiece. Kids from the town came to marvel at the cows and pigs, snack on the produce, or take a bumpy ride in old man Spinaze's one-horse sleigh.

This property is the core of that old farm; the dwellings, dams, infrastructure, and the forest where the timber for buildings and fences was found.

The rambling old timber farmhouse (5 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, office) has been completely renovated to provide modern convenience while retaining original style.

Soaring ceilings, bifold doors, timber floors, stained/coloured glass, beautiful timber fretwork, and timber dado rails are just some of the original features.

Open plan living including a gourmet granite kitchen with gas cooking, opens to a spacious sunny deck with sensational rural vistas.

The second main dwelling incorporates a funky artist studio, additional bathroom & kitchen, an office, another bedroom, a utility room, the laundry and a huge shed.

The third dwelling is bohemian studio accommodation perfect for teenagers or guests.

The forest has desirable Tallowood, Bloodwood, and hoop pine trees which are ready to be thinned, providing a commercial return without affecting the landscape. A big solar array keeps electricity costs to a minimum. Two lovely dams complete the picture. History & future scope.

Address: 708 Dunoon Road, Tullera

Price: \$949,000

Contact: Franco Braico 0438 565 525, Elders Real Estate Bangalow 6687 1500.

Property in Focus

Historic homestead on five acres



Beautifully elevated, this historic homestead circa 1903 is set on a gently sloping 5 acres with stunning panoramic hinterland views over the Border Ranges. The home seamlessly blends old world charm and original decorative cornicing and finishes with modern conveniences.

Sold with DA approved plans for a granny flat plus another self-contained bedroom, living room, kitchenette and ensuite underneath the home. The classic formal lounge room with an adjoining sitting area has access to the veranda and an open plan kitchen and dining area also flow onto the huge wrap around covered veranda overlooking the massive dam.

The home has Solar Hot Water and 1.5kw solar panels. There is an abundance of beautiful wildlife. Privacy, peace and nature at its best.

Address: 29 Benloro Lane, Myocum

Open: Saturday November 29, 12-12.30pm

Details: Interest Over \$1,000,000

Enquiries: First National Byron Bay
Tara Torkkola 0423 519 698,
James Young 0419 856 840



Property in Focus

INVESTORS – Fantastic Development Opportunity



Multiple Townhouse Development.

- A rear block of land situated in the heart of Bangalow set on 2,035m2.
- The block is fully serviced with town water, electricity, phone and sewer.
- Walking distance to town.
- The property has frontage to 2 streets being Rifle Range road and Green Frog Lane.
- The Department Of Lands has agreed to a contract with the vendor to sell the adjoining road reserve.
- This is an opportunity for a builder/developer to complete the vendor's townhouse concept. (STCA)
- There has been a Queenslander cottage relocated to the property and it has been stumped. It requires a renovation to bring it to council specifications. The owner is happy to remove the house if not required.

For sale with interest from \$790,000 call Gail Fuller on 0418 441 675 or Scot Fuller on 0401 911 557 at Byron Coastal Real Estate for further information.

AUCTION
6 DEC



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POSTION, OCEAN VIEWS, POTENTIAL 44 ACRES YET AFFORDABLE PRICE RANGE

- Solid brick home with ocean views • Elevated Coolamon Scenic Drive position
- 17.6 hectares (approx 44 acres) • Level garden & lawn around house • Improve house to fully capitalize • Spacious living room & eat in kitchen • Under 10 minutes drive to Mullumbimby • Vendors are serious about selling!

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Open for Inspection Wednesday 11am - 11.30am
Open for Inspection Saturday 11am-11.30am
Duncan Lorimer 0400 844 412

**Auction 6 December
10.30am On-Site**

AUCTION
6 DEC



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100 YEARS OF GRACE, CHARACTER & CHARM PRIVACY ON 26 PICTURESQUE ACRES

- Classic timber renovated home • Beautiful 26 acres of clean useable land
- Wrap around verandahs & timber decks • Stylish contemporary kitchen & bathroom • Central hallway, high ceilings, timber floors • Sparkling in-ground pool, landscaped gardens • Large established Pecan orchard
- 15-20 minutes to Ballina, Bangalow, Lennox

