



## Children star at kitefest launch

Story & photo Eve Jeffery

Children took flight last Thursday at the Soundshell in Brunswick Heads at the program launch for the 2009 Kites and Bikes Festival.

The Festival's aim is to promote affordable family fun while showcasing the simple pleasures of Brunswick Heads and event highlights include kite making and bike decorating workshops, Rokakku kite fighting challenges, a decorative bike parade and expo and skills circuits, circus performances and a Star Search talent contest and of course the major event which will be the Country Energy Kite Record attempt.

The current Australian record for the most kites in the air at once is 1127 set in Glenelg South Australia in 2007 and the World Record of 1655 was set in Malaysia in 2008.

Kite record organiser Lisa Parkes is really excited about the attempt.

'We have almost 600 children from local schools including Brunswick and Bangalow Public Schools signed up already so we are well on the way,' said Lisa at the launch. 'We would like to encourage people - families, groups or just individuals to register for the attempt prior to the weekend so that we know that we will have them helping us to break the record on the day. We even have to have JPs



Alisa Hudson from Brunswick Heads school navigates the trees, the sky, the world and the universe from the Terrace Park at the Kites and Bikes program launch.

there to meet the requirements of the Guinness Book of Records.'

Registration costs \$10, and the fee includes a kite kit and full instructions for the day.

The sixty students from the Brunswick Heads school sat patiently listen-

ing to all the important grownup stuff about the festival before discovering that the best place to get a breeze was close to the river. The kites which were made by the children during the week under the guidance of kite maker Michael Richards are simple

to make and are designed to fly in low wind conditions as demonstrated at the launch with barely a puff of air.

To register for the kite record attempt visit either [www.kitsandbikes.com.au](http://www.kitsandbikes.com.au) or the Visitors Centre in Brunswick Heads.

## Byron YAC back in action

Byron Shire Council's Youth Activity Centre major upgrade is finished and the centre is now available for creative and recreational events for young people in the Shire.

Byron Shire Council's Community Development Officer, Robyn Masters said the new improved facility will capitalise on the range of creative and recreational events for young people in the Shire.

In celebration of the upgrade, a re-Vamp concert will be held from 2pm to 6pm on Saturday March 21 at the Youth Activity Centre (YAC) in Gilmour Crescent, Byron Bay and will showcase the Shire's local talent.

At a cost of about \$260,000, the upgrade included a new acoustic ceiling, internal access and upgrade of the disabled toilet, painting and ensuring fire safety certification.

### Licensed for fun

'People have been asking when we will have our entertainment licence. Well, now we do, so as a community let's work with our local young people and support their creative pursuits,' Ms Masters said.

'The reVamp concert has been planned to coincide with Harmony Day and is a great opportunity to focus on the community working together as a whole. The concert will feature performances by local youth groups and there is still time to get your act into the show. If you are a dancer, musician, magician etc, and aged between 12 and 25, then contact Michael Prigmore on 6685 9341.'

The newly revamped and improved YAC contains an auditorium, amphitheatre, 'Splendour' sound studio, office space and training rooms.

'We encourage people who can share skills with the youth of our Shire to become involved with the YAC,' Ms Masters said, 'either through one-off courses, events or a series of classes.'

For more information, or help in accessing the booking form, contact Robyn Masters on 6685 9343.

■ **Despite the revamp, the future of the YAC is still at risk. See Comment on page 10.**

## No threat to Mullum birthing unit: NCAHS

While a protest was being held at Mullum hospital against the potential closure of its birthing unit, North Coast Area Health Service (NCAHS) Chief Executive Chris Crawford issued a statement saying there were no plans to close the unit.

'There are no meetings being held to discuss the closure of the birthing unit,' Mr Crawford said.

'NCAHS has received resignations from a couple of the [hospital's] midwives. NCAHS has initiated recruitment action to replace these midwives. While this recruitment action

is under way, the maternity service will continue to be provided by the remaining midwives.

'NCAHS will continue to advertise to actively recruit to fill any vacant midwifery position that becomes available at the birthing unit.

'There have been no discussions within NCAHS about the closing of the birthing unit. It is a valued and innovative service which will continue.'

The statement came in response to comments from the Northern Rivers Maternity Action Group, which pointed out that Mullumbimby Hos-

pital 'has offered maternity services to approximately 200 low risk women per year. It successfully hosted a shared care program whereby women were able to receive care from a midwife as well as her GP.'

'Last year the North Coast Area Health Service (NCAHS) was presented with a proposal for a caseload midwifery program at Mullumbimby. Caseload midwifery is a model of care whereby women receive care from a known midwife or group of midwives who assist her throughout pregnancy, birth and post-natal care. The pro-

posal also incorporated a homebirth scheme.

'A survey carried out by the hospital asked over 100 women for suggestions of a model of care they felt would be most suitable for them. The response was clearly that caseload midwifery and publicly funded homebirth is what the women accessing Mullumbimby Hospital want.'

The group also said Dr Rischbeth of the Rural Doctors Association has noted that, over the last 15 years, 130 rural maternity units have been closed across Australia.

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# Bushfire appeal still on the move

The new Byron Bay fundraising group 'Byron to the Bush' will commence its Mega Bush Fire Appeal with two upcoming Byron Bay events.

These events are designed to contribute as much as possible to the Red Cross appeal for Australians affected by the Victorian bushfires. Contributions will also go to the wildlife rescue fund for the Victorian region, plus to victims of the recent floods in Queensland. All donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

The major event will be held at the Beach Hotel on Sunday March 8, from 11am to 2pm a sausage sizzle and raffle will be under way in Apex Park, along with fire engines for the kids to play on and live rescue demonstrations in the water by the Westpac Helicopter Rescue Service.

Byron Shire Mayor Jan Barham launches activities in the Beach Hotel at 2pm. Beach Hotel entertainment includes performances by Brian Cadd, Lisa Hunt, Kurtis, Sou'd, and standup comedians Sandy Gandhi and George Smilovici. Around \$20,000 to \$30,000 worth of items are being auctioned. Entry is \$10 minimum donation.

## Dinner date

The 'Byron to the Bush' fundraising dinner is on at the Pacific Dining Room at The Beach Hotel on Friday March 6. Diners will experience four courses prepared by local chefs from Rae's, Dish, Satiates, and the Pacific Dining Room. The cost is \$150, bookings by emailing [info@pacificdiningroom.com.au](mailto:info@pacificdiningroom.com.au) or phone 6680 7055.

Several hundred people attended 'Let Love Rain', a benefit concert put on by Byron shire artists and musicians last Sunday at Bangalow A&I Hall, to show solidarity with and raise



Gordon Lee of Lighthouse Removals is donating spare space in his truck for transport of goods for people affected by the Victorian bushfires. Gordon's truck will be heading down to Victoria next week on Wednesday March 11 and he will be filling spare spaces with boxes of donated goods from Byron Shire locals. He will not be able to carry any large items at this time, such as mattresses or couches, but will accept well packaged boxes of small goods such as clothes, tins of food and tin openers. Please do not include any glass bottles or spillable items. Those wishing to take Gordon up on his offer will need to get goods to his home in The Pocket - call 6684 5395 or 0420 505 395. Photo Lou Beaumont.

funds for the people and communities caught in the bushfires. Bundjalung custodian Lewis Walker welcomed the community; a memorial shrine to the bushfire tragedy was set up in the Hall; and a lineup of musos - salsa, Irish, flamenco, gypsy, reggae, hip hop, bellydance - kept the patrons entertained. Organisers would like to thank all the artists,

musicians and volunteers who donated their time and energy to make this event a success and the market stalls for their food donations. The fundraiser netted \$1,500, shared between the Salvation Army, St Vincent de Paul Society and Wildlife Victoria bushfire appeals.

The event was produced by Byron Neighbourhood Resource Centre and supported

by Bangalow A&I Hall and local charities.

The Mullumbimby Ex-Services Club has presented the Red Cross with a cheque for \$2,000 for the bushfire appeal. The men's club raised \$1,800 and the women's club \$200. Many thanks were extended to the Bowlo chef James for his BBQ operation and the food he donated.

## Successful launch for Relay for Life

Over 50 people attended the Cancer Council Relay for Life launch on 16 Feb, sponsored by The Park Tavern at Suffolk Park. Nineteen teams signed up with many others keen to learn about this community event to be held on May 30 and 31 at Red Devils Park.

Organisers thanked John Fysh, the guest speaker who spoke of his and his family's

experience with cancer.

Organisers were excited to see teams registering early and invited others to do the same.

It costs only \$11 to start your team with a captain and the committee will help you with fundraising ideas as team numbers grow. Tickets for the major raffle will be on sale for \$2 each and available from team captains and the com-

mittee. Come along to the next information and team registration night on Monday April 20, 6pm-7pm at The Park Tavern at Suffolk Park.

For more information call Liz 6687 1195, Ann 6685 6070, Sunita at the Cancer Council Alstonville 6627 0302 or visit [www.relay.cancercouncil.com.au](http://www.relay.cancercouncil.com.au) and choose the relay Byron 2009.

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### A Taste of Health and Happiness - lecture Sunday March 8, 7-9pm \$20 per person

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# Visitors chip in for cleanup day

Clean Up Australia Day Mullumbimby site coordinator Scott Longden with his three year old Jasper (front) and the team of volunteers (L-R): Abbey (2), Jei and Simon Whelan (5), Leonie Jackson, Alison Orchard, Steve Baxter, and the Roberts family from Canada – Trevor (10), Amanda and Graeme (8). The Roberts family has only lived in Myocum for two months, on exchange from Canada, but told *The Echo*, 'You are willing to have us in the area for a year so it is the least we can do.'

Scott Longden's five year old Baylin was in hospital recovering from an asthma attack and despite not feeling 100% was determined to have his mum take him along to take part in the cleanup. The team, who



split up and covered various Mullumbimby streets and public parks, collected eight bags of rubbish in a couple of hours, most of it recyclable materials. Photo Lou Beaumont

## Council moves to save blackbutts at black spot

Byron Shire Councillors voted 4-2 last Thursday to support residents' pleas to save oldgrowth Blackbutt trees along Broken Head Road. The successful motion by Cr Tom Tabart may put in doubt \$440,000 in federal government Black Spot funding as Council may have to resubmit its funding proposal.

Cr Tabart was in favour of the road improvements along Midgen Flat apart from the removal of the Blackbutts. He also moved successfully to ask the RTA to reduce the speed on Broken Head Road to 60kph from Broken Head Quarry south to the Ballina shire border. 'Every second corner in this

shire could be designated as a black spot,' Cr Tabart said. 'This could be solved by reducing speed limits and we need to put the onus back on the RTA. 'If trees are regarded as dangerous, we may as well remove telegraph poles on the same basis.' The staff report, which recommended the trees' removal

as part of the road improvements, noted that 'the dominant crash type in the length of road is single vehicle crashes involving the vehicle going off-road. There are several crashes at the intersection of Midgen Flat Road involving a second vehicle.' Crs Ross Tucker and Diane Woods opposed the motion.

## BEC Trust seeks help with bush rehabilitation

The Byron Environment Centre (BEC) Cumbebin Wetland Sanctuary Trust has been using chemical-free strategies in their bush rehabilitation program behind the Byron Market Site. This area provides critical habitat for the endangered Wallum Froglet and the Mitchell's Rainforest Snail (*Thersites mitchellae*) which lives on the edges of the swamp forest of this wetland. Both are listed as endangered under the NSW

Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995. On the south west corner are a number of camphor laurel trees which have been creating shade and wind protection on the buffer edge of this sensitive wetland. As part of its management strategy BEC has chosen not to eradicate the camphor laurels until the native trees are well established to enable continued protection of this wetland. Sharon Curry, spokesperson for the Cumbebin Wetland Trust, said these camphor laurels were recently poisoned without the trust being notified and many of the native tree planting and regenerating plants have disappeared from the site. The leaves of the camphor laurels are already drooping and the sun is starting to enter this shaded area which will enable further weed invasion, damage to the wetland trees and pose a real threat to these endangered species.

'We are now desperately in need of advanced native trees like native figs, lilly pilly, tuckeroos, watergums, macarangs, cheese trees and Bangalow palms to compensate for this loss of environmental protection to our wetland,' said Ms Curry. 'The BEC has charity status, therefore any donations are tax deductible. 'Can anyone help, please?' You can contact the BEC on 6684 2272 or Sharon 6687 1538.

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# Touchdown in the heart of town



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Plummeting into Byron's CBD at 120 miles an hour strapped to a bloke you just met really does make you think of the fragility of your existence. With senses overloaded, adrenalin flowing and eyes wide open, fear becomes exhilaration as the details of the top of the Beach Hotel become clearer. What was a spot seconds ago now resembles a rooftop. The cape and beaches are spectacular as are the vast mangroves just west of the town. It's all over way too soon – though it feels like a lifetime – as you land just behind the Butler Street Reserve at Glen Villa.

There's a new adventure sport in town – Byron Landings Tandem Skydive. Owner and manager Steve Lewis has been a jumper for 25 years and has been in the area 15. What makes this thrill unique – apart from being able to land in town – is his focus on customer service. 'Our plane carries two tandems at a time, ensuring that our attention and focus is on the customer,' he says. 'There's a wedding package too which is perfect for newlyweds – what a way to start your life together – landing into the heart of town!'

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ture times, not pick up times,' according to Steve. 'With only one load at a time, there's no waiting for your turn to jump.'

So what's it really like? 'Once you climb above a few hundred feet your fear of heights evaporates,' says Steve. 'You lose perspective and the ground becomes a flat landscape.'

After five minutes of climbing the beautiful skies of Byron Shire, it's getting cooler and my nerves are rising. At 14,000 feet it's departure time; the final moment is when the professional tandem skydiver goes to work. It's business time. I felt numb, serene and drugged – it's a feeling unlike any other. Facing mortality could be just that; you surrender to instincts, fear, intuition and allow the universe to now decide your fate. On the drop, there is no thought, only an urge to take in as much of the experience as possible. It's more than breathtaking because I didn't remember breathing.

Steve's dream business has been a long road to fruition, and despite the lengthy council approval processes he has remained optimistic and focused. 'The five or so years have been worth it,' he says. 'Maynard Smith has been a great help in establishing a harmonious relationship with the local com-

munity. We have adopted the 'Fly Neighbourly Policy' in an effort to ensure a minimum of disturbance to the area.

'This brings to our town more tourism potential and adds to Byron's distinct flavour as a unique holiday destination. And besides, everyone who jumps out of a plane is happy.'

Other than skydiving, his shop boasts a modest museum providing a brief history of skydiving. 'On rainy days, the museum is the perfect place for backpackers and the public to come in and learn about this fantastic sport.' Steve's onto something here – access

to places of interest in the heart of town is lacking, and this is a very welcome addition.

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Thanks Steve for providing the town with a fantastic new sport and activity – what could be more fun than jumping into Byron Bay?

## Teens can gamble on artwork

North coast high school students are being invited to create tiny artworks that will educate NSW pub and club goers about problem gambling.

The Draw The Line on Problem Gambling competition was launched by Gambling Help services on the north coast. Gambling Help provides free face to face, phone and online help and support for problem gamblers and their families. It is funded by the NSW government through the Responsible Gambling Fund.

The competition, which is open to all NSW residents aged

14 to 16 years, challenges entrants to create an artwork that is just 95mm x 95mm – the size of an average drink coaster.

The North Coast region winner will receive an 8G iPod Touch, while the overall state winner will win a state-of-the-art digital camera.

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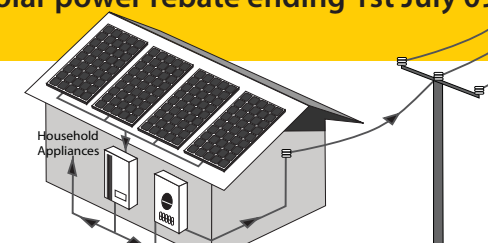
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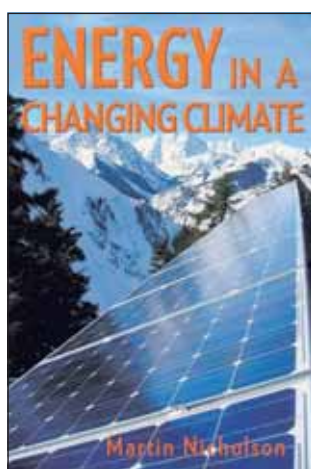
## Energy 'key to fixing climate change'

Local author Martin Nicholson says changes are needed to how energy is sourced and used if greenhouse gas emissions are to be reduced.

According to Mr Nicholson, replacing all fossil fuels with renewable energy will not be the solution in the short term. 'Modern society needs round-the-clock electricity and ready access to motor vehicles,' he says. 'Renewable energy cannot deliver either in most countries of the world today.'

'Climate change is arguably the most important issue of our time. Understanding energy's role is critical if society is to have an informed debate about emissions reduction.'

'Technology improvements are needed in renewable en-



ergy before it can provide a complete replacement for fossil fuels, the major source of greenhouse gas emissions. Energy conservation is important but not sufficient to address the problem alone.

'Greenhouse gas emissions are not the only reason for re-engineering our energy supply.'

'Peak oil and dwindling reserves of coal, gas and uranium will demand a shift to sustainable energy over time. Improving existing renewable energy sources will play a key role in this shift along with discovering new sustainable energy sources.'

In his new book, *Energy in a Changing Climate*, Martin Nicholson provides background on energy sources and their limitations and describes the links between energy and climate change.

He discusses what the energy mix might look like over the next few decades and what

would be needed before an all renewable energy future is possible. The book is written for the non-technical reader who has an interest in acquiring a better understanding of this important subject.

Martin Nicholson lives in the Byron Bay hinterland. He studied mathematics, engineering and electrical sciences at Cambridge University in the UK and graduated with a Masters degree in 1974. He has spent most of his working life as business owner and chief executive of a number of information technology companies in Australia.

The book will be launched at Mary Ryan's Bookstore in Fletcher Street, Byron Bay, at 6pm on Thursday March 12.

## NRWC offers opportunities for writers

The clock is ticking for emerging writers who should all be polishing their manuscripts right now, with March 30 the application deadline for two opportunities for regional writers. Both these opportunities, presented by the Northern Rivers Writers' Centre, are open to writers living in the Northern Rivers region.

The first is the 2009 NRWC Residential Mentorship. In the past the NRWC's popular annual residential mentorship has only been available to members living in the Northern Rivers region. This year, however, eligibility will be extended to include everyone living within the NRWC catchment, which is north to Tweed, south to Taree and west to Kyogle.

The 2009 residential mentorship will be held May 4-8. Funded in full by NRWC and Arts NSW, the mentorship provides five days in a Byron Bay location with accommodation and meals provided, one-



Freelance editor and writer Shelley Kenigsberg.

on-one mentorship with local writer Marele Day and the kinship of three other committed writers.

The second opportunity is the Litlink/ Nrwc Unpublished Manuscript Award. This is a prestigious new writing award, presented by LitLink and the Northern Rivers

Writers' Centre and open to all writers resident in regional NSW, outside the Sydney metropolitan region.

NRWC director Jeni Cafin expects that this award will soon become a significant pathway to writing recognition. 'This is an outstanding opportunity for NSW regional writers to strut their stuff and show what they can do,' said Jeni. 'At the moment emerging writers in metropolitan areas have many more resources to support their development but we think this award will go a long way toward redressing the balance.'

Manuscripts may be fiction or narrative non-fiction, and must be completed to a final draft stage. Unfortunately picture books, poetry and performance pieces are not eligible

for consideration and it is essential that no more than 10% of the work submitted has been previously published in any form on a commercial basis. The shortlisted manuscripts will each be read and considered by Annette Barlow of Allen and Unwin and the shortlisted writers will appear at the Byron Bay Writers Festival 2009, where the winner will be announced.

Full details about the mentorship and the manuscript award are available at [www.nrwc.org.au](http://www.nrwc.org.au). All enquiries to Susie Warrick on 6685 5115 or email [susie@nrwc.org.au](mailto:susie@nrwc.org.au).

Shelley Kenigsberg comes to Byron Bay on March 21 to present *The Kindest Cut Of All: Editing for Writers for the Northern Rivers Writers' Centre*. This is an editing workshop that will explore the sins of poor writing and suggest the ways to rectify them.

Shelley has developed and presented courses for editors, writers, language institutes, private corporations and at literary festivals around Australia and in Indonesia, Japan and South Africa. She is an active member of IPED — the Institute of Professional Editors (Australia).

The workshop will be held at the Community Centre in Byron Bay, 10am-4pm. NRWC members \$45, non-members \$55. Bookings essential, call 6685 5115 or email Susie Warrick on [susie@nrwc.org.au](mailto:susie@nrwc.org.au).

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# Back to the 50s



Christina Vockler with her two children Rory (2) and Charlotte (5) at the 50th anniversary of the Coorabell Flower Show. Dressed in 50s fashions, Christina and Charlotte had six entries in the show between them. Christina entered a headdress and scones and Charlotte made vegetable and wax dioramas and two drawings. Rory, on the other hand, slept through the craft-making activities of his mum and sister. Photo Lou Beaumont.

# ACE course to 'strengthen self and relationships'

An ACE's course, 'Gestalt: Finding Authentic Self' will show you 'how to respond rather than react'. The course, scheduled for the weekend of Saturday March 21 and Sunday 22 will be 'highly experiential with clarity and safety assured,' according to tutor Gayle Russell. 'We will look at perceptions, interpretations and responses and build awareness of other pathways to understanding. The course will help you become more aware of your boundaries, and feel more confident to express real self - as opposed to who you think you should be. We

will also explore resistance and change. This exploration can be profoundly liberating and beneficial and can trigger valuable growth in your relationships.' Gayle Russell is a trained facilitator, teacher and Gestalt psychotherapist with many years of experience. 'This program has been life-changing for many people and I often hear afterwards of some profound changes people make in the way they have been living their lives.' For information and bookings phone ACE 6684 3374 or phone Gayle 6684 1119.

# Petrea King visits

The Petrea King public lecture and workshop on March 8 and 9 are events that participants in the Byron Bay Breast Cancer Support Group have long been looking forward to. 'Petrea's work has been a foundation stone for the group and it is very timely that Petrea is coming to do a workshop here in conjunction with the Byron Bay Breast Cancer Support Group on March 9, which is International Womens Day,' said founder and facilitator Barb Pinter. 'It was with Petrea's guidance and encouragement that the BBBCSG was able to start here in Byron Bay in January 2004. 'Having a place where women who have been through similar situations can go and be themselves without any demands or expectations is so important, especially when they are facing something as serious and life changing as breast cancer. The group draws on Petrea's work in terms of the group guidelines and meditation practices as well as having books and CDs of Petrea's which are available to borrow or purchase at the meetings. 'At the group the women have the chance to gain strength from each other, sharing time, a cuppa and relaxation/meditation and sometimes a guest speaker such as the breast care nurse or a naturopath or physio or dietician who come along to provide information and support for the women.'

Petrea King was diagnosed in 1983 with acute myeloid leukaemia, given three months to live and defied the odds to recover and go on in life helping over 70,000 people. The BBBCSG and Quest For Life Foundation welcome everyone to Petrea King's public lecture on a Taste of Health and Happiness from 7pm to 9pm on Sunday March 8 and to the public workshop on Health and Happiness on Monday March 9 from 9am to 4.30pm at the SCU room, Byron Bay Community Centre. For bookings and information call 6680 8893 or go to [www.questforlife.com.au](http://www.questforlife.com.au).



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# Cane toads are clustering – it's time for mustering

Margo Sutton

Right now hundreds and thousands of tiny cane toads (metamorphs) are literally underfoot if you are taking a daytime stroll near any fresh water, be it a dam or a puddle, a lake or a river. In the Byron and Tweed shires cane toads are in our own backyards, eating our pet food if it's outside and camping near our bird baths, drains and fish ponds.

As we all know by now, cane toads (*Bufo marinus*) are an

introduced species with no Australian predator, and since their introduction to Queensland in 1935 they have multiplied rapidly, spreading across the warmest parts of Australia. They may arrive in the Kimberley region of Western Australia soon and are steadily moving south of northern NSW and down Queensland's Cooper Creek system of waterways. There have been reported sightings as far south as Newcastle.

No-one knows how many

millions of cane toads there are in Australia, but we do know that there are 2,000 toads per hectare in newly colonised areas of the Northern Territory, and that all affected communities are involved in spending many volunteer hours searching for eggs and catching the grown toads.

Control is best at egg or adult stage. The eggs are laid in long strands in a clear jelly, in areas of still water such as ponds, drains, dams and slow flowing creeks. They hatch 24 to 48 hours after laying. A female toad can lay over 20,000 eggs at one time.

If you find the eggs, pull the long strands out and lay them in the sun. Fully grown toads are easily caught at night. The largest toads are females – if you grasp them firmly, round the middle and back legs, with a gloved hand, put them in a plastic bag and into the fridge for an hour, then into the freezer for ten hours, you will be doing our native frogs and animals a big favour. Catching nets are available at Byron Council chambers, but be warned, destroying the tiny toadlets is not the best plan – many of the 25 to 30 species of Australian frogs in this area look similar to cane toadlets



Cane toads excluded from a pond on Mullumbimby's golf course. Photo Byron Shire Council.

when they are very small.

Byron Council's Scott Hetherington and environmental project officer for cane toad control Wendy Gibney would like us to let them know if we see any of the little brown/black metamorphs in our neighbourhood.

'They tend to swarm in the daytime, and we need to know where they are so we can set in place some habitat modification,' explained Scott Hetherington.

'We are holding cane toad musters at various places – at Wilsons Creek on March 20 and West Byron on April 3. These evenings will start with a

talk about frog biodiversity and the effects cane toads are having. Obviously the best time to catch them is at the egg stage, but there's no single solution to the problem.'

A pond at Mullumbimby golf course is worth a visit. Council is modifying the pond so that in future it will be a frog habitat, with improved water quality and no cane toads.

Anyone who has water on their property, whether it be a stream, as large as a dam, or as small as a backyard pond, could benefit from using the native sedges, lomandras and water plants which surround this pond, which has a fence

just high enough to stop cane toads getting over it.

When the plants have grown the fence can be removed. Farmers can organise access for cattle and pumps while helping to minimise cane toad infestation by using these plantings.

For more information about musters, cane toads and what we can do about them, ring Wendy Gibney or Scott Hetherington at Council 6626 7000, or look up on the internet the huge amount of information about cane toads including the Council website and the site for the Department of Environment and Climate Change (DECC).

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# Vet's pet loves on exhibition

Story & photo Eve Jeffery

Rather than waging a battle between beauty and the beast, Lennox Head vet Evan Kosack has found time to give two of his great loves life and expression.

Evan, who has been the resident veterinarian in Lennox for the past seven years, made a choice in his teenage years between studying art and veterinary science. Science won but Evan has carried a torch for painting ever since. A few years ago he decided that his passions were not mutually exclusive and he began a Bachelor's degree in Visual Arts at Southern Cross University.

'I was a little anxious to go back to uni, but I was more excited about the prospect of studying art. On my own I found I didn't have enough motivation but mixing and studying with a wide range of people has been the push that I needed and I find the contact with other artists as interesting as the art itself. It has opened a new world.'

Evan says that he wouldn't consider giving up his work with animals which has taken him from his childhood on the northern beaches of Sydney, to England and back. His practice includes the treatment of wildlife, the dolphins at Sea World,



Veterinary artist Evan Kosack with his piece 'Stigmata with Blitzmask' and two year old puss 'Tilly' who is recovering from snake bite.

local stranded whales and he has worked as a Bondi vet, though he says he didn't ever give a consultation on the beach wearing his board shorts.

Even though one would think his patients are perfect fodder for the canvas, Evan says he is not tempted to paint

puppies in buckets and kittens on clotheslines, his interests lie more in the realm of pop culture and the media.

Evan's talents will be featured in the second annual TANDDEM10 exhibition, which will showcase the works of five students from the Fine Arts and

Ceramics TAFE courses and five students from Southern Cross University's Bachelor of Visual Arts students.

The exhibition will be held at the university's Next Gallery in Magellan Street Lismore, from Tuesday, March 3 until March 21.

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## YAC at risk

The lengthy, sorry saga of Byron Shire Council's Youth Activity Centre (YAC) in Byron Bay came to a head last Thursday when councillors were virtually forced to vote 6-0 – Crs Barham, Staples and Heeson absent – in favour of a recommendation to issue notices to vacate to tenants of the building by June 1. This move follows advice from Council's lawyers, to which we are not privy, that Council is exposed to high levels of risk as it is operating outside of the terms of the licence issued to it by the Department of Lands (DoL).

The one solace is an additional motion from deputy mayor Tom Tabart, supported 6-0, to authorise the general manager to enter into negotiations with DoL to see if Council can acquire the site for a token price. However, as Cr Ross Tucker pointed out, DoL is probably not likely to want to give away one and half hectares in a prime location, especially when the current push within DoL is to sell or 'value-add' to its assets which, incidentally, really belong to us.

While current general manager Graeme Faulkner and community services director Mark Arnold seem to be doing their best to get their heads around the issue, Council's handling of the YAC in the past has been atrocious. The building itself was left to deteriorate, and now we find there are no written formal agreements for some of the tenancies. Negotiations among all parties must have been woeful. Council and DoL officers get paid well above the average wage for this Shire, and are certainly paid lots more than councillors for the hours they put in. You have to wonder what levels of competence are at work, if any, to allow the issue to come to talk of evictions.

