

Paint a FEHVA portrait



Author Di Morrissey's face miraculously appears on artist James Guppy's canvas while FEHVA festival coordinator Lisa O'Meara looks on. No paint was used in the making of this image. Photo Jeff 'Brush With Fame' Dawson.

The sixth annual FEHVA Visual Arts Festival opens registration for its Portrait Prize this week with two new famous faces looking forward to sitting for artists. Bestselling author of sixteen novels Di Morrissey and contemporary Australian artist James Guppy are the portrait subjects in this year's event.

The Portrait Prize sitting is on Saturday April 18 at the Catholic Hall in Bangalow. Di Morrissey is first up with a morning sitting then James Guppy in the afternoon.

Newly appointed festival coordinator Lisa O'Meara was delighted to have such high profile sitters: 'We are thrilled to have Di and James pose for the Portrait Prize this year. Di and James have given much to the literary and visual arts communities both regionally and nationally and this year James is celebrating 20 years as a professional artist. With two such celebrated Australians, we know the number and quality of entries will be excellent.

'The competition encourages a variety of mediums including painting, works on paper, mixed media, photography and digital. With \$2,000 prize money on offer, I encourage all those interested in entering this year's Prize to start researching their subjects prior to the sittings.'

The portrait competition is just one of the many events included in this year's FEHVA program. Bangalow Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the Bangalow Art Prize and this year's theme is Postcard from Bangalow.

President of Bangalow Chamber of Commerce, Michael Malloy, said, 'Bangalow Chamber of Commerce is delighted to be supporting this event. We are asking artists to submit works depicting the Bangalow region. The winner will be awarded \$1,000 with the winning artwork being donated for permanent exhibition at the Bangalow Heritage Museum.'

Also featuring at FEHVA again this year will be the art exhibition and lecture series as well as workshops

for art lovers and artists. The schools program will be expanded to include lectures and workshops for teachers and students.

The Portrait Prize sittings will mark the start of the FEHVA Visual Arts Festival which commences in earnest on Saturday May 23. The Festival will run until Sunday May 31.

To sign up for the FEHVA Portrait Prizes and the Bangalow Art Prize download the forms from www.fehva.com or phone 6687 1623. Portrait Prize and Bangalow Art Prize entry tickets can be purchased by artists through Jetset Travel Byron Bay as of March 12. The entry fee for a single portrait is \$75 and \$120 for both. The entry fee for the Bangalow Art Prize is \$25. Full program updates of all FEHVA events can also be found on the website. FEHVA is the annual flagship event for the The Buttery Arts Program. The funds raised from the event support the important rehabilitation work being done by The Buttery.

Local Aboriginal art celebrated in new book

Artists and art lovers gathered at Retrospect Galleries last Thursday to celebrate the launch of a new publication celebrating contemporary Aboriginal art of the Northern Rivers region.

An 84-page full colour publication, *A Special Kind of Vision* showcases diverse contemporary works from 26 local Indigenous artists, who were selected from almost 70 Indigenous artists surveyed across the region last year.

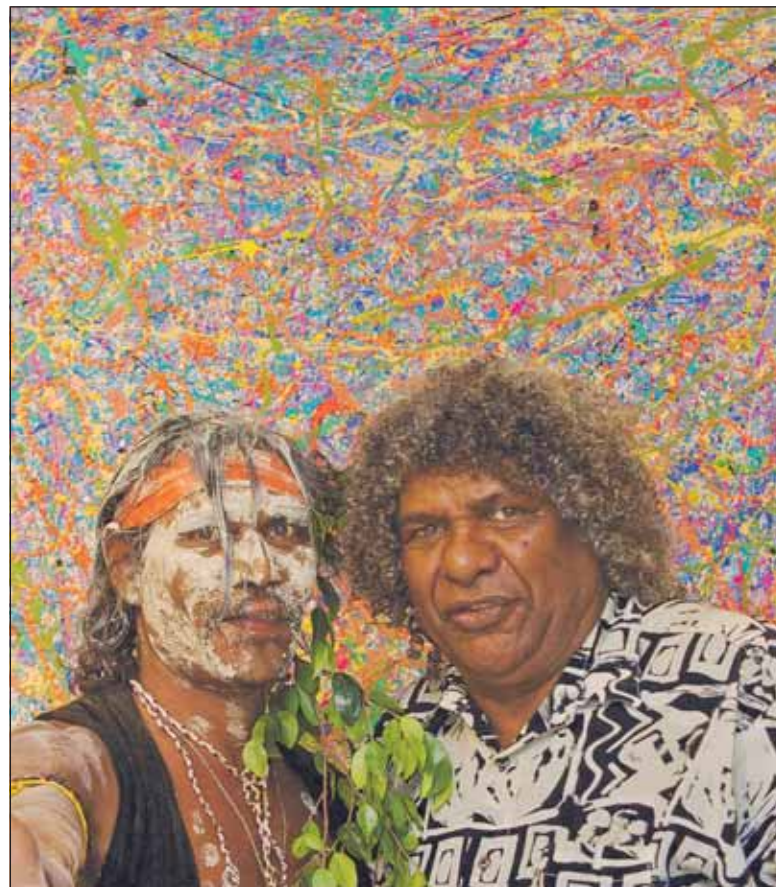
The publication is a first for Indigenous artists in the region and across the state. It shines a light on some of the talented artists living in the region, including established artists such as Digby Moran, Garth Lena and Karla Dickens, as well as talented emerging artists such as Joanne Lopic, who are just starting their careers.