82 Tooheys Mill Road, FERNLEIGH
Open for Inspection Wednesday 12.30pm - 1.30pm
Open for Inspection Saturday 12.30pm - 1.30pm
Franco Braico 0438 565 525

**Auction 6 December
12.30pm On-site**

AUCTION
17 DEC



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STYLISH LIVING BY THE BEACH LIFESTYLE, RENOVATED, 2 STOREY TIMBER HOME

- Stylish living by the sea • Easy 100 m walk to the surf • Over looking lush nature reserve • Three large timber entertaining decks • Guest / teenage retreat, separate entry • High ceilings, big windows & timber floors • New reverse cycle ducted air conditioning • Established tropical gardens • Two sparkling white renovated bathrooms

* Agent declares interest

3/16 Helen Street, SOUTH GOLDEN BEACH
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**Auction 17 December
5pm On-site**



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LOCATION ! VIEWS ! LIFESTYLE ! 50 GLORIOUS ACRES WITH ORIGINAL TIMBER HOME

- Rambling timber country home - approx 100 years old • 5 double bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, multiple vehicle parking • Period features, large sunny timber deck, granite kitchen • 50 glorious acres, Tallwood forest, 2 dams • Artists studio, multiple sheds, office, additional studio accommodation • 10 easy mins to Lismore, 25 mins to Bangalow.

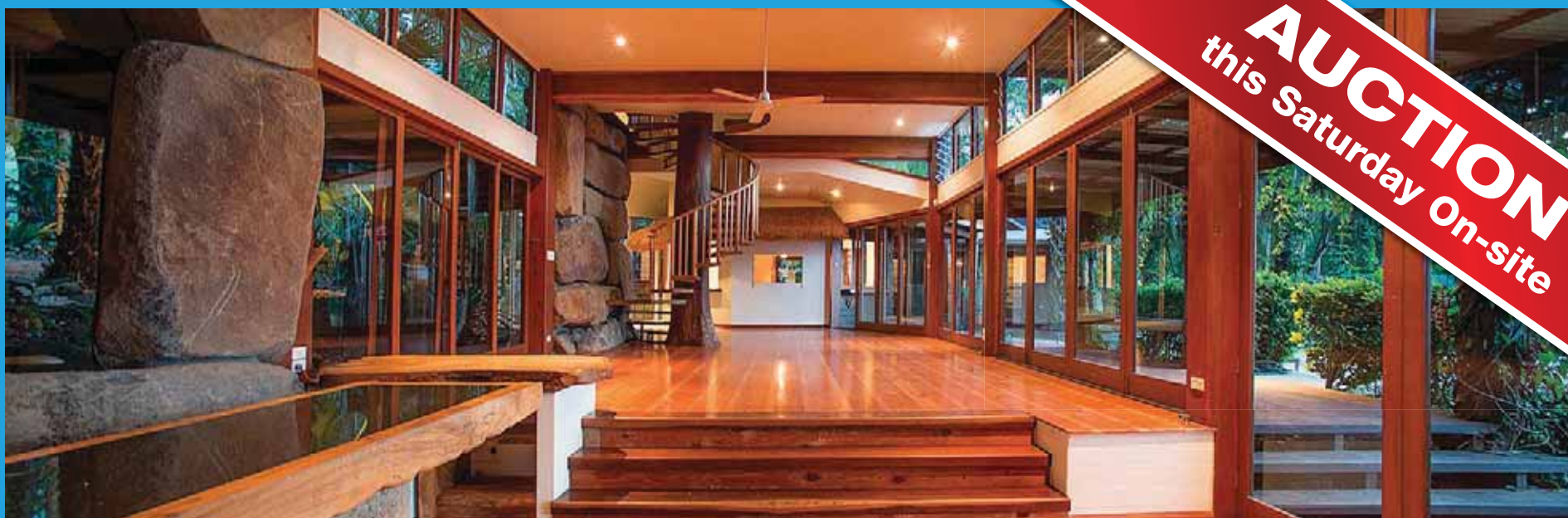
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AUCTION
this Saturday on-site



360 Friday Hut Road, Possum Creek

19 acres 5 6 2

- Creek frontage plus dams
- 5 bedrooms with en-suites
- Well appointed kitchen
- Expansive separate lounge areas
- Magnificent rural views
- Tropical gardens
- Stables yards