GM Graeme Faulkner has until the first of June to negotiate with DoL and the YAC's occupants to arrange formal sub-licences to occupy the building. If the negotiations fail, essential services in support of our youth will be out on the street and the future of the YAC will be once again uncertain. One alternative given in the staff report is that 'the Department might lease the building for commercial purposes to realise the market rent of some \$63,000 which the Department had previously sought from Council but subsequently waived because of the community use nature of Council's current occupation'.

Perhaps the one bright spot in the gloom is that there are votes in supporting youth. Surely local MPs Don Page and Ian Cohen would be happy to lobby the lands minister on our youth's behalf to ensure the negotiations have a positive outcome. Their websites are [www.donpage.com.au](http://www.donpage.com.au) and [www.iancohen.org.au](http://www.iancohen.org.au) respectively. NSW lands minister Tony Kelly can be reached via [www.lands.nsw.gov.au/about\\_us/minister](http://www.lands.nsw.gov.au/about_us/minister). Mr Kelly was the local government minister for two years, so he should have some sympathy for local youth issues.

It would be a crying shame if a great resource for our youth was forced to close. Your voice is important in ensuring our youth can have some confidence in the Shire's ability to care for them.

– Michael McDonald, editor

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# Turnbull-Costello dance of disunity

Liberal Leader Malcolm Turnbull famously said on the night of the failed referendum on the republic that John Howard was 'the prime minister who broke this nation's heart'.

At present, both Turnbull and the party's pretender Peter Costello are breaking the heart of the Liberal Party. Turnbull because he is making a dreadful fist of leading the Federal Opposition and his rating as preferred prime minister is just 20 per cent (Rudd's rating is 64 per cent, a 44 per cent margin over his rival!) and Costello because he is in a funk hanging around forlornly on the backbench.

When the Liberals are in power they stick together tenaciously, despite often deep-seated personal animosities. That was true of the Menzies, Fraser and Howard eras. But when they are kicked out of office, all the petty jealousies and rivalries explode and they suddenly look like a disorganised rabble.

When Turnbull replaced the erratic lightweight Brendan Nelson in September last year, he had an authority and credibility which gave some much-needed ballast to the stumbling Coalition. A former Rhodes Scholar, a successful journalist, barrister and merchant banker, Turnbull looked like a politician destined for The Lodge.

But just as he was in the wrong place at the wrong time in the 1999 referendum to end Australia's outdated relationship with the decrepit English monarchy – Turnbull was chairman of the Australian Republican Movement – today he occupies a similar out-of-sorts position.

The onrush of the economic crisis has worked for Rudd, the bleak headmaster and sober

bureaucrat, but it has crippled Turnbull who can't do austerity at all.

Few Australians feel comfortable in the hands of a prosperous merchant banker who lives in the most expensive real estate on the shores of Sydney Harbour. We are too egalitarian and that is why he is not cutting through with the voters. They have become more republican while he looks more

bring Turnbull's leadership to a sorry and quick end.

The chief source of Turnbull's leadership woes is Costello, the former Treasurer and deputy leader who never had the ticker to take on Howard. The situation has reached such ludicrous proportions that last month Turnbull and Costello had a discussion to arrange the mealy-mouthed words they would use if asked about the

## State of Affairs

The onrush of the economic crisis has crippled Turnbull.

with Alex Mitchell



and more royalist.

When Rudd offered the people of Australia a \$42 billion stimulus package Turnbull flatly opposed it for reasons that beggar belief.

Dear Reader, please refer to Mitchell's Laws of Politics, No 12 (b): 'When a government puts billions of dollars in front of the Australian voters don't stand in the way or you will be run over in the rush.'

His leadership looked distinctly wobbly when he finally terminated the insufferable Julie Bishop as Treasury spokeswoman. To shore up his support with the Liberal 'wets' of the party he made the faction's leader Joe Hockey his shadow Treasurer and promoted the 'mincing' (Julia Gillard's description) Christopher Pyne from Adelaide (where else?) to the role of manager of Opposition business in the parliament.

The move was aimed at buying the continued loyalty of the 'wets' who, if joined by Costello supporters and some right-wingers, have the numbers to

leadership. Turnbull said on February 20: 'Peter and I have discussed it and we agreed what I would say, and the position would be, literally, that he has made it clear that he was not interested in a front-bench or leadership role.'

Meanwhile Costello continues to keep saying with a straight face that he is staying in parliament to represent the voters in his Melbourne electorate of Higgins. What a joke: he's taken little interest in them in the past, so why start now?

He has now knocked back three offers to join the front-bench team: once from Brendan Nelson when he was elected leader and twice from Turnbull. If he doesn't want to join the frontbench team as shadow Treasurer because he did the main job for 11 years, what job is he holding out for? The leadership, of course, and then, with hope in his heart, the prime ministership.

But the longer he waits to make a challenge, the lower his standing in the Liberal

Party. Liberals expect him to make a contribution and not to be a spoiler. They don't much like his arrogant attitude to the leadership which is 'my way or no way' and think he should step up to the plate, sooner rather than later.

For Kevin Rudd, the re-emergence of Costello is little short of a nightmare. The Coalition would run a torrid election campaign which basically said: 'Remember how good it was when Costello was Treasurer – look at what Labor has done to the economy. Vote Costello.'

That is why Rudd and his minders are seriously considering an early election to capitalize on the \$42 billion bailout and Liberal disunity. As the veteran political observer Rob Chalmers noted in his newsletter 'Inside Canberra': 'The last four Prime Ministers who came to the office after an election went to the people again before the three-year limit in the life of each parliament – Whitlam after a year and a half; Fraser after two years; Hawke after one year and eight months; and Howard after two years and eight months. All four PMs won.'

What will be critical in Rudd's decision-making is the result of the Queensland election on March 21. If Labor Premier Anna Bligh wins a resounding victory, this will encourage Rudd to go early but a defeat or a dismal result will probably postpone his own day of reckoning with the voters until next year.

Rudd was carried to victory in November 2007 by a suite of Queensland seats and he will be praying that Bligh, whose own economic management is on trial in the state election, can deliver for herself as well as for him.



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The flying schools use one-hour modules, which means that they can't take the time to fly out to Casino or Kyogle to practice. They do try to spread their sessions around the area and conduct simulated emergency landings in the Mullimbimby region as well as over Ocean Shores.

Although operating over the water might seem a reasonable compromise, regulations prohibit flying beyond gliding

distance from land.

The win-win solution is for CASA to designate the uninhabited flat areas to the east of Murwillumbah as a practice area. This would be welcomed by the flying schools who are aware of the local complaints and would like to be responsible citizens. If and when CASA takes action, air traffic over the Shire would be far less annoying.

**Norm Sanders**  
Ocean Shores

■ Over the last month, four different letters have been published in *The Echo* complaining about the incessant aircraft noise over Byron Shire. I have been working on this noise problem for the last two years. In fact, last year we paid for a half page ad in *The Echo* and were interviewed by the *Northern Star*.

In those articles, I pointed out that Byron Council was about to change the rules with regard to commercial operators flying out of Tyagarah Airport. The ad resulted in over 60 letters being written

to Council complaining about aircraft noise. This was one of the largest written responses that Council had ever received with regard to any issue in our Shire.

In spite of this, starting after Christmas, Council allowed another skydive operator to commence operations out of Tyagarah.

Unlike Byron Skydive, the new operator cannot start dropping parachutists until after 9am and they are restricted to a maximum of five drops per day. Byron Skydive, which used to be a small operation at the airport, is not subject to these limits. They fly whenever the weather permits, as continuously as possible, from sunrise to sunset, seven days per week.

Whenever the weather is favourable, there are literally dozens of flights operating continuously out of Tyagarah Airport each day.

This massive increase in traffic has occurred without a single DA being submitted or approved by Council. Tyagarah Airport is a community

owned airport. It is time for us as a community to retake control of this airport and bring it into line with community expectations.

In order to exert the maximum pressure on our elected representatives, it is important to coordinate complaints and demonstrate to Council that there is a strong widespread community concern with regard to aircraft noise. If you are tired of the incessant buzz that exists overhead whenever the weather is nice, please write to [Byronaircraftnoise@gmail.com](mailto:Byronaircraftnoise@gmail.com). We assure you that your privacy will be guaranteed.

We will organise a newsletter and if necessary a get-together to set up petitions to Council. Because of my extensive dealings with Council, I am certain that Council is sympathetic to this issue and that if we can demonstrate that there are others who feel the same way, action will be taken to create mandatory fly-friendly zones and more realistic operating times.

**Maynard Smith**  
Byron Bay.

**War on drugs**

While I mostly agree with David Gilet on our drug laws (Letters, February 17) there is one exception; these laws have had very tangible results.

There are infinitely more, and worse, drugs around than 40 years ago and there is rarely, if ever, an interruption of supply. According to Kofi Annan, illicit drugs are now the second largest industry on the planet.

We are told these laws are intended to deal with the problem of drugs in society. However

they intensify the problems, which is much more profitable for the major dealers, none of whom are in jail. So is that the real intention of these laws?

All wars are thrown by people who profit from them and the war on drugs is another war for profit.

**Robin Harrison**  
Coorabell

**Saving the Big Scrub**

I must congratulate Geoff Dawe (Letters, February 24) on a brilliant bit of insight and

writing. The reason the early settlers found the Big Scrub hard to burn was, as Geoff expressed, moisture being one and the other being rainforest species are fire retardant, not like eucalyptus species and introduced pine trees, which are combustible.

If you want trees around your house, but not too close (buffer), plant rainforest species on outside perimeter, shrubs on inside perimeter – that way the house has a chance with the fire slowing down. I found

this out firsthand when living in Tuntabale Valley. We had a fire come through from Doon Doon. It burnt the eucalyptus forest and slowed right down to almost a standstill when it came to the rainforest.

Thank the gods for the protesters in the 70s and 80s for saving the forests when it mattered.

**Paul Brecht**  
Mullumbimby

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# Contemplating the joys of holiday letting

■ What I find most annoying about the whole holiday letting debate is the assumption – or actual declaration by some – that the practice is legal in residential areas.

It is not; refer to the 1988 LEP under which Council operates. The arguments for and against have been well-aired and I won't attempt a re-run but an illegal activity being carried out to the detriment of residents is unacceptable and it's a pity the last Council wouldn't bite the bullet and take one of the illegals to Court.

Now Council has compromised which is probably the best they can do given the lack of action in the past. They have nominated areas where there is already a high percentage of holiday lets as locations where it will be allowed in the future, providing owners go through a necessary approval process. It will not be legal outside these areas.

The new plan is on exhibition and submissions invited. Much as I believe holiday letting should never have been

allowed to develop as it has, I for one will be supporting Council's proposal.

**Jenny Coman**  
Bangalow

■ Every now and again I get down, or downright angry. Not just when emails accidentally get sent half done.

Usually because willfull idiocy, selfishness, or various cruelties seem way too prevalent.

Then, I meet neighbours. Or read the letters section of *The Echo*. Then I am moved by the intelligence and compassion of the people among whom I live.

And this is why I do not like holiday letting. It deprives us of neighbours. It makes the streets a husk, the towns soulless and cold. It kills community. It is the very worst form of tourist accommodation.

I hate it.

I condemn talk of 'property values'. I live in my home, not an investment portfolio. Go talk to your money if you can.

**Keine Nombre**  
Byron Bay

■ Holiday letting and the tourist industry produce the most worthless commodity ever invented by humankind, money, which they do very well. I write from experience since during the 1940s when I lived in Europe you could not buy a slice of bread with a briefcase full of money because there was none. Wealthy people could not eat their money or the briefcase, especially when it was made of leather. All they and we could do was hunting – cats, dogs, horses, rats – and gathering – dandelions, stinging nettles – trying to stay alive, not all of us succeeded.

A friend of mine who worked for an organisation in Byron which cared for older infirm people told me that all the staff lived in Lismore, Alstonville and even in Murwillumbah because they could not find accommodation here in Byron.

**Naval Pols**  
Byron Bay

■ As a local business owner who derives his livelihood from tourism and holiday ac-

commodation in Byron Bay (like hundreds of other locals), I feel it important to comment on the holiday letting issue.

The 'Welcome to Byron Bay – Trash Town' letter in *The Echo* (February 17) is one example of the whole industry being tarred by the one brush. Not all our holiday makers are a 'continuous stream of loud, drunken, over excited people who come to trash the town'. In fact right at this moment in our houses we have a lovely elderly Irish couple who have come to spend a month in Byron Bay to visit their daughter who is attending uni in Lismore, a family from England renting a house in Suffolk Park for the second year in a row, a South African family visiting friends... the list goes on. These people spend a lot of money in the local economy and talk highly of our town.

However, I do understand that there are also the 'party tenants' who cause a disruption to neighbours and this should not be tolerated. But is banning hundreds of houses across the shire from being able to holi-

day let the answer? This will impact on a huge number of people financially. Jeremy the property owner, Mel the cleaner, Jo the lawnmower guy, Tim the handyman, Dave the window cleaner, Scott the sparkie, Stuart the TV tuner, Chris the photographer, Mick the garbage collector, the linen hire company, the booking agent, the shuttle bus drivers, the retail store owners, the tour operators, the cafe owners, and all their families will feel the flow-on effects of the removal of this number of accommodation outlets in our Shire. Is this the smart thing to be doing in an economic downturn?

Regulation is the key. Every holiday let property needs to be a member of the HLO and be approved for holiday lets; every holiday let property has to have an owner/manager that lives locally; all neighbours of holiday lets need to be given the security hotline number; every tenant has to sign and understand the terms and conditions especially relating to noise and parties which will

result in fines and eviction if breached; if certain properties have continued repeated infringements then it should be those houses that get banned from holiday letting; and cut out two and three night stays to remove the weekend party crew element.

Byron Bay is an incredibly popular town and our economy, whether we like it or not, is heavily reliant on tourism. Already at many times of the year there is no accommodation to be found. So if we remove thousands of beds from the equation what will the flow-on effect be?

I recently ran into an old mate driving an airport shuttle bus. The last I'd seen him he was running his own landscaping business. He told me that when the crunch came his work dried up and now he is driving the shuttle to make ends meet until things get better. Tourism across Byron Shire is a stable force when many other industries are hurting. Why mess with that?

**Garth Brien**  
Coorabell

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spend most of their time picking about on the lawns.

Through the years they have raised one or two offspring and nurtured them around here till it was time for them to move on. We understand that magpies mate for life and are very protective of each other.

Last Saturday while having lunch we were alerted by one of the magpies who was frantic.

A pretty little black cat had one of the magpies in its mouth. We managed with difficulty to enable the captured magpie to escape; we hope it is still alive.

Who owns the cat? How many different wildlife has this cat killed?

**Kerry Byrnes**  
Tyagarah

## Bad Mandy

Congratulations, Mandy, on your latest 'soap box' rant (*Echo*, February 24).

Working with the youth of

today on one hand, then stereotyping them as violent, self destructive, violent gang members on the other. Good work,

I'm suprised the *Northern Star* hasn't sent you a job application. They'd love someone like you on their team.

**Tom Burrey**  
Byron Bay

## Overdevelopment

I am a residential owner of property in Oakland Court, Byron Bay, and am writing to express my concerns about the proposed redevelopment of the Sunseeker Motel on Bangalow Road. The developer plans to change a small motel in the middle of a residential community into a multi-million dollar, 100 room hotel, including a 60 seat restaurant/bar, 90 seat conference room and beauty salon.

Of particular concern, the developer intends to use Oakland Court for vehicular access to the hotel site. Our small, narrow street was designed to

service only 25 homes, yet the developer proposes an extra 300+ car movements a day in this street.

I believe that under existing laws, the developer is entitled to renovate and increase the site's capacity by 10%, but the developer is seeking a 100% capacity increase! Why should the interstate developer get his way?

Why not keep residential areas for residents? This type of large scale development is not suitable for a peaceful neighbourhood and should be kept within the CBD precinct where the proper policing of party-all-weekend visitors can be maintained.

The residents of this community have the right to enjoy peace and quiet in their own homes. We can hear the birds singing in our street and don't want that to be replaced by the sounds of the bottles rattling into the bins at the pub on the corner!

**Kevin Devlin**  
Byron Bay

## Woolworths debate

Carlos Gutierrez (Letters, February 24) – if wanting to preserve the community I love is having a 'political agenda', then yep, I've got one! I love our unique small shops and family businesses. I love that people smile and talk to each other!

I hear that you fought hard against Mallam's proposed supermarket development on the Station Street site in 2005. In hindsight I would have joined your campaign and regret that I did not appreciate the implications at the time. What was put forward as the expansion of a local store, I trusted would be dealt with fairly by our Council. I had no idea that the state planning minister could override our local Council's decision.

Where is the integrity of the debate, you ask. Surely the question of integrity lies with the Minister.

**Deborah Lilly**  
Mullumbimby

■ If you've been around Mullumbimby the last few days, you probably noticed big noisy trucks rumbling and lumbering through the streets.

Living in one of the quiet residential streets, I certainly noticed; but it is for a worthy cause and will be over in a matter of days.

Council's Works Dept is ferrying a large stockpile of road base from behind Ross Industrial Estate at the top end of Station Street, to do much-needed upgrading of Myocum Road where B's cows meander across the road.

But is this a foretaste of life with Woolworths embedded forever in our residential heartland?

Traffic, like water and B's cows, follows the path of least resistance. The trucks' route from Station Street, site of the proposed Woolworths, is along Mill Street (beside Heritage Park) and Dalley Street – the easiest route, being the only

Give Way-free run through town.

Big trucks servicing Woolies, frustrated by the bottleneck that will be created at the Argyle/Station Street junction (Woolies roundabout), may find least resistant paths through roomier residential streets – perhaps even preferring to hazard the cows on Myocum Road to have a straight run in down Dalley/Mills Streets. Shoppers driving in – from Left Bank Road, Upper Wilsons Creek, Goonengerry, Federal, Myocum, Main Arm, Ocean Shores – will certainly find spacious residential streets (Dalley, Gordon, Tyagarah, Stuart, Train, Mill) rather than squeeze into narrow Tincogan Street opposite the proposed Woolies entrance.

Those I-NIMBYs (It's Not In My Back Yard!) among us may find it all going right past their front yard.

**Susan Skyvington**  
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# Bouquets for Anudhi

■ I was saddened to read of Anudhi's passing and disappointed I didn't make it to her service.

Anudhi blazed the path for the green movement in Byron Shire.

For a long time she was the solitary voice on Council who spoke out for the environment and social justice.

The rightwing-dominated Council at the time, frustrated by her vision and perseverance, were quite mean spirited in their efforts to shut her up.

A lesser person, I'm sure, would have buckled under the pressure, but Anudhi battled on. As the green movement grew in support, she was given more support and then joined by other forward thinking people.

Thanks Anudhi for your inspiration, strength and courage, it was much appreciated.

Ian Hosken  
Mullumbimby

■ On behalf of BEACON I wish to pay a very special tribute to Anudhi Wentworth. She was both a founding member and long time patron of our organisation. Showing foresight and great commitment to environmental values, Anudhi and a small group established an environmental group in the early 1981 which became BEACON.

They worked hard in so many areas of conservation and environmental policy and planning, battling ad hoc planning and inappropriate development.

One of her pet projects was the sewage treatment plant upgrade for which she did much research on the latest world wide environmental principles. Her work was continued by other members over the years.

As a Byron Shire Councillor Anudhi's efforts to resist over-development are legendary: she

led the march against high rise development and she lobbied hard and effectively to achieve her myriad goals.

Over the last twenty years her passion continued as development pressures intensified. When she could no longer be as active as she was, she was still always willing to help or offer advice if there was a threat to our natural or built environment. The telephone became her means of attack as so many Council staff and state government employees could attest.

Our community has benefited greatly from her dogged efforts. She was a feisty fighter, always determined to wage the war even if she lost the individual battles. We owe her our deep gratitude for maintaining the fight to keep the beauty and special ambience of our area that she loved so much.

Judy Conlan  
BEACON

## Dogs and cars

Residents of Byron Shire may be interested to know that figures released by the Office of State Revenue show that Byron Shire Council collected more than \$1.2m in parking fines as a result of issuing 12,939 fines in 2007-08, an average of 35 fines per day or 245 per week. This amount puts us way ahead

of our much larger and more populous neighbour, Tweed Shire, which issued only 2,916 parking fines and collected \$479,168.

In the same period, Byron Shire Council issued 54 fines to owners of roaming dogs and dogs in prohibited areas, which amounts to an average of one per week.

The contrast is stunning for two reasons. First, infractions by dog owners can be seen daily throughout the shire; they are not rare occurrences. Second, the 2009 Compliance Priorities Program, endorsed by Council, lists uncontrolled dogs as a 'very high' priority compared with parking en-

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# Destructive mischief lies in Council’s compliance regime

Fast Buck\$

One would think that with an enlightened Green Council well established at the helm the days of Council cops (‘compliance officers’) using heavy-handed tactics to intimidate the owners of illegal dwellings would be over. The general manager’s apology over a Wilsons Creek matter shows otherwise.

The elected Council professes concern with this growing problem, and one local real estate agent believes that as many as 4,000 people in the shire may live in such dwellings. Most such dwellings are not just ‘unauthorised’ in the sense that no development consent was applied for, but are ‘unlawful’ in the sense that the zoning does not permit more than one self-contained dwelling per site, such that there is no point drawing attention to oneself by seeking formal approval.

Council’s inevitable response has been to seek a report from Council staff. Inevitably that report is overdue. Eventually, when all the avenues of due process have been exhausted (two years? five years?), we may end up with that new

policy just as they ignore the existing policy.

Recently David Murray, boss of the compliance section, wrote to me saying that his staff are guided by ‘Policy no. 5.60 Unauthorised Development & Activities’ and by other guidelines issued by the Ombudsman. In these documents, however, I’ve been unable to find any references to threats to refer a landowner to the Taxation Department or the Tenancy Tribunal, as per the case referred to earlier. What elected councillors need to understand is that enforcement agencies by their nature tend to exceed their powers and by their nature tend to attract people with personality deficits which translate into bullying. Accordingly it’s up to elected Councillors – who else – to protect the community from excesses of zeal, and the only realistic way to do this is to go public, particularly when there is a flagrant breach of policy; bureaucrats hate publicity.

It is regrettable that in the instance referred to above it was the GM who made the public apology; it should have been the Mayor who went public, instead of casting the GM in the time-

honoured role of protective buffer for his staff. Alternatively – if the word ‘accountability’ in existing policy means anything at all – it should have been made by David Murray, who should have known at the time what his staff were up to. That would have been bad for ‘staff morale’, though, wouldn’t it?

Partners rat on their ex, tenants blackmail landlords, businesses hobble the competition, the local malcontent lobs a grenade, all with impunity. Suspicion and recrimination abound.

In terms of the existing policy, the following points strike me as salient:

- Legally Council has the right to take enforcement action or to do nothing at all. (This is distinct from ‘investigation’, which Council is obliged to carry out whenever it receives a complaint – or so the compliance section tells me; the policy doesn’t mention it.)
- When and whether Coun-

cil acts is partly determined by the circumstance of the case and partly by the availability of resources. In terms of its legal duty of care the Council has only to ‘turn its mind’ to what to do about the problem.

- It is not the illegality itself which makes a development unacceptable but its impacts, in particular environmental impact and safety issues.
- Community confidence in the Council results from fair, consistent and accountable activity by compliance staff.

Earlier this year Council issued a further document called ‘2009 Compliance Program – Priorities’, in which unlawful rural housing is on the list of ‘very high’ priority targets. The document doesn’t attribute an

author, nor does it mention any basis for calculating the relative urgencies. Interestingly urban unlawful housing doesn’t rate a mention, which probably means that it is now de facto legal to convert your urban garage, extension or toolshed into a self contained accommodation unit. These are only a problem in rural areas, it seems.

This list of priorities seems to pre-empt the outcome of the staff report referred to earlier and also seems to contradict the Ombudsman’s requirement that a Council must not fetter itself by adopting a policy that predetermines its decision-making in particular cases. Nor does it sit well with a January press release issued by Council’s new spin doctor (‘media communications officer’) suggesting that ‘our priority is not to make people homeless’. If anyone in Council actually knows what they’re doing in relation to this problem please contact me urgently.

Bona fide complaints

Without a complaint being lodged, Council staff have a culture of not acting, even if they are fully aware of what’s going on at a particular location. One of the things that motivated me to write this piece is that there is no discussion in any of these documents of what *type* of complaint may legitimately precipitate a visit from Council’s troops. Any person may complain, for any reason, simply by making a phone call, and Council will not only agree to keep your identity secret but won’t even check to see that you actually exist. In other words there is no concept of a bona fide complaint.

The resultant potential for destructive mischief is enormous. Partners rat on their ex, tenants blackmail landlords, businesses hobble the competition, the local malcontent lobs a grenade, all with impunity. Suspicion and recrimination abound. It is a system that the Okhrama would have warmed to.

their leisure). The landowner suspected bad faith and challenged whether a bona fide complaint had been received. A letter from the GM confirmed that yes, a complaint had been received and if he wanted to find out more to establish bona fides he should lodge an FOI request. The landowner duly filled out the form and paid his \$30.

Normally in this type of case the applicant receives either a copy of the complainant’s letter with name and address blacked out, or in the case of a phone call, a ‘transcript’, being an annotated record of the conversation. In this case however staff sought to fob the applicant off with an internal form which the staff had obviously filled out long after the phone call on the basis of the original notes. The landowner complained that he was entitled to the primary information, not the staff’s processing of it. In reply he received a threat that if he didn’t grant access soon, then Council would obtain a search warrant; the complaint about his FOI was ignored.

What seems to be going on is this: the landowner is quite sure he knows the identity of the complainant and what triggered it. He has further information the complaint she lodged included allegations against other close neighbours. No neighbours, however, received equivalent letters from Council, meaning that staff, if this information is correct, had singled him out for attention. Thus if staff had agreed to release original notes of the actual telephone call they would have revealed an embarrassingly selective enforcement of the law.

Mayor’s opportunity

Now there may well exist some less paranoid explanation of these events and if so I’m sure the Mayor will be happy to publicly provide it, just as many people who voted for her would expect. She will also put us straight on the matter of the dubious FOI response, I have no doubt.

It was the GM who suggested the FOI approach and there is no reason to think that the landowner would have continued to deny access had the request been handled in the normal way and the bona fides of the complaint been established.

I hope other victims of Council’s compliance regime will come forward with their story. Under the circumstances *The Echo* might be happy to withhold their identity, just to let the staff know what it’s like to be denied knowledge of your accuser. Victims should also hassle our elected councillors who quite seem to think it’s nothing much to do with them at all. Perhaps they’ll commission another report...

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# A gas regarded as toxic – by some – keeps us alive

Story & photo Mary Gardner

I often find myself taking in a 360 degree view around the top of Paterson Hill, the high point midway on the street. This time, I ventured from the Arakwal Park sign across to the small Eric Wright Reserve. The terrible tragedy of the Victorian bushfires is large in all our minds. I scanned the grounds. Yes, the fresh growth is sprouting out of the blackened trunk of the eucalypt tree. There was a controlled burn here about a year and a half ago.

Land. Plants. Fire. They are all parts of our inheritance -- the oxygen cycle.

We do tend to take our wealth for granted. Back in the day, there wasn't even any oxygen. Our earth's original atmosphere was a cosmic one, with helium and hydrogen, blown away by stellar winds. The next one, generated by the planet itself, was mostly steam (80%), with about 10% carbon dioxide, 6% hydrogen sulfide and a little nitrogen. A sweat lodge fired by volcanoes and smelling of rotten eggs.

The planet cooled. The spent fury wept down oceans of wa-

ter. This dissolved the carbon dioxide and sulfur. Eventually nitrogen became the dominant part of the third atmosphere. This is a time of soupy miracles we can barely comprehend. Bags of membranes coalesced resulting in what we today call anaerobic bacteria – able to exist without oxygen, releasing nitrogen. Boundaries between all these tiny watery organisms were loose. As best as we can tell, at this time there was what W Ford Doolittle labels a 'common ancestral community of cells'. Genes were exchanged sideways weaving a 'web of life', as unlike as a 'straight line of progress' as can be. So began one of the most miraculous of miracles. Different partnerships developed of a kind that changed the world.

## Oxygen accumulates

At first the free oxygen was instantly bound by free iron and sulfur, leaving red bands of material in layers we date as some 3.5 billion years ago. But the photosynthesis game was encouraging, as the duos could feed themselves using easily available goods. Slowly, with most of the free iron and sulfur bound, oxygen simply accumulated in the atmosphere. Anaerobic bacteria found this limiting and retreated.

Some of the oxygen formed into triads and went high in the atmosphere, creating an ozone layer. This became the barrier that reduced the amount of ultraviolet radiation reaching the living world. The quantity of oxygen in the atmosphere increased until it was 21% of the total.



mammals were restricted to that of a rat. Their hot bodies needed higher levels.

