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Bangalow's new hair-do



Miss Teen Bangalow showgirl Ashley Abbott and Charlotte Clark, both competing in the Edwardian Pompadour Hair-do competition at the Bangalow Show on Saturday. Apart from the horses, cattle, poultry, pedigree dogs and guinea pigs, the two day event also featured trotting, barrel and ride-on mower races, tug-o-war and equine musical chairs. Crikey! Photo Jeff Dawson

Key environment role downgraded by council

Chris Dobney

Byron Shire Council's environment team leader position has been downgraded, resulting in the redundancy of the former staff member and a vacant position.

And while former mayor and Greens MLC Jan Barham described as a 'shocking and sad and a betrayal of the community', Council's general manager Ken Gainger said the move was part of normal council processes. He added that Council had restructured 'its entire workforce' over the past two years.

As part of the restructure, the bush regeneration team has been moved to the parks and open space department and now reports to a new team leader, Mr Gainger told *The Echo*. 'As a consequence, the former team leader natural environment position was reduced in grade because of the loss of staff management responsibilities,' he said.

'The incumbent was offered the new position but chose to apply for a redundancy which is an award entitlement in such circumstances.

'Council is strongly committed to continuing and growing its extensive environmental programs and will shortly advertise the vacant position,' Mr Gainger said.

But former Greens mayor Jan Barham, during whose term the council's biodiversity strategy was drawn up, has attacked the move.

Ms Barham has urged the community to 'question elected representatives and the general manager about any move to downgrade or eliminate the role of professional

staff who implement our commitment and responsibility to being leaders in biodiversity protection.'

Outraged

'Please don't let this happen, don't let this be done without the outrage that it deserves and then wonder why we continue to see the shire destroyed – it's too important,' she implored.

'Perhaps [councillors] don't get that you need professional staff to undertake such a vital role, that the years of study and experience that are required to fulfil such a significant position to enable the implementation of a community priority are crucial,' Ms Barham told *The Echo*.

In 2004, during her time in office, Byron Shire Council adopted an award-winning biodiversity conservation strategy that 'identified the long-term plans for implementation of the commitment to be leaders in the biodiversity management,' Ms Barham said.

'To do this, it was recognised that professional staff were essential to guide this process and provide support to community to be partners in making it a reality.

'Staff also have the professional role of informing all other plans and developments within the shire.

'To downgrade and/or eliminate the crucial role of environment team leader and the priority objective of biodiversity protection will undermine a defined community priority,' Ms Barham said.

Ms Barham added there did not appear to have been any community consultation around the move.

Welcome Schoolies, Zoolies and Toolies

With Schoolies now celebrating the end of year 12, The Byron Schoolies Safety Response say they are ready to support the around 10,000 expected to visit Byron Bay over the next few weeks.

The Schoolies HUB marquee is located on Main Beach, with The Red Frog volunteers supplying nightly free pancakes, chai and nightly music in the park.


HUB co-ordinator, Nicqui Yazdi says the 24-hour Red Frogs Hotline

will be open for the entire duration, offering various services to Schoolies, including a walk-home service, pancake cook-ups at their accommodation houses and just about anything else the schoolies may need help with.

The Red Frogs hotline is 1300 557 123. For Byron residents, there is a Noisy Neighbour Hotline, hosted by the Holiday Letting Organisation (HLO). The 24-hour noisy neighbour hotline number is 6626 6888.


If you are having problems with the management of noisy holiday makers, you can call at any time. The service is aimed at ensuring holiday letting does not have a negative impact on locals.

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Byron Primary's market day



Byron Primary School students are preparing for the upcoming November 28 Saturday market, which will be held on the school grounds. The event helps the P&C to finance their 2015 projects. Photo Jeff Dawson

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Xenophon speaks out against Coles and Woolies

Senator Nick Xenophon didn't hold back at a recent forum that considered food retailing trends and the impact of the food duopoly of Coles and Woolies.

'The lobbyists have won,' he told an audience of growers, manufacturers, restaurateurs, retailers and distributors at Coorabell Hall last Thursday.

Hosted by Northern Rivers Food, the event also featured a panel including MC Donna Harper, Brad Hopper, Robert Hayes and Pam Brook.

Though it wasn't all gloom; Xenophon suggested legislation that could enable producers to take court action against the retail giants. He added that even ASIC have little powers against them.



South Australian independent senator Nick Xenophon with Martin Brook and fellow panelists Brad Hopper, Robert Hayes and Pam Brook. Photo Jeff Dawson

NSW Forestry 'stacked' expert EPA panel

Chris Dobney

A freedom of information request by a north coast environment group has revealed that an 'independent' panel of the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) advising on threatened species is dominated by serving and former NSW Forestry Corporation staff.

A spokesperson for the group has described the move as 'state sanctioned environmental destruction'.

The North Coast Environment Council (NCEC) made the GIPA (Government Information Public Access)

application after the authority failed to make public the make-up of the panel.

The Threatened Species Expert Panel is advising the EPA on the re-writing of the logging rules for public forests.

According to NCEC, the documents show that far from being 'independent experts' they are government employees, dominated by current and former employees of Forestry Corp.

EPA refusal

The EPA have refused to release any of the panel's recommendations on the grounds that they 'reveal or

tend to reveal the position that a particular minister has taken, is taking or will take on a matter in cabinet.'

North Coast Environment Council spokesperson Susie Russell described the refusal as 'an abuse of the exemption for cabinet documents in freedom of information law'.

'It is difficult to see how the notes made by someone at a workshop could reveal a minister's position, unless of course there was political interference in the process and someone said that the minister had a particular view, or wanted a particular outcome,' Ms Russell said.

'This confirms our impression that the EPA's re-writing of the rules covering logging in State Forests is an overtly political process being run by the Forestry Corporation. It is no wonder they are resisting our attempts to find out what the panel's recommendations were,' she said.

'We know now that the Expert Panel includes 13 people, not the 20 claimed by the EPA on their website.'

'The claimed independent experts are ex-Forestry Corporation employees. The EPA's representative even worked for the Forestry Corporation until recently.'

Crowdfunder successful for Byron Trails

After 45 days, a crowdfunder effort for a new walking guidebook ended successfully at midday on November 18.

Spearheaded by Mairead Cleary, Byron Trails aims to chronicle walking trails in Byron and beyond.

She said, 'While the target was \$19,750, the final pledge amount came to \$22,525.'

'It's been successful solely

because of the help and support of so many people in the community,' said Ms Cleary. 'This was not a solo effort.'

She said that the project had captured the imagination and the interest of many and took on a life of its own.

'People reached out to me with ideas and offers of help. We were all in it together, which was amazing to ex-

perience.' She says four local and national businesses - BLK Superwater, The Bay Retreats, Crystal Castle and Santos Organics - got on board to sponsor the project and will be rewarded by having their logos on the book.

'The crowd funding model is an impressive one. It can produce incredible results as we saw with the Flow Hive

in Nimbin. It's an enormous amount of work but very worthwhile. I wanted to make sure that people got something valuable for their contribution and I'm confident that they will.'

She says the book will be available next autumn and will include 50 walks accessible from Byron Bay. For more visit www.byrontrails.com.

Grants announced

Grant allocations from the region's only philanthropic foundation rolled out last week, with a record \$130,000 going to 23 community organisations.

According to Christopher Hughes from The Northern Rivers Community Foundation (NRCF), this year saw an increase of \$30,000.

He said, 'Over the 11 years it has been operating, the NRCF has distributed more

than \$905,000 to over 135 organisations throughout the northern rivers community.'

Locally, the organisations that will benefit include the S.H.I.F.T. Kitchen educational program, Byron Youth Service, BUDDI Program and Byron Youth Theatre, Byron Harmony Group, Australia Indonesia Arts Alliance, The Buttery's Family Counselling Program and Byron Shire Early Intervention Association.

ATM skimming scam busted

APP newsdesk

Three men have been charged with running the elaborate ATM skimming scam that targeted Byron Bay residents and visitors from 2009 to 2015.

The syndicate also skimmed cards at ATMs in Brisbane, the Gold Coast and Melbourne. After a seven-month investigation, police say they have charged a 49-year-old Gold Coast man,

believed to be the syndicate's head, with Commonwealth money-laundering offences on Thursday.

They allege he set up a Bulgarian scuba diving business in early 2009 and sent more than \$540,000 to the country. Two other men, a 46-year-old from Brisbane and 30-year-old from Tweed Heads, were also charged.

Further arrests are expected, say police.

Climate change rally Sunday

Everyone is welcome to a rally planned this Sunday from 10am at Railway Park, Byron Bay, to highlight the urgent need for action on climate change.

There will be music and speakers followed by a march to Main Beach at 11.30am, followed by a group photo at 12 noon.

Co-organiser and local GP Dr Liz Elliott says, 'World leaders will be meeting in Paris from November 30 to address this climate crisis. Let's hope they are ready for more than debate. Humankind has the political expertise and technology to stop climate catastrophe - but only with bold government and local actions.'

Bring banners, placards, drums, whistles and be heard!

Eclectic festival for an eclectic town



Mullum's four-day genre gumbo stew descended last weekend, with venues and streets bustling with musicians and punters over two days and nights. There were wild flavours of jazz, reggae, folk, alt-country, electronic, world, indie-rock, blues, singer/songwriter, flamenco, bluegrass, gypsy, Columbian... And choirs. Lots and lots of choirs. For more see page 34. A gallery of photos is also on www.echonetaily.net.au. Photo Jeff Dawson

Fed funding for councils still underfunded: Labor

Quarterly federal grants worth more than \$1.5 million were handed out to both Byron and Tweed councils last week.

Called the Financial Assistance Grant Program (FAG), Byron Shire Council's third quarterly payment totals \$369,124 while Tweed received \$1.2 million.

According to Local MP Justine Elliot (Labor), 'This funding will assist councils in delivering local projects, but I am extremely disappointed with the Liberal-Nationals government's decision to freeze indexation of these Financial Assistance Grants.'

'The fact is National Party

choices hurt and their decision to cut this funding makes it very difficult for our local councils.

'The cut of nearly \$1 billion in Financial Assistance Grants across the forward estimates will hurt the budgets of many local councils.

The Echo asked neigh-

bouring Page MP Kevin Hogan (Nationals) if he was lobbying colleagues to re-instate the indexation that was cut.

His media staffer replied the cuts were 'more than compensated for with the doubling of the Roads to Recovery funding for this financial year and next.'

Fears continue over new hospital staff cuts

Darren Coyne

Nurses and midwives have slammed a proposed workplace plan for the Byron Central Hospital that requires them to re-apply for their jobs.

Both the Byron and Mullumbimby District Hospital branches of the NSW Nurses and Midwives' Association (NSWNMA) held extraordinary branch meetings last week, with resolutions passed to seek immediate improvements to the workforce plan and consultation process.

They say the plan leaves them with little job security, with a proposal to abolish eight full-time-equivalent jobs.

It's something that the chief executive of the Northern NSW Local Area Health

District (NNSW LHD), Chris Crawford, denies.

NSW Nurses and Midwives' Association assistant general secretary Judith Kiejda, said, 'Our members have been waiting for this workforce plan to be released since August.'

'Now, six weeks out from Christmas and the busy holiday season, they've been told they'll need to follow a process of applying for their current positions,' Ms Kiejda said.

Little consultation

She said, 'The LHD has told them there are not enough jobs at the new hospital for all current staff, with eight full-time-equivalent nursing jobs abolished. The opening date for Byron Central Hospital has

also been brought forward to March next year, shifting the planned closure of both Byron District and Mullumbimby District hospitals.

'Understandably, our members are upset by the little consultation that has occurred to date.

'There have also been attempts to exclude union representation from future consultation meetings, which is completely unacceptable given the state of uncertainty staff are in.'

In a two-line response,

Mr Crawford said, 'There will be no forced redundancies when the Byron Central Hospital opens in the first quarter of 2016. The release issued claiming job losses is to the contrary and is just plain wrong.'

Meanwhile Mullumbimby District Hospital Branch secretary, Shauna Boyle, said nursing staff were anxious and felt they did not have enough information about the process to apply for their jobs, and were concerned about proposed structural changes.

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Who are the people in your Neighbourhood Centre?

Vital Mullum services strong despite federal cuts and Byron's drop-in closure

Mandy Nolan

The Mullumbimby Neighbourhood Centre (MNC) is one of our region's quietest achievers.

Providing ongoing programs and support to local people in need, the centre lost a significant amount of funding earlier this year when the federal government withdrew funds for their emergency relief programs.

Undeterred, the passionate crew at the MNC push on as challenges are nothing new – they've been creatively weaving funding and resources since the early 90s. Centre manager Julie Williams spoke with *The Echo* about the important work done on a shoestring.

Julie has been with the Centre since 1992, maintaining her passion for community development and her enthusiasm about the positive work culture even under financial duress.

'Every day is different here,' she says, 'and the diversity, where can you go to get this level of diversity? Human beings are amazing.'

'They are resilient, this is the happiest place to work, I never wake up and say I don't want to go to work.'

'While the work is by its nature challenging, it's also very rewarding.'

'When you see someone who is homeless with a little baby and they find housing and you see them smile – when people tell you that you have just made a difference – that is what the work is about.'

Many in the region are unaware of how far reaching the services and commitment of the Neighbourhood staff are. Julie laughs, 'We're great at the work but a bit crap at promotion!'

'A social work student said to me one day, "I am amazed by what happens here. There is not a single person who leaves with nothing."

'If we can't do it we will do our damndest to find someone who can. It is a brilliant staff and volunteer team here. They walk the talk.'

It's difficult to comprehend the complex funding arrangements that go into staffing the Neighbourhood Centre and the shirewide and Mullumbimby-based



Julie Williams, pictured front, with Rennae Hyland, Leseera Kai, Troy Foggarty and Clinton Green. Photo Jeff Dawson

programs. Workers provided by Julie's clever management strategy and her ability to knit together services from pools of funds from state and Commonwealth governments, social enterprises, networking alliances, donations and one-off non-recurrent grants.

'There is often a big gap between what is funded to be delivered and what is delivered,' she says. 'We over-service and the consequence is an expectation then from government is to run an expanded service on a minimal budget.'

'It's a rock and a hard place – if you can imagine someone turns up in need, how can you put a cap on your numbers? How do you manage a waiting list for domestic violence? Even if you triage it and assess someone in the first intake as not needing an intake at that time, it can escalate into a crisis situation in an hour.'

Fed funding cuts

The loss of Commonwealth funding has hit the Neighbourhood Centre hard.

'At the moment, there is no funding for community builders, for the early intervention programs.' They have also lost funding for their Emergency Relief, she says.

'Emergency Relief was federally funded – we received \$12,000 per annum – which paid the case co-ordinator, and the balance of hours comes out of generated income as well. I have been trying to do a whole lot of juggling to keep the staff we have.'

There are nine staff at the Neighborhood Centre.

No-one is full time. Volunteers number up to 30, sometimes more, and donations come from Santos, Perlos, Eden's Landing and other community businesses.

'We lost roughly \$22,000 from our budget – we lost that in March. That was the emergency relief, now it's down to \$12,000. We had Woolies Cards, IGA cards, petrol vouchers.'

Now when people access Emergency Relief, they get a food parcel and a mix of what has been donated. There is no toilet paper, no nappies. Julie believes the cards offer greater choice and dignity for people in need.

Available services

Yet despite the cuts, the range of services available are extensive. Brighter Futures is a targeted early intervention family program, where Mullum works with a consortium of seven other neighbourhood centres. There is a mental health practitioner on appointment, a financial counsellor and the Women's Resource Centre, which provides support for family violence. Additionally the centre provides showers for up to 17 people each day.

Byron's closure

'When Fletcher Street closed in Byron [in March], the spill-over here really caned us. In Byron, there is nowhere like that now – where you can maintain your

hygiene and the dignity that goes with it,' says Julie.

'I would estimate at the moment there are at least 20 people sleeping rough in Mullumbimby in various locations.'

'What do we know though?'

Cafe style drop in

The Neighbourhood Centre is committed to community development and the cafe-style drop-in program More Than A Meal is engaging socially isolated people to make and serve food.

'We are in partnership with the Anglican Church with Work for the Dole. The food is the by-product; the goal is to engage people who are isolated and hungry.'

'We work with all of the people no-one else wants to work with, and I find it frustrating when people say what is the primary issue?'

'Someone might present for financial relief. In the consultation you might find out about mental health issues or DV, or literacy or homelessness. Nothing happens in isolation.'

The Mullumbimby Neighbourhood Centre welcomes donations, volunteers, and invites community to the 'Courage to Care: Putting Hope Into Action' fundraiser at the Mullum Ex Services this Saturday.

Entry is \$10, but larger donations are certainly welcome. All proceeds will go to the More Than A Meal program.

The Echo sought comment from federal senator John Williams (Nationals) on the funding cuts but received no reply by deadline.

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Community farewells Tony Llord 1959–2015

Lorry Evans

Tony Llord, also known as Anthony Cocks, lived out many different chapters in his life.

He served in various capacities in the Royal Australian Navy and also studied his greater passion acting and theatre, in Prahran in his twenties. Moving to Byron Bay in 1987, within a few years Tony was collaborating with a few local actors and friends Daniel Roberts, Lindsay Neil-Baikie and Mandy Nolan.

He played various production and acting roles under the canopies of both the Australian Theatre Company and the locally established Tin Shed Theatre. 'Like the character Horatio, Tony was loyal, true and generous with a great aptitude for fun and friendship,' said Lindsay.

Tony's Bangalow/Mullumbimby chapter steered him into a long-lasting, loving friendship with Jodi Kym MacKenzie, blooming further into their love incarnate, daughter Aria. Jodi and Tony collaborated in the pieces *God's Hotel* and *A Day in the Life of Byron Shire* doco with Nick Jeanes and Rachel Zinnman, held at the Great



Tony Llord's ashes are thrown from the Brunswick footbridge. Look closely and you may see a white horse. Photo Tao Jones.

Northern Hotel.

During this time he also worked in transport logistics at Byron Bay Taxis and presented a show on Bay FM.

Tony loved many things: music, reading, acting, meditation and his guru Maharaji, connecting – from D&M conversations to light and cheeky banter with anyone and everyone. But no love was greater than the love for his daughter Aria.

In 1995 Tony began his chapter with the Byron Bay Bluesfest as a volunteer but became highly esteemed and well-known as the long-serving Artist Transport Logistics Manager. He was guardian to a fleet of more than 50 drivers.



This year marked Tony's 19th anniversary with the festival, having missed only one year with the birth of Aria.

'Queen B' administrator Kat Kellett said, 'Tony had a super-power for retaining vast amounts of complex

data in his head and it was this mastery that made the 'magic' happen co-ordinating all the multi-dimensions that is Artist Transport logistics.'

