

Small turnout for climate debate

Story & photo Lou Beaumont

The North Coast Climate Action Group (NCCAG) organised a 'Meet the Candidates Forum' which was held at Byron Bay High last Saturday afternoon. A disappointing audience of a few dozen concerned locals showed up for their opportunity to grill the politicians regarding their stance on the climate change crisis. Our current state member Don Page (Nationals), John Bailey (Greens) and Melanie Dorian (ALP) were asked what it is that they would do if elected to reduce carbon emissions, by setting out his or her emission reduction strategies.

With Australia having the largest 'carbon cloud' of any country in the world, climate change is obviously the political hot topic. At 27.5 tonnes of CO² emitted for each person in Australia, per year, our emissions have risen by 50% since 1990, and we consume

the greatest amount of energy per capita than any other country.

With an increase in general public education on prophylactic and reversible measures to decrease the urgency of our current crisis, it is becoming easier for people to spot the political candidates who need to do more homework.

Adrienne Truelove of the NCCAG said, 'We face a planetary emergency. The trouble is, our political systems were never designed to respond to this crisis. It is the only system we have, so we will have to make it work for us.'

Adrian Gattenhof, also of the NCCAG, said, 'The Potsdam Institute has estimated that we need CO² reductions in the order of 45% by 2020 and 95% by 2050 if we are to hold the planet below 2°C of warming this century.'

'While these targets may

appear impossible, NCCAG believes that with a mind-shift to renewable energy targets and energy conservation, the world can move into a sustainable future based on new technology. Also, we need to begin to shift the vectors now, rather than mindlessly continuing to build new coal-fired plants as "demand accelerates".'

Stephanie Long from Friends of the Earth International highlighted the importance of the policies of the elected State Government, and hence the importance of such a forum. She said, 'State government policies are, by default, an example of what the NSW public should do but also they put pressure on the national government regarding what they should be doing on a bigger scale.'

Chester Pierson, a student at Byron High, took to the podium ahead of the candidates to ask why it was that

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Margaret Giles chosen as local Woman of the Year

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When Margaret Giles found out she was to be announced Woman of the Year for the Ballina electorate she decided to share the news with her friends in her community. Instead of standing on ceremony at Government House in Sydney, Margaret accepted her award from Ballina MP Don Page at the Mullumbimby Ex-Services Club on International Women's Day last Thursday.

Mr Page said, 'Margaret does not seek recognition for her community work, she is publicity shy, but it is important that she is recognised for her commitments. This electorate holds 65,000 people so to be chosen as the woman of the year is a huge honour.'

The Woman of the Year Award acknowledges Margaret for a multitude of achievements. She has been deeply involved with Quota International Brunswick Valley Club, Rotary, the Chincogan Fiesta, the Anglican Church and Byron Shire Council as well as raising funds with her daughter Diane for the Spastics Centre.

Margaret has been a member of Quota for almost 23 years, during which period she has held all the executive positions of President, Secretary and Treasurer, and is currently their Public Officer. She has sat on all the committees, is heavily involved with the Club's Seasons for Growth Program, and is a key member of the organisational team behind Breakfast in the Park each year on Australia Day.

Darryl Giles, Margaret's late husband, was a Rotary member for 25 years, and as a result Margaret has long



been involved with Rotary events and functions. She has twice received Rotary's Community Service Award and in 2005, she was awarded the Paul Harris Fellowship for Community Service, an award that is given out sparingly.

In the same year, Margaret was named the 2005 Byron Shire Citizen of the Year. She has sat on several council committees including the Centenary of Federation Committee, the Australia Day Committee and the Centenary of the Shire Committee.

Margaret said of her award, 'I don't believe I deserve this award but I do accept it with great pride. I get so much in return for my efforts - wonderful friendships and a great

deal of satisfaction. I receive so much help from family and friends that they deserve some of this award. Anything I do within the Shire is for the betterment of the community, and I guess that is something that has followed through my whole family.'

Don adds, 'Margaret has gone above and beyond what is expected of anyone with regards to community service, and she has done it all with a smile on her face, she is a lovely lady.'

'Margaret Giles is a priceless member of the Brunswick Valley community who has done so much for the people of that area. She is overwhelmingly deserving of being named the 2007 Ballina Electorate Woman of the Year.'



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New ABC TV series set on north coast

A new ABC TV drama series, *East of Everything*, will be produced on the north coast. The series is expected to employ more than 65 local crew, 85 cast members and around 200 extras for the 15-week production period.

The NSW government has assisted *East of Everything* to come to the Northern Rivers with a \$100,000 Regional Filming Fund grant, administered by the New South Wales Film and Television Office. The Office has also provided production investment to *East of Everything*.

The series has been created by local writers Deb Cox and Roger Monk. Deb was the co-creator and writer of the highly successful and distinctive Australian series *Seachange*, *Simone De Beauvoir's Babies* and *After The Deluge*. Roger Monk wrote and co-produced the award-winning feature film, *Walking On Water* and was a writer on *The Secret Life Of Us*.

East of Everything's central character is Art Watkins, a man who has spent most of his professional life as a travel writer, wandering the globe in search of paradise. But when his mother dies, Art is summoned back to the town of Broken Bay and the neglected resort he grew up on with his 'hippie' parents. Once more, Art is forced to



Local writers Roger Monk and Deb Cox at the series launch. Photo Jeff 'Soapy' Dawson

decide whether to deal with all life's glorious complications – or to flee – and as he attempts to unravel the mess of his past, he comes to the ironic realisation that his best hope of happiness is to resurrect the 'paradise lost' he left behind.

Producer Fiona Eagger said, 'Ten years ago Deb Cox had a dream to shoot *Seachange* in Byron Bay and at that point she was told that it wasn't possible. Deb didn't

give up and *East of Everything* is the realisation of that desire.'

'I'd like to thank the NSW government and Byron Shire Council, particularly the Mayor, Jan Barham, for their support in bringing *East of Everything* to the Northern Rivers.'

East of Everything will be filmed on location in and around Byron Bay and Broken Head in June and July. Where possible, the produc-

tion will cast roles locally. The producers invite Tweed and Northern Rivers residents of all ages with performance experience (amateur or professional) to send a performance resume and current photograph to Elly Bradbury, 9 Figtree Court, Ewingsdale by April 1.

Local crew interested in working on *East of Everything* should contact Screenworks on eastinfo@screenworks.com.au.

Beach Hotel refuels intervention service

Following a precedent set five years ago, the Beach Hotel has once again committed to continue funding transport running costs for a local community service. Byron Shire Early Childhood Intervention Service is a non profit organisation that provides therapy, support and

education for local children with disabilities and learning difficulties ranging in age from birth to school age.

'Transport is a critical part of the service we offer and we are very grateful to the Beach Hotel for their generous assistance,' director Zoe Webster told *The Echo*. 'Their

continuing support means that children from all over the district will continue to receive therapy and support and much needed outreach services. Staff can continue to make home visits or bring the children and parents to the centre for classes.'

Being able to visit the fam-

ily in their home environment is essential in the early days of diagnosis, according to Ms Webster.

Further donations are needed and cheques can be made payable to 'Byron Shire Early Childhood Intervention Service' and sent to PO Box 1257, Byron Bay 2481.

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You can help spruce up Heritage Park

Brunswick Valley Heritage Park, one of the natural heritage icons of Byron Shire, is in need of a spruce-up and local landcarers are calling on volunteers to learn new skills to help the park flourish.

Brunswick Valley Landcare is committing around \$6,000 of its current Environmental Trust project funded by the NSW government. Earlybird Landcare, a sub-group of BVL, together with Byron Shire Council's bush regeneration workers, will start work on the project with a training morning on Wednesday March 21. Mullumbimby's Mitre 10 has donated an impressive number of tools to give the project a healthy start.

The riparian vegetation at Heritage Park is a mix of regrowth subtropical rainforest and mangrove forest including Swamp Oak growing on floodplain. They are listed as endangered ecological communities under the NSW Threatened Species Conservation Act.

'Unfortunately we have a thriving weed invasion,' said volunteer organiser Nina Bishop. 'We'll be reducing the spread of environmental weeds, noxious species and garden escapees while pro-



moting the regeneration of naturally occurring native seedlings. Appropriate plantings on the fringe may be organised later.

'Heritage Park is an excellent example of how a local community can transform a weedy paddock into a rich

and diverse native forest. Apart from enjoying the park's obvious beauty, the magnificent arboretum will be appreciated for its educational purposes for years to come.'

The four hectare park borders the Brunswick River in

Mullumbimby. It was founded in 1980 and largely planted out and tended by Russ and Beryl Maslen and other volunteers for over 20 years under the auspices of the Byron Flora & Fauna Conservation Society. It boasts over 300 locally recorded trees and shrubs.

The range of tasks to be undertaken will enable people of all ages to contribute to the biodiversity of our beautiful Shire. Work days will be on each third Wednesday of the month for two to three hours, starting with the training day on Wednesday March 21 from 8am to 11.30am.

If you can help look after the park or want further information call Nina Bishop 8884 1263 or Marie Sherd 6684 1189.

Above left: Tony and Lee Zahra (in blue) from Mitre 10 wheel the barrows containing volunteer Gary Fetherston (left) and volunteer coordinator Nina Bishop. Volunteer Marie Sherd gets to grips with her secateurs, while Heidi Lunn, Byron Shire Council Bush Regenerator, and Wendy Neilan, BSC Biodiversity Extension Officer hold onto the Small Leaved Privet, a weed that is often confused with Fragrant Leaf Myrtle, a threatened species. Photo Lou Beaumont

Benefit night aims to help ocean groups

The Byron Entertainment Centre has joined local and international ocean action and conservation groups to host the First Annual Byron Ocean Benefit on Saturday, March 17. All proceeds from the event will go to Sea Shepherd, World Wildlife Fund, Surfrider Foundation, SCU and the Byron Bay Surf Life Saving Club.

Event organiser and keen surfer Kent Farrugia said, 'There is a keen awareness shared by surfers about the importance of nurturing the ocean as it nourishes us. The key local and international organisations to benefit from this event are carrying out critical work in this area and need to be looked after.'

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Ocean Benefit, which starts at 1pm and will feature musical guests former two times world surfing champion Beau Young, Josh Lewan, Crowfeather, Hung Donkey, Stipsky, Frankie Band, pro surfer Dave Rastovich, The Blue Hulas, and all the way from California the 'Ukalady' Michelle Kiba and many more.

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The Batson family, including life member Keith and brother Bob, is donating the \$2,000 estimated fuel costs for the trip.

'We're donating our time, vehicle and fuel to help the club compete,' Phil told *The Echo*. Last year 198 clubs competed and the Brunswick Heads club came in 18th.



Also pictured with Trevor and Phil are the Surf Life Saving crew with sponsors Trish McCulloch of the Mullumbimby Ex-Services Club and Dan Andrews of the Tweed Coast Marine.

Jill Eddington catches the FEHVA

FEHVA festival director Dee Tipping has announced this week that Jill Eddington, former director of the Byron Bay Writers Festival, has come on board to mentor the FEHVA program for 2007.

'As soon as I knew Jill was available to take on mentoring positions after her amazing run with the Byron Bay Writers Festival I was queuing up to see if she would be interested in working with us,' said Ms Tipping. 'Jill and I had worked together as part of the Writers Festival sponsorship of the FEHVA event, bringing in wonderful guest speakers such as Betty Churcher in 2006. Through this I gleaned that Jill had a real passion for the visual

arts. Our aim is to make the event exciting and educational for art lovers as well as artists.'

Ms Eddington said, 'The new nine day program is designed to have something for everyone. This year we want art lovers from all over the region and Australia to converge on Bangalow for a feast of art. As well as the exhibition and art auction there will be interviews to sit back and enjoy, panel discussions to challenge, and an inaugural art lovers lunch.'

FEHVA 2007 runs June 23 to 29. For updates visit www.fehva.com, phone Dee Tipping 6687 1623, or email dee@buttery.org.au. FEHVA is an initiative of The Buttery's arts program.



FEHVA aficionados Jill Eddington and Dee Tipping.

Climate change debate draws small crowd

From front page he and his fellow students were finding it so difficult to turn green. He said, 'Most schools would switch to green energy if they could but this is proving difficult, and not just in schools. At Byron High we have installed a number of water saving devices and reduced our energy consumption, but we can't do much with what is available.'

'Every school should have accessible funds to change to green energy and to further inform the students about ways to reduce our emissions.'

ALP candidate Melanie Doreian did not have any kind of answers to Chester Pierson's questions; Greens' John Bailey supported the need for schools to go green as soon as possible and Don Page promised solar power for 400 schools in NSW.

Greens candidate John Bailey welcomed the return of the subject of environment

to the political agenda with open arms. He said the Greens policies were to reduce the demand for and use of power and fossil fuels by introducing better public transport and bike tracks locally and encouraging the use of devices such as fluoro globes. The Greens plan to absorb emissions already in the atmosphere by protecting the forests and expanding existing national parks. Bailey is saying no to new coal mines and to the expansion of existing mines.

Nationals candidate and current member for Ballina, Don Page, noted that all systems are driven by economic growth and hence we need to control that growth. He called for people to look at what they really need, suggesting a reduction in consumption and an increase in enjoyment. Mr Page said the Nationals recognised the huge technical developments in solar and said there were lots of opportunities in solar,

and in addition to this, Page said he believed geothermal rocks were possibly the biggest potential saviour in greenhouse emissions. Page said the NSW Nationals are not for nuclear power, they are for renewable power and want to reduce the dependence on coal power stations.

ALP candidate Melanie Doreian said that nuclear was not on the ALP agenda and she added that another reason to encourage renewable energy sources is that everytime capacity increases the costs decrease. Doreian appeared unclear on the ALP's policy on carbon tax but was for carbon trading.

Candidates' CO₂ emission targets varied, with John Bailey having the most definable targets. Bailey's targets are 20% by 2012, 50% by 2020, and 80% by 2050. Melanie Doreian specified 60% by 2050 and Don Page had no set emission reduction targets but instead a general target to stabilise climate change.

Response varied again to what percentage of energy would be renewable in the future. Page said 10% of energy would be renewable by 2010, 15% by 2020 and 20% by 2025. Doreian was on par with the Nationals' targets stating 10% by 2010 and 15% by 2020, and Bailey went further with 20% by 2012 and 50% by 2020. All candidates were in favour of signing the Kyoto agreement, Don Page adding that there is no reason remaining to not ratify.

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Tai gives up hair for Relay for Life

Local resident Tai Lonergan has had his fine head of red hair, which took three years to grow, shorn off to aid Relay for Life. Tai read about the Relay for Life to be held at the Bangalow Showground on March 31, attended an information meeting at Ocean Shores and volunteered to have all his hair cut to raise money for the Cancer Council.

This is Tai's way of offering support to so many of his family and friends who have battled with cancer. His red headed grandfather, who has had melanomas removed, has insisted that Tai keep a minimum of hair on to protect his fair skin.

Chris Balir from RAW Hair Ocean Shores did the deed. The hair will be sent to Ascot Wigs in Crows Nest in Sydney and they will pay between \$8 to \$20 an ounce. Tai is donating the cheque for his hair to the Cancer Council. The hair will be made into wigs for cancer sufferers so he's helping on many fronts.

The Cancer Council Relay for Life runs day and night and it includes entertainment by local musicians and poets, fitness and fun activities, lots of food stalls as well



Chris Blair sizes up the task of shearing Tai Lonergan's fiery mane. Photo 'Judge Dread' Dawson

as moments to reflect on past and present cancer sufferers and how you can help. To get the most out of it organise a team and bring your tent and stay all night.

An information night will be held on Tuesday March 27 at the Moller Pavilion or contact Liz Parks 6687 1195 or the Cancer Council 6681 1933 or go to relayforlife.com.au/nsw.

In related news, Bay FM will be hosting the World's

Greatest Shave Saturday March 17 to raise money for the Leukaemia Foundation. Shaving and waxing activities will be at the studios on Fletcher Street, Byron Bay from 10am to 2pm, or at The Railway Friendly Bar from 11am-2pm for colouring hair spraying for St Patrick's Day.

Team Bay FM is hoping to raise \$999 and Bay FM DJs and volunteers have put up their hands to be waxed,

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Local businesses have also been very generous in contributing funds, including a \$200 donation from the Buddha Bar and Arts Factory. Goods have been supplied by Chem Coast Pharmacies, Woolworths, Toy Kingdom and Make Me Up. Donations can be made at the Bay FM studios 9am-5pm weekdays, call 6680 7999, or donate at www.worldsgreatestshave.com.

Show us the skate park plan, says BVSA

Michael McDonald

The Brunswick Valley Sports Association (BVSA) says it is not opposed to having a skate park at the Stan Thompson sporting complex at Brunswick Heads. The only sticking point for the BVSA is that it wants to see a plan of the proposed skate park to ensure it does not encroach on existing soccer and cricket pitches.

'Two years ago we were approached by the skate park committee and since late 2006 we've heard nothing back,' said BVSA president Les Ogston. 'We said we're all for it, just show us the plan, and we've never been shown the plan. We actually suggested the area.'

'There's only three or four metres to play with [at the edges of the existing pitches]

and we're worried Council will just put it wherever they want, and we'll have to oppose it. They're already wasting \$5,000 looking at extending the fields at New Brighton when the Department of Lands has knocked it back twice in the last ten years.'

Byron Shire Council has dedicated \$100,000 towards developing the Brunswick

skate park following on a notice of motion by Cr Diane Woods. Council resolved in October 2004 that the order for creating skate parks in Byron Shire would be Byron Bay, Bangalow, Brunswick Heads, Suffolk Park, and Ocean Shores. Both Cr Jan Mangleson and Mr Ogston have argued that Ocean Shores is most in need of a skate park.

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Local News

Call for national organic standard

The NSW government has called for a national domestic standard for organic food at the launch of a new organics industry strategy. Launching the strategy last week at Fresh café in Byron Bay, Primary Industries Minister Macdonald said it was important to protect the integrity of this important industry.

‘There’s no doubt organic production is one of the most dynamic and rapidly growing sectors of the Australian food industry today, and is worth \$400 million in NSW alone,’ he said.

‘The aim of our strategy is to provide guidelines that help ensure organic product integrity is maintained, consumers are confident, and industry members meet necessary production and certification requirements.



Primary producer Cathryn Ford, Mayor Jan Barham, former MP and local resident Richard Jones, Stuart Larsen, Andrew Drysdale, ALP candidate for Ballina Melanie Dorian and primary industries minister Ian MacDonald at Fresh for the launch last week. Photo Jeff ‘Organic Grinder’ Dawson

‘[We] recognise a national domestic standard for organic and biodynamic produce is essential, particularly one that complements the current export standard. To help develop the necessary legislative framework to support the integrity of ‘certified organic’ products, a proposal is being prepared for discussion.’

If women ruled the world, how would men fare?

Story & photo Lou Beaumont

Adjudicator Gina Baker explains the debate topic to the gathered crowd on International Women’s Day in Civic Centre Park in Mullumbimby last Thursday. The day was hosted by the Women’s Resource Service.

Local women debated the statement ‘If women ruled the world, we wouldn’t want equal rights’. For the affirmative, Mary Willis (pictured in blue), Cara, and Kassa Bird argued that women wouldn’t want equal rights if they ruled the world as they don’t believe men should have the privilege of this until they have experienced the oppression that women have for over 2,000 years.

For the negative, Deb McCarthy, Rose Hogan (pic-



tured second from left) and Cheryl Williams (far left) argued that they would want equal rights if women were in charge as it is in women’s very nature to be fair and generous. Opinions were expressed with wit and tongues firmly in cheek and the heated and humorous debate resulted in a dead heat.

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Freedom of information?

The Media, Entertainment & Arts Alliance (MEAA) says Australia's Freedom of Information (Fol) laws have been seriously undermined by the increasing failure of governments to live up to the spirit and intent of the laws. Last Friday marked the 25th anniversary of the Fraser Government's assent to the laws.

The Howard government is undermining the Fol Act by using so-called 'conclusive certificates' to prevent access to documents. This was highlighted in the case of McKinnon v Treasury, heard in the High Court last year. Treasurer Peter Costello used two conclusive certificates to block attempts by *The Sydney Morning Herald's* Fol journalist Michael McKinnon to access seemingly innocuous Treasury information about the First Home Buyers' Scheme and tax bracket creep – the Treasurer applied the certificates arguing that release of the information was against the public interest. Learn more of McKinnon's ongoing watchdog role, and the efforts of governments to block him, at Cracking The FOI Code <http://projectfoi.wordpress.com>.

A purpose of the Act, when it was first introduced, was to improve government decision-making by making it more accountable to the public. But between October 1996 and September 2006 the government has issued 13 conclusive certificates. According to the MEAA Fol refusals have been on the increase during the life of the government, from 4 per cent in 1996-97 to 6 per cent in 2004-05.

'The issue of these certificates permits closed-door government, and allows the interpretation of what is in the public interest to be misused and abused – effectively amounting to government control, not freedom, of information,' said the Alliance's federal secretary Christopher Warren. 'This undermining of Fol attacks the accountability and transparency of government that is vital for a functioning democracy.'

The Alliance also says if the ALP takes government, it will abolish conclusive certificates and legislate for a proper application of privilege for journalists to allow them to meet their ethical requirements in protecting sources. A question on notice in Parliament last year revealed that between 2002 and 2006 there were 53 referrals from Commonwealth government departments and agencies to the Australian Federal Police over 'unauthorised disclosures of government information'.

'As recently as this week Federal Police officers raided the offices of *The Australian* newspaper seeking to subpoena a journalist over leaked information,' said Mr Warren. 'This latest act of intimidation flies in the face of the Howard government's purported commitment to provide a shield law for journalists and their sources.'

Throughout modern history it has been courageous whistle blowers going to the press which have exposed the dirty deeds of government and initiated reform. It is a measure of a government's repressive tendencies that it would seek to thwart journalists doing their job and intimidate bureaucrats for leaking information by putting the cops onto them. Once the freedom of information laws become so strangled by legislation and ministerial whim as to block the flow of information, then we should be concerned about the government's intentions for civil liberties in general.

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Attack of the primitive Mudmen

It's time to stop the madness while we still have a few politicians left standing. It is one thing to attack your opponent's competence, experience and judgment, although the polls suggest that too much of even the most measured criticism can be counterproductive. It is another thing entirely to seize on every careless phrase, any chance encounter from the distant past as evidence of terminal character deficiency, as the Americans might put it.

As John Howard has amply demonstrated, chronic mendacity is no bar to public office in this country, and as Tony Abbott's regular visits to convicted embezzler Ian Macdonald confirm, unsavoury associations are totally compatible with a place in cabinet.

There are, of course, limits: the appointment of, say, Osama bin Laden to one's personal staff would probably be considered unnecessarily provocative. But Australian politics has generally managed to avoid the obsession with trivial personal detail which has forced many good prospects out of the game on the other side of the Pacific.

Or at least it had until a couple of weeks ago. Howard's attack dogs now claim that Kevin Rudd actually started it, with his questions about Ron Walker's chat with Howard and other ministers about forming a nuclear power company just before Howard set up his pro-nuke enquiry. But this was the kind of fishing expedition which oppositions have indulged in since the year dot; the coalition's pursuit of Paul Keating's business interests, to take just one example, was far more vicious and more personal.

However, both could, with a bit of a stretch, be considered legitimate matters of public concern. Rudd's meetings with Brian Burke were never going to be more than errors of judgement and were freely admitted to have been so. To pursue them day after day, and now week after week, is not merely political overkill, but a sign of witless desperation. Tony Abbott, Peter Costello and Alexander Downer in particular risk giving muck-raking a bad name.

Howard's sudden elevation

was no choice. Downer, poisonous as ever, hissed that he had always thought that there was something grubby about Thompson. Presumably the assumption of grubbiness, along with carelessness, bad judgment and unsavoury associations, is now to be considered a capital crime. Front benchers on both sides of the house must be living in fear.

And Downer has now moved on to a Sunday tabloid beat-up querying Rudd's account of his family's eviction from a Queensland farm

and when he agreed, told Burke. Burke grabbed the opportunity to advertise his presence and effectively ambushed him.

No deals, no debts, end of story. Oh no, proclaimed the Mudmen; there were still questions to be answered. So the journos asked the same questions again, and received the same answers. Under-terred, they asked again, and again, and again... If this is the standard of criticism and analysis we can expect for the whole of election year, then Howard is in for an easy ride indeed.

But the whole sordid affair has also provided some encouragement for Labor. With Rudd caught off balance, the troops closed ranks around him. Julia Gillard and Wayne Swan, neither of whom have been close allies in the recent past, were particularly strong both in defending their leader and turning the attack back on the government, an expression of solidarity not always obvious within the ALP in the recent past.

And then, of course, there was Paul Keating. Burke and Grill as the Arthur Daley and Terry of the west, Howard as the desiccated coconut, Costello as all tip and no iceberg... ah, the memories came flooding back. Which may, of course, be not altogether a good thing. Howard will be delighted to see his favourite whipping-boy back in the news, while Rudd could do without both the association and the inevitable comparisons.

As for me, I'm just nostalgic. Rudd's cautious, conservative approach is certainly Labor's best chance of regaining office; I accept this and I support it. But I still miss that touch of excitement.

Actually, all the evidence is that the public couldn't care less and that the mud-slinging has turned the voters away in droves.

by Mungo MacCallum





of standards, forced on him by the overblown rhetoric of his parliamentary enforcers, has cost him one innocent minister and tarnished a large number of others, not to mention most of the Western Australian business community including his own close friend and valuable contact 'Twiggy' Forrest, of Fortescue Metals. The heightened atmosphere has also contributed to the demise of one of Rudd's more effective front benchers, the shadow attorney-general Kelvin Thompson.

Thompson's offence was more one of carelessness than bad judgement – he should never have allowed his name to be used on a reference without checking whether the man involved was in fact a notorious gangster – but in less frenzied times it may not have been considered a hanging matter. As it was, there

when Rudd was 11 years old. The public, pouts the minister who told the Cole commission no less than 98 times that he could not recall anything material about the \$300 million worth of bribes to Saddam Hussein approved by his department, has a right to know.

Actually, all the evidence is that the public couldn't care less and that the mud-slinging has turned the voters away in droves. The only real joy the government has had has come from the media, which has been disturbingly eager to swallow the coalition line. Although Rudd stumbled early in his response to the Brian Burke dinner allegations, well before the end of the weekend before last the story, confirmed by Graham Evans, was both consistent and convincing: Evans had asked him to come along,



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In review

The recent *Comment* (*Echo*, March 6) is both surprising and expected.

'Surprising' as it may indicate that Byron Shire Council is 'catching up' with effective local government in Australia.

'Expected' because it is possibly just a further example of this council 'going through the motions'.

Having worked for many councils on the east coast of Australia, I have found that Byron is a prominent example of the Council itself setting the 'culture' of the organisation. Unfortunately this is almost inevitable in most 'small' councils. Even more unfortunately for BSC residents, BSC is one of the classic examples.

That is, unless the adage that 'a community gets the council it deserves' is accurate in this case. If it is, then the situation is not unfortunate. But that is for others to determine.

I am sure that, like me, many residents hold a fervent

hope that the internal review will result in a more effective/efficient council.

You ask: 'Will [Ms Westing]... have the necessary "distance" to make the hard decisions?'

I ask: 'Will the Council support the hard decisions?'

Harry Seccombe
 Bangalow

■ Interesting to read your editorial, 'Council reviews itself'. Not before time. The Fishheads restaurant saga is beginning to smell very familiar to the Clarkes Beach Café tragedy.

Your readers will remember Council used to run this cafe and get \$120,000pa rent. This much-loved venue has been closed for nearly a year now. Peter Saulwick, the tenant, found the stress of dealing with BSC too much, he checked out! Fifteen people, who used to work here, lost their jobs. The Department of Lands investigated and found Council was incompetent. This, plus two caravan parks were taken off their watch.

