



SQUEEZE FROM THE BOTTOM



Sports Assoc to sue Council over sports fields

The Brunswick Valley Sports Association (BVSA) is taking Byron Shire Council to court over the issue of sportsfields in the north of the Shire. A class four action was lodged with the Land and Environment Court on October 6 to prevent Council from selling Lot 107 Shara Boulevard, the Ocean Shores site which the BVSA want to be used as sportsfields.

Back in August it appeared as if the long-running conflict over sportsfields for the north of the Shire might have been solved. Council and representatives of the community agreed that a 50 hectare site at Yelgun east could possibly provide a suitable site.

Council had previously decided that the environmental value of Lot 107 was too great to use as sports fields and agreed to proceed down the track of selling the land to the RTA, who want to use the lot as 'compensatory habitat' for the bush destroyed by the highway construction.

'In the investigation for the Yelgun land it has emerged that the front part of it is included in the state government's Farmland Protection zone. The back part will be taken for the nature reserve and the community is worried that there will be nothing left,' said Cr Jan Mangleson, who together with Cr Tom Tabart was instrumental in bringing the community to the discussion table with Council over the Yelgun land.

'Council is choosing to see the two pieces of land as separate issues, but the com-

munity does not see it as two separate issues,' says Cr Mangleson.

She believes that the Brunswick Valley Sports Association is concerned the Yelgun site could prove to be unsuitable, by which time Lot 107 will have been sold to the RTA.

Cr Tom Tabart told *The Echo* that the sale of Lot 107 is not dependant on the success of the Yelgun site. 'I don't agree that Lot 107 should go off negotiations while we investigate the Yelgun land. I am surprised they have taken out the legal action and I think it is a foolish action,' he said.

'As far as I am concerned it is a very suitable site. We feel confident that the state government will not enforce the Farmland Protection zoning. The other constraints, such as the environmental protection areas, will not impinge unduly on the site and will anyway create an attractive environmental asset. There is still plenty of room left there for what we need for sporting facilities,' added Cr Tabart.

Council's general manager Pamela Westing says that Council has not yet determined its position over the legal action but will be reporting to matter to the next Council meeting on November 1.

In response to a claim by the Brunswick Valley Sports Association that Council has agreed to halt negotiations to sell Lot 107, Ms Westing said that Council has not given any such undertaking.

Look mum, no hands!



The far north coast branch of the Disabled Surfing Association held its first clinic of the season at Clarkes Beach on Saturday in almost perfect conditions. The clinic was well attended by people of all ages with disabilities, and many enthusiastic volunteers.

Capturing the joyous spirit of the occasion in one great smile was 11 year old Max McAuley (pictured), who has Down syndrome, getting to his feet on a board for the first time.

For many of the participants, it is impossible to get the opportunity to experience surfing without the assistance provided by the DSA and volunteers.

In what could be described as a truly symbiotic relationship, participants, volunteers and organisers gained a lot from each other by doing something as simple as spending a few hours together in the surf. Photo Jeff 'That's My Wave' Dawson

Council looks at switching site of new skate park

The debate over the proposed location of the Byron Bay skate park is a step closer to resolution after Council voted to evaluate a new site at Clarkes Beach instead of the original site at Butler Street Reserve at its meeting last Tuesday.

The main rationale behind the proposed change is the issue of safety, especially at night, for users of the park. The Butler Street site is relatively isolated, and there were concerns within the community that young people using the park may be at risk of inappropriate behaviour or assault.

The proposed Clarkes Beach site is both more accessible and more visible,

and would be adjacent to the proposed Jarjum Playground making it a more family friendly location.

Elisabeth Brown, Director of Corporate and Community Services at Byron Shire Council, explained that Council had voted to 'evaluate and raise in consultation new site options [for the skate park] as part of the plan of management for Main Beach and Clarkes Beach'.

According to Ms Brown, the proposed site is likely to be in proximity to the current carpark, but will not replace it, as parking will be a major consideration in the plan of management.

One of the major stum-

bling blocks to the new site proposal is the likely forfeit of a \$68,000 grant obtained from the state government by Council under the Regional Sports Facilities Program. The conditions of the grant state that if the project is not commenced by March 30, 2006 and completed by June 30, 2007, the grant or remainder of the funds will be removed.

'The grant was provided for the approved development application (DA) at the Butler Street Reserve site,' said Ms Brown. 'Council staff were very concerned about the possible loss of the grant, however those councillors who voted in favour of evaluating a new site felt it

was better to have the right location than to rush into the project based on availability of funding.'

Should the deadlines be met for the skate park to be built at a new location, there is a possibility that the grant money would still be available. However, Ms Brown felt it was unlikely that it could be achieved in that time frame.

'Because of the community consultation processes involved, outcomes are always unpredictable so working within the time-frame allowed will be very difficult. However, there are future rounds of grants that can be applied for down the track,' she said.


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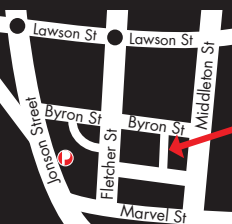


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Wind farm is go

On the same day that the state government announced a green light for the construction of a \$96 million wind farm near Goulburn, Byron Shire Council approved the Shire's first wind turbine.

While the Goulburn wind farm will have 25 turbines producing enough electricity to power 22,000 homes, the local project involves only one turbine at the ReGenesis Farm in Myocum.

'Our on-farm electricity usage is around \$600 per month so the turbine will almost meet our electricity requirements,' said ReGenesis General Manager Danielle Leonard. The \$90,000, 25 metre high turbine should pay its way after 12 years, estimates Ms Leonard, or even less if fossil fuel prices start to increase.

The development consent only applies for one year during which time ReGenesis must prove the sound levels emitted by the turbine are below set limits and report on the extent of injury and deaths to birds and bats.

'I am happy about the conditions that have been applied because they allow for some concerns to be fully addressed. I am hoping Council will be able to use the information from the monitoring to progress green energy development in the Shire,' said Danielle Leonard.

ReGenesis neighbour, Helen Barratt, led a campaign against the turbine which she believes is in an unsuitable location next to a fruit farm which attracts large numbers of bats.

'I think it was hard for a green Council to vote against a green energy project. I am worried that it could bring negative publicity to wind energy if there are widespread bat deaths because of the unsuitable location next to a fruit farm and rainforest trees,' she said.

'I am quite pleased that they will be putting a fox proof fence around the facil-

ity and fauna deaths will be monitored twice a week. I am a supporter of green energy, but I wanted to see proper controls [on the turbine] and am happy that the conditions of consent are in place, but worry who is going to police them.'

Together with her neighbours, Helen Barratt collected a petition with several hundred signatures asking for Council to produce a Development Control Plan to regulate the location of any future applications for wind turbines.

'Other councils have produced Development Control Plans which if they were in place here would not have allowed the ReGenesis project because it is less than 500 metres from the nearest dwelling,' said Mrs Barratt.

Construction on the turbine is at least six months away according to ReGenesis Farm whose immediate priority is to put in place the monitoring procedures.

Dean supports Wearable Arts



Anyone who has been to the Shearwater Wearable Arts extravaganza will appreciate how it can generate a production budget of over \$80,000. While ticket sales meet most of the expenses there is a \$20,00 shortfall. Christopher Dean from Thursday Plantation has come to the rescue with a \$5,000 cheque which he presented to the mannequin wearing last year's Wearable Arts winning entry. Shearwater School parents and fundraisers Derek Spice and Jane Hanckel said Christopher's was a very valuable donation, but the school still needs more sponsors. If you can help call 6684 6073.

Bay FM ready to boom



Some of the major prize sponsors of this year's Bay FM radiothon subscriber drive sitting in the hot seat of Bay FM's new studios.

The major prizes were drawn Friday September 30 at the Community Centre by Mandy Nolan.

Pictured with Sean Latham (front), head of new studio construction is Christine from Late Nite Video, Lloyd from Kodak and Crazy Johns, Pat and Lindy from Avatara Design, Rosaline and Brett from Munro Surfboards, Scott from the Byron Gym and Jay from True Wheel Cycles.

The new studio, the construction of which is nearly complete, is touted to be one of the most state of the art radio studios in the country, a testament to Sean's attention to detail.

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New legal eagle at Byron Bay court

When Graham Fleming retired in July as Registrar of the Court at Byron Bay he had set a job record of 37 years for staying in the one place.

His replacement is Wayne Montgomery, who has strong ties to the far north coast as both his mother and grandparents grew up in Mullumbimby and Lismore.

Wayne was Registrar of the Court at Mullum from 1988 to 1990 before leaving to finish off his law degree at the College of Law in Sydney, but he always harboured a dream to return to the far north coast.

After 20 years working in courts all over the state, including a period with the Attorney General in the early 1990s devoted to criminal law reform, he has returned to Byron.

One of his projects in the Attorney General's office was domestic violence, where he was in charge of introducing telephone apprehended violence orders, which give protection to victims of assaults that occur at

night or on weekends when no court is sitting.

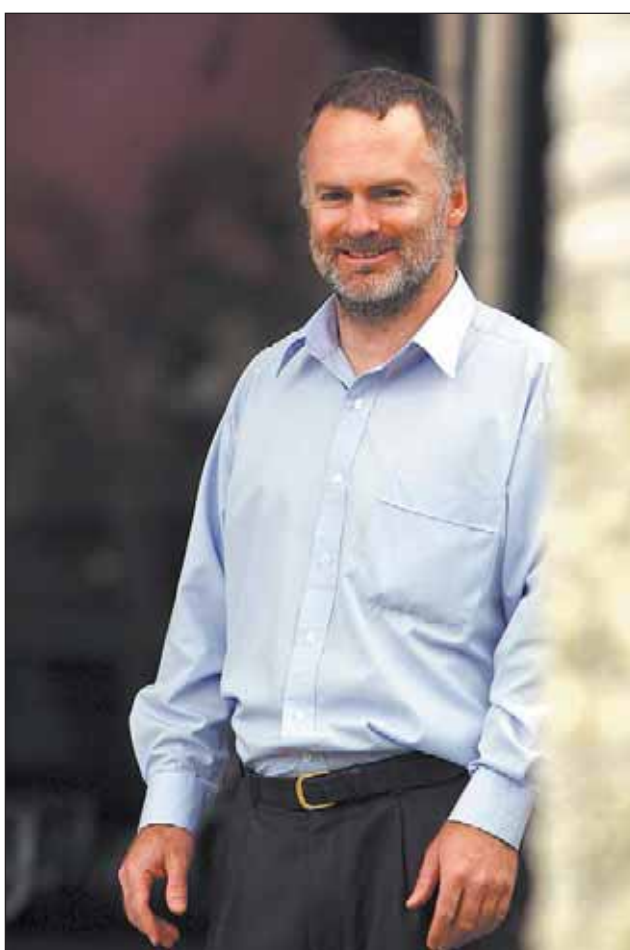
He has also acted as Registrar of the Land and Environment Court, and most recently was the Criminal Law Coordinator at the Legal Aid Commission, where he worked on projects such as the expansion of Legal Aid for people appearing before weekend bail courts.

Like his predecessor, Wayne will wear a number of hats in his new job, including being a marriage celebrant. He's aiming to ensure that Byron Bay has at least the same range of services as the larger courts in Sydney.

'One thing I definitely won't do is break Graham's staying-put record. I'd have to work into my seventies to do that'.

As Registrar of the Court Graham's role is to give people information about their legal rights and court procedures.

He also acts as a referral service to community agencies, prepares complaints and summonses for people



seeking restraining orders and can issue search warrants on the application of police. **New Byron Bay Court Registrar Wayne Montgomery.** Photo Jeff 'Old Lag' Dawson

Community Centre puts out call for volunteers

In a bid to maintain essential welfare, social and cultural services to Byron Shire, The Byron Community and Cultural Centre is seeking volunteers to assist with the running of its operations.

As the centre does not receive funding for most of its services, volunteers are crucial to keep its programs running. Currently, volunteers are contributing up to 800 voluntary hours per month providing a range of services including information referral, emergency relief for people

in need, box office ticket sales, ushering, catering and technical assistance.

Rosetta Butcher from the centre explained that no formal training is necessary to become a volunteer.

'We run an induction program which will allow us to establish peoples' preferences and skill base so we can allocate them to particular roles that suit them,' said Ms Butcher, who started at the centre as a volunteer herself before becoming a

paid staff member.

The centre started in 1980 as the Byron Bay Community Centre and since its recent refurbishment has reinvented itself as the Byron Community and Cultural Centre. Ms Butcher was very confident that the centre can fulfil its two functions effectively.

'We are committed to continuing to provide social welfare as we have always done since our inception, and also hosting important cultural events

for the community,' she said. 'In fact our volunteers highlight how this crossover can be achieved. Volunteers may work during the day providing emergency relief and then spend the evening working as an usher at a cultural event. It's a very fulfilling role.'

Anyone who is interested in becoming a volunteer should ring Rosetta Butcher on 6685 5659 or drop into the centre between 10am and 4pm Monday to Friday.

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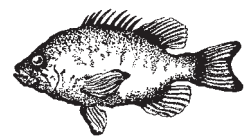
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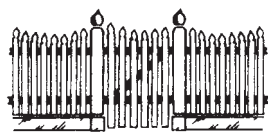
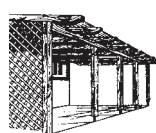
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Peter Westheimer elected deputy mayor

The revolving role of Byron Shire's deputy mayor has passed from Greens Cr Richard Staples to independent Cr Peter Westheimer.

Two candidates were nominated for the post which changes every 12 months. Cr Westheimer was supported by the four Greens councillors and Labor Cr Ray Kestle was the preferred candidate of Crs Tucker, Woods, Tardif and Mangleson.

After a tied vote at last Tuesday's Council meeting, the election was decided by putting the two names in a hat. Cr Westheimer's name was the first drawn.

Cr Peter Westheimer says that he is aiming to be an 'independent and forward thinking voice on council'.

'The 'advantage' of being so close to the Gold Coast is that it's a constant reminder and lesson of how not to plan and of a style of development that fortunately most in our community reject,' Cr Westheimer told *The Echo*.

'Our challenge is to continue to redefine, to accept change, to manage tourism better through a new tourism management plan, and to protect the special and unique aspects of this Shire.'

Cr Westheimer added that Council should look for ways that tourists can contribute substantially to the Shire's underfunded infrastructure.

'I intend to continue to work positively with all councillors despite their political persuasion and differences. We are a pretty committed and constructive group. Council has successfully brought down its legal expenses, a trend that I will aim to continue, but when projects or developments push the envelope and sustainability equation too far, I won't hesitate to say so.'

'I will push for significant environmental repair and enhancement and minimal ecological footprints as the basis for planning in this Shire,' he said.

Women gather in Byron to Reclaim the Night

The last thirty years have seen significant changes to sexual assault legislation in Australia. In 1975, it was legal for a man to sexually violate his wife; rape within marriage was only recognised as a crime in 1981. There was no such thing as an apprehended violence order, nor were there protective behaviours programs in schools or notification and risk assessment systems for child protection.

By and large, the changes have been brought about by women speaking out about violence in the home, lifting the cone of silence on the male myth of happy families.

Women have worked to establish support services for victims of crimes of violence; they have led the fight for fairer workplace practices and been instrumental in forcing law reform for greater protection of women's and children's safety.

In a public celebration of all that has been achieved and a sobering reminder of how much



Kassa Bird from the Women's Resource Service in Mullumbimby is one of the organisers of this year's Reclaim the Night rally to draw attention to the safety of women and children.

more there is to be done to secure women's and children's rights to safety on the streets and in their

homes, there will be an Australia-wide rally on Friday October 28 to 'Reclaim the Night'.

Byron Bay will host a rally and march meeting at Apex Park at 6pm, commencing with a 'Welcome to Country' from Arakwal Elder Yvonne Stewart, and will be compered by Mandy Nolan. Sharon Brodie from Richmond Sexual Assault Service will launch posters addressing drug and alcohol facilitated sexual assault.

Following this assembly, women and children will march through the streets of Byron Bay with police escorts before returning to Apex Park for a brief closing ritual.

In preparation for the rally, women are invited to the Women's Resource Service in Mullumbimby on Monday October 24 between 10am and 1pm to make banners and placards.

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New film shows how to lose diaper dependency

A fascinating new movement is gaining momentum in Byron Bay: 'no nappies'. Filmmaker Nicole Moore has captured the art of how she and other families raise their children to be nappy free in a film to be screened in Byron Bay this week.

Pregnant couples and new parents will find the topic fascinating as they come to grips with the expense of nappies and learn how to do without them.

Jannine Barron from Nature's Child, who is hosting the film in Byron Bay, says that 'this topic will raise a lot of eyebrows and get people talking about nappies more than ever. A lot of health care workers will tell you that babies are not ready to toilet train until they are two years old or more, but this film shows that toilet training, like many things about parenting, is about lifestyle and intuition more than anything else.'

'Parents using disposable nappies are spending up to \$5000 per child, which is keeping parents financially strapped to a multinational company. Parents argue that it's convenient and it's their choice, but this is another way to look at their use.'

'More than half the world's population raises their children without nappies,' says the maker of *Nappy Free!* Nicole Moore. 'Many indigenous peoples



and even our own culture way back never needed a nappy, so what did we do?'

Filmed in Bellingen, *Nappy Free!* shows Nicole and three other families talking about the success and pitfalls of a nappy free lifestyle with their babies.

'We want to show people that it is possible and is the most environmentally friendly way to parent. Also known as elimination communication in some circles, it is becoming more common in the West due to water shortages and a need for preserva-

tion of our earth's precious resources, and is a wonderful way of enhancing parents' bonds with their babies.'

Is it possible to raise your children with no nappies? Come along and find out at two public talks and film screenings this week. *Nappy Free!* can be seen at 10am on Wednesday October 19 in Lismore's Toy Library, or at Nature's Child, Arts & Industry Estate Byron Bay at 7pm on Thursday October 20.

The screening will be followed by a question and answer session with the filmmaker and mother of two nappy free babies Nicole Moore.

For more details, contact Nature's Child on 1300 555 632.

Rare whale beached at Suffolk Park

A whale washed up on Suffolk Park beach on Monday morning has been identified as a rare Pygmy Sperm Whale. The three metre long female whale was found north of Broken Head on Monday and died shortly after local residents discovered her.

Members of the National Parks and Wildlife Service's marine mammals rescue team were called in as well as Olive Andrews from Whales Alive. The whale was transported from the beach to the Arakwal National Park depot

near Cosy Corner for an autopsy to determine the cause of death. Olive Andrews said the mammal had an abnormal growth in her uterus which had caused internal bleeding and was also riddled with worms.

'We found lots of squid in her gut but also millions of worms and other parasites which is common if whales are in ill health,' said Ms Andrews. While the death of the whale was tragic, Ms Andrews said she was excited to get the opportunity to see the rare whale close up.

'Pygmy Sperm Whales are normally not found in this area because they are a deep water species usually found offshore. They are not often seen by whale watchers in coastal waters, but have been stranded in every state in Australia.'

Olive Andrews said that the five types of whale usually seen off the far north coast are Humpbacks, Minke, Brydes, Killer and Pilot Whales. The Pygmy Sperm Whale will be buried within the Arakwal National Park.

Just a note to let everyone know that our **LADIES TRAINING DAY at FarmCare** has been changed from 20th October to 17th November. Sorry for any inconvenience. We hope to see you all there!

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Saving your own skin

It's a common misconception that skin cancers are only found on parts of the body that have been exposed to the sun. The Cancer Council launched a series of clinics around the Shire last week to teach people what a skin cancer looks like and how to check their body for possible problem areas.

'People should be checked from head to toe, over every bit of their skin from scalp to the bottom of their feet including between the toes and buttocks and the nail beds,' said the Cancer Council's Diana Fisher. 'Most people don't check everything, they don't realise that skin cancer can appear in places on the body which haven't been exposed to the sun.'

'Two people over 55 years of age die every day from melanoma in Australia and 1,300 die each year. Yet 95% of cases can be cured if they are protected and treated early. That means a lot of unnecessary deaths.'

'The Cancer Council advises that people should



Diana Fisher from the Cancer Council, pictured left, at last week's clinic at the Byron Bay Services Club to teach people how to spot skin cancers.

check their skin four times a year, and that a doctor should perform a skin check at least once a year. The important thing is that people can save their own skin.'

Prevention is another area where we are not necessarily doing the right thing, says Diana.

'People are putting on sunscreen but not in sufficient quantities. It also needs to be reapplied every two hours and should be a 30+ broad spectrum product. Wear protective clothing because sunscreen does not act as a complete block out and stay out of the sun in the middle of the day,' she explained.

If you can't attend the clinic at Bangalow Bowling Club this Friday at 11am or Byron Bay Golf Club next Tuesday at 2.30pm call 131120 to see how to identify possible skin cancers.

Sponsored walk launched to help mother in need

A group of local women headed by Lucinda Allen has decided to step out on a sponsored walk to raise money for Cindy Petersons and her family.

After reading the article in *The Echo* about Cindy and her severely disabled daughter Alexandra, Lucinda was so touched that she gave a generous donation to Cindy to enable her to travel to Canberra.

'When Cindy rang to thank me, she was in tears,' said Lucinda. 'She was so lovely and so humble, I just felt really strongly that there must be something more I can do to help.'

Then one day she was out walking with her girlfriends and the subject of Cindy came up. Lucinda grabbed the opportunity to rally her friends around and suggested that they all participate in a walk from the Beach Hotel to the Hotel Brunswick to raise



money to send Cindy and her family on a 'proper holiday'.

'I'd like to raise enough so that she can really put her feet up,' said Lucinda. 'We need to have enough money to send a carer for Alexandra so Cindy can just relax.'

So far, Lucinda has

obtained the support of both hotels as well as the Lions Club and is organising raffles to hold at the Hotel Brunswick at the completion of the walk.

'I'd like to get as many women together as possible to get sponsorship and join us on the walk. It'll be at a very relaxed pace and

we'll have plenty of laughs on the way.'

The walk will take place on Sunday November 6 starting at 10am and is expected to take about three hours, so arrival at the Hotel Brunswick will coincide nicely with lunchtime.

How does Cindy feel about all this? When *The Echo* rang to talk to her, she was speechless – literally. After taking a moment to recover, she was able to say that she is 'overwhelmed by everyone's generosity and enormously grateful to Lucinda and her friends'. She intends to take part in the walk and is looking forward to meeting all the girls.

Sponsorship forms can be picked up from 'There's Always More' hairdressing salon above Wallace's Menswear, Jonson Street Byron Bay.

NCAHS investigates woman's death

The North Coast Area Health Service (NCAHS) is conducting an in-depth clinical investigation into the circumstances surrounding the death of Wilson's Creek woman Disha Tatjana Schluter using the statewide Root Cause Analysis method.

'We extend our condolences to Ms Schluter's family members and many local friends,' said Ms Denise Fletcher, Director of Clinical

Operations at the NCAHS. 'As the matter is now the subject of a coronial enquiry we are unable to make further comment at this time.'

Ms Schluter was in the early stages of pregnancy when she became ill and was airlifted to Lismore Base Hospital where she later died.

A spokesperson for the coroner's office said that Lismore Base Hospital made a full report on Ms Schluter's

death to the coroner, which is standard practice when the cause of death is not known.

The coroner then ordered an investigation into the matter which included a post mortem examination.

After examining the findings of the post mortem and toxicology results, the spokesperson advised that the coroner will either establish a cause of death or order an inquest.

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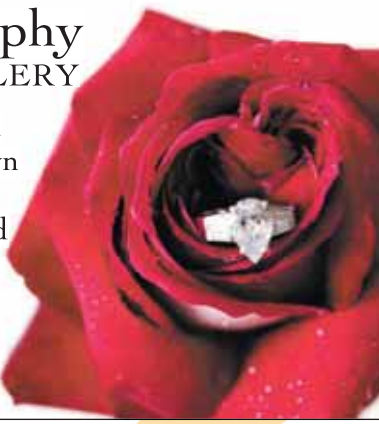
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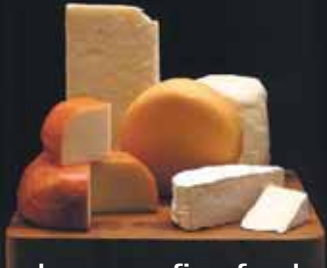
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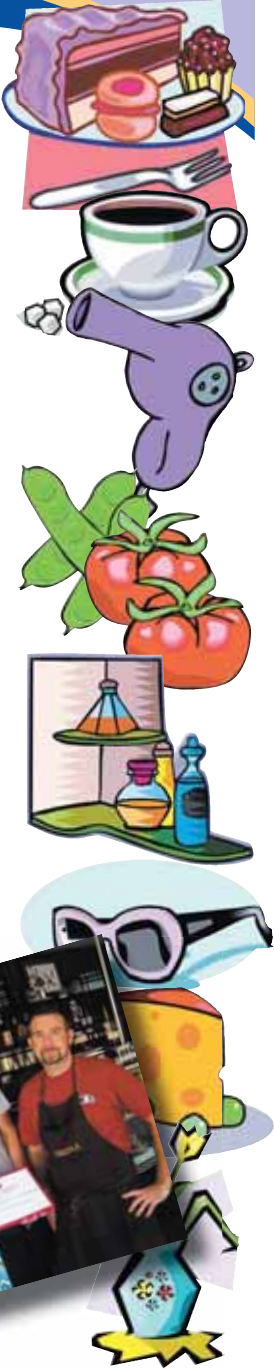
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Local News

Three dogs jump on the health trail



Giraffes and dogs dominated the presentation of a \$7,000 camper trailer to Nikki Pearson from Life Education last week.

Pictured left to right, Nikki thanks Ngaire and Ray from 3 Dog Camping and Neil Moran from See-Saw Signs for providing a new trailer for her educational visits to the area's schools with Harold the Giraffe (Harold is the one on the far right).

Giraffes do not immediately spring to mind when thinking of health, but Harold the giraffe is an exception.

Healthy Harold has been visiting school children on the far north coast for many years spreading a message about healthy food, how to deal with bullying, drugs and resilience skills.

Harold's carer is Main Arm resident Nikki Pearson from Life Education and

the pair visit over 15,000 children each year from Woodenbong to Tweed Heads.

Recently Byron Bay business 3 Dog Camping donated a camper trailer valued at \$7,000 to help Nikki with her school trips.

See-saw signs and PMD Screenprints also generously gave their time and product to provide promotional T-shirts and signwrite the new trailer.

Paterson Street Trust set up

Applications are open for people to help manage the Paterson Street Hilltop Reserve.

It took ten years of dedicated work by community members such as Veda Turner and Peter Hamilton to protect this significant site from development.

Minister for Lands Tony Kelly announced last week that community members are invited to apply for positions on the Trust Board which will be responsible for the care, control and management of the reserve.

'Paterson Street Hilltop Reserve overlooks Byron Bay and has significant environmental values. Vegetation found on the reserve,

particularly the dwarf graminoid clay heath, is an endangered ecological community,' said Mr Kelly.

'We're searching for people with a variety of skills and backgrounds who are able to meet the natural resource management challenges facing the Trust.

'Prospective trustees should have time, energy and most of all motivation to work with the Paterson Street Hilltop Reserve Trust in its role as steward of this important site,' the minister said.

An information package outlining the responsibilities of trust members is available from the Department of Lands by calling 6640 2061.

Funds available for training

Finding the money to finance further training is not always easy. The Mullumbimby Services Club has been helping young people further their dreams, whether they be of sporting glory or musical excellence, for many years through the Memorial Band Fund.

Annual grants are made to people under 19 years of age for educational, cultural, social or sporting needs. Applicants must have lived in the district for at least three years and can be nominated by parents, groups or self nominated. Application forms are available from the Mullumbimby Ex-Services Club and must be submitted before November 18.

Local writers get on the cultural map

Award-winning local writers, Sarah Armstrong and Marele Day will help to launch a new project mapping the literary industry of the Northern Rivers on October 20.

The project, an initiative of Southern Cross University's School of Arts and the Northern Rivers Writers' Centre, is the first online database of writers, writers' groups, literary industry services and educational resources in the region.

It will provide local writers, students, academics, educators, industry professionals and community groups with access to individuals and organisations in the industry. For industry professionals, it will provide valuable networking and work opportunities as well as website exposure.

The information is available through an online, web-based directory and database. The geographic area covered by the Map spreads from Taree in the south, Kyogle in the west, and north to the Tweed.

The project is a new development to come from Southern Cross University's broader mapping project, the Rainbow Region Cultural Map, which has been charting the diverse range of cul-

tural activity in the region for the last couple of years. Maps for the media, music and cultural industries can already be found online and are continually updated.

Dr Wanda Coates, School of Arts Research Coordinator, said 'the intense interest that has been shown in the development of a Writers Map is evidence of the need for this sort of information to be centralised so that local writers can easily locate resources, and so they can network with each other.'

The Northern Rivers Writers Centre is an important resource for the proliferation of writers and associated professionals in the region and Centre Director, Jill Eddington, said that the map would assist that community greatly. 'There is definitely a

need for a coherent database of events, individuals, organisations and resources. This initiative will enhance the service provided to the writing community by the Writers' Centre by creating an on demand resource that people can access from home', she said.

