



LOCAL & INDEPENDENT



## Preserve our threatened fig!



Mary Todd (front) and her sister Vi Shoobridge are not happy that the historic fig tree (background) at Byangum planted by their pioneering grandfather Harry Hatton in memory of their father Richard could be chopped down. Photo Jeff 'Fig Mince' Dawson

### Luis Feliu

A granddaughter of one of the Tweed's European pioneers has called for the preservation of a historic old fig tree at Byangum planted 112 years ago to mark her father's birth.

Mary Todd, of Bray Park, has joined the push by locals and other family members to preserve the Small Leafed Fig about a kilometre south of the Byangum bridge which Tweed Shire Council says will be removed soon due to the tree's poor health and concerns over safety to motorists.

The tree was planted by early Tweed blacksmith Harry Hatton to mark the birth of his son, Richard, who was Mary's father. A council arborist said roadworks near the tree in recent years had led to compaction of half the tree's root zone which affected its vigour, leaving it susceptible to disease.

A lifelong Tweed resident, Mrs Todd wrote to council this week, saying she had a special interest and concern over

the tree as one of two surviving daughters of Richard James Hatton.

'This tree means a great deal to me and the story of its planting was told to me over and over as a child. I understand the tree was given heritage listing and as such it seems to me every effort should be made to preserve it before taking the drastic step of cutting it down,' she said.

### Reputed to be very tough

'I know a little about this type of fig tree. They are reputed to be very tough and have the ability to recover naturally from disease which would kill many other trees. As this type of fig encircles another tree and causes its host to die. The fig tree at Byangum was planted inside the stump of another tree.'

Mrs Todd has asked council to seek a second opinion on the need to cut the tree down without making every effort to preserve it. She has also asked to be notified by council when the

tree would be chopped down as she 'would like to be present'.

'It has been suggested to me that if the tree should be destroyed a plaque should be erected in its place, telling the story, also another tree of the same type of fig should be planted as close as possible to the original, preferably taken from the memorial tree.'

'This would be of interest not only to my sister, myself and other members of the Hatton family, but also to the residents of Byangum and would preserve historical records of Tweed Valley pioneers.'

Mary's father Richard James Hatton, who died in 1963, was a trooper in the 6th Light Horse Regiment serving in Egypt and Palestine in the First World War.

Another descendant of the pioneering Hatton family, Michael Harley, from Brisbane wrote to *The Echo* last week saying he had asked council staff to preserve the tree and urged locals to pressure council on the issue.

## Mayor defends delay in submitting report

### Ken Sapwell

Tweed mayor Warren Polglase has defended his role in delaying staff submissions critical of the Cobaki Lakes and Kings Forest developments despite advice a decision on at least one the projects was 'imminent'.

Cr Polglase said he was confident the Department of Planning would not sign off on concept plans for either project before next month following the federal government's 11th-hour decision to intervene in Cobaki Lakes (see page 32).

He also justified a rescission motion which put one submission on ice for a month and possibly killed off another, saying the inclusion of Cr Katie Milne's request for an independent review of the two projects had already been examined in previous staff reports.

'There is no need to ask for a review of things like low-cost housing, water usage and employment generating possibilities because they have all been done before,' he said.

'I can assure everyone that the submissions will be supported by the council next month and would have been supported 100 per cent if amendments calling for the review had not been included.'

### 'Plenty of time'

'The action by a federal department in calling-up Cobaki means it could be delayed for a further three or four months, providing plenty of time for us to get the staff submissions away at the next council meeting,' he said.

'I have checked it out and the delay won't affect anything. I have spoken to our directors and the department of planning is fully aware of what is happening up here. They are also aware

the Feds have called up Cobaki.'

Cr Polglase conceded that a staff request for a deadline extension for a submission raising concerns about an application to begin earthworks at Cobaki would likely be a casualty of the rescission motion.

'That may have to come off the recommendation because the 28-day (extension) may be absorbed by the time we deal with it - although the department is aware of it because it's on our web page.'

Chief planner Vince Connell had urged the council to back an official request to extend the deadline for one of two submissions until March 17 after an officer in the department had refused a request by a council staffer.

### 'Resourcing limitations'

Mr Connell said the submission, involving large areas of open space land being dedicated to council and stormwater management systems which staff say will impact on council infrastructure, couldn't be prepared in time for the last meeting because of 'resourcing limitations'.

Meantime a copy of the other submission, raising wide-ranging concerns about draft development control plans for the two projects, have been sent to Planning Minister Tony Kelly by at least two community organisations.

Jeremy Cornford, a spokesman for the watchdog organisation Tweed Monitor, told Mr Kelly his group was disturbed that council should treat critical report from one of its own expert departments 'in such a cavalier fashion'.

'Among the concerns raised by planning director Vince Connell and his staff are the small size of the **continued on page 2**

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Valerie

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Buy yourself some maps, it might even be time to start thinking about a GPS. I know a great little shop in Murwillumbah called Outdoorism, they have lots of maps and 'really' friendly staff to help you, not only do they sell maps and GPS, they can sell you bags, backpacks, good travel/walking shoes.

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Cathy

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# Carpool links regional commuters

Victoria Cosford

A new regional carpooling network and website is helping Tweed commuters cut their travel costs and carbon footprint.

Northern Rivers Carpool is a free online service for anyone who wants to save money and reduce their carbon footprint while travelling and is particularly useful for regular commuters who travel to work or study each day.

It's an initiative that has been trialled successfully for months and backers such as Tweed Shire Council, Southern Cross University (SCU), North Coast TAFE and North Coast Area Health Service, are urging people to check out the new website. Once you register on the website, it will search the database and link you with people travelling in the same direction.

Council's sustainability officer Dan Walton said Northern Rivers Carpool was an initiative of councils from Clarence to the Tweed and was developed to provide commuters with a practical way of reducing travel costs and environmental impacts.

SCU conducted a pilot



Originally to be 'launched' on the first day in April, Tweed Shire Council has brought forward its Car Pooling campaign. Left-to-right council staff car poolers Todd Remmers, Jane Wickers, Jane Lofthouse and Celeste Lees remind all car poolers to make sure they have enough snorkels for each passenger. Photo Jeff 'Australian Crawler' Dawson

program last year, with great success. Currently it has 78 staff and student members registered with and using the scheme regularly. The university's sustainability officer Kirsty Howton said the program 'was particularly popular with our staff and students'.

'Transport is a major contributor to greenhouse gas emissions in Australia, so

carpooling to work or study is an effective way to reduce our carbon footprint for the benefit of our community in tackling climate change,' she said.

'Additionally, with fewer cars on the road, we are reducing the resources required to maintain our roads and our cars - yet another win for the environment.'

As an extra incentive to become a member of the carpool, Tweed Council is giving new members who live or work in the Tweed the chance to win one \$25 fuel voucher per month for the next six months.

To find out more information about the carpooling scheme visit [www.nrcarpool.org](http://www.nrcarpool.org).

## Council approves \$3.6m museum extension

Tweed Council will forge ahead with a \$3.6 million museum extension at Murwillumbah despite a late push to house the region's historic collection in the town's council chambers.

Chinderah-based councillor Kevin Skinner revived long-simmering up-river-down-river tensions by suggesting the council could save millions of dollars by building a new council headquarters in Tweed Heads.

He said many ratepayers

thought it had already spent too much money in Murwillumbah, including \$15 million on a multi-level car park and swimming pool complex, and believed something 'more positive' should be done with council's funds.

'I think a museum, community centre and library could be housed quite nicely in the building we are presently sitting in,' he said, adding that relocation to Tweed Heads would bring the chamber closer to

population growth areas.

But apart from triggering a debate between deputy mayor Phil Youngblutt and Cr Barry Longland about whether Murwillumbah or Uki was the most central town, the radical idea failed to generate support from colleagues.

A bid to put the plans on the backburner won the support of only Cr Katie Milne, with others backing a staff recommendation to seek a development application for a new building

adjoining the existing museum site.

Council staff said \$1 million had been set aside for the \$3.6 million project, with the rest expected to come through 'future grants or sale of assets.'

The council entered into a memorandum of understanding several years ago to fund a new museum after hearing that leaks in the historic colonial building now being used was threatening valuable exhibits.

## Mayor defends delay on Cobaki report (from page 1)

proposed building blocks, overall engineering standards, environmental concerns and the proper provision of social and community services,' Mr Cornford said in a press release.

'The report also raises the issue of Queensland development provisions being allowed to be applied to aspects of a NSW development as proposed for the joint Leda projects

'It is about time council realised that petty gagging efforts, such as occurred last week, only makes responsible community groups more determined in their endeavours to ensure the Minister had all the facts before him before deciding an issue which will impact on the amenity of every resident of the Tweed.

'We have also alerted the Minister to the mayor refusing to declare a conflict of interest

even though a Leda subsidiary group had donated \$80,000 to Tweed Directions candidates, including Mr Polglase, in 2004.

'The council's code of conduct states that the perception of a conflict is as important as the actuality and it was common knowledge that Mr Polglase had benefited from the funding.

### Pecuniary conflict

'While a pecuniary conflict is deemed to last only for the four-year council term, the previous Polglase-led council was sacked after only 14 months in office so, technically, Cr Polglase still has almost two years of that four-year period to serve.'

Cr Kevin Skinner, who originally supported the request for an independent review to be

included with staff submissions before signing a rescission along with Crs Polglase and Dot Holdom, apologised for his backflip.

He said he realised after speaking to 'a couple of people' during the dinner break that the issues raised by Cr Milne were covered by current and previous staff submissions to the department at least 'three or four times.'

'They were written by bureaucrats for bureaucrats and if you allow them to communicate at their own level you will achieve what you are trying to achieve,' he said.

'I was lead to believe that that's the secret to it all but I'm only a new councillor. It's a shame these things happen but there was no bias or malice intended.

'I realised I made an error

[supporting the review] and I decided to act to fix it and I stand by what I decided to do.

'I'm sorry if I stuffed everyone about by not working it all out properly the first time around but in the spur of the moment I thought it was okay to include Cr Milne's amendment.'

### Independent review

Cr Milne's amendment, which was also originally supported by Crs Barry Longland and Joan van Lieshout, called on Mr Kelly to conduct an independent review of eight matters relating to the two mega developments.

They involved issues relating to sustainability, urban design, employment, social planning, indigenous cultural heritage, open space, environment and water and sewerage outcomes.

# GM asked to justify trivial debt chase

Ken Sapwell

A public appeal to help Greens Party councillor Katie Milne meet the costs of her failed legal bid to stop last year's car rally is about halfway to its \$30,000 target, according to the No Rally Group.

But groups involved in another fundraising campaign for Cr Milne's more successful appeal against a marina at Chinderah are not so happy.

They are continuing to pressure council staff to justify their three-year pursuit of her for an alleged \$351 debt arising from the court case, saying the claim casts a slur on members who had pledged to meet her costs.

## Leaked emails

A series of emails leaked to the media revealed council boss Mike Rayner had terminated legal action to recover the money last month because costs would outweigh the debt but told her she had a moral obligation to pay up.

The leaked inhouse emails sparked similar calls from colleagues and a suggestion she was secretly using her position to avoid paying the alleged debt relating to the council's costs of complying with a subpoena.

Cr Milne has denied the claim and groups closely associated with the appeal, legal adviser Al Oshlack, and members of a combined community

group formed in 2006 to defeat plans for the 115-berth marina, continue to question it.

The community group, representing 26 organisations shirewide whose membership includes retired top cop Rod Bates and long-standing Chinderah progress association president Felicia Cecil, say the council's claims are a smoke-screen not supported by court documents.

In her judgement following a costs hearing in 2007, Justice Jago alludes to three subpoenas sought by Cr Milne relating to the council's sale of public foreshore land to the developer, but awards costs only in relation to two subpoenas.

Justice Jago noted that council's legal advisers did not have a schedule of expenses and was unable to quantify them 'but had indicated that they were likely to be in the order of \$6,000 or more.'

'Despite the absence of a schedule of expenses from the council, I am satisfied I should fix a maximum amount the Council may recover under these orders to ensure the expenses recovered are reasonable,' she said, before capping them at \$800, which has since been paid.

Combined groups secretary Clint Beisler said he believed the judgement was clear and unequivocal, and by claiming that Cr Milne owed over and

above what the judge determined also cast a slur on his members who had pledged to cover her costs.

He says Mr Rayner's explanation that the debt was not a matter that had ever been determined by the court was not really central to the issue.

'They need to explain why they did not include all the costs associated with the case when they applied for costs and why they feel they have a right to pursue her for more costs without seeking further orders from the court,' he said.

## Need to explain

'If they feel that she owes the council money they need to explain why they did not return to Justice Jago to clarify the issue. We should get a detailed explanation.'

Council staff say they are muzzled from saying anything further because of privacy considerations.

Mr Oshlack says the leaked emails, containing exchanges between Cr Milne and Mr Rayner, were given to the local daily newspaper in an attempt to discredit the Greens Party councillor and stop her asking questions about major developments.

But efforts to discover the identity of the 'leaker' who defied the council's media policy and risked an \$11,000 fine and two years in jail for breaching

the NSW Privacy Act appears to have hit a brick wall.

Her colleagues and senior council staff have each denied they were the culprits when the question was put to them recently at an inhouse meeting.

Cr Milne said she had sent the emails to fellow councillors in a bid to win their support for a push to establish a disputes resolution mechanism within council to deal with similar issues without having to resort to costly legal proceedings.

The initiative was defeated by fellow councillors at last month's council meeting.

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# Ball honours local women



Tweed Shire Women's Service staff (l-r) Jayne Paterson, Amy Hannah and Diane Ashmore enjoy a dress rehearsal for next Saturday's fantasy-themed gala ball honouring Tweed women. Photo Jeff 'Favourite Fantasy' Dawson

Victoria Cosford

The second annual Wonders of Women (WOW) Gala Ball to be held at Plantation House in Duranbah, next Saturday, March 6, celebrates Tweed women who have overcome challenges to achieve success.

The event marking the centenary celebration of International Women's Day is a joint initiative of Tweed Shire Women's Service (TSWS) and the www.tweedecho.com.au

Tweed-based Every Woman's Values Endorsed (EVE).

TSWS manager Tracy Asby said this year's event had a total of 36 nominees for Outstanding Achievement Awards, including two new entries, for young women who have overcome challenges to achieve success.

Ms Asby said the event celebrated and honoured the work done by women in the community.

'There's some gob-smacking work that some of these nomi-

nees are doing out there, its often not acknowledged,' she said.

'It's also important to recognise that behind every great woman there are lots of support mechanisms that involve and include men.'

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## Looking to make a clean sweep

Victoria Cosford

Members of Pottsville Beach Sports Club will join a small army of volunteers making a big effort to help clean up the Tweed on Clean Up Australia Day on Sunday week, March 7.

Around 19 sites around the Tweed have been registered as clean up areas for the event. The day marks the 20th anniversary of the national event and the 10th anniversary of the Pottsville Community Association's involvement in it, with the latter currently on a recruitment drive aimed at local residents willing to help clean up Pottsville.

Association spokesperson Bruce Cumming said a legacy of the recent bushfires had exposed much greater areas of cleared-off road and beachside scrubland, requiring an increase in the 32 workers who last year gathered up eight cubic metres of public litter.

The volunteer registration and waste dump site will again be located at the northern end of Hardy Park, Overall Drive, Pottsville from 7.30am through to 1pm.

At Kingscliff, volunteers will meet at the boat ramp in Faulks Park on the corner of Marine Parade and Moss Street, Kingscliff, on the Sunday between 8am and 11am.



Pottsville Beach Sports Club members (l-r) Merle Jackson, Wendy Fielding, and Georgina Moore, get ready for the big clean-up day which also involves collecting recyclable waste. Photo Jeff 'Any Old Rubbish' Dawson

Bags and certificates will be provided but participants are expected to bring their own gloves, hats and drinks. For info call 02 6674 2856.

There are three dedicated days for the national event: Schools Clean Up on Friday, March 5, Business Clean Up (Tuesday, March 2) and Clean Up Australia Day itself, which is Australia's largest communi-

ty-based environmental event, launched two decades ago by Ian Kiernan, who urged people to make a difference by cleaning up their local areas for a couple of hours.

To get involved or register a site (and get a collection kit) visit [www.cleanup.org.au](http://www.cleanup.org.au) or call council's waste management unit on 6670 2783 for more info.

## Youngblutt disputes finding

Ken Sapwell

Deputy mayor Phil Youngblutt has won what amounts to a retrial after disputing a conduct review panel finding that he had disrespected councillor Katie Milne by suggesting she 'go outside and have a cry'.

The veteran councillor complained to senior council staff that the panel member investigating the complaint, barrister John Hawkins, had denied him natural justice by not interviewing him about the complaint.

Council boss Mike Rayner ordered publication of Mr Hawkins' findings be pulled from the council agenda so the case can be reopened and Cr Youngblutt afforded a chance to give his side of the spat.

Details of the latest hiccup in the council's secrecy-bound complaints handling process came to light after *The Echo* was shown a copy of Mr Hawkins report, which was supposed to remain secret until it was officially made public.

The complainant, Kingscliff resident Jeremy Cornford, said it highlighted further anomalies with the new complaints system introduced by the state government last year.

'I can't see anything in the code which gives anyone the right to challenge the findings of the review panel,' says Mr

Cornford, who is opposed to the new process.

'At the same time there is also no provision for councillors to accept the findings of the panel or to abide by any sanctions which may be recommend.

'It was foisted on the council by the government to avoid facing up to the more serious complaints about councillors' behaviour by shunting them off to a council-appointed panel to deal with,' he said.

When contacted by *The Echo*, Cr Youngblutt said he was puzzled and angered by Mr Hawkins's decision to interview others and not him about the complaint and was considering an appeal.

Cr Youngblutt, who recently escaped censure for code-of-conduct breaches for his voters-are-morons jibe after apologising, became a magnet for yet another complaint when he told *The Echo* he thought the situation stank.

He said Mr Hawkins was not able to determine the context of the remark, which he said was provoked by Cr Milne's comments, and apparently believed it was said during a council meeting when it was said during an adjournment.

Under code-of-conduct rules, councillors and staff are unable to comment on investigations or findings until they are tabled at a council meeting.

## Property warnings scrapped

Real estate agents are mystified by Tweed council's sudden decision to scrap a long-standing system to warn property buyers about potential problems, ranging from biting midges to aircraft noise.

The council last week decided to no longer place the warnings on the commonly purchased 149 (2) certificates but to relegate them to the 149 (5) certificates which are rarely used during property searches.

The council acted after received confidential legal advice from its own solicitors

which was not publicly disclosed.

But council staff said a recent investigation of the validity of the current aircraft noise warnings had identified 'major concerns for the entire range of notations created through council's resolutions and practices'.

NSW Real Estate Institute North Coast branch chairman Carl Petersen said that apart from the fact that some of the warnings were not specific or accurate enough, he was not aware that the old system had created problems.

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## Gilmore the one to watch in Roxy Pro

The world's best female surfers have converged on Coolangatta for the opening event of the 2010 ASP Women's World Tour season, the Roxy Pro Gold Coast from this Saturday, February 27 to March 10.

The Tweed's own Stephanie Gilmore, of Kingscliff, the reigning three-time world champion and defending Roxy Pro champion, is the surfer to watch heading into the opening event of the year.

She is a two-time event champion at Snapper Rocks, claiming the first as a wildcard in 2005 and her second last season, sparking her third ASP Women's World Title run.

Surfing commentators say Gilmore's years of experience at the venue and unmatched rapport with the breaks makes her the most dangerous surfer in the event.

'Growing up on the Tweed-old Coast, there is no shortage of quality waves to surf and people to look up to. Definitely, a familiarity with the waves here is a big advantage when it comes to competition,' Gilmore said.

Meanwhile, the opening event of the men's ASP world tour the Quiksilver Pro Gold Coast, also kicking off this weekend, has two of the Tweed's finest surfers



Kingscliff's reigning three-times world-champion surfer and last year's Roxy Pro Gold Coast winner, Stephanie Gilmore, 22, showing her winning style on the lip. Steph begins her campaign for a fourth ASP Women's world title at home in Snapper Rocks this weekend, weather permitting. Photo ASP/Scholtz

leading the pack.

Mick Fanning, 28, reigning two-time ASP World Champion, posted an inspired come-from-behind campaign in 2009 to claim his second ASP World Title (the first in

2007), and approaches this year focused on repeating the feat and setting up a dynasty within the annals of surfing history.

Joel Parkinson, 28, current ASP World No. 2 and defend-

ing event champion, lost a close ASP World Title race to good friend Fanning last season, and is back with a vengeance this year.

For more information, visit [www.aspworldtour.com](http://www.aspworldtour.com)

## General manager's rally report a farce says Milne

Luis Feliu

Tweed Council's general manager has been slammed for not addressing community disquiet and concerns about the controversial world rally in a report for the official state government rally review, which councillors endorsed 6-1 last week.

Cr Katie Milne has called the report 'farcical' because general manager Mike Rayner was treating the event review in the same way as if it was a development application 'despite the state government disgracefully reneging' on the repeated promise the event would be subject to a DA beforehand.

Cr Milne, the only one to oppose the report, said it only served to 'further erode the interests of the community and can clearly be seen to benefit the rally board', on which Mr Rayner sat.

The Greens councillor has called for council to make a further submission on all aspects of the rally including ecological, social, indigenous and economic, not just operational ones such as traffic control and waste, and asked for all council expenses and related contract be made public.

Cr Milne said it was disappointing 'council provided no comment on many aspects of the rally including the eco-

logical aspects' and it seemed 'inconsistent that council was asked to make a report covering ecological issues pre-rally, and then for council not to make, or be asked to make, a follow-up evaluation for this review.'

In his report, Mr Rayner made recommendations 'to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the event', even calling for more police, but Cr Milne said it was in the community's interests for council to comment on the ecological, social, indigenous and economic issues 'especially as there is no other transparent process to evaluate these issues.'

'It is council's responsibility

to maintain and enhance the integrity of this environment. Council has a direct financial interest in this environment and duty in this matter I believe.'

In his report, Mr Rayner said most calls to council during the event related to road closures. He also said the event needed 'earlier increased police presence on liaison routes to detect and deter vandalism/malicious damage to public infrastructure by protestors and/or supporters of the rally.'

To read the report, see the agenda for the last meeting on council's website [www.tweed.nsw.gov.au](http://www.tweed.nsw.gov.au)

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## Spinning it out

The council general manager's report on the running of the controversial world rally, endorsed by a majority of councillors last week, makes one think he's talking about a totally different event which generally ran smoothly bar a few glitches here and there which can be patched up in time for the 2011 race, if there is to be one.

There is no mention of the widespread community disquiet about the appropriateness of the Tweed hosting such an event, nor was there a whimper about the way local democracy was ripped from the community by the unpopular state government. No, not a peep, but what can one expect when the GM has been conflicted all along, being a member of the rally board.

