



Ballina gig an unknown impact on Byron Bay's NYE

Mandy Nolan

A New Years Day festival in Ballina, being promoted as '15 minutes from Byron' may pose a threat to the low key New Years Eve plans for the Bay.

Byron Shire Mayor Jan Barham told *The Echo* she had received no notification about the 'Beats on the Beach' event taking place from neighbouring Ballina Council. 'It shows a lack of respect in the region,' she said. 'The rest of the region has never been shy about criticising Byron about our development, how we've retained culture... but the minute they start realising we have made an iconic destination they all start using it - without advising us that this is going to happen.'

'I am concerned it will encourage more people to the area. With them arriving to attend the New Years Day festival the day before there is a possibility of people coming into

Byron. This is the problem with a commercial event: they are not responsible. Letting them come in and camp the day before and not providing anything for them, it's a no-brainer that they are going to head into Byron.'

Inspector Owen King of Byron Bay Police reiterated Mayor Barham's concern. 'We honestly don't know if it will increase or decrease the numbers here,' he said. 'It's an unknown from our point of view. I know that Inspector Larkin [of Ballina Police] is working very closely with the event organisers and they are treating it like Splendour in the Grass or the Blues Festival.'

He was however confident that policing levels would maintain the calm and achieve the NYE Safety Committee's goal. 'I don't feel that this will get us off target because the focus on Byron has become family oriented.'

Beats on the Beach is a one day music festival to be held at Kingsford Smith Park in Ballina from 10am New Years Day. Attracting a demographic of 15-35 year olds the festival has been approved to ticket 9,000 people. Camping is available for up to 2,000.

Sam Speight of Sydney based promotions and event company, Audio Trade, didn't feel that the event posed any risk to the safety strategies in Byron Bay.

'The first year is somewhat of a testing ground, certainly for Ballina Council,' Mr Speight said. 'We are quietly confident it is going to work the way we intended.'

'We are aware there is some trepidation in the community about the uncontrolled nature of things that may have previously happened in the local area. We have a team of ten security guards on the grounds from the minute it opens. There

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Wind turbine cranks up



Mayor Jan Barham, right, launched the Shire's first wind turbine at Myocum with ReGenesis managing director Danielle Leonard. Photo Jeff 'Endless Wind' Dawson

The first wind turbine of its kind in the Northern Rivers region was launched at the ReGenesis farm in Myocum last Wednesday. The farm - its projects include regeneration, timber plantations, food production and composting - will use the turbine to offset the power used for the farm's irrigation system and cool room.

According to managing director Danielle Leonard, the 20 kilowatt Westwind turbine is grid interactive and will save over 1,000 tonnes of greenhouse gases from entering the atmosphere in its lifetime. 'This small turbine could power three conventional homes or up to ten

houses that combine energy efficient design with energy efficient appliances.'

Byron Shire Council will monitor noise and fauna impacts over a twelve month period. The project has attracted community concerns for fauna, noise, visual impacts, bird and paraglider safety. According to Ms Leonard the the turbine 'is about as noisy as a household electric fan'.

'Wind energy is already competitive as a mainstream source of energy,' Ms Leonard said. 'Photovoltaics [solar] is very close to hitting that point as well. The only

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Bangalow shows its calves



And they're pretty cute. The calves, their mums, bulls, horses, poultry, feathered friends, dogs, reptiles and trick bipeds all contributed to a very colourful, successful show held in perfect weather. Photo Jeff 'Herd Mentality' Dawson

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will be two members of the local police specifically in the camp ground and the camping area is alcohol, fire and pet free.

Asked if an alcohol free camping ground may encourage NYE campers to seek alternative activities, Mr Speight said, 'The NYE camp is intended for an older demographic who want to spend a quiet New Years Eve, chilling out in a quiet environment with a glass of wine. On New Years Eve we will be using the campground stage to present low level entertainment - spoken word and acoustic - and we will be operating a bar in the licensed area.'

The organisers are currently addressing strategies to deal with the younger demographic. 'We are looking at a small scale solution to provide louder entertainment for a maximum of 500 people as a safeguard solution for the five or ten people who may turn up [on NYE]. The problem we are faced with is that no-one wants to do anything, particularly with amplified music.'

The Beats on the Beach Festival organisers are excited

to launch their festival, recognising that Ballina is one of the fastest growing regional areas in the country. 'This area is pegged for huge economic growth and if we can get in on the ground level and grow in tandem with the local community then we can become part of its growth,' Mr Speight said.

The Kingsford Smith Park site has the potential to host up to 12,000 punters, but once the event grows beyond that the organisers are planning to find a new site.

'This is very much a long term development and we really want to develop some resonance in the local area,' Mr Speight said. 'We will get involved with the arts community and build a foundation of local people rather than just tourists.'

With this in view, Mayor Barham reflected on the need to operate as a united region: 'We have had initial discussions about developing a regional cultural plan and this a perfect example of why we need it. You don't want to clash with events, you don't want to undermine other events and you want to be able to achieve something that is regionally good.'

Wind turbine

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reason wind is not coming up better than coal powered stations in a cost benefit analysis at the moment is that coal power stations are already built and paid for so their installation costs don't get factored into the equation.'

Ms Leonard claims a profound socioeconomic change is now gathering momentum around Australia regarding climate change and green energy. 'With the current attention of the media and growing public awareness on climate change, the future for this turbine - and green energy in general - is looking more favourable than it was

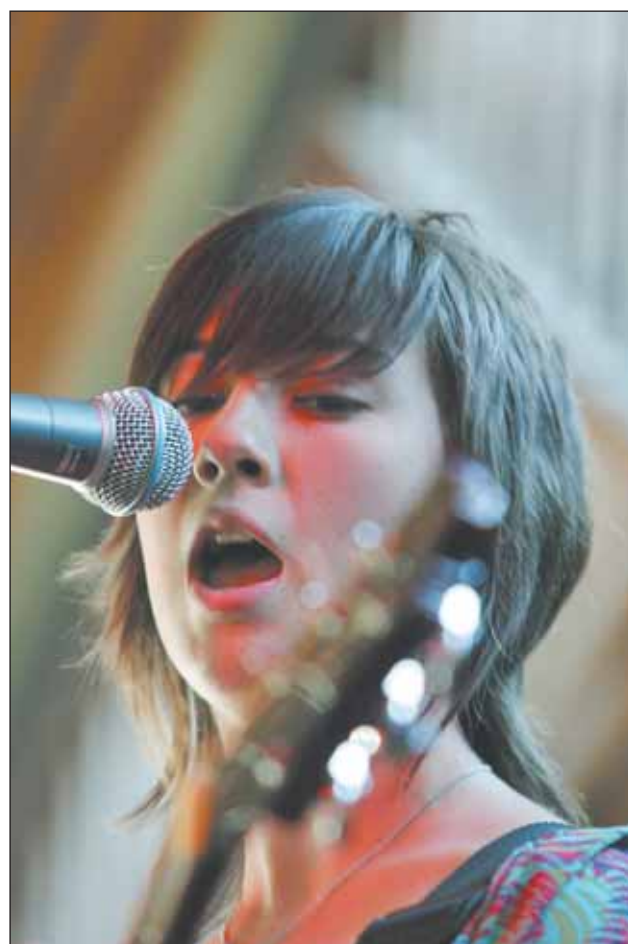
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'Small windmills and photovoltaic cells distributed widely throughout the grid provide green energy and at the same time increase our energy security. Al Gore speaks of this and calls it an 'electra net' or 'smart grid' and uses the internet as a viable decentralised and therefore more secure model.

'I think we can put Byron Shire back on the map as an Australian and international leader in terms of creating and implementing innovative green solutions to local and global problems.'

For more information visit www.regenesis.com.au.

She writes the songs



Mullum High year 9 singer Darcy Dexter sang a couple of her own songs at the Beach Hotel last Sunday. Darcy is part of the Youth Vocal Locals program organised to showcase some of the great young talent recognised at the recent Bangalow Songwriters Festival. Photo Jeff 'Australian Idle' Dawson

Buy art for The Buttery

This weekend The Buttery will stage the Bangalow Affordable Art Sale to raise funds for its new building. Event organiser Dee Tipping said the new building will be a state of the art healing centre which will address maintenance and environmental issues, with a dedicated art room for art therapy classes. 'As part of The Buttery Fundraising Through The Arts Program we decided a pre Christmas sale of affordable art would give people an opportunity to see a wonder-

ful catalogue of selected artists' work with a price tag of \$50-\$950,' Ms Tipping said.

Work by over 25 artists will be hung, including Camilla Connolly, Lei Lei Joy, Peta Laurisen, Birgit Henstorff and Sean O'Shea.'

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School's out forever – hanging out in bars, doing shots at midday, behaving like teenagers! Jo Templin and her Canterbury High (Melbourne) mates paint the town pineapple and orange, here caught in a Jonson Street juicebar knockin' back wheatgrass shots like there's no tomorrow. On a slightly more serious note, Byron Bay police will be keeping an eye on schoolies over the coming weeks. Please be wary of drink spiking and like, don't totally have an eppy. Photo Jeff 'Juiced To The Eyeballs' Dawson

Byron Bay business groups fly united

Hans Lovejoy

Byron United is the new and improved Byron Bay Chamber of Commerce; it's an amalgamation of business, tourist and holiday letting interest groups.

The group was officially set up last week and includes a change in leadership and increased membership as it encompasses more of the business community. Its president is Green Garage and Five Star proprietor Ed Ahern.

'One of the biggest problems we have here is traffic,' Mr Ahern told *The Echo*, 'Byron United will be putting forward plans to eventually build more car spaces in the

town to make the streets safer to walk through.

'There's no need to have 25,000 cars come past the only roundabout in the centre of the shopping precinct. Currently the NSW government won't allow more than one crossing in the town. If that's the case, we propose having the crossing at Mitre 10 to divert traffic around the town. This dramatic change can only have a positive affect on the landscape of the town.

'We have had a lot of consultations regarding shaping the future of this town. We have had contributions and advice from academics and industry leaders con-

cerning how best to make improvements.

'One proposal includes a deck that sits over the water at Main Beach. We need to invest in infrastructure so that Byron Bay maintains its unique position as a fantastic place to live and as a holiday destination. There are plenty of Ballinas around Australia but only one Byron Bay.

'Eight hundred thousand people visit Vietnam every year, compared to over 1.7 million for our tiny little town. It would be great to see our town better managed and accommodate those people.'

While distancing himself from political divides,

Mr Ahern maintains his willingness to work with council and government.

'An open invitation goes out to all councillors to be involved and come to our meetings,' he said. 'Both Crs Bob Tardif and Ross Tucker have been very supportive and have attended our meetings and we hope to see more councillors there.'

Mr Ahern also claims there is \$200 million available from the state government for public art projects on crown land.

More information about Byron United is available online at www.byronbay-chamber.net or call 6680 8853.



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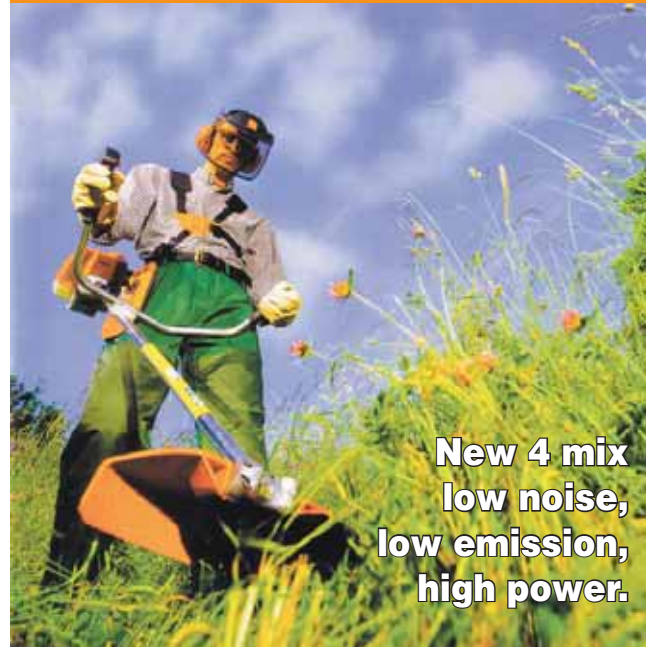
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Mullum supermarket plan approved

Lou Beaumont

The supermarket proposed for the vacant site running along Station Street, Mullumbimby, and adjacent to the railway line, has been approved by the Department of Planning. The 2,500 square metre Mallams supermarket will be constructed on surplus government land, currently owned by RailCorp but not required for future rail needs.

Department of Planning director-general Sam Haddad, said, 'This supermarket will be the first full-line supermarket to be built in Mullumbimby and its construction will bring about a number of significant benefits for the town's residents and businesses. When completed, the supermarket will create 43 new full-time and part-time jobs.'

'Relieved'

Chris Mallam, whose family has run businesses in Mullumbimby for 104 years, said, 'We are pleased to have the approval from the Department of Planning. We are also relieved to hear the news as this process has been continuing now for five years. However, the development approval is still subject to a number of conditions for each of the two stages of the project and we will move cautiously through fulfilling those conditions in order to get to the next stage.'

Mr Haddad elaborates,

'The primary conditions to be fulfilled before the project goes ahead are related to improving existing roads and intersections to ensure road safety. The conditions support works such as the construction of a roundabout at the intersection of Station, Burringbar and Argyle Streets and the upgrading of parts of Station and Tincogan Streets.'

The socioeconomic impact statement for the proposal states that currently only 50.9% of residents shop in Mullumbimby. According to this statement, the remaining 49.1% shop around: 28% go to Ocean Shores, 12% to Byron, and the balance is divided between Ballina and Tweed Heads.

Chris Mallam believes these are statistics Mullum cannot afford to continue.

Not happy

Although not everyone opposes the new supermarket, some residents who have been fighting for a rethink on the site usage for years are not happy with the news of the approval.

More specifically, one resident is not convinced the shopper statistics are completely kosher. Former councillor Rhonda Ellis claims when making up the 100% required for the project's statistical analysis, single adults without children were left off the survey, leaving a large percentage of

residents out of the picture, hence skewing the results significantly and leaving room for creativity in the interpretation of the survey results.

Rhonda said, 'I also fail to see how 43 new jobs will be created. Staff from the existing Mallams will be hired in the new supermarket, and who knows what will happen to the jobs people hold in Dennetts and other retail outlets in town. I believe the new store will result in loss of employment opportunities in Mullum, not a gain.'

'No boycott'

'I hear that a boycott of Mallams has been suggested. However, my opinion is that trying to punish Mallams is a bad idea: the shop is not at fault. It's the rezoning of the railway site that is wrong.'

'I support both supermarkets and all the shops in Mullumbimby. The town centre needs two supermarkets and it needs them both in the commercial zone.'

'I will be continuing my talks with the Environmental Defenders Office about where those, including myself, that don't want this site development can go from here. I strongly believe there is still a case to be made against it.'

June Grant, a Station Street resident opposed to the development since the start, 'couldn't be more disappointed' by the news.

'Myself and other residents certainly plan to use the provision for a third party challenge of the development consent.'

Both June and Rhonda agree that the development will irreversibly change the very fabric of the town of Mullumbimby. Those residents and business owners against the supermarket and/or any development on that particular site feel the increase of traffic and the inevitable change to town centre shopping will mean the end of a bike and pedestrian friendly town as well as irrevocably damaging the aesthetics and ambience of Mullum. Other people are in favour of such a development, believing a larger supermarket closer to home that adds extra parking to the town will be convenient if nothing else.

Rally

There will be a rally held this Saturday morning November 25 for those who would like to express their opinion about the state government's decision to approve the supermarket. Mullumbimby residents, business owners, and anyone else concerned should meet at the park behind council chambers at 10:30am. Greens candidate for the seat of Ballina John Bailey will be speaking at the gathering. All welcome to attend, listen and share their views.

Fresh Eyes

During August Brunswick Heads hosted about 25 students and Professor Bull from the Faculty of Architecture Building and Planning, Melbourne University. The student design ideas for Brunswick Heads and a couple of them and Prof Bull are returning to present the final project to the community. The presentation will be displayed on the big screen at the Brunswick Hotel on Thursday November 30, 6pm-7.30pm. Gold coin donation requested.

Hamper appeal

The people of Mullumbimby have an opportunity to support the Christmas Hamper

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PAN 100

Practising Artists Network (PAN) salutes Byron and 100 Years of Local Government in a special exhibition to be held at the Byron Bay Lighthouse December 1 to 17. Artists were asked to address various aspects of local government and history

of the area. Guest curator for this exhibit is Clare Twomey, Lismore. It will open with a public reception on December 1 at 5pm with opening comments by Deputy Mayor Peter Westheimer.

Everyone is welcome – meet the artists, learn more about Byron history, enjoy light refreshments in the setting sun.

Relay for Life

If you enjoy playing games, exercising and socializing with some friends, think about forming a team for the Cancer Council Relay for Life to be held next year. Last year the Relay held at the Bangalow Showground was such fun that one Mullumbimby team is ready

to nominate again. The Mullum Scrabblers have a new captain and a new name but they are filled with enthusiasm for another fun event that will raise money for cancer work, some of which comes directly back to Mullumbimby in the form of health professionals that run cancer support groups, a Living with Cancer Education Program as well as screening and cancer prevention programs.

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Local News

Lions get Zoe on road to America

Zoe Heynes-Bowles is off to Brazil for six weeks this week thanks to the Lions Club student exchange program. The Lismore Trinity student will also travel to Canada and the US.

'I travelled to Italy last year for three weeks with my school,' Zoe told *The Echo*. 'I was homesick for about three days but after that I loved it and never wanted to come home!'

With her newfound love for travel, her mother suggested the Lions Club exchange so she applied. 'I was lucky to get in as my application was late. My school is also sponsoring the trip, which is a first as they usually sponsor sporting trips and the like.'

Zoe flies to Sao Paulo and will meet her host family. 'I know they have teenagers but I really don't know much more than that. I can speak Italian and luckily there are a lot of similarities between Portuguese and Italian; I know they will speak some English as well.'



Byron United's Ed Ahern, exchange student Zoe Heynes-Bowles and Byron United secretary Diana Liptrot. 'A Taste of Byron' will be presented to the Lions Club in Brazil.

As part of the program, Zoe will give a speech for the Lions Club and will present a book on the Northern Rivers to the Brazilian counterpart.

Flags will also be exchanged.

Born on the Murray River, Zoe and her family travelled around Australia when she

was 4 and moved to the North Coast in 1996. Zoe hopes to be a paediatrician when she leaves school.

Bay FM community station of the year

Byron community broadcaster Bay FM 99.9 has won the Station of the Year Award at this year's annual CBAA awards held in Adelaide. The Community Broadcasting Association of Australia has well over 300 member stations and over 47% of Australians listen to their community station.

'The award is a superb acknowledgement of the wide and ongoing community support for Bay FM over many years - and particularly to all the individuals who have donated their time, services, resources and money over the 19 years of the station's existence,' says Bay FM's management committee. 'We all share this award. The contribution of local businesses, subscribers and supporters is

essential to the running of a non-commercial, non-profit station.'

Bay FM also won the award for Contribution to Indigenous Broadcasting.

Congratulations to Ros Elliott, producer/presenter of the Go Earthcare show on Wednesday mornings. This is Bay FM's 13th award in nine years.

Bay FM will be running courses for broadcasting in its new training studio later next year and anyone hoping to become a presenter is invited to first come in and be a volunteer and get an overall feel for the station. Bay FM is looking for experienced computer systems administrators, web administrators, writers, archivists and a human resources manager.

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New energy group at Eagle Farm day



Ballina MP Don Page, centre, watches Byron New Energy Group member Jarel as Eagle Farm owner Dieter Horstmann looks on during a recent open day at the farm at Tyagarah. Mr Horstmann has built a large shed which will be used for researching and developing new renewable energy resources and machines – find out more at www.byronnewenergy.com,

A penchant for pirates at Spaghetti

Mandy Nolan

If you think over the years you have seen everything that Spaghetti Circus has to offer then think again. ‘Pirate: The Search for the Ultimate Pirate’ is the triumphant result of ten months rehearsal and years of training and commitment to making our kids shine. This is a multimedia theatrical experience, with a live band, animations projected on to three screens and a clever, well-actualised narrative.

The performers have integrated their well-honed circus tricks into the storyline and as a major piece, the

beautiful and innovative staging sees the creative vision of ‘Pirate’ spectacularly realised. My kids were completely transfixed, laughing at the pratfalls, marvelling at the orchestrated chaos of tumbles, flips and slides across a banquet table and generally enjoying the challenge to discover who was the ultimate pirate: the boys or the girls.

There are also moments of incredible beauty, one in particular was the climactic and ecstatic high rope antics of Billie, who was positively beaming with joy as she sailed above the audience. If

I were her parents I would have needed a crate of rescue remedy to cope with the fear factor of watching my daughter dangle by the ankles, swinging vigorously 30 metres skywards.

It’s the sheer energy that is intoxicating and I can only commend the entire team for their magnificent and ambitious project. Support local acts of excellence: there’s a Big Top to fill. Mullumbimby Showgrounds Friday and Saturday at 7.30pm with 1pm matinees on both Saturday and Sunday. Tickets at the door or by phoning 6684 3038.

Climate matters – what to do next

The North Coast Climate Action Group (NCCAG) is holding a free information day on Saturday December 2 at Brunswick Heads Community Centre, 1pm-5pm.

The topics to be covered include: energy smart steps and energy reduction; Green Power options, ecologically sound steps; models of sustainability; emissions trading; carbon taxes; and political actions. A number of local

businesses and organisations are supporting NCCAG’s initiative and will have displays and information sheets available on the day – displays on solar hot water systems to energy efficient lights. For further information on session times check out the NCCAG website at www.nccag.org or phone 6684 1119.

‘It is important for all of us to get better informed and to look at what we can do to

make a difference,’ said NCCAG convenor Gayle Russell. ‘It is clear that we are experiencing really noticeable climate change – persistent drought, water crises, erratic rainfall patterns, crop failures, hotter than normal weather. Our use of fossil fuels and their emissions has triggered this planetary problem. Things will only get worse from here on in if we do nothing.’



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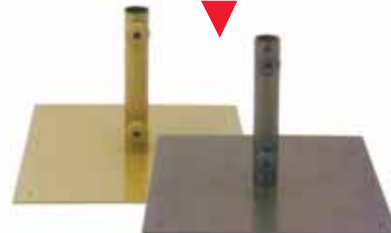
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Council divided on coastline options

Michael McDonald

Byron Shire Council is divided 5-5 on pursuing planned retreat as part of its coastline management options. Mayor Jan Barham broke the deadlock with her casting vote last week while seeking to have climate change recognised as a force in coastline management.

Cr Barham's notice of motion called for Council to 'confirm its commitment to the coastal erosion impact lines as identified in DCP 2002 Part J as a basis for the Coastline Management Plan (CMP) in the interim until such time as the 2007 IPCC [Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change] report and the State Government and CSIRO study on the impacts of climate and adaptation models for the NSW coastline'.

The motion also calls for Council to commit to protecting the Byron Bay Town Centre through retention of the approved works and identify as an action in the plan to investigate the potential for modification to reduce the impact on Belongil Beach; Council determine that the CMP be developed as a document that identifies strategies and actions that are required to implement planned retreat; and that the

project brief for consultants to prepare a CMP be circulated to Council's Coastline Management Committee members to seek input to allow for a revised project brief to be reported back to Council at its December 5 meeting.

Cr Barham described coastline management as a 'long-standing and difficult issue. The brief needs to identify plans and actions; the implementation might take ten years.'

'There is increased recognition of climate change processes. Not one session at the recent Coastal Conference didn't refer to climate change.'

Speaking against the motion, Cr Ross Tucker said planned retreat based on part J of the DCP was not the way to go. 'It has been fraught with problems. It is a simple job - stick with planned retreat; allow people to protect their properties; or have a mix of the two.'

'We must come to grips with the way forward - does anyone suggest that by 2007 we'll be given any clearer guidance?'

'I don't have any faith in the dysfunctional nature of the coastline committee. At the last meeting from 10 to 3 one item of business was

dealt with. One member walked out at 1.20 and the committee loses its quorum.'

'This has been on our books since 1995 and we're not progressing.'

Cr Tom Tabart said, 'Ross Tucker is a global warming non-believer. He can't realise how serious this is. Even the prime minister has been dragged kicking and screaming through the coal dust on this issue. It is going to overwhelm everything as far as coastal processes go.'

Planning staff's original recommendation was to put out to tender a project brief for the preparation of a coastline management plan. Council was also to advise its consultants WBM Oceanics Australia it could not afford its services for the next stage of work on the plan. Council has a budget of up to \$80,000 and has not sought legal advice on the brief.

During public access Belongil resident and CMC member John Vaughan told Councillors that there was no need to adopt planned retreat as an option as the coastline was not retreating. He said the erosion at Belongil was caused by the rock wall at Main Beach.

In a letter to Councillors of November 9 Mr Vaughan said the CMP contemplated

by the project brief proposed by planning staff would not meet the mandatory requirements of the Coastal Protection Act. 'The project brief contemplates further works on the Jonson Street structures, which would exacerbate the realignment of Belongil Beach and constitute further legal wrongs committed by Council,' Mr Vaughan wrote.

He urged Councillors to seek legal advice on the next steps to be taken. Mr Vaughan has spent \$22,000 on his own legal advice on coastline proposals.

According to Council's CMP project brief, the CMC was formed in 1997 but has not met for some of the time in the last nine years. A coastline values study and hazard definition study were adopted in December 2000.

Council then adopted a coastline management study and reinforced its planned retreat position in December 2004.

The CMC was reconvened in August this year.

If and when Council puts a coastline management plan together, it will have to go on public exhibition and be reviewed by the state government.

See more on the IPCC at www.ipcc.ch.

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Big on plans

Big on plans, short on action? The NSW government, currently mired in scandal, has pulled out some good plans over the years. Remember PlanFirst, the statewide planning scheme which was meant to revolutionise town planning? That was scrapped and replaced in part by a Local Environmental Plan (LEP) template which is in the process of being modified.