The Writing Map will be launched by Southern Cross University Arts Executive Dean, Professor Paul Thom, and writers Sarah Armstrong and Marele Day at Byron Bay Community Centre on Thursday, September 20. The launch will start at 5pm and attendees will have the opportunity to view the emerging map and add their details. The map can be viewed on line at www.rainbowregion.scu.edu.au/WritingMap.

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Yessir, Mr Murdoch, sir

The government is considering if it should (read has probably decided to) abandon cross-media ownership restrictions. When it first flew this shabby kite the obvious danger of reduced diversity was offset by the promise of more broadcasting licences. This part of the deal now looks like being quietly dropped – an unnecessary concession to a couple of unpleasant dynasties.

If we want to see what will happen when media power is even more concentrated, we only have to look at how it operates now and then extrapolate a little.

Under the current, very largely duopolistic system, the issues we have been seeing in the national media recently are the sale of Telstra, the selfrighteous condemnation of a politician's diaries and changes to the method of voting. Now, the sale of Telstra is a rort for the rich, Latham deserves a hearing, and non-compulsory voting is a Liberal wet dream, but none of these things affects the ordinary Australian very deeply.

On the other hand there are issues receiving much less attention which will cause long-term and fundamental changes to our society.

Until the advertising overkill by the government to promote its ideas began this month, changes to industrial relations laws had received very little analysis. The wholesale abandonment of civil rights in the pursuit of yet-to-be-seen terrorists is reported mostly without question. When concerns are raised, the right-wing attack dogs howl that opposition only comes from elitist lefties and murderous Muslims. And then this very question of media ownership and diversity of opinion is studiously avoided by two thirds of the country's press, radio and television. When it is mentioned by PBL or News Ltd the doublespeak is deafening.

We can be sure that even more urgent questions like global warming will be ignored or distorted if Murdoch acquires more media power to push his support of the Texan oil plutocracy.

It may sound cynical but there are only three people in Australia interested in changing the cross-media laws. These people are Packer, Murdoch and Howard, and their motives are, respectively, money, power and the protection of power.

All three can mobilise numerous troops in the media and parliament to support their position, but giving more wealth and power to already wealthy and powerful people doesn't really resonate with the rest of us.

People should enjoy the limited range of independent opinion that still exists while they can. We may soon be down to SBS and the internet.

■ See also *Lament for the lost rural newspapers*, page 18

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Jackboot subtle, jackboot crude

You have, unless blind, deaf and eremitic, by now been exposed to the government's preposterous advertising blitz on industrial relations, a fairy tale depicting a fantasy land in which all the bosses are philanthropists and all the workers are as happy (and as unquestioning) as pigs in mud.

You are unlikely to have actually read much of the four page spreads that have been paying the bills of every newspaper proprietor in the country, but then, you are not meant to; they are there not to inform, but to reassure you that the government has everything totally under control and there is absolutely no cause for alarm, don't you worry about that.

If you are one of the very few to have rung what is euphemistically called 'the industrial relations hot line,' you will have been answered by an otherwise unemployable teenager who has absolutely no idea what it's all about; this is hardly surprising because the legislation has not yet been finalised, let alone released to the public.

However, enough has been leaked to make it clear that the government advertisements are the most blatantly deceitful ever produced, and that's saying something. They are propaganda pure and simple, and propaganda on a grand scale: the constant reiteration of the big lie in a style of which Josef Goebbels would have been proud. John Howard certainly is.

But for all their mendacity they are at least an acknowledgment that some lip-service must be paid to the democratic process: the public is involved, and the government has a duty to respond,

even if the response is a travesty. Even under Howard's new totalitarianism, there is a pretence of concern for the process.

Compare and contrast, as another prime minister might have put it, the approach to the anti-terrorism legislation, where all pretence is abandoned: here we have the jackboot, pure and simple.

There is to be no consultation and no debate, no public analysis of the new laws – not even in the parliament, whose constitutional function is to act as a check on the excesses

of the executive government. When it is finalised – and, like the IR bills, it has not been yet – the senate will be given less than a week to scrutinise the entire package, one of the most complex, sensitive and important to come before parliament in many years.

The rest of us, of course, will get diddly-squat. If the government deigns to run a campaign to explain the new regime, it will not be until it is firmly nailed down by act of parliament. There is to be no public debate on this one.

When one of the few political sceptics, the ACT Chief Minister John Stanhope, took it upon himself to publish the draft proposals on his website, Howard and his waxwork Attorney-General Philip Ruddock were outraged: this, the stuff the premiers and chief ministers had agreed to,

was utterly confidential, terribly private. It was certainly not to be seen by the ignorant and susceptible electorate until Howard and his apparatchiks were good and ready, and Stanhope was to take it down immediately.

To his great credit, Stanhope refused, but even if he had been cowed into submission, it was by then too late; copies were circulating across the country, and they make chilling reading. What we had already been told about arrest without charge and jail without trial had been draconian

The government has everything totally under control and there is absolutely no cause for alarm, don't you worry about that.

by Mungo MacCallum



And Howard does not want us to know what is being planned. He has, however, been only too happy to keep his loyal opposition in the picture. And Kim Beazley, Kevin Rudd and the other apparatchiks running what used to be known as the Australian Labor Party are not only with him all the way, but would like to go further. Last week Beazley made the truly bizarre suggestion that bright university graduates should be encouraged to join ASIO with the promise that successful applicants would have their HECS repayments cancelled – this, rather than medicine, science, and other areas of skill shortages was where the real emergency lay.

Howard has so far failed to take up this brainwave, but he has announced plans to recruit another 200 spooks in the next five years, thereby doubling out domestic secret police force. This, of course, is to combat the threat of 'home-grown' terrorism. Or, perhaps, to sniff out and vapourise any signs of home-grown dissent? Expect a big boost to the campaign inviting you to dob in anyone you think may be acting suspiciously, or indeed just thinking suspiciously. Or maybe just someone you find irritating. The enforcers will be grateful for the practice.

But then, you may be too busy just hanging on to an underpaid, overstressed job to have time to worry about national security issues. Good. That's just the way it's meant to be in John Howard's brave new world.

■ At press time the draft terror legislation could still be seen at www.chiefminister.act.gov.au/docs/B05PG201_v281.pdf – Ed.]



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A new tirade

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However, you, Mistress Killjoy, have blatantly attempted to wrest from me what I once thought my one exclusive skill, for only I possess the intense state of spiritual enlightenment necessary to receive that great and pure state of being, 'miserable bastard'.

Therefore, to establish who is the one true owner of the super-perception 'everything's shite', I hereby challenge you to a Slack-Off™ – first one to actually achieve anything, before civilisation collapses, loses. Loser is to give the winner their collection of underground comic books and 'Daria' merchandise.

(If you were actually paid money for your articles, you've already lost! Ha!)

ALM™ aka David Brauchli
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Not the answer

Group 2479 ('your backyard, not mine') wants the RTA to move the Tintenbar to Ewingsdale highway out of its original corridor and study area down onto the 'less valuable canefields' to the east of the escarpment. It talks about the eastern part of the study area as if it is an empty wasteland. But this so-called 'marginal' area where the Group wants to move the highway actually includes:

- The residential communities around Scanlan's Lane, Ross Lane, Martin's Lane (east), Old Byron Bay Road, Broken Head/Midgen Flat Road, Picadilly Hill Road

Trust us... we don't like the new IR laws

■ Re IR workplace agreements, enterprise bargaining, etc. Two can play at that game.

Politicians are employees of the taxpayers therefore might I suggest that prior to an election, public meetings be held in order to compile a workplace agreement which is then presented to each candidate on the acceptance of their nomination.

The WA should outline duties and policies the electorate expects of the candidates if they are elected and should be signed by each candidate. If any of the candidates refuse to sign the WA then it will be obvious that they are not prepared to abide by the wishes of their constituency. They must be prepared to give their first loyalty to their constituents and not to their political party and be prepared to cross the floor if their electorate deems it necessary. (No more holidays or overseas trips without consultation with the electorate.)

It should also be pointed out to each candidate that their performance will be assessed say, at six monthly

intervals. If performance is considered substandard then the MP will be recalled and replaced by the candidate who came in second at the election. What guarantee will they have that they won't be dismissed unfairly? To paraphrase John Howard... 'Trust us.'

I think this should apply at all levels of government, local, state and federal, after all this is a democracy, politicians work for the good and welfare for the public, not vice versa.

Peggy Balfour
Mullumbimby

■ Mungo's rare concession and Johnny's loud crowing that real wages have risen 14.9% under Howard needs clarification. While average wages have risen by this much the figure is dragged up by the top 10% of earners who have enjoyed rises closer to 30%, including the top 50 CEOs with increases of 194% (excluding share options) since 1999. The median wage (ie. what the bloke/bloket bang in the middle gets) is probably a better indicator.

This figure has risen only 2.6% under Howard. Those in the bottom 20% only 1.2% (SMH, August 29, 2005). Take into account factors such as increased HECS and the GST and most workers in the bottom half would have gone backwards under Howard's booming economy.

Mike Duffin
Mullumbimby

■ John Howard's attack on workers rights is yet another demonstration that he is out of touch and hell-bent on exploiting his control of the Senate.

On one side of the fence you have the Howard Government and big business spending \$100million of taxpayers money to convince us that our economy desperately needs extreme industrial relation reform.

On the other side is every one else – Labor, minor parties, churches, community groups, welfare organisations, the unions, and even economists – who are all concerned that these changes are unfair, unnecessary, will push down wages and

threaten our Australian way of life.

John Howard calls his changes Workchoice. But there is no choice.

In Howard's world, Australians will only get penalty rates and conditions if their boss says so. They will no longer be protected by unfair dismissal laws or minimum wages set by an independent umpire.

When bargaining with a potential employer over conditions, honestly where is the choice for a teenager in an area of high youth unemployment? Where is the choice for a retrenched 50 year old desperate to get back in the workforce? Howard has become so out of touch. He thinks this is a level playing field.

When asked to guarantee us that no worker will be worse off under his changes John Howard says that we should just trust his record. His record is that his government has opposed every minimum wage increase since 1996.

If the Howard Government had its way, Australian workers would now be

\$50 per week worse off.

I believe in a fair and balanced industrial relations system that supports a healthy economy and protects workplace rights such as:

- a safety net of minimum wages and conditions,
- an independent umpire to ensure fair wages and fair dismissals, and
- the right of employees to bargain collectively for decent wages and conditions.

I believe that we need to compete with low wage economies like China and India, not by slashing Australian wages, but by addressing our skills shortage crisis and supporting Australian workers to get qualifications.

There is only one way to give Australians real choice – take Labor's high skills road, not John Howard's low wage road.

It is now more important than ever for us to work together and send clear message to Canberra that we will fight for the issues that are important to us.

Justine Elliot, MP
Member for Richmond

and Cooper's Shoot Road. (In fact, there are more settlement areas in the eastern study area than there are in the original area).

- Important remnant and regenerated vegetation areas, wildlife corridors and the ecologically sensitive areas around the Ballina Nature Reserve, Newrybar wetlands, and Byron and Tinderbox Creeks

- Fertile, productive agricultural land (most of the eastern study area farmland is classed as 'regionally significant')

- A large number of tourist and recreational facilities.

And a road through the east will affect Lennox Head, Broken Head and Suffolk Park (all potentially no more than two km from the freeway).

The highway is a terrible burden for those who, like Group 2479, live near it. And the upgrade is barely going to improve things. But to offload this on to the people and communities to the east is not an answer.

Craig Simpson
Knockrow

Climate change

Last night I attended Professor Tim Flannery's talk on the future impact of climate change. Human development has coincided with one of the relatively infrequent episodes of prolonged climate stability, of a little over 10,000 years since the end of the last glaciation. But that has now come to an end. Levels of CO2 are now some

30% higher than at any time over the past 750,000 years, increasing inexorably, by nearly 1% a year, and the trend is accelerating, with levels of the super greenhouse gas, methane, having more than doubled.

It is also beyond doubt that these increases are due to human activity, particularly the burning of fossil fuels, human-sourced emissions dwarfing anything produced by nature. Professor Flannery showed that the situation could be turned around if we all immediately tried to reduce our personal emissions by switching to alternate energy sources and reducing the use of our cars and domestic electricity.

Unfortunately, because of the massive demand for power, the fossil fuel industry is booming, with the Australian coal industry being particularly successful in creating massive fossil fuel emissions in China. Meanwhile the 'Loony Right' as Professor Flannery described them, under Bush's influence, has now dominated the climate change subject on the internet and any scientist even studying the problem comes under massive attack.

The results [of warming] already include the collapse of the hydroelectric industry in Tasmania, with dams now down to 20% capacity. The immediate future will include a continuation of near permanent drought in eastern and southern Australia with the collapse of the farming community and no water in

any of our dams. Food prices will soar. The death of all coral reefs with the extinction of 25% of the world's biodiversity and the collapse of the fishing industry will quickly follow.

This will be followed by sealevel increases with more super storms and Siberian conditions across most of Europe. Within 40 years the threshold will have been reached with massive temperature increases, the oceans turning acidic and the planet pretty close to death. We and our children have been turned into zombies, the

walking dead, and Little Johnny will have been particularly responsible for failing to sign the Kyoto Accord. Is there another issue facing us that is more important? I think not.

As to R L Mort's question whether his granny catching crabs had anything to do with global warming, hotter and more humid conditions will enhance the micro environments for human parasites but I would think that it is more a matter of personal hygiene.

Gary Opit
Mullumbimby


That your song, sir?

Why the outrage over sniffer dogs? For me, it's because it's a random check of people in a public place, to see if they are committing a particular crime.

Likely they are not, yet they are subjected to a public search of their person. Even if they are committing the crime, the harm caused is mainly to themselves, not to others.

Would the public tolerate random public searches of their ipods to see if they could verify they owned the

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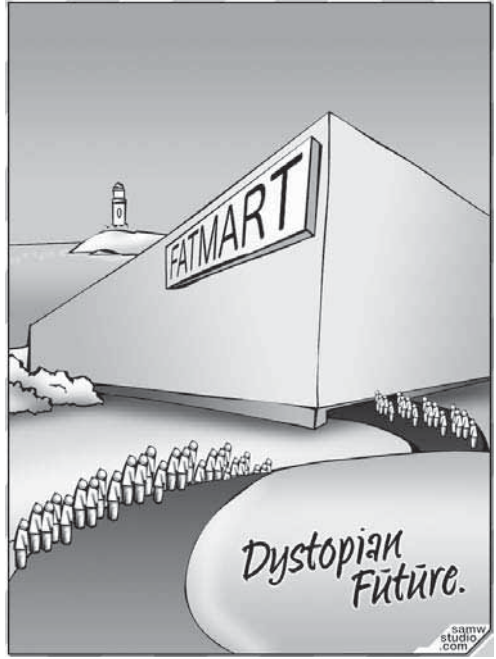


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I guess it's because drugs are 'evil and unAustralian'

1. When I, as chairman of the Richmond Federal Electoral Council (Nationals) became aware that there was a candidate under the banner of Liberals for Forests running the party, I attempted to

4. The paid backpackers all wore Liberals for Forests t-shirts and were handing out Liberal for Forests how-to-vote cards that were identical

8. In the end Liberals for

A hurricane hits the richest country in the world, killing a few hundred people, and John Howard immediately

former leaders of
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Letters

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our community have damaged their credibility and destroyed the goodwill which our community has bestowed on them.

Perhaps the most ridiculous argument put forward is that Byron has historically allowed residences to be used as holiday rentals. This, we are told, goes back to the 1920s and beyond, pre-dating the planning laws that most of us abide by.

The extension of this 'logic' will see us also going back to the past and promoting the re-introduction of whaling, sand mining, the use of radioactive sandmining tailings as fill beneath the residences of our town, the resurrection of the rifle range in the heart of the Arakwal National Park and a whole host of former land uses which fortunately are no longer permitted due to the evolution of our planning laws. These laws are focused on the amenity and welfare of the whole community. The common good, if you like.

Why would seemingly community orientated individuals take such a stance? Apart from self-interest there is an attempt to obfuscate the fact that these people have made a monumental oversight in the determination of their investments.

When any individual or

corporate body is contemplating an investment the initial process is to carry out a study referred to as 'due diligence'. It is common for lawyers to be involved in this process. The first question asked determines whether the proposed commercial activity is legal or not, further down the track in this process there is also an attempt to ascertain whether or not the proposed activity meets community expectations or is in conflict with the same.

Our local residentially-based entrepreneurs failed to carry out due diligence, they have stuffed up and now they expect the community to bear the brunt of their ill-considered commercial activities.

It is clear in the planning laws of this state and those of our local Council that precincts have been set aside for tourist accommodation.

Why did our residentially based tourist accommodation entrepreneurs overlook these locations? Their choice has nothing to do with the sewerage moratorium and everything to do with gaining an unfair commercial advantage.

Why go to the expense of purchasing a commercial site where the costs of compliance to get a Development Approval run into the tens of thousands of dollars, as like-



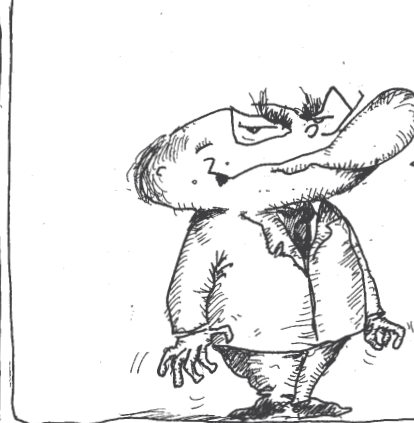
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wise do the section 94 contributions which assist the Council to provide the necessary infrastructures, why pay the higher commercial land rates, when you can simply buy a residence and tart it up for the holiday tourist market?

It is of no consequence to these illicit investors that their activities impact negatively on surrounding neighbours and I am not simply referring to the party animals. The continuance of this practice creates an un-level playing field for investors in this town.

It would seem that Council is considering a back down on this issue. If they do, following the national publicity that the town has received in regard to this matter, it is inevitable that many other similar investors will boost the numbers well above the current 600 as disgruntled residents take advantage of the high prices that will be on offer.

In the interests of transparency it behoves me to reveal that, yes, I'm an investor in a tourist accommodation development in the Byron CBD but I also own another

building in the town's residential area which is ideally suited to illegal tourist accommodation but my due diligence and my unwillingness to foist an illegal activity on my neighbours prevents me from doing so.

Ian Clements
Byron Bay

■ See also the article on page 23

Big roads agenda

The NRMA's <fixour-bloody roads.com> advert in last week's *Echo* [and again on page 15 this week — Ed] carries the same sales

pitch as that of urban sewerage, and other large public infrastructure.

The NRMA says that pouring money into the Pacific Highway *could* decrease deaths, injuries and crashes (they are careful not to claim that it *will* decrease them).

They conveniently ignore the reality of all infrastructure upgrades: hidden behind the 'fix' is an expansion, to cater for future usage.

Fixing the Highway NRMA-style involves making it bigger, in this case

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Have pity on our local turkeys

■ I see John Downs's point (October 11), and I congratulate him on taking up the responsibility of 'wildlife carer'.

However, I feel bound to point out that brush-turkeys are not 'verminous' in the true sense (ie. a disease-carrying plague animal), even if they do seem to have descended in unfortunate multitudes on to John's garden.

In this case, the difference between 'wildlife' and 'vermin' is a judgement.

In fact, brush-turkeys are protected in NSW, and while they are currently fairly common in our region their numbers are threatened by habitat destruction.

The reality we are faced with here is that they are not in our space. We're in theirs.

The brush-turkey's habitat extends to the northern suburbs of Sydney... much like some of the Shire's residents.

When one lives in a rural area with the good fortune to be surrounded by some of Australia's remaining sclerophyll and subtropical rainfor-

est, it seems curmudgeonly to complain about the wrong species of native fowl cluttering up one's landscaping.

How lucky John is, to be able to witness the birth of such unique Australian birds, and in his own backyard, too!

Did you know that the male turkeys perfectly regulate the temperature of the eggs by adding to and subtracting from that nest mound, and that the chicks can fly just a few hours after hatching?

Plus, John will be able to predict rain before I will, due to his brush-turkey's ability to sense changes in barometric pressure and build a conical shelter to protect the eggs from a downpour.

Should this entertainment not be to his satisfaction, John could always invest in a goanna to eat the turkeys.

Notwithstanding the fact that this is really a National Parks and Wildlife Service issue, lobbying the Council to relocate the birds hints at an unusual standpoint: one in which the Shire's residents expect the local environment

to be moulded to their preference. I hope this attitude will not prevail.

I respectfully suggest to the complainant that maybe it is not Byron Council who needs to reassess their priorities. Perhaps it is the writer of the letter, and not the scrub turkey, who should relocate?

If this can't be done, I'll take his turkeys.

Felicity Blake
Federal

■ You are absolutely right, John Downs, those damn brush-turkeys should go, and while we are at it let's deal with those bloody rosellas — they are in such plague proportions I can't hear myself chatting up the checkout chicks at Woolies.

Then there are all those scantily clad young people and that incessant thumping beat, on and on, night and day, it's time we installed sound barriers on our beaches.

In fact it's time we had a general cleanup, those bloody children can go, and their clucky parents, and those damn teenagers having fun,

and all those older folk getting excited over their baby boomer grey power and debating councillors and noisy congregations on Sunday and that outdoor Christian band thing over the road from Woolies and hoons in their cars, and dogs and magpies and public huggers and that bloody Mandy Nolan character going on and on and on, and all those new franchises selling Chinese sweat shop goods while blasting us with old techno (at least the local doofers are up to date and share their noise by moving around).

Get rid of them all, ship them all out of town, poison them with Giardia, make them listen to parliament, force them to sit all day in our coffee shops.

Peter Keil
Byron Bay

PS. I got totally out of hand there. Mandy is a good friend and I'm just jealous of her success, sorry.

PPS. John, I note that a \$1.5 million Skinners Shoot property uses brus-turkeys as a selling point, perhaps they would like some more?



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Articles

Exploring the *What the Bleep?!* phenomenon



Very few films have created such a stir in Byron Shire as that experienced by *What the Bleep?!* Everyone was talking about it and trying to understand what it meant.

What the Bleep?! type phenomena – ESP, out of body experiences, near death experiences, the sixth sense, extraordinary experiences – are the subject of a new research project by Rosebank's Monica Goretzki (pictured above).

Monica is hoping to find out how common these experiences are as part of her work for her PhD in psychology. A Lismore-based youth counsellor mainly using art as a form of therapy, Monica also works with the Northern Rivers Area Mental Health Service as an intern psychologist.

'Throughout history many people have experienced these kinds of phenomena and entire societies have incorporated such things as trance (Kalahari bushmen) and altered states of consciousness (Shamans) into their culture.

'Even here in the Northern Rivers I have spoken to many people who have experienced something that is seen to be beyond our everyday concept of normal reality. Many people accept these experiences and integrate them into their lives,' explains Monica, who is hoping to find research participants among the Byron Shire community.

'I'm talking about things like experiencing visions and/or vivid dreams, which seemed real even after you wake up; somehow knowing about an event before it actually occurred; having contact with someone who is deceased; experiencing a deep connection or synchronicity between a string of events; finding yourself outside of your physical body; experiencing strong instructive intuition or perhaps experiencing a state of profound peace and beauty.

'For some people these kinds of experiences challenge their belief system and they may start a search for greater understanding, however other people experiencing these phenomena may become overwhelmed and thrown into a state of crisis. Cutting edge scientific explo-

ration into the mind is coming up with various ideas such as we are experiencing some kind of psycho-spiritual awakening, some kind of evolution of our consciousness, while others believe that our society is going mad. With approximately 20% of our population experiencing such things I hope were not going mad.

'As we have no thorough understanding of this area many individuals who are

thrown into crisis from these experiences have often been put in the same category as those with mental illness and perhaps miss out on an opportunity for personal growth.

'By undertaking research in this area, I hope to increase the level of awareness that these "extraordinary" experiences are occurring in our society. Ultimately, in the future I hope once we understand these experiences as valid and not as mental illness, more appropriate and

compassionate options for care and support will be generated,' says Monica.

Monica believes this is the first research of its kind in Australia and says the project has taken a number of years to get up and running, so she's hoping to be able to make a valuable contribution in this field by having as large as sample as possible.

If anyone wants to take part in Monica's research she can be contacted on 6688 2456 or by email at monica.goretzki@adelaide.edu.au.

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mainly for increased truck numbers. And dual lanes used to be so you could overtake the trucks. Now they use them to overtake us.

The first question the NRMA should pose is why vehicles of about 75 tonnes and 25 metres long (more when the B-triples arrive) share the same road as cars weighing about one tonne and four metres long?

The next question is why do car users (the bulk of members of the NRMA and the bulk of tax-payers) pay

for a highway solid enough to carry those monsters.

And why doesn't the heavy transport industry fund its own road, if that's the best way to get the corn flakes to Sydney?

Duncan Dey
Mullumbimby

■ Letters also received from C Hogan, Ocean Shores, T Broker, Byron Bay, C Moore, New Brighton, J Vaughan, Belongil, J Berlin, Maclean, J Eccleston, University of Qld, S Briskey, Burrum Heads, M Walker, Byron Bay, T Costello, World Vision, M Logan, Newrybar, D Vantari, Montecolum, B Milner, Ocean Shores.



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Articles

CHESS by Ian Rogers

Rustam Kasimdzhanov (left) playing Veselin Topalov in the game from the San Luis world championship given below. In the background Veselin Topalov, who went on to win the tournament, plays England's Michael Adams. Photo Cathy Rogers

The World Championship has been held in many exotic places but few have been more unlikely and isolated than the venue for the 2005 FIDE world title contest which concluded on Friday in victory for Bulgarian grandmaster Veselin Topalov.

Topalov's triumph, set up by a stunning first half performance, after which he coasted to first place with seven consecutive draws, took place in Potrero de los Funes, a tiny village adjacent to a picturesque lake in the Argentinean province of San Luis, 800 kms from Buenos Aires.

Potrero de los Funes at first seems to consist of little more than a main street, a few shops and a convent. However, sharing the lake borders with the fishermen, horses and wildflowers is a recent addition to the town's attractions – the Chess Box, an ugly cubical adjunct to the four star Hotel Potrero de los Funes.

The Chess Box was built at great expense specifically to hold the 2005 World Championship and is close to an ideal venue for a chess tournament. The inside of the Chess Box belies its Spartan exterior: a plush central theatre with seating for more than 800, ringed by small rooms which host post game analyses, press conferences and a local television program about the tournament.

In the first week of the tournament, the theatre was almost empty – it seemed that few locals could afford the five pesos (\$2) entry fee and the chess aficionados in Buenos Aires were happy enough to watch the games on the internet.

However, as news of the tournament spread through the South American media the crowds grew, with the second Saturday round, featuring the match-up of

the top seeds Viswanathan Anand and Topalov, attracting 300 visitors. The next day 500 turned up to see Alexander Morozevich, on a three game winning streak, try to stop Topalov. The fans were keen too – one girl from Chile waiting five hours in the lobby of the Hotel Potrero until Anand appeared and posed for a photograph with her.

San Luis 2005

White: V Anand

Black: R Kasimdzhanov

Opening: Sicilian Defence

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.f3 e5 7.Nb3 Be6 8.Be3 Nbd7 9.Qd2 b5 10.0-0 Nb6 11.Qf2 Nc4 12.Bxc4 bxc4 13.Na5!? (See diagram) Rc8?! 13...Qxa5? loses to 14.Bb6 Qb4 15.a3 but 13...Nd7 was stronger. 14.Bb6 Qd7 15.g3! Preparing to exploit the tangle in Black's position through f4-f5. 15...g6 16.Rd2 Bh6 17.f4 Ng4 18.Qf3 Rb8 19.h3! Anand's original intention 19.Bc5 fails to 19...exf4! 20.Bxd6 fxd3! 21.Bf4 Ne5! 22.Qxg3 Bxf4 23.Qxf4 Qc7! 19...Nf6? Had Kasimdzhanov realised that the White bishop could retreat to c5 he would have found 19...Nh2! 20.Qe3 Nf3! when the brave knight survives, eg. 21.Rf2 exf4 22.gxf4 Ne5! 20.Bc5! exf4 21.gxf4 Rc8 22.Bxd6 Qd8 23.Bb4 Qb6 24.a3 Nh5 A futile attempt at counterplay but 24...Bf8 allows 25.f5! 25.Kb1! Bxf4 26.Nd5! Bxd5 27.Rxd5 Bb8 28.Rhd1 c3 29.Rd7 1-0

San Luis 2005 FIDE World Championship final scores: 1. Veselin Topalov (Bul) 10/14; 2-3. Peter Svidler (Rus), Vishy Anand (Ind) 8.5; 4. Alexei Morozevich (Rus) 7; 5. Peter Leko (Hun) 6.5; 6-7. Rustam Kasimdzhanov (Uzbek), Michael Adams (Eng) 5.5; 8. Judit Polgar (Hun) 4.5.



Black to move. Can he safely take the knight with his Queen?