Councillors, with the exception of Katie Milne, went along with the GM at the very first council meeting after the last election, when he asked them to vote him on to the board. He also asked them to vote him on to a the board of the company wanting to buy part of Bay Street in Tweed Heads to expand Tweed Mall, both moves very unwise for a professional public servant, giving rise to a huge perception of a conflict of interest. The councillors had barely time to digest the implications of these actions before it was too late to rescind the decisions, despite former mayor Joan van Lieshout and Cr Milne moving along those lines.

Both issues turned out to be among the most contentious in the early life of this council.

The fact is there was a massive amount of community disquiet over the rally, for all sorts of reasons, not least environmental, and it has been ignored in this report. The GM has asked council to endorse his report to be submitted for the official state government appointed rally review, which we suspect will make outlandish claims of how it benefited the region, made a motza and should be shoved down our throats again.

The massive community unrest should not have been ignored and Cr Milne's call for council to make a further submission on all aspects of the rally including ecological, social, indigenous and economic, not just operational, should have been heeded.

The list of concerns by the community include how the event was forced on the shire, how it was a done deal from the start, its secret funding, lack of transparency and proper consultation, confusion about the image portrayed for the shire and the message to young motorists and concerns about copycat driving.

All these issues are ignored by the report, which is merely a sanitised, technical operational overview of the event.

Ratepayers' concerns should have been made known to the rally review. Otherwise, they're once again just shut out of the whole process. Should the rally be held here again? Was it all really worth it? Where are the benefits? These should be addressed and a message sent to the state government that a fair slice of the populace really don't want it. We're sure other shires in NSW needing an economic injection would dearly welcome the event, there'd be less disruption and unrest and a more meaningful economic impact.

In this one-sided report the GM (and rally board member) only briefly mentions a local very popular and appropriate event, the Tyalgum Festival of Classical Music, as having been 'held on the same weekend' as the rally but 'had some issues and were down on numbers'. So what were these issues? The fact no-one bothered to consult with an established local festival beforehand to try and avoid a clash? The mayhem it caused for elderly patrons and interstate visitors? Yet in the very same sentence he offers the observation that the 'Kyogle Fringe Festival organised by the Chamber of Commerce to take advantage of the rally events went well overall'. So what? It's not about another shire.

Does the Tweed really want or need another four of these events? We don't think so. The secret millions given to the rally organisers would have been better spent at a fraction of the cost on a global TV ad showing off our magnificent caldera and lifestyle to the world.

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# High risk dancing with media barons

As if his election year was not already fraught enough, Tony Abbott has opened up a new front by involving himself in the media wars.

In announcing that the government's \$250 million rebate to the commercial TV networks looks like a bribe to ensure favourable election coverage, the opposition leader has aligned himself firmly with the moguls who run Pay TV in their ongoing battle with their free-to-air rivals.

He has already been firmly slapped down by the heavies on Channels Seven, Nine and Ten; he must be hoping that the support of the others, and particularly Rupert Murdoch, whose News Ltd owns 39 per cent of Sky News. So far it seems to be working; Murdoch's tabloid attack dogs have become even shriller about the awfulness of Kevin Rudd and Abbott has had a very smooth run.

But the strategy remains high risk; the Dirty Digger's favours are notoriously fickle and he does not like losers. If Abbott is seen to be unelectable, he will be cast aside like a burnt sausage at a barbecue.

It may be significant that Abbott waited a fortnight before entering the fray, and only did so after a private breakfast with Murdoch. A News Ltd spokeslackey says that media policy was not discussed at the meeting, but the News Ltd campaign against the rebate was well under way by then.

The spokeslackey made the position clear: 'We've never asked the government - or oppositions before they become governments - for any money. But we don't like them giving money to our competitors with no strings attached.'

Fair enough, but there are

various favours Pay TV has asked for: access to major sporting events presently confined to free-to-air under the anti-siphoning provisions and the ability to tender for the new Asia-Pacific TV network. The stakes are pretty high and each side is accusing the other of attempting to duress the relevant minister, Stephen Conroy. Conroy appears to have been even-handed, ac-

cepting every invitation that is offered and indulging in as much hospitality as is available.

The commercial networks fill up local content with quiz shows and so-called 'reality' TV, cheap as chips and far less nourishing.

by Mungo MacCallum

cepting every invitation that is offered and indulging in as much hospitality as is available.

But his justifications for the \$250 million handout have been less than convincing. He has cited the cost of changing to digital; but way back in 2000 the Howard government kicked in \$260 million for just that purpose. Then there is the expense of providing the statutory 55 per cent local content; but the commercial networks fill it up with quiz shows and so-called 'reality' TV, cheap as chips and far less nourishing. There is no suggestion that any of the \$250 million might be spent on improving the quality.

The *Australian* last week stepped up its campaign with a full page attack on Conroy and all his works. The whole thing reeked of self-interest, indeed direct conflict of interest, but the government is yet to provide a convincing reply. Certainly commercial television, once described as a li-

givable political crime.

Some commentators have noted that the networks employed Rudd's old boss, former Queensland Premier Wayne Goss, as their lobbyist, and this was the reason for their success. Pay TV seems to have

responded by enlisting Tony Abbott. He may find it hard to achieve a comparable result.

The weekend saw the belated publication of Malcolm Fraser's memoirs, in which he excoriated John Howard for, as he saw it, portraying himself as a dynamic, reformist treasurer hamstrung by his leader's caution and timidity.

The extract featured in the *Weekend Australian* gave the impression that this was the chief cause of the long-standing antipathy between the two. But in fact the rift is much deeper and more fundamental.

Howard was the only member of Fraser's cabinet to oppose the Prime Minister's welcoming of Vietnamese refugees, and more importantly to oppose the imposition of sanctions against the apartheid regime of South Africa. Fraser saw a pattern developing, and it was one that had more than a suspicion of racism as its basis, which for Fraser was an unfor-

givable political crime. He promptly dropped any thought he might have had of anointing Howard as his successor and instead endorsed the more internationalist Andrew Peacock, despite their frequent disagreements; Peacock had even resigned to stand against him at one stage, describing his behaviour as manic and unreasonable. But this act of treachery mattered to Fraser less than the prospect of having a narrow-minded bigot as Australia's head of government. Subsequent history has shown that Fraser's concerns were fully justified.

And we can't let the week go past without congratulating Miranda Devine for inventing a wonderfully pragmatic new moral philosophy. In her column in last Thursday's *Sydney Morning Herald* Devine's obsessive hatred of green left issues climaxed in what she called 'the burning batts fiasco', which brought together those two notorious moral degenerates Kevin Rudd and Peter Garrett.

After a couple of dozen paragraphs of barely controlled bile, she summed up the situation in a quotation from a relative of one of the victims: 'If someone gives people the opportunity to be dodgy, they'll be dodgy.' This, she says, is the moral universe most people live in.

And a very comfortable one it must be. In this universe you don't blame the dodgy installers who made the dodgy decisions that actually caused the accidents: you blame the government. Nothing's ever your own fault. So much for those silly old doctrines of free will, personal responsibility and the need to choose between right and wrong. The Pope will be surprised.



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**How come?**

On the front page of last week's *Echo* (February 18), the chief planner for Tweed Shire Council is quoted as saying (among other things) that under the proposed codes for the two new large towns, 'sewer lines could be built under private property'.

Now, I agree that should be a concern to the council, but my question is this. How come Metricon got away with it?

**Alan Davis**  
 Pottsville

**Inspiring fundraising**

The No Rally Group would like to thank everyone who has contributed to the Injunction Legal Fund fundraising drive. We're about halfway to our goal of \$30,000.

The show of support for No Rally Group and Katie Milne has been really heartening, and shows how strongly locals feel about the rally's invasion of our beautiful region.

On the up side, the situation has inspired many of us to work together for good local government and sustainable development. NRG will keep fundraising after we reach the target for the injunction costs, to help us get on the front foot in defending our caldera.

Secure donations can be made through the website, [www.norallygroup.org](http://www.norallygroup.org), or via the form in this week's *Echo*. Please call or email us if you would like a receipt, or to arrange a tax deductible donation. The NRG contact number is 0466 436 054.

And a diary note: the next fundraiser is a quiz night at the Sheoak Shack, Fingal Head, on Friday, March 12. So start getting your team together. For info call 07 5523 1130.

**Andrea Vickers**  
 NRG secretary  
 Kingscliff

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# Framing of the water issues still unsatisfactory

■ The Terms of Reference only allows the Community Working Group (CWG) to be consultative in nature on matters identified as key environmental, social and cultural issues associated with each of the bulk water supply options.

Decision powers for a 'dam' are retained by Tweed Shire Council.

My constituency has come to the conclusion that the second-rated option for a new dam at Byrrell Creek costing up to \$58.4 million is not acceptable, due to Byrrell Creek's high conservation value in vegetation and fauna.

I do not support the third-rated option 'A pipeline to the SEQ water grid'. This option has been accurately described in recent press reports as 'pipe-dreams' while the fourth-rated option, a pipeline to Rous Water, remains an unconfirmed supply.

Council's number-one option 'Raising the existing Clarrie Hall dam' costing \$30-40 million dollars is likely to have adverse environmental affects and cause loss of Aboriginal cultural sites.

Had Tweed Shire Council included in their bulk water supply coarse screening option list, the reuse of available bulk greywater, purified water, stormwater harvesting, etc there would be no need to make a costly dam decision. By 2036 a predicted population increase of 76,198 in new development areas could have had access to more than 17,700 ML of water now wasted. I will not support council's number one dam wall option while they refuse to reuse at least 30 per cent of water now wasted, which saving would obviate the need for a dam solution.

**Richard Murray**  
 Tweed Heads

■ Submissions season continues apace. I have read some very well-argued and factual submissions showing that the WRC rally was a financial flop as well as being socially and environmentally disruptive. Tourism figures showed no positive impact and a business survey showed up to 73 per cent had takings similar to or less than an equivalent Father's Day weekend. On the other hand the community has

already raised half of what's needed to pay court costs for Cr Milne's attempt at getting an injunction to stop the rally, a case which was not given a fair hearing. Well done everyone who has contributed!

Now community-minded Tweed citizens are looking at the Draft LEP and the water augmentation issue. Deadlines are in late March (see TSC website for details). The LEP has broad brushstrokes applied to the landscape at the will of some faceless bureaucrat, probably Sydney-based. When scrutinised we can see just how it jeopardises the future of the region and I recommend anyone concerned about preserving our landscape and cultural values and everyone concerned about intergenerational equity has a close look at it and writes in.

As for the water options: two of the options given to the Community Working Group (CWG) to consider are not even options! No one in their right mind would risk sinking bores in our spring-fed valleys, it's simply too risky for everyone dependent on springs, farmers and rural residents alike. Piping water in from Rous and SE QLD is no option either, as their own water supplies ran critically low in the 'Millennium Drought'.

The Tweed needs to consider the options which the CWG were not given to consider: reducing demand through education and offering incentives, mandating adequately sized water tanks for new houses and subsidising these for existing dwellings, and enforcing dual reticulation for all new developments. In other parts of the state and indeed the world this is paid for by the developers so this option would be cost neutral for the community whilst also supplying much needed wetland habitat.

As for dams - like the rally they are just s-o-o last century, whatever is TSC thinking?

**Dr Fiona McCormick**  
 Burringbar

■ It has been a time consuming lot of hard work as a Community Working Group (CWG) member, researching, data gathering, writing papers and surveys and presenting them

to the meetings. At times frustrating, because of limitations that the committee is bound by, and the ridiculously short time frame given for this consultation process, but I have learnt a lot over the last few months.

I know all the statistics, facts and figures: six dwellings inundated, 19 landowners who need roads relocated, 21 hectares of Mebbin National Park flooded, etc, etc but I don't want to talk about that...

I know this valley, where I have lived for 28 years, is a special place, a part of the geological formation of World Heritage Mt Warning National Park. Byrrell Creek catchment is the highest-ranking conservation status riverine area in the Tweed Shire and is home to a diverse variety of fauna and flora species, some of them classified as threatened or endangered. The waterfalls and peaceful pools, overhung by native callistemons, lilly pillies and watergums are the perfect habitat for the many platypus that live along the entire length of the creek.

People here have made their homes and brought up their families, the majority with less carbon footprint than the average Tweed resident, with solar power, tanks for water, orchards and a veggie garden. We

share this beautiful environment of creeks and rainforest gullies with the wallabies, koalas and many different varieties of birds.

Imagine for a moment now, bulldozers clear-felling 400 hectares, chainsaws screeching, rock blasting echoing through the valley, cement works and infrastructure for a 40-metre-high dam wall for three years.

I ask you, Tweed residents, is this the right environment for such devastation? Is the prime farm land at Clarrie Hall and the forested gullies that would be flooded there OK?

Why don't we look towards the future in a more sustainable way; large rainwater tanks, minimise water use and major recycled water plants? It may cost more, a change of attitude about recycled water (England

and Europe have been using it for decades) and a more self responsible approach.

If you would like a say on the Tweed's Water Options, fill in a Community Water Survey <http://www.calderaenvironmentcentre.org>, or drop in to the Caldera Environment Centre in Queen Street, Murwillumbah, to sign a petition.

Come to the upcoming Uki Hall Water Options Meeting, this Saturday, February 27 at 2 pm, where there will be many excellent guest speakers, a film and slide show.

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**Joanna Gardner**  
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# What they did in the council chamber

■ Councillors last week voted to restrict debate to three minutes and the number of questions to five. They refused to include in the general manager's submission to the rally review any issues on environment, social, indigenous or economic matters.

They cancelled the workshop for 'Positive Development', the latest theory in sustainable urban design. They refused to allow questions about infrastructure costs and traffic issues Cobaki Lakes and KingsForest.

They did request a review of sustainability and other factors from the state government for these two mini cities, but this only lasted till the dinner break when a rescission motion was lodged which also prevented the 35-page council report being submitted.

Cr Polglase did not declare any conflict of interest in these developments even though the developer of these sites had donated \$80,000 to fund the Balance team campaign of which he was part.

Councillors refused to request the council-funded Economic Development Corporation provide a greater focus on sustainability.

They refused to fine the developer of Banora Point Caravan Park for numerous works carried out that needed retrospective approvals.

They refused to order the

developer of Lot 156 at Hastings Point to remove fencing that had been reported by residents as a public safety and flood hazard.

And they refused to allow questions on the concreting of the natural waterway at Ozone Street, Chinderah.

**Cr Katie Milne**  
Carool

■ I bet all the people in various community groups who worked so hard to get a certain 'community' candidate elected are regretting it now.

More secretive and pro-development than any of them. Working actively against community consultation and sticking up for very bad developments.

Definitely not as advertised, just the opposite.

**Joyce Horniman**  
Murwillumbah

■ Last council meeting was one of the worst bullying sessions of Cr Milne I have so far witnessed.

Cr Holdom moved for a limit of five questions, three minutes each for councillors. This motion arose due to the extreme meticulousness of Cr Milne in researching issues pertaining to environmental protection that the other 'green platform' councillors can't be bothered dealing with, making meetings longer than they wish.

Why the kowtowing to developers at every turn? Cr van Lieshout said in a meeting some months ago, 'We must remember that the developers are our clients'.

Cr Milne's relentless pursuit of sustainability in development would impose a financial burden on developers and Cr Skinner was quick to point out this might aggravate developers.

How quickly the council forgets Cr Milne got the most votes in the history of Tweed elections. Cr Longland would not have even got in if not for her preference votes. Council should be following her lead, not treating her in a patronising and disrespectful way. She is the one who is doing the wishes of the majority of Tweed residents.

Her motion to request the state government to reclaim Kings Forest and Cobaki Lakes as a nature reserve instead of turning them into mini cities would have been the best move for the 450 species there, over 30 of which are endangered.

Yet not a single councillor seconded it. As a result our population is set to double with 80,000 more people. There is not enough infrastructure (water, hospitals, schools, police, roads, nursing homes, etc) to cope with so many people and with state coffers empty what chance in

the foreseeable future of such needs being met?

So now Tweed council has Byrrill Creek Dam as a water management option to service these new developments. This area has the most riparian conservation status, more platypus and is the most pristine creek in the Tweed with koala colonies, 15 endangered species, wildlife corridors and backs on to three World Heritage areas. A dam would destroy all that forever and for what? The average lifespan of a dam is only 50 years and the cost to taxpayers around \$58 million.

The UN declared 2010 as the Year of Biodiversity as species loss every day is between 100-1000 times faster than before. The number one cause of species extinction is habitat loss, especially freshwater ecosystems.

There is no requirement on dam owners to account for species at risk after the dam is built. Tragically, many world governments are planning big, destructive dams in biodiversity hotspots. What kind of future is this for our kids?

If you care about protecting this area, come to the meeting this Saturday, February 27, at 2pm at Uki Hall and get informed. The best solution for water use is rainwater tanks, stormwater collection, recycling and wise water use.

**Menkit Prince**  
Uki

# Very little research and no inspections at Ozone St

■ I was amazed to read in a local paper recently that Mr Warren Polglase stated that a lot of councillors' time was spent on research and on-site inspections of new developments.

I think very little research and no inspections at all were

carried out on the proposed road at Chinderah. We only had one councillor on this site, after the development was approved, and he admitted he thought he signed for the block on the other side of the creek. Makes one wonder.

**Val Butcher**  
Chinderah

■ The beautiful mural taking shape at Murwillumbah, showing some of the fauna and flora fast disappearing from our area is amazing. An initiative of Tweed Shire Council, it's 700 metres long and represents rare and endangered species.

I suppose council does need paintings of these things, when a 630-metre-long waterway with all the trees along its banks is being destroyed with this same council's approval. There are four Marbled Frogmouth Owls living in these trees, they are only found in

two areas of Australia: in the Cape York Peninsula and in a small area of Northern Rivers.

It's not as though the council is not aware of the protected species along this waterway, their own Environment Specialist Planner noted it in her report, and voiced all the same concerns as we have, including the disturbing of the acid sulphate soil and potentially putting sulphuric acid into the Tweed River. So they have been made fully aware of all of these things, yet ignored the report. Why?

We also note that on the new draft LEP they have rezoned the other side of the waterway as industrial land, so another of our concerns is that if they get their way and build the road over the waterway, how long will it be before they turn the three caravan parks on this side of the waterway into industrial land and possi-

bly 500 people find themselves homeless!

My question to council is this, 'What hold does a developer appear to have on council, that they will allow this to happen?' Can any developer use a council's unmade roads for their own benefit? How can council appear to care about the environment on one hand, while at the same time approving the destruction of another one?

It does make you realise, if you weren't already aware, that the Tweed Council will let developers do what they want! So they had better start painting trees, fish and birds on the mural as well as the endangered species, as soon we will have none left of these!

Councillors like Katie Milne are also a rare species that we need to protect.

**Lynda Mack**  
Chinderah

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from their own gardens.

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etables and lots of fruit.

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Currumbin



# The joys of science freed from the bonds of fact

The argument about whether global warming is man-made, or even exists at all, appears to be over. The deniers have won, according to newspaper columnists and opinion polls. In tabloid and talkback media at least, Australia has adopted a new definition of 'scientific method.'

You probably know the old one. It was worked out over a period of several hundred years and then formalised in Vienna early in the last century.

It's basically a method of discovering knowledge about the natural world based on making hypotheses, testing them empirically, and developing peer-reviewed theories that best explain the known data.

That last bit about peer reviews is important, given that we cannot easily test hypotheses about the global climate. Here's how Australia's chief scientist, Penny D Sackett, puts it:

'Part of the scientific process is submitting one's work to an independent expert in the field, called the referee, who is expected to read the manuscript critically, with an eye to spotting any possible errors in analysis or logic, any important omissions, any lack of appropriate levels of reference, any lack of clarity, any misinterpretation of the state-

**David Lovejoy** considers how climate politics have replaced climate science

ments or work of others. 'It is very common for a manuscript to be revised on the advice of the referee. Once published, other scientists are free to criticise, build upon or amend the work, but modern science requires that this be done in the same manner, through work that is also submitted to expert peer review mediated by the editor of a journal.

'While the process does not guarantee that everything that is published is correct, it does ensure that those who engage in science have all agreed to adhere to the same standards.'

But wait, Penny, that's not what we do any more. Ever since the colossal stoush within the Liberal Party over leadership and global warming a couple of months ago, scientific method has consisted of cherry-picking the data, refusing to discard arguments when they are shown to be wrong and importing, with surreptitious funding from mining companies, sleazy chancers who are not scientists but who know a bit about show business.

Suddenly we have a new scientific method. It is much more democratic than the old one: the truth is now determined by who shouts the loudest.

Not that there hasn't been material for the loudmouths to latch on to. Any human organisation is political, and the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) is no different. In 2002 Exxon successfully lobbied the Bush administration to terminate the chairmanship of atmospheric

chemist Dr Robert Watson, whose careful 2001 report concluded there was 'new and stronger evidence that most of the warming observed over the last 50 years is attributable to human activities'. Anger over this political interference may explain, but does not excuse, the exaggerations made in the hacked emails of University of East Anglia scientist Phil Jones. In addition to the email scandal, Watson's successor, Exxon's choice at the IPCC, engineer Dr Rajendra Pachari, overlooked an error in a report on Himalayan glaciers, which

had them threatening to melt away by 2035. But the traffic of misrepresentation is not one way. *The Independent* newspaper in the UK last week researched the origin of a statement attributed to the first chair of the IPCC, Sir John Houghton. 'Unless we announce disaster,' he is sup-

posed to have said, 'no one will listen.' If you google that phrase it returns about 17 million hits, so it's fair to say it's had a wide currency in the denialist camp. Trouble is, Sir John maintains he didn't say or write the phrase, and *The Independent* found that the earliest record of it being attributed to him is in the Sydney *Daily Telegraph* of November 5, 2006, in a column written by one Piers Akerman, a strident critic of the science. Akerman says the words occur in the 1994 book, *Global Warming, the Complete Briefing*, but in fact they do not ap-

pear there or anywhere else in Houghton's work. None of the foregoing affects the credibility of the overwhelming mass of data supporting anthropogenic warming, or the need for us to address it. The climate change deniers are like passengers on the *Titanic* demanding that the captain specify the length of the iceberg that's hit them. When his measurement proves slightly inaccurate they cry, 'Aha, you are wrong, we don't need to launch the lifeboats after all!'

To quote Professor Sackett again: 'We know with a high degree of scientific certainty that the earth's climate is warming at a fast rate; that the bulk of this is due to additional greenhouse gases added to the atmosphere by humans, and the effects of deforestation; and that carbon dioxide is the most important of the greenhouse gases due to the amount in which it is emitted, its ability to prevent some of earth's heat from being discarded back into space, and the amount of time it remains in the atmosphere.'

Of course, as Piers Akerman, Alan Jones, Andrew Bolt and other authorities have demonstrated in their peer-reviewed scientific papers, this is all

bosh. Australia's chief scientist must therefore be party to the worldwide conspiracy of climate scientists and environmentalists who are trying to force a green left world government on us.

That it requires the postulation of a global conspiracy of scientists to make sense of the denialists' case should give them pause for thought. In any other science, evolutionary biology for example, those who take the position that their opponents have conspired to foist a baseless theory on them are rightly considered ignorant bigots.