The launch of the book also includ-

ed a preview of an exhibition of works by 25 of the featured artists, which is on now at Retrospect Galleries until March 26.

Lois Randall, CEO of Arts Northern Rivers, believes that the public will be overwhelmed by the exceptional standard and range of works included in this exhibition. 'I encourage everyone to go to Retrospect Galleries and see for themselves how stunning the artwork is, and to buy a copy of the book as well,' she said.

A Special Kind of Vision was launched by Chris Bonney, Program Officer for the Australia Council for the Arts' Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Unit, who flew up from Sydney for the event. Copies of the book are now available from Arts Northern Rivers, 6628 8120 or Retrospect Galleries, 6680 8825, RRP \$38.50.



Dancer Lewis Walker with artist Digby Moran and his painting 'Spiritual Dreaming'. Photo Jeff Dawson.

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Time to book for bike rides/talent quest

The Brunswick Heads Kites and Bikes Festival is less than two weeks away and organisers are calling for last minute registrations and bookings for kite flying, bike riding activities and talent quest.

Heats of the CBA Junior Star Search are being held at the Soundshell on Saturday March 21 at 1pm, preceded by a performance from Circus Arts at 12.30pm. Talent quest coordinator, Kim Mitchell is calling for last minute entries from young singers, musicians and dancers.

'It's free to enter and there are prizes for everyone who has a go,' says Kim, 'and the finalists have the chance to perform on stage at the Hotel Brunswick on Sunday 3pm at the festival, and win CBA bank accounts. Call me on 6684 4267 by Friday March 13 to ensure a spot.

The Saturday 70km Hilly Hinterland Bike Challenge has not attracted enough interest so far, so has been cancelled, but the festival's bike activity



coordinator Vicki McKain still has spots available for other rides on both Saturday and Sunday, but bookings are essential.

'The Bruns to Mullum coffee rides on Saturday at 8am, 10am and noon, led by the Byron Bicycle Users Group, are a great introduction to riding with a group. It's only 14km

each way and a great chance to meet other bike riders in the area,' explains Vicki. 'However, if you would like to explore more rugged terrain, try the Crystal Castle Mountain Bike Experience which departs from Kohinur Hall at 2pm on Saturday. This group ride takes you through the Mt Jerusalem National Park to a swimming

hole in the rainforest. Please register with Nick Bowden on 0427 620 711 this week.'

On Sunday, three other rides are offered. The Sunrise Cycles Earlybird Criterium in the Byron Arts and Industrial Estate with the Byron Bay Freeriders starts at 7am with registrations from 6.30am. Contact Chris for more information on 0437 859 959. The Crystal Castle Hinterland Social Ride offers an easy, enjoyable 40km morning tour through the Brunswick Valley, departing at 8am from the Terrace Park and returning in time for the festival activities. If it's a family bike riding experience you are after, there's the 'Tour de Bruns', a one hour easy ride on marked bikeways around the town from 3pm to 4pm. No bookings are necessary, just turn up at the Soundshell at 3pm.

The Kites and Bikes programs are now out and can be picked up throughout the Byron Shire at shops, community and visitor centres. The big festival day is on Sunday March 22.

Kids contribute to bushfire appeal

Main Arm Public School contributed their efforts and acknowledged their understanding of the importance of community in contributing to the Bush Fire Appeal.