Some councillors have actually gone to press (early February) revealing their antipathy to their Fishheads tenants. They do not understand the sheer white knuckle fear businessmen experience when risking their whole existence to try and make money and employ people.

Many of our councillors have no work experience or risked their lives on self-employment. This shows up in their dealings with Fishheads.

The current lessees of Fishheads have:

1. Turned an ugly duckling into a beautiful swan.
 2. Have spent \$400,000 on capital improvements to the restaurant and pool.

3. The swimming pool improvements have led to Council making 200% more profit each year.

4. The number of staff employed has grown from 12 to over 50.

5. The lessees have proved to be magnificently generous community-minded people. They support many community groups, mainly our young people.

The mayor should be thanking them for their work, asking what she could do for them, and working as hard as possible to stop the Department of Lands finding out just how incompetent council has been handling this lease.

I predict if their current belligerent attitude prevails, the Main Beach pool, café, carpark and surf club will all be run by the Department of Lands.

PS. Years ago Ralph Mamone reported a serious leak in the pool - it's still leaking! Three million litres

of water lost every year - chlorinated at our expense! How green is our council?

Tony Narracott
 Byron Bay

Thank you

For, and on behalf of, all the residents of the eight nursing homes and aged care hostels where I entertain, I wish to say thank you to the community for the overwhelming love and support that was shown to me and my work.

I will not name individuals, because you all know who you are. You all have wonderful hearts and beautiful souls, and from the very depths of my heart I wish to say thank you for allowing me to continue with my work for at least another year and beyond. Thank you also to Lou Beaumont for a lovely and sensitive article.

Thank you all most sincerely,

David Graham
 Brunswick Heads

Rochelle, Rochelle

There has been a lot of confusion between myself, Rochelle Wright, and Rochelle Waite, since her article on Kinder Musik in *The Echo* February 27, as we coincidentally both run early childhood music classes.

My group, Sing by the Sea, run with Laurel Cohn has been ongoing in Brunswick Heads

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wick Heads since 2003. We love sharing music with the many children and parents over the years and it makes perfect sense that through teaching children here, we can also support children in need by sponsoring an Afghani widow and her seven children through Mahboba's Promise.

We have had a lot of interest in beginning a class for home-schooled children.

It is wonderful that there is so much enthusiasm for music of all ages in our shire, that Rochelle Waite can also extend her Kinder Musik program down from the Gold Coast, but I would like to clarify that we aren't the same Rochelle!

Rochelle Wright
Mullumbimby

Spare the trees

Year after year I have come from England to stay in my home here in Byron. Each year I must spend hours gazing at the strand of big mature paperbark eucalyptus melaleucas and a giant old mango tree adjoining this street between Blackbutt and 112 Bangalow Road. As the seasons change I see so many birds strange to me - their exquisite plumage and songs so evocative of all that is wonderful about this precious corner of the world.

I had assumed that Byron Shire was a relatively enlightened and ecologically-aware region. Imagine then my shock when as I was standing in our street gazing at these trees my neighbour comes out and sadly tells me, 'Do you hear they are going to cut them down?'

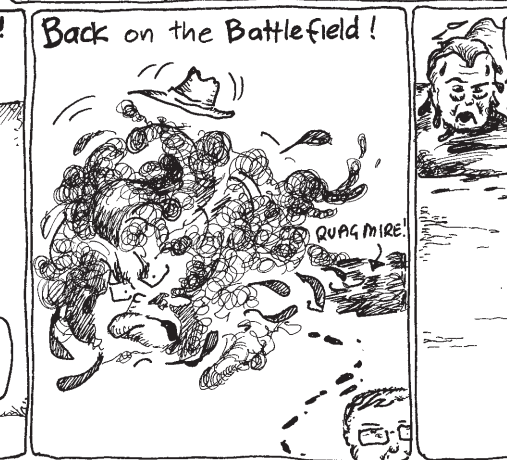
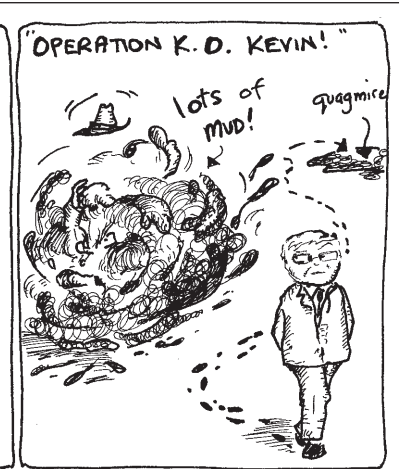
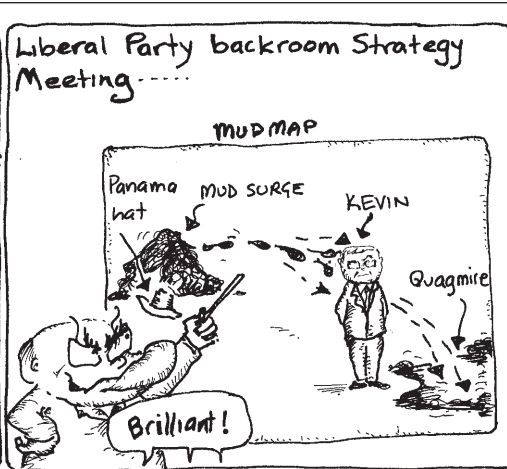
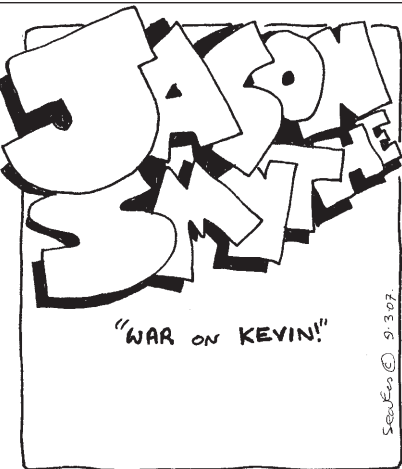
My jaw drops in disbelief and horror - isn't there enough pain and ugliness in this world without our peaceful community having to create more?

'We' didn't plant these trees - what right do 'we' have to cut them down?

The neighbour tells me it's because of some new fire regulations. Regulations! Pah! What kind of regulated world do 'they' (whoever they are) want us to live in? The best way to prevent fire risk would be to cover the whole area in concrete, and then fence it off in case some kids play on the concrete and hurt themselves.

And here, in Byron! I can't believe they're going to murder these beautiful trees. Even in grey old England we'd never let them get away with that nowadays. We have brave young people called ecowarriors who can often be found chaining themselves to trees rather than letting them be cut down for yet more development.

Apart from the sheer aes-



thetic and ecological vandalism it just doesn't make sense. These trees are a vital bird corridor - they teem with wildlife. They also drain the wetlands on this side of Bangalow Road, without them the lowlands will flood much more than now. And even the developer's interest, surely on a purely commercial basis he will appreciate that preserving these mature

trees will add to the desirability and value of the new houses he wishes to build there.

Just reconsider - don't do it! I beg you people of Byron, spare these trees!

Dan Russell
Byron Bay

Iraq nightmare

We're coming up to the fourth anniversary of the

invasion of Iraq which has turned into a daily nightmare of bloodshed and sectarian violence for Iraqis. This Saturday, can we spare a thought for them and attend a rally in Byron on behalf of the millions of Iraqis who daily face the misery of a war and occupation that they neither wanted nor deserved to have visited upon them? Four years of a living hell unleashed

on Iraqis since half a million Australians went to the streets to protest the war that Howard, Bush and Blair determined we 'had to have'. A war based on lies by serial liars.

We cannot turn a continuing blind eye to the daily mayhem our government has helped make in Iraq nor our inadvertent complicity in making that land a toxic and

Election issues, policies and candidates

■ As you are probably aware by now I will not be contesting the NSW election.

I feel there is little point in the whole exercise of elections when the voting public has little or no knowledge of the laws under the Constitutions which are there to restrict the Parliament from biased and unlawful legislation and when our inherent rights as 'subjects of Her Majesty' are not understood by the people or upheld by the Parliament or High Court.

The Australian Patriot Party will be working with the Australian Independent Alliance to inform you all about the unconstitutional Parliaments in Australia over the next few months.

If you are interested in understanding more or are committed to bringing the governance of our nation back to the people and away from the political parties, email me at nfaulkner7@bigpond.com.

Nic Faulkner
Brunswick Heads

■ There seems to be a dearth of information about the Labor Party candidate for Ballina in the State election, Melanie Dorian. I can tell readers a bit about Melanie, as she is my cousin!

I know Melanie to be an uncommonly intelligent,

knowledgeable, hard-working, capable, caring and empathetic person, with the highest motivation for being a candidate.

Should she succeed, against all expectations in unseating Don Page of the National Party, I believe she would do an excellent job representing us.

Tricia Magee
Coorabell

■ *The Echo's* front page article on the preschool rally at Byron highlighted the exorbitant fees and low participation rates caused as a direct result of the Iemma government's miserable funding. I was the only candidate for the state election who turned up at the rally. Labor's hopeful was a no-show and the Nationals candidate apologised and sent a letter which was read out.

At the rally I made a speech outlining the Greens' policy on childcare. Because the Greens' policy on preschool is superior to those of the major parties by a country mile, it is important that voters be aware of it. The Greens policy is for the provision of two years' free public preschool for all children.

Ah, you say, that is meaningless because the Greens will not form government.

True, but we may hold the balance of power. Then we can pressure government to do the right thing.

John Bailey
Greens candidate for Ballina

■ So Richard Jones might feel tempted to vote for Don Page standing as an independent '...if Don were able to throw off that deadful anti-green coat' (Letters, February 27).

Don is not just wearing an anti-green coat, Richard, he is clad in all the stinking rags of the Howard mafia Coalition. Tragically we have a government guilty of high criminality. The invasion of Iraq and subsequent occupation is criminal.

While Don talks about a Byron bypass he is a 'mouse that snored' when it comes to the Howard-Bush conniving con job which bypassed congressional and parliamentary debate while lying to the public who, in Australia, have had to foot the more than \$20 billion bill. How would Don spend that money? Maybe the defunct toilet in Byron Bay Public School could get fixed, for example?

A vote for Don Page or any of the other Coalition ratbags whatever their clothes or

aftershave is an act of complicity in crimes against humanity and the environment.

Gareth W R Smith
Byron Bay

■ Disgraced ex-premiers with criminal records continue to have unlimited access to, and influence over, our elected representatives. Meanwhile, thousands of hard-working, law-abiding citizens, who have legitimate needs for services and infrastructure, are ignored. Our Premier went to a great deal of trouble to avoid community members on his recent visit.

Money is splashed about and dubious promises made about 'investigating' a new rail line on the Tweed Coast purely to buy votes for the not-so-popular local member. Meanwhile, the Casino to Murwillumbah line, which could provide a much needed service to so many at a fraction of the cost of building a new line, is left to rot. We must deliver a strong message to both major parties that this is no longer an acceptable way to govern.

The only way to do this is to vote for minor parties or independents who genuinely have the needs of the community at heart.

No more career politicians, people who will do and say anything to get elected, and then produce very little for the community while collecting their very generous salary.

Louise Doran
Ocean Shores

■ The Greens in NSW have taken a strong stand against corporate donations. We feel that corporations already have too much influence in the political process, influence which has manifested in spectacular wastes of public money, and the restriction of rights and services for the people of NSW.

The Greens have decided not to accept donations from businesses and other large organisations. As a grassroots party, our donations come from real people, from party members and people who support our campaigns and initiatives, not from large corporations.

The Greens are pursuing our campaign to tighten donations disclosure laws. We believe that voters have a right to see who is funding parties and candidates before they vote on election day. So we are publishing our donations as we receive them on our website at www.nsw.greens.org.au.

We're also calling for the

major parties to disclose their donations immediately so that we don't have to wait for over a year to find out who the big donors are. Rapid disclosure would start to restore the balance in the public's favour by revealing how and when these cash inducements are being used to distort our democracy.

Find out more about political donations at www.democracy4sale.org.

Andy Gough
Greens candidate for Lismore

■ I am writing this on International Women's Day and I see that the old National Party is still the party of the 'Man on the Land'.

Only three candidates out of 21 at the State election are women. Contrast this with the progressive Greens who have 49 women candidates.

Perhaps our own male National Party member, Don Page, can explain why women don't get a fair go in the National Party.

Apparently they are still stuck in the 50s where so many of their environmentally destructive policies also belong.

No wonder the National Party is losing its relevance.

Joanna Immig
Possum Creek

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converting to organic growing are not only benefiting themselves and their customers with less poison risk but also the entire community.

It's possible to grow anything organically and it's time for our macadamia farmers learn how to go organic as others have. Endosulfan is in the process of being banned internationally anyway, so they'll need to move fast.

Richard Jones
Possum Creek

Carcinogens

A few years ago, I read an excellent book called *Living Downstream* by Sandra Steingraber. She's an ecologist who looks at cancer and our environment. In it she clearly documents the alarming links between environmental contaminants like pesticides with cancer.

Eighty per cent of all cancers are attributable to environmental influences. Yet most cancer research funding is spent on either developing drugs to treat the disease or on prevention through lifestyle such as smoking, weight or diet. As Sandra asks concerning the high incidence of cancer in Beluga whales – do the whales drink too much alcohol, smoke too much or have a bad diet, is that why they are ill?

With burgeoning cancer rates, previously rare in chil-

dren, spiralling out of control, we buy daffodils, shave our heads and maintain the status quo. Maybe Byron Shire Council's new partnership with the Cancer Council of NSW could look at, for example, the use of endosulfan in macadamia plantations along with their designs for sun shade.

Can we look forward to a time when deliberate and routine release of known and suspected carcinogens is an unthinkable practice?

Rosie Tongmar
Fernleigh

Gay youth

Considering how Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Intersex aka hermaphrodite youth are eight times more likely to commit suicide, that one in six are physically assaulted and that 80% of this occurs in primary and secondary schools, isn't it about time that the Northern Rivers community and the councils within this community recognise the existence of LGBTI children in our community?

Isn't it about time local voters demand that our federal and state MPs and the MLCs lobby within the parliament, their own party and support legislation that is designed to eradicate the social, civil, educational, legal and moral inequality that LGBTI youth are subjected

Flooded with concerns over Splendour

I attended an open meeting between a director of Splendour in the Grass, the planner for the Yelgun Festival Site, a representative of the Yelgun Progress Association, Ocean Shores Community Association and community members. About 60 people were there. I learned the following:

The DA addresses only a temporary one-off event, but plans are in place for the largest permanent event site in Australia of 660 acres. I later saw a plan for permanent infrastructure with on-site sewerage, cinemas, etc.

Developers talk of a one-off trial event for 22,500 attending daily (Byron Shire population is 31,000) but they did admit to expanding. Event organisers usually plan for increasingly bigger events. Developers admit they will apply for up to 20 events a year with up to 30 days for set-up and break-down each. A percentage of attendees will camp – 7,500 for the first

event in August – and the majority will drive in daily.

Traffic queueing and delays are inevitable. The DA has discrepancies in calculations for traffic movement. Supplies and sewerage involve truck movements continuously, nightly.

The consortium with 15 owners from around the country and overseas purchased the land for \$6.5 million – for a once-only event? Although described as 'Yelgun', the site is located in the northern section of North Ocean Shores – off Jones Road, on the coastal side of the highway, two minutes drive from Shara Boulevard. The noise will affect a large residential area of approximately 7,000 population.

Twenty-six endangered species will be affected/displaced.

Byron Councillors approved the DA for the first event in August by 9 to 1 (Cr Lazarus opposed). Once an event is held, it sets a

precedent for further events. [The DA is yet to come before Councillors, who voted to amend the Byron LEP so festivals could be a permissible use at the site – Ed.]

The site is a floodplain. I saw a photo taken 18 months ago of the entire proposed parking and camping site under two metres of brown water.

Event-goers (drugs and alcohol usually imbibed by a large percentage) will flood into the quiet coastal villages like South Golden Beach, Fern Beach, Billinudgel, Brunswick Heads and New Brighton, some to illegally camp (as they do in Sunrise), or to access the beaches – no toilets/rubbish bins/parking.

Safety and security in the towns will be an issue.

The DA heading of 'Community Benefit' doesn't mention residents of Yelgun, Ocean Shores, Billinudgel, Brunswick Heads, so there is no local community benefit from this development.

The peace and quiet many came here for will be disrupted – permanently. Local services (hospitals, police, rescue, ambulance, rubbish, sewerage, parks and wildlife, etc) will be under pressure.

The event site is on a peat deposit which is a serious fire hazard. An evacuation of part of North Ocean Shores and the school occurred two years ago due to the peat smoke. Peat fires cannot be extinguished by hoses as they are underground.

An internal access road will cut through a significant environmental nature reserve.

OSCA is hosting a meeting on Monday March 26 at Ocean Shores Community Centre at 7.30pm. The Mayor and all Councillors have been invited. All are welcome. Hear more details of the development and voice your opinion on this important issue.

Ri Fraser
Ocean Shores

to? Isn't it about time that legal and LGBTI education equality was given to LGBTI youth in our local primary and high schools?

Isn't it about time people were aware of the existence of homosexuality and bisex-

uality in the animal kingdom and that animals like people do not have magical powers and are not capable of choosing their sexual orientation like the anti-LGBTI conspiracy theorists try and con general society into believing?

And finally why do so many refuse to admit that mental health organisations all over the world consider heterosexuality, bisexuality and homosexuality to be normal variations of human sexuality and therefore completely contradict the average person's unfounded assumption that heterosexuality is the only form of relationship normality?

B Cooper
Lismore

That Wooyung DA

The sounds of silence from Samtay Pty Ltd have been deafening since NSW Planning Minister Frank Sartor said 'I may tell him (devel-

oper Cameron Davis) to go jump to buggery, because I think his current development is a dog.' (SMH, March 3.)

Sartor went on to say, 'The old [design] removes the whole natural flooding area, has acid sulfate problems, and is insensitive to vegetation.'

It's got more than that, Frank. The soil also has high chromium levels, which cause cancer. I should know. I took the soil samples to Melbourne.

Sartor's comments fall just short of revoking the whole plan under 96A of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act. Surely that's a card he should play as the Nationals are gaining on sitting member Neville Newell.

Newell has also attacked the development. There's about 1,000 votes seeing which way the ALP is going to swing on this development

and although a 'dog', has voting teeth.

While Davis has lost the science and PR war and the support of the entire community, he hopes that the Nationals are voted in.

Mr Davis is no fool. He'll wait until after the election before he makes a move as he knows the political heat will be off his tainted development.

These next two weeks are vital for those who want to stop dangerous and ill-conceived property development on the coast and hinterlands.

Now is the time for the government to revoke Samtay's DA, and send a message to the locals that the ALP stands for Action on Local Property rather than the National Party's approach to DAs which will be 'Next Please'.

Malcolm King
Crabbes Creek
continued on page 15



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State Election 2007 – climate of change?

Runners announced for Ballina and Lismore

The Electoral Commission of NSW has listed the candidates for the March 24 election and two seats – Ballina and Lismore – concern the residents of Byron Shire.

There are five runners for the seat of Ballina, and four for Lismore. In both seats the sitting Nationals MPs have been drawn at the top of the ballot paper.

In Ballina, the candidates are – in the order they appear on the ballot paper – Don Page (Nationals), Flora Boyd (Australians Against Further Immigration), Ben Smith (Australian Democrats), Melanie Dorian (Labor), and John Bailey (The Greens). Brunswick Heads man Nic Faulkner of the Australian Patriot Party chose not to run after all – see his letter on page 10.



Bangalow man Christopher Sanderson is a candidate for the Legislative Council.

For the seat of Lismore the candidates in order on the ballot paper are Thomas George (Nationals), Julia Melland (Australian Democrats), Andy Gough (The Greens), and Peter Lanyon (Labor).

The Commission will have the candidates' contact details on its website at www.elections.nsw.gov.au/state_election_2007.

A local runner for the upper house, the Legislative Council, is Christopher Sanderson, a member of the new Climate Change Coalition and co-founder of Jindibah, a rural intentional community outside Bangalow.

'We need to make decisions about what changes we have to make now to our use of energy, both at personal and community levels, says Mr Sanderson. A self-confessed 'lifelong conservative', Mr Sanderson was 'astounded' to discover that he had become a passionate 'climate change activist'. With local friends, he started Green Coast Catalysts in 2006, a Byron Shire-based group supporting community action on

Climate Change.

In February 2007, Green Coast Catalysts staged a 'live' Climate Change Hypothetical, to debate how the Bangalow community could immediately start to address the issues of global warming. Living in the Byron Shire since 1993, Mr Sanderson helped establish the Bangalow Community Alliance in 2000; is on the Steering Group of the Rural Landsharing Communities Association; and represents rural communities on the Byron Shire Sustainable Agriculture Roundtable Committee.

The Climate Change Coalition is not a registered political party. For more information see www.climatechangecoalition.com.au.

Among the promises coming at you this week...

TOOT vote

Campaign 'TOOTing teams' are visiting communities linked by the Casino-Murwillumbah rail line, and surrounding parts of the region, in the days leading up to the state election on March 24. TOOTing team visits aim at giving communities a chance to express their anger at the lack of rail services in our region, and the Iemma government's abandonment of our line. In Byron Shire: Thursday March 15 – at Ewingsdale/Bangalow – 8am Ewingsdale Rd east of Pacific Hwy exit, 9:15am street walk in Main Street Bangalow. Saturday March 17 – at Mullumbimby markets.

Byron Bay Bypass

Ballina MP Don Page has committed a Coalition government to building a bypass for Byron Bay to ease traffic congestion if elected. 'While a Council responsibility, I've secured a commitment from an incoming Coalition Government to build a town bypass along Butler Street and across the rail line near Mitre 10,' Mr Page said.

'This bypass is necessary to enable through-traffic to bypass the Jonson Street roundabout and relieve traffic congestion both in and out of town. The \$3 million allocated will cover the cost of the road upgrade, three roundabouts and the rail crossing with gates and lights.

'For too long this project has sat on the table going nowhere. The Labor government has not helped by refusing to allow a second rail crossing near Mitre 10.

A Coalition government will direct State Rail to approve that crossing. The State Rail bureaucracy doesn't have the final say,

Cabinet does.

Mr Page said a bypass including a second crossing is also important for emergency vehicle access to the proposed central hospital at Ewingsdale down the track.

'Also most of the proposed future residential development around Byron is in the Ewingsdale area so we need a town bypass to enable future traffic to flow freely.

'Obviously we want to work with Byron Shire Council after the election to see this important project come to fruition. However we won't be unreasonably delayed in building a town bypass because it has been needed for a long time.'

Renewable energy

The Greens are calling on businesses and chambers of commerce to lobby the state and federal governments to support renewable energy technologies, and to make an investment in establishing local and regional infrastructure and employment opportunities.

Greens candidate for Lismore, Andy Gough, is appalled that governments are reluctant to act on carbon emissions, particularly in regards to the coal industry, and predicts that confidence in renewable technologies will be boosted by interest from the business sector. The public are ready and eager to support such programs.

'Here in the Northern Rivers region we have lots of solar and wind power dealers, and lots of people wanting to install it. If and when government starts to support alternative energy generation by way of increased subsidies or grants there is going to be a sudden shortage in available supply of

solar panels, regulators, inverters, deep-cycle batteries etc,' Mr Gough said.

'We will see a similar situation to when the government announced a \$1000 subsidy for converting cars to LPG. Long waiting lists and too few local suppliers. Rain water tanks are currently also in short supply, with waiting lists until July for some sizes.

'What we are going to need are local manufacturers, local suppliers and local installers. There are heaps of jobs just waiting to happen, and business can lead the way to showing government that a renewable energy future is not only possible, but profitable.

'As more people choose to turn on to "green power", we will need more renewable power sources as well, so there's an opportunity for businesses to install solar on their roofs and feed power back into the grid.'

ABC abused

The ABC has commenced action against the NSW branch of the Australian Labor Party in relation to its misuse of ABC copyright material in connection with a party political website.

The ABC's Director Corporate Strategy and Governance Murray Green said the NSW ALP was featuring recordings of ABC broadcasts on a website about the NSW Opposition Leader.

'Those recordings have been used by the NSW ALP without permission and in a way which gives the misleading impression that the ABC approves of their use for party political purposes,' Mr Green said.

'That is not the case. The ABC does not align itself with any political views and

has a statutory duty to maintain its independence and integrity. This is particularly so during election campaigns.

'The ABC has in place longstanding policies on the use of ABC material for political purposes. The policies clearly do not permit use of ABC recordings in the way they are currently being used by the NSW Branch of the Labor Party.

'The ABC asked the NSW ALP to cease from using ABC recordings in connection with its party political website but the party refused.

'Accordingly the ABC had no choice but to commence proceedings in the Federal Court to restrain the NSW ALP from infringing ABC copyright.'

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The 24th Ciudad de Linares tournament in Spain has been notable not so much for the return to form of Viswanathan Anand but for the performance of the event's lowest ranked player. Magnus Carlsen chased Anand until the final rounds, with a result ranking among the best ever by a 16-year-old.

The Norwegian prodigy (pictured right) scored brilliantly against many of the world's elite: 2-0 versus Vassily Ivanchuk and 1.5/2 against the world number one Veselin Topalov. Only against Anand did Carlsen stumble, losing both games (including the spectacular game given below). When asked if he had too much respect for the Indian, Carlsen paused before answering uncertainly, 'No.' Anand, when confronted with the same question, agreed with Carlsen, citing the Norwegian's easy draw against him a few weeks earlier in Wijk aan Zee.

Regardless of whether Carlsen can yet handle Anand, the player who is about to take over the world's top ranking, his performance at Morelia and Linares has critics searching for historical parallels. Carlsen's result is comparable to the win in Banja Luka which launched a 16-year-old Garry Kasparov on to the world stage in 1979, or the 1990 win by Gata Kamsky in Tilburg. Within six years of these results, Kasparov and Kamsky were challenging for the world title.

Carlsen is among the final 16 in the current World Champ-



ionship cycle but with a tough first round match against Levon Aronian at the Candidates matches in Elista, Russia, in May, he may have to wait a few more years before he emulates Kasparov and Kamsky.

Linares 2007

White: V Anand

Black: M Carlsen

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 Na5 10.Bc2 c5 11.d4 Nd7 12.d5! A favourite of many Hungarian players, including Peter Leko. 12...Nb6 13.Nbd2 g6 14.b4! cxb4 15.cxb4 Nac4 16.Nxc4 Nxc4 17.Bb3 The first new move, inviting Black to play 17...f5 if he dares. 17...Nb6 18.Be3 Bd7 19.Rc1 Rc8 20.Rxc8 Bxc8 21.Qc2 Bd7 22.Rc1 Na8 Not an attractive move, but Black plans 23...Qb8 and 24...Rc8, with dead equality. 23.Qd2 Qb8?! 24.Bg5! Bxg5? Carlsen only now noticed 24...f6 25.Nxe5! but 24...Qd8 was necessary. 25.Nxg5 Rc8?! 26.Rf1!! h6 'The plan with 26...h6 doesn't work,' said Anand, 'but Black's position is already very fragile.' 27.Ne6! Kh7 27...f6e6 loses to 28.dex6 Be8 29.Qxh6 Nb6! 30.e7+ Nc4 31.Qf8+! Kh7 32.f4! with a crushing attack. 28.f4! Qa7+ 29.Kh2 Be8 30.f5 gxf5 31.exf5 f6 32.Re1 Nc7 33.Rc1 Bd7 34.Rc3 e4 35.Rg3 Nxe6 36.dxe6 Be8 37.e7! Bh5 On 37...Qxe7 38.Bg8+ is curtains. 38.Qxd6 1-0

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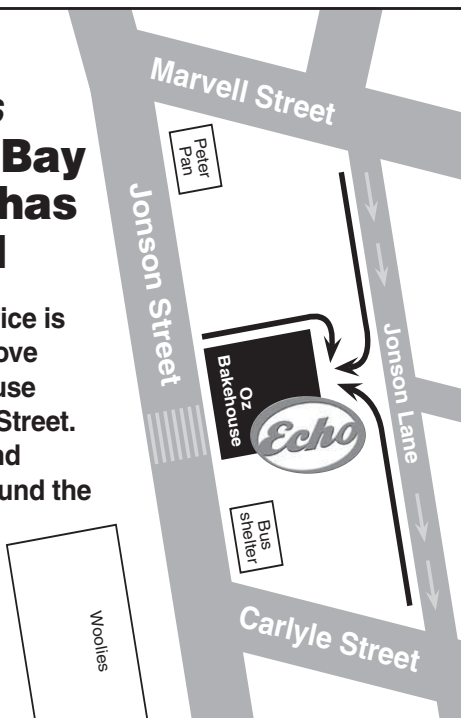
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Excellence in programming is the aim for radio station Bay FM's new program period

For Bay FM, winning CBAA Station of the Year for 2006-07 has meant that all departments of our volunteer-operated community station are seeking to create a level of broadcast excellence to complement our current award-winning status. To achieve this, upgraded standards and evaluations are to be implemented for Bay FM presenters.