The answer is in our hands

You say in The Weather Makers that we should focus our efforts on decarbonising, or reducing CO₂ emissions from the power grid ahead of tackling a green fuel for cars? What form of alternative energy is likely to provide the answer to the Australian power grid?

The Papua New Guinea gas pipeline is going to be hugely important. That will compete directly with east coast coal in three to four years time, supplying gas to run power stations.

Geothermal energy or hot rocks is the other huge one. This is based out at Innamincka [in the north west of New South Wales] where there is likely to be a demonstration project by next year. There is enough potential power out there to power Australia for 75 years and it will be at the same price as brown coal. It will be a decade before it is introduced in a big way and a decade is a long time which is why all the other things to reduce demand, like solar hot water and energy efficient appliances, are so important.

Wind power is also showing promise with southern Australia having the world's best two or three wind provinces [locations for wind farms]. In South Australia, wind power is already contributing eight percent of power to the grid and it should be 24% in the next couple of years. Things are happening world wide in this sector but Australia is the laggard in all this and the east coast of Australia is the worst in the country because it has abundant coal. Over 90% of Australia's current power is from polluting sources, such as coal, and it is increasing.

Which country do you think is leading the way in adopting alternative energies?

There are a few but Great Britain is a good example. Over the past couple of decades the UK has grown its economy by 40% while reducing its CO₂ emissions by 20%. They have achieved this by moving into gas and wind power and made energy efficiency gains through bet-



Dr Tim Flannery spoke to a packed house at the Byron Bay High School last Tuesday night about climate change. **Lesley Patterson** interviewed the author, scientist and conservationist who says that the solutions to the impending global crisis are 'easy' and could be achieved tomorrow if we have the will.

ter standards. They tackled it like any government should, saying this is serious. The situation in Britain is not like the US, because they listen to their scientists.

Australia's federal government has set a mandatory target for the amount of renewable energy that power producers must generate, referred to as the MRET. It is currently set at 2%, is this adequate to reduce greenhouse gas emissions?

No, the federal government's own expert committee said the target should be expanded to 5%, which would be fantastic. The MRET means that all energy providers must provide 5% of their energy from renewable sources. It is easy to achieve and it's not

going to cost the earth. The advice was ignored by the Howard government because coal wants to kill off its opponents. They didn't want the competition [from other energy sources]. The government does what big coal wants it to do. You just have to read the government's energy white paper, it could have been written by the coal producers.

What is the solution likely to be in the transport sector, particularly for cars?

Difficult to say at the moment but a few things are clear. One is that the new hybrid fuel technologies, like the Prius and the Honda Civic, are truly revolutionary and cut 50% of emissions from a car. They are the best option

we are likely to have for several decades.

There are advances being made with electric and compressed air cars, but they won't help us in terms of climate change until we've decarbonised the grid. We've got to get the electricity from somewhere and if it's still powered by coal it's as bad as using petrol.

Hydrogen has received quite a bit of publicity as an alternative fuel to petrol. Is this a viable alternative?

You know who is behind the hydrogen industry? It's big coal. Big coal have developed ways of treating coal with chemicals to produce hydrogen. They are the ones pushing hydrogen quite hard, but when you look at hydrogen as a transport fuel it is actually bloody dismal. It is extremely dangerous stuff, it burns with an invisible flame, is volatile and can be ignited by a thunderstorm or static electricity. You wouldn't be able to go into a road tunnel or store a hydrogen car in a garage because the stuff leaks.

You have said that the delay of a decade in reducing CO₂ emissions is too much and that the only responsible option for concerned individuals is to reduce their own emissions as far and as quickly as possible. How can this be done?

If you've got an electric hot water system, change it for a solar hot water system because that can halve your emissions and save you a very large amount of money. Green power options [using renewable energy provided by power companies] are another important thing. Next time you get a power bill ring your energy provider and ask if they have a green power option. If you are not satisfied with that option, then ring another energy provider. You can change your energy provider with a single phone call and with the right option reduce your carbon emissions to zero. Taking up these options sends a very strong signal to the market place and these are the two most powerful things you can do as an individual.

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Articles

I got so outraged at the whole situation that I decided to run my place I have on the Hawkesbury entirely on photo voltaics. If you are really enthusiastic then I'd suggest getting a photovoltaic system.

There are some people who need big cars, such as primary producers and people who have a boat to tow, but you would hope the rest of us would drive a car that meets the average transport needs. Keep the big car for using just once a month and get a smaller one to use the rest of the time. You can make a huge reduction, up to 70%, in your transport emissions just by buying a small car. Just think about what you do every day of the week and not what you need a car for once or twice a year. Scientists have given us 35 years to reduce our carbon emissions by 70%, by switching from a 4WD to a hybrid fuel car you will be achieving that reduction target personally in one day.

There are other little things that we can do. Every time you buy an electric appliance think about whether you need an electric model and whether a hand model will do. Do you really need an electric toothbrush or a power tool? Also look at the power rating for appliances, ask the person behind the counter which ones are more energy efficient. Asking questions is a very powerful thing to do because it gets back to the manufacturers. The other action to take is to turn off lights, don't leave appliances on standby. Encourage kids to turn off lights by showing them the power bill and offer to give them part of the energy savings as pocket money.

If individuals take all the action to reduce emissions isn't this letting the energy corporations and government off the hook by taking the hard decision out of their hands?

I'm not interested in pushing blame, it's too urgent a situation now for that. I just want to avert the crisis and save the planet.

What is the current position of the major parties on reducing greenhouse gases?

The only significant difference between them is that Labor will ratify the Kyoto Protocol, which is a huge thing, and it will also increase the MRET to 5%. Labor is a hell of a lot better at the moment than Liberal, but the Greens are probably better still.

I just can't believe the way that when polling day comes tiny issues like tax cuts come to dominate debate. We can't afford that when we are facing a climate in crisis. Politicians are susceptible to pub-

lic opinion, so take the time to call or email your local member and say you are worried about climate change.

You have described the CEOs of large energy corporations as the people in the hot seat today. What do you mean by that?

They are the ones who will make most of the important

liant green options but they can't get a hearing from the federal government.

Some of Australia's largest energy companies are still pushing the coal barrow but you also have to look at the message of think tanks such as the Institute of Public Affairs. Almost all of the anti greenhouse stuff that you read in the newspapers comes from the Institute of

We have already seen a temperature increase on the planet of 0.63 degrees and the resultant change that has produced on climate. If we continue with the current rates of carbon emissions we could see the planet warm by two degrees. As the ocean temperatures warm we will start to see hurricanes on the east coast of Australia. Imagine what the damage would be to a place like Byron Bay of a category five hurricane. This will happen if we keep driving big cars and burning more coal.

decisions to determine the future of our planet, they and the politicians. They are a very diverse lot, some of them are outstanding people who understand the problem and take the responsibility which comes with their position. BP is a great example. BP Chairman Lord Brown has changed BP into an energy company from an oil company, they are now the largest producer of solar cells. The other great one is Origin Energy. They refused to buy into coal and have opened up a significant new photo voltaic plant producing very innovative technology. They are the leading light in Australia and produce some bril-

Public Affairs or the Lavoisier Group.

Media coverage to your book has been pretty extensive over the past few weeks, but there has been scepticism from some corners?

This has mostly come from the IPA [Institute of Public Affairs] through the Murdoch press, who have tried to discredit the book and portray me as a green dreamer and lacking in credibility. They are trying to fictionalise the debate about whether climate change is actually happening and confuse the public. We are way beyond that debate now; everyone, George

Bush included, has accepted we have to do something about it. It's very like the debate we had about tobacco and asbestos many years ago where industry tried to question the science.

People think the solutions are hard. That's because government and others have led them to believe that, including parts of the media such as the Murdoch press.

In your book you talk about the emergence of legal challenges to force governments to make significant CO₂ reductions. Several US states are suing the Federal Environmental Protection Agency to force regulation of CO₂ emissions. What action do you think the insurance companies will take in the face of more catastrophic natural disasters?

Following [Hurricanes] Rita or it might have been Katrina, the ten largest reinsurers were put on credit watch because the losses were potentially so huge. Ultimately the polluters can't get away with this. We know how much CO₂ they are putting into the atmosphere, it is very well documented. We know the relationship between that CO₂ and temperature increase and with increasing certainty how that temperature increase is damaging our planet and changing the climate. There is a very direct trail of accountability here. It will be the big polluters on trial.

How would you describe the public reaction so far on the tour and to the release of your book?

It feels to me like the flood gates have opened on this huge dam of pent up concern and emotion about climate change.

Community has its say on Park Management



Members of the National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) Northern Rivers Community Advisory Committee enjoy a quiet moment along Belongil Beach during a break from a conference for community representatives at the Byron Bay Beach Resort.

The conference had a primary focus around Tourism in National Parks and Wilderness, and Planning for the Future. Chair of the Committee, Dr Richard Gates said that the conference was an opportunity for community representatives from Newcastle northwards to meet and discuss issues in common for National Park management.

'It was most appropriate that a conference

with a focus on tourism was held in Byron Bay,' Dr Gates said. 'A lively debate was held around the theme "Is Tourism Development Essential for National Parks and Wilderness Survival?" The recent NPWS publication Living Parks recognises the importance of parks to local communities and the need to ensure sustainable visitation. We also spent time on planning for the future and the effects of global climate change on biodiversity and park management.'

'We would like to invite members of the community to get in touch if they have issues they would like the Committee to discuss,' said Dr Gates. Contact the Advisory Committee through the Alstonville office of the NPWS on 6627 0200.

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Construction activities - October to December 2005

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October

Construction of noise wall north of Rajah Road. Completion of piling works for the Brunswick River bridges. Commencement of earthworks for the Yelgun rest area. Traffic switch onto the new Tweed Street alignment.

November

Commencement of bridges along the Brunswick Heads Bypass duplication. Traffic switch onto a temporary sidetrack at the northern end of the Brunswick Heads Bypass.

December

Pier head construction on Brunswick River bridges commences. Construction of retaining walls adjacent to Billinudgel. Super 'T' girder erection at Marshall Creek and Marshalls Creek Overflow.

A community information centre has been established at the main site office in Brunswick Heads Road (opposite Ferry Reserve Caravan Park).

Comments, complaints and inquiries regarding any aspect of the project can be directed to the Abigroup community relations manager, Terry Paxton, on the number below.

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Articles

Lament for the lost rural newspapers

Under the threat of further media concentration, **Geoff Williams** looks at what's already gone

Until the 1980s, the local newspaper had been a vibrant part of the community spirit in many Australian country towns. In many ways the 'local rag' was the heart of the town and a window through which we can peer into our cultural and social history.

But then the corporates came along. They bought them out, shut them down or merged them, centralised their operations in a frenzy of profit driven hypocrisy and turned them into mere vehicles for advertising revenue. And in doing so they destroyed a part of rural Australia and its way of life, the small town newspapers that told us what was going on and the reasons why. What happened?

In the mid 1980s many proprietors of country papers were getting old, having started up or taken over the family newspaper after World War II. They wanted to sell, relax, travel and stop working seven days a week. The big newspaper publishers realised that if 'rivers of gold' were not running through regional and rural newspapers, at least rivers of silver were. Profits were good, costs were low and the race began to buy out the heart of rural Australia, the local papers. One regional daily might be making a few hundred thousand dollars profit; buy three or four and add a

million to the corporate balance sheet. Add in weekly and bi-weeklies and the rural cash cow was there to be milked and milked dry.

The first to realise this numbers game was John Armati who, in his early twenties inherited the *Daily Liberal* in Dubbo. In the next 30 years he bought almost every country newspaper in southern, central and western NSW. To Armati's credit, while keeping a strict hand on day to day operations across his empire, he still believed that a local newspaper had to be of service to its community. Others didn't share that belief.

Murdoch bought into northern Queensland, David Syme & Co bought into country Victoria and Tony O'Reilly, the Heinz magnate based in Ireland, bought regional Queensland and northern NSW through his APN Group. When young Warwick Fairfax's bid to seize control of the Fairfax Group collapsed, chairman James Fairfax retired to his philanthropy and art collection, but cousin John used the proceeds from the sale of his shares to set up Marinya Media and through it Rural Press. When Rural Press bought Macquarie Publications from Armati for \$70 million in 1995, it gained a stranglehold on regional publishing in NSW.

While profits had to be



Benjamin Franklin demonstrates his idea for a printing press which was remarkably efficient, requiring only one worker to operate it. Modern metropolitan printing presses can print huge full colour newspapers, are computer controlled and therefore require only one person to run them, although that person is on a short term workplace agreement.

delivered under Armati, his ethos of service to the community died under Rural Press, just as it did at O'Reilly's Queensland newspapers. The two groups proceeded to see their mastheads only as revenue raising businesses, each of which had to increase its profit every year. The torch that burned for the freedom of the press in country regions was being extinguished by head office and the flames of profit were ignited instead. But things got worse.

The new technology of computerised page make-up, fast cable telephony for data and then the internet, meant that printing and production plants no longer had to be in a newspaper's home town or even region. Printing and production could be based hundreds of kilometres away and the only factor considered was the time it took old technology (the truck) to get the printed papers back to their market.

In the fever of centralising all operations to drive up profits in the mid 90s, towns lost their printing presses, pre-press operations were centralised, journalists and accounting staff were moved to regional or metro bases and jobs were lost in the bush. This was the great rationalisation of regional publishing and those who executed it, purely for profit, were guilty of not only cutting into the heart of many country towns, putting families out of work, but also of a great hypocrisy foisted on rural Australia.

Papers owned by national and international companies spoke out strongly time and time again in their editorial columns against job losses in dairying, fishing, agriculture,

timber and other rural industries. Job losses, they said, that were being caused by economic rationalism.

Yet at the same time, the papers were budgeting for their own staff redundancies and moving staff on to casual employment to make it easier to get rid of them. Many hundreds of thousands of dollars were budgeted for redundancies but little was actually paid to employees who were entitled to it. Managements avoided spending that money by tricking long serving casual staff into believing they had no entitlements. By law, these hard working people should have been treated as permanent part-time but they were retrenched without their full entitlements.

Plants were shut down, editorial resources trimmed, workers laid off through new technology and all the while the companies had the gall to announce the changes as being good for the local community as they would deliver a 'better quality newspaper'. Across regional Australia the response was the same formula and the hypocrisy astonishing.

The changes went on. One photographer was cheaper to employ than three journalists so management made decrees to make the photos bigger and the stories smaller (you can see this in regional dailies still). More syndicated articles were published leading to less local content. Advertising ratios were increased and glitzy circulation promotions based on lotteries, not product benefits, were thrown at regional readers with complete disdain for their intelligence.

Laws that set the necessary numbers of graded

journalists to be employed were ignored and this led to a 'dumbing down' of regional press in Australia. Profits climbed, but very little was returned to the communities that provided the revenues. In fact, they were gutted.

Dark suited bosses carried out these plans and were rewarded with bonuses. That their bosses told them to steal from their local community is no defence against the charge of theft. The great Aussie local newspaper was stolen from the local communities who had paid for it and helped it grow, just as Telstra and the railways are being stolen from those very same communities. Whether public or private, the imperative is the same: profit before service.

Across Australia, the trusted and traditional role that regional and rural community newspapers played in reflecting the development of our nation was soon forgotten. Lies and the pursuit of profit prevailed and much of country Australia has a hole where once their little community newspaper stood proudly.

And so to John Howard's proposed relaxation of media ownership laws. British readers watched as Murdoch's papers constantly bagged the Blair Government through his term, but started to support him as the elections approached. In the end, Blair was endorsed by the Murdoch press and won. It was Murdoch's reward for Blair's support of the Iraq war and it showed the muscle that the Murdoch press can flex in not only electing the govern-

ment but in setting the agenda.

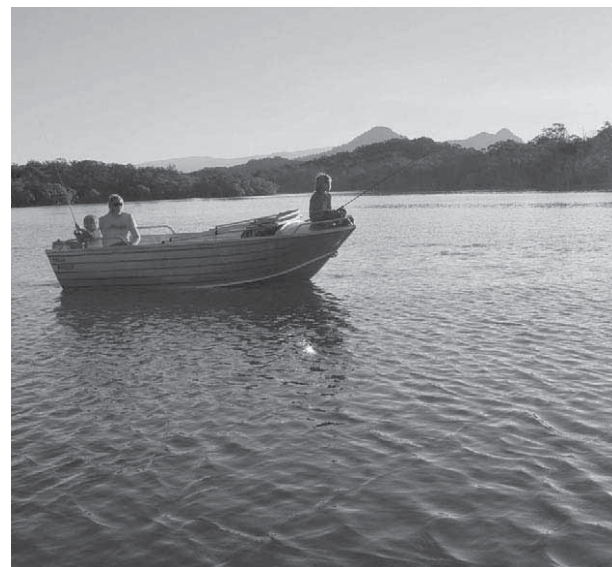
Imagine the Murdoch support John Howard will get at the next election for his continued support for the war in Iraq and for making it possible for an American citizen to control the majority of Australian media. Howard knows that the next election cannot be lost and that is bad news for Peter Costello and the other 20 million of us.

It's bad news for regional and rural Australia because, apart from the occasional *Echo* here and there, rural media will soon end up being aligned with either Murdoch's News Limited, Foxtel group or Packer's Channel Nine, Australian Consolidated Press, ninemsn group. Now consider that the soon to be privatised Telstra is in a business partnership jointly with Foxtel and ACP and begin to worry.

The trend to monopolisation of media ownership that started in the small country towns across Australia years ago has grown and is now an irresistible force. It is now about to consume metropolitan TV and press and our only hope is to reverse the process of the last few decades and cheer for the establishment of more independent newspapers that serve their own towns and shires, free from the imperatives of head office corporate greed.

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Australia continues to change.

Over the last ten years, something important has been happening in Australian workplaces. Australian workers and Australian businesses have started to change the way they work.

As a group and individually, more employees and employers have been sitting down together, talking and working out their own workplace arrangements.

As a result, both employees and employers have benefited. There have also been more job opportunities created for women and school leavers.

A stronger economy.

This co-operative approach has been helping Australia build one of the strongest economies in the western world. We are exporting more. We've created over 920,000 new, permanent, full time jobs. Australia's unemployment rate has been markedly reduced, reaching a 30 year low and interest rates are at historically low levels.

Securing the future.

Australia has come a long way, but we can't stand still. More needs to be done. If we are to grow and prosper, we need to continue working together to implement fair, practical and sensible changes to our workplaces.

These changes need to provide more choice and flexibility for both employees and employers in their workplaces, so we can find better ways to reward effort, increase wages, and balance work and family life.

A fairer system.

We also need to make our workplace relations system fairer and provide a better balance in the workplace for employees and employers.

These changes must ensure that award wages and specified existing conditions, along with the right to be represented by a union, are protected by law. These changes should also provide extra help for employees to know their rights.

And these changes must provide additional support for employees in cases of unlawful termination.

A simpler system.

We also need to make our workplace relations system simpler. Australia has over 130 different pieces of industrial relations

legislation, over 4,000 different awards and six different workplace systems operating across the country.

There are too many rules and regulations making it hard for many employees and employers to get together and reach agreement in their workplaces.

We also have too much red tape, too much complexity and too much confusion in some parts of the current system. It's bad for business, it costs jobs and it's holding Australia back.

For all these reasons, the Australian Government is moving towards one, simpler national workplace relations system.

It's called **WorkChoices**.

Importantly, it will make it much simpler for employees and employers to get together, talk and work out the workplace arrangements that best suit them.

Improving our living standards.

By encouraging people to work together and by continuing the improvement in our workplaces, **WorkChoices** will also help continue the improvement in our living standards and quality of life. And that's something worth working for.

WHAT'S CHANGING.

THE NEW WORKPLACE RELATIONS SYSTEM

WILL move towards one, simpler national system.

WILL simplify the workplace agreement-making process.

WILL establish the Australian Fair Pay Commission to protect minimum and award classification wages.

WILL introduce the Australian Fair Pay and Conditions Standard to protect workers' wages and conditions in the agreement-making process.

WILL enshrine a set of minimum conditions in Federal legislation for the first time.

WILL provide modern award protection for those not covered by agreements.

WILL ensure an ongoing role for the Australian Industrial Relations Commission (AIRC).

WILL protect against unlawful termination.

WILL better balance the unfair dismissal laws.

WHAT ISN'T CHANGING.

THE NEW WORKPLACE RELATIONS SYSTEM

WON'T cut minimum and award classification wages.

WON'T remove protection against unlawful termination.

WON'T abolish awards.

WON'T remove the right to join a union.

WON'T take away the right to lawful industrial action when negotiating an agreement.

WON'T outlaw union agreements.

WON'T abolish the Australian Industrial Relations Commission.

New protections for minimum wages and conditions.

PROTECTED BY LAW

Minimum and award classification wages.
Annual leave.
Personal/carer's leave (including sick leave).
Parental leave (including maternity leave).
Maximum ordinary hours of work.
Protection against unlawful termination.
Specified existing award conditions like penalty rates, overtime and long service leave.
The right to join and be represented by a union.
The right to have a bargaining agent.
The right to lawful industrial action when negotiating an agreement.

Employees can't be forced to change their existing agreements.

PROTECTED BY LAW

A NEW, INDEPENDENT WAGE SETTING BODY.

To make the system simpler and fairer, a new and totally independent wage setting body will be created with the primary objective of promoting the economic prosperity of the people of Australia. The Australian Fair Pay Commission (Fair Pay Commission) will include members that have experience in one or more of: business, community organisations, workplace relations and economics.

MINIMUM AND AWARD CLASSIFICATION WAGES.

As part of its responsibilities, the Fair Pay Commission will set and adjust minimum and award classification wages:

A single minimum wage.
Minimum wages for award classification levels.
Minimum wages for juniors, trainees/apprentices and employees with disabilities.
Minimum wages for piece workers.
Casual loadings.

PROTECTED BY LAW

After increases to minimum and classification wages in awards have been made following the AIRC's 2005 Safety Net Review, they will be locked in and not be allowed to fall below this level and will increase as decided by the Fair Pay Commission.

A NEW STANDARD. A SAFETY NET GUARANTEED BY LAW.

The Government will enshrine in law minimum conditions of employment:

NEW STANDARD CONDITIONS

The minimum conditions include:

1. Maximum ordinary hours of work.
2. Annual leave.
3. Personal/carer's leave (including sick leave).
4. Parental leave (including maternity leave).

PROTECTED BY LAW

These minimum conditions, together with the minimum and award classification wages set by the Fair Pay Commission, make up the new Australian Fair Pay and Conditions Standard (Fair Pay and Conditions Standard).

All new agreements will be required to meet the new Fair Pay and Conditions Standard at all times when the agreement is in operation.

NEW STANDARD CONDITIONS.

1. Hours of work.

WorkChoices will lock in maximum ordinary hours of work of 38 hours per week - an accepted community standard. It will be possible for ordinary hours to be averaged over a period of up to twelve months.

Employees must receive at least the relevant minimum hourly wage as set by the Fair Pay Commission for each hour they are required to work.

Additional payment for hours worked in excess of 38 hours will be a matter for awards and agreements.

Ordinary hours of work will remain a matter that can be included in awards. Awards may provide for fewer than 38 hours as ordinary hours, but (consistent with the new Fair Pay and Conditions Standard) will no longer be able to provide for ordinary working hours above 38 hours per week.

Award provisions providing for fewer than 38 ordinary hours per week will continue to operate but award provisions providing for more than 38 ordinary hours per week will cease to operate.

2. Annual leave.

The new Fair Pay and Conditions Standard for annual leave will be four weeks of paid annual leave per year, with an additional week of paid leave for certain types of shift workers.

The new Fair Pay and Conditions Standard will include key provisions for pro-rata arrangements to cover part-time employees and those who have not yet worked for 12 months.

Currently it is possible for employees under an agreement to cash out all of their annual leave. Under **WorkChoices**, employees may request to cash out up to two weeks of their accrued annual leave entitlement every twelve months. This can only occur in a situation where it is explicitly provided for in an agreement that covers the employee; and where the employee requests the cashing out in writing.

It will be illegal for employers to pressure or force employees to cash out their annual leave, and it will also be illegal for cashing out of annual leave to be a condition of employment.

3. Personal/carer's leave.

The new Fair Pay and Conditions Standard for personal/carer's leave will consist of ten days of paid personal leave per annum after 12 months of service (pro-rated for employees who have not completed 12 months service). This leave is cumulative.



Up to ten days in any given year can be used as carer's leave. The new Fair Pay and Conditions Standard will also include two days of paid compassionate leave per occasion. Compassionate leave is leave to visit a seriously ill or dying relative as well as to attend a funeral.

A further two days of unpaid carer's leave per occasion will be available in the event of an unexpected emergency for employees who have exhausted their personal leave entitlement or are casual.



4. Parental leave.

The new Fair Pay and Conditions Standard will entitle employees to take up to 52 weeks of unpaid parental leave at the time of the birth or adoption of a child.

Both parents cannot be on leave at the same time, other than one week of leave at the time of the birth or three weeks in the case of adoption.

The amount of unpaid parental leave is reduced by any amount of other leave taken (including paid maternity, paternity, personal or annual leave) by either parent.

The new Fair Pay and Conditions Standard will apply to all full-

time, part-time and eligible casual employees (with at least 12 months' continuous service with their current employer). An eligible casual employee is a casual employee employed on a regular and systematic basis for a period of at least 12 months and who has, but for the pregnancy or adoption, a reasonable expectation of ongoing employment.

Employees will also be entitled to unpaid special maternity leave of an amount as directed by a registered medical practitioner if the pregnancy terminates by means other than a live birth within 28 weeks of the expected birth date or in the case of pregnancy-related illness.

Annual leave, Personal/carer's leave and Parental leave in awards will be preserved. Where awards currently provide more generous conditions than the new Fair Pay and Conditions Standard, the more generous conditions will apply to those still covered by awards (both current and new employees). Preserved award provisions will not form part of the new Fair Pay and Conditions Standard for agreement-making.

Protection against unlawful termination.

Every Australian worker, regardless of the size of the business they work in, will continue to be protected from unlawful termination.

It is unlawful to terminate someone because of:

- Temporary absence from work because of illness or injury;
- Trade union membership;
- Non-membership of a trade union;
- Seeking office as, or acting or having acted in the capacity of, a representative of employees;
- The filing of a complaint, or the participation in proceedings, against an employer;
- Race, colour, sex, sexual preference, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, family responsibilities, pregnancy, religion, political opinion, national extraction or social origin;
- Refusing to negotiate, make, sign, extend, vary or terminate an AWA;
- Absence from work during maternity leave or other parental leave;
- Temporary absence from work because of the carrying out of a voluntary emergency management activity.



It will also be unlawful for anyone to apply duress to an employee in relation to negotiating and signing an AWA. Employees who believe they have been unlawfully terminated will be eligible to receive up to \$4000 worth of legal advice. This will be based on the merits of their case if they have a certificate from the AIRC and if they are assessed as having financial need. Unfair dismissal laws will also continue to apply to businesses with over 100 staff, though workers will need to have been employed by the company for at least six months before they can make an unfair dismissal claim. Businesses with up to and including 100 staff will be exempt from unfair dismissal laws because previous laws prevented

many businesses from hiring more staff. This change will help generate more job opportunities for Australians, particularly for those who currently don't have a job.

WorkChoices and awards.

PROTECTION FOR WORKERS NOT COVERED BY AGREEMENTS.

Awards will not be abolished. Employees not covered by a Workplace Agreement will continue to work under their awards. The new Fair Pay and Conditions Standard will also apply to award reliant employees (except where the relevant award has a more generous provision in which case the more generous provision will apply). The AIRC will continue to be responsible for awards.

Protecting award conditions.

In the new system long service leave, superannuation, jury service and notice of termination will not be included in new awards because they are provided for in other legislation. However these provisions in current awards will continue to apply to existing and new employees covered by these awards. This means award reliant employees will continue to enjoy the benefit of these provisions in their current awards.

Award provisions which are more generous than the Fair Pay and Conditions Standard (annual leave, personal/carer's leave, parental leave and hours of work) will also continue to apply. If there is a difference between the Fair Pay and Conditions Standard and these award conditions, the more generous provision will continue to apply.

What will change.

As the Government has previously said, matters such as restrictions on apprenticeships/traineeships, independent contractors and labour hire workers will be removed from awards.



In the legislation, and consistent with its long held view, the Government will clarify that union picnic days, trade union training leave and tallies should not be included in awards.

Because agreements will be simpler to make under **WorkChoices**, enterprise flexibility provisions are no longer necessary in awards. Skill based career paths will be matters for the Fair Pay Commission and will also be considered by the Award Review Taskforce as part of its examination of award classification wage structures.

Protecting award conditions in bargaining.

In negotiating new workplace agreements, certain award entitlements will be protected in the new system, though bargaining can occur on these entitlements and approval of employees is required to change them.

The entitlements are:

- Public holidays.
- Rest breaks (including meal breaks).
- Incentive based payments and bonuses.
- Annual leave loadings.
- Allowances.
- Penalty rates.
- Shift/overtime loadings.



These entitlements in a new agreement can only be modified or removed by specific provisions in that new agreement with the approval of employees. If these entitlements aren't mentioned in the new agreement, the award provisions will continue to operate. A Collective Agreement or AWA under **WorkChoices** need simply set out how the new agreement will either change or remove these matters in that agreement.