AUCTION THIS SATURDAY
29th November
2pm on-site

Scot Fuller
0401 911 557

Gail Fuller J.P.
0418 441 675



FOR SALE

8 Pacific Vista Drive, Byron Bay 670m² 3 2 2

- Elevated Ocean views & a walk to the beach
- Backing on reserve
- Separate office/workspace ideal for home office
- Fully fenced
- Agents interest declared

Inspections by appointment

For Sale \$939,000

Scot Fuller 0401 911 557
Gail Fuller J.P. 0418 441 675



FOR SALE

Phillips Rd, Newrybar 5 acres 3 2 1

- Original 1900 timber farm house
- Beautiful timber features
- Plentiful water
- Ocean views
- Fenced paddocks

Inspection by appointment

For Sale \$1,150,000

Scot Fuller 0401 911 557
Gail Fuller J.P. 0418 441 675



FOR SALE
UNDER CONTRACT

Suffolk Park Family Home 672m² 4 2 2

- Large open plan living areas
- Spacious bedrooms with built-ins
- Fully fenced
- Low maintenance gardens
- Private light filled rooms

Inspection by appointment

For Sale \$725,000

Scot Fuller 0401 911 557
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FOR SALE

Bangalow 2025m²

- Development potential
- Possible 6 strata titled villas
- Small 2/3 bed queenslander, can be removed
- Walk to town, schools
- Established position with dual access

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Enquiries: Su Reynolds 0428 888 660



2/22 Cooper Street, Byron Bay

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Auction Interest Over \$475,000

- **Exceptional value - walk to Tallow Beach and town**
- Spacious living area with raked ceilings and bamboo floors
- Kitchen with dishwasher and a very cool breakfast bar
- North facing backyard with sensational entertainers deck
- A fantastic light filled unit in a very high demand location

Open: Wednesday, 26 November 1.00 – 1.30pm
Saturday, 29 November 11.00 – 11.30am

Auction: Onsite Saturday, 13 December

Enquiries: Sharon McInnes 0408 659 649

Agency
declares
interest



2C Pacific Vista Drive, Byron Bay

Auction Interest Over \$1,299,000

- **Architect designed beach house with stunning interiors**
- Spectacular ocean and hinterland views
- Multiple outdoor entertaining areas and plunge pool
- Private, highly sought after enclave set back from the street
- Only 400 metres to surf beach and a short stroll into town

Open: Wednesday, 26 November 5.00 – 5.30pm
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- Landmark commercial freehold property
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1/78 Broken Head Road, Suffolk Park

3 2 1 Interest Over \$585,000

- Freestanding and modern designer home
- Multiple indoor and outdoor living areas
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- Private and fully fenced courtyard
- Near the golf course and cycle paths into town and beach

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1 Plantation Drive, Ewingsdale

5 3 2 Interest Over \$1,595,000

- Stunning rainforest retreat just minutes to the centre of Byron
- 7768m2 of open spaces, lush forest and a bubbling creek
- Quality, modern and immaculate interiors open to the north
- Living spaces overlook the pool, creek and lush surrounds
- Separate large guest accommodation

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**AUCTION
THIS SATURDAY**



3 Burns Street, Byron Bay

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Auction Interest \$1,095,000

- **Opportunity knocks... location, location, location!!!**
- Large 860m2 block in town with front and rear lane access
- Neat and tidy home with 3 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms
- Good potential to improve the property
- Walk to beach, restaurants and shops. This will sell!

Open: Thursday, 27 November 2.00 – 2.30pm
Saturday, 29 November 12.30 – 1.00pm
Auction: Onsite Saturday, 29 November 1pm
Enquiries: Paul Banister 0438 856 552,
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**AUCTION
Saturday
6th December**



9 Dudgeons Lane, Bangalow

Auction Interest Over \$550,000

- **Prime position in the Bangalow Industrial Estate – 1003m2**
- Spacious warehouse/factory – vacant possession
- Highly visible with excellent off street parking
- A fantastic opportunity for the astute investor
- Tightly held location with great highway exposure

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Auction: Onsite Saturday, 6 December 10am
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**AUCTION
Saturday
6th December**