In the long run this anti-scientific nonsense will subside, but it has had the effect of dampening public enthusiasm for the radical change needed to combat the warming crisis. If one needs to look for a conspiracy, it can be found in the millions of dollars pumped into PR companies and front organisations representing the climate change deniers.

The flint-eyed CEOs of mining and energy corporations have weighed up their present advantage against the danger for our children and grandchildren if we don't act, and have said 'Screw you.' It is a shame that they, and their minions, have persuaded a large number of scientifically illiterate people to go along with them.

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## Act local, teach global



Hastings Point Dunecare elder Vic Brill (yellow shirt) and a group of visiting Japanese university students and their professor Obari enjoyed a tree planting afternoon last Thursday at the Hastings Point dune care project site. The group is from Aoyama Gakuin University (AGU) in Tokyo and have been hosted by Pacific Coast Christian School over the last three years. Vic, who coordinated the visit, and the students also held a forum afterwards on the importance of recycling, habitat conservation, bush regeneration and waste management.

## Funds to prevent binge drinking

St Joseph's Youth Service in Tweed Heads has received almost a quarter of a million dollars in federal funding for a street outreach program to engage young people at in public places at high-risk times.

Richmond MP Justine Elliot said the \$249,967 funding would help the community-based two-year project tackle binge drinking among young people on the Tweed.

Ms Elliot said the project aimed to engage young people at the grassroots level, offering them support and informing them of the harm that binge drinking can cause.

The project, called Cool Heads, operates in the Tweed-Coolangatta area, offering someone to talk to on Friday and Saturday nights, providing information and support.

Ms Elliot said that nationally, the statistics are 'horrifying' with four Australians under 25 dying from alcohol related injuries in an average week.

'On average, one in four hospitalisations of people aged 15-24 happens because of alcohol. Use of alcohol affects everyone in our community... this funding will help to reduce the mental, physical and social harm caused to individuals, families and communities on the North Coast,' she said.

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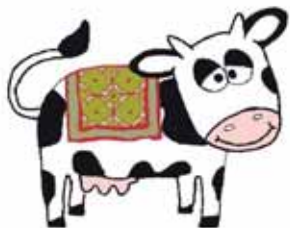
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## LIVE entertainment

### Ragga Jump

John Fog and his group **Ragga Jump** have played throughout South-East Asia over the last 15 years. Ragga Jump were originally based out of Bali but have also played in Jakarta, Singapore and Hong Kong, with some gigs being huge open air concerts. The musicians in the group have come from many countries including Jamaica, Denmark, Indonesia and England, each member bringing their own style to the band. Other highlights include headlining the Adelaide Festival in Elder Park in front of 12,000 people, also a number of Down to Earth festivals and Rock Against Racism. John strongly believes in the power of reggae and world-beat music to bring people together and elevate our consciousness for a funky future for the planet. **Terranora Tavern, Friday February 26** from 8pm.

### Elvis to the Max

It's been well over a quarter of a century since the King of Rock & Roll, Elvis Aaron Presley, dropped his mortal coil. Undisputedly there is and only ever will be one King, but the legend lives on and committed to keeping the spirit alive, is Elvis impersonator, **Max Pellicano. Twin Towns Clubs and Resorts, Saturday.**

### Wolverines

Since forming in 1994 the **Wolverines** have introduced audiences all around Australia and NZ to their unique blend of tongue-in-cheek humour, hard-hitting, rock-your-sox-off Wolverines music. See these 'likeable rogues' at **Twin Towns Clubs and Resorts, Friday.**

### Jackson Firebird

Following sold out shows in Melbourne, Sydney and Adelaide, acclaimed Victorian rockers **Jackson Firebird** bring their garage blues rock to the **Soundlounge** on **Friday** night. Spiderbait frontman Kram has described them as 'the best band in a long time - AC/DC meets John Spencer Blues Explosion'. The duo consists of fat guitar, distorted vocals, hard-hitting drums and the unconventional sounds of a

and includes dancing, singing, comedy and magic. **Kingscliff Beach Club, Friday.**

### Fire 'n Ice

**Fire 'n Ice** is a Gold Coast cover band performing a variety of music from the 70s through to current top 40 hits. From the smooth sounds of Barry White to the foot tapping beats of Matchbox 20 the band plays songs you can sing along with. See them at **Le Monde Kirra, 1.30pm on Sunday.**



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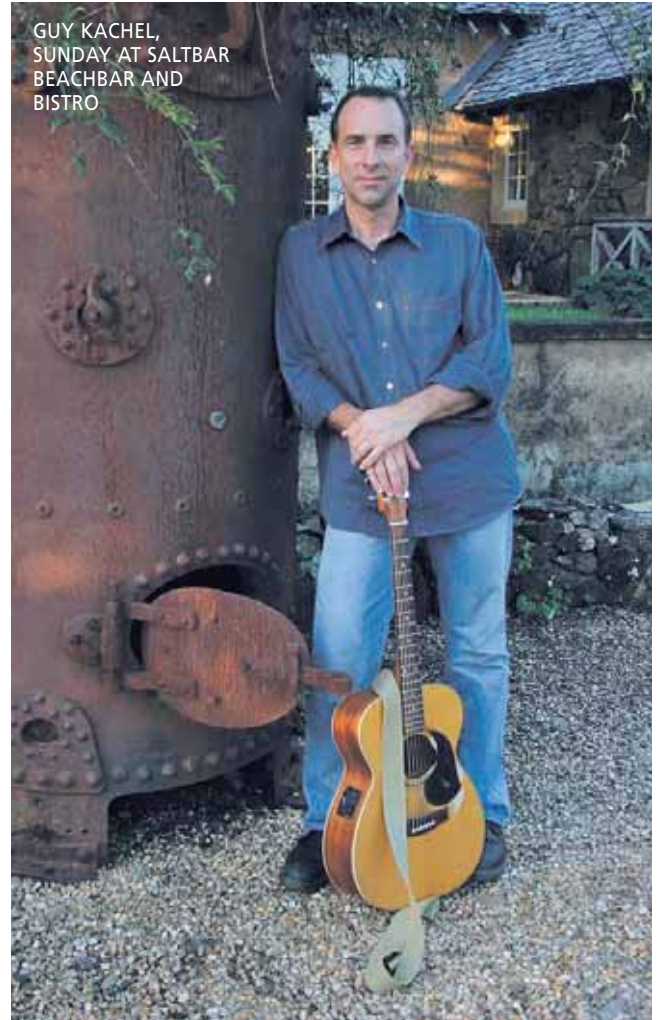
miked-up, upside-down 'bottle bin'. Jackson Firebird's explosion onto the music scene has included shows with Tim Rogers, Airborne, Little Birdie, The Fumes, Dallas Frasca, The Screaming Jets and most recently the Snowdroppers. **February 26 Soundlounge, Currumbin.**

### The Wayne Nettle Show

Wayne's show features characters and impersonations

### Guy Kachel

Originally from Tamworth, **Guy Kachel** moved to the north coast in 2004. He cites influences from the likes of Bob Dylan, Muddy Waters, John Hiatt, Chris Whitley, JJ Cale, Little Feat, Robben Ford, Stevie Ray Vaughan, Rodney Crowell, Alwyn Aurisch, Lawrie Minson, Ted Tilbrook, Paul Wookey, Steve Baker and of course Hannah, Jordan & Jared. See him **Sunday at Saltbar Beachbar and Bistro, Kingscliff, 2pm.**



GUY KACHEL,  
SUNDAY AT SALTBAR  
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### Kye Cole

**Kye Cole** broke the shackles of a stressful, unrewarding desk job and is now fulfilling his dream and living life to the fullest. Kye's first EP, *Scenes Like That* is an upbeat country rock EP encompassing thoughtful and image inspiring lyrics that delve into the ideas of luck, fun, love and heartbreak. Although he's flying high, Kye is humble in the fact that it's not all good times. Giving up a successful career as an engineer required major sacrifices, none of which would have been possible without the unconditional love and support of his wife who is an inspiration in both life and music. **Club Banora 6pm Wednesday.**

### Dennis Dean

At 22 Dennis decided to pursue a career as a solo singer guitarist and started with a one year trip throughout Europe working in venues around southern Spain and southern England. Prior to moving back to the Gold Coast in 1992, Dennis was a solo vocalist/guitarist on the Sydney club circuit working out of the the Agency-Cordon Blur for two years and guest soloist on Fairstar cruises. Dennis singing style is in between Sting and Chris Issack and his fiery lead guitar playing has hints of Santana and Eric Clapton. Realistic backing sequences help to create a full stage sound so the music is not only suitable for dancing, but is flexible and familiar enough to accom-

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## THE TALK



Mandy Nolan

I have never had a problem talking about sex. It's my job. For the last two decades I've stood on stage and made lewd suggestions, shared my inadequacies and confessed my secret desires. With teenagers and tweenagers in tow I've become aware of how inadequate my own kids' sexual education is. Of course when the kids were small I gave them the sex talk. It was the basic baby making rundown, the penis in vagina story.

When I told my eldest daughter she looked shocked and then couldn't stop

laughing. I had to tell her in increments because suddenly the whole thing seemed ridiculous to me as well and I was so hysterical I couldn't catch my breath. All I kept saying, is 'it gets worse!' and then she'd fall on the floor in stitches. When I told her about sperm she wet her pants. It was so surreal she insisted that I had made it up. How could Santa be fake and this bizarre egg and sperm race be real?

My middle daughter showed a thorough grasp of sexual politics at just four when she responded to my eldest

daughter's statement 'Mum, do you know Catholic priests can't have sex?' with 'Is that because they're too ugly?' You got it, sister.

Sexuality is a huge part of adult life. Magazines devote article after article to G spot location, arguments about the merits of appendage size, orgasm, fetishes... it just goes on. I found out about all this stuff myself. But only after one very weird weekend tied to a four poster bed with a plushophile. My mum didn't even tell me about thrush. It took me until I was 30 to realise a girl needed a cotton gusset.

It dawned on me the other day that I need to teach my kids about sexuality. There is just so much to know. Heck, I'm not even across most of it. Sure, tell the kids about how you have a

baby, but that's only the tip of the iceberg... or should I say penis. Unless you've got a couple of devout Hare Krishna kids on your hands who'll grow up to only have sex for purely procreative reasons, then there's a whole lot more sex stuff to talk about. For the girls there's your cycle, when you ovulate, when you're fertile, when you're not, why you don't really know and if you can't count you can't do Billings. There's contraception, about ten versions of the pill, IUDs, diaphragms, injections, condoms for girls, condoms for blokes, there's the old-fashioned withdrawal method.

There's sexual diseases. A range of infections from a brand new strain of aggressive genital herpes, to cancer causing papilloma virus, there's

good old fertility destroying chlamydia, the resurgence of brain munching syphilis, gonorrhoea, and HIV. Fortunately the popularity of the Brazilian has killed off the crabs. Once you've got through terrifying them with genital horror stories, then you need to move on to pleasure. The concept that when they are 16, and legally available to the world (I did suggest waiting until 30) they may fall in love and want to consummate the passion or have a faceless, conversationless one night stand.

Try telling them how to prepare for these different experiences, how to protect themselves. How to enjoy themselves. Try explaining an orgasm to your kids. Define the difference between vaginal and clitoral. Tell them the difference between male

and female sexual response (male instant, female need a good 20 mins to warm her up. Like a Kingswood with a choke). There's erections. Arousal. Tell them about masturbation. About vibrators. About being gay. About how women have sex with other women and men with other men. Talk about headies (street lingo for fellatio). Cunnilingus. Heavy petting. Tell them about falling in love and what happens to you emotionally when you open yourself to the world of sex. It's embarrassing. I could continue my informal home sex education program or I could do what my mother did. Pretend it's not happening and say nothing. What clitoris?

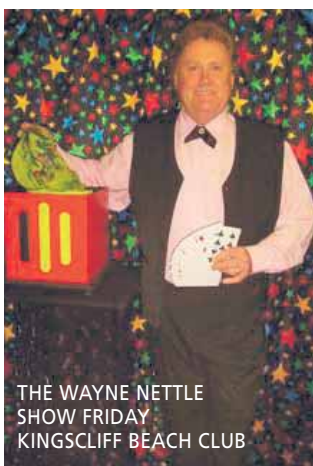
moderate all situations. **Dennis Dean, Pottsville Sports Club, 6pm on Saturday.**

## art

### :: CODE ::

The **Tweed River Art Gallery** is currently presenting an exhibition entitled **:: CODE ::** by artists Kate Maurice and Kat Shapiro Wood. Gallery Director Susi Muddiman said these two artists have an exquisite eye for detail, and it has been wonderful to see and hear visitors responding to their captivating works assembled from delicate found objects. 'The concept of 'code' links the work of Kat and Kate through their shared philosophies, and visual and tactile sensibilities,' Ms Muddiman said. 'Reclaimed materials bearing marks of the past are often the starting point for Kate Maurice in her explorations of new techniques and processes. Built up with quilting, embroi-

dery and assemblages, calligraphic strokes of an ancient culture are woven into a coded language, and then placed next to the mechanical characters of commercial printing. A new form of communication thus emerges from the collision of these fragments,' she said. 'There is no doubt that the stunning assemblages created by these two skilful artists do communicate with our visitors. It is fascinating to watch and hear people respond to these intricate works,' she said. 'The beautiful artworks include elements such as wax, paper, jewellery, glass, historical paraphernalia and even horsehair. This exhibition is not to be missed!' The artworks featured in **:: CODE ::** are available for sale to members of the public. 'I am delighted that Gallery visitors are responding so positively to Kat and Kate's work. A number of the artworks have been sold already, and this is an excellent support to the art-



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ists,' Ms Muddiman said. **:: CODE ::** is on exhibition at the **Tweed River Art Gallery** until **Sunday March 14.**

## theatre

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KYE COLE, CLUB BANORA 6PM WEDNESDAY

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# feeling Super

Rodger Hodgson of Supertramp talks to Mandy Nolan



Rodger Hodgson of Supertramp fame is appearing at Bluesfest this year. He chats about songwriting, his voice and his career.

**An evening with Rodger Hodgson – as a fan – what could I expect? Describe your shows?**

When people come to my shows, they will hear songs that I have written through my life's journey. I am very grateful and feel blessed to realise that my songs that I wrote and composed before I recorded them with Supertramp are the soundtrack for many of our lives. You can expect to hear *Dreamer*, *Logical Song*, *Take the Long Way Home*, *Give a Little Bit*, *School*, *Breakfast in America*, *Fools Overture* – as well as some of my later material and maybe a song or two that haven't even been recorded yet.

**Everyone knows your special voice – a gift from nature or a well trained instrument?**

One thing that amazes people

is that my voice is stronger than ever – which is actually something that never ceases to amaze me also! I am always striving to sing from that deep place inside me where I am able to allow God's gift to flow out of me to touch and uplift people.

**What is your relationship with Supertramp?**

Supertramp was my dream and passion for 14 years. When people hear my songs they think of Supertramp because my songs were most of the hits that people love and are still played today on the radio. Because I was the musical leader of the band and responsible for much of the arranging and producing of the albums and the tours, when people come to see my concert, they feel much of the heart and soul and spirit of Supertramp.

**Do the songs maintain their power – for the performer – decades after they were**

**written, or do you sometimes feel that you're covering yourself?**

To quote the song, my being on tour is my way of giving a little bit of my love to the world because I love people and I love sharing my songs with people, with audiences, and telling them a little bit about where the songs came from and it's a very intimate connection that I have with audiences nowadays and it's very special. Fans are always telling me all the time that my concerts are like an inner journey for them and so many say that they get goosebumps and cry and it really is, I believe that I am able to sing from a very deep place in my now a days and people can feel my heart through these wonderful songs that I've written.

**How is life as a troubadour?**

I'm enjoying my life as a troubadour. I have always felt myself to be a troubadour, a minstrel, and I think that is why I like these stripped down solo shows. The emotion and intimacy I can convey is much more powerful with just one other musician than if I had a full blown production behind me.

**How did you manage the transition from Front man to solo artist?**

We were not a band that had a front man and back then I was not interested in being a front man so, when I left in 1983, I realized that although Supertramp had become a household name, Roger Hodgson was very unknown and then to compound that, I took almost 20 years away to raise a family and learn how to be a parent. And returning to the stage again I have been very pleasantly surprised my songs have stood the test of time incredibly well and that there are a lot of fans who are very happy to see me back on stage. However since we only visited Australia once in 1976, there is a lot of connecting the dots that needs to happen there.

I realise when people hear *The Logical Song*, or *Breakfast in America*, or *School*, or *It's Raining Again* on the radio, they don't realise it is the voice of Roger Hodgson that they have been listening to all these years and that's the voice they will hear when they come see Roger Hodgson in concert. ■



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**Twin Towns**
- **Time Warp - A Musical Tribute To The Rocky Horror Show**  
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**Twin Towns**
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## GIG GUIDE

local events and entertainment

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## Deputy Prime Minister visits North Coast



Deputy Prime Minister Julia Gillard and Justine with Tweed Heads Primary School Principal, Captains and Vice Captains, inspecting the plans for their new hall.

The Deputy Prime Minister Julia Gillard and local MP Justine Elliot recently visited Tweed Heads Public School. Whilst at the school they saw firsthand the site for a new hall and covered outdoor learning area. Construction is imminent for this exciting new infrastructure project.

This \$2.4 million project has been funded under the *Primary Schools for the 21st Century* initiative. The school has also received \$125,000 in federal funding to refurbish existing school facilities under the *National School Pride Program*.

"This is a very exciting project for the children and families of Richmond. The new facilities will provide the

students of Tweed Heads Public School with a fantastic learning environment," Justine said.

"This investment in our local schools is part of the largest schools building program ever to ensure our children have a better place to learn. It will support jobs, stimulate our local economy and build important infrastructure for the long term."

During her visit to the North Coast, the Deputy Prime Minister also visited Southern Cross University's new Gold Coast Campus, where she officially opened the Foundation Building, and joined Justine and local shoppers for lunch in Tweed City Shopping Centre.

### Justine delivers more than \$145 million in federal funding for local infrastructure

- ✓ \$97.2 million for **80 local primary schools** infrastructure under *Primary Schools for the 21st Century*.
- ✓ \$9.5 million for **89 local primary schools** under the *National School Pride Program*.
- ✓ \$3.8 million for **Science and Language Centres** at three local schools.
- ✓ \$3.7 million for Community Education and Training programs in **Murwillumbah, Mullumbimby, Tweed and Dunoon**.
- ✓ \$985,990 for refurbishment and maintenance of the **North Coast Institute of TAFE** – Kingscliff and Murwillumbah Campuses.
- ✓ \$1.3 million for Tweed Shire Council for projects across the shire, including upgrading **Ambrose Brown Park** in Pottsville and the **Kingscliff Foreshore Reserve**, the installation of CCTV in Murwillumbah, construction of a **skate park and Visitors Centre** in Tweed Heads and the extension of the **Burringbar/Mooball Cycleway**.
- ✓ \$1.6 million for social and **public housing repairs** for 461 housing units.
- ✓ \$14.2 million for **46 social housing projects** under Stage two of the Social Housing Program.
- ✓ \$1.7 million for Black Spot Program **funding for road safety** throughout the electorate.

**INSIDE:** Work starts on Sexton Hill upgrade ■ More services for older Australians ■ More aged care beds for Tweed



Justine and NSW Premier Kristina Keneally turning the sod for the Sexton Hill Highway Upgrade.

# Work starts on Sexton Hill upgrade

Construction on the \$310 million Sexton Hill Pacific Highway upgrade is underway.

Justine joined NSW Premier Kristina Keneally to turn the first sod on the \$310 million Sexton Hill Pacific Highway upgrade in December.

The upgrade is one of the largest infrastructure projects ever undertaken in NSW. The upgrade was a key 2007 election commitment, and the Rudd Government has delivered \$300 million to fast-track this important project.

“As a former police officer, I know how vitally important it is to fix our roads and improve safety for drivers,” Justine said.

“The upgrade will improve safety and reduce travel times, and will make a real difference for the thousands of local people who travel this busy section of highway every day.”

The construction of the upgrade will support up to 250 jobs in the short term, benefiting local families and the local economy.

## Australia Day Award

Justine was honoured to attend Tweed Shire Council celebrations for Australia Day in Burringbar this year. Justine is pictured with Jean Nutley and Jean Fenwick who accepted the award for community event of the year for the RSPCA's Million Paws walk.



## SAVE THE DATE

# RSPCA Million Paws Walk 2010

The 2010 Million Paws walk will be held on Sunday 16 May at Jack Bayliss Park in Kingscliff. More information on the walk can be found at <http://www.millionpawswalk.com.au/>

## ALWAYS AVAILABLE TO HELP



As your local MP, I can help you and your family with any Federal matters.

I can assist with any enquiries or issues with Commonwealth Government departments, including the Family Assistance Office, Aged Care, Medicare, Superannuation, Taxation, Centrelink, Passports, Immigration, Sport and the Arts, Veterans Affairs, Workplace Relations, and Defence.

Please contact my office on **1300 720 675** or email [justine.elliott.mp@aph.gov.au](mailto:justine.elliott.mp@aph.gov.au)





# More services for older Australians

The Rudd Government is delivering more services to more older Australians than ever before.

Over the next four years we will provide more than \$44 billion for aged and community care services across Australia.

Recently Justine announced that North Coast Home and Community Care (HACC) services will receive more than \$655,000 in additional funding, above the more than \$27 million provided to the North Coast region this financial year.

This funding will help many people stay in their homes rather than move prematurely into residential care, allowing them to remain in their communities, close to friends and family. The funding will contribute to practical services, such as home modification, transport, food delivery and respite.

"These services make a real and practical difference in the lives of many older local residents," Justine said.



"I'd like to thank the staff that work in aged care and community care. I'm always inspired by the dedication and commitment of staff and volunteers that provide care and support for our older Australians".

**"We must always remember that it is our Seniors that built our nation. All our lives are enriched by the wisdom, experience and knowledge that our older Australians bring to our community," Justine said.**

## More aged care beds for Tweed: Opening of new dementia wing



Bupa Banora Point General Manager Jo-Spirit Jones, Bupa Banora Point resident Doug Murray and Justine.

Justine recently opened the \$8.6 million new 41 place dementia-specific wing at Bupa Care Services' Banora Point aged care facility.

The Banora Point facility boasts a sensory dementia garden, single rooms with en-suites, upgraded kitchen and laundry facilities and construction of the new wing created 35 jobs, with almost all workers drawn from the local area.

"Innovative approaches to dementia care such as this sensory garden are to be commended. I congratulate the staff and management at Bupa Banora Point for their hard work in developing this facility," Justine said.

## Helping older people find services

The Rudd Government offers many services to help older Australians and it is important that you can quickly and easily find and contact the service that you need.

Justine recently launched the *Australian Government Directory of Services for Older People 2010* in Tweed Heads South, with the help of Doreen Welsh and her local volunteer group Twin Towns Friends.