Bay FM's next six-month program period starts early May and the submission period begins this week and runs through till Wednesday April 4. Program submission forms are now available from the station for prospective presenters.

There are likely to be some significant changes to programming in the next period and therefore the station is open to innovative ideas, and to new energetic people who fulfil the necessary requirements for on-air presentation.

All current and prospective presenters will have already been doing active volunteer work for Bay FM or will



begin doing so in the next few weeks. They will also need to already have broadcast experience or undertake organised training at the station in the next six weeks.

Equally important in determining new program-

ming will be a willingness to adapt and to be open to feedback. Being comfortable with allocated timeslots that are deemed suitable for the type of programming offered, adherence to broadcast rules and Bay FM protocols, and

healthy and cooperative attitudes toward others, will be highlighted as parameters for choosing shows this season.

Bay FM is also about to implement its first comprehensive listener survey in order to ascertain exactly what people listen to and why, and to better define the station sound and direction in the future. Please take part in the survey when it hits the streets.

Excellence in broadcasting can only be achieved with the help of community input and dedicated effort by presenters and volunteers, and a more focussed approach to the sound of the station.

If you think you can contribute to this inspiring potential, and have the necessary abilities, and the willingness and commitment to contribute volunteer time, come on down to the station and pick up a submission form.

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For girls at school, the program starts in April 2007. A consent form will be sent home shortly for parents to fill in and return.

For women who have left school, and are under 27, the free vaccine will be available from your GP or community immunisation clinic from July.

The vaccine doesn't prevent all cervical cancers, so regular Pap smears are still essential.

But a free cervical cancer vaccine is still very good news for women.

Help protect your daughter from cervical cancer. Sign the consent form.

For more information:
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Australian Government

Letters

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Bravo BOB

I'm going to attend the Saturday March 17 Byron Ocean Benefit at the Byron Entertainment Centre to enjoy a great day of music and art, as well as make my voice heard and vote with my dollars to support the groups that are doing something to protect our oceans.

It's an admirable undertaking to witness: a new local business operator carving out a place in our community by standing up and doing what our government is too busy or uninterested to do... looking after our oceans and its inhabitants by donating 100% of proceeds from a new festival to local and international ocean action groups. From illegal whaling in the name of 'science' and overfishing of endangered fish species in the Southern Oceans, to sick dolphins just off our own beaches... the degradation of our oceans is happening right before our eyes, and perhaps due to old economic relationships or just plain apathy, governments worldwide are turning a blind eye.

Sea Shepherd, laughably branded as an 'eco terrorist group' by mainstream media for their courageous confrontations with Japanese whalers, are unafraid to create awareness about this situation and put pressure on governments through their brazen attempts to thwart whaling ships' efforts. I hope the \$15 I spend that goes to them at the Byron Ocean Benefit will help them to continue their fine work until our leaders get their priorities straight (under 10s are free and there is also a flat family rate of \$40 to ensure the event is affordable especially to our youth, who will carry the message into the future).

It will be a fine day when environmental conservation is recognised as an economically viable business model and our elected leadership pursues this path with gusto.

Groups such as the Byron Bay Surf Lifesaving Club, Surfrider Foundation, Byron Bay Boardriders, and researchers at Southern Cross University, who are trying to uncover the cause of our sick dolphins, will also receive financial support from the proceeds of this 1st annual Byron Ocean Benefit.

The important thing is to come out and express your opinion just by attending the event. I'll see you there!

Dan Roman

North Coast
Ukulele Collective

Secret payouts

Just a heads-up for the people involved with the S11

protests at Crown Casino. A 'secret' payout of \$700,000 was given to 47 protesters who were injured during the Richard Court blockade, in return for them dropping all charges against the 900 or so police. An additional \$600,000 was paid out to the government's lawyers. The Police Commissioner and Bracks have stated that the payment does not prove that the police used excessive force (breaking someone's back is definitely not excessive), but that it was paid out purely on the advice of their insurers to stop the escalating legal fees.

It would be nice just once to see these thugs taken to court and proved guilty for their brutality. Once again the Victorian Police record can remain relatively unblemished. I wonder how

much their 'secret' payouts are costing them each year to keep their record clean and to keep those abused by them silenced.

Kym Thompson
Byron Bay.

Good news first

It was suggested this writer never had anything positive to say, hence the writer now provides information on probable cures for cancer and heart disease.

DCA is a cheap, safe, non patented product that 'kills most cancers' (1), and D3 is a cheap, safe vitamin that reduced the death risk from cardiovascular disease (heart disease) by 70% in human trials (2).

Those who study cancer would be aware that cancer cells are immortal and never die, like regular cells do. Dichloroacetate (DCA)

naturally restores the mitochondria controlled Apoptosis function of cancer cells, which then leads to the rapid, natural, death of the cancer cells (1).

A controlled study in Japan showed that Vitamin D3 supplementation was associated with a 70 per cent reduction in mortality from cardiovascular disease compared to those people who did not receive Vitamin D3 supplementation (2). In February this year, other researchers reported that vitamin D3 supplementation 'would reduce the occurrence of a wide variety of cancers by 30% to 50%' (3).

Britain warned Germany not to attack Poland, but Poland was attacked and so WW2 began. Now Russia has warned the United States not to attack Iran

(4), hence any Iran attack may initiate WW3.

(1) *New Scientist* 2006
23/02/2007

(2) *Current Opinion Lipidology* 18:41-46 Feb 2007

(3) *American Journal of Public Health* 96:252-261,

(4) UPI 21/02/2007

Peter Olson
Goonengerry

Letters received from Suzanne Hayward, Lennox Head, Basil Cameron, Goonengerry, Dan Bode, Suffolk Park, Ken Macdonald, Lennox Head, Denis O'Brien, Ocean Shores, P Moore, Suffolk Park, Peter Rae, Condong, Paul Brecht, Mullumbimby.

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Articles

Hans Lovejoy interviews Captain Paul Watson, the human who rides shotgun for whales

Scuppering sinister voyages of destruction

It's a fitting scene – the interview takes place a stone's throw from the whaling station that at one time gave economic prosperity to this town. These days Byron Bay is known not for whale hunting but watching, and though the Humpback whales survived the intense hunting of the 50s and 60s, The Sea Shepherd, Greenpeace and Whales Alive are the only few groups actively protecting the whales that pass here from Hervey Bay to Antarctica.

Before me sits the forefather of ocean environmental direct action. He is the granddaddy poobah of self styled vigilante intervention and his name is Captain Paul Watson, the founder and leader of the Sea Shepherd Conservation Society (SSCS).

Internationally, he is known as the leader of a pirate organisation which chases and rams whaling ships, and is intent on stopping environmental and species destruction through any means necessary. He feels no accountability for such provocative actions and in turn accuses governments of being pirates for not upholding the international maritime laws they signed.

As co-founder of Greenpeace, Watson parted ways from the organisation way back in the seventies 'because he felt the original goals of the organisation were being compromised'. He is the bete noire of the remaining whaling nations Norway, Iceland and Japan, and though branded as dangerous, reckless and a vandal, the record of human casualties from such activities is zero. From scuttling moored whaling boats,

high sea rammings and confrontations with sealers, he has been charged but never convicted.

Though primarily known for whale protection, other campaigns continue despite the media's fluctuating interest. Over the last three years a million seals have been brutally clubbed to death on the east coast of Canada, according to Watson. Along with toxic dumping and over fishing, these issues just don't continue but increase. Watson cites Canada's commercial cod fishing industry as having collapsed in 1992 due to overfishing and mismanagement, among other reasons.

I have to ask: do you eat fish?

Well yeah, I was raised in a fishing village but no, I don't eat fish now. There simply aren't enough fish in the ocean to feed the ever-expanding population. And now the new marketing word is 'sustainable' – there's no such thing as a sustainable fisheries, it's just a catchphrase.

Does being an absolutist alienate you from contemporaries and make it harder to get the message across?

I'm not concerned with alienating people. Our clients are not people, they're whales, seals and sharks and the animals we protect. People who disagree with us protecting them, well, that's their problem. After we sank half of Iceland's licensed whaling fleet in 1986 I had a former colleague from



Captain Paul Watson of the Sea Shepherd Conservation Society, left, with locals Tommy Leitch and his son Noah. Tommy is a freelance surf writer and one of those organising the Byron Ocean Benefit at the Byron Entertainment Centre on Saturday March 17.

Greenpeace come up and say, 'I just want to let you know that what you did in Iceland was despicable, criminal and reprehensible', and I said 'Ah yeah, so?' He said 'aren't you concerned about what Greenpeace thinks you do?' and I said, 'No. We didn't sink those ships for you, Greenpeace or anyone else on the planet, we did it for the whales. You name one whale that would disagree with what we did that day.'

For three years, from 2003 to 2006, I was the director of the biggest and oldest environmental organisation in America, The Sierra Club. It brings in 85 million dollars a year. So therefore I was in a unique position to know exactly where that money was coming from and what it was being spent on. There was less than 1.5 million dol-

lars spent on actual in-the-field programs. Most of it was spent on administration, promotion and fundraisers.

Isn't overfishing a bigger issue than whaling? Isn't whaling just the sexy media attention grabbing option?

It's apples and oranges. We're very involved in fishing. I've got a full time boat intercepting poachers in the Galapagos Islands National Marine Reserve. We've busted over 60 vessels so far with shark finning and sea cucumbers. We confiscated long lines and drift nets and have been doing that for 25 years. We get a lot of coverage on our shark fin campaigns.

I understand neither of your ships is registered. What will happen to the boats now they are out of action?

The *Robert Hunter* ran out of registration under the British flag the day we came in, and we re-registered the vessel under the Dutch flag. We are in the process of registering the

Farley Mowat. What was great was that the Australian authorities didn't give us a hard time at all. When we got the Dutch flag, we told them straight up that we were concerned about Japan leaning on them, but they said, 'We don't take our orders from Tokyo.'

Can we afford the risk of environmental catastrophe by ramming and sinking a whaling ship? Surely the oil spill alone would cause huge damage to the pristine Antarctic waters?

It's never our intention to sink the vessel. Our intention is to disrupt their activities and intervene, which does bring up one important question: why is it tolerated that a floating factory full of oils and chemicals goes down into the Antarctic with the potential for environmental disaster? What happened this year [with the fire on board the Japanese vessel *Nisshun Maru*] had nothing to do with us. That in itself should be opposed. They shouldn't be allowed to do that. I've

never sunk a ship at sea and I don't intend to. This is our 30th year and we've never injured anybody.

Other NGOs have legal advice that Australia and New Zealand can stop whaling like they did with Southern Blue Finned Tuna through international law. Would you consider your approach to this solution as effective or is it part of a two tiered strategy to keep up media interest?

Any environmental movement has to have a diversity of tactics and strategies, we're just one part of that diversity. The effort to protect the tuna is actually a failure – too little too late. The fact is Japan fished out the tuna in Australian waters and pretty much got away with it.

Physical intervention and aggression would seem at odds with the principles of spiritual enlightenment. Do you identify at all with peaceful means to achieve an outcome?

Everything we do is peaceful; we've never injured anybody. In fact a few years ago I received a little statue from a Tibetan Buddhist Monk who brought it down to the ship. When he gave it to me he said to put it on our mast, and I did and I didn't think anything of it. In 1999 I met with the Dalai Lama, and I asked him about it, and I found out he had sent it to me. He also gave me a letter of support which we have on our website. I asked, 'What is that?' and he said, 'That's Hayagriva, it's the compassionate aspect of Buddha's wrath.' I said, 'Well, what does that mean?' and he said, 'Oh well, you never want to hurt anybody but sometimes when they can't see enlightenment you scare the hell out of them until they do.'



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John Campbell pines for a decent gulab jamun

Sweet connection with the new reality

I don't care what anybody says, you can't get good gulab jamun on the north coast. Especially now that I've lost my secret recipe. It was hand written for me by an Indian woman with whom I worked in the dim and distant. She was a Parsee called Gool.

'What a ridiculous name,' Cat Carer sniggered, disregarding the old kettle and pot maxim.

I'd bumped into her and Faerie Queene in the thick of the food stalls at the Bangalore market. It was getting on, and the coachloads of tourists were gone, leaving a few gaudy twenty-four carat Gold Coast voyeurs waddling around among the locals. And in that neck of the woods, locals means Balmain refugees with humvee prams and genius dahlings in OshKosh nappies. Under a vast Camphor, where once the village smithy might have stood, were the crew of young people who, at three o'clock sharp, like Matthew and Son, hit the bundy and start banging their bongoes. I fled the racket immediately.



'You're just confronted by their challenge to your conservative ego, Old Man.' The pair had rejoined me at Cafe Mundane, where they were meant to meet Lady Cadaver, who'd vanished somewhere between there and her psychic reading tent.

'You mean by how all the boys drum and all the girls watch? That's bound to topple the status quo.'

Cat Carer ignored me completely, opting instead to

cast lascivious glances at the cubist coifed waiter waiting to be discovered. She, like everybody else wanting to be served, failed to catch his eye.

Faerie Queene finally got her latte and cooed exultantly over it.

'The barista here is my favourite in the shire,' she critiqued.

I suppose I shouldn't talk, going on about Gool's gulab jamun, but, fair dinkum, can you believe that anybody would have a favourite barista? The concept is a bit rich even for her thoroughly modern daughter, who openly calls people who use the word wankers and associates its spread with Bangalore's creeping poncification. It's gratifying to see eye to eye with one's tormentor on something of such national significance.

I ploughed the dark recesses of my mind, trying to recall Gool's magic ingredients. There was rosewater, powdered milk, a ton of castor sugar, double cream...

'Why can't you just email

her and find out?'

'If only,' I sighed.

But then again, not really.

The email age is such a tawdry one. All sorts of foolish missives being scattered around the world willy nilly. Barely literate spiels being bumped on to computer screens on the other side of the globe to be ridiculed at morning tea.

Gool's recipe was hard copy, though neither of us knew it at the time. It was on a crumpled sheet of exercise paper that, over the years, had gathered a patina of tiny flour and oil specks that made it look like a piece of parchment from ancient Thebes.

Again and again I've gone back to the folder where it should be, like a mangy dog returning to a dry water hole, hoping for a miracle. But, like Gool, it is gone. Forever. No longer part of my life.

Maybe somebody out there will see this and email their recipe to me, so that I can connect with the new reality and forward it to everybody I know.

Women's balancing act

Northern Rivers Social Development Council president Jenny Dowell said it was fitting that a report released on the eve of International Women's Day, March 8, shows that family responsibilities are one of the key issues still facing women in the workplace.

The report released by the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission (HREOC), *It's About Time: women, men, work and family*, makes the case for a new framework to support a balance between paid work and family responsibilities.

Ms Dowell said that women not only bear the bulk of family responsibilities but still earn less than men. 'Latest statistics show that women earn 19.6% less than men and the gap is widening,' she said.

'This is a worrying trend for women on the north coast where a high percentage of single parents are women, on low incomes and with primary care responsibilities. The federal government's Welfare to Work regime will further reduce incomes for these vulnerable women.'

Recommendations released in conjunction with the report include a call for a new law protecting workers with family and carer responsibilities from discrimination and giving them a right to request flexible work arrangements.

Ms Dowell said the report shows that women make up only 45% of the Australian workforce compared to 82% in Sweden and 62% in the UK.

'It is obvious that Australian women are finding it more difficult than their international counterparts to balance work and family,' she said. 'The report stated that of the 698, 800 couple families with dependent children where only one parent was employed, the employed parent was the father in 89% of cases.'

The *It's About Time: women, men, work and family* paper makes 45 recommendations to start the ball rolling in creating a new social vision for Australia which is based on the wealth of time spent with family as well as the wealth that comes from economic prosperity.

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1. Jeanne Tripplehorn plays the crafty wife in **The Firm** (TEN, Saturday, 9.30pm), the film of John Grisham's novel on the perfidy of lawyers in the pay of the Mafia. At least they don't work for a US military commission. 2. Joanne Froggatt, who got her start in an episode of **The Bill**, plays Joanne Lees in **Murder In The Outback** (TEN, Sunday, 8.30pm). Surprisingly, Bryan Brown does not play the killer. 3. The Sun plays itself in **Science** (SBS, Sunday, 8.30pm). There it is, at a convenient distance, burning up four million tons of hydrogen a second, and we fail to use it for much more than cultivating melanomas. Theobromine addicts will appreciate **Sweet Paradise** on SBS on Friday at 7.30pm – mmmmm, chocolate...



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WEDNESDAY 14	4.30 Parkinson 5.30 Can We Help? 6.00 Kids' Programs 10.00 School Programs 12.00 Midday Report 12.30 National Press Club Address 1.30 Talking Heads 2.00 The Bill 3.00 Kids' Programs 6.00 Kylie Wong: Spice 6.30 The Cook And The Chef 7.00 ABC News 7.30 The 7.30 Report 8.00 The New Inventors 8.30 Spicks And Specks 9.00 Extras: Ian McKellan (M, cl) 9.35 The Worst Week Of My Life 10.05 At The Movies 10.35 Lateline 11.10 Lateline Business 11.40 Four Corners 12.25 Media Watch 12.40 Island Life: Coral Spawning 1.35 Second Opinion: Recurring Colds And Osteoporosis 2.05 Movie: The Seventh Victim (M, a, B&W, 1943) While searching for her missing sister, a woman discovers links to devil worship. Starring Kim Hunter, Jean Brooks, Hugh Beaumont 3.25 National Press Club Address	5.30 World News 9.55 Russian News 10.30 Greek News 11.30 Arabic News 12.05 Indonesian News 12.30 Business Report 1.00 Movie: Tides Of Change (M, s,v) Part 2 of Italian drama 3.00 Mum's The Word 3.30 Down Under: Budapest 4.00 A Fork In The Road 4.30 The Journal 5.00 Newshour 6.00 Living Black 6.30 World News Australia 7.30 Cooking In The Danger Zone South Korea 8.00 Inside Australia: Singles Club 8.30 Dateline 9.30 World News Australia 10.00 Movie: Whisky (M, cl,a) Uruguayan drama 11.45 Goalissimo Football 12.40 Class: Arts And Kulcha (G) You can't buy style, so what's classy about the arts and who decides? 1.40 Weatherwatch SBS advises viewers that programming between 6pm and 10.30pm nightly is Closed Captioned (CC)	6.00 Sunrise 9.00 Bambaloo 9.30 Home Shopping 10.30 Morning News 11.00 Sons And Daughters 11.30 8 Simple Rules 12.00 Movie: Crossplot (M, s,v, 1969) Roger Moore, Martha Hyer, Claudia Lange 2.00 Blue Heelers 3.00 Trading Spouses 4.00 It's Academic 4.30 News 5.00 M*A*S*H 5.30 Deal Or No Deal 6.00 Prime News 6.30 Seven News 7.00 Home And Away 7.30 SCU: Serious Crash Unit 8.00 Police Files - Unlocked 8.30 Heroes (M) 9.40 Prison Break - On The Run (M) 10.30 24 - The New Beginning (M) 11.30 City Beat (M) 12.00 Crime Scene Academy 12.30 Home Shopping 5.00 Religion 5.30 Home Shopping Most Prime programs between 6.30pm and 11.30pm (approx) nightly are Closed Captioned (CC)	6.00 Ten Early News 7.00 Toasted TV 8.30 Puzzle Play 9.00 9am With David And Kim 11.00 Ten News 12.00 Strong Medicine 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 & The Beautiful 5.00 Ten News 6.00 The Simpsons 6.30 Neighbours 7.00 The Biggest Loser 7.30 The Con Test (PG) 8.30 House (M) 9.30 Medium (M) 10.30 Late Night News And Sports Tonight 11.15 Late Show With David Letterman 12.15 Judge Judy 12.45 Infomercials 2.15 Video Hits Up-Late 2.30 Kenneth Copeland 3.00 Life Today With James Robison 4.00 More Religion All Ten programs between 5pm and 11pm (approx) nightly are Closed Captioned (CC)	6.00 Today 9.00 Mornings With Kerri-Anne 11.00 TVP Direct 11.30 Danoz 12.00 Dr Phil 1.00 The Catch-Up 2.00 Days Of Our Lives 3.00 Fresh Cooking 3.30 Hi-5 4.00 Mortified 4.30 Antiques Roadshow 5.00 Temptation 5.30 Bert's Family Feud 6.00 Evening News 7.00 A Current Affair 7.30 McLeod's Daughters (PG) 8.30 Cold Case (M) 8.45 Lotto 9.30 Without A Trace (M) 10.30 Extreme Makeover (PG) 11.30 Nightline 12.00 Quizmania 3.00 Guthy Renker 4.00 Untold Wealth 4.30 Good Morning America The genius of our ruling class is that it has kept a majority of the people from ever questioning the inequity of a system where most people drudge along, paying heavy taxes for, which they get nothing in return. Gore Vidal
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FRIDAY 16	4.30 Parkinson 5.30 Can We Help? 6.00 Kids' Programs 10.00 School Programs 10.30 Engineering At The Cutting Edge 10.55 Australians 11.00 Big Cat Diary 12.00 Midday Report 12.30 Born And Bred 1.20 Creature Comforts 1.30 Parkinson 2.30 Spicks And Specks 3.00 Kids' Programs 6.00 As Time Goes By 6.30 Can We Help? 7.00 ABC News 7.30 Stalene 8.00 Collectors 8.30 Murphy's Law (M) 9.20 Spooks (M, v) 10.15 Lateline 11.05 jtv 11.35 Rage (M) Programs are correct at the time of going to press but beware – all stations like tinkering with things at the last minute.	5.25 World News 8.30 Spanish News 9.20 French News 9.55 Russian News 10.30 Greek News 11.30 Arabic News 12.05 Indonesian News 12.30 Business Report 1.00 Food Lovers Guide To Australia 1.30 Insight 2.30 Germany's War 3.30 Living Black 4.00 Wine Lovers Guide To Australia 4.30 The Journal 5.00 Newshour 6.00 Global Village 6.30 World News Australia 7.30 Sweet Paradise (G) The industrialisation of chocolate making and the birth of the chocolate and sweet manufacturing giants 8.30 As It Happened: Churchill's Bodyguard (G) 9.30 World News Australia 10.00 XY Documentaries (MA, a,cl,s) 12.55 Movie: How I Killed A Saint (M, a,cl,v, 2004) Slovenian drama about a woman who returns to Macedonia, a country still occupied by NATO forces and on the brink of civil war, to find the child she left when she went to America three years earlier 2.25 Weatherwatch	6.00 Sunrise 9.00 Bambaloo 9.30 Home Shopping 10.30 Morning News 11.00 Sons And Daughters 11.30 8 Simple Rules 12.00 Movie: The Comfort Of Strangers (M, v,s,a, 1990) Rupert Everett, Natasha Richardson, Christopher Walken, Helen Mirren, Manfredi Aliquo, Daniel Franco 2.30 My Wife And Kids 3.00 Trading Spouses 4.00 It's Academic 4.30 News 5.00 M*A*S*H 5.30 Deal Or No Deal 6.00 Prime News 6.30 Seven News 7.00 Home And Away 7.30 Better Homes And Gardens 8.30 Movie: Raising Helen (PG, 2004) A model agent's lifestyle comes to a halt when she finds herself responsible for her sister's three children. Starring Kate Hudson, John Corbett, Joan Cusack 11.00 Movie: Hannah And Her Sisters (M, a,s,du, 1986) The changing relationships between three sisters living in New York. Starring Woody Allen, Mia Farrow, Carrie Fisher, Barbara Hershey, Dianne Wiest 1.00 Home Shopping	6.00 Ten Early News 7.00 Toasted TV 8.30 Rock It! 9.00 9am With David And Kim 11.00 Ten News 12.00 Strong Medicine 1.00 Australian Formula One Grand Prix LIVE from Melbourne 4.00 Totally Wild 4.30 The Bold & The Beautiful 5.00 Ten News 6.00 The Simpsons 6.30 Neighbours 7.00 The Biggest Loser 7.30 Smallville (PG) 8.30 Movie: How To Lose A Guy In 10 Days (PG, cl,sr, 2003) A ladies man who wagers that he can make a woman fall in love with him in 10 days meets a lady writing an article on how to lose a guy in 10 days. Stars Matthew McConaughey, Kate Hudson, Adam Goldberg, Kathryn Hahn 10.45 Veronica Mars 11.30 Late News 12.00 Sports Tonight 12.30 Late Show With David Letterman 1.30 Fat Actress (MA15+, cl,dr) 1.55 Video Hits Up-Late 2.00 Infomercials 4.00 Law & Order: Trial By Jury (M) 5.00 Religion	6.00 Today 9.00 Mornings With Kerri-Anne 11.00 Danoz 11.30 Guthy Renker 12.00 Dr Phil 1.00 The Catch-Up 2.00 Days Of Our Lives 3.00 Fresh Cooking 3.30 Hi-5 4.00 The Shak 4.30 Antiques Roadshow 5.00 Temptation 5.30 Bert's Family Feud 6.00 Evening News 7.00 A Current Affair 7.30 Friday Night Football LIVE from Melbourne – Melbourne Storm v Wests Tigers 9.30 Friday Night Football From Brisbane – Brisbane Broncos v North Queensland Cowboys 11.30 Nightline 12.00 Quizmania 4.00 Bio-Magnetics 4.30 Good Morning America Heavily processed food makes pathetic nutritional claims. www.theoinion.com