But these levels can't be too much higher. The times when oxygen was higher encouraged insects to giant sizes. These times also sparked massive fires of whole land masses. There was widespread burial of huge tracts of forests, creating coal and oil. Different species of plants died out.

Others adapted.

During our third nitrogen based atmosphere, no such conflagration could occur. Neither could multicellular life. Having oxygen as we do now was and is a dangerous gamble. Throughout human evolution, our ancestors feared fire but also learned to use it. Today we still depend on burning many kinds of fuel to cook, to heat, to power our vehicles.

If our atmosphere is in a balance, how is it held?

## Gaia Hypothesis

About thirty years ago, this type of question stopped me in my tracks. To even hear it posed astonished my early 'take it as given' self. I remember holding in my left hand the magazine with an interview with James Lovelock. He suggested life

played an active part with the physical earth in regulating the planet's cycles of carbon, nitrogen and oxygen. The overall effect was an interplay like that of a superorganism. Yes, this is his Gaia Hypothesis, named after the old Greek earth goddess.

Years later, a throwaway line buried in a textbook stopped me again. The reference was made to cells being the result of ancient teamwork.

In the library, I found this idea was given modern form by Lynn Margulis. She worked with Lovelock at one time, contributing to the Gaia Hypothesis with her insights into microbial communities. She called the cellular teamwork 'endosymbiosis' – 'a mutual relationship within a cell'.

Relationships tip us, indeed the whole planet, into the fire. Science workers are collecting evidence that these relationships are a process even more important than natural selection.

The old 'Oxygen Catastrophe' is now seen as a cycle of relationships. This aspect of the Gaia could be her Phoenix. Life burning to ashes and then arising again.

The prize was photosynthesis – the ability to use sunlight itself to change carbon dioxide and water into food energy. Some cells could and others couldn't. But together the dynamic duos farted away, releasing a foul gas that was toxic. A disaster! That gas was oxygen.

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In one type, some cells provided others with an existence inside their own bag of membrane. They offered shelter and sustenance. The cells inside offered useful products of their own to the grateful hosts. The two altered themselves to better match this arrangement.

See, the prize was photo-

This fourth atmosphere is our legacy. By this time, the community of cells also included energy production teams who couldn't use sunlight to create their food, but started from organic compounds. They secured this by eating other cells. Together with the photosynthesis teams, they found the atmosphere much to their liking and another miracle occurred. Life went multicellular.

## Explosion

In the fossil record, the event is labelled the Cambrian explosion, lasting a mere few million years. Quick, considering that some four billion years or so had gone by previously. From here plants, animals and fungi filled seas and moved onto the land.


Oxygen levels over millennia went up and down. Perhaps the shifting of the continental masses helped change things. The changes affected all plants and animals, but some did better with higher levels and others with lower ones. Times when the oxygen was so low,





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forcement, which is listed as a 'high' priority.

Parking fines do yield revenues, but Council does not have to choose between revenue and enforcement of the Companion Animals Act. For example, consider this very common occurrence: a dog owner takes a dog to a designated exercise area but does not keep the dog on a lead when approaching the area (\$220), does not pick up the faeces deposited by the dog (\$275), and walks the dog beyond the designated exercise area into a prohibited area (\$330). Total fine: \$825, over ten times greater than the

minimum parking fine of \$81 for the most common parking infractions. Such fines would apply to the dogs in the shire that are roaming on sidewalks in towns, on beaches, in neighbours' gardens in suburban areas, and on farms and other country properties.

Generally speaking, drivers who are careless about their parking do not harm anyone by their actions though they may inconvenience others and should be held accountable. In contrast, roaming dogs, attacking dogs, and dogs in prohibited areas are a serious threat to pedestrians, drivers, livestock, and wildlife.

It is even more important that their owners be held accountable. Council should deliver on their duty of care to residents of the shire and begin serious enforcement of the Companion Animals Act throughout the shire.

**Denise Nessel**  
Ocean Shores

## Mullum Flicks

We'd like to say a big thank you to everyone who came along to the first of our monthly film nights at The Drill Hall on the weekend. You all helped create a wonderful community vibe! It was so lovely to see you all hugging cushions as you ar-

rived with excited smiles and grateful words of support.

Our sincere apologies for those who were not able to get seats on Saturday night - we weren't expecting such a large turnout! Many thanks to those who came back for our impromptu Sunday evening screening. Please check our website [mullumflicks.com](http://mullumflicks.com) in a week or so for future screenings and ticketing info.

It's a great feeling to see our country hall come alive with friendly local faces glowing in the silvery light of the cinema screen!

**Rachel Stone & Noel Jeffries**  
Mullum Flicks

## Shores misses out

Any improvements to sportsfields in the Byron Shire is always welcomed by the community, particularly our young people. Let's face it, there is so little positive entertainment available to occupy our youth compared to neighbouring Shires.

When you said 'it was a good day for sportspeople' in your Council Roundup (*Echo*, February 24) referring to the \$345,000 approved to be spent on implementation of the Northern Shire Sporting Fields Strategy, you forgot to mention that the large community of Ocean Shores (same popula-

tion as Byron Bay) missed out completely... again!

The community here does not begrudge the \$235,000 to be spent upgrading netball, soccer and touch football facilities at Mullumbimby. Mullum residents have a lot to thank the Mullumbimby Municipal Council for (before they amalgamated with Byron Bay Council), because they were smart enough to foresee the need and provide ample sports grounds for a fast growing population in Mullumbimby.

We know the Stan Thompson Oval at Brunswick Heads desperately needs the \$110,000 to upgrade seating, lighting, bins, fencing and leveling and marking of fields; but to constantly and deliberately neglect the 17 sports groups and many talented athletes who are based in Ocean Shores is outrageous, especially since our Green Mayor, Jan Barham, promised to provide alternative sportsfield facilities back in 2000, in exchange for selling off our last community sportsfield site (18 high, dry acres) on Lot 107, North Ocean Shores.

For Council to then rub in this unequitable situation in their agenda papers (12/2/09, page 47) by advising that our hockey players that they still need to travel to Murwillumbah to train is beyond insulting!

Council avoided proper community consultation and due process when they did not include Dung Oval at Billinudgel in the Draft Northern Shire Sporting Fields Strategy to ascertain how the community felt about proposing sportsfields in the middle of this very deep floodplain. Crs Tabart, Cameron, Richardson, Staples and Morrissey added this to the equation five months after all your submissions were considered at a councillor's workshop. No consultation with sports groups on this issue either. Wouldn't you think they were the most obvious group to be consulted?

Ocean Shores would have to be the only town, large or small, in NSW without home grounds to even practise on, let alone play on. Since this is not a new issue, you should be well and truly ashamed of yourselves, Councillors!

**Tina Petroff**  
Ocean Shores

■ Letters received from Sandy Aranha, Byron Bay, Peter Shepherd, Mullumbimby, Dailan Pugh, Byron Bay, Bronwyn Sindel, Mullumbimby, Kevin Squire, New Brighton, Deidi Vine, Tyagarah, Hebe Webber, Mullumbimby, Emma Hand, Mullumbimby, Janie Forbes, Melbourne, S Freman-Grene, Byron Bay, Brigitte K, Bangalow, Shobhan Oliver, Byron Bay, Kate Kirkwood, Myocum, Edwina Lloyd, Byron Bay, C Saffin, Ocean Shores, John Moore, Coorabell, S Briskey, Burrum Heads. Some are on our website [www.echo.net.au](http://www.echo.net.au).

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## Farewell to Nakana Haishkarem 1985-2009

Last Tuesday the 24th Nakana Haishkarem affectionately known as 'Naka' by his friends and family made a decision, not lightly, to end his long struggle with the harsh reality of living with the difficulties of a mental illness. Nakana battled for a long time with his inner demons.

In his short life Nakana touched many people in many different ways. You may have been accosted by him in the street asking for a dollar or a ciggie or a 'swip'. Despite this Nakana was one of the most generous hearted and creative people, with the most amazing sense of humour and fun! Whenever he had anything he would not hesitate to offer and give. He would give you the shirt off his back... literally!



Naka, the town's entertainer or Naka, the town's nuisance. However you chose to see him he was a solid and resilient part of Mullumbimby's street culture.

Nakana's seven siblings, parents, family and many friends

who loved him will sorely miss him. We will hold him in our hearts forever. Nakana, you are

at peace now and we love you immensely and always have and always will.

There will be a celebration of Nakana's life at Heritage Park on Wednesday March 4 at 3pm. All who knew and loved Nakana are welcome to attend. All are welcome to say last words and also bring letters, mementos etc for a burning ceremony.

— written by the Haishkarem siblings.

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## A victory in court



From left, Gareth Smith, barrister Russell Byrnes, Olle Nordberg, Swedish intern at BYS, and Peta, lawyer with Fisher Dore Lawyers.

### Gareth Smith

On June 5, 2008, the Minister for Defence Joel Fitzgibbon launched the Defence White Paper Community Consultation Program and released a public discussion paper 'Key Questions for Defence in the 21st Century' during an event at Parliament House. He said: 'The Community Consultation Program is an important part of the White Paper development process. As I have said previously, building stronger community interest in the future of Defence is a priority for the new government and this program will give the Australian community the chance to have its say in the role of our Defence Force.'

Taking Minister Fitzgibbon at his word, Jacob Grech and I registered for the publicly advertised Land Warfare Conference as representatives of OzPeace Pty Ltd and paid \$440 each for the five day event in October 2008. We wanted to gain more knowledge of the challenges facing Australia's defence forces.

The first two days went without a hitch, but on day three police said we had to leave. Dr Vinod Puri, Executive Chair of the Land Warfare Conference, told us we were no longer welcome; no reasons were given. On the way to the exits I shouted to delegates what was happen-

ing and that was when about four police grabbed me, causing me to fall. I was dragged/ carried to the lift, handcuffed so tightly that the radial nerve in my right hand was damaged, and bundled into a paddy wagon, charged with trespass and obstructing police.

In the Brisbane Magistrates' Court on February 23, both charges against me were dropped after barrister Russell Byrnes got Dr Puri, speaking by telelink from Washington, to admit he did not know where the authority to get us removed was located. Russell asked Dr Puri whether it was true that he had not received any complaints about us. 'Yes,' replied Dr Puri. 'Why did it take so long for your security advisor to make a decision when the defendant was registered six weeks before the conference?' asked Russell. Sounding very annoyed, Dr Puri replied: 'The conference is open, public, anybody can attend. We do not go through peoples' records, I do not spy on people.'

It is good to know that it is still possible to obtain justice from our courts. Jacob and I were discriminated against because the government did not like our political views, so therefore we have a case to pursue against the Department of Defence, under the 1991 Anti-Discrimination Act.

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**THIS WEEKEND Aboriginal site awareness**  
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**Biological farming and healthy soils workshop** Saturday 7 March 9.30am, Tweed Civic & Cultural Centre, Murwillumbah. Morning tea and lunch are provided. Please phone Claire on 02 6679 3308 to register

**Identifying local native plants** Sunday 8 and 15 March with Liz Caddick and Jo Green. These workshops are run by ACE as part of its protecting biodiversity workshops and is subsidised by BVL's NSW 'Environmental Trust' Project. Phone 6684 3374 for details.

**FUTURE BVL WORKSHOPS AND FIELD DAYS**  
BVL workshops include afternoon tea and are free for BVL members, \$5 donation for non-members. Bookings with Judy MacDonald -BVL project officer 6684 5390

**March 28** -Bush walk and rainforest plant identification with Nan Nicholson (BVL members only)

**April 18** -Understanding estuaries and mangroves with Ben Fitzgibbon and Tom Alletson

**May 30** -Upper Mullumbimby Creek site management tour  
This program is funded by the NSW government through the 'Environmental Trust'

**PLANTING DAYS**  
**Mullumbimby Community Planting Day Sunday 22 March**  
Everyone is welcome to plant trees and be part of a reconciliation project with the Madhima Gulgan Community Association. We will be planting 1500 rainforest trees along Mullumbimby Creek as part of the big picture of restoring Mullumbimby's waterways. The Madhima Gulgan bush regeneration team and other local Aboriginal artists will give an insight into bush foods, fishing, cooking, singing and dancing. Look for signs at the creek end of Whian Street Mullumbimby. We will start at 9.30 am rain or shine. Planting and cultural activities will take place until 2.30 pm. Wear suitable sun safe work clothes, covered shoes and a hat. Bring your own water and food. This project is funded by NSW government Environmental Trust. For more info contact Wendy Gibney 6626 7028

**Rainforest Rescue:** planting day at the Crystal Castle Sunday 8 March. For more information: <http://www.rainforestrescue.org.au/events/plant-a-rainforest.html>

**FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES**  
BVL are building a register of landholders who are looking for assistance in maintaining native vegetation or revegetating their land. To register, email BVL project officer Judy MacDonald judymac@aapt.net.au outlining your property location, the issues needing to be addressed and the help you would like. Remember that usually the landowner has to contribute their own in-kind contributions at least equal to the funds sought.

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# The real face of Melanoma

Hans Lovejoy

Jason Pudsey of Suffolk Park was given 2-3 months to live at the most in June 2006. The melanomas ravaged his body leaving disfiguring scars, yet despite those odds, he is still alive and doing well.

He approached *The Echo* to provide a personal account and highlight what is not being discussed. 'We have seen the ads on TV of a girl suntanning and little black gribblys breaking into the bloodstream,' says Jason, 'but the real impact of this is not conveyed and there is still a great deal of ignorance around melanoma.'

'Many people, including young sun-seekers think it can be cut out, and in a few cases where it is detected very early it can be.'

Jason says that people avoid this surgery, as they worry about the cosmetic appeal of scars on their body.

'Concerns about small scars pale into insignificance with the scars you will get from surgical attempts to remove brain, lung and liver tumours.

'The "body beautiful" is highly desired in society, and is more prioritised than health and wellbeing. I also was worried about the cosmetic appeal of a scar on my arm; now I have a massive one on my arm and four scars on my head.

'People think they can just be cut off and all is well, not knowing that cancer cells are flowing around the body searching for a "home" in which they can grow into lethal tumours. Once melanoma develops, it heads for the brain, lungs and liver, all vitally important organs. So fatality rates are high. However, there is hope for longer term survival and living with the disease when conventional and complementary medicines are employed.

'The sun and beach are central parts of the Australian lifestyle, especially here in Byron Shire, and we need 10-15 minutes of sunlight a day for our vitamin D and K, but any more than this increases our risk of



skin cells changing.

'I want to combat much of the ignorance out there so people can learn from my mistakes. You have to be proactive and take control. I went to three skin cancer clinics and two GPs, all who said my suspicious mole was fine even though I thought my mole had changed. I didn't trust my own views and have now paid the price.

'Short motto: "if in doubt - take it out". Tiny cosmetic scarring from a quick removal of a mole or freckle is nothing compared to the disfigurement, disablement and death that can follow of not removing something.

## Resistant to therapy

'Melanoma moves into the brain and builds massive pressure till the brain collapses, it gets into the lungs until the patient slowly suffocates, it grows in the liver until nausea and poison stop digestion - all unpleasant ways to die. Melanoma begins when something goes wrong in a melanocyte, a cell which shapes our skin pigmentation. After growing to 1mm in depth, which can take just a few weeks, your chances of melanoma ending up me-

tastasing in your body go up exponentially.

'Melanoma is a deadly cancer. It is chaotic and spectacularly resistant to chemotherapy and radiation therapy. It is increasing in incidence in Australia by 3% per year. Currently over 1,000 people die annually from the disease in Australia. The typical age range is between 30-50 years, with the average being 40 years. Only 10% of patients in whom the disease has metastasised (spread to other parts of their body) are still alive after five years. In other words, 90% of people with melanoma in their blood stream will be dead within five years.'

'Although difficult, and a challenging and tenacious disease, there is hope. I was given 2-3 months at the most in June 2006. And despite this latest brain tumour (it's the first new growth to appear in my body in 14 months), I have kept the disease from growing through a combination of conventional and complementary medicines.

'Worldwide research shows that the immune system is crucial in cancer generally and melanoma in particular. So diet, a stress-free lifestyle and exercise are vital to living

in symbiosis with the disease. Research has also shown that those melanoma patients that are in regularly-meeting support groups have much higher survival rates and longevity.'

## Support group help

Jason claims our outdoor lifestyle in Byron Shire is both a blessing and a curse - it is the sun that can do this damage if we are not careful, but our community also offers a range of healing modalities.

'We have many healers such as the famous Grace Gawler living here which allows a multifaceted approach to living with cancer. There is a Melanoma Unit in Brisbane with an attached support group and one in Sydney, but nothing up and running in the Byron and Northern Rivers Region. I would like to rectify this and start one with any patient or carer/family member who is living with the disease or has just been diagnosed, possibly the most confusing and scary period of the cancer journey. My experiences and steep learning curve could be of benefit to some.'

Jason be contacted on [jason.pudsey@flinders.edu.au](mailto:jason.pudsey@flinders.edu.au) for further information.

# Men: take a dare to help save lives

Men across NSW are being urged to carry out a fun dare in the workplace to raise money to help in the battle against men's cancers.

More than 22,000 men now die each year of cancer, around 60 men a day.

Celebrities including Allan Border, Mick Doohan, Michael Klim, Andrew Gaze, Wil Anderson and Mark Mitchell are supporting Daredallion Week organised by Cancer Council Australia.

Men across NSW can do everything from taking a glove puppet to work and speaking to it during business meetings to

showing up in their underwear [Mmmm, maybe not - Ed] or dressing and speaking like the Cookie Monster all day to raise money for men's cancer. Men can complete their dare any time in March for Daredallion Week, March 2-6.

People are being encouraged to also film their dare and then put it on YouTube or on the Daredallion website [www.daredallion.com.au](http://www.daredallion.com.au). All men who take part will get a special Daredallion Medallion.

Cancer Council Australia CEO Professor Ian Olver said, 'We are urging men around the nation to get involved. It's

a huge issue. This is one of the first Cancer Council events to address men's health.

'We hope more men will sit up and take notice of their health. The fact is that one in two Australian men will be diagnosed with cancer by the age of 85.

'The cancer mortality rate is higher in men than in women. So is the risk. And for most cancers that affect both men and women, men die at higher rates.

'We have to start talking about men's cancer more. One third of all cancer deaths are caused by factors that are

avoidable. Cancer detection and treatment is improving. More Australians are now living with cancer for longer, which requires more support.'

Other fun dare suggestions include referring to everyone you speak to as 'Dave', doing a *Baywatch* slow motion entrance into every room, or stopping every 30 minutes and striking a pose like the uber-model Zoolander.

If you are stuck for ideas, visit the website at [www.daredallion.com.au](http://www.daredallion.com.au) and the Dare Generator will get you started.

Men have to be 18 and over to take part.



# Lifeline in the sky: help keep the rescue helicopter flying

Hans Lovejoy

It's the fastest lifeline to any emergency in our region, whether it is remote bushland or ocean-side. The Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service, based in Lismore, has been busy saving at least a life a day on average so far this year – be it motor accidents, search and rescue or inter-hospital transfers. This essential service is also free; funding remains, like any charity organisation, reliant mostly on the generosity of the public's donations.

Meet Chief Pilot Lynton Beggs and the two helicopters that are under his command.

'The gong phone rings, you get told the latitude and longitude and a brief and then you're in the air,' he told *The Echo*. In commercial situations time is taken to prepare flights, but here the aircraft must be available for immediate use, according to Lynton.

'Often when you arrive at the scene there's no place to land and turnaround time is critical.' In 45 minutes they will make it to a Brisbane hospital from Lismore, travelling at speeds of around 260 kms an hour. 'It's usually down to the response time – the sooner you deliver a patient to hospital



the more chance they have of a quick recovery.' Lynton also added 'The less handling of the patient, the better.'

'I joined the Navy at fifteen and a half as a helicopter apprentice,' he says. 'I became a search and rescue diver then helicopter crewman. Given that Navy pilot recruitment age was then capped at 19, I studied externally for my licence.' After 13 years in the military, subsequent civilian jobs included flying in and out of oil rigs in Thailand's gas fields. 'I did that for eight years before this job in 2002.'

What makes this job even more unique is the extremely high standards and guidelines The Department of Health sets. 'You have to respond quickly to call outs in very demanding situations,' Lynton says. 'Missions require a high level of expertise, you have to think on your feet.'

'It's also hard to recruit pilots and engineers. There is a shortage of the highly qualified ones that are required for this specialised position. We are fortunate however to have extremely competent and professional staff at this base.'

on base, according to Lynton.

'Despite being a single pilot helicopter, there is a crew person that is also required. An additional rescue crew person is needed if the rescue is over water. There is a very high level of fitness needed to be able to be winched down to assist an injured person.'

The cost of running a helicopter runs into several millions of dollars each year. It takes 350 litres of fuel an hour, and the parts are not only expensive, but need to be constantly monitored and serviced.

'Every 1200 hours the aircraft require full servicing which puts them out of action for a few weeks,' Lynton said. 'Both helicopters are French designed and manufactured and built in 1991 and 1998. The model is called the AS365N2, and they are ex-corporate helicopters from Malaysia.'

'All the gold plating, leather seating, mini bar and entertainment console were removed to suit the needs of a

rescue aircraft. To buy them new you would have to wait up to 18 months and the cost is up to \$US14 million. We were lucky to have bought two that were in good condition with low flying hours, relatively cheap.'

Fundraising is never easy, especially in hard economic times. The Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service however has adapted to new ways of ensuring the funds will keep the helicopters flying.

'Recently we opened an op-shop in South Grafton,' he says, 'We would like to open an op-shop every year if possible,' he adds. Volunteers are always welcome as well – whether it be helping administration or helping to fundraise.

The rescue business is up 30% from the same time last year according to their stats, and it's not hard to recognise the essential work being done. Donating to this charity can be easily done online at [www.rescuehelicopter.com.au](http://www.rescuehelicopter.com.au).



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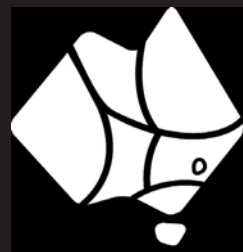
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All property owners who may be liable for land tax must register by 31 March.

If you aren't registered by this date, you may be charged penalties or interest.

The Valuer General provides independent annual valuations of all land in NSW to OSR for land tax purposes. You can find details of how to calculate your land tax liability at **[www.osr.nsw.gov.au](http://www.osr.nsw.gov.au)**



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RDA committees will represent the broad interests of their region and provide grassroots advice to the Australian and NSW Governments. Previous board or committee experience is not essential. If you have the commitment and drive to make a contribution to your region, and are able to participate in committee meetings and related activities, this is for you.

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RDA encourages applications from the community including; women, young people, people with disabilities, people of Indigenous descent, and diverse cultural backgrounds.

Appointments to RDA will be for periods of two and up to four years, and will commence by 1 July 2009.

Information packages, including a nomination form, are available from **[www.acc.gov.au](http://www.acc.gov.au)** and **[www.business.nsw.gov.au/region](http://www.business.nsw.gov.au/region)**

If you require any additional information, please contact Shane Alexander by phone 02 9338 6711 or email **[shane.alexander@business.nsw.gov.au](mailto:shane.alexander@business.nsw.gov.au)**

**Expressions of interest close 27 March 2009.**



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# Cape Byron Steiner School celebrates 21 years



## For the love of the land

WITHIN THE 3.5 HECTARES OF LAND in the rolling hills of Ewingsdale, the Cape Byron Rudolf Steiner School has established an oasis of learning, with architecturally designed buildings nestled amidst verdant gardens, and regenerated forests.

The school was established in its present site when 2.4 hectares of land was gifted by the Mackellar Family. The site at that time was being used as cattle pasture, and had few trees to offer shade and comfort to the new inhabitants. The school's policy for the beginning was to focus on the environment as a centrepiece of all development and educational activities. According to one of the school's founders, Susan Perrow, 'the first construction on the site was a large compost heap and vegetable patch.' Since the school moved onto the Ewingsdale site in 1990 there has been extensive tree planting, with over 20 varieties of fruit trees, allowing the students to wander around throughout the year and harvest food for consumption.

Another of Rudolf Steiner's legacies was the development of 'Bio Dynamics'. This system of agriculture has been practised on the school site throughout its lifespan, and today the results are obvious. According to Cape Byron Rudolf Steiner School's site manager, Gavin Colley, 'when the site was first settled it was impossible to grow anything, now it is hard to stop things growing!'

Keeping a closed loop on energy consumption is a buzz word in

today's environmentally sensitive world, but for the Cape Byron Steiner School, it has been a reality for 21 years. The school has used solar power to meet its electricity needs since inception, for many years it was off the power grid, but more recently it has connected to the grid and is able to feed solar power back into the mains. The School was the first solar powered school of its size in N.S.W. and continues to expand the solar system to match increasing power needs.

The school treats all its grey and black water onsite and re-uses it for irrigation. Students use composting toilets and waterless urinals, which feed into reed bed filters, and have extensive rainwater tanks for drinking water and toilet flushing, minimising the need to use mains water.

Most importantly, students, staff

and parents have always been actively involved in the creation and upkeep of the school site. Over the years, the energy of so many people has been invested into this land, that now provides an environmental sanctuary for the current students, one that gives an added dimension to their educational experience here.

Gavin Colley says of the student's experience, 'for the students the environmental practices become second nature, and for many it is just taken for granted that it is the way things are done. The benefits become obvious when they leave the school, and realise that much of the world does not operate this way, then they have the vision to make a change.'

## Those who teach are those who serve



Media teacher Mark Fuller with senior students

TWENTY ONE YEARS AGO, THE CBRSS staff room was filled with one teacher, a highly qualified Kindergarten teacher and some support staff. Fast forward to 2009 and the situation, and staff room, looks vastly different. Yes, the current Kindergarten teacher is still highly qualified, but she is joined by a plethora of experienced, diverse, and passionate contemporaries. The current band of teachers has experience teaching in Scandinavia, the US, Canada, New Zealand, and the UK, while others have moved here from schools within the Northern Rivers.

It is this diversity in experiences which ensures the teaching at CBRSS is always influenced by both various Steiner education successes and the most up-to-date education ideas and styles from around the globe. Many teachers have arrived at Cape Byron from Steiner education backgrounds, and many have arrived from government, grammar and private school systems. Some have

graduated from both and high school drama and English teacher, Delaney Crawley, is a case in point. Delaney is a graduate from the Australian Steiner teacher training academy and has also taught in some of the most respected Jewish schools in Sydney. 'Being from a Steiner background has allowed me to bring my understanding and appreciation of the creative, soulful abilities of the student, whilst spending years within highly regimented and academic schools has engendered within me, high expectations of the students capacities and a commitment to excellence, especially in the Senior years.' This pursuit of excellence and an expectation that students can achieve their goals permeates throughout the staffroom.

Teachers of HSC subjects have experience from Caulfield Grammar, Wesley College, MLC in Victoria and Pymble Ladies College, Moriah and Massada Colleges and Trinity in NSW. Teacher and Senior School Coordinator, Katie Biggin, is glad she moved, 'It's been amazing to share the experiences I've gained from private and public schools in Melbourne, while doing so in an environment which respects the individuality of the student and the unique ways in which they learn.' She is not alone, from the single Kindy teacher 21 years ago, there are now 30 teaching staff, all of whom are united by their passion for teaching the students of Cape Byron Rudolf Steiner School.