In the Byron Shire spirit of recycling they each donated a handful of toys and then purchased other pre-loved toys knowing all funds were to go to families of the Bush Fires.

The teachers thought this appropriate timing to coincide with Clean Up Australia.

A group of local children's clothing designers and product companies are holding a mega sale at the Byron Community Centre on Saturday 10am-5pm for a season clearance.

The businesses which including Dvd Storytime, Rattle, Boobs and Nursery Rhymes, Le Mou Kidswear, Bibbat and Babbat, Blue Tulip Photography and The Happy Nappy Co., will donate a percentage of



their profits for the day to the Victorian Fire Fund.

Apart from the charitable donation the event is also an opportunity for the community to buy local and support the business futures in the economic downturn and no mat-

ter the financial climate, children will still grow and learn.

Items for sale include fun and educational storybooks, a huge range of clothing, organic reusable hygiene products, wooden toys and family portraiture.

Mullum High students shine

Mullumbimby High School would like to congratulate two music students Eleea Navarro and Franscesca Miller who have been selected to attend a four day Regional Talent Identification Program in Port Macquarie next week.

This is a highly selective program for talented singer/songwriters.

Eleea and Franscesca are regular performers at community events throughout the shire.

Whether it is the Civic Hall opening, Mullumbimby Hospital fundraiser, Relay for Life, YAC events, Anzac Day or a host of other community events these two girls are seen performing.

If you can offer financial assistance to get these two young stars to Port Macquarie please contact Kerry Collinson at Mullumbimby High School.

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CORRECTION: In regards to Fast Buck's opinion piece last week, 'Destructive mischief lies in Council's compliance regime', Byron Shire Council advises us that David Murray did not send the recent order issued on the Wilsons Creek property mentioned. Rather, it was Council's Environmental Health team. *The Echo* apologises for the error.

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IWD notes the value of education

Story & photo Lou Beaumont

Each year, the NSW government chooses a theme for International Women's Day and this year the theme was Women and Education.

At Stan Robinson Park in Mullumbimby last Friday, Roni Barr from ACE spoke about education for women and girls, and Bundjalung elder, Auntie Bertha Kapeen and BSC Aboriginal Projects Liaison Officer, Valmai Saunders, spoke about educational opportunities and literacy levels within Australian Aboriginal communities.

Auntie Bertha said, 'It was very different for Aboriginal women in my time, we were not allowed to be educated. Eventually this changed but still we had to be schooled separately as authorities were afraid we would contaminate the white students. My mum worked hard to make changes to this system and eventually Aboriginals were allowed to join white schools, but even then the government didn't think it was worthwhile edu-



Valmai Saunders (Byron Shire Council's Aboriginal Projects Liaison Officer), Rose Hogan (Domestic Violence Court Advocacy Service), Nancy Walke (Manager of the Bunjum Aboriginal Corporation), Kassa Bird (Coordinator of the Women's Resource Service), Annie Barrett (WRS Volunteer), Roni Barr (Administrator for ACE Byron Shire) and Auntie Bertha Kapeen (Chairperson of the Bundjalung Elders Corporation) celebrate International Women's Day together at Stan Robinson Park in Mullumbimby last Friday. The local celebration was ahead of the nation, with IWD actually falling on Sunday, March 8.

cating them.'

Auntie Bertha Kapeen said that it wasn't unusual for Aboriginal women to seek edu-

cation at TAFEs and community colleges later in life. Auntie Bertha attended TAFE at the age of 62 and received her Year 10

certificate among 18 year old fellow students. It is her belief that you are never too old to learn.

Council gives go-ahead to Brunswick Heads skate park at southern oval

Byron Shire councillors voted 6-0 the other week to go ahead with construction of a skate park within Alby Lofts Oval, Brunswick Heads, towards the southern edge of the township.

The last minute obstacle to building the skate park, which is expected to cost \$183,000, is notice of a native title claim over the land, which staff will investigate.

While not opposing the motion from Cr Diane Woods, Cr Tom Tabart said he still objected to the site chosen. As did Cr Simon Richardson, who saw it as pressure from 'certain

residential interests' to move the park out of town.

