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Taking sustainability to the streets



From left, Jane, Sharon, Djuaan and Bawoo in the back garden of their Stuart Street house, selected for an Eco-Home Makeover along with that of New City Road family Mike and Tanya with two year old Quinn. The first sustainability workshop carries on in the background.

Story & photo Lou Beaumont

The North Coast Climate Action mile. Group's Sustainable Streets initiative has selected the home that will undergo an Eco-Home Makeover. Sharon Gibson and Jane Beattie of Stuart Street, Mullumbimby, were chosen for the sustainability makeover, financially made possible with a grant from NRMA.

A second Mullumbimby household, home to Mike Clark and Tanya Langlois in New City Road, will also receive assistance from the NCCAG to improve their level of sustainability.

tee because they were already will- a closed system.

ing and able owner occupiers that needed some help to go the extra

If everyone on the planet lived like the average Australian, we would need 3.7 planets to sustain us. If everyone lived like Sharon and Jane we would need two planets.

Jane and Sharon have dedicated the majority of their suburban land to mature edible gardens, a chook pen and large compost heaps. All the fruit and vegetables they consume are grown in their garden, and they eat eggs from their chickens and honey from their bees - they even compost their dogs' poo. Waste The two households were selected from the kitchen and chicken pen is by the Sustainable Streets Commit- recycled in the garden, thus creating

Jane told The Echo, 'We were already committed to the principles of ecological sustainability and we wanted to be an urban sustainable model but we can always do more, which is why we applied for this project?

Sharon adds, 'We were living further out of town previously, struggling on larger land and driving many kilometres to and from home. Ironically we are now finding it easier to live more sustainably. We have found it is more than possible in an urban environment.

Mike and Tanya had also done much of the work themselves, installing solar panels through the Beyond Building Neighbourhood Soar Scheme and doing home and gar-

den renovations to their 1950s home with sustainability in mind.

Mike Clark told The Echo, 'We had done a lot already but we are looking forward to going further with it. We will be getting solar hot water, a rainwater tank and we'll take a closer look at our general energy consumption and expand our vegetable garden.'

Sustainable Streets project manager Nina Bishop said, 'It is great to see the enthusiasm in the residents. I would love to see all Stuart Street houses calculate their eco-footprints and eventually have the inspiration flow over into other local areas.'

Calculating your eco-footprint is essential if you are to ascertain the continued on page 2

Call to save iconic species

Some of the area's iconic and less well-known threatened species are the focus of a new biodiversity conservation project in the Brunswick Valley. The project is funded by the Northern Rivers Catchment Management Authority.

At least 75 of the numerous species of flora and fauna found in the catchment are listed as threatened, and their long-term survival in the Brunswick catchment lies in the hands of private landholders. Species in the highly modified and less wellreserved lowlands and floodplains are particularly at risk.

Most species are rainforest-dependent or associated with rainforest habitat and many have close links to the ancient Gondwanan flora and fauna that covered much



The Spotted-tailed Quoll in action.

of the Australian continent 30 million years ago. The rainforest fruitdoves, Alberts Lyrebird, Koala and Grey-headed Flying-fox are familiar to many residents while the Pouched Frog, Stephen's Banded Snake, Bushhen and White-eared Monarch are not as well-known.

Forests of the Brunswick catchment are home to one of very few NSW occurrences of the Giant Ironwood, important wild populations of the Davidsons Plum, Durobby and the Spiny Gardenia at its southern limit. The upper reaches still support a population of the Spotted-tailed Quoll and Marbled Frogmouths survive in rainforest gullies.

But the landscape is now characterised by shrinking stands of old continued on page 5

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Fair Trade from PNG to Byron

Hans Lovejoy

The first shipment of organic virgin coconut oil produced by rural farmers of PNG arrived in Byron Bay this week as part of the not for profit Fair Trade Farm Hands exchange program. Sir Ebia Olewale, a senior elder statesman who helped Papua New Guinea gain independence in 1975 and later became Deputy Prime Minister, was in Byron Bay to personally hand over the coconut oil. He is also here to seek support from Northern Rivers coffee farmers and interested community groups in employing his people to help harvest local crops under the new Workforce from Abroad Employment Scheme (WAES).

Sir Ebia is a Director of the PNG Sustainable Development Program, chaired by Professor Ross Garnaut, which supports sustainable development through projects and initiatives to benefit the people of Papua New Guinea, especially the people of Western Province now and during the period after eventual closure of the Ok Tedi mine.

trade program,' Sir Ebia said, the Pacific Islands to provide 'our main aim is to encourage longer-term community-to-

Sustainable Streets under way

From front page

lifestyle areas that could be improved upon.

For some it is buying more nesses. For information on locally or reducing their energy consumption, for others, travel contributes significantly to their footprint. Byron Shire org and for how to calculate Council will be recording the journeys of the two selected households and tracking their eco-footprint reduction on their website.

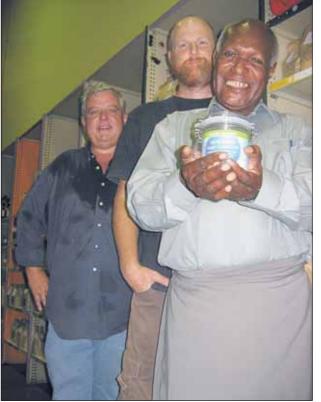
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Pictured from front Sir Ebia Olewale, Santos warehouse manager Ryan Hamilton and Simon Hodge, Australian coordinator for Fair Trade Farm Hands.

community linkages between Australia and the Pacific and we are extremely grateful to the Australian government with the recent announce-'This is much more than a ment to allow workers from much needed labour to Australia's horticultural sector

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Bay.

that are simply out of their reach financially. Fair Trade Farm Hands will also assist participating workers to use some of the earnings to further develop their farms, fund organic certification of their produce and set up export opportunities.

'Tree-To-Cup is a growing global market and we need to help PNG farmers gain access to it. Since the beginning of time we have always been organic, we cannot afford expensive fertilisers and therefore our farmlands and waterways are totally free of any chemical additives.

'I am also hoping there will be community engagement with our visiting workers. While here they would love to present their traditional costume, music and dance and will be happy to participate in any event for the public's enjoyment. We are also seeking assistance with accommodation, transport, and catering for the group while they are here?

Any interested individual or organisations that would like to participate in an exciting cultural and social exchange with our nearest Pacific neighbour in any capacity should contact local coordinator Simon Hodge on 0414 664 384.

Farmcare opens in Byron Bay The year 2009 marks two ma- services available from the jor events in the life of Farm-Mullumbimby store. care. Based in Mullumbimby

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Locals rally to save whales

Story & photo Lou Beaumont

On Saturday December 13 a whale of a garage sale will be held as a fundraiser for the Sea Shepherd Conservation Society. All money raised on the day will go to SSCS direct action campaigns in the Southern Ocean in defence of whales with much of the money to be spent on fuel to power the Steve Irwin, the SSCS vessel.

The Steve Irwin left Brisbane bound for Antarctica on December 4 with celebrity Darryl Hannah on board for part of the journey, alongside Bangalow crusader Ben Potts. Potts was one of the two SSCS crew who jumped onto a Japanese whaling ship in the southern oceans earlier this vear.

SSCS coordinator Ashiya Austin told The Echo, 'In the three years that I have been coordinator for Sea Shepherd I have not been approached by anyone who has wanted to raise funds before so it is great that local people and loour cause?



Ashiya Austin from Byron Bay Sea Shepherd Conservation Society on site at Jason Adamek's (right) Big Fish store in Marvel Street Byron Bay where a community garage sale has been organised by Patrick Halliday (left) to raise funds for the current southern ocean campaign.

Organiser of the fundrais- appears that the Sea Sheperds port donated goods I thought er, Patrick Halliday, told The will be the only frontline ac- it was a great opportunity to Echo, 'The SSCS is an organisation with a lot of bravery and integrity. It seems Peter Garrett has washed his hands of whaling in the Southern Big Fish offered to donate stall please contact Jason Adamek cal businesses want to support Ocean and Greenpeace will space within his monthly ga- on 0401 570 007 or Patrick not be sending vessels so it rage sale and a truck to trans- Halliday on 0425 256 802.

tivists in the ocean this Summer. I have wanted to hold a fundraiser for this cause for sometime so when Jason from unteer your time to the stalls,

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Govt gets Bruns kites in the air

Brunswick Heads has received Regional Flagship Funding from Tourism NSW to assist with the running of the Kites and Bikes Festival over the weekend of March 21 and 22 next year.

The Flagship program gives communities across NSW the resources to market and promote their event to a wider audience and the funding will be used to encourage families and kites and bike enthusiasts to stay for the weekend in and around Brunswick to participate in the various festival activities. By increasing the visitor nights, considerably more money is spent throughout the town, and this is effectively doubled through the multiplier effect.

According to organisers, the Kites and Bikes Festival offers simple, healthy and affordable 'eco-friendly family fun' and will involve a variety of hands-on activities, workshops, parades, demonstra-



This year's Kites and Bikes Committee, with a new coordinator, Joanne McMurtry, is all set to rise to the challenge. Wind and pedal power will be highlighted and apart from the bike parade, the be announced. biggest kites in Australia, the Rokakku kite flighting chal-

the air at once will be staged sponsors. Another \$13,000 is on the beach. Sporting, school and community group members will be invited to register are being invited to associate in teams as a charity fundraiser, with the charity yet to Community groups are also

The Echo is the media of the activities as fundraissponsor of the 2009 festi- ers.

still to be sourced to stage the festival and local businesses themselves with this event. invited to co-ordinate some

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Lucille finds a SOFA in New York

Story & photo Lou Beaumont

Mullumbimby based contemporary artist Lucille Martin has been awarded an Australia Council Grant (VAB) to participate in SOFA (Sculptural Objects and Functional Art) Exposition in New York in April 2009 and further her textile research in the USA.

Lucille Martin is a contemporary artist who works with a conceptual design aesthetic, using textiles and found materials as expressive mediums to comment on political, social and environmental issues.

For Lucille, this is a long awaited break. Dedicating around twenty-three years to her art, she admits there were times she wondered whether being based rurally was working for her.

'I think this award may give other country based artists hope that their work can be recognised on an international level. There are opporprograms and paths onto the designer in Mullum, a 3-D de-

rural environment. 'I work closely with local people to create my work and have a huge amount of support wonderful women at the lo- construction' at Tweed Rivfrom my community. I work cal op shops help me too by er Art Gallery (tweedart@ with a terrific woodworker in finding recyclable materials tweed.nsw.gov.au) opening tunities to these international Ocean Shores, I have a website for each project.'

Lucille Martin with her wood working guru Gerald Gibson in his shed of wonder and tools, some of which he custom made for Lucille's unique works.

Lucille's work will be showworld stage while living in a signer in Mullum also, a tim- ing at the Cape Gallery (6685 LucilleMartin.com.

ber worker in the Industrial 7659) in Byron Bay over the Estate, and public relations Christmas period and the help when I can afford it. The next exhibition will be 'Re-March 27 2009.

For more information visit

Arsonists burn books in Mullumbimby

Eve Jeffery

What could have been a disastrous fire became an annoying fizzle recently when it is Book Barn in Dalley Street.

box of books was set alight at door. the rear of the business. 'Entry was gained through a rear door,' said police Duty Officer Shane Diehm. 'A number of youths were seen outside the stairs and removed the box. premises prior to the incident. He said he saw three youths A man in the residence above standing outside watching the shop was able to extin- the blaze. There had also been guish the fire?

dav after to find that a cedar table had been burnt when the box it held was set alight. Peter's son Antony, who lives suspected youths set fire to the above the shop, saw the smoke rising from the shop and was What police call minor able to throw the box and its damage came about after a burning contents out a side

We were lucky that there was a resident,' said Peter. 'There were palls of smoke rising and my son ran down the some boys breaking bottles Business owner Peter Bald- next to the shop just before

information to come forward, There had been a similar they can be contacted on 6684 small fire at another shop 2144.

Save iconic species

From front page

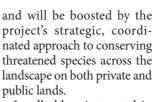
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December 2008

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Big Bandidos invade school



Students from Emmanuel Anglican College and Bangalow Public Primary school were treated to the big band sounds of Duke Ellington last Friday afternoon. Local 16 piece big band The Big Bandidos held a short concert and information session at the Bangalow A&I Hall, where members of the ensemble explained and demonstrated their instruments.

Good news for Bangalow derby

the award winning commu- go ahead. I go every year, and of the Bangalow Chamber of nity event the Bangalow Billy my kids absolutely love it, said Cart Derby was in jeopardy Grebert. after Council's road closures fees escalated, local business- Jan Barham has confirmed the man Brian Grebert of Quality Solar pledged to foot the fee for the event to be held on \$1478 bill in order for the 'es-

After hearing the news that sential community event' to

Since then, however, Mayor waiving of the street closure May 18 2009.

Michael Malloy, president Commerce, has thanked the Mayor for the public clarification of the waiver and has asked she consider doing the same for the street closure fees for the Bangalow Christmas Eve Carnival.

Susie finds perfect pitch

the stage of the Byron Community Centre on Saturday November 15 and her life changed forever.

As one of the final six contestants in Northern Rivers Screenworks Life's A Pitch' competition, Susie pitched a documentary project based on a terrifying school shooting which took place almost 50 years ago. True Crimes of the Lone Avenger explores

Susie Forster walked onto day when Leonard Lawson, the project on air. She also a released rapist, walked into the chapel of an exclusive girls' school in Moss Vale and shot and killed one of the students. Sitting in the audience, was Tina Rothbury, a survivor of that day now living in the Northern Rivers, through whose eyes the story will be told.

By the time Susie finished, she had leading programmers from both the ABC and the events surrounding the SBS television vying to put

walked away with the first prize of a \$2000 travel grant to take her project to festivals and marketplaces anywhere in the world, plus the People's Choice award.

Second place went to Hannah Ross, who pitched Kings of the Hill, a documentary about the resurgence of billycarting in Australia.

Life's A Pitch is an annual event. Learn more at www. screenworks.com.au.



Susie Forster accepting her award with Lori Flekser of Screen Australia, John Godfrey of SBS and Paul Wiegard of Madman Entertainment looking on.

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Retrospect celebrates first year

Wine flowed, musicians played and art lovers from near and far gathered to celebrate Retrospect Galleries' first year of business at their new premises on Jonson Street in Byron Bay. The event was held just a day before the public opening of Retrospect's Christmas show, 12 x 12, affording VIP guests the opportunity to preview over 300 works in miniature - including drawings, paintings, photographs, prints, and art/design objects, from more than 50 artists.

There are pieces by Torquay based Doug Bartlett (renowned for their colourful collages of street/surf/art subculture), Brisbane's Nic Plowman, Sydney surf artist Luke Taaffe and well known locals including photographers Alberto Sanchez, Jeff Dawson and David Young, and artists climbed onto The Wreck at 'like being in a Salvador Dali ley Graham, has so far proved Jan Rae, Noel Hart, John Cottrell and Dolores Cupcake.

First to sell at the event was Luke Taffe's triptych, 'The The Burning Man serie, also Wreck', a work in ink and acrylic on recycled wood, depicting the tale of the two

Laura Skerlj's series entitled Crows and Hearts, Crystal and Come Visit on show at Retrospect.

Byron Bay not so long ago, painting'. screaming 'shark'.

Photos from Jeff Dawson's proved popular. The series depicts Dawson's experience of The Burning Man Festival female backpackers who in 2008, which he describes as bought by local architect Har-

Skerlj's three pieces created a over. sensation, selling out in the first day. Her haunting painting with an embracing anthropomorphic crow and dog,

to be the show favourite and Emerging Artist Laura would have sold many times

> Retrospect Galleries' owner, Bree Delain, says, 'In addition to showcasing affordable works by some of our most popular artists, we also wanted to offer an opportunity to some of the new artists who have approached us with requests to exhibit their work.

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Convention is being held in

The Australian Instrumental classes and much more. One of the features of the

Convention for country musicians

event is the involvement of George Torbay as the vocal specialist. George is widely known in vocal circles, but is also a household name due to his appearance as one of the judges on Channel 7's Battle of the Choirs. George will be conducting various vocal sessions, including a special focus on musical theatre.

The Convention is being net.au.

hosted by the North Coast Flute Society and is the brain child of Melissa Philp. Melissa is dedicated to bringing country musicians the same opportunities that their city counterparts receive. There are also scholarships available for those that can't afford to attend.

For further information contact Melissa Philp on 6643 1888 or at melphilp@bigpond.







On Wednesday December 4, the students and families of Mullumbimby Public School celebrated our cultural diversity with a 'Multicultural Day.' The Day's activities began with an assembly showcasing the talents of parents and stuwww.echo.net.au

stories and dance from many different countries.

In the afternoon the students participated in a range of fun activities such as Chinese and Japanese calligraphy, doll making, origami, Mexican and Spanish craft, games from dents who performed music, France and India, and dance

from all over the world. To set the scene for the day a world diversity map of our heritage was created. Amazingly our families came from over forty-five different countries. This fantastic fun day was enjoyed by the whole school community.

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Govt funds affordable housing

Housing Minister David Borger has announced that an extra five homes would be allocated to North Coast Community Housing in the for 2008/2009,' Mr Borger Byron area. Mr Borger said said. the NSW Government uses the Community Housing Assistance Program (CHAP) to buy new homes and redevelop existing sites which are then committed to increasing the allocated to community housing providers.

'The Rees government has allocated a total of \$70 million under the Community Housing Assistance Program

'More and more people are struggling with rising grocery prices and rents and that's why the NSW government is amount and types of affordable housing in NSW?

Byron High students learn film production

Photography, multi-media, from the upcoming series drama and English students were shown, and career opat Byron Bay High School got a very real view of film production this week with a visit from ABC's East of Everything.

The show's producer, writer, cinematographer and production designer held a workshop and question/answer session for the students as part of the ously involved on set as extras, second series' involvement and have created video conwith the community. Scenes tent for the series blog.

portunities discussed. Cross platform media - iPod, mobile and online - were mentioned as ways of providing entertainment in the future, as was costing, funding opportunities, production and design techniques.

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Human rights debate

Day on December 10, the Northern Rivers Community Legal Centre invites the public to the 'Greatest Debate'. A Bill of Rights for Australia, yes or no? Be prepared and informed

Wild animals of Byron's lo- and Small' which runs till Jancal ecology are the stars of the uary 24. Copies of the CD can articles Mary Gardner writes be bought there for \$30. The gallery holds the originals for for The Echo. Over the last two years, she recorded her every photo on the CD. They encounters and observations are able to use any particular image in the making of paper not only in words but with photographs. Her best phoor canvas prints in any size. tos of local birds, snakes and marine life, most never seen easy reach of the public is yet publicly, are now available on another way to raise awarea special CD. The disc conness of the true wild heart of tains many images suitable for Byron,' says Gardner. 'After personal use in a wide variety reading about our local ecolof media such screen savers, ogy in my articles, many peoemails, school or hobby work ple ask me how they can get and mobile phone messages. a photo for themselves. Now this is possible.

December 5 in cooperation rights that all people should with Still @ the Centre / Wayenjoy. 'The message is that the wood Gallery as a part of their new exhibit All Creatures Great cuit, Byron Bay.

New tourism board members

lection panel process, Northern Rivers Tourism is pleased to announce its five newly appointed board members for 2009. They are: Cameron Arnold, general manager of operations from Domain Resorts at Kingscliff-Casuarina, said the degree of interest in Jeremy Challacombe, president of the Grafton Chamber with NRT was outstanding.

nomic development officer with Kyogle Council.

'Putting these images in

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launch its own consultation

and education campaign at the community barrow at the

corner of Carrington and Ma-

gellan St, Lismore on Decem-

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Only two independent Echo titles

Last week the Northern Star was finally able to announce 'APN gets the Echo'. This oddly phrased headline meant that Associated Provincial Newspapers had bought an Echo. But which one?

Judging by our email, readers are confused, so we'll say again that the only Echo APN 'gets' is the Northern Rivers Echo, based in Lismore, whose purchase had been in train since June and delayed by an ACCC investigation into the effects of APN's potential print monopoly in Lismore Shire.

The ACCC (Australian Competition and Consumer Commission) is not known for getting between giant corporations and their prey, and so the sale has gone through.

We are sad to see a community paper subsumed into an overseas-controlled company that owns much of the print media in northern NSW and



reason enough to mourn the the first paper that springs to loss of the Northern Rivers Echo as an independent voice, but there is a further consideration: the risk of innocent misunderstanding. Of course APN has no intention of creating any brand confusion in people's minds, but when an ad rep says 'The Echo,' the

most people's minds.

Consequently we emphasise that in any advertising package offered by APN 'The Echo' refers to the Northern Rivers Echo.