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High school Media Teacher, Mark Fuller, supports this view, 'In a world that is seemingly overwhelmed with media messages, to empower young people in having their voices heard is a powerful skill. Students at Cape Byron Steiner School are grounded in image creation and storytelling from a very young age, so when they are introduced to computers and cameras, there is a wellspring of creativity to tap into. Many of our students have excelled in photography, animation and

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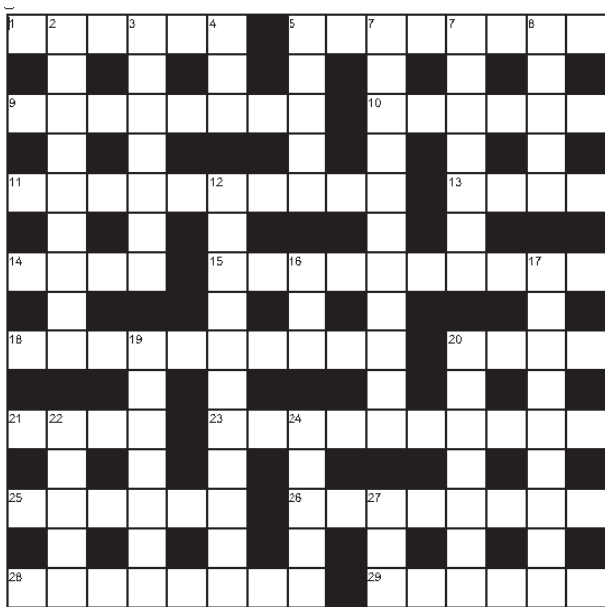
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## Mungo's Crossword



### Quick Clues

- ACROSS**  
 1. Loan shark (7)  
 5. Straddle, cover with a foot on each side (7)  
 9. Lodge an objection (8)  
 10. Really, the truth is ... (2,4)  
 11. Traditional census of large white birds on the river Thames (4,6)  
 13. NaCl, commonly (4)  
 14. Male used for breeding (4)  
 15. Unarmed (10)  
 18. Style of speech used for effect in debate (10)  
 20. In addition to (4)  
 21. Jewel found at Lightning Ridge (4)  
 23. Ranked high socially; aristocratic (5,5)  
 25. Painter of the Italian renaissance (6)  
 26. Organised belief in the supernatural (8)  
 28. Green gem stones (8)  
 29. Lodger, renter (6)  
**DOWN**  
 2. Timer used in competitions (9)  
 3. Moped, mourned (7)  
 2. Ribonucleic acid (abbrev) (1,1,1)  
 5. Steve and Terri Irwin's daughter (5)  
 6. Cricketer who makes the ball move in the air (5,6)  
 7. Saying no (7)  
 8. Transfer (5)  
 12. Ninox strenua, a large predatory bird (8,3)  
 16. Curve, part of a circle (3)  
 17. Implement for consuming gazpacho (4,5)  
 19. Communications satellite (7)  
 20. Straight-sided figure (7)  
 22. King of Troy (5)  
 24. Capital of France (5)  
 27. Fate, chance (3)

### Last week's solution



### Cryptic Clues

- ACROSS**  
 1. You are, we hear, covered by your employer, Shylock (6)  
 5. Straddle gives you the top trip (8)  
 9. Find fault that a dollar, perhaps, covers minute party turn (8)  
 10. Actually, dying tissue loses resistance (2,4)  
 11. Trading around naked French – a traditional English bird count! (4,6)  
 13. Season for the sailor (4)  
 14. Dust off the boss (4)  
 15. Disarmed, you and I take father back to a difficult lesson (10)  
 18. Arrangement of oil charter is purely for effect. (11)  
 20. More cross (4)  
 21. Ring, ring back for a jewel (4)  
 23. Year 12, perhaps – very U (5,5)  
 25. Soldier Bismarck, a great artist (6)  
 26. 51 in the vicinity have faith (8)  
 28. Measure heedless messengers for greens! (8)  
 29. X worker becomes lodger (6)  
**DOWN**  
 2. Halt and look at the timekeeper (9)  
 3. Was discontented, embarrassed overlong (7)  
 4. Ran over a polymer of nucleotides (1,1,1)  
 5. If I followed this child star, it could be prickly (5)  
 6. Lee, for instance, has playground equipment and a hat! (5,6)  
 7. Denial – its genuine about French over America (7)  
 8. Tied up transfer (5)  
 12. Strength, almost drunk over depression; what a bird! (8,3)  
 16. Indefinite papist curve (3)  
 17. As stated, out of bed and get soppy on the diner's right (4,5)  
 19. Turned back, traitors rent satellite (7)  
 20. Plane figure reports: parrot has left! (7)  
 22. I am caught by pusher, father of 24 down (5) ...  
 24 ... is after regulation capital! (5)  
 27. Chance of plenty (3)

Mungo's Crossword first published in *The Week*.

## STARS

WITH LILITH

**THE SUN IN WATERY PISCES AND VENUS IN FIERY ARIES GIVE THIS WEEK A STEAMY EDGE AS URANUS THE REARRANGER SHATTERS UNWORKABLE REALITIES AND PLUTO IN CAPRICORN UPROOTS DYSFUNCTIONAL SYSTEMS. ADVICE? WHEN YOU'RE SKATING ON THIN ICE YOU MIGHT AS WELL DANCE...**

**ARIES:** This is your prime time for sorting personal and family patterns by recognizing and correcting past mistakes. With old habits up and running you'll get best results by not focussing on faults and pet gripes. Don't waste energy trying to change anyone else – this week's about you.

**TAURUS:** You'll activate your own opportunities this week by embracing progress, sharing new ideas, making necessary adjustments and staying open to imaginative possibilities. Your social life's going off but Venus is touchy, so tiptoe as delicately as a four footed Taurus can around sensitive areas.

**GEMINI:** This month's about developing new business strategies and midweek Gemini moon could see a past connection resurface in the role of mentor or benefactor. If you're not getting what you want try a different angle, because this week smart bananas won't make too many waves.

**CANCER:** March is a month of moods and easily upset feelings, not helped by the stress of unsettling economics and workplace uncertainties peaking round emotional end-of-week Cancer Moon. But the upside of this highly imaginative transit produces revolutionary ideas, progressive strategies and daring moves...

**LEO:** Consider the wisdom of the old political saying: Campaign in poetry but govern in prose... As financial meltdown continues, this week sees you talking up

ways to manage your savings and resources. Be generous, but sensible – creative by all means, but make sure you have adequate backup.

**VIRGO:** Domestic and on the job partnerships and teamwork head this week's agenda. And prevailing atmospheric strongly suggest that dropping expectations, downplaying blame and making whatever peace you can with your own and other people's shortcomings is definitely your best recipe for emotional poise.

**LIBRA:** This week leads with its feelings so don't expect common sense, logical responses or rational behaviour. It's worth taking on board a few new health improvements to keep you on an even keel while boss planet Venus retrograde has you doing what you probably like least: rethinking relationships.

**SCORPIO:** Yes there's plenty to grizzle about. Yes shit happens, but you could give that thought a positive spin by upgrading it to shift happens. This week tests your leadership, creativity and executive skills, so don't hesitate to reward yourself with some pleasurable, fun times as well...

**SAGITTARIUS:** Avoid getting involved in OPP (other peoples' problems) this week because deep insights are available right now about the ways and places you get stuck – which if you're willing to make the necessary changes will get things moving. And isn't that what you want?

**CAPRICORN:** March is all about Capricorns expressing themselves. If you don't know something this week, ask questions – and if you don't know the right questions to ask, listen. Because deep listening (as opposed to selective hearing) will give your own communication added gravitas.

**AQUARIUS:** While the Aquarian ability to adapt to changing circumstances and conditions works well for you, direct questions won't necessarily get straightforward answers this week. And with Venus in the sign of tactlessness it's worthwhile considering that right now some people prefer reassurance to the truth as you see it.

**PISCES:** This week encourages Pisceans to take the initiative, but suggests choosing your words carefully – even if others don't. With feelings close to the surface – and to the boil – steer clear of troublesome people and don't let small annoyances spoil a week of promising opportunities.

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## CHESS by Ian Rogers

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'It was not easy for me,' said a relieved Topalov at the post-match press conference.

'Gata played quite well and there was fighting in all games. The result was finally decided by his time trouble.'

The Anand v Topalov match has been tentatively scheduled for December but it is highly unlikely that Anand will agree to play on Topalov's home turf as Kamsky did.

When informed that Topalov had won and asked about the upcoming title match, Anand – currently calmed on a 50% score at the elite Linares tournament, offered only a terse 'No comment – I have my own problems.'

Sofia Candidates Final 2009

Game 7

**White: V Topalov**

**Black: G Kamsky**

Opening: French Defence

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 c5 4.exd5 Qxd5 5.Ngf3 cxd4 6.Bc4 Qd6 7.0-0 Nf6 8.Re1 Be7 9.Nb3 Nc6 10.Nbxd4 Nxd4 11.Nxd4 0-0 12.c3 Bd7 13.Qf3 Qb6! A new idea, aiming to keep pressure on the White b pawn. 14.Bb3 a5 15.Be3 Bc5 16.Rad1! a4 17.Bc2 Qxb2 18.Bg5 Nd5 19.c4! Bxd4 19...Nb6 would leave Black's king in trouble after 20.Bxh7+! Kxh7 21.Bf6!! gxf6 22.Qh3+ Kg7 23.Qg4+ Kh7 24.Rd3 with checkmate to follow. 20.Qd3 f5 21.Qxd4 Qxc2 22.cxd5 Qxa2 23.Qb6 a3! Black must be very careful; 23... exd5 24.Qxb7 would simply lose a bishop. 24.Be7! Rfe8 25.Qd6 Ba4! After thinking for half an hour Kamsky decides to give up his extra pawns and allow White to equalise. 25...Bc8 26.Qc7 would be very messy but 25... Kf7! was playable, intending 26.Qxd7 Rxe7 27.dxc6+ Qxe6!! when Black wins. 26.Qxe6+ Kh8 27.Ra1 Qc4 28.Rec1! The gambler's spir-

it; Topalov could have forced an immediate draw with 28.Rxa3 Bb3 29.Rxa8 Rxa8 30.Qxf5 Qxd5. 28...Bc2! 29.Qd7!! a2! 30.d6 b5! Suddenly Kamsky has gained the upper hand, but has only three minutes left on the clock. 31.Qb7 Reb8? The obvious move but 31...b4! 32.d7 Reb8! would have been winning. 32.Qc7 (See diagram) Rc8? Fatal, but with little time left it was high impossible to find 32...Bd3!! 33.Rxc4 bxc4 when White must fight for a draw. 33.Qxc4 Rxc4 34.d7 Bb1 35.Rd1 Kg8 36.d8Q+ Rxd8 37.Bxd8 Bc2 38.Rdc1 b4 39.Rxa2 b3 40.Ra8 Kf7 41.Rb8 Here Kamsky surveyed the ruins of his position for 20 minutes before playing a few more futile moves and conceding the game and the match.

41...Ke6 42.Re1+ Kd5 43.Be7 Ra4 44.Bf8 Ra7 45.h4 1-0

a b c d e f g h



In a difficult position Black still has a miraculous escape, if he can find it with seconds left on his clock.

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Nina Conti is cooped up in her London flat with her five year old. It's drizzling. It's cold. 'I can't wait to get there,' she smiles. I am on the phone, so I don't know if she actually smiles or not, she just has one of those lovely voices that you want to read you a bed time story. You know, the voice with the smile in it. Nina Conti is a pedigree actress, and as daughter of Tom Conti, the famous Brit actor she could have slipped quite easily into a more conventional career, but instead, this petite and pretty young

woman is a standup comic and ventriloquist.

**Just how does a nice girl start talking to herself?**

'I owe it to this guy called Ken Campbell. He was a British phenomenon of the theatre - a weird and brilliant guy who is responsible for so many people's careers. He died recently and left me all his puppets in his will - he was a director and writer, and it was he who thought I should become a ventriloquist.'

**Ventriloquism historically is associated with magic - when in**

**ancient times a speaker would orate through a pipe or a hidden chamber and suddenly it would appear as if one was receiving a lecture from the Gods. It became less godly in the 18th and 19th century when it had a resurgence as vaudeville, and continued right up to the 1940s. It's this era that inspires Ms Conti the most.**

'I hated ventriloquism when I started, but then I started to look at old videos from the 1940s and it's so charming!'

**Nina admits to being surrounded by a sea of disturbing**

part of my brain that I don't have to think too much, it's as near to that inner voice as you get. It can seem a bit too self deprecating, especially if the gig is not going well the monkey will call me an asshole.'

**The amazing thing about Nina's performance in action is this distinct split between her and the monkey. It's so natural, that the monkey is completely believable and powerful as an onstage character - even to an adult.**

'I don't think of monkey as separate from me, although he would say things I wouldn't, but they are not things I wouldn't think! How wonderful to have an outlet for one's darkest self!

**So how does one learn the actual technique of ventriloquism?**

'You learn the letters that you can't say without moving your lips - you know really the hardest bit is to not look like a cretin while you are listening to the puppet - as well as orchestrating the puppet, you have to remember yourself, and you have to keep something going, and not just looking and scratching your head.'

**Barry Award Winner for Best Act at the Melbourne Comedy Festival last year, Nina has an awesome CV - she has worked alongside Dylan Moran in Black Books, but admits her biggest highlight was the role in the Christopher Guest film (director of cult films like Spinal Tap and Best in Show) as a hapless weathergirl.**

'I was in the first scene to be shot for the whole film, it is called *For Your Consideration*, and he didn't tell me anything. Except that I was a weather girl standing in front of a weather board - I didn't know anything about LA weather, anyway I just improvised and I am amazed to say that it made it into the film!'

**As a mother, standup is the**

**perfect career - while the child plays, mum is at home, and when he sleeps, she sneaks off into the night to practise her dark art.**

'Although I have to admit when Arthur is in bed I lose all my energy and think I'm not well, I really should stay home! But as soon as you are on stage you become a complete tart!'

**With both parents as actors, I wondered why Nina didn't become an accountant?**

'It was unavoidable that I would do something theatrical. I tried not to. I went to Uni not drama school, but nothing else was as much fun.'

**So what does a small boy think of his mum as a ventriloquist. He must think he's the luckiest kid alive?**

'He is a little jealous of Monkey I think, it actually slightly irritates him. His teacher asked, for comic relief, that I bring it in. I thought he'd be excited, and he handled it okay - but I don't think he really enjoyed it. I wish I didn't swear so much because he could come out for the kids a lot more... maybe I could do a kids show my art tends to lend to that!'

**Monkey is definitely not a child friendly puppet! It's a wild, bad mouthed, hysterically funny self esteem assassin. To check him out, google Nina's youtube and catch him having sex with a glass of water. It's as close as you'll get to monkey porn.**

Nina Conti performs at **The Big Joke Comedy Festival** at the **Bangalow A&I Hall** before she heads down to Sydney as one of their major International talents for 2009. See her first in Bangas!

**Thursday March 26, 8pm** with fellow comedians **Kitty Flanagan** and **Dave Williams**. Tickets at Jetset in Byron Bay - 6685 6262. Check the website for more details! [www.thebigjoke.com.au](http://www.thebigjoke.com.au)



puppets that she's not quite ready to pick up. Her favourite puppet, the most delightful of all is a small abusive furry chap called Monkey who speaks with a Welsh accent. He's

something on Nina's inner critic, continually lambasting her for her failings.

'The monkey is so much a

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## FOREVER OLD

No-one could argue that we live in a youth-focused culture. To be or appear young is prized and echoed in our cultural aesthetic where breasts must be forever pert, faces unlined, penises straightened and hair erect (although I think that may have to be the other way around). The under 25s are our greatest consumers and consequently popular culture tells their stories. There are no shows about old people. TV and film primarily focus on the stories of the young and beautiful. The old and the craggy only get trotted out occasionally on The Bill as mugging victims and Miss Marple rated so badly she has disappeared from our screens forever, replaced by

## SOAP BOX

Mandy Nolan

pretty full-lipped heroines like Buffy the Vampire Slayer. Let's be honest, who wants to watch an old woman in a bad hat when you can ogle some bouncing boobies? But all that is going to change. The army of the nearly dead are growing. According to the Australian Bureau of Statistics, in 2008 about 25% of the population were 25 and under and only 13% were over 65. Fast forward to 2036 where the stats shift and the under 25s percentage falls well under 20 and the over 65s hits a boom time 25%. By 2050, people over 80 will be the largest group in Australia. In China, 50% of the population will be elderly. Popular culture is about to change forever, it has to follow the biggest consumer group, and oldies may eventually be

the auteurs of what is cool. I can't wait to see the fashion. Finally it will be popular to wear big undies pulled up high. G-strings will be benched and only used for emergency flossing. Gone will be the Gaultier platforms and the Jimmy Choo stilettos, in their place will be terry towelling scuffs and masseur sandals. Our billboards will have enormous pictures of nannas in big white bras in sensual yet reflective repose resting delicately on a shower chair. These same women will be draped on the baskets of electric scooters, leaning provocatively into shot, tempting horny old men to buy the latest model. There won't be football or cricket season – instead just year round lawn bowls, with sporting heroes like Warney (he'll be old enough to make the demographic) rolling a few jack highs and then getting a few jacks in the box, if you know what I mean. Big Brother will be set in a nursing home, following the antics of a bunch of seniors suffering from dementia, incontinence and bowel issues. (No different

to the current script). It's already been commissioned: 'Big Grandmother' is watching. Shows like House will become 'Granny Flat', Desperate Housewives becomes 'Desperate Pensioners', The Guardian will be about a chap actually from the Guardianship board and Rove is a variety show hosted by a bloke who can't find his way home. It's going to be a seniors' led revolution where the oldies set the status quo. Plastic surgeons will be altering the bodies of the young to look like the old – breasts will be dropped, bellies loosened, butts lowered and dimpled and only the hottest chicks will have turkey neck. Magazines will be filled with pictures of hot 80 year old women hobbling up the red carpet on their walkers, posing for photos with chihuahuas sitting in their Prada designed colostomy bags. You'll know it's happened when instead of a graffiti artist tagging your fence, midnight vandals will have trimmed your edges, killed your bindis and put your bin out.



## Indigenous Music centre stage – Blues

Byron Bluesfest turns 20 this year, and to celebrate they launch a new InDIG stage, showcasing Australian and Southern Pacific Rim Indigenous heritage. Performing artists include: Saltwater Band, Christine Anu, Archie Roach & Ruby Hunter, Dan Sultan, Te Vaka, Yilila, Tribe of Jubal, Buddy Knox Blues Band, Stiff Gins, Ngaiire, Marlene Cummins, Tommee, Rode Worx, Matty Devitt Band, and Paul Patten. This year Bluesfest received a significant

contribution from Events NSW. The chief executive, Geoff Parmenter, said he was delighted to be investing in an initiative that would help to enhance one of NSW's iconic events. 'From humble beginnings in 1990 when just 5,000 music lovers turned out for the inaugural event, Bluesfest has transformed into one of Australia's best music festivals attracting an audience of more than 80,000.' Since its inception, the world's best talent has graced the Bluesfest stage from blues, roots and soul heavy weights like Buddy Guy, Bo Diddley, James Brown, Burning Spear, and George Clinton through to chart topping superstars Ben Harper, Jack Johnson, Ray Davies, REM, John Fogerty, Dave Matthews Band, John Mayer, and Sinéad O'Connor to name but a few. Bluesfest has had the honour of twice being nominated as Best

International Music Festival by US concert bible 'Pollstar' in 2005 and 2006 alongside world renowned events such as Britain's Glastonbury and Switzerland's Montreux Jazz Festival. The Bluesfest team is very much looking forward to its 20th anniversary event which will be held again at Belongil Fields over the Easter long weekend commencing on Thursday, April 9 and finishing on Monday, April 13.

## A very Broad Accent

Broadfoot are playing three gigs this weekend in their trio format. **Friday** night at **Cabarita Sports Club, Bangalow Hotel** on the **Saturday** with some cooling down on **Sunday** at **Victory Hotel** in Mooball. Catch one, two or go the trifecta in a veritable plethora of Broadfootedness. One thing's for sure, those boys love to play.

## Catching the Love Bus

The **Love Bus** play the **Rails** on **Sunday** in the last gig before the guys head off around Australia on an actual, not a metaphorical bus! The Love Bus have just sold a song to Tetley Tea, who are using it for a major TV ad, Australia and New Zealand. The band currently has a brand new album: *Now is the Time and the Place is Here* - to be released in April.

## Shake that Thing

Get ready to shake that thing because **The Nice Up** party returns to Byron Bay! Like last year – the Backroom will shake and quake to the boomastic sounds of the Jamaican dancehall! Rebel Bass Sound System return from Sydney and is ready to rock-up the dance again! This time accompanied by the beautifully talented Miss Vena, they're sure to whip up a tropical cyclone of riddim

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**Great Northern on Saturday.**

#### Tijuana Cartel Launch

They're quite possibly the best live band to dance to that you will see in ages. **Tijuana Cartel** have a brand new CD – it's as dynamic and electric as ever. I know when something good hits my desk because Jeff Dawson comes in and admits that he 'borrowed' it, but then neglected to return it. I loved their last album, and Jeff told me it was great. The guys are launching their new album at **Coorabell Hall** on **Friday**. Show kicks off around **7.30pm**.

#### Beach Hotel

**Friday** night at the **Beach Hotel** the **Go Set** headline with the **Jack Flash Band** as support. The Go Set formed in 2003 and combined the elements of the music they had grown up on – everything from

traditional celtic and folk music, to early seventies punk rock. Combining the folk elements of the bagpipes, accordion, and mandolin, with distorted punk guitars and a rock n roll ethos, the Go Set have created a sound and direction all its own. As for Jack Flash, they are a Toowoomba born and based folk/punk six-piece. They have a unique brand of catchy, dancing tunes, lyrical genius and fancy flair.

#### Thrills at Courthouse

Fresh from Woodford and successful headlining gigs at the Cygnet Folk Festival in Tasmania **Thrillbilly Stomp** return to local climes to play their celtic, cajun and bluegrass influenced music at the **Courthouse Hotel** in Mullumbimby on **Friday** Night. Thrillbilly Stomp features Bill Bradney on mandolin and guitar, Liz Edwards on accordion and woodskin drum, Big Family Jules on double bass and flute and Hugo Maree on fiddle. Starts at **8pm** – free.

#### Cat Empire Family Tix

One of the great things about the **Cat Empire** is that it's the kind of gig that is very family friendly. You could take your nanna, and I reckon after a

while she'd be tappin' away in her chair singing *Hello Hello* with the best of them. Its also the kind of show that the younger kids dig as well. To recognise the diverse demographic of the feline based empire, Ku Promotions have a family tickets release – where 2 adults and 2 children under 15 are \$150 and 1 adult, 2 kids under 15 are \$95. Catch the 'Live on Earth' tour on Saturday March 14 at the **Mullum Leagues Grounds**. Congrats to Vanessa who was the winner of our giveaway – I got over 100 entries. Tix at Barebones, Bangalow, Murwillumbah Music; Mullum Books; All Music & Vision – Ballina, Byron & Lismore

#### Folk it Up

Multiple award winning artist **Mish** brings her soul healing and easy listening piano based songs to the intimate **Federal Folk Night**. Mish won Best Adult Contemporary Song at last year's Dolphin Awards, in 2007 she won ABC's New Emerging Performing Artist Award and was a finalist in last year's Australian Songwriters Association Contest. Great local acts Tom Bryce and David Ackermann in the first hour. **Federal Church, Friday** at

**7pm**, \$7.50, teens \$4, under 12 free. Tea & cakes available in the break.

#### Back to Bassix

Keeping it simple, lovin' the bass, telling stories and letting it all out, is what the **Bassix** are about! This three (sometimes four) piece group, is fronted by singer songwriter 'Miss Jodie' on acoustic guitar and vocals, accompanied by Julian Smith on double bass and 16 year old drum player Erica T. These guys play 98% original music touched by blues, pop, soul and groove. Their sets may also include a few favourites from Michelle Shocked, The Audreys and Missy Higgins. A touch of old, a little bit blue, this group is also quite new! Having begun the year in the Chai tent at Woodford these guys are about to embark on their first series of gigs outside of their home base Dunoon. **Thursday** at the **Rails** from **6.30pm**.

**CORRECTION** – Last week I made a mistake, silly old me said the Mullum Folk Club had moved to the first Wed of the month. That is a lie! It's the last Wednesday of the month. So don't forget to remember that!

## COMING SOON

**TUE 3** 7.30PM

**SASHIMI BAND**  
TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT

**WED 4** 7.30PM

**COCKATOO PAUL**

**THUR 5** 7.30PM

**OPEN MIC NIGHT**

**FRI 6** 8.00PM

**LISA HUNT**

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Television Guide

1. Johnny Depp stars in Tim Burton's odd romantic fantasy **Edward Scissorhands** (Ten, Saturday 6.30pm).
2. **TBA** (NBN & Prime) is a startlingly original concept developed by the top channels recently. Rather than disappoint viewers by offering definite programs, the schedulers provide a mystery menu unknown in advance.
3. Even average Marx Brothers is better than most other comedy this week so if you have digital, watch **Room Service** (ABC2, Saturday 9.55pm), preceded by a Monty Python compilation.



