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Cultural appropriation code adopted

Gerard Williams, BBCC GM Paul Spooner, Delta Kay and Jason Campbell. Photo Byron Bay Gallery

Hans Lovejoy

A newly formed organisation focused on supporting Indigenous elders to bring awareness of cultural appropriation through an event protocol was launched last Friday at the Byron Bay Community Centre (BBCC).

Culture Aware is supported by local Arakwal representative Delta Kay, Kay's friend Jason Campbell and Chief Arvol Looking Horse (of the Lakota, Dakota, and Nakota Nations).

Chief Arvol is 19th-generation Keeper of the White Buffalo Calf Ceremonial Pipe Bundle and spiritual leader of the Great Sioux Nation.

Kay told the gathering that while she doesn't speak for all mobs, Culture Aware is an important step forward in respecting and recognising Indigenous traditions and ceremonies. She said she felt empowered after reading Chief Arvol's 2003 Proclamation, which calls for an end to the cultural appropriation of the Sioux, Northern Cheyenne and Arapahoe Nations, and for an end to the abuse and exploitation of their ceremonial ways.

Taking from culture

'I hope this conversation will lead to more awareness', Kay said. 'Appropriation is taking from culture.

'My mum was removed from her land and we suffered and now our culture is abused for financial gain. 'It's not okay.

'I congratulate the community centre for being the first venue to adopt Culture Aware's code.' Mr Spooner paid tribute to Kay and said there have been events 'that have raised flags for us.'

'This shouldn't be difficult – it helps towards guaranteeing non-exploitation and acknowledges culture,' he said.

Delta added that after she moved home 15 years ago, some festivals began using words like *ceremony*, *sacred* and *shamanic*.

'These words are very special', she said. 'An elder once told me [Being] sacred is not meant for everyone'.

Gerard Williams, who is the Chief's authorised representative for Culture Aware in Australia, said Culture Aware 'may well be the first of its kind to address the issue of cultural appropriation within venues and events.'

Sewerage plant under pressure?

Paul Bibby

It's the morning of January 1, 2015, and locals are welcoming in the new year with strong coffees and sun salutations.

But down the end of Vallances Road just outside Mullumbimby, something very unwelcome is bubbling up from the depths.

At the Brunswick Valley Sewerage Treatment Plant (STP), raw or partially treated sewage is flowing out of a processing unit..

Photographs of the incident obtained by *The Echo* show the wastewater bubbling up into a large, brown pool that is spilling out onto the grass surrounding the unit.

Council officers are sent to the site to clean up the mess, and a few days later the NSW Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is informed of a 'rainfall event' and a 'contained' overflow incident. There is no public announcement to report that an overflow incident has occurred.

Nor, according to one former councillor, were councillors given a clear and informed report about the incident.

In a statement to *The Echo*, Byron Shire Council staff said that all of the wastewater was contained in the site rather than flowing into the Brunswick River and that it met its reporting obligations by informing the EPA.

The statement said the 'alleged overflow' occurred owing to the combination of a design flaw in one of the processing units, and 'a rainfall event where the area received some 250mm in a very short time'.

'Council staff immediately responded to the incident... [and] resolved the issue in the process unit, while allowing the treatment plant **continued on page 4** ➤



Wastewater spills out of the Brunswick Valley STP during an overflow incident on January 1, 2015. Photo supplied

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Youth theatre give treats the treatment

Aslan Shand

How do you treat yourself? It isn't often that we stop

and take stock of how we treat ourselves, how this influences us and the outcomes it has.

But this is the question that is being looked at as part of the Byron Youth Theatre's (BYT) new production that will be shown to local high school students next term and the screening of That Sugar Film on April 27 at the Byron Theatre starting at 6.30pm.

Young people are 'curious to find out about the body, mind and spirit, as I think we all are,' said BYT director Lisa Apostolides.

That Sugar Film screening April 27

'We can all do with helpful reminders about our health and wellbeing. That Sugar Film is one great reminder and an eye-opener to the fact that not everything we have been sold as "healthy" is?

Damon Gameau, who wrote and starred in That Sugar Film, will conduct a Q&A following the screening in Byron.

'His firsthand experience is remarkable and he will be able to share this with us as well as shedding light on other aspects of the film and his future production,' said Lisa.

'As a husband and father, he is perfectly placed to share about the challenges and demands of a busy work schedule, family commitments and personal health just like many of us.'

The Treat Yourself project has been funded by Santos



Anoushka Blake, Gemma Susanna, director Lisa Apostolides, Gabriella D'Alio, Lae-Ella Sinniah, Millie Harman and Sahaj Blatt. Photo Jeff 'Fruity Youthy Since 1986' Dawson

Organics and community donations through the Australian Cultural Fund, and will specifically engage with year seven and eight students at the Byron and Mullumbimby high schools and Shearwater.

Youth issues

'BYT's production looks into device usage, sleep patterns, exercise, mental health, connection with nature, social relationships, accepting different perspectives as well as diet,' continued Lisa.

'This is just one part of the overall project, which also has an obstacle course and motivational talk with Lisa Parkes of Ninja Play Academy Byron Bay and Amanda Allen of CrossFit Byron Bay and a fun yoga and meditation session with Rocky Marte and Stefani Shulien from Byron Yoga Centre.'

The screening of That Sugar Film is open to everyone,

with under-18s free and other members of the community \$10. You can book tickets online through the Byron Community Centre www.byroncentre.com.au or visit the Byron Community Centre on Jonson Street, Byron Bay.

Lisa adds, 'To be really clear it is not about saying "Don't ever eat sugar again!" It is not just focused on diet.

'We are using the word treat in different ways to open

Calls to stop water mining in Tweed

A call for the halt of water mining in the Tweed Valley has been made by NSW Greens MLC and north coast spokesperson, Dawn Walker in state parliament last week.

It's a position supported by the Tweed Water Alliance; they share concerns over the impact on underground water resources, alleged poor

up discussion in a broader context.

'Come see the film with your children. Let them lead the discussion, let them ask the questions and let's listen to them.

'Young people love it when there is real shared learning.

'We would love to hear back from families who attend the event what impact the project has had on them six months down the track.

Inadequate

Ms Walker said, 'Water

mining licences are being

handed out by the [NSW co-

alition] government without

adequate monitoring and in

many cases, water meters

haven't even been installed.'



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Billi comes together to remember flood



Billinudgel gathered on Friday at the pub to celebrate the town's flood resilience and recovery, one year after. While the adults mingled, the kids couldn't keep out of the jumping castle. A website has launched to keep residents informed: www.billinudgelflood.com. Photo Jeff Dawson



At last Saturday's packed open day at Stone & Wood's Murwillumbah brewery, Sally Gilbert, Jamie Cook and Richard Crowe toast to a resoundingly sucessful fundraiser for the Wedgetail Palliative Care unit. Photo Jeff 'Thanks But I Can Only Drink One At A Time' Dawson

Sewerage plant under pressure?

► continued from page 1 to remain in service for the residents of Brunswick Heads and Mullumbimby.

'The event highlighted a design deficiency in the process unit. This deficiency was rectified through modification of the treatment unit and there have been no overflow/ bypass incidents since the 2015 modification works.'

One-off incident

So was this just a one-off incident with no implications for the sewerage system in this part of the Shire?

When contacted by *The Echo* in relation to the incident, former local sewer operator Alan Dickens described the photographs as 'deeply concerning'.

'Those pictures show a sewage treatment plant that is experiencing significant hydraulic overload,' said Mr Dickens, who is also a member of Council's Water, Waste and Sewer Advisory Committee (WWSA committee).

'Given that the plant had only been commissioned four years before, this is a very concerning situation.

'You are not supposed to

see raw or partially treated wastewater flowing out of a four-year-old STP?

'I would suggest that this was not the first time this had happened, or the last.'

Internal Council documents indicate that the Brunswick Valley STP has repeatedly experienced wastewater flows above its capacity (known as hydraulic overload), since it was opened in November 2011.

According to a draft water supply and sewerage report prepared for Council late last year by Hydrosphere Consulting, the hydraulic loading at the Brunswick Valley plant is more than triple the design standard during nonpeak dry weather. When significant rain events occur, the load on the plant increases dramatically because large volumes of stormwater infiltrate the sewerage system.

Referring to a previous risk assessment, the report notes that, because of this very high hydraulic load, 'the risk of inadequate treatment of pathogens... suspended solids and chemical contamination is very high'.

The report notes that while

significant works undertaken by Council over the past seven years have have resulted in a 15 per cent reduction in overflow incidents and a 39 per cent reduction in overflow volume, the Brunswick Valley STP is still regularly operating at above capacity.

In its statement, Council said that between 2011 and 2015 there had been 'three other process bypass incidents, none of which resulted in any overflow into the Brunswick River.'

Mr Dickens and fellow WWSA committee member and former Greens councillor Duncan Dey said that the key cause of the overflow incidents was the infiltration of stormwater into the sewerage system.

'We still have an old network of clay pipes throughout most of Mullumbimby,' Mr Dickens said.

'I've been down there a number of times when I was working for Council. They're degraded, they're cracked and in places there's basically nothing to stop water getting out or getting in.

⁶Prior to the construction of the Brunswick Valley plant,

this infiltration resulted in wastewater bubbling up from the sewerage system before reaching a treatment plant.

'During heavy rains raw sewage could be seen churning up in the Brunswick River at the northern end of Stuart Street, where the overflow relief system discharged underwater. When the Brunswick River plant went online, powerful pumps were installed to send the very large volumes of wastewater to the new plant for treatment and there are now questions over whether it is managing to cope.'

Mr Dey said it was deeply concerning that councillors had not been given a report about the incident.

'This was directly relevant to the proposal to close the Ocean Shores STP and pipe all of that waste to the Brunswick Valley plant,' he said.

'We needed to know that Brunswick Valley STP was experiencing this kind of hydraulic overload.'

Council did not respond when asked why staff had not reported the incident to councillors. However, it defended its actions and environmental record.

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Govt showers cash on Mullum music festival

Mullum Music Festival has been recognised for its cultural and economic significance by being awarded flagship three-year funding by Destination NSW to help build the festival's reach.

Minister for tourism and major events Adam Marshall and parliamentary secretary for northern NSW Ben Franklin (both Nationals MPs) made the announcement on Friday morning at Mullumbimby's Rock & Roll Coffee Company and were serenaded by local musician Merryn Jeann for their largesse.

Now in its 11th year, the family-friendly, affordable event takes place in more than 14 existing venues around Mullumbimby, including halls, pubs, clubs and streets.

Over the last decade, the festival has also developed a youth mentorship program, where established artists on the bill mentor young up-andcoming musicians; a national songwriting competition



Caroline Kinsella, festival director Glenn Wright, MP Ben Franklin, MP Adam Marshall and festival general manager Nino Haggith. Photo Jeff Dawson

where the winner gets to perform at the festival; and a New Orleans-style street parade.

Festival director Glenn Wright said the benefits of the festival taking place in the town 'flow on to local artists, local shops, and also

to the bigger cultural picture of Mullumbimby as a unique regional town and counter culture hub'.

Franklin said what was unique about the festival was that it 'embraces the whole Mullumbimby community.

World-class artists can perform in already existing exceptional venues in town.

'This boutique festival not only celebrates music but it also showcases the beautiful Mullumbimby community. Franklin said.



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Try not to become a man of success, but rather try to become a man of value. – Albert Einstein

Cyclone's effects still rippling through community

Aslan Shand

A year on from ex-Cyclone Debbie there are still eleven of the 41 client groups, including families and single people, that Social Futures are helping to re-home from Byron, Lismore, Ballina and Tweed.

'There are still people coming forward who are only now recognising how the flood event has impacted on them emotionally and psychologically, as well as the loss of possessions,' said Julie Williams, manager of the Mullumbimby District Neighbourhood Centre (MDNC).

For one local man displaced from his home after the cyclone, it has taken seven and a half months to find a new home. Even though he

has a three-year rent guarantee from the government, he has still struggled to even have a chance to look at possible rental properties. The key stumbling blocks are the fact that he is looking for a one- to two-bedroom home and has a dog.

'I have only been able to get to see five possible rentals in that time and one place kept me in limbo for over a month,' he said.

Lucie White, a flood project outreach worker at Social Futures, said the key challenges to re-housing people in this region are 'Affordability, lack of smaller one- and two-bedroom dwellings and resistance from agents to housing vulnerable people.' Another key issue that

she raised is the impact of the black market in the local housing market.

'All of the illegal rentals won't take me because it has to be on the books and legitimate and then there are things like the funding body won't fund anything with a compositing toilet.

Julie Williams from MDNC agreed, saying, 'There is absolutely a black market in rental.

'MDNC has, and continues to support, community members who are unable to get Centrelink rental assistance as their landlord won't provide any evidence of tenancy. In addition, there may be an electricity debt to the landlord, but the tenant is unable to get assistance through

the Electricity Assistance Program as the account is in the landlord's name and there is no record that they are a tenant, or that they have incurred electricity expense.

'Often tenants (and the landlord) don't realise that they are still legally responsible even if there is no written lease. The result is people continue to live in non-compliant and substandard accommodation, unaware that they have rights as a tenant.

'A concern is that people will continue to live in this accommodation as there are simply no other affordable options. Sometimes the landlords are in a precarious financial position themselves and are renting out parts of their property to make ends meet.



Workshop locations & times Sat 21 April

Identifying Social Impacts

This practical workshop explores community values and encourages impacts caused by events.

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Local News

Locals grab SITG tickets BYS gives young peeps a voice for



Lining up at the Hotel Great Northern at 6am means Luke, Jesse Fehrenbach and Mabel Melville Johnson were the first people to buy Splendour In The Grass 2018 tickets. Neil Johnson from SITG is handing out the ticket application forms. Artists announced include Kendrick Lamar, Lorde, Vampire Weekend and Franz Ferdinand. Tickets are available via www.splendourinthegrass.com. Photo Jeff Dawson

Byron treehouse gets a lifeline

Byron's much-loved Massinger Street treehouse could be saved from demolition under a motion to be voted on at Byron Shire Council's upcoming meeting on April 19.

The corrugated-iron structure has long been a popular spot both for local kids and curious passers-by, many of whom stop to take pictures.

But the unofficial caretaker of the house, local resident Mel Coppin, was told by Council last year that it was an unauthorised development and an insurance liability and would have to be removed.

Labor councillor Paul Spooner has proposed a notice of motion for the next council meeting that would see the treehouse preserved.

The motion proposes that Ms Coppin obtain public liability insurance.



Youth Week (and a skate comp)

As a part of National Youth Week (NYW) 2018, Byron Youth Service (BYS) consulted with 28 young people from around the Shire, representing three of the main high schools.

'Our purpose was to connect with local youth in this very specific way, to find out what it's like for them living in this area, what their issues are, their hopes and their worries,' said Berri, who organised the forum in collaboration with Byron Shire Council and the BYS team.

'This will help shape our strategic plan and services, to make sure we are aware of emerging trends and to help keep our programs relevant, she said. The young people were open, articulate and informative, she said.

'They spoke about the challenges of drug use, personal safety in Byron CBD at night, pressure to perform in school and how it affected their mental health due to lack of sleep and addiction to social media.



Hayley and Ivy pictured front; in the back, from left are Ariel, Tyger and Shiri. Photo Deb Pearse

'BYS also invited these young people to come up with ideas about how the BYS could raise the awareness of BYS and its services and also attract funds to support more valuable and effective youth initiatives in this area - youth initiatives that arise from young people

for young people,' said Berri. 'Young people always come

up with the best ideas,' said Deb Pearse, who has been working for BYS for 19 years.

'The day was topped off with a vibrant art installation, led by local art facilitator Karma Barnes of the In.scribe Youth Arts Mentorship project.

'The Youth Week event to look out for is the Battle@Bruns skate comp at the Brunswick Heads skatepark, Deb said. Registrations start from 10am and comp starts at noon on April 22.

Bike path projects need public support

Aslan Shand

Bike tracks fanning out from Mullumbimby is one of the key ideas put forward for the Stronger Country Communities fund that Byron Shire Council is currently seeking applications for.

And your submissions count! Three groups were considering applying for the grant money - these were from Tuckeroo Avenue to Shearwater School, Mullumbimby to Main Arm Village and from the Mullumbimby Co-op to the Mullumbimby Golf Club.

Owing to the short time in which to get the grant application together, the track from the Co-op to the Golf Club has been put on hold; however, Council are looking at creating a Shirewide bike plan later in the year.

Both bike paths have been recommended in the past; the one to Shearwater was part of the Byron Shire bike plan in 2005 and the first part of the Main Arm bike track as early as 2001.

Lainie Anderson, spokesperson for the proposed Mullumbimby cycleway out to Shearwater, pointed out the school has 700 students and, 'there is a range of evidence that demonstrated the health benefits for children who ride and walk to school?

'The plans for the 8km bike track to Shearwater are being developed on a pro-bono basis by the engineering company who developed the bike track at Lennox Head.

Spokesperson for the Main Arm bike track, Sophia Marles, said, 'Having a number of bike tracks will really create the opportunity for people to get out of their cars and enjoy

the wonderful natural environment we live in?

There are a number of projects that are being proposed throughout the Shire that can be found on Council's website: www.yoursaybyronshire. com.au/stronger-countrycommunities-round-2.

To get involved in supporting the Main Arm bike track, email sophia@mullumbimby. org.au. To get involved in supporting the Mullum to Shearwater bike track, email lgilbyanderson@yahoo.com.

Multiple projects can be supported.



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Downward dog with a boogie: Spirit Fest April 20–22

As Byron Spirit Festival prepares to move to the Cavanbah Centre and Elements of Byron for their sixth-year event from April 20 till 22, organisers say they are excited to announce the offerings from the 2018 program.

This year's theme is We Are the Mandala, which will focus on co-creation and the concept of human design and our connection to the natural world.

For those with kids, Spirit Fest will team up again with Rainbow Kids Yoga for the Rainbow Yoga Family Space.

Yoga

The yoga program includes Angel and Gopala from Byron's Rainbow Yoga, Mark Whitwell, Gwyn Williams, Deano Gladstone, Byron Yoga Centre founder John Ogilvie, Dena Kingsberg, Beth Borosky, Sophie Sofree and last but not least, Byron's own Flo Fenton.

Music

International performers Amaru Pumac Kuntur will mix their traditional music with modern elements, including Spanish and Qechua vocals. Sacred Earth's Jethro and Prem are undoubtedly



Dancing Tommy Franklin and the Byron Spirit crew, Alex Grant, Michelle Williams, Kate Little and Deb Buck get in the zone and ready to welcome guests to the 2018 Byron Spirit Festival at the Cavanbah Centre. See details pages 32, 33 Photo Jeff Dawson

Australian's highest-selling artists in the ambient music genre and will be performing their mantra and songs. The Temple Step Project, led by Australian music producer Benjamin Last, will lead ecstatic dances and for the chanters, Bhakti-Yoga couple Lulu and Mischka will perform ancient mantras with English lyrics.