The Byron Shire Echo and its sister publication the Tweed Shire Echo have nothing to Queensland. That would be Lismore publication is not do with any other paper. We

helped found the Northern Rivers Echo, but it was owned by local Lismore people who sold out when they became tired of the effort required to keep it running. There are now only two

genuinely independent Echo titles, and they cover the Byron and Tweed shires. - David Lovejoy, publisher

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Councils welcome \$300m infrastructure program

The National Sea Change Taskforce has welcomed the \$300 million community infrastructure program announced by Prime Minister Kevin Rudd Anthony Albanese.

of the Taskforce and Mayor of the City of Rockingham in Western Australia, said start to the process of helping coastal councils to meet the demand for community infrastructure such as cultural, community facilities.

'We particularly welcome the fact that this funding will local councils for projects to be started straight away,' he

development and job creation in Australia's coastal areas."

'There has been a huge migration of population to Australia's coastal communities and Minister for Infrastructure over the past decade. The latest figures from the Australian Barry Sammels, the Chair Bureau of Statistics show there are now 6.26 million people living in non-metro coastal areas, which represent 82% the program was a welcome of the nation's entire regional population.

'An extra 1.27 million people moved to non-metro coastal areas in the ten years sporting, recreation and other from 1997 to 2007 but the resources did not move with them, which means these communities have a major be made available directly to backlog of local infrastructure cils with small populations projects.

Mr Sammels said Australia's said. 'This will be an impor- coastal councils looked fortant boost to local economic ward to a direct partnership

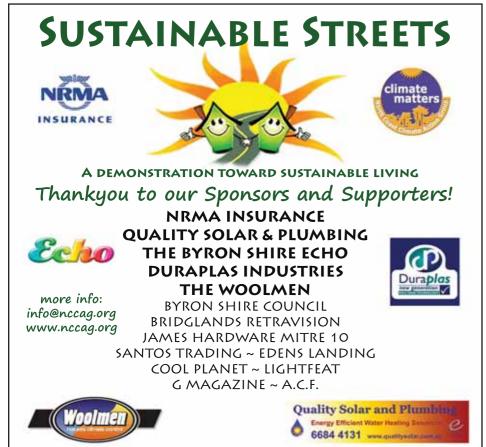
with the federal government.

'Over the past few years we have strongly advocated the need for additional resources to help these communi- nities experiencing the effects ties cope with the demands of rapid population and tourof rapid population growth. ism growth. It is encouraging to see that the federal government has responded to these calls for assistance.

Mr Sammels said the National Sea Change Taskforce will seek clarification on the proposal to make an additional growth fund component available to councils with a minimum population of 30,000.

'A number of coastal counhave experienced some of the highest growth rates in the country,' he said.

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Comment



Violence against women

Prime Minister Kevin Rudd summed up this national disgrace in his speech to the White Ribbon Foundation (www. whiteribbonday.org.au) on September 17 by in part pointing out that in any year, nearly half a million Australian women experience physical or sexual assault by a current or former partner, one in three Australian women have experienced physical violence, and that one in five Australian women have experienced sexual violence.

Doesn't sound like a civilised country, does it? No wonder Amnesty International has targeted Australia's large-scale human rights problem. While welcoming the federal government's National Council to draft a National Plan of Action to reduce violence against women and children, AI is also calling for comprehensive back-up services and you can support that campaign at www.amnesty.org.au/svaw.

Locally, the Byron Shire Committee Against Domestic Violence is highlighting the international 16 Days of Activism Against Violence campaign, which runs from November 25 to December 10.

For women who need to escape from violence the Committee offers a Crisis Line 1800 65 64 63 and an outreach service 6684 4299.

For men who want to understand and overcome their violent behaviour towards women, there is the 24/7 Mensline 1300 78 99 78. The group offers plenty of useful advice online at www.menslineaus.org.au. There is also a local Mensline phone counselling service 7pm-11pm nightly on 6622 2240.

And if you're a bloke who has a mate who can be violent, give him a friendly nudge in the right direction.

- Michael McDonald, editor

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Between chaos and shemozzle

hen federal parliament finally rose last week, the government departed looking quite remarkably governmental.

Not only were Kevin Rudd and his Labor colleagues very comfortably ahead in the opinion polls, they had won every important fight they had got into on the floor of the house.

To most people, this would be irrelevant: the proceedings of parliament are seen, when they are noticed at all, as a series of playground squabbles with no application to the rest of Australia. But in the arcane world of politics, parliament is the stage on which politicians are made and broken.

A single bad week in the chamber can have a devastating effect on the morale of the losing party, and can seriously destabilise its leadership. Malcolm Turnbull must be very grateful that he does not have to front up again until February.

Last week was a complete shemozzle with the opposition performing two major backdowns and unable to decide iust what form the coalition of the Liberal and National parties was supposed to take; on Thursday night it appeared that the choice was between a can of worms and a dog's breakfast.

There had already been splits and defections over the treatment of timber plantations as carbon sinks, resulting in one National, Fiona Nash, losing her front bench position.

Then the coalition abandoned what had previously been described as its immovable, principled opposition to the private school funding bill and admitted that perhaps it was not too much to accept that private schools should reveal their private income and agree to a national curriculum

taxpayer funding. And then on Thursday,

total disintegration over the government's infrastructure fund. The coalition's official position, determined some time ago and confirmed on the day of the crucial vote, was to move amendments to the legislation, but if these were rejected by the government, to let it pass: blocking a huge stimulatory spending program

Libs senate leader Nick Minchin chose to lead his troops from the toilet and coffee shop, where he spent his time while the vote was taken.

by Mungo MacCallum

to a halt was rightly seen as untenable politics. Coalition in an appearance. senators were therefore supposed to vote 'aye' when the tinence and java addiction anything to do with the fact bills returned to the senate on Thursday night.

In the event, just five did so: all of them front bench Liberals and all (it was noted sourly by others) unwavering supporters of Malcolm Turnbull. Two Liberals and all the Nationals voted no, a clear act of defiance. And all the other Liberals abstained, giving the 'Don't know or don't care' movement a majority so overwhelming it looked perilously like consensus. Was this the Liberal version of a political Third Way?

Interestingly among the dominant faction was none other than the Liberal leader in the senate, Nick Minchin, who on this occasion chose to lead his troops from the toilet and coffee shop, where he spent his time while the vote was taken. This was okay, he explained to bemused jourin return for very large sums of nalists later, because after all it a united and confident opposi- would give him a chance.

was only a Mickey Mouse vote tion. So two questions have to be resolved immediately. – everyone knew the numbers were there to pass the bill. In the circumstances, abstaining was perfectly reasonable.

Well, maybe, but the numbers for just about every vote in the senate are predetermined; very few counts come as a surprise, and last year, when the government held an absolute majority, none at all did. However, Minchin usually managed with the economy grinding to postpone his piddle and cap-

So: had his sudden incon-

that he has always been, and

proudly remains, a leader of

the anti-Turnbull push within

the party? Should the anarchy

of Thursday night be inter-

preted as a studied challenge

Well, no, it shouldn't. Firstly

Turnbull hasn't got any au-

thority: if he had, the events

just described would never

have taken place. But sec-

ondly, there is only one other

contender for the party leader-

ship, and that is Tony Abbott;

and while the Liberals may by

confused, directionless and

verging on the desperate, they

are not yet suicidally deranged.

Turnbull is safe for the foresee-

to have to assert himself. Even

if the chaos of last week is at-

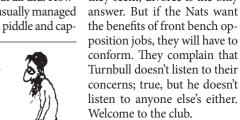
tributed to stuff-up rather than

conspiracy, it hardly indicates

But he is, somehow, going

able future.

to Turnbull's authority?



Which leads to the second question: are the Libs ready to let go of the John Howard legacy or not? Some still seem unwilling to break the habit of a lifetime and reject his failed policies on industrial relations, federalism and even climate change. This is dumb politics, but it has the support of the Howard huggers in the Murdoch press, which the recalcitrants seem to believe gives it some validity. They should have watched The Howard Years on ABC TV to realise how out of touch their attitudes have become.

First, is it a coalition or not?

Are the Nationals inside the

tent, or like their own senate

leader Barnaby Joyce, outside

it? They can't go on having it

both ways, and most of the

Liberals are sick of them try-

ing to. If the policies of the two

parties are as incompatible as

Turnbull was elected as leader to drag the party into the present. So far he has been only partially successful and the wins he has had have come at the cost of resentment, disaffection and, as we have seen, open disunity. Obviously he needs to change his style of leadership, which may prove to be very difficult.

Still, it's worth adding to his already extensive list of New year resolutions. If he fails to do it, he may continue as Liberal leader, but he will never become Prime Minister. Actually he probably won't anyway, but at least a change of style

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they seem, divorce is the only answer. But if the Nats want the benefits of front bench opposition jobs, they will have to conform. They complain that





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Schoolies and holiday letting

and spare a thought for many of the businesses in downtown tertainment suggestions from Byron Bay. With schoolies responding big time to sites like byronschoolies.com and byron-bay.com/schoolies, the is somewhat skewed.

As I have been going about my usual life over the last week or two, I can't help noticing the empty restaurant where I get takeaways (Response: 'Oh the schoolies don't eat in places like this') or being able to get a hair cut straight away (Response: 'Yes, it's pretty quiet this week') or in a clothing shop which isn't a surf shop (Response: 'Well the schoolies take up most of the holiday rentals and so our business is way down'). So where do the schoolies spend their money?

Three weeks to Christmas Well for starters, they go to Woolworths and to the en- a tourist town? their own special websites three nightclubs and three hotels.

tourist population in the town tourists having a good time. They have every right to party. And it's quite endearing to overhear 'What goes with pasta?' in a Woolworths aisle. But, hey, let's stand back a bit and ask: 'Who are the winners here and who are the losers?' I can see local residents with big circles under their eyes. I can see a big stress on infrastructures with no input to Council from the owners of the holiday lets. I read about mess and glass on our pristine beach. I see a lot of kids off their faces. And I can see empty shops and restaurants.

with the new STP for Mullum,

these Councillors resolved to

hold the development mora-

torium in place until there is

no more than five times the

average Dry Weather Flow

through the pipes in periods

transparency and residents

will be informed of the pipes

progress via BSC website, the

To me, this is a brilliant

prove and maybe we'll be able

There is just one hitch. I'm

told that this wonderful Reso-

lution 08-748 may be seriously

challenged by the nay-sayers

and/or corporately interested.

The power of the people might

be needed to support Coun-

media and a leaflet drop.

to swim in it one day!

Byron Bay

For those of you who, like It is great to see the young me, have had their amenity absolutely shattered by mobs of schoolies next door, never lose sight of the fact that this property next door that the scourge is only a symptom of the underlying malaise. And that malaise, which is now bursting out into a festering sore, is called holiday letting in residential areas.

LEP on the table early next the laws are unjust and fail year for public comment, you the people. Injustice like this will be given the opportunity happens when good people to knock this injustice on the head. So keep your powder dry and your baseball bats at the ready.

In the meantime email a

Waiting for the bridge Thanks to the Council for revisiting the Helen Street Bridge project. I am delighted. After such a long wait, we all hope that the bridge will be completed in a timely way.

I'm 65. Will I get to 'walk on of heavy rain. Furthermore, water' before I 'shuffle off this the Councillors voted for mortal coil' do you think?

> Anne Hay North Ocean Shores

The pipes are calling

Hoorah for our councillors! Six of them have voted to save the health of our river will imthe Brunswick River from Mullum's poo pollution and get the pipes fixed – perhaps wholly replaced if deemed necessary. The funding for this work will be made a priority of 2009/10.

Even though Byron Shire Council is still going ahead

Letters to the Editor

cillors' resolution to clean up the Brunswick River.

Deborah Lilly Mullumbimby

Supporting CONOS

Because Splendour in the chaeological impacts that will Grass promoters are intent on pursuing their plans to stage their event at Yelgun in 2009, legal action has been initiated by Conservation of North Ocean Shores Inc (CONOS).

The action is against Counoutcome. If all goes to plan, cil's approval of the 'trial' and is being supported by the Environmental Defender's Office. If you think the previous Council's approval of Splendour's 'trial' DA was inappropriate, write to Council and urge them *not* to defend against this legal action (council@byron.nsw.gov.au). The legal challenge is an ex-

Is this the right balance for deluge of complaints to all councillors. Take out noise Sandra Heilpern abatement orders against those people who lumber you with a succession of carousing strangers. And there's another thing you can do.

When I phoned and informed the owner of the next time I'm woken at 2am I'd be calling her at 2am she suddenly became conciliatory. Some may call this vigilante action and maybe it is but anarchy and revolution When the council puts the only find fertile ground when remain silent.

Are you going to be a hammer or a nail?

pensive option, but there is no

other option. The developers

have pushed their agenda hard

despite repeatedly expressed concerns about the negative

social, environmental, and ar-

result. If you can help with the

legal expenses, direct your do-

nations to the CONOS Inc ac-

count at Summerland Credit

Union, Rajah Road (Ocean

Village Shopping Centre),

Coalition for Festival Sanity

It's interesting to note in Back-

lash (Echo, December 2) that

the majority of Councillors

are happy to keep day time

meetings, and I'm pleased that

speakers that are conscientious

and passionate enough to speak for five minutes on their regis-

tered topic, are now minuted by Council and recorded for all

the community to view.

Denise Nessel

Ocean Shores, 2483.

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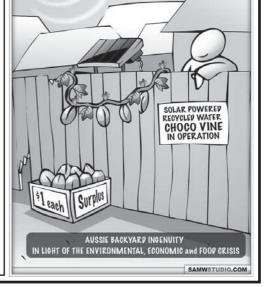
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Worshipping idols in the temple of belief – or not?

There is nothing sinister or under- for raising this vexing issue publicly, handed about applying for a teaching job advertised in a local paper, sons why his organisation is so keen Mr Woods (Letters, December 2).

Despite reservations about my suitability for the SRE position at Mullum High, the very pleasant and helpful contact lady encouraged me to apply and offered to drop the information kit in my letter box.

When I read Byron Religious Education Association's (BREA) job description I found it rather disturbing that a public school teacher would be allowed to evangelise and possibly 'infiltrate' students' lives and minds in the manner described, without parents' knowledge or permission.

As Michael McDonald's article pointed out, BREA's activities and programs may be in breach of Education Department policy. Like many this newsworthy!

Only two lines in BREA's document mention teaching and developing lesson plans. Being a qualified, experienced teacher is a preferred but not essential criterion.

Public high school teachers have undertaken at least 4-6 years of tertiary study. An SRE 'teacher' may not be qualified or deserve the same status or authority as other quality teachers working in the educamarks!

Despite Mr Woods's assurance that subjects do not go unchallenged in the classroom, the 'Statement of Belief' SRE teachers are obliged to sign is rather scary and indicates reason is well and truly asleep.

An SRE teacher's role also extends beyond the classroom, and does not appear to focus on student welfare, but on enlisting new disciples and teaching them to obey the fundamentalist principles espoused by BREA.

friends who I respect and don't wish to offend. However these issues are a genuine concern for a secular humanist, which Mr Woods and Pastor Hart have yet to address.

Mr Woods needs to explain the reato exploit the opportunities provided by our public school system.

> Michele Grant Ocean Shores

■ I would like to thank Michael Mc-Donald for his timely reminder that the religious indoctrination of infants is not compulsory in Australian schools.

Parents could easily be forgiven for being under the impression that it is - and they will soon discover that opting their child out of 'scripture' requires firm pressure against the persuasive reluctance of the staff. The staff attitude is understandable; 'scripture' on their schedule reads as 'time off' from parents and Echo readers I consider classroom teaching (which they no doubt need). It is made perfectly clear to parents that their child will be offered nothing interesting to do while their classmates are at 'scripture'. I have been told by a senior officer of the department of education that this is departmental policy - that an interesting alternative would empty the scripture classes and require the provision of additional teaching resources.

The failure of the department to tion system - hence the quotation provide adequate resources and an interesting alternative is in fact a Atheist blessings on Paul Hamill form of compulsion and in direct conflict with its duty under the constitution to provide an education that is free, universal and secular.

Byron Bay

■ Michele and Adrian appear to have hit the nail on the head with their comments about BREA. Perhaps my comments may help further.

They are 100% right when they say Christianity is all based on faith. I personally have many Christian Only our faith will get us to heaven or hell and remember this - wherever you end your days you will be there as a volunteer.

The comments about the teachings being restricted to the classroom. Just Instead of questioning my motives remember when a business produces



a product that is good they advertise it by all means available.

Well, Christians have found something that is perfect so they too advertise it.

The difference is that we are so sure of our faith that we do our advertising face to face. Perhaps I should say some others unfortunately tend to hide their light under a bushel.

> A T Downs Byron Bay

(Letters, December 2) for letting a very scratchy cat out of the bag: the 'Word of God' (capital W, capital G). The claim to absolute truth John Weiley fortifies many a potentate against reason and compassion, the easier to claw out resistance when jihad comes to town. Yet thankfully, the human spirit resists absolute authority, so the 'Word of God' foretells the Death of God. Hence only around nine percent of Australians believe religion sufficiently to attend church regularly.

The 'Word of God' is frozen in time; revelation cannot be revised. As human morality develops, god, or more correctly, god's priests cannot keep up, so they resist. They become the animals, and Eve later still. In dogs in the manger of moral de-

velopment. Thus, homophobia and females are created at the same time misogyny are actively kept alive by organised religion which retains sufficient power over the secular state to have its repugnant views imposed on a secular community. For this reason alone religion deserves no place in our schools.

When Martin Luther King spoke intelligent ? those wonderful words that a person should be judged not by the colour of their skin but by the content of their character, he drove a golden stake through the intellectual heart debate. Napoleon is usually credof racism. Where now is the voice ited with having said, 'From the from organised religion to rise up in Martin Luther King's spirit and say a person should be judged not by their sexual preference or their gender but by the content of their character? Instead the prelates stand like boorish bouncers to block the churches to gay marriage and women's equality. They coerce governments to prevent aid agencies from teaching safe-sex practices and distributing condoms ily veer towards the ridiculous. Just in AIDS infected Africa, while they look at fundamentalist movements. dine at fat tables with the princes of It doesn't get much sillier than turnthe world. For these reasons alone ing the ineffable into a hard sell! religion deserves no place in our schools.

As Bertrand Russell noted, real human progress is often won against the claims and pressures from priests. God can be safely left to return to dust in the cobwebbed nursing home of Heaven. Here in the real world, all we need is one another and this lovely Earth.

Adrian Gattenhof Mullumbimby

The letters from Paul Hamill and other correspondents on the Bible and Creation etc make facinating reading, as it seems that most never fully read their bibles and fewer still read Darwin, but line up to criticise nevertheless.

There are two, count 'em, two versions of creation in the bible and they are different. In Genesis One, the creation of animals comes ahead of the creation of humans; in Genesis Two, Adam is created ahead of Genesis One, note that males and

D

as well.

This is only one of many contradictions and duplicate versions of biblical events that can be found in 'The Word Of God'.

So, which of the two creations is the intelligent one, and which is un-

> **David Janzen** Elanora QLD

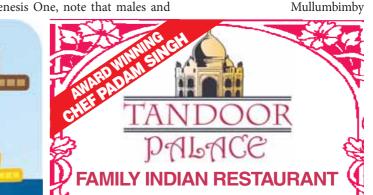
About the God versus No-God sublime to the ridiculous, there is but one step.' He was being very metaphysical. He was talking about the deeper relationship between apparent opposites.

We get so serious about spiritual stuff. When we enshrine wisdom in the name of religion, the kids are right to associate it with wowsers. By grabbing it too hard, we can eas-

But the shrine builders are not just the ones that grab too hard at salvation. Their apparent opposites, the raving atheists and 'rationalists' who reject too bitterly, can also end up looking pretty hysterical. At a time when science finally allows that we don't know what anything ultimately 'is', hammering us with scientific 'facts' can also make us feel in the preacher's firing line.

Extreme positions of any sort spring from unacknowledged emotional needs. In other words, they're unreliable. Whether we're blindly following a dubious preacher or sitting in an intellectual tower conjuring up polemics, we're worshipping something put in place over the years by our drive to construct an impregnable self. One with hardand-fast opinions that trembles before the possibility that there is no hard-and-fast. Trembles before the possibility that the wisest thing ever said is 'who knows?'

Catherine Baker



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No matter the issue (provided the topic is not abusive), the community's concerns and thoughts should be respected and acknowledged and hopefully responded to and resolved with early action.

The only Councillor who can't be there because he is a school teacher (also well advertised to voters, too, prior to election) is Simon Richardson. This also is interesting because Simon, like the rest of the Council applicants, knew the job description and criteria, including the times to be at Council, before we even thought about applying for the position.