Festival director Peter Noble added that Tony will be greatly missed within the Bluesfest team.

Originally from Albury, Tony found his true and final home in Brunswick Heads, where he regularly indulged in the local cafes, river and beach bathing and the renowned Fancy Dress Tennis Matches.

In the last year he facilitated the course *Releasing the Inner Drama Queen* and was in the throes of creating a festival for Bruns called *The Peaceful Place*.

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A brief moment of how things should have been

Hans Lovejoy

Something very odd happened in the Council Chambers last Thursday – the lefty socialist councillors held the balance of power!

Key votes were missing from the absent Cr Rose Wanchap and Chris Cubis, which meant the hard right wing develop-anything faction didn't have their usual numbers.

In a parallel universe, the chamber's dynamic would be this way – the soft fuzzy lefties won a slim majority at the last election; however, they were robbed of ruling after Cr Rose Wanchap quit the Greens and aligned herself with an entirely opposite ideology.

And ever since, a five-councillor majority have presided happily over our future.

This includes largely reactive and ill-informed responses to major planning decisions which lack staff and expert support.

Known as the Belongil Five, they are councillors Sol Ibrahim, Di Woods, Chris Cubis, Alan Hunter and Rose Wanchap.

As Cr Duncan Dey (Greens) explained to *The Echo* later, any decisions made last week that the Belongil Five don't like will be probably reversed in the next meeting.

And thus, the batshit crazy ideas will stumble onwards

with no clear outcome other than erratic ill-defined over-development.

But let's drink this moment in, even if it was just fleeting. This appeared to be the closest we have recently had to sanity in that room.

There were no awkward overhead projections or pleas from Cr Wanchap to adopt another of her thought-bubble traffic suggestions.

There were no complaints from Cr Cubis that there are too many policies.

Mullum tree saved

Anyway, on with the show, and there's great news for tree huggers and supporters of community housing, even if it has a whiff of 'deals behind closed doors.'

An almost unanimous vote (Cr Woods against) has reversed the decision to axe an old tree on Station Street in Mullum and direct the land it sits on towards community housing.

Saving the majestic fig was the subject of a petition of over 1,600 signatures, and it sits just metres away from Council HQ on land slated for sale.

The mayoral minute attempts to save the tree and also delegates authority to general manager Ken Gainger to discuss 'with the North Coast Community Housing Company regard-

ing the potential development of a range of affordable housing (80 per cent of market rental) and community housing (including aged, disability, and low income).'

During debate, it was made clear that negotiations had already begun between Mayor Richardson, deputy mayor Paul Spooner and North Coast Community Housing. The general manager was present at the meeting, the chamber was reassured.

Regardless, Cr Ibrahim and Cr Woods didn't appear all that reassured, and were well, a little put out.

Cr Woods told the chamber she was uncomfortable that there was no tender or expressions of interest (EOI) with the process.

'I'm not sure we should delegate [to the GM] given what happened with the [Ocean Shores] Roundhouse,' she said. 'I understand one person bought two blocks and now they are back on the market with an increase in price of \$200,000. It's almost corrupt to do this [project].'

'Why haven't you discussed this with others to get a better outcome? I want to see it happen with due process.'

Grenade lobbed

As those words were spoken, you could almost hear the room brace itself as a metaphorical grenade was lobbed wildly into the air.

Due process. In a perfect world, senior staff or the general manager should always be present when councillors meet with developers.

It helps to avoid accusations of corruption and maintains the illusion of trust.

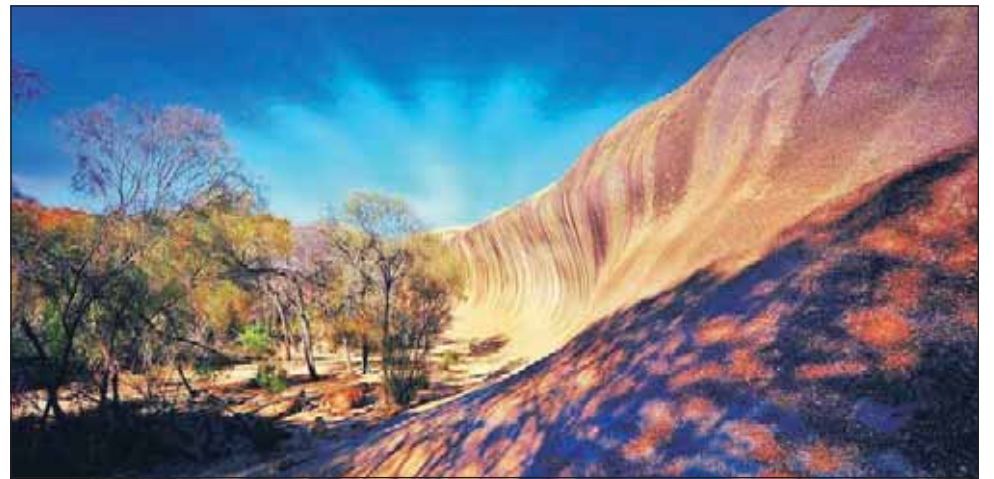
But this is an imperfect world, and even the Greens mayor Simon Richardson was recently accused of a conflict of interest by residents who will be potentially affected by the Belongil train proposal.

A number of residents claimed he met the proponent in a public place without a Council staffer in sight.

And who is the proponent? The \$100 million dollar Elements of Byron resort.

And then there was the time when Cr Ibrahim was asked in the chamber why he called a potential tender specialising in building rock walls on the Gold Coast. He replied that he didn't know and was after technical advice. Regardless, normal procedure is to ask staff to deal with such matters.

So, *The Echo* asked Cr Woods to confirm that – at all



Perhaps the five councillors in charge could get artistic inspiration to build a rock wall like the Hyden Wave Rock in WA. Would ratepayers have to pay for it too? Photo www.bosso.com.au

'OEH also say that planned retreat, not rock structures, would be the best outcome given a revised cost benefit analysis'

times when she meets developers – that a staff member is always present.

She replied, 'I have done this for 12 years and I have never been a party to deals behind closed doors.'

However Cr Dey (Greens) pointed out that Cr Woods pushed a successful motion for a specific consultant to look over the recently tabled koala plan of management (KPoM). It was a move that appeared highly politicised.

She told *The Echo* that she was concerned about the KPoM's legal implications.

'...the proposed KPoM may have led us into years of lengthy and expensive court battles,' she said. Yet this remark comes without public information being available that supports the lack of legal clarity surrounding the KPoM.

Additionally, Cr Woods appeared happy to support staff advice for a specific contractor to build her Belongil rock wall.

Coastal high jinks

And that leads now to perhaps the most significant issue that has faced this current council: its approach to coastal planning.

The Belongil rock wall is close to completion; it's a new stretch of 100-odd metres of rock to complement other structures that are of inferior engineering standards along a world-renowned beach.

This new wall has cost ratepayers nearly \$1 million, and aims to protect one piece of Council-owned land.

Beside that land, it directly benefits neighbouring properties. Anyway the project has been long, expensive, painful and arduous, with coastal experts unhappy about potential public amenity loss.

Placing rocks there will mean the beach will eventually erode, we are told.

There are many legal uncertainties, but what we do know is that this is setting a precedent.

This project was pushed through in a hurry by the Belongil Five before any overarching strategic planning document was formulated.

Enter the Coastal Hazard Management Study Byron Bay Embayment. If your eyes haven't glazed over, well done. Because here, dear reader, we have entered a new stage.

This Coastal Hazard Study thingy is needed to guide future planning of beaches around Byron Bay.

What was tabled Thursday was a report on this by consultants Water Research Laboratory (WRL) that included NSW government department letters to staff which point to a number of 'issues and errors' within that report.

That includes WRL's cost benefit analysis (CBA) and a lack of plans to replenish the expected loss of sand.

The Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) also says that planned retreat, not rock structures, would be the best outcome given a re-

vised cost benefit analysis.

Council passed a motion – which will be likely rescinded later – to seek an 'independent report from a qualified practitioner with experience in coastal morphology.'

It would explore sand transfer/nourishment methodology and planned retreat options, as per government advice.

Given what's at stake, that would seem reasonable.

The Echo asked Cr Woods why she continues to vote against clear advice from the state government, specifically the sand nourishment request and cost benefit analysis (CBA) aspects.

The Echo understands that the OEH have offered to do the CBA free of charge, yet the Belongil Five insist on using ratepayer money to fund it.

Cr Woods said, 'I am very much in favour of protecting the Belongil Spit simply because of the massive costs that Council would incur if we didn't. I am against any further development on the immediate coastline, but am very happy to support protecting what we currently have.'

She said, 'OEH have been obstructionist in their handling of the whole process and every time we are close to a decision, they come up at the 11th hour with another excuse why we cannot move forward.'

'At the end of the day, it will be the minister who will decide.'

Coastal management open for public input

Residents are invited to have input on how to make coastal management in NSW 'simpler, more forward-thinking and easier to implement.'

The NSW Office of Environment and Heritage's (OEH) says a three-month consultation process is underway on a reform package that sets out the proposed

changes. It includes a draft Coastal Management Bill, a draft explanatory paper for a new Coastal Management State Environmental Planning Policy (SEPP) and key elements of a draft Coastal Management Manual.

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Q&A over West Byron development concerns

With the December 4 looming deadline for public submissions on the West Byron development control plan (DCP), a public meeting was recently held and a press release sent by the Byron Residents' Group, which raised what they say are inconsistencies with the DCP.

The Echo asked Council's director of sustainable environment and economy, Shannon Burt, to respond to the claims.

West Byron is a large mixed housing/commercial estate proposed just west of Byron CBD and opposite the Arts and Industry Estate. It was approved by the state government last year despite very strong resident opposition.

Ms Burt started by saying that a DCP is a guideline that outlines the requirements needed for inclusion at the Development Application (DA) stage. 'Therefore, more detailing will be required when the DAs are submitted.'

The group claims that management plans that were



promised – but not included – cover acid sulfate soil, biodiversity conservation and the koala plan of management.

Ms Burt replied, 'These matters are raised in the DCP as issues to be addressed as part of the development assessment process.'

The group also claimed that roads are planned to go through endangered koala habitat, to which Ms Burt replied, 'Roads are based on the concept layout and are generally planned to avoid koala habitat. Final road layout will be subject to detailed design and assessment at the development application stage.'

The group claimed that there is no provision for dealing with acid sulfate soils, but Ms Burt said that provisions are included in the 'Byron LEP 1988 [Clause 97] and

Section E8.10.8.3 of the draft DCP.'

The group claimed that a staged development is not tied to timeframe or triggers, such as capacity for utilities or roads. Ms Burt replied, 'The DCP

does not specify exact time frames but it breaks the development up into two broad stages. Stage one is aimed at ensuring all necessary infrastructure is provided across the site to all properties. This will then continue in stage two. In terms of the capacity of infrastructure and utilities, the Byron LEP 1988 [clause 100] requires infrastructure to be adequate for development prior to approval.'

And finally, the group asked whether the Byron Sewage Treatment Plant will be able to handle West Byron and the new hospital without requiring an upgrade. Ms Burt replied, 'Yes, it has adequate capacity.'

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Renewables to rule?

For an obviously bright man Malcolm Turnbull is not behaving like one in his ongoing support of more coal mining, especially the ghastly spectre of Adani's proposed Carmichael mine in Queensland.

A friendship – complicity? – with big old-school business and outdated xenophobia has squashed the common sense needed to face the new century in most of the members of the Libs/Nats/Labs as they insist on believing coal is good and that refugees should be detained in overseas hellholes.

They run close to the lunatic American Republicans in their denial of reality.

Fortunately the Greens have thrown down the gauntlet by declaring in a new policy that our nation could be powered by 90 per cent renewables by 2030, only 15 years away. Given the 'ordinary' Australians' enthusiastic uptake of solar and other renewables, the Greens run the risk of getting a lot of votes at the next federal election.

You can check out the Greens' Clean Energy Roadmap at <http://greens.org.au/clean-energy-roadmap>. Long-term commentator on clean energy, Giles Parkinson, notes on his Reneweconomy website that 'even the conservative The International Energy Agency has said that renewable energy and energy efficiency – the two fundamental planks of the Greens policy – can account for nearly three-quarters of required emissions reductions'.

However, Parkinson is pessimistic about the change coming about: 'The reason it won't happen is that the Greens would not get into power fast enough to effect that change. Even a power sharing arrangement with Labor couldn't achieve its policy goals, because Labor – despite its proposed 50 per cent renewable energy target by 2030 – remains too wedded to the fossil fuel industry.'

It's a likely scenario but one that I wish Parkinson has got wrong. It requires the full force of an energy-enlightened public – and some fierce input from El Niño this summer – to steer the major parties on a new course. Part of that will be in people abandoning the major energy providers in favour of standalone systems or in supporting new green enterprises like the Enova Energy project (novaenergy.com.au) proposed for the northern rivers.

A last-ditch, people-powered initiative to make world leaders see sense at the Paris climate summit from November 30 on is the global Peoples' Climate March peoplesclimate.org.au. Obviously the large-scale adoption of renewable energy is crucial to the cause of keeping the planet at a human-habitable temperature.

Byron Shire will be participating in the march this coming Sunday November 29 at 10am in Railway Park, Byron Bay, with music and (hopefully short) speeches, followed by a march to the beach at 11.15am, where a photo of a 'human sign' will become part of a submission by lobby group Avaaz. See more details and how to help out on the Facebook page 'Climate Action Day in Byron Bay!'

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Turnbull defies the hotheads on Syria

Tony Abbott has developed a new strategy to solve the problems of the Middle East: put in the boot. Quite a few boots, actually; boots on the ground.

Our former great war leader wants to let loose the Special Air Service regiment to move into Syria (with some local troops, of course, if any can be persuaded) and sort out ISIS for good.

In other weeks this would have been dismissed as a gung-ho thought bubble, but in the wake of the Paris atrocities it has gained a certain resonance: if the Jihadists refuse to play by Queensberry rules, why should we? Bomb them back to the stone age.

Tear the place apart brick by brick, raze it to the ground and sow salt in the earth.

Invade in vast numbers – Americans, Russians, Iranians, French, Australians, New Zealanders, Heard Islanders – anyone we can find. Shoot first and ask questions later – in fact, don't ask questions at all. Degrade, destroy, demolish. Let's finish the bastards for ever.

Of course, there will be a few unfortunate consequences, such as massive collateral damage, but hey, them's the breaks. If ISIS doesn't worry about civilian deaths, why should we? Fair's fair. It's just a kind of moral equivalence.

But the rather more concerning consequence is, what happens next? When the blood has dried and the dust has settled, just what is left? Well, presumably the person Malcolm Turnbull has called a murderous tyrant, Bashar al-Assad. If there are any rebels left in Syria, the Russians and Iranians can do the mopping up for him, and if they have had enough, he will be quite

happy to do the job himself.

Having slaughtered about a quarter of a million of his own people, Assad will have no qualms about butchering the remnants. And let's be brutally realistic, Assad is not all bad: he protected Christian minorities – at least the ones who behaved. So, in the name of stability, he has to stay unless and until someone can persuade him to leave, which will not be any time soon.

This, of course, is roughly the course Turnbull and Barack Obama are proposing, but without the intervening carnage: cut straight to the po-

litical solution. Not only would that save countless lives, but it would avoid the festering hate and resentment a huge escalation of the western invasion of the country would leave as a sore ready to erupt for the next wave of extremist fanatics.

And he went further: 'The critical thing is the outcome of what you do and plainly a political settlement is the objective; it is enormously difficult, you know the enmities run very deep. But plainly when you look at Daesh or ISIL, its base is a Sunni population that has felt disenfranchised or oppressed in Syria – and with good reason – and has also felt left out of the new government in Iraq.'

The hotheads immediately interpreted the voice of reason as a suggestion that Turnbull would be willing to negotiate with ISIS – to collaborate with terrorism. Shades of the Grand Mufti Ibrahim Abu Mohammed, who had talked of 'racism, Islamophobia, curtailing freedoms through securitisation, duplicitous foreign policies and military intervention'. Both men were forced to re-

iterate that the Paris murders – any murders – could not be condoned, excused or justified in any way. But surely it can be worthwhile to try to explain just how and why such unforgiving and unforgivable acts could be planned.

The simplistic line is that it is all a matter of history – genetics, even: the Muslims have hated us for centuries, not for what we do but for what we are: they always have and they always will.

But this is just not true: since the sixth century there have been many conflicts between Islam and the West, but for far longer there have been periods of peace – at the very least mutual coexistence.

And of course the ISIS leaders themselves have constantly referred to the invasion of Muslim lands as their motive for revenge. It would follow logically from Turnbull's analysis that not only is the presence of foreign armies counterproductive: the fact that they are intervening at all is part of the problem not part of the solution.

In the wake of the Paris killings the idea of withdrawal is unthinkable, and the escalation will presumably continue.

But in the end the very deep enmities in the region that Turnbull talked about will have to be confronted, and if the West cannot devise a political solution, then those who have survived within the war-ravaged countries will have to work it out for themselves.


What is clear is that Abbott's bellicose approach has already been tried – in Vietnam, in Afghanistan, and in Iraq – and has failed. So rather than calling for boots on the ground, he would do better to put a sock in it. And Malcolm Turnbull, for one, would certainly agree.

The fact that foreign troops are intervening is part of the problem, not part of the solution.

by Mungo MacCallum




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Shark barrier

Last week's *Echo* featured a short article, 'Shark barrier promised after ninth attack.' The article quotes premier Mike Baird saying that 'we are in discussions with the manufacturer... we are trying to get them built and installed as quickly as we possibly can on the north coast.' The article only mentions Lighthouse Beach in Ballina as a beach where the government has promised to install the shark barriers.

There has been one fatal shark attack in Ballina and one in Byron Bay since 2014. Are only Ballina beaches being promised shark barriers, or will The Pass and Byron beaches also be included?

Following is a link to an interview on Coastalwatch, recorded in 2014 by me, with Craig Moss, the developer of the Eco Shark Barrier, in which he talks about the suitability of placing the barrier at The Pass: <http://bit.ly/northshark>.

Mark Abriel
Byron Bay

The people's parks

It is galling to see Brunswick Visitors Centre enthusiastically promoting their 'partnership' with the Falls Festival as 'Taking care of Brunswick' (*Echo*, November 18). Their deal will turn our public parklands into car parks for five days during the peak holiday period, December 30-January 3.

Both Memorial Park and South Beach riverbank are to be used as parking lots,

significantly reducing the amount of open recreational space available for holidayers and blighting the ambience and amenity of our riverside parklands.