Now we have The State Plan (www.nsw.gov.au/stateplan), a new direction for NSW, according to premier lemma. In its introduction it gives a feelgood gloss on community consultation and expectations, and then goes on to set out targets for services, such as health and education. Overall it's a set of promises, a kind of blueprint which every organisation puts together from time to time. A blueprint is only as good as the action it engenders on the ground. For example, where the Plan says it will protect biodiversity, will that really happen the next time one of the government's mates wants to build something big on the coastline?

Having a plan makes you look like you're organised and focussed and prepared to lead. That's the impression Labor's spin doctors hope to get across. Given the amount of money that's being spent on promoting The Plan, it's obviously a central plank in Labor's platform in the lead-up to the March 2007 election. Perhaps they led with one of their big planks too soon. By the time the silly season has passed most people will have forgotten about The Plan; it will be time then to pull out the pork barrel for specific locations.

On the north coast The Plan hasn't attracted much praise or blame apart from the Libs/Nats predictably bagging it. The most considered response comes from the social service sector. The Northern Rivers Social Development Council (NRSDC) welcomed The Plan and hoped the resources available to meet the targets would be better elaborated on.

NRSDC's CEO Tim Childs said, 'NRSDC is disappointed that targets in some significant sections of the Plan are less well developed than expected, particularly in the chronic areas of regional housing affordability and transport needs for the communities of the north coast. While there is a target for reducing the hospital admission rate of Aboriginal people, there is no target for closing the gap in life expectancy rates between Aboriginal people and the general population. The elimination of health inequalities must go beyond hospital admission rates.'

NRSDC President Jenny Dowell said, 'The lack of a new Homelessness Strategy in the Plan is very disappointing. Homelessness and housing affordability are two of the biggest issues facing this state and in particular facing communities on the far north coast.'

Targets and strategies are all well and good. Whether the electorate believes Labor can (or even intends to) deliver on The Plan will be seen on March 24, 2007.

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In search of reality with Kimbo

You have to feel sorry for Kim Beazley.

Just as the polls are reviving the old doubts about whether he is actually getting through to the electorate, he makes another of those silly gaffes – perhaps they should be called kimboisms.

On hearing the name Rove, his mind leaps not to the popular television entertainer whose wife's early death has been in the news all week, but to a discredited American backroom politician. Given his preoccupations the slip was entirely explicable, understandable and excusable – and quite possibly fatal.

It suggests, yet again, that Beazley suffers from that most damnable of all political sins: He is Out of Touch with Ordinary Australians. He lives in a rarefied world which is not relieved by the normal pursuits of the footy, the pub and above all the telly. How, then, can he claim leadership of the party of the common man (and woman)? Who, and what, does he really stand for? And how can you trust him to face up to that quintessentially commonplace figure whose very name confirms his ordinariness, John (forget the Winston) Howard?

It has been frequently said of Beazley (by me, among others) that people like him and admire him, but they just don't see him as a leader. But that's not the whole problem; one of the reasons the punters find it hard to give him whole-hearted support is that they really can't identify with him. His concerns are not their concerns.

This has been true of other leaders of course – Gough Whitlam's perceived persona was about as far removed from that of the man in the street as it was possible to be

without a total genetic makeover. But what Whitlam lacked in immediate empathy he made up in conviction, boldness and clarity. These are three qualities which, alas, Beazley seems unable to master.

For this reason alone the doubts about whether the two-time loser can out-perform the master rodent this time around are well-founded; but for the same reason talk of replacing him with Kevin Rudd owes more to desperation than logic.

I'll confess to warming to Rudd in recent weeks; I have

himself once filled with a breathtaking lack of distinction. He appears likely to overcome the handicap of never having held ministerial rank far more easily than his opposite number ever did.

But having said all that, Rudd still shares most of Beazley's setbacks about relating to the electorate. Whether he could develop the common touch – throw the switch to vaudeville, as Paul Keating memorably put it – in time for the next election must be doubtful.

But he would be wise to start practising. Beazley and

blasts Labor.' The Secretary of State actually defends official Washington policy – well, who would have thunk it.)

In Melbourne Peter Costello hosted the G20, a talk-fest for bankers and finance ministers marred less by crazed demonstrators than by his brother Tim's stringent and salient criticisms.

And in Nairobi, at the World Climate Change Conference, our fearless Environment Minister Ian Campbell was allowed to look on as the rest of the world dismissed his and his country's position as selfish, parochial and irrelevant.

During coffee breaks, the only time he was allowed to speak, Campbell bravely tried to interest some of the delegates in Howard's vague plans for a new Kyoto. His press releases heroically claim that those approached were received with muted expressions of delight; more objective observers talk of incomprehension and derision. But whatever the spin, the undeniable fact is that despite Howard's boosting of his AP6 alternative, Australia (and its sole ally, the US) are now well and truly out of the loop and will remain so until they stop sulking and return to the mainstream.

This perhaps puts in perspective an incident at APEC, during which it was noted excitedly that George Bush not only had a private dinner together, but after that a private lunch as well. The dancing bears in both Washington and Canberra cheered at this illustration of the closeness, even the intimacy of the relationship. A more cynical explanation might be that no-one else wanted to talk to them.

Never mind, they still have each other. For a while, at least.

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by Mungo MacCallum



previously dismissed him as an unctuous, effete, smart-arse god-botherer, but am now prepared to admit that beneath this unappealing facade there lurks a politician of substance. His writings, particularly two essays in *The Monthly*, reveal both intellect and passion, a fire in the brain and in the belly that are often sadly missing in today's Labor party.

As a parliamentary tactician he seldom puts a foot wrong and can master a complex brief with ease – his demolition of Alexander Downer over the wheat-for-weapons scandal has been masterly, even given the fact that Downer has always been a relatively soft target. No wonder Downer appears nervous about the prospect of Rudd becoming opposition leader, a post Downer

his supporters are still determined, but the swell of unease in the ranks both inside and outside caucus is building up. His next kimboism could be his last.

It has been a week that has seen the Australian government in international stage-strutting mode.

In Hanoi at the APEC summit our Dear Leader, resplendent in a blue silk dress (the same shade as George's, of course) spared no-one in his denunciations of North Korea and his pleas to restart the Doha round of trade talks, and even if the rhetoric didn't actually achieve much, at least it made headlines at home.

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a traveller's two boxes of bonbons (crackers). What will be next? Bubble gum, ill-fitting dentures and whoopy cushions? 'Loud' foods such as carrot sticks, apples and potato crisps?

Henk Verhoeven
 Beacon Hill

Progress

Progress: Stone Age, Bronze Age, Iron Age, Atomic Age, Ironic Age.

Jim Nutter
 Main Arm

Cold comfort

The Darling-Murray basin has been dying for a long time – six months water left, how comforting!

Local and Sydney papers have been full of letters to editors with responses from 'told you 30 years ago', to 'the planet is changing and warming of its own volition' – always has, always will.

But be damned the pro-

cess be accelerated by our excessive abuse of 'our' planet, all in the name of economics.

Our world weather pattern is as disturbing as our politics, and nuclear power disturbingly adds to the chaos.

D Taminiau
 Mullumbimby

Powerless

People need to be aware of the unbelievable situation at Ocean Shores with the Brunswick Yelgun bypass. Those who live in Ocean Shores are abundantly aware that it is not possible to get in or out of any Ocean Shores with any degree of safety.

Of late, the traffic hold-ups as people attempt to drive into any of the entrances or exits are nothing short of a catastrophe. Traffic is banked up along the highway, traffic is banked up along the internal roads of Ocean Shores with B Doubles struggling to

get through roundabouts never designed to carry these huge trucks.

I attempted to call the relevant person in charge of this operation at the RTA, assuming the NSW government has some involvement in the project. No way, José.

I was told by the 'RTA Office Manager on site' that she was forbidden to speak to the public. Furthermore, the contract between Abi Group and RTA made provisions which forbade any RTA officer speaking to the public about the nightmare mess.

Oh great. So we now have a private company signing contracts with the government which preclude the public interest and prevent any officer of the RTA speaking to the public about the responsibility of government?

All complaints are directed to the person employed by Abi Group to take complaints. These complaints

have nil effect. Nothing is done. Traffic controllers are employed only to facilitate the Abi Group in its work efforts. Traffic snarls and gridlock are not the concern of Abi or the RTA.

If ever there was a case for a class action against the Abi Group and the NSW government, this is the moment. People cannot get to work, they cannot go about their daily business. In an emergency I dread to think how any ambulance could get in or anyone could get out.

We have an appalling situation happening with Christmas just around the corner. The possibility of Ocean Shores residents being incarcerated in their community by the traffic gridlock is only too real.

If the government is signing contracts which do not allow government employees to take complaints, we have effectively handed over power

to corporations. Who needs a High Court decision, it's already happening in this state.

Sue Arnold
 Ocean Shores

ABC cleansing

Well might Richard Heale (Letters, November 14) ask the ABC Board why it axed *The Glasshouse*, a satirical program screened weekly on ABC TV.

Well might he ask whether we Australians should be concerned here about censorship or darker issues.

Well might I assert that a complaint from Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (appointed, not elected, she filled a vacancy) of Wollongong, the incumbent ABC-botherer, could be the cause of *The Glasshouse's* demise; not that a Coalition-stacked and opaque board would come clean.

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Time for a test

There was a lot of talk concerning cutting a large slab of ice from Antarctica and transporting it to our coast and utilising the pristine water to resolve our water problem. With those large icebergs floating off NZ and most of the transport costs taken care of, it appears to be the opportune time to test the merit of the theory.

K Hansen
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Might we all ask a number of questions of the ABC Board and its newly appointed Managing Director Mark Scott. Was political pressure applied here too, in regard to the new editorial guidelines:

- to choose the Sydney Institute as the venue for their launch (Director Gerard Henderson is an acknowledged ABC detractor);

- to delete two paragraphs of support for Aboriginal culture and a requirement for consultation with them in media matters;

- to delete support for investigative journalism and reporting;

- to suspend for a month broadcaster Peter Hand, upon a complaint from Senator Fierravanti-Wells in regard to an interview with a federal minister. Upon resuming work he has been kept from on-air activities indefinitely (this case has been highly controversial with Peter Hand being widely supported).

A final query might doubt the wisdom of using taxpayer funds to create a new position of Director of Editorial to 'interpret' the new guidelines at a salary of \$280,000, together with his/her entourage and requiring a huge training program – the objective, 'detailed reporting and monitoring'.

Many questions indeed to be asked of the 'cultural warriors' of just how balance can be achieved when the guidelines are so narrow and so biased!

Jill Keogh
Federal

Human equality

On November 14 South Africa became the world's fifth country to legalise same-sex marriage.

That's no surprise; it's where people of different races were once jailed if they married. It has a far stronger sense of the value of human love and commitment than this 'poor fella my country' that we call Australia.

Their new law allows 'the voluntary union of two persons, which is solemnised and registered by either a marriage or civil union'. Same sex couples in South Africa already have adoption rights and full domestic partner benefits.

South African churches can refuse to perform same-sex marriages. That's a private matter for them. What churches like or don't like cannot dictate public policy in a secular democracy. Our constitution, too, requires separation of religion and state.

As with climate change, so with human equality. Australia – under this blindfolded, medieval-minded government – continues to slip further and further behind the rest of the world. Every day sees another step towards neo-fascism. Human rights get regularly traded off for economic gain (or the holy cow of 'security').

The best thing in sight for relationships justice will be early next year. The Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission will report on the reform of all federal legislation discriminating against same-sex couples.

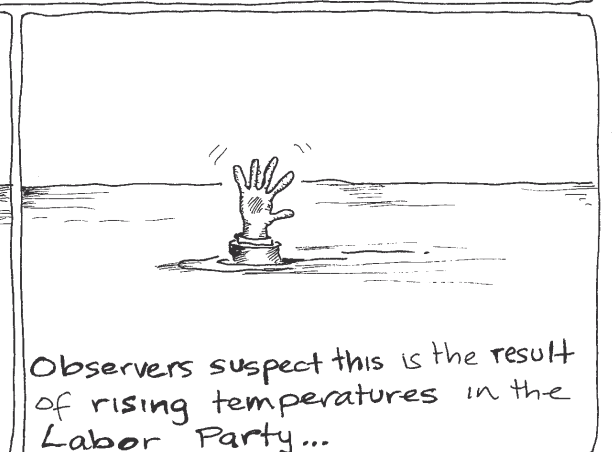
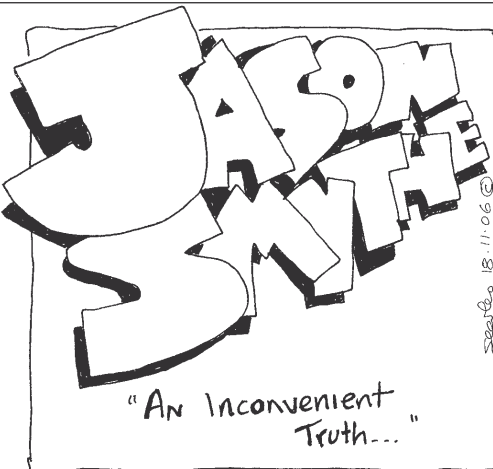
What this government decides to do with it will be another matter. We'll respond to that come next October's federal election, when Howard gets dumped on the scrapheap beside Bush and Blair.

Lee Andresen
East Ballina

Last man standing?

While I have rarely been in agreement with Cr Ross Tucker politically or philosophically and know his friends are not mine, I have nevertheless always respected his intelligent grasp of issues so was somewhat stunned when, at last Tuesday's meeting, he reaffirmed his previous stand on climate change/global warming: complete denial.

I suppose it wouldn't do any good to suggest he see the Al Gore film but a few



other councillors might benefit. Once again the mayor had to use her casting vote to put through an environmentally sound motion, essentially to retain the current 'planned retreat' coastline policy until all relevant data has been collected.

Even the Sheriff and his (our) devoted Deputy appear to be shifting ground; perhaps Ross wants to be last man standing? If so, Terry Hudson could hold his hand...

Jenny Coman
Bangalow

Rural settlement

I agree with Simone DeWaal's letter concerning the need for more affordable housing in rural areas (October 7). There is no proven demand for expensive suburban style subdivisions out in remote rural hinterlands, like Main Arm and Federal. Building up to 135 new homes in Main Arm makes no sense economically or socially.

With shares in land starting at around \$300,000, plus the cost of building, prices will be way out of reach for

most locals, and will also create an upward pressure on the rental market. Main Arm is still one of the few remaining areas in the shire offering diverse affordable housing solutions to shire residents.

Residents in Main Arm have been almost universally opposed to the plans to urbanise their rural area. You can't blame them. The negative social impacts, with such huge increases in population, would be devastating to those who live in this remote, peaceful, lightly populated hinterland area.

Ms DeWaal's idea to allow a second legal house on rural properties for use as a rental is spot on and very timely. It would greatly help the affordable housing issue, and raise more money for Council, whilst having a minimal impact on the social amenity of existing residents. It would disperse rural settlement more evenly around the shire, rather than focusing it in only a few areas.

Without the availability of essential services near these proposed developments, new residents will still have to

depend on driving their cars to town – making a mockery of the idea that CT village development will make people less reliant on car journeys and therefore more environmentally friendly.

I urge Council to respect community wishes and vote against the Main Arm rezoning. Creating new community title subdivisions closer to our towns, as originally called for in the Rural Settlement Strategy, makes more sense in terms of sustainability. New rural settlement in these areas would have minimal social impact, and would not require the millions needed to upgrade the roads to safe standards.

Sylvia Saperstein
Main Arm

Success!

Some weeks ago (June 21), I wrote a letter having a whinge about the haphazard delivery of *The Echo* each week. What a difference a letter makes!

Since then deliveries have become more consistent, generally arriving late Tuesday or early Wednesday. On one occasion the paper even landed in the paper tube of

the letterbox. What a good shot!

Thank you, *Echo*, thank you, delivery people, for the improvement.

Barbara Sayers
Suffolk Park

In agreement

Rupert Murdoch has advised Australians not to be disagreeable to Americans.

We have more in agreement with the American people than Rupert realises. Most Australians dislike the American government and according to the results of their recent Senate elections most American people dislike them, too.

Peggy Balfour
Mullumbimby

Cool it

Gayle Russell's demonising of air conditioning (Letters, November 14) requires some qualification. Firstly the wiring price of \$12,000 to \$15,000 to supply electricity to the house would be the same whether you have A/C or not. An air conditioner is just an electrical appliance, like a plasma TV or compu-

NORTH COAST AREA HEALTH SERVICE NSW HEALTH

Invitation to meet North Coast Area Health Advisory Council

North Coast Area Health Service (NCAHS) Area Health Advisory Council (AHAC) invites members of the community to meet with AHAC members to discuss important local and statewide health priorities.

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The AHAC was appointed by the Minister of Health, John Hatzistergos, in 2005 to work with NCAHS to ensure that clinicians and the community are effectively engaged and consulted.

Further details please phone 6588 2915

Differing views on the Wooyung resort

■ Certain misinformation surrounding the Wooyung Eco Resort could be misleading the communities of Pottsville and Wooyung. As a past president of the Pottsville Business Association, I see the economic spinoffs that this project will create as a massive boost to the community, providing an immediate 400 jobs.

It is proposed to have a positive economic impact similar to that of the communities of Salt and Casuarina. I read with interest comments from a minority group headed by Chris Cherry, who has concerns on behalf

of the community regarding the eco resort. Firstly, Ms Cherry does not represent the broader Wooyung community, and to suggest otherwise is factually incorrect. It is my concern that Ms Cherry's ill-informed campaign may have a detrimental affect on the future prosperity of the region. It has also come to my attention that Ms Cherry's has a vested interest in opposing the project, as her parents own a caravan park across the road from the site.

It is my understanding that the developer is currently conducting further environ-

mental studies to allay Ms Cherry's concerns, on a site that has been previously sand mined. It is also widely recognised that just 15 per cent of the site is to be developed, the remainder of which will be preserved.

Jeff Smith
Pottsville

■ Over the last two years, Ocean Shores, along with the Gold Coast, has been declared a natural disaster zone several times. Nature had a co-conspirator in irresponsible development and an ill-managed water table.

Now the threat of wors-

ened flooding rears its head with the green light for the 18 year old plans for a Wooyung lake-resort development. These outdated plans see soil barriers erected which would cause excess water from the area to again rush south and trouble the populations from North Golden Beach southwards.

Clearly the development is not sustainable in its current form and needs to be re-aligned to meet today's standards of water management. Let's not call another disaster down upon us.

Bruce Cherry
Wooyung

Letters

Adults are sexual beings: some pay for services

■ I agree with Adrian Gattenhof's letter of last week but was quite stunned by Maggi Luke's. I thought feminism included supporting women in their choice of employment and that providing them with a safe working environment was a good thing.

Does Maggi assume that if there are no visible brothels, there is no prostitution? A cursory glance at the 'Only Adults' or 'Social Escorts' classifieds in *The Echo* confirms that sexual services for money are already being offered in the area. There is no way of knowing whether those offering these services are doing so in circumstances that are safe for them, or indeed their families.

Surely male patrons of a brothel are there to have sex with adult women, so where

is the threat to the children in the area? In the context of a legal brothel, the transaction is a consensual agreement between two adults. As a feminist I feel it is about time women stopped belittling other women for choosing this profession.

Cass Emanuel
Mullumbimby

■ My, my, my, I can't believe the inundation of objections to the recently approved DA for a brothel in Byron Bay. Maggi Luke, you say so many puzzling things to me. Have you seriously sat down and thought about it truly?

A brothel is a legally run business, most towns have them. There is a need for them. It does not promote promiscuity, nor feed paedophiles; it does not harbour malicious outcomes on soci-

ety. The article Mandy Nolan wrote was a brilliant article, but it is not connected to brothels, but rather an insidious culture that is growing in our youth.

Adults are sexual beings; there are many adults who cannot get their sexual relief any other way than having a professional service. This includes married people, and believe it or not, Maggi, you may be surprised to learn that some of the clients are even female.

I don't understand why you would think it divides households and pits men against women. The operation of a legal brothel does not give weight to the inequality that still exists in our society. The problems you mention are alive and flourishing, so how can you blame a future business for these

issues? I can't see how you can jump to conclusions that any of society's problems are associated with the oldest profession in the world.

I too am a mother; I feel no threat to my family or their moral code from having a brothel operating in the shire. If anyone has objections, than by all means, exercise your democracy and steer clear of the business and let those who want/need to frequent it, do so.

Jane Keenan
Ocean Shores

■ I have followed the recent letters of concern in *The Echo* re the approved brothel, read Mandy Nolan's recent article and witnessed outrageous behaviour late at night on Byron's streets and at some clubs and music events.

Having read Maggi Luke's

letter of last week, outlining the sexual objectifying of women and the Hultgren's Byron Entertainment Centre's mounting campaign against the brothel, I turned a few pages and there is an advertisement for an event titled School Girl Fling at the Hultgren Centre - the business that is so concerned for children's well being. The young women in the advert, (is she over 18?) with the school book and a rather short and low skirt is offering activities until 6.30am, such as detention, sick bay, locker and recess rooms plus tuck shop. Bang Gang will be DJs and dress code is School Daze. Two dollars per ticket will go to the Uncle Project that is doing its best to mentor boys of single mums.

This is not a function I would be like to see my

daughters attend, as I would be concerned there might be insufficient bouncers to deal with any undesirable predatory males that might be attracted to a School Girl Fling event. The streets around the Hultgren Centre might not be a safe place for women.

Should the brothel one day open its door for business I do hope they have the decency not to also offer School Girl Flings or bang gangs.

Does a regulated brothel, that offers decent pay and safe working conditions necessarily add to the objectifying of women considering what currently bombards young men and women of our community on a gross level?

Garry Scott
Myocum

ter. Watts times run time is the formula to calculate use.

Having worked in the solar industry for over 14 years and the A/C industry for 30 years I feel I am qualified to make certain statements. Firstly the solar A/C quoted by Gayle is an evaporative system. Doesn't work in humid areas like the North Coast. Fine in western NSW. Solar (pv) systems are available now which complement A/C. The cost is still high, but the beauty is the solar system works at its maximum when the A/C requires full load.

If you want to buy an air conditioner buy an inverter model reverse cycle. Consider installing in a smaller room as

an emergency area in times of extreme temperatures. It's going to get a lot hotter. Heating with reverse cycle is much more efficient than using conventional radiators. Inverter A/C uses up 30% less electricity. A few years ago at Christmas dinner the temperature in my home was 42C. This is the time when most people would resort to A/C. Linked with a solar (pv) system this could be carbon neutral. No extra load on the grid. The problem is not the appliance but the way electricity is generated.

I agree with Gayle that building design really needs to look at the way housing is orientated in the environ-

ment. Solar hot water systems should be installed on every house. Made compulsory on new houses with interest free loans to people who wish to convert.

Keith Dunstone
North Ocean Shores

Days are numbered

Mr Howard, like George Bush, your days in power are clearly numbered. It is now time for you to own up to your mistakes, and in doing so, make a start at correcting them. Your borrowed policy on Iraq was doomed to failure from the start, primarily because as George Bush's little helper, you were never acting to liberate the Iraqi people

from a tyrant, you were simply creating a market place for Bush's backers to ply their trade in weaponry, oil, and so called re-construction. Billions of dollars have flowed through the coffers of companies like Haliburton thanks to this war, and untold thousands of Iraqi civilians have been killed in the process.

Mr Howard, it is now time to join the hearts and minds of the majority of people in Australia, the US, and the UK. Acknowledge you were wrong, and get out of Iraq.

Steve Berry
Mullumbimby

■ Letters received from Justin Amanas, Byron Bay, Michael Balson, The Pocket, Sarito Johnston, Byron Bay, Robert Vanderstukken, Brunswick Heads, Clem Rapely, Main Arm, Hannah Grace, Mullumbimby, S Briskey, Burrum Heads.

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Honour thy doof mother, and dance on

Mandy Nolan

Growing children into adults is fraught with anxiety. As the cottonwool approach loses favour, guardians of a new generation allow their offspring the kind of freedoms they used to sneak out of bedroom windows to achieve. So who is watching the children? To date parents have had to trust the good instincts of their kids, the event promoters and attending security, but a Mullumbimby mother has gone one step better and created a novel new nurturing enterprise called the Doof Mamas. They take on a maternal role and watch over the young partygoers.

Jai Manby says the motto of the Doof Mamas is: 'Responsible adults on duty', and according to Jai, 'It's what I have always done anyway. I am a moderate person. I go to parties and the idea has been developed through working with the Exodus Festival. Just recently we had our first job at East Cape and it went really well.'

Jai's mandate is to ensure



Doof Mamas Lynda Brooks and Jai Manby are keen to keep local parties safe.

that everyone has a good time as safely as possible. This entails creating a 'chill space', checking that everyone is hydrated, monitoring intoxication levels, intervening in situations which could lead to violence and providing a friendly ear and soft place to fall. For the Doof Mamas it's about being aware of what is happening throughout the space for the entire event.

'We do dance patrols and get onto the people doing a bit of a self-imposed dance marathon. We get them to re-hydrate and rest... if people are prone I check that they aren't in a diabetic coma. I am a safety monitor, and I'm into harm minimisation. I am really trying to prevent accidents. Youth goes with a thing called immortality and a thing called testosterone... combine that with a Saturday night!'

Seeing herself as 'mother on duty' Jai has identified a need within our community that will keep both the parents and the kids happy. Fully trained in first aid, Jai has contracted her mentor Lynda Brooks who runs Jungle Patrol in Nimbin to assist her as a consultant and staff trainer so she can attend future events.

'It's all about helping

young people have a good time and get home safely,' says Jai. 'We're just keeping it sensible and safe - I am hoping the parents will feel safe about their kids going out because the Doof Mamas are there.'

The Doof Mamas will be officially launched at Mullum under the Stars on December 21 when Jai puts together the entertainment for the street celebrations. She is also initiating safe party campaigns like 'Save a Mate'.

So how do you know when Jai Manby is on duty?