A simpler, fairer system.

WorkChoices will make the Workplace Relations System in Australia simpler and fairer for both employees and employers.

A SIMPLER AGREEMENT-MAKING PROCESS.

To reduce delays and uncertainty in agreement-making, a streamlined process will be introduced.

All agreements will now take effect from the date they are lodged with the Office of the Employment Advocate.

So once an agreement has been lodged it will start to operate and people can start working under the new arrangements.

The current complex certification process for collective agreements and the approval process for AWAs will no longer apply.

Varying or terminating of agreements has also been simplified. New agreements can now be varied or extended up to a

maximum of five years or terminated by agreement between employees and employers.



A FAIRER SYSTEM.

Whether you're an employee or an employer, your rights will be protected under the new system by the Office of Workplace Services. Penalties will apply for breaches of awards and agreements. Of course, both employees and employers will be expected to meet their obligations.

The Fair Pay and Conditions Standard, Federal awards and agreements, and any State awards and agreements brought into the Federal system will all fall under a new compliance regime that will be enforced by the Office of Workplace Services (OWS).

The OWS will be given extra resources to ensure employees and employers know their rights and obligations and that these are fairly enforced.

ONGOING ROLE OF THE AUSTRALIAN INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS COMMISSION.

Because the new workplace relations system is based on co-operation, employees and employers will be encouraged to resolve disputes between themselves.

To support this aim, the legislation will include a model Dispute Settling Procedure that will be included in all awards and which employees and employers can choose to use when resolving their workplace disputes over an agreement.

The legislation will also establish a register of private Alternative Dispute Resolution providers that will support genuine choice between the AIRC's dispute settling expertise and other dispute resolution specialists.

Disputes can also be referred to the AIRC. The role of the AIRC will be to mediate between the parties and assist them in reaching their own dispute settlement.

The AIRC will also have responsibility for simplifying awards, regulating industrial action, regulating registered organisations and unfair dismissal matters.

How will the changes affect you?

WorkChoices will directly cover up to 85% of Australian workers. That includes everyone working for incorporated companies as well as employees of Australian Government bodies (such as the Australian Tax Office) and employees working under State awards or agreements who are employed by a Constitutional corporation. **WorkChoices** will not affect employees of unincorporated businesses and those State government bodies not currently in the Federal system. Unincorporated businesses already in the Federal system will be able to remain in the system for up to 5 years.

PEOPLE ON FEDERAL AWARDS.

If you currently work under a Federal award, your minimum wages and basic entitlements (such as annual leave, personal/carer's leave, parental leave and a maximum 38 hour ordinary working week) will be guaranteed by law under the new Fair Pay and Conditions Standard. If your award differs from the Fair Pay and Conditions Standard, the more generous of the two will apply. There will be protected award conditions such as public holidays, rest breaks, incentive-based payments & bonuses, annual leave loadings, allowances and overtime loadings. These protected award conditions can be the subject of workplace bargaining, though they can only be modified or removed by specific provisions in an agreement. If these entitlements aren't mentioned in the agreement the award provisions will continue to operate.

PEOPLE ON FEDERAL COLLECTIVE AGREEMENTS.

If you currently work under a Federal Collective Agreement, all the working conditions and entitlements negotiated in that agreement will remain except for clauses which inhibit the ability of the parties to bargain or are currently prohibited such as compulsory union bargaining fees for non-union members. Otherwise, no changes can be made without the approval of the employees to the agreement. In relation to Collective Agreements made under the new system, the Fair Pay and Conditions Standard will apply throughout the life of these agreements, which can be up to 5 years. Because the Fair Pay and Conditions Standard represents the minimum which all employees are entitled to, wages and conditions in agreements will always need to be equal to or higher than the Standard, which may change from time to time.

PEOPLE ON AWAs.

If you currently work under an AWA, the conditions and entitlements you negotiated in that agreement will remain intact. No changes can be made to your AWA without your specific approval.

In relation to AWAs made under the new system, the Fair Pay and Conditions Standard will apply throughout the life of these agreements, which can be up to 5 years. Because the Fair Pay and Conditions Standard represents the minimum which all employees are entitled to, wages and conditions in agreements will always need to be equal to or higher than the Standard, which may change from time to time.

PEOPLE MOVING INTO THE NEW SYSTEM.

If you currently work under a State award or agreement and are moving to the national system, your State award or agreement will become a transitional agreement that applies to your workplace and protects your current working conditions until replaced by a new agreement. Some content in former State awards and agreements such as union preference clauses or those which are currently prohibited in the Federal system will be unenforceable, like compulsory union bargaining fees for non-union members.

PEOPLE IN VICTORIA.

Because Victoria led the way in referring its workplace relations powers to the Commonwealth, you will continue to be covered by the Federal system regardless of whether you are employed by an incorporated company or not. All employees in Victoria will benefit from the Fair Pay and Conditions Standard, ensuring that minimum wages and conditions are guaranteed by law.

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Articles

Life, Game Theory, and Holiday Rentals

Steve Berry, former resident of Suffolk Park, gives his perspective

We all know someone who doesn't own their own home, and as a musician living in an artistic community, I know many. As for myself, having inherited enough money to buy a place in Mullum a couple of years ago, in an economic sense I no longer belong to this group.

But they are still my friends, and with the hullabaloo about noise and holiday rentals taking over the current debate, their part in the story is being dropped off the page. So, perhaps on their behalf, I'd like to share a few memories, a few thoughts, and a few concerns. It's high time that those most affected by this discussion were brought into the centre of it.

When I first moved to Suffolk Park in 1992 I felt lucky. Lucky because in what was even then a tight rental market I was able to find a rental that was permanent, affordable, had a space for me to work, and best of all had a landlord that didn't require I move out every Christmas to make way for holiday renters. Hell, my landlord even said I could sub-let it myself and pocket the extra! (Never took him up on that...)

Just down the road was Liz, a wonderful singer and single mum. She lived in a two bedroom unit, not a house – it was all she could afford but she was happy, and very active in the local musical community. Around the corner was Greg, a great percussionist, and close friend, to myself and to many others – he rented a granny flat off the side of another rental property. In the other direction there was Jutta and Kia, a music student and photographer respectively – they were brave enough to rent a four-bedroom place and keep it full of other transitory artistic types! Nearly across the street from them were Patty and her kids – as an artist selling at the markets she would have liked a house with a workspace, but she was happy enough in her duplex.

In the other direction was Mark the singer, song-writer, and band leader. Dear Mark – a man with families on both sides of the world and his heart torn between them, he would always come back, rent a house for six months or more, and we music lovers would be the better off for it. There was Robyn, there was Naomi and James, there was Matt, there was Cleis. There were uni-students who would car-pool it to Lismore because they could live on the coast and study their art, their music, or even their



The real Byron Bay: is it disappearing, thanks to indiscriminate holiday letting...?

marine science at the same time. Guitar students of mine would walk down the street from their rented house, guitar over their shoulder, and knock on my door for a lesson. All these people were there, and all their kids too. And we would all see each other every day, if not at that great Australian meeting place, the corner shop, then at that other, greater, even more Australian meeting place, the beach.

Now I'm not about to say that there is only one reason why all but one of these people no longer rents in Suffolk. Nor will I say that just because people of an equivalent demographic don't seem to be there to replace them that it is the fault of any one group. And I certainly won't say that those artistic types I know in Suffolk who do own their own homes are any less deserving – I count my friends Guy, Richard, and Andy as part of the same community of artists I described above. There's just one difference however – these home owner friends of mine are still in Suffolk. The others, the renters, are all but gone.

Why are they gone? I believe it's largely a matter of simple economics. As the price of housing went up in Suffolk, so did the rents. As places were sold, and then sold again, the ever-increasing mortgages meant ever increasing returns were needed to meet the monthly payments. And my friends the musicians, the artists, found out one after another that their own incomes were not climbing at the same rate as the rents they were being asked to pay. They hit the ceiling and that was it.

But while on the subject of economics, its worth digressing for just a minute to some news of the day. I was just

reading in the paper the story about a couple of octogenarians who have this week won the Nobel Prize in economics for their work on Game Theory. It's the same field that won the economics prize for John Nash, his famous story being portrayed by Russell Crowe in *A Beautiful Mind*. Game Theory is a mathematical field, but one which as Nash and the current prize winners discovered, could be applied to almost any complex system based on interactions between people. If decisions made by those within a complex system affect the dynamics of the system in any way, and these decisions were made according to whether or not they would leave the decision maker better off, then Game Theory could not only explain what was happening, but predict the future state of the system as well.

The mathematics used would boggle my simple mind, but that's why those old guys won the Nobel Prize and I didn't! Still, mere mortals like myself can be interested in such things, and I find myself fascinated about how Game Theory can successfully be applied to such diverse topics as conflicts between nations, union / employer relations, biology, the Cold War, philosophy, and, dare I say it, holiday rentals.

Holiday rentals are just one part of a complex system. The name of that system could be called the housing market, and the players making the decisions within the housing market are many. Game Theory would show that banks, homeowners, real estate agents, renters, holiday renters, investors, superannuation fund managers, and many others are all players in that particular complex system.

Not being a mathematician

I can only speculate on what a true Game Theory analysis into the housing market might reveal. However, having seen the system at work (as is evident by my many friends now spread far and wide thanks to increasing local rents), I think some speculation is long overdue.

So speculate I must: when a wealthy family from Sydney buys a house on Alcorn Street in Suffolk Park for many hundreds of thousands of dollars, the family next door might raise their eyebrows slightly, and then get to know them.

If instead of moving in, however, the Sydney buyers decide to rent it out, they'll soon discover that the highest rents possible in the permanent rental market won't cover the mortgage. Luckily for them, if they instead rent it out as a holiday rent, the economics may work out a little better. In fact, the economics must work out a little better, or else all those holiday rentals on Alcorn Street would be permanent rentals.

But in the spirit of Game Theory, we need to look at what effect this holiday rental has on the neighbours. Sure,

it might keep them up at night, but that's a minor issue. I'm more interested in the economic imperative that those neighbours might now have, for example, to join the holiday rental fraternity themselves, increase their mortgage and buy a house they move into on Brandon Street!

A decision like this would be just one amongst many sequential decisions within the complex system of the Suffolk housing market. I say sequential because in a system like this, what one person does influences the subsequent decisions made by other participants in the system. And if even the possibility of better rents exists with holiday rentals, then there will likely be enough people who will choose to go that way that the whole system can be affected by their decisions to do so.

What sort of effects? In my mind there is none more tragic than the loss of friends from the community. Vibrant, creative friends. Friends who have found that, because the supply of affordable rental housing has dried up, they have had to move elsewhere in the Shire. Friends who in order to own a home of their own have had to leave Byron Shire altogether. Friends that I hardly see anymore.

But it gets worse. This trend of increased housing prices, increased rents, and the loss of low-income creative families from the community is spreading way beyond the esplanade locations.

As anyone with a deposit of \$50,000 and an annual income of \$35k will tell you, they are no longer in the market for a home of their own anywhere this side of Kyogle. And it seems like only yesterday that with that they could have bought a decent brick-veneer in Sun-

rise Estate, or even in Byron Hills. The community would not have lost them.

So with reference to those lobbying for the right to holiday let their second home, I would like to ask you to think of those that will never be able to afford even one. For every house on the holiday rental market there is a permanent rental off the market. Every increased house sale price due to possible higher returns through holiday rentals means less possibility that any house could be purchased by one of those valued but less financially well-off members of our community.

I'd like to ask if it's worth it. I'd like to ask if the extra dollars you gain are worth the loss to the community we love. And if the economics mean you break even or better, or even make a loss that you can absorb until such time as you sell up, I'd like to ask you to stop holiday letting your second home and offer it out on the permanent rental market instead. You'll find your tenants will be enthusiastic, wonderful people – young families, creative artists, people you'll want to know and have as your friends.

But here's the irony. Say the local government doesn't legislate to control this disturbing trend that is threatening our very community and instead leaves it up to the housing market (and Game Theory), to decide its own fate, then those of you who answer this plea of mine and help out a permanent renter in need will be delivering to the remaining holiday rentals a higher demand, and therefore a higher return on their holiday rents. I dare say this may cause you to reconsider your options and return to the holiday rental market yourselves.

It really is a complex system after all.

Compared to War and Peace and Gone With The Wind, Between

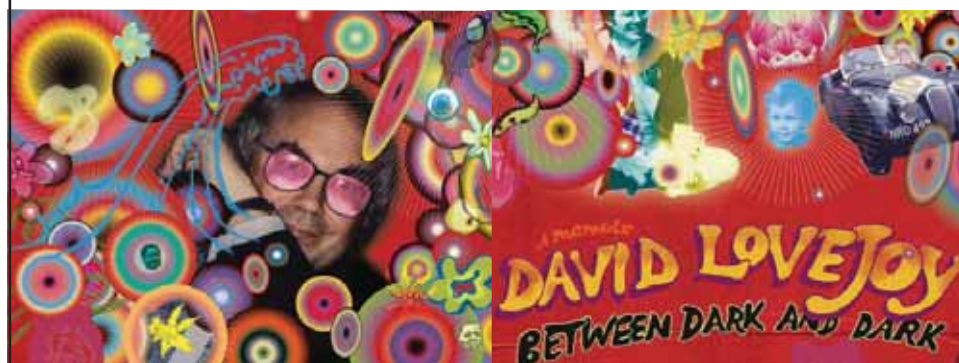
Dark and Dark is very short and easy to read. Echo co-founder David Lovejoy surfed the postwar wave of social equality into Oxford University. Then he turned on, tuned in and dropped out, making a pilgrimage to India in search of enlightenment and cheap drugs. An epiphany of sorts brought him to Australia to

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1. CNNNN returns, albeit as repeats (ABC, Thursday, 11.45pm). This pic is from their website www.cnnn.com which says, 'This network's been associated with some fine sponsors over the last 40 years without whom we couldn't have maintained our independent news coverage.' The picture is from a Hazelton Asbestos ad: 'It could save your life'.

2. A Knight's Tale (Ten, Saturday, 8.30pm), a comedy which relies on ignorance of history for its laughs and which drools over you like an amiable Labrador, goes up against:

3. The Lord of the Rings, Part One (NBN, same time), which contains glimpses of all the people who live, or have ever lived, in New Zealand.



WEDNESDAY 19	<div>ABC</div> <div>4.30 Movie: Sport Of Kings (G, B&W, 1931) Leslie Henson, Gordon Harker, Hugh Wakefield, Dorothy Boyd 6.00 Kid's Programs 10.00 School Programs 11.30 Catalyst 12.00 Midday Report 12.30 Something In The Air 1.00 National Press Club Address 2.00 The Bill 3.00 Kid's Programs 5.00 Roller Coaster 6.00 Doctor Who 6.30 Beat The Chef 7.00 ABC News 7.30 7.30 Report 8.00 The New Inventors 8.30 Spicks And Specks 9.00 Kath And Kim 9.30 The Glass House (M, sr,a) 10.00 At The Movies 10.30 Lateline 11.05 Four Corners 11.55 Media Watch 12.10 Night And Day (PG) 12.35 100 Centre Street (PG) 1.20 Movie: Christopher Columbus (G, B&W, 1949) Frederic March, Florence Eldridge 2.25 Living Answers (G*) 3.25 National Press Club Address</div>	<div>SBS</div> <div>5.00 Weatherwatch 5.25 World News 6.30 UEFA Champions League 8.50 World News 12.05 Indonesian News 12.30 Business Report 1.00 Mandarin News 1.30 Italian News 2.00 DAS Journal 2.30 Tales From A Suitcase 3.00 Food Lovers Guide To Australia 3.30 The Mary G Show 4.00 World Sport 4.30 The Journal 5.00 Newshour 6.00 Global Village 6.30 World News Australia 7.00 World Sport 7.30 Food Lovers Guide To Australia 8.00 The Movie Show 8.30 Dateline 9.30 World News Australia 10.00 Movie: Kiki's Delivery Service (G, 1989) Japanese animation 11.50 Movie: The Manns – Novel Of A Century (M, s,a,du, 2001) German drama 1.25 Close <div>SBS advises viewers that programming between 6pm and 10.30pm nightly is Closed Captioned (CC)</div></div>	<div>PRIME</div> <div>6.00 Sunrise 9.00 Bambaloo 9.30 Home Shopping 10.30 Morning News 11.00 Less Than Perfect 11.30 My Wife And Kids 12.00 Las Vegas (M, s,a,v) Double episode 2.00 Blue Heelers 3.00 My Wife And Kids 3.30 Who Dares Wins 4.00 It's Academic 4.30 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 Beyond Tomorrow 8.30 Blue Heelers (M) 9.30 Forensic Investigators – Australia's True Crimes (M, v) 10.30 Airline USA (PG) 11.00 City Beat (M) 11.30 Boston Public (M) 12.30 Home Shopping 5.00 Religion 5.30 Home Shopping <div>Most Prime programs between 6.30pm and 11.30pm (approx) nightly are Closed Captioned (CC)</div></div>	<div>TEN</div> <div>6.00 Totally Wild 6.30 Aerobics Oz Style 7.00 Toasted TV 8.30 In The Box 9.00 Good Morning Australia 11.00 Huey's Cooking Adventures 11.30 Ten News 12.00 Murder, She Wrote 1.00 Ready Steady Cook 2.00 The Oprah Winfrey Show 3.00 Huey's Cooking Adventures 3.30 Infomercial 4.00 Totally Wild 4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful 5.00 Ten News 6.00 The Simpsons 6.30 Neighbours 7.00 Everybody Loves Raymond 7.30 Australian Princess 8.30 House (M) 9.30 Merrick & Rosso – The B Team (M) 10.05 The Ronnie Johns Half Hour 10.35 The Shield (M) 11.35 Late Night News And Sports Tonight 12.35 The Up-Late Game Show (M) 1.35 Infomercials 4.00 Religion <div>All Ten programs between 5pm and 11pm (approx) nightly are Closed Captioned (CC)</div></div>	<div>NBN</div> <div>6.00 Today 9.00 Mornings With Kerri-Anne 10.15 ICC Super Series Test Match Cricket LIVE from the Sydney Cricket Ground – Australia v World XI 12.30 New Macdonald's Farm 1.00 Cricket continues 6.00 Evening News 7.00 A Current Affair 7.30 McLeod's Daughters Jodie's world is turned upside down when she receives a birthday gift from the late Jake McLeod. 8.30 CSI: Miami (M) 90 minute new series. When an Everglades fire burns out of control, evidence leads the CSIs to believe it was set in order to cover up a murder. 8.40 Lotto 10.00 Without A Trace (M) The team search for a seemingly well-adjusted teenage boy when he vanishes from his home. 11.00 Comedy Inc (M, cl,sr) 12.00 Nightline 12.30 The District (M) Mannion recruits a former hostage crisis negotiator to help when a young autistic girl refuses to speak after witnessing her parents' murder. 1.30 Late Show With David Letterman 2.30 The Parkers (PG) 3.00 Guthy Renker 4.00 Danoz 4.30 Good Morning America</div>
	<div>THURSDAY 20</div> <div>4.30 Movie: Broken Journey (G, B&W, 1947) Phillis Calvert, James Donald 6.00 Kid's Programs 10.00 School Programs 11.15 Atoms Of Fire 11.30 France Inside Out 12.00 Midday Report 12.30 Something In The Air 1.00 Paradise Heights 2.00 The Bill 3.00 Kid's Programs 5.00 Roller Coaster 6.00 Doctor Who 6.30 Collectors 7.00 ABC News 7.30 7.30 Report 8.00 Catalyst 8.30 Fact Or Fiction: Robin Hood 9.25 Auschwitz (PG) 10.15 Lateline 10.50 Daniel Deronda (G) 11.45 CNNNN – The Chaser NoNstop News Network 12.15 DIY Law: Bad Blood – Residential Tribunal 12.45 Movie: Some Girls Do (PG, 1969) Richard Johnson, Daliah Lavi, Beba Loncar, Robert Morley 2.15 Movie: Warning To Wantons (PG, B&W, 1949) Anne Vernon 3.55 Body Hits (PG*)</div>	<div>5.00 Weatherwatch 5.25 World News 6.30 UEFA Champions League 8.50 Le Journal 9.55 Russian News 10.30 Greek News 11.30 Arabic News 12.05 Indonesian News 12.30 Business Report 1.00 Dateline 2.00 Mandarin News 2.30 Italian News 3.00 DAS Journal 3.30 School Torque 4.00 World Sport 4.30 The Journal 5.00 Newshour 6.00 Global Village 6.30 World News Australia 7.00 World Sport 7.30 Inspector Rex 8.20 Hotline 8.30 Storyline Australia: Black Soldier Blues African American soldiers in the Pacific and Australia during World War II. 9.30 World News Australia 10.00 Ghost In The Shell (M, v) Animation 10.30 Movie: Red Shadow (M, s,v, 2001) Japanese action 12.20 Bronski & Bernstein (PG) 1.10 Close</div>	<div>6.00 Sunrise 9.00 Bambaloo 9.30 Home Shopping 10.30 Morning News 11.00 Less Than Perfect 11.30 My Wife And Kids 12.00 Las Vegas 1.00 The Practice 2.00 Blue Heelers 3.00 My Wife And Kids 3.30 Who Dares Wins 4.00 It's Academic 4.30 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 The Mole – The Amazing Game 8.30 Las Vegas (M) 9.30 Alias (M, v,a) Double episode 11.20 Boston Public (M) 12.20 Life With Bonnie 12.50 Home Shopping 1.20 Danoz Direct 2.20 Expo 5.00 Religion 5.30 Home Shopping</div>	<div>6.00 Totally Wild 6.30 Aerobics Oz Style 7.00 Toasted TV 8.30 In The Box 9.00 Good Morning Australia 11.00 Huey's Cooking Adventures 11.30 Ten News 12.00 Murder, She Wrote 1.00 Ready Steady Cook 2.00 The Oprah Winfrey Show 3.00 Huey's Cooking Adventures 3.30 Infomercial 4.00 Totally Wild 4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful 5.00 Ten News 6.00 The Simpsons 6.30 Neighbours 7.00 Everybody Loves Raymond 7.30 Inside Idol (PG) 8.30 Law & Order: SVU (M) 9.30 The Surgeon 10.00 30 Days (PG) 11.00 Late Night News 11.30 Sports Tonight 12.00 Bread 12.30 The Up-Late Game Show (M) 1.55 Video Hits Up-Late 2.00 Infomercials 4.00 Enjoying Everyday Life 4.30 Kenneth Copeland 5.00 More Religion</div>	<div>6.00 Today 9.00 Mornings With Kerri-Anne 11.00 Danoz 11.30 Guthy Renker 12.00 Dr Phil 1.00 Days Of Our Lives 2.00 The Young And The Restless 3.00 Fresh Cooking 3.30 New Macdonald's Farm 4.00 Hot Source 4.30 Frasier 5.00 The Price Is Right 5.30 Temptation 6.00 Evening News 7.00 A Current Affair 7.30 Getaway Megan Gale road-tests one of the world's best health retreats, Sydney's latest tourist thrill, continuing the journey on the Kokoda trail. 8.30 20 To 1 (M) 9.30 RPA (M) 10.00 Amazing Medical Stories 11.00 Airline (PG) 11.30 Nightline 12.00 The Wire (M) 1.00 Late Show With David Letterman 2.00 One On One 2.30 Stripperella 3.00 Guthy Renker Australia 4.00 Danoz 4.30 Good Morning America</div>
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MAKING MUSIC WITH THE MONKEY

Mandy Nolan shoots the breeze with Floyd Vincent about the Childbrides' new album and becoming the Girl from Ipanema.



Floyd Vincent and the Childbrides first pulled on their paisley pants back in 1989. Since then the lineup has changed, but the energy has remained the same. The band has always retained a commitment to keep the people dancing. Their previous album 'Last Exit Motel' was released worldwide and received critical acclaim. But after the stress of working to deadline, Floyd and the band decided they'd take a much cruiser approach to their latest recording.

'We started working on Monkey Puzzle at Studio 301 and then another studio called Milkbar. The recording happened over a couple of years. Some of it was started a couple of years back – it was one of those CD's that took its time, I had the luxury of doing it when I felt like it... a lot of it I recorded at home. I think it's a lot better album than the last ones because there wasn't a deadline.'

'We started in 1989 although it was a different lineup, this particular lineup has been together for about nine years, with Lindsay Page and with Bill Jacobi and we have a new drummer, Dave Marcellus who's

been with us about a year.'

So will people recognise all the songs on the new album from the live set?

'People will recognise about half of the songs from the live sets and about half haven't been played live before. We partly thought that it would be good to hold them back and not have them known. But also because of what we play, fancier more upbeat sets, the newer stuff doesn't necessarily gel with it. I guess you work out that some music is better live and some is better on CD. Sometimes its just that some songs are more moody and atmospheric – and are hard to play live.'

Bands often make the mistake of replicating their album in their live performance and vice versa. As an audience goer, I've always enjoyed acts that have a marked point of difference in their sound. It gives a reason to see them live in the first place, because otherwise you could just stay home and listen to the CD. Floyd agrees:

'I learnt last time that you can record an album – at a live gig, but it's good to let it be another experience. I think a lot of pop bands try and reproduce the album note for

note, sure that's great, but why? Live shows are great for expanding on things – some things are best taken to their limits and some are better cut short.'

Some of the lesser known creations on Monkey Puzzle are Ashtray, The Yamba Samba and the Nightingale Song.

Floyd describes his music as: '...tiny time capsules that describe an event or a particular way I was feeling at the time. The album is like a musical diary. I wrote Ashtray in a German apple wine factory. I was staying in this room that was more like a laboratory, in a town called Grosszimmern – at the end of a really long tour. I was going through a really tough time where my parents were really sick, and I just wanted to be back. It was a bit depressing. And we were playing all these smoky venues because Europeans smoke so much, and it was winter and all of their venues are airtight, it was one of those situations where I thought life is an ashtray.'

Smokers or non smokers, most musicians spend a good part of their lives immersed in the output of the human smoke machine. The new smoking bans have made go-

ing to work a lot more enjoyable.

'I'm loving it, it's fantastic, hal-lelujah and why didn't they do it before? My guitars used to stink of cigarettes – I would get all of that when I was opening the guitar over breakfast.'

Floyd has always had a strong affinity with the North Coast. His song, '\$6 Steak and Chips' was inspired by a Ballina establishment, and it's with the same pride that he unveils the Yamba Samba.

'It's a love song and it has a really Brazilian feel and I'm thinking Samba and I'm looking for lyrics, and we do play in Yamba it's very Sergio Mendez, invoking the spirit of the girl from Ipanema – and the beach at Rio – 60's Rio – I was looking for that spirit – I went to Rio a couple of years ago and I went to the bar where the guy who wrote the Girl from Ipanema first saw the girl who inspired the song. She later became a playboy bunny, and in later life became an environmental activist.'

In that song Floyd becomes the girl from Ipanema. 'It was that song (The Yamba Samba) where I put myself in the role of a female who was trying to work out if she should stay with this guy ...and I've

sung it in this falsetto voice.'

'I put myself into roles. I sometimes want to be the western gun slinger – and a lot of my songs have narrative lyrics – it's like an adult version of once upon a time – sometimes there's even a moral to the story.'

'There's another song called the Nightingale Song, and that is the story about You don't love me no more, like the tired bull and the matador, we used to be – that was my own heartbreak – most people could relate to it... It's the song about being dumped!'

With two shows at the Beach Hotel, be prepared for the total experience. Saturday night will see the regular Floyd Vincent and the Childbrides show, with Sunday slowing down for the album launch.

'We are going to play all the new songs, all but one or two. Plus we've got some songs up our sleeves in odd time sequences, not good for people to dance to, but we want to see them try.'

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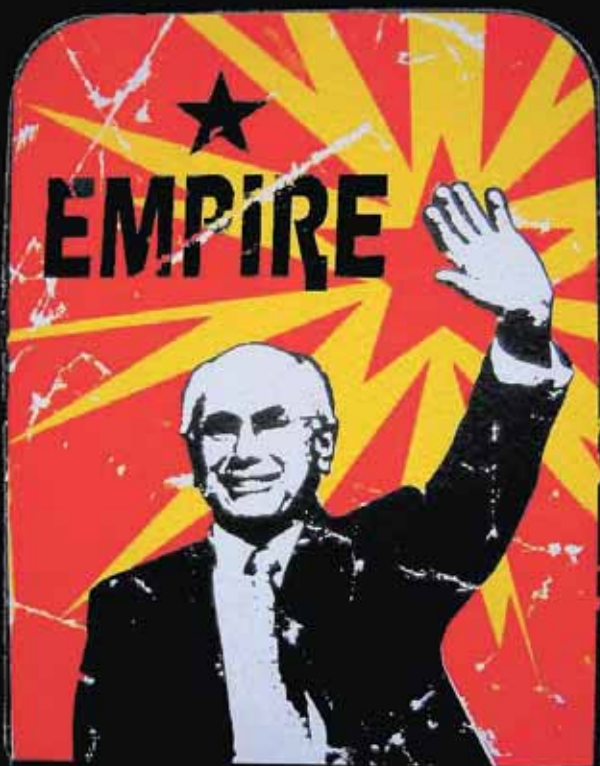
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Apparently the dark side is deterred by illumination, and no covert action will take place with a good bedside lamp. I once had a run-in with a burglar who confessed he was about to rob my house, but he noticed we had the patio light on and got scared. We

are on the brink of a global energy crisis yet we're still flicking the switch in every room. I speak from a place of guilt. When they sang that song 'Baby Leave the Light On' I took it literally and I leave it on in every room. I am now in a recovery program, and am limiting myself to three lights per evening. In Sydney recently there was a bit of hoohah about John Symmonds, the CEO of Aussie Home Loans new mansion, which is still in construction but has been floodlit to deter vagrants from taking advantage of those million dollar views.