The imposition of 30,000 festivalgoers on the local community over New Year needs to be properly addressed with adequate provision for car parking provided by the event manager on their land - not on our prized public spaces.

Apparently festival organisers have provided some funds to the Brunswick Visitors Centre, but have managed to avoid paying Council's commercial rates for the hire of prime foreshore land. The punters will be hit up for a donation by our worthy voluntary services to park their cars - on top of the bus fare - before they even get to the festival.

BVC's partnership with Falls is designed to take care of festivalgoers, using volunteers to pick up their rubbish and roping in the surf club to provide breakfast for the hungover street campers. The deal provides no tangible benefits to local residents or other visitors, who won't be enjoying those much promoted 'Simple Pleasures' this New Year.

Michele Grant
Foreshore Protection Group
Ocean Shores

Our elder trees

Next time you walk down McGoughans Lane in Mullum, take a look at the row of three mango trees that are around 100 years old, bursting ready for what looks to be a bumper mango season. Take a look, as I do each day, because they are all soon to be destroyed, along with four

Bangalow Palms, to make way for a duplex.

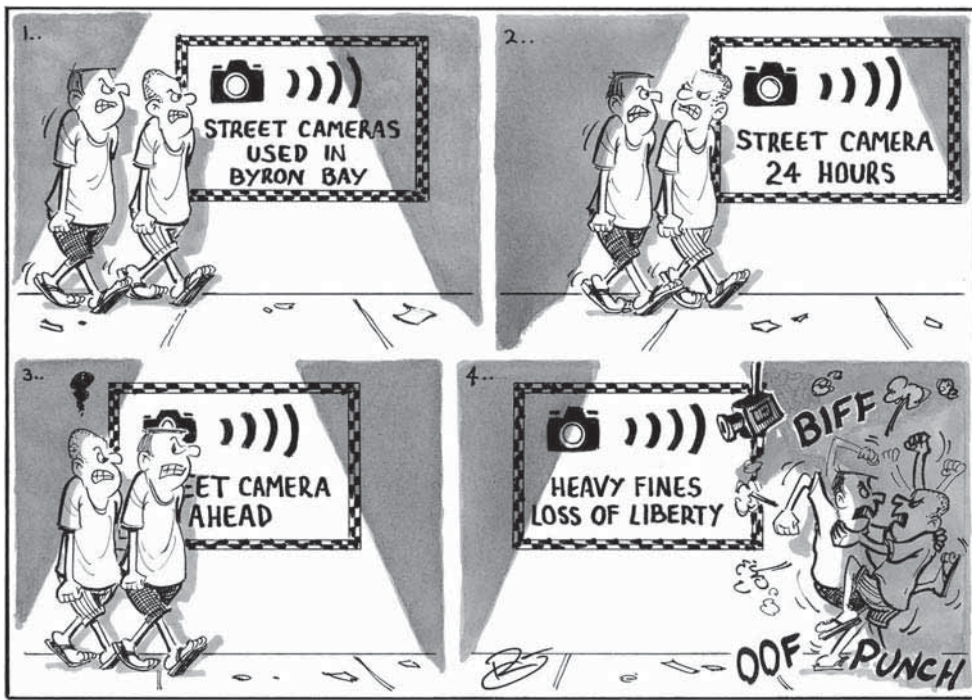
For 27 years my family has watched the wildlife in these trees. It's a big list but our favourites: Pacific Baza, flying foxes, possums, and sugar gliders if we're lucky.

As a child I gorged on these particularly juicy mangoes hanging over the lane as I see successive generations of children still doing today.

The trees were planted at the same time as the heritage house they stand next to on 93 Station Street, but while the property is protected, the trees with it are not. I've tried every avenue to save these - there aren't many - and now it seems there is nothing more for me to do other than wait for the day I hear chainsaws.

When I looked down on the town from the water tower recently, I was hit by the view of a town with only a handful of elderly trees left. As I sat in the Council meeting on Thursday and

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rejoiced at the news of our saved Station Street fig tree (which shares its habitat with the mango trees), I noted the Council tapestry, which depicts a map of Mullum town with a sugar glider soaring over it. But how many sugar gliders are left?

The question that I find myself asking is who is the town for and what do we want it to be? Is it here for profit to be made, or do we want to build a lasting community?

With each new duplex, a little more of what's unique about this place gets lost. Early ecologist Aldo Leopold wrote, 'we abuse nature because we treat it as a commodity which belongs to us rather than a community to which we belong'. The issue of the Station Street fig tree reminds us that our trees, our wildlife, are our community, and should be protected.

Cybele McNeil
Mullumbimby

Exterminate!

No! No! No! It can't be – another TARDIS toilet block in Apex Park between the existing one and the Bay. This one blocks our iconic views from Apex Park towards The Pass and back from the Surf Club

Help our playscape rule

Place-making builds the shared value, community capacity and respectful cross-sector collaboration that is the bedrock of resilient and thriving communities.

Ocean Shores has a tiny playground for our 3,000 kids and it's sad that generation after generation of local kids is missing out on a special place to have fun, learn motor and social skills, exercise to get young minds off electronic devices and into the land of the living, as well as keeping fit.

Our Waterlily Community Playscape group would like to do something about that. We want to add more playground equipment to the few pieces in Waterlily Park for the health and wellbeing of the many kids who live in the greater Ocean Shores area and gift it back to Council.

We'd like to add a road-safety cycleway to teach our young ones to be competent enough to be safe on our



roads, too. It will be a great activity centre for all ages.

One of the grants we've been applying for is via the 'My Park Rules' competition. We need a couple of thousand votes to have us in the running for a chance to win the free services of a professional playground design architect, or a grant to help us pay for more playground equipment.

You can access the voting link by clicking at <http://goo.gl/D7RaU5>. This link leads to the full address of the Waterlily Community Playscape

page at the online competition. Please vote for this great community project. We only have one more week to qualify and we need the help of the wider community.

Feel free to encourage other local organisations or your friends and family to use the link above to spread the word and get those votes in, please.

Thanks in advance for your support.

Tina Petroff
Waterlily Community
Playscape Team
Ocean Shores

Time is a game played beautifully by children.
– Heraclitus (c535–c475BCE)

Online comment of the week
Bad call, Byron – remember that the 'clean and green' tag is fundamental to the economic prosperity of the area (re tourism, value-added products and services).

■ Comment by Liz in response to the Echonetdaily story 'Byron council downgrades key environment role' – www.echo.net.au/2015/11/byron-council-downgrades-key-environment-role

towards Mount Warning. Please go and check out the blue and white 'temporary' TARDIS built for schoolies.

This 'temporary' TARDIS is plumbed in (the plumbing looks pretty permanent to me) and workers tell me it will shortly be replaced by a new permanent TARDIS.

Of course schoolies and our many visitors as well as residents need more toilets but *not* in that location. There are several other options. If we must have a new TARDIS in Apex Park it would be less of an eyesore between the existing one and the road – there is room. The scruffy old toilet block beside Fishheads that closes at 5pm could be demolished and replaced with a 24-hour-opening TARDIS (if TARDISes are the way Byron Bay wants to go), and the underused change rooms behind the surf club could be rebuilt as modern toilets.

Pam Ditton
Byron Bay

Maintaining rage

Like Mungo, I too am maintaining the rage; however, not at the Whitlam dismissal, but rather at the profligate, selfish and self-indulgent personal spending undertaken by Gough Whitlam at the taxpayer's expense in the almost 40 years afterwards.

If there was an Olympic medal for savaging the public purse, Gough would have accumulated the gold at every

Olympiad since 1976.

With regard to the dismissal, as Mungo and all Whitlamics know but choose to ignore, the voter was the final arbiter in this sad and sorry affair and in the general election at the time strongly supported the governor-general's assessment of the situation. And Mungo, if after 40 years of investigation you have finally found proof of the CIA ordering 'The Dismissal', please enlighten us all with it.

Tim Harrington
Lennox Head

■ Last week Mungo said Whitlam 'never bought the theory' that the CIA made Kerr do it. No, but a year and a half later he demanded a Royal Commission into the role of American intelligence agencies in Australian politics.

Phillip Frazer
Coorabell

Letting illegalities

I don't always agree with Fast Bucks but agree with the general premise of his argu-

ment concerning the problems holiday-lets owners have in obtaining landlord insurance and the current illegality of holiday letting (Letters, November 18).

Several precedent court cases have shown this illegality in NSW residential areas. The most recent was Dobrotoff v Bennic in the Land and Environment Court (May 2013). This prompted a number of coastal councils to develop policies and change their LEP to allow holiday letting.

Gosford, Wyong, Kiama and Eurobodalla have already had their policies gazetted in the NSW parliament. Byron's policy is on public exhibition until December 4. Compared with other councils the policy is comprehensive, but still does not satisfactorily protect residential amenity and requires amendment.

Provision of public liability insurance to protect tenants of holiday lets is more important than landlords' **continued on page 14** ►

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Mullumbimby's Madness

The Legacy of the Hippies

When the new settlers started arriving in Mullumbimby and surrounds in the early 70s it was something of a culture shock. They were mostly young, had long hair and were not overly fond of wearing clothes.

Now they are old, some disappearing in puffs of green smoke, so it became important to record their stories. So we have the local historical society's film *Mullumbimby's Madness: the Legacy of the Hippies*, by Sharon Shostak, herself a local child of the hippy generation and creator of *The Echo Doco* and the award-winning drama *Tish Ho*.

According to Brunswick Valley Historical Society's treasurer Susan Tsicalas, the group had been discussing for several years the importance of recording the era of the new settlers, 'particularly as so many of the characters are passing on. Sarah Newsome, our collections manager, had been wanting to stage an exhibition and over that time had been collecting articles and photos.

'I was at the launch of Frank Mills's chair at Brunswick Heads last year and approached Sharon [who was filming for the local chamber of commerce] and asked if she was interested in making a doco on the hippies for the society.

'The result has been beyond our wildest dreams. Many of those original settlers have gladly shared their photos, films and stories and the museum's collection will be the richer for it.'

For her part Sharon said she was thrilled to have the opportunity to make the film.

'Having the BVHS behind the film is a dream come true,' she said. 'I've been pretty much a solo operator as a filmmaker and this was like having a whole production company behind me.



Members of the Agarthi community. Photo courtesy Tara Leishman

'They have feelers that reach out into all areas of the community - for example, having Liz Walton from TAFE being able to offer her graphic arts students the project of designing the posters and DVD covers.'

The final artwork chosen is by Lars Funke.

Although most of the people Sharon interviewed had known her since she was a child, 'I came to realise I actually didn't know their stories - why and how they came to be here and what their experience was - and it was fascinating,' she said.

As to the actual legacy of the hippies, Sharon said, 'Before I made the film I would've said "giving Mullumbimby its heart 'n' soul, which continues to this day", but after making it I've pretty much learnt that Mullum probably had it already.

'This town has a history of being "different" and it's one of the really interesting things that the film delves into. So ultimately the legacy of the hippies is perhaps simply their story.'

And what was it like for Sharon growing up in that maelstrom of change?

'That's the topic for the next film that BVHS hopes to commission me to make: *The Children of the Hippies!*

Mullumbimby's Madness treats the new settler phenomenon by centring the interviews around different topics: Dropping out/Finding Mullumbimby, Buildings/Hand-made homes, Money/Survival, Society/Community, Love/Sex and, ultimately, The Madness. Both the new and old settlers discuss the topics with remarkable candour and clarity.

It was fortunate for Sharon and the BVHS that renowned Australian journalist Kerry O'Brien was up here in 1976 with an ABC crew for *This Day Tonight* and made a doco called *New Settlers of the Island* that aired in 1977. It coincided with the first Channon Market, which they filmed.

O'Brien now lives locally and agreed to be interviewed.

'I sat him in front of my laptop to show him the old doco and filmed his reaction,' said Sharon. 'He was struck by the "softness"



A gathering in the old Empire Cafe.

Photo courtesy Rob Rubens

Left: Partying 70s style.

Photo courtesy Liz Jackson



of the story compared to the more hard-hitting style of today. And glad he wasn't too embarrassed by it.'

The DVD of the film will be available for purchase at the screenings, and it will include Frank Mills reciting his poem about the hippies and the *Echonetdaily* clip of the first 'hippy reunion' that happened earlier in the year.

Frank Mills was the first farmer to sell land to Colin Scattergood in the early 1970s for the first Main Arm community settlement and Noel James from James Hardware, now Mitre 10, speaks on behalf of the town's shop owners.

BVHS have been able to make the doco through the very generous donations of three of the alterna-

tive settlers and the Mullumbimby Chamber of Commerce, as well as being assisted by funds allocated to the Royal Australian Historical Society through the Heritage Branch of the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage.

The world premiere of *Mullumbimby's Madness* is at the Mullumbimby Civic Centre on Thursday December 3 at 7.30pm. Broadfoot will be playing live. Further screenings are at the Drill Hall on Friday December 4 at 5.30pm and 8pm. Tickets cost \$15/\$10 conc and are available from The Bookshop, Mullumbimby.

Back to the Garden

The historical society is also launching its exhibition 'Back to the Garden' at the museum on Saturday December 19 at 10am. It is described as 'a very comprehensive look at the alternative settlers and the changes they have wrought on our region'. The exhibition has been staged by the members of the society as well as NORTEC work experience participants. See more about the society and the museum at www.mullumbimbymuseum.org.au.

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New hospital an awesome asset

A recent letter by Cr Paul Spooner about the new Byron Central Hospital was rather disheartening. As a Byron Shire resident I am thankful to the NSW government for providing a much-needed new hospital to service our shire. The government is investing 88 million dollars to provide us with a brand new hospital. This is going to be an awesome asset to our shire.

Cr Spooner is correct that there will be no theatre for surgery. This does mean people from this shire who require this service will need to travel further afield. This is an inconvenience to many.

However, I do wish to

point out theatre services are very expensive to run, and this is paid for by our collective tax revenue. Also, having theatre services could have a negative impact on the amazing Mullumbimby birth unit. It is a fact that access to theatre directly increases caesarian-section rates. The government has still left room to build a theatre at a later date. Time will tell if it's needed and of its cost benefits.

The 20-bed mental health unit for low-acuity and voluntary patients is an awesome asset for our shire. Presently these services do not exist in our shire. Cr Spooner himself stated the needs of the community were high in this area.

So what does he have against providing a service that is so clearly needed? It also means low-acuity patients will no longer have to travel to other shires to access services. Sadly high-acuity and non-voluntary patients will need to use other shires' health facilities.

I suggest Cr Spooner looks into the model of care being implemented in the mental health unit. He may just find it is not about giving a pill or two. Just maybe it will provide a service that is needed for the community and will aid local non-government organisations which are clearly stretched with the high demand.

I would love our elected

leaders to stand up and praise great government decisions instead of always sniping and being negative. The new hospital will have mistakes and unforeseen mishaps. This happens in any project this size. Let's get things up and running and then reassess the service and its needs.

Call me naive, but I don't think the government would fund such a service without having tended to the data and assessed the needs of community. This hospital is going to be a massive positive for our community. For this we should all be grateful and find no need to snipe.

Melinda Johnston
 Mullumbimby

► continued from page 12 insurance. If a holiday-let tenant is injured in the property, it is possible that the owner could be sued if there was no public liability insurance. Any responsible holiday-let owner would already have this insurance. If they pay tax then it is a deduction.

It will become mandatory for all holiday-let owners to follow the Holiday Rental Code of Conduct. On page 14 in this code the following regulation 2.3 states: 'Insurance: Owners and managers should hold appropriate insurance including comprehensive landlords' and public liability insurance (as appropriate)'. Therefore, it will become mandatory for holiday-let owners to hold this insurance. Many would be willing to take a risk and Council would not be aware

that owners are not fulfilling their obligation.

Council should require all holiday-let owners, before finalisation of registration, to produce evidence that they have purchased public liability insurance. Evidence to show annual renewal of insurance should also be produced to renew registration. Council should withdraw registration if this is not undertaken. Such a positive move would enhance consumer confidence in responsible tourism management in Byron Shire.

D Wallace
 Suffolk Park

Roundhouse history
 Some facts in response to W B Crompton (Letters, November 18). The need for the Roundhouse land was presented by Roundhouse Action Group (RAG), Ocean

Shores Community Association (OSCA) and other organisations, and not 'just for a community centre', one of which is already in Rajah Road opposite the shopping centre.

This community centre is not a 'town centre' or open space, which was stated in the Gateway Planning Proposal compiled by Byron Shire Council with the state government.

Council's Community Strategic Plans are practised in all towns but denied to Ocean Shores, even with it being the largest town in Byron Shire. It does not have a town centre with open space that would be catering for all neighbouring areas.

Ninety-seven per cent of residents in a survey stipulated their desire for the Roundhouse land to be used for the community for cultural activities, conferences, historical information, archives, children's playground, etc - all to the advantage of the community. The historic well built by Mr Bower, owner of the original farm, was to be a feature.

Ratepayers, read the full Byron Council Special Investigation Report April 1994 Roundhouse, issued by senior investigations officer M Brophy. It shows a very different situation from that portrayed in W B Crompton's letter. This is a must to read - for the truth to be known.

Jillian Spring
 Billinudgel

Unlawful scheme

As all my correspondence addressed to Council - and objections during 'stand up comedy' at Council meetings - on the subject of the proposed unlawful 'new pay parking

scheme' that Council intends to implement on December 21 have been ignored, I am obliged to file legal proceedings against Council at the NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal (Sydney).

This is to prevent the implementation of a parking scheme that includes citizens being obliged to provide personal information to a non-government third party in order to obtain the government service of a resident parking permit (or other exemption) and/or input a licence plate number (thus enabling surveillance of drivers within Byron Bay) in order to exercise legal right to park on Crown land (road or reserve car park).

I have repeatedly requested that Council (staff and elected) retain the privacy principles of the current system, ie resident parking permits (and other exemptions) be issued by Council and not shared with any non-government 'third party'; and no requirement to input licence plate number (anonymous), purchase a ticket and display on dashboard parking rather than surveillance parking - with data collated by private enterprise third party and shared with only the gods know' who. Unfortunately Council (Ralph James acting on behalf of Council) insist that the scheme is legal - which it is not.

I will try to limit costs to ratepayers via lodging a formal request that NCAT permit at least the preliminary processes to be conducted via telephone conferencing (keeping Council staff in their offices at Mullumbimby - rather than scoring a ratepayer-funded holiday in Sydney).

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Naren King, Crystal Castle



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The Syrian nightmare – how it got to this

Phillip Frazer

Syria is bordered by Lebanon, Israel, Turkey, Iraq, and Jordan – meaning it's in the middle of the 'middle east'.

After WWI, various European conquerors drew lines on maps to divide their 'colonies' into areas and populations they could control, including Syria (in 1946).