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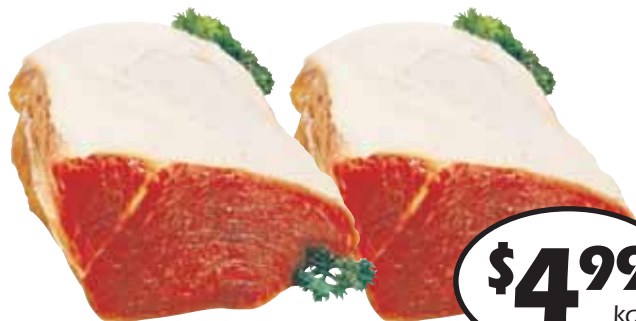
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Minister announces \$40,000 for IQ

Story & photo Eve Jeffery

NSW Minister for Lands, Tony Kelly, was in Byron Bay last Friday to announce \$40,000 in funding for the Byron Island Quarry Reserve. The grant is divided into two parts – \$30,000 will go towards the construction of a road access at the reserve, creating an entry point that will help the Trust expand their services, and a further \$10,000 will go towards developing a Plan of Management for the reserve.

Mr Kelly says that the IQ grant, which is a share of the \$10.6 million Public Reserves Management Fund administered by the Department of Lands, is part of a bigger vision for the precinct.

‘I came to Byron a few years ago to talk about ideas for this part of town. The ultimate goal is to have the sports fields, a bike track and the roundabout.’

President of the Byron Island Quarry Reserve Trust Shane Rennie is very excited about the grant, saying that the funding represented a major step forward in improving access



IQ Reserve Trust president Shane Rennie gave the minister's wife Anne Kelly some local organically grown bananas while husband Tony handed over a \$40,000 cheque

to the reserve and its ability to become more of a community venue.

The site is currently used for a variety of community activities including community gardens, nursery, recycling centre, and the local Flickerfest film

festival but Mr Rennie would like to have the reserve used by a much broader audience as he feels that the reserve is the only true outdoor community venue in the shire. Mr Rennie said the long term plan for the quarry includes an upgrade to-

tal cost of about \$230,000 and the government grant was a great boost.

‘This money will contribute to building a road into the reserve,’ said Shane. ‘It will go a long way to increasing the sustainability of the reserve.’

Ocean Shores man charged with attempted murder

Police from Tweed/Byron Local Area Command have charged a man with attempted murder following a violent assault which has left another man with critical head injuries.

Police will allege the 31-year-old man was punched and kicked before his head was ‘stomped-on’ by another

man outside a hotel in Jonson Street shortly before 11pm Saturday.

The injured man, from Pottsville, was taken to Byron Bay Hospital before being transferred to Tweed Heads Hospital, then onto the Gold Coast Hospital where he is being treated for critical head injuries.

He has also sustained serious facial injuries.

Shortly before 4pm on Sunday, a 27-year-old man presented himself to Byron Bay Police Station where he was charged with attempted murder, maliciously inflict grievous bodily harm with intent, and affray.

The man, from Ocean Shores,

was refused bail and was scheduled to appear in Lismore Local Court last Monday.

Gear up (or down) for naked bike ride

Following last year's World Naked Bike Ride by 15 body-painted and costumed riders many more locals and visitors alike are expected to join in the fun of this year's ride around the town centre. To make it easier for those without their own bikes the organisers have some to be lent on a first come, first served basis.

The World Naked Bike Ride

promotes the use of pedal power as a means of improving fitness, reducing carbon footprints and solving parking problems. It will also draw attention to the need for improved cycleways and a change of attitude by the few vehicle drivers who still consider cyclists as sport.

The ride assembles at The Rails carpark, Jonson Street,

Byron Bay, at 2pm on Saturday March 14 from where the cyclists will go to a location to body paint (provided) and dress up.

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'We have simply run out of space,' said site coordinator Nina Bishop. 'Three years ago a concerned resident asked Brunswick Valley Landcare for help.

'We've thickened up the edges with more natives and removed many invasive weeds that were threatening the native arboretum. Now that some of

the neighbours have removed the culprits from their gardens, we are hoping to have an easier time protecting this beautiful forest.

'Together with enthusiastic volunteers, we've planted about 500 native grasses, sedges and trees. This will add to the already impressive figure of about 450 tonnes of carbon sequestered over the last 28 years, since the original forest was planted by the Brunswick Byron Flora and Fauna Conservation Society.

'Everyone is welcome to come and plant a tree or two, knowing that you will have made a significant contribution to the health of the environment as well as adding to the beauty of the park.'

Planting starts at 8am, morning tea at 10am. Wear a hat and gloves, water and sunscreen are advisable.