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SATURDAY 17	11.35 <i>Rage</i> continues 9.00 <i>jtV Saturday</i> 11.10 <i>Falcon Beach</i> 12.00 <i>Stateline</i> 12.30 <i>Australian Story</i> 1.00 <i>Foreign Correspondent</i> 2.00 <i>Unsigned Circles</i> 3.00 <i>Movie: Blithe Spirit</i> (G, B&W, 1945) Rex Harrison, Constance Cummings, Kay Hammond, Margaret Rutherford 4.30 <i>The Dog Listener</i> 5.00 <i>Australian Open Bowls</i> Women's pairs 6.00 <i>Goodnight Sweetheart</i> 6.30 <i>Gardening Australia</i> 7.00 <i>ABC News</i> 7.30 <i>Around The World In Eighty Treasures: Uzbekistan To Iran</i> Central Asia 8.30 <i>The Bill</i> (PG) 9.30 <i>The West Wing</i> 10.55 <i>Gunpowder, Treason And Plot</i> (MA,s,v) 12.40 <i>Rage</i> (M)	5.30 <i>World News</i> 6.50 <i>Filipino News</i> 7.25 <i>Italian News</i> 8.00 <i>German News</i> 8.30 <i>Spanish News</i> 9.20 <i>French News</i> 9.55 <i>Russian News</i> 10.30 <i>Greek News</i> 11.30 <i>Arabic News</i> 12.05 <i>Indonesian News</i> 12.30 <i>Business Report</i> 1.00 <i>Masterpiece On Saturday</i> Oz Concert 2007 2.30 <i>Catrin Finch</i> - Harpist 3.25 <i>Rembrandt Inc</i> 4.30 <i>Newshour</i> 5.30 <i>Mythbusters</i> 6.30 <i>World News Australia</i> 7.30 <i>The Colony</i> Reliving the early Australian colonial days 8.30 <i>Iron Chef</i> 9.20 <i>Rockwiz</i> 10.10 <i>VIP Pass: What's Going On - The Life And Death Of Marvin Gaye</i> (M, du,a,s) 11.15 <i>SOS: Shorts On Screen</i> 12.15 <i>Chappelle's Show</i> (M, cl) 12.40 <i>Sick Tricks</i> (MA, cl,v,a) English comedy series 1.10 <i>Crank Yankers</i> (M, s,a) American comedy series 1.35 <i>Weatherwatch</i>	6.00 <i>Mickey Mouse Clubhouse</i> 6.30 <i>Jetix</i> 7.00 <i>Saturday Disney</i> 9.00 <i>Saturday Club</i> 10.00 <i>Toon Disney</i> 10.30 <i>Jetix</i> 11.30 <i>That's So Raven</i> 12.00 <i>V8 Extra</i> 12.30 <i>V8 Supercars</i> 1.30 <i>Backyard Killers</i> 2.30 <i>Movie: Ten Seconds To Hell</i> (PG, 1959) A group of bomb disposal experts in Berlin after the war put money into a kitty with the agreement that the last surviving member of the team will collect the lot. Starring Jack Palance, Jeff Chandler, Martine Carol, Robert Cornthwaite, Virginia Baker 4.30 <i>Treasure Hunters</i> 5.30 <i>Sydney Weekender</i> 6.00 <i>Seven News</i> 6.30 <i>The Great Outdoors</i> Secret Australia 7.30 <i>Great Comedy Classics</i> 9.45 <i>Movie: Walking Tall</i> (M, v,cl,du, 2004) A highly-trained soldier returns to his hometown to find it riddled with drugs and violence thanks to his corrupt high-school rival. Starring The Rock, Johnny Knoxville, Neal McDonough, Kristen Wilson, Ashley Scott 11.30 <i>NAB Cup Final</i> 2.00 <i>Home Shopping</i>	6.00 <i>Toasted TV</i> 7.00 <i>Wicked Science</i> 7.30 <i>Totally Wild</i> 8.00 <i>Scope</i> 8.30 <i>Video Hits</i> 10.00 <i>Australian Formula One Grand Prix</i> LIVE from Melbourne 5.00 <i>Ten News</i> 5.30 <i>Sports Tonight</i> 6.00 <i>The Simpsons</i> 6.30 <i>Celebrity Dog School</i> 7.30 <i>Movie: The Nutty Professor</i> (PG, sr,cl, 1996) An overweight professor, desperate to lose weight, takes a chemical that turns him into slim but obnoxious Buddy Love. Starring Eddie Murphy, James Coburn, David Chappelle, Jada Pinkett 9.30 <i>Movie: The Firm</i> (M, cl,v, 1993) A young lawyer with a prestigious law firm is approached by the FBI investigating the firm's Mafia connections. Starring Tom Cruise, Jeanne Tripplehorn, Gene Hackman, Hal Holbrook, Ed Harris 12.40 <i>Smallville</i> (PG) 1.35 <i>Video Hits Up-Late</i> 2.00 <i>Infomercials</i> 4.00 <i>Bayless Conley</i> 4.30 <i>Key Of David</i> 5.00 <i>Hour Of Power</i>	6.00 <i>Danoz</i> 6.30 <i>Untold Wealth</i> 7.00 <i>Guthy Renker</i> 7.30 <i>Kids' Programs</i> 10.00 <i>My Home</i> 10.30 <i>The Scene</i> 11.00 <i>Surfport</i> 12.00 <i>Speed Machine</i> 12.30 <i>The Car Show</i> 1.00 <i>Coolmore Classic Horse Racing</i> LIVE from Rosehill 4.00 <i>Discover Downunder</i> 4.30 <i>Talk To The Animals</i> 5.00 <i>The Garden Gurus</i> 5.30 <i>Fishing Australia</i> 6.00 <i>Evening News</i> 6.30 <i>Australia's Funniest Home Videos</i> 7.30 <i>Movie: The Cat In The Hat</i> (G, 2003) Mike Myers, Dakota Fanning, Spencer Breslin, Alec Baldwin 8.40 <i>Letto</i> 9.15 <i>Movie: Anger Management</i> (M, s,cl, 2003) After a misunderstanding aboard a plane that gets out of control, a mild-mannered man is ordered by court to attend anger management sessions. Starring Jack Nicholson, Adam Sandler 11.20 <i>Frasier</i> 11.50 <i>Razzle Dazzle</i> 12.00 <i>Quizmania</i> 4.00 <i>Home Shopping</i>		
	SUNDAY 18	6.30 <i>Kids' Programs</i> 9.00 <i>Insiders</i> 10.00 <i>Inside Business</i> 10.30 <i>Offsiders</i> 11.00 <i>Asia Pacific Focus</i> 11.30 <i>Hymns Of Glory</i> 12.00 <i>Landline</i> 1.00 <i>Gardening Australia</i> 1.30 <i>Message Stick</i> (G*) 2.00 <i>The Minotaur's Island</i> Crete 3.00 <i>Erica</i> 4.25 <i>The Red Dress</i> 4.30 <i>Art Safari: Matthew Barney</i> (PG*) 5.00 <i>Sunday Arts</i> 6.00 <i>At The Movies</i> 6.30 <i>The Einstein Factor</i> 7.00 <i>ABC News</i> 7.30 <i>Constructing Australia: The Bridge</i> 8.30 <i>Agatha Christie's Miss Marple: By The Pricking Of My Thumbs</i> (PG) 10.05 <i>Compass: Alain De Botton</i> The problem with happiness 10.40 <i>Aeros</i> Gymnastics and modern dance fusion 11.50 <i>Movie: Show Business</i> (G, B&W, 1944) Eddie Cantor, George Murphy, Joan Davis 1.25 <i>Movie: Conspiracy Of Hearts</i> (PG, B&W, 1961) Lilli Palmer, Sylvia Syms 3.15 <i>Movie: Channel Crossing</i> (PG, B&W, 1933) Matheson Lang, Max Miller, Constance Cummings, Edmund Gwenn	7.00 <i>World News</i> 8.00 <i>Korean News</i> 8.30 <i>Latin American News</i> 9.00 <i>Maltese News</i> 9.30 <i>Polish News</i> 10.00 <i>Ukrainian News</i> 10.30 <i>Mozart Plus Five</i> 11.00 <i>Women's Road World Cup Cycling</i> Geelong 12.00 <i>Speedweek</i> 1.00 <i>FIA World Rally Championships</i> Mexico 2.00 <i>The World Game</i> 3.30 <i>UEFA Champions League Magazine</i> 4.00 <i>A-Series Athletics</i> Brisbane 5.30 <i>Cycling Central</i> 6.00 <i>Thalassa</i> 6.30 <i>World News Australia</i> 7.30 <i>Lost Worlds: Civilisations</i> A civilisation surrounding the Indus River between today's India and Pakistan that mysteriously disappeared around 500BC 8.30 <i>Science: The Sun</i> A 1-million-kilometre-wide ball of burning gas that consumes four million tons of hydrogen every second 9.30 <i>Hooray For Bollywood Movie: Main Hoon Na</i> (M, v,a, 2004) Indian drama 12.30 <i>Human Cargo</i> (M, v,a) 1.20 <i>The Storm Rages Twice</i> (PG) Lebanese drama series 2.20 <i>Weatherwatch</i>	6.00 <i>Religion</i> 7.00 <i>Blinky Bill's Around The World Adventures</i> 7.30 <i>Fairytale Police</i> 8.00 <i>Weekend Sunrise</i> 10.00 <i>Deep Jungle</i> 11.00 <i>Spirit Of Yachting</i> 11.30 <i>Studio Portraits</i> Pierce Brosnan 12.30 <i>Movie: The Magnificent Seven</i> (PG, v, 1960) Mexicans hire American gunslingers to free their village from a band of outlaws. Starring Yul Brynner, Steve McQueen, Eli Wallach, Charles Bronson, Brad Dexter 3.15 <i>Movie: The Cheetah Girls</i> (G, 2003) New York City teenage girls form a band. Starring Raven-Symone, Lynn Whitefield, Adrienne Bailon, Kieley Williams 5.15 <i>The Good Life</i> 6.00 <i>Seven News</i> 6.30 <i>Australia's Got Talent</i> 7.30 <i>Ugly Betty</i> 8.30 <i>Grey's Anatomy</i> 9.30 <i>What About Brian</i> 10.30 <i>Cheaters</i> 11.30 <i>Movie: One Eight Seven</i> (AV, cl,v, 1997) A committed inner-city high school teacher is viciously attacked by a student. Starring Samuel L Jackson, John Heard, Kelly Rowan, Karina Arroyave, Clifton Collins Jr 2.05 <i>Home Shopping</i> 5.30 <i>Religion</i> 5.30 <i>Home Shopping</i>	6.00 <i>Mass For You At Home</i> 6.30 <i>Meditation Medication</i> 7.00 <i>I Got A Rocket</i> 7.30 <i>Totally Wild</i> 8.00 <i>Meet The Press</i> 8.30 <i>State Focus</i> 9.00 <i>Mark Webber Challenge</i> Run, kayak, cycle almost 600km around Tasmania 10.00 <i>Australian Formula One Grand Prix</i> LIVE from Melbourne 5.00 <i>Ten News</i> 5.30 <i>Sports Tonight</i> 6.00 <i>The Simpsons</i> 6.30 <i>Thank God You're Here</i> (PG) 7.30 <i>The Biggest Loser</i> 8.30 <i>Movie: Joanne Lees - Murder In The Outback</i> (M, cl, 2007) After surviving the outback abduction of her boyfriend Joanne Lees became the victim of a trial by media across two continents. Starring Bryan Brown, Joanne Froggatt, John Wood, Asher Keddie, Tom Long, Richard Carter 10.30 <i>Movie: My Best Friend's Wedding</i> (M, cl, 1997) Julianne realised she's in love with her best friend the day he asks someone else to marry him. Starring Julia Roberts, Cameron Diaz, Dermot Mulroney, Rupert Everett 12.30 <i>Infomercials</i> 2.25 <i>Video Hits Up-Late</i> 2.30 <i>Religion</i>	6.00 <i>Home Shopping</i> 7.30 <i>Snobs</i> 8.00 <i>TVP Direct</i> 8.30 <i>Business Success</i> 9.00 <i>Sunday</i> 11.00 <i>The Sunday Footy Show</i> 1.00 <i>Planet X Summer Games</i> 1.30 <i>The Boatique</i> 2.00 <i>NBL Brisbane Bullets v Melbourne</i> 3.00 <i>Beach Footy</i> 4.00 <i>Sunday NRL</i> From Brisbane - Gold Coast Titans v St George Illawarra Dragons 6.00 <i>Evening News</i> 6.30 <i>20 To 1</i> 7.30 <i>60 Minutes</i> 8.30 <i>CSI: Crime Scene Investigation</i> (M, a) 9.30 <i>CSI: Miami</i> (M, v) 10.30 <i>True CSI</i> (M, v,a) 11.30 <i>Movie: Sex Lies & Videotape</i> (M, cl,sr, 1989) Graham returns after nine years to find his former room-mate now living in a stunning house with a beautiful wife, a junior partnership in a law firm and an affair with his wife's sister. Starring Andie MacDowell, James Spader, Peter Gallagher, Laura San Giacomo 1.20 <i>Shopping For Love</i> 1.50 <i>Outback Jack</i> 2.50 <i>Razzle Dazzle</i> 3.00 <i>Eve</i> 3.30 <i>Home Shopping</i> 5.00 20/20	
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Articles

For an opening, it was Out There



Sarah Lysaght's Out There is a place, not a value judgement. One of the region's creative treasures, for decades Sarah has designed ballgowns, wedding dresses, swimming costumes (Shark Bait), built fabulous ceramic art pieces, put the Voodoo into the Blues Festival and was *The Echo's* first fashion writer, and has always had a green thumb. Out There, a mini indulgent nursery of fantastic, often rare plants, dotted with eccentric garden art, opened recently in the Byron Arts and Indy Estate. Here celebrating is Sarah with her assistant Chinta and the security system, Jaws. Photo Jeff Dawson

Grandmother Paris'ha spreads the joy

According to her supporters, 'Grandmother Paris'ha spent her early life in the traditional Cherokee grounds of America's south east woodlands, communing with the nature spirits and other dimensional entities. Just like Einstein she had to turn to science and quantum physics to be able to understand and commu-

nicate her experiences to others. She appears to possess an acute awareness of both the micro and macro worlds simultaneously.

'Peace Keeper and Wisdom Path Teacher, Paris'ha is back in Byron Bay at the end of this month. She will be giving a talk at the Hands Around the World Peace

Event at the Byron Entertainment Centre on March 31 at 4pm.

'The following day, April 1, she will share her deep well of wisdom... with the locals from 10:30am to 5:30pm at Ambaji in Marvel Street.'

For enquiries and bookings call 0432 502 376.

Arts support for The Buttery

In town to visit The Buttery's staff and residents, Patron of the New Buttery project Gillian Helfgott was delighted to meet up with local visual artist Mesha Sendyk and performing artists Jan Baldwin and Tessa Hoffman. Mrs Helfgott expressed her delight at being on the receiving end of donation cheques representing funds raised from two arts events in Byron Bay in January - *The Vagina Monologues* and *Artful Abstraction*.

Mrs Helfgott said, 'On behalf of The Buttery I would very much like to thank Patricia Petersen whose idea it was to stage *The Vagina Monologues* in Byron Bay as a significant fundraiser for The Buttery. Ms Petersen, as director and producer of the event, put in a magnificent effort to rally local actors including Mandy Nolan, Pavitar and Gina Baker. We are very grateful that they gave their time so enthusiastically.'

'We would also like to thank Jan Baldwin whose play *Woman* was also staged on the night and once again Jan and the actors Kimberley Davenport, Trinity Ward, and Tessa Hoffman donated the royalties of the play and their time generously.'

With the assistance of The Byron Bay Community Centre staff, the staging of *Woman* and *The Vagina Monologues* raised just under \$4,000 for



Gillian Helfgott, Mesha Sendyk, Jan Baldwin and Tessa Hoffman.

the New Buttery project.

Mrs Helfgott also praised the efforts of artists Mesha Sendyk, Ben Wilton and Rose Prideaux who donated a percentage of the sale of artwork from their art exhibition *Artful Abstraction* and made a contribution of monies to The Buttery's fundraising office.

David and Gillian Helfgott will be in Sydney on March 15 for 'The Gift of Recovery' event to launch The Buttery's fundraising efforts outside of the Northern Rivers.

If you would like to contribute funds from an event to The Buttery contact Dee Tipping 66871 623 visit www.buttery.org.au.

Awards for drug education

Organisers of the National Drug and Alcohol Awards are calling on people and projects in the Byron Bay area that assist people or work with drug and alcohol issues, to nominate for this year's prestigious Awards. Schools are also being urged to nominate for a special new national award that will recognise excellence in

school drug education. Generous prize money will be won by this year's Awards recipients.

It is estimated up to 18,000 people across Australia work with drug and alcohol issues including around 10,000 people working directly in the field itself. Organisers say it's crucial the silent achievers, who often get little

recognition, are saluted.

Anyone wanting to nominate a project should simply visit www.drugawards.org.au or email info@drugawards.org.au to request an information pack from the National Coordinator, Vanessa Ferguson. You can also call 02 9310 0133.

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I'm speaking to Darren Lee from Alter Native and all I can hear are birds. I'm wondering if he is in fact in the forest or whether he has some tricky samples of our feathered friends used to create a genuine forest ambience.

Nature is a great source of inspiration for the band, who use a lot of its sounds and rhythms as an organic basis for their musical 'constructions'.

'We are recording lots of things, mostly at the moment we are doing bird sounds, and frogs, and we have quite a store of things that we use, and with Ben being the DJ of the group, he edits them slightly and we bring them in, we make bass lines and soundscapes on the keyboard and then we find a spot where they fit in rhythmically.'

So why bird sounds?

'They add little features, points of recognition for people as well, because it's something that you know. I like the whip bird - it lends itself to being mashed with (geez, scary word for the poor little thing) and what I like about the whip bird is that there is a response - you hear one and then the next one replies. Another we use a lot is a fruit dove which has a lower whoop whoop, we have developed that.'

I commented that Alter Native sound a bit like electronic boy scouts off to get their wildlife badge. Darren finds this very amusing.

'I like that I'll write it down! We are adding that sort of natural element to the electronical - I think it reflects the space that we are creating in with the bush being so close, so in a way that's what our music is, a cross over between the urban and the rural. I think the combination of those things in isolation don't mean much - it's a pretty diverse eclectic range of sources, but putting them together gives another take on things, and in combination they seem to create something

completely new.

'We start from a basis of African and Latin rhythms, things that are more ancient and then take that and build the electronica on top of that. That's our philosophy - joining the organic and the ancient rhythms and then the newer stuff with electronica with synthesised sounds, to combine and create a hybrid or fusion of organic and electronica.'

The band describes their particular brand of music as tribal house. 'In

people along on the dancefloor.'

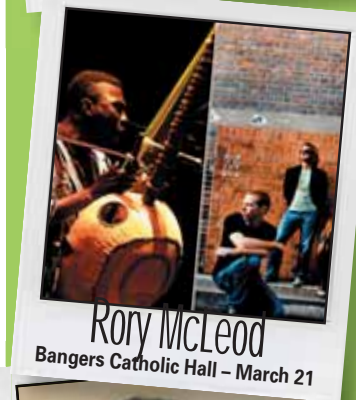
Producing electronic music live is what Darren feels adds a certain dynamism to Alter Native.

'It gives it more credibility - it adds that human touch, we all love to listen to music because it has that human touch while I love producers - it is more dynamic performing live - we want to add the human and visual touch.'

Alter Native features two percussionists and one synth/

the new CD and edited down to make it, as Darren says, more 'radio friendly.'

'We have to create shorter pieces. Dance tracks tend to go 10 to 15 minutes each, we do an hour and a half per set and we have roughly 9-10 pieces. There is an improvised element and it is pretty much non stop - that's part of it - there are lulls where the mood changes and we talk, but we are keeping it going the whole time.'



that genre, in the electronica genre, there's so many sub genres I don't even know what half of them are myself! When we are asked what genre we fall into - we came up with tribal house - tribal in that we are bringing in the percussive rhythms from around the world, house is a subgenre of electronica, house is dancey rhythms with a melody going as well - it pushes

keyboard played by Ben Whittaker. 'Ben triggers the bird sounds on his computer - it goes on a loop and then creates a musical structure and then we come in playing percussion - we are looping through the organic sounds. We have a structure, but it is constructed on stage.'

This Saturday's performance at Durrumbul Hall will be recorded live for

The Bellingen based band Alter Native will appear at Durrumbul Hall on Saturday alongside DJB9 (Ben Whittaker's altered ego), Gnome and DJ Meesha. There will also be performances by Circus A Morphis. Starting at 7pm and kicking on until midnight. \$10 entry.

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MANDY NOLAN

BABY LEAVE THE LIGHT ON



The other night I woke to loud thumping coming from somewhere in the house. I was instantly on alert. Someone was breaking in. Time to act. Step one, wake husband. Step two, instruct husband to deal with scary noise. Geez it's tough being a bloke. I would hate to be a man. There I am, his equal in size and weight, ordering him to go face a potentially dangerous situation. (Of course it wasn't dangerous at all. It was a possum. In fact, several

possums who appear to be dragging a dead body inside the ceiling of my home.) Fortunately I have had no incidence of knife wielding attackers banging at my window, or rapists lurking in my pantry, but I still get the night fear. Having a man in the house instils a certain confidence. It means that if a life-threatening situation occurs he will have to offer himself up. It's part of the deal. I have a vagina. There's no way I could defend myself with one of those. Fear of night noise is something women live with all the time. Men don't seem to suffer from the same paranoia about midnight monsters prowling on the patio. They're more worried about being woken by us demanding they go investigate a bin being knocked over by a rogue dog somewhere in the neighbourhood. I grew up with a single Mum and she introduced me to a very powerful self protective technique. Mum would leave a light on somewhere in the house. Outside our country home, feisty fiends contemplating a rape

and pillage would recoil in horror. 'Nah, can't go in there. Lady's got the light on.' I spent an entire childhood sleeping in light spill. I thought it was normal to have two hundred dead moths on your floor on awakening. Somehow we subconsciously think that light equals safety. Light just offers a better view. It's hard to get a good perve through a black window. We found this out when as a child I discovered Neville Wesling's size 14 thongs abandoned in our front yard. He'd been having a bit of a look through our windows one night and when Mum spied him he freaked and lost his footwear mid retreat. On reading Women Who Run with Wolves a decade ago, I was informed that it wasn't the night I was scared of at all. It was the darkness in myself. It was the hideous and malformed part of my most undeveloped psyche that I most feared. What a load of crap. That's the part of myself I love the most. It's the inbred freaks in thongs that I fear.

DREAMWORLD DOUBLE PASS
The D&D Ball event on Saturday 17th March at Dreamworld features Stephanie McIntosh, Avalon Drive, Repeat Offender, Jimmy Z, Mike Goldman and more. Even Shannon Noll will be there. Would you like to win a double pass? Email mandypow@echo.net.au with subject header -in your dreams -

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The origins of the Hurdy Gurdy are unknown. It certainly evolved in Europe, perhaps from one of the stringed and bowed instruments brought to Europe by the Moors. By definition, **Zykado** is a friendly game inside and outside the bounds of music. In playful experiments with musical and emotional parameters, Matthias Loibner (hurdy-gurdy, live looping) and Tunji Beier (percussion, sounds, live looping) achieve a multilayered simultaneity of sounds, styles and feelings. Fragility and hardness, acoustic and electronic meet organically in the archaic-modern sounds of the hurdy-gurdy, drums, stones and bells. Zykado at the **Bangalow Catholic Hall** on **Saturday at 8pm**. Tickets \$18/16 at the door. This is another fabulous Ku Promotion.

MCLEOD'S SILVER LINING

Ku Promotions presents **Rory McLeod**. He's hailed as a one-man soul band, he's revered as a poet and a storyteller - a man who sings his own unique upbeat dance stories. He is a modern traveling troubadour, and uses tap shoes, acappella, harmonica, guitar, trombone, spoons, finger cymbals, bandorea, djembe and various percussion instruments. He's insanely talented and incredibly funny. It's refreshing to be in the presence of not just a great musician, but a truly gifted communicator. Rory McLeod is also a bit of a gypsy. A friend of mine remarked how

on one of his first Australian tours he hitched with his guitar and a small duffel bag as he preferred that as a means of travel. It's also a wonderful way to collect stories. He's a born traveller. 'I've travelled to look for work, to mend a broken heart, to be with someone I longed for. I'd travel to visit friends and on the way I'd make new ones, I'd roam because I was curious to see what was around the next corner, sometimes I travelled to follow the warmer weather and migrate...' Once seen never forgotten, Rory is a truly unique performer who never gives less than his all no matter what the circumstances. Rory McLeod plays the **Bangalow Catholic Hall** on **Wednesday 21 March at 8pm** with tickets \$22/18 available at the door.

WHEN THE WORD IS HARD

Local groove machine **The Hard Word** welcomes the new vocalist **Mohini Cox** fresh from the Montreal club scene. This **Saturday** they bring their mixture of rare and classic funk to the **Lennox Pub**. Old fans will not be disappointed with the flavour Mohini brings to the mix, combining some new material and her own distinctive style with the well worn lick of the Word.

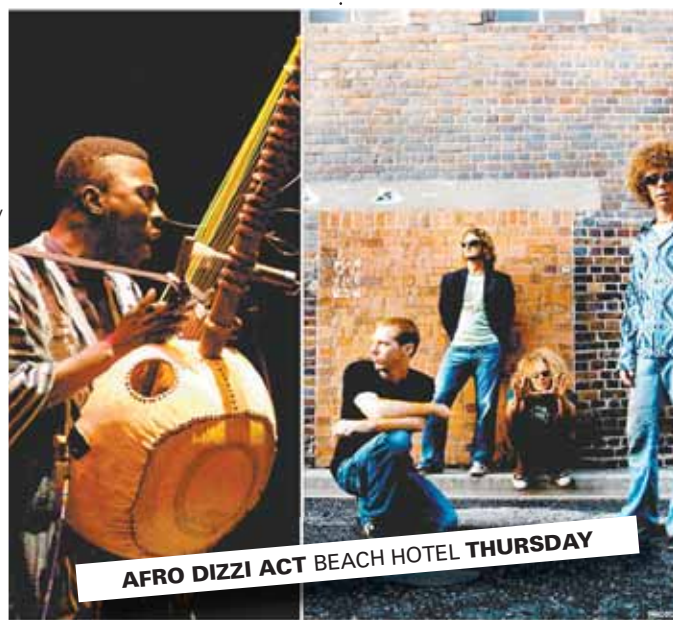
DROPPING AN E37

After a triumphant gig at the Beach Hotel in Byron Bay last week, **Engine Three Seven** pull into Bangalow to deliver their homegrown brand of rock n roll. Hailed as one of the region's most innovative bands, the boys are renowned for delivering a high energy performance

every time. The band's current lineup was formed in 2005 and together they have won the King of the Buskers competition in 2005, earning the right to perform at that year's Bluesfest. **Sunday** at the **Bangalow A&I Hall**. They are appearing with Kanaka. Kicks off at **4pm** and finishes at 8pm.

BIG UKE PARTY AT THE PASS

The Pass in Byron Bay goes Hawaiian this **Sunday** when the **North Coast Ukulele Society** celebrate the first birthday of the North Coast Uke collective. Combining a rare visit by Hawaiian Ukulele and Hula performer/instructor Michelle Kiba, known in Hawaii and across America as the **Ukulele Lady**, and in conjunction with the Ballina Outrigger Club, Byron will transform to take on the features of a typical day at Waikiki Beach. The North Coast Ukulele Collective is a free community group dedicated to spreading the 'spirit of aloha' through what they lovingly refer to as their 'weapon of mass affection', the ukulele. The all ages group meets next at the **Suffolk Park Hotel Thursday 29 March at 7pm** and draws over 100 people including such notable people as Mayor Jan Barham, champion surfer Rusty Miller, and our own world-class ukulele virtuoso Azo Bell. The meetings are always free, thanks to the generosity of the Hotel. The North Coast Ukulele Collective also puts on regular ukulele lessons, workshops, and special events. Be at the Pass from 10am to celebrate the power of Uke. If you want to get more in the mood, you can brush up your uke at workshops on Thursday and Friday at 6pm. (Enquiries to 0424 951 599) or you can



AFRO DIZZI ACT BEACH HOTEL THURSDAY

attend a hula workshop at the Ewingsdale Hall on Thursday and Friday at 1pm.

NINJA BINGERS

My Ninja Lover are as stealthy and sexy as their name suggests. Equal parts seductive and vigorous, the MNL sound is a constantly evolving enigma. While the band might be relatively new on the scene, the individual members are already more than accomplished. Manta Ray and Porl DeVillie toured as part of nationally acclaimed band Zephyr Timbre, with many a large-scale event under their belt. Porl has also worked with Chris Buckridge in the celebrated 90s outfit Trace Element. Blending sensual and melodic sounds into a mix of downbeats, breaks and drum 'n bass, MNL have been likened to Kosheen, Lamb and Moloko although drawing straight comparisons is an exercise in futility. With femme fatale Manta Ray on vocals, Porl Deville and Chris Buckridge pull the band together with their unique instrumental stylings. The result is an idiosyncratic flow of vocal-driven tracks that set a new direction in electronica. They perform at the **Hotel Great Northern** on **Friday**.