6/24 Bay Street, Byron Bay

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Auction

- **Prime location directly opposite Main Beach Byron Bay**
- Ground floor apartment in popular Bay Royal complex
- Open plan kitchen/meals and living area with A/C
- North facing covered patio overlooking beach and park
- Access to pool, tennis court, BBQ area and secure parking

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29 Benloro Lane, Myocum

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Interest Over \$1,000,000

- Beautifully elevated, historic homestead circa 1903
- Gently sloping 5 acres with stunning hinterland views
- A blend of old world charm with modern conveniences
- DA approved plans to build a granny flat plus a 2nd area
- Massive dam, privacy and an abundance of wildlife

Open: Saturday, 29 November 12.00 – 12.30pm
Enquiries: Tara Torkkola 0423 519 698, James Young 0419 856 840



35 Alcorn Street, Suffolk Park

4 3 2

Interest Over \$999,000

- Absolute beachfront location!
- Character 4 bedroom weatherboard home
- Unique floorplan with multiple living spaces
- Sold fully furnished. Live in or enjoy income
- Backing onto a reserve with direct beach access

Open: Saturday, 29 November 11.00 – 11.30am
Auction: Onsite Saturday, 6 December 11am
Enquiries: Helen Huntly-Barratt 0412 332 232



3/20 Sunrise Boulevard, Byron Bay

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Interest Over \$395,000

- Renovated and contemporary - freestanding private villa
- 2 bedrooms with ensuites plus a loft/extra room
- Modern and fresh with open plan kitchen/dining and living
- Fenced yard with easy care garden. Pet friendly complex
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Open: Wednesday, 26 November 12.00 – 12.30pm
 Saturday, 29 November 10.00 – 10.30am
Enquiries: Tara Torkkola 0423 519 698, Paul Banister 0438 856 552



212 The Manse Road, Myocum

Expressions of Interest Closing 28th November 5pm

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WIRES Northern Rivers has taken on the daunting task of looking after the orphan flying foxes from the recent heatwave which killed more than 2,000 bats at Casino. Bat carers use 100 per cent cotton squares to wrap the baby bats. Perfect size is a standard bandana 50x50cm, already hemmed. You can drop off squares at the Byron Community Centre or you can donate at www.wiresnr.org/Helping.html.

Cr Paul Spooner's moves to manage vanpacker activity rather than just prosecute it have some merit, especially if they help stop packers crapping on people's nature strips. A local government regulation to make it acceptable to spray paint over Wicked vans would be good, too. There are spots around the Shire which could cater for vanpacker stops on the cheap and bring in a few bucks at the same time. Locals thinking of vanpacking in Australia might like to check out YouCamp www.youcamp.com, on which private landholders offer cheap accommodation.

The moves to prosecute former Labor ministers Eddie Obeid and Ian Macdonald for alleged misconduct in office play right into the hands of the LibNats with the upcoming state election in March next year. Let us not forget, however, the rotten apples in the LibNats' own barrel who resigned after being fingered by ICAC. The behaviour of all three major parties has been tainted by their dealings with dodgy buddies in the commercial arena, and voters might like to consider putting another candidate first on their bal-



Mobile home owner, known only as Tricia from the Valley, is worried the Shire's proposed overnight camping regulations may impact upon her lifestyle. Moving as she (and husband Helix) do at a snail's pace may be mistaken for being completely stopped.
Photo Jeff 'Shell Be Right' Dawson

lot paper to remind the big boys we are not fooled by their crocodile tears and promises of infrastructure spends.

If you want to look at the parliamentary debate on the state government's new 'Gas Plan' in the context of CSG mining, you can read it at <http://bit.ly/csgdebt>. Amid the actual debate on issues the current roads minister Duncan Gay calls on Greens MP Jeremy Buckingham to 'take your koala suit off'. Yes, Duncan, those koalas certainly get in the way of a spot of road-building, don't they?

Tony Abbott's promise of 'no cuts' to the ABC was really not that, according to the unfortunate minister for not communicating Malcolm Turnbull, as he tried to explain that black is white to unconvinced interviewers and their audiences. Finance minister Mathias Cormann went further and said the cuts were not in fact cuts but rather 'efficiency

dividends'. Try telling that to your kids if you cut their pocket money. Nothing, however, exceeds the gall of federal

minister for dumbing-down Christopher Pyne in launching an online petition to save ABC jobs in his home state.

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