This effectively robbed other candidates, who genuinely wanted to assist and serve their community, of the opportunity to be on Council. To all those residents who have commented to me that if Cr Richardson has to stand down. Tina would be next in line to take his place on Council: trust me, this is not like the Melbourne Cup. We will have to have another by-election at a cost of \$75,000+ to the ratepayers to elect a replacement. Traditionally, by-elections are inundated with Green candidates (not necessarily genuinely wanting to serve their community) who assist their party mates through preferences to get elected.

with the other Councillors'

meetings, so he's registered a rescission motion to try and force all Councillors to accept night time meetings.

For future reference, anybody thinking about being a Councillor needs to consider just how dedicated they can be in serving their community, and if you aren't genuinely wanting to serve as a Councillor for the required time, don't apply at all.

Fairly good bet

Apparently Ephraim Sella (Letters, December 2) has done an apprenticeship among the 'Masters of the Universe' aka 'Big Swinging Dicks' on Wall Street. It would appear that, full of remorse for his misspent youth, he has embarked on a zealous crusade to expose 'something' about BSC investments.

The derivatives (how it slips off the tongue now) in question are the CDOs which are losing face value on the council financial statements. I am informed that we still collect the interest and unless they go completely belly-up we will be refunded full original value on maturity, regardless of the estimated market value at the time - we have already redeemed a couple on these terms.

Ephraim wants to see the full Now, Simon's not happy entrails of these CDOs which consist of bundles of over 200

decision to stay with day time individual investments. If they for \$20 grand?' The anwer is were listed would we be any the wiser? Who would make the judgement? We already have professional advice (distrusted by Ephraim but why 'bundles' are of good quality, that we carry the lowest level of risk of the various grades of investors and that it would put the investment at risk.

> **Tina Petroff** that we are completely in the a little more digging around. a fairly good bet.

I suspect Ephraim may be suffering from a bad case of relevance deprivation but for simply boring.

Affordable housing

The state government has announced a first home owners grant totalling \$24,000 which entitled to purchase the dwellis available now until June 30 for the erection of new dwellings for the owner to reside in for a period of not less than six months. The government is also offering an additional up to \$8000 for the installation of a gridfeed solar power system. On top of that again, another \$1000 to install a Solar Hot Water system. So we're up to \$33,000 so far to get into a more-or-less self sufficient out how hard it actually is to affordable housing option.

'But', I can here vou ask, 'what kind of place can I build

pretty simple. The good old tried and tested yurt, legally constructed from recycled materials and adhering to safety and government standwould they lie now?) that our ards. I know some people out there will contest the solar efficiency or awkward shape of such a dwelling, and I am open to any option at the motake 12 unit bankruptcies to ment that involves me getting out of this horrid profiteer-No one could say for certain ing rental dilemma, so I did Ocean Shores clear but it would seem to be A call to the State Revenue Office yielded this little piece of information: It is not a requirement that you own the land that the dwelling is built the moment he has become upon, so long as you have a statutory declaration from the Cr Tom Tabart land owner declaring that you Brunswick Heads have exclusive right to occupy the allotted land; the owner is not contributing in any way to the construction costs; and the owner of the land is not ing if it is sold. Then the grant is given consideration.

Now this is all sounding a little too good to be true. \$33,000 to build an economic and environmentally friendly-ish dwelling and you don't even need to own the land?!

I don't know about you but that sounds like the deal of a lifetime to me. Time for a few council enquiries to find get into affordable housing around this shire, or are they continued on page 16



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New committee at BCCC



The Byron Community & Cultural Centre, once commonly known as the Heart of Byron, has recently had changes in the makeup of its staff and the membership of the management committee. A new committee was elected at their AGM on November 24.

The new committee is: President: David Kenny, Sec- Directory coordinator. retary: Robert Eldridge, Treasurer: David Sweet, Committee Members: Jaimee Skippon-Volke, David Gilet, Michael Sharmon, Betty Dengate and Tim Winton-Brown.

is well known by the community for her longtime work for both the community centre and her role in administer-

work history in criminal jus- needs,' says the committee. tice and social welfare.

There is also new staff with Barbara Keen taking on the position of interim general manager and Tess Cullen as interim market manager. They join existing staff Moira Leonard, venue coordinator, Diana Riddout, accounts manager, President: Jani Collins, Vice and Judy Shelley, Community

'These changes reflect the need from the Byron Bay Community Association to concentrate on establishing a firm financial position with a strong and structured base New president Jani Collins from which to build the Byron Community & Cultural Centre back to its former place in the community as a generous centrepiece in the shire of Byron: ing emergency relief in Byron. inclusive, diverse and support-Robert Eldridge has a long ive of the community and its or Moira on 6685 6807.

The Centre houses an eclectic mix of people and professional organisations such as BayFM, NRWC, SCU, the Salvation Army Dropin Centre and the Homeless Breakfast while also running a professional theatre, emergency relief and a multicultural drop-in centre.

'These competing interests place unique stresses on the building and the team of people who volunteer to manage it, president Jani Collins said.

We are incredibly thankful to our volunteers and staff, and I would welcome anyone interested in making a difference to come and volunteer at the Centre?

If you are interested in volunteering please call Barbara

Transport volunteers are welcome

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'Thanks to our volunteers, 50,000 trips to medical appointments, shopping access bus trips, and social bus trips,' says TBBCT.

'Over 130 active volunteers range in age from 20 to 80 years, and help with a variety of transport roles:

difficult to get from some of our more isolated villages into a reimburse our volunteers for regional centre to see a specialist, or even into town to see the local GP. Many of our clients just wouldn't be able to access important appointments if it comprehensive insurance. weren't for our volunteers.

last year we provided over the ageing population in the north coast, we are seeking new volunteer drivers in all our shires.

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continued from page 13 just tooting their horns?

If there are any landholders out there with a nice north facing slope or patch of land, I'm prepared to come to the party with whatever it takes. Contact me on 3rdeyefotos@ gmail.com.au.

Byron Bay

Country roads

Personally I thought that Fast Buck\$'s idea a couple of weeks back of taking a paintbrush to the traffic lanes at Byron's Lawson/Jonson Street roundabout in the hope of improving traffic flow into Byron seemed

spot on to me: a cheap, verifiable, potentially instantaneous solution for a visible undeniable problem that affects a high proportion of readers in the here and now, with no obvious downside, except perhaps simply not working (in which case it can be just as cheaply Christian Watts and instantly undone).

Just the sort of thing in other words, and to judge from the complete lack of reaction, that doesn't interest readers of *The Echo* (any more than the **Bridge failure** Council) in the slightest.

Perhaps this explains why there hasn't been a peep either about the situation on Wilsons Creek road between the

long stretch of which has been reduced by the council to slippery splattering mud, and left that way for weeks now as the potholes grow, all for no obvious purpose and with virtually no sign of work in progress nor any end in sight (let alone any explanation or promise of a finishing date)

Mark Ottaway Wilsons Creek

The residents of Possum Creek and surrounding areas have been let down by Byron Shire Council. The bridge over Opossum Creek was

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flood events in 07/08. Over 400 vehicle movements a day used the bridge.

If Byron Shire Council had conducted the necessary inspections following flood events, full funding for repair was available from NSW state government.

The closure of the Opossum Creek Bridge has placed an additional traffic load on Friday Hut Road and the dangerous intersections of the Pacific Highway and Coolamon Scenic Drive at St Helena and the Lismore-Bangalow Road at Binna Burra.

Golf Club and Lavertys Gap, a damaged beyond repair after passed the following: 1. Noting the existing project estimate of \$884K. 2. Allocated a further \$379K from Auslink to Recovery 09/10 financial year. 3. Approved the project to be advertised for tender in the current 08/09 financial year for construction in the 09/10 financial year.

The community will have been without a bridge for well over two years before any result. Cost of replacement continues to increase. Byron Shire residents are now required to meet the full cost of possibly over \$1m with all associated works. Mismanagement or On November 27 Council neglect? You decide.

Get on with it. Advertise for tenders now.

> **Greg Clarke & Ron Hutchinson** Possum Creek

To the barricades

Interesting to see that once again they are replacing the glass on the Pacific Highway near St Helena. How nice to replace these glass panels, once again, for the target practice and entertainment for some dimwit in the shire.

I don't know why after the constant re-damaging of these glass panels somebody doesn't have enough common sense to stop wasting money, time and resources and place another type of non see-through sound barricade in its place.

It is an astonishing view of the Bay, and a total delight for all to see.

Hang on a minute... aren't we suppose to be paying attention to the 'dangerous' descent of this part of the highway? That much talked-about speed camera has been placed there because of this reason.

Now there's a thought: 'Excuse me, Your Honour, I feel you should drop my speeding fine, as I observed they replaced the glass (again) so myself and others can enjoy the vista, as this distracted myself from the speed I was travelling, so how 'bout it?'

Sensible notions and actions are not common in today's world. We will have to wait and see. To see through the barricade or not to see through the barricade, that is the question. N McDonald

Ocean Shores

Is the milk safe?

Relating to the article about 'cow sharing co-op' (Echo, December 2), I do hope that these cows are all Tuberculin tested, because if not, those participants in this project are in danger of contracting Bovine Tubercolosis which affects bones, particularly the spine and hips. Many years ago in my nursing career I cared for people with 'TB hips' which was both painful and disabling for them.

Louis Pasteur, considered almost a saint by the French, was responsible for the pasteurisation process which destroyed the many pathogens that are attracted to raw unprocessed milk. I fail to see how the milk straight from the cow is any more nutritious than pasteurised milk. If you don't agree with this point of view, please provide adequate research for your argument. Jacqueline McCallum Byron Bay



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Circus comes to Goonengerry



The circus was in Goonengerry last week when the students from Goonengerry Public School put on their end of year concert. This year the talented concert coordinators Angela and Sue presented an outdoor spectacular featuring a cast of over 70 musicians, jugglers, acrobats, clowns, stilt walkers, hoopers and the cutest baby elephants since Barnum & Bailey. The night was such a success even the moon was smiling down upon them.





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The Gathering

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he Gathering, like the ceremonial gatherings of ancient indigenous culture, is the bringing together all aspects of our modern multi culture. The Echo's fortnightly

feature will endeavour to create a core structure to be inclusive of all people and all art forms - sourcing traditional art mediums such as song, dance, body

he art of the Australian aboriginal begins with the creation of the world. These people stood on the earth and looked at its treasures, its dreams and the sky and recreated what they saw in documented and performance art.

Australian indigenous art is the oldest ongoing tradition knowledge, arts, rituals and performances from one generation to another.

Indigenous art demonstrates the love that Aboriginal people have of the land

Ceremony is and was a large part of indigenous life and ceremonial performances were seen as the core of cultural life bringing together all aspects of their culture – song, dance, body decoration, sculpture

decoration, sculpture and painting as well and the many and varied modern, electronic and digitalised forms as well

This is a way to share our beliefs, thoughts, ideas and passions within our 'tribe' and with other tribes as well - the aim of the Gathering is to make art, both message and entertainment, accessible to everyone.

We wish to restore art to its proper place within our culture as a form

and painting and became a way of sharing their beliefs within their tribe and with other tribes as well.

Ceremony is the underlying motivation of indigenous art and contains many significant elements which are all part of a complex whole. Song and dance were

exchanged often at large ceremonial gatherings. To dance is to be knowledgeable

The artistic spirit has been allowed freedom to move and expand into every aspect of our daily life and the symbols, song and dance of this form of communication are an integral part of why many of us choose to live here.

about the stories of the ancestors and dancing, unlike painting and singing, is learnt at an early age.

Aboriginal art depicts spiritual and natural life as well as everyday happenings. For this reason, Aboriginal art has been described as acting as a history book for



The Gathering is calling out to the arts and culture community to get in touch with The Echo to share their personal art quest or artform with our readers in 2009.

We will be expanding on the thoughts, ideas and manifestations of artists in the area and hope to cover the broadest spectrum available.

For more information about The Gathering or to submit your artform for publication.

Australian aboriginal cultures. The earliest known forms

of Aboriginal expression were rock carvings, body painting and ground designs, which date back more than 40,000 vears.

Like other rock art found throughout the world, the images reflect the lives and cultures of the people, the artwork has always been about telling a story, mapping

or marking a territory, or connecting with the land and the ancestors who created it. Some of the subject matter of these paintings includes kangaroos, people and even apparently mythological creatures shaped like a cross between humans and



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of art in human history and has always been an important part of Aboriginal life as a means not only to express creativity and style but as a way to breathe life and longevity into their cultural heritage by passing their

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birds. Drawings depicted symbols, designs and people in a spiritual manner.

While much of the art done on rocks has been washed away, cave paintings have managed to survive a lot longer.

Ochre, burnt bone, charcoal and haematite stones were used to make the drawings in limited colours of reds, yellows, blacks and whites. The aboriginal people used what nature provided to draw with and for their canvas to relay their story.

Bark was also used as a canvas, similar to rocks and caves. Etches into bark can still be seen on a few trees today but weather and other natural damage such as ant infestation have decimated these examples.

A report by the Cultural Ministers' Council – Statistics Working Group in 2007 suggested that today, over a quarter of Australia's indigenous population are involved in creative arts, with almost twice as many Indigenous females as males. The heart beats on. The local indigenous people, the Arakwal and Bundjalung, have a rich cultural and artistic heritage and today more and more people get a chance to experience what has been passed down through the artwork of local people such as dancer and storyteller Nigel Stewart.

Much of the technique and location of ancient Arakwal and Bundjalung cultural history is maintained in the protective shell of oral tradition, to preserve the true culture and integrity of the information. It is not with frivolity or commercial intention that such a precious resource is imparted, but with the highest regard, dedication, patience and intention.

These fertile traditions have created a spiritual backdrop for all forms of art in the area, which manifest on a daily basis in the studios, garages, sheds, kitchens, gardens and the halls and community spaces of the Shire.

The artistic spirit has been allowed freedom to move and

expand into every aspect of our daily life and the symbols, song and dance of this form of communication are an integral part of why many of us choose to live here.

The legacy has been left, it is now up to us to continue the custom and join with the traditional custodians and breathe our collective creative air into our culture and merge with the art history of this land.

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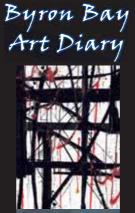
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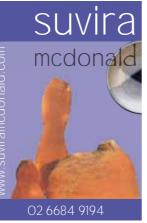
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Discovering the true tale of coral

Story & photo MaryGardner

Something is still missing. Here on Byron beaches are animals that are gifts from the days of origin. Some easy beachcombing and we can see the first creatures to be multicellular, to have different types of tissues, to feature nervous systems. These are the Porifera (sponges), Ctenophora (comb jellies) and Cnidaria (jellyfishes and anemones). But rarely if ever is there anything from a major member of the last group: the corals.

In bulk over eons, corals were pulled up throughout the Pacific by the demigod Maui who was fishing for land. His eager brothers started cutting through the catch, creating what we now see as jagged fringes, barriers and atolls.

Mind you, with less myth but equal wonder, corals are also small creatures, living in colonies. Although a major group of them are soft bodied, the ones that first come to mind are the stony reef builders. The animal itself is soft and small. Its oral opening is like the anemone, ringed with retractable tentacles. These capture small animals by automatically releasing poisonous stinging darts.

Each individual animal uses calcium carbonate from the water to create a rigid external frame for itself. It's able to do so successfully because of its jeopardised. zooxanthellae, a green alga. The algae live inside the coral, colouring it and handing over products from its photosynthesis. In exchange, the algae get fats and sugars digested from the animal's meat meals. There is more energy around than either requires. The extra is used by the coral in creating more than a minimal skeleton, more of a great reef.



timate affair. Living in each other's pocket is a biochemical asset. Lynn Margulis finds this major biological relationship of cooperation is also fundamental to how our own cells evolved. Millions of years of integration have transformed our cells irrevocably.

But in the coral/algae affair, when the seawater is only one degree too high for a few days too many, the coral becomes stressed. Trying to save itself, it ends up ejecting the algae. At first, the algae swim nearby. If the water cools, it will join the coral again. But the opportunity to 'kiss and make up' is very brief. If not used, both coral and algae die and the reef becomes 'bleached'. The community that has

built up around the coral breaks down. With the ongoing climate changes, entire ecosystems and human societies themselves are becoming

Although there are thirty species of coral known at our Julian Rocks, only some are reef builders. Conditions here, where temperate and tropical waters mix, are the edge of what many corals tolerate. Nevertheless, the honeycomb and cauliflower corals live here. Perhaps said more accurately these days, they die here. This year's research agenda of This symbiosis is an in- the marine park includes in-

vestigating local coral distress.

Finding out how a species or a community manages depends on observation and storytelling. Both activities are intertwined and influence each other. Both are affected by science which offers methods to help curb fantasy and perhaps fine tune trustworthiness. Science even considers the lifecycles of fact-finding itself.

In 1995, Daniel Pauly, a marine scientist in Vancouver BC, noticed that stories about fish populations over time were getting skewed. Real world collapses of fisheries were completely unexpected by experts. He found the baseline information for the compositions of species and sizes of stock appeared to be what each generation of scientists found at the start of their careers.

But this is not necessarily the start of the fishes' careers either in time or place. Incredibly, what the scientists missed observing was that their baselines were of degraded situations going worse. Pauly labelled this reality misalignment the 'shifting baseline syndrome'.

Pauly went on to uncover more dilemmas with field observations. He found greater science, what could we develop reality misalignment espe- here among the people of our cially when the criterion for community?

a 'true story' was very rigid: strictly numerical, compiled by experts. These days, he makes a case for including oral histories and local lore, photographs and artwork. For material collected across generations of residents or harvesters in that area. For history.

To understand the true tale of coral here in Byron, we also need to collate our stories from every source we can. The current information at Julian Rocks now must be set in together with whatever else can be collated from anecdotes, old shell and rock collections, local lore. And to respect this information requires that we create a centre for it.

Yes, an aquarium would suit the bill nicely. We could use a mid sized non-profit enterprise, where our local marine and freshwater habitats are the focus of attention. Data collection projects and information displays could bring in not only tourists but residents and their children. And the young people wondering about life, its meanings and their own place in it.

Oh for a café and resource room with microscopes where people could talk with each other about what they know and learn! Imagine a vibrant centre for not only our collections but for our intellectual life. A venue for exhibiting our own stories and also those from around the world.

I watch the vase coral in the display fish tanks at the Beach Hotel. In such tanks biologists recently watched bleached coral slowly revive by incorporating an unexpected species of algae. If we had an aquarium, what could we learn about our own corals and more? Having a centre for local ecology and





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I have been a feminist since I was 17 years old. Over the years I've tired of the comment that it's a redundant ideology. Feminism is now more relevant than ever. You only have to look at the sexualisation of young girls, and the culture of self mutilation and self objectification to realise that our young women have lost two decades of ground. Where we once rallied against the objectification by the 'male gaze' we are now faced with a generation who has learnt to oppress themselves, by turning the camera in and capturing a t pornographic pout, then posting it in cyberspace for anonymous public consumption. This is the landscape called youth culture, and it is the inspiration for local filmmakers Michael Balson and Amrita Hobbs who commence filming their documentary *Is teenage sexuality too hot* too handle? this week with a special lecture, and Q & A session with author Maggie Hamilton.

Maggie Hamilton is the author of *What's Happening To Our Girls*, a text which investigates the impact of 'raunch culture' and the early sexualisation of our children. For Michael Balson, now a grandfather of a 13 year old girl, it's a subject that has been close for two generations.

'When my kids went through everything it was all very open. It was positive for our relationship but in a way it isolated me from my peers because I knew things about their kids that I couldn't tell them. You can't break the trust of your kids. A lot of what

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is illegal, you can't be seen to condone it, but you also need them to keep talking to you.' **Amrita and Michael plan to**

explore several themes in their documentary. One is the inadequacy of giving kids the tools to navigate intimacy and sexuality in a real way.

'Sex education is more about biology than emotion', Michael says, 'Kids need to learn about the psychology of sex.' Paradoxically, Michael also believes that it's the information overload that has burdened children with too much too soon. 'When we were kids we didn't have anywhere near the information that kids have today.'

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Michael is keen for this first session to initiate something he sees as imperative in creating a safety net for our kids: clear channels of communication.

'We have to open up a dialogue with parents and across the generations about what's going on with their children. They need to talk honestly about what they did, what their lives were like. Kids need to be rewarded for their honesty. There's a betrayal that takes place where often kids are punished for telling the truth and rewarded for lying. This creates a fundamental injustice and gives out the wrong message.'

It doesn't just start in the teen years. Maggie Hamilton will be speaking about cultural sexualisation and the impact of media and technology from ages as young as three and four and the development of a tween culture that actively shapes young values.