'I wear my wings. That's how you know I am in full party mode. They're all curious... they're like, who's that old party bird?'

To contact the Doof Mamas to keep your event or party safe you can email doofmamas@hotmail.com or phone Jai on 6684 0070.

Girls link up

The Youthlink program of Byron Youth Service provides a valuable and developmental program for female students of Mullumbimby High School.

The girls attend the Widows Cottage in Mullum every Tuesday afternoon and the program is considered to be part of the school curriculum. To date the girls have completed arts and crafts, jewellery making, setting up an eBay business and participated in regular discussion groups.

This term the girls are participating in a 'preparing for work' project. They have completed resumes, are learning how to go for interviews through role-playing, how to apply for a job and so on.

The girls have also been looking at how to 'present' for job interviews and have been tutored in basic hair, nail and skin care and makeup. Products have been donated by Sanctum for the girls to practise with.

The program endeavours to look at developing opportunities to encourage students to make responsible decisions, provide positive learning experiences and relationship building through informal group discussions, target adolescent issues and the adult world, and use interactive learning tools such as photo language cards.

The program also utilises art, group discussions; cooking, videos and skills based activities.

It offers some special time for the girls to reflect on their learning in a friendly environment and provides information on a range of topics relevant to young people such as safe sex, communication skills, anger management, and cultivating an enterprise philosophy.

As well Youthlink provides fun group outings. All the participants have enjoyed a wildlife tour, movie outing and a bowling trip to Tweed Heads.



Melina Stratton, Brodie O'Loughlin and Zannah Tonks participate in the Youthlink program at the Widows Cottage in Mullumbimby.

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Michael Dawson outlines how the new roadside drug testing scheme will work (or not)

The imminent roadside drug testing crash

The NSW Parliament recently passed the Road Transport Legislation Amendment (Drug Testing) Bill 2006. As a result NSW Police now have the power to demand a saliva sample from motorists. The process involves an initial roadside swab of the mouth and if that test returns a positive result, a saliva sample is collected and sent to the laboratory for more rigorous testing known as a 'confirmatory analysis'. The government claims that the program is designed to improve road safety. The facts show, however, that the real agenda is to extend the policing of illegal drugs to the roadside.

In December 2004, Victoria became the first jurisdic-

tion in the world to introduce roadside drug testing. Just before Christmas, Mr John De Jong and two others became the first drivers in the world to return a positive roadside drug test. More exacting tests showed later that two of the three initial tests falsely indicated that the drivers had taken an illegal drug. Later it was revealed that experts had quietly warned the Victorian government of the likelihood of significant numbers of false positives and to be careful about the way the program was publicised. But this advice went unheeded and Mr De Jong, one of the drivers falsely accused of drug driving, was paraded before the media soon after his erro-

neous roadside test result was available. Mr De Jong is still waiting for an apology.

Authorities now assert that subsequent tweaking of the protocols the police use when collecting saliva samples have solved the false positive problem. Time will tell. Meanwhile, more substantive problems remain unresolved, the most important being that we don't yet know which drugs, consumed at what levels, represent a significant threat to road safety.

If the saliva testing program is really about improving road safety, why didn't the designers of the scheme adopt the same seemingly successful risk based approach used for alcohol? That program does not focus on whether or not a driver has drunk any alcohol, but whether the driver has consumed enough alcohol to become intoxicated to the extent he or she is likely to cause harm or even death while in charge of a vehicle.

Extensive experiments established that at a blood alcohol level of 0.05 %, an average driver is twice as likely to have an accident as a driver who has not drunk any alcohol. A blood alcohol level of up to 0.05 % was judged to be an acceptable level of intoxication and of risk. The higher the blood alcohol level above 0.05 %, the more severe the punishment for the driver because of the increasing risk of an accident.

Consistent approach

A consistent approach must be adopted for all drugs that impair driving performance. That is, a standard level of intoxication needs to be established, at and above which it can reasonably be said that driving becomes an unacceptable risk.

But one of the many difficulties involved in doing that is not all drugs that impair driving are illegal, in fact most are not. The NSW saliva testing program looks only at three drugs: the active ingredient in cannabis (delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol [also known as THC]), methylamphetamine, also known as speed, and methylenedioxymethylamphetamine, also known as ecstasy. The last two substances are prohibited drugs and so use is an offence regardless of the level of intoxication and regardless of the impairment of driving performance. However delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol is a Schedule 8 drug and should be subject to the same medical exemption as morphine and cocaine (see below).

The treatment of heroin under the new roadside test-



ing system is very interesting, if not disturbing. The saliva testing screening test deliberately did not include heroin, the illegal drug that arguably causes most problems in our society. Not because there is no test for heroin, but because once in the body heroin is rapidly converted to morphine and therefore, to be effective, any screening test would need to look for morphine not heroin.

Levels of risk

But any test to detect heroin users would also identify those people being treated with morphine for legitimate medical purposes. As a result morphine is not included in the saliva screening test and if the analyst detects morphine when the confirmatory analysis test is carried out in the laboratory, there is a 'get out of jail free' provision included in the legislation for morphine found in the saliva of a person resulting from legitimate use of the drug. But the reality is that a given level of morphine intoxication resulting from legitimate medical treatment represents exactly the same level of risk as the same intensity of morphine intoxication caused by heroin use.

If the saliva drug testing program is really about road safety why wasn't morphine included in the initial screening test? The reason is clear

— many drugs that have legitimate medical uses also cause intoxication and this thorny issue is one that authorities do not want to deal with.

Nevertheless for all those drugs with legitimate uses that do cause impairment, the blood level above which impairment of driving is likely to occur should be established. Driving with a blood concentration above this limit should be an offence in exactly the same way that drink driving is an offence. As is the case with alcohol there should be low, mid and high range offences.

As a community, we have successfully adopted a risk based approach for the legal, albeit demonstrably harmful drug alcohol. But we have now introduced a selective and zero tolerance approach to roadside testing for three specific intoxicants, while ignoring many others.

Major flaws

As things stand there are major flaws in the way the Road Transport Legislation Amendment (Drug Testing) Bill 2006 is written and serious legal complexities will almost certainly arise as a consequence.

An enormous can of worms has been opened, it will clog up the courts for years on end and provide endless work for lawyers, analytical chemists and

expert witnesses.

The millions of dollars spent by the NSW government on the saliva chemical analysis program would be much better spent developing a technology based test which measures driver impairment on the spot. Then each police car could be equipped with a laptop computer on which 'suspect' drivers could be tested. Not only would such a test give an immediate result, it would also be much cheaper and more reliable than the saliva drug testing program.

In our efforts to minimise the risks associated with alcohol and other intoxicants on our roads, we would be best served by keeping the road safety and drug law enforcement agendas separate. Consistency of purpose will ultimately drive the best harm reduction outcomes.

■ Associate Professor Michael Dawson is Head of UTS's Department of Chemistry, Materials and Forensic Science. He applies analytical chemistry research to forensic science, in particular, the clandestine synthesis of illicit drugs and the detection of licit and illicit drugs in biological fluids. Michael regularly appears in court as an expert witness and is a frequent commentator in the media. He is a member of the Pharmaceutical Subcommittee of the Australian Drug Evaluation Committee, the Australian and New Zealand Forensic Science Society, the Australian Academy of Forensic Sciences, the Pharmaceutical Society of Australia, the Royal Australian Chemical Institute and the Australian Drug Law Reform Foundation. Michael is also a Board Member of the charity, Family Drug Support (www.fds.org.au).

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Articles

Men speak out against violence

Mandy Nolan

What can men do to show that they don't support violence against women and children? White Ribbon Day affords men the opportunity to speak out against a culture of violence. The Fatherhood Festival's Colin George has taken on the organisational role for the event which will be taking place at Railway Park on Friday.

According to Colin, 'White Ribbon Day is an initiative by UNIFEM and is about men standing up for respectful relationships with women. That's how I'm putting it because saying men standing up against violence against women is a bit like what Mother Theresa said: I'll go to a peace rally but I won't go to an anti-war rally.'

So do we have a problem with male violence in the Byron region? 'The problem is deeper than do we have violent men. It occurs around the world but in our community we are looking at these issues and addressing them. We need to say, OK, there is violence out there and we won't tolerate it. The real question is what do we want to achieve for the Shire? Rather than focus on what's happening we want to raise the benchmark to what we want.'

Colin acknowledged a cultural acceptance of violence. 'Men are physical creatures and we work on that level. A lot of violence is accepted. Let's take sport. The great thing is that it gives us a code of behaviour to express our physical selves, but often it can spill into inappropriate violence on the field.'

This begs the question, how do men learn to manage anger? The Men's Shed will be attending White Ribbon Day: this Lismore based organisation focuses on training men to identify and manage their emotions. 'They have the most cutting edge programs in the country,'

says Colin. 'They teach practical skills like Traffic Lights, a way of identifying emotions. We don't get a lot of those skills around emotional intelligence. It just isn't on the political agenda to turn our schools into wholistic learning centres.'

Paul Spooner, Director of the Byron Youth Service, will also be there and is encouraging young men to get involved. Paul agreed that we were a high risk community: 'There's a high transient population, a high number of people on social security payments and then feed that into drug and alcohol use.'

Paul also mentioned some of the positives already happening: 'Mullumbimby High is taking on the Rock and Water program which is about young people getting in touch with their feelings. It is an attempt to get young people to explore appropriate behaviour.'

Paul, an experienced youth worker, identifies the link between men's lack of strong male mentoring and violent behaviours. 'Being a man is about looking after the people around you. If young men don't have that role model then they don't always have that influence. They get very confused.'

'I spent three hours with a young guy once. He had a broken bottle to a woman's neck, he was freaking out and very confused. It was a violent, violent situation. I talked him through that through a screen door. He let her go and came out. The whole situation was abhorrent. But he came out and cried. Education should be about getting in touch with emotional understanding.'

Men throughout the shire are encouraged to attend White Ribbon Day at Railway Park on Friday from 10am until 2pm. It's an informal day and entertainment will be provided.

Help Youth House to set up affordable housing

Byron Bay Youth House (BBYH) in partnership with North Coast Community Housing Company has secured three two bedroom units to be used as affordable housing for youth. The units are unfurnished so community support is needed to provide everything from cutlery to furniture and white goods. Long time BBYH staff member Michael Williams will be managing the accommodation in conjunction with Kate De Marco from the North Coast Community Housing Company.

Mr Williams said the accommodation will have some great advantages. Rent will be based on 25% of the young person's income and BBYH will be providing invaluable ongoing case management support to tenants while North Coast



Michael Williams for the Byron Bay Youth House and Kate De Marco from the North Coast Community Housing Company.

Community Housing Company will be responsible for tenancy requirements.

The target group is young people 16-24 years of age, with preference being given

to 16-20 year olds. Tenants will first be supported with a transition phase at the Youth House Crisis Accommodation Service where they are assisted with the develop-

ment and assessment of their living skills. They must be in stable education, training or employment and be willing to participate in case management. The properties will also be covered by a drug and alcohol policy. The Youth House has already received some generous donations from community members in the form of beds and some other items. If you have anything new or used to donate please contact the BBYH on 66857264. BBYH has limited storage space so if you want to donate larger items it would be helpful if you could hold on to them until BBYH can arrange to pick them up.

Once the houses are set up BBYH plans to publicly acknowledge all donations, unless you would prefer to remain anonymous.

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Articles

Barham on organic ag panel

It came as a surprise to Byron Shire Mayor Jan Barham that she is now NSW agriculture minister Ian Macdonald's local government representative on the state's Organic Ministerial Advisory Council. The first thing she knew was through a phone call advising her presence was needed in Bathurst for a meeting.

'Organic agriculture is the strongest growth area in agriculture,' Cr Barham told *The Echo*. 'I talked with the minister during presentations up here on sustainable agriculture and at Regional Cuisine, from which some local businesses picked up good contracts.'

'I'd like to see local agriculture strengthened rather than

have a complete reliance on tourism.'

Bathurst is the site of the government's \$250,000 Organic Industries Initiative at the NSW Department of Primary Industries' (DPI) Agricultural Research and Advisory Station. The initiative funds two new organic agriculture positions and new infrastructure at Bathurst as well as the creation of the NSW Organic Ministerial Advisory Council.

According to the DPI, the NSW organic farm gate value is \$29 million and the national retail value is about \$300 million. The two new staff at Bathurst will take a proactive roll in exploring market development opportunities to help the State's 350 certified organic farms see this market share grow. The initiative aims to achieve this by finding solutions to supply chain issues for organic meat, soil fertility improvement in organic systems and facilitation of group marketing of organic produce.

The Advisory Council will provide advice to DPI on strategic development priorities and assist in their implementation. The council includes organic industry experts, marketers, researchers and organic producers.

The north coast is well represented with three members out of an 11 member council. As well as Cr Barham, former MLC Richard Jones of Possum Creek and coffee grower Catherine Ford of Rosebank are on the council. Ms Ford was a NSW Industries Research and Development Corporation (RIRDC) Rural Women's Award.

Youth crew gear up for extreme fun



Meet the Youth Crew from the Community Incubator, an organisation recently set up to unite and empower the local community. The Youth Crew are organising their first fundraiser at the YAC on Saturday December 16 from 10 am to 6pm.

Extreme Fun Sportz Daze is aimed at young people aged 12 to 18. It is an event to raise funds for this fledgling group and to provide ongoing activities for local youth. There will be tug of war over chocolate mousse, sumo suits, Byron Electric Bikes, slip n slide, reasonably priced food and drink, tons of prizes, mystery guests, fun versions of all local sports to give exposure to sporting clubs and to show local young people what is available here, DJs, breakdance workshops and displays, art and craft workshops and a dunking machine for willing prominent locals such as police, teachers and politicians. Any takers? It's for a good cause!

The crew need donations of food, drinks, prizes, start-up capital and volunteers. They say they are gravely concerned for the physical, mental and sexual safety of our adolescents, particularly with the heavy tourist season upon us, and they remember all too clearly how at risk their own adolescences were and believe it is so much worse now.

Isaac Tinley, foreground in the photo, is the Youth Crew's president. He has left on his epic journey riding his pushbike from Byron to Bondi to raise awareness for youth issues and to inspire the young people about what is possible. Isaac is studying to be a personal trainer and has been mentoring the younger ones. He has been instrumental in the formation of this group and is passionate about youth affairs.

Some of the issues Youth Crew will be pursuing are youth entertainment, youth sexuality and safety, drug and alcohol education, vio-

lence between angry young men, lobbying for youth empowerment and improvement in education and transport options. The big question they would like to ask this shire is: 'Where the hell is our skate park?'

These young locals recently volunteered on the Fatherhood Festival (ironically they are mostly without participating fathers) and are volunteering at the Traditional Beggars Banquet, a community event on Saturday December 2 at Railway Park.

The crew are calling for volunteers of all ages, start-up capital, sporting and leisure groups, businesses, youth groups and particularly any passionate and committed people to form an adult committee to oversee the Youth Crew's work, chase funding and to take care of the business end of things.

Anyone who can help please contact Dee Tinley on 6685 3945, 0401 017 636 or deetinley@bigpond.com



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Articles

Is sensualism the way to harmony?

Local artist Zen Player, perhaps best known for his body art workshops and public performances, says he is 'fed up with the chaotic, idiotic and violent state of the world, created and perpetrated largely by the ego-mad male of our species'.

In response Zen intends to stage a 'sensual revolution'. His idea to develop and produce an artistic documentary and mini-series called *Sensual Planet* has piqued the interest of local producer-filmmaker Michael Balson and an investor, who have committed to support his venture. With ambitions to film in Australia, New Zealand, Bali, Hawaii, America and Europe during 2007 and 2008, Zen says *Sensual Planet* will weave a sensual and quasi-erotic narrative that seeks to 'unleash the Goddess Principle from the stranglehold of self-righteous, repressive religious, political and anticultural fanatics, releasing Her juicy influence back into our lives'.

Zen firmly believes that the Goddess Principle – including the Earth as Gaia, Aphrodite (goddess of erotic love), Venus, Artemis, Psyche, Mary Magdalene, and a pantheon of other feminine spirits, as well as every woman that moves and breathes – has the secret power to heal, balance, restore and regenerate our world to its native beauty.

Inspired by *The Soul of Sex* by theologian/author Tho-



Zen Player copes with being hugged by body art models Sanz and Portia. Photo Jeff Dawson

mas Moore, Zen plans to include historical, mythical, socio-cultural and artistic aspects of sensuality and sexuality in his production. The worldwide 'sensualist' movement lists over 123,000 references on Google, so clearly there is no lack of content to be explored and expressed!

Professional artist, writer and strategic marketing consultant for over 30 years, Zen has made Byron Bay his home since 2001, while contributing to the region's eclectic art scene in numerous colourful ways. In 2004 Zen launched BBAM (Byron BodyArt Movement), to explore, expand and interpret the ancient art of body-decoration.

Zen and his entourage of

talented artists, models and performers have appeared in local art events including art-Scape and FEHVA, prancing around in full body-paint and very little else. BBAM also conducts 'neotribal workshops', which Zen says take people on an 'altered-state body-art journey into their primal selves, to catalyse personal growth, emotional healing and creative inspiration'.

Zen's family migrated from Los Angeles to New Zealand in the early sixties. His free-spirited childhood was spent wandering barefoot through the native bush of Aotearoa, studying art, playing and performing music, and absorbing his 'peacenik' father's rantings about the injustices in the world, and the 'even-

tual collapse of America'.

Escaping 'a repressive NZ education' at age 15, Zen became a professional artist, avid adventurer and incurable sensualist, combining his love of color, nature and the female form to produce hundreds of paintings, sculptures, illustrations and creative constructions. His works are collected internationally and have been shown in private and public exhibitions, museums and galleries.

Zen's abstracts, figurative paintings, illuminated body-castings and exotic body-art can be viewed at www.art-of-zen.com. For private art viewings, commissions, events and workshops, call Zen on 6619 0272 or 0437 805 150.

Wesley Uniting Employment supports Byron Bay Film Festival

Wesley Uniting Employment has again joined in supporting the 2007 Byron Bay Film Festival by donating \$3000 that will go towards funding administration costs.

The employment agency was a supporter of the inaugural Festival last year and is increasing its support because of the success of the Festival and its expansion

onto the international stage.

There has been great interest in the expanding festival and the film industry in the region, now being acknowledged to be an important part of the area both culturally and economically.

Shane Hogan, Manager of Wesley Uniting Employment, said he was proud to

be in a position to help the Festival, with Wesley being a long term supporter of the Community Centre with staff training and support for a community business.

'The Centre has recruited contractual staff through Wesley Uniting Employment and we are always happy to be able to help,' Mr Hogan said.

'We have a number of people on our books involved in the arts in one way or another and the Community and Cultural Centre is worthy of support, so it is a great way of promoting ourselves and getting exposure.'

The Festival is calling for entries until December 31. The Festival will run February 9 to 17, 2007.

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Television Guide

1. Daniel Radcliffe goes underground in **Harry Potter And The Chamber Of Secrets** (NBN, Friday, 8.30pm) in this internationally megafamous weird mixture of dark magic and English boarding school, sort of Billy Bunter meets Lucifer. 2. Leonor Watling stars in Pedro Almodovar's **Talk To Her** (SBS, Saturday, 9.50pm), a tale of mystery, eroticism and coma. 3. Kate Hudson is delightful as Penny Lane in **Almost Famous** (TEN, Sunday, 10pm), based on the autobiography of a *Rolling Stone* journalist among emerging rock bands. Night owls might care to catch a young Dirk Bogarde in the movie of Charles Dickens's **A Tale Of Two Cities** (ABC, Sunday, 11.55pm). As Phillip Ruddock might say, 'I wouldn't regard the guillotine as torture.'