Health/wellness

Jemma Gawned (Jemmita) has trained extensively with some of the best maestros

and has been adopted into the tribes in Peru.

She leads groups from around the world to the Andes to work alongside her teachers in the shamanic practices and plant medicines. Jemma also works with the medicine of cacao in celebrations at festivals and events globally.

Dance

Travers Ross is a wellknown Australian creative artist, musician and dancer. was born to traverse He

cultures, genres, stereotypes and audiences to bring people together for an adventure through sound.

5Rhythms dancer Geash Bowler will lead dancing, having been trained by 5Rhythms founder Gabrielle Roth. And not only that but Suebee Fae has been sharing dance medicine with the Byron community and facilitating sister circles and dance workshops for seven years. Tickets are available at www. spiritfestival.com.au.tickets.



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No assurance Belongil beach will remain from rock wall DAs

Hans Lovejoy

According to a former councillor and civil engineer specialising in hydrology, rock wall development applications (DAs) submitted by wealthy Belongil landowners will transfer public land to private ownership and eventually result in the loss of the iconic beach.

Both the NSW office of environment and heritage (OEH) and Council have yet to explain how the five rock walls DAs, which cover both public and private lands, will not result in beach loss.

As previously reported, the DAs were submitted by the landowners - almost all of whom are non-residents - to the NSW Coastal Panel.

The DAs close for public submission with the independently appointed panel on April 20.

There was also no reply to The Echo's question as to whether the OEH website provided sufficient information, given the DAs are not visible or easy to navigate to.

OEH staff replied briefly when asked to confirm that the Belongil rock wall DAs were on Crown/Council land.

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The Echo asked, 'If correct, would that mean that all liability is unclear?'

A OEH spokesperson replied, 'Notification of development applications is undertaken in accordance with the requirements of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 and it is the responsibility of proponents to seek consent from any relevant landowners where development is proposed. The NSW Coastal Panel welcomes public submissions during the submission period.'

Comment was sought from Council staff, but no reply was given by deadline.

Unanswered questions

Other questions not answered by OEH and Council were: 'Will there be a sand mitigation requirement, given these DAs may well lead to further beach erosion? The Echo understands that these DAs are being assessed under the now-repealed Coastal Protection Act 1979, which requires sand mitigation under these types of circumstances. 'What guarantee is there that

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Pictured is Manfred Street/beach after the 2016 storm. Public submissions for five rock wall DAs close April 20 at bit.ly/2IXzDFL. Photo Cr Paul Spooner.

these walls will not result in Belongil beach becoming a private enclave and a loss for public amenity?'

Within the DAs, the works are referred to as repairs, but says that the existing rocks will be removed, inspected and the walls then rebuilt.

Owing to the 2016 courtendorsed agreement by Justice Hoeben between the landowners and Council's insurers, the DAs appear to have avoided having to comply with legislation that requires sand mitigation and coastal protection.

In other words, when building seawall structures, similar DAs would be required to 'protect and manage the natural, cultural, recreational and economic attributes of the NSW coast,' (Clause 7 of SEPP No. 71).

Instead, the applicants are able to ignore these considerations - and more, and instead argue '... it is in accordance with a court injunction' (page 17, Statement of Environmental Effects, 44-48 Childe St DA).

It's estimated 24 tonnes will be imported for the 44-48 Childe Street property alone.

Rationale

The rationale for the works, according to the 44-48 Childe St DA, is 'to ensure that this small part of the coastline is better equipped

potential safety issues if the wall is not repaired. The proposed repairs to the seawall are intended to preserve the status quo and improve public safety. They are contemplated by the court orders.'

No govt assistance

Questions by The Echo to former planning minister Rob Stokes at the time as to why Council received no assistance from the government with its court case were never replied to.

Duncan Dey, who was a councillor when Council's insurer was taken to court by the landowners in 2016, told The Echo, 'Belongil landowners had a big scare early in the naughties and some responded by dumping rocks on the dune face that their properties inhabited.'

'Some of those rocks spilled out onto public land at the back of the beach. Under some beach conditions, no beach remained and waves reached those walls.

'That situation is predicted to occur more often in the future as the sand supply dwindles and sea level rises.

'Rather than switching to an exit plan, some landowners then also commenced a court claim on Council for damages over previous decades.

'The enormity of the claim meant it couldn't be defended by Council, who passed the insurer, who passed it up to their underwriter.

'The enormity of the claim got the matter out of the hands of the local caring community and into the hands of someone who just wants to minimise their financial exposure.

'The science behind the claim shifted over the many years that the case ran. Eventually, towards the end of the court action, a settlement was offered that the underwriter found attractive: no payout but agreement that existing (mostly unapproved) rock walls could stay and be rebuilt to the standard proposed in the then draft Coastal Zone Management Plan (CZMP).

'That CZMP was the one agreed to by the pro-rocks Council 2012-16.

'During the decade or so of the court proceedings, updates to Council were branded confidential along with reminders that breaking that confidentiality could be used by the underwriter to shed their liability and leave Council exposed directly and on its own to the enormous claim.

'The second success of this process, from the claimants' perspective, was that the caring community never found out what was being done to us. The settlement thus came out of the blue and eclipsed the pro-rock CZMP.

'It was an even worse outcome than the CZMP (if you value beach over real estate) because it invited the landowners to lodge the DAs that are now on exhibition until April 20. The word "repair" in the DAs is a name only. As agreed in court, their scale goes beyond repair up to the size of the CZMP.

Public cost

'The end game, that goes beyond any construction now or in the future, is the gaining of these approvals. The next court action will then be to establish that the public purse maintains these rock walls

real estate investments reach their full water-frontage value, because they do not carry liabilities for their own coastal protection. That cost falls on us, the public.

'Damage to any armouring is inevitable, even if the walls are built to a one-in-whatever-year standard.

'The large storms that once placed the dunes at the back of the beach will return.

'Dunes work like a "sand bank" - nature deposits the sand handily at the back of the beach and borrows from it in later storms to replenish the beach.

'This exchange generally prevents storm waves travelling inland, by having the waves' energy smash onto the sloping beach. Removing the beach or locking up the sand under a building is not smart. Rock walls do both.

'So when the inevitable future damage occurs, government bailout will look after the coastal investors.

'Hmmm, sounds like a banking collapse!'

As reported in 2016, almost all of the property owners who took Council to court and are applying for these DAs do not live in Byron Shire.

The applicants

The applicants for the DAs are: John James (Ralph Lauren Pty Ltd), who is a wealthy Brisbane-based developer, multi-millionaire former online employment business Seek director Robert Watson, Geoffrey Tauber (Stewartville Pty Ltd), who is based in Melbourne, and Michael Siddle, who is based in Sydney and is chair of the enormous Ramsay Health Care corporation.

Lastly, local musician and TripADeal Pty Ltd director Kurt Rettenmaier has lodged a similar DA for his new Childe Street address, yet was not part of the original court case against Council.

The DAs are available via



to withstand coastal processes/storm events, and to avoid

matter up to their insurer. 'It was also too large for the

rather than the landowners. www.environment.nsw.gov.au The job is then done and the at bit.ly/2IXzDFL.

Tweed Hospital site selection 'cloaked in secrecy'

Walt Secord, together with Tweed councillor Reece Byrnes, have called on the state government to 'release a full list of the alternative sites considered for a new Tweed Hospital,' saying while they supported better health outcomes, they were alarmed MP Geoff Provest have anby the 'cloak of secrecy' sur-

Labor's Justine Elliot and rounding the selection of the location.

> And a local activist has described the move as 'the most cynical act of political hypocrisy visited upon the shire in the last 20 years'.

Health minister Brad Hazzard and Tweed Nationals nounced a new Tweed Hos-

pital will be built on a 23-hectare site on prime agricultural land at Cudgen.

Labor wants to know why the Cudgen agricultural site was selected from 29 possible sites on NSW Health Infrastructure's list.

Kingscliff activist and council-watcher Jeremy Cornford said, 'As a state significant project, the hospital campus will be free of Kingscliff's three-storey height limit, opening the way for endless developer appeals to extend multi-storey expansion to Marine Parade and Pearl Street. Welcome to the Gold Coast, mark two. It's first about freeing up the Kingscliff/Cudgen plateau.'

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Food co-op fundraising, April 29

A fundraiser will be held April 29 for a recently established food co-op, located in the Mullumbimby Community Gardens.

Organisers say a fully vegan and organic menu will be on offer, along with Tao of Sound, comprising Rob on harp and Armando on flute.

The aim is to finance a solar-powered coolroom, estimated to cost close to \$10,000, and as such this event will be the first of a series of fundraising events. Limited tickets are available at the co-op, the Mullum bookshop and online via the events tab at www.facebook. com/MullumFoodCoop.



Armando and Rob with the co-op's Gabbi Bohnet and Andy Lynden-Bell. Photo Jeff Dawson

Headliner drops for Renew Fest

Conscious independent hiphop outfit Hugo and Treats will be headlining this year's Renew festival.

The MC and DJ team describe their sound as visionary spoken word and creative crowd choreography, mixed with earthshakingly intricate beats and bass, which combine in a show that is inspiring minds, shaking butts and opening hearts around the world.

Many also know Hugo Farrant as the lead voice of *Juice Rap News* – the satirical news phenomenon, whose guests have included Julian Assange, Noam Chomsky and Scott Ludlum.

As well as rocking the Radicle stage at Renew Fest with his incredible hip-hop, Hugo will be joining a panel discussion on fake news – a session introduced by *Echo* Festival director Ella Rose

Goninan said, 'What I love about Renew Fest is that we get to bring together amazing and inspired people, and really get an insight into their processes and see what motivates and drives them'.

'It's so exciting that Hugo has agreed to talk on a panel about something that is really challenging the way we think about the role of media in politics, in addition to lighting up the festival with his sensational hip-hop!'

Renew Fest have also announced that Greens senator Lee Rhiannon will be joining the bill, in possibly one of her last appearances as a federal senator.

She will join economist Thomas Keily in conversation to explore what it would mean to really treat housing as a fun-



Hugo and Treats will be headlining this year's Renew Fest.

damental human right.

The international lineup includes Jillian Hovey from Canada – a renowned expert in 'social permaculture', and Helena Norberg-Hodge (though we might claim her as a local!), while the diverse workshop program includes bamboo sculptures, the wonder of mushrooms and their cultivation, and shamanic womancraft. More presenters and workshops continue

to be announced each week.

The festival takes place at the Mullum Showgrounds, May 19 till 20, with a special Friday night performance May 18 of *This is My Brave* at Wildspace, Mullumbimby.

Remember to BYO your keep cup and plate and get among the celebrations of Renew Fest's epic Zero Waste mass action achievements.

Tickets and more info: www.renewfest.org.au.



On Anzac Day, Wednesday April 25, the Ngara Institute is partnering with IPAN, the Independent and Peaceful Australia Network, to present a special Politics in the Pub focusing on peace.

Bobbi Allan of Ngara, says,



fighting for reconciliation at a time when it was hugely unpopular and the backlash vicious. His courage, tenacity and commitment inspired a generation of Aboriginal and white Australian activists to persevere in their campaigns; his 1970s oral history project connected him with Eddie Mabo and greatly contributed to the High Court's recognition of land rights.

issue of Cruelty as Public Policy – from the treatment of asylum seekers to the Israeli government's treatment of Palestinians.

Anzac Day is a solemn day to have respectful conversations about what we can do



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Anzac Day is an excellent day to focus on peace. I say that with all respect to anyone who has fought in a war, including my grandfather and father, veterans of World War I and II. Both of them thought they were fighting the war to end all wars, and in their quiet ways, both became peace activists afterwards.

'We are very fortunate our speakers for this night are two of Australia's most respected scholar activists: historian and author, professor Henry Reynolds, and the founder of

Henry Reynolds. Photo Tasmanian Arts Guide

the Sydney Peace Institute, professor Stuart Rees.

'Henry Reynolds is a pioneering historian, one of Australia's leading authorities on the history of Aboriginal people. Henry revealed history from an Aboriginal perspective when he published *The Other Side of the Frontier* in 1981. He has been a champion of Aboriginal land rights,

Wars questioned

'Henry Reynolds's latest work focuses on *Australia's Unnecessary Wars*. He dares to ask unaskable questions about why war is such a central, active force in our national story.

⁶Professor Stuart Rees will join the conversation, focusing on his latest work on the to achieve peace, justice and stability with human rights, in an increasingly damaged, fractured and polarised world. Politics in the Pub is held at the The Court House Hotel from 6.30pm, April 25.

Breakfast event

'Hear more from Henry Reynolds at a special breakfast event on Thursday April 26, at the Rock & Roll Coffee Company, Mullumbimby, 8–9.30 am. Numbers are limited and bookings essential: www.ngarainstitute.org.au/breakfast.' COME ON IN FOR MORE SPECIALS IN STORE!!

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Dear young person

Thanks for looking away from your phone for a moment to read this. I'll try to get to the point.

The oldies need to be replaced by something better. And you're it!

It's Youth Week (April 13-22), which means a brief shower of attention from the oldies. You are special, the future is you etc.

Yup, there's nothing worse than some oldie telling you how things should be or giving some boring patronising speech or 'advice'.

Now that's out of the way, here's some stuff to consider as you stumble on, like the rest of us, with becoming older - and hopefully wiser.

Fun fact: Not everyone who is an oldie is wise. In fact, most oldies aren't. Case in point are the powerful oldies in government and big business who are making climate change worse.

The scientific consensus says that fossil fuels that produce carbon (Co_2) is leading to an unstable atmosphere.

Around 10,000 years ago, Earth's atmosphere became stable enough for humans to grow stuff reliably. Now we are tinkering with that. And then there's the Great Barrier Reef becoming not so great, and rapidly disappearing species and habitats across the globe... you get the picture.

So, if you want an habitable place for your children, be careful who you trust. Call bullshit on hypocrisy, propaganda, improve/work on your critical-thinking skills and ask tough and fearless questions.

Just because we are a product of conditioning, it's not neccessary to follow the advice and examples of parents, friends, the church, celebrities, TV and the internet.

Another fun fact: Facebook is the world's most powerful media publisher by far, yet they have no interest in presenting factual news. Surely you know this – but for the benefit of any oldie reading this - Facebook is a company that makes money from data mining and selling your personal info to corporations and governments. It also manipulates your feed and 'likes' and as such, needs to be treated with great suspicion.

As the younger generation, it won't be hard to do better than those baby boomers who are generally in charge (the generation born after WWII). After all, they had everything handed to them, along with free education.

Yet those oldies in charge still managed to stuff the place up in many areas, mainly because they lack generosity and vision.

In the pre-internet epoch, there were plenty of jobs and houses for them, and now they own it all and want to make it harder for you.

So anyway - here's the last preachy bit: get active and lobby the oldies in charge for a clean-energy future that includes biodiversity. And also ask them for similar job and housing opportunities that they had, along with free (high-guality) education.

Seems only fair.

Hans Lovejoy, editor



Get ready for budget bribery and spin

'alcolm Turnbull still doesn't get it. While desperately playing down the significance of his own 30th Newspoll loss on the unconvincing basis that he wished he hadn't mentioned Tony Abbott's, our leader has taken what he apparently considers the high road.

'What I promised to do was provide economic leadership and traditional cabinet government and I have done both,' he declared shamelessly. Well, the first is at least dubious; the much-vaunted jobs growth is welcome, although it has done little to reduce unemployment.

But debt and deficit have got worse, and stagnant wages for those who have them are the real problem. Still, Turnbull's boast has some connection to the world of voters, so it cannot be dismissed out of hand.

But cabinet government? If Turnbull thinks that talking about the 30th Newspoll is confined to the political insiders and can therefore be dismissed by the masses, how does he reckon they feel about cabinet government in the front bar of the local pub? Agog with indifference?

Comatose with enthusiasm? Euphoric with apathy? Catatonic with ebullience? Give us a break.

Despite his pledge to eschew political slogans and treat the electorate with respect, our prime minister remains so far above the real concerns of his hard-working Australians as to be barely able to articulate their worries.

He is still hammering the constant meme of jobs and growth, although disillusionment set in over that threeworder some two years ago.

And surely by now it is time to admit that not only is the great Enterprise Tax Plan economically suspect but politically flawed.

In fact although Turnbull is

Byron Harmony

determined to have another go at it in May, he could be forgiven for hoping that the senate knocks it back yet again, so he would have the largesse to distribute where it might attract more voter gratitude.

Whatever happens, it appears that the budget will be a frantic exercise in bribery and spin, and however lavish the handouts to targeted electorates, history suggests that they won't produce the kind of bounce in the polls Turnbull needs. But, as he and his spruikers keep telling us, the situation is not irretrievable - yet. While Bill Shorten is the alternative there can still be life and hope.

Brace yourselves for the negative campaign to beat them all, a Kill Bill onslaught that will leave Abbott's Ditch the Witch effort over Julia Gillard seem positively civilised

by Mungo MacCallum

So brace yourselves for the negative campaign to beat them all, a Kill Bill onslaught that will leave Abbott's Ditch the Witch effort over Julia Gillard seem positively civilised.

But to make it work - or even give it a fighting chance - Turnbull needs to convince his troops it will all be worthwhile, and there are disturbing signs that some, at least, are ready to tap the mat; that even those whose seats are rock solid are preparing for a mudwrestle for the spoils of defeat and a stint in opposition.

The idea, especially from the unforgiving zealots of the Monash-Murdoch Forum, is that after the cleansing fire that will despatch Turnbull and his core supporters the true believers can then resume their rightful place as the conservative heartland of the party of John Howard - or perhaps Robert Menzies, or maybe Genghis Khan: any role model who will crush the unions, the

Greens, Labor and, most of all, any heretics within the coalition who still harbour centrist - or, worse still, marginally progressive - tendencies.

And after the events leading up to and following the 30th Newspoll, it is clear that the rats in Turnbull's ranks are not about to let up. The big one this week will be the National Energy Guarantee, which Josh Frydenberg will try and negotiate through COAG in the belief that this will finally be the game changer that will show the mob that the government is not just a bunch of brawling incompetents, which it obviously is, but a bunch of brawling incompetents



with a plan to save the nation.

Mission impossible it may appear; but Frydenberg, while a dead-set conservative, is a reasonably intelligent and convincing politician, and is confident of persuading the states and territories to agree to some version of his agenda, ready to announce it - and presumably legislate it - through the budget session of parliament.

But there is a catch; the party room has signed off on the bare bones of the original plan, but the details are yet to be filled in by the state and territory ministers, so it will have to go back to the party room.

And this will be the real test of the right's sincerity: will they remain committed to their stance on coal at all costs, wrecking Turnbull's precious circuit breaker and foreshadowing an unending and unwinnable feud that may well scuttle Turnbull's regime but will inevitably lead to defeat at the next election?

Or will they back down, gracelessly no doubt, but with the risible claim that they are putting their party (if not their country) first?

This latter is Turnbull's admittedly wistful expectation, and he needs it to be true, because his leadership is now on notice: Barnaby Joyce, now firmly in the Abbott camp of avengers and recalcitrants, reckons that around Christmas patience will run out.

