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DELIVERY FACILITATED BY AWB

Kaye Hall named **Woman of the Year**

Woman of the Year and nominated award. It is a bittersweet announcement for this tireless community worker who has been battling cancer for the last few years.

Kaye described the award as a 'great honour' but added 'we've had a laugh about the possibility of meeting the governor-general [in March at the State award cerenot get there,' she said.

Member for Ballina Don Page presented Kaye with her award on Bangalow Cricket Club, and was Friday night at the Bangalow Bowling Club. He described her as an obvious choice for the award hard to start up a community due to her never-ending dedication newspaper in the town, Bangalow to the Bangalow community.

Her involvement with community organisations and events is second-

Bangalow's Kaye Hall has been to-none despite events in her named the Ballina Electorate's personal life. Kaye has devoted countless hours over the years to for the NSW Woman of the Year the Bangalow Chamber of Commerce, and several other Bangalow community based groups. Kaye is overwhelmingly deserving of being recognised for her efforts.'

Anything that happens in Bangalow it seems that Kave is there somewhere. The Bangalow Christmas Eve Carnival, the Bangalow Billy Cart Derby, the mony]. If it was a bit later I might Lions Club have all benefited from her involvement.

> She is a former president of the one of the original group of Bangalow residents who worked Heartbeat. As a journalist she has Northern Star.

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'Kaye is simply an inspiration. also written for The Echo and the Kaye Hall pictured with MP Don Page at Ballina electorate's Woman of the Year announcement in Bangalow on Friday night. 'An overwhelmingly deserving choice,' said Don. Photo Hans 'I ain't no JD' Lovejoy

Selling art for Aunty



Turiya Bruce with young Coo Lehane getting a hands on art lesson. Local women artists have joined forces to raise money for The Aunty Program during the Whole Woman Festival next month. Turiya Bruce, Biba Burgess, Cate Cormack, Sharon Muir and Kathryn Fortuna are all offering their artworks for auction to help Aunty help young women. The auction will take place on March 8 and 10 during the festival and women artists are also part of the festival's opening event at the Wet Paint Gallery, Uki, on March 3 from 6.30pm - all welcome. For more information call Turiya Bruce on 6684 5485, or visit aunty@mullum.com.au or www.wholewoman.com.au. Photo Jeff 'Whistler's Mother' Dawson

State grabs more power on DAs

opment applications (DAs) if Councils are too slow.

This week proposals will be introduced into the NSW Parliament to 'deal with poorly performing and slowcoach councils and unfair local Frank Sartor last Thursday. 'These new laws expand on currently available powers and allow more flexibility to target problem areas. They will be a last resort when a council is failing to deal with planning matters efficiently.'

The proposed laws will allow the minister to appoint a planning administrator, or a planning assessment panel, when councils are under-performing. The Local Government Association of NSW has reacted angrily to the move.

President of the Association, Cr

further step to increase its say over of their vital role in delivering devellocal development by announcing opment approvals. The Minister plans to step in to determine devel- says he will remove the planning powers of councils which he declares to be under-performing in terms of time taken to reach critical decisions, without any definition of the criteria he will adopt.

'Communities across NSW levies,' said Planning Minister should be extremely concerned. If their councils don't give approvals in double quick time, the Minister will remove their planning powers and determine them himself in Farrer Place or Macquarie Street.

> The state government has already taken over approval for sensitive and significant developments on the coast of NSW, including Becton's North Beach DA and last week announced they will be vetting all new rezoning proposals before they go to the community for consultation.

Genia McCaffery, said Frank Sar- amongst councils could under-

The state government has taken a tor had 'threatened to strip councils mine job creation and investment pointing out that the average processing periods for DAs have increased by 20% over the past four years, to an average of 53.4 days. Latest figures show four out of ten councils take longer than 40 days on average to determine applications, with one council taking an average of 160 days.

Byron Shire Council has reduced its average processing time, however, and it currently stands at 67 days. Council received 760 DAs last year.

Mr Sartor's office said the proposed reforms will also allow him to amend, repeal or approve a council development contribution plan, amid concerns councils are drawing up unreasonable wish lists; and allow the Planning Minister to amend a development control plan or ask a council to do so.

Spokesperson for local conserva-Mr Sartor said current trends tion group BEACON, Dailan Pugh continued on page 2





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Steve Brown hangs up his oven gloves



After more than 27 years in the baking business, Steve Brown has finally decided to

Browns Bakery in Mullumbimby has been a favourite among generations of locals for bread, cakes and pies, but Steve will not only be remembered for his culinary skills; his boundless generosity will be greatly missed. Local doyenne of fundraising Jenny Batson recalls how Steve was always more than happy to help whatever cause she was working for.

'Steve was a major looking after me.' contributor to all fundraising events,' said Jenny. 'Over the resident Jenny Verroen also years I've raised money for many causes including the ambulance, the pool and Brunswick SLSC, and Steve was always happy to supply whatever we needed, including letting us use his premises. He must have given literally thousands of dollars worth of lamington slabs.

As a young man of 19 years old, Steve started working for the bakery's previous owners, the Bartz, and spent three years helping them establish the business. Then, at just 22 years old, he bought it. It didn't take long for him to gain a reputation for supporting local charities, something he feels very strongly about.

'It's really important for businesses to support the community,' said Steve. 'I always made sure that I looked after them and they were always very good about

Long-time Mullumbimby has fond memories of Steve's generosity, particularly at the time of the death of her father, Ted Wareham, which coincided with the death of her close friend, founding editor of *The Echo*, Nicholas Shand.

'Steve was forever up at the hospital with trays of delicious

cakes and pies for the families and the hospital staff,' said Jenny.

Jenny also recalled the occasion when Steve and Nicholas chased a couple of burglars across the roof of Mallams Supermarket. Nicholas had noticed the men very late one night and called Steve, knowing that he would be in the kitchen. Steve just happened to have a ladder, so he and Nicholas went after the men, caught them and hung on to them until the police arrived.

Now that he's retired, Steve isn't planning any more jaunts across the rooftops, but will continue to work at Browns in the short term to help the new owners in their transition period. After that?

'I plan to travel around Australia with my partner, but I won't be a stranger in Mullum; I'll still come to town but from now on it'll be for coffee and socialising instead of work!'

Kaye Hall our Woman of the Year

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Brought up in Bangalow, like many local residents she headed to Sydney to seek work, but returned 22 years ago when she married Bangalow boy, Terry Hall. The couple raised three children in the town, Ben who is now 20, 19-year-old Amy and Tom who has reached 17. Ten years ago on New Years Day tragedy struck the family when Terry died suddenly. For many years Kaye organised an annual car rally in Terry's memory.

Raising awareness of cancer has occupied much of Kaye's time recently, in particular the Relay for Life a sponsored walk in Bangalow on April 1.

'I am proud of the fact that I have been the inaugural chairperson of the Bangalow/ Byron Shire Sunsmart Relay for Life which raises money for the Cancer Council. I hope that the whole Shire gets behind this event because it is a great cause,' Kaye said.

Mr Page said Kaye's selection as the Ballina Electorate Woman of the Year would now see her invited to the Premier's Reception for International Women's Day in March. He said the selection criteria for the NSW Woman of the Year centred around 2006's naming as the National Year of the Community

Power grab

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believes the threat to amend DCPs is related to a Byron Bay development site.

'It is not a coincidence that Minister Sartor is making legislative changes to enable him to over-ride Council Development Control Plans at the same time he is due to exhibit Becton's Development Application. It is apparent that he is doing way.'

this specifically to allow him to approve Becton's proposal for a development well beyond the size limits established by Byron Shire Coun-

The Local Government Association's Genia McCafferv said, 'I'm not heartened to learn that the Property Council of Australia, many of whose members are major political donors, are cheering from the sidelines all the

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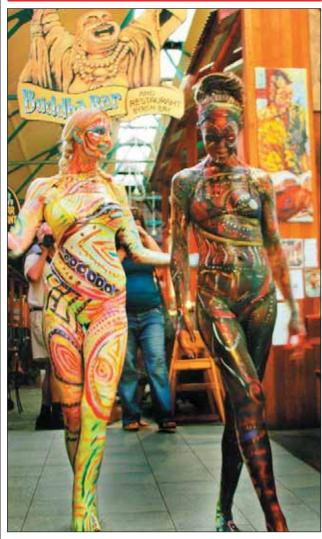


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Zen and the art of body paint



Portia and Sandy, part of the colourful crowd that turned up to a dynamic day of interactive art at Byron's first Arts Festival at the Arts Factory on Saturday. Photo Jeff 'Drab' Dawson

Injunction fails on Lot 107

have failed.

Valley Sports Association's costs. case that Byron Shire Counfields.

to date in legal fees and if the land.

Attempts to use the law to the matter proceeds to a stop the sale of Lot 107 final hearing could exceed Shara Boulevarde appear to \$100,000. Judge Jagot refused to grant an injunc-On February 7 the Land tion on the sale of Lot 107 and Environment Court to the RTA and has ruled against the Brunswick reserved the question of

The court ordered that cil could not sell land previ- Council should notify the ously identified for sports RTA of the legal proceedings and keep the Sports Council estimates that Association informed of the case has cost \$30,000 the progress of any sale of

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HLO challenges Byron LEP

Plan (LEP) for Byron Bay as some residential areas. 'a radical document which announced the group will be of year,' said Mr Hanley. asking the state government to step in and set up a public the traditional holiday letting hearing and a commission of enquiry on the LEP which sets out future development in small area in Suffolk Park.' Byron Bay and Suffolk Park.

as the Byron Bay bypass

LEP there should have been plan infrastructure'. an explanation as to why Council's behaviour is totally culpable and falls far below the expected professional standard of a Council,' said local environment plan.' Mr Gudgeon on Friday

reveal who they are.

Byron Bay Chamber of accommodation. Commerce president Greg that he supported the motion of an independent enquiry. needs more time to assess retary Judy Conlan. the document,' he said.

Not all landlords are supagents in town.

whelming bulk of landlords years to preserve our unique who are affected by the environment which is what change to the LEP,' said Mr brings the tourists here.'

Holiday letting landlords Hanley, who added that his group HLO has described the group supports the prohibi-Draft Local Environment tion of holiday letting in

'Our proposal is to allow will adversely affect every holiday letting in about 20% man, woman and child in of the residential areas with Byron Bay.' HLO President, the remaining 80% allowing John Gudgeon, last week no holiday letting at any time

> 'The 20% would include areas of Watego's, Belongil, Shirley Street and a very

Council's general manager, HLO claims the LEP 'out- Pamela Westing, countered laws tourism', limits popula- HLO's claims saying the LEP tion growth and does not 'in no way outlaws tourism, plan for infrastructure such has certainly not been sprung on the community, and does 'Accompanying this Draft not constitute a reluctance to

'The plan is based on a these changes have been pro- number of strategic docuposed, and an economic and ments that have been presocial impact statement. As it pared over many years and is, Council has sprung this with major community total surprise package on involvement in each of them. Byron Bay residents... The There is no requirement under the legislation to prepare a social and/or economic impact assessment for a draft

Far from being a popula-Mr Gudgeon says several tion cap, according to Mayor other local groups are plan- Jan Barham the LEP allows ning to support HLO in its for a population increase of protest however he wouldn't around 30% and increases the potential for tourism

BEACON has also weighed Owens told The Echo that it into the debate saying that is not one of the groups peti- tourism will not be outlawed tioning ministers for a public if holiday letting is prohibited hearing and commission of in residential areas. 'The tourenquiry, although he added ism industry is not solely dependent on these properties. There are many more 'There is no measurement of approved tourist facilities and the social and economic a lot more in the planning impacts, plus the Chamber pipeline, said BEACON sec-

'As for the bypass, we support this proposal but the porting HLO's position LEP is not the mechanism according to Chris Hanley for the development of such who represents the five old- infrastructure. BEACON est and largest real estate fully supports a viable tourist industry. After all we have We represent the over- fought for more than 20

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Brunswick Landcare News

\$8000 NSW Recreational Fishing Trust Grant This will enable BVL to continue its riparian restoration and rehabilitation activities along lower Mullumbimby Creek. The Trees For Fish project will highlight to the community the importance of riparian vegetation to native fish habitat. BVL thanks the Rails Freshwater Fishing Club for its support in this project.

WORKSHOPS

Landscan 1 Workshop

Thursday 16 and Friday 17 March

This workshop will help you to read your land and focus efforts where they are most needed and be best rewarded. At the end of this workshop you will have an aerial map of your property, a grasp of the land issues it presents and a clear idea of a Vegetation Management Plan (VMP). The aim is to achieve sustainable productivity, and improve environmental outcomes by giving you the tools to see the strengths and weaknesses of your property. The course will be held in Byron Bay. *Places limited to 10* people, bookings to be confirmed by end of February. Contact Dave.

Cane Toad Control Community Nights March 10 Mullum & March 17 Byron Bay

Landcare and Byron Council are working together to reduce toad numbers and are organising two workshops to provide info on catching and controlling toads. Bring along live toads – prizes for the most toads and the heaviest toad! Call Dave 6626 7028 or 6626 7119 for details.

Trees For Fish - planting and information afternoon Sunday March 19, 12 noon.

400 trees to be planted behind the Mullumbimby Bowling Club on the banks of Lower Mullumbimby Creek. Refreshments provided by BVL. Bring your spade. Follow the signs by the Mullum High demountables. Contact Dave 6626 7028 or Greg McDonald 6684 6567.

Identification of Rainforest Plants Saturday March 25, 1.30pm to 5pm.

Learn how to identify rainforest plant species with Darren Bailey, local botanist and bush regenerator. To be held at Jingatee, Billinudgel - an important remnant of lowland sub-tropical rainforest. Details and bookings with Dave.

EVENTS

- BRUNSWICK NATURE FESTIVAL: June 3 2006. World Environment Day at The Shearwater Steiner School, Mullumbimby.
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Rail crossing halts bypass plan

The fate of the Byron Bay can go ahead is the use of Byron Shire Council met with representatives from the New South Wales.

Plans for the bypass rely railway line either near Mitre 10 or next to the policy of no new railway crossings in the state because of safety issues, however Council has petitioned the committee to case of the Byron Bay the matter of money. bypass. Although the Casino-Murwillumbah line has been closed and it is possible to get it the safety issue does not through loan funds and currently apply, there has other sources. Council's been widespread lobbying DA shows both the mini within the community to bypass [which cuts in by re-open the line.

ing stopping Council from be that it is better to have making a decision on the the mini bypass as stage for the bypass.

jumped before the bypass the end of March.

town bypass is now in the a piece of Council owned hands of a state government land by the Byron Bay committee. Earlier this month RSL as an overflow car park. This parcel of land lies in the path of the new Level Crossing Advisory bypass and the Club is Committee (LCAC) which asking for its parking has the power of veto over rights to continue or alterany new railway crossings in native arrangements be provided.

Ms Westing says she on a second crossing of the believes it is a situation which can be resolved. She points to other hurdles Railway Friendly Bar. which she says Council Council's general manager will have to jump before Pamela Westing told The the bypass is given the Echo that the LCAC has a final approval including negotiating the purchase of land, finding an alternative parcel of native vegetation to replace that which will be bulldozed during make an exception in the construction, not to forget

'We don't have enough money at the moment but the Rails] and the full If approval for a second bypass [which runs to crossing is obtained Ms Mitre 10]. It could be a Westing says there is noth- staged project and it may development application one for funding purposes,' said Ms Westing. The Another hurdle to be LCAC decision is due by

If women ruled the world

To celebrate International 11am and will feature Fla-Resource Service is debating the motion 'If women ruled the world, it would be a better will be there with food and

the women of Byron Shire there with information about are invited to the Old Civic their services around the Centre in Mullumbimby for Shire. Organisers are intera day of debate, dancing and story telling.

'Last year we hosted a three-hour extravaganza of women musicians, story-tellers, dance troupes and comedians,' says Kassa Bird of the Women's Resource Service, 'and fed and entertained about 150 women and chil- asked to be provocative, witty, dren. It was a great show of grumpy or outrageous, so the concept of women's we're expecting to have a few community, alive and well.' laughs,' says Kassa. For more

Women's Day, the Women's menco dance, belly dance, musicians and story-tellers. The Soup Kitchen angels snacks, and various commu-On Wednesday March 8, nity organisations will be ested to hear from other women willing to perform on the day.

'We have organized a minidebate for the middle of the day, and six women will affirm or negate "If women ruled the world, it would be a better place". The speakers have been 'This year's event begins at information call 6684 4299.

Buttery hopes to raise fun

A 'fun'raiser to help build over the phone. the new Buttery will take Bangalow on Saturday March 11 from 7pm, hosted by retro glamourpuss Vanessa Wagner. The fun will also include a DJ, chook raffle best dressed.

Barebones Art Space in Bangalow, or you can book banana.

The night is BYO, but place at the A & I Hall in there will be pineapple mocktails for sale and a special updated version of Vanessa's favourite pineapple princess food.

For information and and a special award for the phone bookings contact Jan on 6687 0508 or email Tickets are available at janbuttery@yahoo.com.au.

Be there or be a

New engines for Brunswick



The Brunswick Heads community's fire protection has been boosted with the delivery of two new fire engines to the coastal town's NSW Fire Brigades' fire station valued at over \$600,000. The vehicles incorporate all the latest equipment and technology with a dual cabin, and high pressure pumps. In addition, the 4WD vehicles are capable of cross-country firefighting operations on unsealed roads. Photo Jeff 'Where's Dennis' Dawson

Are your kids playing with fire?

Playing with matches is a local fire stations. Under or lighters is one of the causes and what to do about it. of the many house fires in selves become victims.

Josh Rushton, Station Com- local fire station. mander at Mullumbimby. scenario,' he said.

is now available through ers in children's pockets.

dangerous game, but one the Intervention and Fire which many children find Awareness Program, parirresistible. The NSW Fire ents can ring a free and Brigade has revealed that confidential service to talk children playing with matches to someone about the issue

'If you know or suspect NSW each year. Fires in that your child has been which the children them- playing with fire, seek help immediately by calling the 'It is a sad fact that some of NSWFB toll free number, the children who die, or are 1800 600 700, and avoid a injured, in home fires actually tragedy,' said Josh Rushlit the fire themselves,' said ton. Alternatively call your

The NSW Fire Brigade 'Most kids find fire fascinating. recommends that all fami-Unfortunately some children lies install smoke alarms not understanding the danger and rehearse escape plans take it a step further and start and how to call 000 with experimenting with matches their children. They also and lighters when they are left recommend keeping lighton their own, a potentially fatal ers and matches secure and watching for evidence Help for parents who are of fireplay, such as burns concerned about their on bedding, or the preschild's fascination with fire ence of matches and light-

Free film courses with BYS

ping into the area's strong and ideas out there,' said film industry by running Darius. three free filmmaking workshops. They will coincide designed to give young tion of Reel Fest, the first the skills necessary to cre-Northern Rivers Youth Short ate their masterpiece and Film Festival.

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Reel Fest will be premaker Darius Devas.

generation and a powerful website www.bys.org.au.

Byron Youth Service is tap- way to get their passions

The free workshops are with the upcoming presenta- filmmakers a leg up and are open to all youth aged

The workshops will be plus a stack of other great held over three Saturdays: prizes for runners up and starting with Camera Skills category winners, Reel on Saturday March 11, Fest is a terrific opportu- Editing Skills on March 18 nity for aspiring young and Stop Animation on March 25.

The films entered into sented by Byron Youth the festival must be six Service in early May and is minutes or less and less aimed at young film mak- than two years old. Deaders aged under 25 years line for submissions is Friliving in the Northern Riv- day April 21. To register ers region. One of the for the workshops, contact driving forces behind the Di Mahoney on 6685 festival is young local film 7777. For all other enquiries, guidelines and appli-'Film is the voice of our cation forms, check the

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Local News

Toastmasters helps shy wallflower to bloom

Alex McAuley

Mullumbimby resident Jess Gilmore is living proof of the power of high self esteem and good communication skills. At only 26 years old, Jess has turned herself around from a self confessed shy person to a confident young woman who has just been appointed Communications Manager of Pathways Foundation, a role she could not have imagined for herself only a short time

What is the secret to the amazing turnaround in Jess's confidence? A few years ago a friend of hers was involved in establishing a Mullumbimby branch of the international organisation Toastmasters. A communication and leadership organisation, Toastmasters focuses on specific public speaking skills such as body language, eye contact and the tone and pitch of one's voice, in a relaxed, friendly hooked.

'I didn't know learning



atmosphere. Jess went along fortable with being uncom- masters encourages. For sense!'

to one meeting and was fortable, if that makes someone like Jess who felt extremely uncomfortable What Jess is referring to about speaking in public, could be so much fun,' said is the constant pushing of the constant challenge of Jess. 'I now feel very com- the boundaries that Toast- making herself do just that

has been a liberating experience. And the reward has not only been her personal growth; Jess believes that her involvement with Toastmasters has played a big part in her recent promotion at Pathways.

'I have been appointed to the newly created position of Communications Manager, a role in which I will be supervising the communication activities of an organisation that is now operating across the country,' said Jess.

'I am certain that without the experience and skills that I have gained through Toastmasters that I would not have been confident in getting, and keeping, this great position.'

Pathways was started in Mullumbimby about 12 years ago and has grown into an Australia wide organisation.

Developed by men concerned about the health and wellbeing of boys and young men in Australia, its key outcomes include strong long term relationships between father and son, respectful relationships with mothers, increase in boys' self esteem, and improved communication and conflict resolution







Byron accident victim needs support

in a coma in a Gold Coast the intensive care unit.

The head on collision on head injuries as well as a that Kristy is well known Bay woman, Kristy Christie, 18 and is being treated in

Ewingsdale Road recently, broken arm, leg and ribs. in the local hospitality which claimed the life of She was transferred to the industry for her work at Goonellabah teacher Sue Gold Coast after the acci- Dish, Fins and Byron McGregor, has left Byron dent on Friday February Brides.

James Lancaster from Kristy sustained serious Olivo in Byron Bay says



James has started a fighting fund to help friends and relatives to travel and stay on the Gold Coast to support Kristy.

'She is a fighter and a wonderful woman. She is in a really serious condition and we are trying to organise support for people who need to be by her side right now,' said Mr Lancaster.

Donations can be dropped into Dish, Olivo or Fins restaurants marked for Kristy. For more information call James on 0412

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Local News

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The Flowers on the Water Ceremony saw 12 boats, each Cockle Bay where a moment of silence was called for the 32 hormonal changes.' women a day who are diagnosed with breast cancer.

Evidence that a healthy lifestyle may slow or stop the development of cancers is treatment improves chance of Council on 131120.

cancer, it is beneficial if they

'For many cancer patients, particularly women with breast cancer, staying active containing 20 survivors of breast and eating well is even more cancer, paddling out onto important, due to reduced metabolic rate, fatigue and

The good news is that early diagnosis has seen the number of people surviving with cancer on the rise. To join Rainbow Dragons growing, according to The Abreast, come along on the Cancer Council NSW, which first Sunday of each month has issued a new summary of at 8am to Lake Ainsworth. the evidence to guide the Look for the pink flags near public. The latest findings the Department of Sport and report there is strong evi- Recreation. For more infordence that increasing physical mation about keeping well activity after bowel cancer after cancer call the Cancer

the sex lives of sea anemones at bleaching and sanctuary zones, 6.30 to 8.30pm. complete with spectacular underwater footage.

host sea anemones in the Facilitator, Brian Hughes. Solitary Islands Marine Park. These animals have a fasciwith anemone fish, made gov.au. famous in the Disney animated film Finding Nemo. Unfortunately, they are highly prized for the aquarium trade and are under threat. Anna's research provides the first scientific information on the sex lives of sea anemones and what affects their chances of survival.

Steve Dalton is doing his PhD research at the National Marine Science Centre on coral disease and coral bleaching, studying the problem in the Solitary Islands, Cook Island and Lord Howe Island. Steve will talk about the extent of the problem and how marine parks can help to protect corals, but will also consider external impacts such as floods and global Byron St, Byron Bay - Freecall: 1800 816 483

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'The Byron Marine Wildlife Series is a great opportu-Anna Scott is from the nity for the local community National Marine Science to find out about our marine Centre and is doing her wildlife from leading experts,' research on the sex lives of said Regional Coastcare

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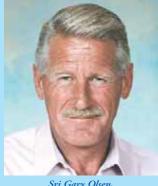
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Rorting the public good

Why do we get the sneaking suspicion that the far north coast is going to get a toll road whether the community wants it or not? Sydneysiders have been saddled with the Cross City Tunnel. A toll road which was sold to motorists as a solution to their traffic woes, but has been revealed as a cosy little deal between the state government and private operators to deliver maximum profits while causing the motorist maximum headaches.

Could it be that another cosy little deal is at the bottom of the RTA's otherwise unexplainable behaviour over the Pacific Highway upgrade from Tintenbar to Ewingsdale? After initially declaring that the highway would be upgraded largely along its current route, to tie in with the already completed Ewingsdale to Brunswick section to the north and the planned Ballina bypass to the south, the RTA announced it would expand the study area.

Residents who had been led to believe that they would not be affected by the upgrade were now possibly in the highway's path and have been subjected to months of anguish over the future of their land.

Last year a parliamentary enquiry asked the RTA to explain why they had decided to consider completely new routes to the east of the previously identified highway corridor. Now the NSW Ombudsman has issued the RTA with a Please Explain letter asking for factual evidence behind their decision.

The push for an easterly route for the Pacific Highway seems illogical if the highway is to remain free to all users. Why create a second road when one, albeit an inadequate one, already exists and could be upgraded. Logic only enters the equation if a toll road is on the agenda. State government policy states that if a road is to be tolled, then a free alternative must be available for those who choose or cannnot afford to pay. Hence the need for two roads. A shiny new upgraded toll road and the existing slightly shabby free one.