The free directory provides important information for older people and their families with chapters on accessing aged care, legal rights, finance and health.

The directory is an easy to read source of information. The directory will give people ready access to a clear summary of services and will help them to identify and contact the programs or services that may be of the greatest assistance to them.

Copies of the directory are free, and are available by contacting the Aged Care Information Line on 1800 500 853, by contacting a Commonwealth Respite and Carelink Centre on 1800 052 222 or through Centrelink offices.



Twin Towns Friends volunteers and President Doreen Welsh with Justine.

# The Rudd Government: Working hard to build Australia's future



## Here are just some of the Rudd Government's achievements in the last 2 years:

-  **Acting decisively to support jobs and small businesses** during the Global Recession.
-  **Keeping Government finances strong** with Australia retaining its AAA credit rating.
-  **Funding 1,000 new nurse training places** to ensure patients get the care they deserve.
-  **Supporting record investment in solar and wind power** to protect our environment for future generations.
-  **Abolishing WorkChoices** and restoring fairness to the workplace.
-  **Helping secure our water supplies** by providing funding to help build recycling, desalination and stormwater harvesting projects.
-  **Helping the health of the Murray-Darling** by implementing the first ever purchase of water entitlements by the Federal Government.
-  **Investing in new cancer research and treatment centres.**
-  **Funding a 30% increase in GP training places** to help address a shortage, especially in regional and rural areas.
-  **Creating 130,000 new training places & granting 290,000 new computers** for schools.
-  **Establishing a single national school curriculum** with a focus on the basics: reading, writing and arithmetic.
-  **New Trades Training Centres** in our High Schools to give kids practical skills for work.
-  **Tax cuts for working families.**
-  **Record infrastructure investment** in roads, highways, hospitals & schools. There are currently more than 28,000 infrastructure projects underway.
-  **The largest schools building program ever** to ensure our children have a better place to learn.



"I'm optimistic about Australia's future. Our nation has led the world getting through the Global Recession and we're preparing Australia for the challenges of the future."  
**Kevin Rudd Prime Minister of Australia.**



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# Television Guide

1. Stop, in the name of money! While **Dreamgirls** (Prime, Friday, 8.30pm) is about the rise of The Supremes, the producers can't say so for legal reasons. That's Beyonce Knowles in the middle.

2. Lord Monckton's favourite movie, **The Day After Tomorrow** (Prime, Saturday, 8.35pm), follows in the wake of the American blizzards. These actors realise they should have bought the VW Golf instead of the Hummer.

3. **Lost Worlds** (SBS1, Sunday, 7.30pm) - 'Big Bang in Tunguska' revisits the (supposed) airburst in 1908 of a comet above Russia, which flattened the forest. Another conspiracy theory favourite.



|             | ABC 1  | SBS 1   | PRIME  | TEN  | NBN  |
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| FRIDAY 26   | <b>4.30</b> Shortland Street <b>5.00</b> Something In The Air <b>5.30</b> The Einstein Factor <b>6.00</b> Kids' Programs<br><b>11.00</b> Catalyst<br><b>11.30</b> The New Inventors<br><b>12.00</b> Midday Report<br><b>12.30</b> Poirot (PG)<br><b>1.30</b> Monarch Of The Glen<br><b>2.30</b> Spicks And Specks<br><b>3.00</b> Kids' Programs<br><b>6.05</b> Meerkat Manor<br><b>6.30</b> Can We Help?<br><b>7.00</b> ABC News<br><b>7.30</b> Stataline<br><b>8.00</b> Sleuth 101<br><b>8.30</b> Silent Witness (M)<br><b>10.15</b> Moving Wallpaper (M)<br><b>10.40</b> Lateline<br><b>11.20</b> The Graham Norton Show (M) Dame Shirley Bassey, Rhod Gilbert, Michael Sheen<br><b>12.05</b> rage (M) | <b>5.00</b> World News And Weatherwatch<br><b>6.45</b> UEFA Europa League LIVE<br><b>9.15</b> World News<br><b>1.30</b> Insight<br><b>2.30</b> World News<br><b>3.30</b> Going Bush<br><b>4.00</b> Classical Destinations Warsaw<br><b>4.30</b> The Journal<br><b>5.00</b> Newshour With Jim Lehrer<br><b>6.00</b> Global Village<br><b>6.30</b> World News<br><b>7.30</b> James May's Toy Stories<br><b>8.30</b> As It Happened (PG) Hitler's bodyguard<br><b>9.30</b> World News Australia<br><b>10.00</b> Virtual Adultery And Cyberspace Love (M)<br><b>10.45</b> Movie: Untold Scandal (MA 2003) South Korean drama. Stars Mi-suk Lee, Do-yeon Jeon, Yong-jun Bae<br><b>1.00</b> Movie: Breaking Up (MA 2003) Brazilian comedy dealing with the four stages of a break up. Stars Domingos Oliveira, Priscilla Rozenbaum, Maria Ribeiro<br><b>3.05</b> Weatherwatch | <b>6.00</b> Sunrise<br><b>9.00</b> The Morning Show<br><b>11.30</b> Seven Morning News<br><b>12.00</b> Movie: Ice (M 1998) Grant Show, Eva La Rue, Flex, Audie England, Michael Riley, Udo Kier<br><b>2.00</b> Surgery Saved My Life<br><b>3.00</b> 10 Years Younger In 10 Days<br><b>3.30</b> Kids' Programs<br><b>5.00</b> M*A*S*H<br><b>5.30</b> Deal Or No Deal<br><b>6.00</b> Prime News<br><b>6.30</b> Seven News<br><b>7.00</b> Home And Away<br><b>7.30</b> Better Homes And Gardens<br><b>8.30</b> Movie: Dreamgirls (M 2006) An ambitious agent discovers a girl group in the 1960s. Stars Jamie Foxx, Beyonce Knowles, Eddie Murphy<br><b>11.10</b> Movie: Coyote Ugly (PG 2000) Piper Perabo, Adam Garcia, Maria Bello<br><b>1.05</b> 2010 NAB Cup Hawthorn v Western Bulldogs<br><b>4.00</b> Infomercials | <b>6.00</b> Early News<br><b>7.00</b> Kids' Programs<br><b>9.00</b> Ten News<br><b>10.00</b> The Circle<br><b>12.00</b> Dr Phil (PG)<br><b>1.00</b> Oprah Winfrey Show (PG)<br><b>2.00</b> Ready Steady Cook<br><b>3.00</b> Judge Judy<br><b>3.30</b> Infomercial<br><b>4.00</b> Huey's Cooking Adventures<br><b>4.30</b> The Bold And The Beautiful<br><b>5.00</b> Ten News<br><b>6.00</b> The Simpsons<br><b>6.30</b> Neighbours<br><b>7.00</b> The 7pm Project<br><b>7.30</b> The Biggest Loser<br><b>9.00</b> NCIS (M)<br><b>10.00</b> White Collar (M)<br><b>11.00</b> Ten Late News<br><b>11.30</b> Sports Tonight<br><b>12.00</b> The Late Show With David Letterman<br><b>1.00</b> Infomercials <b>5.00</b> Religion   | <b>5.30</b> Today<br><b>9.00</b> Winter Olympic Games 2010 LIVE from Vancouver<br><b>2.00</b> Days Of Our Lives<br><b>3.00</b> Alive And Cooking<br><b>3.30</b> Hi-5<br><b>4.00</b> The Shak<br><b>4.30</b> Afternoon News<br><b>5.00</b> Antiques Roadshow<br><b>5.30</b> Hot Seat<br><b>6.00</b> NBN News<br><b>7.00</b> A Current Affair<br><b>7.30</b> Winter Olympic Games 2010 Highlights<br><b>10.30</b> Movie: Runaway Jury (M 2003) John Cusack, Gene Hackman, Dustin Hoffman<br><b>1.00</b> Movie: Spartan (M 2004) Val Kilmer, Kristen Bell, William H Macy<br><b>3.00</b> The Baron<br><b>4.00</b> Infomercial<br><b>4.30</b> Good Morning America   |
|             | <b>ABC 2</b><br><b>5.30</b> Can We Help? <b>6.00</b> ABC News Breakfast<br><b>9.00</b> Kids' Programs<br><b>6.00</b> The Real Good Life<br><b>6.30</b> Scrapheap Challenge<br><b>7.30</b> The Colbert Report<br><b>8.05</b> Father Ted (PG)<br><b>8.30</b> Boy Meets Girl (PG)<br><b>9.30</b> Breaking Bad (M)<br><b>10.15</b> Green Day Live At The Fox Theatre<br><b>11.20</b> Live From Abbey Road (M) The Subways, Gnarl Barkley, Herbie Hancock<br><b>12.10</b> Soundtrack To My Life Curt Smith<br><b>12.45</b> The People Watchers<br><b>1.30</b> Coach Trip <b>2.00</b> Close  | <b>SBS 2</b><br><b>5.00am to 6.00pm</b> World News and Weatherwatch<br><b>6.30</b> World News Australia<br><b>7.30</b> UEFA Champions League Highlights<br><b>8.30</b> UEFA Europa League<br><b>10.00</b> Movie: The Red Shoes (MAV 2005) South Korean horror. Stars Kim Hye-su, Kim Sung-su, Park Yeon-ah<br><b>11.50</b> Tales From A Suitcase (G)<br><b>12.20</b> Weatherwatch   | <b>7 TWO</b><br><b>6.00</b> Kids Time <b>9.00</b> Sons & Daughters <b>9.30</b> Home & Away <b>10.00</b> Upstairs, Downstairs <b>11.00</b> Moonlighting <b>12.00</b> Body Beautiful <b>12.30</b> Style By Jury <b>1.00</b> All My Children (M) <b>2.00</b> Shortland Street <b>2.30</b> Coronation Street <b>3.00</b> Emmerdale <b>3.30</b> Kitchen Time <b>6.00</b> ALF <b>6.30</b> Full House <b>7.00</b> Benny Hill Show <b>7.30</b> Airline USA<br><b>8.30</b> Escape To The Country<br><b>9.40</b> 60 Minute Makeover<br><b>10.40</b> How Not To Decorate (M)<br><b>11.40</b> Australia's Greatest Athlete (PG)<br><b>12.35</b> Big Bite <b>12.55</b> The Master <b>1.45</b> AFL   | <b>ONE HD</b><br><b>6.00</b> ATP World Tour Tennis <b>6.30</b> Rally World <b>7.00</b> NASCAR Nationwide Series Highlights <b>8.00</b> NASCAR Sprint Cup Highlights <b>9.00</b> World Series Sprintcars <b>10.00</b> College Basketball <b>12.00</b> NBA Basketball LIVE <b>2.45</b> NBA Doubleheader Basketball LIVE <b>5.15</b> MVP <b>5.45</b> Omnispot <b>6.00</b> The Sport Of Kings <b>6.30</b> 24/7 Jimmie Johnson: Race To Daytona <b>7.30</b> NBA Basketball <b>9.30</b> Sports Tonight <b>10.00</b> Sports Soup <b>10.30</b> Australian Rally Championship <b>11.30</b> Sports Car Series Highlights <b>1.00</b> Sports Tonight Late <b>1.30</b> Omnispot <b>2.00</b> The Pro Shop <b>3.00</b> Boxing AZZ <b>3.55</b> Mecum Auto Auction <b>4.50</b> ASP Season Surfing Billabong Pipeline Masters Hawaii 2007 <b>5.45</b> Serie A Football Highlights | <b>GO!</b><br><b>6.00</b> Kids' Programs <b>10.30</b> Entertainment Tonight<br><b>11.00</b> TMZ <b>11.30</b> The Partridge Family <b>12.00</b> Frasier <b>12.30</b> Seinfeld <b>1.00</b> Gossip Girl (M) <b>2.00</b> Charlie's Angels <b>3.00</b> Just Shoot Me <b>3.30</b> The Nanny <b>4.00</b> Kids' Programs <b>5.00</b> I Dream Of Jeannie<br><b>5.30</b> Bewitched <b>6.00</b> Flintstones <b>6.30</b> Jetsons <b>7.00</b> Get Smart <b>7.30</b> Frasier <b>8.00</b> Seinfeld <b>8.30</b> Black Adder Goes Fourth (PG) <b>9.30</b> Movie: The Ring (MA 2002) Naomi Watts, David Dorfman, Martin Henderson, Brian Cox <b>11.45</b> Frasier <b>12.15</b> Seinfeld <b>12.45</b> TMZ <b>1.00</b> Charlie's Angels <b>2.00</b> Movie: Money Train (AV 1995) Wesley Snipes, Woody Harrelson, Jennifer Lopez <b>4.00</b> Just Shoot Me <b>4.30</b> TMZ <b>5.00</b> Partridge Family <b>5.30</b> Flintstones |
| SATURDAY 27 | <b>5.00</b> rage (PG)<br><b>11.00</b> Poh's Kitchen<br><b>11.30</b> Message Stick (G*)<br><b>12.00</b> Stataline<br><b>12.30</b> Australian Story<br><b>1.00</b> WNBL Basketball LIVE Preliminary final<br><b>3.00</b> Movie: Gunga Din (G B&W 1939) Cary Grant, Victor McLaglen, Douglas Fairbanks Jr<br><b>4.00</b> Nerves Of Steel Australia's first all-female skeleton team in 2006<br><b>6.00</b> Nigella Express<br><b>6.30</b> Gardening Australia<br><b>7.00</b> ABC News<br><b>7.30</b> Bed Of Roses (PG)<br><b>8.25</b> ABC News<br><b>8.30</b> The Bill (PG)<br><b>9.15</b> Blue Murder (PG)<br><b>10.25</b> ABC News Update<br><b>10.30</b> Dalziel And Pasco (M)<br><b>12.15</b> rage (M)  | <b>5.00</b> World News And Weatherwatch<br><b>1.00</b> Americans In Pyongyang New York Philharmonic in North Korea<br><b>2.00</b> I Feel Good The James Brown story<br><b>3.05</b> Sam Dillemans Belgian contemporary artist<br><b>4.00</b> Every Picture Tells A Story<br><b>4.30</b> Newshour With Jim Lehrer<br><b>5.30</b> Absolute Zero (G)<br><b>6.30</b> World News Australia<br><b>7.30</b> Monster Moves<br><b>8.30</b> Iron Chef<br><b>9.20</b> Rockwiz (PG)<br><b>10.00</b> Movie: Dear Frankie (M 2004) English drama. Stars Emily Mortimer, Gerard Butler<br><b>11.50</b> SOS (M)<br><b>12.50</b> NEWStopia (M)<br><b>1.20</b> Matroski Thai Sex Trade (MA)<br><b>2.10</b> Weatherwatch  | <b>6.00</b> Kids' Programs<br><b>7.00</b> Weekend Sunrise<br><b>9.00</b> Kids' Programs<br><b>1.00</b> Home Improvement<br><b>1.30</b> V8 Supercars Bahrain<br><b>4.30</b> Australia's Greatest Athlete<br><b>5.30</b> Sydney Weekender<br><b>6.00</b> Seven News<br><b>6.30</b> Movie: Sister Act (PG 1992) Whoopi Goldberg, Maggie Smith, Harvey Keitel, Bill Nunn, Mary Wickes, Kathy Najimy<br><b>8.35</b> Movie: The Day After Tomorrow (M 2004) Global warming triggers the onset of a new ice age. Stars Dennis Quaid, Jake Gyllenhaal, Sela Ward, Emmy Rossum, Ian Holm<br><b>11.00</b> Movie: Call Me - The Rise And Fall Of Heidi Fleiss (MA 2004) Jamie-Lynn Discala, Corbin Bernsen, Emmanuelle Vaugier, Ian Tracey, Carey Feehan<br><b>1.00</b> Infomercials  | <b>6.00</b> Kids' Programs<br><b>10.00</b> Hit List TV<br><b>12.00</b> Landed Music<br><b>12.30</b> Out Of The Blue<br><b>1.00</b> Escape With ET<br><b>1.30</b> Saving Babies<br><b>2.00</b> Human Sprawl<br><b>3.00</b> Life Is Wild<br><b>4.00</b> It's Me Or The Dog<br><b>4.30</b> Road To Delhi<br><b>5.00</b> Ten News<br><b>5.30</b> Sports Tonight<br><b>6.00</b> Malcolm In The Middle<br><b>6.30</b> Movie: Step Up (PG 2006) Channing Tatum, Jenna Dewan, Rachel Griffiths, Damaine Radcliff<br><b>8.35</b> Movie: Lara Croft Tomb Raider - The Cradle Of Life (M 2003) Angelina Jolie, Gerard Butler, Chris Barrie, Noah Taylor<br><b>10.55</b> AFL NAB Cup St Kilda v Sydney<br><b>12.55</b> Road To Delhi <b>1.25</b> Hell's Kitchen <b>2.25</b> Video Hits <b>2.30</b> Infomercials <b>4.00</b> Religion   | <b>6.00</b> Infomercials<br><b>7.00</b> Winter Olympic Games 2010 LIVE from Vancouver<br><b>3.00</b> Animal Emergency<br><b>4.00</b> The Shak<br><b>4.30</b> The Gurus Explore Hawaii<br><b>5.00</b> Airline<br><b>5.30</b> Antiques Roadshow<br><b>6.00</b> NBN News<br><b>6.30</b> Australia's Funniest Home Videos<br><b>7.30</b> Whizz Kids Who Wants To Be A Millionaire<br><b>8.30</b> Winter Olympic Games 2010 Highlights<br><b>8.40</b> Lotto<br><b>11.30</b> Movie: The Statement (M 2003) A man's quiet life in the south of France is disrupted when he becomes haunted by his Nazi sympathising during WW II. Stars Michael Caine, Tilda Swinton<br><b>1.50</b> Movie: Jasper, Texas (M 2003) Jon Voight, Roy T Anderson, Louis Gossett Jr<br><b>4.00</b> Infomercials  |
|             | <b>ABC 2</b><br><b>6.00</b> Kids' Programs<br><b>6.00</b> At The Movies<br><b>6.30</b> Wild At Heart<br><b>7.35</b> Hamish Macbeth<br><b>8.30</b> Movie: Hud (M 1963) Paul Newman<br><b>10.25</b> Movie: Song Of Freedom (PG B&W 1936) A British singer discovers that he is descended from a West African queen. Stars Paul Robeson<br><b>11.40</b> Casualties Of War (MA)<br><b>12.10</b> Extreme Rescue<br><b>1.00</b> Bomb Harvest (M)<br><b>2.00</b> Close  | <b>SBS 2</b><br><b>5.00am to 6.00pm</b> World News and Weatherwatch<br><b>6.30</b> World News Australia<br><b>7.30</b> Don Matteo (PG)<br><b>8.30</b> Unit One (M)<br><b>9.40</b> Movie: Requiem (M 2005) German drama about an epileptic girl who, after suffering a breakdown during her first year at university, seeks help from a priest. Stars Sandra Hüller, Burghart Klaußner, Imogen Kogge<br><b>11.15</b> Movie: El Calentito (MA 2005) Spanish comedy set in the transition from dictatorship to democracy. Stars Verónica Sánchez, Macarena Gómez<br><b>12.55</b> Weatherwatch  | <b>7 TWO</b><br><b>6.00</b> AFL Flashback Classics<br><b>8.30</b> Movie: Too Many Girls (G B&W 1940) Lucille Ball, Desi Arnaz<br><b>10.10</b> Movie: The Three Musketeers (G B&W 1935) Walter Abel, Paul Lukas<br><b>12.00</b> Movie: Having Wonderful Time (G B&W 1938) Ginger Rogers, Douglas Fairbanks Jr, Lucille Ball<br><b>1.20</b> Movie: Bambi II (G 2006) Animation<br><b>2.50</b> Home & Away Catch-Up <b>5.00</b> Discover Tasmania <b>5.30</b> Better Homes And Gardens <b>6.30</b> Michael Palin's New Europe <b>7.30</b> Heartbeat <b>8.30</b> A Touch Of Frost (M) <b>10.45</b> 10 Years Younger In 10 Days <b>11.45</b> Monster House <b>12.30</b> Big Bite <b>1.30</b> AFL Frantic Finishes <b>3.20</b> AFL Finals Classic  | <b>ONE HD</b><br><b>6.00</b> Serie A Football Highlights <b>6.35</b> Bundesliga Football Highlights <b>7.35</b> The Sport Of Kings <b>8.05</b> I Fish <b>8.35</b> Sports Unlimited <b>9.30</b> Transworld Sport <b>10.30</b> The Pro Shop <b>11.30</b> NBA Basketball <b>1.30</b> MVP <b>2.00</b> NAB Cup AFL Sydney v Carlton <b>4.00</b> Omnispot <b>4.30</b> ATP World Tour Tennis <b>5.00</b> TNA Xplosion<br><b>6.00</b> Escape With ET<br><b>6.30</b> Sports Tonight<br><b>7.00</b> NAB Cup AFL LIVE - St Kilda v Sydney<br><b>9.30</b> UFC (M) <b>12.15</b> NASCAR Sprint Cup <b>12.45</b> Rally World <b>1.10</b> Omnispot <b>1.25</b> Bundesliga Football LIVE - Mainz v Werder Bremen <b>3.20</b> Drive <b>3.50</b> Surfing Moment <b>4.00</b> College Basketball LIVE   | <b>GO!</b><br><b>6.00</b> Kids' Programs <b>1.00</b> Get Smart <b>2.00</b> Seinfeld <b>3.00</b> Frasier <b>4.00</b> Hogan's Heroes <b>5.00</b> Green Acres <b>5.30</b> The Nanny <b>6.30</b> Get Smart <b>7.30</b> Hogan's Heroes <b>8.30</b> Seinfeld<br><b>9.30</b> Movie: Nanna's Boy (MA) Nicolas Goossen, Linda Cardinelli, Rob Schneider, David Spade<br><b>11.30</b> Reno 911 (M)<br><b>12.00</b> Movie: Fame (M 1975) Irene Cara, Paul McCrane, Maureen Teefy<br><b>2.30</b> Get Smart <b>3.00</b> Hogan's Heroes <b>4.00</b> Frasier <b>5.00</b> The Jetsons <b>5.30</b> Marine Boy   |