If the polls don't improve - and that means more than switching from catastrophic to merely very bad, we want a genuine turnaround that gives at least some of the marginals a chance of survival - then, says Joyce, our prime minster must do the honourable thing and step aside.

It is not at all clear who would take over; one must assume that Joyce's pick would be the unutterable Peter Dutton, but fortunately Joyce will not have a vote in the Liberal Party room. Fantasy, perhaps, but the sound of knives being sharpened in anticipation, either in the event of political assassination or just preparing to slit wrists, is becoming all too audible.

Of course that's the apocalyptic option; the more likely outcome, if one can so describe it, is that things will just drag on, business as usual as Turnbull calls it.

The more rational members of the coalition may well be defeatist, but they are not totally suicidal - they acknowledge that a coup, by anyone, would only make things worse, and some of them cherish the hope that a redemptive miracle can yet happen.

Turnbull, of course, has no need of miracles: he remains utterly convinced in his own invincibility.

As I said, Malcolm Turnbull still doesn't get it.



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Mullum land theft

Last November all nine councillors voted in favour of taking 29 hectares (lot 22) of Mullumbimby recreation ground and rezoning it urban land for development.

Council bought lot 22 in 2004 for sportsfields. It did nothing to develop it except for the Community Gardens. Now Council is relying on 14 years of inactivity to change the zoning and develop a manufactured-home estate on floodprone land.

Councillors relied on a Draft Recreational Needs Assessment Report that states, 'Overall, Mullumbimby is well supplied with land for sport, especially considering the Mullumbimby Recreation Ground is under-utilised. Lot 22 does not need to be retained for sporting purposes.'

It's under-utilised because Council does not maintain it to an adequate standard; just ask the Cricket, Netball, Soccer, Tennis, Hockey and Little Athletics, clubs all of whom were not contacted regarding the assessment! And, according to the Soccer Club, based at Pine Avenue, and Cricket

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Club at Brunswick Heads more land is needed.

When denying the residents of Ocean Shores sportsfields councillors said that the Mullumbimby Recreation Ground, when developed, could accommodate both Ocean Shores and Brunswick Heads sporting needs.

Residents should be rightly concerned about the increases in flooding from filling this site and councillors giving away their recreational parkland of the future. Voice your objection.

Karl Allen Mullumbimby

A timely reminder

I used to walk my dog regularly past the ponds of the old South Byron sewage treatment plant over a five-year period. During that time I observed wood duck, pacific black duck, coots, water hens, little grebes, black swans, hard-head ducks while herons and egrets hunted around the margins. It was also used by pelicans, gulls and terns – particularly during stormy weather.

Building houses along the

area will restrict the north and south movement of animals to a narrow strip between the path and the beach, which makes them vulnerable to predation.

> **David Gilet** Byron Bay

West Byron

The West Byron Urban Development will soon be assessed by the Joint Regional Planning Panel (JRPP). Let's be quite clear about this site: it is a wetland area, previously part of the Cumbebin Swamp, and is subject to flooding even under current climate conditions.

To overcome the flooding issues the developers propose to raise the height of the building blocks to just above the level of Council's projected 100-year maximum flood level. The amount of fill required, as stated in their geotechnical report, exceeds the amount of material that can be extracted from our four local quarries, resulting in mining on a massive scale that will exhaust our quarries and involve trucking fill from distant sites.

One of the first things I noticed in the geotechnical report is that the water table lies no more than 20cm below ground level in some parts of the development site. This is a wetland area and would frequently be under water had not early settlers dug out massive drainage channels.

A careful look at the Flood Impact Assessment (FIA) includes numerous maps to show the extent of flooding under various scenarios. The maps clearly show that flooding will occur on a number of blocks even under current climate conditions.

All the maps show some level of flooding in the development area, with increasing levels over time. Some show flooding up to 0.8m with the whole site surrounded on three sides by flood waters to a depth of 2m.

What is surprising, and calls into question the modelling used, is that in 2100, with sea water levels predicted to be at least double those of 2050, the extent and depth continued on next page ➤



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New Roundabout On The Way...

BYRON SHIRE COUNCIL wishes to advise that a contract for the construction of a new

gateway roundabout at the intersection of Bayshore Drive and Ewingsdale Road, Byron Bay was awarded to SEE Civil Pty Ltd. This work is due to commence on 23 April, 2018.

SEE Civil will stage the project to facilitate construction. The first stage of construction will not detour any traffic but will likely increase congestion in the area so please allow additional travel time if commuting through this area. SEE Civil will provide notification two weeks prior to the following stages advising of the impact and proposed detour/s.

More information and further updates on the progress of the project will be provided fortnightly on Council's Bayshore Drive Roundabout web page found at: www.byron.nsw.gov.au/Works-Projects/Bayshore-Drive-roundabout.

For further information go to www.byron.nsw.gov.au



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➤ continued from page 11 of flooding on these maps remains almost identical to that predicted in 2050. minder of the dodgy dealings

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missions will mean nothing.

Know your rights

Professing to be spiritual or

a healer and overcharging on

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and underpaying staff is the

height of hypocrisy. Sadly, it's

such a norm in this Shire that

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Watch this space as West

Rod Murray

Ocean Shores

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park bench.

The modelling used by the consultants is based on Council's 2014 LEP climatechange scenarios. The problem is that Council's 2014 LEP was based on data that are now more than 30 years old.

Predictions of peak flooding events have increased eight-fold. Sea levels are higher than they were 30 years ago, major flood events are more frequent, sea-temperatures have increased making the likelihood of cyclonic events and major east coast lows far more frequent.

Current modelling (2017) by the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) puts us on a sealevel rise trajectory that far exceeds the worst scenario used in Council's 2014 LEP. Modelling used in the development application's FIA is based on maximum sea-level rises of between 0.4m and 0.9m by 2100. Current projections by the AAAS put this at between 1m and 2.5m.

The FIA is seriously flawed, should be rejected and remodelled to include current conditions and the latest sealevel-rise predictions. Such remodelling would undoubtedly show that the development site will be subject to frequent and serious flooding events over the coming decades, leaving the houses built there uninhabitable.

> **L Cronin** Billinudgel

Comment

I was pleased to see in the last editorial acknowledgement of the loss of the Roundhouse site at Ocean Shores and a re-

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the rent after the fixed term of your lease has ended, it has to be in writing, signed, dated, addressed to you – and can only take effect 60 days from receiving the increase. If you disagree with the increase, you can contest it with the tribunal within 21 days.

'Knowledge is power'. Entering into a 'loose' agreement with a landlord or an employer is risky. Beware of people claiming to be into 'conscious community' and spirituality, but are actually acting like miserly capitalists profiting from your human need for a place to live and skimping on employee benefits, and/or not paying a living wage.

> **Iris Ray Nunn** Mullumbimby

Debbie: A year on

One year on from Cyclone Debbie, a group of us are working up an application for grant funding to set up a flood warning network for Byron Shire's coastal catchments.

The system will have a finer scale and will respond earlier than current Bureau of Meteorology (BOM) warning systems, as well as being integrated with them.

Rainfalls will be notified live from several government rain gauges in our headwaters, as will river levels used to then refine the forecasts.

Low-lying towns and villages such as Mullumbimby, Billinudgel, South Golden Beach, Ocean Shores, Belongil and Suffolk Park will benefit from more time to prepare for inundation of flood-prone buildings. Cuts to and re-opening of lowlying roads (e.g. Main Arm Road) will be predicted and monitored. Hopefully, lives will be saved as well as flood damage and clean-up costs reduced. The group preparing the application will soon ask for community support for the proposal. We hope it's a winner.

Duncan Dey Main Arm

Betting on regulation

It's time to ban Neds, TAB, Ladbrokes and other betting agencies from advertising in prime viewing time on television.

Gambling has become so accessible with the use of mobile phones that those who have a gambling problem must find it difficult to stop. Continual betting advertisements every couple of minutes from 6pm week nights is a big temptation. Alcohol and cigarette advertising has successfully been regulated.

> Kim Clark Ewingsdale

Questioning lawyers

The Sydney firm HL Hebsworth has recently been confirmed as part of Council's lawyer panel, despite spending \$450k defending the bypass that should have been less. If you own real estate interests along the Butler Street bypass route you might think it worth spending that amount of (ratepayers) money; as a commuter sceptical of the marginal traffic benefits the bypass might bring, you would have a different view.

In order to get to the bottom of this is massive overexpenditure I lodged an FOI application that yielded a fat wad of documents.

Some of them establish that though the staff vastly **continued on page 14** ►





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Are you ready for prime minister Peter Dutton?

Phillip Frazer

Articles *

wo weeks ago Fairfax political editor Peter Hartcher wrote that 'Quietly, the Liberals' expectation now is that Turnbull will not be leading them to the next election.' Hartcher said that while Julie Bishop had the biggest numbers in parliament to replace Turnbull, Peter Dutton will be backed by those in the coalition who, openly or secretly, prefer a leader whose only job outside of politics was being a Brisbane cop.

Dutton goes after journalists with the same mouthfrothing energy he uses for immigrants, environmentalists, Dustin Martin's dad, and Johnny Depp's dogs.

Dutton's name provokes outraged editorials, like this one: 'Dutton has a fellowfeeling for big and wealthy land-sharks [who] form the class to be specially protected by legislation that will rob poorer men of their ordinary rights and privileges.

That was in The Queensland Figaro in 1887 when the state minister for lands was Charles Dutton, who Buzz-Feed says was Peter's great great-grandfather.

Last week's polls revealed that most coalition voters want Turnbull to remain leader, but today's PM is chosen not by 'We the People' but by 97 Liberal members of parliament.

Now Tony Abbott, Scott Morrison, and Josh Frydenberg have each declared they'll put their hands up if a party-room vote is called for. We all know what sort of PM Abbott would be, and we could imagine how unbearable it would be to put up with Morrison's incessant tone of aggrieved hectoring every day, but Frydenberg? Turnbull threw the hot-potato job of negotiating a Na-



The above photo of Peter Dutton was snapped and tweeted by Fairfax Media political reporter Stephanie Peatling, source: Twitter. The Immigration Minister asked that the 'unflattering' photo be removed from social media, which launched a host of more naughty versions.

tional Energy Guarantee in his lap, which means he's now trying to reconcile the fossil fools (led by Abbott), three state Labor governments, and enough Senate cross-benchers to get a national plan approved. Frydenberg was born in 1971 so he's aware that new technologies change everything, but he's happy to parrot the party line that climate change is real but so what. His Toorak electorate has as many Green voters as Laborites, but its Liberal majority will deal with it by buying bigger aircon.

Shrinking social media giants?

Most social media companies make their trillions by gathering data - massive amounts of data worth massive amounts of money, but suddenly, the biggest of them all are in trouble.

According to Guardian reporter Edward Helmore 'Trump is going after Amazon; Congress is after Facebook; Google is too big, and Apple is short of new products.' Facebook shares declined more than 17 per cent (\$50bn) last month after the revelations about their data being mined.

Combined, Apple, Amazon and Alphabet (Google's parent company) are worth \$2.3 trillion - Microsoft and Facebook are worth a further \$1.1tn, and the Big Five social media and marketing giants make up 15 per cent of the American Standard & Poor share index. As The Guardian put it, 'if tech pops ... so pops the market,' and yet, 'these stocks have been largely detached from any earnings analysis?

Trump's tweets against Amazon, unusually, make some sense: 'they pay little or no taxes to state and local governments, use our postal system as their delivery boy (causing tremendous loss to the US), and are putting many thousands of retailers out of business!' One of his henchmen, Brad Pascale, added by tweet: 'Amazon has probably 10x the data on every American that Facebook does. All that data and [they] own a political newspaper, The Washington Post. Hmm ...'

And that folks is the real reason Trump's after Amazon, because their highprestige newspaper keeps exposing his viciously inept government and his own grotesque self.

Meanwhile, politicians and Mark Zuckerberg himself call for more regulation of Facebook (but who will

judge what news is 'fake'?). Maybe we users will be allowed to delete stuff or opt out of being mined for advertisers. The reforms won't come soon enough to stop the US Congressional election in November from being gamed, hacked, bought and sold like never before. Because if people with money can, they will.

How about we require innovators and entrepreneurs to talk things over with the citizenry before they throw new hardware or software into our lives, like hand-grenades in a market. You can be sure that while

Jobs/Wozniak, Gates, Zuckerberg, Page/Brin, Bezos and Co never dreamed their inventions would take over the world, it also never occurred to them to talk about what might be their unintended consequences.

How different might the world be if the engineers who brought us the internal combustion engine had brought in a range of non-engineers to discuss the implications of what they were about to unleash? Another engineer might have suggested the atmosphere will OD on carbon dioxide. People who knew what shapes real life in communities might have suggested trains with branches like mighty oak trees could move us to and from our homes without covering half the planet with asphalt. What if they'd invited a room full of random people to talk about it, every day for a year or more?

Social media might have been designed for a purpose other than data mining to sell stuff. What a concept.



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continued from page 12 exceeded their delegated authority, they did keep councillors informed as they spent the money.

As there are questions of legal privilege and commercial-in-confidence involved I didn't expect any hard and clear answers. Indeed what I got was a long list of initials of unknown entities with various amounts indicated as disbursed in their direction.

I noticed that an amount of \$17k was for 'filing fees'. That's a bit strange considering that Council was the respondent

in the matter and respondents don't normally pay filing fees.

The other interesting recent legal development was that among the list of applicants were my old buddies Wilshire Webb. These chaps were Max Eastcott's lawyers at the 1995 ICAC whitewash. Subsequently they outshone 27 competitors to become Council's sole representatives on Land and Environment Court matters. I put lots of shit on them during my councillorship in 1998–9, but it took Council years to delete them. I hate to finish on a pes-

simistic note, so I'll amuse readers by pointing out that by far the most interesting matter up for debate this week is a staff proposal to support a 'wellbeing indicator framework' that will 'inform organisational decision making' and 'embed wellbeing across organisational practice'.

Fast Buck\$ Coorabell

If It Doesn't Feel Right

Byron's toxic waste

The Environmental Defenders Office (EDO) have recently had to employ extra

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lawyers to address rising public concern about the risks of hazardous waste in the environment.

To date, the Byron Environment Centre has written four letters to Byron Council seeking information on the issue of waste that was removed from the old sand-mining factory that was located on Jonson Street, Byron Bay.

It is public knowledge that there exists the risk of dangerous carcinogenic tailings in this waste. Also the destination of this waste has never been publicly addressed. No

public notice was issued to the Byron community during excavation and transportation. The greatest danger in this waste resides in flying dust particles.

There is a legal protocol that must be addressed according to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and this is noted in Council's duty of care governing development consent when addressing such waste.

It is noted that between 300,000 and 500,000 hectares of fill will be required to address the proposed West Byron development. As such there has to be full legal accountability when addressing the nature of the proposed fill. More to the point other communities may in time suffer if the public is not informed of the waste's final destination.

Rigorous transparency must be addressed by all parties in this development.

> Jo Faith Newtown

Dangerous tenants

The article in lasat week's Echo To use an agent or not caused me to respond immediately, not in regard to selling property but to issue a warning to others who may be considering renting a property without good real estate management in place.

My husband and I have had a number of rental properties in other places, managed always by an agent but here, we thought we could manage ourselves. This is an abridged version of why you should never do it.

After spending a considerable sum renovating the house last year, we happily handed over the sparkling

CHESS by lan Rogers

The battle for the presidency of the world chess body FIDE has turned ugly, as incumbent Kirsan Iljumzhinov sees his deputy Georgios Makropoulos challenge for the job he has held for almost

a quarter of a century. During that period, and indeed for a decade earlier, Makropoulos has been happy to ride the FIDE putting pressure on Agon to pay gravy train, most recently being him large sums personally. alleged to have used more than

'new' house to a nice young couple with four children.

I rang their referees and employer who gave glowing reports (probably friends) and part of the bond and two weeks' rent landed into our bank account and they moved in.

Three and half months later we were thousands of dollars out of pocket as the rent stopped after eleven weeks and all communication was fraught, stressed and full of excuses and lies.

We engaged a solicitor and attended court in Lismore where orders were made and a notice to leave was delivered. The tenants moved out but left one tonne of rubbish and household goods that took five men and a truck a whole day to remove before we could begin to repair the property – but the biggest cost was to our mental health.

In all, our decision not to use an agent cost us approximately \$10k but the frustration of due process failing us was a huge lesson. The ex-tenants, we now know, have a history in the region of this style of tenancy and unbelievably get away with it because there is no protection for landlords unless the property is professionally managed.

Name withheld

No compartison

I was recently asked to compare Bill Shorten and Anthony Albanese.

I declined. After all, there is no comparison - only a contrast. And doesn't Albo come out well in such an exercise!

> J Rose Mullum

job, few at the meeting seemed villing to terminate the contract. Makro then came out with

the bombshell allegation that Iljumzhinov had told him privately that FIDE could force Agon to surrender ownership and he was willing to share the spoils 50-50 with Makro.

Iljumzhinov denied the claim, but admitted that he had been

Makro characterised Iljum-\$150,000 of FIDE money to pay zhinov's actions as a shakedown, while Iljumzhinov said that he At a recent FIDE meeting, with was merely asking for repayment The deterioration in the relationship between Makro and This week Makro stepped Iljumzhinov since the last FIDE placed under US sanctions in 2015, for his alleged role is help-The bulk of the discussion ing ISIS sell oil to the Syrian govto take power after more than However, Iljumzhinov is refusing to go quietly, setting the stage FIDE the agreed licence fees. for the most bitter – and likely While all agreed that Agon biggest spending – FIDE election was generally hopeless at its one in history in Batumi in October.

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for his medical expenses.

Iljumzhinov absent, 'Makro' con- of moneys he had lent Agon over vinced the FIDE board to vote the years as he sought to keep it - 14 to 1 - to ask Iljumzhinov to afloat.

resign immediately, a request he angrily rejected.

up his campaign by releasing election in 2014 has been swift, normally secret minutes of a and when Iljumzhinov was 2017 FÍDE Presidential Board meeting.

concerned the Agon company, ernment, Makro saw his chance which is halfway through a 10 to take power after me year contract with FIDE to run three decades as deputy. all World Championship events and has consistently failed to pay

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Mullum group saves more precious Daintree rainforest

Mullumbimby-based nonprofit organisation Rainforest Trust Australia is celebrating its purchase of nine properties in the Daintree lowland rainforest to protect endangered wildlife and wind back the impacts of inappropriate development.

Rainforest Trust Australia's CEO Kelvin Davies said the group acquired the properties over 18 months, 'with one purchase on average every eight weeks?

'We were excited to discover camera traps installed on one of the blocks detected three cassowaries, a Bennetts tree-kangaroo, a musky ratkangaroo and a red-legged pademelon,' Mr Davies said.

Rainforest Trust Australia has now offered these properties to the Queensland government for inclusion in the Daintree National Park



Rainforest Trust Australia's CEO, Kelvin Davies.

along with five other blocks acquired in past years.