While the state government says it is only considering a toll road as one of the options, the era of cost cutting and user pays seems to well and truly have arrived with Michael Costa's appointment as treasurer. The community has been kept in the dark about the reasons for the expansion of the highway study area and there have undoubtedly been far more discussions behind the scenes about tolling the Pacific Highway than the government is letting on.

The fiasco of the Cross City Tunnel has shone a much needed spotlight on to public private partnerships and the community needs to maintain its vigilance if we are to avoid being whitewashed by another cosy little deal where the public ends up being the loser.

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Let's hear it for little Johnny

weekend?

In New York, research in the emerging science of biophotonics has led to a breakthrough in the development of designer cells which will attack and eliminate individual cancers. In Bhutan, new plans are well advanced to save the endangered snow leopard from poachers and herders. Chinese archaeologists have unearthed the fossil remains of a Jurassic beaver.

A tropical cyclone threatening Aboriginal settlements on Cape York has petered out. The property boom looks set to resume with house prices on the increase in most capitals. And in sport, an Australian skier has recorded a creditable personal best 23rd placing in her event in the Winter Olympics...

By now, regular readers may have noticed a slight difference in the style of this week's column, almost as though its writer is seeking to avoid a topic too painful to mention.

Well, yes. At any time the prospect of discussing the gush of bumsucking surrounding a decade of John Winston Howard's ascendancy would be like swallowing a coil of barbed wire and then excreting it again, but in a week when the slobber from the idolisation of Kerry Packer is still wet on the may be close to the truth. A pages, it becomes almost too much for the most hardened journalist to bear. However, no-one ever said that political commentary was meant to be place under Howard, and in easy, so back to the chain

place to go back over about being close to the cen-Howard's individual mendacities, hypocrisies, atroci- They are talking about mean: ties and brutalities; most of miserly, disreputable, servile,

asn't there a lot of wearisome length on previ- contemptible, rascally, self- million every week - nearly good news at the ous occasions, and in any ish and heinous, as my the- \$200 million every working case I've only got about 700 words left.

But it is as good a time and a place as any to revisit to the so far unanswered question: how does he get away with it? How can it be that the laconic and sceptical Australian electorate keeps re-electing a Prime Minister whom the majority cheerfully acknowledge is a mean and tricky little liar who will say and do anything at all to retain

Is the ALP really so debili-

pejoratives.

And they don't even think industrial relations were all failures. But when it comes to money – to the buckaroonies, nudging six percent of gross the loot, the payola – the cold national product and rising. hard cash, even if it has been The consensus among econ-- why then, let's hear it for little Johnny.

tated, so worm-eaten by the One hears echoes of the

saurus puts it among other day of the year - to power Howard's miracle.

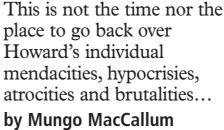
This is nearly two and a the government's very good half times as much as in the at very much: the assessments Keating years, the years when on health, education, welfare, he issued his notorious the environment and even banana republic warning. In technical terms Australia's current account deficit is now begged, borrowed or stolen omists is that breaking point will be reached at 6.5 percent at that stage the debts will Nothing else really matters. be called in and the bubble will well and truly burst.

> In the meantime Howard continues enormous welfare payments to groups who not need or deserve them, but whose votes he needs (if not deserves), and boasts of reducing unemployment to five per cent. Alas, this is another trick: he has simply redefined 'full employment' as 'working two days a fortnight'. Under the old definition unemployment would be running at over ten per cent.

But who cares? In a meaner Australia, it's every sucker for himself. And if all else fails, In Mussolini's Italy the there's always the war on ter-

When Peter Costello yet again singled out Moslems for a lecture on how to fit in to Howard's Australia or else worrying signs that the latter now under control and as a piss off, Howard noted that result interest rates are fairly he was 'fundamentally' corstable: this is largely a legacy rect – an interesting adverb. Is the introduction of fundamentalism his next exciting project? We already have economic fundamentalism; is it to be joined by the religious

kind?



factions, so bland and unap- 1930s, of Italians excusing pealing that there is simply the enormities of Il Duce: no longer an alternative? Or has the country become so contemptuous of its own worth that it is prepared to embrace what it knows to be

quick buck in return – to do tians would describe as selling its collective soul?

There are at least some poll published last week revealed that a majority believe that Australia has indeed become a meaner spite of what some of the Howard huggers have said This is not the time nor the since, they are not talking tre, or a tougher negotiator. them have been catalogued at unkind, unjust, ruthless,

yes, we know, but he made the trains run on time. And in fact we have even less excuse than they did.

evil as long as it can see a trains really did run on time ror, otherwise known as xen-- for a while, at least. But ophobia and racism. what old-fashioned Chris- Howard's economic miracle, like most miracles, actually relies on trickery.

It is true that inflation is of the shock imparted by Paul Keating's notorious 'recession we had to have'.

It is also true that the government is now largely debtfree. But this does not apply to the rest of us. Over the ten years of Howard, Australia's overall reliance on overseas now borrow more than \$600 the one day cricket...

I don't really want to know, so back to the good news. On Sunday the NSW Blues beat investment to keep the econ- the South Australian Redomy going has exploded. We backs in a nail-biting final of



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> **Tristan Bancks** Byron Bay

Dog trouble

I spend a lot of time walking on South Golden Beach with my two children. My husband and I have a holiday home and hope to live there again soon. I have never been harassed by any naked men as I Hamlin's girlfriend has (letter, February 14) but I have been constantly harassed by uncontrolled dogs, and I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to Council ordinance officers in alleviating an increasingly infuriating situation on South Golden Beach.

For people like myself it's a constant recurring nightmare trying to cope with the loping, salivating giant or the dribbling over-excited terrier bounding up unleashed barking madly. That terrifying few moments not knowing whether it's going to tear us into palatable pieces, hold us hostage with snarling fangs bared or just give my | it?

Howard's corrupt ways

Is John Howard corrupt? appears mundane - perks, around him. He has allowed paper bags full of money? I doubt it. Is he on the take? Let me tell you how.

If the opposition begins to repeat the word 'corruption' loudly, constantly, and determinedly, do you know what will happen? If a link is found solidly connecting the government to providing money to Saddam Hussein, that is to say arming Saddam Hussein, that is to say providing gas for the gas chambers, do you know what will happen?

The accused John Howard will place his hand on his heart or bible and declare, 'I have never accepted bribes, I have never taken money. My conduct has been above board in every way.' It may even be, may probably be, office, the status, and the squalid little luxuries. A new \$200,000 dining room? The unprecedented sumptuoushe's abroad? Yes, it sounds Kirribilli, looking out over the harbour? It's the best looking place in town, and so much more visible than the Lodge. The prime ministerial wine collection? Driver? hoped for. Enough to sell his soul for.

Then of course there's the attention, he is of course a Leo. My learned colleague Jez, MC, is of the view our PM is a 'Star Fucker', one obsessed with being in the company of the rich and famous. Howard certainly loves the spotlight, and why not the creatures that inhabit

Hell, yes. Does he take brown fame – and we may say what a government that lets indusof it? This is where the trick try lobbyists write its reports comes in. You may note sleepwalk through the years, central to his concerns, other appalled by to continue and but egomania that drives him. He has willingly closed the sake of rich red leather his eyes and taken his hands upholstery. off the steering wheel, choosing to position others between himself and actual governance, in order to always have a fallback position, the 'Sergeant Schultz, "I know nothing" line.

Now look at this closely. What kind of person seeks true. His kickbacks are the high office but does not exercise control? Why be there? This is not a normal person. This is the ultimate brown nose, party machine, gravy ness of the hotel suites when train riding nightmare. This is a man whose obsession is petty, and it is. The house at not power, but how comfy the chairs are.

It's that sad and simple. Every disgrace, every cover up, every denial, draw us further away from being a responsibly governed state. Plane? As much as he could He has sold us out for the ever hope for. All he ever trappings of his position. But isn't this common? Never before to such an extent, in Australian history, have we been led by someone so totally possessed by the least valuable part of his job, so possessed he will go to any lengths to protect it.

In the end he is the saddest of figures, even Billy McMahon wanted to run the country. He has allowed an organisation devoted to keeping What we have above him ignorant to be built

power is not included on this asking only to be kept in list? Or control? Because the office. He has allowed scanpeculiar nature of this indi- dal and disgrace that any vidual is that power is not person of integrity would be than power within his own go unpunished or rewarded. party and power over the For what? For the nothing. public service for the pur- He is as thoroughly corrupt poses of protecting his posi- a person as this country has tion. It is not megalomania ever seen, but not for the sake of brown paper bags: for

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Residents who park in Councill designated paid parking areas after 31 March 2006 without the new coupon will be required to pay for parking. Failure to display the new valid resident parking coupon or machine purchased ticket on your vehicle after this date will result in an infringement being issued. Resident parking coupons are **not transferable** and are only valid when affixed to the vehicle to which they are issued.

In accordance with Council's resolution, a resident parking coupon will be issued to each vehicle that is registered in New South Wales to a residential address in the Byron Shire.

Residents applying for privately registered vehicles will be required to supply a copy of their current New South Wales vehicle registration certificate, displaying a residential address to Council for processing.

Residents who are applying for a business registered vehicle, are required to submit all of the following: - copy of the current vehicle certificate registration showing the vehicle is registered as business/

- copy of your current New South Wales driver's licence displaying your current Byron Shire residential address, and a

copy of a current utility bill displaying your current Byron Shire residential address.

Resident parking coupons will only be posted out to the address as represented on the certificate of registration, or in the case of business registered vehicles, posted to the address as represented on the driver's licence. Please ensure address details are correct on the certificate of registration prior to applying. If you need to change your address please change it with the Roads and Traffic Authority

There are minimum requirements residents need to provide in order to receive a resident parking coupon. Please note that it is the responsibility of applicants to ensure they provide the correct paperwork for processing.

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four year old a big sloppy tongue kiss complete with free dose of tapeworm or leptosperosis.

This sickening unhappy little event is then inevitably followed by the arrival of happy-go-lucky boofhead owner with the stupid grin assuring us 'don't worry, he won't hurt you' as I try to console my terrified, hysterically screaming five year old.

There are many of us in South Golden Beach who can provide a litany of complaints about bags and towels being pissed on, children picking up dog dung, dog fights, and other all too familiar episodes including the oh so friendly doggie and the oh so friendly owner (who feels the law doesn't apply to him because he is a local) who I just don't want anywhere near myself or my children.

That's why I go to the dog free area. In theory we have a very workable situation in South Golden Beach. If you own a dog turn left and go to the dog exercise area, if you don't go to the south end, it's that simple. Stick to the law and the ordinance officers will have more time to pursue some of the other problems J Hamlin seems to encounter.

> **Villiafe Espinile** South Golden Beach

Lucas, February 21) is not er putting money into poker That's just how it is

only not picking up her dogs' poo, if asked to do so you cop a mouthful of the foulest language for your troubles. Her dogs have attacked others dogs, plus her friend she walks with seems to think her actions are OK and supports her with foul language as well.

I have heard many people complain about her, so thought I would write to you and give K Lucas my support. So, lady in the green shirt and your buddy, get lost! You are giving the caring dog owners on the beach a bad name.

L Seymour Ocean Shores

RU486 reflections

Thank you, thank you, Mandy Nolan, for your soapbox piece on abortion.

I'd love to know why the 100,000 abortions a year figure gets bandied about with out any proof! Why are we so coy? And, Tony Abbott, how many abortions is 'too many'? Surely, if you're against it, even one is too many. And, machines, eating white bread what, pray tell us, Mr Abbott, would you do with this extra 100,000, people born every year, many of whom would be poor, fatherless and them. unwanted?

RU486 debate became a unfair, because life is unfair. debate all over again about abortion. I thought we'd sorted that one out long er blood alchohol level, and As a responsible dog owner, ago. Some people don't like it's unfair that breast-feeding yes this woman with the two it, but then I don't like lots of mothers have great boobs german shepherds (letter, K things. Personally, I consid- and are not interested in sex.



THE AUSTRALIAN TOURIST COMMISSION has decided to use 'REAL' Australians in its campaign to attract more tourists... so where the bloody hell are youse?!





my beach chink/mongrel! so bugger off to where youse came from!

This is

and taking the contraceptive pill strange things to do, but that doesn't mean I'd try stop other people from doing

But, Tony Abbott, I have I'm puzzled as to why the news for you. Yes, abortion is It's unfair that men can drink more and have a low-

So yes, when it comes to The road terror ultimately a woman's choice and not a man's, that he has no say over what happens. And it's unfair that a man can have his jollies and get off scot-free, while the woman has to confront a very unappealing situation. An unwanted child or an unwanted abortion...

Pop and forget pills? Give us a break!

Jennie Graziani

abortion, it is unfair that it's Creating terror on the roads rural communities? Unleash can be a political persuasion. the B-Double trucks onto How was it possible that the Labor Government could persuade the communities to trol over the speeding truck allow their homes and farmland to be demolished for a them. What's the easiest way

to create instant terror in the the regional highway, where even the police have no condrivers.

Create the terror, and the new multimillion dollar super local demand for safety will highway in a state that can't override rational thinking. afford to maintain a reliable No one will realise that the hospital system? The answer new super highway could is easy. Just create terror in take the freedom out of drivthe lives of the community ing. The new Pacific highway and then offer to save route could feed the profits of the bank that makes the loans to foreign investors who will own the roads that the citizens must drive on for safety from a terror created for future corporate profit.

I wonder who will drive on these new toll roads. The tourists will avoid this six lane truck train thoroughfare. The locals can't afford to pay tolls to drive from one neighbourhood to another. The truckies, well they complain because it costs \$200 extra to drive on the New England Highway.

Who could possibly benefit from a six lane tollway replacing a once productive farming community? It is obvious as to which bank is already planning to provide the lucrative loans to build this new Pacific Highway toll road, or for the potential development of the unusable farmland. Bob Carr now has a prestigious career as the Consultant to the Infrastructure Financier at Macquarie Bank. There is a lot of money to be made in the production of terror, when you are a state leader.

A window of opportunity is available now to lobby the new State Labor leaders to investigate the political motivation behind the terror on our regional highway, which began less than five years ago. Yes, the B-Double interstate trucking was gazetted onto our inadequate regional

nregulated holiday letting: more pros and cons

that number can be!

ing into Byron Bay because ily with the kids who caught of holiday letting. I admit to the bus at the corner, the them that, if I could have single mum who got time to be here either. Which is a baby. shame. It's a great place.

back.

to holiday let, also claim they are solving the problem. Ringing the noise hotline means that someone comes around and the volume knob gets turned down on the noise next door. Well, the police did that, and still do for all in the HLO.

But even good management and the most impeccably behaved tourists do not

street. Now, out of seven business which pays no dues for the Byron Bay area. houses, three are holiday let. to Council and no commer-The one next door 'sleeps cial rates. We are living in an eight'. Funny how elastic industry/residential zone. The When friends say they good ones, occupy the house ruar 21) is a typical example celebrants, agents, photograwould like to move from where the neighbours used their bit of acreage into town, to live, the old couple who they say they will not be buy- liked to have a chat, the fam-

reclaim Let's It can still be a great place, town. Let's invite back the if we get our community renters and the owner occupiers, the families and reti-Those who claim the 'right' rees, the business and professional people, the tradies and the hospitality workers. They consume goods and services too, but most of all, they put back into the community, into kids' sport, volunteering, joining service clubs and just being neighbours. And there those holiday lets who aren't will still be plenty of tourists in the tourist places to keep the tourist dollar going round.

make up for the reality that into the new 'living zones'. we have lost community. The How about sending an email These events are largely held

years ago, there was one hol- doors up, and across the letting at all in the living banned under the new LEP. iday let in my end of the lane, are the income for a zones in the new draft LEP

Byron Bay

people on holidays, even the Jenny Coman's letter (Febcians, wait staff, caterers, of how the community can be confused by the new LEP. Jenny is an ex-councillor who one would have to believe has the facts.

predicted the current situa- cook the dinner while my Jenny, that holiday letting in me darling, please. We can tion five years ago, I wouldn't grandkids played with her the hinterlands will be get married at Byron where banned too? Just call the we met. We can have our our duty planner at BSC and ask wedding at the beach and the as I did. His answer was that once the Byron township had been dealt with the rest of Byron Shire would be brought into line. So that events could be held somemeans Ewingsdale, Ocean Shores, South Golden, Broken Head, Bangalow, hinterlands and everywhere else.

> So just to understand a small part of the roll-on effect many unique and beautiful this will have on the economy of our Shire let me give you an example. Are community members aware of a great little industry we have here in Let's put the 'living' back Byron Bay, that of the wedding/celebration industry?

How many people are employed in this industry? Sandra Heilpern Let's think now. Wedding planners, cleaners, equipment hire companies, musiphers... the list goes on.

Are you going to tell me now that these events will relocate to the areas allowable under the new LEP? However, do you know, How does this sound? Marry reception at an apartment right in Byron township or along Shirley Street.

Are you saying that these where else? Of course they could, however the cost is prohibitive for many and the experience not so beautiful.

My point is this. Byron has places to stay. Being herded into an apartment in Byron township is not everyone's idea of a holiday and will eventually spoil Byron as a tourist destination.

> Suzv Campbell Byron Bay

■ When I moved into Byron people crowded into the or a note to Council that you at larger houses out of the ■ Thank you, Jenny Coman Bay from out of town five house next door, and a few would like to see no holiday township, which will be and Peter Wegner, for the voice of reason in the debate re holiday letting in residential areas. Your comments are right on the money, while Tony Narracott is wide of the mark when he forecasts the downfall of Byron Bay's economy if this activity is banned. Residents want to preserve their amenity and retain a sense of community, and you don't get either when you've got different neighbours every week.

Tony also suggests opening up the Butler Street reserve to parking. Well, Tony, build it and they will come. Just wnat we need, a new tramc nightmare with a couple of hundred more vehicles entering and leaving the roundabout at the police station every day. Let's face it, car parking in Byron Bay has to be a finite resource, and as for bypassing Shirley Street and removing cars from there altogether (to allow higher density development no less!) and instead gain access to the reserve from behind the back of Short Stop, are you kidding? This is a narrow laneway with residential dwellings.

P J Prideaux Byron Bay

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period. Why?

It's time to save lives now by returning the B-Doubles back to New England Highway. Then demand that the RTA make rational upgrade decisions, according to the real situation on the Pacific Highway, instead of the fabricated terror.

> **Lois Hunt** Byron Bay

Climate change

A report on climate change published by the UK government this February has stated that there is only a small chance of greenhouse gas emissions being kept below 'dangerous' levels.

In the report's foreword, UK Prime Minister Tony Blair writes that 'it is now plain that the emission of greenhouse gases... is causing global warming at a rate they act? They continue to

levels of greenhouse gases do

The report concludes that the biggest obstacles to the take up of technologies such as renewables and 'clean coal' lie in vested interests, cultural barriers to change and simple lack of awareness.

states that different models suggest that delaying action would require greater action later for the same temperature target and that even a delay of five years could be significant. If action to reduce emissions is delayed by 20 years, rates of emission reduction may need to be three to seven times greater to meet the same temperature target!

So what are our state and federal governments, Labor and Liberal respectively, doing about this? When will

highway for a six year trial options to reduce dangerous dies for solar... the list goes

It is my view that it is not fair for one generation to burden the next ones with problems, challenges or costs that could have been avoided. We owe our children and future generations the opportunity to enjoy the same richness Significantly, the report and bounty of this Earth that we have inherited. It is the responsibility of those of us who live today to do whatever we can to give future generations this opportunity.

Let's face these challenges and get on with it!

> **Susan Stock** Nimbin

Origin of depression

Thank you with all my heart, Shunyam and The Echo, for the letter on 'depression'.

In writing my first letter ever to a newspaper I would like to pick up the idea of a gathering of 'the Canaries in

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together it's much easier to cope with our anxieties. Anyone who feels personally concerned about their relations to themselves and society, please feel free to contact me (66840450) so we can make it happen.

Nada Loiterton Wilsons Creek

illuminating. The Echo's editor points out that the premium placed on commercial

depression. S Peinecke says, people who are daring and conscious enough to radically challenge our human existence have recently been called 'depressed'.

More obvious now than ever before is the madness of this dominant global culture practised strongly by western civilisations where our daily activities are not sustainable ■ Your recent articles on and show little consideration Depression (Editorial, M for other cultures, plant and Grant, S Peinecke) are animal species, and the planet depressingly perceptive and as a whole. Such activities are driving us down the path of oblivion.

In Australia, our representsuccess, competition, and atives in government run consumerism by the domi- with economic rationalism as nant global culture may be the correct and only model inducing the pandemic of for human existence; they

encourage commercial suc- should just 'get on with life'.

We see the rich exploit and overwhelm the poor, we see indigenous and ethnic groups further ill-treated and aliencertain ministers regarding the children overboard scandal, we witness the beat-up of terrorism for political advantage, we witness Australia's participation in the invasion of Iraq purely for self-interested political gain with the consequent killing of many thousands of innocent civilians, we witness the savage un-Australian treatment of our asylum seekers, we observe the moral corruption within the ranks of government over the Wheat Board scandal, and we become aware of Australia's disproportionate global contribution of greenhouse gases into the earth's atmosphere, thereby accelerating global warming.

These activities reflect sheer madness from the top of government and some wonder why thinking individuals become depressed! Feeling powerless to change this course of madness they experience sadness, anger, frustration, alienation, and catch glimpses of the futility of their own existence against overwhelming odds.

Now we have John Howard (Courier Mail, February 11) causing shock and anger with mental health groups by telling some sufferers they

cess, competition and con- By this he means 'get on with sumerism with no thought of life' as defined by John physical and moral sustaina- Howard. By association, acceptable life behaviour must therefore include all of the above immoral behaviour by our government. We now hear (ABC Four Corners, ated, we note the lies from February 13) how this government is deliberately rejecting scientific evidence and muzzling warnings from scientists about the inevitable calamity of man-made global warming so political funding by the big energy producers (eg. coal) will continue. In doing so our government is accelerating the arrival of extreme weather patterns and sea level rises that will devastate life on earth as we

with life', but rather, 'getting

on with the end of life'. Our money to pursue issues that future is being decided by just a few political leaders. is clearly better to run with the depressed than those demonstrating such insane of positive change, the others' condition is irreversible.

> I Cooper Suffolk Park

We're going wrong

What has gone wrong with the country that I grew up in? Foreign Minister Downer has committed \$1 million to relief operations for the mudslide in the Philippines.

I won't harp on the dollars spent on information disseminated to the public regarding Bracken, Huonbrook, J Nutter, industrial reform. Nor will I lose control over Tony Abbott's Olson, Goonengerry, D Taminproposal to commit our iau, Mullum, H Grace, Mullum.

he feels aggrieved about.

What I will get angry about So, are our leaders qualified is the selfishness that more to speak on the mental health and more pervades our sociof others? By comparison, it ety which is fuelled and fanned by our government. Does the world community mean anything to the governbehaviour. One offers hope ment apart from an opportunity to extract the maximum profit? How many more billions does the Treasurer wish to tantalise the electorate with in order to keep us gratified and sated? The Australian community should demand that their taxes be used for more than just feather bedding.

> R J Martin Byron Bay

Letters also received from C Main Arm, P Brecht, Mullum, P

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know it.

For thinking people this madness is not 'getting on

New converts for the Great Pooh-Bah

Finally a letter worthy of bouring their own unique throughout the surrounding (February 21), for you have this otherwise mundane and spiritless world.

Your take on Creation makes more sense to me than anything that I could be alone anything anyone invented in the last few thousand years, and I daresay there could even be a place in your heaven for me and my remarkably flatulant family. We are good people, you know, but boy can we let them rip. I see now that all along we were merely singing in the language of the almighty.

I think we'd probably get along just fine, you and I.

Albert Moses Coopers Lane

reminding us of the danger and misguided fanatical behaviour of much of our global population. The earliest humans were nomadic and being directly aware of their all-encompassing universal environment took deity with them. They inhabited a sacred landscape. Once most of us settled down into sedwere relatively isolated from religions arose.

Today the surface of our planet is inhabited by a global mind that constantly communicates with almost every individual person through multiple communication networks, such as the internet, television, radio and newspapers. Together they form the planetary mind. Until the development of modern technology this planetary mind was isolated into continental and regional minds.

praise! Rejoice, A O'Hara culture and composed of space-time continuum. Our many regional cultures, made radio telescopes report that provided a touch of hope in up the mind of that locality. nothing is coming in from Along with other nearby our surrounding universe but nations, European cultures and religions expanded across the globe to discover an abundance of ancient culbothered thinking of, let tures and religions. That was we are the only known examwhen the European mind met the Australian mind.

mind is the Aboriginal culture and religion. Just like tion is in complete denial as cane toads and other feral to our true nature and supentities, all other religions port the ever more violent and belief systems are feral religious/cultural wars, using entities of the sacred Australian mind and landscape. However, that is the state of ing our atmospheric and bioplay across the globe as introduced species, races and The evidence suggests that cultures interact. With the there is a distinct possibility rapidly collapsing world environment adding pressure to the overpopulated and under-■ Thank you, A O'Hara, for resourced communities of the world, the planetary mind is going insane and commit- In response to A O'Hara I ting ever-deadlier blunders.

must examine the universal environment. Our existence, planet, solar system and the rest of reality, are entirely composed of sub-atomic and circular atomic energy the data, information or the galaxy. mind that these sub-atomic interactions create.

with electronic media send- ers and a hefty baseball bat. ing detailed information into space that is expanding as a The British Islands, har- three dimensional ripple

static.

Individually, we are the most complex structures in the known universe. Together, ple of God consciousness beaming its message in all The only truly Australian directions out into the universe. Most of our populaup the last of our cheap energy oil and gas and trashlogical life support system. that our planetary mind may shortly end transmissions.