With the access to mobile phones, MSN, My Space and increased expectations about social freedom, young people have entered a subculture where adults are denied access. For many it's a time of high risk behaviours where parents are flummoxed about how to protect their kids while at the same ensuring that they are not excluded from Teenland.

Michael explains what he

calls 'Teenland' as 'a world of secrets with its own code of behaviour. It can be more extreme in its own language and more informed and less informed at the same time. There is a lot of misinformation out there. It's very much a secret subculture.'

I am aware of this. I've sat for hours trying to crack my daughter's password to track her path in Myspace. To no avail!

Join Amrita, Michael and Maggie Hamilton in this important session where we talk about our kids.

We worry about a generation of I-obsessed children. But there's also a bigger question and responsibility that we need to take as parents, and that is: why are we failing our children?

Wednesday at the Mullumbimby Civic Hall. \$15. 4pm. For info call Amrita on 0419336291 or Michael on 66802947.





SOAF boX Mandy Nolan

TERRORISTS NOW TARGETING MINI-BARS

It was with horror last week that I read about the plight of travellers held hostage at the Taj **Mahal and Oberoi Hotels** in Mumbai. I emailed my friend, comedian Jonathan Atherton, who now lives and works between India and Singapore to check that he hadn't suffered an untimely upgrade. He replied that 5 star hotels were out of his league and most of the abodes where he was accommodated would be vastly improved by the odd spot of terrorism. I imagined being confined to my room, like the chap from the Hunter Valley who had to live off wine samples and chocolate from the mini-bar. You'd end up fat, pissed and freaked out. This was the ultimate act of terrorism. Hotel guests were forced to eat from the mini-bar. If you made it out alive you'd be hit up with a mini-bar bill that would have you re-mortgaging your home. Hotel mini-bars seem to operate in an economy all of their own. On a recent hotel stay I got slogged \$8 for a small bottle of still water. At three in the morning with chronic dry mouth you ain't reading the charge sheet. It's extortion. There you are in the cool air-conditioned comfort of your room, a little bit tipsy and you think, I'll just have a chockie, and maybe finish off with a scotch. That's a \$30 endeavour. It's even worse travelling with kids.

To them, this tiny fridge is like finding the Holy Grail. It's the sugar stash that diabetic dreams are made of. Your own personal refrigerated receptacle for holding chocolate and softdrink. I have three kids, so by the time they've had one drink each and one delicious snack, my holiday budget is blown. The mini-bar is to the world of travel what the apple tree was to the garden of Eden. One bite and you'll be taking a rogering at the desk by a bloke called Sebastian with bad skin and a stupid badge. It was the same in Paradise, God was on reception and Adam took the hit. 'That apple's gonna cost ya buddy. If you haven't got cash you are gonna have to leave this 5 star eco resort I call The Garden of Eden and move to a caravan park.' Adam and Eve weren't really in a position to rush out to the local fruit and veg store and staple gun a replacement apple to the tree before house cleaning turned up to report the loss (at that point in history, God was using snakes). For a start, that was the only apple tree. Last time I shared a room with the evil mini-bar I went out and bought replacements. Not just enough to replace what we'd consumed, but extra stock. Using their product charge rates, when I checked out, they owed



Beggin For It!!!

I'm off to the costume shop to source my Beggar Queen outfit. Having never held such an esteemed position before, I am unsure what such a powerful matriarch would wear. Rags I imagine. I will channel some of the finest feral princess wear from the late nineties. Anyway I'll be frocked up, or unfrocked, depending on the weather, riding into town this Saturday, hitching a ride with Santa. Which seems unusual because while I'm the same shape as the rotund alcoholic, I'm representing the end result of consumerism. We'll be accompanied by a Beggars Orchestra of musos, clowns, fairies, elves and village idiots, lead by Greg (King-of-fools) Sheehan. If I have to dress up then so do you. Don't make me look like a dickhead. Why don't you come dressed as your favourite character and join in the Beggar Queen's Parade, which will leave the St Vincent de Paul Centre in Marvel St at 12pm? So what is it you ask? The Beggars Banquet features a free feast, from 12.30 till 2pm Railway Park in Byron. Everyone's invited to bring a plate and share in this unique community celebration of equality and oneness. The Banquet will lay on a smorgasbord of music, dance and entertainment, from 10am till late. The entertainment menu includes: Samagaha (Indonesian gamelan-fusion), Byron Bay Youth Band, Arakwal Welcome to Country, Jukebox Joy (old school), Fidlmusik (violin



duo), Tropicoso (Latin), The Big Bandidos (14 piece swing band), Island Heart (hula), Natural Colour, Shenanigans (Irish), Tinker's Cuss, Touch & Go (positive punk), Sueno (flamenco guitar & dance), Rhythm Konnection (African drum & dance), Big Drum Jam, Pyro Dragons (fire show), Sunset Ceremony, Seraphim (tribal bellydance), Fleeting Forest, Bollywood Sisters, Nakula (gypsy modern) and Positive Timing, the shire's newest reggae roots/world music group with musicians from France, Colombia, Mexico, America, Malta and Australia. Some of Byron's best-loved buskers will also be playing, including Jimbo, Juan & (Mad) Matt Hartley. All proceeds from this year's Banquet will go to support a Drop-In Centre in Byron, so punters are requested to donate generously. 10am till late.

All That Re-Mains

With a Coopers sponsorship ensuring their favourite bevvy is always waiting for them at the venue, the **Re-Mains** are just back from a southern tour taking in Newcastle, Maitland, Sydney, Canberra, Melbourne and the Dandenongs. That's a lot of pale ale. They stumble back into town this weekend to play the **Lennox Point** Hotel on Friday at 9pm, and the Winsome Hotel, Lismore on Saturday supported by Bellingen's own pale punk rockers, Brut 66.

A Gypsy Christmas

Come along to the **Channon Hall** on **Saturday** and kick off the festive season with Stipsky. **Stipsky** plays music from around the globe with a funky rhythm section guaranteed to get you dancing. The evening will be recorded for a live CD. Entry is \$8, \$5 conc or \$15 family. This is a family friendly event.

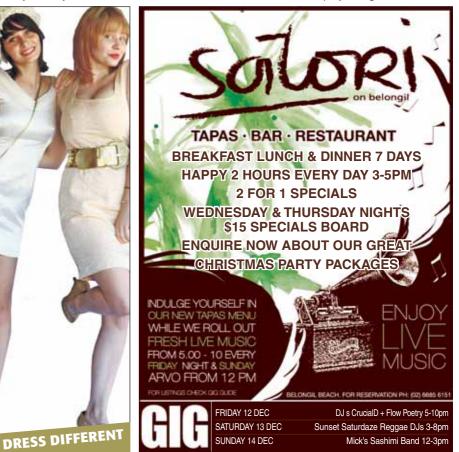


Getting him by the 8 Balls

It's been a bumper year for honk, stomp, Aussie swamp musician 8 Ball Aitken, with a swag of awards and award nominations stacking up under his Christmas tree - including national nominations this week for the finals of the prestigious Golden Guitar Awards and the Toyota Star Maker Awards. The 27 year old former banana picker from Mareeba, Far North Queensland has created a unique blend of original country, blues and rock influences which reflect his origins in the steamy heat of the FNQ tropics, and this hot musical mix is striking the right note with fans around the world – including Northern Rivers audiences, who will get the opportunity to rock out on Friday from 8pm at the beautiful Bangalow Hotel.

Ms Noonan finds her inner Beatle

Everyone has a favourite Beatle song. Katie Noonan has a whole album of them. She launches her newest creation, Blackbird - the music of Lennon and McCartney at the Bangalow A&I Hall on Sunday December 21. Katie Noonan was the vocalist for the hugely successful Brisbane-born outfit George, a band she formed with her brother Tyrone back in 1996. Noonan's mesmerising stage presence and classically trained voice won her cult status in Australia. Noonan has the kind of voice grown men weep for, the kind of voice that seems to come directly from her heart. She has topped both the pop and jazz charts, blown away opera fanatics, performed alongside countless luminaries of a myriad of fields, and backs it all up by being an incredible



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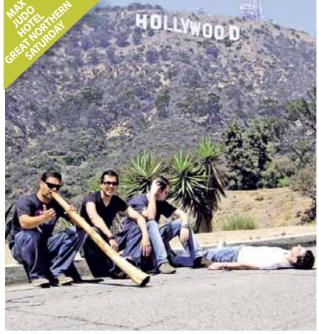
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songwriter, producer and keyboardist in her own right. Doors open 7.30pm/show **8pm**. Tix \$30 presold/\$35 door

Andi & George Band Up The Sphinx

The Andi and George Band is an independent Australian band which has been together for three years. It has grown from an acoustic roots/ folk duo into a 12 piece funk/ soul/folk/reggae outfit, made up of friends who share the same love of life and music. From humble beginnings in Canberra, the band has been travelling regularly up the east ctoast and have just started breaking into the festival circuit in 2008. The duo are the singer/songwriters that front

this high energy crew, but each accomplished musician in the band brings their own individual flavour, which combines the original folk music with big band sound. Each live show is different, and the groove gets all ages and shapes moving! **Sphinx Rock Cafe**, Mt Burrell on **Saturday**.

To the Max

Fresh off their successful eight show Queensland tour with Melbourne act Dukes of Windsor, **Max Judo** are ready to rock the **Hotel Great Northern** on **Saturday** playing songs off their up coming album *Good Tonight*. 2008 has been nothing short of busy with tours to the US, recording debut album with





renowed producer, Caleb James alongside various sold out shows with the likes of surfing icon, Tom Curren and being nominated for 'Band of the Year' at the 2008 national Deadly awards held at the Sydney Opera House. Max Judo are set for a busy few months ahead with shows at the Woodford Folk Festival, Sydney events and the release of their debut Australian album in early 2009.

Acappella concert

It's that time of year, when all the local acappella choirs gather for their end of year concert. They'll be raising the roof of the Bangalow Catholic Hall on Sunday at **7.30pm**. Tune your hearing flaps for your favourite choirs, all strutting their vocal chords: Men Wot Sing, Allegro Gone Troppo, the Jazz Drops, Choir Baby and Acappellago. Tickets are only \$15 and \$12 at the door, and delicious food will be available, with proceeds going to the Peru project.

Mr Harper is Coming

For those of you who love your music but don't have the time to commit an entire Easter weekend to it, then why not front up for the one day Bluesfest tix? It's a great way to catch some of the exclusive shows like **Ben Harper** on Saturday 11 and Monday 13 April, or **Michael Franti** and **Spearhead** on the Thursday and Friday 9 and 10. Other one dayer headlines include **John Butler Trio** – Sunday April 12, and **Missy Higgins** on Monday April 13.Tickets can be purchased now by phoning the Bluesfest office on 6685 8310 or visiting the website at www.bluesfest. com.au or through Ticketek via www.ticketek.com.au

Nus Nus Wink Wink Fatter Than Nusrat are one of the most explosive bands to come out of the Byron Bay music scene. FTN's sound is a modern melding of volcanic funk grooves, rock abandon and stylistic unions of ska, trance and jazz, creating a unique voice in Australia's music landscape. The Fatter Than Nusrat vibe is live music for dancefloor transportation and their sound has been honed over years of performing into a tight, impassioned, exhilarating experience. FTN have released three albums over the past six years and includes members who have played with the likes of Blue King Brown and Dan Kelly. With two singers, searing horn section, and an appropriately fat rhythm section, the band's live shows are cataclysmic, fiery, ecstatic and at their best,

breathtaking. Be part of the Fatter Than Nusrat experience on **Thursday** at the **Beach Hotel** from **9pm**.

Very Unique Video

Very Unique Existence has a story that brings to mind Dave Mathews Band and John Butler. It's humble, hard working and filled with fate and determination, great music alongside band ideals that really set this band apart. With their self defined genre 'Positive Consciousness Rock' and donation of part proceeds of each gig to charity within the town they play, they are creating a ground swell of fans who identify with their social and environmental

consciousness and show it at sold out shows. At the pinnacle is the debut airing of their video clip for first single *Take it Easy* on none other than Video Hits, Channel Ten **Saturday** at **10.30am**. If you're awake, crack on the telly and support the boys.

Jazz at the Bang Thai

Enjoy a night of cool, cruisy jazz with **Jim** and **Tim** (Kelly and Sladden) at the **Bang Thai** (Urban by day) in Bangalow. Every **Friday** night you can enjoy jazz with your Thai and this Friday is the official kick off. Enjoy Jim on the nylonstring guitar and Tim with his golden tonsils and his bluesy guitar licks. 7pm



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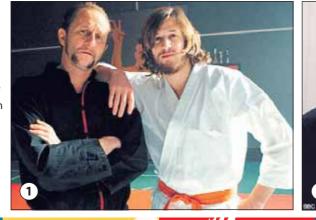
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Television Guide

1. SBS (Wednesday 10pm) screens the French comedy Narco - The Secret Adventures of Gustave Kloop, about a man who falls asleep when placed in emotionally challenging situations. 2. That dry comedian Chris Langham (left) is one of the stars of The Thick Of It (ABC, Friday 9.40pm), which has been described as Yes, Minister on steroids. 3. The cast of **Red Dwarf** take a call. The cult science fiction comedy series is sacred to ABC2 programmers, who schedule three episodes a week: Sunday 12.30–1.30pm and Monday 8pm. No arguments here.

WEDNESDAY 10

THURSDAY 11







ABC	ABC	SBS	PRIME	ten	IIINBN
 4.30 GP (PG) Repeat. 5.30 Spicks And Specks (G) Repeat. 6.00 Kids' Program 12.00 Midday Report 12.30 National Press Club Address 1.30 Stuff (G) Repeat. 2.00 The Damnation Of Harvey McHugh (PG) Repeat. 3.00 Kids' Programs 4.55 RollerCoaster 6.05 Art Museums Of The World (G) Rpt. 6.30 Nigella Express (G) cooking. 7.00 ABC News 7.30 The 7.30 Report 8.00 My Family: Christmas Special (G) 8.30 Wallace And Gromit (G) 9.00 Grumpy Old Women (M*,cl) Rpt. 9.00 Seven Periods With Mr Gromsby (M*,cl,n) Repeat. 10.55 The Making Of My Favourite Australian (PG) 10.45 Cracker (M*,v.s) Repeat. 11.40 Movie: King Kong (PG, 1933) Stars Fay Wray, Robert Armstrong. 1.25 Movie: The Restless Breed (PG, 1957) Stars Anne Bancroft, Scott Brady. 2.50 NAIDOC Week Special (G*) 3.25 National Press Club Address Rpt 	 8.00 Sleep Clinic (PG) Final. 8.30 Spendaholics: Roxanne Russell (M) 9.30 Victoria's Empire (G) comedian Victoria Wood's world voyage. 10.30 Peking To Paris (PG) Final. 11.25 Close 	 9.00 World News in various languages 3.30 Football Stars Of Tomorrow 4.00 The Journal 4.30 Newshour with Jim Lehrer 5.30 Is Your House Killing You? (G) Rpt. 6.00 Global Village: The Puppetmaker/ Bush Postie (G) 6.30 World News Australia 7.30 Food Safari: Egyptian (G) 8.00 The Biggest Chinese Restaurant In The World (PG) food series. 8.30 The Long Way Down: Scotland to Rome, Italy (G) part 2 of 10 doco of a world motorcycle trip. 9.30 World News Australia 10.00 Movie: Narco - The Secret Adventures of Gustave Klopp (Mi,cl,vs, 2004) Comedy from France. 11.55 Movie: The Virgin of Lust 	Tuck (PG,a) 1.00 Desperate Housewives (M) double episode. 3.00 Moonlighting (PG) 4.00 Go Go Stop 4.30 Seven & Prime News 5.00 Home Improvement (G) Repeat. 5.30 Deal Or No Deal (G) 6.00 Prime & Seven News 7.00 How I Met Your Mother (PG) 7.30 Air Crash Investigations (PG) new episode. 8.30 Las Vegas (PG) new episode return. 9.30 The Unit (M) 10.30 Prison Break (M) 11.30 Disorderly Conduct Caught On Tape (PG) 12.30 Danoz, Expo and Guthy Renker Prime HD program same as above except:	2.00 Ready Steady Cook (PG) 3.00 Infomercial (PG) 4.00 Totally Wild 4.30 Judge Judy (G) 5.00 Ten News 6.00 The Bold And Beautiful (G) Repeat. 6.30 Neighbours (G) 7.00 Friends (PG) Repeat. 7.30 The Simpsons (PG) Repeat. 8.00 Rules Of Engagement (M,cl, sr) 8.30 House (M) Repeat. 9.30 Rush (M) Repeat. 9.30 Rush (M) Repeat. 10.30 Out Of The Blue (PG) drama set in Manly.	11.30 Just Shoot Me (PĞ) 12.00 All Of Us (PG)
 4.30 GP (PG) Repeat. 5.30 Spicks And Specks (G) Repeat. 6.00 Kids' Programs 12.00 Midday Report 12.30 Parkinson (PG) Final. 1.30 The Collectors (G) Final. 2.00 The Damnation Of Harvey McHugh 3.00 Kids' Programs 4.55 RollerCoaster 6.05 Planet Earth: Caves (G) Repeat. 7.00 ABC News 7.30 The 7.30 Report 8.00 Two Men In A Tinnie (PG) Repeat. 8.30 Exposed: Persuaders (G) Part 3 or 4 series on human behaviour. 9.35 Mad Hot Ballroom (PG) 10.30 ABC News 	10.30 Ideal (MA*,v,du) 11.00 Kung Faux (M*,cl,v) 11.20 Close	 9.00 World News in various languages 3.30 If Only (G) Repeat. 4.00 The Journal 4.30 Newshour With Jim Lehrer 5.30 UEFA Champions League Hour 6.30 World News Australia 7.35 Rex In Rome (PG) crime series from Italy. 8.35 Inspector Rex (M,v,a) crime series from Austria. Repeat. 9.30 World News Australia 9.35 FIFA Club World Cup: Adelaide United vs Waitakare United 	 5.00 Home Improvement (G) 5.30 Deal Or No Deal (G) 6.00 Prime & Seven News 7.00 How I Met Your Mother (PG) 7.30 Ugly Betty (PG) 8.30 Eli Stone (M) 9.30 The Amazing Race (PG) 10.30 Horoes (M) 11.30 Man's Work: Jamaica (M) 12.00 Room For Improvement (G) Repeat. 12.30 Sons And Daughters (G) 1.00 Danoz, Expo and Guthy Renker 	 12.00 Dr Phil (M) Repeat. 1.00 Oprah Winfrey Show (PG) Repeat. 2.00 Ready Steady Cook (PG) 3.00 Infomercials (PG) 4.00 The Elephant Princess kids' series. 4.30 Judge Judy (G) 5.00 Ten News 6.00 The Bold And Beautiful (G) Repeat. 6.30 Neighbours (G) 7.00 Friends (PG) Repeat. 7.30 Don't Forget The Lyrics (G) 8.30 Law & Order: Criminal Intent (M) 9.30 Law & Order: SVU (M) Repeat. 10.30 Out Of The Blue (PG) drama set in Manly. 	 5.30 Today 9.00 Mornings With Kerri-Anne Summer Series (PG) 11.00 Danoz and Guthy-Renker (G) 12.00 The Ellen Degeneres Show (PG) 1.00 The View (PG) 2.00 Days Of Our Lives (PG) 3.00 Entertainment Tonight (PG) 3.30 The Kingdom Of Paramithi 4.30 Antiques Roadshow (G) Poole. 5.30 Temptation (G) quiz show. 6.00 Evening News 7.00 A Current Affair 7.30 Emergency (PG,mp) series return. 8.00 The Waiting Room (PG) series on hospital stories. 8.30 Cold Case (M) all new. 9.30 The Closer (M) crime series 10.30 Close To Home (M) crime series.
 4.30 GP (PG) Repeat. 5.30 Spicks And Specks (G) Repeat. 6.00 Kids' Programs 12.00 Midday Report 12.30 How To Divorce Without Screwing Up Your Kids (PG) 1.30 Jennifer Byrne Presents War Stories (G) Repeat. 2.00 Trial And Retribution (M*,at) Final. 3.00 Kids' Programs 4.50 RollerCoaster 6.05 Pilot Guides: Zambia And Malawi 7.00 ABC News 7.30 The 7.30 Report with Kerry O'Brien 8.00 Kylie Kwong: Guangzhou (G) cui- sine journey through China. 8.30 Marian Again (M*,vat) Final. 9.40 The Thick Of It (MA*,cl) political drama. 10.10 ABC News 	 8.00 Basketball: WNBL 2008/09 Live – Dandenong vs Townsville. 10.00 Soundtrack To My Life: Katie Melua (G) 10.30 Planet Rock Profiles: Coldplay (G) 10.55 Freshmen On Campus (PG) Repeat. 11.15 Close 	 1.30 Pandemic (M,a) Repeat doco on the Avian flu virus. 3.00 Bush School (G) outback school. Rpt 4.00 The Journal 4.30 Newshour With Jim Lehrer 5.30 Andre Rieu (G) doco from the Netherlands. Final. 6.00 Global Village: Gibraltar/Provence 6.30 World News Australia 7.30 Wall Street Warriors (PG) Part 2 of 6 doco series. 8.00 Counter Culture: Sweden (G) Part 2 of 6. Repeat. 8.30 As It Happened: Hitler's Museum 	 5.00 Home Improvement (G) Repeat. 5.30 Deal Or No Deal (G) 6.00 Prime & Seven News 7.00 How I Met Your Mother (PG) 7.30 Better Homes And Gardens Summer (G) 8.30 Movie: Madagascar (PG,a, 2005) Animated feature stars Ben Stiller, Chris Rock. 	11.00 Ten Morning News 12.00 Dr Phil (PG) Repeat. 1.00 Oprah Winfrey Show (PG) Repeat. 2.00 Ready Steady Cook (PG) 3.00 Infomercials (PG) 4.00 The Elephant Princess 4.30 Judge Judy (G) 5.00 Ten News 6.00 The Bold And The Beautiful (G) 6.30 Neighbours (G) Final. 7.00 Friends (PG) Repeat. 7.30 The Simpsons (PG) Repeat double episode. 8.30 NumB3rs (M) Repeat. 9.30 Law And Order (M)	 5.30 Today 9.00 Mornings With Kerri-Anne 11.00 Danoz And Guthy-Renker (G) 12.00 The Ellen Degenere Show 1.00 The View (PG) talk show. 2.00 Days Of Our Lives (PG) 3.00 Entertainment Tonight (PG) 3.30 The Kingdom Of Paramithi 4.00 The Shak 4.30 Antiques Roadshow Bletchley. 5.30 Temptation (G) quiz show. 6.00 Evening News 7.00 A Current Affair 7.30 Australian Geographic - Best Of Australia (PG) Tasmanian wildernes 8.30 Movie: The Last Samurai (M,v, 2003) Stars Tom Cruise, Ken Watanabe, Billy Connolly. 11.40 Movie: Jagged Edge (AV, 1985) Stars Genn Close. Leff Bridges

- 10.20 Rose and Maloney (M*,sr) Repeat.
- 11.30 rage (M) goes on until 5am Saturday.