BIG MRS SUNSHINE

It had to be the best movie of last year - *Little Miss Sunshine* was a reminder of how good films can be when they have good actors and a good script. The film starred Toni Collette, who is one of the lucky few who've made it in Hollywood. You'd think that would be enough, but Toni has a few other dreams - one being fronting her very own band. **Toni Collette and The Finish** play the **Hotel Great Northern** on **Saturday**. This girl really is a



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talent – and for her, singing has always been part of her life. 'I don't remember a time when music was ever absent in my life. All my fondest memories have soundtracks. I have always sung but didn't realise I was any good till my early teens when people reacted to the sound I made with excitement.' Her first fave song was Devil Gate Drive by Suzi Q. Her latest album, *Beautiful Awkward Pictures* is a collection of music from the past ten years. 'It's a bit longer than 10 years actually. I wrote the oldest song on the record, *Tent Waltz*, when I was 22. So, that's almost 12 years ago... dear lord! The songs are certainly a reflection of how I was thinking or feeling or seeing life. However, the first two singles from the album are the two most recently written, *Beautiful Awkward Pictures*, and *Look Up*. Instrumentally, the songs are all brand new. I had done a demo of four tracks a few years ago but those songs have all changed quite a bit with the record.'

CARRIAGE FOR A BIRDY

Leigh Carriage is a versatile and dynamic singer with a host of national and international performance credits to her name including Melbourne International Women's Jazz Festival, Dublin Summer Festival Ireland, North Coast Jazz Festival, Byron Bay Blues and Roots Festival, Woodford Folk Festival, Bellingen Jazz Festival, Splendour In the Grass, Bellingen Global Music Festival, and the Monterey Jazz Festival California USA. As well as being a dynamic performer, Leigh is an accomplished recording artist, with 4 solo CDs to her name, and a host of session recordings. Her unique vocal style creates a magical dimension to this group, weaving together her talents as a unique and versatile



ENGINE THREE SEVEN
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TONI COLLETTE WITH THE FINISH
HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN SATURDAY



CAROLA CHRISTIAN & THE DIRTY FUNK AFFAIR
RAILS - FRIDAY

singer. She plays the **Blue Birdy** at the Buddha Bar on **Wednesday, 8pm**, tix \$10

FRANKIE AND THE WHALE

You can support the whales by coming to the **Byron Entertainment Centre** on **Saturday** and enjoy a host of bands, including Beau Young, Crowfeather and Hungdonkey and **The Frankie Band**. The boys play afterwards at the **Bangalow Hotel**.

CAROLA GETS DIRTY

Formerly know as Roll Like That, **Carola Christian & the Dirty Funk Affair** hit the **Rails** on **Friday** with their 'goodtime' music, some new groovin' tunes and a new funky drummer. Recently Carola's funk rock fusion track *Think About It* danced for 3 weeks in the 'Triple J Unearthed Top 25 Pop Chart'

receiving fantastic feedback. Weaving a fresh approach into her music by succumbing to affairs with dirty funk, pop, rock, blues and groove Carola Christian & the Dirty Funk Affair create a web of sound that is dynamic & expressive. Generating a repertoire that is provocative, infectious & alive her songs are strong & catchy with resounding lyrics of universal meaning.

DIZZI AT THE BEACH

World Beat visionaries **Afro Dizzi Act** are releasing and touring their second album in March/April 2007. Titled *Walkin*, Afro Dizzi Act have created a sonic journey that captures adventures they shared with musicians in locations of India, Nepal, Dubai, West Africa and Australia. The first single (track 3, *Walkin*), featuring West African master Kora and vocalist/story teller Jali Buba Kuyateh, is a multi-lingual

global feast that cooks along with rich flow of African roots and melodies blended with the signature deep grooves of Afro Dizzi Act. The band gets Walkin at the **Beach Hotel** on **Thursday**.

SINGING OUT OF HIS HAT

Will Connor is son of Hat. He's the first in line in the BC Hat's Empire, and while his head is covered his heart is not. He's a singer/songwriter who is most at home with a guitar in his lap. Will is launching his new album at the **Byron Bay Community Centre** on **Friday March 23rd**. The single from the album is titled *Home*, so in theme for the night and having his launch in his home town. Will is kindly going to give everyone the new album that who comes along. Tickets are \$15 on sale at the venue.



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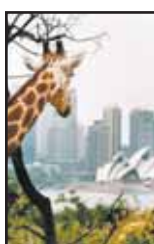
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INTERVIEW

ZIGGY PLAYED GUITAR



On February 12 **Ziggy Marley** picked up his fourth Grammy. The musical son of a legendary father, the eldest Marley has big shoes to fill. But with four Grammys in three decades, I think it can be safely said, that Ziggy Marley is no Julian Lennon.

On receiving his latest award Ziggy is humble.

'It's a good experience and is one of da things dat helps elevate the concept of Love is my Religion.'

And Ziggy's inspiration for this second solo album?

'My inspiration is from the source of life, from where da truth is and it came about from a conversation with a lady. It's about people awakening themselves in order to know what is the truth... dat's the way it work, I know I write it, the song come when it came and it

came just at the right time. I don't think anyone can really fight love!'

Ziggy is a spiritual man who walks his talk.

'Dat da reason why the world is like dat, like it is, we have people working for da world, rather than bettering ourselves, we are working for da economy!'

Love is My Religion has been released on Tuff Gong Worldwide, the company started by Bob Marley.

It's impressive when an independent label takes out one of the most prestigious music awards in the world

'With big companies and the big money it's not about da message it's never about da music.'

That was part of it, this was a dream that my father had, I always know that – Tuff Gong is my father's label dat

he started in the day and we are moving in to the future, I cannot have a concept of what it will be...'

Ziggy is deeply philosophical about the way he lives his life and makes his music.

'Philosophy come out of what we do, we live – what it takes is a free thinking mind and that's the problem, we are not free to think, we are indoctrinated – if we were thinking we would know da truth and we wouldn't be fighting so much.'

Ideologies are based on dat – ideology becomes a prison, man can't think of higher concepts anymore? What we are dealing with now is individuals, we not looking for social solution, not looking a political solution, we are looking for individual solutions.'

Working alone offered Ziggy the opportunity to really follow his creative voice.

'I usually work with other producers, but this time it was me, I wanted to put everything I wanted into it and I listen to it and I learn, and every album I learn more about myself and what my next step will be, sometimes it's frustrating, but I learn to accept the frustration and difficulty as part of the journey – next time I will try again, you work on the freedom to accept it, it's not hard.'

Freedom is the key. 'I have to just have freedom – we are not trying for perfection we are trying for creation.'

Ziggy Marley appears at the Byron Bluesfest. For ticketing information: www.bluesfest.com

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VERSE GREEN WITH POETRY

Wear green on **Sunday**, as **Dangerously Poetic** celebrates the poetry and song of Ireland in honour of St. Patrick's Day. Held at the RSL Hall in **Bangalow** from 1-3pm. The afternoon will feature a Dangerously Poetic favourite, singer/bard from Ireland, Karl Farren. Raised in Dublin, Karl moved to Australia in 1998. He has sung with Scots-Gaelic choir Ceól Anam and with the a cappella quintet Velvet Groove. He was a featured soloist on recordings by Allegro Gone Troppo. Karl has also sung and played in local folk trio, The Prodigals. He is a co-founder of the Mullumbimby Folk Club, a monthly non-profit event set up in February 2005 to provide an intimate showcase for original songwriting. Also appearing is Anne Martschinki who won her first talent quest in Ireland at 11. Ann has been writing poetry and parody for years and is a regular performer at functions. She will read an original poem about moving to Australia from Ireland, and other favourites and will sing an Irish blessing. For the Open Reading, bring along your favourite Irish poem, either contemporary or classical. Irish tea and homemade scones will be available for purchase. Entry \$5/\$4.

PEACE GATHERING AROUND THE POLE

Saturday is an international day of action to mark the fourth anniversary of the invasion of Iraq by America, a war that so far has killed many thousands of innocent civilians (the number hasn't been disclosed), more than 3,300 service personnel, and cost more than \$US 366 billion. **Byron Peace Convergence** is planning a gathering of people opposed to war at the Peace Pole in Byron Bay at **2pm** to commemorate those who have died and to draw attention to a joint US/Australian military exercise planned for May/June this year that will be held in a pristine area of the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park at Shoalwater Bay.

FILM SHOOTING BYRON

The **Byron Bay Blitz Fest**, is a 72 hour grass roots film-making competition about to kick off. Teams range from novice high school students to hardened professionals. All have to put their skills to the test when they try to make a film in just 72 hours. It's a free event but there is a maximum of 20 entries. Check out the screening at the **Arts Factory Lounge Cinema** on **Thursday** at **7pm** with an awards and wrap party to follow at the Buddha Bar!



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DANCIN WITH DAN



Amber Savage

Amber Savage is best known as The Queen of Hard Dance, and is not only the country's leading female DJ, she was also voted number 5 in the most recent InTheMix Top 50 Australian DJs charts and is one of the few residents at Sublime at home. Appearing on the Sydney scene in 2000 as a 19 year old, Amber Savage now tours Australia regularly and headlines some of the biggest clubs and events around the country. Playing in Byron Bay under her moniker 'Miss Savage', Amber will play an alternative style of funky electro and dirty house. I spoke to her about her different sounds, fish, raving and bootlegs...

How's the production side of things coming along?

Fantastic actually. I finished a trance track with Archie a couple of months ago, which I would best describe as Hard Rock trance. That is called *Tarantizm* and features on my latest CD. I'm currently working on a hardstyle track

which should be finished by May and then I'll be tackling an electro house track. So I have plenty to sink my teeth into at the moment!!!

A couple of years ago you played at the Berlin Love Parade, how was that?

The experience was second to none! I have never seen that many people in one place before. Not even on the TV. I was lucky enough to play the last set before all the trucks switched their sound over to the main system so as far as opportunities go, that was pretty spectacular..

You're well known for playing a harder style of music as Amber Savage, could you explain a bit about your other moniker Miss Savage?

Well, I'm best known as Amber Savage and I play anything from Techtrance through Hardtrance to Hardstyle depending on the type of event and time of the night. I think the public would say that I'm best

known for Hardstyle though. Then there's Miss Savage and that name is used only when I play House/Electro. However I have been known to start a set with house and slowly work my way through spectrums of sound and end up at Hardstyle depending on what the crowd is up for..

What were some things that you miss about the earlier rave days in the 90's?

EVERYTHING!!! No I don't like to be one of those people who is still in the scene but never stops complaining that things aren't like they used to be... I have to admit that the music then was a lot more eclectic and a real mix up of pretty vocals, hard wacky sounds, twisted basslines, you name it. Music wasn't as classified like trance and house. It was just rave music or techno music.

Nik Fish was around in those early rave days and is still one of Australia's top DJ's, what's his secret?

Diversity, progressive thinking, strong image, crazy mind!

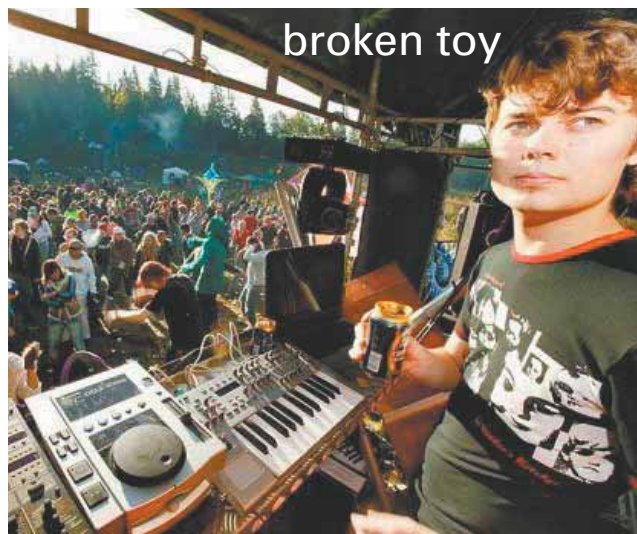
What do you enjoy most about harder styles of dance music?

The sheer energy and power of it!! I love all styles of music but I have to admit that nothing in the world makes me feel the way hard dance music does. It's alive.

What can punters expect from your set in Byron?

Not even I can say for sure yet. I will definitely drop a couple of originals though. Also, I have got my hot little hands on some unreal bootlegs. You will just have to come along and hear for yourself!

MISS SAVAGE WILL BE AT PLAY ON SATURDAY NIGHT WITH SUPPORT FROM FLYNN AND CLEGS.



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TRICKY PSYTRANCE

Triky Entertainment and UP Records, two of the newest local sources of psytrance music, are teaming up for a series of parties to showcase fresh talent while still delivering sets from established artists. The main event will be a party in Rover Park, Northern NSW on **Saturday 24th March** featuring international guests Loud, U-Recken and headliner Broken Toy. Broken Toy is James Copeland, a rising psytrance producer/DJ from South Africa. He produces music with a diverse variety of moods for the dancefloor,



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MY NINJA LOVER HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN SATURDAY

CHEW THE FAT!

Launching the first Chew the Fat! night at **Play** this **Thursday** are two of the biggest names in breaks, special guests – **BLIM** and **Tayo**. **BLIM**, known for his rolling tech and funky breaks, is currently releasing on his own Track Records and has just launched Traction nights in London. **Tayo** made the move from Kiss FM to Radio One and recently mixed the FabricLive 32, with dubstep, baile funk, breakbeat and electro, showcasing the upfront sound of London's

underground. Warming up for this unique double bill are DJs Tigerlily (ex Fat! in London and a resident at the End) and Freddy Flyingaz – the resident DJs for Chew the Fat! at Play. Chew the Fat! London, the hugely successful monthly residency at The End now has a multitude of residencies around the world from Glasgow to Barcelona, Budapest to Berlin. Chew the Fat! now plants its feet firmly on Australian shores, every 2nd Thursday of every month in beautiful Byron Bay.

weaving in influences that extend from electro to tribal to techno. He has been producing psytrance since 2001 and was one of the pioneers of the Cape Town scene, alongside countrymen like Shift, Artfakt and Protoculture. He promises a massive headline set at New Generation. The venue is situated on the eastern fall of The Great Dividing Range between Casino and Tenterfield – two hours from Byron, check out www.roverpark.com.

This week's shifting, swirling world brings unexpected changes in arrangements, giving everyone yet more opportunities to let go what they thought they wanted and enjoy what they get...

ARIES: Your charismatic leadership qualities are pumping, but this is the week Hitler (an Aries) proclaimed the Third Reich, so keeping bossyboots tendencies on a short leash is strongly advised. Stay cooperative, courteous and considerate even in the face of provoking behaviour.

TAURUS: People are exasperatingly indecisive this week, and even your sensible self could get overwhelmed by too many choices and alternatives. Rather than trying to decide between them, do what you do best – go back to basics and take it from there.

GEMINI: In your enthusiasm to make progress this week, it won't be in your best interests to ignore warning bells, those sure signs of

impending trouble up ahead. Deal with danger signals like resistance or resentment openly, honestly and resolutely.

CANCER: Even if people's demands seem quite unreasonable this week, they're still likely to be surprisingly amenable to your telling them so. And quite okay with your saying no so long as you're able to explain why and offer them workable alternatives.

LEO: This week's people are sensitive as the ecology and stressy as petrol prices – but enough about them. With Venus in flamboyant Aries, present flamenco steps are sultry, steamy, a little stormy, passionate, dramatic and – in a trial by fire sort of way – extremely healing.

VIRGO: Self fulfilling prophecies are basically just strong expectations. What you dwell on inevitably seems to happen, so sharing your dreams with others this week will bring precisely the information or offer of assistance you need for your next step.

LIBRA: This week bombards you with a formidable diversity of intellectual, emotional, physical and intuitive information. If choice is confusing – and it will be – select the most user friendly, and if that's not working you already know the appropriate word: *Next!*

SCORPIO: Beware the *Ides of March*, warned Julius Caesar's astrologers, but did he listen? Or to his wife either? Since the *Ides of March* are upon us, ask yourself is there any message you're currently ignoring that it would be in your best interests to hear.

SAGITTARIUS: Some astrologers call this the *Week Of The Great Leap Forward*, and it does rip open the cosmic velcro to reveal unacknowledged needs that need owning, accepting and addressing. Which will clear the way for your next great quantum leap forward.

CAPRICORN: Emotions have their own mad logic this week, which is one of the year's most magical if you can think outside your usual routine and take time out to tune into it. Follow your



STARS

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natural curiosity and instincts rather than sticking to a structured plan.

AQUARIUS: During this week in 1781 your ruling planet Uranus was discovered. Blind Freddie could predict the reaction you'd get from telling people it's the birthday of Uranus – but still, a wee celebration's in order don't you think? Exciting new horizons beckon and your stars say go for it.

PISCES: According to Einstein, this week's Piscean birthday genius: *If A is success in life, then A equals x plus y plus z. Work is x; y is play; and z is keeping your mouth shut.* What can I say but that it's probably all the advice you need.

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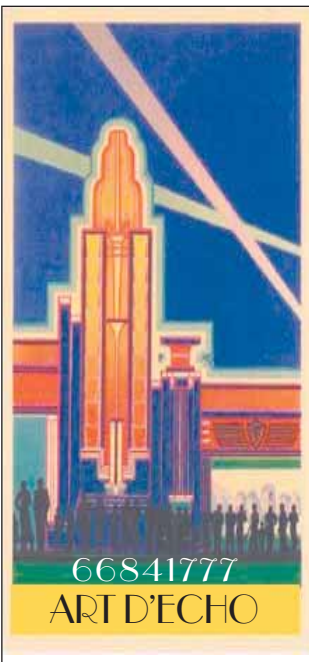
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- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 9PM **BIG SCREEN DANCE MUSIC**
- BUDDHA BAR, BYRON 6PM **RED HOT SALSA** 8PM **LEIGH CARRIAGE, STEVE RUSSELL, THEIRRY FOSMALLE, DAVE SANDERS**
- THE RAILS, BYRON 7PM **BROTHERS GIBSON**
- BANGALOW HOTEL 8PM **DJ HUNTER**
- LA LA LAND 9PM **DJ CAM TARANTO**
- CHEEKY MONKEYS 7PM **BEACH PARTY**
- COCOMANGAS, BYRON **LADIES NIGHT, DJS EGO, GOODWOOD**
- ST CARTHAGES CATHEDRAL, LISMORE 7.30PM **SHREWD BRASS**

THURSDAY 15

- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 9PM **AFRO DIZZI ACT**
- GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON **SUPERFREAKS**
- BUDDHA BAR, BYRON 8PM **MATTY DEVITT LIVE**
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- HOTEL BRUNSWICK 7PM **NEIL ANDERSON SOLO**
- BANGALOW HOTEL 8PM **CASEY DEAN**
- CHINI HOTEL, MULLUM 7.30PM **MULLUMBERRY JAM**
- MULLUM RSL 7PM **ROCK'N'ROLL DANCING**
- ARTS FACTORY LOUNGE CINEMA 7PM **BYRON BLITZ FILM FESTIVAL SCREENING**
- AUSSIE TAVERN, M'BAH 8.30PM **MESCALITO BLUES**
- PLAY, BYRON **DJS TAYO, BLIM, TIGERLILY, FREDDY FLYINGAZ**
- BO'S, BYRON 7.30PM **BEAKERMOUTH**
- PACIFIC HOTEL, YAMBA **SURF REPORT**
- LA LA LAND 9PM **DJ DANIEL WEBBER**
- CHEEKY MONKEYS **WET T-SHIRT COMP**
- COCOMANGAS, BYR **DJS KRISTIN, PIP**
- WINSOME HOTEL, LISMORE 8PM **SWING, THE STOMPERS, STIPSKY**

FRIDAY 16

- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 9.30PM **DIRECT INFLUENCE**
- BUDDHA BAR, BYRON 7PM **CYBERBAS** 9PM **DJ DAVE C**
- GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON 9PM **MY NINJA LOVER DJS VORTEX, TONE BROKER, SARAH TONIN, ROCK HARDSON**
- THE RAILS, BYRON 7PM **CAROLA CHRISTIAN & THE DIRTY FUNK AFFAIR**
- LA LA LAND 9PM **DJS STEWIE LISTER, DANIEL WEBBER**
- HOTEL BRUNSWICK 7PM **SNAP SHOT**
- OCEAN SHORES COUNTRY CLUB 7.30PM **SLIM PICKENS**
- BANGALOW HOTEL 8PM **CHERRY STREET**
- PLAY, BYRON **PLAY DIRTY, DJS NICK TAYLOR, JACKIE ONASSID, BASEK**
- CHEEKY MONKEYS 7PM **SKYDIVE FRIDAY**
- COCOMANGAS, BYRON **VOODOO, QUALITY CONTROL**
- EWINGSDALE HALL 8PM **LATIN LOUNGE SALSA SOCIAL**
- OCEAN SHORES COUNTRY CLUB 7.30PM **SLIM PICKENS**
- AUSSIE HOTEL, BALLINA **AMBER CASHEL**
- BALLINA BEACH HUT 9.30PM **SOULMAN**
- BALLINA PLAYERS **THEATRE TIPTOE THROUGH THE TOMBSTONES**
- MARY GILHOOLEYS, LISMORE **EIRINN O'HAGEN**
- PACIFIC HOTEL, YAMBA **JAMIE X**
- AUSSIE TAVERN, M'BAH 8.30PM **FIDDLE DANCE**
- LENNOX THAI GARDEN 7PM **SHELLY & GUY**
- ELSEWHERE, SURFERS **ELECTRONIC BOOGIE SHOW DJS CHEF, AUDUN**

SATURDAY 17

- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 9.30PM **FLOYD VINCENT & THE CHILDBRIDES**
- BUDDHA BAR, BYRON 7PM **DJ DAVE GRAVY**
- THE RAILS, BYRON 7PM **WAITING 4 PADDY**
- GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON 9PM **TONI**

COLLETTE & THE FINISH

- BYRON ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE 1PM **BYRON OCEAN BENEFIT**
- HOTEL BRUNSWICK 7PM **WEAR THE FOX HAT**
- BANGALOW HOTEL 8PM **THE FRANKIE BAND**
- MULLUM RSL 8.15PM **DELISH**
- LU LU'S CAFE, MULLUM 11AM **SLIM PICKENS**
- BANGALOW CATHOLIC HALL 8PM **ZYKADO**
- LA LA LAND 9PM **LIVEWIRE**
- DURRUMBUL HALL **ALTER NATIVE**
- PLAY, BYRON **PLAY HOUSE DJS MISS AMBER SAVAGE, FLYNN'N'CLEGS**
- CHEEKY MONKEYS 7PM **LADIES NIGHT**
- COCOMANGAS, BYRON **DJS KRISTIN, GOODWOOD**
- BALLINA HOTEL 7.30PM **MARILANE'S BRAZILIAN JAZZ ENSEMBLE**
- BALLINA PLAYERS **THEATRE TIPTOE THROUGH THE TOMBSTONES**
- LENNOX THAI GARDEN 7PM **SHELLY & GUY**
- MARY GILHOOLEYS, LISMORE **AMBER CASHEL**
- PACIFIC HOTEL, YAMBA **INDIGO FREQUENCY**
- ELSEWHERE, SURFERS **MOTION THEORY: DJS TRIPP, BEN ABRAHAMS**

SUNDAY 18

- BEACH HOTEL 4PM **FLOYD VINCENT & THE CHILDBRIDES** 9PM **DJ TONE BROKER**
- THE RAILS 7PM **ANDY JANS BROWN**
- HOTEL BRUNSWICK 7PM **WAITING FOR BRIAN**
- THE PASS 10AM **NORTH COAST UKULELE COLLECTIVE**
- BANGALOW A&I HALL 4PM **ENGINE THREE SEVEN**
- BANGALOW RSL HALL 1PM **DANGEROUSLY POETIC FEATURING KARL FARREN**
- OCEAN SHORES COUNTRY CLUB 1PM **JAZZ AFFAIR**
- MULLUM RSL NOON **COUNTRY MUSIC CLUB**

- BALLINA PLAYERS **THEATRE TIPTOE THROUGH THE TOMBSTONES**
- BRUNSWICK HOUSIE SHED 10AM **HEART MAKING WORKSHOP**
- LISMORE HEIGHTS BOWLO 2PM **NEWWEY BOYS FEAT. MAL WOOD**
- LENNOX THAI GARDEN 3.30PM **HARRY HEALY**
- C-VUE, CABARITA 4PM **MOHANI COX**
- SALT BAR, KINGSLIFF 2PM **SOULMAN**
- ELSEWHERE, SURFERS **DJS PHIL K, GIV, PETE**

MONDAY 19

- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 9PM **BIG SCREEN DANCE MUSIC**
- THE RAILS, BYRON 7PM **ROO**
- HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN 8.30PM **SALSA SOCIAL**
- CHINI HOTEL 5.30PM **SALSA CLASS & FREESTYLE**
- BALLINA PLAYERS **THEATRE TIPTOE THROUGH THE TOMBSTONES**
- CHEEKY MONKEYS 7PM **MEXICAN MONDAY**
- COCOMANGAS, BYRON **DJ QUALITY CONTROL**

TUESDAY 20

- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 9PM **BIG SCREEN DANCE MUSIC**
- THE RAILS, BYRON 7PM **HARRY HEALY**
- BANGALOW HOTEL 8PM **BRACKETS & JAM**
- BALLINA PLAYERS **THEATRE TIPTOE THROUGH THE TOMBSTONES**
- CHEEKY MONKEYS **COYOTE UGLY DANCE COMP**
- COCOMANGAS, BYRON **DJ KRISTIN**

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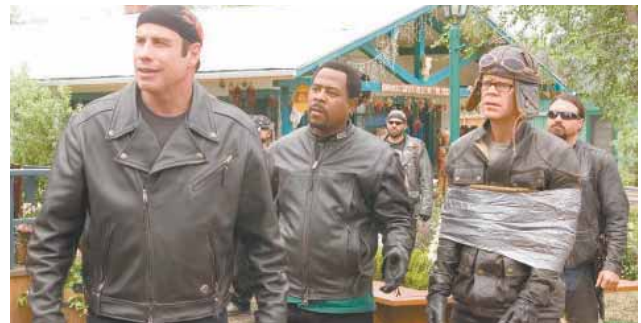
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CINEMA



WILD HOGS

When a movie commences with the roar of a Harley accompanied by the thumping bass of The Spencer Davis Group's *Gimme Some Lovin'*, you'd be excused for anticipating something with a bit of ginger in it. The impression lasts one minute and it's a long wait before a few tasty bars of Acca Dacca's *Highway To Hell* lifts proceedings out of their babyfood drivel. Four old friends, ground down by humdrum reality, get together to relive the dream and do a road trip to California. John Travolta's wife has scarpered and he's bankrupt, William H Macy is a computer geek who can't get a girl, Martin Lawrence is, like our Kenny, a dunny plumber with a nagging missus and Tim Allen (looking more like Steve Bisley every day) is a dentist who has not left Cincinnati for twelve years - if he doesn't get out of the place for another twelve it'll be fine with me. They have adventures, do goofy stuff, meet a gay highway patrolman who steals the show and fall

foul of a bikie gang called the Del Fuegos, led by Ray Liotta with too much eyeliner. You get a decent look at the spectacular landscape of New Mexico, before the boys arrive in Madrid, where a chilli festival is going on. Allen takes the blow to the nuts that was inevitable at some point, there is a big punch-up with the bikies and Macy gets laid. The best bit comes at the end when, in the script's only unpredictable scene, Peter Fonda arrives as the bully biker's cool dad and does a nice pisstake of his Easy Rider character, suggesting to our heroes that, as he did in that hippy classic, they should ditch their watches. Maybe if he could also spare them some acid their journey home might actually be worth watching. **John Campbell**

SMOKIN' ACES

A super-stylised, ultra-violent murder-fest with a dozen story strands and a gigantic cast of characters, none of whom you give a damn about when they are ultimately slain onscreen. Las Vegas performer



turned wannabe gangster Buddy 'Aces' Israel (Jeremy Piven) has decided to testify against the mob. Consequently, there's a \$1 million price on his head, which attracts an array of kooky hitmen, determined to get to 'Aces' before the FBI does. The hitters include the Tremors, a trio of insane redneck neo-Nazi brothers who inflict first-person shoot-em-up video game-style bloodshed on their victims with machine guns and chainsaws. Like any gangster movie, there's way too much information to possibly digest and there are probably holes in the plot a mile wide but the bodies pile up way too fast for superfluous questions like, 'Does this make sense?' To its credit, 'Smokin' Aces' is visually engaging, has some funny one-liners and the performances are dynamite across the board, with Andy Garcia and Ray Liotta playing FBI men, Alicia Keys as a gangsta hit-woman and Aussie, Joel Edgerton (Secret Life of Us, Star Wars) as 'Aces' Russian sidekick. The lack of an

even moderately likeable central character to identify with, however, undermines the finale. If you find it annoying in movies when little things like story get in the way of the body-count, don't miss 'Smokin' Aces' **Tristan Banks**

APOCALYPTO

Apocalypto is a heart stopping mythic action-adventure set against the turbulent end times of the once great Mayan civilisation. When his idyllic existence is brutally disrupted by a violent invading force, a man is taken on a perilous journey to a world ruled by fear and oppression where a harrowing end awaits him. Through a twist of fate and spurred by the power of his love for his woman and his family he will make a desperate break to return home and to ultimately save his way of life. Apocalypto is not only a beautiful looking film, it is an exciting journey through a world that disappeared hundreds of years ago. A tremendous experience. **Lounge Cinema**



FAVOURITE MOVIE QUOTE

Ned Merrill: I could do it. I could *really* do it.