Gary Opit Mullumbimby

must commend the succinct To really find God one and obviously spirited support for our One True God Pooh-Bah the Magnificent.

However, AO, you decline from the absolute truth in one very important area. The particles. These particles True Name of the One True don't really exist, but are a God is actually Pooh-Bah the entary town and farming consequence of the interac- Magnificent Who Burps a communities we built monu- tions of normal straight line Lot, and the beginning of our ments to deity. Because these energy such as light and heat universe was a burp not a fart. Our scholars and theo each other across the globe that produces the illusion of logians have a little bit of many different cultures and matter. Although there is proof about this and that is nothing really there, our uni- the noted lack of fart smell verse springs straight from on the western spiral arm of

Therefore we of the Oh Call Him Burp sect (you can Therefore, the only thing see where this is going) that exists in the universe is demand that you immedi-God or mind and the Big ately rescind the false name Bang was an explosion of God and burn all tracts consciousness. The only with reference to this blasknown example of complex, phemy or we will be forced communicating conscious- to persuade you of the truth ness is our own global mind with a couple of BBQ skew-

> **Russell Lean Grand Inquisitor** Burringbar



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Application forms are available from the Department of Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FaCSIA) on 1300 653 227 (callers should identify which State or Territory Office they require and ask for an Outside School Hours Care Planning Officer).

Applications must be received by close of business on Friday 7 April 2006.*

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Byron Bay's graceful old ladies to be saved from the chop

Lesley Patterson

Gracing the centre of Byron Bay is one of the town's most iconic buildings, The Orient rescue of the Orient. Hotel. This beautiful old lady only stands today thanks to the efforts of a group of local Phil Oliver.

about restoring her, thereby saving an important part of Byron Bay's history. Today the Orient is loved by many and her traditional timber modern cafe. Unfortunately many of Byron Bay's older buildings have been lost during the past 20 years in the name of progress, either to fight for their protection.

Byron Shire Council is planning to hang on to the remainder of the town's further 33 items to the environmental heritage list and identifying three Byron Bay cally important and has been neighbourhoods as interim right from settlement. heritage conservation areas. In addition, consent will be required to demolish any

ment and people are now beginning to understand why and value that. The protection of our heritage buildings

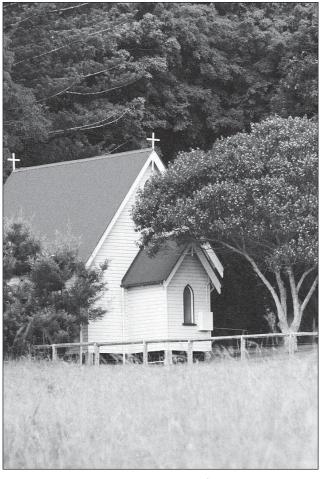
Barham who is a passionate supporter of our built heritage and was involved in the

'It is one of the most important buildings in the town's history and it could have been residents, including the late lost,' she said. She points to the many buildings which Horrified by plans to have been demolished in the demolish the run down and Byron Bay area over the last boarded up timber building few decades including the Art in the early 1990s, Phil Oliver Deco ANZ Bank building in bought the Orient and set Jonson Street and 'numerous lovely old houses in Shirley and Carlyle Streets'.

It seems incredible that such treasures as St Columbas Church next to the construction provides a Ewingsdale Hall are not funky location for a very already protected. 100 years of Ewingsdale's history is wrapped up in this small semi rural precinct which contains the Ewingsdale Hall (built in 1908) and the former school because their significance house (1909). Heritage listing wasn't recognised at the time doesn't stop at houses and or there was no one around halls and the avenue of giant weeping figs has also been included in the 33 new items. George Flick, the warden of the St Columbas for the past architectural gems adding a 40 years, welcomes the protection of these buildings.

'The whole area is histori-Ewingsdale is still a very vital rural community and while we're small in numbers we building older than 50 years. have a really hard working 'Years ago we began to group of people who help protect the natural environ- maintain the buildings,' said Mr Flick who has lived in Ewingsdale for 68 years and still farms locally.

Aesthetics are not the only is the same,' said Mayor Jan reason for inclusion on the



St Columbas Church in Ewingsdale is one of 33 new items to be added to Byron Shire's environmental heritage list. The draft LEP proposes preserving the best of the Shire's traditional architecture for future generations. Photo Jeff Dawson

At the end of the 19th

Century, Byron Bay was the

largest producer of butter

heritage list and residents might wonder at some of the less beautiful listings such as the former Norco Butter anywhere in the world. With Factory near Mitre 10.

'Whilst the place looks very unlovely today, it is important as the industry that underpinned the economic basis of Byron Bay,' said Heritage Adviser to Council, Donald Ellsmore.

the area were able to send their cream to Byron's butter factory where it was loaded onto ships at the town's jetty and shipped out to customers as far away as London, Mr Ellsmore explains.

Three interim heritage conservation areas have been named around the Kingsley Street area, Shirley Street and Wentworth and Burns Street. Byron Bay is not the first town to introduce protection of whole precincts. The elegant terraces of Sydney's Paddington are an example of a whole suburb which has remained intact because of heritage protection.

Lake Macquarie has also established conservation areas to stop the demolition of its collection of traditional miners' cottages.

Council says that heritage protection measures are not intended to prevent all alterations to buildings, but to ensure that any new work or additions are sympathetic to the style of the existing building.

According to Cr Barham Council intends to support owners of heritage buildings with advice on design options and sources of funding. Donald Ellsmore is quick to point out that his role is not solely the arrival of rail in the 1890s, as an adviser to Council, but nsw.gov.au.

dairy farms from throughout also as a source of free advice for residents.

The NSW Heritage Office guidelines have been used by Council to assess the validity of the proposed conservation areas and new additions to the heritage list.

'The Environmental Planning and Assessment Act requires Council to survey the shire to identify heritage items and protect them. Every shire in the state should know which items are of heritage value.

'In Byron Shire we are conducting a community based Heritage Study which is considered to be the most effective model. The reason why the community should have a say rather than individual property owners is because owners can come and go but the community at large stays. One owner could wipe out 130 years of history because that particular owner doesn't like the building.'

The new heritage protection measures including the interim heritage conservation areas are part of the Draft Local Environment Plan which is currently on public exhibition.

Full details can be .viewed at Council's Mullumbimby offices or downloaded from their website at www.byron.

The thongs of love

John Campbell

Summer is winding down. Another footy season will soon be with us. I grunt with joy.

Surprisingly, Cat Carer couldn't agree more with the Old Man.' sentiment. She's not the least bit interested in blokes with thick necks running into each other, but she is at the end of her tether after what happened at Bruns on the said. weekend. I can't blame her, for there is no embarrassment more excruciating than painful.' that inflicted by a mother upon her child.

months for the girl. Sacked been in the ... ' Her voice Vuoto, dumped by the hir- colour of an oyster. She sute Bartolomeo. Now this. didn't have to finish the senwas well into her third topped-up her drink. I've got Dubonnet and Pepsi Light nothing against nudity ages,' I pleaded. 'They are before she could bring her- myself, as long as they don't what make me my own indiself to tell.

beach in a thong.'

'How come she only wore spooked me. one?' I asked, wondering what she might have had on thinking?' the other foot.

best Homer impersonation, bucks an hour - I think fed yet?'

then explained to me in lurid detail the meaning of the term. I'm always the last to know these things.

'You should get out more,

'Obviously,' I conceded, my imagination running amok. Faerie Queene is an ample woman, bummus enormicus Linnaeus might have

'The horror,' I gasped involuntarily. 'It sounds he could work out who his

Carer pulverised another ice thing to do with self-improve-It's been a torrid couple of cube. 'She might as well have ment. With Portnov in her lap, she tence. My hand shook as I make it compulsory, but the vidual self. I don't want to 'Mum turned up at the image of Faerie Queene's shifting abundance had smile on my face telling eve-

'What on earth was she

'D'oh!' Cat Carer did her enlightenment thing. Thirty ages ago. Has Portnoy been

they're all Buddhists.'

'So was Pol Pot.'

'No, there's no dope involved, but they told her she's got a heap of blockages to break through.'

'The thong'll do that,' I offered, feeling an uncontrollable urge to adjust my undies. Cat Carer's not the most well-read girl - she thinks that Einstein made up the theory of relativity so that cousins were - but she has an 'It looks even worse.' Cat admirable contempt for any-

'She'll try and get you into by The Battler from Cafe faltered. Her face went the one next.' She smirked, at last seeing the grotesque humour of the garment, if at my expense. I broke out in a sweat.

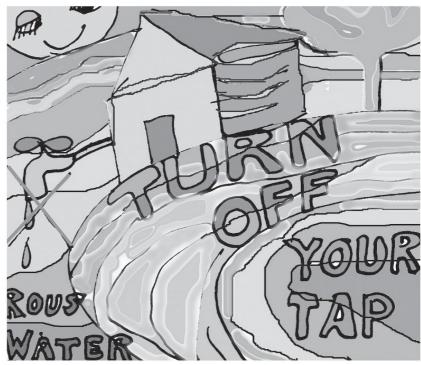
'But I thrive on my blockwalk around with a vapid rybody how centred I am.'

'Just kidding Old Man. It's a women's group. They've 'She signed up for some given up on blokes like you

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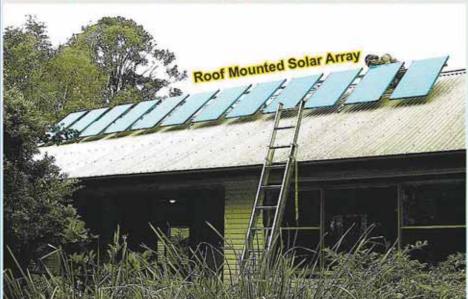
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Rescuing our young people from despair

Alex McAuley

The tragedy of youth suicide is something that touches everyone, particularly those of us who live in rural communities where the incidence is higher and the impact so profound. Recent years have seen a dramatic increase in youth suicide in Australia, and many people are struggling to understand why this has happened, and, more importantly, what we can do to improve the situation.

Australian Bureau of Statistics data shows that around 2400 Australians die by suicide every year. It is now the leading cause of death among people under the age of 30 and is responsible for more deaths of young people than car accidents. In addition, young people in rural areas are at greater risk of death by suicide than those in urban areas, partly because of the limited access to medical and community support.

Boys more violent

Boys and young men are more likely to attempt suicide than girls and young women, and because they generally choose more violent means than girls, are more likely to die as a result. School Counsellor at Mullumbimby High School, Camilla Nova, thinks that the reason for boys being at greater risk may be partially attributed to communication.

'Girls tend to talk to people more openly than boys,' said Ms Nova. 'Boys are more likely to keep things to themselves, so it is difficult for people to realise that they are experiencing difficulties and to help them.'

According to mental health charity SANE Australia, most young people who die by suicide have experienced some type of mental illness, the most common being seri- happen.' ous depression or bipolar disorder. However, because each individual is unique, there is no single reason why a person chooses to die by suicide. Ms Nova, says there

not coping.

referred to me after a change in their behaviour has been writing, or perhaps a change the urgency of the situation. in the standard of their school drop in attendance.

Risk factors

risk factors present there is risk increases again.'

relationship or loss of a loved or sexual abuse as major risk Bay Hospital. factors in youth suicide. However, the AISRAP also claims that most suicides can Ms Nova stresses the imporof listening.

to include them in your and the world in general. activities; show them that don't actually want to die. Usually, they are facing a dif-

AISRAP also advises lis- out the other side.' tening and not downplaying will discourage the person 1800 551 800.

are some common factors from talking to you further, that increase the risk of sui- and communication is the cide, as well as common key to a positive outcome. signs that a young person is Instead, AISRAP recommends asking direct ques-'Often young people are tions such as, 'Do you mean you are thinking of killing yourself?', not general ones noticed by a teacher or a like 'What is the matter?' friend,' said Ms Nova. 'This which may cause confusion. may be something the teacher Depending on the response has observed in their creative you may get a better idea of

Ken Lee from the local work, the regularity of com- Youth and Family Mental pleting tasks or a sudden Health Team says, 'If the friend or family member does not feel confident from their own judgement that the 'On its own, any one of these young person is no longer at things may not be a problem, risk of harm to themselves, however if there are other then they should consider the assistance of mental cause for concern. Those fac- health services or a doctor. tors include poor self image, The Mental Health Access not eating, a drop in personal Line (1300 369 968) can be hygiene standards and becom- contacted 24 hours a day, ing withdrawn. If the child's seven days a week, and calls home life is difficult then the are answered by a mental health professional. If friends The Australian Institute or family are concerned for Suicide Research and about immediate safety then Prevention (AISRAP) also the police should also be lists drug and alcohol abuse, notified or the young person the break up of a significant can be taken to the Emergency Department at Mulone, and any kind of physical lumbimby Hospital or Byron

Mental stability

be prevented, but often tance of mental stability for skilled help is needed. Ms young people, and cited a Nova stresses the importance good diet, regular exercise and involvement in the com-'Don't tell them what to munity as things that will do,' she says. 'Listen to what help provide the platform for they have to say and offer young people to feel more support. Make an extra effort positive about themselves

'I always try to communithey're loved. Many young cate that it is normal to go people in this frame of mind through difficult times,' said Ms Nova. 'I try to give the person the skills and strateficult situation and just want gies to overcome their diffithe situation to go away but culties, and tell them that don't know how to make that when they succeed, they will feel great when they come

Telephone counselling is the issue with comments also available 24 hours a such as 'You are just having day from Lifeline on 131 a bad day'. Advice like this 114 or Kids Help Line on

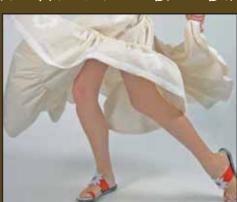














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Articles

Bangalow Bill reveals the inside track on the Billy Cart Derby

Louise Beaumont

With a character larger than the town of Bangalow and life itself, Bangalow Bill, aka Bill Jenner (pictured right), should be heritage listed.

Bursting with stories from his long life, at 78, he has the spirit of a teenager with the visible sparkles in his eyes showing no signs of waning. I have no doubt it is this youthful temperament that has had him running the gauntlet of the Bangalow Billy Cart Derby annually now for the past 15 years.

Bill's current wooden oldschool billy cart has had him safely over the finish line for the last five years.

'I wanted to build it to look like a kid's billy cart, you know, with the original box design,' he says

The box design obviously works a treat, he won third place driving this cart last year, although it could be the roll of bearings he put in the wheels to give himself a faster take off. Bill says his cart can run at 47km/hour, and although this makes him a teen children, Bill was taken real contender at the derby, away from his family, along his place in the race doesn't with two siblings, during the and has never concerned depression. Bill was seven. him. I do it just for the fun He was placed in a home of it,' Bill beamed.

builds his box carts quickly. He is an absolute master in ously formed brotherhoods the shed where he spends so he will always remember. He much of his time. It is a won- and his crew would stand up der that his hands can keep to bullies together, raid up with his fervent intellect. orchards together, generally He has come a long way from teaching himself how to and predictably get in trouread and write in order to ble together... a lot of trougain his first apprenticeship ble. to get ahead in difficult postdepression Australia.



those hard years that are the

tiveness and genuine grati-

whatever they could find,

of billy carts later, Bill hasn't

tude for life to this day.

The second oldest of sixwhere he saw, ate and expe-It's no surprise that Bill rienced things he would rather forget, but simultaneget up to mischief together

> They were underfed and ill treated, but it is probably

ing since.

He was a self-taught foreman of a mechanics workshop at 19, has owned several service stations and a tow truck business, and has even taught ballroom dancing and bred pigeons. He designs, builds or improves everything and anything from birdbaths and fountains made from motorcycle tyres, mufflers and engine parts, mailboxes and collapsible stools. His latest invention is the harmonic wheel for passenger trains and trams that eliminates track noise, and he's currently designing a car engine that needs no fuel. Genius.

Bill is a true gentleman charmer, he serenaded me when we met with the faithful backing of his piano accordion, and when I eventually had to leave, he gave me some invaluable advice which I now altruistically share with the women of the Byron Shire.

'If you want to catch a source of his humour, inven- bloke, it's a good start to wear nice clothes and you must make sure your hair is Bill and his mates had to always looking good, but make their own toys out of most importantly, make sure you have some perfume... it and he built his first billy cart may be expensive, but it's when he was eight. Dozens worth it.'

Girls, please note, Bill has

stopped building and creat- been happily married for 48 years, so I think he knows what he's talking about. Next him, if I'm quick enough, at time I see Bill I'll be asking the Bangalow Billy Cart him for my next instalment Derby on May 21. of Dating Advice 101.

the streets and markets around the Shire, busking with his accordion and harmonica, but like you, my best 4236.

bet for a story from this iconic gent will be to catch

For information on the I'll be looking for him in Bangalow Billy Cart Derby or to volunteer to help out at the event, contact Tony Heeson on 6687 2221 or 6688

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Flying cane toads touchdown

toads as they have been throughout the shire. dubbed, have arrived in Byron a pest as the cane toad.

They also prey on the bimby,' she said. young of native birds and destroy their eggs.

standing of the behaviour Neilan on 6626 7000.

Byron Shire is being invaded. of these birds and the Indian mynas, or flying cane extent of their spread

'We are asking people to Shire. Introduced into Aus- let us know where and tralia in the 1860s these feral how often they are seeing birds could become as much Indian mynas in the local area. Forms for recording Indian mynas were the details of sightings are recently voted the most available on the Council significant pest in Australia website at www.byron.nsw. and have been witnessed gov.au/forms.shtml, or attacking hollow depen- hard copy forms can be dent native birds such as picked up from the Couneastern rosellas and chas- cil administration building ing them from their nests. in Station Street, Mullum-

The Indian myna is a medium-sized, chocolate Byron Shire Council brown bird with a black together with the Tweed- head and white wing Byron Indian Myna Action patches visible when in Group are working to con-flight and is sometimes trol the spread of Indian confused with the native mynas before populations noisy miner, which is grey become widespread and lacks white wing established. Wendy Neilan, patches. They are highly Biodiversity Extension intelligent and work Officer at Byron Shire together to bully native Council, said the success wildlife away from food of this project is depen- and nest sites. For further dent on gaining an under- information contact Wendy

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Television Guide

1. New to ABC (Thursday, 9.30pm) West Wing explores what would have been happening if a half-way decent human being had inhabited the White House since 2000.

2. Matt Damon considers his options as a trained killer with memory loss in The Bourne Identity (Ten, Saturday, 8.50pm), a fast-paced entertainment. 3. The very funny and good-natured animated feature Shrek gets another outing on NBN (Saturday, 7.30pm). Mike Myers and Eddie Murphy do the

voices.

WEDNESDAY







ABC

- 4.30 Movie: Oh, Mr Porter! (G, B&W, 1937) Will Hay, Moore Marriott, Graham Moffatt Dave O'Toole

- 6.00 Kid's Programs
 10.00 School Programs
 12.00 Midday Report
 12.30 National Press Club Address
 1.30 Talking Heads
 2.00 Parliament Question Time
- 3.00 Kid's Programs
 6.00 Rosemary On the island of Harris in the Hebrides
- 6.30 The Cook And The Chef

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- 9.35 The Glass House 10.05 At The Movies
- 10.35 Lateline
- 11.10 Four Corners 11.55 Media Watch
- 12.10 Parliament Question Time
- 1.10 Movie: Helter Skelter (G, B&W, 1949) Carol Marsh, David Tomlinson, Mervyn
- **2.25 Movie: Wheel Of Fate** (PG, B&W, 1953) Patrick Noonan, Sandra Dorne, Bryan
- 3.25 National Press Club Address
- 4.30 Movie: Doctor In The House (G, 1954) Dirk Bogarde, Kenneth More, Donald Sinden, Kay Kendall **6.00 Kid's Programs**
- 10.00 School Programs 12.00 Midday Report

- 12.30 Lovejoy
 1.30 Strictly Dancing
 2.00 Parliament Question Time
 3.00 Kid's Programs
- 6.00 Human Contraptions: Art 6.05 The Life Of Mammals
- 7.00 ABC News 7.30 7.30 Report 8.00 Force Of Nature: Disaster On Everest
- Story of two parties who set out to climb to the top of the world

 8.30 Bomber Crew

 9.30 The West Wing (PG)
- 10.20 Lateline
- 11.00 Palace Of Dreams In March 1931 Tom Rayner, a country boy from Gundagai, sets
- Rayner, a country boy from Gundagai, sets out for Sydney

 11.50 Parliament Question Time

 12.50 Movie: Top Of The Form (G, B&W, 1953) Ronald Shiner, Anthony Newley, Alfie Bass, Mary Jerrold, Richard Wattis

 2.10 Movie: All For Mary (G, 1955) Nigel Patrick, Kathleen Harrison, David Tomlinson

 3.30 ATP Masters Cup Tennis Highlights Hamburg, May 2005
- 4.30 Movie: Poet's Pub (G, B&W, 1949) Derek Bond, Rona Anderson, James Robertson Justice, Joyce Grenfell

 6.00 Kid's Programs
- 10.00 School Programs 12.00 Midday Report 12.30 Grass Roots
- 1.35 Men Behaving Badly

- 2.00 Kath And Kim
 2.30 Spicks & Specks
 3.00 Kid's Programs
 6.00 Message Stick (G*)
 6.35 A Place In Slovakia
 7.00 ABC News
 7.00 Catherina
- 7 30 Stateline
- 8.30 Trial And Retribution: The Lovers (M.
- 9.45 The Chaser's War On Everything 10.15 Ali G In Da USAiii (M, cl)
- 10.45 Lateline
- House (Repeat) 11.50 Rage (M)

Programs are correct at the time of going to press but beware all stations like tinkering with things at the last minute.

- 5.00 Weatherwatch 5.25 World News 10.30 Greek News
- 11.30 Arabic News 12.05 Indonesian News
- 12.30 Business Report 1.00 Movie: It Rains On My Village (M, v,s,a, 1969) Serbian drama 2.30 Tales From A Suitcase

SBS

- 2.30 Food Lovers Guide To Australia
 3.30 Cycling Central
 4.00 World Sport
 4.30 The Journal
 5.00 Newshour
 6.00 Global Village
 6.70 Wedd News Australia

- 6.30 World News Australia 7.00 World Sport 7.30 Inside Australia: Stock Squad
- 8.00 The Movie Show 8.30 Dateline 9.30 World News Australia

- 10.00 Movie: 8 Women (2002) French musical murder-mystery 11.50 Movie: Forget America (MA, a,s,cl,
- 2000) German drama

 1.20 Political Assassinations

5.00 Weatherwatch

5.25 World News 9.55 Russian News 10.30 Greek News

11.30 Arabic News

1.00 Dateline

4.30 The Journal

7.00 World Sport 7.30 Inspector Rex 8.20 Hotline

2.05 Close

5.00 Weatherwatch

5.25 World News 8.30 Spanish News 9.20 Le Journal

9.55 Russian News

12.05 Indonesian News

12.30 Business Report

4.00 World Sport 4.30 The Journal 5.00 Newshour

6.00 Global Village

8.30 Unit One (M) Danish drama

9.35 World News Australia

10.30 Greek News 11.30 Arabic News

5.00 Newshour

12.05 Indonesian News 12.30 Business Report

1.00 Dateline
2.00 The Secret Of Photo 51
3.00 A Fork In The Road
3.30 School Torque
4.00 World Sport

6.00 Global Village 6.30 World News Australia

8.30 Jewboy (M, a,cl,s, 2004) Australian drama about a boy who has returned from a year in Israel studying to become a Rabbi.

9.30 World News Australia
10.00 Ghost In The Shell (M, a,v) Japanese

10.30 Movie: Baby Cart In Peril (MA, v,a, 1972) Japanese action 11.55 Movie: Death In Venice (M, a, 1971)

Italian drama starring Dirk Bogarde about a composer in Venice

12.30 Business Report
1.00 Insight
2.00 Interesting Times: Xiao's Long March
3.00 A Fork In The Road
3.30 The Movie Show

SBS advises viewers that programming between 6pm and 10.30pm nightly is Closed Captioned (CC)

- 6.00 Sunrise 9.00 Raggs 9.30 Home Shopping
 - 10.30 Morning News 11.00 Wheel Of Fortune

 - 11.30 Committed (PG)
 12.00 Movie: The Killing Secret (M, v.a, 1997)
 Ari Meyers, Soleil Moon Frye, Tess Harper
 2.00 Blue Heelers

PRIME

- 3.00 Moonlighting 4.00 It's Academic 4.30 News 5.00 Wheel Of Fortune
- 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 Prison Break (M, v,a)
 9.30 Air Crash Investigation (M)
 10.40 Border Patrol (M)

- 11.10 Forensic Investigators
 12.05 The L Word (MA, s,cl,a)
 1.00 Home Shopping
- 2.30 Expo 5.00 Creflo A Dollar 5.30 Home Shopping
 - Most Prime programs between 6.30pm

and 11.30pm (approx) nightly are Closed Captioned (CC)

- 9.00 Raggs 9.30 Home Shopping

6.00 Sunrise

- 10.30 Morning News 11.00 Wheel Of Fortune
- 11.00 Wheel Of Fortune
 11.30 Committed
 12.00 Movie: Big Shot Confessions Of A
 Campus Bookie (M, v,n,du, 2002) A kid
 from Brooklyn becomes a campus bookie.
 Starring David Krumholtz, Tory Kittles,
 Jennifer Morrison, Nicholas Turturro and
 Zachary Levi
- Zachary Levi.