Winding back development

The properties range in size from one to 20 hectares (2.5 to 50 acres), but Mr Davies said 'the more significant conservation benefit comes from winding back impacts of the 1980s subdivision that carved up two-thirds of the Daintree lowland rainforest into 1,100 rural residential blocks'.

'Buying land for conservation stops housing development and in locations where all of the freehold properties have been purchased we can work with governments to close and revegetate roads.

Mr Davies said Rainforest Trust Australia had managed to increase its rate of land acquisition in part by its matching gift program.

'A generous friend of Rainforest Trust has offered to match every donation up to \$50 million. So, every dollar donated to our projects is doubled,' he said.

'Rainforest Trust's operating costs are supported by our board of directors and a few key foundations so 100 per cent of donations are used to support the creation of new protected areas in Australia and at our many project sites across the globe.

To support Rainforest Trust Australia call 0437 423 119 or visit www.rainforesttrust.org.

Japanese whaling fleet returns from slaughter of 333 whales

According to Sea Shepherd's Australian managing director Jeff Hansen, 'The Japanese whale poachers are in contempt of the Australian Federal Court with a milliondollar price tag on their heads and found to be illegal by the International Court of Justice'

Sea Sheperd are climing that they have saved over 6,000 whales. 'However, with a lowered kill quota and double the hunting area, it's time for the Australian government to step up once more and look at taking Japan to the International Tribunal on the law of the sea,' said Mr Hansen.

'Another 333 whales have been killed in Antarctic waters, while the Australian government refuses to do anything to halt this illegal slaughter.

'Our prime minister has done nothing but "express disappointment" over Japan's

continued whaling program.

'The vast majority of Australians want action to end this abhorrent whale hunt. Legal options and the potential to send a vessel to intervene must be looked at in order to stop whaling occurring next summer,' said Mr Hansen.

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Picture yourself on a boat on a river

'The beautiful Brunswick River is the Byron area's best river. It has an abundance of wildlife and marine life, and is part of Cape Byron Marine Park,' says Simon Freeden from Byron Bay Eco Cruises & Kayaks. If it sounds as though he is a big fan of the river, that's because he is. This amazing river runs right through the middle of Byron Shire, but many locals have only seen the river from the town or from the bridge. All we can say is there so much more.

These cruises are a fun, easy way to enjoy the beautiful Brunswick River with your friends or family. The team's award-winning commentary, designed by an environmental scientist from their team to best explain what passengers are seeing, is delivered

by a local, passionate and knowledgeable group of river enthusiasts.

The Morning Cruise leaves Brunswick Heads Boat Harbour at 10am and returns at 12 noon, and includes complimentary morning tea with local Zentvelds plunger coffee and a range of teas. A hot recommendation from passengers is that the locally sourced chocolate macadamia brownies are the best, and don't worry, they are GF. If you really have a sweet tooth, they don't have marshmallow pies but they do have pecan and walnut pie, shortbread biscuits, hot chocolate and of

Good Taste



You don't need kaleidoscope eyes to appreciate the view onboard the *Jasmine* cruising the beautiful Brunswick River, where wildlife has space, and humans' impacts are minimal, whilst eating, drinking and enjoying this natural experience with friends.

course fruit juice and soft drinks.

Sunset is the most amazing time to be on the river; the light, the scenery and the wildlife all look so different and every sunset is unique. On the Sunset Cruise you can enjoy two complimentary beers or wines, fruit juice, soft drink and a delicious platter with cheese, carrots, celery, hummus, olives, water crackers and rice crackers (GF). Guests are welcome to bring extra.

The cost is \$45 for kids and pensioners and \$50 for adults.

Now, here's an innovative idea for a party: take a private cruise along the river on this floating venue. Everyone will be smiling as you drift past the flowers, and the average price is around \$40 pp depending on numbers

Jasmine is the team's new larger boat, with three wildlifeviewing areas including the roof. Simon says, 'The view from up there of the river and surrounds is some of the best scenery in our beautiful area. Your Eco Rainforest River Cruise will be an experience you will never forget.

'We have many repeat customers who know the quality of our cruises and they happily bring their friends and relatives. It is a great way to showcase the area while socialising,' says Simon. 'Jasmine is licensed for 49 passengers, is all weather, has a toilet, and is a very comfortable boat.

'She is the perfect venue for get-togethers, parties, weddings and meetings and, while she is available for private cruises starting at a very reasonable cost, if you are looking to host an upmarket event we can also cater quality food and drinks to suit all budgets and tastes.'

More info: Byron Bay Eco Cruises & Kayaks Mob: 0410 016 926 www.byronbaycruises.com.au



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How to bid at an auction by phone

Russel Shaw from Acceptance Finance sent though the latest newsletter which contained this article about bidding at auction over the phone. There are more interesting articles in this month's newsletter. Contact Russel or go the website to subscribe. You can find his details in the Echo Property Business Directory.

Bidding at an auction by phone is becoming more popular. You may have noticed these bidders – mysteriously whispering into their phones and then bellowing out bids with unwavering confidence. While some of these people are buyer's agents, others are just experienced property buyers bidding on behalf of friends or family.

Why bid at an auction by telephone?

There are many reasons why you may prefer to bid at an auction by phone, rather than attending in person. These may include:

Geography: You may want to bid on a property that is rural or located interstate. Or you may want to bid at several auctions being held on the same day and can't attend them all in person. Nerves or inexperience with bidding: A lot of people feel nervous about bidding for themselves – it's a normal reaction. It's also normal to feel intimidated by other bidders, particularly if you've come face to face with some competitive types!

Avoid exceeding your budget: It's easy to get carried away by the excitement at an auction and bid above your budget. If it's a property you really want, it's hard to stop adding another thousand when the object of your desires is only a few metres away.

What are the pros and cons?

Auctions can be loud and stressful, and bidding by phone can take a lot of the anxiety out of the experience. By the same token, not being able to see the other bidders can be a disadvantage, as you won't



be able to read their body language and gauge the competition. That's where communication with your stand-in is essential! You may even like to use Skype, FaceTime or a similar app, so that you can 'see' the competition during the auction.

How do you go about organising it?

The first step is to check that phone bids are accepted by the auctioneer, agent and vendor. If they are, you'll most likely have to register and fill out a form beforehand, nominating a stand-in to bid on your behalf. Then it's simply a matter of nominating someone to bid for you. You may also like to organise your solicitor to be available in the event that yours is the winning bid. How do you pay the deposit and sign on the dotted line if you succeed? When you fill out the paperwork to nominate your standin, you can specify how you'll pay the deposit on the day if successful (usually 10 per cent of the purchase price). You can authorise the agent

or auctioneer to complete a signed blank cheque, provide a signed bank cheque for 10 per cent of your maximum bid, authorise the stand-in to pay the deposit on your behalf, or transfer the money into the agent's trust account.

In terms of the sale contract, you can nominate the authorised bidder or auctioneer to sign on your behalf. Alternatively, you may like to be present and go along to sign once the phone bidding is over, or tee up your solicitor to represent you beforehand. Bidding at auction by phone could be a less stressful way of securing your dream home or investment property. It can also be more convenient if you're not close by.

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Byron Bay 6685 6588

- View
 Sat 21 April 11.00 11.30am

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Acropolis

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Acropolis offers breathtaking 360 degree views across Cape Byron to Mount Warning and beyond. Set down a private country lane in the hinterland, this northeast facing property sits on 4.36 acres of quietly



undulating land and enjoys a ridge top position. Architect designed, constructed from sandstone with a hardwood timber frame & purpose built to make the most of the environment, its unique double aspect allows custodians to select sun-traps or wind breaks on either side of the house to ensure ultimate comfort all year around. Located just a 10 minute drive from both Byron & Mullumbimby and within an hour's drive of the Gold Coast International, Ballina and Lismore regional airports.

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BYRON BAY 62 Sunrise Boulevard **Auction 28 April** Open Wed 6:00pm & Sat 11:30am 🛏 5 📒 2 🛤 2 🗘 600.2m² Katrina Beohm 0467 001 122

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+ 14ft ceilings, double hung windows, polished timber floors & verandahs. Ensuite in master + Polished concrete benches, walk-in pantry, dishwasher & gas stove. 2 living rooms + dining

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from 12pm

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Clubyamba - The Colours of Yamba - 7 Self Contained Luxury Villas

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- 12 Thomas Street, Bangalow. Sat 10–10.30am
 15 Meadows Close, Bangalow. Sat 11–11.30am
- 1 Corlis Crescent, Bangalow. Sat 12–12.30pm
- 306 Whian Whian Road, Whian Whian. Sat 1-1.30pm
- ELDERS BANGALOW
- 14 Strand Avenue, New Brighton. Thu 1–1.30pm. Sat 11–11.30am

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- 43 Browning Street, Byron Bay. Thu 3–3.30pm. Sat 1–1.30pm
- 24 Grevillea Avenue, Mullumbimby. Thu 3–3.30pm. Sat 12–12.30pm
 30 Cedar Crescent, East Ballina. Thu 4–5pm. Sat 10–10.30am
- 30 Cedar Crescent, East Ballina. Thu 4–5pm. Sat 10–10.30am
 2/6–8 Daniels Street, Byron Bay. Fri 11–11.30am. Sat 11–11.30am
- 1635–1651 Coolamon Scenic Drive, Mullumbimby. Fri 12–12.30pm
- 5 Somerset Lane, Byron Bay. Fri 1–1.30pm
- 2/92 Rajah Road, Ocean Shores. Sat 9–9.30am
- 43 Alcorn Street, Suffolk Park. Sat 9–9.30am
- 58 Brandon Street, Suffolk Park. Sat 9–9.30am
- 13 Kalemajere Drive, Suffolk Park. Sat 9–9.30am
- 115 Bangalow Road, Byron Bay. Sat 10–10.30am
- 22 Palm-Lily Crescent, Bangalow. Sat 10–10.30am
- 106 Paterson Street, Byron Bay. Sat 10–10.30am
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THE HAPPY SON<mark>gs of d</mark>on

DON WALKER IS RECOGNISED AS ONE OF THE BEST SONGWRITERS IN THE COUNTRY. CHIEF SONGWRITER FOR COLD CHISEL, WALKER HAS PENNED SOME OF THE COUNTRY'S MOST ICONIC ROCK SONGS, BUT ALONGSIDE THAT HE HAS WRITTEN SOME TRULY QUIRKY, ORIGINAL, MESMERISING MUSIC THAT HE HAS JUST RELEASED ON HIS VINYL BOX SET BLACKTOP FEATURING HIS ENTIRE SOLO CATALOGUE - SIX ALBUMS!

For Walker, doing interviews is part of the job. He has this reflective way of answering questions, every word falling exactly as he requires.

'It's the same three or four questions each time,' he smirks.'It's up to me to come up with something that's not boring.

The current tour with his band The Suave Fucks sees Don and the lads play selections from his box set.

Unlike his work with Chisel his solo work isn't as mainstream and Don laughs that 'It's been a long time since someone has called out for a Cold Chisel song'.

'I am in the fortunate and unfortunate position of having heritage hits so I don't have a set of songs that I have to do every night. For the audience there are a lot of songs we haven't played before. And they are as new to them usually as the rest of the set.' His trademark deprecatory tone underpins most of how Walker writes.

'I think it's possible that when I get up in front of a fresh audience, and I sing my first song they think Jesus I hope he doesn't sing Flame Trees

Walker doesn't write from his external surrounds so much as what goes on his head.

'I don't go out observing, and usually I think I am the least aware of what is going on in a room, because I dream a bit and so the stuff that is in the songs is either stories from my life or people I know or stuff that I made up based on where I come from, where I have been?

Living in a world full of mobile devices, Walker believes that we are at risk of losing that capacity just to daydream.

'I think it's a big danger for everybody. We might be the last generation who had to entertain ourselves in our own heads, and that space is now completely taken up by devices.

Driving is good because you can't use a device, and I am as much prey to device addiction than anyone except I am aware of it, but that doesn't mean I am any stronger in resisting it; pulling out the phone gets you out of the sitting alone waiting, which has been a lot worse for women then men. If a bloke is alone in a cafe he is invisible or people look at him and think 'loser'; if a woman is sitting in a cafe or bar she isn't invisible.

Walker plays music to amuse himself.'The goal is not to bore yourself.

'If you have a story and you write it out and you make it rhyme it's like people do; it's not that interesting for anybody but you know that because it's not that interesting for yourself. There has to be some twist or angle or extra dimension of mystery in there that makes a song breathe...'



Then Walker heckles himself with, 'It's sounding like bullshit even as I say it...

One of my favourite Walker songs is Another Night In that he sang with Tex Perkins and Charlie Owens. It's gritty. It's edgy. It's unapologetic. It's basically about a guy drinking whiskey, snorting cocaine and watching pornography.

'When I first showed that to Tex and Charlie they were incredulous that there wasn't a moral in the third verse.

'Tex said you mean it is just a miserable song?'

The dude doesn't get better. He isn't apologetic. There's nothing to be learnt from this song, it's not a moral tale.

Walker doesn't do earnest. 'It's the virus of the modern age,' he says.

'When you marry passion with stupidity, that's what you get. And there is a lot of it.

'I never set out to write a sad song, in fact I've made a conscious effort to try to be happier. In writing, because you don't want to be miserable to people all the time, it's easy for a songwriter to do that because that's when feelings are intense - both in the

writer and the listener; the purpose is surely to try to make the world happier. I try to do that.

'Once when I was young I was on a train in Siberia, and only two other people on the whole train spoke English. We were moving for days going from one town to another; everyone spoke Russian. If they had another language it would have been German.

'One of the guards had control of a Tannoy system that ran through the train and he woke the whole train up at 7.30am with A Hard Day's Night.

'He played the whole album. Apart from that there was no music for the whole journey. The whole train rocked out and sang to the album, all those Russians.

'It was wonderful. This early album of Beatles happy songs that made the whole world happy."

Don Walker and The Suave Fucks are joined by opening act Jimmy Dowling at Club Mullum at the Mullumbimby Ex-Services on Saturday | 7pm | Tickets \$35 online www.polkadotproductions.com.au or \$40 on the door.





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EVERY BIN HAS A SINGLE LINING

Just over 12 months ago I stopped using plastic bags. After seeing picture of the devastating impacts one billion-plus bags per day have on our environment.

It's hard to use a plastic bag guilt free one you've seen one kill a turtle. Or choke a fish. Or wash up on beaches throughout Indonesia. Or know that it's releasing toxic chemicals into the soil.

We eventually eat food infused with plastic. The plastic isn't just in our environment, it's in our bloodstream. The carry-bag carnage is a hideous reminder of our single-use society. There's something nihilistic about a society that has so little regard for the future that it creates something that will only be used once. The underpinning belief system is that we won't be here much longer. And with that kind of attitude, we won't. It's depressing.

A person can feel overwhelmed by the enormousness of the wearing the Fresh Food People name tag. And for god's sake difference. But it does.

action that I could do. I calculated that I was using at least 20 single-use plastic bags each week, so in a year I have not used 1,040 plastic bags. That's a shitload of plastic. If 15 million people in Australia are regular shoppers and if they use 10 bags a week then thats 8.7 billion bags not ending up in the environment.

As of July this year single-use plastic bags will be banned nationwide. In the leadup to the ban, a few of the major retailers I remember our bin when I was a kid. Call us filthy pigs but we such as Coles and Woolies have trialled the no-plastic-bags didn't use a bin liner. We just hosed it out after we emptied it. policy to monitor feedback from customers.

go bag free. You'd think in a largely hippy town where we are supposed to embrace eco-friendly and sustainable values that we would have been right behind the initiative. Not entirely so. paper in the garden. The chooks ate our food scraps. We weren't

Just the other day I stood behind some dude at the checkout who was losing his tiny mind. 'What am I going to use as my bin liner now?' he ranted at the 17-year-old attempting to serve him. He was really upset about it. I wonder how boring this dude's life is to get that emotional about bin liners. I think of him at home carefully lining his bin with his single-use plastic bag, patting himself on the back for being such an environmental champion with his second use. He's still yelling at the kid.

Here's some advice for anyone who yells at kids with part-time jobs in retail. Get a life. Go and yell at the manager. Yell at the So next time you see someone going nuts about single-use plastic CEO. Don't yell at the pimply faced kid with an anxiety disorder as free bin liners, take one for the team, and give them a serve.

changes required with a sense that nothing you do will make a don't yell about bin liners. If I were going to yell about anything in public it would be something that matters, such as human I decided that eliminating my plastic-bag use was one small rights and world poverty or someone stealing my park. Not my right to free bin liners. That's just sad.

> How about this for an idea: don't buy so much. If you don't buy much then you don't need many bags, especially if you are using your re-usables. And if you don't buy much, you use what you buy then hopefully you don't need to throw much out.

That's how we made bin juice. Every couple of days I emptied Woolies in Mullum is one of the stores that has attempted to the kitchen bin into the metal garbage bin outside. It would contain possible a quarter of the rubbish my regular wheelie bin contains. We rarely filled it. We recycled all our bottles and we put environmentalists. We were poor country folk and we just didn't consume much.

> We never threw stuff away because we always had less than we needed in our cupboards, not more. We didn't buy prepackaged or processed foods because in the 1970s that sort of stuff wasn't really available. People bought less, they ate less, they threw away less. Consequently they didn't yell at people at the supermarket about bin liners.

LIVEMUSIC

GIVE ME HEAD

It was the first concert I ever went to; I was 13. The Radiators at the Homestead in Brisbane.

I don't think the whole ID thing was big then, otherwise I wouldn't have been squashed in with a bunch of dudes all screaming 'She gives me head'. I don't think I even knew what head was but blokes were clearly very enthusiastic about it. The Radiators are still playing and 40 years on they're still belting out Give Me Head. It has a slightly more sinister overtone with age.

The Radiators have carved a niche in the archives of Australian rock history and shared the stage with great Aussie acts such as AC/DC, Rose Tattoo and INXS, with more than 4,000 shows to their credit.

They have played their music to millions of people in Australia, recorded more than 100 original songs, with two albums being awarded Platinum status, two achieving Gold, and sales of more than one million units.

The Radiators still tour extensively playing an average of 100 shows per year and the band's fans, young and old, still flock to grab a slice of living Aussie rock history and dance the night away to the great catchy songs and classic hits that make The Radiators an iconic name in Australian rock music.

Don't miss The Radiators when they head to Ballina RSL on Friday.

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For the past seven years Stukulele (aka Stu Eadie) has lovingly maintained Uke Mullum - Mullumbimby's Uke Night. Ukulele players and music lovers of all ages converge to strum and sing along to a new songbook of 20+ songs with a different theme every month - 50s, 60s, 70s, 80s, Beatles, Stones, love songs, break-up songs, murder ballads, TV themes, blues, jazz, disco, Motown, punk, and the list goes on. It's a unique local event that Stu and his partner

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Miss Amber love presenting. Ukulele has turned into an all-consuming passion for Stu. Sixty-plus hours go into creating each event, plus he teaches at Coorabell Primary and performs at community events and care facilities with his beloved Uke Orchestra. In order to continue the fever Stu could use some support.