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| ABC 1   |
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| 5.00 rage 6.30 Kids' Programs 9.00 Insiders 10.00 Inside Business 10.30 Offsiders 11.00 Asia Pacific Focus 11.30 Songs Of Praise 12.00 Landline |
| 1.00 Gardening Australia  |
| 1.30 Message Stick (G*)   |
| 2.00 Travel Oz (G*)   |
| 2.30 Primal Instincts: Anger  |
| 3.30 Simon Schama's Power Of Art Caravaggio   |
| 4.20 Damon And Jamie's Excellent Adventure  |
| 5.30 Art Nation   |
| 6.00 At The Movies  |
| 6.30 Collectors   |
| 7.00 ABC News   |
| 7.30 My Place   |
| 8.50 Breaking The Mould (PG) Penicillin   |
| 9.55 Compass: For The Bible Tells Me So   |
| 11.40 The Genius Of Photography   |
| 12.40 Order In The House  |
| 1.50 Movie: Bonjour Tristesse (PG 1958) David Niven, Deborah Kerr   |
| 3.30 Talking Heads  |
| 4.00 Songs Of Praise  |

| ABC 2   |
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| 6.00 Kids' Programs 6.00 Sleuth 101 6.30 Artscape 7.00 Art Nation 7.30 Simon Schama's Power Of Art: Rembrandt 8.30 Kurt Elling And The SSO 9.30 Cold Feet (M) 10.25 The Forsyte Saga (PG) 11.20 Montreux Jazz Festival 2003 World Music |
| 12.15 The Guitar Show Ben Harper, Eric Johnson, Steve Jackson, Rod McCormack  |
| 12.40 WOMAdelaide 2006 Lura   |
| 1.10 Jewel Live At Humphreys By The Bay   |
| 2.15 Close  |

| ABC 1   |
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| 4.30 Shortland Street   |
| 5.00 Something In The Air   |
| 5.30 The Einstein Factor  |
| 6.00 Kids' Programs   |
| 11.00 Landline  |
| 12.00 Midday Report   |
| 12.30 Adventures Of Sherlock Holmes   |
| 1.30 The Cook And The Chef  |
| 2.00 The Bill   |
| 3.00 Kids' Programs   |
| 6.00 Travel Oz Great Barrier Reef   |
| 6.30 Talking Heads Judith Durham  |
| 7.00 ABC News   |
| 7.30 The 7.30 Report  |
| 8.00 Australian Story   |
| 8.30 Four Corners   |
| 9.20 Media Watch  |
| 9.35 Q&A  |
| 10.35 Lateline  |
| 11.10 Lateline Business   |
| 11.35 The Floating Brothel (M)  |
| 12.35 Movie: Rose Of Cimarron (PG 1952) Mala Powers, Bill Williams            |
| 1.55 Movie: Countess Of Monte Cristo (PG B&W 1948) Sonja Henie, Olga San Juan |
| 3.20 Movie: Mexican Spitfire's Elephant (G B&W 1942) Lupe Velez, Leon Errol   |

| ABC 2   |
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| 5.30 Can We Help? 6.00 ABC News Breakfast 9.00 Kids' Programs 6.00 Collectors 6.30 Scrapheap Challenge 7.30 The Colbert Report 8.00 Important Things With Demetri Martin 8.30 Good Game 9.05 I'm From Rolling Stone 9.30 Sanctuary (M) 10.30 The League Of Gentlemen 11.00 London Live: Feeder 11.30 Death Note (M) 12.00 Modern Toss (M) 12.25 Rex The Runt 12.45 The People Watchers 1.30 Coach Trip 2.00 Close |

| SBS 1  |
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| 5.00 World News  |
| 10.30 A Fork In The Road Rio De Janeiro  |
| 11.00 Futbol Mundial   |
| 11.30 World Superbike Championships From Italy   |
| 12.00 Tour Of Qatar Cycling  |
| 1.00 Speedweek   |
| 2.30 FIFA World Cup Magazine   |
| 3.00 UEFA Europa League  |
| 3.30 UEFA Champions League   |
| 5.00 The World Game  |
| 6.00 Thalassa  |
| 6.30 World News Australia  |
| 7.30 Lost Worlds Big Bang in Tunguska  |
| 8.30 Dateline  |
| 9.30 The Love Of Money (G)   |
| 10.30 Movie: The Airlift (MA 2005) German drama. Stars Heino Ferch, Bettina Zimmermann         |
| 12.10 Movie: The Forced March (MA 2003) Russian war movie. Stars Vladimir Volga, Olga Chursina |
| 2.10 Weatherwatch  |

| SBS 2   |
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| 5.00am to 6.00pm World News and Weatherwatch  |
| 6.30 World News Australia   |
| 7.30 The World Game   |
| 8.30 Clara Sheller (PG) Feminine Intuition  |
| 9.30 Movie: If You Love Me, Follow Me (M 2006) French comedy. Stars Mathieu Demy, Romane Bohringer, Julie Depardieu |
| 11.20 Movie: The Yacoubian Building (MAV 2006) Egyptian comedy/drama. Stars Adel Imam, Nour El-Sherif               |
| 2.10 Weatherwatch   |

| SBS 1  |
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| 5.00 World News and Weatherwatch   |
| 1.00 Food Lovers' Guide To Australia   |
| 1.30 Pakistan's Taliban Generation   |
| 2.30 Dateline  |
| 3.30 Insight   |
| 4.30 The Journal   |
| 5.00 The Crew  |
| 5.30 Futbol Mundial  |
| 6.00 Living Black  |
| 6.30 World News Australia  |
| 7.30 Mythbusters (PG)  |
| 8.35 Man Vs Wild What is edible in the wild  |
| 9.30 World News  |
| 10.00 The Fixer (MAV)  |
| 10.55 Entourage (M)  |
| 11.25 Wilfred (MA) Comedy series   |
| 12.20 Movie: Carandiru (MAV 2003) True Brazilian story about a notorious prison in Sao Paulo. Stars Luiz Carlos Vasconcelos, Milhem Cortaz, Milton Goncalvez |
| 2.50 Weatherwatch  |

| SBS 1  |
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| 5.20 World News And Weatherwatch   |
| 1.00 Movie: In The Mood For Love (G 2000) Cantonese drama. Stars Tony Leung, Maggie Cheung                 |
| 2.40 Spacefiles: The Universe Unveiled   |
| 3.00 If Only   |
| 3.30 Living Black  |
| 4.00 Wine Lovers' Guide To Australia   |
| 4.30 The Journal   |
| 5.00 Newshour With Jim Lehrer  |
| 6.00 Global Village  |
| 6.30 World News Australia  |
| 7.30 Insight Housing 35 million  |
| 8.30 Big Love (PG)   |
| 9.30 World News Australia  |
| 10.00 Hot Docs: Burma VJ - Reporting From A Closed Country (M)   |
| 11.40 Movie: Lost In Beijing (MA 2007) Mandarin drama. Stars Tony Leung, Kai Fai, Fan Bingbing, Dong Dawei |
| 1.35 Why Democracy? Looking for the revolution - Bolivia (M)   |
| 2.35 Weatherwatch  |

| SBS 2   |
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| 5.00am to 6.00pm World News and Weatherwatch  |
| 6.30 World News Australia   |
| 7.30 The Super Comet (PG) What would happen if an asteroid hit the earth  |
| 8.30 Little Mosque On The Prairie (G)   |
| 9.00 Movie: Devdas (PG 2002) Indian Bollywood musical about two soul mates, childhood sweethearts whose love is thwarted by India's rigid class structure. Stars Shahrukh Khan, Aishwarya Rai |
| 1.00 Weatherwatch   |

| PRIME   |
|---|
| 6.00 Religion 7.00 Weekend Sunrise  |
| 10.00 Bush Doctors  |
| 10.30 Movie: Casino Royale (PG 1967) Peter Sellers, David Niven, Ursula Andress, Orson Welles |
| 1.30 V8 Supercars Bahrain   |
| 4.30 Australia's Greatest Athlete   |
| 5.30 Mercurio's Menu  |
| 6.00 Seven News   |
| 6.30 Sunday Night   |
| 7.30 Border Security - Australia's Front Line (PG)  |
| 8.00 Air Ways   |
| 8.30 Bones (M)  |
| 9.30 Castle (M)   |
| 10.30 Scrubs (PG)   |
| 11.00 Air Crash Investigations 12.00 Blue Heelers (M) 2.00 Infomercials 5.30 Seven News       |

| 7 TWO   |
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| 6.00 AFL Grand Final Classic 8.30 Ironman Series 10.20 Kids' Programs   |
| 12.00 Movie: Ruthless (PG B&W 1948) Zachary Scott, Diana Lynn, Louis Hayward                                    |
| 2.00 Movie: Pinocchio (G) Animation   |
| 6.00 Susan Boyle: I Dreamed A Dream   |
| 6.30 Movie: Cool Runnings (G 1993) John Candy, Doug E Doug, Rawle Lewis, Malik Yoba                             |
| 8.30 Movie: Broken Arrow (M 1996) John Travolta, Christian Slater, Jack Thompson, Samantha Mathis, Delroy Lindo |
| 10.40 Movie: Soul Plane (MA 2004) Tom Arnold, Monique, David Scott Rubin  |
| 12.30 Movie: Obliging Young Lady (G B&W 1941) Eve Arden, Edmond O'Brien 1.45 AFL                                |

| PRIME   |
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| 6.00 Sunrise  |
| 9.00 The Morning Show   |
| 11.30 Seven Morning News  |
| 12.00 Movie: Daughter Of The Bride (PG 2008) Luke Perry, Joanna Garcia, Helen Shaver, Kenneth Welsh |
| 2.00 Surgery Saved My Life  |
| 3.00 Come Dine With Me  |
| 3.30 Kids' Programs   |
| 4.30 Seven News   |
| 5.00 M*A*S*H  |
| 5.30 Deal Or No Deal  |
| 6.00 Prime News   |
| 6.30 Seven News   |
| 7.00 Home And Away  |
| 7.30 My Kitchen Rules   |
| 8.30 Desperate Housewives (M)   |
| 9.30 Brothers & Sisters (M)   |
| 10.30 Royal Pains (M)   |
| 11.30 30 Rock (M)   |
| 12.00 Blue Heelers (M)  |
| 1.00 Infomercials 5.30 Seven News   |

| PRIME   |
|---|
| 6.00 Sunrise  |
| 9.00 The Morning Show   |
| 11.30 Seven Morning News  |
| 12.00 Movie: A Touch Of Frost (M) David Jason, Bruce Alexander, Caroline Harker, John Lyons, Bill Stewart |
| 2.00 Surgery Saved My Life  |
| 3.00 Come Dine With Me  |
| 3.30 Kids' Programs   |
| 4.30 Seven News   |
| 5.00 M*A*S*H  |
| 5.30 Deal Or No Deal  |
| 6.00 Prime News   |
| 6.30 Seven News   |
| 7.00 Home And Away  |
| 7.30 My Kitchen Rules   |
| 8.30 Samantha Who? (PG)   |
| 9.30 Brothers & Sisters (M)   |
| 10.30 The Diet That Time Forgot (PG)  |
| 11.30 Bondi Rescue  |
| 12.00 Blue Heelers (M)  |
| 1.00 Infomercials 5.30 Seven News   |

| 7 TWO   |
|---|
| 6.00 Kids Time 9.00 Sons & Daughters 9.30 Home & Away 10.00 Upstairs, Downstairs 11.00 Moonlighting 12.00 Body Beautiful 12.30 Style By Jury 1.00 All My Children 2.00 Shortland Street 3.00 Kitchen Time 6.00 Alf 6.30 Full House 7.00 The Benny Hill Show 7.30 Ugly Betty 8.30 24 (M) 9.30 The Sopranos (MA) 10.30 Band Of Brothers (M) 11.45 Cops, Cars And Superstars (M) 12.10 Pelican's Progress (G) 1.00 Room For Improvement 1.30 AFL |

| TEN   |
|---|
| 6.00 Religion 7.00 Kids' Programs 8.00 Meet The Press 8.30 Infomercials 9.30 River To Reef    |
| 10.00 Hit List TV   |
| 12.00 Pat Callinan's 4x4 Adventures   |
| 1.00 Big Cat Diary  |
| 2.00 It's Me Or The Dog   |
| 3.00 The Doctors  |
| 4.00 Meerkat Manor  |
| 4.30 Boys Weekend   |
| 5.00 Ten News   |
| 5.30 Sports Tonight   |
| 6.00 The Simpsons (PG)  |
| 6.30 The Biggest Loser: Couples (PG)  |
| 7.30 Talkin' Bout Your Generation (PG)  |
| 8.30 The Good Wife (M)  |
| 9.30 House (M)  |
| 10.30 Movie: Flying High! (M 1980) Lloyd Bridges, Leslie Nielsen, Julie Hagerty, Peter Graves |
| 12.05 Numb3rs (M)   |
| 1.00 Infomercials   |
| 4.00 Religion   |

| ONE HD  |
|---|
| 6.00 Twenty20 IPL 2008 Greatest Hits 7.00 Transworld Sport 8.00 NASCAR Nationwide Series 12.00 AFL NAB Cup St Kilda v Sydney 2.00 NBA Basketball Game Of The Week 4.00 Omnisport  |
| 4.30 Victorian PGA Championship Golf Highlights   |
| 5.30 World Series Sprintcars 6.30 Beach Volleyball 7.00 24/7 Jimmie Johnson: Race To Daytona 7.30 Sports Tonight 8.00 Red Bull X Fighters 9.00 MotoGP Classics 10.00 Pro Series Drag Racing 11.00 RallyWorld 11.30 NASCAR Sprint Cup 12.45 Slamball 1.15 Omnisport 1.45 Diamonds Tour Test Netball 3.15 Drift 4.10 Mecum Auto Auction 5.05 Escape From Alcatraz Triathlon |

| TEN                                      |
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| 6.00 Ten Early News                      |
| 7.00 Kids' Programs                      |
| 9.00 Ten News                            |
| 10.00 The Circle                         |
| 12.00 Dr Phil (M)                        |
| 1.00 The Oprah Windrey Show              |
| 2.00 Ready Steady Cook                   |
| 3.00 Judge Judy                          |
| 3.30 Infomercial                         |
| 4.00 Huey's Cooking Adventures           |
| 4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful          |
| 5.00 Ten News                            |
| 6.00 The Simpsons                        |
| 6.30 Neighbours (G)                      |
| 7.00 The 7pm Project                     |
| 7.30 The Biggest Loser                   |
| 8.30 Good News Week (M)                  |
| 10.00 Ross Noble's Australian Trip (M)   |
| 11.00 Late News With Sports Tonight      |
| 11.45 The Late Show With David Letterman |
| 12.30 Saving Grace (M)                   |
| 1.30 Infomercials                        |
| 4.00 Religion                            |

| TEN   |
|---|
| 6.00 Ten Early News   |
| 7.00 Kids' Programs   |
| 9.00 Ten News   |
| 10.00 The Circle  |
| 12.00 Dr Phil (PG)  |
| 1.00 Oprah Winfrey Show (PG)  |
| 2.00 Ready Steady Cook  |
| 3.00 Judge Judy   |
| 3.30 Infomercial  |
| 4.00 Huey's Cooking Adventures  |
| 4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful   |
| 5.00 Ten News   |
| 6.00 The Simpsons   |
| 6.30 Neighbours (PG)  |
| 7.00 The 7pm Project (PG)   |
| 7.30 The Biggest Loser (PG)   |
| 8.00 Bondi Rescue   |
| 8.30 NCIS (M)   |
| 9.30 NCIS: Los Angeles (M)  |
| 10.30 Late News With Sports Tonight   |
| 11.15 The Late Show With David Letterman 12.00 Army Wives (M) 1.00 Infomercials 4.00 Religion |

| ONE HD  |
|---|
| 6.00 Slamball 6.30 Australian Fishing Championships 7.30 Serie A Football 9.30 ATP World Tour Tennis 10.00 World Series Sprintcars 11.00 Sports Unlimited 12.00 College Basketball 2.00 TNA Xplosion 3.00 Omnisport 3.30 Xtreme Paintball 4.00 Tread BMX 4.30 NAB Cup AFL St Kilda v Sydney 6.30 All Star Game Lacrosse 7.30 NASCAR Nationwide Series Highlights 8.30 NASCAR Sprint Cup Highlights 9.30 Sports Tonight 10.00 The Pro Shop 11.00 Victorian PGA Championship Golf Highlights 12.00 Sports Tonight Late 12.15 Omnisport 12.45 College Basketball 2.45 Drift 3.40 Mecum Auto Auction 4.35 ASP Season Surfing Rip Curl Pro Bells Beach 2007 5.30 Omnisport |

| NBN   |
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| 6.00 Infomercials   |
| 7.00 Winter Olympic Games 2010 LIVE from Vancouver                                      |
| 2.00 Whizz Kids Who Wants To Be A Millionaire   |
| 3.00 Battle To Save The Tiger With David Attenborough                                   |
| 4.00 The Gurus Explore Ireland  |
| 5.00 Animal Rescue  |
| 5.30 Antiques Roadshow  |
| 6.00 NBN News   |
| 6.30 Domestic Blitz   |
| 7.30 60 Minutes   |
| 8.30 Wicked Love: The Maria Korp Story (M) Rebecca Gibney, Vince Colosimo, Maya Elliott |
| 10.30 Winter Olympic Games 2010 Highlights  |
| 1.30 Spyforce   |
| 2.30 Infomercials 3.30 Religion 4.00 Good Morning America 5.00 Early Morning News       |

| GO!  |
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| 6.00 Kids' Programs 11.00 The Hills 11.30 The Partridge Family 12.00 Charlie's Angels  |
| 1.00 Movie: Godzilla (PG 1998) Matthew Broderick, Vicki Lewis, Malcolm Danare  |
| 4.00 Green Acres 5.00 The Nanny 5.30 Wipeout 7.30 The Big Bang Theory  |
| 8.30 Movie: Blades Of Glory (M 2007) Will Ferrell, Will Arnett, Jon Heder  |
| 10.30 Movie: National Lampoon's Vacation (M 1983) Chevy Chase, Beverly D'Angelo, Randy Quaid                                       |
| 12.30 Big Bang Theory 1.30 Movie: City Of Angels (M 1998) Nicolas Cage, Meg Ryan 3.30 Charlie's Angels 4.30 Green Acres 5.30 Nanny |

| NBN   |
|---|
| 5.30 Today  |
| 9.00 Winter Olympic Games 2010 LIVE from Vancouver - Closing Ceremony |
| 3.00 Alive And Cooking  |
| 3.30 Hi-5   |
| 4.00 The Shak   |
| 4.30 Afternoon News   |
| 5.00 Antiques Roadshow  |
| 5.30 Hot Seat   |
| 6.00 Evening News   |
| 7.00 A Current Affair   |
| 7.30 Two And A Half Men (PG)  |
| 8.00 The Big Bang Theory (PG)   |
| 8.25 Lotto  |
| 8.30 The Mentalist (M)  |
| 9.30 CSI: Miami (M)   |
| 10.30 Winter Olympic Games 2010 Closing Ceremony                      |
| 1.00 World Club Challenge Rugby League Leeds Rhinos v Melbourne Storm |
| 3.00 Religion 3.30 Good Morning America                               |
| 5.00 Early Morning News   |

| NBN  |
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| 5.30 Today   |
| 9.00 Kerri-Anne  |
| 11.00 Infomercials   |
| 12.00 Ellen Degeneres Show   |
| 1.00 The View  |
| 2.00 Days Of Our Lives   |
| 3.00 Alive And Cooking   |
| 3.30 Hi-5  |
| 4.00 The Shak  |
| 4.30 Afternoon News  |
| 5.00 Antiques Roadshow   |
| 5.30 Hot Seat  |
| 6.00 Evening News  |
| 7.00 A Current Affair  |
| 7.30 Top Gear  |
| 9.30 20 To 1 (PG) Sporty Rich & Famous   |
| 10.30 Kitchen Nightmares USA (MA15+)   |
| 11.30 Nightline  |
| 12.00 20/20 1.00 Entertainment Tonight 1.30 Infomercials 3.00 Religion 3.30 Good Morning America 5.00 Early Morning News |

| GO!  |
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| 6.00 Kids' Programs 10.30 ET 11.00 TMZ 11.30 The Partridge Family 12.00 Frasier 12.30 Seinfeld 1.00 The Big Bang Theory 2.00 Starsky & Hutch 3.00 Just Shoot Me 3.30 The Nanny 4.00 Kids' Programs 5.00 I Dream Of Jeannie 5.30 Bewitched 6.00 The Flintstones 6.30 The Jetsons 7.00 Get Smart 7.30 Frasier 8.00 Seinfeld 8.30 Vampire Diaries (M) 9.30 Nip/Tuck (MA) 10.30 Dante's Cove (MA) 11.30 Frasier 12.00 Seinfeld 12.30 TMZ 1.00 Vampire Diaries (M) 2.00 Nip/Tuck (MA) 3.00 Dante's Cove (MA) 4.00 Just Shoot Me 4.30 TMZ 5.00 The Partridge Family 5.30 The Flintstones |

WEDNESDAY 3

ABC 1

4.30 Shortland Street 5.00 Something In The Air 5.30 The Einstein Factor 6.00 Kids' Programs 12.00 Middy Report 12.30 National Press Club Address 1.30 Talking Heads 2.00 The Bill 3.00 Kids' Programs 6.05 Cheese Slices 6.30 Poh's Kitchen 7.00 ABC News 7.30 The 7.30 Report 8.00 The New Inventors 8.30 Spicks And Specks Carl Cox, Neko Case, Rusty Bertha, Dave O'Neil 9.00 Hungry Beast 9.30 The IT Crowd (M) 10.00 At The Movies 10.30 Lateline 11.00 Lateline Business 11.30 Life On Mars (M) 12.30 Big Ideas 1.40 Movie: The Jungle Book (PG 1942) Rudyard Kipling's story of a boy raised by wolves in the jungle. Stars Sabu, Joseph Caleia, John Qualen 3.25 National Press Club Address

ABC 2

5.30 Can We Help? 6.00 ABC News Breakfast 9.00 Kids' Programs 6.00 How Do They Do It? 6.30 Scrapheap Challenge 7.30 The Colbert Report 8.00 Ashes To Diamonds 8.30 Take A Seat (PG) 9.30 Sex: The Revolution Save it for marriage (M) 10.30 Larry Flynt (MA) 11.25 Sleep Clinic 12.00 My Teen's A Nightmare (M) 12.45 The People Watchers 1.30 Coach Trip 2.00 Close

SBS 1

5.00 World News 1.00 Movie: The Gaze (M 2004) Moroccan drama. Stars Jacques Zabor, Florian Cadiou, Khalid Benchehra 2.30 The Emperor's Tomb Zhao Ling 3.30 Taxi School 4.00 A Fork In Australia 4.30 The Journal 5.00 Newshour With Jim Lehrer 6.00 Global Village 6.30 World News Australia 7.35 Rex In Rome (PG) 8.30 The Killing (M) Danish drama series 9.30 World News 10.00 Inspector Rex (M) 11.15 Movie: Doo Wop (M 2004) French drama. Stars Mikael Fitoussi, Elina Lowensohn, Caroline Ducey 12.35 Movie: Quo Vadis, Baby? (MA 2005) Italian thriller about a woman who receives the video diary of her sister who killed herself 16 years earlier. Stars Angela Baraldi, Gigio Alberti 2.20 Weatherwatch

SBS 2

5.00am to 6.00pm World News and Weatherwatch 6.30 World News Australia 7.35 Insight 8.35 Little Mosque On The Prairie (G) 9.00 Movie: Parineeta (PG 2005) Indian musical. Stars Saif Ali Khan, Sanjay Dutt 11.20 Movie: Silentium (MAV 2005) Austrian drama. Stars Josef Hader, Simon Schwarz 1.20 Weatherwatch