 2.00 Blue Heelers (M)
- 3.00 Moonlighting 4.00 It's Academic
- 4.30 News 5.00 Wheel Of Fortune
- 5.30 Deal Or No Deal
- 6.00 Prime News 6.30 Seven News 7.00 Home And Away
- 7.30 Las Vegas (PG) 8.30 Lost (M) 9.30 The Amazing Race
- 10.30 American Dad (M)
- 10.30 American Dad (N 11.00 Family Guy 11.30 Scrubs 12.00 Will & Grace 12.30 Home Shopping 5.00 Creflo A Dollar 5.30 Home Shopping

- 9.00 Raggs 9.30 Home Shopping 10.30 Morning News 11.00 Wheel Of Fortune
- 11.30 Committed
 12.00 Movie: FX (M, v,cl, 1986) A special effects
- master stages an assassination for the government's witness relocation program. Stars Bryan Brown, Brian Dennehy, Diane Venora, Cliff De Young and Mason Adams.
- 2.30 Home Improvement 3.00 Moonlighting 4.00 It's Academic

8.30 Movie: The Hunted (M, v,o

- 4.30 News 5.00 Wheel Of Fortune 5.30 Deal Or No Deal
- 6.00 Prime News 6.30 Seven News
- 6.30 World News Australia
 7.00 World Sport
 7.30 China Girl What happens when women 7.00 Home And Away become a rare commodity under China's 7.30 Better Homes And Gardens
- Tommy Lee Jones, Benicio Del Toro, Connie Nielse 10.30 Movie: Snake Eyes (M, v,cl, 1998) A 10.00 The Sperminator (PG) British documenshady detective finds himself in the middle of a murder conspiracy at a boxing match. 11.00 Móvie: Shopgirls (M, cl,a, 2002) Italian
- Starring Nicolas Cage, Gary Sinise, John 12.30 Movie: Stereo Future (M. a.s. 2001) Heard, Carla Gugino and Stan Shaw.

 12.30 Kitchen Confidential (PG)

 1.30 Home Shopping Japanese drama

- 6.00 Early News 7.00 Toasted TV 8.30 In The Box
 - 9.00 9am With David And Kim 11.00 Ten News 11.30 Home Life Style
 - 12.00 The Ellen Degeneres Show 1.00 The Oprah Winfrey Show 2.00 Ready Steady Cook 3.00 Infomercial 3.00 Huey's Cooking Adventures 4.00 Totally Wild

TEN

- 4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful 5.00 Ten News 6.00 The Simpsons
- 6.30 Neighbours 7.00 The Biggest Loser 7.30 Jamie's Great Italian Escape 8.00 Bondi Rescue
- 8.30 House (M) 9.30 NCIS (M) 10.30 Late Night News And Sports Tonight 11.05 Blind Justice
- 12.00 Cops
- 12.30 The Up-Late Game Show 1.55 Video Hits Up-Late 2.00 Infomercials 4.0 4.00 Religion

All Ten programs between 5pm and 11pm (approx) nightly are Closed Captioned (CC)

- 6.00 Early News 7.00 Toasted TV 8.30 In The Box 9.00 9am With David And Kim

- 11.00 Ten News
 11.30 Home Life Style
 12.00 The Ellen Degeneres Show
 1.00 The Oprah Winfrey Show
 2.00 Ready Steady Cook
 3.00 Infomercial
- 3.30 Huey's Cooking Adventures 4.00 Totally Wild 4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful
- 5.00 Ten News 6.00 The Simpsons 6.30 Neighbours
- 7.00 The Biggest Loser 7.30 Smallville 8.30 Medium (M)

- 9.30 Law & Order (M) 10.30 Late Night News And Sports Tonight 11.05 Sex And The City (M, cl,s)
- 11.30 Vodaphone Live At The Chapel Ben Lee 12.00 A Minute With Stan Hooper (M)
- 12.30 The Up-Late Game Show 1.55 Video Hits Up-Late
- 2.00 Infomercials
- 4.00 Enjoying Everyday Life 4.30 Kenneth Copeland 5.00 More Religion
- 6.00 Early News 7.00 Toasted TV 8.30 In The Box
- 9.00 9am With David And Kim
- 9.00 9am With David And Kim
 11.00 Ten News
 11.30 Home Life Style
 12.00 The Ellen Degeneres Show
 1.00 The Oprah Winfrey Show
 2.00 Ready Steady Cook
 3.00 Infomercial
 3.30 Huey's Cooking Adventures
 4.00 Wicked Science
 4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful
 5.00 Ten News
- 4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful
 5.00 Ten News
 6.00 The Simpsons
 6.30 Neighbours
 7.00 The Biggest Loser
 7.30 Friday Night Games
 9.00 Movie: Star Wars Episode VI Return
 Of The Jedi (PG, v, 1983) Luke Skywalker
 tries to bring his father back to the Light
 Side of the Force. Starring Mark Hamill,
 Harrison Enri Carris Fisher and Billy Dee
- Harrison Ford, Carrie Fisher and Billy Dee 11.40 Late Night News

4.30 Infomercial

12.10 Sports Tonight 12.40 The Up-Late Game Show 1.55 Video Hits Up-Late 2.00 Infomercial 4.00 Cottonwood Christian Centre

5.00 Religion

1.00 Days Of Our Lives 2.00 The Young And The Restless 3.00 Fresh Cooking 3.30 Hi-5 4.00 Streetsmartz

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6.00 Today 9.00 Mornings With Kerri-Anne..

Proves to me there is no God 11.00 Today Extra 11.30 Danoz 12.00 Dr Phil

- 4.30 Frazier 5.00 Temptation
- 5.30 Bert's Family Feud 6.00 Evening News 7.00 A Current Affair
- 7.30 McLeod's Daughters (PG) 8.30 Without A Trace (M, s,du) 8.40 Lotto 9.30 ER (M)
- 9.30 ER (M)
 10.30 Extreme Makeover
 11.30 Nightline
 12.00 Curb Your Enthusiasm (MA15+)
 12.30 Late Show With David Letterman
 1.30 The Avengers
 2.30 All Of Us
 3.00 Guthy Renker
 4.00 Entertainment Tonight
 4.30 Good Morning America

- **4.30 Good Morning America**TV editor becomes lazy by regurgitating ironictimes.com
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 12.00 Dr Phil
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 2.00 The Young And The Restless
 3.00 Fresh Cooking
- 3.30 HI-3 4.00 Streetsmartz 4.30 Frazier 5.00 Temptation 5.30 Bert's Family Feud 6.00 Evening News 7.00 A Current Affair 7.20 Getween Librage of
- 7.30 Getaway Libya, an overnight stay at a Melbourne Zoo, world's biggest bike rally in South Dakota, and tuna tossing in Port
- In South Dakota, and unit lossing in Port Lincoln

 8.30 Waking The Dead (M v)

 9.30 Midsomer Murders: Birds Of Prey (M, v, 2002) John Nettles, Daniel Casey, John Hopkins
- 11.40 Nightline
 12.10 Paradise Hotel
 1.10 Late Show With David Letterman
 2.05 One On One (PG)
 2.30 Samurai Jack
 3.00 Guthy Renker Australia
 4.00 Entertainment Topicht
- 4.00 Entertainment Tonight 4.30 Good Morning America
- 9.00 Mornings With Kerri-Anne 11.00 Today Extra 11.30 Guthy Renker 12.00 Dr Phil 6.00 Today
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- 4.30 Frazier
 5.00 Temptation
 5.30 Bert's Family Feud
 6.00 Evening News
 7.00 A Currrent Affair
- 7.30 Backyard Blitz
 8.30 Movie: Two Weeks Notice (PG, s.cl, 2002) A property tycoon hires an idealistic lawyer. Starring Sandra Bullock, Hugh Grant, Alicia Witt, Dana Ivey, Robert Klein, Heather Pure and David His Heather Burns and David Haig. 10.35 Movie: Forever Young (PG, v,cl, 1992) A test pilot learns to express his feelings and commit himself emotionally after he is
- transported through time on a top-secret experiment. Starring Mel Gibson, Elijah Wood and Isabel Glasser. 12.30 2006 NAB Cup AFL Quarter finals 3.00 Late Show With David Letterman

4.00 Entertainment Tonight

4.30 Good Morning America

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10.30 Lateline 11.05 Teachers (M, cl,sr)

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Belle Chrystal, Edmund Gwenn

2.25 Movie: Seven Sinners (PG, B&W, 1936) Edmund Lowe, Constance Cummings 3.35 Head Start (G)

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8.30 Cutting Edge: The Last Stand The Gaza Strip from March 2004 and the set-tlers' struggle to stay in their homes

10.00 Hot Docs: Bearing Witness Female journalists in the line of fire during the war

11.35 Movie: Inspector Rex - The New Guy

(M, v,a, 1997) German crime 1.20 Movie: Summer Storm (M, s,cl, 2004)

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9.30 World News Australia

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8.00 Futurama

8.30 The O.C. (M)

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11.15 The 4400 (M) 12.10 It's All Relative (PG)

1.55 Video Hits Up-Late 2.00 Infomercial

12.40 The Up-Late Game Show

4.00 Enjoying Everyday Life 4.30 Kenneth Copeland 5.00 More Religion

10.40 Late News And Sports Tonight

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2.30 Justice League 3.00 Guthy Renker

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1.30 Late Show With David Letterman

4.30 Good Morning AmericaMore Abu Ghraib abuse photos surface just when world was beginning to respect



12.00 Push, Nevada (M)

Kingpin (M) Danoz Direct

5.00 Creflo A Dollar 5.30 Home Shopping

2.30 Expo

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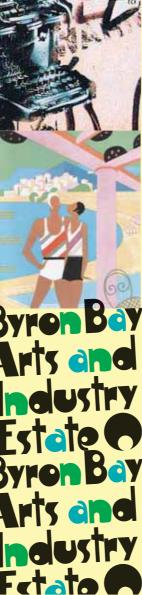
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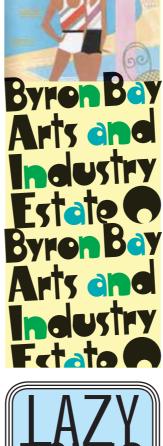
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WHAT DOES it mean to be a woman? And why exactly would two young Mums with psychology and marketing backgrounds suddenly decide over a cup of tea, to initiate a Women's Festival.

Chelle Wallace and Tania Usher are the Creative Directors for the Whole Woman Festival which is now in its fourth year.

According to Chelle, the inspiration for the festival came as a response to the frustration of mothering: 'For Tania and I the seed was planted when we were juggling jobs and families that we didn't feel were very supportive of our needs as women and primary caregivers of our children. Tania had just had her second child and had that feeling of vulnerability that she had never felt before. Feeling like that can connect you up with the history of women and their struggles. The experiences plug you in with the history of women.

'I know my own mother has so many struggles in being a mother, and my own grandmother. I love women's stories.'

One of the key visions for the Festival is to provide a space for women's stories. 'Although we are highlighting different themes around women's issues we want the story of the women, you know, the real stories to come through.'

The Festival celebrates International Women's Day, something I did 5 years ago pushing out an 11 pound son, the ultimate feminist sit in.

'Feminism is so diverse, I think it's sad when women shy away from it. There's still lot's of work we need to do, we have basic rights, but those have been fought for, so for me, International Women's Day is very much about honouring those women.'

So what exactly is a whole woman? 'For me it's an authentic woman, a woman who is real, who celebrates her vulnerabilities, her fears, her insecurities, along with the many joys of being a woman...That's been a real journey for me, realising that you don't have to be perfect, some days you can have a bad day but I think those vulnerabilities are how you find those connection points with people.'

'The world is quite harsh, it doesn't cater to vulnerability, we need to be actually coming out of the closet with our vulnerabilities, maybe the world will start to soften and become a little more amenable...'

For Chelle and Tania, the themes and approach the Festival is taking has come from canvassing a variety of womer

'We tried to keep a womanly feel – we talked to women in parks and when we met them out. Any places where women are being very real. We asked questions like: How could women be better supported? We have encouraged the presenters to speak to these issues, it's an underlying theme. With Success Matters especially. A lot of people think success happens as a fluid thing but they (the successful women) have their own struggles that they deal with, and I think when people stand up

sional, and for any main caregivers it is always inter-related, and that's why I think workplaces have to start supporting women – they won't be productive at a job if they are worrying about their kids. We have this belief we can leave our personal life at the door but we can't. We feel this underlying philosophy of what we do is important, this discourse really comes through women's experiences – we are just bringing womens' voice out as it's still really unrepresented.'

But the Festival is focusing on much more, with Greenpeace and

'The pressure on women to have the right look and a beautiful body is very intense.'

and speak about it, other women can realise that the journey hasn't been easy. We can talk about what has supported them on that journey and what are the qualities of the people who have supported them... I want people to walk away thinking they can begin or continue their journey to inner fulfillment.'

'We are trying to make the festivals more wholistic – we tend to separate between the personal and profesAmnesty initiatives also operating under the umbrella of Whole Woman.

'We are about communicating a culture of care – we do that through the underlying philosophy and make sure we have campaigns so women can have a more active voice on some really important issues – the Amnesty cause is a call for a national plan of action on violence on women.'

The beautifully presented Whole Woman Program features the naked

form of a woman curled in a seed-like foetal position in the trunk of a tree. Inside, women share stories about how they feel about their bodies. This is the official launch of the Whole Woman's The Naked Truth campaign. The pressure on women to have the right look and a beautiful body is very intense. It's an injustice that women deal with on a daily basis - and I think that we should speak up about real meanings and stories of our bodies. If you are constantly focused on your body you're not looking at other issues, the thing about whole woman is that it keeps our hand in the bigger picture.'

The Whole Woman Festival offers art exhibitions, forums, panel discussions, key notes and most importantly, interaction and connection for women from all walks of life. Is there a future for such a festival?

'I think there's lot's of potential and possibilities. For us it's moved very quickly, but the community does really come forward, we have a team of women who want to be involved – it really belongs to the community.'

The Whole Woman Festival, 1-11 March, from the Gold Coast to Byron Bay. Enquiries about the numerous dinners, openings, discussions and events to 0424 604 028 or log on to www.wholewoman.com.au

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The problem solved coast

THANKS TO Tim Fischer, we could soon be the laughing stock of the Eastern Seaboard. How much Cialis had the man imbibed before he launched into the, let's rename the Far North Coast the Bold Coast at the Chamber of Commerce Meeting? (We know where you are at 4 o'clock mate - the man is obviously a Bold and the Beautiful Fan.) It was suggested on ABC talkback that he relaunch the concept in Ballina and market it as the 'Old Coast'. Of course, the way we are heading now, with property at inner city Sydney highs, we could call it the 'Sold Coast'. With constant rain and humidity, take one look at those suede shoes baby and you know we could call it the Mold coast... then there's the sad problem of businesses opening and closing at rapid rates... Hey how about the 'Fold Coast'. We are a region renowned for our fierce independence and individuality, that could put us in line for the moniker: 'Can't be told Coast'. But it just doesn't seem comprehensive enough: what about a name that reflects the journey of all the fucked up and burnt out city citizens who suddenly decide to opt out for a quieter lifestyle, we need a name that suggests the spiritual limbo of 'getting your shit together'. What about 'You are on Hold Coast': comes complete with a waterfall and chanting soundtrack. Then there's the high unemployment rate (still, very proudly the highest in the country),

so what about the 'On the Dole Coast'? In classic Mafiosa standover style, the State government is trying to take over our local government planning powers: so we could call it the 'Shit, I've just been Rolled Coast.' According to demographer Bernard Salt, we have 2.5 single women for every available bloke, so it could be the 'My bed is so Cold Coast'. Looks like we just might have to pay to use the Pacific Highway, so let's call it the 'Toll Coast.' In a move that emulates the evolution of the vegetarian textured protein product: 'I can't believe it's not Bacon', we could have 'I can't believe it's not the Gold Coast, Coast.'

Please, Mr Fischer, put your silly branding iron away. We already have an identity that goes way beyond some catchy slogan to stick in a tacky tourism campaign. So why don't you just nack off back to where you come from Mr Fischer, a place I believe is called: 'The Barely Evolved Coast.'





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Into the Blues.

XAVIER RUDD comes onto the phone, soft voiced and sleepy sounding. I can hear the door squeaking in his Bell's Beach home. One of his mates has popped in to go for a surf, he's only got two more interviews then he'll be off for a wave. That's exactly how I imagined this young blues and roots sensation to live. He's the barefoot boy with a mop of gold hair that has me thinking that this is what happened to Smiley when he grew up. He took up the didge. It's been an unexpectedly wondrous ride for the talented Mr Rudd. 'It's been a bit of a blast these last few years. I've been really lucky. I started playing in Canada, more than here really, and when I came back here I'd play and people just started coming. I remember the first time I played Byron, it was packed.' So why Xavier? He's exactly the type of guy I would imagine just as happy playing bongos in the park and surfing as he would be touring internationally. 'I just think I'm a lucky person. If I wasn't doing this I'd be somewhere tucked away in the bush. '(See, he really is Smiley!) 'I just lucked out and now I'm doing my own thing. I do get a bit tired of all the cities though, I'm more of a coastal person. For Xavier, his music has offered him a unique journey, something that he is keen to take advantage of. 'For me the main issue is the con-

nection that I feel and the re-

spect for indigenous people. I don't think white Australia is spiritually far enough along to understand how important indigenous people are to helping us understand this place. I have funded a program called "Respect for Spirit". Basically it is a program that takes kids from schools to visit Aboriginal Elders from their local area. This way they pass on the knowledge and the language of the place and all the positive and beautiful things that happen. Rather than the Elders going to the school, we take the kids to the place where they can take their shoes off and come face to face with the stories of the ancestors. The guardians of this land.' This sounds like a wonderful and timely program. Why wasn't there something like that already happening? 'It blows my mind. This country has one of the oldest human

intellects on the planet here with an incredible understanding of spiritual balance. Our society just doesn't have that... Everyone should know the story of the place where they live and their spiritual connection back to the land." Xavier, joining a host of musicians in the Bono-isation of the music industry - using their significant clout to put back. He's back at the East Coast Blues and Roots Festival this year joined by Indigenous Dancers and Musicians. Take your shoes off and open your feet, might be a chance to dance up some dust! For more information log onto www.bluesfest. com.au Local tix are still available and are selling fast. Three day and season tickets will be gone within the week - so get in now! Saturday one days are already sold out, and the other days won't last much longer either!



LIVE MUSIC

DON'T BAWK AT BJORK

He's been called the closest thing you'll get to seeing Hendrix. Brant Bjork is the desert Boogieman who hails from Palm Desert, California where he began gigging at the age of 13. By 1996 Bjork hooked up with an old friend and began the Desert Sessions saga and worked on what became Queens Of The Stone Age. However, Brant decided to take the road less travelled and rock with his surf buddies Fu Manchu, an adventure which took him into the studio for five records and around the world in four years. In 1999 Brant released his first solo record, 'Jalamanta,' on Man's Ruin Records. Bjork's follow-up and heaviest record, 'Ch'e', was recorded and mixed in three days and truly captures his classic rock and roll roots. Brant Bjork has found a band to back his trip. The Bros is what they're called... The Bros are what they are. (And that is Bros as in 'rhymes with Afros', just so we get the pronunciation correct). Dylan Roche on bass, Mike Peffer on drums, and Cortez on guitar. Make no mistake... we're a real band' Brant says. Musically speaking The Bros bring it. Organic Rock. It grooves. It Flows. It's psychedelic. It's tough. It's beautiful. It's classic. It's on at the Hotel Great Northern on Friday.

► TRUE BLUE

Bluehouse have been at the vanguard of women's music in Australia for the last 10 years. But after 10 years together, we all know that things can change, one gets itches to go in different directions, to try new things, and for those of us who prefer being homebound, there is nothing more delicious than a night on the couch with a cup of tea and a good book. It's hard enough keeping a relationship together - that's only two people, but keeping three people together for 12 years, now that takes commitment. All good things, as the cliché tones, must come to an end. I must admit that's not one of my favourites. If all good things must end, then surely all horrible things must come to an end too, like poverty and suffering. Of course this would require significant intervention. Good things it would seem are entirely capable of stopping all by themselves. So, it is my sad duty to let you know that this is Bluehouse's last gig with founding member Samantha Harley. So they are hitting the road for a loud and resounding folky farewell. In an effort to describe their sound think... 'Abba had sex with Crowded House and had a little K.D.' Combining luscious guitar work and heavenly harmonies these girls turn on an awesome live show that leaves audiences speechless whereever they play! Bluehouse are at the Bangalow A&I Hall on Thursday. Show at 8pm.

FRESH BOTANICS

Botanics have developed a reputation for having one of the best live shows around and these three lads. Chris. Sean and Scott, really know how to

get the party started. These cats have their fresh style of blues notes, roots, soul, hip hop oozing out their veins, armed with their debut album, 'Release the Peace' and one tight set. These guys have a full 7 piece ensemble, boasting some damn fine musos. These guys have performed alongside some of Australia's biggest names in the hip hop scene such as Koolism and TZU. A Fat, tight affair with freestyle breakdowns and percussive interludes. Beach Hotel on Friday.

join in on an international tour! Monies are needed to get former Byron High Student, Heather Shannon, off OS. A fundraising concert is planned for the **Byron Community** Centre on Sunday at 2.30pm and features the Cape Byron String Quartet, with Peter Harris on Piano. It promises to be a musical delight, and this child prodigy who once played the Teddy Bear's Picnic with both hands and as many fat little fingers as could reach the keys at 4, is sure to give the audience a sample of just what she has been chosen for. She sings, she plays guitar, violin and piano. All that talent in one package! Life's just not fair! Be



Botanics at the Beach Hotel, Friday

I SENT FROM HEAVEN

Justin Murphy has always had a passion for music, whether he was writing, performing or just plain listening. It has been his major life addiction. Justin migrated through the garage band pub scene before forming successful Melbourne band. Heavenscent. Justin was the singer/songwriter and driving force behind the band's commercially hard hitting sound. After sharing the stage with such legends as Billy Thorpe, Jimmy Barnes and Status Quo, Justin decided to change his direction and pursue his own solo career. He wanted to create a sound that would capture the attention: of even the hardest audiences. He has come us with the result, an intoxicating, anthemic rock song and an album to match. He plays the Hotel Great Northern on Sunday.

AN EPIPHANY WITH LEIGH

Leigh James has four Dolphin Awards to his credit for Funk, Pop, Gospel and Country. He's a versatile man who's opened for some truly great performers: Kristina Olsen, Shane Howard, Kate Ceberano, James Morrison, Renee Geyer... the list goes on. Leigh is the feature for the Epiphany Cabaret at Stoker's Siding Hall along with : Boaz Modman, whose style heralds an exuberant and exotic approach to world music. Friday : with bookings essential by Wednesday. Phone 6677 9457. Tix are \$18 adult and \$6 kids and includes a delicious meal

☑ GOOD WEATHER **FOR HEATHER**

It's time to celebrate and dig deep when one of our young musicians breaks into the Sydney youth music scene and is offered the chance to

► TWISTED VISTA After a long and sleepy Sum-

mer Holiday, the crew from The Byron Vista Social Club are back. Last year's efforts produced two great Compilations CD's, material for a DVD and enough songs at least 6 more compilations, which are well on the way. Emerald have their own album live at the Club about to be released and Gabby Bliss is first cab off the rank with her own individual CD already released and selling locally. Many more local artist CDs are on the way. These are made available to the artist to release and sell in lieu of a performance fee. The New Faces night kicks off on Sunday with a fine bunch of singers and musicians, most of whom are appearing for the first time at the Club. Sam Rayne is a beautiful young soulful singer who knocked 'em dead at the Rails a week or so ago on the All Female Singers night. Nathan Petersen sings exciting Alternative Blues and Roots playing slide guitar and lap dobro. Great singer/songwriter Mo McMorrow joins the club, and Chris Aronsten, although new to the Club is a seasoned and highly respected local muso of the highest calibre. Just back from a British Isles tour, he presents non-stop, funky, eclectic entertainment in the form of lots of great music on fiddle, mandolin, harmonica, guitar and slide. The evening features Leigh James as special guest with hot guitar and crafted vocals and also featuring special guest, the world renowned Rick Fenn formerly of 10CC. He is joined by his wife **Heather** singing some of their particular brand of up-beat vintage songs. There is also Pfuri Baldenweg, legendary

globetrotting harmonica player

and multi-musician. Gabi Bliss

will be back with her songs and her sharp tongued stories and Mook and Shanto are still with the ship, now playing with a house band... with Andy, Evan and Paddy from the BVSC sound support team, jamming at the end with guests under the name of the Vista Crue! Sunday at the Ewingsdale Hall from 7pm.

MAMA MARMALADE

Wild Marmalade continue their summer residency at the Buddha Bar this Thursday. The high energy trio have performed together across the globe and have returned to their home town for the summer to immerse themselves in the local ambience and share their internationally seasoned sounds, and get back to the lifestyle that inspired the music in the first place. Prepare to be inspired and funk out to a totally live organic band. Original Wild Marmalade percussionist Matt Goodwin brings a plethora of juicy rhythms to Matt Ledgers persuasive drumming tempos and Si's vibrant didgeridoo grooves. This is one of Byron's favourite bands and our biggest organic export. From ancient archetype to futuristic dance groove, this is a show not to be missed. Supported by Junkbeats maestro, **DJ Dave**

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□ A FULL MOON

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► WHAT YOU WAZ

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6pm LikeWow! Brett Diemai 8pm Radio Mundial Steve Snelgrove 10pm Post Modern Backlash Hudson 12am Long Strange Trip Ice Cream Kid

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6am **Toasted** Lady Marmalade 9am **Espresso Culture** Rachel Cook

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Juan De Marcos' Afro Cuban All Stars & The Robert Gray Band
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DANCIN' *NIGHTS*

WEDNESDAY 1 >>

>> UK drum n bass heavyweight Die is back in the Bay spinning at Play and this time touring with Clipz, another Full Cycle member.