	ABC 1	ABC 2	SBS	PRIME	ten	NBN
WEDNESDAY 4	<p>4.30 GP (PG) Repeat.</p> <p>5.30 Spicks And Specks (PG) Repeat.</p> <p>6.00 Kids' Program</p> <p>12.00 Midday Report</p> <p>12.30 National Press Club Address</p> <p>1.30 Talking Heads (G) Repeat.</p> <p>2.00 Parkinson (G)</p> <p>3.00 Kids' Programs</p> <p>6.00 The Queen's Cavalry (G) Repeat.</p> <p>7.30 The Cook and the Chef (G)</p> <p>9.00 ABC News</p> <p>7.30 The 7.30 Report</p> <p>8.00 The New Inventors (G)</p> <p>8.30 Spicks And Specks (PG)</p> <p>9.00 Chandon Pictures (M,I) Comedy.</p> <p>9.35 Ruddy Hell! It's Harry and Paul (M,I,s) Harry Enfield, Paul Whitehouse</p> <p>10.05 At the Movies</p> <p>10.30 Lateline And Lateline Business</p> <p>11.35 Midsomer Murders (M) Repeat.</p> <p>1.10 Movie: Born To Be Bad (G 1950) Start Joan Fontaine, Robert Ryan.</p> <p>2.45 NSW Land Council In Review (G)</p> <p>3.25 National Press Club Address Repeat.</p>	<p>6.00 ABC News Breakfast</p> <p>9.00 Asia Pacific News</p> <p>9.30 Business Today</p> <p>10.00 Kids' Programs</p> <p>4.30 A Place in Greece (G) Repeat.</p> <p>4.55 Speed Machines (G) Repeat.</p> <p>5.45 Time Team (G) Repeat.</p> <p>6.35 Scrapheap Challenge: The Scrappy Races (G)</p> <p>7.30 Something In The Air (G) Repeat.</p> <p>8.00 Body Hits: Detox Devils (PG)</p> <p>8.30 Eataholics: Addicted To Cheese (G)</p> <p>9.30 Teenage Transsexuals</p> <p>10.20 My Teen's A Nightmare: I'm Moving Out - Fraser Byrne</p> <p>11.20 Plumpton High Babies: A Baby's Not A Doll (PG) repeat</p> <p>11.35 Close</p>	<p>5.30 World News in various languages.</p> <p>1.00 Movie: The Wooden Camera (M 2003) Drama. South Africa.</p> <p>2.35 Spacefiles: The Universe Unveiled (G) UK.</p> <p>3.30 Football Stars Of Tomorrow</p> <p>4.00 The Journal</p> <p>4.30 Newshour with Jim Lehrer</p> <p>5.30 Corner Gas (G) Comedy.</p> <p>6.00 Global Village: The Dance Of The Gods</p> <p>6.30 World News Australia</p> <p>7.30 Feast India (G)</p> <p>8.00 Tales From The Palaces (G) Doco series on palaces of the UK. Repeat.</p> <p>8.30 Tribe: Anuta, Polynesia (PG) Doco from UK.</p> <p>9.30 World News Australia</p> <p>10.00 Movie: Springtime In A Small Town (PG 2002) Drama from China. Stars Jingfan Hu, Jun Wu, Bai Qing Xin.</p> <p>12.00 Movie: Daybreak (M,I,a,s 2003) Drama. Sweden. Stars Pernilla August, Jakob Eklund.</p> <p>1.50 Weatherwatch Overnight</p>	<p>6.00 Sunrise</p> <p>9.00 The Morning Show (PG)</p> <p>11.00 Larry The Lawnmower kids' show.</p> <p>11.30 Seven News</p> <p>12.00 Movie: Crimes Of Passion: Voice From The Grave (M 1996) Stars Kevin Dobson, Megan Ward, John Terlesky.</p> <p>2.00 All Saints (M)</p> <p>3.00 Murder, She Wrote (PG)</p> <p>4.00 Go Go Stop kids' show.</p> <p>4.30 Seven and Prime News</p> <p>5.00 M*A*S*H (G)</p> <p>5.30 Deal Or No Deal (G) games show.</p> <p>6.00 Seven and Prime News</p> <p>7.00 Home And Away (PG)</p> <p>7.30 Australia's Got Talent</p> <p>8.30 Criminal Minds (M)</p> <p>9.30 Gangs Of Oz (M) The Aussie mafia</p> <p>10.30 Lost (M)</p> <p>11.30 Disorderly Conduct Caught On Tape (PG)</p> <p>12.30 Guthy Renker &amp; Danoz</p> <p>5.30 Seven Early News</p> <p>Prime HD program same as above except: 12.30 Special:L: Louis Theroux: Behind Bars (M) 1.30 A Country Practice (G)</p>	<p>6.00 Ten Early News</p> <p>7.00 Toasted TV &amp; Kids' Programs</p> <p>9.00 9am With David And Kim (PG)</p> <p>11.00 Ten News</p> <p>12.00 The Doctors (PG)</p> <p>1.00 Oprah Winfrey Show (PG) Repeat.</p> <p>2.00 Ready Steady Cook (PG) Repeat.</p> <p>3.00 Infomercial (PG)</p> <p>3.30 Huey's Cooking Adventures (G)</p> <p>4.00 Everyone Loves Raymond (G)</p> <p>4.30 The Bold &amp; The Beautiful (G)</p> <p>5.00 Ten News</p> <p>6.00 The Simpsons (G) Repeat</p> <p>6.30 Neighbours (G)</p> <p>7.00 The Biggest Loser (PG)</p> <p>8.00 Guerrilla Gardeners (PG)</p> <p>8.30 House (M)</p> <p>9.30 Life (M)</p> <p>10.30 Ten News With Sports Tonight</p> <p>11.15 Late Show With David Letterman (PG)</p> <p>12.00 Will &amp; Grace (PG)</p> <p>12.30 Infomercials</p> <p>4.00 Religion to 6am (PG)</p>	<p>5.30 Today</p> <p>9.00 Mornings With Kerri-Anne (PG)</p> <p>11.00 Danoz and Bio-Magnetics (G)</p> <p>12.00 Ellen Degeneres Show (PG)</p> <p>1.00 The View (PG) talk show.</p> <p>2.00 Days Of Our Lives (PG)</p> <p>3.00 Fresh Cooking (G)</p> <p>3.30 Kids' Programs</p> <p>4.30 NBN News</p> <p>5.00 Airline (G)</p> <p>5.30 Antiques Roadshow (G).</p> <p>6.00 NBN News</p> <p>7.00 A Current Affair</p> <p>7.30 The Farmer Wants A Wife (PG)</p> <p>8.30 The Mentalist (M)</p> <p>8.45 Lotto</p> <p>9.30 Flashpoint (M)</p> <p>10.30 Cold Case (M)</p> <p>11.30 The Ellen Degeneres Show (PG)</p> <p>12.30 The Music Jungle (M)</p> <p>1.30 Guthy Renker And Danoz</p> <p>3.30 Good Morning America</p> <p>5.00 Early Morning News</p>
THURSDAY 5	<p>4.30 GP (PG) Repeat.</p> <p>5.30 Spicks And Specks (PG) Repeat.</p> <p>6.00 Kids' Programs</p> <p>11.00 The War</p> <p>12.00 Midday Report</p> <p>12.30 Murder Or Mutiny (M) Repeat.</p> <p>1.30 Collectors (G) Repeat.</p> <p>2.00 Parkinson (G)</p> <p>3.00 Kids' Programs</p> <p>6.10 Grand Designs (G) Repeat.</p> <p>7.00 ABC News</p> <p>7.30 The 7.30 Report</p> <p>8.00 Catalyst (G)</p> <p>8.30 Bringing Up Baby (PG)</p> <p>9.30 Q&amp;A With Tony Jones</p> <p>10.25 Lateline And Lateline Business</p> <p>11.30 The Rolling Stones: Truth And Lies (PG) 40 years of the Rolling Stones.</p> <p>12.25 Wildside (PG) Repeat.</p> <p>1.15 Movie: They Won't Believe Me (PG 1947) Stars Melvyn Douglas, Conrad Nagel, Virginia Bruce.</p> <p>3.55 The Glass House (M) Repeat.</p>	<p>6.00 ABC News Breakfast</p> <p>9.00 Asia Pacific News</p> <p>9.30 Business Today</p> <p>10.00 Kids' Programs</p> <p>4.35 The Einstein Factor (G) Repeat.</p> <p>5.05 The Cook and the Chef (G) Repeat.</p> <p>5.35 ABC For</p> <p>6.35 Scrapheap Challenge: The Scrappy Races (G)</p> <p>7.30 Something In The Air (G) Repeat.</p> <p>8.00 Spicks And Specks (PG) Final.</p> <p>8.30 Chandon Pictures (M,c) comedy</p> <p>9.00 Ruddy Hell! It's Harry and Paul (M,s,I) Harry Enfield, Paul Whitehouse</p> <p>9.30 Modern Toss (M,s,I) Animation.</p> <p>9.55 Pulling (M,I,s) Comedy.</p> <p>10.25 The Kevin Bishop Show (M,s,I) Comedy.</p> <p>10.55 Spaced (M,I) Stars Simon Pegg</p> <p>11.20 The Book Group (M,I,s,d) Repeat.</p> <p>11.45 Close</p>	<p>5.30 World News in various languages.</p> <p>1.00 TV Around The World: Argentina Doco. France.</p> <p>1.30 Super Flu - Race Against A Killer (PG) Repeat.</p> <p>2.30 Dateline (PG) Repeat.</p> <p>3.30 Alain Ducasse at the Plaza Athenee (G) France.</p> <p>4.00 The Journal</p> <p>4.30 Newshour With Jim Lehrer</p> <p>5.30 FIFA Futbol Mundial</p> <p>6.00 Global Village: Sardegna (G)</p> <p>6.30 World News Australia</p> <p>7.35 Inspector Rex (PG) Austria. Repeat.</p> <p>8.30 Baby Boom To Bust: Grey Tsunami (G) Final.</p> <p>9.30 World News Australia</p> <p>10.00 Movie: Sweet Mud (MA,a,I,s 2006) Drama. Israel. Stars Tomer Steinhof, Ronit Ydkevitz, Shai Avivi</p> <p>11.45 Queer As Folk (MA,s,I,a) Repeat.</p> <p>1.40 Movie: 16 Years Of Alcohol (MA,I,a,v 2003) Drama from UK. Stars Kevin McKidd, Ewen Bremner, Laura Fraser.</p> <p>2.25 Weatherwatch Overnight</p>	<p>6.00 Sunrise</p> <p>9.00 The Morning Show (PG)</p> <p>11.00 Larry The Lawnmower kids' show.</p> <p>11.30 Seven News</p> <p>12.00 Movie: Love Comes Softly (PG) 2003 Stars Katherine Heigl, Dale Midkiff.</p> <p>2.00 All Saints (M)</p> <p>3.00 Murder, She Wrote (PG)</p> <p>4.00 Go Go Stop kids' show.</p> <p>4.30 Seven and Prime News</p> <p>5.00 M*A*S*H (G)</p> <p>5.30 Deal Or No Deal (G) games show.</p> <p>6.00 Seven and Prime News</p> <p>7.00 Home And Away (PG)</p> <p>7.30 Ghost Whisperer (PG)</p> <p>8.30 Grey's Anatomy (M)</p> <p>9.30 Private Practice (M)</p> <p>10.30 Scrubs (PG)</p> <p>11.30 Beauty And The Geek (PG)</p> <p>12.30 Danoz &amp; Guthy-Renker</p> <p>5.30 Seven Early News</p> <p>Prime HD program same as above except: 12.00 Movie: The Saint In Parlm Springs (PG) 1.00 Deal Or No Deal 1.20 Blue Heelers 2.10 My Restaurant Rules 12.30 Movie: the Way Of The Gun (AV)</p>	<p>6.00 Ten Early News</p> <p>7.00 Toasted TV &amp; Kids' Programs</p> <p>9.00 9am With David And Kim (PG)</p> <p>11.00 Ten News</p> <p>12.00 The Doctors (PG)</p> <p>1.00 Oprah Winfrey Show (PG) Repeat.</p> <p>2.00 Ready Steady Cook (PG) Repeat.</p> <p>3.00 Infomercial (PG)</p> <p>3.30 Huey's Cooking Adventures (G)</p> <p>4.00 Everyone Loves Raymond (G)</p> <p>4.30 The Bold &amp; The Beautiful (G)</p> <p>5.00 Ten News</p> <p>6.00 The Simpsons (G) Repeat</p> <p>6.30 Neighbours (G)</p> <p>7.00 The Biggest Loser (PG)</p> <p>8.00 Bondi Vet (PG)</p> <p>8.30 Law &amp; Order: SVU (M)</p> <p>9.30 Life On Mars (M)</p> <p>10.30 Ten News With Sports Tonight</p> <p>11.15 Late Show With David Letterman (PG)</p> <p>12.00 Buffy: The Vampire Slayer (G)</p> <p>1.00 Infomercials (PG)</p> <p>4.00 Religion to 6am.</p>	<p>5.30 Today</p> <p>9.00 Mornings With Kerri-Anne (PG)</p> <p>11.00 Danoz and Guthy Renker (G)</p> <p>12.00 Ellen Degeneres Show (PG)</p> <p>1.00 The View (PG) talk show.</p> <p>2.00 Days Of Our Lives (PG)</p> <p>3.00 Fresh Cooking (G)</p> <p>3.30 Kids' Programs</p> <p>4.30 NBN News</p> <p>5.00 Airline (G)</p> <p>5.30 Antiques Roadshow</p> <p>6.00 NBN News</p> <p>7.00 A Current Affair</p> <p>7.30 Getaway (PG)</p> <p>8.30 Adults Only 20 To 1 (M)</p> <p>9.30 CSI: Miami (M)</p> <p>10.30 Amazing Medical Stories (M)</p> <p>11.30 The Ellen Degeneres Show (PG)</p> <p>12.30 The Baron (PG)</p> <p>1.30 Entertainment Tonight</p> <p>2.00 Guthy Renker Australia</p> <p>3.30 Good Morning America</p> <p>5.00 Early Morning News</p>
FRIDAY 6	<p>4.30 GP (PG) Repeat.</p> <p>5.30 Spicks And Specks (G) Repeat.</p> <p>6.00 Kids' Programs</p> <p>11.00 Perfect Disasters (PG)</p> <p>12.00 Midday Report</p> <p>12.30 I Can Jump Puddles (PG) Repeat.</p> <p>1.30 Spicks And Specks (G) Repeat.</p> <p>2.00 Monarch Of The Glen (G) Repeat.</p> <p>3.00 Kids' Programs</p> <p>6.00 Message Stick (G) Repeat.</p> <p>6.30 Can We Help? (G)</p> <p>7.00 ABC News</p> <p>7.30 Stateline</p> <p>8.00 Collectors (G)</p> <p>8.30 Trial And Retribution (M,I) Crime series.</p> <p>9.40 Dalziel And Pascoe (M,v) Repeat.</p> <p>10.35 Lateline</p> <p>11.10 triple j tv With The Doctor Repeat</p> <p>11.40 Good Game Repeat.</p> <p>12.10 rage (M) goes on until 5am Saturday.</p>	<p>6.00 ABC News Breakfast</p> <p>9.00 Asia Pacific News</p> <p>9.30 Business Today</p> <p>10.00 Kids' Programs</p> <p>4.30 The New Inventors Repeat.</p> <p>5.00 7.30 Select</p> <p>5.30 Catalyst (G) Repeat.</p> <p>6.00 Compass (G) Repeat.</p> <p>6.35 Scrapheap Challenge: The Scrappy Races (G)</p> <p>7.30 Something In The Air (G) Repeat.</p> <p>8.00 Basketball: WNBL 2008/09 - Preliminary Final Live AEDT.</p> <p>10.00 Soundtrack To My Life: Crowded House (G)</p> <p>10.25 Radio 1's Big Weekend (G)</p> <p>11.20 London Live (PG) From London's KOKO music venue: James Morrison, The Rapture, Brinkman, Faithless.</p> <p>11.50 Close</p>	<p>5.20 World News in various languages.</p> <p>1.00 The Food Lovers' Guide To Australia (G) Repeat.</p> <p>1.30 Insight: Danger Zone Repeat.</p> <p>2.30 The Buchenwald Ball (PG) Repeat.</p> <p>3.30 Living Black</p> <p>4.00 The Journal</p> <p>4.30 Newshour With Jim Lehrer</p> <p>5.30 Inspiring Teachers: Michael (G) Repeat.</p> <p>6.00 Global Village: Grenoble (G) Repeat.</p> <p>6.30 World News Australia</p> <p>7.30 The Thirties In Colour: Wright Around The World Doco. UK.</p> <p>8.35 Churchill's Bodyguard (PG) Repeat.</p> <p>9.30 World News Australia</p> <p>10.00 Queer As Old Folk (M,s,I,n) Doco. UK.</p> <p>11.55 Movie: Looking For Cheyenne (M,s,I,n 2005) Drama. France. Stars Mila Dekker, Aurelia Petit.</p> <p>12.30 Movie: Last Life In The Universe (M 2003) Romance from Thailand. Stars Laila Boonyasak, Thiti Phum-Orn.</p> <p>2.20 WeatherWatch Overnight</p>	<p>6.00 Sunrise</p> <p>9.00 Morning Show (PG)</p> <p>11.00 Larry The Lawnmower</p> <p>11.30 Seven Morning News</p> <p>12.30 Movie: The Triangle (M 2001) Stars Luke Perry, Olivia D'abo, Dan Cortese.</p> <p>2.00 All Saints (M)</p> <p>3.00 Murder, She Wrote (PG)</p> <p>4.00 Go Go Stop</p> <p>4.30 Seven News</p> <p>5.00 M*A*S*H (G) Repeat.</p> <p>5.30 Deal Or No Deal</p> <p>6.00 Seven and Prime News</p> <p>7.00 Home And Away (PG)</p> <p>7.30 Better Homes And Gardens</p> <p>8.30 Movie: Casino Royale (M 2006) Stars Judi Dench, Daniel Craig, Eva Green.</p> <p>11.20 Movie: Along Came A Spider (M 2001) Stars Monica Potter, Michael Wincott</p> <p>1.30 Danoz And Guthy-Renker</p> <p>Prime HD program same as above except: 12.00 Movie: Assination Tango (M 2003) 2.00 My Restaurant Rules 1.25 Movie: Never Die Alone (AV,I,s 2004)</p>	<p>6.00 Ten Early News</p> <p>7.00 Toasted TV &amp; Kids' Programs</p> <p>9.00 9am With David And Kim (PG)</p> <p>11.00 Ten News</p> <p>12.00 The Doctors (PG)</p> <p>1.00 Oprah Winfrey Show (PG)</p> <p>2.00 Ready Steady Cook (PG)</p> <p>3.00 Infomercial (PG)</p> <p>3.30 Huey's Cooking Adventures (G)</p> <p>4.00 Every Loves Raymond (G)</p> <p>4.30 The Bold &amp; The Beautiful (G)</p> <p>5.00 Ten News</p> <p>6.00 The Simpsons (G) Repeat.</p> <p>6.30 Neighbours (G) Repeat.</p> <p>7.00 The Biggest Loser (PG)</p> <p>7.30 The Simpsons (G)</p> <p>8.30 Medium (M)</p> <p>9.30 Law &amp; Order (M)</p> <p>10.30 Law &amp; Order (M)</p> <p>11.30 Late News With Sports Tonight</p> <p>12.00 Tens Friday Night AFL</p> <p>2.00 Infomercials (PG)</p> <p>4.00 Queer Eye For The Straight Guy (PG)</p> <p>5.00 Religion to 6am (PG).</p>	<p>5.30 Today</p> <p>9.00 Mornings with Kerri-Anne (PG)</p> <p>11.00 Danoz and Guthy Renker</p> <p>12.00 Ellen Degeneres Show (PG)</p> <p>1.00 The View (PG) talk show.</p> <p>2.00 Days Of Our Lives (PG)</p> <p>3.00 Fresh Cooking</p> <p>3.30 Kids' Programs</p> <p>4.30 NBN News</p> <p>5.00 Airline (G)</p> <p>5.30 Antiques Roadshow</p> <p>6.00 NBN News</p> <p>7.00 A Current Affair</p> <p>7.30 TBA</p> <p>8.30 TBA</p> <p>11.45 Movie: Daredevil (M 2002) Stars Ben Affleck, Jennifer Garner, Colin Farrell.</p> <p>1.45 At The Movies (PG)</p> <p>2.00 The Ellen Degeneres Show (PG)</p> <p>4.00 Guthy Renker Australia (G)</p> <p>4.30 Good Morning America</p>

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ABC 1

5.00 **rage** (PG)  
6.00 **rage** (G)  
10.00 **rage: Busy P** (PG)  
11.00 **Executive Stress** (G) Repeat.  
11.30 **The Cook And The Chef** Repeat.  
12.00 **Stataline** Repeat.  
12.30 **Australian Story** Repeat.  
1.00 **Foreign Correspondent** Repeat.  
1.30 **Can We Help** (G) Repeat.  
2.00 **Nerves Of Steel** (PG) Repeat.  
3.00 **Bowls: Australian open 2009**  
4.00 **Basketball: WNBL 2008/09 Preliminary Final**  
5.58 **ABC News Up-Date**  
6.00 **Totally Frank** (PG) Repeat.  
6.25 **Minuscule: The Bridge On The River** (G)  
6.30 **Gardening Australia** (G)  
7.00 **ABC News**  
7.30 **New Tricks** (PG) Repeat.  
8.25 **ABC News**  
8.30 **The Bill** (PG)  
10.05 **ABC News**  
10.10 **The Long Firm: Ruby's Story** (M,s,l) Crime. Repeat.  
11.00 **rage** (M)

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ABC 2

7.00 **Kids' Programs**  
3.00 **rage** (G) Repeat.  
5.00 **rage: Hottest 100** Repeat.  
6.05 **The New Inventors** Repeat.  
6.35 **Robin Hood** (PG) Repeat.  
7.20 **Rex The Runt** (PG) Repeat.  
7.30 **The Einstein Factor** (G) Repeat.  
8.00 **At The Movies** Repeat.  
8.30 **Movie: And Now For Something Completely Different** (M 1972) Stars Graham Chapman, John Cleese.  
9.55 **Movie: Room Service** (G 1938) Stars Groucho Marx, Chico Marx, Harpo Marx, Lucille Ball, Ann Miller, Frank Albertson.  
11.15 **Close**

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[\*] = Could offend [ie] = Issues about euthanasia  
[h] = Horror

SBS

5.20 **World News** in various languages.  
12.55 **Orfeo And Eurydice** (G) Dance from Germany.  
1.00 **International Ballet Gala: Prague Opera** (G) Germany.  
2.35 **Youkali Hotel** (PG) Canada.  
3.25 **Art in the 21st Century: Ecology** (G) UK  
4.30 **Newshour With Jim Lehrer**  
5.30 **Undercover Angels** (PG) Repeat.  
6.00 **Classic Destinations: Moscow** (G)  
6.30 **World News Australia**  
7.30 **Prototype This** (G) US.  
8.30 **Iron Chef** (G)  
9.20 **RockWiz** (PG) Entertainment.  
10.50 **Movie: Loser Takes All** (MA,s,a,n 2004) Comedy. France. Stars Thierry Lhermite, Elsa Zylberstein.  
12.30 **SOS** (PG)  
1.30 **Bro' Town: Honky The Wonder Horse** (M) Comedy. NZ. Repeat.  
1.55 **Nighty Night** (M) Comedy. UK.  
2.50 **Weatherwatch Overnight**

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PRIME

6.00 **Kids' Programs**  
11.00 **Sport Special: Australia Cup Racing** Live from Flemington.  
4.00 **Kids' Programs**  
5.00 **Border Patrol** (PG)  
5.30 **Sydney Weekender** (PG)  
6.00 **Seven News**  
6.30 **In The Bush With Malcolm Douglas** (PG)  
7.30 **Kath & Kim** (PG) Repeat.  
8.00 **The Vicar Of Dibley** (PG) Repeat.  
8.40 **Movie: The Day After Tomorrow** (M) Stars Dennis Quaid, Jake Gyllenhall, Sela Ward, Emmy Rossum.  
11.15 **Ripping Yarns** (PG) Repeat.  
12.00 **2009 NAB Cup: Semi Final**  
2.35 **Danoz Direct & Guthy Renker**

Prime HD program same as above except:  
12.00 Kid's Programs 1.50 Movie: Surviving Gilligans Island (PG 2001) 4.40 Deal Or No Deal 5.10 Better Homes And Gardens 8.00 Fawley Towers (PG) 8.40 2009 NAB Cup: Semi Final 11.15 Movie: Patton (M 1970) 2.00 Final 24 (M) 3.00 Urban legends (M) 3.30 Guthy Renker

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6.00 **Toasted TV & Kids' Programs**  
10.00 **Video Hits** (PG)  
11.30 **Star Wars: The Clone Wars** (PG)  
12.00 **Golf: New Zealand PGA**  
3.00 **No Ordinary Journey** (G)  
4.00 **Will & Grace** (PG)  
5.00 **Ten News With Sports Tonight**  
6.00 **The Simpsons** (G) Repeat.  
6.30 **Movie: Edward Scissorhands** (PG 1990) Stars Johnny Depp, Winona Ryder, Diane Wiest.  
8.40 **Movie: Hulk** (M 2003) Stars Eric Bana, Jennifer connolly, Sam Elliott.  
11.30 **Good News Week** (M) Repeat.  
12.30 **Rush** (M) Repeat.  
1.30 **Infomercials**  
4.00 **Religion** to 6am (PG)

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

NBN

6.00 **Infomercials**  
7.30 **Kids' Programs**  
12.00 **My Boys** (PG)  
12.30 **The Hills** (PG)  
1.00 **Gilmore Girls** (PG)  
2.00 **Bewitched** (G)  
2.30 **Movie: The Searchers** (G 1956) Stars John Wayne, Natalie Wood.  
5.00 **Antique Roadshow** (G)  
6.00 **Evening News**  
6.30 **Funniest Home Video Show** (G)  
7.30 **TBA**  
8.40 **Saturday Lotto**  
9.30 **TBA**  
12.00 **Movie: Presumed Innocent** (M 1990) Stars Harrison Ford, Greta Scacchi, Brian Dennehy.  
2.20 **MAD TV**  
3.20 **Girlfriends** (M)  
4.00 **Danoz**  
4.30 **Guthy Renker**

5.00 **rage** (PG)  
6.30 **Kids' Programs**  
9.00 **Insiders And Inside Business**  
10.30 **Officers**  
11.00 **Asia Pacific Focus**  
11.30 **Songs Of Praise** (G)  
12.00 **Landline** (G)  
1.00 **Gardening Australia**  
1.30 **Message Stick** (G)  
2.00 **The War Of The World** (PG)  
3.00 **Art Of Spain: The Dark Heart** (G)  
3.50 **Stone Upon Stone** (G)  
4.00 **IOU: Lloyd Rees** (G)  
4.30 **First Tuesday Book Club** (G)  
5.00 **Sunday Arts**  
6.00 **At The Movies** Repeat.  
6.30 **The Einstein Factor** Quiz show.  
7.00 **ABC News**  
7.30 **Wild Caribbean** (G) Final.  
8.25 **ABC News Up-Date**  
8.30 **Lost In Austen** (PG)  
10.05 **Compass**  
11.00 **Howard Fast: Histoire d'un Rouge**  
12.45 **Movie: Sister Kenny** (G 1946)  
1.55 **Movie: Friends And Lovers** (G 1931)  
3.00 **Movie: Storm Over Wyoming** (PG 1950)  
3.55 **Eagle And Evans** (M) Comedy.

7.00 **Montreux Jazz Festival 2003: Women Of Song** (G) Repeat.  
8.00 **Elvis Costello: Live In Memphis** (G)  
9.00 **Gimme Some Truth: The Making Of John Lennon's Imagine Album** (G) Repeat.  
10.00 **itv Live: Missy Higgins Goes AWOL** (G) Repeat.  
11.00 **Beautiful Noise: Neko Case**  
11.55 **London Live** (PG) Music. Repeat.  
12.30 **Red Dwarf** (PG)  
1.30 **Planet Rock Profiles: Ms Dynamite** (PG) Repeat.  
1.55 **Pop[b]sessions: Killing Me Softly** (G) Repeat. Final.  
2.50 **dig tv presents: The Rolling Stones: Live In Australia 1973** (G)  
3.30 **Ray Davies: The World From My Window** (G) Repeat.  
4.20 **Pixies: Gouge** (PG) Repeat.  
5.10 **Classic Albums: Elvis Presley – Elvis Presley** (G) Repeat.  
6.00 **ABC For** Hosted by Tony Jones.  
7.00 **First Tuesday Book Clube** (PG)  
7.30 **Sunday Arts**  
8.30 **Art Of Spain** (G)  
9.20 **Stone Upon Stone Upon Stone** (G)  
9.30 **The Network** (G)  
10.30 **Captain Cook** (PG) Repeat.  
11.25 **Close**

6.25 **World News** in various languages.  
10.00 **Mythbusters** (PG) Repeat.  
11.00 **From Here To Ithaca** (G) Doco. Repeat.  
11.30 **Cycling: 2009 Tour Of California** From the US.  
12.00 **World Superbike Championships 2009**. From Philip Island, Australia.  
1.00 **Speedweek**  
3.00 **Football Asia**  
3.30 **UEFA Champions League Magazine**  
4.00 **Les Murray's Football Feature: Coppa Italia 2009**  
5.00 **The World Game** football.  
6.00 **Thalassa: Giant Squid** (G) France.  
6.30 **World News Australia**  
7.30 **Lost Worlds: Rise Of Man 2** France.  
8.30 **Dateline** current affairs.  
9.30 **Movie: Fateless** (M 2005) Drama from Hungary. Stars Marcell Nagy, Janos Ban, Gyorgy Gazzo.  
11.55 **Flying: Confessions Of A Free Woman** (M) Doco. US.  
2.05 **Speaking In Tongues** (M) Comedy.  
2.35 **Weatherwatch Overnight**

6.00 **Religion**  
6.30 **Creflo A Dollar**  
7.00 **Weekend Sunrise**  
10.00 **Movie: Fun In Acapulco** (G 1963) Stars Elvis Preley, Ursula Andress.  
12.00 **V8 Xtra** (G)  
1.00 **Australian International Airshow**  
1.30 **Cheetahs: Deadly Race** (G)  
2.30 **Movie: Support Your Local Gunfighter** (PG 1971) Stars James Garner, Suzanne Pleshette.  
4.30 **Fawley Towers** (G)  
6.00 **Seven News**  
6.30 **Sunday Night Live**  
7.30 **Border Security** (PG)  
8.00 **Triple Zero Heroes** (PG)  
8.30 **City Homicide** (M)  
9.30 **Bones** (M)  
10.30 **24** (M)  
11.30 **The First 48** (M)  
12.30 **Danoz Direct**  
1.35 **Guthy Renker**  
5.30 **Seven Early News**

Prime HD program same as above except:  
10.00 Dateline 11.00 Weekend Sunrise 1.30 Movie: Tall In The Saddle (G 1944) 3.00 Movie: A Woman Rebels (PG 1936) 4.30 The Great Outdoors 5.30 Harry's Practice 7.30 The All In Call – Live 10.00 Dateline 11.30 Dateline NBC 1.30 Hamish & Andy (M) 2.30 Guthy Renker.

6.00 **Religion**  
7.00 **Totally Wild** (G) Repeat.  
7.30 **Animalia**  
8.00 **Meet The Press**  
8.30 **State Focus**  
10.00 **Video Hits** (PG)  
12.00 **Golf: New Zealand PGA**  
3.00 **I Fish**  
4.00 **Athletics: Australian Grand Prix 2009** From Sydney.  
5.00 **Ten News**  
5.30 **Out Of The Blue** (PG)  
6.00 **The Simpsons** (G)  
6.30 **The Biggest Loser** (G) new series.  
7.30 **So You Think You Can Dance Australia** (PG)  
9.00 **Rove** (M)  
10.10 **Movie: The X-Files** (M 1998) Stars David Duchovny, Gillian Anderson, Martin Landau, Blythe Danner.  
12.40 **The Office** (PG)  
1.10 **Video Hits** (PG)  
1.00 **Infomercials**  
4.00 **Religion** to 6am (PG)

6.00 **Danoz And Guthy Renker**  
7.30 **Today On Sunday**  
10.00 **Biomagnetics**  
10.30 **Sports Special: Ocean Thunder**  
11.30 **Speed Machine**  
12.30 **Jack Of All Trades** (G)  
1.00 **WWE Afterburn** Live.  
2.00 **Super League Wigan Warriors v Bradford Bulls**.  
4.00 **A Century Of Rugby League** (G)  
5.00 **The Gurus Explore Ireland** (G)  
5.30 **Antiques Roadshow** (G)  
6.00 **Evening News**  
6.30 **Domestic Blitz** (PG)  
7.30 **60 Minutes** Series return  
8.30 **CSI** (M)  
9.30 **CSI: Miami** (M)  
10.30 **Movie: The Underbelly** (M) Repeat.  
11.30 **Body Of Evidence** (M)  
12.00 **Super League Huddersfield Giants v Hull FC**.  
2.00 **Girl Friends** (M)  
2.30 **Guthy Renker Australia**  
3.30 **Religion**  
4.00 **Good Morning America**  
5.00 **Early Morning News**

4.30 **GP** (PG) Repeat.  
5.30 **Spicks And Specks** (G) Repeat.  
6.00 **Kids' Programs**  
11.00 **Landline** Repeat.  
12.00 **Midday Report**  
12.30 **Poirot** (PG)  
1.30 **The Cook And The Chef** (G) Repeat.  
2.00 **Parkinson** (G)  
3.00 **Kids' Programs**  
6.00 **Landline Extra** (G) Repeat.  
6.30 **Talking Heads**  
7.00 **ABC News**  
7.30 **The 7.30 Report**  
8.00 **Australian Story** (PG)  
8.30 **Four Corners**  
9.20 **Media Watch**  
9.35 **The Cut** (M)  
10.35 **Lateline and Lateline Business**  
11.35 **The Rise And Fall Of The Russian Oligarchs** (PG) Repeat.  
12.25 **MDA** (M) Repeat.  
1.20 **Movie: Affair With A Stranger** (G 1953) Stars Jean Simmons, Victor Mature  
2.55 **Kev Carmody: Cannot Buy My Soul** (G) Repeat.  
3.25 **Bowls: Australian Open 2009** Highlights.