If you like what he is dong, jump on to www.patreon. com/UkeMullum and for the cost of a cup of coffee per month you can keep the whole community singing and strumming. As a Uke Mullum

patron you will become a vital member of a growing community. You'll have your say in choosing songs to learn and perform and gain access to online lessons and the monthly Uke Night songbooks. This month, the Uke Night theme is Lounge - swinging 50s and 60s hits, smooth bossanova with the occasional psychedelic trip out. With Steve Russell on keys, Jaime Pattoalin on drums and Kate Gittins on wind instruments, this will be another amazing evening of great music and good ol' fun.

Thursday 26 April at Club Mullum from 6.30pm. Don't be square, be Hep Cat!

SPLENDOUR TIX ON SALE!

Every year music lovers load their devices to be the first click in line for the muchcoveted prize of tickets to Splendour in the Grass, held at North Byron Parklands 20, 21 and 22 July. Tickets normally sell out in minutes. They've been known to break the internet. Every year. It's a credit to the organisers that they have created an event that continues to capture the zeitgeist. With more than 100 of the most exciting international and homegrown artists touring right now set to grace The Amphitheatre, Mix Up, GW McLennan and Tiny Dancer stages along with some of the biggest and most innovative stars of hip-hop and global names of indie rock, pop and dance and Australia's most exciting established and emerging artists. This year's big guns include Kendrick Lamar, Lorde, Vampire Weekend, Khalid, and The Wombats.

Tickets go on sale 9am on Thursday 19 April. Threeday event tickets are \$399 plus fees, with single-day tix at \$179 and a camping ticket an extra \$129. Go to splendourinthegrass.com or the splendour Facebook page for more info.



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EERIE THINGS SEEING STARS

The **Eerie Things**, a 5-piece band based in Byron Bay, have an eerie vibe influenced by the likes of Pink Floyd and Alice Cooper, with a dash of good old Aussie rock.

Lead singer and guitarist Andy Bambach has been writing great rock songs with a variety of bands from Melbourne, Perth and Byron for a few decades now, and here he gets together with a group of like-minded musicians. With the soulful backing vocals of Rae Stanton and with Richard Seccull, Steve Elias and Garry Fenton on guitar, bass and drums, the band has come up with a highly original and eclectic sound that is both rock'n'roll and meaningful!

Their debut album Under a Canopy of Stars is available online to stream, or you can purchase it from their website www.theeeriethings.com, and it will be officially launched at Club Byron on Friday. They are supported by Kook Cartel, a local youth band fronted by 18-year-old Griffin Bambach. Club Byron, Marvell St in Byron. Doors open at 6.30pm, music will start shortly thereafter. The Eerie Things aim to be onstage around 7.30pm.



Australia's premier 'east meets west' electronic beat makers Tijuana Cartel have a knack for blending layers of rich, intricate soundscapes with pulsating rhythms and luscious vocals to form an electronic beats tapestry that will cut through to your very soul. Bound together by their mutual love of instrumental, trippy and mind-expanding music, Paul George and Carey O'Sullivan are a truly formidable force.

Onstage is where Tijuana Cartel's collective musical spirit is really given the chance to run wild. Joined by Yoav Mashiach on percussion and occasionally Joshua Sinclair on trumpet, they extensively tour Australia, regularly stopping off at all of the major cities, as well as small towns and the mostloved festivals including Peats Ridge, Rainbow Serpent, Wave Rock, Splendour in the Grass, Byron Blues and Roots, Falls, Shine On, Good Vibrations, Surry Hills Festival and Lane Way amongst others. They also tour across Europe and USA when the stars align. Wowing audiences all over the world, they're back with the new album Psychedelicatessen. If you've heard the band before, you'll lose your mind! They play Spirt Festival at 9pm on Saturday at the Cavanbah Centre. For info about this event, and all of Spirit Festival running Friday till Sunday go to spiritfestival.com.au.

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THE HOAD AHEAD: MUSIC, WHITE TANTRA AND CHOOSING LOVE

MULTI-INSTRUMENTALIST JAY HOAD IS BACK IN TOWN FOR HIS FINAL PERFORMANCES IN NSW FOR 2018 BEFORE HE HITS THE ROAD FOR EUROPE, FIJI, INDIA AND AUSTRALIA. AT THE RAILS ON THURSDAY HE PRESENTS THE CACAO SOUND JOURNEY AT TASTE OF LOVE FESTIVAL ON SATURDAY.

After finishing my diploma and degrees I was asked to compose for various yoga teachers. I literally composed it on the spot as it was constructed around the yoga teachers' words and movements in that exact moment in time. That led to me inviting a yoga class into the recording studio and recording my album Earth Music for Yoga, Massage and *Healing*, which was endorsed by Australian Yoga Journal. That led me to studying more about yoga, and eventually Kundalini Energy and Tantra.

What is it do you think that is unique about the way you approach your music and the way you approach your healing practice?

I guess knowledge is the key. Musically I have always had a passion for this and was always intrigued in the unusual instruments and musicians I would see on tour. My team and I have toured my show through 37 countries and we have around 15 new countries on this year's tour alone. I have constantly been exposed to unusual instruments and their players I have connected with. So rolling this over to my yoga and tantra studies and practices, it's really the same thing.

Can you tell me what White **Tantra is?**

The term White Tantra is a nonphysical contact oriented tantra, but more knowledge- and energy-based work. There are tens of thousands of definitions of what tantra actually is and I see it constantly evolving through my travels and with the various teachers and people I am working with. But my opinion, expanding on everything, choosing consciousness in each and every moment to the best of our ability, choosing love and not fear to the best of our ability, learning how to move energy and own all aspects of self without projecting low-vibrational emotions such as anger, jealousy etc on to another being, understanding inner union, sacred union and the basis of masculine and feminine energy. What is the intention of the Shamanic Cacao Ceremony **Sound Journey?**

My intention with my sound healing (combined with the cacao) is opening the root and heart chakras to assist the individual to move whatever may or may not come up as freely as possible. Each key in music matches with its own chakras specifically. Each interval between two notes played at the same time triggers a specific emotion. And each frequency and vibration matches certain physical body parts and emotions, so all my music for these sessions will be composed under these guidelines, depending on the individuals who attend on that night.

You do a lot of work on inner union and balancing masculine and feminine energy. What does an imbalance look like in a person? Are concepts of masculine and feminine just based on our rather narrow gender assumptions anyway?

I do energy work with many incredible clients. Seeing the way these people move forward and modify their energies and life's purpose or, as they often say, 'coming in to full power', is consistent and remarkable. Whether a person is imbalanced or balanced in your opinion, it is certain that they are exactly as they are meant to be in that very moment for them to learn and grow to then possibly choose to be the exact representation of self that they truly desire to be.

And with the definitions of masculine and feminine, yes I would say most people's concepts of these definitions are quite narrow minded. However with tantra, not at all. The principal is that beneath one's physical being, the energy within is possibly a fifty per cent balance of these two energies. You could just as easily call them positive and negative instead of masculine and feminine, but one will possibly not flow to their highest potential if their polarities are fighting each other.

Tell me about Harmonic Earth Holistic and how this can take intimacy to the next level? Harmony Earth Holistic is my

partner's and my new business in which all the various modalities of work we have been doing around the world over the past years will fall under. We offer sound healings, cacao ceremonies, yoga grooves (yoga plus sound therapy), energy workshops covering everything from highestpurpose discovery, trauma release, intimacy and energy work with individuals and couples.

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My partner and I work with our clients diving deep on all aspects of mind, heart and animal connections within oneself and with their beloved in a very safe and trustable space where one can possibly choose to be vulnerable enough with oneself to possibly connect with the heart beyond the mind's stories of who they 'think' they should or shouldn't be, or should or shouldn't say. To possibly speak their truth, far beyond the words, but connecting to the heart. People who do not know much about this work often feel fear around the unknown. There is nothing fearful about love, and that is all that tantra is about, choosing love over fear is at the core of every decision or emotion one may feel throughout life's journey.

Catch Jay at the Rails on Thursday and at The Taste of Love Festival on Saturday. For more info about Taste of Love program and ticketing go to tasteoflove.com.au.





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6:30pm - 10:00pm

Saturday Night - Cavanbah

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6:30pm - 10:00pm

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	m Breath of Bliss: Feel More Ecstasy	Christabel Zamor	Cavanbah - Main Space	8:00 - 9.30am	Sacred Sound Journey	Dr Didge Arpana & ShamanaTara	Elements - Banksia	2:30 pm	with Amrita and Shunya PERFORMANCE - Bollywood Sister
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ime	Event / Workshop	Presenter	Venue		Goddess Within Sacred stance through th	•	Mountain	10:00 am	DANCE WORKSHOP - Bollywood Sister
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00 - 9:30ai	m <mark>- Fear to Freedom</mark>	Gwyn Williams	Cavanbah - Ocean		Acro Yoga Progressions	Zoe	Cavanbah - Main	11:30 am	Conscious Touch with Tamara Gre
00 - 9:30ai	m <mark>– Kids Yoga: Trust & Balance</mark>	Rainbow Yoga	Rainbow Yoga Yurt	10:00 - 11:30	Workshop	Braithwaite	Space	12:00 pm	MUSIC - The Twine Family band
00 - 9:30ai	m <mark>– Lifeguard your Life</mark>	Dean Gladstone	Elements - Belongil	10:00 - 11:30	 Explore Inversion (Intermediate Level) 	John Ogilvie	Cavanbah - Sky	1:00 pm 1:15 pm	THE VILLAGE SPEAKS PANEL - The Co-Creation of Commun
00 - 9:30ai	m <mark>- Prana Vinyasa Body Mandala</mark>	Delamay Devi	Cavanbah - Silent Disco	10.00 11.20	Family Yoga: Saying I Lo	Ve Dainhaw Vaga	Dainbow Vaga Vurt	1.10 pm	MC: Christopher Dean / Ella Gonin
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	0 Sha'heed: the Way of Beauty	Greg Lahood	Cavanbah - Mountain	10:00 - 11:30	Rise Up Sunshine! Ecsta Dance		Cavanbah - Silent	2:15 pm	SPOKEN WORD with Fleassy Mal
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	0 Ecstatic Embodiment Journey		Cavanbah - Main Space	1:00 - 2:30pm	The Yoga of Radical Love	Ixchel Love & Dustin Brooks	Cavanbah - Silent Disco		Women's Health with Katie Manit
	0 Sacred Salty Rain Dance	Tommy Franklin	Cavanbah - Silent Disco	1:00 - 2:30	Creating Awe	Travers Ross	Cavanbah - Ocean	3:15 pm	Wild Food as Medicine w/Peter Hardv
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):00 - 11:30	0 🦲 Kundalini Yoga	Harjiwan	Cavanbah - Ocean	1:00 - 2:30	Voices of Man	Murray Kyle	Space	9:00 am	Sunday 22nd April MUSIC - Shrine River w/ Alice Miyaga
00 - 2:30pr	n 🖲 Generate Rapture through Breathwork	Christabel Zamor	Cavanbah - Main Space	1:00 - 2:30	Spirit on the Breath (Sou Healing)	nd Dena Kingsberg	Elements - Banksia	9:45 am	A Sound Life - Yoga Class/live mu
00 - 2:30pr	n 🔴 Embodying The Sacred Masculine	Hamilton Barnett	Cavanbah - Sky	1.00 2.20	Meeting the Shadow in	Jeremiah	Cavanbah -	10:15 am	Re Wilding with Ella Noah Bancro
00 - 2:30pr	m Sacred Earth - Mantra Workshop	Sacred Earth	Elements - Banksia	1:00 - 2:30	Love	Abrams	Mountain	11:00 am	The Superfeast Sessions w/ Mason Tay
	m Extreme Wellness	Dr. Marc Cohen	Cavanbah - Mountain	1:00 - 2:30	📙 Beach Yoga	Dean Gladstone	Elements - Belongil	11:30 am	MINI WORKSHOP - How Bathing c
	Teens to Queens – A modern rites memovement - Rite to the light	Miranda Chance		1:00 - 2:30	Intro to Kids Yoga	Rainbow Yoga	Rainbow Yoga Yurt		Save the World with Dr Marc Col
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	m Intro to Kids Yoga: Discussion & Practice		Rainbow Yoga Yurt	3:00 - 4:30	Afro-movement Dance Class	Gabriel Otu	Space	1:00 pm	THE VILLAGE SPEAKS
	m • Masterclass: Asana is Hatha Yoga	Mark Whitwell	Cavanbah - Silent Disco	3:00 - 4:30	Sound Healing Journey	Benjamin Last	Elements - Banksia	1:15 pm	PANEL - Non-Ordinary States of
00 - 2:30pr	m • Yoga for the Doshas	Rachel Zinman	Cavanbah - Ocean		The Evolutionary	Rob Weber	Cavanbah -		Consciousness with MC: Nyck Jean
00 - 4:30	0	Suebee Fae	Cavanbah - Silent Disco	3:00 - 4:30	Entrepreneur	Jeff Slayter	Mountain		Dr Marc Cohen / Christabel Zamo
00 - 4:30	 Love is What We Came Here For - A Dreamtime Journey 		Cavanbah - Sky	3:00 - 4:30	📙 iRest Yoga Nidra	Dr Lauren Tober	Elements - Belongil		Alex Grant / Julia George / Jeff Slay
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00 - 4:30	• Stepping through the Sun Gate	Jemma Gawned	Elements - Belongil	3:00 - 4:30	Kids Yoga: Being Presen	t Rainbow Yoga	Rainbow Yoga Yurt	2:45 pm	MINI WORKSHOP - Mandala drawi
00 - 4:30	Sound of Yoga	Franko Heke & Nikki Rhodes	Cavanbah - Ocean	3:00 - 4:30	Super Soul Flow	Tymi Howard	Cavanbah - Silent Disco		with Jade Weatherill
00 - 4:30	How to Become a Successful Yoga Teacher		Cavanbah - Mountain	2.00 4.20	The New Feminism: Yoga as a Tool for Collaboration Betwee	n Mark Whitwell		3:00 pm	Harmonising Movement - Iolani Gr
00 - 4:30	 Kids Yoga: Unwind & Relax 	Rainbow Yoga	Rainbow Yoga Yurt	3:00 - 4:30	Men & Women	wark whitwell	Cavanbah - Ocean	3:30 pm	MUSIC - Gypsy Dreaming
00 - 4.30	Breathe Into Beauty - Yin Yoga	Steve Mazabow, Vanessa Forbes & Beth Borowsky	U	3:00 - 4:30	The Power of Breath in Vinyasa Yoga	Flo Fenton	Cavanbah - Sky	4:15 pm	A Sound Life - Chakra Meditation
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30 - 10:00pi	me Unifying through Music & Dance Concert - Amaru, Tijuana Cartel		Cavanbah - Main Space	0.00 10.00pm	Ross, OKA	-	Space	6:00 pm	SPIRIT STAGE PROGRAM ENDS







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A STILL FROM *BREATH*, PREMIERING AT THE GOLD COAST FILM FESTIVAL AT A SPECIAL RED-CARPET GALA EVENT AT PACIFIC FAIR ON THURSDAY.

GOLD COAST FILM FESTIVAL PARTNERS WITH BYRON

THE GOLD COAST IS UNDERGOING SOMETHING OF A CULTURAL RENAISSANCE, OR PERHAPS IT'S MORE OF AN EMERGENCE, WITH INNOVATIVE EVENTS MUSHROOMING ON THE SITE OF WHAT WAS KNOWN AS A MEGA TOURIST DESTINATION. IT'S AN EXCITING PLACE TO BE AND AHEAD OF THE 2018 GOLD COAST FILM FESTIVAL – GCFF – WE SPOKE WITH LISA FISHER, THE FESTIVAL DIRECTOR

What was the vision for the Gold Coast Film Festival? Our vision is to bring film to life in a distinctly Gold Coast way

for locals and visitors.

Tell me about how you are partnering with our Byron Bay Film Festival?

We've partnered with the BBFF to present the Virtual Reality film program for the first time. They are national leaders in this area and we can't think of anyone better to curate our first virtual reality selection. We have Australian premieres of some of the best, most cutting-edge VR and 360° content direct from SXSW and Sundance. It will definitely be worth the trip from Byron on 28–29 April.

What are some of the film highlights in your opinion?

Our program director, Rich Haridy, has done a brilliant job and it's hard to pick a highlight.

I'm interested in Anime in the Mall. Why did you decide to screen anime in an outdoor cinema?

Anime in the Mall is part of our partnership with Supanova and Broadbeach Alliance as part of Superhero Weekend. We think anime is a great fit with the Supanova fans, who will be in the area.



What about the horror films? I haven't seen this category in a film festival before?

We've got QLD Screamfest, a selection of short horror films, plus *Cargo*, a horror starring Martin Freeman. There's definitely an audience for horror at film festivals; there are a lot of genre or 'fantastic' festivals doing it really well.

What are the hot topics for the Women in Film Luncheon? I think Jenny Cooney will give an incredible insider insight into the Hollywood system, Australian talent in Hollywood and also entertainment journalism. I certainly think the #metoo movement will be covered too.

We have been very strong on gender equality initiatives for the past three years. We rate films by the Bechdel test and commit to an equal number of men and women speakers across the festival. We were also the first film festival in Australia to offer free childcare for selected industry sessions.

What are the premieres you have in store?

The Second, our opening night film, is an Australian premiere; Breath is a Queensland premiere. Our closing night film Brothers Nest is an Australian premiere after its world premiere in SXSW. We also have the world premiere of an independent film, The Pretend One. And quite a few more!

What are the challenges programming a festival like this and making sure a varied demographic is targeted across the coast?

We have 11 locations across the Gold Coast because we recognise that as a linear city people don't tend to travel too far for film screenings. The films we program hit a very broad demographic, so for cinefiles or regular arthouse cinema audiences there are some challenging festival-circuit films and for an occasional cinema audience there are some more mainstream films. I hope that we're taking our audience on a journey and they're beginning to trust our curation and enjoying the films we bring. It's also a privilege to identify Australian independent films and find audiences for films that are not getting a cinema release any more with the changing distribution landscape.

What are you most looking forward to?

SIPFEST is an awesome night of free short films on the beach. It's pretty special to see filmmakers rewarded with some great cash prizes that will help them keep creating.