By the mid 1900s, locals took over governing these countries but the Europeans and the increasingly aggressive Americans kept control of many of the natural assets, primarily oil. The populations, fractured along lines of culture, class, language, and religion, were held together by state violence and corruption.

Iraq invaded

Then came the 2000s and the US (aided by Britain and sub-lackey Australia) invaded Iraq on the false grounds that it was behind 9/11 and had weapons of mass destruction.

This deadly farce was managed by a group of politicians and academics based in Washington who believe that USA & Partners Inc should control every inch of the world that's accessible and profitable.

That Washington group, known as 'neo-conservatives', ran the Bush Junior foreign policy (ie wars), led by their own Dick Cheney as vice-president, Donald Rumsfeld as secretary of defense (ie



Syrian pro-government forces gather at a train station near the airport of Kweyris, in the province of Aleppo, on November 20 after they took control of the station and surrounding villages from Islamic State group fighters. AFP Photo/George Ourfalian

war), and his deputy Paul Wolfowitz.

Under Obama, neo-cons are still pursuing their divide-and-conquer strategy in the region as outlined in their 'Project for the New American Century (PNAC)'.

They have muscled their way back into top posts in Defense, State, and CIA – and these believers in the 'pre-eminent power' of 'military strength and moral clarity' expect to reign more supreme in a Hillary Clinton administration.

The 'junior partners' in the Iraq-Syria invasion and disintegration are Saudi Arabia and Israel, both shooting for more fragmented and therefore weaker neighbours.

They were united in the desire to oust the thuggish but independent Saddam Hussein in Iraq, and Hafez Al Assad and son Basher in Syria.

'Rogue' outfits

What's gone wrong is that the weakened state governments have been supplanted by strong nonstate outfits like Hezbollah and Hamas in Lebanon and Palestine and now 'Isil', or 'ISIS' – essentially the Salafist-takfiris – in Iraq/Syria.

These guys have filled an area not just government-free but also now without real borders. They are inspired by a form of Islam invented by a fundamentalist preacher named Al Wahhab in 1745 to beat back the Turks, which so

impressed the House of Saud that today Saudi Arabia is Isil's biggest backer. Saudi oil money also supports schools to spread Wahhabism worldwide.

So while this unholy alliance pulverises Syria, Assad hangs on with support from remnants of his multi-ethnic middle- and working-class citizens, plus Iran, Russia, and a growing number of global players who accept that he's an essential piece for the peace-making puzzle.

Unfortunately Turkey, which could shut down supply lines to Isil, won't – because the forces most likely to destroy the fundamentalists are the Kurds – who are President Erdoğan's strongest political

challengers inside Turkey.

So – what's behind the slogans dominating our TV news this week? What is, really, 'the barbarism of this war'?

According to the tele, it's a frenzy of rape and murder by 20-year-old outcasts in stolen Toyotas with automatic weapons and black robes.

On the bigger screen of life, it looks like air raids by billion-dollar bombers, missiles, drones, and jet fighters – usually American but now also Russian – and the resultant displacement and immiseration of millions of families from Libya, Iraq, and Syria alone.

Barbarism

The guys in Toyotas get all the air time.

Most foreign recruits in this black-flag militia are not Aussie teenagers on steroids, but Muslims from Chechnya and other former Soviet Muslim communities, attracted by a nuance-free ideology and a free Kalishnikov plus \$100 a week.

The billion-dollar barbarism gets the whole-hearted approval of world elites, including our PMs Gillard, Abbott, and Turnbull, and so far as one can tell, also Bill Shorten.

And who are the 'secret funders'?

Millions of our tax dollars are going to help our intelligence forces ASIO and ASIS, the Australian Federal Police, and our new catch-the-

terrorist-dollars outfit AUSTRAC, stop terrorist funders. So far they have identified 170 people in Australia sending enough to buy, maybe, a few Toyotas.

Meanwhile, Russian president Vladimir Putin just told the world that (1) he has lists of donors from 40 countries, including many among the G20 elite, which he's handed to those governments (but not to us the people, because he's Putin not Assange) and (2) that Russian planes and satellites are tracking 'a motorcade of refueling vehicles ... that from a height of 4,000 to 5,000 metres stretch beyond the horizon'.

Oil money

This massive operation of oil extraction is being run by Isil, and Iraqi intelligence and US officials estimate they're hauling in \$50 million a month from selling this crude from captured oilfields 'on the black market'.

Since Putin's exposé, US jets are bombing these convoys, which they previously declined to do because of 'the risk of civilian casualties'. Really?

None of the combatants likely gives two seconds' thought to the monstrous pollution this is all causing. Yet war is the worst assault of all on any and every environment.

■ Phillip Frazer's blog is at www.coorabellridge.com.

Our occupying forces won't solve the ME problem

Richard Mordaunt

None of us in our lifetime has seen such atrocious public assassinations as carried out by IS.

It is the latest stage of the tragedy in Syria, with Islamic State's publicised killings carried out to terrify the rest of the world. Each day brings new heart-breaking stories as people risk everything to rescue their families from this war-torn hell.

With three million refugees and 200,000 dead, ending the four-year civil war between Sunnis and Shiites in Syria has taken on an increasing urgency as Islamic State gains more and more territory, assets and recruits, increasingly carrying out large-scale terror attacks across the planet.

The Ottawa parliament, the Lindt Cafe, Charlie

Hebdo and now the atrocities in the centre of Paris. Across the western world and South East Asia, there is now a new urgency to find a solution in Syria and to create a global alliance countering Islamist violence and preventing it from being brought home.

Payback time

Islamic State has made it clear this is 'payback time' against every western government that has occupied Muslim land.

These are expressions of rage against history, past and present, that lurk within modern Islam and are animating militant fundamentalist Islam across the planet. This is particularly true of the Middle East.

At the end of the first world war, when Germany and the Ottoman Empire were de-

feated, the Middle East was divided between the empires of England and France that spread across the planet. Syria was mandated to France and it wasn't until the end of the second world war that nationalist governments challenged the colonial setups and started to rebuild a new sense of identity.

In Egypt, Syria, Iraq, Libya and Iran, this meant military strongmen grabbing power. This coincided with vast amounts of oil being discovered and into this new equation came the US, with the Middle East becoming America's new sphere of foreign policy interest.

It is the last 40 years of American wars across the planet that have produced the newly radicalised generation of young Muslims.

One in five persons on this planet firmly believes in the prophet Mohammad and

that the Quaran granted to all persecuted Muslims the right to defend themselves.

Wherever US, English, French or Australian forces are in a foreign country, they will be seen as an occupying force by part of the population and violent opposition to them will grow and their countries will become targets.

Grappling with this threat is now a key part of all our futures.

Not working

Conservative governments want to wipe out Islamic State, to eradicate them, but we know from history that this doesn't work.

Tony Abbott took us deeper into the Middle Eastern war by sanctioning Australian bombing in Syria, even disregarding national boundaries. He was a fighter and knew no other way and

would have put ground forces into Syria, just like the US military wishes to do.

This would create another Middle Eastern War just like Iraq but far worse.

Obama, who so many criticise, has refused to let the US military take this next step. It was Blair who took England into the Iraq war with George Bush, to protect US and UK interests in the Middle East. The Iraq war is now regarded as an enormous mistake.

Islamic State has proclaimed the new caliphate to be ruled by Sharia. It was Mohammed who created the first caliphate and his succession was bitterly contested, dividing Muslims into Sunnis and Shiites.

Shiites believed Ali, Mohammed's son-in-law, should have been his successor. Ali was assassinated, as were his sons Hasan and Hussein,

creating the divisions within modern Islam.

Each Middle Eastern country now has its Sunni and Shiite populations. But there are many people throughout the Middle East who do not want to be ruled by Sharia.

Women's rights

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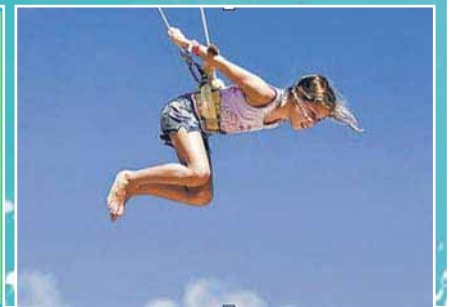


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THIS CHRISTMAS!



Welcome to the Mullum Shop Local Campaign!

From the Chamber:

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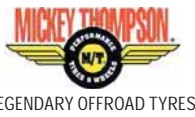
Thanks to *The Echo*, we have \$3,000 to give away in vouchers to local shoppers to spend at local participating stores. Last year, we had more than 5,000 entries from local shoppers and this year we anticipate even more. In keeping with the strong values of the Mullumbimby Chamber of Commerce, this campaign is about stimulating the local economy, bringing the community together, and building a supportive and sustainable Mullumbimby.

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

From *The Echo*:

The Echo grew up around here and we're proud to support the Shop Local campaign, because those of us who've chosen to live here love it. You can walk down the street with your kids and they'll know people in the shops. When you buy something, you know your money's staying local – you can see the local owners supporting the schools and other local businesses.

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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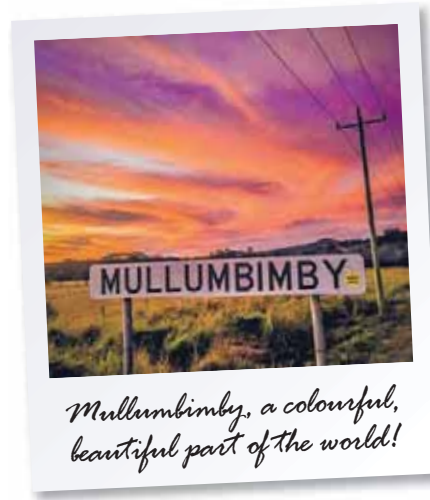
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Terms & Conditions: The Mullum Shop Local campaign runs for five weeks from 24 November and finishes on 29 December. Vouchers must be spent by 31 March 2016 and cannot be spent at more than one store. Winners draws are final.

Bridglunds Betta Home Living

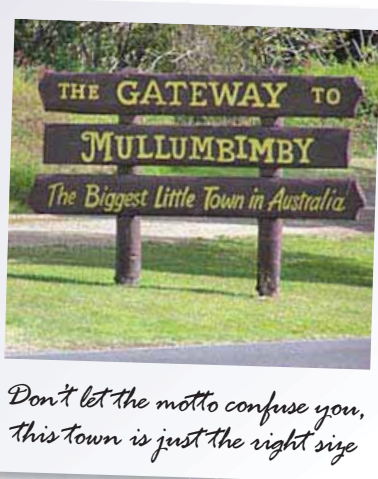
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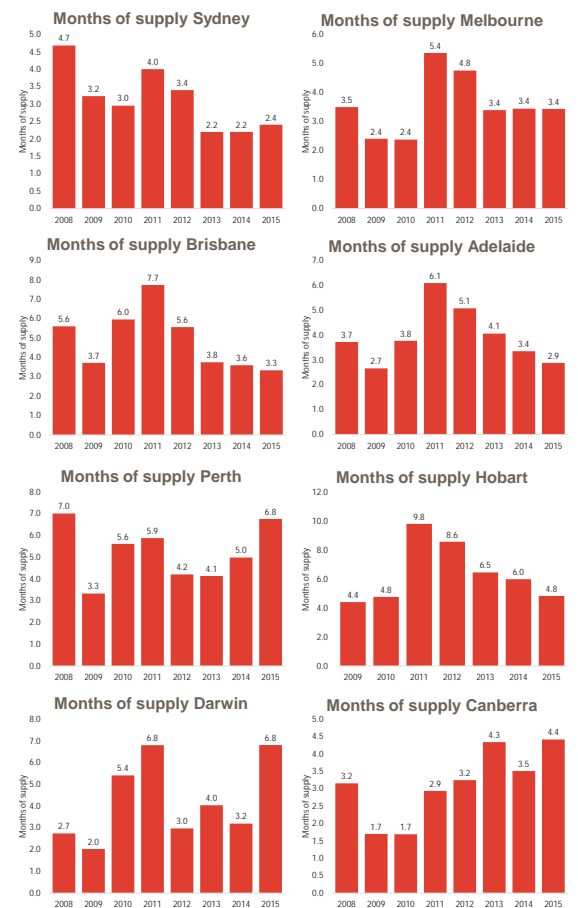
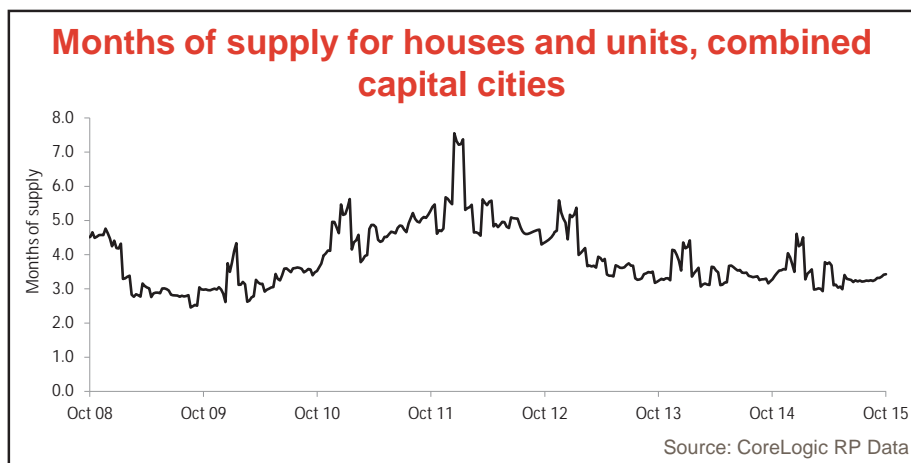
The months of supply calculation is simply a function of the trend number of property sales and the amount of properties listed for sale. For example, if there were 100 homes for sale and we typically see twenty sales each month, there would be five months of supply in the market. Or, in other words, it would take five months to absorb all the stock available for sale. Although there is a lag in receiving sales, other data such as valuation activity, clearance rates and mortgage commitments point to a minimal increase in transaction activity so far this spring. As a result we are starting to see the months of housing supply trending higher.

Across the combined capital cities, there are currently 3.4 months of supply on the market. This figure has increased from a recent low of 2.9 months in March. You will note on the first chart that the months of supply figure spikes each Christmas/New Year period. This is due to the fact that sales volumes fall sharply at that time of the year

while there is also a moderate fall in total listings. As the number of newly advertised listings continues to grow we anticipate that the months of supply figure is likely to trend higher. Although the months of supply is rising, it remains low on an historical basis. This is of course reflected by a fairly rapid rate of sale however, much like headline value growth figures this is largely being fuelled by the very strong conditions across the Sydney and Melbourne housing markets.

The second chart highlights the current months of supply figure across each capital city and the figure over the corresponding week for each of the past eight years. As always the trends vary significantly across the individual capital cities, highlighting the differences in market performances and the balance between buyer demand and advertised supply.

By Cameron Kusher, from RP Data.



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10 Armstrong Street, Suffolk Park

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- Immaculate 4 bed family home in beachside Suffolk Park
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- Only a few minutes' walk to Tallow Beach, shops and tavern

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46 Broken Head Road, Newrybar

5 3 3

Interest Over \$799,000

- Solid 4 bed, 2 bath family home in beautiful location
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25 Bottlebrush Crescent, Suffolk Park

4 2 2

Interest Over \$899,000

- Beautiful family home – live resort style every day!
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- Gorgeous pool and spa, Balinese hut and manicured gardens
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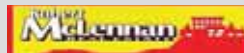


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Bali's volcanic flight risk

Story and photos: Tracey Davis

With the holidays just around the corner, Bali's surf beaches promise a well-deserved break. What might prove the best holiday decision, however, is to give yourself peace of mind in case of flight cancellations.

Mt Rinjani's eruption grounded planes and closed Bali's Denpasar airport as recently as a week ago. Eruptions of Mt Raung in July and August had the same effect. Tourists left in droves when they could, leaving destinations empty, restaurants and beaches bare.

Meteorologists have since given aviation the thumbs up; there are clear skies and volcanic activity is calming down. Travel bookings are open again, but no-one can predict with certainty when either Mt Rinjani or Mt Raung will erupt again.

Traveller Sam Litt from Sydney was caught in Bali recently. He said, 'We were delayed a week when our flights to leave Bali on Sunday were cancelled... We were tired of waiting; flying out via Singapore was easiest.'

What could be essential to ensure your holiday is memorable is to have adequate travel insurance with alternative flights planned.

Travel insurance agencies issue a product disclosure statement (PDS) with inclusions/exclusions you may overlook. In general, once an event starts, policies purchased don't cover it, so buying your insurance early is good practice.

For example NRMA's current advice to travellers says, 'There is no cover for amendment or cancellation costs for policies issued on or after 03/11/2015 as the events in Bali [the eruption of Mt Rinjani] are no longer deemed an unforeseen event.'

Without insurance, you will need extra resources to cover your out-of-pocket expenses in the event your flights are cancelled, such as finding extra accommodation or another route home.

'It became a daily event for us, waiting to get out. We didn't take out travel insurance. We ran out of money and couldn't go anywhere really, just wait,' said Marion from Melbourne.

Many travellers from the northern rivers travel to Bali on the cheap, and save on travel insurance as well as other costs. If that's you, be prepared to be flexible if your schedule changes and have a Plan B to ensure your trip to paradise is as fun as you planned.

A Gold Medal Roast

In his first year as a coffee roaster, Richard Bradbury from Zeta's Coffee has won the Australian grown category at this month's Golden Bean Coffee Roasting Competition, attended by about 100 coffee roasting businesses.

The coffee he was working with was a recently harvested, carefully graded crop of naturals from the one farm, Wirui Estate, based in Carool, 50 minutes north of Byron Bay. The coffee was roasted on the estate, and is described as having a syrup body, with low acidity and rich flavour notes of chocolate, malt and maple syrup.

Is the gold medal deserved? You can judge for yourself - either by buying some of the winning coffee or by joining Richard on a tour of Wirui Estate, where you can enjoy a cup of the coffee among the very trees where it grew.