6.00 **ABC News Breakfast**  
9.00 **Asia Pacific News**  
9.30 **Business Today**  
10.00 **Kids' Programs**  
4.30 **Gardening Australia** (G) Rpt  
5.00 **Message Stick** (G) Repeat.  
5.30 **Can We Help?** (G) Repeat.  
6.00 **Collectors** (G) Repeat.  
6.35 **Scrapheap Challenge: The Scrappy Races** (G)  
7.30 **Something In The Air** (G) Repeat.  
8.00 **Red Dwarf** (PG) Repeat.  
8.30 **Good Game** (PG) Repeat.  
9.00 **triple j tv With The Doctor** (PG)  
9.30 **Code Geass** (PG)  
10.00 **Wu-Tang Clan: Live At Montreux 2007** (M)  
11.30 **Cowboy Bebop: Toys In The Attic** (PG) Repeat.  
11.55 **Close**

5.20 **World News** in various languages.  
1.00 **Food Lovers' Guide To Australia** (G) Repeat.  
1.30 **Living With Corruption** (PG) Doco. UK. Repeat.  
2.30 **Dateline**  
3.30 **Insight**  
4.30 **The Journal**  
5.00 **The Crew** (G) student video production  
5.30 **Corner Gas** (G) comedy series.  
6.00 **Living Black**  
6.30 **World News Australia**  
7.30 **Top Gear** (PG)  
8.30 **South Park** (M)  
9.30 **World News Australia**  
10.00 **The Mighty Boosh: Fountain Of Youth** (M) Comedy. UK.  
10.35 **Skins** (M,l,s) Repeat.  
11.30 **Movie: Silmido** (M 2004) Action from South Korea. Stars Seoi Kyong-gu, Ahn Sung-ki, Heo Jun-ho.  
1.55 **Afghan Muscles** (M) Doco. Afghanistan.  
3.00 **WeatherWatch Overnight**

6.00 **Sunrise**  
9.00 **The Morning Show** (PG)  
11.00 **Larry The Lawnmower**  
11.30 **Seven News**  
12.00 **Movie: The Last Chance** (PG 2003) Stars Jennie Garth, Lance Henriksen.  
2.00 **Beyond Tomorrow** (G)  
3.00 **Murder, She Wrote** (PG)  
4.00 **It's All Academic** Series return.  
4.30 **Seven News**  
5.00 **M\*A\*S\*H** (G)  
5.30 **Deal Or No Deal** (G)  
6.00 **Seven and Prime News**  
7.00 **Home And Away** (PG)  
7.30 **How I Met Your Mother** (PG)  
8.30 **Desperate Housewives** (M)  
9.30 **Brothers And Sisters** (M)  
10.30 **Boston Legal** (M)  
11.30 **30 Rock** (PG)  
12.00 **Medical Incredible** (PG)  
1.00 **Danoz Direct**  
2.00 **Guthy Renker**

Prime HD program same as above except:  
12.00 Movie: The Falcon Takes Over (PG 1942) 1.10 Blue Heelers 2.05 My Restaurant Rules 1.00 Urban Legends 1.30 Australia's Best Backyards

6.00 **Ten Early News**  
7.00 **Toasted TV & Kids' Programs**  
9.00 **9am With David And Kim** (PG)  
11.00 **Ten News**  
12.00 **Dr Phil** (PG) Octuplet debate.  
1.00 **Oprah Winfrey Show** (PG)  
2.00 **Ready Steady Cook** (PG)  
3.00 **Infomercial** (PG)  
3.30 **Huey's Cooking Adventures** (G)  
4.00 **Everybody Loves Raymond** (G) Rpt.  
4.30 **The Bold & The Beautiful** (G)  
5.00 **Ten News**  
6.00 **The Simpsons** (G) Repeat.  
6.30 **Neighbours** (G) Repeat.  
7.00 **The Biggest Loser** (PG)  
7.30 **So You Think You Can Dance Australia** (PG)  
8.40 **Good News Week** (M)  
9.45 **Dexter** (AV15+)  
10.50 **Late News With Sports Tonight**  
11.35 **Late Show with David Letterman** (PG)  
12.35 **Will & Grace** (PG)  
1.00 **Infomercials** (PG)  
4.00 **Religion** to 6am (PG).

5.30 **Today**  
9.00 **Mornings with Kerri-Anne** (PG)  
11.00 **Time/Life** (G)  
11.30 **Danoz** (G)  
12.00 **Ellen Degeneres Show** (PG)  
1.00 **The View** (PG)  
2.00 **Days Of Our Lives** (PG)  
3.00 **Fresh Cooking**  
3.30 **Hi-5**  
4.00 **Lab Rats Challenge**  
4.30 **Afternoon News**  
5.00 **Airline**  
5.30 **Antique Roadshow** (G) Hartlepool  
6.00 **Evening News**  
7.00 **A Current Affair**  
7.30 **Two And A Half Men** (PG)  
8.00 **Customs** (PG)  
8.30 **Underbelly: A Tale of Two Cities** (M)  
8.45 **Lotto**  
9.30 **Crime Investigation Australia** (M)  
10.30 **True CSI** (AV15+)  
11.30 **Ellen Degeneres Show** (PG)  
12.30 **Australia's Greatest Athlete**  
1.30 **Guthy Renker Australia**  
3.00 **Religion**  
3.30 **Good Morning America**  
5.00 **Early Morning News**

4.30 **GP** (PG) Repeat.  
5.30 **Spicks And Specks** (PG) Repeat.  
6.00 **Kids' Programs**  
11.00 **Parkinson** (PG) Repeat.  
12.00 **Midday Report**  
12.30 **The Einstein Factor** (G) Repeat.  
1.00 **The New Inventors** (G) Repeat.  
1.30 **Catalyst** (G) Repeat.  
2.00 **Parliament Question time: The House Of Representatives**  
3.00 **Kids' Programs**  
6.05 **Time Team** (G)  
7.00 **ABC News**  
7.30 **The 7.30 Report**  
8.00 **Lead Balloon** (PG)  
8.30 **Doctor Who** (PG) Repeat.  
9.15 **Doctor Who: Confidential** Cutdown (G)  
9.30 **Foreign Correspondent**  
10.05 **Jennifer Byrne Presents Hoaxes**  
10.35 **Lateline and Lateline Business**  
11.35 **Four Corners** Repeat.  
12.25 **Media Watch** Repeat.  
12.40 **Changi** (M,l,n) Final.  
2.00 **Parliament Question time: The Senate**  
2.40 **Psychic Investigators** (PG) Repeat.  
3.25 **triple j tv With The Doctor** (G) Repeat

6.00 **ABC News Breakfast**  
9.00 **Asia Pacific News**  
9.30 **Business Today**  
10.00 **Kids' Programs**  
4.35 **Little Angels** (G) Repeat.  
5.05 **Talking Heads** (G) Repeat.  
5.35 **Sun, Sea And Bargain Spotting**  
6.35 **Scrapheap Challenge: The Scrappy Races** (G)  
7.30 **Something In The Air** (G) Repeat.  
8.00 **Australian Story** (PG) Repeat.  
8.30 **Rose And Maloney** (M) Repeat.  
9.20 **The Bill** (PG) Repeat.  
10.50 **MDA** (G) Repeat.  
11.45 **Close**

5.20 **World News** in various languages  
1.00 **The Storm Rages Twice** (G) Repeat drama from Lebanon.  
2.00 **Don Matteo** (PG) Drama. Italy. Repeat.  
3.00 **Here Comes The Neighbourhood** (G) Repeat.  
3.30 **Living Black**  
4.00 **The Journal**  
4.30 **Newshour With Jim Lehrer**  
5.30 **Corner Gas** (G) comedy series.  
6.00 **Global Village: The Rajah's Horses** (G)  
6.30 **World News Australia**  
7.30 **Insight: Birth** Do we know the risks?  
8.30 **Cutting Edge: Captive In Gaza** Doco. Israel.  
9.30 **World News**  
10.00 **Hot Docs: Black Nation** (M,a,l,s) Doco from Sweden. Shot in the leadup to the last US election, this film looks at black masculinity through the prism of the church.  
11.40 **Flying: Confessions Of A Free Woman 2** (M) Doco. US.  
1.50 **The Gunther Von Hagens Body Appeal** (M) Doco. UK.  
2.25 **WeatherWatch Overnight**

6.00 **Sunrise**  
9.00 **The Morning Show** (PG)  
11.00 **Larry The Lawnmower**  
11.30 **Seven News**  
12.00 **Movie: On The Borderline** (M 2000) Stars Eric Mabius, Marley Shelton.  
2.00 **All Saints** (M)  
3.00 **Murder, She Wrote** (PG)  
4.00 **It's All Academic**  
4.30 **Seven and Prime News**  
5.00 **M\*A\*S\*H** (G) Repeat.  
5.30 **Deal Or No Deal** (G) games show.  
6.00 **Seven and Prime News**  
7.00 **Home And Away** (PG)  
7.30 **RSPCA Animal Rescue** (G)  
8.00 **Find My Family** (PG)  
8.30 **Packed To The Rafters** (PG)  
9.30 **All Saints** (M)  
10.30 **Eli Stone** (M)  
11.30 **Carpoolers** (PG) New series.  
12.00 **The Charm Of Britain** (G) Repeat.  
1.00 **Danoz Direct & Guthy Renker**  
5.30 **Seven Early News**

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12.00 Movie: The Falcon Strikes Back (PG 1943) 1.10 Blue Heelers 2.05 My Restaurant Rules 12.00 Medical Incredible (PG) 1.00 A Country Practice

6.00 **Ten Early News**  
7.00 **Toasted TV & Kids' Programs**  
9.00 **9am With David And Kim** (PG)  
11.00 **Ten News**  
12.00 **Dr Phil** (PG) Octuplet Scandal.  
1.00 **Oprah Winfrey Show** (PG)  
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3.00 **Infomercial** (PG)  
3.30 **Huey's Cooking Adventures** (G)  
4.00 **Everybody Loves Raymond** (G) Rpt.  
4.30 **The Bold & The Beautiful** (G)  
5.00 **Ten News**  
6.00 **The Simpsons** (G) Repeat.  
6.30 **Neighbours** (G) Repeat.  
7.00 **The Biggest Loser** (PG)  
8.00 **Bondi Rescue** (PG)  
8.30 **NCIS** (M)  
9.30 **Lie To Me** (M) Crime series.  
10.30 **Late News With Sports Tonight**  
11.15 **Late Show With David Letterman** (PG)  
12.00 **Will & Grace** (PG)  
12.30 **State Focus**  
1.30 **Infomercials** (PG)  
4.00 **Religion** to 6am (PG)

5.30 **Today**  
9.00 **Mornings With Kerri-Anne** (PG)  
11.00 **Danoz And Guthy Renker** (G)  
12.00 **Ellen Degeneres Show** (PG)  
1.00 **The View** (PG) talk show.  
2.00 **Days Of Our Lives** (PG)  
3.00 **Fresh Cooking** (PG)  
3.30 **Hi-5**  
4.00 **Lab Rats Challenge**  
4.30 **Afternoon News**  
5.00 **Antique Roadshow** (G) Newmarket  
6.00 **Evening News**  
7.00 **A Current Affair**  
7.30 **Wipeout Australia**  
8.30 **Two And A Half Men** (M)  
9.00 **Two And A Half Men** (M) Repeat.  
9.30 **Aussie Ladette to Lady** (M)  
10.30 **Secret Diary Of A Call Girl** (MA,a,d,s,l) Final.  
11.30 **The Ellen Degeneres Show** (PG)  
12.30 **The Dead Zone** (M)  
1.30 **Guthy Renker**  
3.00 **Religion**  
3.30 **Good Morning America**  
5.00 **Early Morning News**

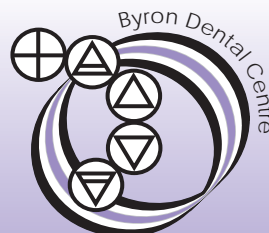
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# CULTURE

## Green Talk: An Evening With Yossi Ghinsberg

International best selling author, **Yossi Ghinsberg** will be sharing his inspirational stories and survival wisdoms with the community this **Thursday** at the **Mullum Civic Centre**. Yossi's first book, *Jungle*, based on his harrowing adventures in South America was first published in 1986 and soon became an international bestseller. It has been translated into ten languages and published in over 20 countries thus far. In the midst of the uncharted Amazon, after losing his three companions, one man was tested to the extreme, alone and bare to the bone, for three harrowing weeks of sheer survival against all odds. He lived to tell the amazing story as well as how the ordeal profoundly affected his understanding of himself and his life purpose. Ten years later, Yossi returned to the Amazon

and made it his home. Working with indigenous forest dwellers for three years they built Chala-lan, a model eco-tourism village that inspired the entire Amazon basin and the world. Join Yossi and Rainforest Rescue for a riveting evening that will profoundly affect the way you see the world and inspire you to take actions that benefit our planet. Admission is free and seats are limited. For more information and to register to attend this event, visit [www.rainforestrescue.org.au](http://www.rainforestrescue.org.au) or call 6684 4360. **7pm**

## Film Gonzo Launch

We all love Hunter S Thompson – a gun toting acid dropping hero for the politically dispossessed with a penchant for a tequila and some journalism under the influence. Not many like him left. I don't think the papers he'd write for would sell many ads. Anyway don't miss the Byron Writer's Festival's presentation of **Gonzo** at **Dendy Byron Cinemas** on **Thursday** at **7pm**. Be in the foyer from 6pm for drinkies. Tickets are \$20 and are available at the cinema now.

## Courthouse Comedy Kicks Off!

Mullumbimby has a brand new comedy room! The first **Thursday** of the month is standup open mic night at the **Courthouse Hotel**, and the night is very aptly named Courthouse Comedy, where the comics are on trial and you the audience come to judge! And the best thing of all it's completely free. Open mic nights offer new and working comics the chance to have stage time to try out their material and to gain experience. The open mic night is comedy creche, where careers are shaped and dreams are broken. It's always hysterically funny, and sometimes it's the comics who don't quite get there that you end up enjoying the most. It takes an enormous amount of courage to stand up and attempt comedy, and for those who are truly bitten by the bug it's an irrational desire that is something akin to running across the road with your eyes closed: sometimes you make it to the other side and sometimes you get taken out by a truck. Open mic rooms are vital in nurturing new talent and keeping the flame alive for country comics considering a career in comedy. In every class I do for ACE there are a couple of stand outs. These are people who if they keep at it for a couple of years could have the potential to mature into professional comics. Without an open mic room, this transformation would never happen. Of course comics can travel to Brisbane and Sydney for open spots, but that takes a lot of dedication, time and petrol. A local open mic room gives local and traveling comics the chance to get stage time in their local area. When it comes to getting confidence for working out of town it's invaluable, it's equivalent to

a footy team playing a home game. It's always going to be where you have your performance advantage! So come to the Courthouse Hotel in Mullum on Thursday March5 to enjoy some grassroots gags with ME, Mandy Nolan as MC. There are even a few open spots up for grabs if you want to give it a go! Email: [mandy@mandynolan.com.au](mailto:mandy@mandynolan.com.au)

## Art A First for Mullum

In an entirely original way, the Mullumbimby production of Yasmina Reza's ART will present the play within an

has always been controversial and monochromatic painting doubly so. **Mullumbimby Civic Hall, March 11 – 14** exhibition opens **6pm** performance **7.30pm** and matinee **Saturday 14** exhibition opens **12.30pm** performance **2pm**.

## Still in A Wonderful Place

Two local artists who are also creators of children's books, join forces to present 'We are One in the Wonderful Place.' Jennifer Black and Chrissy Butler's work features at **Waywood Gallery** where children and parents alike

can delight in the original illustrations and artwork, prints and books **Saturday** from **3pm**. For more information visit [www.the-centre.com.au](http://www.the-centre.com.au).

## Write ON

Baywrite, Byron's not-for-profit organisation dedicated to assisting the development of local play-writing, commences its monthly readings for 2009 on **Saturday** at **2pm**. Venue for the readings, which are held on the first Saturday of each month, is the **Byron Entertainment Centre**, Centennial Circuit, Byron A+I Estate.

## TWEED RIVER ART GALLERY



MIYAKE DESIGN STUDIO, Tokyo, Japan.  
Issey MIYAKE, designer  
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All are welcome to attend official opening on Fri 13 Feb at 6.30pm

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## Roberto – this kid can play!

Directly from his Sydney Opera House debut **Roberto Fonesca** performs his only other show in Australia in a 'genre-busting tour de force'. Here are a few words from this fabulously gifted pianist, composer and bandleader' from the musical epicentre of Cuba.

### On his upbringing?

I come from a working class family. My parents always cared about my education and my musical development; it was the same for my brothers. I'll always be grateful to them for this, as they have made me the musician and the person that I am today.

### How do you make a living in a country like Cuba?

Music treats you as you treat it, to me music is like a jealous wife, if you treat her well and you always take care of her, she will make you very happy and she will take you to some

incredible places, spiritually as well as materialistically, but if you leave her, poor you...

Imagine a world without music, I don't think that it could exist as music is in everything, and the most important is the love that keeps living, this love for everything, and the support that your loved ones give you, be them family or not, that is what makes you grateful and lets you develop.

### Is there a spiritual practice in your life that keeps you centred?

I believe that the human body is the instrument that music uses to connect us with the soul and with spirituality; therefore with me it will always be present.

### Do you consider music and art to have the ability to influence politically just as much as being a source for entertainment?



My politics is my music. I think that in this life we all have a mission, and mine is music, connecting people and transmitting passion and love. You generate emotions through music and each time that I'm away from my country I feel as if I am a musical ambassador, trying to take a little bit of my country wherever I may be.

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## BEATS nBOPS

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### Groove Drops

COME NOW SELECTA and GROOVE D without a dance floor for a 'chilled post working week crowd', says Drew aka DJ Mr. Link. Drew has been around the traps and owns an extensive record collection of rarities crossing many genres. 'Growing up with a mother who listened to everything from Jefferson Airplane to Cowboy Junkies to Sade to James Brown gave me a great appreciation for a very diverse musical landscape but it wasn't until 1995 when a friend, who would always lend me mix tapes of a lot of early 90's hip hop, showed me a video of Mixmaster Mike and Q-Bert at the 95 DMC DJ championships (still the most amazing thing I've seen on decks) that I decided, DJ-ing would be my thing.' Drew has since played alongside artists such as 1200 Techniques, The Herd, Sleeping Monk, 206 Collab, 2up, Low Budget and as a DJ, supported such acts as Kool Keith & Kutmaster Kurt, Jade Nemesis, Koolism, Katalyst, Sonic Animation, Ollo and On Inc. Mr. Link became a short term regular on the Sydney hip hop radio show Droppin Science while also DJ-ing for the premier Sydney MC battle



nights 'Battleacts' and not least but last, Drew released three albums as the now defunct Chaos Maths with partner Smokin Jodes. While GROOVE DROPS features funk, soul and jazz, an evening of COME NOW SELECTA delivers the Jamaican sound with guest DJs Dollamix of the Nice Up, Ari from Mighty Highness records and Sippa from Palmskinz Parlour. GOOD-FOOT at Liquid has been one of Drew's recent projects and he has now settled in with a DJ residency at Satori where he also manages the entertainment.

### Q: What happened to GOOD-FOOT?

A: 'Myself and Sifixion (The Bird/Red Bantoo) were putting on this monthly night last year with Katch and Dave from the Resin Dogs but unfortunately Dave joined Wolfmother to further his ambitions of world domination and Katch was beamed up to dj grandmaster status, so we can't afford

his rider anymore; but the GOODFOOT will be back soon at a new venue featuring a new line up of Non SiFexion, Dave was Dog now Wolf, dj Dropped Pie and Stumped Summary.'

### Q: Is scratching an integral part of your dj performance?

A: 'Scratching used to be a whole lot of my performance when I was doing hip hop gigs down in Sydney and at uni, especially with my old band Chaos Maths, but it needs to be tight and I don't practice enough plus I'm not so much on the hip hop tip anymore, it's still my first love when it comes to music but I'd much prefer to see people dance rather than nod their heads, so now I still do but only when it really complements the mix or the track. At home... always!'

### Q: What do you focus on when mixing into a track/style that doesn't beat-match with the previous one?

A: 'I just try to cut it up, do a straight drop or wait for just

the right moment cause a lot of music I play isn't quantized, it's all live, so it's important to get the mix just right, plus it's always a far better feeling for me when I can find tracks from different genres that complement each other rather than just rely on beat matching. It's definitely a delicate balance of both though and a lot of DJs keep the groove real well but they forget to change it and it gets boring, so that's what makes a good DJ, someone who can flip the script and keep you interested.'

Check out Flow Poetry Radio, Fridays 2 - 4pm on Bay Fm 99.9.

### Q: Who else is playing at Satori in March?

A: 'In march we have GROOVE DROPS and COME NOW SELECTA every Friday and Saturday respectively and on Sundays we try and get the best local live talent with acts such as MjackBee, Rebecca Ireland, Guy Kachel, Abbie Cardwell, Red Bantoo etc. In the evenings and for Sunday lunches we have mellow madness with the likes of Emerald, Tropicoso Duet and Mick's Sashimi Band. Check the ad in the Echo Seven section for weekly listings.'

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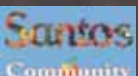
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# CINE MA

## The Combination

David Field was the corrupt detective who spat into the cooking vat in *Gettin' Square* (2003). He was also one of Bryan Brown's henchmen in *Two Hands* (1999), so you wouldn't expect him to make his debut as director with a piece of kiss'n'cuddle fluff. There is a love story here, but it is a fraught, cross-cultural one that is thrown into the contemporary mix of urban tribalism and working class family loyalty. George Basha, who wrote the screenplay, is John, a Christian Lebanese who has just been released from gaol. Going home to Sydney's west, he finds younger brother Charlie (Firass Dirami), though still at school, running with a

wild bunch and, in the sway of charismatic Leb gang leader Zeuss (Ali Haidar), getting out of his depth as a new-kid dope dealer in the employ of the ruthless Ibo. Having been inside, John, who has begun courting Sydney, a blue-eyed blonde Aussie chick, sees it as his mission to stop Charlie from heading down the same path. The unfolding drama is dealt with even-handedly – the vengeful mentality that gorges itself on the teat of denigration and alienation is what stokes the mindless fury of Zeuss and many young Lebanese men – but the depiction of Sydney's parents as stereotypical Hansonites might have been better written. Field has inspired astonishing performances from his novice actors – Basha you'd expect to impress, but Dirami and Haidar are exceptional – and he has been aided and abetted by cinematographer Toby Oliver's stunning visuals and an intoxicating score from Labib Jammal. Combined



with a script that is all muscle and no flab, and taken at full throttle with uncompromising honesty, the result is visceral in its impact. Check out the restaurant scene, with the Arabic band going right off and everybody dancing before the segue to John making love to Sydney – all you get is a brief look at her sweating back, but it's as sexy as anything; the intense and beautifully shot and aurally recorded sparring session in the gym; the volcanic encounter between John and his mother when he stands on his dig and tells her why he is so hard on Charlie; the shocking, unexpected violence. It's unforgettable. A no-names cast won't help at the box office, which is extremely dispiriting, for this is a fantastic film, compared with which the nauseatingly over-hyped *Australia* now seems piffling, bloated and entirely irrelevant. I cannot recommend it highly enough. Support a homegrown product – you'll miss something special if you don't.

~ John Campbell

## Last Chance Harvey

I've always been convinced by Dustin Hoffman's characters – from the Sixties' Ratso Rizzo and Ben, the gormless graduate, to his mental Raymond Babbett, to the recent Bernie Focker and Mr Magorium of the magic emporium. As Harvey, he's a jaded writer of jingles for TV

commercial whose daughter Maggie has chosen her step-father to give her away at her London wedding. As Kate, the beautiful Willesden Green spinster of a certain age, Emma Thompson brings a similar credibility to her part. She has an unchallenged patent on the tilted head with sincere gooey smile, and she can also cry at the drop of a hat (remember those heartbreaking tears in *Love Actually?*) – but she is asked to resort to her talent for the lachrymose too often here, making Kate out to be more of a self-pitying sook than is necessary in what is a warm and fuzzy but immediately forgettable romantic comedy. For the viewer who foremost wants to feel good at the end (and what's wrong with that?), the essential need is to believe in Hoffman's and Thompson's compatibility as potential lovers – so rest assured, the veterans fulfil that need with consummate ease. The earlier sequences work best, inter-cutting between Harvey's anxious trip to England, where he must cope with Maggie's metaphorical dagger through the heart before being told over the phone that he has lost his job, and Kate's mundane existence of menial employment, calamitous blind dates and clingy mother. There are spiky observations of social mores, a few decent laughs and a running if mechanical gag concerning Kate's mother's fears about what the Pole next door is doing in his back yard with his axe. The couple's meeting is plausible (less so is their stroll from Paddington to South Bank – like walking from Suffolk to Belongil in five minutes), and her insistence that he return to Maggie's reception and his that she accompany him leads to the movie's peak. Following the fun and pathos at Grosvenor House (rom-coms are invariably set in locations swanker than those with which the majority of we fantasising punters sitting in the dark are familiar), predictability and cliché rule, with only a first time visitor



to the genre being unable to guess what will happen after they make their assignation for the following day. Its loveliness gets tiresome and when Harvey and Kate finally drift out of

sight, arm in arm, you still can't be sure if he's going to buy her scones and tea or give her an overdue rogering.

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## A COOKING CLASS

Victoria Cosford



Kate Platt's cooking academy 'Araucaria' could not have hoped for a more brilliant launch than it enjoyed recently, thanks largely to celebrity chef Ben O'Donoghue – indeed, if this set the tone for the calibre of what is to come then we can consider ourselves exceedingly privileged. The three-day event began on Friday with the guests' morning arrival at Kate's Tuscan-style home in Ewingsdale. The setting – high on a hill with views that extend to the ocean – is precisely the sort that visitors to this region expect from brochures: lush landscape unfolding in vivid green, bucolic serenity. It was this which greeted me on the third day I attended, a sunshiny Sunday morning when I joined a group of mostly women sipping freshly expressed Zentvelds coffee out the front. We sat shyly arranged on a low stone wall and offered each other our respective names. A swimming pool shimmered and a fountain burred; behind us the house opened itself out, dispensing generous hospitality in the most stylish of ways, an extension of the owner herself.

The real drawcard was, however, the chef himself. Meeting fame in the flesh can often be disappointing – in this case the flesh outdid expectations. Despite having hosted the six-hour seafood day on Friday and the six-hour red meat day on Saturday, he could not have been more enthusiastic as he prepared for the white-meat day. The structure of each day was the same: perfect coffee dispensed by the ever-charming and beautiful Rebecca Zentveld before the group settled down at tables facing the long marble workspace from which Ben dispensed his demonstrations. On the gorgeously laid tables (white linen, good glassware, hefty water jugs) were platters of chargrilled bread, marinated olives, garlicky basil tomato dice and creamy Persian fetta so that we could compose our own bruschette

and graze while watching the show.

Because show, in the hands of Ben O'Donoghue, was what we all got. Hardly an unbeautiful man, Ben possesses moreover a character so immediately likeable, unpretentious and engaging that, yes, within minutes he had us wrapped around his little finger. More importantly, he knew his stuff, with a seemingly bottomless font of useful, fascinating information about everything. And so, with a glass of chilled rose in our hands – from Granite Belt winery Au and sliding down effortlessly despite the ungodly hour – we gave ourselves up. Ben began backwards with dessert, a lemon cheesecake topped with lemon curd. As with everything he demonstrated, all the ingredients were locally sourced and so the base was crumbed Byron Bay Cookie Company biscuits and the cheese was, rather than the usual cream cheese, the low-fat quark made by Justin Telfer of the Bangalow Cheese Company. Next we were shown how to fill the hollowed halves of butternut pumpkins with a pumpkin biriyani mixture, wrap it in foil and barbecue it till soft. He prepared Byron Bay pork shoulder in a braise of coconut milk scented with Asian aromatics (an oriental play on the Italian classic) and whipped up marinated wok-fried turkey to be served in lettuce cups. Extraordinary aromas flooded our senses – fresh ginger and garlic and onions frying in macadamia oil; the tangy yeasty eggy perfume of the dessert; the citrussy notes of freshly bruised lemongrass and sliced kaffir lime leaves – so that by the time, well into the early afternoon, that lunch was served, it was no longer a cooking class but a group of laughing people already friends, having the time of their lives.

**The next event is a one-day class on April 4 conducted by Steven Snow.**

### HEIRLOOM TOMATO SALAD WITH ROCKET AND RICOTTA AND HERB DRESSING

from Graeme Stockdale, head chef Utopia in Bangalow

1kg mixed tomatoes  
2 handfuls of rocket  
150g fresh ricotta (or bocconcini or goats cheese)  
a few extra capers and picked basil leaves, to serve

#### HERB DRESSING

1 cup firmly packed picked herbs (I like equal parts basil, parsley and mint)  
1 tsp baby capers  
1 anchovy fillet  
1 clove garlic  
juice of ½ – 1 lemon  
½ cup extra virgin olive oil

- Combine all dressing ingredients in a food processor and blitz until rough consistency.
- For the salad slice and dice all of your tomatoes into different shapes and sizes. Season and rest in a bowl for 5 – 10 minutes so the juices can start to flow a little.
- Roughly combine other ingredients, dress liberally in the bowl and scatter with a few extra capers and basil leaves
- Serve with some nice crusty fresh bread and, my personal favourite at the moment, a red wine in tumblers so you feel like a French villager.
- Kick-ass.