The l6th GCFF runs 13 days from Tuesday until Sunday 29

LIVE MUSIC Continued

MERCY AT THE RAILS

'We are not playing the top 100 or classic hits of the 60s

through to the 90s or beyond, said bass player and one of Mercy-Mercy's two songwriters, Jon Dee. 'It's not that we don't play other people's material; it's more that we play material that may not be as well known, by greats such as BB King, Nina Simone, Joe Bonamassa, Beth Hart, Kenny Wayne Shepherd and ZZ Top. A mix of contemporary and classic blues/rock material,' he noted. 'We play that and our own material with strength, enthusiasm and a conviction that rests solidly in our passion for the blues genre. It's curious to us when we hear some people say that they don't like blues because it is the root of all the forms of modern popular music. You can hear it in country, rock, hip-hop and even pop,' Jon said. 'In our own material, that is what we write as a band; there is a real blending of the blues, rock, pop and funk genres and we are also storytellers. Whether it is about a debt owed to music, an experience of love's redemption or just a fun reflection on the feeling and experience of summer on the north coast, the aim is the same. We want to engage our audience in our music and our words.

Mercy-Mercy's debut EP *Self Titled* is out now and they are at The Rails in Byron Bay on Sunday from 7pm.

GRIGORYAN BROTHERS IN BYRON

Although regarded as Australia's finest guitar duo performing much

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of the instrument's standard classical repertoire, the **Grigoryan Brothers'** passion is to expand their horizons through new arrangements, their own compositions and commissions. This ambition can be heard as the brothers take the classical guitar into genres such as jazz, folk and contemporary music. There are no boundaries, only new frontiers to cross. In concert, mix it all together and you have a dimension to guitar playing rarely seen in the musical world.

For this performance The Grigoryan Brothers will be performing works from their latest release, which sees a return to classical repertoire. The album will include songs by composers such as Bach, Elgar, Dvořák, Rachmaninoff, Faure, De Falla and Ponce all masterfully arranged for them by their father Edward.

The program will also include other works highlighting Slava's and Leonard's diverse skills; their deep appreciation of a broad spectrum of musical styles has resulted in many collaborations involving music, both written and improvised. Combine this with their classical training and the result is a unique sound incorporating all these influences. It is not classical, not jazz, not world music; it is the Grigoryan Brothers.

Sat 28 April | Byron Theatre | 7.30pm | Tix byroncentre.com.au.



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SPEED DATING! Fundraiser for: STARS OF BYRON SHIRE DANCE FOR CANCER ENTRANT: ELSA TORRESI – MULLUM LOCAL FOR 51 YEARS VENUE: MULLUMBIMBY EX-SERVICES CLUB (private room) WHEN: SATURDAY 28th April 2018 EVENT START: 6pm

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BEER FESTIVAL!

It had to happen! We have a festival for everything else, and now the humble beer gets its own festival! Beer will have to move over and share the limelight with cider, but beer's a social animal and if anyone could be inclusive, beer could. **The Inaugural Byron Bay Craft Beer and Cider Festival** is happening on **5 May** at **Byron's Sun Bistro**. With more than 20 brewers and 75-plus beers and ciders, the event also includes a selection of food and live music. It's family friendly. Obviously the kids can't can't drink the beer but there's stuff for them to do so you can!

Earlybird tickets available at byronbeerfestival.com.au.

PRUDENT BLOKE

A well-groomed, confident-looking man enters the room and sits on a comfortable and expensive-looking leather chair. A bright light shines on him. There's water and a glass on a table, but that's all. Perhaps this is an investigation. What has he done wrong? What makes the Trumps, the Abbotts and the Hansons of this world tick? What would happen if their world started to shift ever so slightly? Embodying their slogans, mannerisms and headlines, the show is an amalgamation of recent history's conservative politicians all bought together in one stunning one-man show: *A Prudent Man*. This award-winning darkly comedic political thriller asks what it means to be right... in more ways than one.

Thursday 3 May till Saturday 5 May | 7.30pm | Lismore City Hall-The Studio | Tix at www.norpa.org.au.

SAE BYRON BAY INFO NIGHT

If you're considering studying creative media, now is the time to speak to the experienced team at **SAE Byron Bay** and find out how you can pursue your passion in this dynamic and expanding industry.

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Thursday 26 April 4–7pm | PLUS register and attend to go into the draw to WIN a GoPro Hero5 Session Waterproof 4K Camera! REGISTER NOW: sae.edu.au/events



IT'S A FASHION REVOLUTION!

Have you ever wondered, 'Who made my clothes?'

Social enterprise Fashion Revolution has joined forces with local businesses BAY Active, Green Square Apparel, and The Shire Seamstress to host their annual event at The Brewery, Friday 27 April at 6pm.

Fashion Revolution aims to unite people and organisations to work together towards radically changing the way our clothes are sourced, produced and consumed, so that our clothing is made in a safe, clean and fair way.

Organisers **Helen O'Carroll** from Bay Active, **Annette Duffield** from Green Square Apparel and **Satisha Young** from The Shire Seamstress invite you to an evening that will inspire you as a consumer, employee or business owner to be a part of the revolution driving positive change.

MC Mandy Nolan will be at the helm steering us through some uncharted waters with a screening of *The True Cost*, a documentary about the clothes we wear, the people who make them, and the impact the fashion industry is having on our world.

The event includes a Q&A session with change makers **Sally Townsend** from Outland Denim, **Carlie Ballard** from Carlie Ballard and **Karl Goodsell** from Positive Change For Marine Life. The panel will offer solutions, choices, and cover the challenges and opportunities for brands sourcing ethical production, the importance of innovation in the industry, and mitigating environmental impact.

From the brightest runways to the darkest slums, featuring interviews with Stella McCartney, Livia Firth and Vandana Shiva, *The True Cost* is an unprecedented project that takes us around the world and into the lives of the many people and places behind the clothes we wear. Fashion Revolution is a global movement. **Fashion Revolution | www.fashionrevolution.org | Friday 27 April at the Byron Brewery, 6pm till late.**



TURIYA BRUCE DREW ON A RECLINING MANDY NOLAN FOR INSPIRATION AHEAD OF AN ARTISTS AFFAIR.

USING THE **BODY** TO DRAW ON INSPIRATION

Turiya Bruce is one of the artists leading two days of drawing and painting called An Artists Affair at Ewingsdale Hall. *The Echo* spoke with her about her passion for drawing.

Hi, Turiya. Can you tell me how you approach painting the human form; what is it you look for or that resonates with you?

The first thing that resonates is the unique beauty. I look for that, I look through the eyes of that. I aim to receive that transmission of loveliness and let it work its magic on and through me with some very contemporary techniques and art materials.

Why is the female body such a constant source of artistic inspiration?

To me the female form is beautiful because She is Life. And that is a pretty endless source of inspiration really. The human form can teach us so many things, from proportion and placement to seeing and trusting our own unique expressions. So many details and understandings can be practised when you sit and draw directly from the model.

What can an artist learn from drawing life models?

OF AN ARTISTS AFFAIR. Always when working in a group like An Artists Affair the atmosphere of concentration and inspiration is amplified by the presences of both model/s and artists; it can really hum as we all enter 'the zone'. It is always exciting to see how others are using their art media and allow that to inform or change your working style so that you are flexible and never bored by your approach. I have learned a lot by watching others and working alongside of them through my 41 years of frequent periods of life drawing.

BYRON HARMONY DAY CELEBRATES IN MULLUM

When is the one day of the year that you will see 200 exciting multicultural performers onstage plus chefs cooking up an exquisite international cuisine all day and night in the name of harmony, inclusion, diversity and anti-racism? **Byron Harmony Day!** And more great news is: Byron Harmony Day is moving to Mullum,

the heartland of the Byron Shire community, in order to celebrate our vibrant multicultural community in the Shire's most iconic venue, **Mullum Civic Hall** and surrounding gardens.

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This year will feature the most exciting and varied world music and dance presentation ever seen in the north coast region with more than 30 groups and individual performers sharing and sweating out their traditions, love and heartfelt passion for diversity. For the first time Harmony Day will feature some fantastic visiting artists such as the awesome Kizuna Wadaiko and Wadaiko Sho groups (Taiko drums) and exquisite Sakura Japanese traditional dance group from the Gold Coast, who will join the local Japanese community to present eight varied groups of Japanese music and dance including Byron Wagakki Band, Koto Shakuhachi Duet, Japanese Rainbow Kids, JT Rasta Samurai (Japanese reggae) and lots of gorgeous Japanese cuisine including the fave Shaved Ice! The daytime program will start with the lovely meditative kirtan music of **Micotsuki Shivamoon** with Shivam on exquisite slide guitar, followed by Welcome to Country, Bunyarra Aboriginal Dancers and official opening by mayor Simon Richardson. Headlining the evening show will be a whole lot of woman power with songwriter Lucy Gallant (Bluesfest, Glastonbury Festival) plus the powerful, inspiring Meninas Da Lua, Brazilian women drummers led by the passionate voice of Parissa, as well as awesome Spanish-Indo fusion Nakula! It will feature local community groups with great food and fundraising. Come join in with your community. This event is supported by Byron Shire Council to be waste free so please bring your plates and cups; a washing-up station will be available!

For more info or stall booking phone Judy 0405 463 663 | Mullum Civic Hall| April 28 | 11-9pm |

ANZAC DAY IN THE BAY

If you live in Byron or plan on spending Anzac Day in the Bay, then be sure to mark this event off the bucket list. **Anzac Day at Club Byron** is the biggest Anzac Day event in the region, with two-up from noon and barefoot bowls as the main drawcard on

our greens. Friendly staff, happy locals, and of course comfort at the new-look bowling club. The Green Bistro will be serving scrumptious meals from 12, so be sure not to miss out on the best event to commemorate the day.

BRUNS SCOUTS FRIENDS FOR LIFE

Brunswick Heads Scouts are hosting a free, family-friendly and community event **Friends for Life** at the **Terrace Reserve** over **11am–4pm on Saturday 28 April**, with live music, activities and great prizes to delight the young and the young at heart.

Event coordinator Sean Tonnet, a local relationship therapist, is a parent volunteer with Brunswick Heads Scouts and talked to *The Echo* about the fundraiser. 'Friends For Life is the theme of next year's Australian Jamboree (January 2019), and I think epitomises the significance of Brunswick Scouts in our community. It's a place for young people to celebrate diversity, culture and most of all friendship.'

Families are encourage to bring a picnic lunch or enjoy the fabulous treats, meals and shopping from our local business sponsors positioned across the road from the event site. No onsite food will be available. Don't miss this fabulous end-of-school-holiday event!



This is an experience of drawing in community. How does drawing with other artists change or influence the way you work?

I have noticed in my teaching of representational drawing that there is a big difference between what we think we see and what is truly there in front of us. Many of us stopped drawing and looking at an early age and so sometimes when we commence again we are right back there at age seven or whatever age we stopped. We can really be so hard on our juvenile abilities as they are not matching what our sophisticated style intelligence can see. I keep encouraging my students to practise, practise, practise looking and expressing and the results will begin to arrive! And in the meantime be kind to your unfurling inner artist!

What will you be creating on the weekend at Ewingsdale Hall?

The weekend event An Artists Affair – Burlesque and Bare on 28–29 April invites me to experiment some more with various types of approaches from the humble graphite to Pan Pastels to Gelli Plate Monotypes. Even a large painting could be born there. It promises to be a fun weekend and a deep immersion into my personal joy in drawing from life models, particularly when there will be so much playful beauty revealing itself for us all to transmute into art.

An Artists Affair | Ewingsdale Hall | Saturday 28, Sunday 29 April | www.followyourart.net.au.

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Seven by John Campbell CINEMA REVIEWS

ISLE OF DOGS

As one who was not of the opinion that *The Grand Budapest Hotel* (2014) was the greatest thing since sliced bread (to me it was just plain silly), I approached Wes Anderson's latest animated feature with a hefty degree of doubt. Then I remembered his *Fantastic Mr Fox* (2009). Anderson has a unique visual style that has tended to override his narrative, but not here. This is a beautiful movie, especially if you are a lover of dogs and Japanese art (which I am). Set in the near future, an outbreak of dog flu has resulted

in the Mayor of Megasaki (voiced by Kunichi Nomura) banning all canines to a rubbish-dump island. The gang whom we follow (Brian Cranston, Edward Norton, Bob Balaban, Bill Murray and Jeff Goldblum - all astutely cast for their speech subtleties), is joined by the mayor's adopted son, Atari (Koyu Rankin), who is looking for his beloved Spots. It is easy enough to interpret the story as an allegory of how autocratic rulers (and wannabe rulers, like Peter Dutton) demonise minority groups and ostracise their supporters, but you needn't go that far to become drawn into the drama. The humour is affectionate, the characters consistent and the 'Lady and the Tramp' romance between Chief and Nutmeg (Scarlett Johansson) a coy diversion from the conflict between power and rebellion. The lasting impression, however, is made by the stunning artwork. As homage to Japanese painting and design, both classical and contemporary, it is exquisite, while every shot is framed with a Western adherence to severe frontal composition. Nothing is not meticulously detailed and balanced a group of baseball players in their striped uniforms watching TV in a noodle bar, a samurai contest, schoolkids in a classroom, even the grungy island strewn with trash - every moment is a celebration to the eves. A superior cartoon made more for adults than children, it harks back to a vanishing sense of togetherness and compromise - even Chief the non-conformist will change his ways for love. Great stuff. Empowerment, but the sting in the tail is okay



THE DEATH OF STALIN

The glowing endorsements of this movie might lead you to believe that it is, if not an uproarious comedy, then at least a mirthful satire. Certainly, there are enough laughs, especially in the first act, but it evolves into a scathing, even brutal study of alpha-male politics at the highest executive level. How much of it is strictly based on fact is for an expert in modern Russian history to pronounce, but it feels horribly 'right'. The murderous tyrant, 'Uncle Joe' Stalin (Adrian McLoughlin), has a stroke, but all of the doctors who might save him are dissidents in the gulags - 'call anyone. If he lives he's a good doctor, if he dies nobody will know'. Such cynicism is rampant throughout. As members of the politbureau, Beria (Simon Russell Beale), Malenkov, the 'heir apparent' (Jeffrey Tambor), Nikita Khrushchev (Steve Buscemi) and Molotov (Michael Palin), after whom the cocktail was named, are the four most likely to assume power. No mention is made of the outside world - this is a harshly lit study of four men in a closed shop, scheming and conniving and manoeuvring within constantly shifting and deceitful alliances to promote their own standing. When you get beyond the jokey double-speak of the Yes, Minister roundtable meetings, the satire evaporates to be taken over by a chilling understanding that government (regardless of what shade of the spectrum you might barrack for) can be determined by people who don't gives a rat's about 'the

people'. Personal ambition and self-preservation drive all. A film of predominantly interior scenes, with dialogue that demands you take notice, it also wants you to take sides, but without being dogmatic about it. As somebody who can remember Khrushchev, I had trouble identifying Buscemi in the part (physically and facially, he doesn't fit), but in the end it's irrelevant. Out of the conniving and mistrust emerges an almost happy ending, and Jason Isaacs brains it as the no-holdsbarred Field Marshal Zhukov.

Y **ARIES:** With the sun, Mercury, Uranus and Chiron in your sign firing the starter pistol to set your personal new year off and running, this is your week. So indulge your vibrant, vivacious, charismatic, radiant self – just try not to ruffle anyone's feathers with thoughtless or insensitive off-the-cuff

STARS

TAURUS: Fertile Venus in your sign sends out a growth spurt of new creative, relationship and financial shoots this week. While Saturn brings a rethink: which is that even with arguments over who's calling the shots, people are still your most valuable resource. Plus there's spontaneous, impromptu breaks from routine to enjoy...

remarks.

- GEMINI: Mercury revs out of retrograde in a cascade of enthusiastic exaggerations, so don't automatically believe everything you hear. You'll be invited to all the right places with the right people, and a lightning bolt of insight's likely during late-week Gemini moon – which also comes with a capital-letter Caution against overdoing it.
- © CANCER: Considered by some astrologers the most powerful new moon of the year, this week's delivered a lunar lift and professional boost to your public profile: just the ticket for handling competitive market energies, eccentric personalities and volatile interactions. Now it's time for brave steps forward – even quantum leaps.
- 2 LEO: This week's fiery vibes reignite your majesty's passion and drive for a creative project, relationship, group venture or ambitious goal – though they come with a warning to moderate emotional

KICKED OFF WITH ARIES NEW-START MOON AND AN INSPIRED MERCURY/URANUS ALIGNMENT, THIS WEEK'S ENTHUSIASM FIZZES LIKE SHAKEN CHAMPAGNE AND EVERYTHING'S ON THE MENU...

ENTERTAINMENT

spirit-lifting week, with Mars and Venus sassy and sensual, could definitely put ants in your designer pants. Meaning you won't be sitting round waiting for something to happen or someone to make up their mind: because you're a cardinal sign, the zodiac's movers and shakers who make things happen. **SCORPIO:** With this week's fiery Aries energy heating Scorpio waters to a steamy

△ LIBRA: This action-packed,

- sauna, plus Mars and Venus enjoying an interlude of cosmic canoodling, earthy pleasures are on the agenda. So far so fruity, but is there a downside? Yes. It's fanning the flames of argument because you know you're right. Only engage to be helpful.
- SAGITTARIUS: If this brash, radical week of big appetites and people voicing forceful opinions – even overriding yours – has you looking for an escape route, a temporary getaway or change of scene will be tonic. Just don't be gone too long, because opportunities are fast and furious right now and savvy Saggies will seize the day.
- CAPRICORN: Midweek Saturn retrograde in Capricorn sends you back to the drawing board – again. But you do like getting it right, and the insights accrued during Mercury retro can be applied now with satisfying and successful results. A major transformation's under way, but it needn't be boot camp – not with Mars and Venus in play mode...
- **AQUARIUS:** As ambitious instincts move into forward gear, this week's omelette might find you breaking a few more eggs than usual unless you lay some restraint on whims and impulse. Better to make

haste slowly and focus

those excess energies

on practising diplomacy,





surges. If dramatic reactions feel like they're kindling into instantaneous conflagration, best take a slow, deep breath and aim for regal restraint.

direct in Aries accelerates

stalled situations back

into action again. This

whole week could be a

bit boofy and boisterous,

rowdy and rambunctious

for your refined tastes, it's

guaranteed to rocket you

out of your comfort zone

for a rollicking romp on the

wild side – even have you

colouring outside the lines.

honing communication skills, fine-tuning your areas of expertise. H PISCES: Mercury's out of retrograde while Saturn's into it, as this week kicks off a period of planetary retrogrades where the decisions of yesteryear come up for review and renewal in a different way. Feelings of nostalgia are your cue to absorb lessons from the past, recalibrate, and do something new with what you've learnt.