A typical case of the lights are on but noone's home. Flagrant disrespect for our energy crisis. What's wrong with leaving a few candles burning? From a security perspective, I reckon it's a lot more convincing. A huge house with heaps of lights on screams 'empty'. But the dim flicker of a few candles, and they'll just think you're having a dinner party, or

practising some of your favourite tantric manoeuvres. In the UK they have plans to send in the 'energy police'. We have them here too, but they just talk about you behind your back and say 'Man she has really bad energy'. In the UK these Energy wardens will police homes to ensure they don't waste gas or electricity. We need those dudes here. Here's the scenario: You'll be sitting with your family having dinner and there'll be a knock at the door and an Indian bloke from a Telstra call

centre will be there to do a quick check. It's cheaper to fly him over to turn off your lights then it is for you to do it yourself. Isn't globalisation a wonderful thing!

Personally, I've become a lot more energy conscious, so much so, I'll only have sex with the lights off. Complete darkness. Can't see your hand in front of your face. Oh, that wasn't a hand. A friend accused me of being a tad repressed, but hey, I'm an environmentalist. We always look better with the lights off.



LIVE MUSIC

>> LIKE TAKING CARINDA FROM A BABY

Carinda Christie is an independent solo musician who hails from North Queensland. It's the sound and feel of acoustic music that really drives her to excel. She is raw. No computer backing for this girl with one foot on the stomp and one foot on her whah pedal. She plays percussive guitar rhythms on acoustic and Dobro Slide guitars and belts out her original songs with a big clear powerful soulful voice. Carinda sounds bigger than a solo artist. Her voice, already her calling card, draws crowds and her songs have people dancing on tables, swinging from chairs and rolling on the roof. After a three year baby break, of breeding, feeding and 24 hour needing, she's back and better than

ever. **She plays the Rails on Wednesday and Thursday.**

>> HELPING YOUNG MEN SHINE

David Helfgott is part man, part piano. His rare genius for the keys makes him something of musical mythmaking. The film *Shine* stunningly retells the tale of this often misunderstood performer. David Helfgott embraces the piano with so much passion, so much story that an evening recital is a journey into the unknown. **David is playing a local show to raise money for the North Coast Pathways to Manhood Project at the Byron Community Centre on Friday 4 November**, tickets are \$60 and includes champagne, canapes and the performance. Kicking off at 7.15pm. Tix are at the Box Office and are available between 10am - 4pm.



Scarlett Affection at the Byron Vista Social Club, Ewingsdale hall, **Sunday**

>> THAT'S ONE HAIRY MOTHER

After months of music making and merriment in the City of Angels, **Wolfmother** present their latest cub, 'Mind's Eye', five minutes of psychorock grandeur for your listening pleasure. This song is moodier and more epic than the Sydney band's self-recorded debut EP which got lots of ink last year. This sprawling musical moment was recorded with the help of master

producer D Sardy – Dandy Warhols, Jet, Hot Hot heat, Oasis – and it's the first taste of Wolfmother's album due to land in Oz by the end of the month. **Wolfmother play the Ballina RSL on Thursday.** Tix are available at the Hotel Great Northern, ABC Shop in Ballina and at the Club.

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MEETING MR LEE

He has the enigma of Bruce Lee, and the whimsy of Sarah Lee. **Ben Lee**, the positive poet, channelling his way through the universe, creating authentic, honest music that proclaims as in his album title 'Awake is the new Sleep.' It's a wonderful album, and up for grabs on our gig page. So keep your potatoes and your eyes peeled. The show is selling fast so get in quick. **Ben Lee, at the Bangalow A&I Hall on Sunday 30 October.** Tix are at the Mullumbimby Bookshop and Barebones Artspace and Music @ Byron. \$27.50

STEINWAY UNPLUGGED

At just 19 years old **Jayson Lloyd Gillham** is ready to rock. In another life he might have been a mean teen lurching from one head-banging party to the next. Instead, he is successfully leaping from one major music competition to the next. Not content with plundering the prize cabinet at top Aussie piano contests, this young keyboard maestro has recently returned from Europe where he crushed a few international egos snatching third prize from under the fingers of the world's pianissimo cream in the London International Piano Competition. If there is a concert you cannot afford to miss this year, this is it. Be there to witness the Steinway tamed by Jayson Lloyd Gillham (and yes, he plays the black keys too)! **He's at the Byron Community Centre on Saturday at 8pm. Tix are \$30/25.**

BIG CON JOB

Have you ever wanted to learn

how to sing but didn't know where to go? Maybe there's a musical instrument collecting dust in the shed. Have you always wanted to dance or have acting lessons but haven't had the time? Have you a child that you'd like to introduce to the wonderful world of music. Have you had the urge to play the spoons but always ended up with a dud fork? Well the **Northern Rivers Conservatorium's Open Day** will showcase the talents of students and teachers in the Dance, Drama, Music, Technical Production and Community Studies programmes. There will be music ensembles and workshops, dance displays,

GETTING IT WRIGHT

Legendary lead singer of Australia's first pop band, The Easy Beats, **Mr Stevie Wright, is in town for one show only.** Stevie was recently inducted into the 'Hall of Fame', (gees, most of us won't even make the backyard of mediocrity) and featured on 'This is Your Life'. (I have an idea for a This is Your Life show for co-dependents, its called 'This is someone else's life') The Easybeats were one of the biggest bands in the world in the 60's with hits including 'She's so Fine' 'Wedding Ring' and 'I'll make you happy'. Stevie is the godfather of Sex and Drugs



Carinda Christie at the Rails, **Wednesday & Thursday**

early childhood music information, acting class rehearsal, tech lab demonstrations, children's art and face painting. Information on the full-time courses on offer in 2006 will be available and prospective students can talk to teachers and department coordinators. **Saturday from 10am - 4pm at the Con in Lismore (cnr Keen and Magellan Streets in Lismore).** There will be a free concert at noon with the Con Big Band, featuring string ensemble, bands, vocalists,

and Rock and Roll, and will be appearing with Ray Hoff from Ray Hoff and the Offbeats along with the up and coming band, The Bostocks. Tix are \$30 and are available from Cheekies designs in Byron, the Mullumbimby Bookshop, and the Mullumbimby Football Club. **Friday, 7pm till late at the Mullum Footy Club.**

MISS FORTUNE Jezebel's Fortune play the **Hotel Brunswick this Sun-**

day, their first return performance at the riverside venue since Spring sprung. The band is ready to shake out any winter cobwebs that may still be lingering in the audience with its new, funky up team. Jezebel's front woman and soul mistress Lyn Davies is joined by new bass player Robyn Martin, with the rhythm section being made complete by Grant Robertson. Don't miss Aaron on guitar either. There'll be plenty to keep you moving and groovin and, if we're lucky, Lyn will treat us to some of her original lyrical compositions.

THE SOCIAL BUG Byron Vista Social Club continues to highlight local songwriting and performing talent every **Sunday evening at the Ewingsdale Community Hall from about 7.30pm onwards.** Many BVSC regulars are reaching the point where they have almost recorded a whole CD of their own songs!

In the meantime the search for extra talent is rewarding audiences with new and exciting weekly on-stage surprises and giving a second batch of local musicians a much-needed boost up the acoustic-performance/recording ladder. This week is no exception with much-heralded Bangalow sister act Scarlett Affection (Melia and Nerida on vocals, guitar and keyboard) gracing the BVSC stage for the first time. This week also marks the return of Ionnah, the first since their great CD launch a couple of months ago. Colleen is on vocals, Eddie plays classical/flamenco guitar and Jera the viola, violin and flute. Tarshito and Paul Kimmel are back also with their particular brand of guitar and flute world music. David Ramsey brings his dirgy swamp guitar blues to the Club for the first time on Sunday, accompanied by Matt Elliot on percussion. Matt Connelly, Mook and Shanto and Gabi Bliss round out the night. Delicious home-made cakes, teas and chemi-free local coffee are available ... and it's only \$10 at the door!

FAKING IT

You wouldn't believe it, you release a single, an onslaught surge of power pop and you call it Hurricane and set out on the Hurricane tour and there's a tragedy in the shape of Katrina. The band haven't been distasteful in their naming, it was just one of those cosmic coincidences. Having spent

winter warming up stages for visiting internationals, **Faker** have quickly garnered an impressive reputation for exuberant live shows that are always executed with a hell of a lot of style. Joining Faker on their tour is fellow Sydney outfit, Red Riders. The four piece play infectious upbeat rock with nods to The Clash, Sunnyboys, Elvis Costello and Weezer. As if this wasn't

enough, Melbourne four piece, British India are also on board collectively mining the rich vein of Australian music, embracing their heritage by adapting classic elements of rock 'n roll, fusing them with modern energy and attitude. **Faker starts up a Hurricane at the Hotel Great Northern on Thursday.** Be prepared to be blown away. **MORE MUSIC PAGE 6**



Wolfmother at the Ballina RSL, **Thursday**

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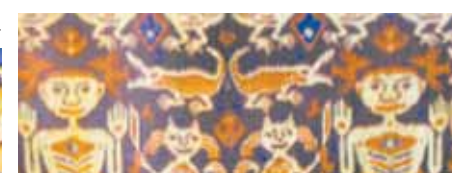
Harmony in Art is coming to Why Not Restaurant on Wednesday October 26. This is a fundraiser for the Cape Byron Rudolf Steiner School Music Department and is a feast of four different art mediums.

The exhibition features Peter Horden (photography), Carmen Langebeck (painting), Gail Cohen (textile collections) and Phil Gasson (collographic print making).

This promises to be a gastronomic delight of fine art and fine food so why not come along to Why Not, opposite the Cavanbah Arcade in Jonson Street, Byron Bay on Wednesday evening October 26.

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Left: Carmen Langebeck. Right: Gael Cohen.



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>> ART THE LAST OF SEVEN

Afterprint is the final exhibition of the NSW Ministry of Arts supported exhibitions held at the Piece Gallery, Mullumbimby. Rochelle Summerfield is the curator for this show and said it demonstrates some of the exciting developments in new technologies at the hands of artists, especially printmakers. What

than a decade. Internationally renowned felt artist Polly Sterling introduced her to this medium and has influenced Sachiko Kotaka's innovative approach. Textile Tactile at Lismore Regional Gallery reveals the sculptural and tactile qualities of textiles, which the artist describes as 'living sculpture'. Originally from Japan, Sachiko has lived in the Northern Rivers for the past 27 years. In some works she has sandwiched fibres between Shibori dyed silks (Japanese Tie-Dye)

business and marketing ideas, teaches you how to switch your mind on and get you streetwise on safe guarding your idea motivation. I'll be there, cracking the whip with the quick and well timed quip. The seminar asks, can you laugh and think at the same time? **Saturday 5 November, Byron Beach Resort. Bookings and more info 0418 970 335**

>> THEATRE LIGHTS CAMERA ACTION!

Theatre is a wonderful way for kids to find their voice and let the community know just how they feel about their world. Under the umbrella of Bright Lights, Lee Purdie and Brian Dale have been working with young singers, dancers and actors to put together **'Teen-age Rage'**. The show is a lively musical with rock 'n' roll dancing and music, stunning costumes and outlandish hair-do's, about a brilliant young scientist, Pee Wee Merlin who doesn't want to grow up. Bright Lights bring the kids to the stage with four shows, including **Tuesday at 11am, Wednesday at 11am and 7.30pm, another matinee on Thursday and a final Friday 11am and 7.30pm show.** Tix are \$12, and \$5 for students.

>> A MIGHTY WIND

I remember **Wind in the Willows**. As a kid it was one of my favourite tales. I was completely taken with Toad who drove a sports car and all the other gorgeous little characters who are so desperately dapper. Over the years, one of the world's most beloved stories has delighted audiences in this rollicking production. In it, audience participation is actively encouraged: on arrival the audience is transformed into Rabbits so that they can join the adventure. Led by the Head Chief Rabbit they are guided throughout their journey. Help us search for lost little Portly; help us dance the Duck's Ditty and learn the 'Whispering Willows' song. Presented by The Australian Shakespeare Company, **at the Lismore Rugby Grounds with family performances on Friday Saturday and Sunday, 4,5 & 6 November.** Bookings to Northern Rivers Ticket Centre.

>> DANCE HEART TO HEART HIP HOP

The final Hip Hop Fundraising dance course will be held in Mullumbimby, starting this Saturday. The course will run for 6 weeks at the Mullumbimby Drill Hall at the cost of \$30 with all proceeds from the course go directly to aid the villages of Nam Khen in Southern Thailand, as these people lost everything when the tsunami hit their village last Boxing Day. Dance teacher, Sue Whiteman has just returned from Thailand where she has been working since January to rebuild this fishing village. The course will be held in two groups juniors and seniors, all enquires to **Suzanne Whiteman 6686 2520.** Come along learn a new style, get fit have fun and help those less fortunate than ourselves. Boys and girls and beginners welcome.

fine silks. **Her work is at the Lismore Regional Gallery until Saturday.**

>> ARTISTS DESIRING DEVELOPMENT

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makes Afterprint different and interesting is that each of the artists has combined traditional print techniques with digital. Milan Milojevic is nationally acclaimed printmaker, the 'Albert Durer' of Australia's print community and he has work in this exhibition. Beautiful combinations of woodcut, digitally manipulated, has produced rich surface textures. Our local artist Christine Willcocks, well

phobias, wants to learn how to transform challenges into something positive and basically wants to have a damned good time whilst learning a craft at the same time. Stand up comedy at Adult Education. Funnyness guaranteed. If not, you get your jokes back, no questions asked! Taught by moi! **Register now. 66843374. Course starts Tuesday 1 November!!**



Wind in the Willows at the Lismore Rugby Grounds, **4, 5 & 6 November**



Hip Hop Course in Mullum at the Old Drill Ha, **Saturday**

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known nationally, has several of her latest digital prints that combine hand made marks and print stencils over the top. Other artists include well known Jan Davis, Mary Dorahy and Rochelle Summerfield. Come in and see the exhibition and make up your own mind. See the work by the five artists who have each taken to combining traditional print techniques with digital media and all of them have come up with completely different results. **Exhibition runs till 31st October. Mon-Fri 11am- 4pm.**

>> THE FABRIC OF THE UNIVERSE

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BEX STAR NIGHTS

THURSDAY >>

Pioneer of the tech-funk sound **Elite Force** is at La La Land. The UK producer pushed breaks in the late 90s with his Fused and Bruised label then moved into bass-driven tech-house. Collaborating with Meat Katie and producing the album *No Turning Back* for his Whole9Yards label, Elite Force is now working on an artist album for Adrift Records (Kingsize). Having built his DJ career since 1990, Elite Force's www.strongarmsessions.co.uk now has a huge reach. Check out his 'dirty bottomed electro funk' online, or at La La Land (see interview) with support from **Dave Atkins**.

FRIDAY >>

DJ Del Larkin hosts the Byron Bay Funk Collective at the Buddha Bar with live funk at 7.30pm from **The Band of Frequencies** and guests.

At Cocos **Jackie Onassid** is testing out her new tunes from Sydney in the upstairs lounge bar. Downstairs **Voodoo** and **Crinkle** mix up house and more for the main dancefloor.

Elsewhere has heaps of special guests over the Gold Coast Indy weekend – and an even later opening time! **Zoko** from onesixone in Melbourne returns (also on Sunday for Royale) with his mix of fat underground house, joining **Audun** for the all-night session till 7am (Elsewhere is open till 7am from Thursday 20 to Sunday 23).

SATURDAY >>

Beat Slingers at the all-night venue in the Arts and Industry Estate has a classic line-up of electro-tech-punk-disco-funk-rock. On the decks (from 10pm in this order) it's **Jackie Onassid**, **Sara Tonin**, **Nick Taylor**, **Bullie**, **Sean Candy**, **Jet More**.



ELITE FORCE >>

You seem to sit on the house / breaks fence. If you fell off, which side would you land on?

I really don't feel that there is a fence there to be honest – there's so much cross-pollination and inter-genre interfacing that I don't see there being a 'divide' as such. That's part of the point of the developing term, 'tech-funk' – it's not necessarily a new definable 'style', but rather an attitude that's inclusive rather than exclusive.

As a DJ what formats are you using, any effects, or production skills to re-edit tracks?

Since the CDJ-1000s became pretty much standard it's become a perfect medium to travel with. Most of the tracks I play have been re-edited in Ableton, to ensure that they do exactly what I want them to do... and it also allows an 'on-the-road-and-on-the-fly' attitude, where you can tweak tracks and re-burn CDs on a night by night basis.

With the remixes... what's recent and what's on the wish list?

Remixes are usually a lot of fun; I enjoy the challenge. I just did mixes for Stereo MCs and Black Twang, and there's a remix I did with Meat Katie on *Natural*, the next Infusion single.

I think the standout one this year would have to be White Lines for Grandmaster Flash. It really wasn't easy – aside from the tempo of the original and obvious stuff like that, there were no original parts available so they just gave me the original track and said 'do your best'!

Wish list wise, there's certainly no one in the breaks field that I'd fall over myself to remix, but if you're talking Underworld, Chemical Brothers etc... then that's a different matter.

Upcoming releases?

Well, although I'm now battenning down the hatches to work on my own album, there are two collaborative singles scheduled for release. Both with Meat Katie and both on Adrift Records (which is what Kingsize are now known as). The first, *Nutron* will be out in November, then early in the New Year we have a big double pack called *Divine* (featuring Roland Clark on vocals) and backed by remixes from Infusion and Hardfloor.

You're in Byron Bay to play La La Land, tech-funk is a big underground scene in Byron and La La Land is a bar/club how may you style your set?

I've never been to Byron before, so it's a really exciting opportunity. I guess the only real way to work effectively as a DJ is to try to read the crowd on the night and see how it goes. I'll have a fixed idea of some of what I'll play, but there's always a ton of wiggle room to change your tack ... that's the beauty of CDs and that the joy of DJing.



Elite Force at La La Land, **Thursday**

>> MILKING THE COW

After 3 indie albums, and the best part of last year zipping up and down the Hume and Princess highways, **Ian Treloar and Holy Cow** returns to Mullumbimby to share some of its acoustic loving. These are Songs from the Verandah, played with lots of passion and a dash of brilliant technique. **Holy Cow perform at the Middle Pub, Mullumbimby on Friday and the Rails on Tuesday.**

>> LUCIE IN THE SKY

Lucie Thorne and Heath Culen are touring the East Coast again. Last year saw Lucie performing extensively across Canada, the US, England, Germany and Sri Lanka, as well touring nationally throughout Australia, in support of her latest album, *The Bud* (released June 2004 on little secret records). The much-awaited follow-up to *Botticelli Blue Eyes* – which was included

in *Rhythms* magazine's Best Albums of 2003 – this new record captures the warmth and intimacy that distinguishes Lucie's live shows. **Lucie plays the Rails on Wednesday.**

>> TICKET TO RIDE THE DOLPHINS

The **NCEIA annual entertainment awards** are on again with a huge salubrious event planned for **Tuesday 8 November**. Expect lots of

great local music and performance at the event that helps bring original local music to the forefront. Tickets for the Dolphin Awards Dinner are available from the bottleshop from 10am - 6pm.

>> ZAHLU AND HIS CREW

This coming **Friday at the Hotel Great Northern**, **Zahlu and the Alchemists of Sound** will be stirring up the melting pot of sound synergy charged with intensity and passion as they showcase their new fusion of rock roots tribal power groove. Let your legs do the talking when you let those mothers' loose on the floor.

>> CHEWING THE FAT WITH THE RATS

Local funk rock leviathans **Fatter Than Nusrat** have been extremely busy of late. Over the last few months they have prepared and recorded a new live album which will be launched at the Rails on November 4 and distributed through MGM. They have gained uber-funk saxophonist Mitch Carey (of Groove Dalley) into the fold. Most recently they have supported Bomba and taken their volcanic funk vibe up and down Australia's east coast where an increasing number of people have partaken of their fevered dancefloor frenzies. **Fatter Than Nusrat have their sights set on the heights. This Friday night they play the**

LIVE MUSIC

Lennox Point Hotel followed by the Nimbin Hotel on Saturday ... for those who like to dance, drink, make merry and get seriously loose.

>> RE-MAINS COURSE

After four months of intense national touring **The Re-Mains** finally return to the North Coast with their new album, *Field Conditions*, heading up the weekend's round of shows with an old-fashioned bushdance at **Goolmangar Hall on Friday night, kicking off early at 7pm**. Kids under the height

of a banjo and a half, or at least the age of 12 get in for nothin', for everyone else it's \$8 at the door for a night of knee crackin' country rock and roll. That's halfway to Nimbin from Lismore folks, ya can't miss it. On Saturday the band takes its pedal steel and banjo-fuelled fury south to **Yamba to play the Surfing the Coldstream Festival**, where they take the stage on the showgrounds at 10pm, and **on Sunday they swing into the warm and lovin' arms of the Billinudgel Hotel, from 2pm.**

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Zahlu and the Alchemists of Sound at the Hotel Great Northern, **Friday**

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New Boundaries for the Ballina Electorate

The Growing Coastal Population

The Far North Coast has an ageing and growing population, with NSW Department of Infrastructure Planning and Natural Resources (DIPNR) projections showing that in the Ballina statistical local area alone, the population will grow by more than 40 per cent in the next twenty-five years, with the number of over 65 year olds almost doubling from 19 per cent to 32 per cent in that same period. Consequently there is a high and growing demand for health services.

A recent survey of people moving to the area in the last five years, revealed half of new residents were 55 years or older, further highlighting the need for more health services in the future.



Furthermore, with the coastal shift, and the booming retiree population in close proximity to the coast, there is an urgent need for improved and enhanced facilities at Ballina and Byron Shire Hospitals.

At the same time as the coastal population booms, our average level of private health insurance cover remains low (as a result of socio-economic factors.) Only 36% of the Far North Coast population is privately insured compared to

BALLINA ELECTORATE



Under the State Constitution Act, electoral boundaries must be reviewed after two elections have been conducted using the same electoral boundaries. As a result, the NSW electoral boundaries including the Ballina electorate have been redrawn to take account of population movements and growth.

There are currently 4,276,695 electors in NSW and 93 lower house seats. The new boundaries have therefore been redrawn to contain 48,344 electors (+ - 3%).

The new boundaries will take effect in March 2007 at the NSW general election. Until this date the Ballina electorate will remain as it currently is. After the March 2007, election the new boundaries as shown will apply.

Generally the boundaries have been moved southwards so that Pottsville will become part of the Tweed electorate, and Wardell will once again be part of the Ballina electorate.

50% at State and National levels. The Far North Coast population is therefore very dependent on a good public hospital system.

The COASTAL CONNECTION



Ethanol: an Environmentally Friendly Alternative Fuel

With the recent rise in petrol prices, there has been increased public debate about the use of alternative fuels and in particular ethanol-blended fuels. As an alternative fuel, ethanol offers many environmental and public health benefits as well as reducing Australia's reliance on imported fossil fuels.

In an attempt to provide leadership, the NSW Coalition recently introduced legislation to require the use of ethanol-blended fuel in the New South Wales Government vehicle fleet. The fleet comprises 24,500 cars and light commercial vehicles. To fuel these vehicles NSW annually purchases 110 million litres of unleaded fuel as well as an additional 107 million litres of other types of fuel including LPG.

Over recent weeks we have seen conventional fuel costs hit record highs of just under \$1.50 due to a range of world events including Hurricane Katrina as well as worldwide shortages of fuel associated with the economic expansion throughout China and India in particular.

New South Wales and the rest of Australia should be finding new ways of ending our dependence on imported fuel and its high costs. This would ease the pain at the bowser, enable Australia to remain competitive internationally, and address critical environmental issues going to the heart of sustainability.

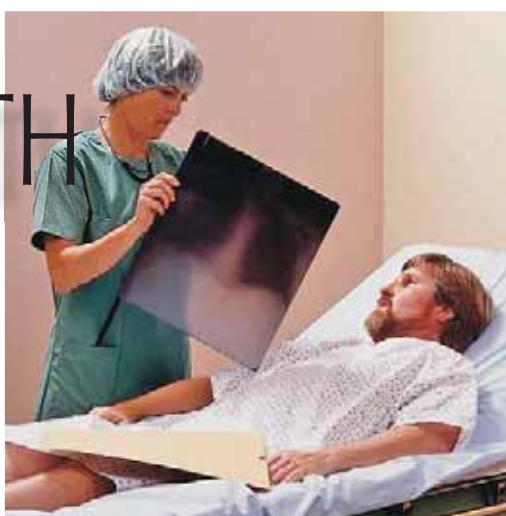
Transport now accounts for 15 per cent of our nation's greenhouse emissions and those emissions have increased by 28 per cent over the past 13 years. Unlike fossil fuels, ethanol can be produced from agricultural crops, which are renewable. Given that ethanol can be produced from most forms of biomass there is also the potential to address environmental issues facing Australia such as salinity by growing plants or biomass which raises the water table, reduces salinity and thereby provides a future source of biomass for ethanol production.

Clearly, Ethanol blended fuel delivers cleaner air, less greenhouse gasses, fewer respiratory illnesses, reduces the reliance on fossil fuels and is currently cheaper than unleaded petrol.

OUR HEALTH

A Fair Share of Hospital Services for the Far North Coast

The recent and ongoing anaesthetists contract dispute is of great concern to the community as it impacts on all public health facilities on the Far North Coast.



Funding for Local Health Services

Unfortunately, as a result of general underfunding by the current State Government, Lismore Base Hospital and surrounding Hospitals including Ballina and Byron Bay are experiencing serious problems in terms of lack of beds, and the cancellation of surgery. These are all factors which have contributed to the anaesthetists dispute.

In the last 3 years the North Coast Area Health Service has attracted 1 new anaesthetist and 7 have left- a net loss of 6.

Other regions such as Albury have had an increase in anaesthetists from 12 to 19- a gain of 7.

There is also the general problem of underfunding which means our regional hospital, Lismore Base Hospital and surrounding Hospitals cannot function properly because they are not getting its fair share of funding.

During this ongoing dispute it has emerged that our North Coast Area Health Service is receiving 6.1% less in funding than the

Resource Distribution Formula (RDF) used to calculate area funding, says we should have. This equates to about \$30 million per annum.

Whilst the gap between what we get and what we should get has been reduced over the past 5 years, the cumulative deficits, combined with the increasing demand for services means that the health system is not coping anymore.

Patients are being diverted to hospitals away from their home base which they

don't want to go to in the name of ensuring Lismore Base Hospital with its limited resources can cope.

The Far North Coast has built up an impressive range of procedural specialist over the past 15 years. If surgery and procedures continue to be cancelled or severely restricted due to a lack of funding, which is currently the case, the area will lose these specialists.

Great Catch!

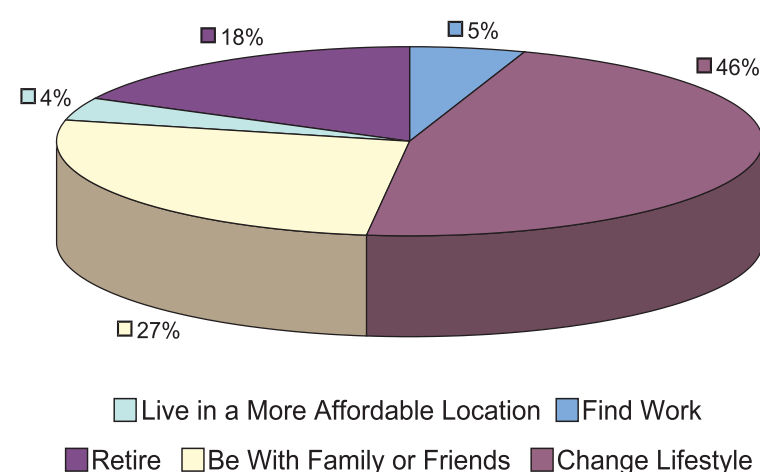
Peter Storey of Mullumbimby Angling Club was the worthy winner of the 2005 A Grade Championship at the recent Mullumbimby Angling Club presentation night.



Ballina Staff A

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Reasons for Moving to the Ballina Electorate



*'Lifestyle' ... is the
for N*

A recent survey of local residents has shown new arrivals to the Ballina electorate have moved to change their lifestyle.

The survey of 850 residents, who have been added to the electoral roll in the last five years, showed 39 per cent had moved to the Far North Coast to change their lifestyle, followed by 22 per cent who had moved to be with family or friends. About half (46%) of respondents nominated the lifestyle/environment as their main attraction to the region.