Die's first collaboration with Roni Size, Agility, was released for V recordings in 1994. Soon after, Roni and Die produced Music Box, and the work-hard play-hard perfectionist began forging his own style. In 1997, Reprazent gave him international acclaim as one of the four producers for the New Forms album awarded the Mercury Music Prize Support by Will Jackson and Balance.

THURSDAY 2 >>>

>> Tonight at La La two of the UK's best breaks DJ's, Lee Coombs & Ali B.

Ali B is a Fabric resident, hosts London's Capital FM Dance show, is a successful remixer and producer, runs his Air Recordings record label and has hosted ITV's Homelands coverage.

Lee Coombs has two record labels Zoid and Thrust Recordings, has remixed the likes of New Order, Lamb and Moby, and in 2004 he released his own album 'Breakfast of Champions' which is filled with break beat bombs and tech house monsters that were played in clubs the world over. They are supported by our

>> Rubadub Sound is taking Play dancehall with the Melbourne sound system Natty Sistren joining the line-up of local reggae and dub artists. Sweet reggae music ina dancehall stylee.

>> At the Buddha Bar, Wild Marmalade continue their summer residency with Dave Basek following on the decks from 9

FRIDAY 3 >>

>> Del Larkin heats up the outdoor terrace at the Buddha Bar while **DJ Aqua** keeps it cool inside with his fine downtempo selections

>> Just James is a Sunshine coast DJ who got his groove on in Japan playing in some of bigger clubs in Tokyo. His style is of soulful, chunky beats mixed with uplifting melodies. He's joined by local favourite Willjay at La La.

>>> Play's night of twisted tech and sideways house. This week Jackie Onassid then **Basek** move the beats upwards till Nick Taylor takes over the decks before Play Dirty goes into a back to back mash up from Jackie Onassid and Nick Taylor.

>> Elsewhere welcomes DJs Byzer & Gareth D to the console, making their debut appearance joined by resident Audun (fresh from two tribes) playing tomorrow's disco noveau, electro, and minimal classics

SATURDAY 4 >>>

>> Elsewhere serves up Saturday with Thomas J's Chicago House sound followed by motion:theory resident **DJ Ben** Abrahams' eclectic mix of cutting edge house & freaked out bassline grooves.

>>> Back in Australia again, German DJ/producer Moguai is at Play for a Saturday night session of European electropunk. Moguai's unique infusion of breaks and house has kept him at the cutting edge of electro production and led to major festivals and headlining tours. >> Dave Gravy keeps the

vibe right at the Buddha Bar >> Derek K comes back to La La for another night of housey goodness with Gold Coast verteran Don Nadi.

>> After the huge Earthcore Queensland, the crew return with another edition at the Arena in Brisvagas. Featuring Infected Mushroom, Raja Ram, Future Prophecies, DJ Lucas and Triple J's latest discovery, My Ninja Lover. Check out the interview with DJ lucas next door..

COMING UP

Saturday 11 The hills are alive 2 Thursday 16 **Squeezebox**



DJ Lucas has played at some of London's top clubs and is one of TIPWorlds (PsyTrance Label) and 10 Kilo's (Breaks Label) main DJ's, regularly touring the world. He's here to play at Earthcore so I took the time to ask him a few questions...

You used to play hip hop, electro and funk does this influence your production and taste now as a Psy trance DJ?

Yes, the way all kinds of music can stir or inspire someone helps to shape the music that they make. There are no boundaries in music, the more influences we can draw from the better.

Does the pigeonholing of dance genres limit creativity?

Pigeon holing can limit creativity and acceptance of music. As I mentioned before, there are no boundaries in music. Recently I've noticed some similar riff sounds that I hear in Psytrance popping up in Breaks tunes.

How was your time as head of Flying Rhino records? What did it involve?

Running FR was a great experience as I learnt loads and made some brilliant connections. Prior to working there I really wanted to run my own label but my time at FR really showed me how hard it is and that it doesn't leave a lot of time for creativity. I'm much

happier making and playing music than I am selling it.

If you had a choice would you rather play in a warehouse, club or outside?

Warehouse parties were for me where this all started, but being outside is always better. It gives everyone a chance to really open up, more space mentally and physically. Tracks also sound different in certain environments. But saying that, there's also something great about a sweaty dark club

How similar is the Psytrance scene throughout the world? All dancefloors have their simi-

larities but it's the differences that make them interesting. Some places are more encouraging than others, some take longer to get going. Some really react with screams and whoops. Some have very few girls!



What can we expect from you at the gig in Brisbane? I'll be playing a breaks set predominantly but I'll be throwing in some electro and acid house. 10 Kilo have some great new releases out and of

course I'll be playing them.

DJ Lucas is playing the Earthcore Party @ The Arena (Brisbane) on Saturday March 4 with Infected Mushroom (live/Israel), Raja Ram/Shpongle/12 Mics, **Future Prophecies (live/Nor**wary) plus locals.





WEDNESDAY 1 MARCH \triangleright DIE n CLIPZ FULL CYCLE UK (midnight set) > WILL JACKSON > BALANCE UK drum n bass Full Cycle heavyweights, Die back to back with Clipz : \$10/\$15

THURSDAY 2 MARCH ► INA DE DANCE DJs NATTY SISTREN SOUND (MELBOURNE) > KRAZY DAVE > HUCKLEBERRY DREAD > SUGARPALE

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FRIDAY 3 MARCH PLAY DIRTY

DJs NICK TAYLOR > BASEK > JACKIE ONASSID Twisted tech and sideways house mash up : \$5/\$10

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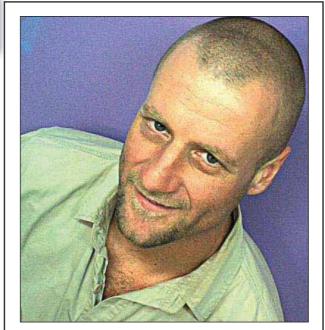
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► COMEDY:

THE MOUSE WHO **RAWED - NEW COMICS COME OUT!!**

How do you become a Stand Up Comedian? Is it like the hair ad where they say, it won't happen overnight but it will happen? Well, sometimes yes, sometimes No. Thanks to the Melbourne International Comedy Festival and Triple J National search for emerging comic talent 'Raw Comedy'. there are the lucky few who get a bounce on that magical springboard to fame and fortune. It could happen to you! Well, that's if you've entered and have a 5 minute routine! Raw has brought numerous comics and personalities to the surface, including Adam Spencer, Chris Franklin, Greg Sullivan and Sean Choolburra. While Chris Franklin took out the national title, the other guys only managed to pull off a few state titles, but it

certainly gave them the head start they were after. Over the last few years we've had a number of Byron comics make their way to the State finals, with local architect of buildings and wit, Sharon Fraser taking out a third place in the National final! Sandy Gandhi, Renee Searles, Luke Butler and Ben Chesser also found themselves a place in the sun some years back. In this search for funny, our local judges will decide if Cinderella's comedy slipper fits. This year we have two more fabulous heats with local comics going head to head for a place in the Brisbane semi-finals. The first heat sees Brendan Lovechild take to the stage during the delicate Judge deliberation time. Be there to see your friends triumph! You'd be surprised to see just who has decided to 'get up and stand up'. This week we see a Mullum Mum of twins go up against an unemployed bloke, a stay at



Brendan Lovechild (Raw Comedy Heat 1) at the Byron Bowling Club, Monday

home Dad and a surreal kid who seems to be channelling the infamous Spike. Monday at the Byron Bowling Club at 8pm. Be there. Bookings: 6685 4045 Tix are \$10/15

➤ POETRY:

POETRY IN MOTION

The poetic homebase of Byron Bay will be back in full-throated performance on Sunday at the 'Writers at the Rails' (or

perhaps a more correct title would be 'Writers at the Very Rusty Rails'... sounds better than 'Writers at the Busstop. Although, it could be Bards at the Bus Stop). Host David Hallett will be introducing a posse of local poets and visiting writers, including a bevy of visiting rappers from Brisbane. New and rebirthed poets are always welcome. And the feature event of the afternoon show will be the ever-popular \$100 Poetry Slam. Info ph. 6688 6485.

► BINGO! VANESSA PULLS YOUR NUMBER

The glamorous, the gorgeous, Vanessa Wagner is the Hostess with the Mostess for the Buttery Bingo Bonanza. It's going to be a god damn hoot with 20 bingo games up for grabs, prizes, chook raffles and a special award from Ms Wagner herself for the best dressed. Wait till you get your laughing gear around the frappes! It's Mocktail Heaven. Bookings on 6687 0508. Tix are \$28. Saturday 11 March at 7pm.

► DANCE:

FROCK UP AND DRY

What the Bleep is going on with the Frocks? These transcendental dames have decided it's time to cook up a little goodness with their latest show 'What the Frock do We Know Now?' The audience are invited to fit themselves out in their finest frockery for March 8 (International Women's Day you big silly!) They have joined with the Lismore Women's Health Centre to present a re-worked version of their show of last year. The Frocks Deluxe are a comedy duet of 1950s housewifely characters, always getting ready for something perfect to happen. With their big petticoats and dresses, gloves, coiffeured hair and jewels, they love to wonder about life, and the exact whereabouts of Mr Right. They do this with comedy, setting the tea table, puppetry and dance. Star Court Theatre, Wed 8, and then Thursday and Friday 9 & 10 March. Tix are \$18/15 and are at the door or can be booked on 6621 5600.

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FAVOURITE MOVIE

Agent Smith: I'd like to share a revelation that I've had during my time here. It came to me when I tried to classify your species. I realized that you're not actually mammals. Every mammal on this planet instinctively develops a natural equilibrium with the surrounding

environment, but you humans do not. You move to an area, and you multiply, and multiply, until every natural resource is consumed. The only way you can survive is to spread to another area. There is another organism on this planet that follows the same pattern. A virus. Human beings are a disease, a cancer of this planet, you are a plague, and we are the cure.







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MEMOIRS OF A GEAISHA

Memoirs Of A Geisha is based on Arthur Golden's 1997 novel about the life of a geisha before during and after World War Two. The book was an international best seller and delved into a world hitherto unknown and unexamined in the West. The film is visually stunning throughout and the production design, which conjures up the glamorous world of the geisha, is first rate. As one would expect in a film set in this world, the beauty of the different colorful kimonos that grace the stars features. This is also one of John Williams's best movie scores with brilliant use of driving drums to ramp up the tensions of the film. The actresses are beautiful and capable, helping bring the book to big screen fruition. For those movie-goers who enjoy being taken to another place and time, it's a real treat.



IMAGINE ME AND YOU

There is a suspicious similarity to Notting Hill in the casting of this. The girl is a clone of Julia Roberts (spectacular mouth and all), the husband's tall blonde mate does Rhys Ifans, and the leading man is clearly meant to display the roguish charm of Hugh Grant - but fails abysmally. Cool Britannia's yuppie London is again the setting. Rachel falls for Lucy, the woman who delivers the flowers on her wedding day. A classic love triangle ensues. The jokes are stale, tension is never developed and the viewer knows all along which way Rachel will jump. The writers provide nothing remotely stimulating or intriguing in the story, which is odd, given that Lynda La Plante, a dame who really knows how to spin a yarn, is listed among the producers. Excepting the parents, the characters are facile and their world too rosy for you to be concerned about what happens to any of them. If the film aims to show how lesbians are not necessarily hairy monsters but normal folk like you and me, then it succeeds admirably, for this takes the muffin as the most ordinary of movies. John Campbell



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9.00 Shadows Of Time * 2.30 Rize * Fri 3 Mar

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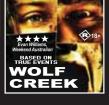
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FRIDAY 3 9:30PM

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- CHEEKY MONKEYS. BYRON 7PM **DIDGE SHOW**
- COCOMANGAS BYRON **TULIP + GOODWOOD**
- HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON 10PM **MATT SEABERG**
- LA LA LAND, BYRON 9PM **LOCAL DJS**
- PLAY. BYRON DIE + CLIPZ ■ O'SUSHI, BYRON, 6.30PM
- MICK'S SASHIMI BAND ■ THE RAILS, BYRON 7PM **TWO LOST SOULS**
- LENNOX HOTEL 9PM **TRIVIA**

THURSDAY 2

- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON **9PM BLIND LEMON**
- BUDDHA BAR, BYRON 7PM DAVE BASEK + WILD **MARMALADE**
- CHEEKY MONKEYS, BYRON 9PM TALENT QUEST
- COCOMANGAS, BYRON **KRISTIN + QUALITY** CONTROL
- **■** HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON 9PM **BLUE BOTTLE KISS +** RICHMOND FONTAINE

- LA LA LAND, BYRON 9PM LEE COMBES + ALI B
- PLAY, BYRON **NATTY** SISTREN SOUND + **KRAZY DAVE + HUCKLEBERRY DREAD + SUGAR PALE**
- THE RAILS, BYRON 7PM **WAZ PORTER BAND**
- HOTEL BRUNSWICK 6.30PM BIG MUSIC
- LENNOX HOTEL 9.30PM FIG JAM SESSION
- **■** CHINCOGAN HOTEL MULLUM 7.30PM OPEN **MIC NIGHT**
- BANGALOW CATHOLIC HALL, 7.30PM THE **BLUEHOUSE**
- BANGALOW HOTEL 7.30PM TRIVIA PUB QUIZ
- GRAND PACIFIC, K'CLIFF 9.30PM ROCHELLE LEES BAND

FRIDAY 3

- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 9.30PM BOTANICS
- BUDDHA BAR BYRON 7PM DEL LARKIN + DJ **AQUA**
- CHEEKY MONKEYS, **BYRON 7PM ADRENALIN PARTY**
- COCOMANGAS, BYRON VOODOO + CRINKLE LOUNGE GRAVY
- LA LA LAND, BYRON 9PM **WILLJAY + JUST JAMES**
- PLAY, BYRON **DIRTY: BASEK + NICK** TAYLOR + JACKIE **ONASSID**

- HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN BYRON 9PM **BRANT BJORK + THE BRO'S**
- THE RAILS, BYRON 7PM NATHAN KAYE + THE **DREAMSEEDS**
- HOTEL BRUNSWICK 6.30PM BO JENKINS DUO
- CHINCOGAN HOTEL. MULLUM 8.30PM ONE **TWO MANY BAND**
- MIDDLE PUB, MULLUM **FULL TILT**
- COORABELL HALL, 7.30PM **KANGAROO MOON**
- EWINGSDALE HALL
- 8.30PM LATIN LOUNGE ■ SUFFOLK PARK HALL,
- 7.30PM DANCES OF PEACE ■ STOKERS SIDING HALL. 6.45PM EPIPHANY ARTS + **LEIGH JAMES + BOAZ**
- **MODMAN** ■ LENNOX HOTEL, 9.30PM **VUE**
- BANGALOW HOTEL, 8PM TIMBAH
- BALLINA BOWLS 7PM MIDAS TOUCH
- GRAND PACIFIC HOTEL, K'CLIFF 9.30PM **BLIND** LEMON
- WET PAINT GALLERY, UKI 6.30PM WOMEN IN **COLOUR ART OPENING**
- CABARITA SPORTS CLUB, 7.30PM BLACK MAGIC
- ELSEWHERE, SURFERS **AUDON + DJ BYZER + GARETH D**

SATURDAY 4

- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 9.30PM **DIRTY LAUNDRY**
- BUDDHA BAR, BYRON 9.30PM DAVE GRAVY
- CHEEKY MONKEYS, **BYRON 7PM LADIES** NIGHT
- COCOMANGAS, BYRON GAZ + GOODWOOD LOUNGE SCOOTA
- HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON 9PM **MARSHALL**
- LA LA LAND, BYRON 9PM LIVE WIRE
- PLAY, BYRON **MOGUAI**
- THE RAILS, BYRON 7PM THE LIVING DAYLIGHTS

- HOTEL BRUNSWICK 6.30PM FOSSIL ROCK
- BANGALOW HOTEL, 8PM **DECARPO**
- CHINCOGAN HOTEL, MULLUM 6.30PM **HANNAH PEARL**
- LU LU'S, MULLUM 11AM **SLIM PICKENS**
- LENNOX HOTEL, 9.30PM **CRUSH**
- BALLINA BOWLS 7.30PM **FESTER & THING**
- BALLINA RSL 7.30PM
- **LOVE DOGS** ■ AUSSIE TAVERN, M'BAH
- **BILL JACOBI** ■ GRAND PACIFIC HOTEL,
- K'CLIFF 3PM **ROO** ■ SANDBAR & GRILL,
- CASUARINA, 6PM WHOLE **WOMENS FESTIVAL FUNDRAISING DINNER**
- CABARITA SPORTS CLUB **FAITHFULLY YOURS**
- ELSEWHERE, SURFERS **BEN ABRAHAMS + THOMAS J**

SUNDAY 5

- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 4PM LISA HUNT + FOREVER SOUL 9PM DJ
- BUDDHA BAR, BYRON **CYBERBAS LIVE**
- **BYRON COMMUNITY** CENTRE, 2.30PM YOUTH **MUSIC PROJECT** BENEFIT CONCERT
- BYRON MARKET, 10AM **HOTTENTOTS**
- **HOTEL GREAT** NORTHERN, BYRON 8.30PM JUSTIN MURPHY BAND
- LA LA LAND, BYRON 9PM STAFFORD BROTHERS
- THE RAILS, BYRON 2PM WRITERS @ RAILS 6.30PM THE LOVE BUS
- ZULA CAFE, BYRON 4PM **CHILL OUT SESSIONS W/**
- HOTEL BRUNSWICK 6.30PM DENNIS WILSON BAND
- EWINGSDALE HALL, 7.30PM BYRON VISTA **SOCIAL CLUB**

- LENNOX HOTEL, 5PM **JACK THORNCRAFT TRIO**
- 3 WAYS, WILSONS CK 4PM DJ'S POB + SLINKY
- ELSEWHERE, SURFERS JOHN COURSE + GIV + **ROCK HARDSON**

MONDAY 6

- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON **9PM BIG SCREEN DANCE** MUSIC
- BUDDHA BAR, BYRON MATT DEVITT + DJ BRAD VORTEX
- BYRON BOWLING CLUB 8.30PM RAW COMEDY HEAT 1
- CHEEKY MONKEYS, BYRON **MEXICAN PARTY**
- COCOMANGAS, BYRON
- VOODOO + CRINKLE ■ HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON
- 8.30PM **DINOSAUR JR** ■ LA LA LAND, BYRON 9PM **LOCAL DJS**
- THE RAILS, BYRON 7PM **LUKE VASELLA**

TUESDAY 7

- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON **9PM BIG SCREEN DANCE** MUSIC
- BUDDHA BAR, BYRON 8PM **DJ DAVE C**
- CHEEKY MONKEYS, BYRON **TEAM TRIVIA**
- COCOMANGAS, BYRON **KRISTIN + GOODWOOD**
- THE RAILS, BYRON 7PM **LEIGH JAMES**
- BANGALOW HOTEL 7.30PM JAM NIGHT

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This primarily Piscean, partially retrograde Mercury, potentially challenging week would definitely benefit by adopting the Four Agreements approach, as in: 1) keep your word. 2) don't take things personally. 3) never make assumptions. And 4) just do your best...

ARIES: Your planetary ruler Mars in Gemini is likely to bring you a choice between two courses of action this week. Of course you'll want both, but is that really possible? It's either divide your energy in different directions, or go for one thing whole heartedly.

TAURUS: Don't look for someone else to solve your problems. You already have the answers inside yourself, and this week you could accomplish a lot more than you imagined without outside help, just by tuning into your natural, basic intelligence your wise heart and kind

GEMINI: Sometimes we make awful choices and by grace they succeed. Other times even the most carefully prepared plans backfire spectacularly. With Mercury retrograde for the next three weeks the wild-card factor applies, and it's best handled by a friendly acceptance of chaos.

CANCER: After Mercury retrogrades this Thursday, messages may go missing and signals get mixed. If misunderstandings arise, appreciate that everyone's doing the best they know how - and while that might be particularly unimpressive, it never helps to take things personally.

LEO: Mercury going retrograde this Thursday tends to slow things down, and it's best if you find yourself pushing at things to pull back. Ease off. Retro Mercury's more about maintenance than hard driving – less about getting places and more about staying put to regroup.

VIRGO: Unlike Virgos, this week's people are likely to walk out on problems rather than work them out. Understand that others may handle stress quite differently than you, and they need to be handled differently too. Expanding what's right will get better results than concentrating on what's wrong.

LIBRA: This week people are likely to be emotional about the erosion of democratic principles, critical of The System and why wouldn't they be? Interesting them in the peaceful path of art, amour, Venus sports and spiritual discussion won't be easy - but as a Libran that's your brief.

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SAGITTARIUS: Your energy might feel a bit dispersed, diffused and diluted, and the Sag arrow seem like it's being fired underwater this week, but don't worry. Though things are somewhat slower than usual hitting the mark, what you do achieve will be significant and far-reaching.

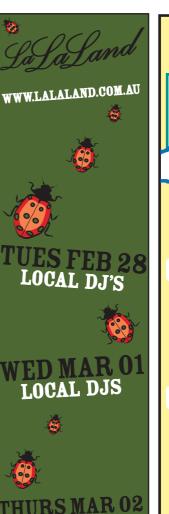
CAPRICORN: During the three weeks Mercury retrogrades you'll experience life as being out of alignment if you try to push things. Essentially this is a time for looking inward and reflecting on where you're heading. It's also worthwhile doublechecking your information this week.

AQUARIUS: The onset of retrograde Mercury slows down this week's pace to what could be an enjoyable breathing space. Stay flexible – not too locked in, booked up and busy – so you can take advantage of some fabulously unexpected random chances.

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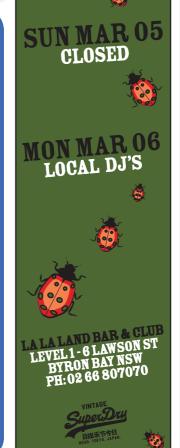
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EXERCISE CAN be a fabulous stimulant to appetite, as long as one does not overdo it. It also dictates what kind of food one can bear afterwards: the rich and fatty would be too overwhelming if one actually has blood pumping through one's arteries.

One day last week exercise hove into view, like a strange pirate ship on a wavering horizon. The plinths in the reading room of the Myocum clubhouse were being replated with 22 carat gold, and the fuss was too much to bear. Besides, the company of chaps can grow stale on the odd occasion and a chap needs to seek out pastures new.

With this in mind I had a telephonic exchange with Miss Cynthia Dragonseed, the local organiser of the Desperate and Dateless Ball, and she kindly agreed to reacquaint me with the ancient and venerable art of bushwalking.

'You will be required to stride out and breathe vigorously, Bitemark old dear,' said Miss Dragonseed.

'Of course, dear lass,' I replied, secretly choking back a hard lump of fear.

I took one of the Mercedes from the clubhouse garage and picked up Miss Dragonseed from her weekly poker game at the Filthy Rich Bitch Witch Covenant, a sort of female equivalent of the clubhouse, with a good deal more raucous laughter added. We motored up Coolamon Scenic Drive, pausing momentarily while Council re-engineered a landslip to withstand several bunker busters at once, and thence cruised into the hinterland and its superabundance of trees. The byroads became more corrugated as we headed to Minyon Falls. We passed a brass plaque indicating where a Kombi had disappeared into a pothole for several days and was only found by the Rosebank Speleology Club's perseverance. At last we parked in the Whian Whian Conservation Area and began our descent from the falls' top to its

It was not long before Miss Dragonseed, who once took second place in the Lamington National Park Trudgers Cup, began to disappear from view in front of me, as I ambled along, hoping to recreate the contemplative state of Wordsworth among the Lakes or, better still, Coleridge's opiuminspired dream before being so rudely interrupted by the man from Porlock. I kept my bearings during the descent by spotting glimpses of Miss Dragonseed's red Versace dress dashing like a dragonfly between giant eucalypts. I realised with some trepidation that the descent would be the easy part.

By this stage a chap was perspiring - Miss Dragonseed remained resolutely radiant - and finding breath at a premium. The scramble over giant boulders to the falls' base was a sore test for a chap's ancient joints but the young lady seemed to float over them like that martial arts lass in Crouching Banknote, Hidden Offshore Currency, or whatever it was called. The view was worth it of course - a delicate veil of water falling from a distant sky, its mist refreshing our upturned faces. We noted the vast stretches of time involved in said water wearing away the rocks at the falls' base, and marvelled at the pool receiving like begging hands the benediction of the cold spray.

The upshot of all this, gentle reader, was a forced march uphill to Minyon Grass and thence back to the carpark, Miss Dragonseed on nimble feet gone from view altogether, my heart beating in my ears like a drum while leeches relieved me of excess blood in my feet. The reward, in the end, was a visit to Club Fed at the Federal general store, a superior establishment by anyone's standards. Miss Dragonseed ordered the BLT, I the wombat burger, and we toasted our good work with bottles of Coopers Pale Ale.

'See how good food can taste when you've earned it, Bitemark?' said Miss Dragonseed with a charming twitch of an

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CONSIDER THE beauty of this: a box of hand-selected fruit and vegetables delivered to your door, a glorious, visually gorgeous feast of freshness none of which you have had to choose for yourself, most of which is a surprise. Such a service has been up and running for quite some time now in the Shire; it is called Fresh Fast and is the brainchild of Robert and Sarah de Nardi.