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Richard Bradbury making a cup of gold medal coffee

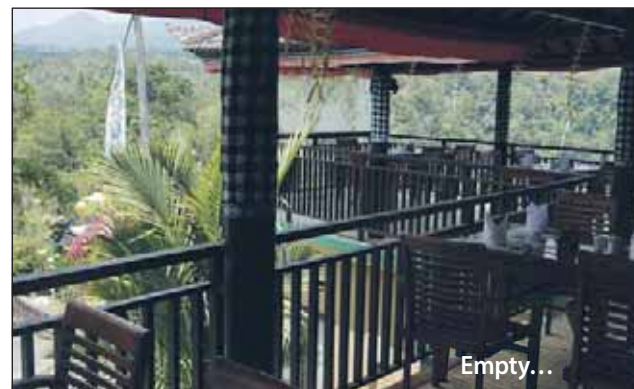
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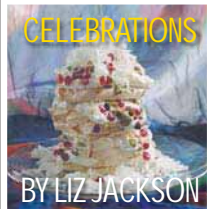


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ETHERIDGE'S CALL TO CHANGE

ROCK SINGER, SONGWRITER,
GUITARIST AND ACTIVIST
– MELISSA ETHERIDGE HAS
BEEN SPEAKING HER TRUTH
SINCE HER SELF-TITLED
DEBUT RELEASE IN 1988.



Passionate about the need to embrace global change, Etheridge was personally asked by Al Gore to write the title track for *An Inconvenient Truth*. She penned *I need to Wake Up* – a song that embodies the underlying ethos of not just the film, but of Etheridge herself.

'I think our generation is really handling change at such a huge rate and probably more so than any generation ever has. To really handle it we need to have connection, we need to understand the spiritual part, not just as religious but the spirit in each of us and we have to understand that and how to bring it into each other's life.

'Personal changes are the key. I need to wake up and I need to move. The one little change I make is a drop in the ocean, one little change in the household changes me – it changes my neighbourhood – it changes the community – that's how we create change on that level. To create

change on that level makes it better for everyone. It's about eating healthily, living well, living consciously.'

Etheridge acknowledges that change is never easy, but believes it's a personal responsibility we all have. In a world where terror is becoming normalised she believes it's important to resist the urge to fear or judge.

'We can't sit back waiting for the world to change. It's challenging – if I go back into my house and am afraid of everyone, then they win, those who operate from that belief system win. It challenges us to say no. I still believe that good wins; I still believe there are more good people who want to live a productive healthy life and not to take life, and I believe there are more of those people than not, and if I choose, then I am not going to be afraid of someone of another colour or another socioeconomic situation; I refuse to fear them.

I will judge a person on their character, I will be colourblind and everything else blind!'

A few years ago Melissa Etheridge married her best friend Linda Wallem. Ironically Wallem was consoling Etheridge after a relationship failure, when she pointed out that perhaps the two of them were in fact romantic soulmates.

'She came to it first, after I went through a breakup and she was helping me, and I said No No, and two months later I said YES. I did a list out of what I wanted, and that's Linda, that's her. I didn't think it would look like Linda, and she said, "who are you waiting for?"'

The two married in 2013 just two days after they both turned 53. Etheridge believes the marriage has been an important step forward for gay and lesbian community in the US.

'What happens is when you get the supreme court, the highest body of legislation we have, say it's a

human right, it's a civil right. To have that gives that person who might have been afraid to come out a legal right; it gives you that foot to stand on you can't take that away.

'I was always very out to my family, and out to whom I worked with. People who knew me knew I was discovered in lesbian bars, yet it was sort of a don't ask don't tell; everyone was waiting for me to step over that line. I decided I didn't want to have a fear of this anymore. I decided I was going to come out. If anyone was going to not listen to my music any more because I was a lesbian...!

'That is the key to people coming out, because people see just a normal person and she is talented and what am I afraid of? Facing fear is what changes the world.'

Melissa Etheridge headlines the **Byron Bluesfest** in 2016. For ticket and program info go to bluesfest.com.au.

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STRANGER DANGER

At no time in history have we had so many people on the planet. We've all had to squeeze in to make a little more room for each other. The quarter-acre block has shrunk down to 400 square metres. The middle suburbs of cities such as Sydney that used to provide 4-bedroom family homes are now providing the same amenity but as units, stacking us like people in an architect-designed Tupperware set, one little family neatly perched on top of the other.

The world has never been so full of people. We're living shoulder to shoulder, back to back, hip to hip, yet we've never been so removed from each other. The buzzword on the human front is *connection*. We yearn for connection. Yet we make so little effort to meet the people

sitting next to us.

Why? Is it like romantic love where we only desire connection with a particular type of person? Do we secretly audit the rest of the human race for being 'too different'? Too Muslim. Too Christian. Too Fat. Too Ugly. Too Beautiful. Too Smart. Too Dumb? It seems the more of us there are the more disconnected we become.

How ironic – the closer we become physically, the more likely it is for our stranger legs to touch on the bus, the more frightened we become! The more we retreat into our social cocoon where we pretend the other person isn't actually there. The iPhone, the tool that purports to 'connect' us with our communities, to keep us up to date on everything in the world, to

make us kings and queens of the virtual world, is also the very tool that allows us to isolate and shut out the real visceral world.

Next time you are on a bus or a tram or a train have a look around. How many people are on their phones? Listening to music, texting, talking, checking in on Facebook, updating Instagram posts? Every single person in rapturous connection with their technology. Not a single person in simple communication with each other.

Is it a coincidence that anxiety also seems to be on the increase? Is anxiety trying to buffer our entry into an overpopulated world by keeping us at home, or sending us out into the fray shut down, suspicious and frightened? Terrorism seems like a natural consequence in a world completely terrified of itself. I can't stop terrorism. But I can work on my own personal terror.

So I started the Mandy Nolan Talking to a Stranger project. (Or should that be called Mandy

Nolan terrorising a stranger project?) Last time I flew down to Melbourne I decided I would try talking to strangers on every given opportunity. I started at the airport. Fortunately I was flying Jetstar so my flight was delayed over two hours; I got a headstart on my mission. I met a woman who had lived with vertigo for 20 years. She was travelling with her carer, who shadowed her every move – even her visits to the toilet. She joked that she hoped people thought they were passionate lesbian lovers who could not bear to be parted, rather than a 64-year-old woman with a disability. I told her my husband had been working with someone who had great success with vertigo; I gave her his card and hoped she would phone.

Next I met an elderly Polish gentleman who had lost his entire family in a concentration camp. He himself had only just survived. In fact he said, 'I wouldn't have made another week'. He was probably the best looking nonagenarian that I've ever met. Such a beatific

smile. I wondered how you could survive that kind of atrocity and still radiate such joy. He'd moved to Melbourne (as a refugee, mind you) and did what refugees do best – work. He'd made his millions in timber. Not bad for someone who as a young adult had weighed 42 kilos.

Then there was the woman on the bus. I don't think she spoke English. I think she thought I was nuts so she got off but the next woman who sat beside me was an Italian nonna and I think she'd been playing the 'talking to strangers game' longer than I had. I know a lot of things about her grandchildren now.

I did this all weekend. I was meeting all these people who were so willing to disclose their amazing stories to me; all I had to do was ask the question. My Indian Uber driver sealed the deal. He told me that he never felt sad or angry and that was because he meditated every day. He said even when his teenagers did stuff he should be angry about he couldn't even raise

the smallest amount of steam. He told me how to do it. Ten minutes a day, he said, was all I needed and I too could be a nice person like him.

He was like the Uber guru. Other people pay a fortune for advice like that. I only paid \$23.50. I even went home and bought a cushion. Of course I haven't meditated on it yet. But I'm certainly thinking about it. I guess that is the danger of strangers... they're not actually that strange at all. They're a lot like you. Even the ones who aren't.

If ideas like this interest you, please come to Courage to Care – Putting Hope into Action – a conversation about community, and connection as the basis of transforming our lives (and the world). It's a fundraiser for the More than a Meal project for the Mullum Neighbourhood Centre. Saturday at the Mullum Ex-Services with me as the host and featuring inspirational binge thinkers and doers such as Alan Clements, Helena Norberg-Hodge and Mark Swivel. 8pm. \$10.

Live Music



BECCY COLE AT THE BANGALOW BOWLO THIS SUNDAY

BECCY SET FOR BANGALOW!

Australian country music's poster girl Beccy Cole is without question one of the great live entertainers in Australia and continues to deliver sensation performances that leave you stomping your feet, clapping your hands and yelling for more. After such a big year, **Bangalow Bowling Club** will be her final

performance for 2015 and the perfect reason to indulge in the magic she offers onstage during this special afternoon show. Don't miss out: it's a 3.30pm concert allowing fun for all the family **this Sunday**. Tickets can be booked by calling 6687 2741.

WOMBATS FOR FALLS

English indie rockers return to Aussie shores this summer dipping their white pommie toes into Byron with a performance at Falls Festival. *Glitterbug* is the latest offering from the band, who have toured across the world this year in support



THE WOMBATS HEADLINE FALLS FESTIVAL IN BYRON THIS YEAR

of their release with shows at Lollapalooza, and dates in Europe and the US. Don't forget it's Boogie Nights theme for NYE. Single tix are sold out but two- and three-dayers are still available, so get busy!

Falls Festival Byron tickets are ON SALE NOW at fallsfestival.com.

Thur 31 Dec 2015 until 3 Jan 2016 at North Byron Parklands, NSW. 18+ event

UKE OUT YOUR SONGBOOK

Want some more music? Miss Amber and Stukulele are presenting the best of the 2015 UKE NIGHT songbooks. Bring a uke and tuner if you have one or just bring your smile and singing voice. From 6.30pm at **Club Mullum** in the **Mullumbimby Ex-Services** on **Thursday** (last Thursday every month). Still only \$10 for adults and \$2.50 for kids. Always a blast!

FROM BOMBAY TO MELBOURNE TO UKI?

Melbourne's 10-piece funky cult big band, **The Bombay Royale**, play Uki Hall for a very special

performance. Reviving the funky bizarre and mysterious music of vintage Indian films, this is a rich palette of classic cinema from lonesome spaghetti to surf-rock, from psychedelia to spine-bending space disco, overlaid with the

voices of protagonists The Tiger and The Mysterious Lady. Tickets \$25 available at www.GLOdance.com.

Show is **Friday 8pm, Uki Town Hall**.

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THE BOMBAY ROYALE AT UKI HALL ON FRIDAY

SONG AND DANCE MAN BACK ON STAGE

Song and dance man **Mike McClellan** returns with a new album of songs, his second in three years. The stunningly eclectic and evocative *Dancing in the Rain* will only further enhance Mike's reputation as one of Australia's finest songwriters. In 2011, Mike made a long-awaited return to performing and recording, with an album of brand-new songs – if only for a moment – and again began to do concerts and folk festivals across the country. At the **Ballina RSL** on **Saturday 12 December**. Tickets on sale now – \$25.

MUSIC OF THE MYSTICS

Music offers a powerful way to connect with world cultures and traditions. And so when traditional world music comes to our little town, it is indeed a special thing.

This Friday night Byron Theatre hosts *Music of the Mystics* – a concert of Qawwali music. This is a passionate and deeply devotional art from the Sufis of India and Pakistan that is rarely experienced outside the East.

Performer and teacher Tahir Qawwal has spent many years immersed in the tradition of Qawwali, in the homes of his esteemed teachers and at mehfls (musical spiritual gatherings) in Pakistan. He is well respected for

carrying the tradition of Qawwali music to the West, connecting people to a spiritually rich piece of Pakistan. Tahir is also completing a documentary called *Music of the Mystics* – a film about the culture of Qawwali. A selection of footage from the movie will be screened at Friday night's concert and contains deep seeds of wisdom from Sufi masters and beautiful videography of scenes at shrines and sacred music gatherings.

The **Byron Theatre** hosts *Music of the Mystics* concert and screening **this Friday** at 8pm. Presale tickets \$25 at www.byroncentre.com.au.

GETTING THE BYRON VIBES

Byron vibes is about celebrating and showcasing the incredible musical and artistic talent in the Byron Shire. The **Friday** event at **The Byron Bay Brewery** features headline acts in the back room: The Dominiques, Drama King, Duncan Woods and Andy Jans-Brown kicking things off on the outside stage. The infamous jam stage will be in full swing in the beer garden. This event also features The Funmaker silent disco, fire twirling and much more. Jam party kicks off at 5pm. Free entry.

ATYPICAL THRILLS

Palms Trax has cultivated his own twist on house that is so beautifully distinct it elevates him above all else in the game. His unmatched talent lies in his ability to create a



PALMS TRAX AT THE BYRON BREWERY ON SATURDAY

signature sound that situates itself within the past, present and future. Get some Atypical Thrills with **Palms Trax** at the **Byron Brewery** on **Saturday** from 4pm. Free entry.

HITCHIN' YOUR LAGWAGON

Having already toured their latest album *Hang* across America and Europe, Santa Barbara punk rockers **Lagwagon** are blazing across Australian stages, touching down at the **Hotel Great Northern** on **Thursday**.

After a nine-year lag, the band are back with the powerful and long-awaited album *Hang* from punk rock mainstays Lagwagon. It's not that the band broke up or even went on hiatus after releasing 2005's *Resolve*; they've continued a robust tour schedule, and frontman Joey Cape has released a steady stream of original material as a solo artist and with his other projects *Bad Astronaut*, *Scorpios*, and *Bad Loud* (not to mention cranking out cover albums with his other other project *Me First and the Gimme Gimmes*). 'I'm writing all the time', says Cape, 'but a lot of times it doesn't feel appropriate for Lagwagon. It's not who the band collectively is at the time, and the mould is constantly changing. Sometimes it takes a decade for all the stars to align!'

SINGERS SUPPORT WORLD AIDS DAY

On **Tuesday 1 December** in the **Byron Bay Theatre**, some of our region's finest musicians and singers will meet up to celebrate the songs of Cole Porter and raise awareness of World AIDS Day.

The singers are Lisa Hunt, Parissa Bouas, Jimmy Dowling, Ilona Harker, Benhur, Shelly Hughes,



ILONA HARKER, ONE OF THE PERFORMERS FOR WORLD AIDS DAY AT THE BYRON THEATRE ON TUESDAY 1 DECEMBER

Shai Shriki, Amber and Stukulele with the amazing musical talents of Steve Russell, Thierry Fossemalle and Dave Sanders.

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LIGHTING UP YOU LIGHTBODY

DJ Ozzy will be spinning mind-blowing music at this weekend's **Lightbody 5** event. Known for his sleeky sets and incredible sounds, Ozzy presents an aural assault on the senses with access to the magical music vaults of tribeatle artists. Come celebrate with our Shire community as we dance under the stars to sounds by the best DJs around Australia: Jahzen Lewis, Pob, Nick Taylor and more. This is one incredible night you won't want to miss! **Friday** at **Durrumbul Hall** from 6pm till midnight. \$25.

TRIBUTE TO THE EAGLES

The **Eagles Band** is a stunningly accurate tribute to Southern California's most famous musical group, The Eagles. Comprising six talented musicians, each bringing their own style and flair to the group, The Eagles Band is intent on delivering a near-replica of a live eagles performance that is so precise, so intense, so unbelievable, it comes frighteningly close to the originals themselves. Catch them at the 2-course dinner show at the **Ballina RSL** on **Saturday 5 December**. Ticket Price: \$54.90



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MOVING TO THE GROOVING AT MOVEMBER IN MULLUM

The Mullumbimby Golf Club hosts **November in Mullum** with fabulous Light Bulb Theory with special guest Guy Kachel in a three-hour show. Mo bros and mo sistas are asked to join in for a night of mo fun than a soul thought possible with hot grooves, cold drinks and cool food. The Light Bulb Theory is a soulful powerhouse brought together especially for the event. It features the WOW voice (and keys) of Ms 'Mo' Mohini Cox (international performance artist), Rex Carter (drums, formerly of Round Mountain Girls), Robby Cenda (guitar – Well-Swung Daddies, Hard Word) Evangelos Hondroudakis (vocals, guitar, composer, producer – Garage d'Or, Kelly Gang, Slyru, Flyte), Andy Shrimpton (bass – Rock Express & AirKraft). The Light Bulb Theory unites the talents of five dynamic performers (individually recognised in their own right within their specific artistic spheres) for the first time, to bring to the stage the experience that is The Light Bulb Theory uniqueness.

Mo and her boys deliver dynamic R&B, soul, funk, blues and a touch of classic rock. **Friday** at the **Mullum Golf Club**. Tickets: \$10 entry – \$15 at the door (all entry proceeds going to Movember Foundation). Info – 0427 740 645 or www.mullumgolf.com.au.

CHOCOLATE, FOOD, MUSIC AND WINE

Ah, is there any better way to celebrate life than with the finer things? Celebrating one

year in Byron, Love Byron Bay, the artisan chocolate shop, are hosting a tasting with flamenco, paella and some vino! **Thursday** from 5.30pm, at **Love Byron Bay Alleyway** – Lawson St next to Spar Supermarket, Byron Bay.

FINDING YOUR TRIBE

A Tribe Called Red aims to challenge stereotypes about indigenous people by using video segments taken from pop culture (movies, cartoons) in order to poke fun of the racist imagery. They not only mix tradition with contemporary art via music and video, but also their dancers, who mix b-boy style with traditional hoop dancing. The JUNO award-winning Canadian collaborative featuring native producer/DJ crew famous for their experimental blend of instrumental hip-hop, reggae, electronic music and elements of first nations traditional drumming and chanting are producing a truly unique sound that's impacting on the global electronic scene and urban club culture. Their self-titled album, released in March 2012, was long-listed for Canada's prestigious Polaris Music Prize and included in the *Washington Post's* top 10 albums of the year. Since 2010 ATCR – currently made up DJ NDN, Bear Witness and 2oolman, have toured the globe performing at festivals such as Coachella, Bonnaroo, Made in America, Electric Forest, Osheaga, Squamish, Global Fest, AfroPunk Fest, Mad Decent Block Party, Jazz Fests (Montreal, New-Orleans, Winnipeg, Halifax, Saskatoon), TIFF, Shambala, Transmusicales de Rennes, The Great Escape and many more.

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♈ ARIES: The present fiery energy could trigger surges of verbal enthusiasm, which Uranus in your sign isn't much inclined to self-censoring. But it's highly advisable not to let your tongue run away with you, especially during the feisty first half of the week, when vivid opinions could alienate allies and support.

♉ TAURUS: It's easy to misread people or situations during this week's mixed and often contradictory signals – a spin cycle in which you might be called on for more than your fair share of peace-keeping. This week's brief is to counter seasonal frenzy with calming concepts like composure, cooperation and a cruisy attitude.

♊ GEMINI: This week's highly mutable climate flickers from delightful to demanding to downright difficult and back again. Glad tidings are lively spontaneity, fortuitous hookups, entertaining conversations, fiery delights and exciting invites, while the downside may trigger inexplicable dummy spits during volatile late-week full moon in your sign.

♋ CANCER: Energetic Aries moon kicks this week off with inflated expectations that could set you up for disappointment if late-week full moon doesn't supply what you hoped for. Enjoy the game play, as of course you will, but don't, as hopefully you won't, get inveigled into extravagant financial outlays.