 9.30 World News Australia
 10.00 My Boyfriend The Sex Tourist (M,a,n,s) part 1 of 2 doco.
 10.55 Movie: About The Looking For And The Finding Of Love (M,s,a,cl, Orbits) 2005) Comedy from Germany 12.50 Movie: Permanent Vacation

M.cl.a. 1980) Stars F

Angela Bettis, Patricia Clarkson. **2.35 Room For Improvement** (G) Repeat. **3.00 Home Shopping 3.00 Home Shopping 3.00 Law Rob With Sports Tonight 1.30 Late News With Sports Tonight 1.30 Late News With David Letterman 1.55 Video Hits Up-Late** (PG)

- 2.00 Infomercials (PG) 4.00 30 Days (PG) series return. 5.00 Religion to 6am.

- Watanabe, Biny Controlly.
 11.40 Movie: Jagged Edge (AV, 1985) Stars Glenn Close, Jeff Bridges.
 1.45 Movie: Wes Craven Presents They (M, h, a, cl, 2002) Stars Laura Regan, Marc Blucas, Ethan Embry
- 3.35 Entertainment Tonight (PG) 4.00 Guthy-Renker (G) 4.30 Good Morning America

Jim Jarmusch. 2.10 WeatherWatch Overnight

Prime HD program same as above except: 11.30 Break It Down 12.00 Room For Improvement 12.30 Sons And Daughters 12.45 Movie: Dance, Girl, Dance (G, 1940) 2.15 The Last Maneater: Killer Tigers Of India 3.15 Power Rangers Mystic Force 3.40 Powerpuff Girls 4.05 Yin Yang Yol 10.10 Inside Al Quaeda 11.10 Final 24: River Phoenix



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SATURDAY 13	6.00 Totally Frank (PG) Repeat. 6.30 Best Of Gardening Australia (G) 7.00 ABC News 7.30 Mountain With Griff Rhys Jones: The Pennines (G) 8.30 ABC News	5.00 rage: Guest Programmers The	 7.30 Mythbusters (PG) doco series. 8.30 Iron Chef (G) Repeat. 9.20 RocKwiz (PG) entertainment. 	 Live. 5.30 Sydney Weekender (G) 6.00 Seven News 6.30 Britannia High (PG) series based on a performing arts school. 7.30 Dance Machine (PG) dancing com- petition series. 8.30 Movie: The Santa Clause (G, 1994) Stars Tim Allen, Eric Lloyd, Mary Gross 10.30 Movie: The Waterboy (M,cl, 1999) Stars Adam Sandler, Kathy Bates, Harry Winkler. 12.15 Movie: In The Bedroom (M,v,cl, 2001) Stars Tom Wilkinson, Sissy Spacek, Nick Stahl, Marisa Tomei. 2.50 Room For Improvement (G) 3.30 Home Shopping Prime HD program same as above except: 12.00 Toons At Noon 2.00 Movie: Alley Cats Strikel (G, 2000) 3.30 The Need For Speed – Bikes 4.30 Gear 5.00 Better Homes And Gardens Summer 	 5.00 Ten News With Sports Tonight 6.00 The Simpsons (PG) Repeat. 6.30 Big Cat Diary (G) Repeat. 7.30 Movie: Back To The Future II (PG,cl,v, 1989) Stars Michael J Fox, Christopher Lloyd, Lea Thompson. 9.50 Ice Road Tuckers (PG) 10.30 Orange Roughies 11.30 Movie: Days Of Thunder (M,cl,sr, 1990) Stars Tom Cruise, Nicole Kidman, Robert Duvall. 1.30 Infomercials) 4.00 Religion (G) 	 6.00 Infomercials 7.30 Kids' Programs 12.00 Boarding Pass travel show. 12.30 The Hills (PG) LA lifestyle drama. 1.00 2008 Rock Eisteddfod Challenge (G) music. Final. 3.00 Movie: Clash Of The Titans (PG,st, 1981) Stars Harry Hamlin, Ursula Andress, Claire Bloom. 5.30 Angels Of Mercy (G) Westpac Rescue Helicopter. 6.00 Evening News 6.30 Funniest Home Video Show – Summer Series (G) 7.30 Wife Swap USA (PG) all new. 8.30 McLeod's Daughters (M) double episode. 8.40 Saturday Lotto 10.30 Canal Road (M,s,d,v,cl) final. 11.30 Movie: Pledge (M,a,v,cl, 2001) Stars Jack Nicholson, Benicio De Toro, Patricia Clarkson, Lois Smith. 1.50 Movie: Whipped (MA1+s,cl, 1999) Stars Amanda Peet, Brian Van Holt, Judah Domke. 3.20 All Of Us (PG) 3.50 Good Charlotte (PG) Music. 4.00 Danoz and Guthy-Renker
SUNDAY 14	 11.30 Songs Of Praise (G) Repeat. 12.00 Best Of Landline 00 Best Of Gardening Australia (G) 00 Message Stick (G*) 2.00 The Catalpa Rescue (PG) prison escape, WA. Repeat. 3.00 Leonard Bernstein's Candide (G) 5.00 Mario Lanza: Singing To The Gods (G) Repeat. 6.00 At The Movies Summer Special 	Broman, Steve Morese, Harry Manx. 9.30 Pop[b]session: Session 5 (G) Final. 10.30 The Who: Live At The Isle Of Wight 1970 (G) Repeat. 12.00 London Live (G) Music. Repeat. 13.00 Planet Rock Profiles: The Hives (G) Repeat. 2.00 WOMADelaide 2007: Backsliders (G) Repeat. 2.30 Schools Spectacular: The Best of 25 Years Final. 4.30 jtv Live: Midnight Jugernaut's One Night Stand (PG) Repeat. 5.00 Classic Albums: The Band (G) Rpt. 6.00 ABC Fora 7.00 The Museum (G) Repeat. 7.30 Brideshead Revisited (G) double episode. 9.15 Shakespeare: Much Ado About Nothing (PG) Rpt. One of the BBC's modern versions of Shakespeare. Stars Bille Piper, Damian Lewis. 10.45 First Tuesday Book Club With Jennifer Byrne	 11.00 Cycling: UCI Track Cycling World Cup (G) Melbourne. 12.00 Compak Attack: Drag Racing Qld. 1.00 Speedweek 2.00 FiA World Rally Championship '08 3.00 Football Asia 3.30 UEFA Champions League Magazine Sport. 4.00 Les Murray's Football Feature 5.00 The World Game football. 6.00 Thalassa: Port of Massawa, Eritrea 6.30 World News Australia 7.30 The Roman Empire: Lost Worlds (PG) Final. 8.30 I Am Bob (PG) comedy about Bob Geldof. 	middle sea race. 11.00 Typhoon Island (G) wildlife Taiwan. 12.00 2008 Men's Australian Open Golf – Live. 5.30 Border Patrol (PG) 6.00 Seven News 6.30 Outback Wildlife Rescue (G) all new series. 7.00 Hot Property (G) 7.30 Seven Wonders Of The Industrial World (PG,cl,a) The Line. 8.30 Holby Blue (M,v) drama. 9.40 A Touch Of Frost (M,vs) Repeat. 11.45 The Benny Hill Show (PG) Repeat. 12.25 Home Shopping	Success country music talent search 4.00 Country Matters (G) rural Australia. 5.00 Ten News With Sports Tonight 6.00 The Simpsons (PG) Repeat. 6.30 America's New Top Model (PG) 7.30 Don't Forget The Lyrics (G) 8.30 Movie: Die Hard 2 (M, 1990) Stars Bruce Willis, Bonnie Bedeila.	 6.00 Danoz And Guthy-Renker 7.00 Sharkey's Friends Repeat. 7.30 TVP Direct (G) 8.00 Sunday News 8.30 Bio-Magnetics 9.00 Wild Life Man Featuring David Ireland in search of a bull shark. 10.00 George Lopez (PG) 10.30 Going Places (PG) Repeat. 11.00 2008 US Open Surfing California. 12.00 Formula 1 Superboats 12.30 Cronulla International Cycling Grand Prix Live. 2.00 WWE Afterburn wrestling. 3.00 Movie: The Blue Butterfly (PG, 2004) Stars William Hurt, Pascale Bussieres, Marc Donato. 5.00 Garden Gurus Bay Of Plenty Special 6.30 Battlefronts (PG) garden makeovers 7.30 Two And A Half Men (PG,sr) Rpt. 8.00 The Big Bang Theory (PG, 2003) Stars Randy Quaid, Miriam Flynn. 10.15 Movie: Friday After Next (M,cl,s,d, 2002) Stars Ice Cube, Mike Epps. 12.10 Movie: Power And Beauty (M,cl,s, 2002) Natasha Henstridge
MONDAY 15	 4.30 GP (PG) Repeat. 5.30 Spicks And Specks (G) Repeat. 6.00 Kids' Programs 11.00 Best Of Landline Repeat. 12.00 Midday Report 12.30 Incredible Journeys With Steve Leonard (PG) Final. 1.30 Atlantic Edge (G) Repeat. 2.00 The Damnation Of Harvey McHugh (PG) Repeat. 3.00 Kids' Programs 4.55 RollerCoaster 6.05 Monarchy: Rule Britannia (G) 7.00 ABC News 7.30 Report with Kerry O'Brien 8.00 Face Painting With Bill Leak (PG*) Tily Devine 8.30 Celebrity: Dominick Dunne 10.00 The 80 Year Old Children (PG) genetic disease – Progeria. 1.50 ABC News 1.50 OVer My Dead Body (M*,n) human tissue trade. 12.00 MDA (M*,at) drama. 2.55 Movie: 21 Days (PG, 1940) Stars Laurence Olivier, Vivien Leigh. 2.10 Movie: Forget Me Not (G, 1937) Stars Beniamino Gigli, Joan Gardneer 3.25 Bowls: NSW Open 2008 - Women's 	 9.30 Death Note (M*,v) drama 10.00 Spaced (M*,cl,v,du) Repeat. 10.30 Snow Patrol Live At Somerset House (PG) Repeat. 11.20 Close 	 3.30 Pickles (G) doco from Israel. Rpt. 4.30 The Journal 5.00 The Crew (G) student video production. 5.30 Corner Gas (G) Comedy. Repeat. 6.00 Global Village (G) Milano. 6.30 World News Australia 7.30 Top Gear (PG) 8.30 Swift And Shift Couriers (M,cl,a,s) comedy series. 9.00 South Park (M,a) Repeat. 9.30 World News Australia 10.00 Shameless (M,a,cl,s) Comedy. 11.15 Movie: Dead & Breakfast (MA,cl,v,h, 2004) Stars Vincent Ventresca, Ever Carradine. 	 6.00 Sunrise 9.00 The Morning Show (PG) 11.00 Larry The Lawnmower 11.30 Seven News 12.00 Movie: Mary Christmas (G, 2002) stars Cynthia Gibb, John Schneider. 2.00 Beyond Tomorrow (G) 3.00 Moonlighting (PG) 4.00 Go Go Stop 4.30 Seven News 5.00 Home Improvement (G) 5.30 Deal Or No Deal (G) 6.00 Seven and Prime News 7.00 How I Met Your Mother (PG) 7.30 The Rich List (G) 8.30 Bones (M) double episode. 10.30 Scrubs (PG) 11.30 Last Comic Standing (M) 12.30 Home Shopping Prime HD program same as above except: 12.00 Room For Improvement 12.30 Sons And Daughters 12.45 Movie: A Dangerous Profession (PG, Y, 194) 2.15 Las Vegas: City Without Limits 3.15 Power Rangers Mystic Force 3.40 Powerpuff Girls 4.05 Yin Yang Yoi 10.30 Final 24: John Belushi 11.30 Urban Legends 12.00 Dr Danger 12.30 Gear 1.00 Brainiac – Science Abuse. 	 2.00 Ready Steady Cook (G) 3.00 Infomercials (PG) 4.00 Outback 8 Kid's travel to the Australian Outback. 4.30 Judge Judy (G) 5.00 Ten News 6.00 The Bold And The Beautiful (G) 6.30 Jamie At Home (G) Repeat. 7.00 Friends (PG) 7.30 How To Look Good Naked (PG) 8.30 Army Wives (M,at) drama series. 9.30 The Ex-List (M) drama series. 10.30 Out Of The Blue (PG, at) drama set in the beach resort of Manly. 11.00 Late News With Sports Tonight 11.45 Late Show With David Letterman 12.30 Judge Judy (PG) 1.00 Infomercials 4.00 Religion to 6am. 	 5.30 Today 9.00 Mornings With Kerri-Anne Summer Series (PG) 11.00 Time/Life (G) 11.30 Danoz 12.00 The Ellen Degeneres Show (PG) 10.30 The View (PG) talk show. 2.00 Days Of Our Lives (PG) 3.00 Entertainment Tonight (PG) 3.00 Entertainment Tonight (PG) 3.00 The Kingdom Of Paramithi 4.00 The Shak Repeat. 4.30 Antique Roadshow Ormskirk. 5.30 Temptation (G) 6.00 Evening News 7.00 A Current Affair 7.30 Two And A Half Men (PG,sr) 8.00 The Big Bang Theory (PG,sr) 8.30 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (M) Repeat. 8.45 Lotto 9.30 Fringe (M) drama 10.30 Survivor (PG) 1.20 Good Charlotte (PG) Music. 1.30 Guthy Renker and Danoz 3.30 Good Morning America 5.00 Early Morning News
TUESDAY 16	7.00 ABC News 7.30 The 7.30 Report with Kerry O'Brien 8.00 The Museum (PG) 8.35 Party Animals (M*,cl) political drama 9.30 Hustle (PG) drama.	 6.05 The Gamblers: The Track (G) Repeat. 6.35 Coach Trip (G) 7.00 Zoo Days (G) 7.30 Something In The Air (G) Repeat. 8.05 Father Ted (PG) Repeat. 8.30 Hamish Macbeth (PG) Repeat. 9.20 The Bill (PG) Repeat. 10.55 MDA (M*cl) Repeat. 11.50 Close 	 5.20 World News in various languages 1.00 The Storm Rages Twice (G) Repeat drama from Lebanon. 1.55 Don Matteo (PG) Drama series from Italy. 3.00 The Lifestyle Experts (G) final2 3.30 The Closet Tales Of Australian Fashion: Akira (PG) Final. 4.00 The Journal 4.30 Newshour With Jim Lehrer 5.30 Corner Gas (G) Comedy series. 6.00 Global Village: Exccentriliks (G) 6.30 World News Australia 7.30 The Nest (PG) Part 5 of 6 doco series. Repeat. 8.30 The Return Of The Bible Plagues (PG) Part 3 of 5 doco from Germany 9.30 World News 10.00 Hot Docs: How Vietnam Was Lost (M,v,a,c) Repeat. 11.25 Movie: The Gaze (MA,cl, 2004) Drama from Morocco and Norway. 1.00 Sentenced To Marriage (M,a) repeat doco on Israeli women. 2.00 WeatherWatch Overnight 	11.00 Larry The Lawnmower 11.30 Seven News 12.00 Movie: Angel In The Family (PG,h, 2004) Stars Ronny Cox, Tracey Needham, Natasha Wagner. 2.00 Beyond Tomorrow (G) 3.00 Moonlighting (PG) 4.00 Go Go Stop 4.30 Seven News 5.00 Home Improvement (G) 5.30 Deal Or No Deal (G) 6.00 Seven and Prime News 7.00 How I Met Your Mother (PG) Rpt. 7.30 Ugly Betty (PG) 8.30 Eli Stone (M) 9.30 Ghost Whisperer (PG)	 9.00 9am Summertime (PG) 11.00 Ten Morning News 12.00 Dr Phil (PG) 1.00 Oprah Winfrey Show (PG) Repeat. 2.00 Ready Steady Cook (PG) Repeat. 3.00 Infomercials (PG) 4.00 Totally Wild 4.30 Judge Judy (G) 5.00 Ten News 6.00 The Bold & The Beautiful (G) 6.30 Jamie At Home (G) Repeat. 7.30 The Simpsons (PG) Repeat. 8.00 Rules Of Engagement (PG) Repeat 8.30 NCIS (M) double episode. 9.30 In Plain Sight (M) legal drama series 10.30 Out of The Blue (PG) drama set in the beach resort of Manly. 	11.00 Survivor (PG) 11.50 Girls Of The Playboy Mansion (M,n) 12.00 E R (PG) Repeat.

can Spitfire Sees A 2.23 Movie: Mexican Spithre Sees A Ghost (G, 1942) Stars Lupe Velez, Leon Errol, Buddy Rogers.
 3.35 Island Life: Christmas Island (G) Repeat.

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 1953) 2.15 Shark Attack - The Red Triangle 3.15

 Power Rangers Mystic Force 3.40 Powerpuff
 4.00 Religion to 6am.

 Girls 4.05 Yin Yang Yoʻl 10.30 Alias 11.30 Urban
 Legends 12.00 Final 24: John Belushi 1.00 The

3.30 Good Morning America 5.00 Early Morning News



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My Precious Art Piece Gallery in

Mullumbimby launches it's Christmas show this week, Small and Precious, with a Christmas party on Saturday. The gallery will be open all day for drinks and mince pies, live music from the Jazz Tones and festive cheer to help everyone get into a Christmassy mood. All art works will be priced below \$1,000 with many between \$200 and \$500, perfect Christmas presents for those precious people in your life. Small and Precious will feature paintings by local artists Lei Lei Joy, Heidi Tansey, Hilary Herrmann, Ivonne Mace and more alongside jewellery by The Wishing Tree, Melissa Forde, Chatrall, Lisa Black and others.

Getting Artistically Stoned

Artist Rachel Stone presents Canary in a Coalmine – an exhibition of collages inspired by the beauty of birds and the importance of protecting wild spaces in nature where they can survive and thrive. The collages incorporate patterned papers and paint to form fine-feathered creatures filtered through the artist's imagination. The exhibition opens this Friday at 7pm at Tweed River Art Gallery in Murwillumbah, alongside the opening of the Border Art Prize. 'Tis a beautiful place to watch sunset over the mountains and enjoy some fine art. On display till January 25



Comedy Christmas Virgins Good For a Laugh!!!