Ongoing volunteers are always needed and appreciated for site maintenance. Anyone interested please call 6684 1189 or talk to us on the day.

Lisa makes splash at Swim Fashion Week

Jann Gilbert

Local swimwear designer Lisa Burke and her label Lisa Blue made quite a bit more than a splash at the inaugural Swim Fashion Week held at Sanctuary Cove recently.

With record numbers of paparazzi turning out for a 7.30am photo call and more national media than you can poke a stick at (including TV news broadcasts) Lisa Blue is obviously shaping up as the new darling of the swimwear fashion world.

Burke attributes the media attention to the striking designs and fabrics as well as the

ethos behind the brand.

'It's designed and made in Australia, which is pretty unusual,' says Burke, 'and 25% of the profit is donated to whale and dolphin conservation, which is even more unusual. Let's face it, if women have the choice between simply buying a nice bikini or buying a nice bikini that helps the planet, most women will choose the latter.'

Lisa Blue's 2010 range uses indigenous themes from American Indian art, Aboriginal prints (adapted from Mirning tribe whale dreamer Bunna Lawrie's artwork) and Aboriginal model, Tamara Flanagan, who has made her

modelling debut with Lisa Blue.

The 2010 collection's theme, Call of the Whale, refers to Burke's close encounter with a humpback and its calf in Tonga, which led to the development of the range and the idea of a worthwhile fashion statement.

As a keen surfer and a 40-something mother of two, Burke was also determined to include a number of bikinis that not only looked good but stayed on in the water, as well as styles to suit every woman, 'regardless of age or body shape.' To check out the new range visit www.lisablue.com.au.



From left: Tamara Flanagan making her modelling debut with designer Lisa Burke and Mirning whale dreamer, Bunna Lawrie. Photo courtesy Lisa Blue Swimwear.

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Moves to make hitch-hiking safe



Hitch-hiking project girls get ready to get a safe lift while Deb Pearse from the BYS 'goes driving in her car, Beep-Beep! Beep-Beep!'

Story & photo Eve Jeffery

Though it is not illegal to hitch-hike in NSW, it is not always safe, especially for our youth who much of the time cannot find an alternative means of transport.

A group of Mullum High girls are working with Deb Pearse from the Byron Youth Service, on a Safe Hitch-hiking project in the hope of creating a plan to keep hitch-hiking safe in the area.

BYS put in a grant applica-

Youth Week

Byron Shire Council's youth development officer, Rita Youssef-Price said she has been thrilled with the response from young people wanting to help out with this year's Youth Week celebrations. 'The aim is for young people to be involved, to take ownership, plan and run their own Youth Week events with the guidance of community workers,' she said.

To date, the 15 member Youth Committee has decided to hold a giant pool party for 12-18 year olds at the Mullumbimby Pool on April 4. 'The Pool's new inflatable obstacle course will also be a part of the night's entertainment and with a capacity for only 200 it will be first in, best dressed,' Ms Youssef-Price said.

In addition, the Youth Committee will invite Councillors and Council staff to attend so they can meet with local young people who want to have a say on youth and community issues. If you'd like to support local young people with a contribution to their 'Make Waves' event, contact Rita Youssef-Price on 6685 9342 or email rita.youssefprice@byron.nsw.gov.au.

tion and secured funding for the project from the Ministry of Transport after the tragic death of one of the BYS community's girls Aine Egan in a hitch-hiking accident.

'The young people who were closest to Aine as well as Aine's mother, wanted something positive to come out of the tragedy,' said Deb last week. 'The idea of the project is for young people to be better informed about risks associated with hitching and what they could do to help minimise those risks by helping them to make better informed decisions.'

Young people in Byron Shire regularly hitch-hike due to insufficient public transport, poor public transport connections between locations and financial restrictions. Fourteen girls from Mullumbimby High School and some young people

from Byron Community Campus have been working on the project which will target young people aged 15 -25 from Byron Shire who use hitching as a means of transport.

The group will develop resources and strategies that assist young people to make decisions which will reduce harm. The resources will take the form of posters, creating brochures with safe hitching tips and either reflective slapbands or environmentally friendly bags imprinted with a slogan, resources which will identify them as 'locals' when they are hitching in the hope that local drivers will be more likely to pick them up and help keep them safe.

There will also be a discussion and distribution of current bus timetables so that young people are familiar

with what public transport is available and make decisions accordingly.