	ABC	SBS	PRIME	TEN	NBN
WEDNESDAY 22	<p>4.30 Movie: Ask A Policeman (G, 1937) Will Hay, Moore Marriott, Graham Moffatt</p> <p>6.00 Kid's Programs</p> <p>10.00 We Are From</p> <p>10.30 Behind The News</p> <p>10.55 Australians</p> <p>11.00 Spy Master</p> <p>12.00 Midday Report</p> <p>12.30 National Press Club Address</p> <p>1.30 Talking Heads</p> <p>2.00 The Bill (M, v)</p> <p>3.00 Kid's Programs</p> <p>6.00 Rick Stein's French Odyssey</p> <p>6.30 The Cook And The Chef</p> <p>7.00 ABC News</p> <p>7.30 7.30 Report</p> <p>8.00 The New Inventors</p> <p>8.30 Spicks & Specks Final with this year's highlights</p> <p>9.00 Absolutely Fabulous (PG)</p> <p>9.40 The Glass House (M, sr,a)</p> <p>10.10 At The Movies</p> <p>10.40 Lateline</p> <p>11.15 Lateline Business</p> <p>11.45 Teachers (M, cl,a)</p> <p>12.40 Plumpton High Babies</p> <p>1.10 Deadly Enemies</p> <p>2.05 Movie: Pop Always Pays (G, B&W, 1940) Leon Arrol, Dennis O'Keefe, Adele Pearce</p> <p>3.25 National Press Club Address</p>	<p>5.30 World News</p> <p>6.30 UEFA Champions League Football LIVE</p> <p>9.00 World News</p> <p>12.30 Business Report</p> <p>1.00 World News</p> <p>2.00 DAS Journal</p> <p>2.30 World News</p> <p>3.00 Food Lovers Guide To Australia</p> <p>3.30 Simply Ming</p> <p>4.00 World Sport</p> <p>4.30 The Journal</p> <p>5.00 Newshour</p> <p>6.00 Global Village</p> <p>6.30 World News Australia</p> <p>7.00 World Sport</p> <p>7.30 Food Lovers Guide To Australia</p> <p>8.00 The Lifestyle Experts Achieving a balance between work and personal life</p> <p>8.30 Dateline</p> <p>9.30 World News Australia</p> <p>10.00 Movie: Respiro - Grazia's Island (M, a, 2003) Italian drama</p> <p>11.40 Movie: Your Next Life (M, s,cl,v, 2003) Spanish drama</p> <p>1.30 Babyfather (PG) English drama</p> <p>2.15 Weatherwatch</p> <p>SBS advises viewers that programming between 6pm and 10.30pm nightly is Closed Captioned (CC)</p>	<p>6.00 Sunrise</p> <p>9.00 Raggs</p> <p>9.30 Home Shopping</p> <p>10.30 Morning News</p> <p>11.00 Hot Auctions</p> <p>11.30 Sons And Daughters</p> <p>12.00 Desperate Housewives (M) Double episode</p> <p>2.00 Last Man Standing</p> <p>3.00 Good Chef Bad Chef</p> <p>3.30 My Wife And Kids</p> <p>4.00 Go Go Stop</p> <p>4.30 News</p> <p>5.00 M*A*S*H</p> <p>5.30 Deal Or No Deal</p> <p>6.00 Prime News</p> <p>6.30 Seven News</p> <p>7.00 Home And Away</p> <p>7.30 Border Security</p> <p>8.00 Police Files - Unlocked</p> <p>8.30 Criminal Minds (M)</p> <p>9.30 The Unit (M, v)</p> <p>10.30 JAG (M)</p> <p>11.30 The First 48 (M)</p> <p>12.30 Home Shopping</p> <p>5.00 Religion</p> <p>5.30 Home Shopping</p> <p>Most Prime programs between 6.30pm and 11.30pm (approx) nightly are Closed Captioned (CC)</p>	<p>6.00 Early News</p> <p>7.00 Toasted TV</p> <p>8.30 In The Box</p> <p>9.00 9am With David And Kim</p> <p>11.00 Ten News</p> <p>12.00 7th Heaven</p> <p>1.00 The Oprah Winfrey Show</p> <p>2.00 Ready Steady Cook</p> <p>3.00 Infomercial</p> <p>3.30 Huey's Cooking Adventures</p> <p>4.00 Totally Wild</p> <p>4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful</p> <p>5.00 Ten News</p> <p>6.00 The Simpsons</p> <p>6.30 Neighbours</p> <p>7.00 Futurama</p> <p>7.30 House</p> <p>8.30 Tripping Over (M, cl,s,a)</p> <p>9.30 NCIS (M)</p> <p>10.30 Late Night News And Sports Tonight</p> <p>11.15 Wild Turkey Joker Poker (M)</p> <p>12.00 The Up-Late Game Show (M)</p> <p>1.55 Video Hits Up-Late</p> <p>2.00 Infomercials</p> <p>4.00 Enjoying Everyday Life</p> <p>4.30 Kenneth Copeland</p> <p>5.00 More Religion</p> <p>All Ten programs between 5pm and 11pm (approx) nightly are Closed Captioned (CC)</p>	<p>6.00 Today</p> <p>9.00 Mornings With Kerri-Anne</p> <p>11.00 Today Extra</p> <p>11.30 Danoz</p> <p>12.00 Dr Phil</p> <p>1.00 Days Of Our Lives</p> <p>2.00 The Young And The Restless</p> <p>3.00 Fresh Cooking</p> <p>3.30 Hi-5</p> <p>4.00 Streetsmartz</p> <p>4.30 Antiques Roadshow</p> <p>5.00 Temptation</p> <p>5.30 Bert's Family Feud</p> <p>6.00 Evening News</p> <p>7.00 A Current Affair</p> <p>7.30 McLeod's Daughters (PG)</p> <p>8.30 CSI: Miami (M)</p> <p>8.45 Lotto</p> <p>9.30 Survivor: Cook Islands (PG)</p> <p>10.30 ER (M)</p> <p>11.30 Nightline</p> <p>12.00 Quizmania</p> <p>3.00 Guthy Renker</p> <p>4.00 Entertainment Tonight</p> <p>4.30 Good Morning America</p>
THURSDAY 23	<p>4.30 Movie: Christopher Strong (PG, B&W, 1933) Katharine Hepburn, Colin Clive, Billie Burke</p> <p>6.00 Kid's Programs</p> <p>10.00 School Programs</p> <p>10.45 Design Challenge</p> <p>11.00 Altered Statesmen</p> <p>12.00 Midday Report</p> <p>12.30 Rumpole Of The Bailey</p> <p>1.30 The Show</p> <p>2.00 The Bill (PG)</p> <p>3.00 Kid's Programs</p> <p>6.00 Aussie Animal Rescue</p> <p>6.30 The Pet Show</p> <p>7.00 ABC News</p> <p>7.30 7.30 Report</p> <p>8.00 Catalyst</p> <p>8.30 The Floating Brothel (M, s,a)</p> <p>9.30 Murder Or Mutiny (M, cl) Pamela Stephenson finds out what really happened to Salty Sam, her great, great grandfather</p> <p>10.20 Lateline</p> <p>10.55 Lateline Business</p> <p>11.25 Lost Highway: Story of Country Music Beyond Nashville</p> <p>12.20 The Cry</p> <p>2.00 Movie: The Whip Hand (PG, B&W, 1951) Carla Balenda, Elliot Reid, Edgar Barrier</p> <p>3.20 Message Stick (G*) A Cape York rugby team straight to the final</p> <p>3.50 Songs Of Praise</p>	<p>5.30 World News</p> <p>6.30 UEFA Champions League Football LIVE</p> <p>9.00 World News</p> <p>10.30 Greek News</p> <p>11.30 Arabic News</p> <p>12.05 Indonesian News</p> <p>12.30 Business Report</p> <p>1.00 Dateline</p> <p>2.00 World News</p> <p>3.30 School Torque</p> <p>4.00 World Sport</p> <p>4.30 The Journal</p> <p>5.00 Newshour</p> <p>6.00 Global Village</p> <p>6.30 World News Australia</p> <p>7.00 World Sport</p> <p>7.30 Inspector Rex</p> <p>8.20 Hotline</p> <p>8.30 Storyline Australia: Do Not Resuscitate (M, a) Choosing the way to die</p> <p>9.30 World News Australia</p> <p>10.00 The Daily Show With Jon Stewart Global Edition</p> <p>10.30 UEFA Champions League Highlights</p> <p>11.30 Movie: The Experiment (MA, a,v,cl, 2000) German thriller about an ex-reporter who volunteers to go undercover in a psychological experiment</p> <p>1.30 Babyfather (PG) English drama</p> <p>2.15 Weatherwatch</p>	<p>6.00 Sunrise</p> <p>9.00 Raggs</p> <p>9.30 Home Shopping</p> <p>10.30 Sons And Daughters</p> <p>10.30 Morning News</p> <p>11.00 Hot Auctions</p> <p>11.30 2006 Australian Masters Golf LIVE from Huntingdale Golf Club in Melbourne</p> <p>5.00 M*A*S*H</p> <p>5.30 Deal Or No Deal</p> <p>6.00 Prime News</p> <p>6.30 Seven News</p> <p>7.00 Home And Away</p> <p>7.30 How I Met Your Mother</p> <p>8.00 My Name Is Earl</p> <p>8.30 Bones (M) Brennan goes to New Orleans in order to aid in the identification of the bodies found in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, only to end up as the prime suspect in a murder of which she has no recollection</p> <p>9.30 The Amazing Race</p> <p>10.30 Family Guy (M)</p> <p>11.30 Stargate Atlantis (M) Earth's battle cruiser is infected by a computer virus and the doctor and his team must stop it as members of the Atlantis expedition return from Earth after a meeting at the SGC thanks to the ZPM</p> <p>12.30 Home Shopping</p> <p>5.00 Religion</p> <p>5.30 Home Shopping</p>	<p>6.00 Early News</p> <p>7.00 Toasted TV</p> <p>8.30 In The Box</p> <p>9.00 9am With David And Kim</p> <p>11.00 Ten News</p> <p>12.00 7th Heaven</p> <p>1.00 The Oprah Winfrey Show</p> <p>2.00 Ready Steady Cook</p> <p>3.00 Infomercial</p> <p>3.30 Huey's Cooking Adventures</p> <p>4.00 Totally Wild</p> <p>4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful</p> <p>5.00 Ten News</p> <p>6.00 The Simpsons</p> <p>6.30 Neighbours</p> <p>7.00 Futurama</p> <p>7.30 Jamie Oliver: Australian Diary</p> <p>9.00 Jericho (M)</p> <p>10.00 David Tench Tonight (M, cl) Featuring Johnny Knoxville and Julia Gillard</p> <p>10.30 Late Night News And Sports Tonight</p> <p>11.15 The Big Night In With John Foreman (M)</p> <p>12.00 The Up-Late Game Show (M)</p> <p>1.55 Video Hits Up-Late</p> <p>2.00 Infomercials</p> <p>4.00 Enjoying Everyday Life With Joyce Meyer</p> <p>4.30 Kenneth Copeland</p> <p>5.00 Life Today With James Robison</p> <p>5.30 This Is Your Day With Benny Hinn</p>	<p>6.00 Today</p> <p>9.00 Mornings With Kerri-Anne</p> <p>10.00 Hi-5</p> <p>10.30 The Ashes First Test LIVE from the GABBA - Australia v England</p> <p>1.00 The Cricket Show</p> <p>1.30 The Ashes First Test continues</p> <p>6.00 Evening News</p> <p>7.00 A Current Affair</p> <p>7.30 Getaway Young Australian of the Year Trisha Broadbridge's emotional journey back to Thailand, swimming with the seals of Kaikoura in New Zealand, celebrity traveller Ashton Kutcher's holiday tips, walking tour of Fraser Island, road test a new fitness retreat</p> <p>9.00 Big Questions (M)</p> <p>9.35 RPA (M)</p> <p>10.05 Amazing Medical Stories (M)</p> <p>11.05 Missing Persons Unit</p> <p>11.35 Nightline</p> <p>12.05 Quizmania</p> <p>3.00 Guthy Renker</p> <p>4.00 Entertainment Tonight</p> <p>4.30 Good Morning America</p>
FRIDAY 24	<p>4.30 Movie: Carry On Up The Khyber (PG, 1968) Kenneth Williams, Sidney James</p> <p>6.00 Kid's Programs</p> <p>10.00 School Programs</p> <p>11.00 Wild Weather</p> <p>12.00 Midday Report</p> <p>12.30 Classic Parkinson</p> <p>1.30 Men Behaving Badly (M, sr)</p> <p>2.00 Welcher And Welcher</p> <p>2.30 Spicks & Specks</p> <p>3.00 Kid's Programs</p> <p>6.00 Message Stick (G*) 50 years of indigenous TV</p> <p>6.30 Can We Help?</p> <p>7.00 ABC News</p> <p>7.30 Staseline</p> <p>8.00 Collectors</p> <p>8.30 Blue Murder (M, v,cl)</p> <p>9.40 A Most Mysterious Murder (M) The case of the Earl of Erroll</p> <p>10.45 Lateline</p> <p>11.35 jtv</p> <p>12.05 Rage (M)</p> <p>Programs are correct at the time of going to press but beware - all stations like tinkering with things at the last minute.</p>	<p>5.25 World News</p> <p>9.20 Le Journal</p> <p>9.55 Russian News</p> <p>10.30 Greek News</p> <p>11.30 Arabic News</p> <p>12.05 Indonesian News</p> <p>12.30 Business Report</p> <p>1.00 The Inheritance (M, cl) In 2000 Hungary's Tisza River was flooded with cyanide from an Australian-Romanian gold mine</p> <p>2.00 The Medici (M, a,v)</p> <p>3.00 A Fork In The Road</p> <p>3.30 Simply Ming</p> <p>4.00 World Sport</p> <p>4.30 The Journal</p> <p>5.00 Newshour</p> <p>6.00 Global Village</p> <p>6.30 World News Australia</p> <p>7.00 World Sport</p> <p>7.30 David Beckham In the lead up to the 2006 World Cup in Germany</p> <p>8.30 Heroes For Six Minutes: White-Collar Boxing (M, cl)</p> <p>9.30 World News Australia</p> <p>10.00 The Curse Of Debbie Does Dallas (MA, s,a,n)</p> <p>10.50 Movie: Marie-Jo And Her Two Loves (M, s,a,cl, 2001) French drama</p> <p>12.55 Movie: Ovosodo (MA, cl,a,s, 1997) Italian drama</p> <p>2.35 Weatherwatch</p>	<p>6.00 Sunrise</p> <p>9.00 Raggs</p> <p>9.30 Home Shopping</p> <p>10.30 Sons And Daughters</p> <p>10.30 Morning News</p> <p>11.00 Hot Auctions</p> <p>11.30 2006 Australian Masters Golf LIVE from Huntingdale Golf Club in Melbourne</p> <p>5.00 M*A*S*H</p> <p>5.30 Deal Or No Deal</p> <p>6.00 Prime News</p> <p>6.30 Seven News</p> <p>7.00 Home And Away</p> <p>7.30 Better Homes And Gardens</p> <p>8.30 Movie: The Santa Clause (G, 1994) A divorced father who has a strained relationship with his son dons Santa's suit when he falls off the roof on Christmas Eve and learns the responsibilities that go with the position. Starring Tim Allen, Eric Lloyd, Judge Reinhold, Peter Boyle, Wendy Crewson, David Krumholtz</p> <p>10.35 Movie: Me, Myself & Irene (MA, cl, 2000) A policeman with a split personality disorder falls in love with a woman on the run. Starring Jim Carrey, Renee Zellweger, Robert Forster, Chris Cooper, Richard Jenkins, Daniel Greene, Anthony Anderson</p> <p>12.50 Lost (M)</p> <p>1.50 Danoz Direct</p> <p>2.50 Expo</p>	<p>6.00 Early News</p> <p>7.00 Toasted TV</p> <p>8.30 In The Box</p> <p>9.00 9am With David And Kim</p> <p>11.00 Ten News</p> <p>12.00 7th Heaven</p> <p>1.00 The Oprah Winfrey Show</p> <p>2.00 Ready Steady Cook</p> <p>3.00 Infomercial</p> <p>3.30 Huey's Cooking Adventures</p> <p>4.00 H2O - Just Add Water</p> <p>4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful</p> <p>5.00 Ten News</p> <p>6.00 The Simpsons</p> <p>6.30 Neighbours</p> <p>7.00 Futurama</p> <p>7.30 Smallville</p> <p>8.35 Movie: Wimbledon (M, cl,sr, 2004) A tennis player ranked 119th in the world recaptures his focus for Wimbledon when he meets a player on the women's circuit. Starring Kirsten Dunst, Paul Bettany, Sam Neill, Kyle Hyde, Robert Lindsay</p> <p>10.35 Late News</p> <p>11.05 Sports Tonight</p> <p>11.35 V8 Supercars Bahrain</p> <p>1.05 Seinfeld</p> <p>1.35 Video Hits Up-Late</p> <p>2.00 Infomercials</p> <p>4.00 Jake 2.0</p> <p>5.00 Religion</p>	<p>6.00 Today</p> <p>9.00 Mornings With Kerri-Anne</p> <p>10.00 Hi-5</p> <p>10.30 The Ashes First Test LIVE from the GABBA - Australia v England</p> <p>1.00 The Cricket Show</p> <p>1.30 The Ashes First Test continues</p> <p>6.00 Evening News</p> <p>7.00 A Current Affair</p> <p>7.30 Motorway Patrol</p> <p>8.30 Movie: Harry Potter And The Chamber Of Secrets (PG, st,v, 2002) Harry ignores warnings not to return to Hogwarts, only to find the school plagued by a series of mysterious and strange voices haunting him. Starring Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson</p> <p>12.00 Quizmania (M)</p> <p>4.00 Entertainment Tonight</p> <p>4.30 Good Morning America</p> <p>Tomorrow you're all going to wake up in a brave new world. A world where the constitution gets trampled by an army of terrorist clones created in a stem cell research lab run by homosexual doctors who sterilize their instruments over burning american flags. Where Democrats take all your taxes and use it to buy electric cars for National Public Radio and teach evolution to illegal immigrants. Oh, and everybody's high. Stephen Colbert on the recent Mid Term election</p>

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SATURDAY 25	<p>9.00 jtv Saturday 11.00 Bowls Tri Nations: South Africa 2006 12.00 Stateline 12.30 Best Of Australian Story 1.00 Don't Drop The Coffin 1.30 Going Public 2.00 Nature Of Australia 3.00 He Knew He Was Right 4.00 Women's National League Basketball 5.00 Head 2 Head 5.30 Bowls Super Singles women's semifinal 6.30 Gardening Australia Featuring a large compost making plant in Perth, the Leucopogon and a sub-tropical garden 7.00 ABC News 7.30 New Tricks (PG) 8.30 The Bill (M, v,du) 9.15 Celebrating 50 Years of ABC TV 9.25 The Last Detective (M) 10.35 The Forest (MA, cl,s,a) 11.30 The Glass House (M, sr,a) 12.00 Rage (M)</p> <p>[s] = Sex [h] = Horror [a] = Adult themes [cl] = Coarse language [n] = Nudity [sr] = Sexual references [d] = Drugs [st] = Supernatural themes [v] = Violence [as] = Atrocity scenes [*] = Could offend</p>	<p>5.30 World News 7.25 Italian News 8.00 Das Journal 8.30 Spanish News 9.20 Le Journal 9.55 Russian News 10.30 Greek News 11.30 Arabic News 12.05 Indonesian News 12.30 Business Report 1.00 Masterpiece On Saturday Opera: The Dead City 3.30 US Art 21 - Art In The 21st Century 4.30 The Journal 5.00 Newshour 6.00 Classical Destinations Venice, Vivaldi and The Four Seasons 6.30 World News Australia 7.00 World Sport 7.30 Tribe: Adi In the Arunachal Pradesh region of India 8.30 Iron Chef America 9.20 Rockwiz By Request 9.50 Movie: Talk To Her (MA, a,n,s, 2002) Spanish drama 11.45 SOS: Shorts On Screen 12.45 Chappelle's Show (MA, a,cl,a) 1.15 Crank Yankers 1.45 The Daily Show With Jon Stewart Global Edition US comedy 2.15 Weatherwatch</p>	<p>6.00 Tractor Tom 6.30 Sonic X 7.00 Saturday Disney 9.00 The Saturday Club 10.00 Go Go Stop 10.30 Disney Adventures 11.30 That's So Raven 12.00 2006 Australian Masters Golf LIVE from Huntingdale Golf Club in Melbourne 5.30 Sydney Weekender 6.00 Seven News 6.30 Best And Worst Of Red Faces 7.30 Movie: The Santa Clause 2 (G, 2002) Santa has to return from the pole and leave a substitute when he finds out that his son has landed on this year's naughty list. Starring Tim Allen, Elizabeth Mitchell, David Krumholtz, Eric Lloyd, Judge Reinhold, Wendy Crewson, Spencer Breslin 9.15 Great Comedy Classics (PG) 11.30 Movie: Keeping The Faith (M, s, 1999) Three best friends since they were kids, reunite when one is a Roman Catholic priest, one a Jewish rabbi and the other a beautiful corporate executive and a complicated love triangle is created. Starring Jenna Elfman, Ben Stiller, Edward Norton, Anne Bancroft, Eli Wallach, Ron Rifkin, Milos Forman, Brian George 2.00 Danzo Direct 3.00 Expo</p>	<p>6.00 Toasted TV 7.00 I Got A Rocket 7.30 Totally Wild 8.00 Scope 8.30 Video Hits 12.00 State Focus 12.30 Infomercial 1.30 Judge Judy 2.00 Totally Australia: Creative Generation 3.00 AFL Draft 4.00 The Christmas Bus 4.30 Escape With ET 5.00 Ten News 5.30 Sports Tonight 6.00 The Simpsons 6.30 Australian Idol Final 2: Contestant's Choice and Winner's Single 7.30 Australia's Brainiest Idol 8.30 Movie: Dickie Roberts - Former Child Star (M, cl,dr,sr, 2003) A 35-year-old former child star is desperate to revitalise his career. Starring David Spade, Doris Roberts, Alyssa Milano, Mary McCormack, Jon Lovitz 10.30 V8 Supercars Bahrain 1.00 2006 Wallabies Spring Tour LIVE from Edinburgh - Scotland v Australia 1.40 Video Hits Up-Late 3.30 Infomercials 4.00 Religion</p>	<p>6.00 Danoz 6.30 Untold Wealth 7.00 Home Shopping 8.00 The Shapias 8.30 The Shak 9.00 Timeblazers 9.30 The Sleepover Club 10.00 Kangaroo Creek Gang 10.30 The Ashes First Test LIVE from the GABBA - Australia v England 1.00 The Cricket Show 1.30 The Ashes First Test continues 6.00 NBN News 6.30 Australia's Funniest Home Video Show 7.30 2006 Tri-Nations Rugby League LIVE from Sydney - Australia v New Zealand 9.59 Lotto 10.00 Movie: Collateral Damage (M, v,cl, 2002) A family man and firefighter is thrust into the world of international terrorism after his wife and child are killed in a bombing, and frustrated with the official investigation and haunted by the thought that the man responsible for murdering his family might never be brought to justice he takes matters into his own hands. Starring Arnold Schwarzenegger, John Turturro, Elias Koteas, Francesca Neri 12.20 Quizmania 4.00 Home Shopping</p>		
	SUNDAY 26	<p>6.30 Kid's Programs 9.00 Insiders 10.00 Inside Business 10.30 Offsiders 11.00 Asia Pacific Focus 11.30 Songs Of Praise 12.00 Landline 1.00 Gardening Australia 1.30 Message Stick: Line In The Sand (G*) 2.00 Kabuki Japanese dance and theatre 3.00 Ben Shahn: Passion For Justice 4.00 Sunday Arts: Young Performers Awards 2006 5.00 Voyage Of The Nautilus In 1931 an Australian adventurer attempted to take an old WWI submarine to the North Pole 6.00 At The Movies 6.30 Dragons Dragon lizards 7.00 ABC News 7.30 Wild Europe: A New Millennium 8.30 Hannibal: Enemy Of Rome (M, v) 10.00 Compass: Gay Muslims 10.55 Living Famously: James Dean 11.50 Celebrating 50 Years Of ABC TV 11.55 Movie: A Tale Of Two Cities (G, 1958) Set in London and Paris at the time of the French Revolution. Starring Dirk Bogarde, Dorothy Tutin 1.50 Movie: The Black Tent (G, 1957) Anthony Steel, Donald Sinden, Anna Maria Sandri 3.25 Live At The Basement: Harper</p>	<p>7.00 Hungarian News 8.00 Korean News 8.30 Latin American News 9.00 Maltese News 9.30 Polish News 10.00 Ukrainian News 10.30 De Coeur A Coeur 11.00 Speedweek 2.00 The World Game 4.00 UEFA Champions League Magazine 4.30 UEFA Champions League 2006-07 Sunday Matches 6.00 Thalassa 6.30 World News Australia 7.00 World Sport 7.30 Lost Worlds: Salome - The Kiss Of Death Discovering the location of where John the Baptist was imprisoned and why he was executed led to the true identity of Salome 8.30 Science: The Age Of AIDS Developing an HIV treatment led to a chasm between the rich and poor 9.30 Movie: Speer And Hitler (PG, 2005) Final of German drama 11.10 Movie: How I Killed A Saint (M, v,cl,a, 2004) Slovenian drama about a girl who returns to NATO-occupied Macedonia to find her child 12.40 The Storm Rages Twice (G) 1.35 Weatherwatch</p>	<p>6.00 Religion 7.00 Stanley 7.30 Girl TV 8.00 Weekend Sunrise 10.00 Rolex Spirit Of Yachting 10.30 Staines Down Drains 11.00 Dive Olly Dive 11.30 According To Jim 12.00 2006 Australian Masters Golf LIVE from Huntingdale Golf Club in Melbourne - final round 5.30 The Food Trail 6.00 Seven News 6.30 The Real Seachange 7.00 You've Got The Job 7.30 Egypt The pharaoh and the showman - Ramesses II 8.30 Movie: DNA (M, v,cl,a,d) A former police forensic scientist turned author returns to the investigation field to offer his professional experience and winds up heading the forensic investigation unit. Starring Tom Conti, Samantha Bond, Ryan Cartwright 12.35 Danzo Direct 1.35 Expo 5.00 Religion Get off the cross; we need it for firewood 5.30 Home Shopping</p>	<p>6.00 Mass For You At Home 6.30 Meditation Medication 7.00 I Got A Rocket 7.30 Totally Wild 8.00 Meet The Press 8.30 2006 Wallabies Spring Tour Replay - Scotland v Australia 10.30 Video Hits 1.30 Seinfeld 2.30 V8 Supercars Bahrain 5.00 Ten News 5.30 Sports Tonight 6.00 The Simpsons 6.30 Meerkat Manor 7.00 It's Me Or The Dog 7.30 Australian Idol Final LIVE from the Opera House 10.00 Movie: Almost Famous (M, cl,du,n, 2000) A 15-year-old gets to live out his dream when he is given a writing assignment from Rolling Stone magazine. Stars Billy Crudup, Kate Hudson, Frances McDormand, Jason Lee, Noah Taylor, Anna Paquin 12.25 Tripping Over (M, cl,sr) 1.25 Complete Savages 1.55 Video Hits Up-Late 2.00 Infomercials 4.00 Enjoying Everyday Life 4.30 Kenneth Copeland 5.00 Life Today With James Robson 5.30 This Is Your Day With Benny Hinn</p>	<p>6.00 Danoz 6.30 Guthy Renker 7.00 The Eggs 7.30 Hot Source 8.00 Untold Wealth 8.30 Business Success 9.00 Sunday 10.30 The Ashes First Test LIVE from the GABBA - Australia v England 1.00 The Cricket Show 1.30 The Ashes First Test continues 6.00 Evening News 6.30 20 To 1 (PG, v) Hits and misses 7.30 60 Minutes 8.30 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (M) 9.30 CSI: NY (M) 10.30 Cold Case (M) 11.30 Comedy Inc. The Late Shift (M) 2 hour double episode 12.30 The Apprentice 1.20 Star Trek: Enterprise (M) 2.10 Late Show With David Letterman 3.00 George Lopez 3.30 Home Shopping 5.00 Primetime</p>	
		MONDAY 27	<p>4.30 The Sun The last solar eclipse of the millennium across Australia 5.30 Air Force: The Billion Dollar Question The Royal Australian Air Force 6.00 Kid's Programs 10.00 School Programs 11.00 Landline 12.00 Midday Report 12.30 Worlds Apart 1.15 Celebrating 50 Years Of ABC TV 1.30 Head 2 Head 2.00 Parliament Question Time 3.00 Kid's Programs 6.00 Off The Map Galapagos Islands 6.30 Talking Heads: Best Of 2006 7.00 ABC News 7.30 The 7.30 Report 8.00 Dynasties: The Ansett Family Part 2 8.30 The West Wing (G) 10.00 Black Books (PG) 10.25 Lateline 11.00 Lateline Business 11.30 Jack And Bobby 12.15 Parliament Question Time 1.15 Death At The Crossroads (M, cl,v) At the junction in occupied territories 2.20 Movie: Mexican Spiffire's Elephant (G, B&W, 1942) Lupe Velez, Leon Errol, Walter Reed, Elisabeth Risdon 3.25 Victorian Grand Prix Bowls Men's singles final</p>	<p>5.25 World News And Weatherwatch 9.55 Russian News 10.30 Greek News 11.30 Arabic News 12.05 Indonesian News 12.30 Polish News 1.00 Dateline 2.00 D-Day: The Shortest Day 3.00 Wine Lovers Guide To Australia 3.30 Simply Ming 4.00 World Sport 4.30 The Journal 5.00 Time Trip The quest to travel through time 6.00 Global Village 6.30 World News Australia 7.00 World Sport 7.30 Mythbusters 8.30 South Park (M, a) 9.00 Drawn Together (MA, a,s) English animation 9.30 World News Australia 10.00 Oz (MA, cl,a,v) US drama series 11.00 Movie: That Woman (MA, cl,a,v, 2003) French thriller about an inspector given the task of investigating the case of a woman who was found hanging from a tree in woodlands near Fontainebleau as she deals with the death of her son 12.40 Queer As Folk (MA, s,cl,a) 1.30 Weatherwatch</p>	<p>8.30 Sunrise 9.00 Raggs 9.30 Home Shopping 10.30 Morning News 11.00 Hot Auctions 11.30 Sons And Daughters 12.00 Desperate Housewives (M) Double episode 2.00 Last Man Standing 3.00 Good Chef Bad Chef 3.30 My Wife And Kids 4.00 Go Go Stop 4.30 Seven News 5.00 M*A*S*H 5.30 Deal Or No Deal 6.00 Prime News 6.30 Seven News 7.00 Home And Away 7.30 50 Years Of Laughs - A Night Of Comic Relief (PG, cl,sr) 10.30 Boston Legal (M) Lori files a motion against the US government on behalf of a Sudanese man trying to draw attention to the genocide in his country. Shore represents a man who killed his mother 11.30 Jake In Progress 12.00 Lost (M) 1.00 Danzo Direct 2.00 Expo 5.00 Religion 5.30 Home Shopping</p>	<p>6.00 Early News 7.00 Toasted TV 8.30 In The Box 9.00 9am With David And Kim 11.00 Ten News 12.00 7th Heaven 1.00 The Oprah Winfrey Show 2.00 Ready Steady Cook 3.00 Infomercial 3.30 Huey's Cooking Adventures 4.00 Scope 4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful 5.00 Ten News 6.00 The Simpsons 6.30 Neighbours 7.00 Futurama 7.30 So You Think You Can Dance 8.30 Law & Order: SVU (M) A mother reports her 18-year-old daughter missing and a clairvoyant claims he sees visions of the girl 9.30 The Biggest Loser 10.30 Late Night News With Sports Tonight 11.15 Cybershack (M) 11.45 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 Life Today With James Robison 5.30 This Is Your Day With Benny Hinn</p>	<p>6.00 Today 9.00 Mornings With Kerri-Anne 10.00 Hi-5 10.30 The Ashes First Test LIVE from the GABBA - Australia v England 1.00 The Cricket Show 1.30 The Ashes First Test continues 6.00 Evening News 7.00 A Current Affair 7.30 What's Good For You 8.35 What A Year (PG) 8.45 Lotto 9.35 Cold Case (M) 10.35 The Sopranos (MA15+, v,cl) 11.45 Without A Trace (M) 12.45 Entertainment Tonight 1.15 Late Show With David Letterman 2.10 The Bernie Mac Show 2.35 Method & Red 3.00 Guthy Renker 4.00 Danoz 4.30 Good Morning America</p>
			TUESDAY 28	<p>4.30 Movie: The Fast Lady (G, 1963) Julie Christie, James Robertson 6.00 Kid's Programs 10.00 School Programs 11.00 Body Snatchers 12.00 Midday Report 12.30 The New Inventors 1.00 The Einstein Factor 1.30 Catalyst 2.00 Parliament Question Time 3.00 Kid's Programs 6.00 Time Team 6.50 Celebrating 50 Years Of ABC TV 7.00 ABC News 7.30 The 7.30 Report 8.00 Geldof In Africa: A Terrible Beauty Ethiopia - Final 8.30 The Bill (M, v) 9.20 Cricket In The 50s 10.20 Lateline 10.55 Lateline Business 11.25 Death: After They Are Gone (PG) 12.20 The Bill Uncovered: Des And Reg (M) 1.10 Parliament Question Time 2.15 Movie: The Devil Thumbs A Ride (PG, B&W, 1947) A man picks up some hitch-hikers. Starring Lawrence Tierney, Ted North, Nan Leslie 3.25 Australians At War: Trying Not To Remember The Vietnam War and whether Australia should have been involved at all</p>	<p>5.25 World News 11.30 Arabic News 12.05 Indonesian News 12.30 Business Report 1.00 Movie: Baran (PG, 2001) Iranian drama about a young labourer from Azerbaijan who works at a construction site in Tehran where Afghan refugees are illegally employed 3.00 Food Lovers Guide To Australia 3.30 Keep Safe 4.00 World Sport 4.30 The Journal 5.00 Newshour 6.00 Global Village 6.30 World News Australia 7.00 World Sport 7.30 The Spy Who Stole My Life 1992 in Shropshire in England 8.40 Cutting Edge: Turkey's Tigers The emergence of Islamic capitalism 9.30 World News Australia 10.00 Hot Docs: The 3 Rooms Of Melancholia The vulnerability of a child's mind 11.50 Movie: Dragonflies (MA, du,n,a, 2001) Norwegian drama about a couple living the quiet life in the countryside until a man appears out of the past having spent time in prison 1.45 Orthodykes (M, s,a) 2.45 Weatherwatch</p>	<p>8.30 Sunrise 9.00 Raggs 9.30 Home Shopping 10.30 Morning News 11.00 Hot Auctions 11.30 Sons And Daughters 12.00 Desperate Housewives (M) Double episode 2.00 Last Man Standing 3.00 Good Chef Bad Chef 3.30 My Wife And Kids 4.00 Go Go Stop 4.30 Seven News 5.00 M*A*S*H 5.30 Deal Or No Deal 6.00 Prime News 6.30 Seven News 7.00 Home And Away (G) 7.30 Dancing With The Stars Grand final 10.00 Crossing Jordan (M) 11.00 Commander In Chief (M) Mac seizes the opportunity to finally pass the Equal Rights Amendment, Rod is approached about doing a story on his relationship with Mac, Rebecca continues her relationship with her IM buddy 12.00 Lost (M) 1.00 Danzo Direct 2.00 Expo 5.00 Religion 5.30 Home Shopping</p>	<p>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 TTN 12.00 7th Heaven 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 Futurama (PG) 7.30 The Simpsons Hour 8.30 Rove Live (M, cl,a) 2 hour season final with highlights of 2006 with Peter Hellier 10.30 Late Night News With Sports Tonight 11.15 Vodafone Live At The Chapel Featuring Something for Kate 11.45 The Up-Late Game Show 1.55 Video Hits Up-Late 2.00 Infomercial 4.00 Enjoying Everyday Life With Joyce Meyer 4.30 Kenneth Copeland 5.00 Life Today 5.30 This Is Your Day With Benny Hinn</p>