PRIME

6.00 Sunrise 9.00 The Morning Show 11.30 Seven Morning News 12.00 Movie: A Touch Of Frost (PG) David Jason, Bruce Alexander, Caroline Harker, John Lyons, Bill Stewart 2.00 Surgery Saved My Life (M) 3.00 Come Dine With Me 3.30 Kids' Programs 4.30 Seven News 5.00 M\*A\*S\*H 5.30 Deal Or No Deal 6.00 Prime News 6.30 Seven News 7.00 Home And Away 7.30 RSPCA Animal Rescue 8.00 ICU 8.30 Crash Investigation Unit 9.30 Gangs Of Oz (M) 10.30 Highway Patrol 11.00 Beat Squad (PG) 11.30 Lost (M) 12.30 Infomercials 5.30 Seven News

7 TWO

6.00 Kids Time 9.00 Sons & Daughters 9.30 Home & Away 10.00 Upstairs, Downstairs 11.00 Moonlighting 12.00 Body Beautiful 12.30 Style By Jury 1.00 All My Children (M) 2.00 Shortland Street 2.30 Coronation Street 3.00 Emmerdale 3.30 Kitchen Time 6.00 Alf 6.30 Full House 7.00 The Benny Hill Show 7.30 I Survived A Japanese Game Show 8.30 Lost (M) 9.30 Mercy (M) 10.30 Kings (M) 11.20 What About Brian 12.10 Dirty Sexy Money (M) 1.10 Leyland Brothers World 2.00 Home Shopping 4.00 The Real Seachange 4.30 Kidspeak 5.00 Wind In The Willows

TEN

6.00 Ten Early News 7.00 Kids' Programs 9.00 Ten News 10.00 The Circle 12.00 Dr Phil (PG) 1.00 Oprah Winfrey Show (PG) 2.00 Ready Steady Cook 3.00 Judge Judy 3.30 Infomercial 4.00 Huey's Cooking Adventures 4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful 5.00 Ten News 6.00 The Simpsons 6.30 Neighbours (G) 7.00 The 7pm Project 7.30 The Biggest Loser (PG) 8.00 So You Think You Can Dance 10.00 Burn Notice (M) 11.00 Late News With Sports Tonight 11.45 The Late Show With David Letterman 12.30 Plus One (MA 15+)

ONE HD

6.00 Slamball 6.30 Australian Fishing Championships 7.30 Bundesliga Football 9.30 WRC Shakedown 10.00 World Series Sprintcars 11.00 The Pro Shop 12.00 College Basketball LIVE 2.00 ATP World Tour Tennis 2.30 NBA Basketball LIVE 5.00 Serie A Football 5.45 Omnisport 6.15 Twenty20 IPL 2008 Final Cricket 9.30 Sports Tonight 10.00 MVP US Sport 10.30 NBA Basketball 12.30 Real NBA 1.00 Sports Tonight Late 1.15 Omnisport 1.45 Drift 3.40 Mecum Auto Auction 4.35 TNA Xplosion 5.30 Omnisport

NBN

5.30 Today 9.00 Kerri-Anne 11.00 Infomercials 12.00 Ellen Degeneres Show 1.00 The View 2.00 Days Of Our Lives 3.00 Alive And Cooking 3.30 Hi-5 4.00 The Shak 4.30 Afternoon News 5.00 Antiques Roadshow 5.30 Hot Seat 6.00 Evening News 7.00 A Current Affair 7.30 Two And A Half Men 8.00 Customs 8.25 Lotto 8.30 RPA (PG) 9.30 Cold Case 11.30 Nightline 12.00 Mad TV (M) 1.00 Entertainment Tonight 1.30 Infomercials 3.30 Good Morning America 5.00 Early Morning News

GO!

6.00 Kids' Programs 10.30 Entertainment Tonight 11.00 TMZ 11.30 Partridge Family 12.00 Frasier 12.30 Seinfeld 1.00 Cashmere Mafia (M) 2.00 The Bachelor 3.00 Just Shoot Me 3.30 The Nanny 4.00 Kids' Programs 5.00 I Dream Of Jeannie 5.30 Bewitched 6.00 The Flintstones 6.30 The Jetsons 7.00 Get Smart 7.30 Frasier 8.00 Seinfeld 8.30 Fringe (M) 9.30 Terminator: The Sarah Connor Chronicles (M) 10.30 The Listener (M) 11.30 Frasier 12.00 Seinfeld 12.30 TMZ 1.00 Fringe (M) 2.00 The Terminator: The Sarah Connor Chronicles (M) 3.00 The Listener (M) 4.00 Just Shoot Me 4.30 TMZ 5.00 The Partridge Family 5.30 The Flintstones

THURSDAY 4

ABC 1

4.30 Shortland Street 5.00 Something In The Air 5.30 The Einstein Factor 6.00 Kids' Programs 12.00 Middy Report 12.30 Jeeves And Wooster 1.30 Collectors 2.00 The Bill 3.00 Kids' Programs 6.10 Grand Designs Revisited Wales 7.00 ABC News 7.30 The 7.30 Report 8.00 Catalyst 8.30 The Neanderthal Code (PG) 9.25 Contact An Aboriginal group's first contact with modern Australia in 1964 (PG\*) 10.20 Lateline 10.55 Lateline Business 11.25 Spectacle The Police 12.15 Movie: The Big Fix (M 1978) Richard Dreyfuss, Susan Anspach 2.00 Movie: 21 Days (PG B&W 1940) Laurence Olivier, Vivien Leigh 3.25 Agony Aunts With Clive Robertson 3.55 Can We Help?

ABC 2

5.30 Can We Help? 6.00 ABC News Breakfast 9.00 Kids' Programs 6.00 Poh's Kitchen 6.30 Scrapheap Challenge 7.30 The Colbert Report 8.00 Spicks And Specks (PG) 8.30 Hungry Beast 9.00 The IT Crowd (M) 9.30 Gavin And Stacey (M) 10.00 The Peep Show (M) 10.30 Billable Hours (M) 11.00 Pulling (M) 11.30 The Kevin Bishop Show (M) 12.00 Ideal (MA) 12.30 A Little Later: David Bowie 12.45 The People Watchers 1.30 Coach Trip 2.00 Close

SBS 1

5.00 World News 1.00 Food Lovers' Guide To Australia 1.30 How Does Your Memory Work? 2.30 Dateline 3.30 Australian Biography Don Burrows 4.00 Feast Bazaar Essaouira 4.30 The Journal 5.00 Newshour With Jim Lehrer 6.00 Global Village 6.30 World News Australia 7.30 Gourmet Farmer 8.00 Oz And James's Big Wine Adventure 8.30 Secrets And Lives 9.00 Designer People Kenji Ekuan 9.30 World News Australia 10.00 Movie: Waiting For Someone (M 2007) French drama. Stars Jean-Pierre Darroussin, Emmanuelle Devos 11.40 Queer As Folk (MA) 12.40 Movie: Cowboys & Angels (M 2003) Irish drama. Stars Michael Legge, Allen Leech, Amy Shiels 2.15 Weatherwatch

SBS 2

5.00am to 6.00pm World News and Weatherwatch 6.30 World News Australia 7.30 As It Happened Rendezvous with death: Kennedy and Castro 8.30 Little Mosque On The Prairie (G) 9.00 Movie: Salaam Namaste (M 2005) Indian Bollywood musical. Stars Saif Ali Khan, Preity Zinta, Tania Zaetta 11.40 Movie: Strokes Of Fire (MA 2002) South Korean drama. Stars Choi Min-sik, Shn Sung-ki 1.45 Weatherwatch

PRIME

6.00 Sunrise 9.00 The Morning Show 11.30 Seven Morning News 12.00 Movie: Love's Long Journey (M 2005) Erin Cottrell, Logan Bartholomew, W Morgan Sheppard, Frank McRae 2.00 Surgery Saved My Life 3.00 Come Dine With Me 3.30 Kids' Programs 4.30 Seven News 5.00 M\*A\*S\*H 5.30 Deal Or No Deal 6.00 Prime News 6.30 Seven News 7.00 Home And Away 7.30 Ghost Whisperer (PG) 8.30 Cougar Town (M) 9.00 How I Met Your Mother 9.30 Thank God You're Here 10.30 Family Guy (M) 12.00 Blue Heelers (M) 1.00 Infomercials 5.30 Seven News

7 TWO

6.00 Kids Time 9.00 Sons & Daughters 9.30 Home & Away 10.00 Upstairs, Downstairs 11.00 Moonlighting 12.00 Body Beautiful 12.30 Style By Jury 1.00 All My Children (M) 2.00 Shortland Street 2.30 Coronation Street 3.00 Emmerdale 3.30 Kitchen Time 6.00 Alf 6.30 Full House 7.00 The Benny Hill Show 7.30 Fifth Gear 8.30 Stargate Atlantis (M) 9.30 Heroes (M) 10.30 Eli Stone (M) 11.20 Australia's Greatest Athlete 12.10 Movie: Tall In The Saddle (G B&W 1944) John Wayne, Ella Raines 1.45 AFL

TEN

6.00 Ten Early News 7.00 Kids' Programs 9.00 Ten News 10.00 The Circle 12.00 Dr Phil (PG) 1.00 Oprah Winfrey Show (PG) 2.00 Ready Steady Cook 3.00 Judge Judy 3.30 Infomercial 4.00 Huey's Cooking Adventures 4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful 5.00 Ten News 6.00 The Simpsons 6.30 Neighbours (PG) 7.00 The 7pm Project (PG) 7.30 The Biggest Loser (PG) 8.00 So You Think You Can Dance 9.00 Law & Order: SVU (M) 10.00 Medium (M) 11.00 Late News With Sports Tonight 11.45 The Late Show With David Letterman 12.30 Buffy The Vampire Slayer (M) 1.30 Infomercials 4.00 Religion

ONE HD

6.00 Slamball 6.30 Australian Fishing Championships 7.30 MVP 8.00 NAB Cup AFL Rpt 10.00 World Series Sprintcars 11.00 2009 Championship Season's Best Netball 1.00 Lacrosse All Star Game 2.00 Bundesliga Football 3.00 Omnisport 3.30 Xtreme Paintball 4.00 Tread BMX 4.30 WRC Shakedown 5.00 Serie A Football 7.00 ATP World Tour Tennis 7.30 World's Strongest Man 8.30 TNA Xplosion 9.30 Sports Tonight 10.00 UFC 11.00 Tread BMX 11.30 Red Bull X Fighters 12.30 MVP 1.00 Sports Tonight Late 1.15 Omnisport 1.45 NASCAR Sprint Cup 2.45 Drift 3.40 Mecum Auto Auction 4.35 Sports Unlimited 5.30 Omnisport

NBN

5.30 Today 9.00 Kerri-Anne 11.00 Infomercials 12.00 Ellen Degeneres Show 1.00 The View 2.00 Days Of Our Lives 3.00 Alive And Cooking 3.30 Hi-5 4.00 The Shak 4.30 Afternoon News 5.00 Antiques Roadshow 5.30 Hot Seat 6.00 Evening News 7.00 A Current Affair 7.30 Getaway 8.30 Adults Only 20 To 1 (M) 9.30 The Mentalist (M) 10.30 CSI: NY (M) 11.30 Nightline 12.00 The Alice 1.00 WWE Afterburn (M) 2.00 Infomercials 3.30 Good Morning America 5.00 Early Morning News

GO!

6.00 Kids' Programs 9.30 I Dream Of Jeannie 10.00 Bewitched 10.30 Entertainment Tonight 11.00 TMZ 11.30 Partridge Family 12.00 Frasier 12.30 Seinfeld 1.00 The Terminator: The Sarah Connor Chronicles (M) 2.00 The Listener 3.00 Just Shoot Me 3.30 The Nanny 4.00 Kids' Programs 5.00 I Dream Of Jeannie 5.30 Bewitched 6.00 Flintstones 6.30 Jetsons 7.00 Get Smart 7.30 Frasier 8.00 Seinfeld 8.30 ER (M) 10.30 Gossip Girl (M) 11.30 Gossip Girl (M) 4.00 Just Shoot Me 4.30 TMZ 5.00 Partridge Family 5.30 The Flintstones

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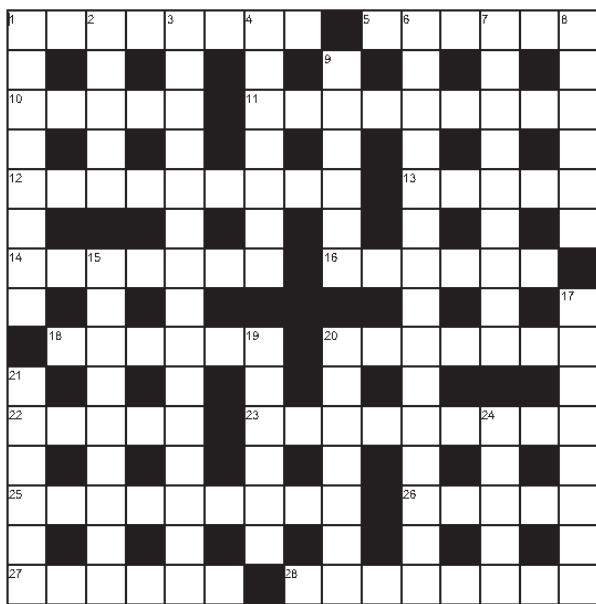
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## Mungo's Crossword



### Quick Clues

#### ACROSS

- Of goods produced by the family (4-4)
- Person or event which has just two successes (6)
- Evaluated, graded (5)
- Amuse, host (a party) (9)
- Soften, make more gentle (9)
- Give out, ration (5)
- Place where books are stored (7)
- The eighth month (6)
- Expression meaning worn out, no longer useful: Gone ... (2,4)
- Rubbing out, wiping off (7)
- Give birth (of animals) (5)
- Princes of the Roman Catholic church (9)
- Fifth wheel carried by motorists (5,4)
- Final stage of insect development (5)
- Oriental temple (6)
- Device used in hearing tests (8)

#### DOWN

- Annoying, biting insect (5,3)
- Inner city transport system (5)
- Overweight condition developing with maturity (6-3,6)
- To do with regulation of eating habits (7,6)
- Kinship groups in employment – favourite phrase of Kevin Rudd (7,8)
- Former dictator of Rumania (9)
- Track athlete (6)
- Greek goddess of wisdom (6)
- Indigenous Australian artefact used in hunting and ceremonies (9)
- Centre of archway (masonry); also silent film studio (8)
- Metric unit of poetry: one strong sound followed by two weak ones (6)
- Serious. Determined (7)
- Confesses, admits to error (4,2)
- Site of battle on US-Mexican border (5)

### Last week's solution



### Cryptic Clues

#### ACROSS

- Revolutionary Extra High Amplitude Modem produced domestically ... (4-4)
- gives IT crew potential for double success (6)
- Shed tear, downgraded (5)
- Host a rowdy treat in back nine (9)
- To soften rupture, I melt aloe (9)
- Cash boy' after, is the topic at hand (5)
- Sign royal unknown's books – a lot of them! (7)
- Wintertime is great (6)
- After 3, you might go – gardening? (2,4)
- Time certain of obliteration (7)
- Give birth, and provide assistance after Wednesday (5)
- One, two, three, Pell! (9)
- 3, perhaps, useful in an emergency (5,4)
- Insect man in Othello's downfall (5)
- Father deity, a pillar of the East (6)
- Poets coo stupidly – stick it in your ear! (8)

#### DOWN

- Insect in farm animal take off (5,3)
- In Rome, troubled transport system (5)
- G, a banquet and what it leads to later in life! (6-3,6)
- Log about alien's system of eating (7)
- Kevin Rudd loves wine, if kilograms can be controlled (7,8)
- Failed cause cues dictator (9)
- A bit of grass for the athlete? (6)
- Goddess is next in temperance group (6)
- Cry of derision? I object! Called, and will come back (9)
- Holds up building? A pretty funny cop (8)
- It means a finger but it's actually a foot (6)
- Eastern dispute is serious (7)
- Admits to take possession and eat (4,2).
- Gore, and an instant after – Americans remember it! (5)

Mungo's Crossword first published in *The Week*.

## STARS

WITH LILITH

With this week's astral emphasis on the love in your life, don't forget that the more you give the more you get...



Pisces Birthday Stars

**ARIES:** As this week stimulates your inner visionary to expand your aspirations, the challenge of completely remaking your daily routines, work and personal, into something more imaginative and inspirational could be just the adventure you're looking for – because the changes you're after are inner rather than external.

**TAURUS:** While this is looking like a harmonious week for Taurans, others are likely to be lavish with poetic license so enjoy the entertainment but don't take them literally. Dreamy Venus influences are opening up your heart to understandings which could be deeply healing.

**GEMINI:** This week deepens intimate connections and expands spiritual parameters and doesn't that feel good for a change? Your creative imagination's pumping but you'll still have to channel those wild ideas through practical, factual reality to make them happen. Passion's in fashion, but it still takes money, honey.

**CANCER:** If you're feeling overlooked or underappreciated, remember love doesn't come from others. It's inside you, though accessing this inner richness doesn't just come automatically – like golf or playing the piano it takes practice. Making the effort could be so rewarding this week you mightn't want to stop.

**LEO:** An arty, hearty week with business-minded Lions likely to be challenged by its unreliable mind changing. An extravagant urge to splurge might be almost irresistible this weekend – though you could try by taking to the Lion's den and ordering room service from loved ones.

**VIRGO:** This week soars into the mystic, so stop finding fault with yourself, surrender to the waves of inspiration flooding in and for once trust that things will fall into place all by themselves. And do something luscious for your annual Virgo full moon next Monday.

**LIBRA:** Venus conjunct inventive Uranus makes this a peak week for getting together with whoever shares your aesthetic, political or professional vision. Exciting new alliances could produce a team to make the dream work, and balancing exhilaration with practicality will keep those scales on an even keel.

**SCORPIO:** Others aren't ever likely to know if you're feeling vulnerable, but opening up and sharing your dreams, feelings and concerns could bring certain people close this week if that's what you want. Or if not, guarantee a big increase in support and assistance.

**SAGITTARIUS:** Invites this week are likely to be spontaneously last minute, so be ready to say yes at a moment's notice. But if something feels wrong don't go along just to please others – your intuition's spot on right now, even when it goes against what seems sensible.

**CAPRICORN:** If it feels like every move you make, every breath you take, someone's on your case and in your face, then find the person, point of view or thing of beauty that restores your joie de vivre this week – and avoid the other sort.

**AQUARIUS:** Life as we know it is slipping, sliding, changing and rearranging – an upsetting planetary pattern which also fortunately adds empathy and understanding to the Aquarian mindset, inspiring precisely the right words and ways for you to navigate this week's ocean of emotion.

**PISCES:** The trifecta of Sun, Jupiter and Uranus in Pisces suggests overindulgence could definitely interfere with efficient thinking this week, especially during next Monday's full moon... But right now clarity's needed to sort out achievable dreams from what belongs in the too hard basket.

## CHESS by Ian Rogers

Play at Seagulls Club, Thurs 6-10pm

In 1994 an unheralded Vietnamese teenager named Dinh Duc Truong turned up in Perth three rounds late for the Australian Open and returned home with the title.

Suddenly Vietnam was on the chess map and over the next decade the country, relatively new to international chess, moved ahead in leaps and bounds.

At first it was the Vietnamese women players who raced ahead, establishing themselves among the top 10 countries at a series of Olympiads, but recently some young Vietnamese males have also begun moving to the top.



Over the past three weeks 18-year-old Le Quang Liem (pictured) has gone from talented junior to superstar by becoming the first person to win the Moscow Open and the Aeroflot Open. The consecutive Russian tournaments are two of the strongest open tournaments in the world, featuring dozens of grandmasters, yet Le completed both events undefeated, tying for first at the Moscow Open and then going one better by winning the 21,000 Euro first prize at the Aeroflot Open outright.

Le's great leap forward came after Le's home town, Ho Chi Minh City, paid \$US10,000 for Le to enjoy six weeks coaching with Russian veteran Evgeny Bareev in October 2009, prior to the World Cup in Khanty Mansyisk. Like Australia's David Smerdon, Le was a first round loser in Siberia but the tips he picked up from Bareev have served him well subsequently.

Le led the Aeroflot tournament from the start, winning his first three games and then holding off numerous challenges before defeating new Russian star Ian Nepomniachtchi in the final round.

Remarkably, Le's main rival at Aeroflot – where only five of the eighty players in the top group were not grandmasters – was his 19-year-old compatriot Nguyen Ngoc Truong Son, but Nguyen lost his final game and dropped back to third place.

Moscow 2010

**White:** Le Quang Liem

**Black:** Bu Xiangzhi

Opening: English

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.Nf3 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nc6 5.Nc3 e6 6.a3!?

A modern extravaganza, based on the reasoning that 6.e4 Bb4 is fine for Black.

6...Be7 7.e4 0-0 8.Nf3 b6 9.Be2 Bb7 10.0-0 Rc8 11.Bf4 Na5

The start of a liquidation sequence that is supposed to be fine for Black.

12.Nd2 d5 13.cxd5 exd5 14.e5 Ne4

As recommended, but 14...Nd7 is safer.

15.Nxe4 dxe4 16.b4! Bg5!

This is Black's big idea – a piece sacrifice. 16...Nc6 17.Bg4 works out well for White.

17.Bxg5 Qxg5 18.h4! Qxh4 19.bxa5 Rc6! 20.Nxe4!

The first surprise for Bu; only 20.Qb3 had been played previously.

20...Rh6! 20...Qxe4 21.Bf3 Qxe5 was less committal.

21.f3 Bxe4! This makes White's life too easy. After 21...Qh2+ 22.Kf2 Rg6 23.Rg1 Qxe5, White's king's position remains precarious.

22.fxe4 Rd8 23.Qb3 Qh2+ 24.Kf2 Qxe5 25.Rad1! Re8 26.axb6 Qxe4 (See diagram)

27.Kg1! Qe7 28.Rxf7!

The final touch; after 28...Qxf7 29.Bc4 wins the queen.

28...Qc5+ 29.Rf2+ Kh8 30.Qb5 Qe3 31.Rd3 1-0

Black has nothing to show for the lost piece.



White to play a strong attacking move

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# Karen Iwanuscha is a hockey mum, hockey two

Eve Jeffery

Like a lot of teenage girls, Karen Iwanuscha started playing hockey when she was in high school. Unlike a lot of young women, Karen kept playing once her formal education finished and it has proven to be a satisfying life choice.

Karen's home side is the Mullumbimby Hockey Club, but she has transcended regional confines and has represented the Tweed Border Association for many years and in recently, the Queensland state team.

In 2005 Karen was selected as 'shadow' player for Queensland. 'I wasn't called up, but was asked by the Northern Territory team to play for them as they were struggling for players at a tournament in Melbourne,' says Karen.

In 2006 she was selected in the Queensland 40+ team, where she travelled to Darwin and made it to the final only

to be beaten one nil by New South Wales, with Queensland winning silver.