Robert has the business in his blood, his father having acquired then secured a reputation as the finest purveyor of fresh fruit and vegetables in Perth for decades, sought out by all the local restaurateurs. Driving up to the Brisbane markets regularly, Robert personally chooses whatever is best and in season, his guiding principle, and so from week to week the deliveries will change. For \$55 you receive a large white box from which may spill white-fleshed nectarines and peaches, plums and grapes and melons and blueberries, bananas and pears and lemons, sweet potatoes and green beans, Spanish onions and fat bulbs of garlic, peppery rocket and baby cos, avocados and truss tomatoes. This constituted most of the treasures in the box I received; my friend Amanda tells me that hers had included basil, mint and asparagus. The quality is magnificent and for two people there is enough to stretch out over a fortnight. When I think about the amounts which may be spent at supermarkets on fresh produce - and the word 'fresh' I use here advisedly - I see immediately where the better value

It is not only the convenience, either, of having your shopping done and delivered for you – it is that element of surprise. Much as I love an ingredient to suggest a dish, I love the way that whatever delights emerge from the Fresh Fast box will decide my future cooking. For three days in a row (be-

cause I do love a ritual) I dined on fantastic salads composed of so many vegetables that I nearly forgot about the protein component - I forced myself to enrich the dressing with some crumbled fetta cheese.

Amanda with all her basil made lots of pesto, and served visitors bruschetta with ripe crimson tomatoes and squeaky garlic to accompany their drinks. Deliveries are on Mondays and Thursdays and boxes of flowers may also be ordered. Sarah - whose own experience in the hospitality industry is extensive - usually slips a newsletter into the box or a clutch of recipes utilising ingredients therein, adding to the overall great value of this enterprise. Their phone number for orders is 0427 677 983.

SNIPPETS

According to The Sydney Morning Herald's 'Good Living' section (21 February), 'the degustation has risen to become an essential part of a... restaurant's repertoire...' Degustations are a monthly fixture at Bang Thai in Bangalow, where diners get to taste five heavenly dishes with matching wines (and a vegetarian option) inside or outside this stylish little venue. The next one is scheduled for March 3 but make sure you reserve a table as they book out quickly.

If I weren't being seduced elsewhere on the night of Valentine's Day I would have permitted myself to be romanced at the Backroom of Byron's Great Northern Hotel, whose unlikely surrounds were transformed into a space of intimacy and romance, with candles on tables set with linen and a superb dinner cooked by chef Massimo Scalas. Such was its success that more of these intimate little dinners, Mediterraneaninspired, are planned for the future, and I for one look forward to the next.







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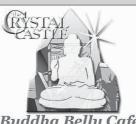
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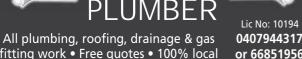
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written submissions concerning the proposal t the Manager Crown Lands NSW PO Box 272, Grafton 2460, within twenty-eight (28) days o the date of this advertisement.

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BANGALOW 2 rooms 1 big, 1 med, both b-in robes \$100pw ea or \$170pw for both quiet walk town b'b. 66870758

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WORKING PERSON share with 1

rooms available. Phone 0412699878

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OCEAN SHORES fully-furnished selfcontained studio, 1 person \$180pw includes utilities. Phone 0411409123

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2 x 2 bedroom flats, river views, 100m to town centre, 6 month lease \$400pw and \$375pw. Phone 0414658025

MULLUM 2brs, spacious, open plan living, timber floors/kitchen, share 1.5 acre tropical gardens & outdoor spa, kids/pets OK, Left Bank Road 1k to town \$250pw includes electricity. Phone 0400209409, 66843525

BYRON CBD

Funky fully-furn beach house, 2brs plus sleepout, one street back from Clarkes Beach, walk to centre of town situated quiet location, avail now for approx 5 mths \$380pw. Ph 66215446

SUFFOLK PARK 2br flat, great location \$200pw. Ph 0422557740, 66854001



- 1br open plan cabin, furnished, The Pocket, \$150pw
- · 1br furnished flat, The Pocket, \$200pw
- 2br timber home, Upper Coopers Creek, \$260pw

Ph. Julie & April – your Mullum letting agent **Suncoast First National** 59 Burringbar St. Mullum. 6684 2615

SUNRISE BOULEVARD

3 bedroom, 2 bathroom, 2 storey home. Open plan kitchen, living & dining and backs onto reserve. Plenty of off street parking. Pets neg. Available 18/3. \$330pw

BEACHCOMBER DRIVE

3 bedroom, 2 bathroom unit close to town & beach, Ensuite. dishwasher & lawns included. 12month lease, \$450pw

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3 bedroom house. Single lock up garage, landscaped gardens & polished timber floors. Lawns included. 12 month lease. \$450pw

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4 bedroom, 2.5 bathroom large modern family home. Ensuite, spa, fans throughout. Fully fenced & landscaped gardens. Lawns included. Available Now. \$800pw

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L.J. Hooker Byron Bay 6685 7300

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To Let

Granny Flat - Carlyle Lane, Byron Bay

Self contained studio with a private courtyard in town, electricity & water bills included. \$175pw - Avail 6 March

Granny Flat - Corkwood Close **Byron Hills**

Modern open plan studio with private courtyard. On-street parking only. With fridge & washing machine. \$190pw Avail now

Broken Head Road, Suffolk

4 br, 2 living areas, 2 bath, modern kitchen and a private courtyard, in a complex near golf course. \$420pw - Avail now

Fernleigh Rd, Brooklet

4 br + study, family home, 2 bath a/c, large WIR off master on 5 acres with ocean views. \$495pw - Avail now neg

For further details or inspection please contact Elders, 15 Fletcher Street, Byron Bay or phone 6685 6222

Elder

LILLI PILLI 4 bedroom fully-furnished, 2 bath/spa, designer home, available 6-9 months \$550pw. Phone 66808366

ROOM + ens quiet stud/worker Alcorn \$150 + B/B. 0407243165 Gabriel

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BEAUTIFUL 3br, 2 bathrm, spacious & light elevated home in lush bush surroundings in Byron Hills, avail 15 March \$375pw + bond & refs. 0421954299

BYRON BAY caravan in private bush setting, 3 minutes to Byron \$85pw includes power. Phone 0412818563

HIRE A HOME - caravans 16' to 22' from \$85pw. Phone 0402196485

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BYRON CBD 3br house f-furn, fab gardens, short walk shops & beach, suit working people, very attractive guiet area \$450pw. 66857249, 0400432062

BYRON HILLS 3br townhouse, quiet leafy outlook with ocean view \$330pw, available 8 March. Phone 66871397

LUXURIOUS hi-set 3 room s-c studio Mullum town, quiet n/s d/f no pets \$230pw incl + bond. Ph 66843071

HOUSE in Rosebank on 12 peaceful acres, 2br + study, sep dining, large verandahs, avail 8 March for 3-6 months \$250pw. Phone 66882176

BEST VALUE Ocean Shores, f-furn, scont, private outdoor sitting with water views, washing machine, n/s, single working female, no pets \$135pw electricity included. Phone 66805958

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+ granny flat, big verandah, rural view, near school \$400pw. Ph 66840015 NEW BRIGHTON quaint 3br open plan, verandah, close to beach & river

BRUNSWICK studio, walk to beach, suit quiet single working person, refs required \$170pw. Phone 66842333 BRUNSWICK 1br flat, new reno, walk

\$340pw. Phone 66847610

to beach \$240pw suit quiet working single/couple. Phone 66842333 **MULLUM** self-contained studio, bush setting \$180pw. Phone 66846049

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2 br cottage with sleepout. timber floors and high ceilings, walk to town \$385pw 3 br f/f house with timber

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- Coopers Shoot \$350. Like new 2br furnished home on 5 acres, deck with ocean and rural views. Just move in!
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- Byron \$500. Modern 3br open plan home, pool, quiet area, avail. April 12.
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PERFECT TENANT! Mature professional n/s

woman in full-time employment seeks comfortable unfurn or furn house in Mullum/Byron/ New Brighton (will consider other areas in Shire) for 6 mths possibly 12 after Easter or earlier if suitable. (Have mature small dog who comes to work with me.) Excellent local refs. Ph 0413 890 342, AH 6680 3131.

BANKS SAID 'NO' If you fall outside of the traditional lending policies bathrooms, verandah and DLUG.

100m beach \$140pw + exp, \$400 bond,

bedroom furn only required, no clean-

OCEAN SHORES room, working per-

son \$110pw & bills. Phone 66802475

ROOM avail Byron Hills \$120pw + bills,

share with 2 fems, must have employ-

SUFFOLK room Ige spac house, pool

A HUGE ROOM close to town and

beach, worker or student only \$140pw

includes gas & power. Phone Caillen

ment. 0438148470, 0432533684

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- Terms & conditions apply Owner Occupier
- Investment Loans
- CRRA defaults Paid or Unpaid
- Lo Doc No Financials • Self Employed less than 2 years
- Debt Consolidation Construction Development Loans
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39 Main Arm Rd, Mullumbimby. 6684 3704 All profits go to local charity.

Rhonda Browning REAL ESTATE • TELEPHONE: 6680 1594 **OCEAN SHORES** Avail soon \$380pw no pets. 4br

town & beach \$140pw includes bills.

DOUBLE ROOM in lovely house close

to Byron, power, gas, Austar, cleaning

included, prefer single working person \$175pw (couple \$200pw). Phone

BANGALOW SELF STORAGE

Byron Tourist (Van) Village. 66857378

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Phone 66808049, 0438228152

0412818563, 66857652

CARAVANS & CABINS from

TO LET

home, dining, sunroom, lounge, 2

SOUTH GOLDEN BEACH Avail now \$550pw no pets, lawn maintenance. 4br home, dining, lounge, ensuite, fenced yard, deck, carport undercover.

 Avail 5.3.06 \$320pw no pets 3br spacious home, open-plan, enclosed verandah, fenced and DLUG.

Please contact Rosetta or Cathie. References esser

6 STRAND AVENUE
NEW BRIGHTON
TELEPHONE: 6680 1594 (R_B)

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PRIVATE HOME in Byron CBD or Paterson/Massinger/Belongil for local business couple, preferably with private garden, view, pool, long lease up to \$800pw, references available. Phone 0438809556, 66809720

BYRON family seeks 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom house, long term, central area \$350-\$550pw, can pay 1 year advance, exc refs. Phone 66807796

SELF-CONTAINED SPACE mature fem can assist in h'h/off or personal care aged/child n/s d/f in exch 4 part rent. Phone 66854770 or 0438200640

BEAUTIFUL self-contained private rural home for professional, reliable woman. Phone Gaby 0405295965

YOGA STUDENT clean quiet fem needs room 17/3 - 18/4 Byron. Bernie 0402116237

SINGLE FEM 30+ seeks un-furn s-c space to live & create anywhere in shire, long term rental up to \$200pw, responsible & respectful of self & others exc refs. Please phone 0419923690

PART-TIME DAD looking for room/caravan, work/rent. 0422456978 Rajan.

TO LEASE

WORKSHOP Billi \$80pw. Siwicki RE, 17 Fingal St, Brunswick. 66851206

BYRON BAY SHOP 34sqm, suit retail, health, studio. Phone Liz 66858466

CAFE/RESTAURANT **BYRON BAY**

\$2200 per month 58 square metres includes equipment rates & body corp. Phone 66856004

CAFE AND/OR SHOP brand new Council approved cafe & shop in Park Street. Brunswick Heads. For details phone Mick 0410450661

OFFICE/STUDIO 22.5sqm behind \$250pw plus GST. Ph 0414450661

SHOP 80sqm central Jonson Street Byron \$72,000 per annum + GST, outgoings included. Phone 66804568

BYRON A&I behind Ozigo c/unit 120 sqm mezz shower \$265pw. 66802163

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25 MINS NORTH OF BYRON Burringbar main street. Commercial/ residential lease, fantastic 104sqm space, 25m street frontage, huge potential for business & residence \$180pw. Phone Kim 66854276

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SPACE FOR CATTERY electricity,

POSITIONS VACANT

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PLAYERS UNIVERSAL

Brisbane's most prestigious gentlemen's club requires fun loving staff to join the universal crew

EARN \$500-\$3000PW

- DANCERS
- Hostesses / Reception Bar / Door Staff
- Security / PR (mature)
- Ph: Cats 07 3229 9344 after 1pm Byron Bay Sundays 0415 662 585

Casting for talent/model photo shoot

International photographer looking for talent/models for photo shoot for artistic project. Women all ethnic types, surfers, hippies & ferals also welcome. Age 18-30. Body confident. Half day shoot. Cash. Please call Mondo Office (02) 9310 1770 or Alice 0409 441 710. Casting to be held in Byron and

Surfers 11/12 March.

WARNING

The Department of Fair Trading has warned people to be very careful about responding to advertisements offering work at home. Readers should be wary if you are asked to pay money upfront for employment opportunities and never send money to a post office box.

FITTER/MACHINIST Murwillumbah workshop. Call 66721063/0411474181

LICENSED ELECTRICIAN

required for full domestic electrical installation to 4 dwellings at Main Arm, hourly rate neg. Ph Leon 66845106

LICENSED PLUMBER to help with complete installation of greywater system for 4 dwellings, hourly rate neg. Phone Leon 66845106

AVEDA CONCEPT SALON requires Senior Stylist. Great wage package for the right person. Phone 0403344751

WORK FLEXIBLE HOURS

Seeking motivated people to help expand reputable international company into local area. Large income potential, ongoing training & support provided. Phone 1300 304 740 (24 hrs)

Bookeeper

the Northern Rivers Writer's Centre requires an experienced bookeeper and administrative assistant 21 hrs a week Experience in bookeeping, MYOB and payroll is essential. Excellent communication and computer skills plus experience in general office duties and basic administrative tasks is required. Experience in the not for profit sector is desirable For a full job description and application details contact Jill Eddington: nrwc@nrwc.org.au or 02 6685 5115

Applications close 4pm March 3

CHEF/COOK required 3-4 nights per week. Phone Simon Wed 66843229

Bay FM is seeking a TREASURER This is an important honourary position that would require the successful applicant to be a member of the Management Committee and thus be fully involved in the running of Bay FM The person who will suit this position will need to have appropriate business skills and enjoy working in a team.

For more information please contact Michael Riches during office hours on 66807999, or send your letter of interest to Treasurer Position, Bay FM ment Committee, PO Box 440, Byron Bay 2481.



POSITION AVAILABLE Sales Consultant

Now recruiting motivated sellers to join our vibrant team!

- Sales experience required Degree in business or related subject
- an advantage
- On target earnings of \$40,000-\$45,000/v Opportunities for career advancement

Please e-mail CVs to sales@wickedtravel.com.au or drop in your resumé to Victoria at our shop at 89 Jonson Street, Byron Bay

bikini models

We are on the lookout for girls* to model our latest swimwear for our catalogue and website.

bikinis, have no tan lines, iust a fun attitude.

If this sounds like you, email some photos to models@wickedweasel.com

wickedweasel.com

Successful applicants love

*Byron Bay/Gold Coast region only

Red Ginger is looking for a special person to join their team soon.

We need someone who:

- Has sales experience and ability • Knows and loves Asian food and culture
- Is a good communicator • Is friendly and likes people
- Can take initiative
- Is looking for longterm work Please apply only if you fulfill these criteria.







Administration Manager/Assistant Accountant

We are seeking an enthusiastic person who has experience in accounts and administration. You will be a pro-active team player with excellent computer skills and the ability to relate to clients and staff in a positive manner. Previous experience with the Attache Catapult or similar accounting program would be highly regarded. Your duties will include:

- · administering the payroll of 16 staff
- · managing and reconciling bank accounts
- facilitating creditor and debtor duties in a timely and accurate manner
- · maintaining the general ledger · various other accounting duties
- · assisting the CFO and CEO as required
- · other general office duties

Apply in writing to: HR Manager PO Box 39 Ballina NSW 2478

Applications close 5:00pm Wednesday 15 March 2006

BYRON BAY FIRST NATIONAL REAL ESTATE HAS TWO VACANCIES:

• PA to work with two of Byron Bay's leading real estate salespeople Communications Co-ordinator

Requirements: high level of computer literacy, excellent communication skills, ability to work flexible hours. You will display strong administrative skills, have a customer service focus, be self motivated and organized. A media/publishing background would be an advantage.

You will be able to demonstrate your ability to work independently as well as part of a team, be able to meet deadlines and manage several issues simultaneously

We have a company culture that focuses on strong ethical business practice, high levels of client care and a passionate devotion to training and education.

If you want to be part of a real team with common goals and caring attitudes, people who enjoy their job and enjoy working hard, bring your CV in to Lee at Byron Bay First National Real Estate, 15 Lawson Street, Byron Bay and fill out an application

Applications close 17 March 2006



PROPERTY MAINTENANCE person Coorabell, casual 7 hrs/wk (Weds). Must be reliable & experienced in property maintenance & gardening. Essential skills: maintenance & use of chainsaw, brushcutter, ride-on mowers, using Roundup. Must be fit & have own transport. Phone 66872304 between 10am and 4pm. No travellers

PART-TIME SALES ASSISTANT Ladies fashion, must have minimum 3 years experience in Retail Fashion Sales. Drop resumes into Running Wild, Jonson Street, Byron Bay.

CHEF & experienced kitchenhand required straight shifts including weekends. Call Jason 0423725422

COOK/CHEF reg'd for busy deli/gourmet/ťaway in Mullum. 0411861716

GARDENING position has been filled Thank you for your enquiries. Lance.

COLIN HEANEY'S GLASS STUDIO Gallery Assistant weekend position. Enthusiastic & vibrant person with proven sales skills. Cleaning work involved. Computer skills & art knowledge an advantage. Immediate start. Drop off/send resume & refs to 6 Acacia St, Byron Bay 2481 by Fri 3rd.



DESK WITH VIEW. GREAT TEAM. MULLUMBIMBY. Due to a romantic interest, The Echo now

has a vacancy for an advertising sales representative. Based at our factory outlet in Mullumbimby, the human (preferably) who gets appointed will be self motivated and will aspire to give great customer service to achieve results for their clients through good advertising in the Shire's most widely read newspaper They will enjoy giving random acts of kindness to advertisers, have had experience in sales, own a vehicular conveyance possess a sense of humour and demonstrate the ability to fit in nicely with The Echo family. If you have also had experience in

heaps of extra brownie points. We are big on computers, so the person who gets the nod will be very handy with them. Also, we need a sales person who loves The Echo, because after a short trial period, The Echo will love you back Especially if you reach your sales targets (which are usually set ridiculously high,

newspaper advertising then you will get

but don't let that worry you). The job is 4 days a week (Tuesday to Friday) although the opportunity may aris to work 5 days a week by agreement. A salary is paid (The Echo does not pay commissions as we want our advertisers to trust you) and there is a team bonus scheme for above budget performance, plus the occasional free glass of wine and potato chip is provided (if we are travelling really well).

Your immediate boss will believe that if you are happy then you will get better results so there is good flexibility and understanding in the workplace. The rest of the advertising team you will be joining are sensational!

The incredibly lucky applicant who gets this amazingly wonderful position will be required to maintain and build on our business relationships with advertisers in Mullumbimby, Ocean Shores, Brunswick Heads and Billinudgel, so it would be good if you lived in one of those areas of the shire.

Please apply in writing now. We want to make a speedy appointment so that you can spend some time with the sales rep you will be replacing (the one with the romantic interest) and get you trained in the logistics and procedures of the job so that you can reach your weekly targets by 4pm on your second day. Yes, we want someone who is THAT keen.

OK third day then. Please apply in writing to us by this time

next week. vertising @ The Echo

Village Way, Stuart Street Mullumbimby NSW 2482 Applications will be treated in confidence

WORK WANTED

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ADMAN'S GARDEN MAINTENANCE No job too small. 0412766603

HANDYMAN

with 27 years carpentry experience \$25/hour. 2hr minimum. 66840227

CARPENTER/HANDYMAN 25 years exp, Lic.24352C. Phone 0412057057

CLASSIFIEDS 66841777

TUITION

ENGLISH LANGUAGE TUITION Qualified ESL teachers in handy Byron location. Byron Bay English Language School. 66808253

DRUM TUITION. Experienced teacher Ocean Shores. Phone 66802598

MATHS Experienced Teacher. All levels

Individual & small groups. Marie 66802448 www.starrynight.com.au/maths.htm

PIANO LESSONS

Fiona BA(Hon)PGCE 66850418 Bruns SAXOPHONE clarinet, flute tuition, lim-

ited places. Alfredo Lopes 66859851 AFRICAN/LATIN DRUMMING Group & private tuition. 66804106

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VOCAL PA for functions/duos/wed dings/seminars/parties. 66847137



Breathing, Vocal Training, Artistic Coaching, FIRST LESSON FREE All styles (classic, blues, r&b, rock...) All levels (beg. to pro)

Call 6685 3309

BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY **JENNY**

From The Echo. Mullum & the world!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY **MARGOT** From all The Echo drudges



Love Makoto & Nana

CHURCH NOTICES

CHRISTIAN CITY CHURCH Enq 66808872 Sunday Service 10am 40 Banksia Dr, Byron Ind. Est.

RETURN THANKS

MARGARET MUSGRAVE

We, Margaret's loving family sincerely thank our relatives and many friends for their expressions of sympathy, love, prayers, cards and support and everyone who attended her funeral.

Please accept this as our personal

thanks. Ray, Shirley, Diane, Meg, Raymond and families. DANIEL JOSEPH SCARRABELOTTI Joe, Helen and Ben wish to sincerely thank everyone for their kindness, comfort and sympathy after our loss

of Daniel. Your thoughtfulness, friendship and support during this time is greatly appreciated.

'Always in our thoughts Forever in our hearts

THANK YOU

WE WITH TO THANK

Hospital and Murwillumbah Rehab for the excellent care and attention during my recent stay. Thanks for cards, flowers visits meals and drivers from our wonderful friends especially Heather and Karen who have been unselfish in their support during the last five months. Barbara and Col Mudge.

FOR CAROL

DVD OF CAROL'S SEND-OFF at Durrumbul \$20 each (\$15 from each sale goes to Carol's family). Send cheque or MO to Donnie McCormack, PO Box 163, Mullumbimby 2482.

LOST & FOUND

LOST: spear, at Manse Road, Myocum. Phone 66842863

LOST: Kodak digital camera, birthday present, Sunday arvo on Blanch's bus at Byron bus shop. Phone Dane 66855032 please.

LOST: reward offered, Ibanez guitar cutaway, brown back, beige front, semiacoustic, ding on back, sentimental value. Phone 0421250198

LOST: Afghan hound, Byron, blonde female 'Jasmine'. Phone 0412317421

PETS

ADOPT A CAT from Animal Welfare League NSW. Phone 66844070

ANIMAL RIGHTS & RESCUE GROUP Far Nth Coast urgently needs homes for many dogs, pups, cats, kittens Carers needed (food provided), volunteers, garage sales items. 66221881 or visit www.animalrights.org.au

PET NATUROPATH 66562829, 0401417744



We have 12 adult cats in our shelter all needing new homes. They are all extremely friendly and get on well with other cats.
f you would like to trial one for a few weeks please phone 6680 2097 or 0427 802097

TARIA NEEDS A HOME



TARIA, 15 month, female, b&w Dalmation X. Obedient, welltrained, affectionate, playful, good on lead, in car, with older kids, at beach. High energy, needs exercise & fenced yard. Ideal companion for male dog.

ANIMAL WELFARE LEAGUE 6684 4070

AWL

PETS OF THE WEEK

BOSLEY: handsome, young tigerstripe tabby male, intelligent, inquisitive & loves human company. Meet him at our Cat Adoption Centre, 124 Dalley St, Mullumbimby, Tues & Sat 9-11am, Thurs 3-5pm.



Animal Welfare League NSW (North Coast Branch) 66844070. PERSONAL

HERPES GENTLEMAN needs posi-

tive lady, view relationship. Phone Mat

0422032660 **ONLY ADULTS**

BEST BODY MASSAGE. Guaranteed 0415200866 - 10am - 6pm Bruns.

SENSUAL & CREATIVE 30s fem seeks an adventurous guy for casual sxx. Vmb 1657 mobex \$5.45/min.

EXQUISITE TANTRIC massage & coaching for men, women, couples. Paul the love coach. 0409556969.

SOCIAL ESCORTS

BALLINA Exclusive Company 5-star premises now open, 34 Piper Drive, Ballina, 10am till late. 66816038

BYRON OUTCALLS. AREA 0421401775

MALE ESCORT AVAILABLE. Also erotic massage. Phone 0434223526

BRUNSTO BYRON new escort female. 0402819867

News Extra

Debriefing meeting approves NYE changes

Louise Beaumont

It was a short and positive NYE debrief last Wednesday night, with neither residents nor business owners raising any major concerns. In fact, only about half of the usual numbers showed up to express themselves.

There was complete agreement on the success of the year. low-key community and family style event that brought in 2006, and unanimous support for the alcohol prohibition.

about whether this year's quieter NYE was responsible for a downturn in business. Some business owners even reported an increase in profrather to there being different clientele than in years before. Others agreed that the relatively quiet celebrations insignificantly affected their turnover, if at all, with other factors being the true cause of loss of business over the new year period.

was reported nationally, and have made people rethink their holidays, with a marked reduction in day trippers to the area. In addition, there are numerous new shops in the meeting were a countsales figures from year to

Mayor Jan Barham said of plans for next years celebrations, 'We are hoping to reduce the official area even further this year in order to There were mixed views lessen the disruption to visitors, locals and shopkeepers. We hope to concentrate celebrations at the top end of town, simultaneously reducing the need for road closures its, perhaps due not to an and emphasising the feeling increase in customers but of togetherness when the clock strikes twelve. We are looking to organise it so that Lawson Street can remain open to traffic, with less need for traffic barriers generally.'

Jan Barham adds that although everyone agreed fireworks were not an appropriate way to bring in the

Weekly DA watch

You may not see Council's development application advertising as it is not placed in your community paper. As a free service, therefore, we regularly list all significant new DAs on public exhibition, making clear exactly what is sought in the applications and identifying the location of the land affected.