# Crankin’ what’s happening surfside

## Bruns Boardriders

The club held their first club contest of the year on Sunday in fun small waves in front of the clubhouse. With a great turnout on the day the results in the Men’s competition were: Fleas 1st Kaine Guyler, 2nd Marli Edwards and 3rd David Hogan. In the Cadets 1st Lachie Bailey, 2nd Jedd Batson and 3rd Seb Jeffrey-Jones. For the Juniors the place getters were:1st Tom Franklin, 2nd Lachie Bailey and 3rd Seb Jeffrey-Jones and in the Seniors, 1st Trent Foreman, 2nd Corey Strickland and 3rd Steve Foreman.

In the Masters division the winers were: 1st Steve Foreman, 2nd Phil Sheridan and 3rd Ken Lee and in the Opens 1st went to Trent Foreman, 2nd Dylan Connors and 3rd Corey Strickland.

In the Fleas B/B division 1st went to Kaine Guyler, 2nd Marli Edwards and 3rd David Hogan.

Winners in the Women’s competition were: Juniors 1st Jade Cody-Ward who also came first in the Opens, followed in second place by Michelle Batson and in 3rd place, Shannen Rixon.

The next club round will be held on the third Sunday of the month, March 15.



## Byron Bay Boardriders

The Byron Boardriders ran the 2nd Round of the year at Tallows Beach.

There was a great turn-up again this round. A big thank you to the Kerrigan’s for the use of the car to get the trailer onto the beach and thank you to Ross for giving up his Sun-

day to cook and drive as well as all the committee’s organisa-tion to help make a fun filled family day.

Our next club round has moved and will now be held on Sunday March 29 due to the BK Memorial Easter Clas-sic. Entries are filling up fast, so download your entry form off the BBB website or get one

from the Danny Wills Quiksil-ver Store in town.

‘The waves for the day were real fun and punchy, in the final rounds of the day there were 10 point rides being scored,’ said Bryce Cameron Byron Bay boardriders president.

This month’s results were in the Opens:1st Yerin Brown, 2nd Scott Burmester, 3rd Bryce

Cameron and 4th Lee Miller.

In the Masters: 1st Neil Cameron, 2nd Calin Hede, 3rd Mark Krakowizer and 4th Kevin McCallum and in the Seniors:1st Yerin Brown, 2nd Lee Miller, 3rd Simon Perrow, and 4th Danny Salfield.

In the Women’s: 1st place went to Kirsten Ogden, 2nd Lori Kelly, 3rd Abby Paxton,

4th Bianca Determan, 5th Sally Miller and 6th Emma Williams and in the Juniors: 1st Sam Steinhauer, 2nd Peter Jorgenson, 3rd Curtis Senior, 4th Gene Cundith and 5th Matt Slee.

The Cadets winners were: 1st Tommy Bourcaut, 2nd Tai Norton, 3rd Mackie Walker and 4th Henry Phillips and the Fleas were:1st Corey Flan-nigan, 2nd Jacob Ogden, 3rd Kian Shahar and 4th Will Habison.

In the Super Groms 1st went to Kyuss King, 2nd Rusty Roch-ford-Sewell, 3rd Lachlan Gor-don and 4th Sean Chaseling.

## Quiksilver Pro Trials

Byron Bay surfer Garrett Parkes, pictured, surfed in-credibly well at the Quiksilver Pro Trials on Friday and made the quarter finals, where he was unlucky to be eliminated by Gold Coast surfers Shaun Gossman and Corey Zeims. Only one wildcard was up for grabs for the ASP Quik-silver Pro which officially be-gan on Saturday at Snapper Rocks and Duranbah Beach on the Goldy. Parkes scored an outstanding 9.3 ride in his quarterfinal, easily the highest scoring ride, but lacked the required second score.

**Photo Steve Robertson, Surfing Australia.**

## SPORTS RESULTS

### BOWLS

#### Bangalow Men

25/2 C’ship: B Richards 31 d B Fiedler 19; B Harriott 31 d K Flick 16; 28/2: R Crouch 31 d T Hart 29; N Johnston 31 d B Holm 17; B Grade Pairs: B Fiedler, G Whitta 22 d T Armstrong, H Gallagher 8; R Thatcher, J Guest 31 d J Arm-strong, M Anderson 16. Social: G Hacker, F Hill 27 d C Banks, B Sjoberg 11; R Gray, R Hosking 21 d K Trimble, K Flick 10. Noms open for Open Pairs, by 18/3.

#### Brunswick Heads Men

25/2 S/S Triples: F Hill, D Croft; r/up C Jensen, V Caldwell, B Mont-gomery; L Robinson, M Guest, N Condon. 27/2 S/S Jackpot Pairs: E Boyter, M Petrou; r/up Blossom, G Rendell; Jackpot \$290 won by A Montgomery and B Hay. 28/2 club/s pairs/triples: J Howell, E Boyter; r/up N Barnes, J Woods, S Guildford. 1/3 2 bowl pairs: J Roach, T Ives; r/up Blossom, G Rendell; Louies prize: T Pollard, E Boyter. C’ship: Major singles; V Caldwell 31 d N Condon 12; M Hardy 31 d J Phypers 26; B Mont-gomery 31 d M Hogan 19. Pennant Trial: Div 1 Bruns 86 v Lismore 45; Div 4 Bruns 54 v Lismore 65.

#### Brunswick Heads Women

24/2 Social: D Batson, M Parsons, L Proudlock 29 (w rink 8) d L An-drew, J Loomes, B Boorman 13; M Darby, M Caldwell 43 d N Barnes, D Hay 9; E Beddoes, J Goldup 27 d P Appel, D Guest 12. 25/2 Pennant at Mur’bah Mullum won overall game by 4 shots. 3/3 next pen-nant at home v Ocean Shores.

#### Byron Bay Men

Trial Pennants: No 5 Pennant d Mullum. No 2 at home v Mullum (w). 26/2 Final Club 4s: S Wallace,

P Boyd, B Burton, S Reid d B La-mont, P Olive, A Harrow, D de Wit. Club Triples draw on notice board, Pairs and Singles entries on the board. 26/2 Social: J Brook-er, P Lofts; r/up A Everingham, R Evans.

#### Byron Bay Women

Club C’ship nom forms on notice board, ladies room. All visitors welcome, names to selectors by 9am on Tuesday morning. Ring club on 6685 6202 or write your name on the daily sheet.

#### Lennox Head Men

24/2 Triples: D Gregor, L Bartlett, C Skennar (w) 22 d J Adams, G Heffernan, J Moore 12; M Papas, P Wilson, C Ulrick (r/up) 22 d L Martin, P Blair, N Gregor (cons) 18. 25/2 Twilight: T Hickey, D Hall (w) 22 d R Simpson, E Burgess 6; J Turner, C Ulrick 19 (r/up) d K Prin-gle, K McGuire 10. 27/2 Mixed: D/B Lynch (w) 16 d S Nicol, N Holmes 13; M Papas, E Steele, D Papas (r/up) 21 d J Turner, N Cotter, M Bat-tese 14. District Res Pairs Final: R Reid, D Gregor 20 d J Heffernan, L Bartlett 15. 28/2 4 Pennant teams from East Lismore d Lennox Hd. Social: M Papas, J Bowen, R Reid, J Dudgeon (w) 23 d K Carter, K Fuller, W Slade, S Goulding 21; P Carter, B Potts, L Martin, B Mal-colm (r/up) 20 d J Essex, P Hol-lands, M Daniels, B Foster 14; N Scandrett, C Hogan, M Bayliss, G Latta 20 d G Bowen, K McGuire, P Blair, G Lightfoot (cons) 16.

#### Lennox Head Women

25/2 Social: C Lawless, H Bur-gess, N Holmes 30 d A Meagher, R Sparre, F Somerville 11; F Mc-Carthy, B Turner 26 d S Nicol, T Harrington 21. Pennant: No1’s Sth Lismore d Lennox Hd; Lennox Hd d Casino RSM; No3’s Evans Hd d Lennox Hd, A’ville d Lennox Hd.

#### Mullumbimby Ex Services Men

25/10 Social: P Jones, N Newton, T Johnston 35 d D Henry, A Pyzer, B Gibson 8; G McKenzie, B Neate, B Coleman 34 d L Boyter, J Cana-bou, L Henry 18; M Johnson, P McDonald, R Philips 23 d R Mar-riott, B Rose, R Day 13; T Trivett, S Brecard, R Barnes 31 d S Purdie, F Buckley, B Moore 21; F Cornale, T Lawrie 25 d N James, J Estreich 16. 28/2 Pennant Trial: Mullum No 2 d Byron Bay No 2; Byron Bay No 5 d Mullum No 7. Social: C Thorne, M Esau, P Thompson 21 d M Bertoli, J Morgan, T Lawrie 12; G Schnieder, R Ford 24 d T Riches, N Lee 12.

#### Mullumbimby Ex Services Women

24/2 Social: J Lee, B Croft 17 (Jackpot w) v S Brown, B Reglin 14; R Mills, J Towner 16 v J Mor-row, H.Robb 6; E Jones, J Graham, J.Kidman 25 v K Johnstone, M Bertoli, G Henry 11. Pennant: Mul-lum d Ocean Shores.

#### Ocean Shores Men

23/2 S/S triples: R Roberts, J Best, K Hosie; r/up T Larsen, P Quirke, L Hoffman. Maj Singles C’ships Rnd 1: S Pratt d W Priest 31/21; P Earl d J Sullivan 31/21; D Whitney d A Sultas 31/15; L Hoffman d R Rob-erts 31/20; M Haines d S Warren 31/8; R James d G Priday 31/5; T Mason d R Ellis 31/15.

#### Ocean Shores Women

Pennants: 24/2 Mullum d OS; 27/2 OS d Pottsville. Minor Singles: L McGowran (W Out of Hat) d M Hosie. Social: M Oliver, N Gartner, W Sprengel (r/up) d E Hill, J Lofts, M Flessler; J Kelly, K George, B Sprengel d (on c/b) K Farrell, N Russell, G Johnston. Club 4’s en-tries open. Mixed Social, names down early please.

### BRIDGE

#### Brunswick Valley

23/2: N/S 1st gross/net M Buckley/J Baker, 2nd gross/net C Timewell/C Blacker; E/W 1st gross/net K Westall/R Pedicini, 2nd gross/net F Patterson/D Grant. 28/2: N/S 1st gross/net M Homfray/D Gall, 2nd gross/net I Homfray/R Fox; E/W 1st gross/net P Sullivan/H Lewis, 2nd gross/net F Patterson/D Grant.

#### Ocean Shores

25/2:N/S;1st gross ESherry/PBaldwin; 2nd gross/1st net J Selleck/B Simons; 2nd net P/R Keyte. E/W; 1st gross/2nd net P Sullivan/P Quirke; 2nd gross/1st net R Pedicini/M Hosie.

### DARTS

#### Brunswick Valley

Workers 3 v Workaholics 6; Mens High Score T Garrett 140; Ladies High Score P Cartner 117; Mens High Peg T Garrett 65; Ladies High Peg J Garrett 60. Fumbles 7 v Off the Board 2; Mens High Score R Lawrence 133; Ladies High Score K Kellie 137; Mens High Peg Sam 40; Ladies High Peg E Redden 24.

### GOLF

#### Mullumbimby Men

25/2 Single Stab: B Hogwood 45; r/up N Emmanoilidis 41 c/b. NTP: G Smith. 28/2 Single Stroke: A grade T Williams 65; r/up P Towner 67; B Grade D Spagnol 67; r/up J Cullen 68; C Grade M Fisher 61; r/up M Paron 66. NTP: 5th M Paron, 7th J Turton, 8th J Stokes, 9th R Lawler, 12th E Mitchell, 17th G Fairs.

#### Mullumbimby Ladies

26/2 Single Stab: Div 1 R Manley 41; Div 2 J Clarke 43. NTP: 5th G Mackay, 7th A Moser, 12th G James, 17th G Stenner, Pro Pin F Gannell (9 balls). Weekly Ball Comp: J Beer 36; r/up N Carsburg 35; R Manley 34; N Dwyer 31 c/b. 5/3 Monthly Medal Stroke Seeded: 1st Tee; 9am G Lynn, S Ko-saka, N Carsburg; 9.06 F Gannell, F

Booth, G Mackay; 9.12 R Manley, M Allan, M Crichton; 9.18 N Dwyer, M Essery, B Mules; 9.24 M Bertoli, G Redman. 10th Tee; 9am L Walker, W Stenner, R Wilson; 9.06 J Stuart, A Moser, T Robbins; 9.12 G Poynting, G James, J Beer; 9.18 B Woolnough, H Hammond, F Brooker; 9.24 M Davey, G McDonald, J Hopper; 9.30 K Thomson. Kitchen A Moser/F Booth; Table L Walker/G Lynn.

#### Ocean Shores Ladies

24/2 Stroke Club Medal: Div 1 B Wingad 68; r/up C Martin 70 c/b; Div 2 B Thompson 70; r/up H Perry 76 c/b. NTP: Div 1 S Dixon; Div 2 K Snook; Div 3 B Thompson; Vouch-ers Div 1 to 75 c/b; Div 2 to 79. Stab Comp: M Mandigo 36; Vouchers to 29. 26/2 Stab: B Simons 36 c/b; r/up C Blacker 36; Vouchers to 32. 28/2 Stab: M Ianison 43; r/up S Brady 40; Vouchers to 33. NTP: Div 1 C Coates; Div 2 J Racine. 1/3 Mixed 4BBB: J Millhouse, D O’Hagen 47; r/up J/L Hoffman 46; C Timewall, B Smith 45 c/b; Balls to 42.

#### Ocean Shores Vets

26/2 Two person Ambrose: R Con-way, H Stephenson 64.3; r/up H Gould, M Brady 66; S Downes, I Smith 66.3. NTP: 3rd R Moylan; 6th B Cumming; 8th I Smith; 15th G Henry; 17th I Gow. Gorilla Award H/C 0 to 19 J Hollingworth; H/C 20+ B Cumming. Balls to 70.

### SQUASH

#### Brunswick Heads

4/3 Rnd 10 Cape Byron Med Centre Comp: Canty’s Surveyors v Bruns Pharmacy; S Thompson v C Little-wood, C Pearce v L Clarke, R James v A Li, C Johnston v J Heers, A Booth v D Fisher. OS Glass v Bruns Smash Repairs; M Underwood v G Elliott, G Hall v W Ferrier, J Gribble v R King, N Dunn v J Smith, F King v S Trues-dale. Byron Bay Trophies v OS Bak-ery; C Ashworth v B Trivett, P Hill v R

Hughes, S Moon v C Booth, Kijay v R Cameron, P McQueen v Jeff Heers. Bruns Blinds Bye. 9/3 Rnd 5 Byron Health Foods Comp: Div 1; 5pm B Trivett v M Underwood, G Davis v L Powell, D Bird v C Littlewood. DDiv 2; 5pm M Cassidy v L Clarke, L Toma-sella v J Gribble, A Li v R Hughes, C Pearce v T Dryden, C Walsh v R King. Div 3; 5pm W Mahera v S Moon, C Johnston v J Heers; 6pm R Draper v D Runciman. Div 4; 5pm M Ha-zelwood Ross v D Fisher, F King v Jeff Heers, B Doran v P McQueen, T Ashworth v S Truesdale, D Williams Bye. To play phone 6685 1794.

### TABLE TENNIS

#### Mullumbimby

26/2 round robin h/cap comp: I Smith (-2) and B Cawthorne (-7) tied for first; S Danby (-3) and C Strybos (-7) tied for r/up. Doubles final: M Smith, B Cawthorne 2-0 d C Strybos, Peachy.

### TENNIS

#### Mullumbimby

Comp: 23/2 Women; Div 1 Emeralds 29 d Pearls 28, Diamonds 31 d Opals 23; Div 2 Zinc 38 d Gold 22, Silver 42 d Platinum 21. 24/2 Men; Mindless 46 d Pointless 28, Foolhards 48 d Careless 24. 26/2 Mixed; Myocum 32 d New Brighton 26, Burringbar 39 d Billinudgel 38, Ocean Shores 40 d Brunswick 35.

### VOLLEYBALL

#### Brunswick Heads

3/3 Rnd 8 JV Towing Comp: 6pm Ballistic v Lounge Lizards, Mixed Chickens v Brewers, Duty Flash. 7pm Flash v No Mercy, Hit and Run Bye, Duty Brewers. 5/3 Rnd 10 OS True Value Comp: 6pm Tripods v Volleys, X Factor v Fusion, Go Go Girls v Red Frogs, Duty Cosmic Kit-tens; 7pm Kaos.com v Chilli Twist, Something Else v Barefoot Bandits, Cosmic Kittens v Snickers, duty X Factor. Ph 6685 1794.



# Double act is all Jessed up with somewhere to go



Jesse and Jesse relax before their events at the Mullumbimby pool on Saturday during the annual Northern Rivers Combined Swimming Club Relay Carnival. Photo Tree Faerie

## Mebbin Mountain Marathon

The inaugural Mebbin Mountain Bike Marathon will be set in the Mebbin National Park on the south western side of Wollumbin on March 14.

The event has 3 courses that wind their way through the Mebbin National park and the Wollumbin National park which are in the centre of the magnificent Wollumbin volcanic caldera.

The Mebbin MTB Marathon has 75k, 45k and 25km rides on a series of challenging clover leaf courses of dirt roads, fire trails and single tracks and is open to anyone with a mountain bike.

Beginners, novices, veterans and elite riders are all invited to come out and enjoy a great day of riding and racing.

The start is at 10am at the Cutters Campground, a camping area on the inside of the Mebbin National park. Registration is from 6am to 9.30am.

This event is a solo challenge that tests endurance, skill and the ability to pace yourself. The 75km is open to men and women from 18-50+. The 45km and 25km events are open to 14-50+.

Visit the [www.summerofcycling.com](http://www.summerofcycling.com) and go to the Mebbin MTB Marathon link.

## Tom's got the goods in Bangalow

Bangalow junior football players were treated to some excellent coaching last Saturday with National Women's Football Coach Tom Sermanni, pictured and Gold Coast United players Andrew Barasic and Richard Greer attending clinics during the club's junior sign on. Sermanni also ran a coach education session and spoke at a function that night.

Over 60 children attended the clinics where Sermanni and Bangalow Premier team players took the kids through various drills. Bangalow President Nick Rudgley was



delighted that Sermanni gave his time to come to Bangalow and pass on his knowledge to the club's coaches and players. 'Having Tom and the Gold Coast United players at the club during the junior sign-on has been fantastic,' said Rudgley. 'It has generated a lot of interest and having someone of Tom's knowledge at the club shows we are heading in the right direction in terms of junior development.'

The Gold Coast United players took time out to attend the training clinics and also pass out membership forms, stickers and sign the odd hat and boot. A couple of Bangalow Premier players also got into the act and took their football careers to the next level by

Shearwater Steiner School in Mullumbimby turned out an excellent result at the Combined Independent Schools regional swim meet at Ballina last week. Jesse Boyd Reid who is in year 12 took out the 18 YO Mens Age Champion trophy and Jessica Davie who is in year 11, was runner up 17 YO Women's Champion.

This was a great effort from both swimmers who were up against a very strong field of swimmers from across the north of the state, particularly so for Jessica who has only been swimming competitively again since October last year after a five year break.

Both swimmers will be part of a team of qualifiers who are

headed to Sydney later in April for the CIS Championships at Olympic Park, the largest team yet from Shearwater.

This is a great achievement for both Jesses. Jessica swims five times a week with Coach Craig Blandon at Mullumbimby and her preferred stroke is breaststroke but she also swims strongly in freestyle and butterfly.

Unlike Jessica, who started swimming at an early age, Jesse Boyd Reid only started competitive swimming at 14 but has worked hard over the past few years to make up for lost time.

Jesse specialises in freestyle and butterfly and trains under Lea Speechley at Kingscliff Swim Club. He also swims at Mullumbimby Pool whenever he can make the time in his HSC study program.

## Bangalow rugby gets set for 2009



Bangalow have been working hard at their Broken Head Beach Training. The boys have now left the beach and are back training on Wednesdays starting at 6pm in Bangalow.

Last season, for the fourth consecutive year, Bangalow took out the Far North Coast Village Rugby Competition with a heart-stopping 10 points to 8 win over Evans Head.

The club is getting set to make it number five and looking for new players to include in their grand final winning line-up.

The sign-on day for the club is this Saturday from 2 pm at the Bangalow Show Grounds, the sign-on includes a Family Fun Day, Beer and BBQ.

If you are interested in joining Bangalow Rugby, the team trains every Wednesday night, from 6pm at the Schultz Oval – Bangalow Sports Fields. For more information on joining the club, either as a player, socialite or sponsor please phone the the Bangalow Rugby Club 0422 084 600 or visit [bangalowrugby.com](http://bangalowrugby.com).

A photograph of a person riding a wave on a surfboard. The person is in the middle of the wave, and the water is blue and white. The background is a clear blue sky.

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New Moon	27th Mar	2.06 am

WED	High	2.06 am 1.6	Sunrise	6.39 am
4th	Low	2.51 pm 1.1	Sunset	7.15 pm
		8.58 am 0.5	Moonrise	1.36 pm
		8.25 pm 0.6	Moonset	11.52 pm
THU	High	3.16 am 1.6	Sunrise	6.40 am
5th	Low	4.18 pm 1.1	Sunset	7.14 pm
		10.21 am 0.5	Moonrise	2.39 pm
		9.45 pm 0.6		
FRI	High	4.33 am 1.6	Sunrise	6.40 am
6th	Low	5.38 pm 1.1	Sunset	7.13 pm
		11.39 am 0.5	Moonrise	3.36 pm
		11.05 pm 0.5	Moonset	12.55 am
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		12.40 pm 0.3	Moonrise	4.27 pm
		6.45 am 1.7	Moonset	2.03 am
SUN	High	7.33 pm 1.3	Sunrise	6.42 am
8th	Low	12.15 am 0.5	Sunset	7.11 pm
		1.32 pm 0.2	Moonrise	5.12 pm
		7.39 am 1.8	Moonset	3.12 am
MON	High	8.20 pm 1.4	Sunrise	6.42 am
9th	Low	1.15 am 0.4	Sunset	7.10 pm
		2.17 pm 0.2	Moonrise	5.51 pm
		8.28 am 1.8	Moonset	4.20 am
TUE	High	9.04 pm 1.5	Sunrise	6.43 am
10th	Low	2.09 am 0.3	Sunset	7.09 pm
		2.58 pm 0.1	Moonrise	6.26 pm
			Moonset	5.27 am

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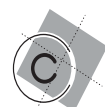
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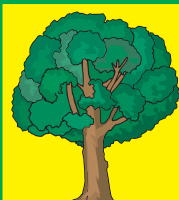
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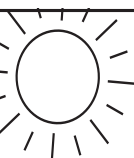
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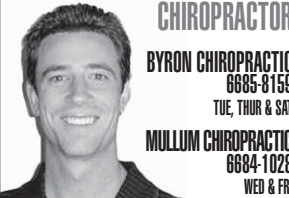
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W		Iyengar Yoga Beginners Class	ABT Vibe (4 - 5pm) Claire T	Iyengar Yoga Claire
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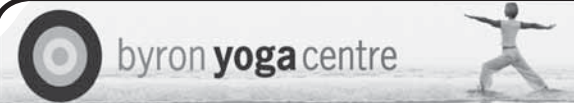
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## Byron Bay Youth House Inc.

### Caretakers – Voluntary Overnight

Volunteer Overnight Caretakers required for the Byron Bay Youth House. SAAP Crisis Accommodation for 16-24 y/o.

Our service requires well balanced, capable people who can assist our young residents with household routines, living skills and overnight supervision.

Required for minimum one night per fortnight including some weekends between 6pm-8.30am

Training & minimum allowance provided. Working with Children's Check required

**Desirable:** Previous experience and/or studies in working with Community Services and/or young people.

If you would like to work with youth or have an understanding of youth homelessness and social issues and you want to make a difference to your community please contact Angela Ward on 6685 7264 or email bbyhcoordinator@linknet.com.au



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Application packages are available from; <http://www.tvrs.org.au/positions> or by phoning William on (07) 5524 8185 or email [williammcmamey@tvrs.org.au](mailto:williammcmamey@tvrs.org.au)

**The Essential Selection Criteria must be addressed.**  
Applications close at 5.00 pm Monday 16th March.

## SALES/ADMIN SUPPORT

The Echo has a vacancy in our Mullumbimby office for a person to provide administrative and sales support approximately 3 days per week to the Sales and Admin/Accounts Departments. Duties will be varied and include provision of support to the sales team and particularly the Sales Manager, database entry, processing of sales bookings, filing, taking classified ads, provision of reports to Sales Manager, typing, some relief reception, general office duties, analysis of sales and financial data and some follow-up of overdue accounts working closely with the Admin/Accounts Manager.

We wish to fill this position and commence on-the-job training as soon as possible.

The successful applicant will ideally be able to demonstrate the following in their application:

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Please apply by email with the subject line 'Sales/Admin Support Position' to [carolyn@echo.net.au](mailto:carolyn@echo.net.au)  
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### RETURN THANKS

**LISA WENTWORTH** and Family wish to thank Byron Bay Community Centre, Luscious Catering, The Echo, Bay FM, The Samba Blisstas, Passion@flowers, Wendy Broome and Rick, David Christie, Jan Barham, Denise Greenaway, Geoff Provest; as well as all who came, or sent flowers & cards & thoughts for Anudhi. We gave her a wonderful send-off

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**FRANCIS HENRY PEATE**  
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### LOST & FOUND

**LOST: WHITE COCKATOO** 2-3 wks ago, Mullum area, speaks, answers to Bubba or Cocky, she is friendly. 66841009

**LOST:** wire cutters in leather pouch at Byron between Shelley Drive & Scott St on Tues 24/2. Please ph 0401293142

**PADDLE DOUBLE BLADE** black shaft, white blades, lost at Watego's Sunday last week. Please phone 66875973

**SAD VICTORIAN KOMBİ** looking for its Peace Sign that used to hang off rear vision mirror. Stolen from Mullum. Please return. Phone 0449295344

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## 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.

**174 Lighthouse Rd** G J Dunn **close 4/3/09**  
**Byron Bay** demolish existing house &  
**10.2009.23.1** construct multi-storey dwelling

**2-6 Seaview St** R Ranke **close 4/3/09**  
**Byron Bay** 5 lot subdivision  
**10.2009.43.1**

**46 Bay Vista Lane** R A McEwen **close 11/3/09**  
**Ewingsdale** rural tourist facility  
**10.2009.49.1**



## Pin This Up

### Discussion Group

Interested persons sought to form a reading/discussion group in Byron Bay. Subject is "Global Financial Crisis", political, economic analysis and commentary. Phone 6687 1739.

### Harmony Volunteers

Byron Harmony Day is coming up on Saturday March 21 at Railway Park and Byron Community Centre. Multicultural performers and volunteers are needed for indoor and outdoor performances, workshops, set up, raffle sales, stalls, craft and kids activities etc. Multicultural families are welcome to sell food, cakes, drinks at Harmony Day. Come along to Byron Harmony meetings on Wednesdays 4pm at 5/65 Centennial Cct or join in the Multicultural Lunch at Byron Community Centre on Thursdays 1 to 4pm. Visit [www.myspace.com/byronharmonyday](http://www.myspace.com/byronharmonyday) or phone 6680 8079 or 0431 055 407.

### Friends of Library

FOL has a Book Sale on Friday March 13 outside the Byron Bay Library. Lots of books at \$1 each. All funds raised go towards equipping the new Library.

### Social Group

Interested in being part of a new (50+) singles group? We meet for dining out, movies, walks, card games etc. Enquiries 0419 982 682.

### Mullum Seniors

The Mullumbimby Senior Citizens Autumn Club meets on Monday March 9 at the Cook Pioneer Hall, Gordon Street, Mullumbimby at 1pm. Enquiries to 6684 2537.

### See the Moon

2009 is the International year of Astronomy and Marie and Philip from the Starry Night Planetarium invite anyone interested to their upcoming events. Come down to Brunswick Heads near the road bridge at the Terrace around 7.15pm on Wednesday March 4 for a close up view of the moon, Saturn and learn about what's in the sky. If it's cloudy they will try again on Thursday. Details 0413 779 223 or [www.starrynight.com.au](http://www.starrynight.com.au).

### Suffolk Dunecare

Community working bee is on Saturday March 7 from 9am to 12 noon. Meet at Clifford Street beach access/car park for tree planting in the dunes. Morning tea provided. All welcome. Enquiries to Miles 0403 206 190.

### Family Drug Support

Do you have a family member/loved one with a drug/alcohol problem? This support group offers a place to talk/listen with others struggling with similar problems. Next two meetings are on Monday March 9 and 23, [www.echo.net.au](http://www.echo.net.au)

7 to 9 pm Guide Hall, Carlyle St, Byron Bay. Enquiries: Margaret 0427 857 092.

### Maternity Coalition

Would you like to see home-birth covered by Medicare, a midwifery led birth centre in Lismore, one on one midwifery care, more funding for local and rural maternity services? Our next meeting is on Tuesday March 10 at the Bangalow Uniting Church, Station St, Bangalow 10:30am to 12:30pm. All the family is welcome. For more information call Vicki McAllister on 6684 2808 or email [vickileemcallister@gmail.com](mailto:vickileemcallister@gmail.com).