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ENTERTAINMENT

THURSDAY 19

- HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON BAY THE SWAMPS, **THE THUNDAMENTALS**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY JAY HOAD
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY 8.30PM TIM STOKES DUO
- BYRON BAY BREWERY 7.30PM **OUALITY STREET FEAT APOLLO BROWN**
- BYRON THEATRE, 1.30PM **KIDZKLUB HOLÍDAY** PROGRAM
- ERESH CAFE, BYRON BAY 7PM **ELENA B WILLIAMS**
- SAFYA, BYRON BAY 7PM PHIL & TILLEY
- TREEHOUSE, BYRON BAY 7.30PM ALLENSWORTH
- WOODY'S SURF SHACK, BYRON BAY 8PM LIVE DJS BANGALOW BOWLING CLUB
- 7PM BLUES CLUB LENNOX HOTEL 9PM JAM
- NIGHT
- MIDDLE PUB, MULLUMBIMBY 8PM ADAM BROWN
- NIMBIN BUSH THEATRE 11AM **KIDS HOLIDAY MOVIE RETURN OF THE JEDI**.
- TWIN TOWNS, TWEED HEADS 12.30PM PATTI BOND – SOCIAL NEW VOGUE DANCING, 3.30PM CROWD DJ, 7.30PM THE HIPPOS

FRIDAY 20

- HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON BAY P.A.F.F, HONEY HAZE
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY EPIC
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY 5PM LEIGH JAMES, 9PM MAT **JO & GUESTS**
- BYRON BAY BREWERY 7.30PM **BAY COLLECTIVE PRESENTS KOBYA + YOYO TUKI**
- BYRON THEATRE 10AM TASTE **OF LOVE FESTIVAL**
- CLUB BYRON 6.30PM THE EERIE THINGS CD LAUNCH UNDER A CANOPY OF STARS
- LONE GOAT GALLERY, BYRON BAY TABITHA MCGREGOR THIS SIDE
- SAFYA, BYRON BAY 7PM **ENTROPIXX**
- STICKY WICKET BAR, BYRON BAY 9PM LOCAL DJS
- SUN BISTRO, BYRON BAY 6PM HAYLEY GRACE
- TREEHOUSE, BYRON BAY 7.30PM SOPHIELLA AND THE HANDSOME HUSBANDS
- WOODY'S SURF SHACK, BYRON

Kids & Family

WHAT'S ON

Children's African Drum and Dance

Workshop presented by Gabriel Otu Monday 16th and Monday 23rd April

10:30

Holiday Entertainment

10am - 12:00pm glo \$22 | Group of 2/3 \$20 ca. | Family of 4 \$70 | Ages 2+

- BAY 8PM FUTURE FAKTORI LUSCIOUS FOODS, BYRON BAY 6PM KATIA DEMESTER
- PIZZA PARADISO, SUFFOLK PARK 7PM ELENA B WILLIAMS
- BANGALOW BOWLO 7PM SWING BAND
- BANGALOW HOTEL 7PM DAN CLARKE
- BRUNSWICK HOTEL 7PM PAINTED CROW
- OCEAN SHORES COUNTRY CLUB 7.30PM ANDY KAY DUO
- MIDDLE PUB, MULLUMBIMBY 8PM KRAPPYOKEE
- BILLINUDGEL HOTEL 7.30PM ADAM BROWN
- BALLINA RSL THE RADIATORS + RICKETY ROCK -BOARDWALK 8PM DAN HANNAFORD
 - NIMBIN BUSH THEATRE 11AM AFRO DANCE SESSION, 7PM MY QUEEN ALBUM LAUNCH, **DIANA ANAID** - SUPPORT **ESSIE THOMAS**
- MURWILLUMBAH SERVICES CLUB 7.30PM ROBBY BOSTOCK
- RIVERVIEW HOTEL, MURWILLUMBAH 8PM SWEET MIXJAR
- CABARITA BEACH SPORTS CLUB 7.30PM TANGLE
- KINGSCLIFF BEACH BOWLS CLUB 7.30PM MATTHEW ARMITAGE
- KINGSCLIFF BEACH HOTEL 7PM JEZ MEAD
- KINGSCLIFF SURF CLUB 7PM **JOCK BARNES**
- SALTBAR, KINGSCLIFF 8.30PM THE AVERAGE JONES
- CHINDERAH TAVERN 7PM **NICOLE BROPHY**
- TWIN TOWNS, TWEED HEADS 11AM DANIELLE GOULLET PRESENTS DENNIS KNIGHT, 12.30PM CROWD DJ, 4.30PM SKIPPY, 9PM THE HIPPOS
- CURRUMBIN PUB 8PM THE **MISERINES, THE LONESOMES,** SWAMP MEDICINE, TYLER VIVIAN
- CURRUMBIN RSL 5PM ACOUSTIC SESSIONS SOUNDLOUNGE MARK WILKINSON

SATURDAY 21

- HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON BAY THE DOLLA LAMAS, FLAMINGO JONES, LIQUID FACE
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY SOUTHWALL
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY 9PM DJ FONZAIUS

- BYRON BAY BREWERY 12PM APEX HARMONY FUNDRAISER WHARVES, SEASIDE, STOKER, Z – STAR DELTA, 7.30PM ROCK THE BOAT
- BYRON THEATRE 9AM TASTE **OF LOVE FESTIVAL - JAY** HOAD
- BYRON ARTISAN MARKET 4PM PHIL & TILLY
- SAFYA, BYRON BAY 7PM AFI JAMES
- STICKY WICKET BAR, BYRON BAY 9PM LOCAL DJS
- SUN BISTRO, BYRON BAY 6PM **OPEN MIC NIGHT**
- TREEHOUSE, BYRON BAY 7.30PM NICOLE BROPHY
- WOODY'S SURF SHACK, BYRON BAY 9PM LIVE DJS
- PIZZA PARADISO, SUFFOLK PARK 6.30PM ENTROPIXX
- BANGALOW HOTEL 7PM ANDY **JANS-BROWN** HOTEL BRUNSWICK 7PM
- **BENNY D WILLIAMS**
- CLUB MULLUM 7.30PM DON WALKER WITH SUPPORT JIMMY DOWLING
- LULU'S CAFE, MULLUMBIMBY 10.30AM MICHAEL DUNSTAN MIDDLE PUB, MULLUMBIMBY
 - 8PM KIT BRAY
- MULLUM MARKET BROADFOOT
- LENNOX HEAD HOTEL 9.30PM **JOCK BARNES DUO**
- BALLINA RSL 6PM YOLAN, 9PM SUPERCHEESE
- BALLINA BOWLO 6PM GLENN MASSEY
- CHERRY STREET SPORTS CLUB, BALLINA MERCY-MERCY
- MARY G'S, LISMORE PUSH
- THE GOLLAN HOTEL, LISMORE 8PM MOCRI\$ ALBUM & VIDEO LAUNCH MR RHODES D RAD MC & JP
- NIMBIN BUSH THEATRE 12.30PM DAVE BARBARA
- MURWILLUMBAH RSL 6 PM, **ROD MURRAY TRIO**
- CABARITA BEACH SPORTS CLUB 7.30PM ROUND **MOUNTAIN GIRLS**
- KINGSCLIFF BEACH HOTEL 7PM 88 FALCONS
- SALTBAR, KINGSCLIFF 8.30PM **DJ JAKE**

Cinema

CHINDERAH TAVERN 7PM JAMES PALMER DUO SHFOAK SHACK, FINGAL HEAD

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- **2PM THE CURIOSITIES OF** ESSEX, 7PM ESSI THOMAS TRIO 28 APRIL 2PM BILL JACOBI
- CURRUMBIN RSL 5PM ACOUSTIC SESSIONS SOUNDLOUNGE THE CREEP SHOW SPECIAL GUESTS THE RESIGNATORS, THE WRATH AND THE KOFFIN ROCKERS
- SEAGULLS, TWEED HEADS 7.30PM FLOATING BRIDGES
- TWIN TOWNS, TWEED HEADS SHOWROOM 8.30PM THE TWO OF US DAVID HOBSON & MARINA PRIOR – THE STAGE 12.30PM CROWD DJ, 4.30PM **DEZZIE D & THE STINGRAYZ**, 9PM THE HIPPOS

TWIN TOWNS JUNIORS, TWEED

HEADS 5PM BILL JACOBI **SUNDAY 22**

- HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON BAY DAN HANNAFORD
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY **MERCY-MERCY**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY 4.30PM LATE FOR WOODSTOCK, 8PM CASIMIR
- BYRON THEATRE, 9AM TASTE **OF LOVE FESTIVAL**
- BYRON GOLF CLUB 2PM ROD **MURRAY DUO** SAFYA, BYRON BAY 7PM
- **GYPSÝ JEZ**
- SUN BISTRO, BYRON BAY 5PM JAMES SCOTT TREEHOUSE, BYRON BAY
- LUNCH 'TIL LATE SUNDAY SESSION DJS BANGALOW HOTEL 2PM LIVE
- MUSIC **BRUNSWICK HOTEL 4PM SHAUN KIRK**
- MIDDLE PUB, MULLUMBIMBY 3PM JAM
- CLUB LENNOX 4PM KENT EASTWOOD
- WHARF BAR, BALLINA 3PM BLACKBOI
- THE GOLLAN HOTEL, LISMORE 7PM ASA WAX LYRICAL NORTHERN RIVERS
- NIMBIN BUSH THEATRE 10 AM SONIC BLISS, 12.30PM **JAMIE HUTCHINGS – ALBUM** LAUNCH

KidzKlub School Holiday Program presented by Kidzklub Australia & Byron Cam Cer Mon 16th - Thur 19th & Mon 23rd - Thur 26th April (Except ANZAC Day) 1:30pm - 4:00pm | \$25/child | Ages 4% - 12 years

Children are Stinky Kids Circus Show presented by Circus Trick Tease & Byron Theatre Wednesday 18" April 11:00am Adult \$20 | Child \$15 | Family of 4 (2A + 2C) \$60

Bright Lights Holiday Workshop Show presented by Bright Lights Performance School Thursday 20^a April 6:00pm Tickets at the door

Rumpelstiltskin Australian National Theatre Live Screening presented by Byron 1 nears Friday 27th April 1:00pm Full \$25 | Conc \$23 | BT Club \$20 | Group 10+ \$15 | U18 \$15

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WEDNESDAY 25

RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY

BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY

8.30PM JON J BRADLEY

OPEN MIC WITH HARRY

LISMORE CITY WORKERS

BYRON BAY BREWERY 7.30PM

CLUB AUDITORIUM 11.30AM

LISMORE CITY CONCERT

MARY G'S, LISMORE 6.30PM

THE CATH SIMES BAND

BANGALOW BOWLO 6.30PM

COOLANGATTA HOTEL 6PM

TWIN TOWNS, TWEED HEADS

12.30PM LONEWOLF, 4PM

CORY HARGREAVES DUO,

7.30PM CHRIS COOK BAND

KINGSCLIFF BEACH HOTEL 3PM

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- 11.30AM RUSSELL HINTON

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7PM TRIVIA

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ANZAC DAY 2-UP

BANGALOW HOTEL 2PM

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MUSIC

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DAN CLARK

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MURWILLUMBAH 3PM LEIGH

KINGSCLIFF BEACH HOTEL 3PM

KINGSCLIFF SURF CLUB 4PM

CHINDERAH TAVERN 3.30PM

MARSHALL OKELL

COOLANGATTA-TWEED

HEADS GOLF CLUB 1PM

THE COOLANGATTA HOTEL

COMES THE BOOM

CURRUMBIN RSL 4PM

ACOUSTIC SESSIONS

2PM THIRSTY MERC, HERE

TWIN TOWN, TWEED HEADS

SHUFFLE BOYS, 7PM THE

TWIN TOWNS JUNIORS, TWEED

MONDAY 23

RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY

BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY

8PM 4'20 SOUND REGGAE

CHILDREN'S AFRICAN DRUM AND DANCE WORKSHOP,

1.30PM KIDZKLUB HOLIDAY

BYRON THEATRE 10.30AM

WOODY'S SURF SHACK,

BYRON BAY 8PM REGGAE

B-SPACE, BALLINA 5PM JAM

WHARF BAR, BALLINA 3PM

BOWLS CLUB 12PM MIKE

■ TWIN TOWNS, TWEED HEADS

12.30PM THE STAGE CROWD

DJ, 4PM RUSSELL HINTON -

LINE DANCING, 7PM MARK

TUESDAY 24

RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY

KIDZKLUB SCHOOL HOLIDAY

6.45PM NO LIGHTS NO LYCRA

WOODY'S SURF SHACK, BYRON

BAY 9PM YEWSDAY LIVE DJS

BANGALOW HOTEL 7PM OPEN

BANGALOW BOWLO 6PM

SALSA CLASSES

WILSON'S DANCE NIGHT

HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN,

BYRON BAY MARSHALL

BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY

8.30PM 88 FALCONS

BYRON THEATRE 1.30PM

HALL UNDER BYRON GYM

PROGRAM

MIC

CHRIS ARONSTEN

HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN,

BYRON BAY DAN CLARK

JASON DELPHIN

NIGHT

PROGRAM

AFTERPARTY

KINGSCLIFF BEACH

WINKWORTH

NIGHT

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HEADS 2.30PM RICK BARRON

12PM CROWD DJ, 2.30PM THE

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DEATH NOTICES



24/02/1937 - 5/04/2018 (Formerly of Five Dock & Mullumbimby) Forever in our hearts. A celebration of Jock's life 1pm Thursday, 19 April, 2018 Macquarie Park Crematorium, Cnr Delhi & Plessey Roads, North Ryde A memorial will be held at a later date in Mullumbimby.



ROBERT MAZOUIN Sadly Robert suddenly passed last Wednesday. Robert & his wife Daniele are well known for their homemade ice-cream & mini-pancakes at our local markets for the last 30 years or so. A true icon of the Rainbow Region, Robert will be deeply missed by his beautiful family and friends.

FUNERAL NOTICES

ALICE HOLM Aged 94 years, late of Bangalow. Peacefully at home on

10th April 2018 Sister of Hugo, Ted, Martha, Wally and Ann (all deceased). Loved Aunty to Jill, Elaine, Eric,

Lance, Lyn and Barry. A memorial service will be held on Monday 23rd April at 2pm

at the Billi Church, Mogo Place, Billinudgel. Alice was a very special lady Now at home with the Lord.



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STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE Storm & tempest damage, floor	ding 132 500
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AL-ANON Help for family & friends of alcoholics	1300 ALANON
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Community at work



Wednesday, April 25 6:30-8:30pm At the Court House Hotel, Mullumbimby

PRESENTS **POLITICS IN THE PUB** This month's discussion:

NO TO VIOLENCE AND CRUELTY

PEACE OR WAR 2018?

Speakers Henry Reynolds Honorary Research Professor,

University of Tasmania and eminent Australian historian

Stuart Rees

Emeritus Professor, University of Sydney and founder of Sydney Peace Foundation

Entry - Suggested donation - \$10 Delicious, healthy Court House meals available from 5.30pm ngarainstitute.org.au 📑 Ngara Institute

Mungo's Crossword



Cryptic Clues ACROSS

- 1. Child who doesn't eat meat, we presume; but traditionally a happy little one! (8)
- Viceroy in huge bra actually it's 5. only small container (6) 10. Bloke with new group of witches (5)
- 11. Sick agent with a vehicle a
- notoriety (3,6) 12. Light traveller, heavy vehicle (9)
- 13. Overturn superior class (5)
- 14. Plans to put me back in chess game (7)
- 16. Rugged, ragged weapon (6)
- 18. Measure palm, perhaps, for privilege of access (6)
- 20. Go aimlessly around lake, contemplating 14 (7)
- 22. Playwright popular around British quarter (5) 23. Agree to injure individual over
- islands (9) 25. Whingers have drinks over an
- extinct bird, northern (9) 26. Tell stories about, for instance, the
- lord (5) 27. I have found it! The stockade! (6)
- 28. Numbers one, three and five in the over - wrong 'uns perhaps (8)

DOWN

Regular As Clockwork

DEADLINE NOON FRIDAY Email copy marked

'Regular As Clockwork' to editor@echo.net.au.

Neighbourhood Centre

Mullumbimby & District Neighbourhood Centre is open Monday-Thursday 9am-4pm and offers a range of services and activities. Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy art, music, games, great food and more. Call reception on 6684 1286 and discover what is on offer

Low-cost or free 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. Free Food Relief Baas for anyone doing it tough, every Thursday 9–11am at The Hub Ocean Shores, cnr Rajah Rd and Bindaree Way. No ID or Concession Card required. NILs referral service also available. Check Facebook page The Hub Baptist Ocean Shores for details. C3 Care Byron Bay Food Care - log on to www.c3byronbay. com to see if you are eligible, or call 6680 8872.

Help with bills

N227

Program providing people on low income assistance with electricity and natural gas bills. Phone Kristin

at Byron Community Centre 6685 6807.

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 experiencing difficulties and challenges because of the alcohol or drug use of someone close to you? Learn coping skills and gain support from others. 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. Are you concerned about somebody else's drinking? Al-Anon Family Groups meetings held Fridays 2pm. Uniting Church Bangalow – 1300 252 666 www.al-anon.alateen.org/ australia. Crystal Meth Anonymous is a fellowship of people for whom all drugs (but especially crystal meth) had become a problem. Meeting held Wednesday 7.30am, Byron Bay Surf Club. Call 0478 061 479 to speak to a local member or visit www.crystalmeth.org.au.

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.

Alateen Meeting

Alateen Meeting every Thursday at 5-6pm. Do you have a parent, close friend

On The Horizon **DEADLINE NOON FRIDAY** or relative with a drinking problem? Meditation and study group 1st and 3rd Saturdavs each month at Mullumbimby Alateen can help. For 8-16-year-olds meet St Cuthbert's Anglican Church Hall, 13 Civic Hall. Didi 0408 008 769. Byron Powell Street, corner of Florence Street Mindfulness-Insight Meditation Tweed Heads. Al-Anon family groups for Sangha & Pairoj Brahma 7pm–9pm older members at the same time and Tuesdays at The Yurt, Temple Byron www. place. 1300 ALANON 1300 252 666 www. templebyron.com. No fees. Andrew 0426 al-anon.org.au 119 171, Pairoj 0423 241 916. **Buddhist**

Social sporting groups

Senior social table tennis at Bangalow Bowling Club Sundays 2-4pm. All levels welcomed. Call Margot 0412 394 932. **Tuesday Ladies Group of Riverside** Tennis Club welcomes new players 9.30am every Tuesday next to Heritage Park, Mullumbimby, for social tennis, fun and friendship. Info: Barbara 6684 8058.

Volunteer hub

Choose from 40 organisations at the volunteer hub at Byron Community Centre. Make a difference in your community, have fun, learn new skills and meet people. Ph 6685 6807 email volunteers@byroncentre.com.au.

Cty Shopping Bus

Seats available on fortnightly Community Transport Shopping Bus from Suffolk Park/Byron Bay to Byron town centre. The door-to-door bus costs \$6 and is available to people who can't access mainstream transport due to age, disability or other reason. Call Amanda 1300 875 895.

Language exchange

Byron language exchange club runs every 2nd Friday from 6pm. Practise other languages or help someone with your English! Find us on Facebook. Contact byronbaylanguages@gmail.com.

No-interest loans

Byron Community No Interest Loans Scheme (NILS) is a not-for-profit community program providing people on low incomes with safe, fair interestfree loans of up to \$1,000 for purchasing essential goods and services. Contact the Byron Community Centre to find out more

Budgeting Support

Money Matters is a free service helping people identify where their money is going, how best to save and, most importantly, how to get on top of bills! Contact the Byron Community Centre to make an appointment; private sessions run every Monday afternoon.