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 missions are deemed to	written submission. Be aware to be public documents.	that all sub-
19-23 Lawson Street Byron Bay 10.2005.733.1 Old Council Chambers	Byron Ventlink EXHIBITION PERIOD EXTEND – part demolition of an item of environment development including 338 bed hos 5 shops; 2 restaurants & 1 takeaway	ronmental al tel;
1023 Coolamon Sc Dr Coorabell 10.2004.207.2	CL Lucke & RW Hayes S.96 to amend site location of the dual occupancy building.	Close 8/3/06
17-21 Jonson Street Byron Bay 10.2005.585.2	Abyron Pty Ltd S.96 to amend location of internal layout.	Close 8/3/06
76 Dudgeons Lane Bangalow 10.2006.33.1	AJ & OM Hughes Bed & Breakfast establishment (conversion of existing approved she & studio as expanded outbuilding).	Close 8/3/06
3 Paperbark Place Bangalow 10.2006.58.1	K Sharman Single storey dwelling & swimming pool.	Close 9/3/06
39 Elizabeth Street South Golden Beach 10.2006.50.1	KL Worrell Alterations & additions to existing double-storey dwelling.	Close 8/3/06
47 Caniaba Crescent Suffolk Park 10.2005.239.2	T Spencer S.96 to amend location of swimming pool.	Close 9/3/06
13 Marblewood Place Bangalow 10.2006.51.1	C Welsby & K Neale Double-storey dwelling including do carport & new swimming pool.	Close 8/3/06 puble
Lot 1 DP 617631 Whian Road Eureka 10.2005.753.1	H Kubils Multiple Occupancy development comprising four dwellings.	Close 1/3/06
1 Coachwood Court Federal 10.2005.83.1	G Knight Section 82A Review – rural subdivis to create two lots addressing probler of effluent disposal & drainage.	
27 The Esplanade New Brighton 10.2006.44.1	AM Hall Alterations & additions to dwelling & use of existing structure as home off	
Lot 2 DP 821974 Broken Head Road Byron Bay 10.2006.8.1	DJ Clifton-Northey Market for sale of motor vehicles.	Close 1/3/06
85 Parkway Drive Ewingsdale 10.2000.413.2	B Grinberg S.96 to amend allotment boundaries for two lot subdivision.	Close 1/3/06
41 Warrambool Road	WB & PJ King	Close 9/3/06

S.96 to modify DA consent involving

minimal environmental impact (1A)

Ocean Shores

10.2005.341.2

A general retail downturn new year, there was a call for some kind of recognition police note that petrol prices mark for the start of the new year, something to bring everyone together at the stroke of midnight.

Among the suggestions at Byron which of course affect down to midnight, similar to the capital city celebrations, and a laser show at the light-

Calling wouldbe baristas

If cafe culture is your thing, and you need to learn coffee making skills to break into local employment, Byron Youth Service in conjunction with Oska Café, is offering a one day training course for young people in the Shire.

Starting from the Zentvelds coffee plantation, you will descend into Byron where you'll be learning the ins and out of coffee making and all the other extras required to make you a great employee in a local café. Positions are limited to 10 people.

The course will be held on Thursday March 9 and costs \$50 with concessions available. For bookings, call Simon on 6685 7777.

New work on display

Case @ piece gallery is showing the work of the emerging artists John Campion, photographer from Lismore, and John Walters, ceramacist from Mullumbimby. The exhibition is called JOHN XTWO.

John Campion's work utilises the contemporary mediums of photography and digital print processes to explore historical connections with the tradition of the still life genre by the Old Masters. His formal arrangements of still life objects evoke the calm reverence of this subject matter. The rich tones of photography printed with contemporary digital processes continue this tradition in a blend of old and

John Walters produces intriguing and beautiful vessels that explore the nuances of light through white porcelain. Whimsical forms such as sea creatures, baby doll heads and floral motifs animate these intimate white vessels. The vessels are wheel thrown porcelain utilising repeated patterns in nature and with additional hand building and carving give delicate and intimate works.

JOHN X TWO formally opens on Saturday, March 4 from 5pm-7pm at the Piece Gallery, 105 Stuart Street, Mullumbimby and continues until March 28.

Pin This Up Community notices

Missing urns

Durrumbul Hall is missing two urns. If you have any info on the matter, call Gloria 6676 1805 or Helen 6684 5202.

Mullum youth recreational facility Welcomes all members of the community interested in the youth of our town to our meeting on Wednesday March 1, Old Mayors room above SES. Contact Ra 6684 3697.

BEACON meets

March meeting will be held on Thursday March 2 at St Finbarrs School at 7pm.

Byron Toastmasters

Thursday March 2 and on first and third Thursdays of the month at the Uniting Church, Byron Bay at 7.15pm. Ring John 6685 1917.

Mullum Anglican cake stall In Stuart Street at the taxi rank on Friday March 3 at 9am. **Suffolk Park Dunecare**

Working day on Saturday March 4 at 9am. All welcome. Phone Helen 6685 4964.

Latin Moves at YAC

For 12 to 25 year olds Ali from Red Hot Salsa holds classes at the YAC every Tuesday from 4.30pm to 6pm, \$4 per week, bookings essential. Phone Ali 6680 7091 or YAC 6685 5775. **Baywrite Theatre**

Next meeting Saturday March 4 at Byron High School. Play reading and our founder Peg Gloor's 80th birthday. \$2 entry includes play reading and refreshments. please no presents. Phone 6685 7995. Baywrite is also calling for submissions of short theatre pieces for Hot Shorts 2006, held in July, first prize \$1000. The pieces can be any kind of performance including standup, circus, music. Entries close in April. Info www.baywrite.com

Byron Gem & Lapidary club

Meeting March 4 at the club workshop, Tyagarah Airport. Free classes on Saturdays and/or Wednesday nights. Enquiries Kevin 6677 1059 or Ray 6680

Rainbow Dragons Abreast

Invites any breast cancer survivor and/or their supporters to come and try dragonboat paddling at 8am Sunday March 5 at Lake Ainsworth, Lennox Head. Look for the pink flags northern end of the lake.

Clean Up Australia Day 1

Annual clean up of Cape Byron Headland Reserve on Sunday March 5, 9.30am to 12pm. Volunteer registration is required immediately prior to clean up. Turn up on the day with gloves, hat, sturdy shoes, sunglasses and sunscreen and register. Enquiries to Andy Robinson 6685 8565 Tuesday, Thursday, Friday.

Clean Up Australia Day 2

This Sunday March 5, 9amnoon, at the Cumbebin Wetland Reserve in Byron Bay. Meet on the corner of Butler and Somerset Streets, Byron Bay. Gloves provided, but don't forget sunscreen.

Bruns stargazers

Free first quarter moon observing on Sunday March 5 around 7.15pm or if cloudy Monday March 6 at The Terrace, Brunswick Heads. More details call the Cosmic Couple, Marie and Philip 6684 2448, 0413 779223 or www.starrynight.com.au

U3A Ballina/Byron

Poetry and Writing group will meet at 10am on March 7 at the CWA rooms, Brunswick Heads. Enquiries 6680 1163.

Friends of Feros

Meeting on Tuesday March 7 at 2pm at the Feros Village, Marvell Street, Byron Bay. Friends of Feros is a support group for 12.30pm at the Senior Citizens Feros Care which provides vital care for the elderly folk of our community. Afternoon tea follows. Enquiries Nola 6680 1234 Brunswick Valley Probus Club or Kave 6685 6786.

Join Byron Bay Senior Citizens each Wednesday and Thursday for carpet bowls, cards, games, morning tea and lunch for \$3.50, \$2 to join. Bus from Brunswick Heads each Wednesday, pick up around Byron Bay bus stops

also. For pick ups call 6685

Byron Shire toy library

Byron Autumn Club

If you have a spare few hours a week or every other week to help with a range of enjoyable and exciting activities, please call Rose Gould 6685 4303.

Subsidised cat/dog desexing

If you are the holder of a Centrelink pension or health care card and are struggling to afford the cost of desexing your pet, we may be able to help. Please ring Animal Welfare League on 6684

Brunswick Quota

Quota International of the Brunswick Valley meet on the first Thursday of each month in the Ocean Shores Country Club at 7.30pm. Phone Sheila for info on 6684 2487

Mullum Creek Landcare

Working bee Sunday March 5 at 9.30am. Bring tools, gloves, sunscreen and water. Morning tea with cake provided, all wel-

Cat loving volunteers needed

If you have a soft spot for cats and can spare a couple of hours each week to help out at our shelter in Billinudgel, we'd love to hear from you. Please phone Jane on 0431 016 689.

Cancer support group

The Byron Bay Breast Cancer Support Group meets on the Ocean Shores. Info Chris Healey first Wednesday of each month, 6680 2276.

Hall in Marvel Street, Byron Bay. Next meeting is March 1. **Brunswick Probus**

will meet on Tuesday March 7, 10 am at the Ocean Shores Country Club for the AGM. Enquiries 6680 1748 **Brunzwick Toastmasters**

Meets 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month, 9.45am to 12.15pm at the SDA Hall, cnr Shara Boulevarde and Banool Circuit, North Ocean Shores. Enquiries to Craig 6685 0165. **Brunswick World Day of Prayer**

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church on March 3 at 10am. The children's choir from Brunswick Heads School will sing.

Ocean Shores Art Expo Artists, filmmakers and anyone who wants to help create the 3rd annual expo are warmly invited to the Ocean Shores Country Club, Wednesday March 8, at

7.30 pm. **Practising Artists Network**

PAN promotes visual arts in Byron Bay. Monthly meetings at the Byron Bay Services Club, 6.30 pm. The next meeting is Wednesday March 8. Please note change of date from the 1st Wednesday of the month to 3rd Wednesday of the month after this month's meeting.

Women's resource service

Is calling for women performers to entertain women and children on International Women's Day on Wednesday March 8 between 11am and 2pm. The event will be held in the Old Civic Centre Park in Mullumbimby. Call Kassa Bird at the Women's Resource Service 6684 4299.

Brunzwick Toastmasters

Wednesday March 8, 10am to noon at SDA Hall, cnr Shara Boulevarde and Banool Circuit,

CHESS by Ian Rogers

'It was a freak of nature 66.Qf5+ Kc1 67.Qf1+ Finally the c - this guy hardly ever loses,' said Peter Svidler after beating FIDE World Champion Veselin Topalov in the first round of the elite Cuidad de Linares/Morelia tournament again on display, this time which began in Mexico this

Svidler's comments came after an incredible game in which Topalov almost saved a position which many players would have abandoned as hopeless.

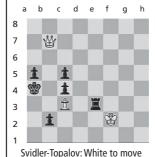
In the position in the first diagram, Svidler (White to move) with an extra queen, seems to be able to win as he chooses, but he had no chance to relax. **60.Kxe3!** Topalov's first trick seen and avoided; 60.Qxb2? allows 60...Rf3+! with perpetual check by the rook, which cannot be captured due to stalemate. 60...Ka3! 61.Qb5! Most players would automatically bring the king over to help, but after 61 Kd2? a4! it turns out that there is no way for White to avoid Black stalemating himself with 62...b1(0)! **61..** a4 62.Qxc5+ Kb3 63.Qb4+ Kc2 64.Qxa4+ Kxc3 65.Qa5+! Careful to the last. It would have been all too easy to relax and play 65.Qb5?, allowing 65...b1Q! with yet another

pawn falls with check and Black's resistance will be at an end; a great win for Svidler against heroic defence.

Two days later, Topalov's amazing defensive skills were against the young Armenian and world number five, Lev Aronian.

In diagram two, Aronian (White, to move) realised that 57.h5 Kf8 allows Black to hang on but failed to find the narrow path to victory which begins 57.Nh5! Ra8 38.Kg7! f5 39.Kg6! Instead he played the obvious 'winning' move 57.g4? but was stunned by the response **57...f5+!! 58.Kxf5** Kf7! 59.Nh5 Ra5+ 60.Ke4 Ra3! The move Aronian had missed. After 61.g5 Rh3 62.Kf5 Rxh4 63.g6+ Kg8 64.Kg5 Rh1 65.Nf6+ Kf8 66.Nh5 Rg1+ 67.Kh6 Rh1 68.f5 Kg8 Aronian discovered that the two connected pawns were not enough to win, eg. 69.f6 Rf2 70.f7+ Rxf7! With Topalov short of time, Aronian played **69.Kg5** and tried every conceivable idea over the next 45 move However Topalov kept his king in front of the pawns and saved the game after a titanic seven hour struggle.

'Make no mistake, this guy really plays like a World Champion, said Svidler.



stalemate after 66.Qxb1. **65...Kc2**



Where to play: Byron Bay Services Club, Monday 7-10pm Mullumbimby Poinciana Café, Saturday 2-5pm

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Sports Roundup with Alex McAuley

Great win for Gort



'Pocket Rocket', talented (pictured above) is steadily climbing up the Australian win in the recent Tennis Australia ranking event held in Bundaberg. Stephen is consistently advancing to the standing prospect since his semi finals or better in the 16 early days playing in the local and under age group, putting far north coast 10 and under him at the elite level of up competition. At just 16 years and coming Australian tal-

The Bundaberg tournament was a huge step for- country, and with his talent, ward for Stephen, where he guts and determination, sucmade his way to the final cess must be just around the round without the loss of a corner.

Fondly described as the set. In the final he took on Queenslander Blake Sweeney, young tennis player from and staged a spectacular Mullumbimby Stephen Gort comeback from a disappointing 1-6 loss in the opening set to win the next two conrankings after an impressive vincingly, 6-1, 6-1, proving that he knows how to win

> Stephen has been an outold, he is in for an exciting few years battling it out with the top tennis talent in the

Crankin what's happening surfside

All Girls Surfriders

First club round for 2006 at Lennox on Sunday. Surf conditions at the start of the day were very challenging, with

Mullumbimby

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1st Wednesday of every month, starting March 1st Roll up start 7am till 1pm or bookings accepted

\$800 prizes **Open competition**

women players with g/link handycaps welcome phone 6684 2273



1-1.5m waves, a mean shore dump, and a northerly sweep that meant lots of paddling. All competitors must be commended for their efforts in the difficult conditions. Results as follows: junior beginners 1 P Single, 2 A Fuller, 3 G Fuller, 4 D Potts; senior beginners 1 D Kerr, 2 D Bonica, 3 M McNamara; intermediate 1 S Single, 2 J Tranberg, 3 M Beckerleg, 4 L Parkes; advanced 1 S Butler, 2 S Sallis, 3 L Wright, 4 R Bonhote-Mead; longboard 1 M Pentecost, 2 M Bryant, 3 C Stevenson, 4 M Mott. Next club round at Evans Head Sunday March 26.

Surfing FNC

Entries for the regional titles to be held at Yamba on March 11 and 12 will close on March 6. All divisions are catered for from the U14 boys and girls to the over 55 years men.

Top honours for Surfing FNC's Keith Anderson

on those honoured with life membership of Surfing Far North Coast, today we take bership in 1990.

istration in 1979 with the NSW took over. Byron Bay Seahorse riders Association (SOB).

His list of achievements is lengthy and spans two dec-titions and events. ades of surfing history, 1980s; the organisation of ing the Australian Universi- continued lobbying, in 2004

Continuing with our series National Malibu titles at ty's National Titles at Broken he finally received cash spon-Watego's Beach and the Head in 1992 – Australia's National Scholastic titles at Cosy Corner. He also organa look at the second of those ised the first Level 1 Surf recipients, Keith Anderson, Coaching course at Byron land to Surfing NSW and who received his life mem- Bay in 1987, which led to the training of over 200 coaches Starting in surfing admin- up until 2003 when Surfing

Having served as Surfing Boardriders Club, Keith's Queensland vice president contribution to the sport has for nine years in the 1990s, been phenomenal. In 1982 he organised numerous he was one of the principal events for all ages and abiliplayers in the formation of ties while continuing to act the South of the Border Surf- as administrator for SOB, as well as applying for grants to improve facilities for compe-

He continued to organise including acting as secretary/ a host of top level surfing Australian Sports Medal for treasurer for SOB in the events in the region, includ-

largest double elimination event. He oversaw the shift of SOB from Surfing Queensbecoming Surfing FNC while continuing to boost junior surfing development by taking the first Junior Regional surf team to the National Titles in 1997, where Laurina McGrath and Jock Barnes both came home as champions.

In 1999 he became a vice president of Surfing Australia, and in 2000 was awarded the Duke Kahanamoka Trophy for 21 years of

sorship for the Regional Titles and was able to take the event to Yamba, Cabarita and Byron Bay for three rounds of competition.

After 14 years as Surfing FNC administrator, Keith shows no signs of slowing down and continues to organise events, seek sponsorship and work on the development of local juniors, including starting a surf clinic for those who cannot afford the high costs of coaching.

Congratulations Keith, you and your extraordinarily supportive wife Leona are a shining example to us all of service to surfing, and the what can be achieved with passion, perseverance, and, services to the sport. After of course, a good deal of old fashioned hard work.

Moonshiners share the secret of the 'hospital pass'

cost of \$20 per head.

opportunity for new players during the second half! to mix with old ones and see likes of Adam Watson 'doing a Wendell'.

lumbimby/Ocean Shores the trade). Stacey refers to interested ring Shane Ivey on Rugby Union Club will be his best games as those in holding their own unique which he has scored a version of 20/20 cricket at number of dates, not tries. their sign-on day at New Last year he broke a club Brighton Oval from 12pm record when he arranged five with drinks and food at a separate dates before half

The Moonshiners require the dubious delights of the players of all standards. On some occasions there will be five games at Mullumbimby You'll also have to put with on a Saturday in a traffic jam an ear-bashing from Stacey for the rugby tragic. As under Potts who'll tell you all about 18s can't play senior rugby his three basic qualities as a (ARU safety edict), the winger: speed, indifference to Moonshiners will be fielding inactivity, and the enjoyment an under 19 side. Currently who is alleged to have stolen

6680 1743.

From this Thursday March 2 and every Thursday thereafter, the Moonshiners will be training on the far field at Mullumbimby Leagues time and met and got Club. All rugby drills will be The sign-on day is an engaged to someone else practised including the 'hospital pass', which Keelin Jenkins is so adept at. This pass is thrown so that it can be caught just as the opposition's stiff arming, knee high, kidney punching specialist is about to leap upon the unfortunate recipient.

Keelin gave a beauty last year to the 'Pommy Tom'

of chatting up girls (touch- only ten have signed up, so his girlfriend. He was the This Saturday March 4 Mul- line talent as it's known in we need double that; if you're toast of the club when he gave one to Matthew Perrv. All enquiries to Darryl Quigley on 6684 7151.

MONTHLY MARKETS

ı	1st	SAT	Bruns Hds 66	84	443	7
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ı	1st	SUN	L'more Car Boot 66	28	733	3
ı	2nd	SUN	The Channon 66	88	643	3
ı	2nd	SUN	Lennox Head 66	72	2874	1
ı	2nd	SUN	OShores Carboot 66	80	269	6
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Mullumbimby's top Little Athletes

Four athletes from Mullumbimby Little Athletics attended the annual zone championships on the Gold Coast recently and achieved outstanding results.

During the two day carnival and from a field of over 400 competitors, Michael Ensor came home with two gold medals in the under 15 boys 400m and 800m. Zali Fung blitzed her competition, winning gold in the 100m, 200m, long jump and triple jump.

Deanna Thompson achieved a personal best jump of 4.06m in the under 12 girls long jump, placing her fifth and was a finalist in the 100m and 200m sprints. Julia Riches won silver in the under 11 girls 100m and 200m, running personal best times in both events. She also achieved a personal best in the long jump, finishing fourth in that event.

Congratulations to Michael, Zali and Julia who have been selected to compete in the state championships in Townsville in March.



Pictured from left to right are Michael Ensor, Zali Fung and Julia Riches. (Absent: Deanna Thompson). All four youngsters achieved outstanding results at the zone championships held on the Gold

PHASES OF THE MOON

First Quarter 7th Mar 7.17 am Virgo Full Moon Ecl 15th Mar 10.37 am Equinox 21st Mar 5.27 am Equinox 21st Mar Last Quarter 23rd Mar New Moon Eclipse 29th Mar WED High 10.07 am 1.9 Sunrise 10.38 pm 1.6 Sunset Low 3.45 am 0.2 Moonrise 4.33 pm 0.1 Moonset 8.10 pm THU High 10.55 am 1.8 Sunrise 11.23 pm 1.6 Sunset Low 4.38 am 0.2 Moonrise 5.13 pm 0.2 **Moonset High** 11.43 am 1.6 **Sunrise** 8.44 pm 6.38 am Sunset 7.16 pm 5.53 pm 0.3 **Moonset** 12.09 am 1.6 **Sunrise** 12.32 pm 1.4 **Sunset** 7.15 pm 6.29 am 0.3 **Moonrise** 6.32 pm 0.4 **Moonset** 10.56 am 9.56 pm SUN High 12.57 am 1.6 Sunrise 6.40 am 1.25 pm 1.2 Sunset 7.31 am 0.4 Moonrise 12.02 pm 7.14 pm 0.5 **Moonset MON High** 1.48 am 1.5 **Sunrise** 10.37 pm 6.40 am 2.28 pm 1.1 Sunset 7.13 pm 8.40 am 0.5 Moonris 8.02 pm 0.6 Moonset 11.22 pm TUE High 2.47 am 1.5 Sunrise 7th 3.50 pm 1.0 Sunset 6.41 am Low 9.58 am 0.5 Moonrise 9.05 pm 0.7

Eastern Daylight Saving Time. Heights in metre Courtesy of NSW Tide Charts, Manly Hydraulics Laboratory, NSW Dept of Commerce – Brunswick Heads +6 min; Byron Bay -9 min; Billinudgel, Marshalls Creek +3 hr 55 min; Mullumbimby +1 hr 10 min



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Sports Roundup with Alex McAuley

Brown scores winning ride for Byron Bay Boardriders



Yerin Brown, pictured, was the hero of Byron Bay Boardriders when he scored a fantastic nine point wave in the dying seconds of the final round at the Rip Curl Kirra Teams Challenge over the weekend. His thrilling ride gave the Boardriders an outstanding Kirra Teams victory, only their third in the **contest's history.** Photo Steve Robertson

Australia's premier boardrid- NSW, South Australia, West Noosa, Coolum and Byron 000 prize pool, the Rip Curl Kirra Teams Challenge took place last weekend attracting

40 clubs from Queensland, surfed over three days. result to a three way count-

ing club team event with \$15 Australia and New Zealand. Bay were all waiting for the In the closest challenge performance of Yerin Brown, yet, the result came down to Byron Bay's last surfer, who the very last heat of the 76 needed a win to send the

back between the clubs. Not only did Brown have to win, but had to win with a total of more than 15 points. This was after both Noosa and Coolum had had the chance to seal victory in earlier heats, however Coolum's Mitch Semple's second place, and Noosa's Ryan Campbell's third place put the two clubs on equal points leading into the last few heats.

With 10 seconds of his heat remaining, Yerin Brown was leading, but only with a total of 13 points, two points less than he needed for a countback. Brown took off, pulled a huge floater, then a deep tube to escape and finished with a closeout re-entry to score a nine point ride and win the title for the third time in the event's history for Byron Bay Boardriders, a thrilling finish as the clock wound down to zero. Noosa came second, Coolum third, and Mereweather fourth.

Evening beach fishing is at its best



Rahima Clark from Lennox Head with the 1.376kg bream she caught using cut bait at Boulder Beach. Photo Lennox Bait and Tackle

have been excellent recently been the most successful syswith afternoon seabreezes tem, with live worms and dying out in the evenings. A pippies also doing the job. late afternoon low tide has proved very productive with nice greenback tailor taken back, with North and Emicatches of bream, whiting from all the headlands from grant Creeks around Ballina and dart being consistently Cape Byron right down to and the river through Mulreported. Best locations have Evans Head. Throwing slabs lumbimby all working well been where the incoming of mullet or blue pilchards at Don't forget that dillies are tide has been filling gutters them at first light seems to only allowed in North Creek,

Conditions for beach fishing fresh prawns for bait has

not long after the turn. Using have been the way to go, and can't be left overnight.

although 'choppers' have been landed all through the day from Broken Head and Flat Rock.

Jewfish have started to put in an appearance again, with fresh bait proving to be the best for them. Take some sizeable beachworms or jig up some live herring or mullet and try from rocky areas, such as the northern end of Shelley Beach and Tallow Beach if you don't fancy rockhopping, and best results are mostly after dark.

Offshore fishing has been reasonably productive when conditions have allowed boats to get out. From right throughout the region there were reports of pelagics, with mackerel being the most mentioned species. Out wide at the traps, there were plenty of dolphin fish and pearl perch, with cobia and amberjack out towards the shelf.

As the dirty water starts to clear from the river systems, There have been some so the mud crabs are coming

Byron Bay Rugby is looking strong

Byron Bay Rugby Club that were the hallmarks of started full training last week with a squad that dwarfed last year's numbers at their the club's many new players strength and professionalism Recreation Grounds.

last year's team.

Players also voted to retain two days training a week to peak. With a full team run allow the team to build its overseen by both coaches strength and skills rapidly, and a solid fitness session, with sessions to be held at 6pm every Tuesday and got to see first hand the Thursday at the Byron Bav

Despite the number of players signed on so far the club is always looking for new talent, or is happy to help new players develop it. Anyone interested in playing rugby union for Byron Bay this year can contact Matt Alexander on 0437 656 984 for details.

Brunswick Valley Seniors

Brunswick Valley Soccer Club has made an excellent start to the 2006 season. Attendance at training has been outstanding and the coaches are very pleased with the quality of the players available.

Last week's trial games were a great success despite the blistering heat. Lots of new faces have turned up, as well as many familiar ones, giving the club real depth in all divisions. The players are full of enthusiasm and are looking forward to the start of the Anzac Cup.