When asked to prioritise the most important issues, recent residents chose the environment (19%) as the most important issue, followed by employment (15%), affordable housing (14%) and personal fulfilment (14%).

The results show those who have moved to the area

in the last five years, and re appreciative of the lifestyle a the Far North Coast. They are their personal needs and the about community issues like

Of those who had responded intended to stay in the region purchased a home or propo indicated they were leaving result of employment issues (25%), lack of infrastructure a reasons (19%).

The survey also reflected th region. Thirty-five per cent to the region to retire, and (48%) were over 55 years of

Ballina RSL Awards

Recent Ballina RSL Staff and several outstanding employees were recognised for their dedication and hard work. The RSL employs more than 100 staff, making it a significant



employer in the region.

Morag Page was pleased to present awards to Ballina RSL staff who were recognised on the night for their achievements in the workplace.

River Street CHILDREN'S Centre 25th Anniversary

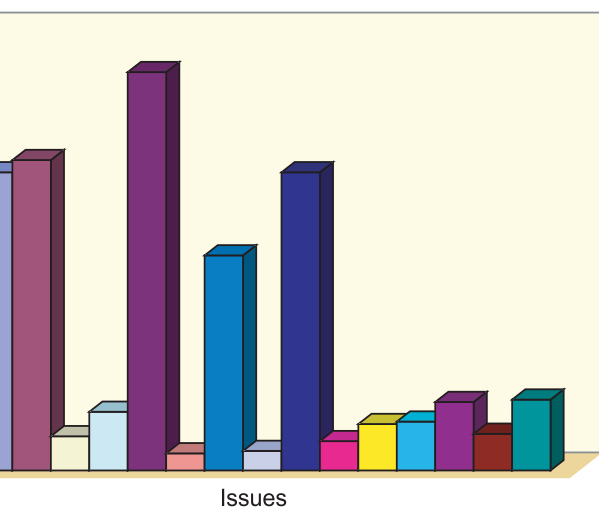
Congratulations to the River Street Children's Centre on twenty-five years of service to the Ballina community.

Centres like River Street, offer an invaluable opportunity for children to develop the skills needed in later life. In the years since the Centre opened, early childhood learning and its benefits have become better recognised by Governments and across the community.

It was wonderful to see so many people associated with the Ballina River Street preschool celebrating the anniversary with Centre Director Narelle Dewhurst.



Issues of Most Concern



Affordable Housing	122
Employment	127
Access to Child Care	14
Education and Training	24
Environment	163
Social Security/Welfare	7
Access to Health Facilities	88
Superannuation	8
Personal Fulfilment	122
Crime	12
Aged Care	19
Business	20
Roads	28
Transport	15
Other	29

Number 1 attraction for New Residents!

Respondents to the survey, are concerned not only about the environment offered on the coast of their family, but also about the environment.

Respondents to the survey, 85 per cent had moved to the area, and 69 per cent had already lived in the area. The 15 per cent who had moved to the area, were doing so as a family (32%), housing affordability and services (23%) or family

The growth in retirees to the area of respondents had moved to the area almost half of respondents were aged 65 and over.

When asked to nominate their highest level of education achieved, respondents indicated they had achieved; a university degree (23%), a school certificate (21%), HSC (19%), TAFE (14%), university postgraduate degree (13%) or left school before the school certificate (8%).

Fifty one per cent of those who had responded to the survey were married, whilst 36 per cent were single and 12 per cent were living with a partner.

The survey has provided an excellent insight into the expectations and characteristics of those who had moved to the Ballina electorate in the last five years.

I would like to thank all local residents who took the time to respond to the survey.

Details of the survey are available on my website: www.donpage.com.au

Local High School Students Visit State Parliament

Representatives of four local High Schools recently attended the Leadership in Schools Program at NSW Parliament House.

The students went on a behind-the-scenes tour of Parliament House including the media office and conference rooms. They also had the opportunity to learn about the operation of Parliament House and the role of representatives in the State Parliament.

I had the opportunity to speak to the student leaders about the importance of community service and the satisfaction that could be achieved by giving something to the community.

The representatives from local High Schools included; Suzannah Charters, Simon Hillier, Emma Baldrey, Ashley Higgins, Anna Ockert, Ryan Johnson, Kori Johnson & Alistair Schaefer.



Pollies for Small Business Day

As part of Small Business Week, I recently spent some time helping out in several local businesses for 'Pollies for Small Business' week.

This year I spent time at Shelly's on the Beach Café, Eggins Prestige Homes, Ballina Brake & Exhaust and Lennox Natural Medicines where I took on a diverse range of tasks.

'Pollies for Small Business' day provides an excellent opportunity to see first-hand how our local businesses



operate and to hear about the concerns facing our important small business community.

What is needed from the Minister

I recently met with the new Minister for Health and a delegation of Medical Staff and community representatives. We are all concerned about the consequences for the community if this problem is not fixed quickly.

The community needs a number of commitments from the Minister namely;

- We want a fair share of funding both; recurrent to meet the RDF target and capital.
- We need a commitment in relation to the Lismore Base Hospital as a regional hospital offering quality services and that its role will not be downgraded either deliberately or by neglect.
- We need assurances that surrounding hospitals in Ballina and Byron Shires will be adequately funded, resourced and developed.
- We want to ensure the issue of inadequate beds is addressed and a long-term solution to the anaesthetists problem with a longer term plan to retain our excellent group of procedural specialists.
- We want services and people given top priority, and a commitment that the Department of Health and North Coast Area Health Service and clinicians will work closely together to reduce waiting lists, increase beds and the maintenance

of the highest standards of health which clinicians are presently trying to uphold in our area.

The community would like to see our area transformed from being a problem as far as health delivery is concerned into being a model for regional areas that we and the Government can view with pride.

The COASTAL CONNECTION



Alstonville Bypass Delay Unacceptable

Once again the State Government has blamed everyone but themselves for the delay in the construction of the Alstonville Bypass.

The Alstonville bypass is a State Government responsibility, but the Federal Government offered \$12million to help kick start the project. Despite this commitment from the Federal Government, the State Labor Government has again failed residents of Alstonville by refusing to carry out its original promise to complete the Project if elected at the March 2003 election.

The Carr Government was re-elected, and has now twice broken their promise to the residents of Alstonville to commence construction.

The State Government should be delivering services and infrastructure for all NSW residents regardless of where they live. Premier Iemma must take responsibility for the State Government's failures and cease blaming the Federal Government which has already made a firm financial commitment to the Project.

Vale Vendor Duty

The NSW Government has finally responded to the concerns of thousands of 'mum-and-dad' investors across the State and scrapped the very unpopular vendor duty.

Whilst vendor duty should never have been introduced in the first place, its recent abolition is very welcome. Vendor duty not only hurt the property market as a whole, but it also impacted very heavily on individual mum-and-dad investors. There were many cases in the Ballina electorate of people who were put through great financial hardship as a result of vendor duty.

Not only was the vendor duty an unreasonable tax, but it was also implemented in an unreasonable manner. Property-owners were forced to pay the duty prior to settlement and hence some people were forced to take out bridging loans to pay vendor tax.

NSW has an unhealthy reliance on property taxes which now account for approximately 40 per cent of total tax revenue, a jump of 22 per cent in the last decade. The abolition of vendor duty is very welcome, but even more needs to be done in terms of property taxes if investment is to be attracted to NSW.



Congratulatory Messages

One of the most popular services available through my office is the provision of congratulatory messages for certain wedding anniversaries and birthdays.

Congratulatory messages can be arranged for a couples 50th, 60th, 65th or 70th wedding anniversaries, or for an individuals 90th, 100th or over 100th birthday.

Evidence of the birth or wedding date must be provided and several weeks notice is advised to ensure messages arrive on time.

Justice of the Peace Update

Existing JP's

Following amendments to the Justice of the Peace Act made by State Parliament in December 2003, Justice of the Peace appointments now apply for a fixed term of five years, after which a Justice of the Peace must renominate for a further five year term. All existing Justices of the Peace are therefore required to renominate to maintain their status as a Justice of the Peace.

Renomination forms for existing Justices of the Peace are available from my office and include information sheets about the application process. Justices of

the Peace have three years from the implementation of the Act in December 2003 to complete the renomination process.

The renomination application does not have to be endorsed by a Member of Parliament.

Members of the community wishing to become JP's

For members of the community wishing to apply to become a Justice of the Peace application forms are also available from my office. In NSW, a Member of Parliament (MP) must nominate applicants seeking appointment as a JP.

Completed applications receiving

nomination will then be submitted directly to the Attorney General's Department by the relevant Member of Parliament.

On-line JP Register

Justices of the Peace appointed under the new act are now listed on the Internet in the JP Register at www.lawlink.nsw.gov.au

Members of the public can search for a JP either by postcode or locality. A Justice of the Peace's registration can also be checked at this site using either a name or number.



Information Available from My Office

The following is a list of just some of the State Government information available from my office;

- Seniors Card Applications
- Applications for becoming a Justice of the Peace
- Renomination forms for existing Justices of the Peace
- Congratulatory messages for certain Birthday and Wedding anniversaries
- How to correctly prepare a petition for tabling in State Parliament
- Details of government grants and funding opportunities
- Enrolling to vote
- Changing your address on the electoral roll forms
- Details of public holidays and daylight saving
- Supply of State Flags to approved community organisations

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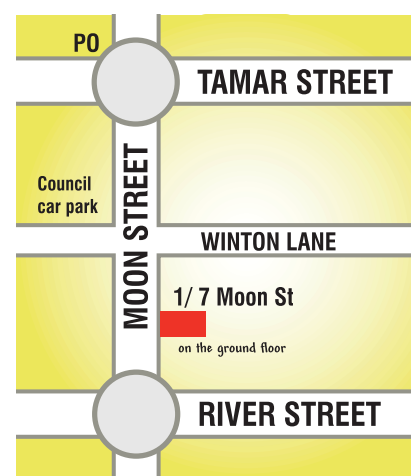
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MOVIE REVIEWS

PICK >>



MOOLAADÉ

It's hard to make a case for female circumcision, harder still to believe that the horrible practice could be the subject of such an uplifting film. Ousmane Sembene, considered Africa's outstanding director, is unequivocal in his opposition to it. Nevertheless, he challenges from the other side, (as did Siddiq Barmak in 2003's memorable Osama), the sometimes patronizing tenets of educated Western audiences, as will see it locally: viz – are the traditions of other societies sacrosanct, or are they fairly attacked by what we like to prattle on about as cultural imperialism? Dare we say that there are absolute rights and wrongs? Colle is a tribal woman who chooses to protect her daughter from the cutting that so tragically affected her own life. Four other girls are drawn to the 'moolaadé' (sanctuary) that she offers. The past collides calamitously with the present and the issue divides the village. Sembene's rural Senegal is cheerful, brightly coloured, dusty if a little sanitized. His narrative is deliberate and unhurried, but the message is unashamedly pro change and positive in its regard of the influence (through radio) of the outside world. **John Campbell**

IN HER SHOES

Casting can be all-important and here it is spot-on. Rose (Toni Collette), a Philadelphia lawyer, is having her life ruined by her feckless younger sister, Maggie (Cameron Diaz). When Maggie's behaviour finally goes too far she is ejected from Rose's apartment and travels to Florida to find the grandmother she has never met (Shirley MacLaine) and sponge off her. She nestles into the retirement village, working as an aide and, unwillingly at first, reading poetry to a blind professor. Her gradual transformation is complete when she learns the truth about her mother's death. Diaz is diabolically sexy (my God, those legs!) and irresistible in her role, Collette is wonderful as the put-upon frump and MacLaine, allowed to look her age, finds all of the light and shade of an elderly woman whose horizons are also broadened by the arrival of her unexpected guest. Director Curtis Hanson (8 Mile) handles his material with assurance, maintaining a lightness of touch without calling on cheap gags and finding an insight into the three women that is neither judgemental nor kid-gloved. A joyous movie about love and renewal. **John Campbell**



DUKES OF HAZZARD

The Dukes Of Hazzard, (the movie version of the 80s TV classic), stars Seann William Scott as Bo and Johnny Knoxville as Luke, and is smart enough not to mess with a good thing. Scott and Knoxville, who are capable of outrageous and dark comedy, rein in those impulses to play the angelic duo. And Jessica Simpson, who did not fend off offers for other acting projects from the Royal Shakespeare Company to play Daisy, has obviously worked hard with her personal trainer. Putting the official rebel stamp on the proceedings are two seasoned southerners: Burt Reynolds plays the sneaky, dandyish commissioner by the name of Boss Hogg, and Willie Nelson is Uncle Jesse L. Duke, the moonshine making joker played on the TV show by Denver Pyle. Which is to say that 'Dukes' the movie is more charmingly lowbrow than screamingly funny, and it doesn't seem the slightest bit interested in straying from the formula of screeching cars, barroom brawls and other southern clichés (without the white-hooded touches, of course). Anyone going to this movie would want no less. This is one unusual case in which aiming for a middling C grade turns out to be A-plus work.



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DAILY 9.45am, 2.30pm, 6.25pm

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The hardest trick is making them stay.
WEEKDAYS 1.10pm, 5.05pm, 8.55pm
SAT & SUN 10.00am, 5.05pm, 8.55pm

Serenity (M)
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WEEKDAYS 3.00pm, 9.15pm SAT & SUN 12.45pm, 9.15pm

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WEEKDAYS 11.10pm SAT & SUN 9.20am, 1.30pm

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Johnny Depp
WEEKDAYS 9.40am SAT & SUN 10.50am

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'I say,' said Abbotsleigh, staring intently at the local paper run by a bunch of pinko baby boomers, 'says here the rozzers invaded the local hosteleries with dogs. Rather poor form when a chap's trying to have a drink, don't you know. Netted enough drugs for a 15 minute sampler at the David Jones entheogen counter, I would judge. Hardly seems worth the effort.'

'Most peculiar indeed,' said Tosser Digby, oiling the grip of his bullwhip. 'Any serious dealer would hardly go into a pub with a load of drugs. Some chap must've felt the dogs needed exercise or just has a dislike of folk who have opinions slightly left of fascism.'

'Would've found more in our medicine cabinet,' noted Abbotsleigh.

'What shall we do it about it?' asked Camberwell. 'Can't have the citizenry being terrorised by men in silly outfits. I'm good friends with the Commissioner's great aunt Madge...'

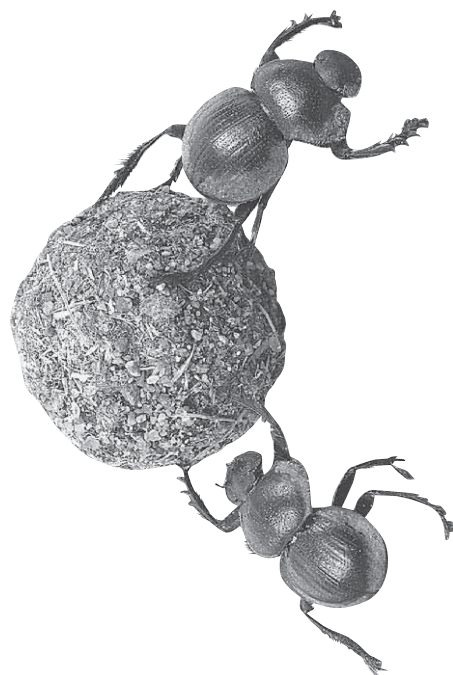
'No bother,' said Digby, 'I have already devised a plan.'

He strode resolutely from the room Digby's a puzzling chap at times. Man of action, even though he is wealthy enough to buy several small Pacific island nations and need never lift a finger again. One suspects he has a bit of a Robin Hood complex, or a Che Guevara obsession. He did after all sit through Motorcycle Diaries 27 times and even wrote a review for a small publication which disappeared without a trace, Digby's deathless prose confined to the crypt of his computer.

While Digby would not talk of the drug raids again, chiefly on the principle that if his friends knew nothing they could not be successfully interrogated, we heard later he had dressed in black and taken his specially-modified Hummer into that peculiar little shire to the north, Tweed Pty Ltd or somesuch. He understood covert action was needed against well-armed men with overly bulging muscles and not a neck to speak of among the lot. At two in the morning he slipped silently into the police station and adulterated the water coolers with large doses of liquid DMT. More amazingly, he managed to spike each bottle in the VB fridge without removing the caps. Apparently the Pentagon has written to him, applying for a patent for the technology. The result is that the Tactless Response Group, or whatever the chaps are called, had to be disbanded, most of the officers rendered

incapable of ever expressing pointless aggression again and two of them starting a cult which worships dung beetles. All the police dogs on the premises took up wearing pink booties. There was an attempt by ASIO to question Digby but those spooks which were not eaten by Gloria, his pet hippopotamus, disappeared into the electrified moat.

When the matter had died down, we threw a celebration dinner in Digby's honour. Chef concocted a splendid Stressed Ibis in a Melange of Glowworm, accompanied by a deregulation of lightly steamed butter beans. Its flavours were piquantly complemented by a Byron Industrial Estate Sex Shop Mystery Item Pinot Noir, decidedly fruity on the nose with more than a hint of latex. The grateful pub regulars took round the hat and purchased Digby a Main Arm Upper Outer Outer Vintage Bud, which he proceeded to smoke and share at the junction of Burringbar and Stuart Streets. I do believe I saw a tear form in the hard man's eye out of gratitude that his efforts were appreciated. He was later awarded the Prime Minister's Prize for Contributions to Altered Realities and the Queen invited him to partake of her stash of peyote buttons found secreted in her collection of Da Vinci sketches.



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Know your onions

Victoria Cosford

Making the Onion Tart the other day reminded me how much I love this most basic of vegetables. The thinly sliced half-moons simmered leisurely in lots of butter before being topped into eggs and sour cream and folded into voluptuous yeast pastry; the perfume of buttery onions remained in my cottage for hours afterward. It brought back as well cafe-cooking winters when on a daily basis I would make Kate's soup whose base was two sliced onions softened to translucence in 250 grams of butter, rich beyond belief.

Onions, garlic, shallots, leeks and scallions are all part of the allium family of root vegetables. Cooking without seems unthinkable, and I recall my horror when in a cooking class I was teaching one man admitted to being allergic to onions. (The fact he was Italian made it even worse.) Subtly sweetened from cooking or crisply raw in salads, onions provide a dimension to dishes we mostly take for granted. Onions form part of the elemental trilogy in Italian cuisine together with celery and carrots, the thickening enriching foundation for a thousand sauces and casseroles. They would be my desert island ingredient, and perhaps pickled with cheese my last supper. I love their possibilities, the way they can transform into a sticky jam through languid caramelisation and the addition of sugar and vinegar, or have the bitterness 'cooked' out of them by a sprinkling

of salt in a twist of muslin, or be strewn across bread dough in a tomato sauce for that Nicoise tart called Pissaladiere.

French food seems to be enjoying a bit of a revival at present, and one of my favourite dishes is Soubise. Named after a hotel in Paris, this is a puree of onions served warm with bread at the beginning of a meal – Sydney's Onde restaurant does it superbly. As for that classic, French Onion Soup, I believe that this is one of the few hot soups able to be eaten outside of winter. With its lid of cheesy toast, it is an utterly satisfying meal in itself and needs only to be followed by a little green salad. Tres Francais!

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While Libran influences linger, balance is still this week's mandate, as in keeping opposing activities on an even keel – locating the fine line between labour and relaxation, control and trust, splurging and conserving...

ARIES: Aries like to be at centre of things and get miffed when they think they're being left out. Don't climb on your huffy high horse and cut off communications this week, because that may not really be the case. Things can be very easily sorted if you want them to.

TAURUS: Present astral configurations are good for reviving something you might have laid aside, breathing fresh life into an old project or reworking an idea in a more up-to-date way – for rearranging the jigsaw pieces of the past into a new improved pattern.

GEMINI: With the present astromix turning this week's social sizzle into more of a smoulder, what's not recommended is gossip, taking sides or being over-critical. Suggested alternative: Keeping things simple and getting others working together.

CANCER: Emotional consistency isn't a feature of this week's landscape, and low irritation thresholds can flare up unexpectedly. If your devotion, sensitivity and allure seem unappreciated, settle down – a grouchy attitude won't win friends or influence anyone. Try a little tenderness instead.

LEO: You take-charge dynamos like taking over, and why not when you've got the charisma and popularity to carry it off. But a smidgin of humility wouldn't go astray this week, and acknowledging mistakes is important – pinpointing errors so you don't keep repeating them.

VIRGO: This week will drive you nuts if you're attached to having things a particular way. You're better off enjoying whatever happens which – who knows – could turn out to be extremely enjoyable. If something's bothering you deal with it then drop it – don't stew and suffer.

LIBRA: With Jupiter the lucky planet spending its last ten days in Libra you'd be crazy to be lazy. So follow up those openings, suss out new opportunities, seize the day while you may and use it till you lose it – whatever you set up now will stand you in good stead.

SCORPIO: That no-person's-land between your strong reasoning faculties and your dramatic reactions gets very noticeable this week, Scorps. Time to fill in the blanks and join up the dots connecting your mind and feelings, your intellect and emotions, your head and your heart.

SAGITTARIUS: Are certain expansive urges tempting you to, what the heck, take a gamble? There's a big difference between a leap of faith and going out on a limb. Composure is your best ally this week: as in taking the time you need to make decisions, not rushing them.

CAPRICORN: Capricorn nerves are a tad uptightish right now because no matter how you try to control things (and Capricorns try a lot), powers beyond you are operating. The force is neither with you nor against you, it's just doing its thing and you have to ride it out till the dust settles...

AQUARIUS: Up close and personal, this week's smiley people are complex and complicated – rather like Aquarians. Heated discussions will be like poking a troll in a pond – suddenly you're confronted with the Loch Ness monster. Speech awareness could avert cataclysms.

PISCES: Use that Piscean genius for improvisation and spontaneity this week. If you spot an opportunity, go for it. A situation needing help? Offer it. A rough spot? Soothe it... Defusing other people's fury and deconstructing their angst will have tremendously pleasant repercussions.

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TUESDAY 25	<div>4.30 Movie: Cuckoo In The Nest (G, B&W, 1933) Ralph Lynn, Tom Walls, Cecil Parker 6.00 Kid's Programs 10.00 School Programs 12.00 Midday Report 12.30 Something In The Air 1.00 The New Inventors 1.30 The Einstein Factor 2.00 The Bill 3.00 Kid's Programs 5.00 Roller Coaster 6.00 Doctor Who 6.30 Second Opinion 7.00 ABC News 7.30 The 7.30 Report 8.00 Sex In The Bush Sex lives of native wild-life 8.30 The Bill (PG) 9.20 Foreign Correspondent 10.05 Vulture 10.35 Lateline 11.10 Live At The Basement The Flood 12.05 Night And Day 12.30 Marie Antoinette (M, c,l) The real woman behind the legend 1.30 Movie: The Clay Pigeon (PG, B&W, 1949) Bill Williams, Barbara Hale, Richard Quine, Richard Loo 2.35 Movie: Slaughter Trail (PG, B&W, 1951) Brian Donlevy, Gig Young, Virginia Grey 3.55 Surf's Up (G*)</div>	<div>5.00 Weatherwatch 5.25 World News 6.50 Weatherwatch 7.25 World News 11.30 Arabic News 12.05 Indonesian News 12.30 Business Report 1.00 Movie: Dirt Poor Inc. (M, c,l,d,r,a, 2000) Greek comedy about prisoners who come up with a plan to make money out of garbage when they get released. 2.30 Tales From A Suitcase 3.00 Food Lovers Guide To Australia 3.30 Living Black 4.00 World Sport 4.30 The Journal 5.00 NewsHour 6.00 Global Village 6.30 World News Australia 7.00 World Sport 7.30 Insight 8.30 Cutting Edge: Dining With The Devil Cooperation between the CIA and the PLO since the early 70s 9.30 World News Australia 10.00 Hot Docs: Excellent Cadavers 11.35 Movie: Now Or Never — Time Is Money (PG, 2000) German comedy 1.10 Movie: Black Cat II — Assassination Of Yeltsin (MA, v, 1992) Cantonese action 2.40 Close</div>	<div>6.00 Sunrise 9.00 Bambaloo 9.30 Home Shopping 10.30 Morning News 11.00 8 Simple Rules For Dating My Teen-age Daughter 11.30 According To Jim 12.00 Las Vegas 1.00 The Practice 2.00 Blue Heelers 3.00 My Wife And Kids 3.30 Who Dares Wins 4.00 It's Academic 4.30 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 Dancing With The Stars 9.00 All Saints (M, s) 10.00 Last Man Standing (M) 11.00 Arrested Development 11.30 Scrubs 12.00 Life With Bonnie 12.30 Home Shopping 1.00 Danoz Direct 2.00 Expo 5.00 Creflo A Dollar 5.30 Home Shopping</div>	<div>6.00 Totally Wild 6.30 Aerobics Oz Style 7.00 Toasted TV 8.30 In The Box 9.00 Good Morning Australia 11.00 TTN 11.30 Ten News 12.00 Murder, She Wrote 1.00 Ready Steady Cook 2.00 The Oprah Winfrey Show 3.00 Huey's Cooking Adventures 3.30 Infomercial 4.00 Totally Wild 4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful 5.00 Ten News 6.00 The Simpsons 6.30 Neighbours 7.00 Everybody Loves Raymond 7.30 The Simpsons 8.30 Brainiac 9.30 Rove Live (M, c,l,a) 10.45 Late News 11.15 Sports Tonight 11.45 Coupling 12.15 The Up-Late Game Show (M) 1.45 Video Hits Up-Late 2.00 Infomercial 4.00 Enjoying Everyday Life 4.30 Kenneth Copeland 5.00 Life Today With James Robison 5.30 This Is Your Day With Benny Hinn</div>	<div>6.00 Today 9.00 Mornings With Kerri-Anne 11.00 Danoz 11.30 Icon 12.00 Dr Phil 1.00 Days Of Our Lives 2.00 The Young And The Restless 3.00 Fresh Cooking 3.30 New Macdonald's Farm 4.00 Holly's Heroes 4.30 Frasier 5.00 The Price Is Right 5.30 Temptation 6.00 Evening News 7.00 A Current Affair 7.30 Frasier 8.30 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (M) 9.30 CSI: NY (M) 10.30 The Apprentice (PG) 11.30 Nightline 12.00 The Associates 1.00 Late Show With David Letterman 2.00 Stingers 3.00 Guthy Renker 4.00 Danoz 4.30 Good Morning America There is near-universal consensus that ice caps are melting is due in part to global warming, but the Bush administration counters that they are not melting — rather, the water has been liberated. <i>Jon Stewart</i></div>



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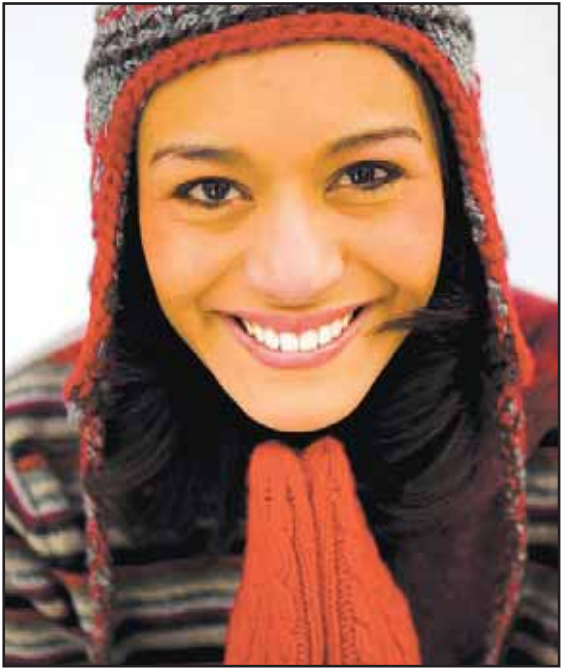
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BYRON HIGH SCHOOL DESIGNS BANNERS TO CELEBRATE WATER WEEK

Banners designed by a Byron High School Year 9 student and installed on Council's banner poles outside the school will be part of Byron Shire's Water Week celebrations.

Byron Shire Council Mayor Jan Barham said the banners prepared by Byron Shire Council and co-sponsored by Rous Water promote the Water for Life theme of this year's Water Week from 16-22 October.

'The banners feature a painting by Byron High School Year 9 student Rebecca Kilpatrick,' said Cr Barham. Miss Kilpatrick's design won first prize in a banner design competition run by Byron Shire Council and Rous Water. 'It is an important initiative to involve young people in environmental protection and awareness. Congratulations to Rebecca for an outstanding artistic design'.

'The design showing a girl's hands with water running through them is intended to depict the importance that water plays in our everyday life,' said art student Miss Kilpatrick.

'We live in a fragile world and the cupped hands symbolise the care that we need to take,' said Miss Kilpatrick.

Byron Shire Council is enthusiastic about supporting Water Week this year and will be displaying water saving devices and promotions in Council's Mullumbimby Office foyer during this time. The community is welcome to visit.

During Water Week and this current dry period the community is encouraged to pay extra attention to their water use and to save water whenever possible.

National Water Week is run by the Australian Water Association and is an initiative first held in 1993 to assist the community to understand and take action to protect and conserve our precious water resources and habitats.