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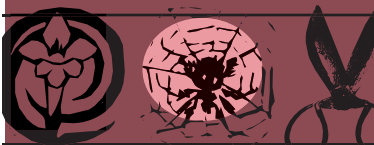
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E Chat with the Cat

An internet exposition between Mandy Nolan and Will Hulme-Brown.

Just got the new album – played it a few times already. Was that influenced by all the touring? You must have seen a lot of Cities by now?

Well as I write this we've only just returned from a 5 week tour in USA and Canada! Yes, I guess you could say 'Cities' is somewhat influenced by our experiences on our travels. There are a few more flavours on this album than the others. We've got guitar and sitar (Indian) on some tracks which are a new thing for us.

The Cat Empire has really shown the importance of building an audience by playing, playing, playing and lots more playing. Do you think you could have had the same success without the relentless live schedule?

I think the best way of discovering a band and finding out what they're all about is by seeing them live. What you see and hear is what you get! There are no illusions. You discover the true energy of the band. If they dig it, they tell their friends, and that's the word of mouth thing that has been so important to us, not only in Australia five years

ago, but in Europe, UK, USA, Canada, Singapore and other places we still haven't been to yet. There's no way we'd have our current support base if we didn't get out and tour much.

Your music isn't something that would have been easy to pitch to a record company initially... it crosses genres, it's often very jazz... but it reaches such a wide demographic? (my 5 year old filled out a class survey and was asked his fave band. He said: The Cat Empire) Why do you think that is?

Yeah well I even get stumped when people ask me to describe our music! It's easy to reel off a list of styles and genres but I think the overall sound in the end is more down to energy, excitement and originality. That's why I love playing in the band I suppose! Hmmm... 5 yr olds liking us... that's pretty awesome. I guess your 5 yr old could answer the question better than me, but we have a lot of fun recording and playing. Perhaps young kids can hear that in our music?

What's the big dream project for The Cat Empire?

Well we've actually fulfilled some of our dreams/goals already! Recording 'Two Shoes' in Cuba was one of them. The whole thing of travelling to the other side of the world and recording an album in a place that's completely out of your comfort zone was something that we wanted to try because it would be such an adventure and a challenge. And it most certainly was! A couple of years ago our manager Correne said to us something like 'you guys will be playing at the opening ceremony of The 2006 Commonwealth Games in Melbourne, I'm going to make it happen!' It wasn't an arrogant statement, rather Correne was putting it to us that if we worked really hard and made this a goal, then it could possibly come to pass. We were like wow! If you can make that happen that would be amazing! So that turned into a big ambition for us. So when March 2005 came round (exactly 1 year before the event), we were approached by the organisers to write over an hour's worth of music and perform it in the middle of the MCG during the athletes parade. When I was young, I really wanted to play football on the MCG one day. But this

outshined that dream because of the enormity of the event. It was an honour to musically represent Melbourne.

The band has such a dynamic live sound – do you prefer live recordings to the studio?

Live recordings can sometimes be a good idea in theory, but they don't always turn out as good as what you remembered the gig to be! The best thing about playing live is that it's LIVE and you're actually there watching the gig unfold. A gig may not translate that well to CD, even if the gig was incredible.

There's so much dynamism on stage – how do you maintain it night after night? The show looks exhilarating, but exhausting.

Red Bull. Well it certainly helps when you're tired! But really, when you step onto the stage and a thousand people are going crazy it gives you this whole new burst of liveliness and excitement. Even without a thousand loud people though, the music is fun to play and the thought of not knowing what's coming next in Harry's solo really keeps you sweating and on your toes!

Are you guys big on rehearsal – or do your jazz backgrounds allow a little more space for musical conversation?

We get the basic structure and feel of the song down in rehearsal but after that a song can really take shape after you play it every night on tour, especially since half our songs open up in the middle. It's just up to whatever happens on the night! Most of us grew up playing a lot of improvised music so that's why it's a big part of the show I guess. I don't think it would be nearly as exciting for us or the audience if what we played every time was the same rehearsed, formulated pieces.

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THURSDAY
 6am The Egg's Essential Breakfast Mitch
 9am Torque Radio Nyck Jeanes
 11am The Bohemian Beat Riddhi
 12pm Brave New Tunes Soma
 1pm Byron Vista Social Club Mook, Gabi & Paddy
 2pm Mystery Train Mary
 4pm Talking to a Stranger DJ She
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 8pm Cruisin' for a Bluesin' The Honeydrinker
 10pm Eclectic Lazyland Charles
 12am Psy Phi MK Ultra

FRIDAY
 6am Sunrise Dreaming Ruby Tuesday
 9am The Shakedown Red Terra
 11am Shizaam! Michelle T. & Mimi
 12pm Whirled Music Phil Hurst
 1pm Soul Tap Nilesh
 2pm Who's Ear? Tone Broker
 4pm Eastern Frequency Beaver
 6pm The Bandwagon JD Malouf & James M.
 8pm Into the Unknown DJ XFakta
 10pm Roots 'n' Culture DJ Selector
 12am Soundtrack to Life DJ Rapunzel & The Undertaker

SATURDAY
 6am Saturday Breakfast Martin Gross
 8am Musical Kaleidoscope Robbie McGready
 10am Cowboys Sweetheart Carrie D.
 12pm Red, Hot & Cool Anthony & Ken
 2pm Natural Balance Sut
 4pm Sliced Grooves DJ Madhu
 6pm Rub A Dub Radio Krazy DayV & Lennox Dread
 8pm Rotation Pab
 10pm The Ice-Cream Truck Fulton & Ruger
 12am The Graveyard Shift Matt & Nikki

SUNDAY
 7am Rooves & Grooves Melissa & Sol
 10am Jazz Moods Jean Brown
 12pm Omnibus RG Pedicini & Les Schmidt
 2pm Radio Latina Yolanda & Bitu
 4pm Bay Lounge Aqua
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 12am Midnight in a Perfect World Hopalong

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THE SOAPBOX : MANDY NOLAN

It never ceases to surprise me just what a human being will choose to ingest. At the tender age of 17, one day I was alarmed to discover that my knickers had mysteriously disappeared. At the time I was attending University and flating with a mechanic and a chemical engineering student in a hot suburban bunker. My newly found feminist beliefs were constantly confronted by their soft porn magazine tears plastered over most of the walls and the countless unexplained need for tissues in nearly every room. There was also the issue of the motor lying dismembered in the lounge room and the hordes of young bonging blokes who often gathered around the broken beast to marvel at her exposed parts. Needless to say I never went home, instead I bunked in with my best friend at her much bigger, more spacious and girly apartment. Besides actually having furniture, she had a much nicer, quieter flat mate. And we could make him do things. We would curl up on the couch and bark 'get us some ice cream!' and he would obediently go to the fridge. He was also rather

excellent at fetching the paper, putting the bin out and making orange juice. It was tempting to use our power for evil, but we were restrained, and as long as he continued to vacuum on Saturdays and do the dishes we were happy. A few months passed and we decided to move to a share house with three other girls. Michael, our obedient boy slave was despondent when we told him but seemed mildly amused later in the day when we informed him that a local snow dropper had stolen our undies off the line. My student days were akin to toilet training a puppy. All hygienic behaviours needed to be learnt when separated from the mother. Laundry only happened when there was absolutely nothing left to wear and there was no budget for a trip to Vinnies. Weeks later, pegging out our washing we discovered our alarming loss. Four months of accumulated washing between the two of us and not one pair of smalls to be seen! Oh the Horror the Horror! The true identity of the undie thief was suddenly revealed. Michael. The nice quiet Catholic boy, the shy

Confessions of an Under pants Eater

accounting student, obviously had a penchant for panties. Freshly washed undies we could understand, but he'd stolen them from our laundry baskets! Two angry pant free young women leapt into a pastel green Toyota Corona and returned to the scene of the crime. We knocked. There was no answer. We jimmied the window and scuttled through. We were warriors - ladies who liberate lingerie. It was like doing a B & E on Norman Bates. On the floor of his bedroom was a pair of nylons, with underwear on the outside. Mr Wolf had been wearing stockings earlier that day. I bent and opened the drawer under his bed and the Pandora's box of panty world was revealed: hundreds and hundreds of women's undies sprang forth. It was like tapping an oil well. They were literally spurting out. My girlfriend was on

her knees, like a bereaved mother, scooping the girls she recognised to her breast. She was in shock. I dragged her from the scene, totally freaked saying 'Lets go, it's creepy. You can't take them... can't you see what he's done?' A proportion of the underwear had been slashed, others were suspiciously stiff, and, I hate to say it, but we recognised the knickers taken from our dirty clothes basket had been chewed. The guy had been wearing our undies on his head. He stalked us for 6 months. Sent lewd pornographic notes and jerked off on our mail. We reported him, but there was literally nothing we could do. Turns out he had more than one dirty secret: we later discovered he was the Treasurer of young Liberals on campus. Who would believe it? From pervert to Prime Minister!

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KNOCK ON WOODFORD
 It started as a tiny dream at the Maleny showgrounds. She grew like a Chinese swimmer on steroids and in no time at all, this burgeoning event was looking for something a little more 'comfortable' to slip into. What started as a Folk Festival has transformed into a Music Festival for all genres and all ages. I remember going to the first festival at the new Woodford site and thinking, what a dump. It was hot, treeless and lacking all the ambience of the former host. In a few short years the trees were grown and the ambience had

returned with a vengeance. The Woodford Festival has become something quite extraordinary. Hand reared and grown organically, before the pressure to create bigger and bigger events, it's an event that has grown with its audience year after year, created almost out of the enthusiasm and passions of the punters, rather than the hopes and aspirations of promoters. With that being said, The Festival turns 21 this year, making this one of the longest running music festivals in the country. Performing this year are old and new friends: Youth Group, John Butler Trio,

Xavier Rudd, The Beautiful Girls, The Bird, Ash Grunwald, The Herd, Lior, Blue King Brown, The Audreys, Kate Miller-Heidke and Fourplay plus Tim Freedman solo on the piano, for a one-off concert in the Amphitheatre. Comedy rules at Woodford, so watch your party frock seams split when special guests the Umbilical Brothers take to the stage. Globe-trotting acts Tripod and The Kransky Sisters will join the Sensitive New Age Cowpersons to insure at least one hysterical outburst from everyone in attendance. Gerry Connolly is making a special appearance as guest

of honour, the Queen. It's almost impossible to do a rave about the program and do every event justice. It's an enormous out of body out of country experience. It's exactly like a trip to the place you've always wanted to be in. **From 27 December until 1 January.** For more info and ticket purchase go to the website www.woodfordfolkfestival.com.

PROBLEM SOLVERED
 Multi award winning Newcastle indie pop rockers Solver bring their Insurgency tour to Byron Bay for an All Ages alcohol free concert on **Sunday** at the **YAC** and

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A VUE TO WINNING
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seem quite determined to rock Byron to its very foundations. Solver will join local bands the Jaywalks and Brittle for an evening of rampaging rock riffs, sublime power pop and some of the more deliciously memorable melodies Byron has heard in a while. Solver and Brittle also play at the **Hotel Great Northern** on **Thursday 30 November**. Taking out Best Rock Artist and Artist of the Year at the 2006 Musicoz awards, Solver joined You am I, Sarah McLeod and The Whitlams onstage to rock the Enmore Theatre with a blistering set. Speaking to Solvers' 21yo singer and guitarist Morgan Evans earlier this week, it seems clear Solver are finally ready to deliver on the promise they have shown ever since first winning Youth Rock and the coveted Silverchair songwriting award back in 2002. Asked about Solver's rising profile in recent months Morgan responded, 'It's been kind of surreal to tell you the truth. I was on the cover of Drum Media last week and we've had over 20 000 plays of our songs in the last month at www.myspace.com/solver alone. It's totally bizarre in the most awesome of ways. The demand for a new Solver CD on MySpace basically drove our decision to release the Insurgency EP, which includes 'I'll be the one', after the single sold out in three

weeks. The past couple of months have been crazy but it's everything we've always wanted. Nick and I have just finished Uni and now we're ready to rock to the extreme.' It's a dream come true for the band who admit; 'This is the life we've aspired to for so long.' Tickets are available from Truckstop Skate in Ballina for \$12 there is also a bus leaving from Tamar St Ballina for just (\$7).

WELCOME THE DEYA Mullumbimby Folk Club is very excited to present **Deya Dova**. Deya is an extraordinary artist, renowned as an innovative vocalist, singer/songwriter and multi instrumentalist. She is renowned for her effortless, soulful and worldly voice and is an innovator and virtuoso of unaccompanied vocal layering. Deya was previously known as Mira'nda and her first album, *So Bravely Human* as well as her work with Si and Wild Marmalade have earned her a reputation as a talented contemporary songwoman. Performing songs from her new album, *The Jasmani Garden*, Deya and her remarkable voice deliver a truly unique show. Most recently, Deya was a top 5 finalist in the World Music category of the National Musicoz Awards. This will be the last folk club for 2006 and we are very sure it will be a great way to cap off an

outstanding year celebrating our local songwriting talent. As usual chalkboard spots will be available from 7.00pm so please arrive early and put your name down. Mullum Folk Club, **Old Drill Hall, Mullumbimby** on **Thursday**. Doors open 7.45pm show starts 8pm Entry only \$5. Tea, coffee and cakes available.

LOVE COMES IN THREES

Just yesterday **Hans Lovejoy** hunkered in for an all night sit in to come up with a band name for his three piece. At about 2 in the morning, he had a breakthrough: 'I came up with the name The Lovejoy Threesome cause it sounded cool' says Hans. To those just off the bus from Cairns or Sydney, Hans plays double bass and sings. His mate Geoff Wright is a guitarist/vocalist of international renown and teaches at the Lismore Conservatorium. Their latest addition is drummer Jamie P. 'We like music, which is a plus. Jamie knows the one drop and Geoff is a fantastic guitarist, despite the fact that he teaches in Lismore.' Expect blues, reggae, funk, Latin tango bebop shuffles this **Thursday** at the **Rails**.

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THE ALPHABET OF THINGS THAT GET ON YOUR GOAT

Doesn't ketchup get on your goat! Like every other Americanisation of our language, it stole a decent, good, hard working Aussie term. Like dude stole mate or clobber, like sidewalk stole footpath, like elevator stole lift and vacation stole our holidays. Same for pronunciation; DEE fence instead of de FENCE, aluminum, nuclear, oREGano instead of oreGANO and how stupid is it to hear white youths calling each other 'nigga'. How many others can you think of? Anyway, have a nice day :-)

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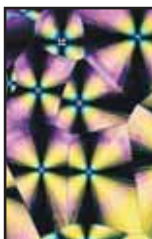
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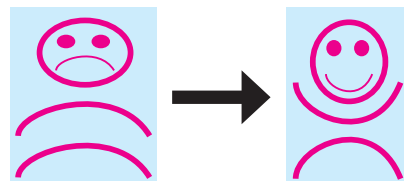
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Out of the tiny kitchen at Orient Express comes the most wonderful food! Tippy Heng's restaurant has rapidly acquired a reputation for being a beautiful tea-house serving up great food with a welcoming, intimate atmosphere. He is about to launch an exciting new menu for both lunch and dinner, and meanwhile continues to offer his very popular Yum Cha on the weekend from 10am to 3pm.

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winning over fans with their unique blend of reggae, dub, funk and soul, carving out their reputation on the strength of their critically acclaimed studio albums and legendary live performances. They've been in the studio and have just released their brand new baby. Heralded as their most accomplished/best album yet, Into The Dojo was released in New Zealand in July and spent 5 consecutive weeks at No 1 in the New Zealand album charts, already reaching well over Platinum sales. Having just completed successful European and U.S. tours, the full 8-piece live band will return to Australia in November for a 6-show Australian album release tour. They perform at the **Hotel Great Northern** on **Wednesday**.

BREATHKING VUE

It's been 2 years coming for local outfit, **The Vue** but finally they have a debut EP called *Everyone*. This release is set to establish the band's profile nationally and internationally over the next 6 months, don't miss the launch gigs and if you do grab a copy from all good record stores. Vue launches at the **Hotel Great Northern** on **Thursday** and at the **Lennox Point Hotel** on **Friday**. Check our giveaways for your very own copy.

MURPH AND HEAZ

If acoustic music is your thing then you'd be silly to pass up an opportunity to see two of Byron's best singer songwriters **Cheyenne Murphy** and **Mark Heazlett** at the **Brunswick Hotel**, this **Thursday** night. Both have been impressing audiences of late with their soulful acoustic music, most recently at the Fatherhood & Bangalow Songwriters Festivals. For this show Cheyenne will be featuring material from both his EP's - *Return to the Source* and *Wingspan* which are now available to listen to and buy on www.cheynnemurphy.com. This stripped back acoustic setting is perfect for the raw emotional power of Cheyenne's vocal delivery. Stylistically he has been compared to the likes of Jeff Buckley, Eddie Vedder and Ireland's Damien Rice. Show starts **6:30pm** and is FREE.

MOOVIN TO SAVE TREES

It's now a decade since Dana Lyons released his global radio and web hit *Cows with Guns*, and while the rise of bovine paramilitaries - as prophesied in the song - has yet to take place, the threat to temperate rainforests, his latest cause, is of a much more serious nature. To raise awareness and celebrate the rainforests, two fun and funky nights, involving both a performance from Dana and a slideshow presentation by rainforest activist Pat

Rasmussen, will be held on **Friday** at **Coorabell Hall**, and the following evening at **Channon Hall**. The funk comes from local purveyors of 'conscious groove', The Blissmongers, who play on both nights. And Friday's slightly juicier line-up is completed by the self-explanatory combo of Mystic Beats. The website of the World Temperate Rainforest Network (HYPERLINK "<http://www.temperaterainforests.org>")

THE EVOLUTION OF EXODUS

The Exodus Festival does not stand still! Now in its 7th year, the Festival has just morphed into the Exodus Live Festival. It will happen on **January 12-14**, at the magical **Bald Rock Bush Retreat**, near Tenterfield. New festival co-ordinators are long term Mullumbimby businesswomen Rachel Caulcutt and Michelle Gibson. Watch these pages for the lineup of top bands and

Amor, as well as fire performance, theatre and poetry. The next morning from 10am, workshops are being run by women for women, under the theme of 'kindling the spark of creativity'. **Ewingsdale Hall** from **7pm**. Food is available, and is a child friendly, open to the entire community event. Info and workshop bookings call Melania on 0413 236 261.

A REMEDY FOR YOUR ILLS

Take your medicine as the **Sweet Remedy Show** rolls into town. This unique and one-off show was funded with the assistance of the contemporary Music Touring Fund and features three exciting and emerging Australian roots artists and singer-songwriters Tim Ireland, Jesse Younan and Lara Stephen. Lara's *Up in the Air* was called one of the best album releases last year. Lovely, tender, acoustic heaven - it really is a Sweet Remedy at **Coorabell Hall** on **Saturday**.

THUJONE IN THE MIDDLE

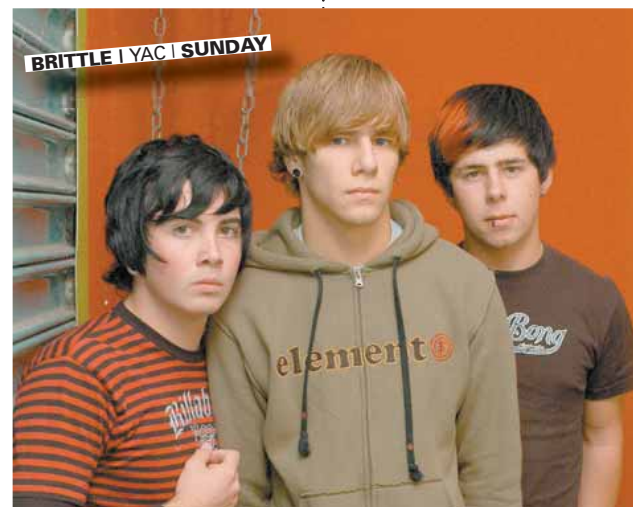
The boys from **Thujone** are fresh back from their stretch at Guantanamo Bay where they were held on suspicion of being W.O.M.D.'s. Thank Beelzebub the Democrats won the midterms and the boys have been released with the promise of free counselling and increased welfare payments - to be fair, the sexual humiliation wasn't all bad. Good folk of Mullum, prepare yourself as Thujone ready themselves to disrupt the tranquility of your peaceful little town yet again. If Good ol' Country Rock's your bag get along to the **Middle Pub** this **Friday**. Bring your yee hahs.

IT'S A SOUL KINDA FEELING

Soul'd are fronted by three vocalist, and bring some of the best soul music to the stage. The band reproduces the well known and loved tunes of an outstanding era in music using arrangements transcribed from the original recordings. Featuring sax and trumpet, trombone, bass drums and three vocalists - Andrew Cox, Ruthann Brown and Sophie Wilson, it's full bootied soul for your listening and loving pleasure. **Sunday** at the **Hotel Brunswick**.

FEELING PRAGMATIC

There are some bands who know how to fill a room and the **Mighty Pragmatics** are one such band. With big sound and a big energy these guys transcribe funk right from its very core. In a genre that has become increasingly popular they still pull off the moves better than most. **Mighty Pragmatics** at the **Beach Hotel** on **Friday**.



www.temperaterainforests.org encourages the development of a new vision for a coming reality. In that spirit, this modern-day Pete Seeger's five country tour - that also includes the west coast of Canada and the United States, and Japan and Chile - is seeking to weave connections amongst the global temperate rainforest movement and generally raise awareness for the plight of the forests. Temperate rainforests are so rare that they are found only in Tasmania, New Zealand, and the west coast of North and South America. But despite their rarity, they continue to be logged at an alarming rate. Both evenings begin at **7.30pm** with food, drink and upbeat vibes.

international dj's and vj's to be announced next week. Meanwhile, check out the website for ticket details, especially the Early Bird Discount. We are seeking stallholders, volunteers, and others who wish to partake. www.exoduslivefestival.com or enquiries on 6684 1285.