Helen Westerhazy: Do what, Neddy?

Ned Merrill: Well now with the Grahams there's a string of pools that curves clear across the county to our house. Well look: the Grahams, the Lears, the Bunkers. Then over the ridge. Then a - portage through the Paston's riding ring to the - Hallorans and the Gilmartins. Then down Erewise Lane to the Biswangers, and then - Wait a minute, who's next? I can't think, I had it just a minute ago. Who is it? Well, who is it? Who's next to the Biswangers?

Helen Westerhazy: [softly] Shirley Abbott.

Ned Merrill: Shirley Abbott. And across Route 424 to the recreation center pool, and up the hill and I'm home. Well don't you see? I just figured it out. If I take a sort of a dogleg to the southwest... I can swim home.

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TABLE TALK

PUCE GRAPES NEXT?

A CSIRO research team has pinpointed the genetic difference between red (or black) and white grapes – a discovery which could lead to the production of new varieties of grapes and ultimately new wines.

While white wine has ancient origins – residue of white wine was found in the tomb of the Egyptian king, Tutankhamun – researchers know that the ancestors of modern grapes were all red. What they did not know was how the change from red to white berries came about.

CSIRO researchers, working in the Cooperative Research Centre for Viticulture, have found the genetic mutations that occurred thousands of years ago to give us white grapes.

'Researchers in Japan have shown that one particular gene, which controls production of anthocyanin, the red pigment in grape skins, was mutated in white varieties,' says team leader Dr Mandy Walker from CSIRO Plant Industry's Adelaide laboratory. 'By closely studying part of a red grapevine chromosome carrying the genes for red colour and comparing it to a white variety chromosome, we found a second similar gene involved in the grape colour pathway that was also different in white varieties.'

'Our research suggests that extremely rare and independent mutations in two genes produced a single white grapevine that was the parent of almost all of the world's white grape varieties. If only one gene had been mutated, most grapes would still be red and we would not have the more than 3000 white grape cultivars available today.'

'The discovery also has great potential for producing interesting and exciting new varieties with novel colours in the future, through genetic modification. One of the areas of future study is to determine if these two genes control the amount of red pigment made, so the colour of grapes can be improved.'

The research was conducted by the CRC for Viticulture and CSIRO and is supported by the Grape and Wine Research and Development Corporation. You can read more in The Plant Journal (2007), 49, 772-785, www.blackwell-synergy.com/loi/TPJ.

MAKING VEGETABLES FAB

We all know that vegetables are packed with nutrients and fibre and are an essential part of our daily diet. However a recent report from NSW Health shows a staggering 95% of men, 90% of women and 80% of children do not eat the five vegetables a day recommended for a healthy lifestyle.

Leading Australian dietician, Karen Inge APD, says the study is far from just a NSW problem and is a reflection of the national dietary picture. To improve the situation, she encourages Australians to be innovative in their vegetable preparation.

'We all know vegetables are nutrient rich and contribute to good health, protect against a number of diseases and help maintain a healthy weight,' said Karen. 'They supply us with vitamins like A, C and E and folate, minerals like iron, dietary fibre and other bioactives that have potent antioxidant activity.'

'So why don't we munch them down? My guess is that we serve them the same way, every day, stick to a few staples and boredom quickly sets in.'

Karen suggests including lots of unusual vegetables in your diet rather than just the tried and tested few. Mastering a variety of cooking methods and adding stimulating flavours to your greens are the keys to increasing consumption.

'Firstly, for maximum nutritional benefit and taste satisfaction you need variety. The more colours on the plate, the better – red, green, orange, yellow from corn, even purple from eggplant. Remember the more colours, the more nutrients you are eating.'

Karen recommends a raft of cooking methods like a quick stirfry, lightly steaming or microwaving, sautéing with herbs and spices, roasting with a dash of balsamic vinegar and oregano, barbequing for a rustic taste with some garlic or simply serving fresh with a wonderful dressing, bursting with flavours.

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Soup Kitchens have been around since the Industrial Revolution; in Australia the first one was established in 1890 by the Salvation Army. Throughout the Depression years of the early 1930s they were set up to serve soup, tea, bread and jam to the unemployed. Today they continue to provide food, a temporary refuge and a little social interaction for the scores of society's homeless, scores which only keep growing (105,304 in Australia according to Census figures a decade ago). And they not only serve the homeless, they also cater to the very poor, to single parent families, and to de-institutionalised mentally ill or disturbed people.

The Mullum Soup Kitchen was set up in the Neighbourhood Centre about two and a half years ago by a local woman called Kristina Campbell. Once a week she and a small team of volunteers spread out the contributions of food, and create a cheerful, unthreatening space where mostly the same faces turn up. Equipment is modest; there is just one microwave oven and sometimes a portable stove brought from the home of one of the contributors. They really need more furniture, the sort of fold-out tables and chairs you see abandoned on people's naturestrips for council collections, and more plates. And of course food. Despite its name there is rarely soup but there are lots of mostly nourishing things to eat, mostly the sort of food referred to as 'comfort'. Santos and Sol Breads donate food every week but otherwise it comes out of the goodness of ordinary people's hearts, budgets and kitchens. There is one family who once a month arrives bearing the some dishes and they are everybody's favourites; three sisters who bring saté chickpea rolls with homemade tomato sauce, potato bake with peas and roast pumpkin and two giant chocolate cakes whose recipe is a closely guarded family secret but whose flavour is apparently divine.

I think about the massive wastage that goes on, both in homes and especially within the hospitality industry – memories of hurling out perfectly good food at the exhausted end of cooking shifts in the various places I have worked – and wish there were an efficient way to connect this with Soup Kitchens. And then I see myself sitting in restaurants with my exalted expectations, criticising and complaining and being precious, and am conscious of a feeling of shame. Humbled by Soup Kitchens, then, I offer the following delicious recipe for, what else, but a soup.

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SUNRISE dble room for single \$175pw, single room \$150pw d/f b/b. 0422640127

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LILLI PILLI studio, share open plan wooden sanctuary, bathroom, kitchen, n/s, alternative minded. Ph 0448220300

SUNRISE 2 people \$220pw, single \$135pw no bills. Phone 0401302343

SUNRISE double private clean furn OK 30+ n/s sundeck \$150pw. 0413659470

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BANGALOW SELF STORAGE Hi-tech security. 66872333

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SOUTH GOLDEN BEACH 4 bedroom beach house, 2 bathrooms, 2 lounges & 1 outdoor lounge plus more. Phone 66802201, 0448167950

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SPACIOUS s-cont studio, Goonengerry, rural community \$145pw. 0408663870

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BYRON garage for artist/workshop/storage use \$90 per week, hot & cold water & toilet access, 5 minute walk to CBD. Phone 0413921046

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O.S. Large room in peaceful house, ens, n/s d/f \$115pw + bond + exp. 66802905

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AN UNFURNISHED 2 bedroom cottage/unit required, reasonable rent, clean, responsible tenants with quiet Aussie terrier, Mullum area. 07 55253433

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QUIET PROFESSIONAL local couple require 3 bedroom house, Mullum or surrounds, pref long lease, very clean & reliable, exc refs. Phone 66844828

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ROOM in Ocean Shores for mature, quiet, house-trained gentleman, n/s d/f. Phone 66802905

PROFESSIONAL reliable working woman with 11yo daughter seeks studio, small house or two rooms in share house. Phone 66854506 or 0428427002

PROFESSIONAL family seek executive home, 4brs, double garage. 0427667177

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

CLEANER part-time for motel cabins. See Cathy Byron Bay Tourist Village, Ewingsdale Road.

DELIVERY PERSON REQUIRED for Bangalow to Murwillumbah (1 week per month). Need reliable van or ute or station wagon. Phone 07 32607955 BH.

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CLEANER WANTED Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays, 9am-1pm at Watego's, must be reliable, honest & thorough, references ess. \$16ph. Ring between 9am & 5pm ONLY 66858424

COOK with exp for noodle bar Bangalow 15-20 hours. Phone 0403291968

GERMAN SPEAKER required for translation, good internet skills, work at home. jon@byronbay.name

BARISTA/BAR TENDER wanted for The Balcony, Byron. Must have experience. Drop resume in or call Joe on 66809666

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NANNY AVAILABLE energetic & creative. References. Phone April 66805351

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CHURCH NOTICES

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

DEATH NOTICES

RONALD BRACK
31.8.28 - 16.2.07
Sadly passed away at Gold Coast Hospital on 16.2.07. Thanks to family, friends and the staff at the Gold Coast and Tweed Heads Hospitals for their care, compassion, support and cards. Alan Brack and family.

IN MEMORIAM

Five minutes or fifty years - for Ben it was all the same.
Much missed. The Ericsons.
R.I.P. BK.

LOST & FOUND

LOST: see Backlash - double black & yellow inflatable kayak south side of Brunswick Bridge approx 9.30am Friday. Seen to be picked up by owner of white Mercedes van plate AUX.... Any information 66801333. Reward!

LOST: in Ewingsdale Rip Curl Tidemaster watch, black facia, titanium case, family present, reward offered for safe return. Phone 66847036

STOLEN

MOUNTAIN BIKE, blue, stolen from high school Mullumbimby on Friday. Please put it back at the school.

LIVESTOCK

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KINKI GALINKI. 0413663374

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News Extra

Lennox teenager wins V-C's scholarship

When Lennox Head teenager Carly Bindon was sick and no mainstream doctors could diagnose what was wrong with her, she turned to a naturopath for treatment. That positive experience led to her regaining her health and shaped the course of her future.

Carly applied to study for a Bachelor of Naturopathy degree at Southern Cross University and focused all of her energy on gaining the best mark she could for her 2006 Higher School Certificate at Xavier Catholic College, Skennar's Head.

Now her UAI mark of 97.9 has been rewarded with a \$15,000 Vice-Chancellor's scholarship, presented recently at a ceremony at Invercauld House, Goonellabah.

Carly joins four other recipients of a Vice-Chancellor's scholarship, 25 recipients of industry, government and benefactor scholarships and 17 recipients of ongoing scholarships across the University's three campuses.

'I am absolutely thrilled



Lennox Head student Carly Bindon with her proud parents, Tony and Ruth Bindon, and Vice-Chancellor Professor Paul Clark (far right), at the scholarship ceremony.

because this will make studying at university so much easier,' Carly said. 'I am glad that I can study the course I am really passionate about and still stay in the local area.'

'When I was sick about a year-and-a-half ago, I was feeling very tired and weak all of the time. I went to a number of doctors who each examined me and said I was

fine. They couldn't find anything wrong. But I still felt really sick all of the time.'

'Then I went to a naturopath and he was able to determine I had a wheat allergy. With dietary changes and a herbal tonic, my health improved rapidly.'

'That is what has inspired me to study naturopathy - coupled with the fact I have always been interested in

helping others.'

The five recipients of Vice-Chancellor's scholarships were: Carly Bindon, Bachelor of Naturopathy, Jessica Harvey, Associate Degree in Law (Paralegal Studies), Maia Osborn, Bachelor of Education, Luke Turner, Bachelor of Education and Adam Brownell, Bachelor of Business in Hotel and Resort Management.

Pin This Up

Mullum CWA

Meeting Wednesday March 14 at 10am at the CWA rooms. New members welcome. Information 6684 1225.

Ocean Shores garden club

Meeting Monday March 19 at 1.30pm at St Anselms Anglican Church, Orana Road. Special community workshop by Rous Water community educator Barbara Jensen with message flag making conducted by artist Priya Woolston. Flower of the month: arrangement in an unusual container.

U3A Brunswick Valley

On March 20 local celebrants Zenith Virago and David Ashton, will demystify death at the Uniting Church Hall, Brunswick Heads, 10am. Visitors welcome. Enquiries 6680 4268. Friday March 16 bush walking. Enquiries 6684 0126.

U3A Ballina/Byron

The Shibashi (gentle exercise) group will meet at the CWA rooms, Brunswick Heads at 10am on Tuesday March 20. All welcome. Contact 6680 1163.

Breast cancer support

Monthly meetings every third Wednesday of each month at the Senior Citz Hall, Byron Bay for sharing connection with each other, meditation and afternoon

tea. Next meeting March 21, 12.30pm to 2.30pm. Phone Barb 6685 4748.

Byron toy library

Needs volunteers to work in the library three and a half hours a fortnight, either on a Monday or a Thursday morning. Please call Jade on 6685 5688 if you are interested.

Lifeline volunteers

To work as telephone counsellors on Lifeline's 24 hour counselling line. Training starts April 24. Applications close April 5. Phone 6622 4133 for info package.

Cat-loving volunteers needed

We rely on volunteers to provide care and affection for homeless cats and kittens whilst they await adoption. If you have a soft spot for cats and can spend a couple of hours each week helping out at our cat shelter in Billinudgel, we'd love to hear from you. We also have lots of lovely cats and lively kittens looking for good homes. If you are interested in more information about becoming a carer or adopting a cat, please phone Lisa 0421 064 100.

Confidence

Is vital to achieving what you want. In our morning Toastmaster group, public speaking is used to develop confidence and have fun. We give prepared speeches, tell jokes, develop vocabulary, make short impromptu speeches and give friendly evaluations. You are welcome to come along to meetings every second and fourth Wednesday

of each month at SDA Hall, Shara Boulevard, North Ocean Shores, 10am to noon, morning tea provided. More info David 6680 2037, Ruth 6687 1648, Steve 0401 842 879.

Relay for Life

Only 3 weeks to go! Register online at www.relayforlife.com.au/nsw or phone Liz 6687 1195 or Carolyn 6681 1933. Come to a fun filled day and night starting at 3.00pm at the Bangalow Showground on Sat March 31. If you didn't come last year don't miss it. The event is one of Byron Shire's best and the money raised goes to assist cancer sufferers here on the North Coast.

Cancer Action Group

The Brunswick Valley Cancer Action group next meets on March 15 at the Uniting Church Hall in Mullumbimby. For information phone Jenny Batson 6684 2552.

Charity Tattoo Show

The 11th Lismore Charity Tattoo Show is presented by Creative Tattoo art and Body Piercing and supports the Lismore Soup kitchen. Venue is Italo Club, Barrow Lane, North Lismore on Sat March 31 from 10am. Tattoo show and competition, raffles, auctions, giveaways and much more. Club rules apply. Contact Pete Davidson on 6621 8020 or visit website www.creativetattooart.com for more information.

Progress AGM

The Middle Pocket and Yelgun Progress Association

have their AGM on Monday April 2 at 7pm. Venue is Mike Hales residence. Contact Lyn Murray for more information on 6680 1389.

Host families needed

Southern Cross Cultural Exchange needs warm hearted host families now for visiting students from Italy, Germany, Scandinavia and Brazil. For more information phone 1800 500 501.

Clean and Green

Clean up at Clarks Beach on Sun March 18 from 9am to 12 noon. Free BBQ and prizes follow. Please wear gloves, hat, sunscreen and appropriate footwear. Information from Udo 6680 9698 or Veda 6685 7991 or Teresa 6685 5293.

Kitten and Puppy Adoption Day

Animal Rights and Rescue Group are holding a special Adoption Day on Sunday March 25 from 9 am until 2 pm at 181a Keen Street Lismore - next to Red Rooster, near Lismore Central. There will be volunteers available to answer questions on ARR's discount desexing programme, as well as on pet care and owner responsibilities. A small adoption fee applies, which covers pre-paid desexing, vaccinations up to date and microchipping. Adult animals can be viewed on our website, or a volunteer can provide more information. Call ARR 6622 1881, or go to www.animalrights.org.au for more information.

Foxes a problem



Patrick and Grace Morrisey examine one of many fox holes in Byrangery Grass Reserve, Goonengerry.

The Rural Lands Protection Board has sole responsibility for fox control outside of National Parks, but can't service any requests for controlling foxes. Seven fox burrows have been located on the Byrangery Grass Reserve, Goonengerry. The RLPB has not returned phone calls and emails to the Trustees requesting a fox control service, according to

'Given they only have one noxious animal officer covering an area from Tweed to Kyogle to Ballina this lack of response is not surprising,' said Trustee Val Hodgson.

'If you have a specific complaint to make about the

provision, failure to provide, withdrawal, variation or administration of the services the RLPB are supposed to provide, or their unreasonable application of the Act, such as reducing rateable lands to four hectares, charging an animal health levy if you don't fill in a stock notice, being charged a meat industry levy when you don't have livestock, or receiving a rate notice with a "notional carrying capacity" still written on the rate notice when it is no longer supposed to be relevant, write now to the NSW Ombudsman, Level 24, 580 George St, Sydney 2000,' says resident Dr Patrick Morrisey.

Weekly DA watch

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

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

293 Myocum Road Ewingsdale 10.2007.34.1	P Kinghorn Readvertised - amended description - restaurant (outdoor function area).	Close 21/3/07
3A Rifle Range Road Bangalow 10.2007.78.1	J Ingall Urban subdivision to create two lots.	Close 21/3/07
Lot 2 DP 209133 Border Street Byron Bay 10.2005.758.1	Kendall Street Developments P/L Readvertised - amended plans & description - estate comprising 45 double-storey manufactured dwellings & refurbishment of old slaughterhouse building including food shop, general store, restaurant art gallery & dwelling.	Close 21/3/07
146 Alcorn Street Suffolk Park 10.2007.88.1	J McKay Alterations & additions to double-storey dwelling.	Close 21/3/07
6 Short Street Byron Bay 10.2007.85.1	Mr & Mrs Rake Alterations & additions to double-storey dwelling.	Close 21/3/07
124 Alcorn Street Suffolk Park 10.2007.83.1	D Lory Alterations & additions to double-storey dwelling including new pool.	Close 21/3/07
36 River Street New Brighton 10.2005.230.2	E Greason & M Barber Section 96 to make overall reduction in size of dwelling.	Close 21/3/07
6 Byron Street Mullumbimby 10.2007.79.1	D M Nacsa Unauthorised structure (carport) to be used as a carport.	Close 19/3/07



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News Extra

Bangalow talk on night waking

Lauren Porter, an international expert on night waking in babies, will be speaking at a breastfeeding seminar at the Bangalow A&I Hall on Friday March 16, commencing 9am.

Lauren says, 'Night waking in babies serves many healthy and protective functions.

'It allows frequent feeding and the intake of needed nutrition for growth; it creates the opportunity for emotional reconnection and stimulation of optimal brain development; and it is potentially protective against SIDS, allowing babies to avoid long periods of time in deep sleep that can leave them vulnerable.

'Many parents try some sort of sleep training when they feel overwhelmed, exhausted or unhappy about

their baby's sleep patterns. If you have experimented with some of these sleep training techniques and would like to pursue a more secure connection with your child, there are things you can do.

'It is never too late to repair your relationship with your child and you can achieve this by choosing nighttime parenting strategies that are consistently sensitive and attuned.'

The Australian Lactation Consultants' Association is extending an invitation to parents with babies experiencing sleep problems or who would like to learn more about breastfeeding their baby to attend at a special price of \$25.

Lauren will also be speaking on 'The Science of Attachment, How a Baby

Learns to Love.'

Other speakers include Marea Ryan, Lactation Consultant from John Flynn Hospital, Tugun, speaking on human milk banking, 'Our most valuable resource - human milk for human babies - let's bank on it!'

Karolyn Vaughan will speak on 'Breastfeeding and Brain Development', and Elizabeth McCall, Lactation Consultant from Byron Bay Hospital, and Tomas Rattoni, Paediatric Nurse from Tweed Heads Hospital on 'Implementing the NSW Breastfeeding Policy on the North Coast.'

For more information, or to book for the breastfeeding seminar at Bangalow, please call Jan Mangleston at 6680 1108 or 0431 477 445.

BRA Boys in town for preview screening



Jeff Dawson

If you chucked the Uncle Project, Tommy Carol, Perry Mason and the Yakuza into a blender, threw the switch

and filmed the result I reckon you'd end up with something that looks a lot like *The Bra Boys*.

This fascinating surf socio-drama documentary weaves its story around the urban surf culture that is the Maroubra surfing tribe and specifically the lives of the Abberton family, brothers Koby, a professional surfer, film maker, Sunny, Jai who controversially killed a dan-

gerous underworld figure and young Dakota trying to make his own life.

It was given a special preview screening by Screenworks and Byron Cinemas on Saturday.

In town for the launch and a Q & A at the end of the film, Koby Abberton, co-star, writer, director and producer Sunny Abberton and co-director Macario De Souza.

Heartland art making

A new community art-making project 'Heartland' will commence this Sunday. Brought about by Samantha Collyer, a local artist and teacher, Heartland will be an ongoing community art project that will communicate to people and connects them through an artmaking experience.

Samantha told *The Echo*, 'Heartland is an idea arising from the need to generate more love and kindness in the community, the environment, and the world.'

'All things start small and grow with time and energy. Imagine if everyone made a heart with love and the love from it penetrated the universe. The heart could be given to someone or placed in the environment to grow or to be absorbed.'

'The symbol of the heart is

everywhere in nature. Through heart making workshops the community will have the opportunity of working with natural materials to create a heart symbolic of the love we and the planet need now.

'The heart offerings will evolve into a community installation and a site will be designated. Heartland will be a place where people can meditate and give their heart. We are creating a place for love to grow.'

The first workshop of heart making with clay will be held this Sunday March 18 at the Brunswick Heads Housie Shed from 10am to 12pm in the park opposite the pub. David Hall's Heart Circles choir from Ocean Shores will be singing on the day. All are welcome and participation is free or by donation.

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Relay for Life wins state award for excellence

The Cancer Council NSW's chief executive officer Dr Andrew Penman presented Liz Parks and Wendy Grissell of the Byron Shire Relay for Life Committee an award of Excellence at a Relay for Life state summit held in Sydney on Saturday February 24.

Cancer Council volunteer Liz Parks, who heads up the event coordination of Byron Shire Relay for Life in Bangalow, said, 'We are abso-

lutely thrilled by this award, it means so much to not only the committee but all the 60 teams that supported the Cancer Council event in 2006. This is as much the teams' award as the organising committee as everyone at the event made every effort to make cancer awareness a number one priority from all the food vendors who prepared tasty cancer smart foods, to the teams who took

on the messages of the Cancer Helpline of 13 11 20, ensured that shade and hats were worn, promoted the Slip Slop Slap messages and actively partook in both active and passive exercise and activities at the event including Laughter Yoga.'

Carolyn Forbes, regional manager of the Cancer Council NSW, said, 'This is a significant achievement for a first year relay event and an

event hosted in the small town of Bangalow in April 2006 and we are so proud of this achievement for the people of Byron Shire. Our thanks to everyone as it really was an amazing weekend and we are sure that this year's event in Bangalow on the weekend of March 31 and April 1 will be outstanding in every way.'

See more at relayforlife.com.au/nsw.

Private tuition for secondary school students on offer

Total Tuition Homework Club is a new service now starting at Byron Bay Community Centre for secondary students who want that special boost a private tutor can give them in English, Maths and Sciences. Weekly small group sessions are on offer

by Christine Willmot and Mary Gardner, two experienced local tutors who are committed to making help available to students at a cost as low as \$15 per session.

'Getting three to five students together for assisted group work, will help stu-

dents get a more in-depth grasp of the curriculum texts and modules and help them develop their responses,' said Ms Willmot. Club sessions will start on Tuesday March 20 from 4pm to 6pm. The fee is \$15 per student per one hour session. Students

must enrol for a set time block (in Term 1, for three weeks, other terms will be four weeks). Places are limited.

To enrol, call Christine (for English tuition) on 6685 7995 and Mary (for maths/sciences) on 0423 742 792.

Share The Road

'Share the Road' is a cycling event to benefit the Amy Gillett Foundation, an organisation established in the memory of Amy Gillett who was an elite cyclist killed while on a training ride in Germany in 2005. The Foundation's primary objective is to reduce the incidence of injury and death caused by the interaction of cyclists and motorists and to promote a safe and harmonious relationship of shared respect between cyclists and motorists.

The event will be held on Sunday March 25. Cyclists will leave from Byron Bay High School at 8am and ride to Brunswick Heads via Mullumbimby and back (around 60km).

Sign-on will be from 7am. After the ride a barbeque will be provided by the Brunswick Valley Rescue Association for the participants. There is a \$15 application fee and participants are also asked to obtain sponsors.

Share the Road is a fantastic opportunity for the local cycling community to come together to promote safety,

fun and community while raising money for the Amy Gillett Foundation, says organiser Sue Green.

'Each year, 35 cyclists are killed and over 2,500 are seriously injured on our roads. The majority of these collisions involve a motor vehicle.'

'I was hit by a car while cycling to work last August and sustained serious injuries to my right arm and hand for which I am receiving ongoing treatment. This was the motivation behind organising the ride.'

'I created the project while participating in a Landmark Education leadership program. Part of the coursework was to create a project that benefits the community.'

Landmark Education is an international training and development company - see www.landmarkeducation.com.

The event is being sponsored by Free to Ride Byron and Northern Rivers Signs. More from 6687 1741 or 0403 508 702 or email sgreen63@bigpond.net.au.

Swimmer still missing

The search is continuing for the Japanese woman who went missing while swimming at Belongil Beach last Tuesday.

Inspector Own King of Byron Bay Police told *The Echo*, 'Police divers were up last Friday but had no success.

'We will continue patrols this week along with the VRA (Volunteer Rescue Association) and the Surf Life Saving Club.'

The 26 year old Japanese national was swimming with a male friend at about 4pm when she got into difficulties in heavy surf.

Sports Roundup with John Campbell

Hey Bruce, take a walk on the wild side

John Campbell

For the first time since its inception, the annual Charity Shield rugby game between the mighty South Sydney Rabbitohs and the Antichrist St George-Illawarra Dragons was played at Major Sponsor Stadium. Out west and not within cooee of the traditional clubs' cradles of support. A world away, too, from the usual venue, Aussie Stadium in Moore Park.

Uncannily, it again coincided with the Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras. It's all to do with Lent commencing at about the same time as the footy trials, forty days before Easter. Not that the Saints' and Bunnies' committeemen have ever had that in mind when arranging the match that previews the season's religious fervour.