♌ LEO: This week has legs, energy and plenty of optimistic ideas. Its astral emphasis in your house of creativity, pleasure and recreation suggests passionate interactions, plus a high likelihood of romance for unattached lions and lionesses when late-week full moon kicks off the season of merry madness and retail mayhem.

♍ VIRGO: This is an extremely mutable week, and you're a mutable sign. To save you from googling, *mutable* means variable, fluctuating, shifting, unpredictable, erratic, irregular, unsettled and chameleonic. Which suggests choosing the best then just forgetting the rest this week. And taking it really easy during late-week's edgy, argumentative full moon.

♎ LIBRA: As cosmopolitan influences expand your social parameters, personal Libran networks could get jammed with way too much information, a confusing overload of conflicting data and intel. The dual keys to navigating this avalanche are Simplify and Prioritise. Alluring distractions beckon, and of course you're not immune – just be choosy, Venusians.

♏ SCORPIO: Rumours, gossip, nattering and chitchatting, unsolicited opinions, endless speculation, non-stop yadda yadda... Don't take what people say this week too seriously, because it's mostly unedited thinking aloud. If November hasn't been all fun and frolics so far, the good news is this week's designed to revive your joie de vivre.

♐ SAGITTARIUS: As the sun and Mercury gallop into Sagittarius for your happy-birthday month, this week's beneficial cosmic geometry balances the challenges of Saturn, presently centred round your home zone. Get ready to think big picture, dance with unexpected developments and move on rather than hang on. Resist tendencies to vent, though.

♑ CAPRICORN: When this week's twisting, turning swings and roundabouts of existence rollercoast you from disappointment and disillusion to elation to frustration and back again, consider this: If life's turning you upside down and inside out, how do you know the new side isn't going to be better than the old one?

♒ AQUARIUS: With only another month of sleeps to the Big Event and seasonal lunacy on the ascendant, some of this week's people won't want to be bossed or crossed. They'll want space and lots of it. But Venus and Mars are lively and loving, and Uranus providing plenty of progressive, visionary playmates...

♓ PISCES: As dreamweaver Neptune takes a prominent place in Pisces, your honesty and integrity could meet a tough reality check. Will you trust your beliefs or follow the facts? Mental meanderings and misplaced sympathy aren't your most reliable allies this week. Focus instead on essentials that need your attention.

CULTURE



THE DROWSY CHAPERONE, AT THE BANGALOW A&I HALL THIS FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AND FRIDAY 4 DEC AND SUNDAY 6 DEC MATINEE

Friday 4 Dec from 7.30pm; Sunday 6 Dec – matinee from 2pm

BANGALOW WELCOMES NEW THEATRE COMPANY!

The recently formed **Bangalow Theatre Company** get ready to stage their first-ever major production *The Drowsy Chaperone* at the **Bangalow A&I Hall** this week.

Hailed by *New York* magazine as 'the perfect Broadway musical', *The Drowsy Chaperone*, with music and lyrics by Lisa Lambert and Greg Morrison, has won five Tony awards and is an affectionate parody of the American musical comedies of the jazz era. Featuring 20 cast members of actors ranging from ages 17 to 69, BTC fulfils its promise of fostering local talent with actors in the production hailing from Bangalow, Byron Bay, Mullumbimby, Lismore and Lennox Head. Earlybird tickets for *The Drowsy Chaperone* are just \$25 per person and are available now from BTC website (bangalowtheatre.com.au/tickets). The performance commences at 7.30pm with pre-show drinks and canapés available from 6.30pm. New shows added:

AMATORI BRING MUSIC TO MULLUM

Amatori Choir and Orchestra bring their 25-member classical choir and 12-member classical orchestra from all around the Byron Shire for a very special performance at **St John's School Hall in Mullumbimby, Saturday at 4pm**. It will feature beautiful Baroque music and a Michael Leunig poem set to music. Other works on offer are Faure's *Requiem* and Bach's *Concerto for Oboe, Flute and Orchestra*. A bonus for opera lovers is *Va Pensiero*, the well-loved *Chorus of the Hebrew Slaves* from a Verdi opera. Another bonus is that Ian's children's choir will sing as part of the Mullum concert. Tickets \$25 adult, \$15 concession, \$5 child. Tickets at the door.

THE CHANTING FESTIVAL

Just when you thought it wasn't possible for the Byron Shire to have one more festival we've done it again: **The Festival of Chant**. House of Bliss have been offering chanting evenings in Mullumbimby for more than



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three years. If you love an hour of chant, why not check in for the day! The festival begins at 11am, with continual chanting until 8pm. The musicians include our dedicated house band of Caroline Cowley, Sudeep, Dinesh, Erik and Armando, with local chanting artists joining forces during the day – including Amir Paiss, Sufi Soul Sangeet with Tahir Qawwal, Lou Vanstone, Sashini, Elias Harmony, Tarshito, Eltara, Rama, Lila Kirtana and Mal from Enchanted Kirtan and Amrita Devi with Shunya. This is a mandatory BYO-cushion event. **Sunday at St Martin's Hall in Mullum**, 11am–8pm. Tickets at the door – \$25/20 concession for the day.

ACTORS WANTED FOR THE TEMPEST

Lismore Theatre Company is calling for actors and singers to audition for Shakespeare's *The Tempest*, the company's contribution to the worldwide 400th Anniversary celebrations of the bard's death in 1616. Auditions for all roles will be held on **Saturday 5 December** from 10am at the **Rochdale Theatre**, Ballina Road, Lismore. To register for an audition please contact Jennie Hicks via email hicksanddickson@gmail.com or on 0431 958 991.

STEVE PHILP HEADLINES THE BIG GIG AT THE BALLINA RSL ON THURSDAY

GETTING IN THE SPIRIT

There's a new time and a familiar place, and new directions, for the 4th **Byron Spirit Festival** in 2016. Momentum is flowing since achieving a new sister event, **Hamptons Yogafest**, held in Long Island, New York, in September. Now our local gathering of the healthy, exploratory tribes returns with first-time and former world-class yogis, philosophers, healers, leaders, musicians, dancers, artists, and gourmards, keen to share their knowledge and inspire all comers to their greatest potential. The festival is seeking stallholders at this time, and all applications are via the website. Please visit the website, sign up for the newsletter, join **Byron Spirit Festival** on Twitter, Facebook, Instagram for special offers, and all updates on the Spirit Tribe's related activities and initiatives. Super earlybird tickets are now on sale, via the website: www.spiritfestival.com.au.

FROM CHILDREN'S THEATRE TO THE BIG GIG

Steve Philp may have started out in children's theatre – starring in



shows such as *Barney the Dinosaur* and *Blinky Bill*, *The Wiggles* and *The Dorothy the Dinosaur Show*, but eventually it was the twisted minds of adult audiences where he found his true calling. Moving into standup just less than a decade ago, Steve made the finals of competitions such as Triple J Raw and Green Faces and then quickly moved on the road touring the country for the last eight years with comedians such as Carl Barron, The Umbilical Brothers, Adam Hills and a number of international acts such as Arj Barker and Tom Green. He is the feature act at the **Ballina RSL's Big Gig** comedy night **this Thursday** at 8pm. MC is

Mandy Nolan and support is Paul McMahon!

JONATHAN ATHERTON IS BACK!

There is nothing like a **Jonathan Atherton** show – a relentless full-on comedy download. Atherton is a comedian made in the mould of greats like Robin Williams. Now a resident in Kuala Lumpur and known throughout Asia as The Laugh Guru, Atherton has worked his magic establishing the first-ever comedy clubs in KL, Cambodia and Vietnam. Fast on his feet, multi-lingual, multi-dimensional – and performing at the **Byron Services** on **Monday 21 December** with Mandy Nolan as MC and Anne Howe as support. Tix are limited and will sell fast. \$25 at the club or book on 6619 0529.



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This weekend's Mullum Music Festival was certainly something special, with the sun gods shining down and knock-out performances by the likes of Montaigne, Hein Cooper, Irish Mythen, We Two Thieves, All Our Exes Live in Texas, the quiet power of Jenn Grant, the lapsteel genius of Thomas Oliver (who also has a pretty impressive falsetto) and with the halls packed to capacity to hear the musical stylings of world-class songwriters Robert Forster

and Ron Sexsmith. The opening gala saw the passion and intensity of Arte Kanela bring people to their feet in a standing ovation and setting the tone for what was to come.

With a program boasting more than 80 acts it was impossible to see them all; instead you decided whether you wanted to dance or sit.

There was comedy, street theatre, buskers, food markets, brightly coloured double-decker

buses full of happy people... the town buzzed from morning to night.

The Mullum Music Festival has come of age, and she has found her voice.

And yes, I think there's no question: Mullum Music Festival is a girl! Mullum Music Festival 2015 was a celebration of the feminine - in men, in women, on the dancefloor and in the hearts of town that's not afraid of strong women!



cinema Reviews

BY JOHN CAMPBELL

THE HUNGER GAMES: MOCKINGJAY - PART 2

You know that an epic is running out of steam when the director resorts to a cheap thrill that is as superfluous as it is irrelevant. Well into the last stage of Katniss Everdeen's heroic opus (and anyone who seriously thinks that Hollywood has not taken to empowering women has either not seen many movies of late or is just not paying attention – I suspect the latter), her band of rebels are attacked in the subterranean tunnels of Panem by naked humanoid creatures with jaws of ferocious savagery. It's scary, for sure, and it provides an opportunity for the screenwriters to whittle down the number in Katniss's team (you can nearly always tell which soldiers will be killed, can't you), but other than that the sequence adds nothing to the story. The series in general has been good if patchy, with none of the three sequels able to match the first episode's balance of muscle and wit. Most notable, and dispiriting, is the darkness that has engulfed what is meant ostensibly to be a struggle for liberation

by the downtrodden from their Orwellian rulers (Donald Sutherland is fantastic as Snow, the cruel President with no conscience). There are even moments when Katniss (Jennifer Lawrence) herself seems bewildered, especially when the realisation that she is being cynically used as a PR tool by her own equally manipulative side leaves her with only revenge as a spur. It is, undeniably, horribly relevant. Casting a grievous shadow over the movie, though, was the carnage in Paris a week earlier. The fighting depicted in *Hunger Games* and its ilk (which is to say, most mainstream action flicks), accompanied by big music and fabulous CGI, is not so entertaining in real life. I winced a couple of times and felt sick at heart to think that punters flock to watch enactments of carnage. Surely violence, pretend or otherwise, begets violence? If for no other reason than out of respect for grieving humanity, the distributors – the industry – might have at least delayed the opening of their latest mega-death blockbuster.



SECRET IN THEIR EYES

At the end of *To Kill A Mockingbird*, Atticus and Judge Taylor decide between themselves that Boo Radley need not face the court after killing Bob Ewell. That we all agreed suggests that our hunger for summary justice remains a driving force under the thinnest veneer of civil proprieties. Billy Ray's re-working of Juan José Campanella's *El Secreto De Sus Ojos* (Oscar's best foreign-language film of 2010) explores the emotional and psychological crannies from which our actions might never be freed. It also asks a confronting question: should a blind eye be turned on one crime if it jeopardises the prevention of another? The story starts in the present day. After working as an investigator in New York, Ray (Chiwetel Ejiofor), returns to the LAPD where, after thirteen years, he is reunited with Jess (Julia Roberts), a detective, and Claire (Nicole Kidman), who is now a DA. The ghastly crime that haunts them still is the 2002 rape and murder of Jess's daughter. At the time, Ray had identified the killer

but was unable to nail him because the suspect was protected as a snitch working undercover at a mosque thought to harbour potential terrorists. Ray believes that he has relocated his man and enlists the other two in his pursuit of him. Cinephiles are usually hard-wired to tell you that any American cover of a European (or in this case Argentinian) movie is never as good, but it's not always so. Billy Ray has taken liberties with the plot and cast of characters but remains faithful to the original, even replicating a scene of essential light relief when Ray and his buddy are chased by a little dog down a witness's hallway. He is, however, unable to recreate the smouldering passion of the two leads – Ejiofor and Kidman are a mismatch – but the context of 9/11 is a smart twist and the conclusion, harking back as it does to Atticus and the Judge's discussion, can be seen as unacceptable or entirely appropriate, depending on how high the horse is that you want to get onto.

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THURSDAY 26

- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, BYRON **LAGWAGON, FLATLINERS, MIXTAPE FOR THE DRIVE**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON 7PM **THE PROPELLERS**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 8.30PM **METHOD**
- BYRON FARMERS MARKET 8AM **DINKUM BOHOS**
- BYRON FRESH **JOCK BARNES**
- BYRON THEATRE 6PM **DANCING ON SACRED LAND**
- BYRON YOUTH CENTRE 7PM **YOGA RAVE WITH CHLOE**
- LOVE BYRON BAY 5.30PM **ARTISAN CHOCOLATE TASTING & FLAMENCO**
- WOODY'S SURF SHACK, BYRON 9PM **DJ PEBBLES**
- TREEHOUSE, BELONGIL 7.30PM **ALLENSWORTH**
- COORABELL HALL 7PM **CARIAD & GUESTS**
- BANGALOW HOTEL 7PM **ME BAIRD**
- CLUB MULLUM 6.30PM **UKE FAVS FROM 2015 WITH MISS AMBER & STUKULELE**
- COURT HOUSE HOTEL, MULLUMBIMBY 6.30PM **DEIDI VINE & GUESTS**
- BALLINA TWILIGHT MARKET 4PM **MATT DAY**
- BALLINA RSL 8PM **BIG GIG WITH STEVE PHILP, PAUL MCMAHON, MANDY NOLAN**
- TATTS HOTEL, LISMORE 6.30PM **COLE COX LOVEJOY**
- CHINDERAH TAVERN 6PM **PINK ZINC**

- DUST TEMPLE, CURRUMBIN 6.30PM **DINKUM BOHOS**

FRIDAY 27

- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, BYRON **JIMMY THE SAINT & THE SINNERS, THE MOONLIGHT SOCIETY, WASH, DJ TAYA MILLS**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON 7PM **ALLENSWORTH**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 5PM **JOHN & MAX FOG 9PM BOOM FAYA**
- BYRON BREWERY 5PM **BYRON VIBES JAM**
- BYRON THEATRE 8.30PM **MUSIC OF THE MYSTICS: SUFI QAWWALI**
- BYRON FRESH **PARISSA BOUAS DUO**
- WOODY'S SURF SHACK, BYRON 8PM **DON VITALE WITH GALLUS, LEEZE THE KID, GRATIS MINDS, NICKY SWAMP**
- TREEHOUSE, BELONGIL 7.30PM **BEN WILSON BAND**
- PIZZA PARADISO, SUFFOLK PARK 7PM **DINKUM BOHOS WITH TRIPLE NIP**
- SUN BISTRO, SUNRISE 5PM **GREG KEW**
- BANGALOW A&I HALL 7.30PM **THE DROWSY CHAPERONE**
- BANGALOW HOTEL 7.30PM **HITMAN HARDING**
- BRUNSWICK HOTEL 7PM **SCOTT DAY-VEE**
- MULLUMBIMBY FARMERS MARKET 8AM **MARK RIDOUT**
- DURRUMBUL HALL, MULLUMBIMBY 6PM **LIGHTBODY 5 DJS**

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- MULLUMBIMBY GOLF CLUB 7.30PM **LIGHT BULB THEORY WITH MOHINI COX & GUY KACHEL**
- OCEAN SHORES COUNTRY CLUB **ADAM BROWN & PETER WILKINS**
- LENNOX HOTEL 9.30PM **CAMELTONES**
- WHARF BAR, BALLINA 6PM **MTD MUSIC**
- BALLINA PLAYERS THEATRE 8PM **BIG RIVER**
- BALLINA RSL 8.30PM **THE UNFORGIVEN BAND**
- ELTHAM HOTEL 7PM **CHRIS ARONSTEN**
- UKI HALL 8PM **GLO DANCE WITH THE BOMBAY ROYALE & DJ DANCING TIGER**
- TATTS HOTEL, LISMORE 5PM **KAYZA K 8PM AMBLESIDE, PRIDE LANDS**
- KINGSCLIFF HOTEL 7PM **STU HARCOURT**
- KINGSCLIFF SURF CLUB 6.30PM **CORY HARGREAVES**
- SALTBAR, KINGSCLIFF 8.30PM **JON J BRADLEY**
- CHINDERAH TAVERN 6PM **NICOLE BROPHY**
- RIVERVIEW HOTEL, MURWILLUMBAH 7.30PM **MESCALITO BLUES**
- PHOENIX RISING, NIMBIN 5.30PM **JOLANDA MOYLE**
- NIMBIN BUSH THEATRE 7.30PM **A HEAVENLY VINTAGE**
- CONDONG BOWLING CLUB 7.30PM **TWEED VALLEY JAZZ CLUB**
- TWIN TOWNS JUNIORS, TWEED HEADS 5PM **DAVE CAVANAGH**
- COOLANGATTA SANDS HOTEL 8.30PM **EUREKA FUNK**

SATURDAY 28

- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, BYRON **INFECTED MUSHROOM, ELEMENTALS**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON 7PM **RUMBLEFISH**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 9PM **RHYTHM & CUTLOOSE**
- BYRON PRIMARY SCHOOL MARKET 8AM **PAT TIERNEY & LADY WRITER**
- BYRON ARTISAN MARKET 4PM **VENGA FLAMENCA**
- BYRON BREWERY 4PM **PALMS TRAX**
- BYRON FRESH **LOS ROSANO**
- WOODY'S SURF SHACK, BYRON 9PM **DJ ADRIAN BRANDELLO**
- TREEHOUSE, BELONGIL 7.30PM **JESSE TAYLOR**
- MUSIC WAREHOUSE, BYRON A&I **PLTS**
- PIZZA PARADISO, SUFFOLK PARK 7PM **JORDAN MCROBBIE**
- BANGALOW A&I HALL 7.30PM **THE DROWSY CHAPERONE**
- BANGALOW HOTEL 7.30PM **BELLA MARIE**
- BRUNSWICK HOTEL 7PM **METHOD**
- SOUNDSHELL, BRUNSWICK HEADS 9PM **UNITED PATRIOTS MISSING A FRONTAL LOBE WILL GATHER DRAPED IN FLAGS. WORST. SUPERHEROES. EVER**
- LULU'S, MULLUMBIMBY 11AM **DALI**
- ST JOHN'S SCHOOL, MULLUMBIMBY 4PM **AMATORI CHOIR**
- CLUB MULLUM 8PM **COURAGE TO CARE: PUTTING HOPE INTO ACTION**
- CLUB LENNOX 7.30PM **MOVEMBER POKER FUNDRAISER**
- LENNOX HOTEL 9.30PM **BETTY BLISSETT**
- BALLINA RSL 6.30PM **DAN HANNAFORD**
- WHARF BAR, BALLINA 7.30PM **JOSH LEE HAMILTON**
- BALLINA PLAYERS THEATRE 8PM **BIG RIVER**
- ALSTONVILLE FARMERS MARKET 9AM **JAMES PALMER**
- ROCHDALE THEATRE, LISMORE 2PM & 6.30PM **BAH HUMBUG! A DICKENS PANTOMIME**
- LISMORE CITY HALL **A TRIBE CALLED RED**
- MARY G'S, LISMORE 9.30PM **PINK ZINC**
- SHEOAK SHACK, FINGAL HEAD 2PM **PHIL BROMMERS 7PM THE FLUMES**
- KINGSCLIFF HOTEL 7PM **RICHIE WILLIAMS DUO**
- CHINDERAH TAVERN 2.30PM **JASON DELPHIN**