Any new or former players that have not yet turned up for training are encouraged to do so as soon as possible as numbers are limited and squad places are filling up

Mullumbimby **Junior Soccer**

Registration is now closed for Mullumbimby JSC. There are some positions available in Gr12 mixed and Ladies. If you are already training with the ladies and have not signed on, please do so ASAP. Ring Dave Smith on 0427 241 481 to register vour interest.

All Rooball players need to attend muster this Wednesday March, grades 6 and 7 from 4pm to 5pm; grades 8 and 9 from 5pm to 6pm. Coaches should also attend. Trials will be held for grades 10 and 11 on Saturday and Sunday March 4 and 5 from 9am to 10am and 12 girls from 10am to 11am. Players who wish to play in first division must attend.

SPORTS RESULTS

Wed 22/2 Self selected triples winners: K Marshall, D Proudlock, M Petrou; r/up B Standfield, M Guest, N Condong; K Hosie, R Tonkin, J Hay. Fri 24/2 H'cap cut throat 2 bowls singles winner: M Caldwell; r/u E Beddoes. End month j'pot winner B Batson. Sat 25/2 Pennant trial with Byron: R Northcott 20 def B Vella 14; C Klaverstyn 24 def J Anderson 10; L Wade 19 drew W Earea 19. B/Hds winning o'all. Other trial games: K Marshall 21 def E O'Donnell 16; D Wyborn 31 def D Croft 16. Sun 26/2 Final Minor pairs congrat's to Champs C Pearce, W Evans 19 def F Hill, A Hawthorne 18. John Foster Dynamic pairs Sat 11/3,12pm start 3 x 10 ends, open to all, contact club 6685 1328.

Brunswick Heads Women

Pennant Season underway 2/3 Proposed Teams: B Wyborn, B Boorman, L McCormick, E Marks; D Batson, S Iversen, M Caldwell, G Guest. C'ship 4's 21/2: M Allard, R Mills, N Philip, L Proudlock 17 v B Rose, D Batson, S Riley, J Keaney 15; S Curtis, M Southon, M Caldwell, K Peacey 17 v M Darby, D Hay, L McCormick, E Marks 14. Social: B Wyborn, B Boorman, 23 v M Darby, D Guest 19; J Loomes, T Rynehart 19 v S Iversen, M Parsons 9. Lucky winners: M Allard, R Mills, N Philip, L Proudlock

Byron Bay Women

Tue 14/2 social, 9 players to Nth Rviers Dist 50th Anniversary. Tue 21/2, 2 games social bowls, winners: N Wilson, E Baggaley, J Claydon. Ump Seminar at P ville 20/2. Jlson from RNSWBA lead the seminar. C'ship nom forms for Minor Singles/ Open singles on board, name in asap. Pennants begin Fri, 1st game at home v Condong.

Byron Bay Men

Tue Singles winner: J Anderson; r/up B Lewis; Bulla. Wed Social triples winners: G White, M Barry, P Anderson; r/up J Oski, H Simmons, J Brooker. Thur Selected Pairs winners: R Macaulay, R Lewis: r/up B Birks, D Aldridge, G Meagher Twilight winners: N Wilson, E Elliott, J Oski; r/up V Everingham, M Phelps, J Wright. Sat social bowls winners: M Barry, R Hendo; r/up R Orth, P Anderson. No. 2 Pennant side had a good work out at Bruns Sat, No. 7s stayed home and practised. W Earea's team won Dist Triples at Mullum Sun, congrat's. Club Minor Pairs C'ships Sun: win for P Anderson, B Lamont. Fri a'noon Club Open Pairs C'ship winners: B Briks, K Morrow. Check Board for Club C'ship games.

Lennox Head MenTues 21/2 Self Selected Triples winners: B Cousins, D Hickey, B McRae 25 d D Gregor, J Moore, L Bartlett 16; r/up C Skennar, B Perkins, M Daley 32 d B Harland, F Allcoat, R Sullivan 10; J Adams, G Simon 30 d P Tressider, R McCarthy 12 consolation 6 pack, Wed 22/2 Twilight Bowls winners: C Skennar, M Daley 8 d K Pringle K McGuire 7; r/up J Adams, B Evans 16 d J Robinson, B Fraser 5. Fri 26/2 Social winners: D and M Pappas 25 d E Steele, M Hadler 14. Sat 25/2 Club Selected Triples winners: G Gradylalso, C'ship Game 31 d G Reynolds 17; r/up P Blar, M Daley, G Pascoe 26 d J Swain, L Chaseling, G Simon 15; K Kilby, H Lee, P Wilson/jackpot 24 d B Cousins, M Knott, B Peart 19. Club Pairs: S Prasad, K Torrens 23 d G Brook, B Evans 14; D Taylor Jnr, N Burgess 36 d B Fraser, P

Ocean Shores Men

20/2 Paddle Pops winners: L Findlater, T Skelton, P Earl; r/up L Morgan, P Henderson, R Bartlett, D Lawson; P Wood, R Roberts, P Tornaros. 21/2 Twilighters Aust v Norway: A Rainsford, T Larson M McConville 28 v L Morgan, B Burgess, L Morgan 26. Series Tied 1 all. Semi Final Carsburg 4s C'ship: B Burgess sub, P Henderson, J Gray, T Mitchell 28 v D Whitney, R Roberts, J Sullivan, K Hansen 15; R Ellis, D Perez, W Priest, T Mason 14 v D Matheson, J I'Anson, S Pratt, P Tornaros 17.

Ocean Shores Women

Wed 22/2 Nomads visited, a great day enjoyed by all. Nomads Winning Rink: Peter, Willie, Heather, OShores Winning Rink: N Russell, S Iversen, L Morgan; Friendship Prize Gill, Geoff, W Sprengel. Fri 24/2 Ladies Social Bowls, Minor singles: M Farquhar d P Campbell; lucky rink B Sprengel, D Grant, B Stone; other winners M McConville, P Hems, E Hill Good Luck No 3 Pennant team, 1st rnd Pennants Fri vs Mur'bah.

TBDWBA

Nth Rivers Dist 50th Birthday Celebration Tue 14/2. 290 ladies came to Lismore, bowls at 3 diff clubs, then lunch at Workers Club. Thanks for 50 years of promoting the sport. Tue 21/2 Dist 4s C'ship Final at Bruns, winners: Cabarita team F Turner, M Overall, J Ashford, J Lake/Skip, r/up Cudgen Leagues, L Taylor, S Townsend, M Trapnell, L Fleming/Skip. 13/3 District Executives Meeting at Bruns. 14/3 Group A Pairs Play offs, North, at Bruns. 27/3 President/Secretary Treasurers Day at Bangalow. 15/3 to 29/3 C'wealth Games, no C'ships etc played. 10/4

BRIDGE

Brunswick Valley 20/2: N/S 1st Gross and 2nd Nett P Hems, J Skelton; 2nd Gross and 1st Nett M and I Homfray. E/W 1st Gross G and A Withey; 2nd Gross and 2nd Nett P Webb, M Solway; 1st Nett M Kelly, A Tonkin, 25/2: N/S 1st Gross and 1st Nett D Dare, C Johnson; 2nd Gross A and G Withey; 2nd Nett N van den Heuvel, K Westall. E/W 1st Gross C Donaldson, M Solway; 2nd Gross D Grant, F Patterson; 1st Nett A Gray, S Easterbrook: 2nd Nett J Selleck, G Falson, Bruns Valley Bridge Club plays Mon, Sat at Bruns Heads Comm Centre. Be seated by 12.45 for 1pm start. Visitors, new members are welcome, Enquiries 6684 1103 or 6684 6557.

Ocean Shores

22/2: 1st Gross: N van den Heuvel, K Westall; egual 2nd Gross and 2nd Nett P Keyte, L Baldwin; equal 2nd gross and 1st Nett J Hughes, C Chidlow. We play at OShores Country Club Wed evening 6.45pm, be seated by 6.30 pm.

CRICKET Mullumbimby/Brunswick Seniors

4th Grade vs Lennox: Mullum/Bruns 230, A Cook 52, G Cook 47, fine bowling by M Loane, D Hayes, S Hulitz saw Lennox dismissed for 171. 1st innings win to Mullum/Bruns. Final rnd of comp this wk. 2nds vs Byron at Thompson; 3rds vs Alstonville Miandads at Rugby Ground; 4ths vs Aston/Allsorts at Lofts.

Mullumbimby/Brunswick Junior

U10 Mullum Stingrays made Finals playing No 1 team Barracudas in a thrilling draw. Presentation BBO approx 4 wks. U12 Bruns won all games past month, def Ballina. Best batters: Jesse 20 n/o, Scott 13 n/o; Todd 13 n/o; Joe MoM last game 11 n/o, Ricky S MoM 4/7. U16 def by A'ville with wickets/overs in hand, reaching 127 target. Tom McQ 36 Mom, Jake R 27 n/o, Dale H 14, Luke W 13. Luke W 2/7, Dale H 2/15 best bowlers. Great catch Sam W, Aaron B 1/8, Tailah M 1/10, Tom Mc 1/15. Intro Coaching Clinic rescheduled dates/venue nxt wk.

CYCLING

Byron Bay Freeriders

Industry Estate, Byron. Entry fee \$8, day licences available, 4 grades. Info 6680 9590. Club meeting, Backroom, Hotel Great Northern, 7pm. Wed 1/3, all welcome. Road training rides leave clock tower in Byron 6am Tues, Thurs, Sat, fast pace. Sat morning Club ride leaves clock tower 6.30am all welcome, steady pace. Jay takes Nth Rivers Adventure Rides Sun. Contact Jay at True Wheels 6684 1959.

DARTS

Brunswick Valley Rnd 4, 22/2: Tossa's 8 v WCD's 3; Workers 8 v Shafter's 3; OShores Tavern 8 V Dilligaf 3; Mullum2Pub's Bye. Rnd 5, 1/3: Workers v Tossa's; OShores Tavern v Mullum2Pub's; Shafter's v WCD's; Dilligaf Bye. Delegate meeting Mon. GOLF

Mullumbimby Ladies Sat 18/2 Single Stab winner: E Dengate 37; r/up S Slogrove 35. NTP G Parsons; J Griffin. 23/2 4BBB winners: S and R Slogrove; NTP S Slogrove; L winners: S and K Stogrove, NF S Stogrove, L Riches; M Allan; B Woolnough. Pro Pin M Essery 6 balls. WBC G Lynn 34; S Kooaka 32. Thur 2/3 Monthly Medal Stroke Seeded T Club v B Mules, N Dwyer. 1st T: 8.30am S Slogrove, A Mitchell, G Lynn; 8.36am F Gannell, S Kosaka, N Carsburg; 8.42am M Essery, J Neate, L Riches; 8.48am G Mackay, M Crichton, M Allan; 8.52am R Slogrove, B Mules, A Moser. 10th T: 8.30am L Walker, N Dwver, R Wilson: 8.36am T Robbins, E Henshaw, B Woolnough; 8.42am H Armstrong, T Batson, J Beer; 8.48am J Stuart, L Froggatt, M James; 8.52am A Smith, M Trivett. 8.58am G Poynting, G McDonald.
Table Dty G Lynn, L Walker.

Mullumbimby Men

22/2 Single Stab winner: J Power 41: r/up N 22/2 Single Stab Winner: J Power 41; r/up N Whitney 40 c/b. NTP G Fairs 4 balls. 1st Rnd srixon Challenge next Wed. 25/2 Red Marker Challenge winners: Gross B Mott 65, Net L Browning 58; r/up: Gross C James 68, Net S Johnston 60. NTP W Ferrier; B Mott; A Snow; L Browning. Gundies B Mott.

Ocean Shores Ladies

21/2 American Foursomes winners: M Byron, B Thompson; r/up V Loomes, M Murray. Long Drive V Marsh; K Jensen; J Selleck. Vouchers to 72. Thur 23/2 18 Hole Stab: J Bartlett 37. Vouchers to 30 c/ b. Sat 25/2 winners: J Gray 41; r/up L McGowran 38. NTP K Lane. Vouchers to 32 c/b.

Ocean Shores Vets

23/2 4BBB Par winners: H Gould, M Brady; r/up J Price, K Bradford. NTP P Thorley; J Stuart. Capt Pin M Brady. VC Award T Tanner; B Spruce. Scrubbers Ball D Camplejohn, P Osmond.

RUGBY UNION

Brunswick Valley Junior Sign on Fri 3/3, 5pm to 6.30pm at Bruns Sports Fields. All age groups catered for, all games played Fri night. Fees \$60 or \$110 per family. Bring 2 passport size photos and proof of age. Contact Darryl Quigley 6684 7151 or Kaye McDonald 6685 3416 if you cannot make sign on. Assistance to Coach, Manage etc welcome SOUASH

Brunswick Heads

Wed 1/3, Rnd 12. OS Bakery v Cantys Surveyors: B Trivett v S Thompson; L Clarke v G Chandler; R James v W Oliver; R Cross v M Stratton; R King v W Ferrier. OS Glass v Bruns Smash: M Page Smith v B Johnston; M Underwood v L Crandell; P Booth v C Pearce; S Page Smith v J Nicolson; B McCauley v C Johnston, Bruns Pharmacy v Bruns Blinds: S Koop v G Davis; T Wood v I Bissett; J Gribbel v D Runciman; A Li v L Miller; S Moon v Jeff Heers. Mullum Jewellers v Byron Trophies: S Varty v B Staff; C Sleep v C Staff; C Walsh v P Hill; R Cameron v J Heers; S Truesdale v B Doran. Mon 6/3, Rnd 9, Div 1: 5pm, M Page Smith v D Bird; G Davis v A Brooker; 6pm, B Staff v L Powell; S Sleep Bye. Div 2: 5pm, S Varty v M Cassidy; B Trivett v I Bissett; 6pm B Johnston v S Koop. Div 3: pm, J Gribble v W Mahera; 5.30pm M Ottery v M O'Meara; 6pm, R Draper v D Runciman. Div 4: 5pm, R Cross v A Thomas; S Page Smith v R King; A Ronan v C Johnston; 6pm, A Li v J Nicolson. Div 5: 5pm, S Truesdale v S Davidson; B Doran v A Brooker; J Davison v D Williams; M Decarne v A Booth. Phone 6685 1794 to play.

MullumbimbyMixed Comp: Rnd 3, Epee d Sabre 65 to 33;
Rapier d Cutlass 58 to 53. Mens Comp: Rnd 3, Javelin d Slingshots; Boomerang d Darts; Arrows d Spears. Ladies Comp. Rnd 2, Div 1: Mogul d Luge; Nordic d Downhill; Slalom d Snowboard. Div 2: Figure Skating d Biathlon; Ice Dancing d Curling: Speed Skating d Skeleton, Social Tennis Ladies Wed 9.15am start. Sat Mixed Social 2.30pm start. All welcome, membership not required. Enquiries regarding coaching Justin 0403 841 241, all other enquiries Jeanie 6680 4353w or 6680 1330h.

VOLLEYBALL

Brunswick Heads

Tue 28/2, Rnd 11 Carsburg Comp: 6pm, Bugs v Nanas; No Mercy v Flash, Starlights v Chalets; Duty Hit and Run. 7pm, Hit and Run v Pissies; Brewers v Lounge Lizards; Duty Bugs. Thur 2/3, Rnd 10 OS H'ware Comp: 6pm, Bob the Builder v Kit Kats; Can't Touch This v Pink Flamingos; Hot Booties v Fudge Puppies; Sharleens v Elles; Duty Triplets, Hot and Sweaty. 7pm, Triplets v Hot and Sweaty; Exodia v Rock Monsters; Asthmatics v Court Jesters; Squiggles Sisters v Kliblik; Duty Bolters, Desperate Housewives, Vixens, Chilli Twist, Nickies, 3 Girls Byes. Phone 6685 1794 to play, beginners welcome.





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AUCTION March 18 at 12.00 pm Byron Bay Services Club. Open House 59 Armstrong St 11-11.45am Sat 4th & 11th March. What an ideal location! This is an excellent property to invest your money, right near the sand & surf as well as close access to the village tavern & shops. Okay, the house needs some work, but the land size is 752 sqm and level. The owners have other things in mind and are committed to selling. There is no more beachside land to be released, so renovation is now the only way to go. This is an opportunity too good to be missed

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AUCTION ON SITE 11 March 2006 at 2pm. 4 Elfran Avenue, Pottsville Beach NSW 2489. Inspect 2pm every Saturday & Sunday or by appointment. Spectacularly tucked away on 880sqm of absolute beachfront land. Featuring five spacious bedrooms, including kingsize main with ensuite, spa, walk-in robe and private balcony, three living areas, three bathrooms, solar heated hot water, central gourmet kitchen, vacuum maid system throughout, air conditioned office with all internet connections, visual intercom and security system, fully fenced grounds with automatic gates as well as four car accommodation plus room for a

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LJ Hookers Byron Bay p46

27 Beachcomber Drive, Byron Bay. Sat 11am 48 Shirley Street, Byron Bay. Sat 11am. 29 Brandon Street, Suffolk Park. Sat 11am. 19 Corkwood Close, Suffolk Park. Sat 11am 114 Quarry Lane, Ewingsdale. Sat 11am. 4 "Vue" 22 Mahogany Dr, Byron Bay. Sat 12pm 160 Bangalow Road, Byron Bay. Sat 12 pm. 41 Beech Drive, Suffolk Park. Sat 12pm 17 Brookview Court, Ewingsdale. Sat 12pm.

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143 Burringbar Rd, Burringbar. Sat 1.30-2.15pm 7 Old Pacific Highway, Burringbar. Sat 12-1pm.

AUCTIONS

Elders Ballina p47

• 19 Southern Cross Drive, Ballina. In the Richmond Room (behind the Ballina Library in River St.) March 18.

Elders Bangalow p47

• 1-4/9 Colin Street, Bangalow. March 18. Open house Wed 12-1pm and Sat 2-3pm.

Ray White Byron Bay p43

• 64 Billinudgel Road, Billinudgel. At Byron Bay Services Club. March 18 at 12pm. Inspect Sat 4 & 11, 2-3pm.

• 24 Pacific Vista, Byron Bay. Auction March

- 18. Inspect Saturdays 1-1.45pm
- 59 Armstrong St, Byron Bay. At Byron Bay Services Club. March 18 at 12pm. Inspect Sat 4 & 11 11-11 45am

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• 4 Elfran Avenue, Pottsville Beach NSW 2489. On-site March 11 at 2pm. Inspect 2pm every Saturday & Sunday or by



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Auction - Sat 18 March, 2006 in the Richmond Room (behind the Ballina Library in River St.). 19 Southern Cross Dr, Ballina. This 1733sqm site features front and rear access, large modern building with spacious air conditioned showroom, rear warehouse and loading area plus another two areas with high roller doors. The 3 tenants are on new leases giving an excellent income. There is ample off street parking. The owner reluctantly needs to liquidate this blue chip asset. Everyone in Ballina is aware of this landmark property in the Southern Cross Industrial Estate. For further details call David Sommerville at Elders Ballina on 6686 8000, 0404



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Phone owner on 02 6684 5235 or

0438 845 235.

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Ballina



► ► A Modern Classic

Open house Sat March 4 from 12.00 – 1.30pm. Ideally located in one of Bangalow's best streets, this light-filled, Federation cottage has been tastefully transformed into a stylish and modern home. Elegant period features are fused with modern comforts and timeless detail. Pressed-metal 10ft ceilings grace the generous living areas, and stunning hoop-pine french doors lead out to extensive decks. A low maintenance tropical garden ensures you're free to enjoy the tranquility of the setting, with Bangalow's vibrant markets, cafes and shops a short stroll away. One of the finest properties available in this sought-after area.

Contact Frances O'Connor Real Estate on 02 6685 7617. \$729,000.





► ► Charm & Character

Set on almost one acre at Rosebank, this quaint timber home is in an idyllic private setting. It has french doors, wide verandahs, timber floors and high ceilings - its renovation potential is huge.

Contact Brian Grant on 0408 800 555 or Morag Page on 0403 498 648 at George & Fuhrmann.

\$395,000 - \$410,000





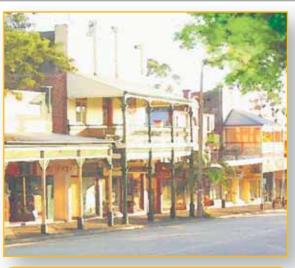
► ► ► The Very Best Of Bangalow

35 Rankin Drive, Bangalow. Open house Sat 1-1.30pm. Elevated rural views, family friendly location, excellent accommodation & short stroll to the village. Modern split-level home, three bedrooms, comprising sitting room/fourth bedroom or study, two bathrooms, well appointed kitchen & large open plan living/dining area. Ideal for the growing family, includes front and rear

verandahs, landscaped gardens and remote double lock-up garage with internal access. Sit back, relax and enjoy!

Contact Simon Thomas 0418 223 160 at Elders Bangalow. \$525,000.



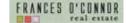


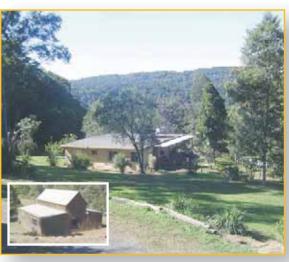
Bangalow Investment Opportunity

Very attractive 73sqm homeware shop in heritage Bangalow's main street showing steady returns and with a large developable hammerhead block behind it. There is an exciting opportunity here to build retail, commercial or restaurant premises behind the present shops. Extensive preparatory work has been done on the development and plans are available. Photo: King-Prime.

Contact Frances O'Connor Real Estate on 02 6685 7617.

\$850.000





▶ ▶ The Hidden Valley

Lovely open plan home, set on 5 glorious green acres, with valley views in a beautiful, peaceful setting in Upper Coopers Creek , just 20 min. from Mullumbimby. This two bedroom home has a citrus orchard as well as an abundance of established fruit trees and rainforest area, all beautifully landscaped. There is a large two storey timber barn/studio with electricity, water and telephone connected. Lots of water (17,000 gallons) plus large dam plumbed for irrigation, and a covered caravan with deck complete the picture. A state forest and a school very nearby.

This property has many special features well worth discovering. Come and see for yourselves! Phone owner on 02 6684 1662.

\$470,000



► ► ► Entry Level Bangalow

AUCTION: March 18, 2006. 1-4/9 Colin Street, Bangalow. Open house Wed 12-1pm and Sat 2-3pm. One of the best real estate opportunities in years! These four recently strata—titled units ideally suit the first home buyer or the astute investor. Located in a quiet cul-de-sac and just a short stroll to the village, each unit comprises of three bedrooms, kitchen/meals area, central lounge, front verandah, rear sundeck and single garage. Choice of four units. Affordable property in Bangalow – hard to secure.

Buy one or buy the lot, either way, you can't go wrong! Fantastic investment opportunity. Contact Simon Thomas 0418 223 160 at Elders Bangalow.

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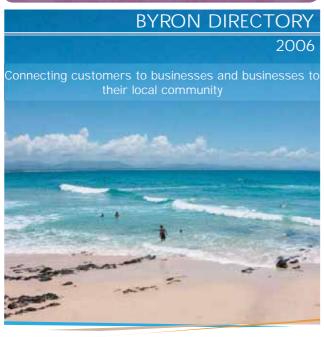
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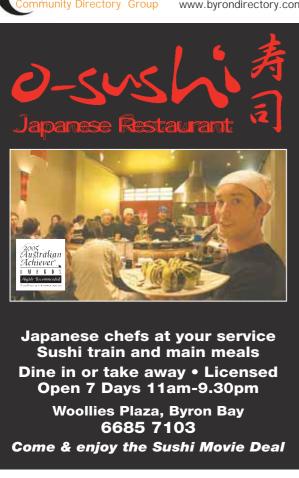


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Students and teachers arrived at Bangalow School on Thursday morning to find the heavy lunch tables had been stacked into a pyramid overnight. Was this an outbreak of vandalism, a work of art or aliens? Despite everyone's initial amusement, the school wasn't laughing when it found the dismantling operation, involving a crane, would eat up \$1,000 out of already stretched funds. Photo Lisa Sharpe

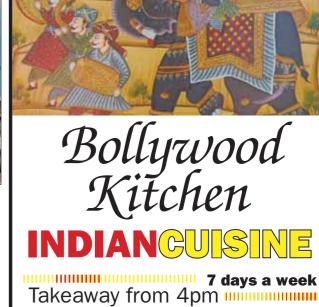
Australia is the favourite destination of some 600 Chinese Budding writers and writers millionaires, according to new to the area would do well this year's Hurun Report to become members of the (www.hurun.net). These Northern Rivers Writers guys have very expensive tastes, so perhaps the Byron Bay merchants might want lous Byron Bay Writers Festo consider a junket – ahem, tival, offers workshops by we mean fact-finding mission – to discover what they can sell the world's new elite (forget fast food and t-shirts made in China). Over the the neophyte. next ten years, tourists from China are expected to The latest feral animal repelbecome worth around \$5.9 lent being trialled by the Unibillion annually to us.

In a survey of employees, recruitment company Talent2 reveals that 61% shop online and 28% do so in company time. There are benefits for the employer, though, says Talent2: 'Being able to jump online to buy groceries and pay the phone bill allows employees more time behind the desk.' The phone bill we can understand but there's a certain pleasure in escaping the computer and walking downtown to buy lunch.

The centre stages the fabuand has a number of published members who can help

versity of Queensland is... tiger poo. The repellent, made of fatty acids and sulphurous compounds extracted from tiger poo, has repelled feral pigs, kangaroos and rabbits and may also deter deer, horses and cattle. We assume the uni will be able to synthesise tiger poo repellent in the future as it's hard to imagine when you get enough tigers to defecate en masse to repel sufficient pests in the wild. Would it be possible to synthesise Satan poo to deter religious cold callers?

Centre (www.nrwc.org.au). experts, provides links to more localised writers groups



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