Contested in the dripping humidity of late February, for out-of-towners, a cheap thrill was to walk to the ground up Oxford Street and into Anzac Parade, ogling the throng of scantily clad, buffed and waxed, smileyhappy eccy-high poofs. A quenching ale and chinwag about Kylie's latest with Adrian and Timothy at the Exchange Hotel before kicking on to serious schoo-



Illustration by John Campbell

ners and boofhead talk at the Captain Cook (for red and white Neanderthals) or the Olympic (for red and green sophisticates) was a night to remember.

Not anymore. Never again shall the twain of straight and queer meet and mingle on that sweaty eve of sequined, studded physicality.

Which goes against Souths' stated intention to attract punters from the gay community to join their crowd.

Russell Maximus Crowe and Peter Holmes a Court, the new brooms at Redfern, say it's important for the club to embrace all cultures. Hooray to that.

It's a pity, though, that Maximus got rapper Snoop Dogg, a boastful poofster basher, to swagger on stage ('the pimp roll' Tom Wolfe calls it) at the Good Vibrations Festival wearing the revered cardinal and myrtle. Archbishop Pell might have

donned the shirt with less negative impact on attitudes to the Other.

In a lifetime as a league tragic, I know of only one player, Ian Roberts, proclaiming his homosexuality.

A rugged Souths forward who went over to the dark side at Brookvale, Roberts, as one in thousands, was either a statistical anomaly or a person of unique moral courage. A sportsman unafraid of being different in

a profession of lock-jawed conformity.

Meanwhile, in the Home of the Brave, former Miami Heat star Tim Hardaway (I've never heard of him either) has told an interviewer on Miami radio that he 'hates gay people.' Asked how he would deal with a gay teammate, he answered 'first of all, I wouldn't want him on my team and if he was on my team, I would distance myself from him because I don't think that's right and he shouldn't be in the locker room when we are.'

Could it possibly be that poofster bashers truly believe that gays lust after them? That they would attack them like a pack of bulldogs? If nothing else, the pathetic Hardaway is at least honest. 'I'm homophobic. It shouldn't be in the world.'

Masculinity. What's the big deal? If hatred is based on fear, then there is a worrying number of seriously scared tough guys out there.

In Rugby's Super Fourteen, the team from Johannesburg was formerly known as the Cats but has now morphed into the Lions. It's a pea-brained, spineless echo of the response of the West Indians to the uniforms issued to them in the first

year of Packer's pyjama cricket. They howled with outrage, not at the hideous cut of the garment, but at the colour, a light maroon that was much too close to pink for the bros. You've gotta laugh - unless you like pink and have a sexual preference that is a threat to blokedom's eggshell ego.

The latest to display the shallowness of the male's muscular bravado is Floyd Mayweather. Ahead of their title showdown in May, he took off his sweatshirt to display his pecs and abs and bumped the Champion, Oscar De La Hoya, branding him a pussy (so original), in the mandatory face-off shambles that precede boxing title bouts.

Apart from anything else, it makes you wonder just what is the problem that machismo has with moggies?

I'll tune in to the bout, sucking on a beer and proudly wearing a footy jumper that has a little white rabbit hopping across its breast.

I might even invite Adrian and Timothy around. They'll be up here on hols and they reckon they love a good stoush. I know whose corner we'll be in.

2007 Regional Titles open for all



Want to be a NSW or Australian champion? If you do it all starts here.

The first of three regional title rounds for Surfing Far North Coast Regional Association in 2007 is kicking off soon. It is through these competitions that those who will progress to the NSW state titles are chosen. All contestants will have scores from their best two rounds taken into account when determining their ranking. The first event is to be held at Cabarita over the weekend of March 17-18. A presentation to the finalists of this round will be held at the

beach after the contest.

Entry forms for anybody and everybody who wants to test their skills against fellow riders, can be got from regional surfers club secretaries, Maddog Surfshop at the Byron Industrial Estate, Quiksilver Boardriders Shop in Byron Bay and web site www.surfingaustralia.com. Entry date for the first round was March 12, but there is till time to be involved with rounds two and three, to be held at Yamba on April 28-29 and here in Byron Bay May 19-20. As it is the scores of two rounds that count, it need

not necessarily matter if you have missed the first.

At the third and final round of the regional titles a presentation will be held for the winners of this round and for the overall regional age champions along with the announcement of the SFNC team to contest the NSW state titles.

For any enquiries, please contact Surfing Far North Coast President Paul Young on 0403730306 or email pw@aat.net.au.

Pictured is Garrett Parkes (Byron Bay) 2006 Under 16 NSW Champion Courtesy of Surfing Australia

Kids lap up the kudos at swim titles

At the North Coast Regional Swimming Titles, held at the Lissom Olympic Pool last Friday, Tristan Ludlow of Brunswick Heads swam brilliantly to earn the title of 2007 Junior Age Champion for the North Coast and Lorne Greenlaw of Ocean Shores put in an outstanding performance to be named champion of the 11 years age group.

Lorne was also awarded the shield for the 'most outstanding male swimmer of the meet' for the second year in succession. The shield has been presented since 1994 and Lorne is the first boy to win it twice.

Both of these fine young swimmers have now secured their places at the State primary school swimming championships, to be held in Sydney in April.



Adrian reveals the secret of his coaching technique. He stretches their arms! Photo by Kim Ludlow.

Coach Adrian Filipic is justifiably proud of the efforts of his charges, whom he trains at Ocean Shores, along with Jake Musgraves, Aaron Kearney, Davis Jensen, Anika

Jensen, Jeda Greenlaw, Camille Moir, Danni Rowland, Sara Howard and Bianca Hill, who also secured places at the State championships.

Crankin what's happening surfside

Brunswick Boardriders

Round 2. Sunday March 18. Meet at the surf club, 7.30am. Please bring raffle tickets for SPS surfboard so prizewinner can be drawn. Meat raffle at Hotel Bruns, Sat March 17, 6.30pm conducted by Steph, Bing and Ben Lee. Enquiries Steve 0414 992 137.

Byron Bay Boardriders

Ben King Memorial entry forms are available from Jenny King on 6685 8132. Ben King's anniversary was on Monday March 12. Thank you to the support shown for Jen, Kurt, Maddi and Paris. Long live the King!

Giants in action

Get to the Mullum Leagues Club Grounds on Saturday, March 17, for a Group 18 Sevens tournament, starting at 8.30am. See the area's best 12s, 11s and 10s battle it out in fast and furious action before the Giants' A Grade takes on the Byron Bay Red Devils in what should be a hard fought preview for season 2007.

Sports Roundup with John Campbell

Goal feast in soccer opener

Steve Edmonds

The 2007 season got underway for Brunswick Valley on Sunday afternoon with an action-packed Anzac Cup tie against local rivals Byron Bay. A minute's silence was observed before the kick-off for the late great Norm Hale and the competitive and sporting nature of the ensuing match was a fitting tribute to the club legend.

The teams were evenly matched in the first half until Valley inched ahead through a powerful header from Ray Musgrave. The Bay refused to give up and deservedly pulled level from the spot just after the break. Expertly marshalled at the back by Des Mayblom and Justin Isaac, the Valley showed great composure in the heat, playing some neat passing football as Byron began to tire. The breakthrough came on the hour when Mullum

golden boy Aaron Duffey burst through a static defence to slip the ball past the advancing keeper.

Minutes later, the ever-green Ray Musgrave was on the score sheet again, pouncing on a long clearance, out-jumping the keeper and coolly slotting the ball into the net. With ten minutes to go, a trademark Duffey piledriver put the result beyond doubt.

Man of the match Musgrave turned provider in the dying minutes when his perfectly weighted pass put Jason Loewenthal through to make it five.

Coach Matt Woods was very happy with the result and singled out his defenders for special praise.

A superb consolation goal for Byron on the whistle gave them something to celebrate on the trip home, with the game finishing at 5-2.

A first eleven with a sting in the tail



The Mullumbimby/Brunswick Junior U10 Stingrays took out the Grand Final in the local valley competition. Winning players are Taylor Deegan, Josh & Ashley Berry, Josh Pike, Ethan Beal, Jonty & Jamie-Lee Thompson, Zac Thomas, Isaac Fischer & (Res) Jarrah Gibney. It was another enjoyable season, with the U12 Brunswick side also into the finals over the next two weeks.

Two wheels clean and lean

The Byron Community Cycling Group is an informal collection of bike riders who gather to explore and enjoy the many natural beauty spots of the area. They support each other by riding point to point and insist that safety is a priority, with riders constantly alerting others to the approach of cars and the vicinity of hazards such as potholes or glass.

Everybody who partici-

pates in the rides needs to satisfy the basic requirements of having their bicycle in safe, working order, an approved helmet, at least 500ml of water per hour of ride time, covered footwear, a spare tube with puncture repair kit and pump, a shower jacket or windbreaker and food and money suitable for the event.

The group always leaves any location in as pristine a condition as they found it

and treats other trail users as well as the environment with care and respect.

Their next outing, on March 18, will be, depending on the route taken, a 60-80 ks trip to Uki for market day there.

Riders meet at 8am for an 8.15 departure from True Wheel Cycles, 107 Dalley St, Mullumbimby. For more info about the group's road and off-road excursions, call Jay or Dave on 6684 1959.



SPORTS RESULTS

BOWLS

Brunswick Heads Men
Wed S/S Triples: J Martin, N Sharp, M Jeffreys; r/up L Torressi, L Hoffman, C Pav; L Lowe, B Congdon, B McClelland. Thur T'light Singles: M Petrou; r/up R Barnes, B Wyborn. Sat Final major pairs: N Sharp, M Danswan 21 d C Marshall, B Montgomery 20. Major singles: R Northcott 31 d S Lumden 26; P Brassington 31 d D Croft 27; M Petrou 31 d C MacKay 11. Trophy: E Boyter, V Caldwell, D Wyborn; r/up R Northcott, N Pearson (marker); M Petrou, M Caldwell (marker). Sun 2 Bowl pairs: J Woods, T Rynehart; r/up E Beddoe, N Condon; C Pearce, P Solomon, M Jeffreys; Louie's Prize: B Rose, B Stewart.

Brunswick Heads Women
6/3 Social: J Loomes, N Philip, S Iversen d M Darby, P Appel, L Proudlock; M Torresi (s/lead), M Allard, T Rynehart d M Torresi (s/lead), D Batson, E Toovey, Pennant team still performing very well.

Byron Bay Men
Tue Fred's Singles: T Hillard; r/up T Fenton, Bulla. Wed Social Triples: F Smith, P Anderson, R Breckenridge. Thur S/S Pairs: A Harrow, S Reid; r/up K Morrow, A Everingham. Sat Social: P Anderson, G Donnelly; r/up R Orth, M Ayo, R Evans. Finals Club 4s: Bulla, J Brooker, S Reid, B Vella; r/up M Barry, R Henderson, C Johnson, D de Wit.

Byron Bay Women
Pennant: Tue last home game, d Cabarita; Thur at Cudgen wins both rinks. Pennant game next Tues at Bangalow, last game next Wed at Mur'bah.

Lennox Head Men
6/3 S/S Triples: L Hargraves, B Gregory, S Prasad 22 d M Paps, N Elstob, R Orme 20; r/up R Dere, J Downey, T Kidd 30 d D Cullen, J Turner, J Dudgeon 13; K Gallard, H Lee, T Barr 24 d M Berger, B Lawless, K Nicol 15 (cons). 7/3 T'light Pairs: G Hayes, G Bowden, P Snow 21 d J Bowen, G Bowen, J Calandro 12; r/up G Gunn, D Tancred 15 d N Tancred, T Smith 9. 9/3 Mixed Pairs: D Taylor snr, J Dudgeon 20 d L Feldman, D Hickey 17; r/up J Moore, A Jennings 21 d H Lee, G Lee 15; G Martin, L Martin 18 d F Patterson, P Wilson 14 (lucky losers). 10/3 Minor Pairs: N/D Gregor, 21 d J Turner, P Blair 18; Social: K Gallard, F Allcoat, C Ulrick, L Chaseling 22 (r/up) d M Hicks, K Kilby, D Taylor snr, T Barr 14.

Mullumbimby Men
7/3 Social: S Purdie, J Scott, F Buckley 18 d D Ottery, A Johnson, A Bartlett 10; R Kidby, F

Cornale, T Batson 29 d L Boyter, B Rose, P Jones 10; A Pyzer, R Gray, B Gibson 17 d J/T Estreich, J McKay 13; L Campbell, K Hosie, R Web 18 d T Trivett, B Coleman, M Brown 15. 9/3 Social: Shane, Paul 19 d Garry, Terry 4; Jude, Sam v Neil, Duck 8. 10/3 Social: R Ford, P Jones, B McClymont 19 v N Lee, R Day, S Purdie 19. Triples C'ship: C McClymont, J Estreich, S Dettman 23 d S Smart, A Bartlett, T Batson 17; R Gray, T Estreich, J McKay 24 d L Boyter, M Esau, L Henry 9.

Ocean Shores Men
5/3 S/S 2 Bowl Triples: A Sultas, J Best, L Hoffman; r/up L Morgan, L Campbell, D Whitney; Chooks: S Warren, T Hawley, R Tonkin; T Larsen, P Quirke, C Pavolich; K Kirkland, B James, R Rofe. 6/3 T'light Bowls: Headlands Golf Club; Raffle: P Sullivan, R Eichorn. 9/3 25 Up: R James d P Tornaras 25/16, A Sultas d R Campbell 25/24; R Ellis d J Collins 25/24; J Sullivan d D Whitney 25/18. 10/3 Mixed Social: R James, W Sprengel; r/up J Bartlett, L Campbell, R Ellis, B Priest.

Ocean Shores Women
7/3: Rained out. 9/3 Social: L Wallingtomn, L Mason, B Stone, M Moodie, D Grant. Raffle: B Stone. Pennant: 6/3 d by Bruns Heads; 9/3 d Condong.

BRIDGE
Brunswick Valley
5/3 N/S 1st gross and net: I/M Homfray; 2nd gross and net: J Murray/P Sullivan; E/W 1st gross and net: J Selleck/B Simons; 2nd gross and net: B/B Philippsen. 10/3 N/S: 1st gross and net: M Murray/M Downey; 2nd gross and net: A Gray/M Solway; E/W: 1st gross and net: A Tonkin/S Easterbrook; 2nd gross and net: C Johnson/D Dare.

Ocean Shores
7/3 1st gross and net: J Selleck/B Simons; 2nd gross: P Quirke/P Sullivan; 2nd net: L/R Moloney.

CRICKET
Mullumbimby/Brunswick
Junior U10 Stingrays won the Grand Final in the local valley comp. Winning players: Taylor D, Josh/Ashley B, Josh P, Ethan B, Jonty/Jamie Lee T, Zac T, Issac F and (Res) Jarrah G. U12 Bruns side into the finals over next 2 weeks. Presentation Day is 25/3, 3 to 5.30pm at Brunswick Grounds. All teams and parents invited. Enq 6680 2135.

CYCLING

Byron Bay Freeriders
11/3: A Grade; T Davis; r/up R Donati; T Harris. Prime 1 P Fairfull, Prime 2 T Harris. B Grade; H Holley; r/up A Condon; A Clarke. C Grade; G Hannan; r/up D Gibson; D Rixon. Prime D Rixon. D Grade; A Curry; r/up H Franklin; P Finnimore.

Results, photos & club information can be viewed at <http://home.exetel.com.au/philspace/freeriders/> Race 8 Sun 25/3 Byron Bay Ind Estate. Amy Gillett Charity Ride links up with this event. Contact Bruce at Free to Ride 6680 9590 or www.freeride.com.au

GOLF

Mullumbimby Ladies
15/3 Draw Stroke Vardon Graded; Qual CBC Matchplay; T Cafe Zest. 1st Tee: 8.30am M Essery, G Lynn, M Crichton; 8.36 E Henshaw, K Mudgway, F Booth; 8.42 N Carsburg, B Mules, L Walker; 8.48 S Slogrove, L Riches, R Manley; 8.54 J Neate, M Bertoli, N Dwyer; 9.00 G Redman, R Slogrove, S Kosaka; 9.06 F Gannell, M Allan. 10th Tee: 8.30am J Ball, L Siddall, Judy Stuart; 8.36 M Trivett, J Beer, G James; 8.42 E Walker, E Ledere, F Brooker; 8.48 E Froggatt, T Batson, J Ryan; 8.54 R Wilson, G Poynting, A Moser. Table duty: M Essery, M Crichton.

Mullumbimby Men

7/3 Nixon Challenge Final 2006/2007 Single Stab: D Morgan 44; r/up T Gardiner 41; D Donnelly 40 cb; M Trivett 40; B Pruiel 39 cb. Qualifiers 2007/2008: D Morgan 44; P Jones 43; I Noble 42; T Gardiner 41 cb; R Johnston 41. NTP: 5th C James 39cm; 7th S Breard 66cm; 9th R Moffat 92cm; 12th T Donnelly 22cm; 17th B O'Neil 302cm. 10/3 Single stab: C Donaldson 42; r/up R Phillip 41; Gundies Mug P Parker. NTP: 5th B Reid 490cm; 9th S Lovell (6balls); 12th J Williams; 17th J Stokes. Interclub visit to Ballina: Ballina 14 d Mullumbimby 5.

Ocean Shores Men
5/3 Ind Stab (Medley): J Mangfield 41; r/up D Fitzgerald 39; J S McKay 39; starters 92; balls to 35; NTP 17h G Rowlands. Monthly Medal: White Tee; B McNamara 67; r/up F Pritchard 68; M Flesser 68; CCR 70; starters 112; balls to 76; NTP 3rd D Murray, 6th A Smith, 17th B Neate. Blue Tee; B Minshall 65 net; B Hurley 68; J Hollingworth 69; starters 66; balls to 75; CCR 72; NTP 8th F Howard, 12th J Keenan, 15th W Dobson. 7/3 4BBB Stab: L Reid, H Stephenson 48; r/up E Browning, W Cowley 46. NTP: 3rd D McGuinness, 6th R MacDonald, 8th A Dickens, 12th J Mangleson, 15th C Arnesen (visitor), 17th L Reid; balls to 42 points.

Ocean Shores Ladies
6/3 Stroke, NSW and Club Medal: Div 1: S Dixon 67 net; r/up L McGowran 69 net; Div 2 C Chidlow 67 net; r/up L Murray 71 net; Div 3 P Heelan 74 net; r/up G Henrickson 75 net. NTP div 1 S Dixon; div 2 C Chidlow; div 3 C Blacker. Putting:

L McGowran 26; vouchers to 77 cb. 8/3 18 hole Stab: J Rentz 35; r/up D Devir 32; vouchers to 28cb. 10/3 Stroke: Div 1 K Pemberton 71; r/up J Dengate 72. NTP div 1 C Coates; putting B Wingad; vouchers to 79 cb.

Ocean Shores Vets

8/3 Stab: C Godsmark 39; r/up I Opperman 38 cb; B Baxter 38; NTP h/c 0 to 19 J Price, h/c 20+ D Sharp; 6th B Baxter; 15th M Brady; 17th h/c 0 to 19 J Conqueror, h/c 20+ B Baxter; C'tains pin K Beitzel; Gorilla Award h/c 0 to 19 C Godsmark, h/c 20+ L Hoffman. Starters 64; CCR 71; hooks to 23; balls to 33; Scrubbers Ball to D Dupen 17 points.

RUGBY UNION

Mullumbimby/Ocean Shores
Next Sat: Trial game against Byron Bay. Training at 6pm Thursdays at New Brighton. Info Matthew Perry 0404 771 031.

SOCCER

Byron Bay
The Rams have 5 senior teams in ANZAC Cup pre season comp. Friday night grade 16 side defeated by Richmond Rovers. Premier followed by Byron Bay had a 3 to 0 win over Lismore Workers. Sun over 35s had a 4 to 0 win over Lismore Workers. The womens team f had a 1 to 1 draw with Tumbulgum. 2nd Div played Mullumbimby and were beaten 4 to 0. The premier 2 team played Italo Stars premier team, score 2 to 0 to Italo.

SQUASH

Brunswick Heads
14/3 Rnd 13 Bus Houses Teams Comp: Cant's v Bruns Blinds; S Thompson v S Koop, T Wood v L Clarke, W Ferrier v D Runciman, L Miller v M Stratton, F King v M Isbister. OS Bakery v Potato Works; B Trivett v G Chandler, I Bissett v C Ashworth, C Staff v C Booth, J Heers v R King, M Hogan v B Doran. Bruns Pharmacy v Byron Trophies; D Bird v M Underwood, M Ottery v P Hill, R Cameron v J Gribble, G Kaminski v J Nicolson, T Mason v S Moon. Bruns Smash v OS Glass; G Davis v B Staff, L Crandell v C Walsh, R James v C Pearce, C Johnston v A Li, Jeff Heers v J Miller. 19/3 Rnd 13 Byron Office Supplies Comp: Div 2; 5pm M Ottery v C Walsh, I Bissett v S Koop, 6pm J Gribble v D Runciman, M Cassidy Bye. Div 3; 5pm M Rogers v G Kaminski, A Li v R King, R Draper v J Heers; 6pm B Tilbrook v D Wright. Div 4; 5pm A Ronan v C Johnston, J Nicolson v S Moon, A Thomas v F King. Div 5; 5pm A Booth v S Truesdale, M Wallace v B Alander, A Brooker v Jeff Heers. New Mon and Wed night mixed comps start next month, to play phone 6685 1794.

SURF LIFE SAVING

Byron Bay
Patrols: Sat 17/3 10am to 3pm: Robbie Marr PC, D/T/LZ Challis, Peta Erickson, Wendy Crane, Casey Beale, Tom Armstrong, Jacob Tate, Sean Petrov, Ben Penparse. Sun 18/3 9am to 4pm: Lee Wood PC, Anna McCabe, Nic Hornery, Jemma Buultjens, Angie Plummer, Amy Mashford, Lara Hansford, Cassie Starr, Mark Knott, Luke Bomford, Lindal Phelps, Michelle Foster.

SWIMMING

Mullumbimby Swimming Club
FNC Relay: Club result 4th. Club C'ship continues Mon 19/3, final 24/3. AGM 23/4 7pm at Mullum Netball Courts. Qualifiers for School State C'ships: L Greenlaw, T Ludlow, A Kearney, C Moir, J Greenlaw, D Rickards, D Rowland, B Hill, S Rogan, D Ross, V McRae.

TABLE TENNIS

Mullumbimby
7/3 winners: Div 1 W Borkhardt 8/8; Div 2 C Strybos 6/8; Div 3 P Sultas/M Smith 5/8. Play Thur 6.30pm at Tennis Clubhouse. Enquiries Werner 6680 3915 or Greg 0427 788 773.

TENNIS

Mullumbimby
Comp results: Ladies Rnd 4 Div 1; Puss in Boots 29 d Farquaad 22, Fiona 27 d Shrek 14; Div 2 Ramon 27 d Mumble 15, Norma Jean 36 d Gloria 15; Div 3 Slinky Dog 26 d Woody 18, Sarge 36 d Bo Peep 19. Mixed Rnd 4: Rafiki 25 d Simba 20, Scar 29 d Mufasa 18. Junior 9/3: Hurricanes d Top guns, Twinkle Toes d Clowns, Terminators d Destroyers, Sliders d Patterns. Social: Sat Mixed: 2.30pm start, everyone welcome, m'ship not req. Wed Ladies: 9.15am start, everyone welcome, m'ship not req. Enquiries regarding coaching Justin 0403 841 241, all other enquiries Jeanie 6680 4353w or 6680 1330h.

VOLLEYBALL

Brunswick Heads
13/3 Rnd 10 JV Towing Comp: 6pm Mixed Chickens v Brewers, Flash v Lounge Lizards, Ballistic v Silver Bullets, duty No Mercy. 7pm No Mercy v True Value, Wild Ones v I Don't Care, Powers Gold v Hit and Run, duty Mixed Chickens. 15/3 Rnd 11 OS True Value Hardware Comp: 6pm Kaos.Com v Hot and Sweaty, Barefoot Bandits v Bootie Queens, Chilli Twist v TriPods, duty Bolters. 7pm Bolters v Shockers, Volleys v Asthmatics, Wing It Bye, duty Kaos.Com. To play phone 6685 1794, beginners welcome.

Bicycle awareness

Anybody who has received a Cycling Australia Licence this year will have also got a pamphlet from the Amy Gillett Foundation to promote Cyclists and Motorists sharing the road together. This is part of the 'Safe together' campaign which will include promotions heightening awareness of cyclists while also promoting safe riding practices from cyclists.

A number of charity rides are being organised as part of this campaign.

Free to Ride is proud to sponsor the ride in our area, with registration commencing at 7am for departure from Byron Bay High at 8am on Sunday, March 25. The event is for all skill levels. Entry fee is \$10, with participants asked to seek at least \$20 of sponsorship. The ride will conclude with a sausage sizzle for all. Come along for a fun time as well as to support this worthwhile cause.

MONTHLY MARKETS

1st SAT	Brun's Heads	6684 4437
1st SUN	Byron Bay	6680 9703
1st SUN	Lismore Car Boot	6628 7333
2nd SUN	The Channon	6688 6433
2nd SUN	Lennox Head	6672 2874
2nd SUN	OShores Carboot	6680 2696
3rd SAT	Mullumbimby	6684 3370
3rd SUN	Uki	6679 5399
3rd SUN	Nimbin	6689 0000
3rd SUN	Lismore Car Boot	6628 7333
3rd SUN	Ballina	6687 4328
4th SUN	Bangalow	6687 1911
5th SUN	Nimbin Market	6689 0000
Each TUE	Organic Lismore	6628 1084

FARMERS MARKET

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Each SAT 8-11am Bangalow 6687 1137
Each SAT 8-1 pm Uki 6679 5530

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TIDE TIMES

PHASES OF THE MOON			
New Moon	19th Mar	1.45 pm	
Equinox	21st Mar	11.09 am	
First Quarter	26th Mar	4.17 am	
Libra Full Moon	3rd Apr	3.15 am	
Last Quarter	11th Apr	4.05 am	
WED High	4.40 am 1.5	Sunrise	6.45 am
14th Low	5.49 pm 1.1	Sunset	7.05 pm
Low	11.50 am 0.5	Moonrise	12.58 am
High	11.07 pm 0.7	Moonset	3.41 pm
THU High	5.48 am 1.6	Sunrise	6.46 am
15th Low	6.43 pm 1.2	Sunset	7.03 pm
Low	12.43 pm 0.5	Moonrise	2.02 am
High	1.29 pm 0.3	Moonset	4.28 pm
FRI High	6.45 am 1.7	Sunrise	6.46 am
16th Low	7.29 pm 1.3	Sunset	7.02 pm
Low	12.11 am 0.6	Moonrise	3.09 am
High	1.29 pm 0.3	Moonset	5.10 pm
SAT High	7.35 am 1.8	Sunrise	6.47 am
17th Low	8.12 pm 1.5	Sunset	7.01 pm
Low	1.07 am 0.5	Moonrise	4.17 am
High	2.11 pm 0.2	Moonset	5.48 pm
SUN High	8.22 am 1.8	Sunrise	6.47 am
18th Low	8.55 pm 1.6	Sunset	7.00 pm
Low	2.00 am 0.4	Moonrise	5.26 am
High	2.51 pm 1.2	Moonset	6.23 pm
MON High	9.09 am 1.9	Sunrise	6.48 am
19th Low	9.39 pm 1.7	Sunset	7.59 pm
Low	2.52 am 0.3	Moonrise	6.34 am
High	3.31 pm 0.2	Moonset	6.58 pm
TUE High	9.56 am 1.8	Sunrise	6.49 am
20th Low	10.23 pm 1.8	Sunset	7.58 pm
Low	3.44 am 0.2	Moonrise	7.42 am
High	4.10 pm 0.2	Moonset	7.33 pm

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



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- Affordable living with maintenance done
- 2 bedrooms, 1 bathroom, air-con, verandah
- Open plan kitchen, dining & lounge
- Elevated with access from Pacific Vista Drive
- Easy access to all complex facilities and a short stroll to Tallow Beach

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Peaceful Tyagarah Hideaway \$750,000

- Located in the very desirable Tyagarah area
- Fantastic child friendly family home, 4 bed, 2 bath
- Set on a level 1 acre block of land at the end of a quiet cul-de-sac
- Gorgeous inground pool, dlug & separate 3 room studio/office
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Central To Schools, Shops & Beach \$530,000

- 3 bedroom family home just mins to all facilities inc. shops and h/school
- Kids safe front and rear level yards
- Sunny easy care gardens
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- Located in a family friendly area this great little home would appeal to the first home buyer or the investor
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- Downstairs we have a fully worked office and another rumpus room.