A similar scenario happened in 2007 at the finals in Sydney and in 2008 when selected again in the Queensland 40s team, they made the finals. 'We again met New South Wales but this time - after extra time - we came out the gold medal winners in front of a home crowd in Brisbane.'

Karen was selected yet again in 2009, this time the event was held in Tasmania. 'We went through undefeated and came up against Victoria in the final,' says Karen. 'The game went through extra time then had to go to strokes which we lost 2-1 coming home with silver. It was a great tournament and I was voted twice by my team for "player of the match" and at the end our coach awarded me "player of the tournament" for our team. It was such a great honour and very unexpected.'



As a result of the tournament, Karen was named in the Australian 45s team to contest the 'Trans Tasman' against New Zealand in Newcastle the first week in May 2010. 'This just topped off the tournament for me. I have been training hard since the start of December. Needless to say, at the annual Mullumbimby Presentation, Karen was awarded Player of the Year for Division 1 and Club Person of the Year.'

Far from handing the banner along, Karen is forging ahead while at the same time encouraging her daughter Samantha in the sport they both love.

Seventeen year old Samantha who is in year 12 at Wollumbim, started playing hockey when she was a tiny three and a half years old. In the family tradition, she has played representative hockey for Tweed Border from the age of eight, sometimes playing in her own age group as well as

the next age group up in the same year.

She has been a member of the Open School Girls North Coast team for the last three years and has been a member of the Mullumbimby club for four years - playing in their Division 1 team alongside her mother for the last three.

A formidable pair, they enjoy playing for the Mullumbimby club, one of seven affiliated Clubs in the Tweed Border Hockey Association, which includes teams from Casuarina, Kingscliff, Pottsville and the Waratahs, the Murwillumbah Redbacks and Murwillumbah United. Over the years the group has had many players represent not only the association, but Queensland, New South Wales and Australia.

Tweed Border Hockey clubs always welcome new players - for more information, visit their website at: www.tweed-borderhockey.com.

## SPORT RESULTS

### BOWLS

#### Cabarita Men

**3/2/10** Win: B Coustley & K Doolin r/up J Knight & M Jaffray cons W Chatman & R Maunders. **8/2/10** Win: D Hopps & B Coustley, r/up A Latif & B Montgomery cons B Riley & B Pilling. **10/2/10** Win: R Tonkin & S Breccard r/up B Rae & N Ambrose, cons R Allen & K Liddington. **13/2/10** Social win: A Kidd, F Arcus & J McLellan, cons A Wilson, G Watson & T Riches. **15/2/10** Win: R Allen & C Klaverstyn, r/up W Chatman & K Doolin, cons F Cameron & P Rose. **17/2/10** Win: C Klaverstyn & B Lambert r/up B Davey & P Killey, cons K Kennedy & I Crabb. **20/2/10** Social win: I McGlashen, P Killey & K Ross cons K Kennedy & J Rannie. **22/2/10** Win: R Allen & C Klaverstyn r/up M Morgan & J Stewart cons W Chatman & K Doolin.

#### Cabarita Beach Women

**Pennant - 10.02.10** Grade 3 - Murwillumbah 41 defeated Cabarita 37. **11.02.10** Grade 2 - Cabarita 41 defeated Murwillumbah 33. **16.02.10** Grade 2 - Cabarita 43 defeated Brunswick Heads 37, Grade 3 - Ocean Shores 52 defeated Cabarita 13. **18.02.10** Grade 2 - Cabarita 51 defeated Cudgen Leagues 33, Grade 3 - Cabarita 38 defeated Pottsville 37. **23.02.10** Grade 3 - Mullumbimby 57 defeated Cabarita 27. **25.02.10** Grade 2 - Cabarita to play Murwillumbah. **05.03.10** Grade 3 - Cabarita to play Ocean Shores. **09.03.10** Grade 3 - Cabarita to play Pottsville. **11.03.10** Grade 3 - Cabarita to play Mullumbimby. **23.02.10** Social Bowls - Winning rink - B.Overall, C.Lynch, M.Rae. Consolation - I.McGlashan, R.Lee, R.King. Raffles - M.Watson, M.Overall, J.Jones. Monthly Raffle - B.Petty. Visitors - Erica Maddock, Salisbury and Judith Jones.

#### Condong Men

**Wednesday** Win: L Muir, K Hall, R Fuller, Runners/up D Coates, B McLennan, W Chisolm. Lucky raffle win: Carlo C Sager, T Rowland, C Sager. Thursday 3 bowl triples. 14 teams played and win: B Clifford, B Clifford \$50 each, runners/up C Douglas S Massey \$25 each. **Saturday pennant** trial at Lennox Head Div 1 Con 3-0 Div 3 1 -2 Div 4/5 3-0 Div 6/7 3-0. S Massey, B Wicks, B Ayres, M Jaffray won the District Open Fours.

#### Condong Cane Toads

**Sunday** 21st Cane Toads v Robina Flyers Bowlers - win: G Stewart, P Reynolds, K Wheelton and runners/up V Boyd, M Reynolds, H Perost. Raffle win: J Dowling, P Reynolds, T George, Kooka. **Dis- trict triples** at Byron Bay Sunday J Knight, P Ayres, J McDonald 26 DEF S Reading B Ayres B Rohweder 24.

#### Condong Men

**Wednesday 17th** Win: R Fuller, K Hall, T Kennedy. Runner/up B Young, T Scuis, T Muldoon. Lucky raffle win: S Sager, B Dunne, B Willkins, B Dunne. Thursday 17/2 3 bowl pairs shootout - win: B Wilkins, J Knight \$30 each Runner up B Clifford B Clifford \$20 each. Friday nights div 5 6 7 trial Raffle win: B McBurney, S Cook, C Vigilone, S Cook, T Kennedy.

#### Cudgen Leagues Ladies

Div 2 Pennant & Brunswick Heads **Thurs 11th**, Ladies Social Results Win: Rnk2, Marie Ellen, Yvonne Pritchard, Trish McGee, Margaret Huddy. Raffle Faye Parkes ( Brunswick Hds ) Congratulations Everyone. Coming up - **Thurs 18th**, Pennants Grade 4 d Pottsville, Cabarita d Grade 2 Raffle - Wendy Fielding. Sun Social Bowls Win: Rnk1, Ann Revie, Pat Pieterse, F Pieterse; Friendship Rnk4, Marion Hull, John Holt, Coog Prichard; Raffle - Val Schiemer.

#### Cudgen Leagues Men

**Wed 17/2/09** Mens Mufti Win: M.Vanrunt, J.Brimsmead, W.Shardlow. Losing Rink J.Turner, B.Cusack, P.Tindale

**Sat 20/2/09** Mens Whites Win: T.Potocnick, R.Corney, J.Krizman Losing Rink B.Goldstone, G.Hallett, K.Berger

#### Kingscliff Ladies Bowls

**Wednesday Feb. 10th**. Winner was Diane Jones, Runners up I.Fuller/A.Carruthers. Raffle 1st Prize. B. Massey, 2nd prize E. Eadie. Second Round Win: **Open Singles Championship** D.Jones 25 def N.Craven 23, S.Akers 25 def E.Taylor. J.Scher 25 def B.Petri 23, W.Butler def M.McCrimble on a forfeit. **Kingfisher Triples** played Monday 15th Feb. Win: S.Canciller/J.Munn/D.O'Neill, 5th Tweed 6 + 45, 2nd. M.Lyons/W. Munns/R.McRae 5th Tweed 6 + 34, 3rd. A.McKensie/G.Lane/C.Puddick, Musgrave Hill 4 + 30. 4th. N.Craven/C. Smith/I.Azzopardi, Kingscliff 4 + 14, 5th J.Boyd/W.Fielding/J.Kent, Pottsville 4 + 10, Round 1, 2 & 3. Win: M.Maeno/R. Green/J.Cunningham Mermaid Beach. K.Watkins/T.Pask/J.Stevens Paradise Point. M.Wright/J.Finney/A. Ebsworth, Tweed Heads. 9 Raffle Win: were 1st. T.Pask, D.Miles. A.McKensie, V. Gravinol, M.Still, J.Young, I Azzopardi and M.Mantell.

#### Kingscliff Men

**Tweed Valley Shield: Round 6** - A Division: Tweed Heads 50 d Kingscliff 22; B Division: Tweed Heads 41 d Kingscliff 32. Round 7 at Tweed Heads on Monday 29th. **Round 4 of Super Challenge Gold Division:** The men won 1 rink and lost 4. The ladies lost both rinks. **Bronze Division:** The men won one rink and lost four, the ladies won both rinks. Round

#### 5 v Ipswich Swifts on Sunday 21st

February. **Gold Division:** The men won 2 rinks and lost 3, ladies won 1 rink and lost 1. After Round 5 both the men and ladies are in 5th position on the ladder. **Bronze Division:** The men won 3 rinks and lost 2 while the ladies again won both rinks. The men are in 2nd position while the ladies lead their group by 9 points. **Social Bowls** Results: Thursday 18th: Win: A Curnow, J Quinn, S Jamieson. M Scott, H Hockey, B Turner; G Fletcher, G Hayden, A Brown; Plate Win: F McNamara, J Frazer, L Murphey. **Saturday 20th** Win: D Whittington, J Frazer, J McLaughlin; Plate Win: F McNamara, J Julius, R Graham. **Tuesday 23rd:** Win: D Hopps, M Jaffray; Runners Up: K Banks, T Hills; Plate Win: T Wonka, W Blackwood.

#### Pottsville Women

**Thursday 18th** Win: J.Brammer, L.Rice & H.Woodbridge. Lucky Bowler: J.Boyd Raffle: J.Brammar

#### Tweed Heads Ladies Bowling Club

**Championships 2'S:** A. Plowright & L.A. French 25 def. P. Southern & K. Figura 13. N. Sayer & S. Hanlon 24 def. M. Cooper & S. Lusby 14. A. Ebsworth & M.Wright 18 def. W. Wilson & L. Wilson 17. J. Finney & P. Mann 26 def. L. Elsey & P. Griffith 12. S. Goldsmith & M. Crane 14 def. D. Cunningham & T. Dixon 10. V. Young & B. Makin 23 def. J. Roach & F. Hewitt 17. P. Reedy & J. Wae 21 def. H. Mason & M. Gwynne 16. **17th February 2'S** C. Murphy & R. Davies 22 def. B. LeBoeuf & N. Bell 7. E. Bradley & L. Hodson 20 def. V. Moore & R. Curtis 7. **Thursday Pair:** H. Bardley & B. Bitmead 17 (10 ends) def. S. Jackson & J. Whittington 17 (7 ends) L. Spencer & M. Picking 21 def. J. Ryan & J. Webster 19. **Thursday 4'S** N. Craig, N. Matheson, R. Wallace, G. Harrop 25 def. G. Lock, P. McNamara, S. Asser, D. Kendall 13. A. Warman, J. Redman, S. Hambleton, E. Simpson 25 def. J. Lyon, M. Riley, B. Orchard, V. Pridham 14. K. Henshaw, D. Stewart, M. Baxter, V. Philpot 27 def. P. Govett, E. Weston, D. Evans, D. McNamara, A. Sargeant, L. Wiles, S. Ganter, N. Bell 27 def. A. Vermeulen, J. White, K. Davies, M. Gunton 11. L. KeHenbugh, M. Jarick, J. Dodsley, J. Kerkow 28 def. D. Davis, N. Dowling, E. Deimel, J. Pearce 10.

#### DARTS

##### Tweed Valley

**Results Monday 15.2 A Grade:** Blues 10 def Hogan's Heroes 5, Jokers 11 def Gulls 4 and Cgulls and Tigers played the friendly game. In **B Grade** Sharks 11 def Lions 0, We're Back 9 def Leftovers 2 and Devils 8 def Chinderah Misfits 3. Point Score subject to confirmation **A Grade:** Blues 33, Jokers 27, Gulls 15, Hogan's Heroes 9 and Cgulls 6. **B Grade:** We're Back 24, Sharks 22, Dev-

ils 21, Tigers 14, Misfits 8, Leftovers 6 and Lions 4. Aaron Chapman and Brett Atkinson both from Jokers, 180 on the night. **Monday 22.2 A Grade** Hogan's Heroes 13 def Cgulls 2, Blues 11 def Gulls 4 and Jokers played the friendly game with Devils. **B Grade** Tigers 7 def We're Back 4 and Sharks 9 def Leftovers 2 with no results from Chinderah Misfits concerning their game against the Lions. Bill Aitken from Blues threw 180 on the night. **Point Score** subject to confirmation A Grade Blues 44, Jokers 27, Hogan's Heroes 22, Gulls 19 and Cgulls 8. B Grade Sharks 31, We're Back 28, Tigers 21, Devils 21, Leftovers 8, Misfits 8 and Lions 4.

#### GOLF

##### Chinderah Seniors Social

Results for **Thursday 11.2** - Stableford **Winner 'A'grade** - Rex Howard - 37 points - new h/cap 9, R/up - Ray Kenway - 36 points (c/back) - new h/cap 5, **Winner 'B'grade** - Jenny O'Flanagan - 41 points (c/back) - new h/cap 15, R/up - Geoff Condon - 41 points - new h/cap 14, **Winner 'C'grade** - Liz Fairthorne - 37 points - new h/cap 18, R/up - Barry Dyson - 36 points - new h/cap 20, Ball rundown to 34 points (c/back). Results for **Monday 18.2** Ambrose (4 person) Win: Noel Brinsmead, Glen Henry, Kevin Jeans, Les Kafoa - net 46 4/8. R/up - Garry Carey, Sandy Daley, Jan Boulton, Ted Boulton - net 46 5/8. Ball rundown to net 49 1/8. Results for **Thursday 18.2** - Stroke Winner - 'A' grade - Geoff Howell - net 56 - new h/cap 8, R/up - Ted Boulton - net 57 - new h/cap 10, Winner 'B' grade - Barry Dyson - net 58 (c/back) - new h/cap 16, R/up - Merv Bryant - net 58 - new h/cap 13, Winner 'C' grade - Ken Baginall - net 54 (c/back) - new h/cap 21, R/up - Yvonne Hawkins - net 54 - new h/cap 28. Ball rundown to net 61

##### Hole-in-One 9th hole - Stewart Stoddart - YAY!

Results for **Monday 22/2/10 - Stroke & Monthly Medal - Winner Monthly Medal** - Keith Simpson **Winner 'A' grade** - Ron Gibson - net 59 (c/back) - new h/cap 5, R/up - Des Arndell - net 59 - new h/cap 11. **Winner 'B' grade** - Keith Simpson - net 51 - new h/cap 16. R/up - Bob Keane - net 57 - new h/cap 14. **Winner 'C' grade** - Jan Boulton - net 57 - new h/cap 24, R/up - Geoff Curry - net 58 - new h/cap 20. Winner Putting Contest - Bob Keane - 24 putts. Ball rundown to net 62.

##### Murwillumbah

**Wednesday 10th** Individual Stableford Winner I.Campbell 62 nett R.Up I Douglas 67 nett N.Pin 2nd A.McClean 10th B.Haribison B.R.D 72 nett c.b **Thursday 11th** Women's Individual Stableford Winner J.Bradford 33 pts R.Up L.Crawshaw 32 pts N.Pin 2nd B.O'Reilly 8th J.Jenkins & J.Baker &

D.Colter, B.R.Down to 30pts **Friday 12th** Febuary 2010 Members Winner W.Quantrill 40 pts B.R.D. to 36 pts **Saturday 13th** Febuary Individual Stableford. **Winner A.Grade** K.O'Grady 39 pts R.Up J.Robertson 38 pts **Winner B.Grade** D.Veaes 39 pts c.b R.Up A.McClean 39 pts **Winner C.Grade** P.Varela 43 pts . R.Up C.Brown 42 pts Winner D.Grade C.Breen 42 pts R.Up Roy Brown 40 pts . Eagle 11th B.McClean N.Pin 2nd P.Fleming 8th C.Hulme 10th P.Whitford. 14th J.Watson B/R/Down to 35 pts c.b. Correction for last Saturday A.Grade G.Beatty 67 nett c.b R.Up d.Van Egdorn . 67 nett B.Grade A.McClean 68 nett R.Up A.Ryder 69 nett c.b **C.Grade** R.Pols 65 nett R.Up S.Allan 70 nett **Monday 15th** Veterans Ind Stableford **Winner A.Grade** A.Fraser 38 pts R.Up G.Jacobson 37 pts c.b **Winner B.Grade** J.Bertram 37 pts R.Up C.Somerville 36 pts N.Pin 2nd A.Bryce 8th G.Hughes 10th B.Bolt 14th A.Collings B.R.D to 35 pts **Tuesday 16th** Women's Ind Stableford Winner **A.Grade** J.Rockliff 34 pts c.b R.Up J.Selvey 34 pts **B.Grade** I.McCormack 34 pts c.b R.Up P.Buckler 34 pts **C.Grade** J.Roche 31 pts R.Up L.Sheppard 30 pts B.R.D to 29 pts c.b **Wednesday 17th** 4.B.B.B. Aggregate Win: K.Dean & J.Walker 75 pts R.Up R.Up I.Douglas 67 nett N.Pin 2nd A.McClean 10th B.Haribison B.R.D 72 nett c.b **Thursday 18th** Women's 4 B.B.B. Stableford Win: D.Stafford & M.Shields 39 pts c.b R.Up C.Waugh & J.Williams 39 pts N.Pin 2nd M.Reynolds 8th J.Jenkins & J.Baker 10th J.Williams 14th J/Moore & J.Davis B,R/Down to 36 pts c.b **Friday 19th** February 2010 Members Winner M.Calvert 38 pts B.R.D. to 34 pts c.b **Saturday 20th** February Individual V'S Par Winner **A.Grade** J.Moen +4 R.Up A.Harrison +2 c.b Winner **B.Grade** G.Veaes +6 R.Up T.Grugan +4 Winner **C.Grade** O.McCallum +9 R.Up K.Halls +6 Winner D.Grade B.Dobinson +11 R.Up B.Murray +2 c.b N.Pin 2nd P.Maskill 8th J.Robertson 14th A.Kearney B/R/Down to Square c.b.

#### SHOOTING

##### Murwillumbah Pistol Club

**10-Feb-10; Air Pistol** - A Uren 608, R Rees 574, J Lumsden 571, D Beson 544. **13-Feb-10; Sports Pistol** - M Rohrick 649, B Campbell 586, A Berry 584, D Stebbing 577, A Uren 576, S Nash 573, R Rees 572, D Gazzard 549, S Stebbing 535, J Hoctor 532 J Traves 532, R King 526, H Gray 486. **Centre Fire** - D Stebbing 581, J Lumsden 573, G Andronicus 562, N Davis 561, J Gove 560, W Gray 459. **Ladies Air Pistol** - P Faulkner 388, S Stebbing 386, E Bolden 319. **Air Pistol** - A Berry 575, P Faulkner 573, G

Callaghan 558, G Faulkner 548. **17-Feb-10; Air Pistol** - A Uren 585, A Berry 574, J Lumsden 571, R Rees 551. 20-Feb-10 - A Stevens 637, R Rees 577, A Gazzard 576, S Nash 575, R Fleming 567, J Traves 557, J Lumsden 556, G Andronicus 547, D Dowling 547, N Davis 546, P Norris 543, J Hoctor 540, K Hansen 540, A Uren 537, J Gove 527, R King 518, M Fleming 514, S Dundon 469, B Campbell 452, D Gazzard 428. **Ladies Air Pistol:** W Green 372, G O'Flynn 365. **Air Pistol:** D Dowling 597, R Cavanagh 567. **Rifle Shoot:** P O'Connor 616, G Faulkner 611, B Cornford 601, R Walters 597, R Fleming 596, R Cavanagh 592, S Jenkins 590, K Neinert 589, J Hoctor 585, B Wenban 584, M Walters 582, M Luxton 577, J Lumsden 576, E Wenban 573, R Gospel 560, N Luxton 539, T Walters 535, C Everett 526. **Standard Pistol** - R Gospel 566, B Wenban 561, R Cavanagh 548, E Wenban 474.

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| 1st Sat                  | 8-11am | <b>Casuarina Farmers' Market</b>             | 0414 777 432   |
| 1st Sun                  |        | <b>Banora Point Farmers' Market</b>          | 0417 759 777   |
| 1st Sun                  |        | <b>Byron Bay</b> (02) 6680 9703              |                |
| 1st Sun                  |        | <b>Pottsville</b> (02) 6676 4555             |                |
| 1st Sun                  |        | <b>Tweed Heads</b> (07) 5599 1714            |                |
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| 2nd Sun                  |        | <b>The Channon</b> (02) 6688 6433            |                |
| 2nd Sun                  |        | <b>Chillingham</b> 0437 041 023              |                |
| 2nd Sun                  |        | <b>Lennox Head</b> (02) 6672 2874            |                |
| 2nd Sun                  |        | <b>Coolangatta</b> (07) 5533 8202            |                |
| 2nd Sun                  |        | <b>Tweed Heads</b> (07) 5599 1714            |                |
| 3rd Sat                  | 8-11am | <b>Casuarina Farmers' Market</b>             | 0414 777 432   |
| 3rd Sat                  |        | <b>Mullumbimby</b> (02) 6684 3370            |                |
| 3rd Sat                  |        | <b>Murwillumbah Cottage Markets</b>          | 0417 759 777   |
| 3rd Sun                  |        | <b>Ballina</b> (02) 6687 4328                |                |
| 3rd Sun                  |        | <b>Banora Point Farmers' Market</b>          | 0417 759 777   |
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# Home and Garden

## Composting is the stuff of life

by Eric Freeseed

A good garden depends on the introduction of lots of organic matter. At the same time you'll be doing the planet a favour by sequestering carbon rather than burning it off.

One of the best ways to process organic matter is to compost it. You can just build a pile of matter and hope for the best but in this climate chances are it will go slimy. Instead, set up a worm farm to break down kitchen scraps – and to keep them away from vermin – and create hot composting bins to break down grass clippings, tree branches, brown leaves and so on. You'll need at least a cubic metre of material to help generate the heat which will burn off pathogens and generate compost – at temperatures up to 60 degrees C! A simple bin can be made with wire walls and covered with a tarp to stop heavy rain ruining the process.

You'll also need to be meticulous in cutting down your material to a compostable size – invest in a good pair of secateurs. Exclude invasive weed species – obviously – as well as synthetic fibres, food scraps and, need we say it, dog or cat shit.

Alternate layers of green and brown materials. Begin with a

thick layer of coarse, bulky material, such as sunflower stalks or flowers, to allow air to circulate in the pile. Next, layer greens and browns in the mix together. It is best to keep the layers thin. Continue mixing greens and browns until the pile reaches a metre or so high. Once the pile starts to 'cook', do not add more materials. Keep the pile moist but not soaking. Turn the pile to make sure all ingredients get cooked, probably three times at intervals of three days and then around six days. Three turns should do it. Turning the piles with a fork is the most labour-intensive part of the process, and is not advisable for people with delicate backs. (Gardens are rewarding but they do involve some hard work.)