It's Christmas comedy at its best - when 12 of Byron Shire's ACE students take to the stage for their standup comedy graduation. There's nothing more exhilarating or terrifying than the first time you stand up. People go through the usual terror: what if I'm not funny? What if no one laughs? What if I forget everything? What if I am so nervous I go on stage nude and everyone laughs at me? Standup comedy is like a magnifying glass for fears - it shows up every miniscule lump and bump, and turns it into a riveting on stage performance. Students for this ACE class have a background so varied that I thought I was doing a casting call for a reality TV show. We have an ex-cop, an ex-crim, a marriage counsellor, an anti-circumcision campaigner and a psychic – it's an extraordinary feast of difference! Wednesday at 8pm, at the Mullum



Ex-Services. Tix are \$10/15 and are available at the club or by booking 6684 3443.

Big Names at the Big Joke

The **Big Joke Comedy Festival** has moved dates, and in doing so has secured two of the biggest names in International Comedy to perform at their third Bangalow Festival. Recent recipient of NSW Tourism funding to promote the event to areas outside the Northern Rivers, it was a stroke of genius that saw the organisers decide to nab the week in between Adelaide and Melbourne Comedy Festival. This sees Tim Minchin, voted best of Edinburgh Festival this year, and star of the documentary 'Rock N Roll Nerd' screening in cinemas around the country, take to the grand piano in the humble surrounds of the Bangalow A&I Hall. After his recent appearance on Denton he sold over 6000 tickets – his Big Joke performance will create a rare opportunity to experience this amazing performer's 100 minute one man and a grand piano show up close and personal. He headlines The Big Joke on Saturday March 28. Arj Barker is the latest coup, the biggest spunk on the circuit, he'll be flashing his rapier like wit on Friday March 27. Both acts are major headliners for Melbourne Comedy Festival and perform in rooms that seat over 1000. Generally you never get a seat. With just under 400 chairs up for grabs it's going to be a first in first served situation. Tix will go on sale in the next few weeks so stay tuned. In the meantime you can email mandy@ mandynolan.com.au or phone 6684 3443 for ticket

Bending it At Woodford

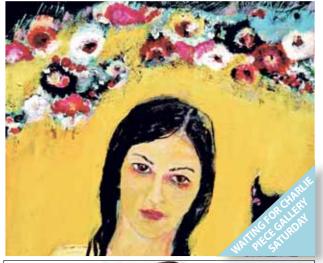
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If you are one of the bendy people then this Woodford is for you. Yogi Master Simon Borg-Olivier cracks some of his gravity-defying yoga postures in a presentation for blokes on Prostate Power. Radiance founder/organiser, Graeme Sait, is a well-known author, educator, and is the co-founder of QLD company, Nutri-Tech Solutions (NTS), a recognised world leader in sustainable agriculture. The author of Nutrition Rules, Graeme will explore the root causes and accessible solutions to this modern epidemic set to overtake heart disease as the largest cause of death among men. He says: 'I'm hoping women and men will attend this talk. There are very few men over the age of 55 who don't have some kind of prostate problem.

And because most men don't talk about it, the solutions are also largely unknown.' He will discuss the up-to-the-minute discoveries in the field such as the recently cloned prostate, and how this research can positively impact on the quest for perfect prostates for all men. 'Anyone who can breathe can practise yoga,' exclaims Sydney-based global yoga master and physiotherapist Simon Borg-Olivier. At Woodford he'll thrill audiences accustomed to gasping at circus acrobatics with his dazzling discoveries of his Synergy yoga approach in a lecture demonstration. Just one of the dazzling pearls you'll discover wandering the streets of Woodford Festival, December 27 – January 1.

Book Launch Getting What you Want, Even When you Can't

Sam Cutler launches his book You Can't Always Get What You Want at the Rails this Saturday. Sam has had an amazing career, working with some of the most influential and amazing people in rock 'n' roll. He was tour manager for the Rolling Stones at some of their major gigs in the late sixties, including the free California concert at which a man was murdered by a Hell's Angel in front of the stage while the Stones played on. After the show, Sam was left behind to make peace with the Hell's Angels, the various mobsters and organisations who had taken an overt interest in the event, and the people of America. There has never been an official investigation into events at Altamont and those involved have never before spoken on record. Sam has decided that it is time to put to rest the myths and legends that have grown up around this infamous event in rock history and for the first time reveal the truth. Sam survived Altamont and went on to live the ultimate rock and roll dream. This is his own account of the high ol' times he had managing tours for San Francisco band





the Grateful Dead – who went on to become the world's most successful live act. Along the way Sam draws intimate portraits of other stars of the psychedelic circus that was the music industry in the sixties and seventies, including Janis Joplin, Jimi Hendrix, The Band, the Allman Brothers, Pink Floyd and Eric Clapton. This is an exhilarating, access-all-areas rock memoir from someone who has seen - and done - it all. You Can't Always Get What You Want! From 2pm

CD An Underwater Christmas with Miss Hunt

Singer Lisa Hunt and artist Kim Toft have teamed up to produce an album that shows just what happens when soul and silk combine. This new Christmas CD is called *The Twelve Underwater Days* of Christmas. To produce the album Lisa teamed up with Italian producer Paolo Diotti and vocalist Marco Evans to create this masterpiece. Each verse offers a different flavour, including motown, hiphop, opera and gospel. Inspired by the work of silk artist Kim Toft and her book, Lisa set about to create this beautiful new work that is sure to delight adults and kids alike. Available in record stores and bookshops everywhere.



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Chris Lane is one of the trio that combine to make the magic that those of us who love music, and who love to dance, have come to know as Oka. One of the hits of the Mullum Music Festival a few weeks back. Noosa based Chris was impressed with the vibe, the crowd and the whole damn thing!

As the big wave of the Aussie summer hits, Oka are getting ready to play the circuit.

'We are basically doing the summer festival thing – we have the first four days at Woodford, and then we're off to a whole heap more.

Earlier this year the boys found themselves in Canada, a highlight in the playing schedule.

'We did a three month stint playing festivals and halls and



Mexican vibe at

Exodus

With summer heating up the vibe and Exodus approaching, touring overseas acts arrive to entertain and interact. Ecliptic from Mexico is one of them. In a phone interview with Raul Mejia this morning he expressed, 'We are very happy to come to Australia, we have read a lot about Australia on the internet and are very interested to meet people.' Raul and Juan Carlos Navarro are visiting Australia for their first time. Ecliptic's minimal progressive psychedelic tech trance funks stands out from a saturated market of productions within their genre. Their music has got sass, drive and is laced with plenty of peyote and chilli plus all the trance elements you've ever wanted to hear.

After two years as Ecliptic the duo released their first album called A Fissure in Silence and numerous remixes and releases have followed. Raul and Juan are running a studio and a label, Undergroove Music in Mexico City. When we talked on the topic of the viability of digital download and distribution in regards to the label, Raul explains that while sales via digital download sites are practical and easy to handle, they are not their main income. Along with performing live, remixing and coordinating their own events Ecliptic's studio and label stays afloat. Musically speaking Raul says, 'In our studio we work on different projects all the time. I'm inspired by all music around and I try and make a good blend of all I hear. Oscillations is the label's first digital EP and Ecliptic's new EP Surrounded on Undergroove Music has just come out this

venues all around the place from Montreal to Vancouver. The audiences were fantastic - they loved it. We were at the Just for Laughs festival in Montreal, they just block off the streets, and set up a PA and a frame with lights and we were situated there for the whole festival. We got interviewed by Paul McDermott – it was hilarious, he had a bit of sideshow going while he was filming with all these wacky locals, we had like a homeless guy who was like our roadie and he'd do this funky dance and we had this old guy around 70 something and he'd strip down to his dacks with a white hat and start doing a Michael Jackson style dance – he was there when Paul McDermott came along and he ended up dancing with him – I

don't know if they ended up

Dancing Wi



using that but it was pretty random. In fact when we were in Montreal, every night there would be some random character dancing up the front.' Oka is not one of those bands that people sit and watch. As soon as their sound hits the ear, it travels straight to the feet and there's a ministampede as the crowd rush

to the dancefloor.

'I don't know why it happens, as soon as we start playing people just jump up - it's good like that, it hasn't been an issue for us. The thing is we don't see the focus of our thing is getting up and playing a regular set, we work with the crowd and we let them lose themselves and do whatever they want to do.

'In Mullum, the guy from Rhombus got up and started doing his hip hop thing and some melodic singing which was really tasty, and the one we did on Saturday at Earthfest, and it started raining in our set, but the thing that was just magic was everyone stayed and there was lightning and rain pouring down and it added to the whole thing – going dancing in the rain, people were digging it, and people say it made the gig. It was pretty epic - the whole night picked up after that point.

Oka may be busy on the road right now but that doesn't mean they don't have plans to take their music back to the studio.

'We have a whole bunch of new tracks that we have started track testing in the live shows, it around.

helps because the songs evolve in the live show and when you go to the studio to put them down they have matured.

'You get in the studio and get into that creative mode and all this other stuff comes out and sometimes other songs come out of it. The great thing for us about having a lot of gigs is that whenever you write a new track you can drop it into a set and you get a great idea of how people like it. Right now we have been going in a different direction, our own drum 'n' bass feel...'

Oka headline at Uki Town Hall on **Saturday**. Doors open at 7.30pm. So expect over three hours of blissing out to the most amazing dance sounds

Mamadou Diabate, Jeff Lang, & Bobby Singh at Mullum Civic Hall on Sunday January 4 Check for our double pass giveaway on page 25



channels.

A: 'I like Casey Taylor'

When asked about the

in Mexico Raul says that

situation of outdoor partying

parties are usually one night

only and cost around A\$30-

40, apparently there is not

The dance scene seems like

in many places around the

clubs are catering for a mixed

being attended by a younger

darker music. Exodus (www.

exodusfestival.com) director

Offer Elkouby's vision is one

of outdoor dance celebration

with a fine crew to create an

unforgettable experience of

deep leisure and cultural bliss,

so catch Ecliptic at Exodus, it is

crowd that are into harder and

globe somewhat divided,

crowd and various sounds

and most outdoor events

much 3 – 7 day festival action.

month. (www.myspace.com/ eclipticact) Past releases on Undergroove Music include Lunar Sound, Desert Dwellers and Paax as well as Ecliptic coproductions with Jabba and Odiseo, all available on www. beatport.com. To the Boom Festival in Portugal and back the two Mexicans have been causing sweaty, screaming and whistling dance floors for close to a decade.

Q: What attracted you to electronic dance music?

A:'I played piano and guitar since I was a child, my dad used to own a record store and I came across many different styles including electronic music. At house parties and finally the first Trance party with Total Eclipse in 1998-1999.'

Q: Are you playing live at **Exodus?**

A: 'Yes we play off laptop Ableton live, soundcard with eight outputs, our console mixer and Nordlead synth.

Q: How do you prepare for a gig?





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- EGO/DJ FOXXY MULLUMBIMBY RSL 8PM MANDY NOLAN-ACE VIRGIN SACRIFICE
- STANDUP COMEDY MULLUM CIVIC CENTRE 7PM WHAT'S HAPPENING TO OUR CHILDREN? GUEST
- SPEAKER MAGGIE HAMILTON LENNOX HOTEL 8.30PM THE PERUVIAN BATTLESHIP DJS

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- HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON THE
- BOAT PEOPLE ■ THE RAILS, BYRON 6.30PM SAL YATES +
- ROSE & TOM WHITTAKER BYRON HIGH PARKWAY
- DRIVE COCOMANGAS, BYRON BOOTY SHAKIN' BEATS
- LIQUID, BYRON NU WOOD/DJ EXCEL/ INSILICO/LOW KEY(LIVE)/HELSINKI
- (LIVE)/NAVEEN ■ HOTEL BRUNSWICK 7.30PM DR BAZ
- TAPAS TAPAS, BRUNSWICK 7PM ILONA
- MULLUMBIMBY RSL 8PM
- LENNOX HOTEL 9PM JAM NIGHT WITH BIRDY
- WINSOME HOTEL, LISMORE 9PM BILLY

FRIDAY 12

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- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON
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- LIQUID, BYRON ELECTRO ALLSTARS – MARK WALTON/NOODLES/ NOEL BOOGIE/SI CLONE
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- BANGALOW HOTEL 8PM 8 BALL AITKEN
- BANG THAI 7PM URBAN JAZZ WITH JIM KELLY & TIM SLADDEN
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- DR BAZ PIPPIES, NEW BRIGHTON 6.30PM GUY RACHEL &
- JAMES COX AUSTRALIAN HOTEL, BALLINA 7PM MICK
- MCHUGH LENNOX HOTEL 9.30PM THE REMAINS
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 CUTLER BOOK LAUNCH
 6.30PM DAN RUMOUR
 AND THE DRIFT
 BO'S RESTAURANT,
- BYRON 6PM JIMMY & JOHNNY B GOOD ■ COCOMANGAS, BYRON,
- LOUNGE BAR QUALITY CONTROL + FOXXY LIQUID, BYRON HOUSE
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- HOTEL BRUNSWICK 7.30PM PURPLE DRIPPERS
- LU LUS CAFE, MULLUM 11AM SLIM PICKENS
 MULLUMBIMBY RSL 8.15PM LIVING
- DAYLIGHTS
- MOVIE BLUES BROTHERS OCEAN SHORES COUNTRY CLUB 6.30PM ROB SARIC
- LENNOX HOTEL 9.30PM HILLBILLY BLUES BANDITS
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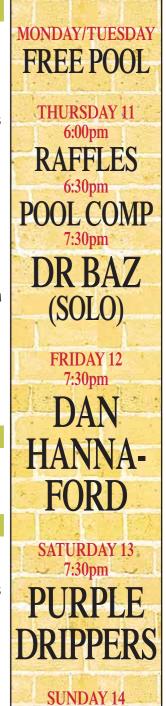
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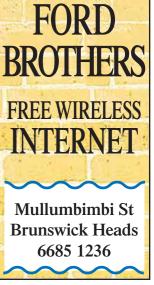






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Four Holidays

Amazing what a different hairstyle can do. Reese Witherspoon, an accomplished actress with lauded performances as country singer June Carter and Thackeray's Becky Sharpe to her credit, appears here with a fringe covering that steepling forehead of hers. It helps transform her into a suave city professional who knows exactly what she wants and looks a million bucks in a little black dress as she goes about getting it. It must have been harrowing for her to get around in the heels needed to get anywhere near the shoulders of gigantic Vince Vaughn, but together they work surprisingly well as

Kate and Brad, an unmarried couple living the life of Reilly in a swell apartment in San Francisco. Vaughn, a comic actor inclined to bully a scene to death, is appreciably restrained, paying his lines their due and enabling the rest of the fine cast some breathing space. To avoid the Christmas chore of dealing with their families (you can choose your friends, as the saying goes), Kate and Brad have booked a trip to Fiji, where they will stay at a luxury resort for the duration. Trouble is, their flight is grounded by fog and when interviewed by a news reporter they are sprung by the rels who see them on TV. (Who hasn't been caught out lying about where you'll be?) So the four holidays in question are the visits they are obliged to make to their parents, both sets now separated and with new partners. It is a straightforward device used to run a number of good gags about relationships

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and embarrassments from the past. What eventually becomes apparent to Kate and Brad is that the lives of their loopy, annoying, tactless, over-breeding families are grounded in a strange reality that nevertheless offers more than the self-centred ways of the prodigal offspring - they are not intimate enough for Brad to have confided that his given name was Orlando. It's a salient lesson a lot of us might heed at this time of year. Brevity is the soul of wit and this good humoured, cuddly movie does not suffer by finishing sooner than you expect. Robert Duvall enjoys himself no end as Brad's ornery old father - the near demolition of his house when Brad attempts to install a satellite dish is a masterpiece of klutz humour - and, though she is no longer the murderous baton-twirling teenager that she was in Badlands, it's a pleasure to see Sissy Spacek again. The baby vomit jokes are beauties. ~ John Campbell

High School Musical 3

Two petite Japanese girls entered with Cokes and popcorn and I wondered, what with Bond and Nicole also screening, had they come to the wrong cinema? Or did they know something I didn't? There's never a dull moment in this sweet, exuberant and determinedly good vibe movie. The American song and dance teen flick is never likely to win over fans of Bollywood, but in spirit and format the two are much alike, even down to the chaste (but not sexless) portrayal of young love. This one differs from the Bollywood extravaganza in having no dastardly villain threatening the heroes' happy ever-afters. The antagonist, broadly speaking, is fate itself, as it dawns on the senior students at East High that life inexorably moves on and, as it does, difficult choices must be made and challenges taken up. Troy, star of the school's Wildcats basketball team, is expected to progress to his hometown Albuquerque Uni when this last term ends, but

LATEST IN HI-TECH MOVIE PRESENTATION



his pretty Latino girlfriend, Gabriella, is bound for distant Stanford. Their circle includes Sharpay, the rich bitch who is really not so bad, Ryan the theatre boy, who thankfully is not presented as a raging queen, and Chad, the African American. (Asians rarely figure prominently in overt endorsements of racial harmony. Australia, which is admittedly built on the plinth of cliché, has a Chinese cook, like Hop Sing in Bonanza. D'oh.) Together they are preparing for the farewell musical, at which representatives of New York's Juilliard School will be in attendance to assess those who are under consideration for enrolment at that prestigious academy - talented Troy has been anonymously nominated. The tuneful songs give the story plenty of momentum and the choreography bursts with vitality. Awaiting Troy and Gabriella is a neat little surprise that I did not foresee (and in retrospect should have, it being so twee), but I had virtually forgotten all about plot by that stage, so infectious is the joie de vivre - which, if nothing else, is a welcome antidote to the mass marketed, grog swilling coarseness of our schoolies' week. This deliriously unhip film will be dismissed sight unseen by the mavens of café society but, expecting to hate it, I found it impossible to dislike – as did the Japanese girls, one of whom was wiping tears from her eyes as the kids finished their last exhilarating routine. Can't blame her for that, I thought. Go on, celebrate the dag inside, unburden yourself. ~ John Campbell



Man On Wire

This film has suspense, thrills, wonder, imagination, human spirit and inspiration - and it's a documentary! James Marsh's dazzling, invigorating film is crafted like a heist film, presenting rare and fascinating footage of the actual event alongside flawless re-enactments and modern-day interviews with the participants. In the early 1970s, a young Frenchman named Philippe Petit, a trained high wire walker, decided after seeing pictures of the World Trade Centre being built, to set up a wire between the two towers and give the world a show it could never have expected. As is often the case with these endeavours, the actual high-wire walking was the easiest part of the plan. For nearly seven years,



Petit worked on the project, recruiting associates who supported him every step of the way. Finally, after eight months in New York, the day came when Petit and his cronies jumped into action. This wasn't easy. They had to find a way to sneak past security and make their way to the top of the towers with heavy equipment, at which point they had to battle the elements to install the wire. After many close scares, the time came for Petit to realize his dream – and the rest, as they say, is history. Man on Wire is not a film about 9/11. It does not reference the tragedy, even in passing. The film is pure poetry, laced with surreal, stylized reproductions so good they will make you wonder.

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THIS LITTLE PIGGY...

Victoria Cosford

I remember returning from a trip to Italy some years back all fired up about spitroasting suckling pigs for dinner parties; a quick ring-around of butchers in the area soon revealed the nigh-impossibility of procuring a pig that size. Apparently few breeders consider it worthwhile to sell the pigs so small when they can make much more profit out of a larger beast - it was a mad notion on my part (the sort which the intoxication of overseas travel may occasionally inspire) and in a sense I was relieved to drop it.

One person undaunted by such a challenge is Greg Cromwell, who owns Bush Marketing. A year ago Greg inaugurated the 100 Mile Soiree, an evening in which everything eaten and drunk had been sourced within a radius of a hundred miles or, as we have it here in Australia, 160 kilometres or thereabouts. This is a concept increasingly explored and implemented in the United States, UK and Australia as we become more mindful of saving the earth in small and practical ways. Last year, out the back of Bush Marketing's offices at the Byron Arts and Industry Estate, a guileless pig had rotated remorselessly on a spit, perfuming the air with gorgeous aromas; with a prior dinner engagement I had left, reluctantly, after several (locally sourced) drinks.