The group plans to launch the project including their fantastic slogan in the near future and promote the message in a peer education program through local schools, Street Cruise, police, parents and community groups.

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Cape Steiner celebrates its 21st



Story & photo Lou Beaumont

Cape Byron Rudolf Steiner Students enjoy the entertainment at their school's open day last Saturday. Cape Byron Steiner School is celebrating its 21st birthday this year.

Dr Rudolf Steiner saw the stages of childhood and adolescent development in three significant stages, each of about seven years duration.

He called the ages of 0-7 the physical phase – the time in a child's life when they are growing strongly into their physical body. The ages of 7-14 are seen as the emotional or feeling phase of development, and 14-21 is broadly categorised as conceptual – a time when a person's

rational thinking blossoms.

Principal Janet Molloy told *The Echo*, 'The 21st year of a person's life is the end of the third Steiner developmental phase. It is the year that a person begins to move out into the world, the end of adolescence and the time to stand up and look outwards.'

'As a school we are now in the same stage of development and we are ready to embrace the community and hopefully have it embrace us back.'

'Today at our open day we are honouring our past and our founders and the work they did. We are learning from the past, living in the present and moving into the future.'

What matters to young people?

Are you in years 5-12? Do you have an opinion about what matters to you in the world at the moment? Turn on your computer, get out your pen and paper and get writing now.

The Whitlam Institute within the University of Western Sydney is once again calling on young people to share their views on what it will take to build a better society.

The 2009 'What Matters?' essay competition, sponsored by Officeworks, is an opportunity for students in years 5-12 to have their voices heard by submitting a 400-600 word opinion piece on the issues in society that are important to them.

In 2008, a total of 860 students submitted essays on a diverse range of topics including global warming, the environment, poverty and the importance of family and friends.

Entries close Wednesday April 1. Application forms can be downloaded www.whitlam.org. For more information, contact the Whitlam Institute 02 9685 9161. All winning entries will be published on the Whitlam Institute website and in a booklet.

Vote for Sandy or the Indian gets it



Jann Gilbert

Spending an afternoon with Sandy Gandhi could well be described as like being invited to a Mad Hatter's curry night. Particularly at the moment with the excitement surrounding her appearance in the second semi-final of *Australia's Got Talent* (AGT), which screens Wednesday night at 7.30pm on Channel 7.

It's quite a coup given that Sandy and her creatrix Sandra Aranha are relative newcomers to national television standup appearances, and both have recently celebrated their 50th birthday.

The sharp, cultural observations and self-deprecating humour that has made Sandy a favourite with locals has also struck a chord with national audiences, and that perhaps has a great deal to do with what lies beneath the humour.

Born in New Delhi, Aranha is a well-travelled woman who worked as a tour operator for over 20 years and has lived in almost every country in the world. She also has the chilling honour of being one of the first Australians to become a victim of terrorism, narrowly escaping serious injury when an IRA bomb went off while she was living in London. 'I just remember being showered with glass,' says Aranha. 'It was terrifying.'

Aranha originally planned to continue her career as a tour operator when she moved to Byron almost 12 years ago but decided that the market was saturated 'even then', and so became a high-needs carer in the community instead; a role she played for over nine years.

It was during this time that Sandy Gandhi was born, cutting her teeth on the local cir-

cuit and chalking up a long history of benefit gigs including her latest at the Beach Hotel last Sunday for the Victorian Bushfire Appeal.

'When I was first thinking about moving to Byron I was told about all the benefits of living here,' says Sandy. 'But I didn't realise I'd have to do them!'

However all that experience, Aranha admits, is what has led to her success so far on *AGT* and her book (with a foreword by Di Morrissey and a backword by Russell Eldridge), which was 'birthed' amid much hilarity at last year's writer's festival.

'I've spent my whole life caring for others really,' says Aranha, 'as a tour operator and as a carer. Now I'm trying my hand at working my art.'

So far, so good, but a finals' berth on *AGT* would definitely launch Sandy's career nationally and even internationally.

Sandy has something particularly special planned for the semi-final appearance but she's keeping it close to her chest (in more ways than one!). Be watching for the surprise finale where Sandy figures she might have a better chance of winning *Farmer Wants A Wife* than *AGT*.

With your help, however, Sandy will make it through to the finals. She needs audience numbers to land that finals' gig. All you have to do is pick up the phone and SMS the number given to vote for Sandy. The voting line will be open until midnight on Friday March 13 and you can vote as many times as you like. Show your support for our local talent for a mere 50 cents and help export Australia's most easterly Indian to the rest of the world.