- PHOENIX RISING, NIMBIN 1PM **COAST & OCEAN**
- SOUTH TWEED SPORTS CLUB 3PM **JAZZ 8PM ROUND MOUNTAIN GIRLS**
- TWIN TOWNS, TWEED HEADS 8PM **WICKETY WAK**
- COOLANGATTA SANDS HOTEL 8.30PM **ADAM BROWN & JACOB MANN**

SUNDAY 29

- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, BYRON **DAN HANNAFORD**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON 7PM **FRANK SULTANA & THE SINISTER KIDS**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 4.30PM **SQUEAK LEMAIRE 8PM FIRST BASE**
- BYRON BREWERY 3PM **GROOVE**
- BYRON FRESH **LADY WRITER**
- BYRON GOLF CLUB 4PM **FERGO & THE BURDEN**
- BYRON SERVICES CLUB 4PM **THE FERAMONES**
- GINGER PIG, BYRON 4PM **SUNDAY SESSIONS**
- TREEHOUSE, BELONGIL 2.30PM **DJ EVA J & FRIENDS**
- SUN BISTRO, SUNRISE 5PM **JESSE MORRIS**
- BANGALOW MARKET 10AM **THE ROMANIACS**
- BANGALOW BOWLING CLUB 3.30PM **BECCY COLE**
- BANGALOW HOTEL 3PM **SUNDAZE SESSION**
- BANGALOW PUBLIC SCHOOL 4PM **AMATORI CHOIR**
- BRUNSWICK HOTEL 4PM **ALLENSWORTH & CC THE CAT**
- ST MARTINS HALL, MULLUMBIMBY 11AM **HOUSE OF BLISS COMMUNITY CHANTING**
- CLUB LENNOX 4PM **BEN PURNELL**
- WILLIAMSBURG RESTAURANT, LENNOX HEAD **ROD MURRAY**
- WHARF BAR, BALLINA 3PM **NICK CUNNINGHAM**
- BALLINA PLAYERS THEATRE 2PM **BIG RIVER**
- ELTHAM HOTEL 2PM **CHARLIE KELLER**
- RIVERVIEW HOTEL, MURWILLUMBAH 3PM **CHANA WATERS**
- ROCHDALE THEATRE, LISMORE 2PM & 6.30PM **BAH HUMBUG! A DICKENS PANTOMIME**
- SPHINX ROCK, MT BURRELL 1PM **METHOD**
- KINGSCLIFF HOTEL 3PM **MARHAZE WITH DAN HANNAFORD**

- CHINDERAH TAVERN 2PM **EUREKA FUNK**
- PHOENIX RISING, NIMBIN 10AM **SONIC BLISS 1PM THE FLUMES**
- TWIN TOWNS JUNIORS, TWEED HEADS 2.30PM **VANYA**
- COOLANGATTA SANDS HOTEL 4PM (Q) **TROMBONE KELLIE & THE MUDDY ROADERS**

MONDAY 30

- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, BYRON **FERGO**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON 7PM **JON J BRADLEY**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 9PM **TEDDY CREAM & GUESTS**
- BYRON BREWERY 8PM **4'20' SOUND**
- BYRON FRESH **SCOTT DAY-VEE**
- WOODY'S SURF SHACK, BYRON 9PM **DJ OVAL**
- DRILL HALL, MULLUMBIMBY 10AM **OUTSPOKEN!**

TUESDAY 1

- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, BYRON **OOZ**
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- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 8PM **OPEN MIC**
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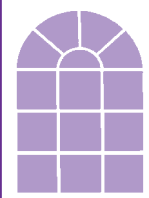
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3rd SUN Ballina	6687 4328	Each SAT 8-11am Bangalow	6687 1137
		Each SAT 8am-1pm Uki	6679 5530

☉ Third quarter	December 3	18:41
☾ New moon	December 11	21:30
☽ First quarter	December 19	02:15
☀ Full moon	December 25	22:12

DECEMBER 2015 Astronomical data and tides							
Day of month	Sun rise	Sun set	Moon rise	Moon set	High tide, height (m)	Low tide, height (m)	
1	T	0540	1929	2355	1031	0104,1.29; 1259,1.62	0639,0.62; 1945,0.45
2	W	0540	1920		1125	0157,1.26; 1346,1.50	0731,0.69; 2034,0.50
3	T	0540	1930	0033	1218	0251,1.26; 1439,1.41	0830,0.73; 2124,0.54
4	F	0540	1931	0108	1310	0348,1.29; 1537,1.35	0935,0.75; 2214,0.55
5	S	0540	1932	0142	1401	0443,1.34; 1639,1.31	1044,0.73; 2302,0.54
6	S	0540	1932	0216	1451	0533,1.41; 1737,1.31	1146,0.67; 2347,0.52
7	M	0540	1933	0250	1543	0619,1.49; 1830,1.32	1242,0.60
8	T	0540	1934	0325	1635	0700,1.57; 1916,1.34	0030,0.50; 1330,0.53
9	W	0540	1935	0403	1728	0740,1.64; 2000,1.35	0108,0.48; 1411,0.45
10	T	0540	1935	0444	1822	0816,1.71; 2041,1.37	0145,0.47; 1450,0.39
11	F	0541	1936	0529	1916	0854,1.76; 2122,1.38	0223,0.45; 1530,0.34
12	S	0541	1937	0617	2009	0932,1.81; 2204,1.38	0301,0.45; 1609,0.30
13	S	0541	1937	0710	2101	1013,1.83; 2248,1.38	0342,0.45; 1650,0.28
14	M	0541	1938	0806	2150	1055,1.82; 2334,1.37	0426,0.46; 1733,0.28
15	T	0542	1939	0905	2237	1139,1.79	0512,0.49; 1819,0.30
16	W	0542	1939	1005	2321	0025,1.37; 1227,1.73	0603,0.52; 1909,0.32
17	T	0542	1940	1106		0118,1.37; 1318,1.66	0700,0.56; 2001,0.34
18	F	0543	1941	1207	0003	0216,1.39; 1416,1.58	0801,0.58; 2057,0.37
19	S	0543	1941	1309	0044	0317,1.44; 1522,1.50	0912,0.59; 2154,0.38
20	S	0544	1942	1411	0125	0420,1.51; 1631,1.45	1027,0.56; 2251,0.38
21	M	0544	1942	1514	0208	0520,1.61; 1741,1.42	1140,0.50; 2347,0.37
22	T	0545	1943	1618	0252	0617,1.71; 1845,1.42	1247,0.41
23	W	0545	1943	1721	0340	0711,1.80; 1944,1.43	0040,0.36; 1347,0.32
24	T	0546	1944	1823	0430	0802,1.88; 2037,1.43	0131,0.36; 1441,0.25
25	F	0546	1944	1921	0524	0851,1.92; 2128,1.43	0220,0.37; 1530,0.22
26	S	0547	1944	2015	0621	0938,1.92; 2215,1.41	0308,0.39; 1616,0.22
27	S	0547	1945	2104	0718	1022,1.89; 2301,1.39	0354,0.42; 1700,0.25
28	M	0548	1945	2149	0816	1104,1.82; 2345,1.36	0439,0.47; 1741,0.30
29	T	0549	1946	2229	0912	1145,1.73	0523,0.53; 1821,0.37
30	W	0549	1946	2306	1007	0029,1.34; 1224,1.62	0607,0.59; 1900,0.43
31	T	0550	1946	2342	1100	0113,1.32; 1304,1.52	0653,0.65; 1941,0.49

Times have been adjusted for Daylight Saving.
Time lags: Ballina Boat Dock: 15 min; Byron Bay: nil;
Brunswick River Hwy Bridge: high 30 min, low 1 hr;
Mullumbimby: 1 hr 10 min; Billinudgel: 3 hr 55 min;
Chinderah: high 1 hr 15 min, low 2 hr; Terranora Inlet: high 2 hr 10 min, low 2 hr 25 min; Murwillumbah: high 2 hr 30 min, low 2 hr 50 min. Tides in bold indicate high tide of 1.7m or more and low tide of 0.3m or less.
Data courtesy of the National Tidal Centre.



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The information sessions will be held at the following locations:

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- **Ballina** – Wednesday, 25 November 2015 (Ballina Surf Club)
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- **Kiama** – Tuesday, 1 December 2015 (The Pavilion)
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Passed away peacefully surrounded by
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Heroic effort by youth league

Story & photo Dogwhistle

Down several key players for last Thursday's round of the Summer Youth League, Byron Bay's SAE-Qantm boys struggled to find their rhythm – and the Goonellabah net.

Goonellabah, fighting hard with only nine players, put in an heroic performance and led the young Rams for much of the game.

It was only after their keeper was injured and the Hornets were reduced to eight players that Byron's player/coach Ben Ahern managed two quick goals to even the score.

It was yet another frustrating result for the Byron boys whose on-field performances are not reflected in the competition ladder.

Full credit to Goonellabah for a courageous perfor-



The Rams defend their goal against a determined Hornets attack.

mance and to Byron's Johnny Manitta for his outstanding display of sportsmanship toward the injured keeper.

After a week off, the Wildcats girls take on Lismore Thistles this Friday at Ewingdale, kicking off at 6.30pm.

The Byron boys will be looking for a better result against Thistles, with their match at 8pm.

Girls like playing soccer best

More girls now playing soccer than netball says sport survey.

Over the last 12 months, soccer has overtaken swimming as the most popular sporting activity among Australian kids, with one in two children aged 6–13 now playing the Beautiful Game.

Furthermore, the latest findings from the Roy Morgan Research Young Australians Survey reveal that, for the first time, more girls are now playing soccer than netball.

Back in June 2014, 50 per cent of Aussie kids (or 1,213,000 children) reported going swimming, ahead of 47 per cent (1,136,000) who said they played soccer.

Since then, soccer has gained an extra 108,000 young players, to hit a 50 per cent participation rate (1,244,000); while swimming participation has fallen by 32,000 kids and now sits at 48 per cent.

While more Aussie kids

are also taking part in athletics, cricket, netball and Australian Rules football than they were 12 months ago, the increases for these sports are negligible when compared with the boom in soccer participation.

But soccer's rise is not simply the result of more boys playing it: it is becoming increasingly popular with girls as well. So much so, in fact, that a higher proportion of Australian girls (39%) now play soccer than netball (37%), a sport traditionally associated with girls.

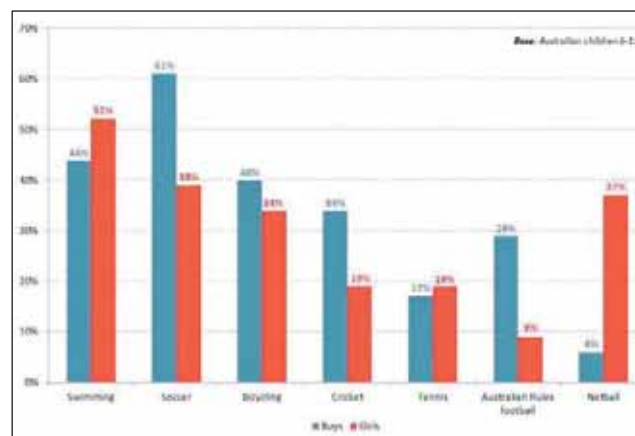
Hugh Amoyal, deputy CEO of Roy Morgan Research, said that despite the fact that the average time spent by Australian children playing sport each week has declined as they spend more time on the internet, it is encouraging to see that soccer participation has increased so substantially year on year for boys and girls.

'Roy Morgan Research data show that team sports have a positive effect on the mental health of adults who play them,' says Mr Morgan, 'so it makes sense that children would experience the same benefits. The social bonding that comes from being part of a team and the endorphin rush arising from such a physical sport are not limited to any particular age, after all.'

'The rise in participation among Australian girls

Kids 6-13		
	%	('000)
Soccer	50%	1244
Swimming	48%	1181
Bicycling	37%	916
Athletics/Track	32%	797
Basketball	31%	760
Dancing	30%	736
Cricket	26%	651
Netball	21%	514
Australian Rules Football	19%	474
Gymnastics	18%	444

Ten most popular sports among Australian children 6–13



Key sports played by children 6–13

is particularly interesting, with more girls now playing soccer than the traditionally female-oriented sport of netball. Whether this is because of the "Matildas effect", changing physical education programs in Australian schools, or a mixture of both is yet to be determined, but it is a step towards a more gender-balanced approach to sport.

'For sporting organisations and educators seek-

ing further insights into the sporting habits of Aussie kids, the Young Australians Survey from Roy Morgan Research is an ideal starting point, containing comprehensive data on the leisure activities of children aged 6–13, and how they are evolving.'

■ Graphs source: Roy Morgan Young Australians Survey, July 2014 – June 2015 (n=2,622). Base: Australian children aged 6–13.

Inaugural forum for coaches and athletes

AIS director Matt Favier said the recent inaugural AIS Coach and Athlete Forum was so well received by attendees and sporting organisations that it would now become a regular event.

'This was the first time a get-together of this nature – where the world of high-performance coaches and athletes was the primary focus – has ever happened,' said Favier. 'Owing to the success of the inaugural forum, we at the AIS look forward to holding this event on a regular basis.'

The forum was designed specifically for Australia's podium and podium-potential athletes and coaches to share their experiences, and expand their leadership capability.

'Under Australia's Winning Edge strategy the AIS has sharpened its focus on developing coaches and leaders in the sport sector through the new AIS Centre for Performance Coaching and Leaders,' said Favier.

'We wanted athletes and coaches from all different sports to get together and exchange ideas experiences and performance insights.'

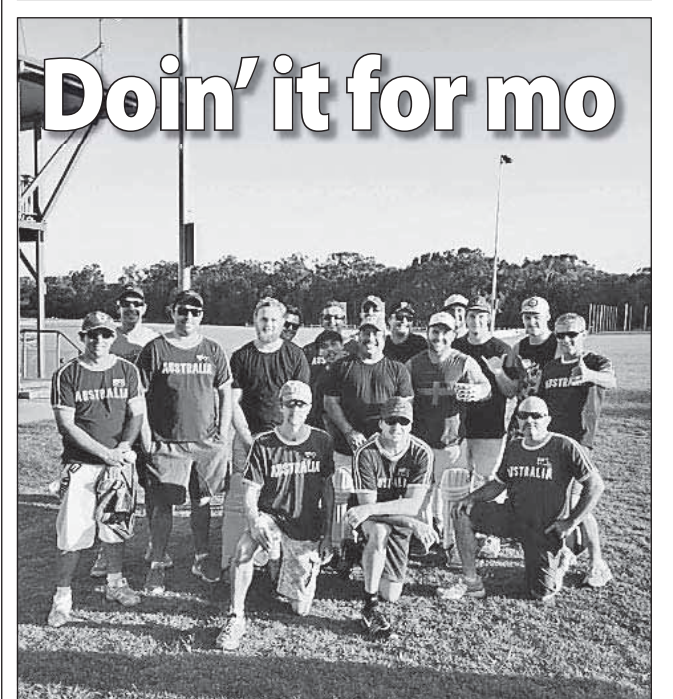
'The Centre, in partnership with the AIS's athlete-focused Personal Excellence section,

provided the perfect conduit for coaches and athletes to learn.' Athletes attending the conference included Australian cyclists Anna Meares, Jack Bobridge, Glenn O'Shea and Alex Edmonson, cycling coach Gary West, decorated hockey coach Ric Charlesworth, diver Matthew Mitcham, skier Laura Peel, boxer Shelley Watts and Australian cricketers Ellyse Perry and Meg Lanning. Former Australian netball captain Liz Ellis was the MC at the forum.

There were also representatives from AFL and NRL clubs along with delegates from athletics, canoeing, swimming, rowing, netball, basketball, gymnastics and surfing.

Australian track cycling champion Anna Meares was confident the experience would be beneficial for the Australian sports sector.

'We have some of the most successful athletes in the world in Australian high-performance programs in association with the AIS and, as a result of that, some of the best coaches in the world,' she said. 'To share our experiences as individuals and as a collective is really important and can only boost our teams in the future.'



The final of the Movember Brunz Big Bash is on this Friday night at Stan Thompson Oval, Brunswick Heads, starting at 6pm, between the Black Salmon Roosters and the Ocean Shores Clubbers. Each Friday during Movember funds are being raised by these brave folk for charity.

Way, way too much fun has been had by all during what has been a hard-fought if short series, which has seen the top two teams qualify for the final.

Come along for some fun and see the crash hitters such as Robbie (Crazy) Goodacre, Todd (Butters) Arthur and Nathan (Big Willy) Williams while also savouring the more subtle exponents of world cricket with the likes of Deano (The Poet) Trevaskis and Kenny (The Buck) Belso.

There'll be the world's best sausages from our friends at Salumi, refreshments, and iceblocks for the kids.

The fun starts at Stan Thompson Oval at 6pm.



On The Horizon

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Email copy marked 'On The Horizon' to editor@echo.net.au.

Bay Market

The Bay Market Saturday 28 November at the Byron Bay Public School 8am-3pm. The Byron Community Centre is partnering with the Byron Bay Public School P&C to raise funds for the school. Please leave dogs at home.

Regular As Clockwork

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Connect Up

Mullumbimby & District Neighbourhood Centre is hosting Koori Murri Goori Connect Up, a time to reflect on sharing experiences of doing creative work, energising oneself. For info call Robin 0459 962 428.

#StartupByron

#StartupByron Un-Networking meets the first Thursday of every month, focused on connecting anyone interested in startups or small biz. See http://www.startinno.com/events/2015/5/7/startupbyron-un-networking.

Respite Service

Byron Shire Respite Service Inc delivers high-quality respite care to a broad range of clients throughout the Byron, Ballina and Lismore shires. Donations welcome: Ph 6685 1921, email fundraiser@byronrespite.com.au, website: www.byronrespite.com.au.