Walk the Labyrinth at Byron Bay Uniting

Church 1st Sunday of the month (April

Introductory talk at 2pm. Info: Lauall

Buddhist meditation teaching and

practice at the living Yoga Sanga, first

floor, 63 Stuart Street, Mullumbimby,

6-7.30pm, Mondays. Mishaela, 0438 858

842 or mishaele@si.org.au. Dzogchen

Competition/Exhibition. Artists: get

Gala Opening and presentation to

vour paintbrushes out and start painting.

winning artist Thursday 17 May, 6.30pm

categories: Acrylics/Oils, Watercolour,

and Drawing/Pastel will be judged.

at the Ocean Shores Country Club. Three

Greer 0438 608 776.

Meditation

2018 2nd Sunday) between 2.30 and 4pm.

Emerge Australia

Emerge Australia Inc is a not-for-profit

charity supporting those with myalgic encephalomyelitis, also known as Chronic Fatique Syndrome. For more information

see the Emerge Australia Website at http://emerge.org.au/. Labyrinth Walk

Respite Service

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meditation and conversation with

John Allan, Mondays 6.30-8.30 pm,

The Yurt, Temple Byron. No fees. John

club free meditation classes Monday,

7.45pm, Ananta Yoga Studio (above

Byron Music) 2B/144 Jonson Street,

Byron Bay. Go to www.wisdom.yoga or

phone Kris 0435 300 743. Community

1–1.30pm at the Bamboo Yoga School

behind The Health Lodge, 78 Bangalow

6.30pm at Temple Byron. For more info:

www.byronbaymeditationcollective.

Paul's Spirituality Centre Meditation

Byron Bay (200 metres off Jonson Street).

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in Lismore. Café Conversation every

Thursday at Miss Lizzie's, Woodlark St,

Lismore, 5-6pm. Come and listen to or

Social Table Tennis

South Golden Shores Community

Centre every Monday at 10.30. Phone

0435 780 017. Bangalow Bowlo Sundays

at 3pm. All welcome. Enquiries Margot

Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays

U₃A discussion group

Brunswick Valley U3A audiovisual

discussion group, Thursdays 10am

Mullumbimby Ex-Services Club. Info 0432

Come sing inspiring songs and make new

friends, Sundays, 10am at South Golden

Beach Community Hall. Call Linda: 0415

Quota Club of Brunswick Valley meets

every 1st Thursday of the month at the

Ocean Shores Country Club at 6pm. Ph

Breast Cancer Support

Breast Cancer Support Group Byron

Bay meets at the NSW Cancer Council

rooms, 8/130 Jonson St, Byron (upstairs

in shop complex next to Byron RSL) at

Chemical Free Landcare

Byron Shire Chemical Free Landcare

next fortnightly working bee will be

on Saturday, 21 April, 9am till 1pm, at

Brunswick Heads Crown Land Reserve

great prizes to delight the young and the

and Sundays 4-6pm. \$7, all welcome.

Enquiries Linda 0449 825 108. Coaching

speak French. For more info: afnorthcoast.

Wednesdays 2pm 14 Kingsley Street,

Robyn: 0411 800 447.

http://emerge.org.au/.

Computer Club.

org.au.

0412 394 932.

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Time to sing

Quota Club

young at heart.

0439 733 763 for more info.

Bruns tennis

Emerge Australia

com.au or call Geo 0431 747 764. **St**

Road, Byron Bay. Matt 0430 008 293.

Meditation Collective Mondays

Yoga Nidra class free, Wednesdays

0428 991 189. Byron yoga philosophy

12pm-2pm, every 3rd Wednesday of the month Family and friends welcome Phone Ingrid 0431 207 453.

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.

Lions Club

Interested in making new friends and helping our community? Lions Club of Brunswick Mullumbimby meets 1st & 3rd Tuesdays at 7pm Ocean Shores Country Club. Info: Joan Towers 0400 484 419.

Carers' support

Mullumbimby Mental Health Carers' Support Group for family members 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.

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, mazzerati2010@gmail.com.

Potters & Sculptors

Mullumbimby Potters & Sculptors at the Community Art Gallery at the Drill Hall is open every Tues & Thurs 10am-2pm and on the 3rd Saturday of the month (Mullum Market Day) 10am-4pm. Pottery and sculpture crafted by local artisans for sale, 2 Jubilee Ave, Mullumbimby. Enquiries: mullum. potters@yahoo.com.au.

CWA Bangalow

Interested women are welcome Wednesdays and Thursdays 9am–1pm and the second Monday evening of each month 5-7pm in the Bangalow CWA rooms for craft and friendship. Rooms are open daily Monday-Saturday 9am-noon.

Baby massage

At the Mullumbimby & District Neighbourhood Centre. Friday mornings, weekly, baby massage classes for expectant and new parents and carers. Gold coin contribution. Bookings essential. Linda 0411 985 557

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.

Toy Library

The Byron Shire Toy Library is open Mondays and Thursdays 9am-12 noon, at the Children's Centre, Coogera Cct, Suffolk Park. Come and see the large range of preschoolers toys available.

Junior chess club

The Mullum junior chess club meets after school until 4.45pm Tuesdays in room F4 at Mullumbimby High School. All ages, all standards, encouragement and professional coaching. Ph Mike 6684 6281.

Baptist Raiah Road next to Target Talk about: Breastfeeding for busy mums. Also celebrate World Breastfeeding Week. Enquiries Jan 0431 477 445

Vegan feast

A community lunch will be held on Sunday 29 April, 12.30–3.30pm a Mullumbimby Community Gardens. This is fundraising for the Mullum Food Co-op's solar coolroom project. Tickets available at the co-op on Tuesdays and Fridays, 10am-1pm, Mullumbimby Bookshop and online via FB vegan feast fundraiser.

12. Well regarded SUV (9) 13. Unpredicted win (5)

1. Yeast extract - spread for bread (8)

Small receptacle often found at

14. Plans, plots (7)

23. Make music together (9)

26. Old lord (5)

in (8)

1. Singer (8)

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Archimedes (6)

2. Taken for granted (5)

barbershop (3,4,8)

Robbers (7)

7. Least adroit (9)

25. Those who whinge a lot (9)

27. Well known exclamation of

28. Eccentrics, those who do not fit

3. Poem of Banjo Paterson concerning an unfortunate incident in a

6. Poem by Banjo Paterson concerning

a very rough game of polo (7,4,4)

10. Assembly of witches (5)

Quick Clues

breakfast (6)

ACROSS

5.

16. Knife, stiletto (6)

11. Notoriety, bad reputation (3,6)

18. Preliminary course for dinner (6) 20. Conspirator, one involved in 14 (7) 22. Famous Norwegian playwright (5)

- a listener faints (8

- 2. for granted (5)
- 3. Banjo's funnies (3,4,8)
- The one here grabs first lady and 4. commits larceny (7)
- 6. Clog pub lounge? Be buggered it's another like 3 (7,4,4)
- Endless rest, after bringing up endless 7. mulch – it's most awkward (9)
- 8. Fold over torn net there's lots! (6)
- 9. Garnet a commie but they say he was great (6)
- 15. Better looking workers ring French sea (9)
- 17. Steelers lost in the Nullabor (8)
- 19. European community toiled in the fields, and returned just the same (6)
- 20. Looked for each one employed (7) 21. 51 can be responsible (6)
- 24. Single trade perfect (5)

8. Lots, ample (6) Information around four – it's taken 9. Tennyson, or Hitchcock (6) 15. More attractive, usually of a male (9) Armor – inform bank! Silly, it's one of 17. With no arboreal vegetation (8) 19. Resounded (6) 20. Observed, looked over (7) 21. Is responsible (6) 24. Standard of perfection (5)

Last week's solution N226



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

End-of-life choices

Exit International's (EI) next meeting will be held on 10 May. El is a voluntary euthanasia group that meets quarterly at the Robina Community Centre. Attendees must be Exit members. Information at www.exitinternational.net or phone Elaine 5580 8215 or 0421 796 713.

Calling artists!

Start preparing your entries for the 2018 Ocean Shores Art Expo. This year's theme is TREASURES. Entries close 24 July (open for registration mid-June). More than \$5,000 in prize money. Visit: www. osartexpo.com for more information. Ocean Shores Country Club Art

Entry forms are available online www oceanshorescc.com.au. Entries must be received by 4 May - no late entries accepted. Contact Marilyn 6680 4907.

Market and garage sale

The Wilsons Creek Community Hall is holding a market day and garage sale on Saturday, 28 April, 10am–2pm, to raise funds for the Hall. Stall sites are \$10. Bookings on 6684 0200

Mullumbimby market

Mullumbimby Community Market this Saturday, 8am until 2pm corner of Stuart and Myocum Streets, Mullumbimby Broadfoot are playing live. No Dogs.

Scouts fundraiser

Brunswick Scouts are hosting a free, family-friendly community event Friends for Life at the Terrace Reserve over 11am-4pm. Live music, activities and

site. Meet at the end of South Beach Road fire track gate, not far from the surf club.

Byron Sophia

Byron Sophia Philosophical Group: Sacred Sites in Australia. Judith Jeffrey is looking at Mt Warning and Mt Macedon, throwing some light on these ancient sites. Thursday 19 April from 1.30 till 3.30pm, at Marvell Hall, Marvell Street East, Byron Bay. Celia 6684 3623.

Biggest Morning Tea

Bangalow Quilters are holding a Biggest Morning Tea on Thursday 24 May,10-11.30am at All Souls Anglican Church Hall, Ashton Street, Bangalow. Proceeds to the Cancer Council

Breastfeeding Support

Next ABA meeting is at Ocean Shores Monday, 23 April, 9.30am at the Hub

Byron Harmony Day

Callout for performers, stallholders and volunteers. Byron Harmony Day is moving to Mullum this year for the first time and we are calling out to all Mullum and Byron locals to get involved. Book a stall, perform, hold workshops or volunteer to help coordinate. Come and join us every Friday 11am at Byron YAC to help plan this amazing festival. Call 0405 463 663.

Please note: This section is intended for the benefit of non-profit community groups, not for invitations to free events to be followed up by paid workshops.

Byron Shire Echo archives: www.echo.net.au/byron-echo



Brunswick Heads women challenge the best in local pennants competition



Brunswick Heads bowlers celebrated their second place in the District Pennants competition with a conga line: (L–R) Bev Gawned, Kerry Dexter, Jenny Meinel, Judy Wright, Bev Rose (umpire/manager), Jenny Lofts, Blossom McCormick, Sherril Pearce and Ilona Pettendy. Photo: supplied

After a very close Tweed Byron District Pennants thirdgrade competition, Brunswick Heads have come in runners-up behind Kingscliff.

The five-club competition was decided in the last round

when Brunswick Heads came home just 3.5 points below Kingscliff, who ended on 28.

Condong came in third

followed by Byron Bay and Pottsville.

This is the fourth year in

a row that Brunswick Heads have been runners-up.

Open fours

The Brunswick Heads Championships have also commenced with the Open fours final played on April 10.

Rosa Kinnear, Kerry Dexter, Jenny Lofts and Blossom McCormick defeated Ilona Pettendy, Bev Gawned, Jenny Meinel and Judy Wright 21–13. Swimmers triumph at state finals

Backstroker Tiggi Groves in action. Photo supplied

The Ocean Shores Aquatics swim team competed in a range of state championships in Sydney and achieved 'flawless and breathtaking' results according to coach Adrian Filipic.

'Out of the 64 events swum by our state swimmers including relays, an 80 per cent success rate of personal best times were achieved,' he said.

'Swimmers had to be treated for an outbreak of finals fever'.

Results

Phoebe Pockley (9), third place in North Coast Independent Schools – butterfly.

Tiggi Groves (10), eighth in Primary Schools Sports

Association – backstroke. Zara Morris (12), sixth in Combined High Schools – 200m freestyle.

Miloš Safranek (13), third 100m fly, fifth 200 Im, fifth 100m breast (NCIS age-related finals).

Meg Porter (15), 10th place 50m freestyle (CHS).

Thomas Cheek (13), 10th 100m freestyle (CHS).

Sashi Wills (15), ninth 200m free, 9th 100m b/k, 10th 50m b/k NSW Combined Catholic Schools

Grace Farrell, Katie Russo and Maddison Oliss in the Ocean Shores 4x50Junior Girls Relay, – personal best improvement.

Local surfers impressHolton 2018 Majorin Oz Grom CupSingles champ at Mullum



Rasmus King in action. Photo Ethan Smith/SNSW

Crystal Cylinders

There were plenty of impressive performances by locals competing down at Coffs Harbour in the Billabong Oz Grom Cup.

Day one saw a handful of exciting exchanges as competitors in the 16-and-Under and 14-and-Under divisions were graced with playful onemetre peaks. the surf dropped off and the younger divisions took to the water and showed how good they are in the playful conditions.

In the 12 Boys division Woody Webster from Lennox Head made it to round three before being eliminated and Harry O'Brien from Lennox Head is into the quarter -finals.



Mark Holton after his win last week. Photo supplied

Michael Burke

Mark Holton has claimed the 2018 Major Singles at the Mullumbimby Bowling Club after winning a tightly contested match against Richie Northcott last Saturday.

The players were level on five shots each after eight ends before Northcott took a 14–7 lead after thirteen ends.

Holton took the lead on the 17th end and did not relinquish it.

Northcott put up a great fight and was only one shot behind at 22–21. But after another 10 ends Holton achieved the 31 shots required to run out a worthy winner

Giants win thriller



Giants' Mister 100%, Josh 'the Godfather' Castellano, rips in at Les Donnelly Field on Sunday. Photo John Campbell

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The Mullumbimby Giantseighty minutes, scomade it two wins from twoBeckett got his sestarts with a nail-biting 38–34Jack 'the Lad' Govewin over Northern Unitednext to the sticksin their NRRRL clash at Les26–18 at the break.Donnelly Field on Sunday.The slicker Giat

The Blue-and-Golds, under the calm guiding hand of new coach Dallas Wa-

who was a rock of composure throughout a topsy-turvy eighty minutes, scored before Beckett got his second and Jack 'the Lad' Govett went in next to the sticks to make it 26–18 at the break.

The slicker Giants, whose passing was quicksilver when they hung on to the pill, were running their opponents off

over a gallant Northcott.

Corporate bowls

The finals of the 2018 Coopers Corporate Bowls were played on Friday night. In Division One Brett Donnelly Plastering took out the major prize; followed by In Line Carpentry, KRP, Dunno, Toads At Leisure, Ken Ryan Plastering, Can't Nail Us Down, Mr Plug and Team

Sassy. Division A: The Hedgetrimmers won followed by Five Blind Mice, Ocean Shore Skips, Unco-Operatives, High Rollers, Sack Bar and Grill, AvoGo, Stay True and Team Cobbers.

In the 14 Boys division Rasmus King from Byron Bay and Rino Lindsay from Lennox Head made it all the way through to round three before they were eliminated, while Touma Cameron from Byron Bay and Lennox Head's Jai Glinderman and Jack O'Brien both won their heats and progressed through to round four.

On days two and three

Ocea Curtis and Mia Baker from Lennox Head have progressed all the way through to the final in the 10 Girls division.

The prestigious five-day event, now in its fifth year, runs over April 13–17, and has more than 200 competitors in nine different divisions. Boys and Girls divisions for the event include: Under 8 Mixed, Under 10, Under 12, Under 14 and Under 16.

Time for Byron Malibu Classic

Mal riders old and young ni will be waxing up for the tra 38th staging of the Byron Bay ar Malibu Classic to be held at co Wategos over April 27–29. The single-fin Malibu pr contest was first held in 1980, making it the longest-run- by

ning event of its kind in Australia. The contest is friendly and attracts some of the country's best longboarders. The weekend includes prizes and social events. Enter via the web: www. byronbaymalibuclub.org.

ters, were the classier side throughout, but they were never quite able to bury the other mob. With the ref blowing a gale of penalties for them in the second half, the Dirrawongs persistently threatened to steal an unwarranted victory – like unwelcome in-laws, they just would not go away.

Under a pounding sun, the Giants allowed United to assume a worrying 18–8 advantage.

Evergreen halfback and captain, Roy 'Liberty' Bell,

their legs.

The second stanza commenced with Mullum letting their guard down allowing United to scored the easiest of tries to get them to within two.

The sides again traded tries before Bell sealed the deal when he saw a gap and shot through it.

Earlier, coach Robert Goodacre and his reserves won 48–14 while in the Women's League Tag the Giants completed the trifecta with a spirited 20–10 victory.

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Backlash



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Heads up - public submissions close April 26 for a 239-lot camping, 270 parking space, 12 tourist cabin mega event site on 1897 Coolamon Scenic Drive, just north of Mullum. Traffic, amenity, fire and flood concerns have been raised by a number of residents so far. DA 10.2018.110 is available on Council's website: bit.ly/2HpxOUX.

With the large volume of NSW National Party press releases announcing funding around the region last week, you would think there's a state election on! Maybe the Nats really, really like Ballina and Byron? Part-time resident Ben Franklin has been busy handing out/ handing back grant money in the last week or so. With the state election not until next year, voters can rest easy in the knowledge Ben plans to stick around, presumably to helpfully give us even more money - yet has denied he will throw in his MLC gig to run against Greens MP Tamara Smith.

Backlash gives a long, slow, patronising clap to the corporately owned Labor gargoyles running the Northern Territory. On Tuesday, chief minister Michael Gunner lifted the fracking ban and opened half the territory to habitat rape.

And kudos also to Justice Rachel Pepper, who according to www.ntnews.com.au and the ABC gave Labor the rationale/green light to frack. Her inquiry suggests the risks can be mitigated. Fossil fools!

But it's not all bad - public interest law advocates EDO NSW say that their upcoming court case will consider climate change regarding a coal mine approval on the central coast.



Woodfest was held Sunday at Federal Hall and featured furniture, timber slabs and musical instruments, all carefully crafted out of local timber. Pictured is Tony Kenway with his iconic chairs. Tony is a founder of Quality Timber Traders, who promote the growing of fine native cabinet timbers. Photo Jeff'Knock On Wood' Dawson

has opened next to the Mul-

lumbimby Bowling Club.

The reverse vending machine

As an Australian first, EDO NSW are challenging the validity of the Planning Assessment Committee (PAC) approval of the Wallarah 2 longwall coal mine, and EDO NSW CEO David Morris says the law requires the PAC to consider the public interest and the precautionary principle when approving the project. 'Our client will argue that the PAC considered neither, and in doing so acted unlawfully, rendering the approval of this large coal project invalid,' he said.

Social media has well and truly put an end to the secret status of Kings and Whites beaches on Seven Mile Beach Road traffic choked the narrow dirt road last weekend like it does regularly. Council could well

do with help from the state government, considering the NSW coalition are happy to promote Byron to visitors yet refuse to introduce a bed tax. Hip hip horray! A Return



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