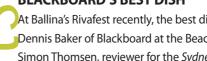
This time around, Greg shifted the entire soiree out to his ten-acre property at Goonengerry where, moreover, he had spent the last year breeding three pigs with the express purpose of offering them up for the annual event. (It occurred to me that it might have been difficult, surely, slaughtering animals with whom a relationship of sorts had been developed but at heart Greg is a hardy country boy



whose grandparents owned one hundred acres of land in the northern hemisphere...) Even the roiling winds that evening could not whirl away the fragrance of roasting pork which sweetened our arrival (in style, courtesy of Bangalow Limousines). There were about forty or fifty of us mingling outside, a motley ensemble enjoying beers by Burleigh Heads Brewing and wines by Sirromet and Witches Falls Winery, with bowls of local macadamias to urge us to drink more. Children and dogs weaved in and out as the light faded, and then it was time for us to eat. To accompany the pork there were potatoes and salad: there was an abundance of everything and all of it came from Greg's land and Greg's gardens – except for the Wallaby Bars from Bangalow and the Tanganika Coffee from Federal. The pork was fantastic and when I went greedily back for seconds I was thrilled to find bones, the sweet flesh adhering, that I could unglamorously suck upon, my cave-woman's instincts stirred fleetingly back into life. It was an unqualified success, the whole evening rendered more delicious and more meaningful by the knowledge that, at least briefly, carbon footprints were small, and few, and faint. Perhaps for next year's soiree Greg could consider adding an entree of prosciutto he has cured himself, serving wafer-thin slices alongside local nectarines or peaches. It only takes ten months to dry-cure prosciutto with salt, the rear leg of his next pig... Prosciutto-andpeaches regardless, I look forward to the next soiree, conscious that in the thick of all that hedonism a small benevolent gesture toward our troubled environment is being made.



BLACKBOARD'S BEST DISH



At Ballina's Rivafest recently, the best dish was won by ex-Tetsuya chef Dennis Baker of Blackboard at the Beach, Lennox Head. Judged by Simon Thomsen, reviewer for the Sydney Morning Herald's Good Living section and co-editor of the Good Food Guide, the winning dish was Juniper Berry-Crusted Kangaroo Loin with Potato and Radicchio Salad and Beetroot Relish.

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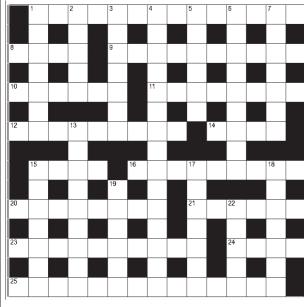
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Crossword by Ken Porter



Quick Clues

ACROSS 1. Movie making. (14) 8. Small drink. (4) 9. Actions. (10) 10. Searches. (6) 11. Night attire. (8) 12. Heed. (9) 14. Ova. (4) 15. Happiness. (4)

16. Where cattle are kept. (9) 20. Someone who appreciates beauty. (8) 21. Recording. (6) 23. Like a drink. (5,1,4) 24. Necessity. (4) 25. When we have a holiday for the Queen. (2,3,9)

DOWN

1. Lap. (7) 2. Titles. (5) 3. Before sunrise. (7) 4. Last day of December. (3,3,2,3,4) what you want. (4) 5. Country house with farm buildings attached. (6) 6. Permanently. (9) 7. Clothes storage equipment. (7) 13. Conductor. (9) 15. Continue to plant. (5,2) 17. Watery discharge. (7) 18. Keepers of parks. (7) 19. Decorate. (6) 22. Raccoon like animal. (5)

Last week's solution



BUILDING DESIGN

HOUSE PLANS

RENOVATIONS

EXTENSIONS

Cryptic Clues ACROSS 1. Gain acme trophy upset to make films. (14) 8. Read Rambo while taking a wee drop. (4) 9. Take some out of opera factions and show the workings. (10) 10. Posers without ion become searches. (6) 11. Move the egg line east for the sleep attire. (8) 12. Listen and stand up straight. (9) 14. Urges idiots. (4) 15. Happiness club. (4) 16. Carry a measure to where the cattle are. (9) 20. Turn back the ocean, add the note. Ah, that's beautiful. (8) 21. Bite back in the label for recording. (6) 23. Ben, Joy are easily led. They like a drop. (5,1,4) 24. Sounds like a heavy massage. Its 25. Say third herb on the time you celebrate the Queen. (2,3,9) DOWN 1. Sounds like a knight cut your hair. Do another lap. (7) 2. I hear they inverted sailors for titles. (5) 3. Bert Newton's face is stuck before the sun rises. (7) 4. Heed! Heft one tray on the 31st



IOUS WEEK WITH HIGH ACCIDENT RATINGS AND AN **ASTRAL WEATHER PATTERN EXHIBITING WIDESPREAD IMPATIENCE AND TEMPER FLARES. SURPRISE NEWS OR UNEXPECTED CHANGES COULD TOSS A FIRE CRACKER AMONG THIS** WEEK'S CHRISTMAS PLANS...

ARIES: Surrendering to someone else's way of doing things could be surprisingly pleasant this week and certainly less effort. If late week friction looks like bursting your bubble, don't let it – you bounce back quickly from minor setbacks, so regard all setbacks as minor.

TAURUS: Breaking astro news has your boss planet Venus entering the sign of unusual friends, future plans and doing things differently. Moderation and restraint aren't usually your favourite virtues - but vou could always demonstrate a different side of yourself at this week's festive smorgasbords, riaht?

GEMINI: Your latest plans may hit seemingly insurmountable snags, but there's always plenty more ideas where those came from. This week offers a chance to enhance or upgrade your service or product, so talk it up for all you're worth. As if anyone could stop you...

CANCER: When this week's people press buttons, and they will, make peace quickly and move on. Don't weigh your heart down with past crimes, there's too much of that already in the world. Get with the generous, giving and receiving spirit of the festive program instead.

LEO: This week's over-supplied with those who think they know how to run the universe telling you all about it – don't they know Leos give the orders?

Let incessant waffle just drone on by and focus your precious time and energy on your own seasonal star performance. VIRGO: It's important to keep

the home base serene this week, so give negative thoughts the flick before they space invade your mind. Aim at being an oasis of Virgo calm in this season of goodwill - our most tense and stressy, knotted and stroppy time of year.

LIBRA: Your leading lady Venus in kinky Aquarius activates Libra's quirkier side, but avoid the kind of quirky that leaves everything to a last minute pre-Christmas tizz of hurrying, flurrying and scurrying. Make plentiful playdates of course, but tick something off the to-do list each day as well.

SCORPIO: Now the festive treadmill's under way it won't let up till the fat man clambers down the chimney, so until then the less stressful demands you make on yourself the easier this week will be. Set reasonable goals and don't push yourself to do the impossible.

SAGITTARIUS: When the Sun/Mars/Mercury trifecta in Sagittarius hits some turbulence

this week, going down the drama road won't help. Be your own best friend by restraining yourself from saying something that you know once uttered will be impossible to take back.

CAPRICORN: This F-word week (frenetic, frazzled, fraught and flustered) needs you to administer the c-word. Yes, calm Capricorn cool. Think straight, stay clear, tread carefully, be strong and no matter how much effort it takes, stay connected with friends, family and associates.

AQUARIUS: Even if you haven't been good lately, the Christmas fairy drops the gift of Venus in Aquarius in this week's stocking. Your popularity really rockets and now it's time to indulge yourself with a little lavishness: experiment with a new look, a style change or exotic holiday. **PISCES:** Take things easy during the last half of this week when astral aspects are unhelpful. As your life cycle moves into its next phase, regard anything that looks like loss as clearing the space for something new. And remember to be extremely kind to yourself...

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for many years, Wade nurtured Though only ranked as a generation of players - Miles, an International Master - he Speelman, Nunn, Short - who refused to allow his name to be took England to silver medals at put forward for an Honorary a series of Chess Olympiads in Grandmaster title – Wade was the 1980s. a key figure behind the rise of

However it was Wade's work with Fischer which was most important but least well known. On my first visit to Wade's



magnificent chess library in London, he showed me his remarkable card index, where every game of importance had been written up by hand and catalogued.

In pre-computer days, this was a Herculean task but it turned Wade's collection into a priceless resource, one which Fischer had seen on a visit to London and decided to utilise before his world title match in 1972.

Fischer wrote to Wade, asking him to post Fischer the file with $\ensuremath{\bar{h}}$ all Boris Spassky's games - a file that Wade had augmented to near-completeness through his great contacts in the USSR.

After Fischer had promised to return the files intact Wade obliged, the only time he had by Wade, has managed to creallowed any part of his card

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likeable, knowledgeable and ethical characters in the chess world and his return to New Zealand in 2006 for the Queenstown Classic, after a 58 year absence, was a celebrated event.

Wade's many other achievements include: player at seven Chess Olympics for both England and New Zealand, OBE, and author and co-author of many fine books - most notably The Games of Bobby Fischer and Soviet Chess.

However, for the younger generation Wade will be best remembered as a driving force behind the internet magazine The Week in Chess.

For almost a decade TWIC, through editor Mark Crowther, has been publishing online every important game played in the world. Crowther, mentored ate the ultimate electronic ver-Wade's legacy is in good hands.

December. (3,3,2,3,4) 5. About the crew getting lost. It's a good drop! (6) 6. Mixing Bing daily. I'm doing it 6. Mixing Dury, permanently. (9) 7. Assassins for clothing, aircraft. (7) 13. Pick form of transport for conductor. (9) 15. Lose tails of energy 1 and continue to be environmentally aware. (5,2) 17. Char vermin with watery discharge. (7) 18. Wanderers looking after the bush. (7) 19. Mix the bead you German and make a splash. (6)

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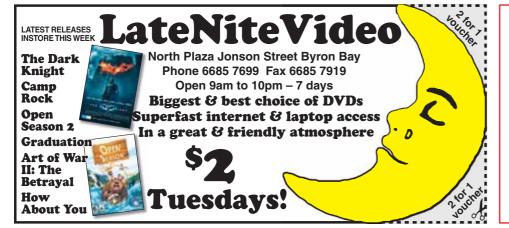
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Byron Boardriders

The club had an excellent year of surf and enjoyed a fun afternoon at their presentation. Congratulations to all the winners of this year's awards.

Opens: 1 Lee Miller, 2 Bryce Cameron, 3 Nick Colbey, 4 Chris Knight. Masters: 1 Dave Hamilton, 2 Geoff Mitchell, 3 Neil Cameron, 4 Paul Sullivan. Seniors: 1 Lee Miller, 2 Scott Allen, 3 Chris Knight, 4 Lloyd Lawton.

In the Juniors: 1 Dom Sullivan, 2 Sam Steinher, 3 Zira O'Gia, 4 Tom Oneill. Cadets: 1 Machie Walker, 2 Tommy Bouchet, 3 Henry Phillips, 4 Peter Jorgenson.

Womes' results were, Senior Women: 1 Sally Miller and 2 Kelly Mcdermott and Junior Women: 1 Maddie King and 2 Coco Allen.

U14s Fleas: 1 Jordon Congdon, 2 Zac Skyring, 3 Ty Naughton, 4 Corey Naughton. Micro Fleas: 1 Kyuss King, 2 Rusty Rochfort-Sewell, 3 Lachlan Foster, 4 Kian Suahar.

Special Awards went to Senior Club Member Of The Year, Michael Saxby; Junior Club

SPORTS RESULTS

BOWLS **Bangalow Women**

2/12 Social: M Flick, V Bell, A Humphries 23 d M Flick, E Astley, S Boyle 7; P Gray, J Collings, J Gallagher 15 (rink w) d M Johnston, M Little, B Smith 10. Brunswick Heads Men

Wed S/S Triples: B Batson, J Phypers, B McClelland; r/up K Boorman, N Sharp, M Jeffreys; D Stanton, W Evans, R Carbines. Fri S/S Jackpot Pairs: I McRae, B Montgomery; r/up L McCormick, G Rendell; Winners Jackpot not won; Losers Jackpot T Pollard, M Danswan. Sat Presidents Pres Day: C'ship Maj Singles; L Wade; Maj prs; A Montgomery, R Northcott; Triples; I McRae, M Hardy, M Hogan; 4s; A Montgomery, V Caldwell, R Northcott, B Montgomery. Min Singles; M Hardy; Minor prs; G Woods, B Howell; Mixed prs M/V Caldwell: Mixed 4s: K Peacey, M Petrou, S Curtis, R Northcott; Cons Singles; M Hogan; Novice Singles; B Hay. Sun 2 bowl prs; J Phypers, A Montgomery; r/up B/M Danswan; Louies prize; T Pollard, E Boyter.

Brunswick Heads Women

2/12 Final Cons Singles: B Rose 155 d B Boorman 125. Social: Siripa Ahlholm, F Parkes 29 (winners) d L Andrew, N Stearman 15; P Appel, D Guest 26 d J Loomes, D Hay 12; Z Wagner, D Batson, L Proudlock 15 d B O'Donnell, M Darby, M Caldwell 12.

Mullumbimby Ex Services Men

3/12 Social: P Jones, S Purdie, F Buckley 25 d R Rose, R Philps, P McDonald 17; R Kidby, T Batson, R Day 22 d D Henry, T Trivett, T Johnston 18: A Bartlett, D Ottery, M Thorne 16 d L Boyter, A Pyzer, A Johnstone 15: J Estreich, S Brecard 27 d J Canabou, L Henry 15. Co'W: S Brecard d P Jones. 6/12 Social: R Kidby, P Gower, P Jones 25 d R Marriot, N James, R Philps 10; G Naoum, J McKay 26 d N Lee, P Thompson 15; H Kenna, C Mc-Clymont 25 d C/M Thorne 18. Mullumbimby Ex Services Women 2/12 Social: H Robb. M Bertoli, E Jones. R Thompson 13 (Rink W) v H Robb, K Johnstone, J Graham, G Henry 8; J Lee, S Brown, J Towner 21 v J Morrow, R Mills, J Beaumont 9. Last bowls 16/12. Ocean Shores Men



Lloyd Lawton, Senior and Open divisions winner Lee Miller and Scott Allen clowning around at the Byron Boardriders presentation.

Member Of The Year, Henry contact Mandy Sullivan if you The results were; Philips; Committee Member are interested. Of The Year, Mandy Sullivan and this year's Spirit Of BK 'Ben King' Award went to Dave 'Hammo' Hamilton.

The club committee meeting is on this Thursday the at the Byron Services club.

Host families needed for 6 to 10 kids from Tahiti, please

est Margin: J Bartlett, B Stone, M James (w) d N Russell, J Williams, JM Quirke; T Warr, M Flesser d J Lofts, N Gartner; P Hems, D Grant, C Timewell (r/up) d M Moodie, T Campbell, G Johnston BRIDGE

Brunswick Valley

1/12: lst gross/net P Keyte/S Easterbrook; 2nd gross M/I Homfray, 2nd net J Selleck/B Simons. 6/12: N/S lst gross/ net R Pedicini/A Gibson, 2nd gross D Dare/C Kiernan, 2nd net B Powell/S Easterbrook; E/W lst gross/2nd net H Lewis/P Sullivan, 2nd gross/lst net G Falson/J Selleck.

Byron Bay

5/12: North/South; P Bradley/G Lynn; r/up B Sundstrom/F Bogg; K Milne/J Pierce, East/West; C Brown/C Delardes; r/up H/R Stanfield; C Kiernan/N Sti-

Ocean Shores

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3/12: N/S; 1st gross/net J Gibson/P Hems; 2nd gross C Chidlow/I Homfray; 2nd net A Hauser/M Fleming. E/W; Eq 1st gross L Baldwin/B Simons; Eq 1st gross/2nd net K Westall/P Witts; 1st net J Hughes/J Selleck. CRICKET

Mullum Brunswick Juniors

Mullum U12 Muddies played 6/12. Alstonville Maroon 101 d Mullumbimby 68. Batting: Tyler 17; James 15; Hamish 14. Bowling: Isaac 3 for 2. CYCLING

Byron Bay Freeriders

Next Byron Bay Criterium on Sun 14/12. Registration near Sunrise Cycles shop. Byron Bay in Centennial Circuit, Arts and Industry Estate at 6.30am for a 7am start. Next race dates: 25/1, 8/2, 8/3, 26/4. Call Chris Pratt on 0437 859 959 or chrispratt@internode.on.net

Bruns Boardriders

The Brunswick Boardriders held their end of year 'Prezzo' at the Brunswick Hotel on on Saturday, topping off another great year. It was a great afternoon with heaps of fantastic prizes and tropheys to be won.

+6. 11/12 9 Hole Novelty Event/Christmas Party: 10th Tee; 9am G Mackay, T Robbins, J Neate; 9.06 E Leclere, K Thomson, B Woolnough; 9.12 J Hopper, S Kosaka, J Ball; 9.18 M Davey, G McDonald, E Walker; 9.24 G Redman, A Moser, G Smith; 9.30 J Beer, B Mules, M Crichton; 9.36 F Brooker, F Hayden. Table: G Mackay/B Woolnough. **Ocean Shores Men**

3/12 4BBB Stroke: R Sartor, G Burgess 54 Nett; r/up W Walker, P Hanslow 57 Nett; M James, S Thompson 57 Nett. 6/12 Monthly Medal: Blue; P Clarke 67 Nett; r/up R Moylan 68 Nett; T Foster 68 Nett. White; G Clarke 64 Nett; r/up R Donoghoe 66 Nett; P Fleming 67 Nett.

Ocean Shores Ladies 2/12 Stab: Div 1 M Murray 40; r/up J Brown 38 c/b; Div 2 G Tilling 32 c/b; r/ up C Chidlow 32; Div 3 G O'Hagan 39; r/up N Marshall 37. V to 32; 9 Hole J Downer. 4/12 Stab: M Clark 37 c/b; r/up J Racine 37: V to 33. 6/12 Stroke: J Harrold 62; r/up K Howard 67; V to 71c/b. NTP: J Woodfield 28 cms; Putting: B Wingad 28 Putts.

Ocean Shores Vets

4/12 Single Stab: K Bradford 36 pts c/b: r/up B Cox 36: L Hoffman 35 c/b: P Slater 35. NTP: 3rd h/c 0 to 19 A Ross; h/c 20+ K Bradford; 6th B Cumming; 12th M Brady; 12th J Bramall; 15th J Hollingsworth; 17th M Brady. Gorilla Award h/c 0 to 19 B Cumming; h/c 20+ P Flemming, Club Cash Run to 23. SOFTBALL

Bvron Bav Div 3 Byron Bay Redsox v Breakaways B2: 11 all draw. Div 1 Byron Bay Whitesox v Woodburn M2M's: 13 to nil to Byron.

SQUASH

Male Fleas: 1st David Hogan, 2nd Marli Edwards and 3rd Jaden Thackery. Cadets: 1st Jedd Batson and 2nd Djuaan Cockatoo. Juniors 1st Tom Franklin,2nd Matt Lynn and 3rd Ben Franklin.

Senior Men: Equal 1st went to Corey Strickland and Trent Foreman and in 3rd place,

S Davidson v M hazelwood Ross, Jeff Heers vT Grosse, B Pruul v D Williams, F King v P McQueen. Div 5; 4.30pm P Young v B Doran, T Ashworth v S Truesdale. Monday Comp in school hols recess until 26/1. Social games during hols, to play Ph 6685 1794. **SURF LIFE SAVING**

TABLE TENNIS Mullumbimby B Cawthorne (-6) d E Reinermann (-6) in round robin, but Eric won finals 2 to 1. Bob and M Smith won doubles final 2 to 1 from P Latta and Eric.

New swim school launched

A new generation of Mullumbimby children is set to be taught to swim by Joe Hopf chlorinated 20m pool proand Lesley Veale. Many locals vides an ideal environment will remember them from the for non swimmers with space swim school at the Mullum for the more advanced to pool during the time when stretch out, says Lesley, 'and Bill Veale was managing it.

This time round Joe and Lesley are teaching at Mooyabil Farmstays on Left Bank Road, Mullumbimby Creek,

Foreman, 2nd Ken Lee and 3rd Zac Omeara, and in the Opens: 1st Trent Foreman, 2nd Dylan Connors and 3rd Corey Strickland.

Fleas B/B: 1st Marli Edwards, 2nd Jaden Thackery and 3rd-David Hogan. Cadet B/B: 1st Jack Alcock, 2nd Jamie Nichol and 3rd Bindhi Gaze.

Women Cadets: 1st Jade Cody/Ward and 2nd Georgia Matheson. Juniors 1st Zayla Bourke and 2nd Rebecca-Liegh Rogan. Opens: 1st Jade Cody-Ward, 2nd Helen Bourke and 3rd Ainsley Schumacker.

Juniors Girls B/B: 1st Rebecca-Leigh Rogan and 2nd Annabelle Ratcliffe.

Club Champions were Trent Foreman and Jade Cody/Ward and Club person of the year went to Dylan Connors.

The Brunswick Boardriders would like to thank all the local businesses for all their help and support throughout the year, and would like to give a special thanks to Stewart Pontin Shapes and Brunswick Surf for donating the SPS surfboard, Driftwood Timber Surf Co for the tropheys and also

VOLLEYBALL **Brunswick Heads**

9/12 Rnd 1 JV Towing Comp: 6pm No Mercy v Flash, Honeydrs v Mix Chickens, duty Ballistic; 7pm Hit n Run v Brewers, Lounge Liz v Ballistic, Duty Honeydrs. 11/12 Rnd 3 OS True Value Comp: 6pm G G Girls v Kaos.com, Triods v Bft Bandits, Sthing Else v Cos Kittens, Duty Volleys; 7pm Red Frogs v Volleys, Team X v Fusion, Chilli Twist Bye, Duty Sthing Else.