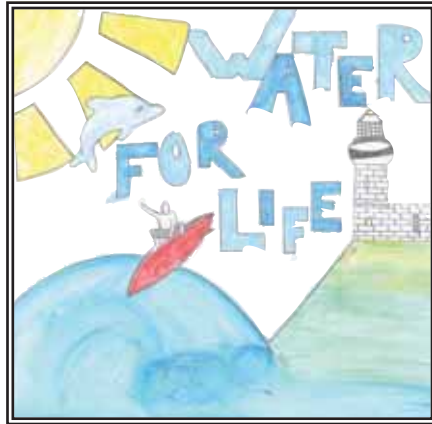
NWW creates a large scale local awareness of community initiatives that generate long-term behaviour change for the protection, rehabilitation and improvement of streams, wetlands, waterways, beaches, and estuaries.

During NWW Australians are encouraged to 'Protect, Conserve and Get Involved' in water-related activities and celebrations around the country. The third week in October is designated as 'National Water Week' each year.

In 2005, National Water Week runs from 16-22 October and provides the opportunity to focus on water in the media through community, regional and national events.

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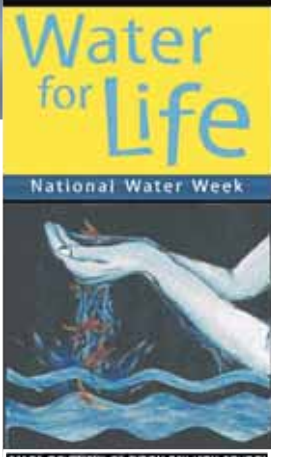
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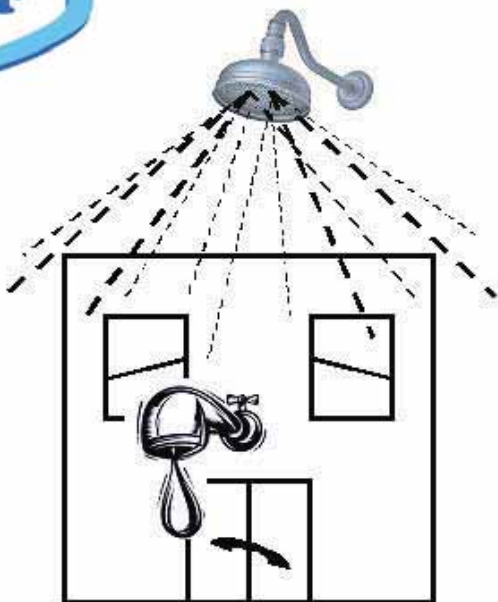


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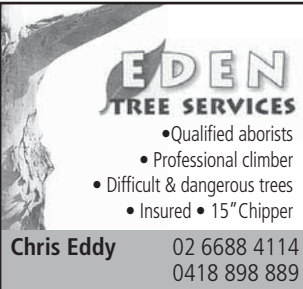
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COMBINED SALE 1 Walker St, Byron, more new stuff, Saturday after 8am.

SATURDAY 8AM, lots of bromeliads, large/small/collectors. Also clothing adult/teenage/children's, 21 Banoon Circuit, North Ocean Shores.

COMBINED SALE 6 Myocum Road near Byron turnoff, Sat 8am, bargains.

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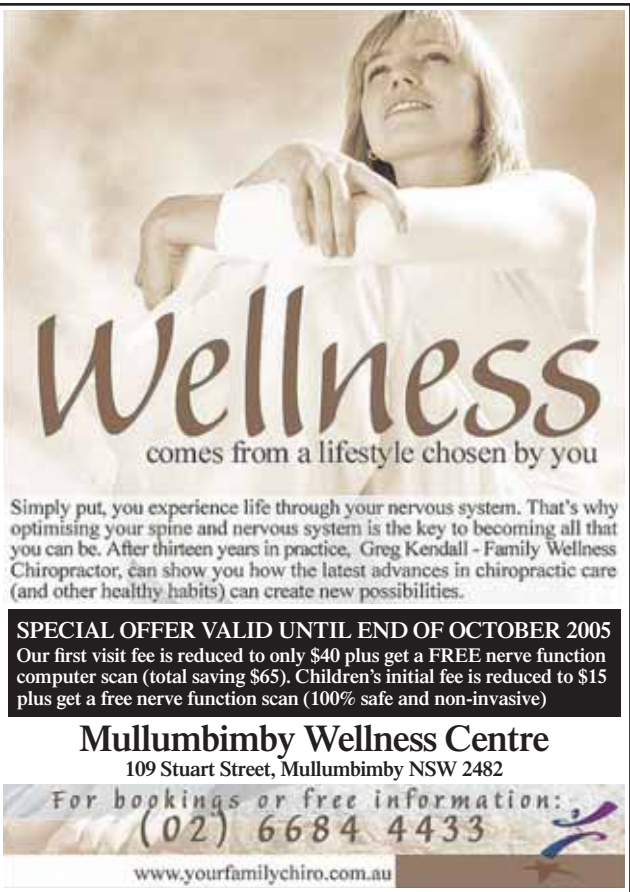
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We urge readers to follow up on DAs they feel may affect them by visiting Council's office before the advised closing date and making an appropriate written submission. Be aware that all submissions are deemed to be public documents.

19 Kennedys Lane Tyagarah 10.2005.236.1	The owner is not the applicant in this case. The applicant is East Coast Planning Consultants. Amended plan - animal establishment (cat & dog boarding facilities) in 3 stages & associated signage.	Close 19/10/05
7 Hoop Pine Lane Suffolk Park 10.2005.546.1	PW Jarrett 1.8m high front fence.	Close 24/10/05
48 Bangalow Road Byron Bay 10.2005.577.1	S Neve & S Leighton Alterations & additions to create a double-storey dwelling.	Close 27/10/05
13 Gaggin Street New Brighton 10.2005.574.1	Leo Wilkinson Family Investment Tree removal - 3 x Norfolk pines.	Close 27/10/05
44 Corkwood Crescent Suffolk Park 10.2005.382.2	SJ Packer Modification to DA to amend consent for approved dwelling.	Close 27/10/05
17 Lawson Street Byron Bay 10.2005.545.1	Steven Bailey Expansion of existing approved restaurant.	Close 26/10/05
9 Royal Avenue South Golden Beach 10.2005.538.1	AD Groos Double-storey dwelling including removal of 7 trees.	Close 20/10/05
950 Main Arm Road Main Arm 10.2004.391.2	Regenis Pty Ltd S.96 to modify consent for dwelling to simplify design.	Close 25/10/05
17 Rajah Road Ocean Shores 10.2005.530.1	H Paule Double-storey dwelling including carport.	Close 20/10/05
6 Tallowood Crescent Byron Bay 10.2005.543.1	L Pearson Alterations & additions to an existing single-storey to create double-storey dwelling & studio.	Close 25/10/05
70 Cumbebin Park Byron Bay 10.2005.576.1	M Tysoe Alterations & additions to existing single-storey dwelling.	Close 26/10/05
Lot 8 DP 809341 Mullumbimby Road Mullumbimby 10.2005.551.1	JA Russell Place of assembly - outdoor music festival - January 1, 2006.	Close 26/10/05
5 Durrroon Court Ocean Shores 10.2005.541.1	GA Farden Residential flat buildings comprising 6 x 2br units & associated carparking & removal of 1 tree.	Close 26/10/05
Lot 408 DP 728643 Park Street Brunswick Heads 10.2005.555.1	Byron Shire Council & Brunswick Valley Woodchop Woodchop Festival - January 11-14, 2006 Twilight Markets - December 21, 2005.	Close 26/10/05
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Sports Roundup with Alex McAuley

Baggaley to contest doping charges



Following the shock of returning a positive drug test, Byron Bay kayaker Nathan Baggaley (pictured) withdrew from the 2005 ICF Canoe Marathon World Championships last weekend. Australian Canoeing issued the following statement in response to his withdrawal:

'Australian Canoeing has been advised that Nathan Bagdaley, who was scheduled to compete in the 2005 ICF Canoe Marathon World Championships, has returned from an adverse analytical finding from an A-sample analysis to stanozolol and methandienone.

'The sample was collected at an out of competition test, conducted by ASDA for Surf Life Saving Australia on September 13 2005. At this stage this does not mean that an anti-doping rule violation has occurred.'

Nathan was not speaking to the media but issued the

following statement on his website:

Well it is with great regret and disappointment that I must confirm what I am sure most people will know by now, that as an athlete my worst nightmare has come true and I have returned a positive drug sample. I can't comment at this stage on the circumstances surrounding my case but I will reassure you that I am as passionate as ever against cheating in sport.

“To the journalists and media out there harassing me for a story, please be patient and understand that I must take this situation very seriously and I am not prepared to risk damaging my case by speaking too soon without legal advice. I only get one chance at clearing my name. I will however be releasing a statement in the forthcoming days explaining more clearly of how I came

to be in this situation.

‘To my many friends and supporters out there who have been sending me letters, emails, phone calls and text messages of support, I thank you very much for your loyalty and support. It’s greatly appreciated.

'To the knockers out there that are always ready to jump onto something like this, just be patient and wait for the hearing to take place before you judge me. I have no doubt this will all work out fairly in the end.'

Strong start for Eureka

The Lismore District Junior Cricket season is underway and the Eureka U/16s have started well, enjoying a first up win. Eureka won the toss and, learning from Ricky Ponting's mistakes, quickly chose to bat.

Losing two wickets for no runs in the first over did not, however, augur well for the skipper, but a 39 run partnership for Connor Benfield (18) and Dustin Rudgley (13) restored some respectability to the score before the middle order and tail collapsed around Marty Irwin (9).

Eureka's 66 all out did not look enough, but sceptics

were proven wrong as a superb bowling and fielding performance put the screws on the Goonellabah batsmen, encouraging rash shots to a well set field where the catches were duly taken. Connor Benfield bowled four maiden overs for three wickets and was well supported by Robert Kelly (3/12) and Marty Irwin (2/12).

Tight bowling by the other bowlers also rewarded James McLean with his first ever wicket, while Nic Margan's last wicket stumping off Jordan Maxwell's spin sealed the win for Eureka as Goonellabah finished all out for 55.

Geckos steamrolled by Eureka openers

Brian Mollet

The Nick Shand series once again bridged the gap between the strange and the serious last Sunday as corporate superteam the Geckos grappled with the suntanned and dreadlocked weekend warriors of Eureka Grass.

Eureka skipper Hank called correctly sending out gun openers Anthony and Stuart who assaulted the opening bowlers, with Stuart's hook shot in the first over showing up on the Los Angeles coastal defence radar as an incoming scud missile. At the other end, Anthony, like a union boss, was content to share the strike. Stuart launched into the job like an Abigroup construction crew, crunching his way to an astonishing 34 in only 4.3 overs.

Flattened like Yelgun ridgelines, it was up to the Geckos bowlers to be like Madonna's rump and hold form despite a thorough spanking. Adrian and Derek both took wickets before the break, but Anthony stayed in control at the other end to retire leaving Eureka well placed to set a formidable

ble total.

The Geckos tenaciously came back with Adam and Jack staunching the scoring and Peter Wynne Moylan once again picking up two scalps. Ted, Toby and Simon got amongst the wickets and Glen held two catches, however this brought back the deadly duo of retirees Stuart (56) and Anthony (49 no), who like canny chemists, repeated the dose. Solid support from 'Slats' saw the Eureka total reach a very handy 171.

Gecko opensers Greg and Toby must have felt like Afghan asylum seekers early as the Eurekans threw up a cordon around the bat and Greg flashed at a cut shot in the fourth over to be well snared at slips from Andy's bowling.

This gave Eureka the momentum which they were never to relinquish in the match. Adrian (41 no) dug in at one end, but at the other the batsmen were searched, probed and sniffed like hotel patrons with Tom and Steve both bagging two victims. Glenn and Ted landed a few

blows for the Geckos, but the committed Eureka team brought up their historic first win in the competition, bringing down last year's grand finalists by 42 runs.

Next round promises more than a pyramid investment scheme as the much vaunted Main Armors take on the freewheeling Mullum Drift-ins.

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Daylight Saving			30th Oct	2.00 am
New Moon			2nd Nov	12.25 pm
First Quarter			9th Nov	1.00 pm
Taurus Full Moon			16th Nov	11.59 am
WED 19th	High	9.04 am 1.7	Sunrise	5.05 am
		9.34 pm 1.4	Sunset	5.56 pm
	Low	2.43 am 0.3	Moonrise	7.51 pm
		3.35 pm 0.2	Moonset	5.52 am
THU 20th	High	9.44 am 1.7	Sunrise	5.04 am
		10.19 pm 1.3	Sunset	5.57 pm
	Low	3.18 am 0.4	Moonrise	8.56 pm
		4.23 pm 0.3	Moonset	6.31 am
FRI 21st	High	10.25 am 1.7	Sunrise	5.03 am
		11.05 pm 1.2	Sunset	5.58 pm
	Low	3.54 am 0.5	Moonrise	9.58 pm
		5.12 pm 0.4	Moonset	7.16 am
SAT 22nd	High	11.08 am 1.6	Sunrise	5.03 am
		11.54 pm 1.1	Sunset	5.58 pm
	Low	4.32 am 0.6	Moonrise	10.56 pm
		6.04 pm 0.4	Moonset	8.05 am
SUN 23rd	High	11.55 am 1.5	Sunrise	5.01 am
			Sunset	5.59 pm
	Low	5.15 am 0.6	Moonrise	11.48 pm
		7.03 pm 0.5	Moonset	8.59 am
MON 24th	High	12.53 am 1.0	Sunrise	5.00 am
		12.50 pm 1.4	Sunset	6.00 pm
	Low	6.09 am 0.7		
		8.08 pm 0.5	Moonset	9.56 am
TUE 25th	High	2.07 am 1.0	Sunrise	4.59 am
		1.55 pm 1.3	Sunset	6.00 pm
	Low	7.16 am 0.7	Moonrise	12.33 am
		9.12 pm 0.5	Moonset	10.53 am

Eastern Standard Time. Heights in metres.

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Sports Roundup with Alex McAuley

Paralymphians in training at Lennox Head



The national disabled ski team was in training at Lake Ainsworth recently as part of their preparation for the 2006 winter paralympics. Pictured are Shannon Dallas, Toby Kane, Nick Watts Marty Mayberry, Steve Graham (coach) and Cameron Rahles-Rabula. Photo Jeff 'Going Downhill Fast' Dawson

The national disabled ski team has just spent a week at Lake Ainsworth in training for the 'Round the Bay' bicycle race in Melbourne as a part of its preparation for the 2006 winter paralympic games.

Head coach of the Australian Winter Paralympic Team Steve Graham said the training program is designed to build strength and endurance as well as cardiovascular fitness.

'The team will train and compete in Europe and North America prior to competing at the paralympics in Torino, northern Italy next year,' said Steve. 'They will be overseas for a total of four months and need to be in top condition for the trip.'

Steve hopes to take a full team of ten athletes to the

paralympics including eight males and one female in the alpine team and one cross country skier.

'At the moment we have eight athletes who have qualified and are hoping that while we are away the others will qualify,' said Steve.

Local athlete Marty Mayberry is among those yet to qualify, although Steve says this is because of lack of competing opportunities rather than anything else.

'Marty has had a terrific year, has great skill and is in great shape, so I'm very hopeful that he'll qualify for the games while we're away,' he said.

Steve has an impressive record as a coach of elite athletes having coached the able bodied ski team for many years before switching to the

disabled team in the last three. In his opinion, this is the strongest disabled team Australia has ever taken to the paralympics. One of the best qualities he describes in this team is their comradeship.

'We all get on really well together and have travelled together a lot. This is a relatively young team and they've formed a really strong bond that everyone who meets them comments on,' said Steve.

The team will return to Lennox Head at the end of the month for more training before heading to Europe in November. They will remain overseas both competing and training until after the paralympics, and will return to Australia in March next year.

Bangalow's straight spinner

The opening day of the junior cricket season saw last year's U/12 finalists Bangalow and Byron go head to head in the U/14 competition played at the Rugby League ground in Mullumbimby.

Bangalow batted first and got off to a bright start before Alex Hand had his stumps rattled by Byron's red headed terror and all round good guy Brad James. Bangalow's new recruit Lachlan Stubblings strode to the crease and hammered a quick fire 41 including three towering sixes before retiring.

Opener James Deane played patiently for his 10, while skipper Alex Cram (14 no) and Jacob Peck (15 no) saw Bangalow complete their first innings with a very solid 4/105. Byron's chase for first innings points started badly when Alex Cram, bowling with great pace, took two quick wickets.

After a stand of 18, which steadied the Byron ship, a Matt Lodge special claimed Jack Milgate for 12, and Byron was struggling at 3/38. A great fight back inspired by Brad James and big Harry Hayes saw Byron reach 3/74 at stumps on the first day. Special mention must go to Bangalow's Richard East for his great bowling on debut.

Next weekend promises yet another classic finish between these two great rivals. Quote of the day goes to Bangalow's Ryder Court for the classic: 'I think I'll stick to pace, my spin won't go straight'.

Send sports stories to alex@echo.net.au and results to results@echo.net.au by 12pm on Monday

Twilight cricket sign on

Players wanting to compete in the Mullum/Brunswick U/10 and U/12 twilight competitions starting on Thursday November 3 Tuesday October 25 respectively are invited to a social barbecue and games night this Friday October 21 from 4.30-6.00pm. This will be the final opportunity to register before the teams are organised. It will be a great night to test your skills and a chance to meet other players and coaches.

The barbecue is provided compliments of the Mullum/Brunswick senior cricketers, some of whom will be there to pass on valuable tips and advice. So get your mates from school organised and enter a team for a chance to play in this fun and friendly competition.

For more information phone Mary on 6680 2135 or Darryl on 6684 7151.

SPORTS RESULTS

BOWLS

Brunswick Heads Men

Wed 12/10 Self Select Triples winners: G Randell, G Gwyther, S Young; r/up R Tonkin, M Tonkin, B Montgomery; T Holt, B Bolland, L Southon. Jackpot not won, now \$195. Thur 20/10 players needed, 41 mixed bowlers visit from West Taree, 9.30am for 9.45am start, ring 6685 1328 to submit name, no fees, visitors welcome. Check board Mixed 4s, Minor Singles C'ships. Change to Carsburg Mullum Classic 4s cond. of play: winners calculated on wins, margins and aggregate. Dead end replayed. Still vacancies, ring club to nom., played 19/11, 20/11.

Brunswick Heads Women

M Toressi, N Stearman, E Marks 22 v E Toovey, B O'Donnell, S Iversen 21; M Allard, D Short, T Rynehart 16 v M Darby, E Lewis, J Kearney 15; D Chapman, B Rose, B Boorman 18 v Z Wagner, D Batson, P Appel 15; Winners: M Allard, D Short, T Rynehart, Z Wagner, D Batson, P Appel; Raffle won by D Chapman.

Byron Bay Women

Tue 11/10 semi finals Club Pairs: E Costigan, K Quinell d. J Wright, T Hillard; M Phelps, G Kennedy d. P Olive, C Reid. Final played 18/10 between E Costigan, K Quinell and M Phelps, G Kennedy.

Coming events: Quarterly meeting 25/10, 9.30am social bowls to follow. Gala Day Mon 31/10. 'Clothes Pegs' from Grafton in attendance. Dist Shield at Condong Mon 24/10.

Lennox Head Men

Tue 11/10 Self Selected Triples winners: M Pappas, R Lane, J Burrows, A Lewis 29 def R Ewin, F Allcoat, J Turner, J Dudgeon 14. R/up B Jensen, M Knott, G Pascoe 24 def J Swain, I Whitehall, M Daley 22. Consolation prize 6 pack: J Robinson, G Grady, T Barr, I Kemp. Fri 14/10 Mixed Pairs winners: J Davey, K Davey 31 def J Murphy, D Taylor Snr 13; B Saric, G Burgess 24 def C Skennar, M Daley 10. Sat 15/10 Club Selected Triples winners: D Cook, H Lee, C Skennar 15 def B Bowen, M Berger, L Bartlett 12; R/up L Hargrave, J Swain, E Burgess 20 def I Whitehall, J Armstrong, K Nicol 16. Congrats G Reynolds selected to represent NRDBA against Clarence River in Kelly-Unicomb Shield.

Lennox Head Women Wed 12/10 winners: L Quinn, G Moore, M Hadler; r/up S House, E Steele, B Neill. 19/10 Tea Rosters J Fogarty, B Turner. 26/10 O Stobart, V Taylor. 16/10 comb. Presentation day with Men's and Mixed Clubs. Bowls washed out, presentation of C'ship Awards and sausage sizzle enjoyed by all.

Mullumbimby Men

Wed winners: A Johnstone, F Griffin, P Jones 30 d. A Bartlett, A Pyzer, R Gray 17. Other results: S Purdie, H Johnston, P McDonald 22 d. R Kidby, M Murphy, T Batson 21; H Allidenes, F Cornale, J McKay 19 d. K Brown, W Hampson, R Moore 18. Sat social: K Brown, S Purdie, H Johnston 22 d. R Ford, P Jones, T Batson 13. Semi final Triples was close: P McDonald, R Philips, D Hammond 24 d. R Gray, T Estreich, J McKay 20. Mullum Hospital charity morning rained out, now Sun 13/11.

Mullumbimby Women

11/10, 3 Socials: E Jones, G Henry 26 v S Brown, G Robb 19; J Nicholls, J Graham 18 d. J Less, J Beaumont 14; R Slattery, B Croft 20 v L Estreich, J Towner 11. Raffle winners G Mules, J Kidman. 1/11 Melbourne Cup Day, selectors S Bopyd, J Nicholls. Watch board for C'ships. Cent Auction and stall was a great success.

Ocean Shores Men

10/10 winners: P Henderson, G Jansen, K McMorro; r/up K Danswan, J Ianison, L Hoffman; D Whitney, M Ellis. 15/10 Jnr Snr Invitation Day, 1st Semi: R Tonkin, L Lumsden def. A and C Teys; 2nd Semi: D Aloridge, T Fysh def. M Holton, S Smart. Final: R Tonkin, S Lumsden def. D Aldridge, T Fysh.

Ocean Shores Women

Wed 5/10 Mixed Social Bowls winners on highest score: J Williams, L McGowan, K Farrell; r/up B Hunter, M Franks, L Campbell; other winners C Carroll, J Bartlett, K Kennedy; L Morgan, M Moodie, F Wade; 2nd div consistency M James def N Russell. Raffle won by M James. Fri 7/10 Ladies Social Bowls lucky winners P Hems, T Warr, C Tisdell; lucky r/up M Oliver, M Moodie, M Hosie; other winners L Bland, E Hill, P Webb; M James, R Kirkland; J Williams, W Bird. Raffle won by B Thomas. Wed 12/10 Mixed Social Bowls lucky winners on highest no. of ends M Oliver, E Carroll, A Sutherland; r/up C Carroll, M Thomas, L Campbell; other winners L Morgan, L McGowan, P Sullivan; H Gates, M Moodie, B Thomas. Raffle won by J Berry. Fri 14/10 Ladies Social Bowls, Scrambles Day, winners on today's scores to play in the final next week: M McConville, L Mason, F Crowder, P Webb, M Hosie, C Timewell, B Thomas, G Rojo. Raffles won by L Mason, L Bland.

BRIDGE

Brunswick Valley

Bruns Hds Bridge Club meets at Bruns Hds Comm Centre 12.45pm Mon, Sat; at OShores Country Club 6.45pm Wed. Bridge results 10/10: NS 1st gross and 2nd Nett P Hems, I Keegan; 2nd gross D Gall, J Wright; 1st Nett A Gray, G Falson; EW 1st Gross and 1st Nett C Johnson, D Dare; 2nd gross D Grant, F Paterson; 2nd Nett P Webb, M Solway. Results 8/10: NS 1st Gross and 2nd nett D Dare, C Johnson; 2nd gross and 1st nett P Keyte, P Webb; E W 1st Gross and 2nd Nett H Champain, A Tonkin; 2nd Gross and 1st nett F Armstrong, M Solway. OShores Wed 5/10: 1st gross: P Baldwin, T Crittle; 2nd gross and 1st net: K Westall, N Van den Heuvel; 2nd net: J Selleck, B Simons. Note new start time 6.45pm at OS Country Club.

CRICKET

Eureka

15/10 16Bs at Bexhill: Eureka 66, C Benfield 18, D Rudgley 13, O Scarlett 3/8, J Hellyar 2/0, J Green 2/19, def Goonellabah RSL 55, J Hellyar 10, C Benfield 3/0, R Kelly 3/12, M Irwin 2/12.

Bangalow

2nd Grade: Bangalow 235 def. Lennox Head 62 due to persistent bowling. R Parkes 5 for 16 off

18 overs. B O'Meara bowled well, finishing with 4 for 17 off 13 overs. Steve and Joel bowled well also. 3rd Grade: Bangalow 231 def. Lennox Head 131 for a great start to the season. D Singh 67, Jeremy B 32, K O'Brien 41 from prev. week.

Mullumbimby/Brunswick Jnr.

Ballina comp kicked off on Sat 15/10, 4 local teams competing. U/12 Pirates v. Lennox at Bruns: didn't catch visitor's 102, showed they have skills to protect their wickets finishing 3 down for 72. Joe H 20 n/o, Daniel A 13 lead the way. Scott B best with ball finishing 4/7. U/12 Bashers exciting win vs Byron in Mullum, low scoring game 35 to 33. Fielding by Bashers won the game. Remi V great with the ball with 4/3, Harley B 2/4. U/14s had a bye. U/16s vs. Tintenbar East Ballina at Chikiba: T'bar finish with 5/296 off 48 overs. Highlight of the morning a brilliant catch by Michael S.

Mullumbimby/Brunswick Senior

2nd Grade: Mullum 345 dismissed Ballina 122 before wash out. B Mott 3/19, S Buckley 3/10, S Thompson 2/22, PoM R Goodacre. This wk Lennox Hd at Thompson Oval. 3rd Grade: draw, 6/170 chasing 245 before wash out. V Knauss 33, B Marcantelli 27, J Cullen 15, MoM D Hardy. This wk Lennox at Rugby ground. 4th Grade: Lennox at Megan Cres, Lennox. Training Thur 4pm.

CYCLING

Byron Bay Freeriders

Byron Bay Criterium Sun 13/11 at Byron Industrial Estate. Rego. 6.15am at Free to Ride in Centennial Circuit. 58 fee, cash prizes for 1st place, 4 grades. Day Licences available. Centennial Ct. Brigantine St and Wollongbar Dve closed 6am to 8am. For info contact Byron Freeriders 6680 9590. Meeting of Byron Freeriders at Hotel Great Northern Backroom, Wed 2/11, 7pm. Anyone interested in joining welcome to attend. Road training rides leave Byron clock tower 6am sharp Tues, Thurs, Sat, fast pace. Jay takes out Nth Rivers Adventure Rides each Sun. Contact Jay 66841959 for info.

GOLF

Mullumbimby Ladies

8/10 Single Stab winner: T Batson. Balls run down T Batson; R Webber. NTP P Parsons; A Boughton. Pro Pin S Symons. 13/10 American winners: F Gannell, E Henshaw. NTP M Essery, M Crichon; L Riches, R Wilson. Pro Pin B James, B Woolnough. Balls Comp B James 44; M Essery 43; B Mules 41; E Henshaw 38 c/b. Red. H'caps M Essery 20/18; B James 37/34; B Mules 30/29. 20/10 Single Stroke, 1st T: 9am G Mackay, M Crichon; J Neate; 9.06am G Lynn, F Booth, J Ross; 9.12am N Carsburg, B Mules, S Kosaka; 9.18am A Mitchell, S Slogrove, G Redman; 9.24am R Slogrove, L Riches, A Moser. 10th T: 9am G Smith, N Dwyer, R Wilson; 9.06am K Mudgway, L Siddall, J Ball; 9.12am E Leclere, J Beer, B Wood; 9.18am M Trivett, L Walker, B James; 9.24am T Robbins, E Henshaw, P Sewell; 9.30am B Woolnough, H Armstrong, C Robbins; 9.36am Melissa James. Table Dty: G Smith, G Mackay.

Mullumbimby Men

12/10 Single Stab winner: G Jenner 42; r/up G Breard 41; Pro Pin J Breard. 15/10 Single Stab winner: G Breard 42 c/b; r/up C Morrison, Ballina 42; I McRae 40 c/b; NTP J Stokes 9 balls; J Cullen; T Young; I McRae; Gundies I McRae; Reggi's Schooners not won. Long Drives J Breard; J Cullen; D Arnell; Mick Trivett's Schooner D Arnell.

Ocean Shores Ladies

11/10 Stab Div 1 winner K Brenton 45; r/up V Marsh 40. Div 2 winner: C Timewell 37 c/b; r/up M Fisher 37. NTP B Crossley C Blacker; C Timewell; Vouchers to 34. 13/10 9 Hole Stab winner: B Simons 16; vouchers to 15. 18 Hole Stab winner: D Elliott 43; Vouchers to 36 c/b. 15/10 Par winner: J Mitchell; r/up B Crossley; NTP J Jensen; Vouchers to square.