### Members Needed

Are you interested in dancing? Do you want to see the North Coast Dance Festival continue to operate? The next meeting of the North Coast Dance Festival Committee will be held at the Byron Bay RSL on Saturday March 14 at 2.30pm. New members urgently needed. Enquiries to Annie on 6685 8313.

### Sewing 'Pod'

'Brunswick Bags' has joined the growing number of Morsbag pods worldwide. This group will make shopping bags to give away free to local shoppers in the shire and will commence on Saturday March 21 at 2pm. If you want to join in, and have a sewing machine (non sewers are also welcome to help with making bags and handing out to shoppers) please contact Mariana. Visit [www.morsbags.com](http://www.morsbags.com) and for more details and sewing venue phone 6685 1145.

### U3A Bruns Valley

On March 10 Robert Henry will speak on Plant Resources for Food, Fuel or Conservation, 10am to 12 noon, Uniting Church, Fingal St., Brunswick Heads. Enquiries 6684 3126.

### U3A Ballina/Byron

Next meeting is on March 10 at 10am in the CWA rooms Brunswick Heads. Wendy Gibney speaks on 'Biodiversity of the Brunswick Valley and what you can do to help'. All welcome, contact 6685 1982.

### CWA News

Bangalow CWA has a meeting in the CWA rooms on Wednesday March 11 at 10.15am. Street stall is on Wednesday March 18 at 8am.

### Healing Service

Mullumbimby Healing Service offers healing in exchange for a donation. Volunteer therapists welcome. Wheelchair access available. The service operates every Friday from 12.30 to 3.30pm in the CWA Hall, Gordon Street, Mullumbimby. Contact 0418 332 308.

### Garage Sale

The Anglican Parish of Mullumbimby Op Shop is having a Garage Sale on Saturday March 14 from 8am to 1pm. Be early and grab a bargain.

# Mullum schoolies have a place to hang



A sea of Mullumbimby High teenagers floods the Empire Café during free period on a Monday afternoon. Parent Anna Benson comments, 'At about 2:30 on Mondays Mullumbimby is overcome by a mass of teenagers with not a lot to do as all of the high school gets a free period. A lot of businesses around town refuse entry to them or have rules such as bags outside, no groups or loitering. It really pleased me to see the red booths at the Empire fill up with teenagers that were welcome to hang. As a mother of two teenagers myself it is really nice to see a place for these young adults to feel comfortable.' Photo Lou Beaumont.

### Laurel Club

All widows of ex servicemen are invited to join members of the Legacy Laurel Club of Byron Bay and District at a barbeque at Rocky Creek on Monday March 16. Enquiries and bookings call Denise on 6685 1825.

### Mums And Bubs

Every Tuesday from 11.30 to 1.30, Suffolk Park Community Hall, \$5 all welcome. Contact: Hannah on 0410 621 101.

### Art Show Entries

Attention Artists, get your entries in for the 'Ocean Shores CC Art Group' Annual Art Competition. Opening night Monday April 6 at 5:30pm. Venue: Ocean Shores Country Club, Orana Road, Ocean Shores. Entry forms/enquiries contact: [msbrady@netspace.net.au](mailto:msbrady@netspace.net.au) phone 6680 1419 or entry forms online at: [oceanshorescsc.com.au](http://oceanshorescsc.com.au).

### Free Talks

Two free talks to bring light into the darkness of cancer and illness. 11am on March 6 at Lennox Head and 7pm March 12 at Byron Bay. Call Noel on 7787 5949 or 0412 135 421.

### World Day of Prayer

On Friday March 6, many around the world will join together to celebrate the World Day of Prayer. Guest Speaker is Dr Michael Douglas. All are welcome to attend this service which will be held at 10am in St. Kevin's Catholic Church, Deacon Street, Bangalow followed by Morning Tea in hall.

### Bangalow Lodge

The Masonic Lodge, Bangalow

has served the community for over 100 years. Meetings at Bangalow on the fourth Monday of the month at 7.30pm. All Masons welcome and further enquiries regarding masonry's origins, teachings, achievements, membership and philosophy may be made to the Secretary Roy Lynn on 6624 4235.

### Tree Planting Day

Rainforest Rescue will be holding a community tree planting day at Crystal Castle starting at 10am Sunday March 8. The planting is part of an ongoing restoration project providing critical habitat for the Big Scrub's threatened species. The planting day is free and you also get free entry to the Crystal Castle, all you need to bring is a hat, sunscreen, gloves and suitable footwear. Details visit [www.rainforestrescue.org.au/events/plant-a-rainforest.html](http://www.rainforestrescue.org.au/events/plant-a-rainforest.html).

### Seniors Week dance

St Patrick's Day Masked Dance and Trivia Quiz. Come along and have fun at the Mullum RSL on Tuesday March 17 from 10:30 to 12:30. Join in with the Trivia Quiz and dance away to Old Time Music. Dress for dancing, St Patricks Day and/or wear a mask. Free event with morning tea provided. RSVP to Gail Sheppard or Monica Smithlee on 6680 3577.

### OS Play Group

A reminder to all local mums and bubs, the Ocean Shores mothers play group has started for 2009. We meet Wednesdays at 10am at the Baptist Community Centre, Rajah Road Ocean Shores. Indoor/Outdoor facilities, huge sandpit, craft activities, tea/coffee facilities. New

members always welcome.

### Toastmasters

Toastmasters in North Ocean Shores @ SDA Hall Shara Blvd, North Ocean Shores on Wednesday March 11 from 10am until 12 everyone gets a warm welcoming. Come along enjoy a morning of fun, friendship, laughs, education, self betterment and a nice yummy morning tea, hear a speech or two with a small group of between 14 to 20 new and not so new Toastmasters. Details call Toastmaster Steven on 0401 842 879 or just turn up just before 10am and you will be glad you did, we promise.

### CWA Dinner

Mullumbimby CWA will welcome the NSW State President Mrs Margaret Roberts to dinner on March 11. The usual monthly meeting will begin at 3.30pm, to be followed by the dinner. More information from 6684 1225.

### AGM Notice

The Periwinkle AGM will be on Thursday March 19 at 7pm at Periwinkle.

### VIEW Meeting

Brunswick Valley VIEW Club luncheon meeting is at Mullumbimby Bowling Club on March 12 at 11am. Cost \$19. Morning tea from 10.30am. Apologies to Myra 6680 1151. Casual members, please advise Myra if you are attending.

### TAFE Course

Gain confidence while you update your work and study skills! Enrol in Wollongbar TAFE's Preparation for Work and Study course, beginning Semester 1,

2009. The course has a welfare industry focus, but is also a useful preparation for work and study in any area. It includes job seeking skills, study skills, computer training and work experience. The course will run three days a week, within school hours. There is no course fee, but a small materials charge of \$15 will apply. Phone Wollongbar Campus on 6620 4700 for more information.

### 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.

### Men's Support

Mullum Mates is a Men's support group that meets every Tuesday night from 6.30 to 9pm in Mullumbimby, cost \$5 donation. The group has been formed in conjunction with the Lismore Men and Family Centre. This is an opportunity for men to share stories and discuss a range of topics. Phone 6622 6116 for details.

### Homeschoolers

Interested in homeschooling? It's legal, diverse and now supported by a network of friendly local families. Curious? Come to one of our weekly events and decide whether homeschooling might be right for you and your family. All ages welcome. March 4: mazes, puzzles, brain teasers and jokes. March 11: digital photography. Call Arun or Anne 6684 3385 or Amala 6684 4418 for details and see [www.byronhomeschoolers.com](http://www.byronhomeschoolers.com).



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**Information Package please contact Jali LALC on (02) 6686 7055  
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**Applications close on Friday 13th March, 2009 at 5:00pm.**

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"Bangalow House" 32-34 Byron St. Bangalow

INSPECTION  
BY APPOINTMENT

AUCTION 12th March

SALES AGENT  
Duncan Lorimer  
0400 844 412

WEBSITE ID 361761



### OWNERS COMMITTED ELSEWHERE

- Owners must sell – all offers considered
- Great opportunity for investor
- Located in popular part of Bangalow
- Comfortable 3 bedroom home
- Rainforest outlook & creek
- Block size 1954sqm

3 Wright Place, Bangalow

AUCTION 12TH MARCH | OPEN HOUSE SATURDAY 11.00 - 11.30AM  
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## LAST OPEN HOUSE

AUCTION 12TH MARCH 6PM @ THE BANGALOW BOWLING CLUB

543 Federal Drive, Federal

OPEN HOUSE SAT 12-12.30PM  
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328 Upper Coopers Creek

INSPECTION BY APPOINTMENT  
AUCTION 12TH MARCH  
SALES AGENT Steve Leslie 0413 833 077

6 Nelson Chase, Tuckombil

OPEN HOUSE SAT 12.00 - 12.30PM  
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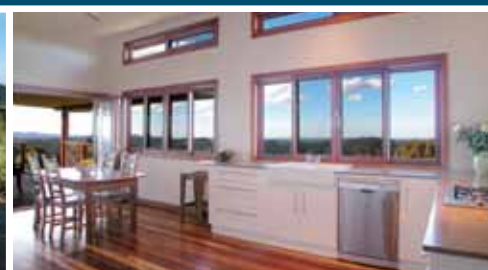


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### BARGAIN HUNTERS – DON'T MISS THIS ONE!

- Second time to auction, must be sold
- Fabulous ocean & mountain views
- Stylish, high quality home
- Handy separate shed/artist space

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### VALUE LIFESTYLE ACREAGE WITHIN 20KMS OF COAST

- Affordable semi rural land, 5538m2
- Immaculate presentation, just move in!
- Character family home, period features
- Three double bedrooms + study

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## FORTHCOMING AUCTION



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- Gigantic shed – dual occupancy plans drawn up

**Price \$895,000**  
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38 Robin Street, South Golden Beach

#### 1920s Elegance

**View: Saturday 11-11.30am**

- By the beach, 3 large rooms all with picture rails, main with ensuite and eagle claw bath
- Timber windows, verandahs overlooking gardens & canal
- A short stroll to the beach located at the end of the street
- Need a little elegance and love the beach? Call now!

**Contact:** Peter Browning on 0411 801 795



30 The Terrace, Brunswick Heads

#### Retro Flats In Town

- Ground floor: 2 bedroom flat & 1 bedroom flat
- Upstairs: 2 bedrooms, sunroom & enclosed verandah
- 841sqm block with rear lane access and 3 carports
- Short stroll to beach, river, boat harbour and shops

**Price:** \$990,000

**View: Saturday 1-1.30pm**

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Brunswick Heads

#### Never Seen In Brunswick

- Completely ready to move in, with pool and decks
- The 2 x 2 bedroom pavilions are unique
- High ceilings, timber floors and energy efficient
- State of the art fixtures with a vogue style finish

**Price:** \$1,100,000

**Contact:** Peter Browning on 0411 801 795



39 Balemo Drive, Ocean Shores

#### Unpack Relax And Enjoy

- Well presented 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom home
- Private established 784sqm block & double remote garage
- Sparkling pool & outdoor entertaining
- Close to the beach, river and shops

**Price:** \$445,000

**View: Saturday 11-11.30am**

**Contact:** David Mutkins on 0421 906 460



85 Station Street, Mullumbimby

#### Tropical Gem

- Immaculate 1930s timber home – 200m to the shops
- 3 bedrooms, 2 living areas, timber floors
- Deep verandahs, tropical private gardens
- Separate access to guest / teenage retreat

**Price:** \$595,000

**View: Saturday 12-12.30pm**

**Contact:** David Mutkins on 0421 906 460



8 Elizabeth Avenue, South Golden Beach

#### Rough Diamond Needs A Polish

- The owner is hiding nothing here it's got to be sold
- 3 bedrooms, single garage, verandah,
- 3 mins to the beach & opposite the proposed foot bridge
- As stated, has got to be sold, owner is listening to offers

**Price:** \$???

**View: Saturday 12-12.30pm**

**Contact:** Peter Browning on 0411 801 795

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## 1HA MO SHARE IN MYOCUM \$275,000

- 2½ acre NE facing M/O share in Myocum
- Undulating land with gorgeous hinterland views
- Power and phone, access to bore water
- Central between Mullum, Bruns & Byron
- 22 shares on 400 acres



## A PERFECT START \$475,000

- 2986sqm (¾ acre approx), no neighbours
- Great views into the Blindmouth Valley
- Creek running on the boundary
- 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms open plan living
- 7 minutes from Main Arm to Mullumbimby



## MULLUM LIFESTYLE \$690,000

- Private 3 bedroom home on 1 acre
- Polished timber floors, rev/cycle airconditioning
- Granny flat, inground pool
- 3 bay garage with high ceilings
- Close to Mullumbimby, excellent buy



## RIPE FOR THE PICKING AUCTION 14th March, 11 am on site Lot 4/296A Tyagarah Road, Tyagarah

- Solid 4 bedrm, 2 bathrm weatherboard home
- North facing, large decks, 5 lot community title
- 8 acres, two dams, good horse country
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Saturday 1-1.30pm  
Contact Sharon on 0408 659 649



440 Bangalow Road, Talofa  
Saturday 2-2.30pm  
Contact Jon on 0422 794 384



### Lawson Street, Byron Bay

- In the heart of town
- 2 bedroom, 1 bathroom apartment
- Wide balconies
- Secure undercover parking
- Perfect investment - good returns
- Excellent position & capital gains

PRICE: \$499,000



### 3 Yallakool Drive, Ocean Shores

~~\$349,000~~  
~~\$344,000~~

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### Ewingsdale's Finest

- 2½ acres of amazing tropical gardens
- Private and peaceful location
- A one off property
- Pavilion style home and separate studio
- First time offered for sale
- A must to see!

PRICE: OFFERS OVER \$2,000,000



### Lots 8 & 9 'Oasis' 24 Scott Street, Byron Bay

- Developer liquidating, must be sold
- 2 'Oasis' house lots going under the hammer
- Lot 8 land size of 275sqm
- Lot 9 land size of 304sqm
- Bordering beachfront reserve
- Approved plans to build your 'treetop' home
- Use of full resort facilities

PRICE: \$325,000

VIEW: Agent on site Thursday 12-12.30pm

CONTACT: Liam Annesley 0417 780 795 lannesley.byronbay@ljh.com.au



### Lot 11 Parkway Drive, Ewingsdale

- Motivated vendor
- Build your dream home
- Sought after 1 acre block
- Overlooking parkland
- North facing gentle slope
- Prestigious location
- Don't miss this one

PRICE: \$585,000

VIEW: Agent on site Saturday 12-12.30pm

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**SOLD**

### 160 Bangalow Road, Byron Bay

- Located close to schools, walk to main beach & town
- Beach style 3 bedroom cottage on 556sqm
- Airconditioned open plan living areas, hardwood floors
- High ceilings, timber benchtops, fully fenced yard
- Separate self contained studio ideal for guests/income
- Tenanted at \$600p/w, great investment

PRICE: \$499,500

VIEW: Saturday 12-12.30pm

CONTACT: Andrew Rosee 0421 914 054 arosee.byronbay@ljh.com.au



**60 metres to this!**

### 2 Wareham Street, Suffolk Park

- Must be sold
- Beachside Suffolk
- 4 large bedrooms 2 bathrooms & ensuite
- Large living areas
- Covered outdoor area
- High ceilings throughout
- Land area of 773sqm

PRICE: By Negotiation

CONTACT: Neil Cameron 0419 274 798 ncameron.byronbay@ljh.com.au



### 128 Grays Lane, Tyagarah

- Land size of approximately 9,070sqm
- Beautiful rural views to Mt Warning
- Very close to Byron Bay
- Council approved for an upmarket residence
- Very rare opportunity
- 2,000 metres to the beachfront

PRICE: \$695,000

VIEW: Agent on site Sat 12-12.30pm

CONTACT: Peter Yopp 0411 837 330 pyopp.byronbay@ljh.com.au or Bryce Cameron 0412 057 672 bcameron.byronbay@ljh.com.au



### 1, 3 & 5/84-86 Centennial Circuit, Byron Bay

- FREEHOLD
- Property consists of 3 strata title units combined to create a large showroom
- 2 large mezzanines, separate office, loading dock and parking
- Endless options for your business with 534sqm and 3 separate titles
- Use as one or divide into 2 or 3 separate businesses

PRICE: \$895,000

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### 347 St Helena Road, Byron Bay

- Prestigious St Helena location
- Approved plans for a large residence & pool
- Breathtaking ocean & hinterland views
- Only 9kms from the CBD of Byron Bay

PRICE: By Negotiation

CONTACT: Glen Irwin 0418 604 080 girwin.byronbay@ljh.com.au Tony Farrell 0417 212 692 tfarrell.byronbay@ljh.com.au



### 17 Ribbonwood Place, Suffolk Park

- Attention first home buyers
- Entry level into the Byron market
- Don't miss your chance to purchase this property

PRICE: \$487,500

VIEW: Thursday 12-12.30pm

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### Cottage - Upper Wilson's Creek

- Fresh mountain air
- Right by the creek
- The perfect retreat
- 3 bedrooms
- Totally private and peaceful
- Country style cottage

PRICE \$560,000



### Lifestyles Of Byron

- Situated just footsteps to Tallow Beach
- 2 bed, 2 bath, storage
- Open plan kitchen, living areas, large verandah
- Leafy outlook, close to town
- Pool, gym, spa, tennis facilities

PRICE \$429,000



### Unit 7 'Beaches'

- Fabulous 1 bed, 1 bath apartment
- Fully furnished
- In-ground pool, BBQ area
- Secure undercover carpark
- Easy walk to town and main beach

PRICE \$330,000



### Town Centre Commercial Zoning

- 1,012sqm commercial zoning
- 3 bedroom, 1 bathroom residence
- 55 sqm shop fronting Marvel Street
- Lock up 3 bay garage/storage
- 1 bedroom, 1 bathroom self contained unit
- Development opportunity (STCA)

PRICE: \$2,500,000

CONTACT: Bryce Cameron 0412 057 672 or Peter Yopp 0411 837 330



### 4 Shelley Drive, Byron Bay

- Nicely positioned 3 bedroom home
- Neat & tidy throughout
- Ample room for expansion
- Quiet leafy area
- Well established gardens
- A great investment opportunity

PRICE: \$599,000

VIEW: Wednesday 12-12.30pm



### 'Seagrove' Stage 2

- 3 bed, 2 bath townhouses
- Stylish and contemporary interiors
- S/S appliances, polished stone benchtops
- Pool and BBQ area
- Close to town, beach and shops
- Purchase off the plan today

PRICE \$648,000



### Seadrift

- 3 bed, 2 bath townhouses
- Highest quality finishings
- Stroll to town & beaches

PRICE: From \$744,880



### Scott Street

- Fabulous 3-4 bedroom home
- With in-town elevation/private
- Stylishly refurbished / 13ft ceilings
- Expansive open plan living
- Beautiful landscaped gardens
- Beach access from end of street

PRICE: \$699,000



### Beech Drive

- Large 5 bedroom, 2 bathroom home
- Plus freehold grocery store
- Land area of 1,375sqm
- Services 700 homes in the area
- Adjacent to sports field
- Easy walk to Tavern and beach

PRICE: \$920,000 + SAV



### Breathtaking Balinese Beachfront

- 5 large bedrooms
- 3 extensive marble bathrooms
- Absolute beachfront - unsurpassed location
- Travertine stone and spotted gum flooring
- Architecturally designed
- Outdoor entertaining area with villa

AGENT DECLARES INTEREST  
PRICE \$3,150,000



### Quiet Rural Lifestyle - Only Minutes From Byron

- 3 bedrooms, 1 bathroom
- 1 acre allotment - NE aspect
- Wide covered deck
- Picturesque rural views
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- The quintessential lifestyle

PRICE: \$680,000

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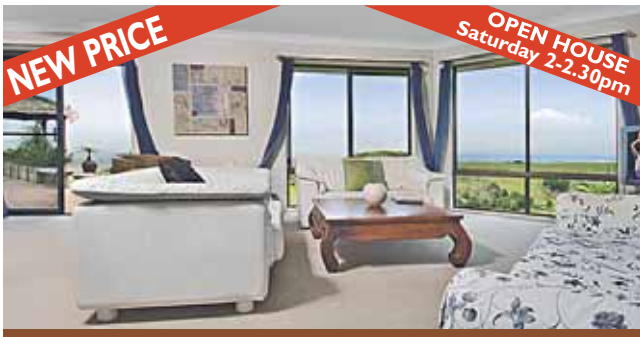
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This superb property features an existing 4 bedroom, 2 bathroom home with north facing views from living, kitchen and bedroom areas with outdoors providing a private and peaceful rural serenity overlooking those spectacular views

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**Price \$2,595,000.**

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For further information or to arrange an inspection please contact Liam Annesley on 0417 780 795.



## OPEN FOR INSPECTION

### Elders Byron Bay p51

• 45 Bottlebrush Cres, Suffolk Park. Sat 11.30am-12pm

### LJ Hooker Brunswick Heads p51

- 38 Robin Street, South Golden Beach. Sat 11-11.30am
- 30 The Terrace, Brunswick Heads. Sat 1-1.30pm
- 39 Balerno Drive, Ocean Shores. Sat 11-11.30am
- 85 Station Street, Mullumbimby. Sat 12-12.30pm
- 8 Elizabeth Avenue, South Golden Beach. Sat 12-12.30pm

### Professionals Byron Bay p52

- 38 Robin Street, South Golden Beach. Sat 11-11.30am
- 39 Balerno Drive, Ocean Shores. Sat 11-11.30am
- 8 Elizabeth Avenue, South Golden Beach. Sat 12-12.30pm
- 85 Station Street, Mullumbimby. Sat 12-12.30pm
- 30 The Terrace, Brunswick Heads. Sat 1-1.30pm
- 1 Bower Street, Brunswick Heads. Sat 2-2.30pm

### Elders Bangalow p53

- 9 Campbell Street, Bangalow. Sat 11-11.30am
- 11 Campbell Street, Bangalow. Sat 11-11.30am
- 70 Cowlong Rd, McLeans Ridges. Sat 11-11.30am
- 3 Wright Place, Bangalow. Sat 11-11.30am
- 55 Summerhill Crescent, Cumbalum. Sat 12.30-1pm
- 543 Federal Dve, Federal. Sat 1-1.30pm & Wed 6-6.30pm
- 778 Binna Burra Road, Federal. Sat 2-2.30pm
- 193 Goremans Road, Eureka. Sat 2-2.30pm
- 6 Nelson Chase, Tuckombil. Wed 4-4.30pm

### Elders New Brighton/Ocean Shores p56

- 5 Ocean Ave, New Brighton. Sat 11am-12pm
- 14 North Head Rd, New Brighton. Sat 11am-12pm
- 19 Coomburra Cres, Ocean Shores. Sat 12-1pm

### LJ Hooker Byron Bay p54 & 55

- 89 Corkwood Crescent, Suffolk Park. Sat 1-1.30pm
- 440 Bangalow Road, Talofa. Sat 2-2.30pm
- 3 Yallakool Drive, Ocean Shores. Sat 1-1.30pm
- Lots 8 & 9 'Oasis' 24 Scott Street, Byron Bay. Thurs 12-12.30pm
- Lot 11 Parkway Drive, Ewingsdale. Sat 12-12.30pm
- 128 Grays Lane, Tyagarah. Sat 12-12.30pm
- 17 Ribbonwood Place, Suffolk Park. Thurs 12-12.30pm
- 4 Shelley Drive, Byron Bay. Wed 12-12.30pm
- 440 Bangalow Road, Talofa. Sat 2-2.30pm

### Elders New Brighton/Ocean Shores p55

- For Individual Sale. Sat 12-1pm
- **Lois Buckett Real Estate p55**
- 141 Piccadilly Hell Road, Coopers Shoot. Sat 3-3.30pm
- 1125 Booyong Road, Clunes. Sat 1-1.30pm
- 4 Old Byron Bay Road, Newrybar. Sat 4-4.30pm
- 809 & 811 Coolamon Scenic Drive, Coorabell. 10-10.30am
- 12 Tristania Street, Bangalow. Sat 2-2.30pm

## AUCTIONS

### Professionals Mullumbimby p51

- Lot 4/296A Tyagarah Road, Tyagarah. Auction 11am onsite Mar 14. Inspect Sat 11.15am-12pm

### Professionals Byron Bay & Elders Ballina p52

- 45 Meridian Drive, Ballina. Auction 9.30am Mar 14 in the Richmond Room, Ballina. Inspect Sat 3.15pm

### Elders Bangalow p53

- Auctions 6pm Mar 12 at Bangalow Bowling Club.
- 543 Federal Drive, Federal. Inspect Sat 1-1.30pm
- "Bangalow House" 32-34 Byron Street Bangalow.
- 328 Upper Coopers Creek Rd, Upper Coopers Creek
- 6 Nelson Chase, Tuckombil. Inspect Sat 12-12.30pm
- 3 Wright Place, Bangalow. Inspect Sat 11-11.30am



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## Being Sold To Finalise Estate

**4 Old Byron Bay Road, Newrybar.**

This property has a solid double brick 3 bedroom 2 bathroom home on 1 1/2 flat easy care acres (approx) with town water. The property is situated in Old Byron Bay Road (What a great address) which is centrally located between Byron Bay, Bangalow and Lennox Head.

Other features include amazing established fig tree and big high roof

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## 809 & 811 Coolamon Scenic Drive, Coorabell

**809 & 811 Coolamon Scenic Drive, Coorabell.** Genuine interest in the combined two lots will be considered by negotiation prior to the 14th March 2009.

**# 809 Inspect Sat 10-10.30am.** Has the main residence and the original country cottage with three substantial outbuilding with existing rights and approvals for various uses. Set on 4.496 ha with amazing grounds and pool and large fig trees.

**# 811 Inspect Sat 10-10.30am.** No doubt it is all about the views to the mountain here. It has a comfortable 4 bedroom home set on an easy maintenance 1.777ha. Visit Today!

**Auction 4th April.**

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## Vendors Purchased In Melbourne – Genuine Sale

**12 Tristania Street, Bangalow.** This spacious, quality built family home comprises of 4 bedrooms and two bathrooms and is set on a 720sqm level block. Mixed hardwood timber floors combine an open plan kitchen, dining and lounge area. Large bathrooms with quality fittings. Reverse cycle air conditioning for these hot summer days. Blank canvas out the back with large fully fenced

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Only two streets away from the main street of Bangalow, this is quite possibly the best buy in town.

**Auction 21st March.**

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**Elders**

Youth Week in Byron Shire will seem a little bleak if Council has to evict its tenants at the Youth Activity Centre – see *Comment* page 10. As we wait for the result check out the new website at [www.youthweek.nsw.gov.au](http://www.youthweek.nsw.gov.au). National Youth Week runs from March 28 to and April 5 and Council's YAC tenants will get notices to vacate unless something is resolved before June 1.

For those who were worried about the trucks full of fill moving around Mullum, Byron Shire Council's Works Manager, Angelo Casagrande, explains: 'For the past three days trucks have been working at the end of Station Street as part of Council's works program. The trucks have been moving stockpiled fill and relocating it to a construction site near Myocum. The works were completed today [Friday] with the exception of the removal of an excavator.'

Longtime local (37 years) and muso Vince Beck of Vince and Vipers was disappointed when Byron Shire brought in the busker's licence, and charged a fee to perform. 'It's always been my opinion that the council should award buskers since they generally live on the street. In my travels the best model I've seen for council control of busking was in Townsville, where buskers had to register with council. They were given a copy of the rules, and a free licence – three complaints and you lose your licence. If you remove the fee for under 18s only, you're going to have a lot of buskers playing on the sidewalk when they should be at home practising, putting the more experienced musos at a disadvantage.'

Bushfire animal pouch patterns are available at the Anglican op shop in Mullumbimby, not the Anglican Church itself as reported last week. Our apologies to the besieged manse.

The Mardi Gras Film Festival, which was to be held at Dendy Byron Bay Cinemas on March 12-14, has been postponed. A new date is yet to be confirmed, but it will most likely be some time in May.

Some of Australia's big icons, including the Big Banana and the Big Ned Kelly, have signed up to go dark for Earth Hour 2009 – Saturday March 28 at 8.30pm. Will Ballina's Big Prawn take up the challenge? See more about the event at [www.earthhour.org](http://www.earthhour.org).

Gathering quotes to support the showing of *Gonzo*, the Byron Cinemas team came across this definition of America from the good doctor: 'Just a nation of two hundred million used car salesmen with all the money we need to buy guns and no qualms about killing anybody else in the world who tries to make us uncomfortable.' Not to mention the attention deficit disorder of the congressmen who were playing with their Blackberrys while Pres Obama addressed them.

One of the peculiar psychological conditions of our age is 'animal hoarding' and it's not just a few little old ladies with eight cats. In the past 12 months the RSPCA has seized hundreds of animals from animal hoarders. One raid in Queensland netted 113 dogs, one cat, 488 rats, 73 mice and several guinea pigs and birds. Another case in South Australia saw an elderly couple flee with over 200 dogs that were eventually found in a terrible condition. A real case of loving them to death.

Your challenge this week: Read the editorial on page 10 – oh go on, just this once – and make an impassioned plea to your local MP on the issue. Report interesting results to [editor@echo.net.au](mailto:editor@echo.net.au).

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