SLSC PATROLS

Brunswick Patrols: Sat 13/12 No.6 K Southwell, M Quinn x3, I/Z Heiniger, B Love, B Lee. Sun 14/12 No.2 G/B Condie, C Reid, W King, D Kyle Robinson, T/B Martin, M McRae, J Costa, P Rose.

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Morning of the Mo

The month of 'Movember' is over for another year with great memories of annual 'Morning of the Mo' retro surf gathering on the weekend.

Inspired by Albert Falzon's seminal surf film, 'Morning of the Earth', this unique gathering saw surfers from around the country participate in the spirit of fun and brotherhood to raise awareness and money for Movember's beneficiary partners; the National Prostate Cancer Foundation and Beyond Blue.

The most prestigious of the awards, the 'Stylemaster' went to Bob Moley who painted himself black, wore a dreadlocked-wig and remained in character for nearly 48 hours, even when he surfed.

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Brunswick

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1/12 S/S Triples: J McCowran, B Wlliot, B Priest; r/up G Wall, M Kimber, P Earl; B Elliot, M Haines, C Klavesten.

Ocean Shores Women

3/12 Mixed Social Highest Margin: B Paine, B Sprengel (w) d K Farrell, M Flesser; S Woolford, A Slater, W Sprengel d S Woolford, B Stone, K George; E Miller, D Grant, S Iversen (r/up) d E Hill, N Russell, G Johnston. 5/12 Social Highwww.echo.net.au

DARTS Brunswick Valley

AGM on 19/1 at Mullum Ex Serv Club, 7.15pm, everybody welcome. GOLF

Mullumbimby Men

3/12 Final Srixon Challenge: P defina; r/up T Batson, R Reilly, D Blake, G Addison. NTP: 5th C Watson, 7th D Essery, 9th R Barnes, 12th T Batson, 17th D Webber. Ball rundown 2009 Qualifiers: M Trivett, A Baldwin, K Lawler, T Wood, D Essery; balls to 72 nett. 6/12 Monthly Medal Stroke: A grade P Towner 64; r/ up C James 66; B grade K Myers 60; r/ up C Cooper 61; C grade M McLeod 65; G Anderson 67. NTP: 5th D Crow, 9th/12th A Lumsden, 17th J Stokes, 11th, 2nd shot D Parson. Medal of Medals: C Cooper 61 strokes.

Mullumbimby Ladies

29/11 Stroke: winner J Carter. 4/12 Versus Par: Div 1 G Lynn +3; Div 2 J Stuart

Brunswick Heads

10/12 Rnd 3 Cape Byron Med Centre Comp: Bruns Pharmacy v Canty's Survevors: CLittlewood v S Thompson. L Clarke v C Pearce, R James v A Li, J Heers v C Johnston, B Grosse v A Booth, Byron Bay Trophies v OS Bakery; C Ashworth v B Trivett, P Hill v R Hughes, S Moon v C Booth, Kijay v R Cameron, Jeff Heers v P McQueen. Bruns Smash Repairs v OS Glass; B Staff v M Underwood, W Ferrier v G Hall, R King v J Gribble, T Grosse v N Dunn, F King v S Truesdale; Bruns Blinds and Awnings Bye. 15/12 Rnd 13 Byron Health Foods Comp: Div 1; 5pm L Powell v M Underwood, D Bird v G Davis, B Trivett v B Staff, C Littlewood Bye. Div 2; 5pm A Li v J Gribble, C Pearce v M Cassidy, R Hughes v C Walsh, R King Bye. Div 3; 5pm S Moon v R Draper, J Nicolson v J Heers; 6pm D Runciman v C Johnston. Div 4; 5pm

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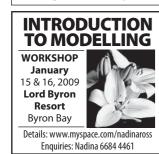
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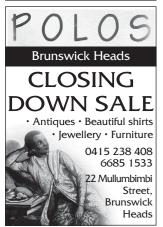
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PETER KATIMS (PRITAMO / PK) 7.12.1941 - 5.12.2008



Died peacefully at home after an illness bravely borne. Private Cremation

Please join us to celebrate the life of this beloved adventurer Thurs 11th Dec, 5 Sansom Rd, Bangalow, off Rifle Range Rd. 2.30 - 4.30 pm.

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DULCIE REYNOLDS 28.02.1922 - 23.09.2008 We, Dulcie's family wish to express our heartfelt thanks to family and friends for the many acts of kindness, flowers, cards, masses, cooking, phone calls attendance at the funeral and donations to the Kidney Foundation following the sad loss of our loving mother, mother-inlaw, nan and great nan. Thank you to the Drs and staff at

LOST & FOUND

LOST: LADIES PRESCRIPTION SUNNIES Black frame in black case, lost in Bangalow Friday 28th. 0434291120

MISSING CAMERA

Brand new birthday present Red Fujifilm Finepix Missing from Mullum High School oval last Thursday afternoon. (Year 6 Orientation Day)

Please return to school office or Echo office. NO QUESTIONS ASKED

FOUND: A Rozella in Patterson St area. Phone 66857738

FOUND: watch at Huonbrook on Friday 12/12/08. Phone 66882350

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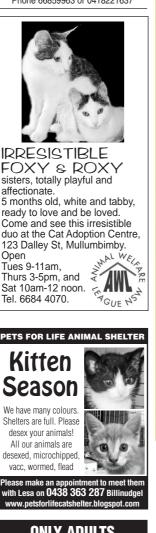
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GEORGE THE SNAKE MAN	
NSW Wildlife Information & Rescue Service (WIRES)	6628 1866



Saturday 13th December Matinee Show 12.00 pm ~ Evening Show 6.30 pm Adults \$15 / 12yrs or under \$12 Family of 4 \$50 Tickets available at the door or call 66 854 281 to reserve your seat!

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.

Excerpts from The Tabart Report on the Local Government Association Conference 2008 in Broken Hill

Aside from a routine dust storm the weather was fine.

Following the usual opening ceremony/welcomes/parade of the 'chain gang' etc on the Sunday, Monday saw the start of business.

Barbara Perry the LG Minister was listed to kick off but was elbowed by Barry O'Farrell, Leader of the Opposition and then by her boss Nathan Rees, the latest starter in the Premier's socks. Nathan had flown in as the sole passenger on an executive jet (had breakfast with the pilots) and, while not on the program, was obviously spooked enough by what Bazza may say that the travel budget became a secondary consideration

have to ante up for two years Bazza was full of promises, including actually funding local government at something more than the current bread and dripping standard - we may see if the barking Opus Dei branch-stackers don't sink him in the interim.

topping Bazza without actually promising anything concrete. He came up with the 'possibility' of lifting the capping of council rates to be offset (not his description) by dropping LG's exemption from payrole tax. This was inspirational. LG would now cop all the sticks and arrows outrageous ratepayers while the state could now claim that council shortfalls were their own fault and would be trousering a nice big payrole tax windfall. No wonder his pilots said they had the engines running.

Interest was flagging as Barbara Perry finally got her go (maybe they plan to make her their traditional pre crash -and-burn premier) but her offering was strictly according to Hoyle, sort of the totally cavalier attitude Rowan Atkinson without the humour. Actually her finest hour was on the plane up when a random sample of luggage was offloaded to re- dills amongst us say 'how duce weight. The Minister's brave and resilliant' while bags were in the the sad pile our cloud of pathogens lays of discards but never a hint waste all around. As the GP close 10/12/08 of the 'don't you know who I ams'?...Well done Barb. 2/08 ment Elections by State: Sup- lice in the waiting room and plemented by a number of re- you couldn't go out with out a lated propositions, it was clear 2/08 that most councils were thoroughly pissed off with both the cops but put someone in the cost and the poor stand-2/08 ards set by the NSW Electoral Commission at the September election. The many proposals 2/08 from councils of every political complexion covered everything from poorly trained education for the increasingcommission staff to the high ly likely outbreak of infec-2/08 cost of auditing relatively mi- tious disease pandemics. nor accounts. (An account

with >\$1000 in donations or expenditure could incur as much as \$1000 for an audit). Generally, dissatisfaction was expressed for every facet of the Electoral Commission and Funding Authority's conduct of the election.

Affordable Housing: This was a popular topic within the motions, local government generally (following our lead?) has been very much alerted to the crisis in our midst and the studied neglect of the matter by state and federal governments. Suggestions included, inclusion of 'local clauses' in LEPs mandating a proportion of affordable housing in certain developments, legislation to protect and expand exist-As befits a man who doesn't ing stocks and the identification of 'land banks' of publicly owned land for affordable houses.

Planning for Warming: Especially in coastal councils the existing and potential impacts of global warming are becoming central to their planning. Most asked for 'leadership' in Forced to follow-on Pre- this vital threat from the other mier Nat had the hard task of levels of government – a somewhat forlorn hope in the case of the current NSW administration. New sea level rise standards (like ours) were popular as well as statewide strategic planning for impacts and reinstatement of the Coastal Council were adopted.

S96 Rorting: Once more the request to limit the scope of developers amending DAs to the extent they become another, different, development was put up to the deaf ears of the state which is now under the tender ministrations of the firm Obeid/Tripodi Inc. fronted by their political lapdog Keneally. Don't hold your breath, this is worse than Sartor.

Pandemics: Having just spent two weeks waiting for death I am very aware of we exhibit when it comes to putting each other at risk of infection. We happily front up with heavy symptoms and said as I inquired if I would live, 'if there was bird flu Funding of Local Govern- around there would be pomask'. If I punched someone in the nose they would call hospital with influenza for two weeks and no one takes any notice. The connection? Penrith wants NSW Health to prepare guidelines for local government action and - Tom Tabart



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LOLA MAY RICHES 24.9.1937 - 29.10. 2008 The family of Lola would like to express our thanks and gratitude for the kind thoughts and sympathy extended to us at this difficult time. We are grateful for the many cards, telephone calls, food and flowers we received. Special thanks to Dr Giles Taylor, the Mullumbimby and Tweed Hospitals and the ladies from the Mullumbimby Golf Club. Sadly missed.

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Twilight Market

The annual Twilight Market will take place on Banner Park, Brunswick Heads on Wednesday December 17, commencing at 3pm. Santa will be there at 7pm with an iceblock giveaway to children under 12 years of age. The lighting of the town Christmas Tree will take place at 8pm and the fireworks display will follow at 9pm.

CWA End of Year

Mullumbimby CWA final meeting for the year is on Wednesday December 10 at 10am at the CWA Rooms. A Christmas party will follow the meeting. Members please bring a plate of food for the lunch and a wrapped gift. More information from 6684 1225 or 6684 2864.

TOOT! AGM

TOOT! Trains on our Tracks AGM will be on Wed December 17, from 5 to 7pm (not December 10 as previously stated) at the Bangalow Bowlo. All welcome. Enquiries secretary@toot.org.au or Karin on 6680 8516.

Volunteers Needed

Pets for Life Animal Shelter Inc at Billinudgel is seeking volunteers to care for 20 kittens and 3 adult cats. PFL also seeking a new treasurer. Contact Jean 6619 1787 or 0411 032 905.

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Men's Support

Mullum Mates is a newly formed men's support group that meets every Tuesday night from 6.30pm to 9pm in Mullumbimby, cost \$5 donation. The group has been formed in conjunction with the Lismore Men and family Centre. Phone 6622 6116 for details.

Cat/Dog Desexing

If you are the holder of a Centrelink pension or health care card and are struggling to afford the cost of having your pet desexed, the Animal Welfare League North Coast Branch may be able to help you. Please ring 6684 4070.

Drug Support

A Stepping Stones to Success workshop is on Sat/Sun January 10, 11, and January 17, 18 2009, 9am to 4pm at the Guide Hall Carlyle Street Byron Bay. Cost: free to members, \$40 joining fee per year (conc avail). The workshop is facilitated by a clinical psychologist. More information about FDS: 24 hr Support Line: 1300 368 186; web: www.fds.org.au; email: admin@fds.ngo.org.au. Ph: 4782 9222, fax: 4782 9555.

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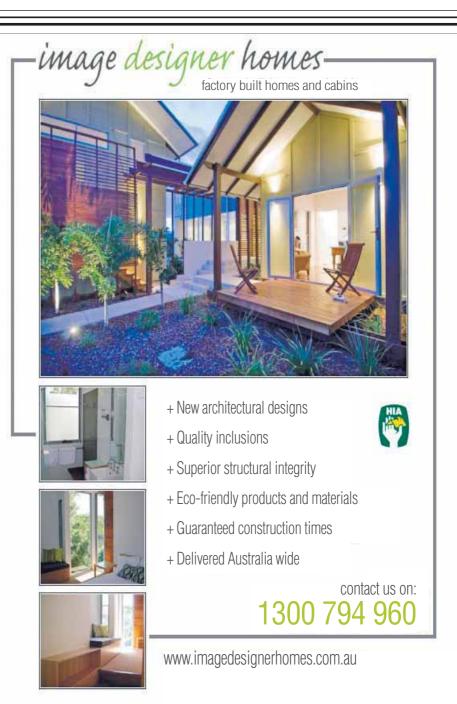
On Tuesday December 16, Jan Olley will speak on Shore and Water Birds of Byron Shire, 10am to 12 noon, Uniting Church, Fingal Street, Brunswick Heads. Enquiries 6684 3126. This is the last speaker for this year.

Work for Women

Wollongbar TAFE is offering a free women's introductory course with a focus on Child Studies with supportive and friendly staff. On completion of this 'Access to Work and Training' course you will also receive a First Aid Certificate and up to date skills for job seeking. The course runs in Semester 1, 2009 within school hours on Monday and Wednesday for 16 weeks. This course is fee exempt but a small materials charge may apply. Enquiries 6620 4700.

Remembrance

The Lismore Chapter of The Compassionate Friends extend an invitation to all bereaved parents and supportive friends of their families to join them at a Candlelight Remembrance Evening at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Bexhill on Sunday December 14 at 6pm. Enquiries to Glennys Gow on 6621 4086 or Dianne Rosbor-





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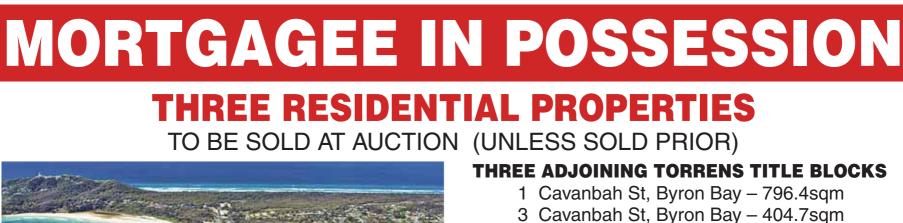


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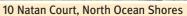
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36 Tweed Street, Brunswick Heads

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This is the perfect location for those looking for a guiet rural lifestyle, but still can't deny they love a great coffee and a stroll along a pristine sandy beach. A tranquil rural home, located only 10 minutes to all Byron Bay has to offer, is positioned on an acre of north east facing land with lovely views across the hinterland. Sit back on the full length covered verandah and enjoy the peace and quiet this property has to offer

This high set timber home consists of 3 bedrooms, 1 bathroom, an open plan lounge and dining area, slate floors and high raked ceilings. The country style kitchen has gas cooking and timber bench tops giving this home a warm heart. For info or to arrange an inspection please contact Andrew Rosee on 0421 914 054 or Peter Yopp on 0411 837 330.

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Fiji – Rare Freehold Land Opportunity

Maui Bay Estate, located on the beautiful Coral Coast of the main island of Fiji, offers an ideal lifestyle change/ holiday home destination and unique investment opportunity. A peaceful and relaxed living environment located on a white sand beach overlooking the ocean provides an idyllic living atmosphere close to resorts and world class surfing, diving and fishing reefs. Maui Bay Estate features electricity, telephone broadband internet access and Beach

Clubhouse which makes for convenient living from your island paradise home. The best ocean view lots (over ½ acre) are selling fast from \$125,000 (available on 10% deposit vendor finance). Taveuni Development Company (Australia Office) on 07 5572 4415 or 0404 448 430.

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- Tue, Thu & Sat 1-.130pm
- 6 Orchid Place, Suffolk Park. Sat 2-2.30pm
- 44 Beech Drive, Suffolk Park. Sat 12-12.30pm
- 7 Bannister Court, Bangalow. Sat 12-12.30pm
- Unit 9 'The Links' 64-70 Broken Head Road, Byron Bay. Sat 1-1.30pm
- 'Breeze' Cnr Booyun & Tweed Streets, Brunswick Heads. Sat 2-2.30pm
- 52 Shirley Street, Byron Bay. Sat 1-1.30pm
- 3489 Pacific Highway, Byron Bay. Sat 2-2.30pm
- 4 Shelley Drive, Byron Bay.
- Wed 11-11.30am & Fri 12-12.30

AUCTIONS

- **Byron Bay First National p51**
- 1 & 2 Cavanbah Street & 2 Milton Street, Byron Bay. Auction Sat Dec 13. Inspect Thu 5-6pm & Sat 12.30-1.30pm

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- 10 Byron St, Brunswick Heads. Auction 1130am Sat Dec 20 at RSL Hall. Fawcett St. Brunswick Heads. Inspect Sat 11-11.30am
- **Elders Byron Bay p55**
- 1/122 Bangalow Road, Byron Bay. Auction 11am Sat Feb 7. George & Fuhrmann Real Estate p53
- . Lot 3 Thomas St, Bangalow. Auction Sat Jan 17.
- Inspect Sat 12.30-1pm



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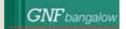
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Bangalow

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Lot 3 Thomas St Bangalow

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Backlash



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All day Christmas Shopping Party Saturday December 13 10.00 am - 4.00 pm

The latest festival seeking a DA is Legends of Rock, to be staged by Perth-registered Erinstar Pty Ltd on January 31 at Red Devil Park. It's already publicised in Rave magazine and there's a website at www. legendsofrockfestival.com.au. Come to think of it, Legends of Frock would be a good name for a fashion festival.

The Byron Bay Art Diary, showcasing the work of 26 Northern Rivers artists, 'is the quintessential Byron Shire Christmas gift, given that it is more manageable to post than a dolphin!' say its creators. The team at True Art & Media is giving away five copies of the 2009 Byron Bay Art Diary. To be in with a chance, visit www.byronbayartdiary. com and enter your details on the contact page. The five names of the lucky winners will be published in a January Echo.

Many thanks to all the keen photographers for the smiley face pics of the moon, Venus and Jupiter in a happy alignment. Now astrologers will have to add email shorthand to their prognostications. It reminds us of other configurations of heavenly bodies, such as the McDonald's Logo over Inkstand, Nebraska, in 1978, and the Celestial Sphincter in the Orion Belt, which caused a whole civilisation to move planet in disgust.

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A further contribution to the to 'Canvas for Change'. The religious debate can be found at www.jesusandmo.net - not tion. Voting ends December suitable for those with hard- 15. line belief systems. Thanks to the reader who phoned it in. See also more letters on this entertaining topic on page Cohen is offering a bounty 12.

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Entertainment promoters, locally or at least in Northern please note: someone calling NSW from feral cane toads herself 'Chloe Ryan' is pur- and killed humanely, he says. porting to represent The Echo. 'I swear on my cane toad





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As you may have noticed from our classies, Greens MP Ian

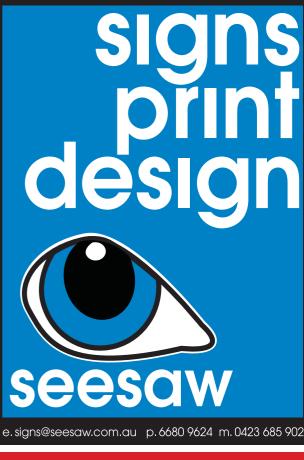
on properly cured cane toad

skins. 'Skins must be produced

Local artist Bubaloo Fahy has been selected as a finalist in you can assist. Oxfam's climate change campaign 'Canvas for Change'. The theme of the campaign was to create artworks that tell the climate change story for vulnerable communities in developing countries. The winning entry will be printed as postcards and posters to be used as part of Oxfam's ongoing climate change campaign in Australia in 2009. So now you can vote for Bubaloo's painting and give it a five star rating if you like it. Go to www.oxfam.org.au and click on campaigns, scroll down

This is not true. It is a piece of covered parliamentary work unconscionable blagging in book in front of my selected Give a shark a good home order to secure media passes stuffed Toadie awards that I this Christmas. You can now will work towards ridding the send your friends an adoption region of these pests and create local employment.' Give Ian a call on 0409 989 466 if

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