SING IT UP SISTA

Brings the girls together for a captivating, inspired, original performance from the talented women of the Northern Rivers area this **Friday**. This is the last of these fantastic local events for this year. Performers included in this delicious smorgasboard of entertainment are Dani Bear, Melania Jack, Rebekah and Cerise, Kaisha, Christina,

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I love painting still life. Because they're still. Haiku Framing & Design present an exhibition of paintings by Ester Poyas. The still life paintings were inspired by a workshop attended during the year where a motto of 'anything goes' was encouraged. All are welcome to attend the opening at 6.30pm on **Friday** at **Haiku Framing & Design**, 144 Jonson Street, Byron Bay.

ART AT YOUR PRICE

It's the perfect time to buy a painting. It's nearly Christmas and what better way to say I love you than with a painting by a local artist? At the **Urban Cafe** and the **Bangalow RSL** hall on **Saturday** and **Sunday** works from all over the Shire are featured for sale. Half the profits of the sale will go to the Buttery to help build a new treatment facility. Pop in and get yourself a portfolio and do your bit for a valuable community resource as well. The sale officially opens on Friday.

BOOK LAUNCH DREWE ON A BOOK

For all you avid readers out there, summer is the ultimate time to grab a collection of short stories. Lets face it, with all the Christmas cheer, you'll be flat out focusing on any extended narratives. On **Thursday** Byron Books invites all to attend the launch of Best Australian Stories 2006, edited by Robert Drewe. Robert Drewe is considered one of Australia's most acclaimed authors. Drewe has put together a sparkling, often surprising collection. Included are much-loved writers such as Alex Miller, Carmel Bird, Peter Goldsworthy and Frank Moorhouse, as well as talented newcomers Cate Kennedy, Tony Birch and Chris Womersley. The event will start at 7.00pm at **Byron Books**, corner of Marvell and Fletcher Streets, Byron Bay.

VARIETY GLAM IT UP

What do you get when you fill a Lismore theatre with a bunch of performance artists, vocalists, dancers, musicians, circus performers, magicians, comedians and drag queens? This year's 3rd Annual **Gay and Lesbian Aids Memorial (GLAM) Variety Concert**, that's what! The GLAM concert is the first in a series of events organised by ACON (AIDS Council of NSW) Northern Rivers branch to promote AIDS Awareness Week (Nov 24 - Dec 1) and World AIDS Day (Dec 1). This year, the AIDS awareness message is 'Let's Talk About It: Many Faces, Different Stories'. Dr David Smith, Medical Director North Coast Area Sexual Health Services, says there has been a slow increase in the diagnosis of HIV/AIDS in Australia in recent years. 'While the majority of infections still occur amongst homosexually active men, there is a significant number of heterosexual men and women represented in those diagnoses,' he says. The GLAM Concert is being held on **Friday** at the **Star Court Theatre** in Lismore. GLAM is a family-friendly show with a G rating until interval and PG recommended after that. Tickets are on sale from NORPA, ETix online (surcharge for credit cards),

SAX Leather (Byron Bay), Caddies Coffee (Lismore/Ballina) and the Dragonfly Café (Lismore). Residents in Yamba/McLean can call Anj on 6646 1488. Ticket prices are \$20 each or \$10/\$15 for concession holders. A family ticket is \$25. Doors to the Star Court Arcade will be open from 6.30pm with an exhibition from local artists. The concert kicks off at 7.30pm. I'll be hosting alongside Bay FM's Pavita and the show will feature Fruity Tang, Two Colour Mountain, Maude of the Rings, Adriana, The Kahoots, Astro Boy, Sally Mansfield, Tunttable Falls Circus, Mish, The Dragsta's, Paul McGowan, Licorice Allsorts and hand-picked visual artists from the Rainbow Region.

STANDUP COMEDY A BIG CHRISTMAS CHUCKLE

All year, **WhyNot!** has been hosting the ever popular Why Not Stand Up. The venue has provided a space for emerging comics to try their hand at new material, re-work routines and develop natural and interactive patter. This month's host is Brisbane comedian Stuart Fisher. Stuart Fisher has been a regular on the Australian comedy scene since 1998 and in that time Stuart has played every major comedy room from Brisbane to Melbourne. The evening will also feature a special guest appearance by Brisbane comedian, David Eastgate performing original and inspired humorous songs on everything from male pattern baldness to Emo's. There won't be another open mike show until later next year as we are taking a break over Summer. I might even get up and try out some brand new jokes!!! **Wednesday 29 November** at Why Not, Jonson Street in Byron Bay. Tickets are \$30 and include a meal and a glass of champagne and entry to the comedy room. Dinners start from 7pm and it is imperative that you book. 6680 7994 Show starts at 8pm.

WICKED WOMEN

Wicked Women is the first of a series of gigs promoting women in comedy. Featuring Claire Hooper a vibrant young woman who won the West Australian Finals of JJJ Raw

Comedy in 2004 and by 2005 was invited to perform in the Melbourne International Comedy Festival's 'Comedy Zone'. She was also invited to perform at the National Improv Championships, where she won 'Best and Fairest'. She was won of the hit's of this year's Melbourne Comedy Festival, with her solo show 'OH' being nominated for prestigious Best Newcomer. Her work at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival also saw her named as one of the Top 5 Comedy picks for the entire event. She has appeared several times on Rove Live and has just finished up as a presenter for Nova in Perth. Supporting her is Jenny Wynter, a Brisbane based comic on the rise. Joining these two exceptionally wicked women on the mic are local comedians Sandy Gandhi, Ellen Briggs and fresh from the new crop of Virgin Sacrifices from the Ace Course we have Sally Mathrick. I'll be there, as mouthy as ever as the MC. The event will be launching the Bangalow Big Joke Comedy Festival happening in Bangalow 9,10 and 11 February next year. It's going to be an awesome line up with events happening all over the village. Wicked Women tickets are \$15/20 and are available at the club or by phoning 6687 1235. Show starts at 8pm. For any comedy or Comedy Festival enquiries phone Mandy on 6684 3443.

FILM TALK ABOUT A REVOLUTION

Darius Devas's film is like a streaming postcard, focusing on one spin of the globe in the shoes of Darius. It looks at a cross section of Different subcultures across the continents and explores the similarities and contrast between and diverse group of unique individuals. With the help of a fluid soundtrack from some of Australia's freshest beat makers from the likes of The Bird and Hermitude; 1 REVOLUTION brings the experience of being on the road to life. The film is being shown at the **Lounge Cinema, Thursday @ 7pm**. Tickets \$10 at the door. There will also be shorts from several other local talents included in the showing.



THUJONE | MIDDLE PUB | FRIDAY



DARIAS DEVA'S | 1 REVOLUTION LOUNGE CINEMA | THURSDAY



STUART FISHER | WHYNOT!! WEDNESDAY | NOV 29



DEYA DOVA | MULLUM FOLK CLUB MULLUM DRILL HALL | THURSDAY

DANCE FEET ON YOUR HEART

The **Mullum Drill Hall** and its gardens will transform itself next **Sunday** into a magical setting for a **Taste of Thai** from 6.00pm with drinks and snacks and the best Thai curries (outside Thailand) to be served as a leadup to Sue Whiteman's fundraising dance show titled **Dances From The Heart**. The show starts at 7.30pm and involves all styles from classical and contemporary dance through to tap, jazz cabaret as well as song and dance. Highlights

include Thai dancing and performances from the Heart to Heart Hip Hoppers, who have raised over \$10,000 since the Boxing Day tsunami for Whiteman's Heart to Heart Foundation. This year also marks twenty years of children's concerts here in the Byron Shire, for Sue Whiteman. She is encouraging all pupils past and present and Mullum locals to call by the Drill Hall next Sunday from 6pm to catch up before she heads off to Thailand again. Tickets: \$10/6 and are available at the door. Call Sue for info on 6686 2520.

ELITE FORCE
THURSDAY
DEEKLIN & WIZARD
PLAY
NIGHTCLUB BYRON BAY

Wednesday 22 November ► **DANCEHALL REGGAE**
DJs : **Krazy Dave & Lennox Dread** : Sweet reggae music ina dancehall stylee : \$5/\$10

Thursday 23 November ► **UK DJs ELITE FORCE + DEEKLIN & WIZARD**
Pioneers of tech funk Elite Force & UK breaks duo Deekline & Wizard all hit Byron Bay on the same night at PLAY : \$15/\$20

Friday 24 November ► **PLAY>DIRTY**
DJs : **Nick Taylor > Sarah Tonin** : Sideways house & electro tech beats : \$10

Saturday 25 November ► **PLAY>HOUSE**
DJs : **Flynn > Clegs** : Dancefloor driven house from vocal to electro : \$10

Thursday 30 November ► **JON B (UK)** Dancefloor drum n bass

Friday 1 December ► **ISAAC TUCKER (SPEKTRUM)** UK tech-funk & electro house

Thursday 7 December ► **GOLDIE** The drum n bass legend

10PM - 3AM
\$5 BASIC DRINKS
10PM TO MIDNIGHT
\$6 AFTER

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PLAY



November 2006

Justine ELLIOT MP

Community Update



Federal Member for Richmond



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Howard's Interest Rate Pain

John Howard's 2004 election promise to keep 'interest rates at record lows' shattered

John Howard has broken his 2004 election promise to keep interest rates at record lows.

This is John Howard's:

- ✓ 8th upward rate rise in a row
- ✓ 4th rate rise since the last election
- ✓ 3rd rate rise in the past 6 months

"Interest rates are at a record 10 year high. Households are now spending a record share of their income on mortgage interest repayments" Justine said.

"John Howard has breached trust with the local families and he is completely out of touch with the pain his rate rises inflict on our community."

The Howard Government has failed to keep a lid on inflation

in Australia's economy, and as a consequence interest rates have kept going up, and up.

John Howard has been too short-sighted to act on the skills and infrastructure bottlenecks which are putting upward pressure on interest rates.

"Locals are telling me that they are struggling to pay their bills – this

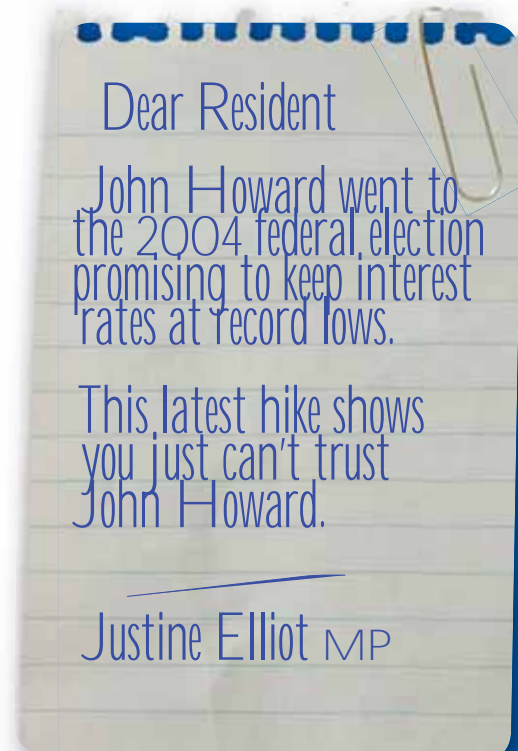
further rate hike will put families under even more pressure."

Only Federal Labor has an economic plan to keep downward pressure on inflation and interest rates.

"John Howard can no longer be trusted to manage the economy in the interests of families." Justine said.

Rate threat is Howard's doing

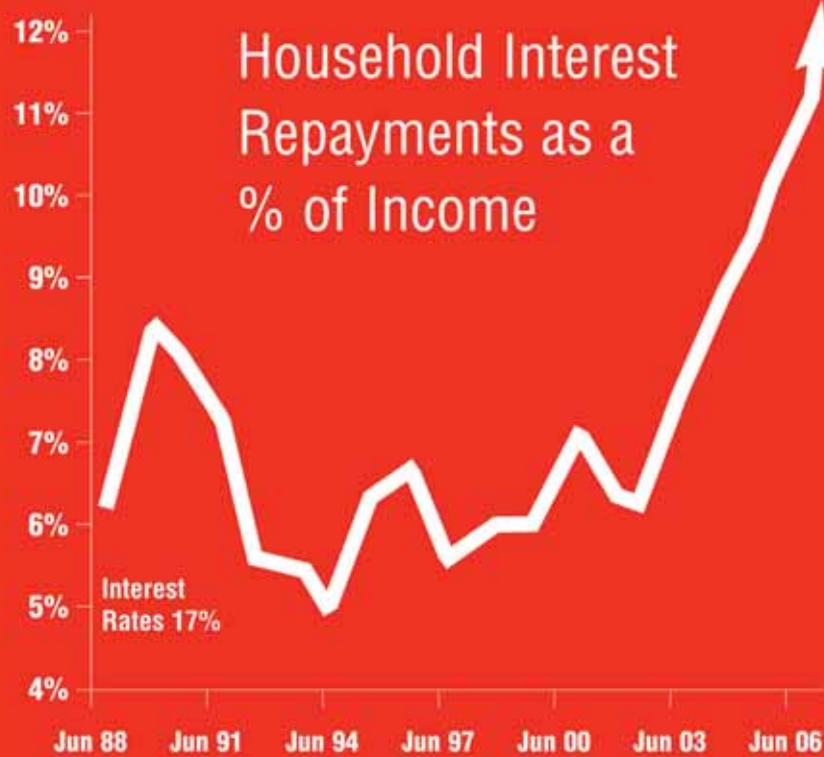
Australian Financial Review, 9 June 2006



Federal Labor's Plan to fix Interest Rates

1. Policies to address the skills crisis that is fuelling inflation, to fix export bottlenecks, to make Australian companies innovative again;
2. A commitment to keep the Reserve Bank independent and support its 2-3% inflation target;
3. Proposed rigorous Budget rules to keep the budget in surplus and underpin a strong economy.

Australians now spend a record share of their income on mortgage interest repayments.



Source: Australian Household Debt Service Ratio, 11 Sept 2006, Global Market Research, Deutsche Bank

Justine calls for action NOW!

Only a Federal Labor Government can provide the leadership that will protect our environment by reducing the growing amounts of pollutants being dumped into our atmosphere.

As a community we have a responsibility to remember that the future is borrowed from our children. "That is why, as a mother, I believe it is so important to care for our environment" Justine said.

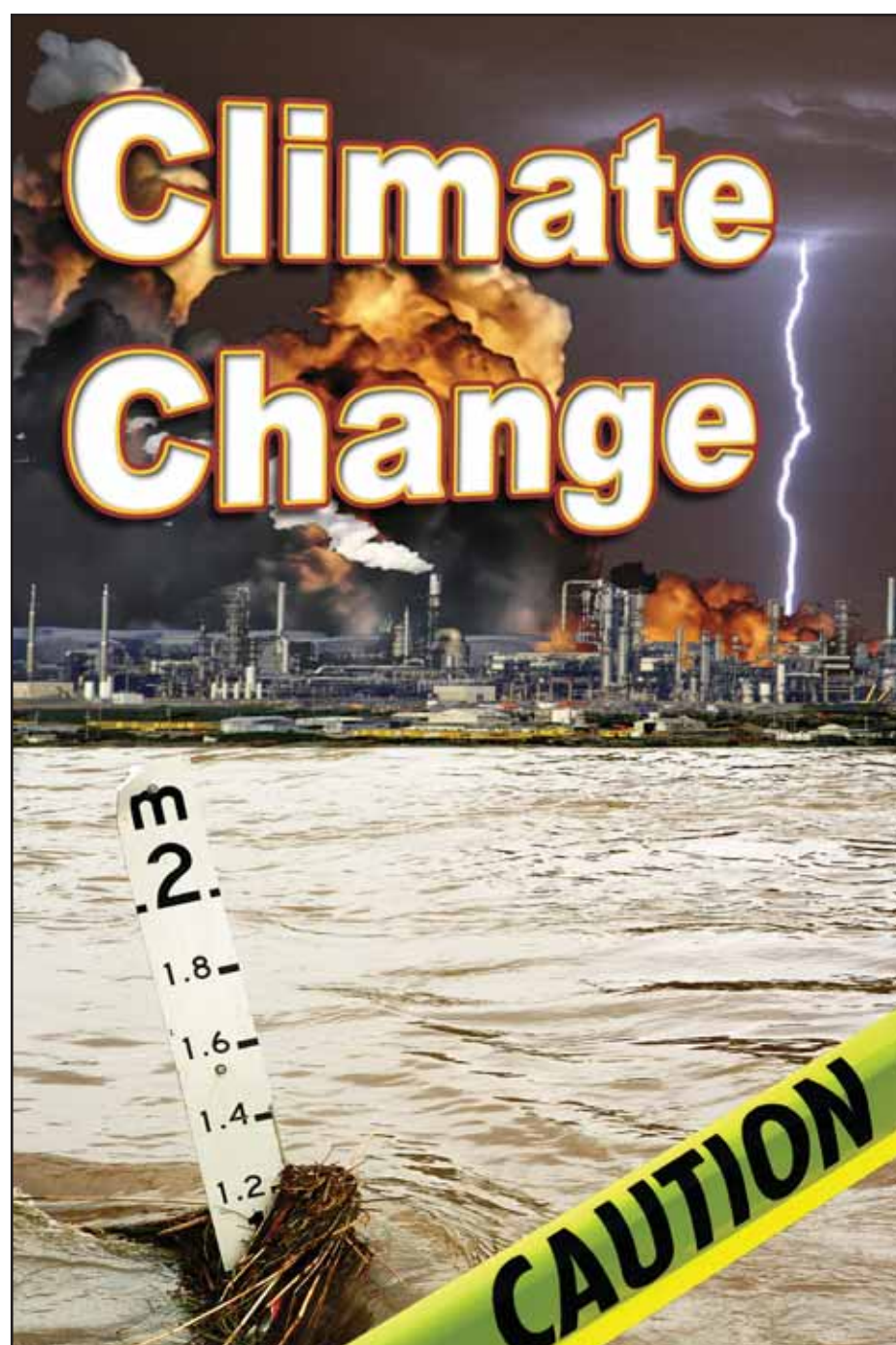
"The Howard Government has spent 10 years in denial on climate change - failing to protect Australia's environmental and economic future."

"The Federal Government needs to ratify the Kyoto Protocol. Kyoto has been ratified by 158 countries including every developed nation except for Australia and the United States."

"Australia needs a government that puts the preservation of our environment before its own political self-preservation."

Federal Labor will:

- ✓ Ratify the Kyoto Protocol
- ✓ Provide business with a long term incentive to cut emissions by establishing a national carbon trading scheme
- ✓ Make Australia's 10,000 schools solar schools
- ✓ Help Australia to have 1.5 million solar powered homes by 2015 and 2.25 million by 2020
- ✓ Support the use of ethanol, LPG, CNG and the new clean gas and coal fuel technologies
- ✓ Work towards a national target of 60% cuts to Australia's greenhouse emissions by 2050
- ✓ Smart Tax treatment of research and development for clean and renewable technologies such as solar, wind, clean coal and geothermal



Renewables Not Reactors

Looking for Funding?

Exchange Incentive Fund

Grants \$5,000 per project to a max. of \$10,000
Build capacity of regional groups/networks to use native vegetation in solutions to Natural Resource Management
[More information: www.lwa.gov.au](http://www.lwa.gov.au)

Crime Prevention Program

Provides funding for grass roots projects designed to enhance community safety and crime prevention by: preventing or reducing crime and anti-social behaviour, improving community safety and security, and reducing the fear of crime.

Provides funding under three streams:

Community Partnerships Stream - up to \$500,000 per project;
Indigenous Community Safety Stream - up to \$150,000 per project;
Community Safety Stream - up to \$150,000 per project.

Deadline: 1st December 2006

[More information: www.crimeprevention.gov.au](http://www.crimeprevention.gov.au)

Food Processing

Grants from \$15,000 to \$200,000
Food processing projects in rural and regional Australia
Deadline: 8th February 2007
[More information: www.daff.gov.au/regionalfood](http://www.daff.gov.au/regionalfood)

River & Waterway Care - Bundaberg Rum Bush Fund

Grants from \$1,100 to \$5,500
Rural and regional communities to tackle water quality to improve health of rivers and waterways
[More information: www.landcareaustralia.com.au](http://www.landcareaustralia.com.au)

Indigenous Research Grants

Special emphasis on Indigenous well being, knowledge systems and strengthening community
Deadline: 15th December 2006
[More information: www.aiatsis.gov.au](http://www.aiatsis.gov.au)

Call me if you want any further information and I would be pleased to give a supporting letter to all eligible applications.

Justine

“Meeting with and listening to local residents is the best way I know of staying in touch with the concerns of our community”

What locals are saying...



industrial relations

“John Howard’s unfair work laws means that I take home less money each week.”



climate change

“The Howard Government doesn’t care about our environment... they didn’t sign up to Kyoto.”



interest rates

“John Howard broke his promise to keep interest rates at record lows..they’ve just gone up again.”



iraq war

“John Howard was wrong to take us to Iraq... it’s made us a bigger terrorist target.”



nuclear reactors

“I don’t want one of John Howard’s dangerous nuclear plants built anywhere near my kids.”

**when you look at
John Howard’s record...**

**HOWARD
FAILS**

‘ We’ll rip up John Howard’s unfair workplace laws ’



Since John Howard’s extreme laws came into effect:

- Every AWA has cut out at least one “protected” award condition – such as leave loadings, overtime and penalty rates, shiftwork and public holiday loadings;
- Two thirds of AWAs scrapped leave loadings and penalties;
- More than half AWAs abolished shift loadings; and
- One in six AWAs took away every single protected award entitlement, leaving those workers only the barest minimum conditions.

“John Howard is Americanising our workplaces. I am concerned about what conditions will be like for our children.

I strongly believe in traditional Australian values and fairness in the workplace - safe conditions, a decent wage, and job security.”

Federal Labor will rip up these extreme laws and build a modern, flexible new system based on Australian values.

Local MP Justine Elliot and Kim Beazley will rip up John Howard’s extreme workplace laws.

“The Howard Government’s unfair workplace laws slash wages and rip away rights from locals” said Justine.

“We now have overwhelming evidence that John Howard is using Australian Workplace Agreements (AWA) as nothing more than a means to cut wages, cut conditions, and undermine decency and fairness in our workplaces.”

Iraq War A Mistake

focus should be on stability in our region

Justine Elliot says we should focus on protecting Australia from the threat of terrorism.

“The resources and funding being squandered fighting the war in Iraq could be better spent protecting Australia in our own region,” said Justine.

The Iraq war is a terrible mistake. In the Parliamentary debate in March 2003, Kim Beazley said:

“This is a profound mistake, a profound mistake we should not have blundered into”.

Reports in the New York Times and the Washington Post recently suggest that the United States intelligence community is preparing to draw the same conclusion publicly.

The New York Times quotes one American intelligence official saying that *“...the Iraq war has made the overall terrorism problem worse”.*

We need to be focusing and securing our own region, but John Howard has us bogged down in a bloody conflict in Iraq.

When Australians hear John Howard talk about the war on terror, we must remember he’s the one who made us more of a target.

Nothing John Howard does will make up for the fact he blindly followed George Bush into the unjust war in Iraq.

He is still scrambling to make up for the grave error of taking Australia to a war we should never have been in.

“I believe that as a nation, we need to fight the war on terror in our region,” Justine said.

“We need to get out of the war in Iraq and focus on delivering practical measures against terrorism at home.”

“I strongly support a move to protect our shores. I believe that we need to protect our country, our community and our children.”

THE FACTS

X John Howard’s policy has failed in Iraq.

X Australia is now part of a civil war in the Middle East.

X John Howard is not dealing effectively with the real problems in our own region.

X The threat of terrorism is undiminished.



interviews

GET TO KNOW YOUR TEDDY

Don't you love discovering something before it gets cool? Before it gets the stamp of 'everybody loves it'? I remember those concerts more than any others. Teddy Thompson is one such act. I managed to grab a quick early morning chat with the Englishman in the midst of his breakfast.

He has just finished recording a Christmas song. Although it's not your usual Jingle Bell Rock type release.

'It's sort of an anti-Christmas song. It's called *Boycotting Christmas*. It's going to be a download. Actually this Christmas song will be for a charity. I didn't realise it would be so hard to do it – they make it so hard to give it to charity, there's just so much red tape – no wonder it doesn't get done much. I really thought it would be easier and quicker than this, people should make it easier. In fact everyone should make everything easier for me.'

Born to British pop-folk royalty, he's established himself in the UK and in the US. While still breaking the market here, Teddy has a host of international credits. In fact, did you know that it was he and friend Rufus Wainwright who sang the 'King of the Road' track for Brokeback Mountain?

'It was good fun – we recorded it very quickly. It's all just one take, as it should be. I like to record things in one take. I am particularly fond of singing it all in one. There's a sound you can't get in pieces – particularly if it's slower. I tend to do

everything best first or second time, not because I'm brilliant, but because I start thinking.'

Teddy is currently touring his second album, the rich and beautifully constructed *Separate Ways*.

It's quite fitting that on his first tour that Teddy plays solo. After all, like travelling, you always meet more people on your own than you do in a group, and it's also how Teddy wants to meet his Australian listenership.

Teddy Thompson plays the **Bangalow A&I Hall on Friday**.

SINGING WITH GRACE

Grace Knight has had a career of many incarnations, from the Eurogliders to a jazz singing chanteuse and now to performance mentor. In an industry that only allows the chosen few a career of longevity, she has breezed through, and in a very special masterclass, Grace will instruct singers how they might do the same. Called Paths to Performance, Ms Knight's course is aimed at teaching singers how to develop a persona that will ensure they stick out from the crowd.

'It's not a learn to sing. In fact I will not go near the voice. I don't have any qualification to work with the voice. I guess what I am doing is trying to change people's attitudes about what it is to be a singer. My workshop is about kind of putting an attitude in your head about what your job is as a singer who performs.'

So how do you think you can help ambitious singers realise their goal?

'I want to help these people forget what they learnt about how to sing. It is one of the hardest things to do to: study year after year and then go out into the market place and forget it. But it's the only way creativity can flow. I had to create a persona that could manage all those things like shyness and being an average singer.'