As Gardening Australia notes: 'Well balanced compost is a sweet smelling, dark coloured, rich textured substance that's full of microbes and organic matter.' That's what yours should be like.

Also note: different plants have different needs in terms of trace elements and pH levels. Read up on each crop/decorative plant you're growing.

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# Renovating doesn't pay off like it used to do



**R**enovating jobs are adding less to resale values relative to their costs, according to a survey of PRDnationwide real estate agents.

Average remodelling jobs costs thousands of dollars but sellers just aren't recouping the costs come sale time, agents say.

Most PRDnationwide agents polled said while the renovated properties will generally sell quicker, they may not sell for more.

The agents agreed the most basic and necessary cosmetic touch-ups, such as painting and landscaping, will sell for more profit.

The most financially successful jobs are smaller-scale, lower-cost renovations that improve the exterior appearance of homes.

Among the remodelling jobs faring the worst in return

on investment were large, up-scale kitchens and bathrooms and extensions.

For anyone thinking of renovating before listing their home for sale, here is PRD's advice:

- It's better to focus on presentation rather than renovation. Getting professional advice from a property stylist will give a better result.
- Simple things like moving furniture, extra lighting, adding artwork and cushions will improve resale value.
- Renovations will always cost more and take longer than you budget for.
- Don't just design what you like, if the idea is to sell it at the end, you must cater for the local market.
- Talk to a local real estate agent to find out what price bracket you should keep the final product under – don't overcapitalise.



# Have your say on Home Building Act

Fair Trading Minister Virginia Judge is encouraging NSW builders, tradespeople and consumers to have their say on a proposed update of laws governing the home building industry. The Home Building Act 1989 protects home owners by requiring builders and tradespeople to hold licences and to have proper contracts and insurance in place for most jobs.

'The Act is being rewritten to ensure it reflects today's home building market,' Ms Judge said. 'A consultation paper has been prepared outlining a number of options for reform that could be incorporated in the new Act. This includes reducing red tape, clarifying and modernising home warranty insurance arrangements and providing greater

certainty and transparency for consumers and licensed contractors. The rewrite will also help facilitate a shift to a uniform national licensing system in 2012 and strengthen disciplinary and enforcement powers.' Some of the key options in the consultation paper include:

- streamlining the assessment criteria for building licence applications and

- renewals;
- increasing the monetary threshold for owner-builder work, which requires an owner-builder permit, from \$5000 to \$12,000 to take into account increased building costs;
- requiring home building contracts to specifically address issues of progress payments and termination under the contract;
- clarifying when the

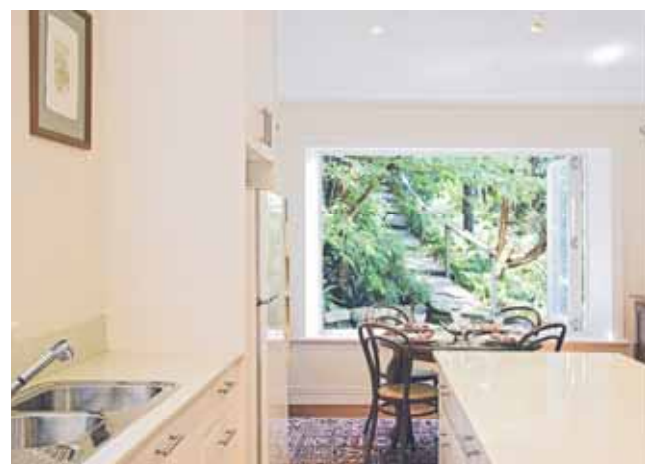
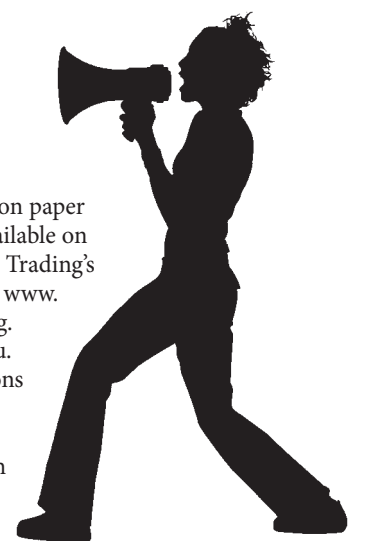
statutory warranties under the Act commence; and

- allowing builders to initiate the dispute resolution process.

'Views on the consultation paper will inform the preparation of draft legislation,' Ms Judge said. 'This is a good opportunity for people to have their say on important laws that affect thousands of home owners and building industry

workers.'

The consultation paper is now available on NSW Fair Trading's website at [www.fairtrading.nsw.gov.au](http://www.fairtrading.nsw.gov.au). Submissions close on Wednesday March 17.



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There is also a study/office, double garage plus workshed and carport. This impressive property has \$30K edible landscaping and sits on 1080m<sup>2</sup>.

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## 6 KIAMA STREET, POTTSVILLE

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- \* Private secure garden with water feature
- \* Reverse cycle air-conditioner, eco lighting
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## 12 NEWCASTLE DRIVE, POTTSVILLE

- \* 286m<sup>2</sup> environmentally friendly home
- \* Single storey, plantation shutters
- \* Solar back to grid system in place
- \* 5 star energy rating, solar hot water
- \* Spacious indoor and outdoor living
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Murwillumbah Toastmasters next meeting on March 4 will feature a speech by a competition-winning speaker. Guests welcome, call Marg 02 6677 0575 or Phil 02 6677 9388 for details.

## Vintage film night

Friends of the Tweed River Regional Museum are hosting a vintage film night at the Regent Cinema, Murwillumbah, on Thursday, May 13, at 6pm.

## Garden club

The Murwillumbah Garden Club bus trip to Queensland Dahlia Society show at Mount Cootha on Saturday, March 20. Cost \$25 per head bus only. Bus departs Sunnyside at 8am, returns around 5pm. Bookings and payment to be made at Beveleys on Main Street, Friday March 12, between 9am-11am. For info call Len on 6672 2020 or Steve on 6672 2273.

## Croquet club

The Murwillumbah Croquet Club is introducing a new fun game of mallet sport. To celebrate the club is offering free lessons every Sunday in March from 2-4pm. Come alone or bring your friends to the club at Knox Park. For more information phone the club on 6672 2064 or Margaret 0407 901 025 (flat shoes only required).

## Positive thinking

Learn simple and practical techniques to help you achieve a more balanced and positive life through this free workshop on Saturday, February 27, 2pm to 4pm. Call Brahma Kumaris Raja Yoga

www.tweedecho.com.au

Meditation Centre, Mermaid Waters, 07 5575 2126, email:goldcoast@au.bkwsu.org

## Water meeting

Another public meeting on the shire's water-supply options will be held at Uki Hall on Saturday, February 27, at 2pm. There will be some guest speakers on environmental issues and a short film and slide show. The Environment Defenders Office from Lismore will advise on legislative requirements on the dam options and help write submissions, which close on March 26. Come along and have your say.

## VIEW clubs

Twin Towns Day View Club meets on the first Thursday of every month at the South Tweed Sports Club, 4 Minjungbal Drive. Call Freda on 07 5524 1357. A trading table will operate this month and new members welcome.

## Friday food giveaway

Food giveaway for aged pensioner card holders, at new time 10-30am to 1pm (DST) Fridays only. At the Ibar, Wharf St, Tweed Heads. Thanks to all who have donated packet and tinned food but more needed. For info call Lorraine on 0755 998612 or Thelma on 07 5536 3037.

## Wed food giveaway

Free food giveaway for struggling pensioners on Wednesday 12.30pm DST at iBar Tweed Heads. More non perishable food donations are desperately needed as our queue gets longer every week. It is sad when the end of the queue arrives and there is nothing left. Please help us keep the pensioners eating. Terri 0414 376 057

## Parenting program

Pottsville Beach Neighbourhood Centre (PBNC) and Parents and Teachers present 1-2-3 Magic, a popular parenting program, for carers of children 2-12yrs, to strengthen family relationships. All sessions free. Wednesday, March 17, 24 and 31, 6pm-8pm, PBNC, 12a Elizabeth Street, Pottsville Beach. Bookings essential, call Angela on 02 6676 4555 or email admin@pottsbnc.ngo.org.au no later than Friday, March 12.

## Music club

Tweed Links Music Club, enjoy an afternoon of entertainment at Coolangatta Tweed Heads Golf Club, Sunday, March 7, 2pm (DST). Dancing, singing, quartet and a variety instrumental group. \$5 for club members, \$10 non-members, no bookings necessary. For info call Elaine on 07 5590 7870.

## Science fiction

Science fiction fans interested in forming a group to discuss this subject, call Felix Jenkins 02 6674 2023.

## Mental health

Mental Health carers meetings for next month: Mondays March 2 and 16. Families and friends of people with mental illness are welcome to share friendship, information and experiences with other carers from 10am on the first and third Mondays in each month at the Tweed Heads Library, Brett Street (no public holidays). Knowledgeable volunteer members of the Tweed Valley Mental Health Carers Network assist. Inquiries (07) 5524 4556.

## Prayer day

World Day of Prayer for Cameroon, West Africa, Friday, March 5, to be held at Uniting Church, Kingscliff, 24 Kingscliff Street, Kingscliff, from 10am, followed by morning tea. All

welcome. For info call 02 6674 2074.

## Community garden

Committed people with time available for non-profit committee for a community garden. First meeting Saturday, March 6, at 2pm. For info call David on 02 6672 7014.

## Exit meeting

Exit International meeting on end of life choices. Friday, March 12. Phone Elaine on 07 5535 1151.

## WONFA

We Ought Never Feel Alone (WONFA) variety morning on March 2 featuring soloist Robyn Green and 'The Early History of Cudgen and Chinderah' with Felicia Cecil from 11am at Kingscliff Uniting Church, 24 Kingscliff St. Lunch will follow, donation \$5. RSVP to Estelle 6676 2577 by March 1.

## Lifeball

Lifeball is an exercise sport similar to netball but played at a walking pace by senior men and women. Come and have a try. Sessions held every Tuesday 9.30am-11.30am at Tweed Supersports Centre, Chinderah, \$5 per person. Contact Jill (02) 66740636 or George (07) 55244558

## U3A

U3A Twin Towns would like to welcome new and existing members to a year of learning, sharing and making friends. Courses include astronomy, astrology, painting, digital photograph, Australian history, Japanese conversation. Starting March 16, illustrations and cartooning. For info call 07 5599 2249 between 10am-1pm (DST).

## Family night

Global Care family food and fun night every third Saturday (next one Feb 27) at Christian Outreach Centre, Prince Street, Murwillumbah. Entry \$5 for family \$2.50 for singles includes tea and entertainment. All welcome. Also free sausage sizzle every third Saturday at Murwillumbah markets. For info call Glenn on 0422 741558.

## Red Cross

Tweed Heads Red Cross Branch will resume monthly meetings on 2nd Friday of each month in the community room at Tweed City Shopping Centre, commencing with morning tea at 9.30am. Visitors welcome, form info call Joyce on 07 5524 1277.

## EMERGENCY NUMBERS

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| NSW Wildlife Information & Rescue Service (WIRES)..... | 02 6628 1898 |
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| CURRUMBIN SANCTUARY.....                               | 07 5534 1266 |
| SEA WORLD.....   | 07 5588 2222 |

# Drama school comes to Mur'bah



Victoria Cosford

Drama teacher Sophie Macken, centre, with students Kaleb and Rosie King doing some face-expression exercises.

A performance school for primary-school children has been established in Murwillumbah.

The Magic School drama group will cater for all primary school students in a series of after-school classes offering drama, dance, performance, speech and voice lessons.

Primary school teacher Sophie Macken will be manning the project, assisted by one other. She told *The Echo* that she had previously worked for Brian Dale and the Bright Lights school on and off for five years in both Ballina and Byron Bay, largely teaching drama.

She was inspired to start up

in Murwillumbah after teaching some local children drama and discovering that 'the kids wanted more'. Her main thrust will be building self-esteem and confidence.

'It's one of the best ways that I can help kids with this, I've noticed', she said.

Each aspect of the course is designed to improve students' self-esteem, voice projection and creativity, with the classes suited to those children with talent or 'an obvious creative flair' as well as 'those who seek the spotlight.'

According to Sophie, 'a

drama/performance pathway can also help even the most reserved child grow in self-esteem and find their confidence.'

The venue is the Autumn Club, next door to the library in Murwillumbah. 'The idea', Sophie said, 'is to give a performance to the public at the end of the year. We'll start with a series of classes to see how it goes - I've got hopes it will go far!' So far about 20 local kids are enrolled. For further information or to enrol contact Sophie Macken on 0411 203 508 or email sophmacken@hotmail.com

prostatawarnessaustralia.com

## Hospital auxiliary

Tweed Hospital Auxiliary meetings are held on the first Monday of every month in the Islander Room in the Tweed Civic Centre. New members welcome. For info call Merle on 07 5536 1441.

## Prostate awareness

Prostate Awareness Twin Towns and Tweed Coast's first meeting for the year will be held at Twin Towns Services Club, Friday, Feb 5 in the Anzac Room, starting at 2pm (DST) with special guest speaker Graeme Sait on the immune system as our best health provider. Entry fee \$5, lucky door prizes. All welcome. For info visit our new website www.

## Volunteering

Looking for a way to gain work experience, meet friends and/or contribute to your community? Each week NORTEC Volunteering has around 200 volunteer positions available through community

organisations in our region. The 'five most wanted' volunteer vacancies this week include: Kingscliff, Malfunction Surf Festival assistants; Bray Park, kitchen hand; Tweed Shire, sports program development officer; Pottsville, cleaner; Kingscliff, group assistant (aged care); For info on these visit www.nortectd.com.au or call 02 6672 8288.

## MARCH 2010

### Astronomical data and tides

|                 |          |       |
|-----------------|----------|-------|
| ☉ Full moon     | March 1  | 03:38 |
| ☾ Third quarter | March 8  | 02:42 |
| ☀ New moon      | March 16 | 08:01 |
| ☽ First quarter | March 23 | 22:00 |
| ☉ Full moon     | March 30 | 13:25 |

| Day of month | Sun rise | Sun set | Moon rise | Moon set | High tide, height (m) | Low tide, height (m) |
|--------------|----------|---------|-----------|----------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 1            | M 0637   | 1919    | 1926      | 0651     | 0933,1.93; 2204,1.69  | 0313,0.21; 1558,0.11 |
| 2            | T 0638   | 1918    | 2003      | 0759     | 1021,1.84; 2250,1.73  | 0406,0.19; 1639,0.16 |
| 3            | W 0638   | 1916    | 2041      | 0905     | 1110,1.71; 2336,1.73  | 0500,0.22; 1718,0.25 |
| 4            | T 0639   | 1915    | 2121      | 1011     | 1159,1.54             | 0553,0.22; 1759,0.36 |
| 5            | F 0640   | 1914    | 2204      | 1115     | 0022,1.70; 1247,1.37  | 0649,0.38; 1838,0.48 |
| 6            | S 0640   | 1913    | 2250      | 1218     | 0111,1.64; 1340,1.22  | 0749,0.48; 1921,0.59 |
| 7            | S 0641   | 1912    | 2340      | 1317     | 0203,1.56; 1440,1.12  | 0855,0.57; 2014,0.68 |
| 8            | M 0642   | 1911    |           | 1411     | 0303,1.49; 1556,1.07  | 1008,0.61; 2121,0.73 |
| 9            | T 0642   | 1910    | 0033      | 1500     | 0414,1.45; 1717,1.09  | 1119,0.62; 2237,0.74 |
| 10           | W 0643   | 1909    | 0128      | 1543     | 0523,1.45; 1819,1.15  | 1219,0.58; 2345,0.70 |
| 11           | T 0643   | 1908    | 0223      | 1621     | 0620,1.49; 1905,1.23  | 1305,0.53            |
| 12           | F 0644   | 1907    | 0318      | 1656     | 0706,1.53; 1943,1.31  | 0040,0.63; 1343,0.47 |
| 13           | S 0645   | 1905    | 0412      | 1727     | 0745,1.57; 2017,1.38  | 0125,0.57; 1415,0.42 |
| 14           | S 0645   | 1904    | 0505      | 1757     | 0821,1.60; 2048,1.45  | 0204,0.51; 1445,0.39 |
| 15           | M 0646   | 1903    | 0557      | 1825     | 0855,1.61; 2119,1.51  | 0241,0.46; 1515,0.37 |
| 16           | T 0646   | 1902    | 0650      | 1855     | 0929,1.59; 2150,1.57  | 0317,0.43; 1542,0.37 |
| 17           | W 0647   | 1901    | 0744      | 1925     | 1002,1.55; 2223,1.61  | 0355,0.41; 1610,0.38 |
| 18           | T 0648   | 1900    | 0839      | 1958     | 1038,1.50; 2257,1.64  | 0433,0.41; 1639,0.41 |
| 19           | F 0648   | 1859    | 0936      | 2035     | 1115,1.43; 2333,1.64  | 0514,0.43; 1711,0.46 |
| 20           | S 0649   | 1857    | 1036      | 2116     | 1157,1.35             | 0548,0.46; 1745,0.51 |
| 21           | S 0649   | 1856    | 1136      | 2204     | 0015,1.62; 1244,1.26  | 0647,0.50; 1827,0.58 |
| 22           | M 0650   | 1855    | 1237      | 2259     | 0103,1.59; 1341,1.19  | 0745,0.54; 1918,0.64 |
| 23           | T 0650   | 1854    | 1334      |          | 0201,1.56; 1451,1.15  | 0857,0.55; 2027,0.68 |
| 24           | W 0651   | 1853    | 1428      | 0000     | 0312,1.56; 1615,1.16  | 1015,0.52; 2149,0.67 |
| 25           | T 0651   | 1852    | 1516      | 0105     | 0428,1.60; 1730,1.25  | 1124,0.45; 2307,0.60 |
| 26           | F 0652   | 1850    | 1600      | 0213     | 0538,1.68; 1830,1.37  | 1222,0.36            |
| 27           | S 0653   | 1849    | 1641      | 0321     | 0637,1.76; 1921,1.51  | 0015,0.49; 1313,0.27 |
| 28           | S 0653   | 1848    | 1718      | 0428     | 0731,1.81; 2009,1.64  | 0114,0.38; 1359,0.22 |
| 29           | M 0654   | 1847    | 1755      | 0535     | 0823,1.80; 2054,1.74  | 0209,0.29; 1442,0.20 |
| 30           | T 0654   | 1846    | 1833      | 0642     | 0913,1.75; 2139,1.82  | 0302,0.23; 1523,0.23 |
| 31           | W 0655   | 1845    | 1912      | 0748     | 1001,1.66; 2233,1.85  | 0355,0.22; 1603,0.29 |

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



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It's been a mixed month for billionaire property developer Bob Ell whose company Leda Developments is planning to convert two Greenfield sites at Kings Forest and Cobaki Lakes into small towns. Leda's plans to build on the 574ha Cobaki site suffered a setback when the Federal Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts deemed it a 'controlled action' last week. The development will now require assessment and approval under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Act as well as having to satisfy state requirements. A Leda spokesman said the federal call-up was not seen as a major hurdle and the company was still hopeful that they would get approval before the end of the year.

On the other hand the proposed Kings Forest development moved a step closer to reality with a NSW Supreme Court ruling in favour of Leda over a disputed holding known as Cudgen Paddock on the 800ha site. The court found that a claim by Tim Barr over the paddock, representing about one third of the site, was invalid, bringing the seven-year dispute to an end. Mr Barr had laid claim to the paddock through an option agreement attached to a lease he was granted by the land's former owner, Narui Gold Coast. Mr Barr, although the plaintiff in the case, did not give evidence after being advised he could be susceptible to prosecution.

A second public meeting organised by concerned residents on the shire's water supply options, which are currently being assessed, will be held this Saturday, February 27, from 2pm-5pm at Uki Hall. Residents behind the meeting fear the second preferred option, a dam at Byrrill Creek, is a real possibility which should be fought all the way as they say consensus on the choice is a long way off. All



Tweed River Jockey Club's race meeting at Murwillumbah racecourse on Monday, sponsored by Australia's biggest wine exporter, Casella Wines, featured eight female jockeys from across the Northern Rivers, and half of them were happy to say cheese for the *The Echo* camera just before the start of the fifth race. Left-to-right: Emily Kehoe, Lorna Cook, Jessica Greacen and Laura Cheshire. Photo Luis Felio

affected landowners, community representatives and interested residents are invited.

One longtime Byrrill Creek resident asks why she should be forced to sell her home so the dam can be built, having lived there for 53 years. The 90-year-old is ready to join the campaign against the dam, telling others 'they can drown me, I'm not going'. She says the dam will ruin the valley and that people should instead cut their water use. Makes sense to *Backburner*.

It would be hilarious if it wasn't so serious. A vehicle parked under one of Murwillumbah's new CCTV security cameras in the CBD was stolen earlier this month but despite the owner reporting it stolen within 48 hours, police were unable to track the thief because camera footage had already been deleted due to a limited video memory. The state-of-the-art CCTV system which cost \$191,000 has 29 cameras throughout the CBD and the data retrieval part of the system was put in coun-

cil's hands late last year, with a large monitoring screen inside the town's police station. But this was all to no avail for the hapless motorist. Police told the vehicle owner they didn't have the staff to sit there and watch the monitor while council has to be requested to retrieve any video footage. We believe council, police and the local business chamber are working to increase or retain video footage for longer. A reader has suggested fake cameras should have been installed instead and, like scarecrows, would have been just as effective, saving the \$191,000 outlay.

Hastings Point readers say public access to their estuary has been blocked by a parking lot used by the builders and developers on a strip of crown land between the controversial The Point development and a neighbouring development site, effectively privatising the estuary. They say attempts to access the estuary via the crown land access have met with rude claims of trespass. It's another slap in the face to locals and council

really should be doing something about it. When *The Echo* inspected the place recently, a burly yobbo from a nearby van park with an expletive-riddled vocabulary told our scribe, and two elderly women walking to the estuary, that we were trespassing and that the walkway through to the estuary belonged to a neighbouring developer, who we assumed had told him such and which we knew was bunkum. But in trying to explain ourselves, the boofhead became nastier and threatening, so we retreated.

The Tweed Valley was featured on national television on Tuesday this week on the *Sunrise* program. They asked Murwillumbah resident and *Echo* letter writer Lisa Townsend 'what is your area famous for?' and Lisa said 'for being the first place in Australia where the sun rises'. Apparently as a result, the Tweed is now in the running to win \$50,000 for charity and Lisa has nominated playgrounds, koalas and the maternity ward at Murwillumbah as her charities. Fingers crossed.

**Fresh on Tuesday.**

Fresh vegetables, fruit, meats, bakery, dairy produce, nuts and a good cup of locally grown coffee. Free market hamper draw 10am on the first Tuesday of the month. Greg Sheehan performing 9.30am March 2. New Brighton Farmers Market on every Tuesday 8am-11am, rain or shine, New Brighton Oval. Phone 6684 5390.

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