Ocean Shores Men

10/10 Indiv. Stab winner: G Farquhar 40; r/up K Scanlon 38; J Stuart 37 c/b; NTP A Phillips; A Redmond; Balls to 34; CCR 73. 12/10 Stab winner: R Skillen 41 c/b; r/up B McDonald 41; T Byron 40 c/b; NTP G Fleet; J Govett; Pro Pin B Larrack; Balls to 35; CCR 73. 15/10 Par winner: B Baxter; r/up A Smith; S O'Donnell; NTP J Thomas; Balls to 1 up; CCR 70.

Ocean Shores Vets

13/10 Single Stab winner: B Spruce 48; r/up J McKay 41; D Camplejohn 39. NTP K Kennedy; M Ellis; R Macdonald; H Gould. Capt Pin N Comer. Vice Capt Long Drive G Cole; A Redmond. Checks to 25. Balls to 34. CCR 71. Scrubbers Ball K Scanlon.

NETBALL

Brunswick/Byron

2006 Rep team trials 12,13,14,15 and U17s Tue 18/10 and 25/10, 5pm to 6pm at Mullum Netball courts. Ring coaching co-ord. L Kirk 6680 1452 asap if you wish to trial, but didn't put name down. Please advise above if you cannot attend or no longer wish to try out. Further info Jo Lowe 6680 1857 ah. Level 1 coach required, ring Leslie 6680 1452.

SOCCER

Mullumbimby Juniors Six A Side

Groups re-drawn, 10 teams in each group. Over the next 3 weeks: 19/10, 26/10, 2/11, each team plays 3 games each week and play each team in their group, total of 9 games. Groups will then be re-drawn. Name changes: Conals 12 now known as Barca Juniors, Dave Smiths 14/15 boys now Snoop Dogs 9s. Subject to all outstanding fees being paid this week, there will be no more team or player positions available. Reminder: team managers must ensure results are recorded each wk. No points awarded to either team if result of any game is missing. The draw for the 19/10: Group 1, Pitch 1 and 2: Bilbys 10s, 4.45, 5.35, 6.25; Hornets 8s, 4.45, 5.35, 6.25; Shara Boulevard 11s, 4.45, 6.00, 6.50; Shores Sharks 8s, 4.45, 6.00, 7.15; Queen Bees 10 Girls, 5.35, 6.50, 7.40; Dragons 10s, 5.10, 6.25, 7.15; Scorpions 9s, 5.10, 6.25, 7.15; Seahorses 7s, 5.10, 6.00, 6.50; Dragons 8s, 5.10, 6.00, 7.15; Funky Monkeys Girls Mixed Ages, 5.35, 6.50, 7.40. Group 2, Pitch 3 and 4: Coorabell Mixed Ages,

4.45, 5.35, 6.25; Shores 9s, 4.45, 5.35, 6.25; Snoop Dogs 9s, 4.45, 6.00, 6.50; Eureka Mixed Ages, 4.45, 6.00, 7.15; Federal All Star 11s, 5.35, 6.50, 7.40; Rebels 11s, 5.10, 6.25, 7.15; Mullum Socceros 10s, 5.10, 6.25, 7.15; Crocodiles 8s, 5.10, 6.00, 6.50; Kim Loveday Relatives Mixed Ages, 5.10, 6.00, 7.15; The Ten Maniacs 10s 5.35, 6.50, 7.40.

Group 3, Pitch 5 and 6: Antelopes Girls Mixed Ages, 4.45, 5.35, 6.25; Shores Crocodiles 12s, 4.45, 5.35, 6.25; Byron Bay 11s, 4.45, 6.00, 6.50; CFC Lions 12s, 4.45, 6.00, 7.15; Barca Juniors 12s, 5.35, 6.50, 7.40; Demons 13s, 5.10, 6.25, 7.15; Brunswick Breakers 12s, 5.10, 6.25, 7.15; North Coast Eagles Mixed Ages, 5.10, 6.00, 6.50; Spectacular Seven 12 Girls, 5.10, 6.00, 7.15; Snappers 12s Girls, 5.35, 6.50, 7.40.

Group 4, Pitch 7 and 8: Patrick 13s, 4.45, 5.35, 6.25; Steve Nicholls 16 Girls, 4.45, 5.35, 6.25; FBL Girls Mixed Ages, 4.45, 6.00, 6.50; Taipans 14s, 4.45, 6.00, 7.15; Mullum x press 13s, 5.35, 6.50, 7.40; Byron Bay Mixed Girls, 5.10, 6.25, 7.15; Eureka 13s, 5.10, 6.25, 7.15; Jessica Girls Mixed Ages, 5.10, 6.00, 6.50; The Big Dogs Mixed Ages, 5.10, 6.00, 7.15; The Heaven Snappers 12s, 5.35, 6.50, 7.40.

SQUASH

Brunswick Heads

Wed 19/10, Rnd 14 Business Houses Teams Comp: Mullum Jewellers v Bruns Blinds: S Varty v M Pfeil; C Sleep v M Underwood; C Walsh v D Runciman; R Cameron v S Page Smith; S Truesdale v R King. Bruns Pharmacy v Cantys Surveyors: B Staff v S Thompson; J Heaney v S Koop; S Hogan v T Wood; F King v C Johnston; M Sylvester v M Rogers. Byron Trophies v OS Glass: G Davis v B Johnston; B Trivett v G Chandler; P Hill v R James; J Nicolson v J Holmes; B Foster v Jeff Heers. Potato Works v Bruns Smash: M Page Smith v R Mansfield; C Staff v L Crandell; P Booth v J Gribble; J Heers v M Stratton; J Miller v B Doran. Mon 24/10, Rnd 11, Div 1: 5pm B Staff v R Mansfield; M Page Smith v A Brooker; S Sleep v G Davis; 6pm D Bird v L Powell. Div 2: 5pm M Cassidy v B Trivett; S Koop v I Bissett; 6pm S Varty v B Johnston. Div 3: 5pm J Heaney v M Ottery; 5.30pm J Gribble v J Holmes; 6pm R Draper v D Runciman. Div 4: 5pm S Page Smith v A Ronan, J Nicolson v A Li; R King v F King; C Johnston Bye. Div 5: 5pm A Brooker v B Doran; A Thomas v G Thomas; 5.30pm S Truesdale v M Decarne. New Wed Night Mixed Comp starts next month, phone 6685 1794 to play.

SURF LIFE SAVING

Brunswick

Patrol Sat 22/10, 10am to 3pm: Patrol No 3 A Diehm. Sun 23/10 9am to 4pm: Patrol No 2 M Hilderbrant. Club meeting 19/10, 6pm. Pub Raffles 23/10: Kris, Michelle.

Byron Bay

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SWIMMING

Mullumbimby

Great start this season with new coaches Bill and Lesley Veale and new management at Mullum Pool. Club members D Rowland, R Gover, B Hill will further develop their skills at the Far Nth Coast Development Camp at Ballina later this month. Good timing and Congratulations to D Morris, S Anderton, M Morris, S Anderton, E Frazier, J Anderton, G Condie for passing timekeepers course. A reminder for all members Lismore Carnival entries close Mon 24/10. Anyone wanting to swim with friends for fun and fitness, the Mullum Swim Club meets Mon, 6pm at Mullum Pool.

TENNIS

Mullumbimby

Mens Comp Rnd 3: Backhand d. Lob; Forehand d. Volley; Ace d. Samsh. Ladies Comp Rnd 3, Div 1: Albatross d. Pelican; Cormorant d. Gannet. Div 2: Galah d. Lorikeet; rosella d. Corella. Div 3: Swan d. Ibis; Heron d. Brolga. Moxed Comp Rnd 4, Div 1: Rats d. Mosquitoes, Mice d. Cane Toads. Div 2: Rabbits d. Pigs; Cats d. Dogs. Jnr Fri night Round Robin Comp 5pm to 7pm. Mixed Sat Social starts at 1.30pm. Ladies social Wed, 9.15am. All players are welcome to both social days, Club membership not required. For enquiries regarding coaching Justin 0403 841 241, all other enquiries Jeanie 6680 4353w or 6680 1330h.

VOLLEYBALL

Brunswick Heads

Tue 18/10, Rnd 13 Carsburg Holden Comp: 6pm Starlights v Volleys; Ring Ins v Nanans; Rebels v Bugs; Duty Brewers. 7pm Brewers v Backburners; Hit and Run v Flash; Pissies v Lounge Lizards; Duty Starlights. Thur 20/10, Rnd 12 OS H'ware Comp: 6pm Rock Monsters v Elles; Vixens v Fudge Puppies; Chilli Twist v What The?; Klibik v Nickies; Duty Exodia, Bolters. 7pm Exodia v Bob the Builder; Bolters v Terminators; Court Jesters v Pink Flamingos; Triplets v Kit Kats; Duty Rock Monsters, Vixens. New Tue 4 A Side mixed, Thur 3 A Side Ladies comp starts next month, phone 6685 1794 to play, beginners welcome.

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what's happening surfside

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- Imagine living on a bush block just minutes to town
- Offers peace and quiet with lots of privacy
- 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms and a study
- 3,959 square metre block, stand alone garage
- Exclusive Skidders Shoot

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Lifestyle Business **\$ POA**
With Solid Growth

- Byron Bay Milk Run with cashflow
- Market leading brands
- Franchise Achiever 3 years running
- Includes 1 truck, 1 computer, income producing coolroom
- Great lifestyle business for the energetic person

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'The Links' Holiday **\$ 635,000**
Apartment

- Stylishly appointed apartment with north facing terrace
- Stunning 4 ½ star resort complex
- Excellent location next door to Byron Bay Golf Course
- Swimming pool and tennis court
- Spacious living areas, 3 bedrooms & 2 bathrooms

David Gordon 0418 856 222



Short Walk To Tallows **\$ 428,000**
or Town

- Elegant townhouse/house, 3 only in complex
- Large wrap around garden, corner position
- Sep dining, open plan living, quality kitchen
- 3 large B/rms, 2.5 bth/rms, dbl. lockup garage
- Short level walk to Tallows and town centre
- A townhouse price with all advantages of a house

2/1A Beachcomber Drive, Byron Bay
Rose Wanchap 0427 016 451



In Town Opportunity **\$ 975,000**

- Home on 1012sqm block in Marvel St
- Close to town and beach
- 3 bed, 1.5 bath, sleepout & sunroom
- Rear lane access
- One of only three 1000sqm blocks available

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A Cosy Mixture Of Old & New

- Gorgeous north facing timber cottage
- 2 double bedrooms, sleepout, 1 bath, gas kitchen, high ceilings
- Fantastic open plan living/dining/family rooms flowing onto large sunny deck

Stuart Aitken 0417 242 537



AUCTION

- Gently sloping 1 acre garden block with fabulous outdoor entertaining area
- Ideal access with two street frontage
- **Auction 11am Saturday 19 November '05**

298 Tyagarah Rd, Tyagarah



Investor's Special **\$ 325,000**

- 2 bed, 1 bath 5 year old unit in Suffolk Park
- 5 year lease with the Dept of Housing
- Rent paid 3 months in advance
- Open plan, north aspect, small courtyard, slug
- Rental income of \$1,020 per month
- Handy location, 5 min walk to the beach & shops

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Possum Creek privacy

- 4 hectare property with Possum Creek frontage
- Large 3bed/2bath home full of natural light
- North facing elevated land with level home site
- Modern kitchen with latest appliances
- Wide rural views, private swimming hole

\$850,000



Quality, pavilion style

- Stunning 3bed/2bath elevated home
- Superb attention to detail in every feature
- Two separate pavilion style dwellings
- Fabulous granite and timber kitchen with gas cook top
- Set in beautiful grounds

\$849,000



Development op close to town

- 1,480sqm block with great development potential
- Original 3bed/1bath cottage
- Walk to the beach and town
- Very few properties offer this potential
- Post council moratorium period (STCA)

\$630,000



2 minutes walk to the beach

- Three bedroom home in Massinger Street
- So close to the beach you can hear the surf
- Backing onto bushland beyond large backyard
- A true beach house with timber floors
- Walk into Byron Bay town centre

\$985,000



Byron style

- Immaculate home, beautifully built
- 3bed/2bath home + loft/study on multiple levels
- Timber floors, soaring vaulted ceilings
- Tranquil and secure ambience
- Stone terrace, on large 800sqm block of land

\$625,000



Living large in Pacific Vista

- Hear the waves from this double brick home
- 3bed/2bath with huge living area
- Extremely large kitchen with generous bench space
- Back yard perfect for children to play
- Large block - 931sqm

\$795,000



Development opportunity in Shirley Street

- Two houses on dual occupancy block
- 1012sqm block with front and rear access
- Just 200 metres to beach
- Flat block that goes through to Shirley Lane
- Offers great flexibility as to usage

\$1,145,000



Beach house for all seasons

- 3bed/2bath home one street back from the beach
- House makes use of fun interior colours
- Private paved outdoor areas in front and back yard
- Walking distance to the Suffolk Park shops
- Perfect for entertaining all year round

\$637,000

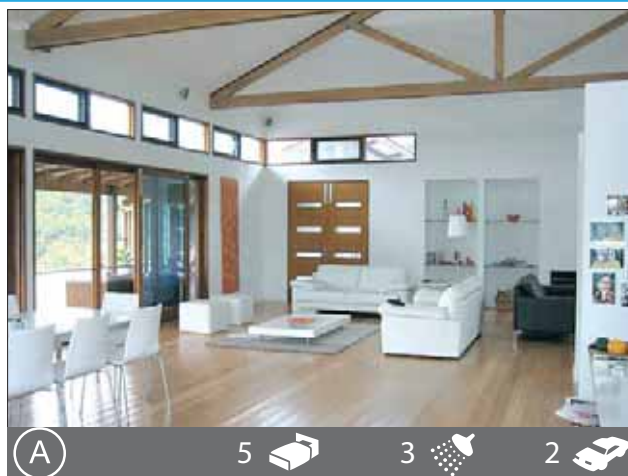
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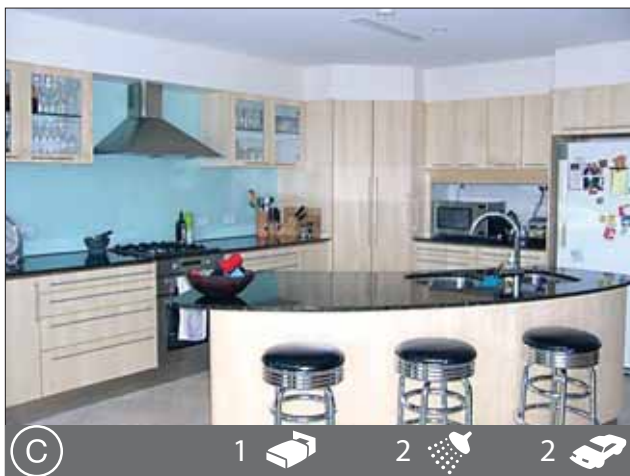
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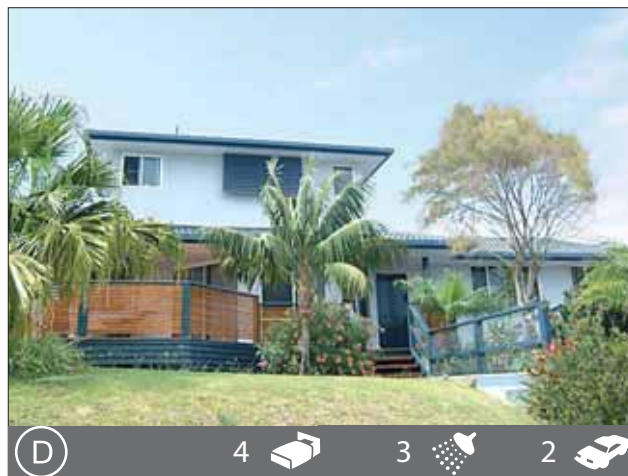
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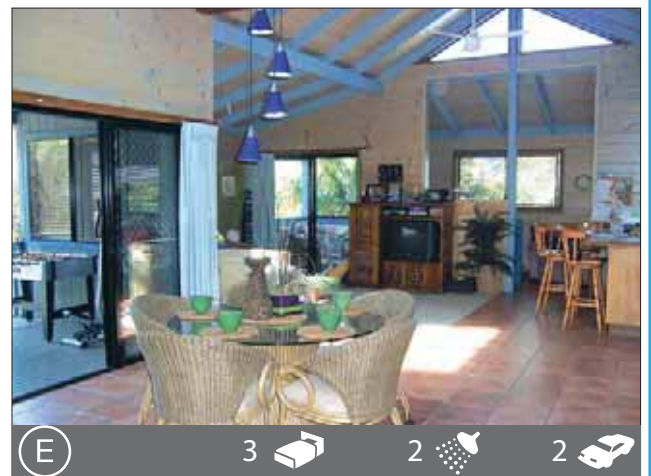
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(A) Stunning elevated 360° views. Architect-designed home on 29 private acres with own water bore. A pool stretches across the decks. Relax & enjoy.
Federal \$1,650,000

(B) Open plan, split-level living/dining areas. Fully equipped kitchen with dishwasher & new cooktop & oven. Private outside entertainment area. Single lock-up garage & separate laundry.
Byron Bay \$415,000

(C) Centre of Byron Bay, just a short walk to the beach. Stylish, brand new, superbly designed apartment. Large open plan living areas opening to balconies.
Byron Bay \$1,250,000

(D) Premier Byron Bay location. Sweeping views from all rooms extending from Byron Bay Lighthouse to Broken Head. Recently renovated & extended. Low maintenance block next to National Park.
Byron Bay \$1,260,000

(E) Nautical feel original home. Cathedral ceilings, lots of outside living. Plenty of workspace and a double garage. Large well-equipped modern kitchen.
Byron Bay \$589,000

Something Different



What a weekender

Located only a few minutes stroll from the beach, this fabulous solid brick home shows ample room for expansion being on a 711 square metre block. There are three bedrooms and one bathroom, separate living and dining areas and a single lock up garage.

This could be a great weekender or you could create your dream home! There is a fabulous back yard also offering rear lane access. The options are endless and you can walk to the beach, shops and tavern.

If it's time for a lifestyle change call Sharon McInnes at L.J.Hooker Byron Bay on 0408 659 649 for details of this property which is priced at \$625,000..



By the seaside

A property like this so close to the beach is rarely available. This home consists of three bedrooms, two bathrooms and a spacious lounge room. High set timber construction dwelling with timber floors throughout is a gem at \$545,000.

Please contact Sean Kenny at Sean Kenny Real Estate on 0419 624 024 or 6684 2200.



Head Federation Masterpiece

This home has it all. Set on 100 private acres, it not only has outstanding ocean and rural views and the 12 foot ceilings, large airy rooms with french doors and timber floors of the period, it has the modern touches of ensuite etc. With five bedrooms, three bathrooms and two studies, it would be ideal as a B&B or large family home with room for the horses. The landscaped gardens and pool are a special feature. While there are a few finishing touches required, this property deserves your inspection.

To be auctioned onsite on Saturday 26th November unless sold.

Contact Steve Blackmore on 6687 8899 or 0427 778 910.



Soar with the eagles

This amazing home has been architect designed for privacy and entertaining in one of the most private elevated positions in the Federal region.

Set high on the hilltop with commanding views over all the valleys and shires, it is a rare treat to discover a property of this calibre. Stunning timber floors, marble bathrooms and high ceilings feature in this 5 bedrooms, 3 bathroom home which has 2 full entertaining and living areas and a separate games room for the kids. A pool stretches along the decks opening from the pavilions of the home to capture the 360 degree views. It boasts 29 beautiful acres to ensure your privacy and with fresh drinking water from the bore there will never be a shortage. There is also a stand alone large shed for your hobbies or work.

This property must be seen to be fully appreciated. It is for sale at \$1,650,000 through Gail Fuller Real Estate 0418 441 675.



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- 24 acres with NE aspect
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1/3 Mackellar Court,
Byron Bay
Saturday 11am

62 Shelley Drive,
Byron Bay
Saturday 11am

63 McGettigans Lane,
Byron Bay
Saturday 11am

160 Bangalow Road,
Byron Bay
Saturday 12pm

2 Mahr Place,
Baywood Chase
Saturday 12pm

144 Broken Head Road,
Suffolk Park
Saturday 12pm

9 Bottlebrush Crescent,
Suffolk Park
Saturday 12pm

68 Caniaba Crescent,
Baywood Chase
Saturday 12pm

780 Friday Hut Road,
Coorabell
Saturday 1.30pm



9 BOTTLEBRUSH CR, SUFFOLK PARK

- 3 Bedroom Architect Designed Home
- Set In Elevated Position
- Timber Windows, Wrap-Around Balcony
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- Private & Well Landscaped
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SAT 12 PM**

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68 CANIABA CRES, BAYWOOD CHASE

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- Generous Living Areas
- Fabulous Covered Outdoor Area
- Beautiful, Big Fully Fenced Yard
- Well Established Gardens
- Double Garage + Garden Shed

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BEACHCOMBER LIFESTYLE

- 4 Bedroom, 2 Bathroom Home
- Short Stroll To Beach
- Fully Renovated Interior / Exterior
- Quiet Cul-De-Sac Position
- Central To Byron Bay CBD
- A Great Lifestyle Option

\$1,240,000



144 BROKEN HEAD RD, SUFFOLK PARK

- Spacious 4 Bedroom, 3 Bathroom Home
- Set Amidst Tropical Gardens On A Large Block
- Minutes Walk To Beaches And Shops
- Inground Pool And 2 Living Areas
- Extensive Use Of Glass
- Fully Fenced & Private

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- Extensive Timber Decks
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- Views Back Over The Bay
- Excellent Opportunity

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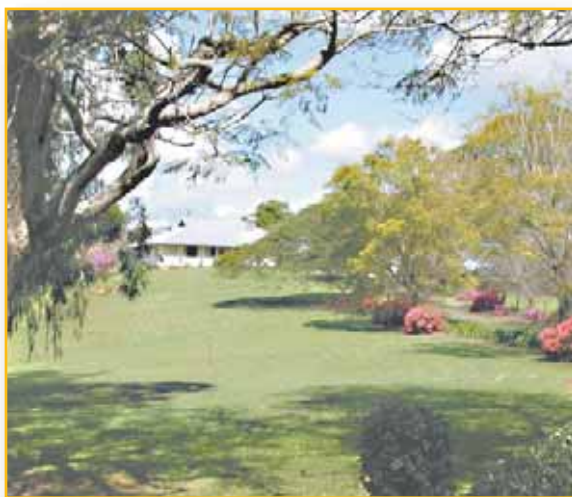
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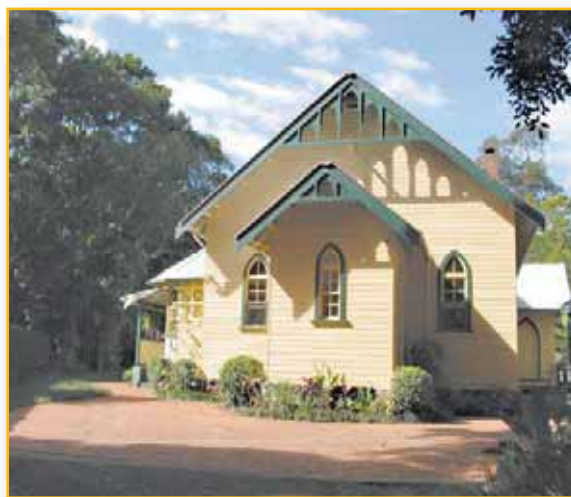
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**PROPERTY
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▶▶▶ Paradise In Rosebank

Original Catholic church located only 500m from village, on 8 organic certified acres. Meticulously converted to a unique residence. It retains the altar and congregational area as a vast space with soaring ceiling and mezzanine level. A second residence is located high on the property and enjoys 360 degree views. The land has been planted with exotic, ornamental gardens plus vegs, fruit, cut flowers gardens. This superb property is ideally suited for conversion to a self producing restaurant with eco tourism accommodation. Contact Gai Hart-Hughes at Property Buyers' Net on 0418 755 088 02 6687 1313. \$1,250,000.

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▶▶▶ "Stillness" At Bangalow

Open for inspection on Thursday 11 am to midday. 437 Binna Burra Road Bangalow. Two dwellings on 17 acres, both in excellent condition. The larger is a double yurt construction comprising 3 bedrooms, bathroom, large living area and north facing deck. The second is a fully self contained cottage with deck and magnificent views of the Nightcap Ranges to Stony Creek and is an approved holiday rental facility. Land includes a rainforest and orchard, gazebo, plunge pool, pond and huge work shed. Enquiries from other agents are welcome. Finance arranged if required. Contact Gai Hart-Hughes at Property Buyers Net on 0418 755 088, 02 6687 1313. \$880,000.

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▶▶▶ South Golden Beach Peace

South Golden Beach, 36 Peter Street. This three bedroom cedar home is located in a quiet no through street. It has a large 638sqm block, is only a short walk to the beautiful long stretch of beach, has a large new deck, enjoys lots of light, and features polished timber floors. It is built above the recent flood level and it is sandfly-free. Please call the owner on 02 6680 5509. \$460,000.

\$449,000



▶▶▶ Beautiful Fertile Fernleigh

Auction 12th November on site 1pm. North facing, 30 acre property, is currently being used to graze cattle and horses. An elevated private three bedroom timber farmhouse, polished timber floors and raked ceilings in the living areas. Oversized two car garage with room for a workshop. Permanent spring fed creek and tank water. Pockets of remnant rainforest. Suit a variety of agricultural pursuits. Located within a fifteen minute drive to both Ballina and Lennox Head. Two minute drive to Fernleigh School. Contact Lois at Lois Buckett Real Estate on 0428 877 399 or 02 6687 4399.

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▶▶▶ La Bohemia

An exciting business opportunity exists with huge potential for motivated person or ideal for a couple. This gourmet takeaway and catering business is situated in the heart of beautiful, thriving Mullumbimby. The building has a lovely vintage design and is one of the town's well-known buildings. La Bohemia has a great reputation for serving fresh, wholesome food and enjoys a steady local business clientele. Enjoy the good life at La Bohemia with its friendly atmosphere and low rent with long lease. Please phone Carla Dawes 6684 3840 AH or 6684 6900.

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▶▶▶ Perfect For The Family

Auction Onsite 29th October at 2pm. 28 Victoria Avenue, Pottsville Beach. Inspect: Sat & Sun 11-11.45am. Tastefully renovated, four bedrooms, ideal for home business, timber floors, modern kitchen with stainless steel appliances, ensuite with spa bath, covered deck, BBQ area perfect for entertaining, large fenced yard, room to extend or a pool, school bus at front door, located within an easy stroll of the river, park, tavern and town centre. Contact Glen Godbee 0401 888 234.


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'Why do 300,000 people in New Orleans get \$10 million, while the millions of homeless in Pakistan and India get the same?' This was the question posed by lobby group AID/WATCH last week. 'In recent years there has been a significant shift from focusing aid on poverty alleviation to national security and governance in the Asia Pacific region. For example the generous pledge to Indonesia after the tsunami has been distributed in large part, outside of tsunami affected areas and diverted right across the archipelago. It seems aid is being used as a tool of foreign policy rather than to assist those most in need', suggested AID/WATCH who are calling on the federal government to publicly state its criteria for responding to disasters.

Our own local disaster, the highway construction work to make the world safe for bigger freight trucks, occasions a warning from a member of the Abi Group and RTA Community Liaison Committee that Year 12 students should factor in when travelling to exams the fact that they might be delayed by roadworks.

If you've ever suffered from Black Dog you won't need the term explained. And if you've succeeded in keeping the cur at bay you can write an article for the Black Dog Institute and be in the running for a cash prize. The topic (maximum 1500 words) is 'How to live with the black dog' and the closing date for entries is January 31, 2006. Get the application form and further information from the Institute's website blackdoginstitute.org.au or by phoning (02) 9382 4523.



In the year 2004-05 there were 4,179 people who felt sufficiently ill-treated by the NSW Police to file a written complaint, according to the Ombudsman's Annual Report. This figure is 600 more than the previous year. Shadow Minister for Police Mike Gallacher suggests a 'geographic overview of these complaints' to see if they are significantly higher in specific areas of the state. And, *Backlash* suggests, to see if they have anything to do with random sniffer dog searches of harmless pedestrians.

Scotty Simmonds, husband of Carol Page's daughter Cristel, emailed us this week from Dalgety: 'Well, bloody hell, we have done it! The *Snowy River Echo* will be delivered by the end of the week, yaaaahoooo. But strange things are happening. I find myself consuming more and more red wine, today I lost my phone only to find it an hour later in my back pocket, I had two flat tyres on the way to town, and then ran out of fuel on the way home... My God, I'm being Carolmalised!'

Young scientist Pee Wee Merlin (left), with the help of his assistant Blossom, perfects his latest creation, Judy – a sweet, wholesome teenager. Bright Lights Performance School presents 'Teenage Rage', a story about the invention of teenagers in the 1950s and their development throughout the decades. This lively musical will be staged at Byron Community Centre from Wednesday, October 19 to Friday, October 21. Photo Jeff 'Horse Tranquilliser' Dawson

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