Grace Knight will conduct her two day workshop at the **Lismore Conservatorium on Saturday and Sunday December 2/3**. Cost for the workshop is \$250 and includes a Sunday session with a pianist to integrate what the participants learn during the workshop. There are limited places and registrations are taken by email only: pathstoperformanc@hotmail.com



dancin' with dan



Elite Force, known for his breaks and tech funk dance floor fillers is now touring Oz and Kiwi land on the back of his recently released album *Modern Primitive*. This album has received excellent reviews in the UK with iDJ magazine labelling it 'a quality release from one of the modern masters' and DJ magazine labeling it simply 'a masterpiece'. Elite Force has been dropping 12" for years as well as being a sought after remixer having rejigged the likes of Crystal Method, Grand master Flash, Hybrid, Jungle Brothers, Stereo MC's and UNKLE. I gave Elite Force a quick call to see what we could expect when he's in Byron.

Your album crosses smoothly between house and breaks. Do you think there is too strong a division between these genres that puts albums, producers and even punters into separate categories?

I think that by calling what I do tech funk, it gets over these traditional genres. If anything tech funk is anti-categorisation, it's a big melting pot of house, techno, electro and breaks. There are many types of breaks that don't fit into that kind of DJ style but then there are plenty that are. I don't want to be looking into one particular genre for inspiration, there is plenty of great music out there, why not use it. Music is diversifying but some of the best stuff is a merging of different styles.

In the last couple of years if you look at some of the minimal stuff, minimal techno and electro house, there are some wicked producers that are really pushing the parameters of sound quite hard and being really experimental. They are doing this in a way I haven't been seeing or feeling with breaks.

Breaks is the kind of genre that looks within its own circle for inspiration. As a result you run the risk of reinventing the wheel and getting diminishing returns when you're in the studio. If people were more open minded and looked outside breaks they would see there is a whole universe of experimental music going on. I'd love to see more of that brought into breaks.

Some of the best breaks have had external influences, be it jazz, hip hop or dub.

Yeah totally, there is a lot of great dub step at the moment and it's some of the more interesting stuff being produced.

It's good when producers look on the real margins of music and the more experimental side of things, that's when it starts to get interesting, rather than people just aiming for a mainstream sound.

What I think is nice about

Modern Primitive and I guess studio albums in general, is unlike 12" there doesn't have to be this focus on the dance floor, there's more room for experimentation. So for you, after the singles and remixes was it a natural progression to produce an LP and how

direct. It's a running joke that says he's got a kick, a snare and a high hat, and he wants to arrange it and finish the track. I'm forever trying to throw more in there, I think both our instincts in the studio are quite different but the end product and what



ELITE FORCE

satisfying is it to be able to produce music with different directions?

I think so totally, there is definitely more room to experiment on an album. As an artist I'm quite old school, I think an album is a big opportunity to write a book really, where singles are really just hard hitting short stories. The opportunity is there for you to just spread the net a lot wider and to just push yourself in the studio and do stuff you wouldn't normally get to do.

You've done a fair bit of production work with another breaks kingpin Meat Katie. What's it like working with him, what sort of relationship do you guys have in the studio?

We have an excellent relationship, we've done about 6 singles and we must have done a dozen tracks together by now, although we haven't done anything new for quite a while. We've just been too busy working on our own albums and promoting them. We have a relationship that works very well in the studio, musically and conceptually he's very

we are aiming for is not that dissimilar. He keeps me focused and I try and push as much music in there as I can, I think it works really well.

What can the local punter expect when they come down to your gig?

I'm not the kind of DJ that blanks out the crowd and plays just what they want to play, you've got a duty to entertain people as much as anything else.

There are certain countries and cities I've played in where I could play a set similar to my Strongarm sessions (in the UK) while other times it just had to be more direct and harder hitting. So it really depends on the night and how up for it the crowd is, that will determine what sort of set I'll drop. Turning up without a fixed idea of what I'm going to play is partly what keeps it exciting and interesting for me.

Check out Elite Force this Thursday night at Play> with support from UK breaks duo Deekline and Wizard.



SUMMAFIELD DAYZE

This year the lineup includes; Bob Sinclar, Mylo (DJ Set), Darren Emerson, Plump DJs, Hybrid (live), Judge Jules, Freestylers (live), Martin Solveig, Axwell, Mousse T, Tocadisco, Bodyrockers, Switch, BK, TV Rock, Kid Kenobi & Mc Shureshock and Queensland's best...

When: Saturday January 6 2007 - 12am - 12pm

Where: Doug Jennings Park, The Spit, Main Beach, Gold Coast

How: Early Birds \$69.00 + bf until Dec 1st or until stocks run out. General \$85.00 + bf (more at the gate). Tickets available from Ticketmaster (phone 13 61 00) www.ticketmaster.com.au

PLAY ON

This week **PLAY>** has the massive Double Headline gig on **Thursday** with Elite Force and Deekline and Wizard at **PLAY>** The UK artists showcase a fresh take on breaks, mixing in tech-funk and tuff beats. To see either act is a treat, to see Elite Force and Deekline & Wizard on the same lineup, in Byron Bay is exceptional! The **weekend** at **PLAY>** is house music, electro to vocal. **PLAY>Dirty on Friday** has a slightly sideways edge and **PLAY>House on Saturday** takes it higher! **Coming up** at **PLAY>** are more special guests, for tech-house crew Isaac Tucker and Lola from Spektrum are on Friday 1 December and on the drum n bass tip – Jon B (30 December) and then on 7 December it is the legend that is Goldie.

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WEDNESDAY 22
9:00PM
DJ

THURSDAY 23
9:00PM
KAYA

FRIDAY 24
9:30PM
MIGHTY PRAGMATICS

SATURDAY 25
9:30PM
DIRTY LAUNDRY

SUNDAY 26
4:00PM
MASON RACK

9:00PM
DJ

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9:00PM
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5:30PM
MEAT RAFFLES
6:00PM
POOL COMP
7:00PM
CHEYNNE MURPHY SOLO

FRIDAY 24
7:00PM
BLUE ROOM DUO

SATURDAY 25
7:00PM
ALICE STREET

SUNDAY 26
7:00PM
THE SOUL'D BAND

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FREE POOL

Bruns
Daily specials, fresh fish, steaks, burgers, juices, coffee and cakes.
LUNCH & DINNER

WEDNESDAY 22

- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 9PM DJ
- BUDDHA BAR, BYRON 7PM COCKATOO PAUL 8PM STEVE EXTREMO FIRE SHOW 9PM DJ TONE BROKER
- HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON 9PM THE BLACKSEEDS
- THE RAILS, BYRON 7PM DUBBLY
- CHEEKY MONKEYS 7PM FLARES & FUNKSTARS
- COCOMANGAS, BYRON LADIES NIGHT DJS TULIP, PIP
- WHYNOT!, BYRON 7PM MATTY MUDDCRAB DEVITT
- PLAY, BYRON REGGAE DJS KRAZY DAVE, LENNOX DREAD
- LISMORE CITY HALL 8PM ELECTRIC LENIN

THURSDAY 23

- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 9PM KAYA
- BUDDHA BAR, BYRON 6PM FREE SALON SHOW TAFE COSTUME DESIGN STUDENTS 8PM MATTY DEVITT LIVE
- HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON 9PM THE VUE
- THE RAILS, BYRON 7PM THE LOVEJOY THREESOME
- HOTEL BRUNSWICK 7PM CHEYNNIE MURPHY
- CHINI HOTEL, MULLUM 7.30PM MULLUMBERRY JAM
- MIDDLE PUB, MULLUM 7.30PM ROSS NOBEL
- BANGALOW HOTEL 8PM WALDO KNIGHT
- BYRON COMMUNITY CENTRE 7.30PM WALK ON THE WILD SIDE
- LOUNGE CINEMA, BYRON 7PM 1 REVOLUTION FILM BY DARIUS DEVAS
- BYRON BOOKS 7PM BEST AUSTRALIAN STORIES LAUNCH BY ROBERT DREWE
- PLAY, BYRON UK NU-TECH BREAKS DJS ELITE FORCE, DEEKLINE, WIZARD, POB
- CHEEKY MONKEYS 8PM WET T-SHIRT COMP
- COCOMANGAS, BYRON DJS KRISTIN, GOODWOOD
- BYRON ENTERTAINMENT CTR 8PM SALSA SOCIAL

FRIDAY 24

- DRILL HALL, MULLUM 7.30PM FOLK CLUB, DEYA DOVA
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THE CAVE OF THE YELLOW DOG
Batchuluum and Buyandulan live as nomads on the treeless steppes of Mongolia with their three small children. They have no running water or electricity, let alone access to broadband and its billion web sites. All they have is their animals, their cosy yurt and the world around them. More urbane critics have derided this movie for its whimsical, unsophisticated escapism and its cute kids—as if it would be more worthy if they were ugly. And it's true, other than the attention paid to how the older daughter, Nansal, adopts a stray dog and how it finally wins over the father, there is barely any storyline. It is more a study of a vanishing culture than a standard narrative, ignoring the anticipated structural points of screen drama. Ironically, when convention is belatedly employed, as the tiny son's life is endangered, it feels made up and the naturalness of what has preceded it is briefly undone. The real life family, remarkably unaffected by the presence of what must have been an intrusive film crew, are wonderful. I loved them all, including the

mutt. The last shot of them moving their belongings on yak-drawn wagons as a truck appears with a government man urging them to vote is as foreboding a moment as you will see.
John Campbell
THE PRESTIGE
Playwright Alan Bennett wrote that if you have a secret there is no point in making a secret of it. That attitude might have saved a lot of grief for Angier (Hugh Jackman) and Borden (Christian Baile), magicians each obsessed with outdoing the other. Christopher Nolan (director) and brother Jonathan (co-writer), too clever by half in the pretentious Memento, have found their métier in this cerebral but more comprehensible drama set in Victorian London. It lacks humour and neither character is particularly likeable, but their rivalry and the labyrinthine plot is absorbing while the period recreation is a chocolate box joy. Jackman is excellent as the lesser of the artisans, but he is overshadowed by the intensity of Baile's purist. Michael Caine's schtick is perfect for the schrewd agent, David Bowie surprises



as a hi-tech electrical wizard who builds a H G Wells type machine that is sci fi in a way that seems at odds with the film's emphasis on craft, and Scarlett Johansson, in a walk-on role as the assistant who both men use for their own purposes, is enchanting in a number of frilly outfits cut to highlight her creamy charms. The concluding deception is unsighted and, despite the sometimes strained ingeniousness that led to it, entirely satisfactory.
John Campbell

FAST FOOD NATION
Contains some pretty shocking stuff! Director Richard Linklater has created a dramatic movie that's engaging and provocative in a way a documentary couldn't be. The director cleverly widens his net far beyond fast food. It's the corporate, multinational consumer machine that's the real target. And Linklater doesn't pull any punches, using documentary-like camera work that's

unembellished and natural while keeping us engaged and entertained by the humour, likeable characters and suspense. The film's story told in a multi-strand approach is reminiscent of (Syriana) or (Silver City), looking at the dodgy practices in the fast food industry from three distinct angles. The film is an enjoyable mix of lively dialogue and a sharply funny tone that turns horrific as the truth emerges. The main question is why we're so willing to eat food provided by corporations that won't tell us where it comes from. Why do we put our health in the hands of someone whose only concern is profit, regardless of how many people are exploited along the way? Why are we content to live in cookie-cutter houses in police states while a few people make billions off of us? As one character says, 'There's a reason why it only costs 99 cents.' And as it progresses, we slowly realise that we're the ones to blame.

FAVOURITE MOVIE QUOTATION

June Carter: [on stage w/John] We've got these people all revved up, John. Now c'mon, let's sing Jackson for 'em.
Johnny Cash: You've got me all revved up. Now I've asked you forty different ways and it's time you come up with a fresh answer.
June Carter: Please sing.
Johnny Cash: I'm asking you to marry me. I love you, June. Now I know I said and done a lotta things, that I hurt you, but I promise, I'll never do that again. I only want to take care of you. I will not leave you like that dutch boy with your finger in the dam.
June Carter: [shakes head]
Johnny Cash: You're my best friend. Marry me.
June Carter: [quietly] All right.
Johnny Cash: Yeah?
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trivia

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IN THE RED

Horatio Bitemark

I awoke from a dream of mud. I was at the bottom of a swimming pool filled with mud, trying to arrange a deck of playing cards into the four suits. It was not an uplifting experience.

It was in stark contrast to an earlier, waking dream, in which I found myself in a boat with swan wings, skimming above a wine-purple sea, accompanied by Xquic, also known as Miss Blood, Blood Moon and Blood Maiden. Contrary to her fearsome reputation, Miss Blood was charming, though her flaming hair and adamant eyes a little disconcerting. We discussed the relative values of semillon, chardonnay and plasm, after which we played croquet below deck with a monkey's skull.

The good and the bad must be taken as they come, I suppose. I arose from my Louis XIV bed given to me by the grandniece of George Sand and tottered on my delicate ankles to the bathroom. There I inspected my face in the mirror and realised somehow, overnight or in the last twenty years, I had become old. It is a terrible realisation on top of a muddy dream. To think that one is no longer beautiful, handsome, charming, attractive, or even moderately acceptably craggy. But, I sighed, this facial topography is shaped by the master surgeon of Time, and I am determined to live with it. I had the consolations of wealth, good manners and my own private dungeon. My eyes looked back at me through a sea of wrinkles.

After a glass of orange juice I called up Gregor the Romanian masseur and had him come over and pummel my ancient body for half an hour and realign my ankles.

'I am told on good authority, Gregor, that the delicacy of my ankles is caused by uric acid build-up courtesy of too much coffee and alcohol.'

'Oh no, Mr Bitemark, this is too fanciful for words. It is an impediment of your part Transylvanian heritage. Vlad the Impaler put the Curse of the Ankles on your family for their part in his overthrow. It is your great good fortune that they have not snapped off completely, which happened to Bela Bocskai in 1847.'

Who to believe? It was of no account, really, as I was too indolent to reform my habits. The massage had cheered me immensely and I hopped into my Charron Model 16 and tootled off to the clubhouse with a new will. Sanders the butler cheered me even more with his smooth greeting.

'Heartiest felicitations of the day, Sir,' he said. 'Might we interest you in some lunch?'

'Indeed you might, Sanders. I have overcome the ravages of time and am looking for something to stir the red corpuscles.'

'Indeed, Sir. I shall have a word to Chef.'

It seemed but a moment, as I settled in on the clubhouse deck with a bottle of Global Warming Pants On Fire Carbon Dioxide Semillon, with its rich overtones of drowned capicum, before Chef sent up Barely Seared Flank of Water Buffalo in a Water Lily Sauce with Segment of Jesus Christ Lizard.

'Do you think, Sanders,' I said as I sawed the buffalo into convenient gobbets, 'that encroaching old age has a message for us?'

'It is hardly my place to say, Sir,' he replied, 'but I am of one mind with Omar Khayyam when he noted, "Oh, come with old Khayyam, and leave the Wise/ To talk; one thing is certain, that Life flies;/ One thing is certain, and the Rest is Lies;/ The Flower that once has blown for ever dies."''

'Indeed, Sanders, indeed.'



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CIRCUS FEATS AND FEASTS

Victoria Cosford

What do circus performers eat? Not lion tamers and fat bearded ladies – who possibly eat each other respectively – the circus performers to whom I refer are those superhumans belonging to the Cirque du Soleil. This French-Canadian phenomenon is currently touring Australia and New Zealand with its show 'Varekai', only one of about ten ongoing shows throughout the world; we were in Brisbane to attend a late afternoon session. The 'grand chapiteau' – or Big Tent – transported its audience to another world in a spectacular, flamboyant and often moving account based loosely on the Icarus myth, with costumes, music and especially performers taking our collective breath away. The cast is composed of people from about eighteen countries of the world (including three darling little Chinese boys aged around eight) whose bodies fuse dance and acrobatics into a seamless series of awe-inspiring acts: bodies which bend like rubber into improbable contortions, bodies which fly through the air with the grace of birds, bodies balancing their entire weight on one slender, untrembling arm. I kept forgetting to breathe; I often cried. And at the end of it there was Marc-Antony Thomas, artistic coordinator for the production, introducing himself to us – a towering New Yorker fragrant with patchouli oil, a black beret and a manner infinitely gracious as he led us firstly backstage (where semi-clad performers did push-ups, climbed ropes or lay collapsed on makeshift beds) then into the smaller tent which housed the canteen.

It could almost have been any canteen – except for the diners. Arranged around tables, many of them were still in costume and makeup, heads bent over meals or together in conversation. Delicious smells swirled through the air; people jostled in front of the display cabinets clutching trays; a fierce cossack in scarlet sipped beer. Marc-Antony introduced us to the Head Chef, a youthful Canadian who spoke passionately about the formidable task of catering for so many different tastes, nationalities and appetites each physically-challenging day. He said that while most of the performers were happy to eat pretty much the same things, it was always necessary to carry such specialty items as herrings for the Russian contingent, for example. I asked if the performers were especially precious, or even just careful, about their diets and he laughed and said mostly not, and how in fact the majority of the Eastern Europeans smoked ferociously, regardless of the rigours to which they submitted their extraordinary bodies. He said too that, the troupe having just toured the States, it was such a pleasure to utilise our fantastic Australian produce. I peered – my sense of pride coolly suppressed – into the cabinets, the arrangements of fresh fruit and yoghurt, salad vegetables and gently steaming rice, dark meaty casseroles and chicken schnitzels topped with melted cheese, pizza wedges and braised red cabbage (the Russians again?), lasagna squares and peperonata; the only dessert seemed to be prisms of iced carrot cake, and I must have missed the herrings. This entire set-up is part of the forty-odd containers required to provide for the troupe from town to town: Lego-like containers which slot in together to compose preparation areas, cookers, cool-room and refrigeration, a logistical marvel, or perhaps nightmare. And yet Marc-Antony's calmness washed over us in the midst of beautiful men with bulging sculpted arms sprawled carelessly across tables and diminutive exotic girls spooning salad out of deep bowls. Apart from their bodies there they were, just ordinary people having a bite to eat in between performances.

And I was suddenly starving. Watching those physical feats had started it off and now smelling the aromas was reminding me that I hadn't eaten since my morning muffin. We took our leave, and caught a taxi to Fortitude Valley where at Depot restaurant we ate white asparagus with goat's cheese and honey, and ocean trout confit with wasabi sorbet, and washed a sublime Fromage d'Affinois down with a glass of French champagne: a toast to all the melding flavours of the world, to multinations and cultural melting-pots. Long may they be celebrated and enjoyed.

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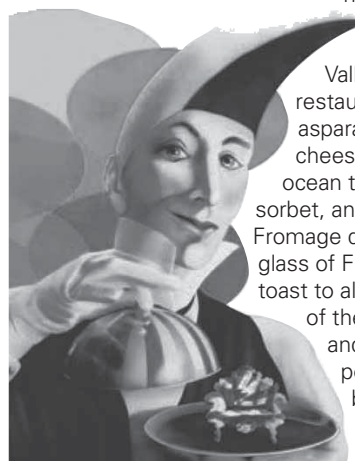
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As major planets snap, crackle and pop into the sign of the energetic Archer, life hots up to the trademark Sagittarian sizzle. This week in 1934 Cole Porter's musical *Anything Goes* premiered – his opinion that *The world has gone mad today seems increasingly relevant...*

ARIES: Fiery Sagittarian influences have a wildly flammable effect on the Aries temperament, putting you at risk of well, losing it. Going off. Saying things you know you're going to regret. This week self control and a sense of the absurd are essential survival tools.

TAURUS: You'll want to be free to act on your own initiative this week – if you're not, ask yourself why that is. And know this is a highly auspicious time for rewriting rules, rebrokering agreements, stretching the envelope, breaking weighty chains...

GEMINI: Geminis love discussion and debate, and this week brings no shortage of sparring partners. But skins are thin and buttons easily pushed, so keep an eye on the emotional thermostat – others

may be taking it all much more seriously than you.

CANCER: Sagittarian transits offer lessons in what Buddhists call right speech or discriminating communication. Notice the effects this week of unkind judgments, demeaning gossip or belittling opinions. Yours where applicable, other people's if you've already sprouted wings.

LEO: Mercury out of retrograde stretches like a bridge over last week's troubled waters. Fiery Sagittarian energy's kicking in, skies are brighter, spirits lighter, and as you sniff those random spring ions in the wind you reconnect with your real self – a lover, not a fighter.

VIRGO: Present non self-censoring planetary vibes don't care whether you're too this or not enough that – liberating, eh? While this zesty week effervesces away some of that energetic density you've collected recently, let the winds of change take you for a ride...

LIBRA: In an organising mood? Don't even think about whipping others into shape – you'll achieve more of what

you want by changing the way you spend your own time, money and mental energy. Simple will give you the most elegant solutions – if it's easy, it's right.

SCORPIO: This week's controversial ideas are likely to spark volatile reactions, but you've never been one to fold easily. Don't waste emotional energy in small wars though – set a goal worthier of your efforts and stick to achieving it.

SAGITTARIUS: You're on a roll this week, but don't be hard on those who aren't – you need their calming influence in your fiery life. Others will appreciate your fun way of getting things done, but be seriously unimpressed by temper tantrums or impatience displays.

CAPRICORN: Loosen the reins this week, never mind what others think. Whenever else are you going to free up your spirit and reacquaint yourself with the dreams you once had, the things you used to enjoy when you weren't so busy...?

AQUARIUS: You'll like this week – it breaks rules. People



with Lilith

will be more inclined to laugh at themselves, though probably still not thrilled to have you do it for them. Use your comedic talents to defuse explosive situations rather than create them.

PISCES: Mercury out of retrograde, the planet of change moving forward in Pisces, your planetary ruler doing the same in the sign of progress are all indications that the cosmos is currently prepared to cooperatively support Piscean plans.

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Jeff McMullen to speak on the common good

The north coast holds the promise of doing things so much better than many other parts of the world in the face of issues such as global warming. That's according to Jeff McMullen, 60 Minutes reporter, ABC foreign correspondent and best selling author, who will speak at Southern Cross University on Tuesday, December 5, in a keynote address.



The public address, titled 'For The Common Good', will look at examples from around the world of how people arrive at good community solutions. 'Instead of conflict, we will examine solutions in land use, town planning, architecture and resource management based on the fact that we are all in this

together,' said Jeff McMullen. 'The challenges are global and local, especially in the period of global warming.'

Southern Cross University Vice-Chancellor Professor Paul Clark said there were many challenges facing the

region and it was important all members of the community worked together. 'We have a number of research centres which are looking at issues such as climate change and ecotechnology. Through these centres we are establish-

ing close links with businesses, industry, government and members of the public to come up with the best possible solutions for this region,' Professor Clark said.

Event sponsor East Coast Mortgage Trust chief executive Scott Collis said, 'As a region we are perpetually in dispute about development. We need to rethink how we approach planning and growth so that we can ensure the far north coast remains a great place for us all to live.'

Everyone is invited to attend the address at 10.30 am, Southern Cross University, Lismore Campus, Whitebrook Theatre, Tuesday December 5. Bookings are necessary; call Diana on 6620 3354.

Arts Northern Rivers awarded community heritage grant

Arts Northern Rivers has been awarded a \$9,000 Federal Community Heritage Grant to fund a Significance Assessment and Training Project for Northern Rivers heritage museums.

The grant was announced by the Federal Minister for the Arts and Sport, Senator Rod Kemp, at the National Library of Australia, Canberra, on Wednesday November 8. More than

\$390,000 was distributed to 80 groups from around Australia. In addition, Peter Wood, Arts Officer from Arts Northern Rivers, attended a three-day intensive preservation and collection management workshop held at the National Library of Australia, the National Archives, the National Museum of Australia and the National Film and Sound Archive in Canberra.

Peter said the grant was important in supporting the effort to correctly identify and preserve many of the significant collections held in more than 20 museums across the Northern Rivers region.

'The grant also provides the funds to implement a training program that will help to protect these collections,' he said.

The training program will

be developed in 2007 and will include four workshops in conservation and collection management. The grant will allow a qualified conservation and collection management specialist to be engaged to run these workshops. The grant will also allow a heritage consultant to be engaged to conduct a significance assessment of targeted collections in the region.

CHESS by Ian Rogers

For many players trapping an opponent into one of your favourite openings is one of the attractions of the game. A few years ago studying a few opening books would give a player an edge but then computer databases arrived and it seemed that only by playing through hundreds of recent games could cutting edge opening knowledge be acquired.

Instructional DVDs were the next innovation, enabling players to listen to Garry Kasparov explain the secrets of the Queen's Gambit or have Alexey Shirov show how he beats the Sicilian Defence.

An even more recent phenomenon is the use of YouTube videos to watch top players analyse their games and it was Shirov's failure to consult YouTube that cost him dearly in the Tal Memorial tournament in Moscow.

When Shakhriyar Mamedyarov defeated Judit Polgar at a recent tournament in the Netherlands, their post-game analysis was recorded by a blogger's mobile phone and then posted on YouTube. Mamedyarov can be seen explaining to Polgar what she did wrong and how he intended to play against her best option.

A week later, Mamedyarov was in Moscow playing the Tal Memorial tournament and his first opponent was Shirov...