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Too drunk to care

It is no secret that Byron Shire has a problem with alcohol. Just get along to a local court one day and observe the number of punters up on drink-driving or alcohol-related assault charges.

(Disclosure: I was charged with driving under the influence at the start of this century. It was a severe wake-up call. There are few things more sobering than being in court and realising the law can put you in jail for a drink too far, except, of course, for killing someone with your car.)

The NSW Office of Liquor, Gaming and Racing has set out the problem starkly in a series of Social Profile Reports for each local government area at www.olgr.nsw.gov.au/liquor_social_profile_reports.asp. The easy-to-follow reports also provide other interesting social information garnered from the Department of Planning and the 2006 Census.

Byron Shire is not the only LGA with a problem with alcohol though we rate pretty highly, assisted by testosterone-fuelled young male visitors and Baby Boomers unable to say no to another glass of red at a restaurant or dinner party.

The number of liquor licences might help, too. We have a total of 101 – pretty impressive for a population of 30,000. Naturally the Shire's hotspot for licensed premises is Byron Bay.

Byron Bay is also the hotspot for alcohol-related assaults. Overall our alcohol-related assault rate per a 100,000 population basis works out at 1026, twice the NSW rate of 506. Of the 295 assaults recorded in 2007, 47 were domestic violence (DV) related (a lower rate than the NSW figure) and 248 non-DV, at a rate of 862 per 100,000 population way above the NSW rate of 323. Assaults on the weekend, which is when the Shire's unlovely night life comes to the fore, rate at 699 per 100,000 population, over twice the NSW rate of 311.

The other danger to life and limb is incidents of driving under the influence of alcohol, or DUI. For 2007, 479 incidents were recorded in Byron LGA, a rate of 1,665 per 100,000 population, compared to the NSW rate of 396. That is pretty tragic – some of it could be down to a better breath-testing regime than in other areas but it looks like too many drivers are too drunk to care.

I compared our figures with the Sydney LGA of Blacktown, which has similar levels of social disadvantage and 164 liquor licences for a much bigger population of 270,000 – in percentage terms we have .336% licences per person compared to Blacktown's .06%. Blacktown has an assault rate per 100,000 of 496, half of ours. Blacktown has a drink driving rate of 342, less than a fifth of ours. Admittedly Blacktown has a much better public transport system, but surely more of our drunken compadres could be persuaded to take a taxi or stay in town with friends.

The other sad statistic is high risk drinking behaviour – defined as more than 11 standard drinks per day for males and seven for females. For ages 16 and over Byron rates at 11% compared to the state average of 8.9%. Men rate at 15.4% compared to women's 6.5%. In the ages 12 to 17 Byron at 6% is closer to the NSW average of 5.5%; in this category the girls rate higher than the state average (5.1% to 3.8%), and the boys lower (6.9% to 7.2%).

Alcohol abuse is not our only problem. The use of Ice (crystal methamphetamine) among teenagers is a real worry. But if we're looking at ways to modify our behaviour as a community, the statistics say alcohol abuse is a good place to start.

– Michael McDonald, editor

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Widget Group calls for Rudd bailout

Dear Shareholders,

It is with a heavy heart that the board of directors of Widgets of Oz (WOO) Corporation announce a loss of \$2 billion for the first quarter of 2009 and give notice that the company may be forced into administration.

What's to blame? The world economic crisis, of course. The company has been struck by a financial tsunami, a hurricane of bad debts, a typhoon of lost orders and a volcano of overheads.

The directors utterly reject the so-called financial commentators who have sought to blame certain entrepreneurial aspects of our business model. We have agreed to hand in our passports and attend any investigation launched by the Australian Stock Exchange into our salaries and performance bonuses, the pre-crash sale of shares, our auditor's misguided forecast of multi-million-dollar profits and the arrest of our principal Wall Street investment adviser, Mr Bernie Madoff.

As responsible directors we have taken the only steps open to us – we have closed plants, sacked most of the work force and moved our manufacturing operations to Taiwan.

We would like to express our hearty thanks to the former Howard government which contributed more than \$100 million to our bottom line over the past five years. This money was spent carefully and in the most practical manner to advance the interests of all shareholders.

To attract directors of the highest calibre we increased remuneration to board members to \$250,000-a-year plus access to a corporate boxes at the SCG, the MCG and the races at Randwick and Moonee Valley.