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- A fantastic property, set on just over 12 acres and offering seclusion.
- 3 bedroom residence with ensuite and spa in main.
- Large timber decks, enjoy the magnificent rural aspects in total privacy.
- The casual living room has extensive use of glass to capture the fantastic outlook.
- Within 10 minutes to the beach, shopping centre and hotel.

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- Open plan living, dining and kitchen.
- Front and back verandah.
- This house provides direct access to the canal.

\$ 430,000



DIVERSE OPPORTUNITY

- Brick and tile 3 bedroom home, the master bedroom with ensuite.
- Light and airy throughout with freshly laid carpet.
- Large covered patio area in a fully fenced yard.
- Single garage with storage space and another single carport.

\$ 410,000



HIGHSET OPPORTUNITY

6 Alooata Crescent, Ocean Shores
Open For Inspection Saturday 11-11.45pm

- Western Red Cedar highset home with storage space.
- 3 bedrooms upstairs all with built-ins and ceiling fans.
- Open plan living, modern kitchen with gas cooking.
- Front and rear verandahs. Land size 1056sqm.

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Elevated home, extensive rural & village views ▶ 4 beds 2 baths, open plan living, big deck ▶ Quality fixtures & fittings ▶ Lush landscaped gardens

OPEN HOUSE Sat 12.00 - 12.30pm
ADDRESS 4 Barby Crescent, Bangalow
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AUCTION April 14 **NEW LISTING**



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Approx 5 acres - 15 mins to Bangalow ▶ Established gardens ▶ 2 B/Rs, 1 bath + study ▶ Open plan kitchen & lounge room ▶ Extensive decking captures rural views

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SALES AGENT Hugh Hanrahan 0402 198 652
AUCTION March 31 **WEBSITE ID** 258545



LIFESTYLE, INCOME & VIEWS

2 approved dwellings ▶ Income producing farm ▶ 3 dams - 2 are spring fed ▶ Sensational rural views ▶ 5 bay machinery shed ▶ Ideal location close to town

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FOR SALE \$1,800,000 **NEW LISTING**



EASY CARE PROPERTY

1.5 easy care acres ▶ Lovely rural outlook ▶ 20 minutes to Bangalow ▶ Large under cover entertaining area ▶ 2 level, 4 bedroom, 2 bathrooms

OPEN HOUSE Sat 12.00 - 12.30pm
ADDRESS 94 Rosebank Road, Rosebank
FOR SALE \$449,000 **WEBSITE ID** 250155



SUFFOLK PARK

Unique interior ▶ Backs onto reserve ▶ Entertaining area ▶ 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms ▶ Quiet street ▶ Double garage plus carport

OPEN HOUSE Sat 11.00 - 11.30am
ADDRESS 14 Corkwood Crescent, Suffolk Park
FOR SALE \$524,000 **WEBSITE ID** 249079



CLOSE TO LAND VALUE

1 acre with established gardens ▶ Inground pool ▶ Solar hot water heating ▶ Privacy & seclusion ▶ 10 mins to Bangalow ▶ 4 bedroom, 2 bathroom

OPEN HOUSE Sat 1.00 - 1.30pm
ADDRESS 15 Gittos Lane, Possum Creek
FOR SALE \$595,000 **WEBSITE ID** 202996

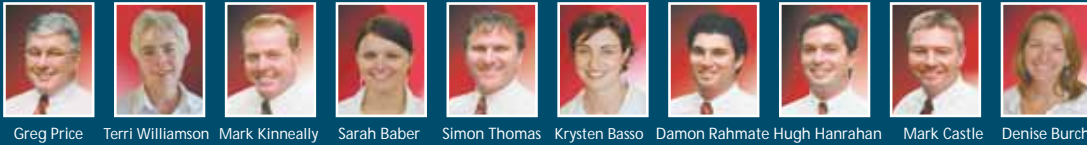
AUCTION THIS THURSDAY

Bangalow Bowling Club @ 6.00pm

ORDER OF SALE

- 1 Lot 6 Jarrets Road, Goonengerry
- 2 9 Parrot Tree Place, Bangalow
- 3 407 Fernleigh Road, Fernleigh
- 4 18 Granuaille Road, Bangalow
- 5 316 Kings Road, Federal
- 6 15-17 Granuaille Road, Bangalow

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OPEN HOUSE
 3.30 - 4.30 pm
 Sat 17 March
 23 Pacific Vista Drive
 Byron Bay

\$895,000

Possum Creek acreage

\$749,000

- Architect-designed quality home on 2 acres
- Plus 12th share of 113 acres of rainforest, primary producing & recreational land, swimming hole, hall, stables, dairy bails
- 5 mins to Bangalow, 10 mins to the Bay

Spacious townhouse

2/11 Korau Place Suffolk Park

OPEN HOUSE
 Sat 17 Mar
 2pm-3pm

\$449,000

Suffolk Park beachside
 Quiet and private small exclusive complex
 3 large bedrooms, main with ensuite
 Wrap-around outdoor entertaining area
 Backing onto river and nature reserve
 Short stroll to Tallow Beach & Suffolk village

Belongil Beach townhouse

2/37 Childe Street, Belongil Beach

OPEN HOUSE
 Sat 17 Mar
 11am-12 noon

\$795,000

Belongil Beach
 • Be part of the energetic cosmopolitan scene, whilst enjoying the quiet privacy of this elegant Moroccan style 3 bdrm, 2.5 bthrm villa
 • Quiet garden location in a small exclusive complex
 • Just 100 metres to the famous Belongil Beach

Beachside Tuscan townhouse

4/7 Oceanside Place, Suffolk Park

OPEN HOUSE
 Sat 17 Mar
 12.30-1.30pm

\$510,000

Suffolk beachside
 • Quality townhouse in small block of 5
 • Expansive lounge/livingroom, gourmet kitchen
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Self-contained apartment
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True north with large deck

2 bedroom home on strata titled block
Huge central north facing deck
Elevated position, uniquely designed layout
Galley style kitchen with walk-in pantry
\$729,000



Unit for 55+

Superb 3 bed/2.5 bath end unit for 55+
Private deck overlooking lush reserve
2 living areas, ceiling fans, lock-up garage
Close to shop, pool, beaches and Byron CBD
\$389,000



Solid home in great area

Brick home in fantastic location
3 bedroom, open plan kitchen
Close to town and beaches
Quiet and leafy outlook
\$495,000



Original Byron Bay cottage

Classic timber cottage, fully restored
High ceilings, timber features throughout home
Large glass doors to decks + generous garden
Located in private laneway, close to town
\$795,000



Spacious, elevated and private

Elevated 4 bed, 2 bath home w/cape views
N-facing deck, BBQ area, pool
840sqm block, private laneway
DLUG, close to golf court
\$895,000



Outdoor living with views

Immaculate condition, built by master builder
Open aspect, 3 bed, 2 bath, 2 living areas
High ceilings, kitchen + living with views
2 large timber decks, 14 m pool, DLUG
\$890,000



Great location in popular area

Cosy light-filled home in Sunrise
3 bed/1 bath, private N-facing patio + gardens
Open plan kitchen, lounge, dining area
Short walk to shops, cafe, pre-school
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Elevated With Views In Town



Perfectly positioned to enjoy the views to Mt Warning and Mt Chincogan this light filled home offers easy living with low maintenance. Located in sought after Gardenia Street in Mullumbimby the north facing property is close to the hospital and all other amenities in town and has three bedrooms, two bathrooms, a separate living room and a double garage. The open plan kitchen/dining area is leading out to a covered deck making entertaining a pure pleasure. There is ducted A/C throughout and under the house is a workshop to tinker in with extra storage space. Nothing to spend, just move in!

\$585,000

For The Horse Lover



8 acres in Myocum with plenty of water ideally suited for the horse lover. The generously proportioned n-facing brick & tile home has 9 ft ceilings throughout and features 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, spacious living areas which lead out to an expansive entertaining patio, pool and exquisitely manicured gardens. The 9x12 m workshop has 3 phase power and the horse stables measure 7x12 m keeping your horses very comfortable. Myocum is a highly sought after area in the Byron Shire being centrally located between Mullumbimby, Byron Bay and the beaches. This property is one of a kind and a must see!

\$1,100,000

Cedar Road – Wilsons Creek



Nestled in the hills just 10 minutes out of Mullumbimby this private and elevated residence on 6 acres is in a very sought after location. The home boasts 4 large bedrooms plus 4 bathrooms ideal for visitors or the extended family. It also has a sunken lounge with a stone fireplace and a formal dining both leading out to verandahs and into the established gardens. The 10 x 7m double garage has a workshop with power and water and there is a well and there are rights to pump water from the creek. The owners have a genuine reason for a reluctant sale. Call now and I will show you this sanctuary.

\$849,000

Quality & Style On Wilsons Creek



Spacious, airy and bathed in natural light, this stunning passive solar house is set on 1 1/2 acres with long Wilsons Creek frontage. The home features very high ceilings, timber floors, 2 bedrooms, a state of the art marble bathroom, a high quality stainless steel kitchen with brushbox timber slab surfaces and is integrated in a large open plan dining and living area. The large covered deck has a non-chlorine sunken spa and overlooks the creek and a small fruit orchard. The separate self contained studio is ideal to be rented out or used as home office. A property like this is hard to come by.

\$735,000

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OPEN HOUSE LISTINGS

Elders Byron Bay p48

- 4 Mahr Place, Baywood Chase. Sat 1-1.45pm.
- 96 Corkwood Place, Byron Hills. Sat 1-1.45pm.
- 4/41 Redgum Place, Baywood Chase. Sat 12-12.45pm.
- 8/19 Cooper Street, Byron Bay. Sat 2-2.45pm.

Scott Harvey Real Estate p49

- 44 Federation Drive, Eltham. Sat 11am-12pm.

LJ Hooker Brunswick Heads p49

- 71 Balemo Dr, Ocean Shores. Sat 12-12.45pm.
- 47 Elizabeth Avenue, South Golden Beach. Sat 2-2.45pm.
- 6 Alooata Cr, Ocean Shores. Sat 11-11.45pm.

Elders Bangalow p50

- 4 Barby Crescent, Bangalow. Sat 12-12.30pm.
- 778 Binna Burra Road, Federal. Sat 1-1.30pm.
- 603 Bangalow Rd, Nashua. Sat 1-1.30pm.
- 94 Rosebank Rd, Rosebank. Sat 12-12.30pm.
- 14 Corkwood Crescent, Suffolk Park. Sat 11-11.30am.
- 15 Gittos Lane, Possum Creek. Sat 1-1.30pm.

Red Rose Realty p50

- Unit 2/19 Childe St, Belongil. Sat 11-12pm.
- Unit 4/7 Oceanside Place, Suffolk Park. Sat 12.30-1.30pm.
- Unit 2/11 Korau Pl, Suffolk Park. Sat 2-3pm.
- Lot 6 Weemala Lane, Federal. Sat 3-4pm.
- 23 Pacific Vista Drive, Byron. Sat 3.30-4.30pm.

LJ Hooker Byron Bay p54

- 3/5 Somerset Street, Byron Bay. Sat 11am.
- 28 Pacific Vista Drive, Byron Bay. Sat 11am.
- 64 Brandon Street, Suffolk Park. Sat 2pm.
- 'Seadrift' 6-8 Browning Street, Byron Bay. Sat & Sun 12pm.
- 49 Ruskin Street, Byron Bay. Sat 12pm.
- 5 Korau, Suffolk Park. Sat 1pm.
- Lot 4 Roses Road, Federal. Sat 12.30pm
- 991 Coolamon Scenic Drive, Bangalow. Sat 2.30pm.
- 164 Broken Head Road, Byron Bay. Sat 3pm.
- 1/16 Brandon Street, Suffolk Park. Sun 11am.
- 89 Corkwood Cr, Baywood Chase. Sun 1pm.
- 26 Teak Circuit, Baywood Chase. Sun 2pm.

Property Buyers Net p55

- 4 Rifle Range Rd, Bangalow. Sat 10.30-11.30am.

Private p55

- 22-24 River St, New Brighton. Sat 1-1.45pm.

AUCTIONS

Scott Harvey Real Estate p49

- 44 Federation Drive, Eltham. AUCTION 11am Sat March 24. Inspect Sat 11am-12pm.
- Lot 311 Crosbys Lane (southern end of Fernleigh Rd), Tintenbar. AUCTION onsite Sat March 31.

Byron Bay First National p49

- 1/14 Middleton Street, Byron Bay. AUCTION 11am Sat March 31.

Elders Bangalow p50

- AUCTIONS this Thursday at Bangalow Bowling Club. Starts 6pm. In following order:
 1. Lot 6 Jarrets Road, Goonengerry.
 2. 9 Parrot Tree Place, Bangalow.
 3. 407 Fernleigh Road, Fernleigh.
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DA approved, Bangalow Road

This fantastic 2453sqm level block is centrally positioned and is within walking distance to Tallow Beach and downtown Byron Bay.

A 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom original house already stands on the site which has Byron Council development approval for a total of 4 homes.

An inspection of the site is sure to impress and the owner is keen to negotiate an early sale, so be sure to come and inspect the approved plans and secure this very rare property.

Asking price is \$1,300,000.

For further information please contact Glen Irwin 0418 604 080 or Jon Luton on 0422 794 384.



Beach house & studio

Setting the benchmark in style, and quality in design in South Golden Beach. Renovated 2 storey 3 bedroom property and self contained studio boasting a highly sought after position with the surf and sand just beyond the dunes. Although the overall effect is relaxed casual living, the level of comfort and attention to detail is of the highest standard.

Each bedroom has an ensuite, air-conditioning, internet and TV connection. The studio and courtyard provides the ideal venue for entertaining, guest accommodation or stylish home office. Don't miss this chance to secure your slice of north coast lifestyle.

Asking price: Expressions of interest. Contact Will Sorrell at Elders Real Estate New Brighton/Ocean Shores. For an inspection call 6680 1594 or 0417 653 312. Website: www.eldersnewbrighton.com.au



Family living, Rosebank

This is a great family home, being both spacious and functional. Situated in a leafy private setting, it has verandahs on three sides and a covered deck entertainment area with lovely valley views. The kitchen, dining and lounge room are open plan with timber floors, there are 3 bedrooms and a bathroom downstairs and a bedroom, study and bathroom upstairs.

There are two colorbond sheds and a studio with own toilet and shower which could serve as a teenage/guest retreat. The kitchen and bathrooms would benefit from an update and you'll only increase the value and appeal of the property when that is done. Air conditioner, solar hot water and three car accommodation complete the package.

At \$449,000, one of the more affordable properties in Rosebank – this property provides a great opportunity to buy a great family home or solid investment property. Contact Mark Castle at Elders Bangalow 0418 971 826 or 6687 1500.



Coolamon Scenic Drive – dual occupancy

This property is an approved dual occupancy and all you have to do is move in. The main house comprises four bedrooms and loads of open living space with timber floors throughout that spill out onto expansive decking which surrounds a fabulous new pool.

The so-called second home which is only three years old has three bedrooms, a study, high pitched ceilings and beautiful timber floors. A triple car garage joins the two homes together and with a machinery shed out the back there is ample room for a workshop or storage. This five acre property also incorporates a full size tennis court and a bbq area which command spectacular views. \$1,950,000.

For more information please call Peter Yopp on 0411 837330 or Glen Irwin on 0418 604080 or 02 6685 7300 at LJ Hooker Byron Bay.



The perfect rural hideaway

778 Binna Burra Road, Federal. AUCTION March 31, 2007.

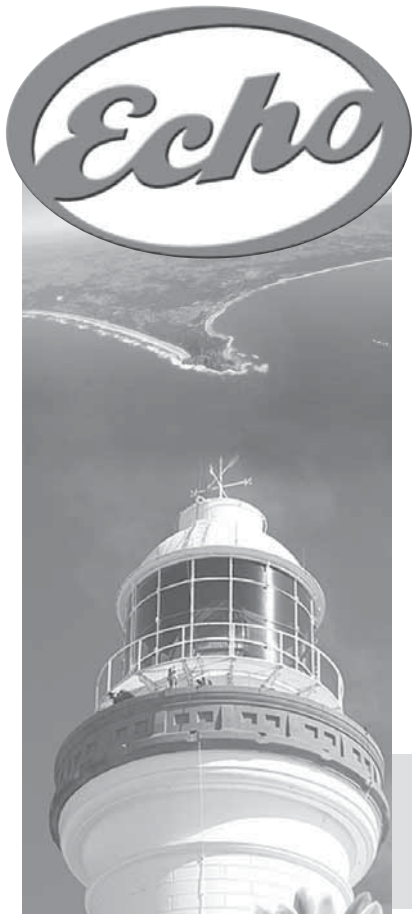
What a great opportunity! You will love this rural hideaway amongst established gardens only 20 minutes to Byron Bay. Set on approximately 5.8 acres of north east facing land, privacy and serenity are easy to find here!

The home consists of 2 spacious bedrooms both with bi-fold doors leading onto timber decks, plus a study/ 3rd bedroom leading out to a covered outdoor area. The bathroom provides a large bath to sit back and relax before you cook up a storm in the spacious stainless steel topped kitchen. The lounge room combines perfectly with the outdoor entertaining area capturing views of the Byron Hinterland. There is plenty of water available for the home and a green house nearby.

Contact Hugh Hanrahan 0402 198 652 or 6687 1500 at Elders Bangalow www.eldersbangalow.com.au PID 258545



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PROPERTIES OPEN FOR INSPECTION



48 Carlyle Street, Byron Bay
Saturday 10am
 Contact Neil Cameron on 0419 274 798



49 Ruskin Street, Byron Bay
Saturday 12pm
 Contact Jon Luton on 0422 794 384



991 Coolamon Scenic Drive, Bangalow
Saturday 2.30pm
 Contact Peter Yopp on 0411 837 330



3/5 Somerset Street, Byron Bay
Saturday 11am
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Lot 4 Roses Road, Federal
Saturday 12.30pm
 Contact Neil Cameron on 0419 274 798



164 Broken Head Road, Byron Bay
Saturday 3pm
 Contact Neil Cameron on 0419 274 798



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5 Korau Place, Suffolk Park
Saturday 1pm
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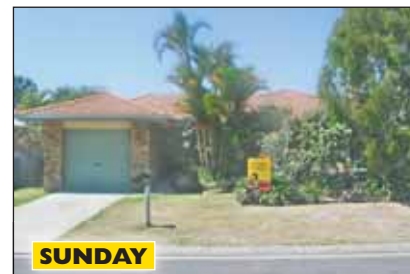
1/16 Brandon Street, Suffolk park
Sunday 11am
 Contact Peter Yopp on 0411 837 330



'Seadrift' 6-8 Browning St, Byron Bay
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26 Teak Circuit, Baywood Chase
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- Excellent central location
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- Outdoor dining area

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BACKING ONTO TALLOW BEACH



- Highly Sought After Location
- Solid 3 Bedroom Brick Home
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- Hidden Tranquil Private Position
- 2 Large Separate Living Areas
- Level 727 Sqm Block

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- Beachside Family Home
- 4 Bedrooms, 2 Bathrooms
- In-Ground Pebble Pool
- Safe Quiet Area/Cul-De-Sac
- Separate Family/Lounge Areas
- 3 Minute Walk To The Beach

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LAWSON STREET



- 2 Bedroom, 2 Bathroom Apartment
- Sunny North Facing Courtyard
- Excellent On-site Management
- 25 Metres To Main Beach
- Recently Fully Renovated

\$1,200,000

NEW LISTINGS



OPEN FOR INSPECTION SAT 11AM

WAREHAM STREET

- Large Spacious House.
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AUCTION 12 NOON MARCH 17

▶▶▶ Stunning Views – Exceptional Home

7 Hoop Pine Lane, Suffolk Park. Owner must liquidate!
Enjoy the cool summer breezes and spectacular views. The home sits alongside some of the most prestigious properties in the Byron Bay area. On the entry level the kitchen & living area are the focal points where expansive timber sliding doors open to invite the unsurpassed ocean vistas and tranquil surrounds inside. Two bedrooms, the main bathroom, laundry and double garage are also on this level. Upstairs is the parents retreat and main bedroom with walk-in robe and luxurious ensuite to complete the picture. For an appointment contact Doug McCosh at Ray White Byron Bay on 0417 856 885 or Helen Huntly-Barratt at Byron Bay First National on 0412 332 232.



REDUCED

▶▶▶ Green Frog Farm

568 Myocum Rd, Myocum. Looking for coastal acreage? Ten minutes from the rush of Byron Bay, this three bedroom home is on a fantastic property and all can be forgotten as you enter down the treed driveway while taking in the hinterland surrounds. The property consists of 20 useable acres which has been split up into four paddocks, all of which are fully fenced and have been well maintained. The huge machinery shed is ideal for the tradesman or just the budding handyman. The home itself has just had a makeover and is very comfortable, while the new deck that surrounds the house is a great spot to sit. Contact Glen Irwin on 0418 604 080 or Peter Yopp on 0411 837 330 or 02 6685 7300 at L.J. Hooker Byron Bay. \$697,000.



▶▶▶ One Of Byron's Best Kept Secrets

Secluded home close to town centre and fabulous golden beaches. Beautiful, designer built, spacious home with 4 bedrooms, a very special office and a pool to die for. 2 bathrooms with a large open plan living area and a modern stainless steel kitchen. Add a double garage and this is a must for the large family looking for something unique or professionals with taste. Exceptionally beautiful and peaceful verandahs. *Feels like being in the rainforest.* \$975,000
Contact owner direct on 0266 840 088. For more information & photos go to www.orarcourt.com

\$975,000



AUCTION ONSITE MARCH 24. INSPECT SAT 1-1.30PM

▶▶▶ Lakeside Vista

420 Friday Hut Road, Brooklet. Auction onsite March 24. Open house Sat 1-1.30pm. In the hinterland of Byron/Lennox Head is this 5 acre property bordering Emigrant Lake. Secluded and private but only 12 mins from Lennox Head and 15 mins to Ballina, this home boasts 4 large bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, flowing living, dining and lounge areas together with a superb north facing entertaining deck overlooking a great playing area with the lake as a backdrop. A double garage and work space, completely separate 3 room elevated studio giving delightful lake and rural views with a nicely treed and easy care garden. Price Guide from \$800K. Please contact Scott Harvey Real Estate on 0412 296 872 for an inspection.



▶▶▶ Quiet Valley

The quiet valley of Crabbes Creek awaits a new resident. This beautiful 4.5 acres of land has a crystal clear creek running along the entire northern boundary, big open north facing paddocks edged by mature trees and is fully fenced. Located at the eastern end of the property sits a highest farmhouse with 2 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, all round verandahs and a small studio/workshop. Start your country escape here; minutes to beaches, 12 minutes to Brunswick Heads. Vendor wants sold. Offers over \$500,000. Please call Michael Kelly on 0411 114 923.



▶▶▶ For Sale By Public Tender

11 Fletcher Street, Byron Bay. Tender closes 5pm 13th April, 2007. Commercial strata centre comprising 8 fully let shops in the heart of the CBD & just metres from Main Beach. Approx. 1012sqm of land with 303sqm gross let area. Ideal re-development and value add site (S.T.C.A.). Solid leases, onsite parking & courtyards. Commercial property options report available. Please view at www.elders.com.au/byronbay I.D. No. 259429. Contact David Gordon Elders Real Estate, Byron Bay 6685 6222 or 0418 856 222.



▶▶▶ Spacious Family Home

Spacious Lilli Pilli home with 4 bedrooms, 3 with built-in robes and one with ensuite and access to the private back deck and swimming pool. The large living and dining area has an eco-friendly wood pellet heater. A state-of-the-art solar energy system has slashed the electricity bill. The large kitchen has a "retro" feel and is fitted with gas appliances. High ceilings and rich coloured hardwood floors are found throughout the home. Only a short bicycle ride to town and beach, this home can be enjoyed 'as is' or enhanced to the new owners liking. 850sqm block. Price \$639,000. For more information contact Helen Huntly-Barratt at Byron Bay First National Real Estate on 6685 8466 or 0412 332 232. Come and see us in 15 Lawson Street.



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▶▶▶ Panoramic Ocean Views, Stunning Cliffs

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\$1.3M



▶▶▶ Absolute Beachfront

22-24 River Street, New Brighton. Open For Inspection Saturday 1-1.45pm. There are 2 homes with separate titles (518.5sqm and 480.6sqm). The riverfront house with 3 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms is stylishly renovated with ocean and river views. The beachfront architect designed home is situated in a lush tropical setting in a private and secluded location. It has many options – holiday, investment or seachange. This is an opportunity to secure a dream property within walking distance of shops and cafe. Just 15 minutes to Byron and 25 minutes to airport. Riverfront house \$875,000. Beachfront House \$1.5m. Contact owner on 0412 179 779

\$875,000 & \$1,500,000



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Heritage Park in Mullum is a natural treasure and a delightful place to walk through but is in need of a spruce-up – see story page 3. If you can devote a little time each month, that would be much appreciated. If you've never been to the park, check it out – just follow Tincogan Street to the Riverside Tennis Courts and the entrance is there.

Will something happen at the old Epicentre site at Belongil at last? Depends how residents and Council feel about it. Currently on exhibition is DA 2005.758.1 for 45 two storey dwellings and conversion of the old slaughterhouse (the Epicentre) to food shop, general store, restaurant, art gallery and dwelling. Submissions close March 21. You can bet it will never again be the grungy Bohemian haunt of yore.

Travelling south of the Brunswick bridge on Friday Mungo and Jenny discovered that their kayak had fallen off their vehicle. When they retraced their tracks RTA workmen told them that the driver of a white Mercedes van with a numberplate beginning AUX had retrieved the kayak and motored away with it. Now, to save the driver the trouble of reporting his find to the police, Mungo and Jenny are quite happy for him to contact *The Echo* with its whereabouts or even to drop the vessel off at the Mullum office. This is possibly the most unusual lost property *Backlash* has ever publicised.

We have had several entries in our mystery object competition. Several give convincing explanations, all for different gadgets! We'll announce the winner of the Peter King print next week.

According to roads minister Eric Roozendaal, work on the Ewingsdale noise walls up St Helena hill has finished and landscaping will start. The extension cost \$3.5 million – are the footings done in gold or something? While Don Page never got round to answering Fast Buck's questions about the walls, the Minister at least advises us the glass bit is to 'minimise visual impact'. For whom? If you're busy looking at the view driving either up or down the hill, then you're in trouble.

The Byron Ballina Greens would like it known the usual link to their website is www.byronballinagreens.org, not the link we printed last week. Mind you, the link we published took you to the same page at the time of printing.

We notice among all the government election promises there is no Byron district hospital on offer. Morris Emma is promising a new ambulance station for Byron Bay. We were quite amused by the promise to 'invest \$2 million over the next four years for personalised support to attract, recruit and retain rural health professionals'. That's less than the cost of a noise wall at Ewingsdale.

Zelfo Australia (www.zelfoaustralia.com), the Mullumbimby company which makes a biodegradable plastic substitute from plant fibres, is the only Australian business to get a mention in *Fast Company* magazine's 50 business innovators list – it's the issue with the Governor on the front. See more at www.fastcompany.com/fast50_07.

Responsibility for election comment in this paper taken by David Lovejoy, Mullumbimby.

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