Moscow 2006
White: A Shirov
Black: S Mamedyarov
Opening: Ruy Lopez
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4

Nf6 5.0-0 Be7 6.Re1 b5 7.Bb3 d6 8.c3 0-0 9.h3 Nb8 10.d4 Nbd7 11.Nbd2 Bb7 12.Bc2 Re8 13.Nf1 Bf8 14.Ng3 g6 15.b3 d5! Mamedyarov's favourite, risky line. 16.Bg5 h6 17.Bh4! g5 18.Nxg5! hxg5 19.Bxg5 exd4 20.e5! Rxe5 21.Rxe5 Nxe5 22.cxd4 Nc6 23.Nh5 In the earlier game Polgar erred with 23.Nf5? and lost. 23...Be7 24.Bxf6 Bxf6 25.Qd3 Kf8 26.Qh7 Bxd4 27.Qh6+ Ke8 28.Re1+ Ne5 (See diagram) A surprise for Shirov, who had expected only 28...Ne7. Yet on the YouTube video Mamedyarov is seen showing Polgar that this was the move he was planning to play and that White's best option then is 29.Ng7+ Kd7 30.Bf5+ Ke7 when, because 31.Qh4+ Kd6 32.Qxd4 loses to 32...Qf6!, White has nothing better than 31.Bh7! Kd7 32.Bf5+ with a draw. 29.Bf5! Qd6 30.Qg5! c5! 31.Nf6+? This leads nowhere. Had Shirov prepared this line before the game he would undoubtedly have found 31.Kf1!, threatening 32.f4, when Black is in trouble. 31...Kd8! 32.Nxd5+ Ke8 33.Nf6+ Kd8 34.Nd5+ Draw Agreed

Four rounds later Mamedyarov tested his opening plan for the third and probably last time. This time his opponent was Russian GM Alexander Grischuk who found the excellent plan 23.Qd3!! Nb4 24.Qf3! Be7 25.Bb1 Bc8 and now had Grischuk found 26.Bf5! (instead of 26.Qf4 as played, which led only to a draw) White should win, eg. 26...Be6 27.Re1 Ne4 28.Bxe7 Qxe7 29.Nxe4 and White's attack will crash through.



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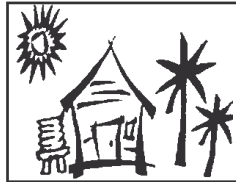
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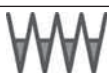
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The music menu continues to grow, with Greg Sheehan's contemporary Irish band Green Life heading the bill. The Craic will continue to flow with the Shenanigans and Willy McElroy. Heart songs from the Rainbow Choir, the Rainbow Chai tent and environmental artist Benny Zable will also be a highlight.

Food contributions for the free feast are escalating and the community is asked to bring food to share along with eating utensils. Stalls will be selling food and drink afternoon onwards.

Donations of non-perishable and clean items such as blankets, towels and bathroom necessities for the redistribution stall are required, as are volunteers for set decoration, filming, lighting, stage work, set up and clean up - and the loan of a quiet generator!

Byron Youth Service will manage all proceeds to help resolve homelessness issues within the shire. The event runs in association with Island Quarry Inc.

The Beggars Banquet starts at 10.30am; Corroboree at 11am; free feast from 12 to 2; entertainment all day till late.

Next meeting: 5pm Friday, ACE office, Byron Community Centre. Enquiries: Ajanta 0431 905 741 or ajanta@byronintegral.com.

Young pianists perform

A wealth of musical talent abounds in Byron Shire, not only amongst the adults but also the children. The Byron Music Society's Youth Music Project is presenting some of the outstanding pianists from the area.

The program will feature popular classical and contemporary pieces as well as some of the music students' own compositions. If you are wondering how to get your kids inspired to pick up their instruments and play, then this concert will do it.

As well as performances on the Steinway there will be a preview of Yvonne Hall's 'Nutcracker' Ballet, the amazing Ensemble Della Mar from Cape Byron Steiner School and other special guests on vocals, cello and flute.

The concert starts at 2pm Sunday November 26 at the Byron Bay Community Centre - adults \$10 and all children get in for free.

U3A hosts NSW conference

Some of the Byron and Brunswick region's most active retired men and women will be able to join others from around Australia in Lismore early next year for a national conference of U3A members. The annual conference of the NSW network of U3A groups will be held in the city on March 27 and 28.

It will be hosted by U3A Northern Rivers, based in Lismore, with members of all 175 U3As in Australia invited to attend. U3A (University of the Third Age) is a world-wide non-profit organisation for mostly over 50s run by retirees for retirees, devoted to affordable and enjoyable learning without exams and diplomas, as well as social activities. More than 53,000 Australians are members of U3A.

A special U3A art exhibition will be held at Lismore Regional Gallery from March 23-31 in conjunction with the conference, with entry open only to members in the northern region. Details of the exhibition are available from Jill Jameson 6624 3240. The theme for the 2007 conference, the Challenge for Change, will be explored by its keynote speaker, Cr Jenny Dowell, a member of U3A Northern Rivers and Lismore City Council.

All formal conference sessions will be held in Lismore, with a conference dinner at Ballina RSL Club. A ticket for the complete conference, including all lunches and morning teas plus the formal dinner, will be \$75. People who wish to attend only business sessions or just the dinner will be charged less.

More information and registration forms and programs are available from Pat MacLaren-Smith at pmaclaren-smith@bigpond.com or phone 6628 3766.

Mind your Body free seminar

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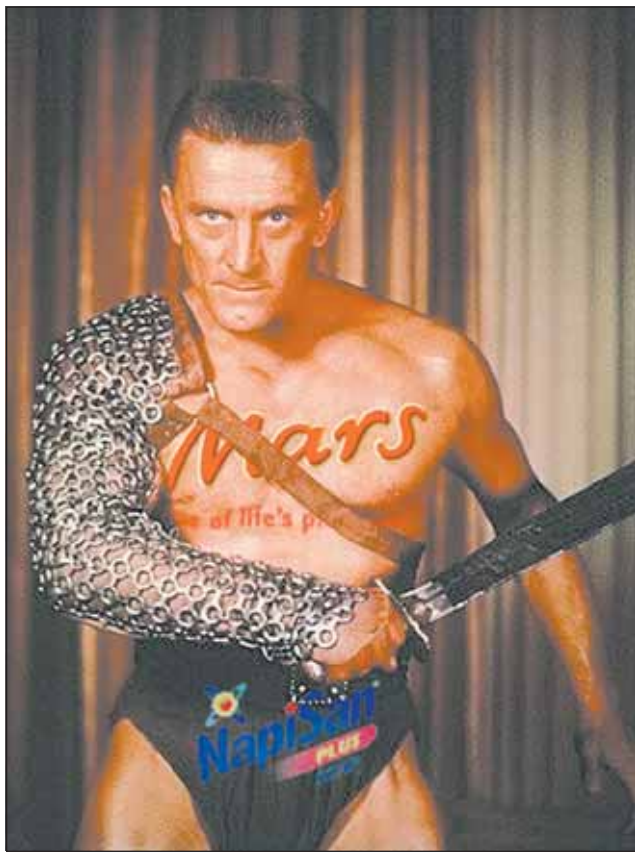
Marketing. Who'd have thought it would come to this?

Checking the South Sydney website recently, the leading item had nothing to do with the plans of new coach Jason Taylor, or how Manase Manuakaofoa's troublesome groin is mending – no, it was an offer of ladies' underwear, with little white rabbits strategically appliquéd onto the CBD of the garments. G-strings up to size 18, with the club insisting that 'this is a fantastic idea for your girlfriend, daughter or mother.' My mother?

I was reminded of that crassness as I roamed along the beachfront at Byron.

A young man was pushing a pram with twins. The bubs were absorbed in lapping up a florid combo of their runny snot and chocolate ice cream as tattooed Mum, with another one on the way, sipped vacantly from her Diet Coke.

What struck me about the father, one of the PM's loyal battlers, was his red and white shirt. Arsenal FC, with HENRY emblazoned on the



back. Aficionados will know this to be the name of the Gunners' captain, (a curiosity in itself. Thierry Henry, though French of African descent, spells his name in the English fashion, even though it is pronounced Henri. Pourquoi? The puzzle

keeps me awake at night).

I knew that the bloke wasn't Henry. He was the wrong colour for a start and there was a certain inelegance that suggested he'd never be able to caress the ball through a packed defence to slot it into the net

before an adoring full-house at Highbury.

But I guess that's not how he saw himself. And that's the point.

Achievement by proxy is the contract that player and fan have always entered into, so buying the kit follows a certain silly logic. It is, nonetheless, a fairly recent phenomenon in Australia.

When I first started attending games you would be lucky to see more than a handful of scarves knitted in team colours, and even that minor display of partisanship seemed a bit naff – you'd feel a sort of pity, like 'get a life,' even though that odious expression had not yet entered the lingua franca.

More confounding is the preparedness to be decked out in clothing that plugs products that have nothing to do with the team.

Advertisers are not to blame. They understand that there is a brain obliterating nexus between the hero and the follower that is tailor-made for their assignment. Think of the stirring scene from Stanley Kubrick's best movie, *Spartacus*, where Tony Curtis responds to the

Roman general's enticement of freedom for the rebel slaves if their leader steps forward.

Just as Kirk Douglas is about to sacrifice himself for the boys, Curtis (as unlikely a hero as Hollywood has ever foisted upon us) proclaims 'I am Spartacus!' The hairy little cut-throat next to him does the same (as if anyone would believe him!) and before you know it the whole ragged army is yelling defiantly – 'I am Spartacus!' It's like that at the footy – we not only want to support our players, deep down we want to be them.

Sponsors' branding, then, was an eyesore waiting to happen. That its exploitative nature is something that everybody is happy or, as is more likely these days, apathetic enough to put up with is the disheartening thing.

Occasionally the logos can be decidedly kinky, as when Newcastle's Paul 'Chief' Harragon would go berko into the teeth of the opposing pack of forwards with Henny Penny decorating his torso.

But invariably they are

aesthetically offensive and demeaning to the contest.

The practice reached its nadir (or has it yet?) when Anthony Mundine fought Danny Green in May. Green, to the everlasting shame of his handlers, entered the ring with GREEN PALACE COM crudely stencilled on his back. I hope the boxer got a decent hotel deal for his indignity, you can bet his manager would have.

I'd never been convinced that the hoi polloi's identification with their hero would automatically be transferred to retail purchases. Until I started seeing more and more poor saps in outfits like the HENRY one.

I mean, it's bad enough with Bob Marley and Jimi and Kurt et al on so many T-shirts, isn't it? Are the people who wear these insignia so desperate to belong to a gang that they would cloak their own individuality in order to be associated with a dead pop star or a Froggy soccer player?

Then again, my remaining pairs of undies are looking pretty threadbare. I wonder if the Rabbitohs have got Y-fronts on special?

Girl cricketer without boundaries



Rising star Angela Reakes with test batsman and chef Matthew Hayden

Overnight sensations nearly always shoot to prominence after years of hard work, self-improvement and dedication to the pursuit of their dreams. A little bit of talent comes in handy, too, as it has for sixteen year old Angela Reakes from Knockrow.

Angela, of Xavier Catholic College, has been named vice-captain of the NSW Under-17 women's cricket team to compete in the National Championships, having progressed steadily through representative ranks in recent times.

NSW are defending champions in all three age-groups and Angela, after playing for the sky

blues in the previous three tournaments, has made a considerable contribution to that record.

Starting with Kanga Cricket when she was six, Angela took to the game like a duck to water and it wasn't long before she caught the eye of regional selectors. She led the victorious North Coast team and was named player of the Country Carnival at Maitland in 2005, then stepped up to captain the Country girls in their annual game against Sydney.

The event year will be held at Adelaide and, if she performs to her ability, there is no reason why Angela should not continue on her

path into the Under-19s and then, hopefully, she'll find her way to senior state selection.

Her ultimate goal, as it is for everyone who wields the willow, is the green and gold and a spot in the Southern Stars is well within her sights.

She has also managed to squeeze in some outstanding performances with the Tintenbar/Ballina women's soccer team, for whom she is the leading goal scorer.

Her Mum, Stella, says that, apart from her natural ability, there is no real secret to her daughter's success, 'she just goes for it,' she said. For Angela, the sky's the limit.

Ashes of Sharks star to be scattered at sea

The family and friends of Rick Bourke will say goodbye to the former Cronulla Sharks league star, Rick Bourke, when his ashes are scattered at sea at Rick's beloved Broken Head Beach on December 2.

Following Rick's private funeral, Lyn Bourke, son Ryan 20, daughter Tahlia 8, Rick's parents and brother Anthony and partner Kim wish to invite supporters and friends to the paddle out at Broken and a get together afterwards in the park for speeches and a sausage sizzle with BYO beverages.

The farewell will provide an opportunity for Rick's family to thank his Sharks team mates, officials and his many friends both in the Sutherland Shire and Byron Shire where Rick had lived since 1985. Special thanks



Rick Bourke in his playing days with the Cronulla Sharks.

to David Kavanagh at the North Coast Ad Agency, Geoff Teasel, Paul Keogh ND and Bob Abbott and the hundreds of people who

gave so selflessly from their hearts. Rick was a true legend whose positive attitude was an inspiration to all who came in contact with him.

Straight shooters from Mullum on target

Champions can be in our midst, going about their daily business without any of us knowing what they have accomplished in their other lives.

Darren Ottery is one of those unheralded winners. Mullumbimby residents will have seen him often enough working at Tony Carsburg Holden, but what they may not know is that

he has just bagged four gold medals at last week's full-bore Service Rifle Championships, held in Melbourne under the banner of the Sporting Shooters Association of Australia. Competing in the grandmaster division, Darren repeated his previous year's effort and beat the field in the three-position event, two long-range events and

a rapid fire one. An unassuming sportsman, Darren travels regularly to practice ranges in Casino and Murwillumbah to hone his skills and is a role model for firearms enthusiasts.

His father, Richard, is not a bad shot either, taking out the the 500 metre event in A-grade at the same meet.

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Stylish Home On 1 Ac In Town



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Fantastic Family Home



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La Mer Penthouse - by the sea

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9 acres at Rosebank

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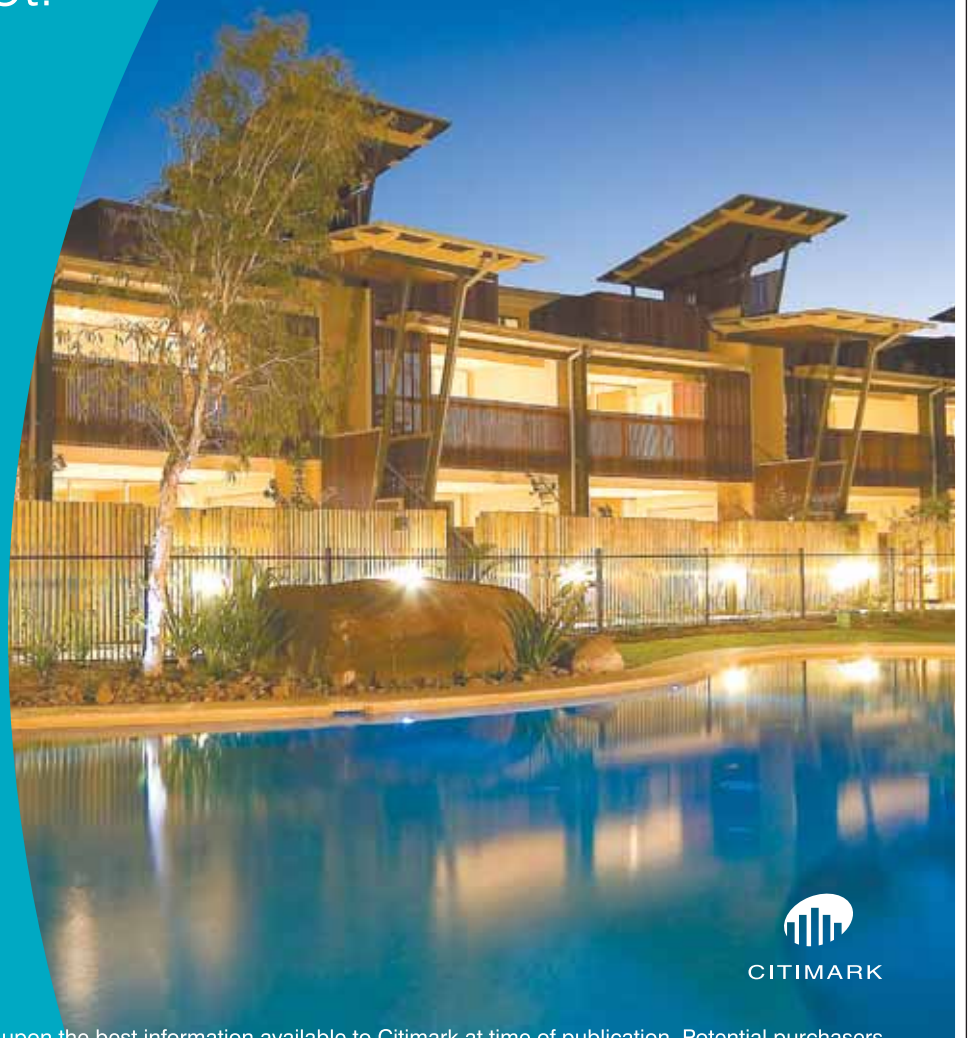


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- Unit 1 "The Links" 64-70 Broken Head Road, Suffolk Park. Sat 1pm.
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Ray White Byron Bay p59

- 3 Comet Close, Byron Bay. Auction onsite Sat Dec 25. Inspect Sat 1-1.45pm.



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Contact Denise Burch on 0408 193 415 or 6687 1500 at Elders Bangalow. www.eldersbangalow.com.au PID 241626



Court ordered auction sale

12 Mundurra ave, Ocean Shores. For auction Sat 9th December 11am On Site. Open House Saturdays 11-12 Middy

Situated in a cul-de-sac location the home boasts, Four bedrooms, two bathrooms, separate dining and living areas. Perfectly set outside living areas are spacious and very private.

The land size is 936.3m² with a large shed at the rear of which would suit the home office/workshop. This very affordably price guided home is an ideal start for the first home buyer or investor. Make no mistake this home is to be sold at Auction due to Court order.

Contact Sean Kenny on 0419 624 024. Sean Kenny Real Estate, 79 Burringbar St, Mullumbimby.

Ph: 6684 2200. Web: www.seankenny.com.au



Casa Blu

Designed and built by internationally recognised glass artist, Colin Heaney, Casa Blu is a sensual delight. Situated on Pacific Vista Drive, overlooking Tallow Beach, Byron Bay, 10 minutes walk through heathlands to the ocean and 15 minutes walk to Byron centre plus views to the ocean and light house via the Arakwal National Park.

With a northerly aspect, three huge bedrooms with ensuites and private balconies and a beautiful internal water garden. A breathtaking living and dining area with a cozy fireplace overlooks the secluded mosaic swimming pool with fibre optic lighting. Casa Blu has a gourmet kitchen with the most amazing works of iridescent glass art taps and handles.

There are many more suprising delights to behold and inspection is an absolute must! Irreplaceable at only \$2.4 million. Call Morthern Spears at Scott Harvey Real Estate on 0433 880 405 or 6680 4686.



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'Seadrift' – Byron Bay

Seadrift, located just eight minutes walk from Main Beach and Byron Bay's award winning restaurants and bars. Stroll down to the swimming pool and do some laps, lie on the sundeck and enjoy the forest setting or have lunch under the pool pavilion.

It is a gated community that offers you an ideal blend of classic and contemporary excellence not seen before in Byron Bay. These three bedroom, two bathroom townhouses combine the best ingredients of time-tested classical architectural design with all the contemporary comforts, security and technological advances.

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▶▶▶ Just Completed – One Villa Only

92 Rajah Rd, Ocean Shores. This three bedroom, 2.5 bathroom, two storey villa is located in a small complex of four. It has contemporary modern design with large open plan living area, good size bedrooms all with built-in robes (ensuite with walk-in), balconies and deck. It also has quality finishes and fixtures, stainless steel kitchen appliances, loads of storage and a private fenced yard. Call owner on 0412 862 442. Priced to sell at \$385,000. (Also 2 villas available for rent)

\$385,000



▶▶▶ Friday Hut Acres

Escape the worries of the outside world on this idyllic five acres with lush fruit and nut trees surrounding the private home. The four bedroom house offers timber floors, large living and dining areas and views from every room. The home flows out onto entertaining areas and verandahs for that afternoon sunset and cooling summer breezes. Adjacent to the house is a large double garage with work shop for the home handyman. This natural setting is a safe haven for birds and wildlife with plenty of room for the kids.
Contact Liam Annesley at L.J.Hooker Byron Bay on 0417 780 795 or 02 6685 7300. \$680,000.

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▶▶▶ Mullumbimby/Chincogan Views

14 Chinbible Ave. Mullumbimby. Open day Sat 25 Nov 11am to noon. There are bright and light rooms in this 3 bedroom home with a large covered outdoors patio and established gardens. This complements a good size kitchen with lots of cupboard space, spa bath, and a separate toilet. Built-ins in all bedrooms, big cupboard space in SLUG. Quiet part of town near showground and close to parks, creek, school, playing fields and horse riding. Around 600sqm block. Currently tenanted. Priced to sell \$369,000. Attend open day 14 Chinbible Ave, Mullumbimby or phone Sue for appt. 02 6687 5997. More at www.diysell.com.au ad # P15632.

\$369,000



▶▶▶ Secluded Mountain Retreat – 16 Acres

This self-sufficient, sustainable, solar electric house has organic permaculture fruit and vegetable garden at Upper Main Arm, Byron Shire in a subtropical rainforest at 1500 feet altitude on Mr Jerusalem. It borders the national park with ocean, mountain and valley views to Brunswick Heads. It has a rustic but elegant Balinese pavilion-style dwelling in vertical slab timber with three bedrooms, 1.5 bathrooms, office and loft and extensive wooden decks. Also good soil, abundant rainfall, 100,000 litre water storage, small crystal clear creek and sea breezes creating a perfect mild micro-climate for sustainable living. A separate hand-crafted stone and wood cottage makes an ideal studio, guest house or rental. This is an idyllic lifestyle in a peaceful community. Ring owner on 02 6684 5223.

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▶▶▶ Handy Location

3 Comet Close, Byron Bay. Auction onsite Saturday 16th December. Open House 1pm-1.45 Saturday 25th November. This three bedroom duplex enjoys a convenient and central location. It has a private and north facing courtyard, a single lock up garage and is close to all amenities.
Call Janis Perkins at Ray White Byron Bay on 0438 841 122 or 02 6685 6588.

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▶▶▶ Duplex Potential

This recently refurbished two bedroom plus large office house has been reduced to \$358,000. It is 7km to the beach and a short walk to school and shops in the peaceful rural village of Burringbar, and a half hour to Tweed and 25 minutes to Byron. These recent renovations include new kitchen, bathroom, laundry, wiring and plumbing, sheeting, insulation, ceiling fans, built-ins, polished hardwood floors, decks front and back and new fencing. The house sits on just over ¼ acre and is zoned 2d village with dual occupancy controls. Price \$358,000.
Contact owners on 02 6677 1054 or 0414 096 776.

\$358,000



▶▶▶ Bangalow Stunner!

19 Keith Street. Open For Inspection Saturday 25th November 12-1pm. This 100 year old spectacularly restored and extended 3 bedroom 2 bathroom residence, is located on 1,400+sqm in the centre of Bangalow. No expense has been spared – grand hallway; high ceilings; polished boards; phantom screens; French doors; fabulous lighting; very spacious open plan living area with fireplace; huge vogue style country kitchen; full sized laundry; extensive cupboard space; vast deck and entertaining area. Arguably the best house in central Bangalow, this property is well priced at \$850,000 ONO.
Contact Gai Hart-Hughes, Property Buyers Net, 0418 755 088 or 6687 1313.

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▶▶▶ Style In Mullumbimby

51 Station Street. Open For Inspection Saturday 25th November 10.30-11.15am. This light, bright and very pretty 3 bedroom house, exudes a romantic French provincial flair. Large lounge room with fireplace; spacious dining area, lovely modern kitchen and bathroom, and huge rear terrace for entertaining on balmy summer evenings. The large block of land is totally level, well fenced and landscaped, has rear lane access, and views of Mount Chincogan. Located in the heart of Mullumbimby and not a cent to spend – just move in and open the champagne! \$449,000 ONO.
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If you read this early enough, you'll be able to catch Paul Watson, captain of the Sea Shepherd vessel *Farley Mowat*, at the Byron Bay Community this Tuesday night, supported by music and film of anti-whaling adventures. The evening begins at 7pm and tickets (\$15) will be sold at the door. To learn more about Sea Shepherd go to www.sea-shepherd.org.

Keen Byron Shire Council watchers should be aware that the ordinary meeting of November 28 has been rescheduled to December 5. You'll just have to fill in time by walking the fresh air or something.

Best wishes to Warren Croser, who has retired as a *Northern Star* photographer and gone fishin'. Warren was always a gentlemen in the fierce media scrums around north coast events. Well, actually there's probably been about three fierce media scrums in the last 20 years, only when Sydney media were visiting, but Warren was always a gentleman anyway.

David Holmes rang to say that he had picked up a bloke in Mullumbimby Tuesday or Wednesday the other week and gave him a lift to Brunswick Heads. However, the hitchhiker left his guitar in



Stephen Calder took these photos of a little creative licence being applied to a sign at the Lennox Head Catholic Church in order to restore the original Christian attitude to trespass.

the back of David's car. The hitchhiker can phone 6680 3800 to get it back.

The website www.green-santa.com.au is running a poll: Should Santa be red or green? When we last looked, the votes ran 372-314 in favour of red. We suppose the more important question is: who really gives a toss? Apparently the idea that Coca-Cola created the modern Santa colours for advertising purposes is myth: see more at www.snopes.com/cokelore/santa.asp.

Backlash finally made it to a screening of An Inconvenient Truth last week. While the film was generally fascinating, at one point Al Gore relied on that old chestnut of the frog who boils to death because the water is heated gradually. According to Dr Victor Hutchison at the University of Oklahoma, 'The

"critical thermal maxima" of many species of frogs have been determined by several investigators. In this procedure, the water in which a frog is submerged is heated gradually at about two degrees Fahrenheit per minute. As the temperature of the water is gradually increased, the frog will eventually become more and more active in attempts to escape the heated water.' And in any case, frogs are

smarter than humans.

Parliament is sometimes known as 'cowards' castle' because it allows politicians the privilege of making claims which would get them sued in the 'real' world. Peter Debnam's attack on attorney-general Bob Debus, one of the last intellectuals left in NSW parliament, has so far been unsubstantiated by any hard evidence. Put up or shut up, Pete.



Inspired by neighbour Peter King's image of a kangaroo in a tree (*Backlash* a while back) the singing doctor Michael Pelmore found a T-Rex in his fire (yes, he had a permit).

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