Mamas' Support Group

The Byron Mamas' Support Group meets at Red Tent Yoga, Byron industrial estate, during term time. More info on Facebook.

Meditation

Tuesday Insight Meditation with Radha Nicholson, Ellen Davison and others. Weekly at The Yurt Temple Byron, 7.15-9pm. All welcome. Evening supported by dana (donation). **Buddhist meditation** teaching and practice now at the Living Yoga Sanga, first floor, 63 Stuart Street, Mullumbimby, 6-7.30pm, Mondays. Contact Mishaela on 0438 858 842 or mishaela@si.org.au. **Dzogchen Study Group** - 4th Saturday of each month at Brunswick Heads Community Centre. Contact Katie 0417 798 726 or qld@shenpenaustralia.org for more info. **One-hour guided meditation** 12-1pm, Wednesday and Thursday. All levels welcome - www.yogapeace.com.au.

Landcare

Bangalow Land and Rivercare working bee every Saturday 8.30-10.30am. See www.bangalowlandcare.org.au or call Liz 6687 1309.

Bangalow CWA

Bangalow CWA invites women of all ages to join us for craft and friendship on Wednesdays from 9.30am to 2pm or the 2nd Monday of every month 5-7pm. Phone Di 0412 376 034 for further info.

Craft group

The Uniting Craft & Social Group meets every Monday 9.30am-2.30pm at the Uniting Church in Carlyle Street, Byron Bay. Come and chat, enjoy a cuppa, the company and your craft. Bring lunch and whatever else you need. All welcome. Do you prefer patchwork and quilting? Come along

Climate March

Global Peoples' Climate March Sunday 29 Nov at 10am, music then speeches in Railway Park. The march to the beach kicks off at 11.15am. Volunteers register at paulmclisky@gmail.com.

CASPA Foster Care

People interested in becoming foster carers have the chance to take part in a free and accredited intro training at CASPA on 5, 6 December in Lismore. For more info please call 6627 3700 or email fostercare@caspa.asn.au.

BEC AGM

Byron Environment Centre AGM on Thursday 3 December at 2pm at the Cumbebin Wetland Sanctuary in

on Monday evening same place at 6pm. Enquiries Tilly 6685 5985.

Bush School

Each Thursday during term time the Brunswick Bush School takes kids 6-13 years out into the bush to learn, grow and connect with each other. Facebook: Brunswick Bush School and email: brunsbushschool@gmail.com.

Museums

Brunswick Valley Historical Society Inc Museum at corner of Myocum & Stuart Sts Mullumbimby open every Friday 10am-12 noon and market Saturdays 9am-1pm. Discover your local history. **Bangalow Museum & Tea Room** open Wednesday-Friday, 10am-3pm, cnr of Ashton & Deacon Sts, Bangalow. Volunteers sought - please contact the museum 6687 2183.

Drug support groups

Call **Alcoholics Anonymous** 1800 423 431 or 0401 945 671 - 30 meetings a week in the shire - www.aa.org.au. Are you concerned about the alcohol or drug use of someone close to you? **Support meetings** every Tuesday 7-9pm Byron Bay, upstairs at 75 Jonson Street (stairs beside Westpac bank). Phone Jane 0410 494 933. **Narcotics Anonymous** is a fellowship of men and women for whom drugs had become a major problem. We are recovering addicts who meet regularly to help each other stay clean. For information and meetings call 6680 7280.

Toddler Time

Song and dance fun for 2-4-year-olds, Mondays 9.30-11am, Mullum Neighbourhood Centre. Donation. Enq: 6684 1286.

Men's Groups

Complete Men has regular fortnightly men's groups on different nights in both Byron and Mullum. Call Tim Fisk 0422 508 533.

End-of-life choices

Voluntary euthanasia options are discussed at meetings held quarterly on the Gold Coast. Phone Elaine 55808215

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, or to advise how it might be done.

Rainbow Dragons

Rainbow Dragons Abreast (RDA) welcomes breast cancer survivors for a paddle at Lake Ainsworth, Lennox Head, on Sundays 7.30 for 8am start. Info Marian 6688 4058, mazzertiz010@gmail.com.

Low-cost food

Food Box Thursdays 9.30-11.30am at Uniting Church, Mullumbimby. If you have any sort of Centrelink card you may purchase cheap food, obtain free veges, and enjoy a cuppa. C3 Care **Byron Bay Food Care** - log on to www.c3byronbay.com to see if you are eligible, or call 6680 8872.

Carers' support

Mullumbimby Mental Health Carers' Support Group for family members

Byron Bay (behind the market site). Everyone is invited to attend. For more information call 6687 1538.

Byron Sophia

Byron Sophia Philosophical Group: The Storm before the Calm, presented by Julia Williams, astrologer, Thursday 26 November, 1-3pm, at Masonic Centre, Byron Bay. Info: Celia 6684 3623.

A Meeting for Being

Zazen-Mindfulness and Self-Inquiry, Sundays 29 Nov, 6 Dec and 13 Dec, 11am-12.30 pm, Cook Pioneer Hall, 10 Gordon St, Mullumbimby.

U3A Ballina/Byron

At our meeting on 1/12/15 at 10am in the Mullumbimby RSL, Ruth Winton-

and friends who have a loved one with a mental health issue. Meeting on 4th Thursday of each month 9.30am at the Mullumbimby Neighbourhood Centre. Info: Leanne 0409 818 643.

Toastmasters

Byron Cavanbah Toastmasters practise public speaking and leadership through our community-run course. Meetings coaching in communication and self-development run on 1st and 3rd Mondays, 6.40pm at Byron Services Club, Byron Bay; www.byronbaytoastmasters.org. **MullumMagic Toastmasters** meet 2nd, 4th and 5th Mondays at 7pm, Presbyterian Church Hall in Mullum. Please call Satcha 0402 134 390 for more info.

Op shops

Uniting Church Op Shop, Dalley St, Mullumbimby - open each Saturday 8am-12 noon. **Byron Bay Anglican Op Shop** opens Monday to Friday 9am-1pm. Volunteers needed. Enq Jeni: 6685 7816 or 0439 344 281. **Anglican Church Mullumbimby Op Shop** opens Monday to Friday 9am-4.30pm, Saturday 9.30am-12.30pm. Volunteers needed, enq Liz 6684 2622 nights.

Bangalow CWA

Bangalow CWA invites anyone who is interested in learning how to knit, crochet or embroider to join us on Wednesdays 9am-2pm or the second Monday of every month 5-7pm. Rooms 6687 0617 or Di Campbell 6685 4694.

Town Choir

Mullum's Biggest Little Town Choir meets weekly at the Timber Slab factory, Jubilee Ave, Thursdays at 6.30pm. Newcomers welcome.

CoDA

Co-dependents Anonymous (CoDA) is a worldwide network of groups of men and women learning how to

Brown and Alison Hope will present a poetry session on the theme 'Travel and Poetry'. All welcome. Enquiries 6680 7350.

Lamington Drive

Lamington Drive St Paul's Anglican Church, 14 Kingsley St Byron Bay. Delivery Date: Friday 11 December. Final Orders: 4 December. Orders can be placed by phoning Sue on 6685 3680.

End-of-life choices

Voluntary euthanasia options are discussed at meetings held quarterly on the Gold Coast. Elaine 5580 8215.

Bushdancing

Bushdancing with caller and live band Hide The Potato, Sunday 29 November

develop and maintain healthy and fulfilling relationships. For more information visit www.codependentsanonymous.org.au or phone 9281 3330.

Liberation Larder

The charity that collects, cooks and distributes nutritious food to more than 450 people a week in the Byron Shire needs more volunteers in a variety of roles. Please contact Helen 0439 409 655 or visit liberationlarder.org.

Byron Flea

Fun community market held at the YAC (Gilmore Crescent) on the second Saturday of the month 8am-1pm. Secondhand, antiques, vintage clothes, free children's activities.

Nature Walk

A two hour walk with Eugene around the Brunswick river talking about the flora and fauna of the area, identifying edible plants of our region, 9.30 sharp every Thursday morning leaving from the Mullumbimby & District Neighbourhood Centre.

ManTime

Calling all fellas who as a boy or man went on a Pathways, Making Men or Men2B Rite of Passage camp: weekly Monday night men's group 7-9.30pm at the CWA Hall Mullum. Email man-time.mullum@gmail.com or call Karim 0403 755 192.

Gnosis

Introductory classes into the Gnostic Mysteries on every Monday night in Byron. Phone 0412 020 234.

Al-Anon

Al-Anon Family Groups met weekly at Bangalow Fridays 2pm. 1300 252 666 www.al-anon.alateen.org/australia

Carers Community Group

Presented by Womens Health Forum 2nd Thursday of each month 1-2.30pm

ments of his life, and also had second seed Ly in trouble before grabbing one pawn too many.

Albert Winkelman, another ACT junior, was ranked third last at the start of the tournament yet finished clear fourth, a stunning performance

Queensland's Ly viewed the tournament as a warm-up for his coming European tour where he will go hunting for the two world-class results he needs for the Grandmaster title.

Smirnov's best game came in the third round against the tournament's third seed, Junta Ikeda. Tuggeranong Vikings Open 2015

White: J Ikeda
Black: A Smirnov
Opening: Larsen's Opening
1.b3 d5 2.Bb2 Nf6 3.e3 g6 4.Bxf6! exf6 5.d4 A plan made popular recently by Georgian maverick Baadur Jobava. 5...f5 6.g3 Nd7 7.Ne2 Nf6 8.Bg2 h5! 9.h4 The immediate 9.c4 is more testing for Black. 9...Bg7 10.c4 0-0 11.Nbc3 dxc4 12.bxc4 c5! 13.0-0 Be6 14.Qa4 cxd4 15.exd4! After 15.Nxd4 the position is balanced. 15...Rc8! 16.Qxa7? Too greedy, though 16.c5 Nd5 17.Rad1 Nxc3 18.Nxc3 f4! is promising for Black. 16...Bxc4 17.Qxb7 f4! 18.Bh3 Rc7 19.Qf3 fxg3 20.Qxg3 20.fxg3 is no better in view of 20...Re8 21.Rf2 Ne4, winning material. 20...Re7! 21.Nf4 21.Rfe1 Rfe8 also leaves White hopelessly tied up. 21...Bxf1 22.Rxf1 Ne4 0-1

2.30-4.30 in Brunswick RSL Hall, behind Caltex. Last chance this year. Enquiries Court 6685 0072.

ART Cube

Byron Shire Council Building, Mullumbimby, until 30 November, a display of Australian stockwhips made by Tony Nugent.

Free Buddhist meditation

At Santos Heartspace in Mullumbimby Tuesdays 7pm till 9pm. Also in the Yurt at Temple in Byron Wednesdays 7.20-9.20pm. Info 0423 241 916 or www.templebyron.com.

U3A Brunswick Valley

Tues 8 December 10am-noon at the Uniting Church Hall, Fingal St,

Enwingsdale Hall. Info: Yasmin 0437 886 424, whfcareresgroup@gmail.com.

Sex & Love Addicts Anon

Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous

Brunswick Heads. Des Wann presents 'A Potpourri of Performances', a wonderful mix of classical and jazz artists. Phone 6685 1732.

Ballina Camera Club

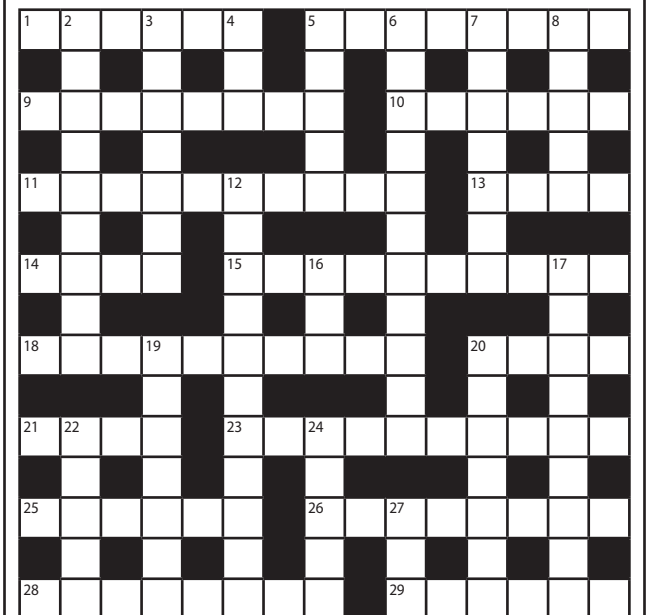
Ballina Camera Club digital and print meeting Thursday 26 November, 6.30pm at the Kentwell Community Centre. Enquiries Mark 6686 6915.

Art gallery subs

Artists are invited to submit an Expression of Interest to present exhibitions at the Mullumbimby Community Art Gallery (Gallery @ The Drill Hall) for available dates in 2016. Applications close 1 December. Info: mullum.potters@yahoo.com.au.

is peer-support group of men and women for whom sex and/or romance have become a problem. For details of weekly meetings, phone 0452 074 974 or visit www.slaa.org.au.

Mungo's Crossword N100



Cryptic Clues

ACROSS

- Armstrong grabs a number - it's a take! (6)
- Make bets for widows (8)
- Welcome burst of anger - they're only normal (8)
- Rama's wife eats two courses and takes a nap (6)
- Cleaning implement about to harass George, a new husband (10)
- Élan essential to 17 (4)
- Knock back mates (4)
- Stranded, unconscious, working with Baba (medico) (3,2,1,4)
- A handout for the unemployed? Smell of a teenager (10)
- New queen? Nothing to the emperor (4)
- Which person? A directive for 22 (4)
- North east, Jules, Victoria - east river, where the Gunns live! (5,5)
- Brisbane player in British Clarke Company (6)
- French ruler says 'no!' describing a citizen of Krakow (8)
- It's not necessary to live frugally! (8)
- Holiday further towards the Orient (6)

DOWN

- Light follows half of 23 - where Peter lived! (9)
- Angry words - it reads badly (7)
- Laugh, girl - you're really an old woman (3)
- Company from Hell in a night club (5)
- Mess written about the seat of government (11)
- Tear into a raised limb, like Beowulf's enemy (7)
- These ceremonies are said to be entitlements (5)
- Coarse and popular, achieve orgasm - it's all you're getting! (5,6)
- Fasten garment (3)
- Unsound cores in method of old-fashioned telegraphy (5,4)
- Scholarly King Edward? (7)
- Take direction from 28? It's irritating! (7)
- Animal sounds croaky (5)
- Love goddess takes on the English - a rising star (5)
- Pastry sounds irrational (3)

Quick Clues

ACROSS

- Grab, steal (6)
- Widows, usually of noble families (8)
- Means (arithmetical) (8)
- Afternoon nap (6)
- Newly wed man (10)
- Verve, élan (4)
- Friends (4)
- Stranded, unable to retreat (3,2,1,4)
- Young person, teenager (10)
- Ancient Roman emperor (4)
- Command to halt (4)
- The Australian outback, where Aeneas Gunn lived (5,5)
- Wild horse (American) (6)
- Corsican-born French emperor (8)
- Pointless, unnecessary (8)
- Pascal festival (6)

DOWN

- Mythical country where Peter Pan lived (9)
- Long, angry speeches (7)
- Old woman, witch (3)
- Nightspot, dance club (5)
- Home of the British parliament (11)
- Monster killed by Beowulf (7)
- Ceremonies, rituals (5)
- Total amount of monies received (5,6)
- Bind, fasten (3)
- Telegraph system consisting of dots and dashes (5,4)
- Well educated, scholarly (7)
- Sewing tools (7)
- Farm animal (5)
- Roman goddess of love (5)
- Pastry with filling (3)

Last week's solution N099

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It was the dawning of the Age of Aquarius, and it was almost okay to be different. On behalf of the Brunswick Valley Historical Society, Sharon Shostak's latest film, *Mullumbimby's Madness - The Legacy of the Hippies*, records the general weirdness, inventiveness and nakedness of the early seventies in Mullum. The world premiere is on Thursday December 3 at 7.30pm at the Civic Centre and tickets are going fast at The Bookshop. See the appropriately colourful feature on page 13. *The Echo* salutes the hippie pioneers - our founding editor Nicholas Shand (1948-1996) was among them - and without them this paper would not have had its freaky beginnings.



The next generation of revolutionaries, the Esxy Lids, had their first outing with Dustyesky at last weekend's Mullum Music Festival. Drawing on Marxist Brothers teachings, the youngsters attracted even more converts. Photo Jeff 'The Vulgar Boatman' Dawson

We note that Council on its website is trying to soften the blow of paid parking in the Bay by illustrating it with a rainbow Kombi with a surfboard on its racks. When the surfers arrived in their Kombis and Holden 'woodies' in the 1960s, seeking to sleep free on the largely quiet beachfront, they were roughed up and run out of town by the cops. Not much has changed, other than now the means of expulsion is monetary and applies to everybody equally - that's democracy for you!

The Institute for Economics and Peace has compiled its annual Global Terrorism Index which now covers the years 2000 to 2014. According to Melissa Clarke's report for the ABC, 'Islamic fundamentalism was the motivation for 19 per cent of deaths, or about one in five victims of lone wolf attackers in western countries.' Lone wolf at-

tackers include white racists. Perhaps even more interestingly, 'The number of people dying due to [sic] terrorism has increased dramatically in the past 15 years. But it's still significantly below the global homicide rate; 13 times more people die from homicide than from terrorism.' It's obvious then that we should declare a War On Humans; that should fix it. See the detailed report and graphs at <http://bit.ly/terrorindex>.

While on the subject of war, we reckon that the world is not serious about tackling climate change when emissions by the military are left out of the equation altogether. This is apparently at the urging of the United States, whose military is regarded as the largest consumer of oil and the largest emitter of CO2 on the planet. Will it even get a mention at the Paris summit kicking off on November 30?

See more about guns, greenhouse gases and the endlessness of human folly at <http://bit.ly/gunhouse>.

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 Head Wear - Leather Goods - Headphones & More

STITCH & HIDE

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Fri 27 - Sat 28 November
 58 CENTENNIAL CIRCUIT
 Byron Arts & Industry Estate

Bangalow Market
 5th SUNDAY
 NOVEMBER 29

bangalowmarket.com.au

Friday 4th December
 HOT AND COLD FRESH SEAFOOD BUFFET
ALL YOU CAN EAT
 \$45 per person
 Starts at 6pm

Cold on ice (Oysters, prawns, crabs, bugs with a variety of 6 hot dishes)
 Bookings only must pre pay for buffet.
 Menu for non-seafood lovers to eat with others

New owners come check menu and venue out great for functions, partys, social events etc will cater to all needs.

SPOTTED COW BISTRO
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 booking enquiries