We also expanded the board for the first time in a decade to include additional talent to facilitate our New Directions program – they include my

wife, Hyacinthe, who is a multi-millionaire in her own right from careful investment in the modelling industry, my daughter-in-law Le Knee and my long-standing personal assistant Ms Rosie Firefly, the former Miss Sunshine Coast, 1998.

WOO forecasts

Since Kevin Rudd's communist administration seized power in Canberra, the Corporation has been seeking ways to protect

State of Affairs

Shareholders will not receive a dividend this year due to overheads.

with Alex Mitchell



the interests of shareholders.

This has included transferring our registered headquarters from Runaway Bay on the Gold Coast to Lichtenstein, a European principality with hundreds of years experience in banking, investment and taxation opportunities.

Following the persecution of our accountant by the jackbooting commissars of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) he has been obliged to take up residence in one of Her Majesty's correctional facilities for ten years on trumped-up charges. In his place we have appointed a world renowned member of the Royal Society of Chartered Accountants and Notaries, Mr Hector de Ponzi, of the Guernsey Island firm of Swipe, Hide & Scarper.

When WOO first hit bad trading at the start of the 2008-09 financial year, WOO directors sought short-term financing from four of the world's most respected banks – Bear Stearns, Lehmann Brothers, Citibank and the Royal Bank of Scotland.

Regrettably, these arrange-

ments have become caught in the tsunami (see above) and the Corporation is now conducting all its banking and credit facilities through the Banco de Medellin Primo in The Bahamas.

Once again, shareholders will not receive a dividend this year due to extraordinary overheads which are necessary to keep the company ahead of its commercial rivals. Cost blow-outs occurred in spending on first class business travel around the

As long as our strongest ally, the United States, continues to fight for liberty and democracy, WOO Corp will stand shoulder-to-shoulder supplying what weapons are needed to exterminate all those who stand in the way of Western values and our Christian way of life.

Directors have warmly welcomed Mr Rudd's \$42 billion stimulus package and we have written to him offering our expertise and know-how. WOO stands ready to help fortify Australia with a fleet of submarines and to supply specially engineered robots to operate them in the absence of submariners. We have offered to build affordable housing in the Northern Territory and NSW regional communities using the company's large portfolio of secondhand containers which are ideal for remote communities.

Directors have said unequivocally that they are ready to work with the new communist regime in Canberra in a spirit of cooperation if it means access to the billions of dollars which have been allocated to put this country back on its feet.

WOO is proudly Australian. We are as Aussie as Singo, Richo, Warnie or Alan Jones. Well, maybe not Alan Jones. We have temporarily domiciled the company overseas to avoid costly and vexatious litigation from a handful of disgruntled employees complaining about the whereabouts of their contributions to superannuation and long service leave.

The company's lawyers have forbidden me to answer any questions about the Corp's assets, pension fund or political donations to the ALP, Liberal Party and Nationals.

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Byron Bay traffic ideas session is go

A couple of weeks back I wrote informing of an intended traffic congestion ideas session. This will take place on Thursday March 12 at 6.30pm upstairs at the Byron Cultural and Community Centre.

It will comprise a brief timeline of policies and developments over the last decade, and an overview of the various studies and plans currently being prepared and finalised, followed by each attendee briefly outlining their suggestion to ease traffic and movement throughout Byron.

Lastly, if time permits, some questions arising from the ideas will be recorded and discussed. If there are quite a few present, each participant will be restricted, strictly, to three minutes each, and a map will be projected to allow for

clearer understanding of a particular area being considered. It would be appreciated if any ideas could be emailed to me prior to the night so I can have them ready to display, rather than the scribe crazily taking down the particulars. Also, if you cannot attend, but have an idea burning within your chest, please feel free to email them to me to join the list.

I'd like to stress a few points. First, I am aware that these types of sessions have occurred many times before – both our Mayor and former Councillor Lazarus, among others, have conducted similar nights – and thus, I know the wheel will not be reinvented. Rather, I am conducting this event so that any new ideas can be aired and documented.

Secondly, I respectfully ac-

knowledge that many within the Shire have dedicated themselves to informing the debate, initiating and developing wider transport and traffic policies and I do not wish or intend to overleap these efforts – I am simply looking to catch any ideas that have fallen through the net.

Thirdly, I am simply an elected representative intending to listen to my electorate, as I am aware many feel outside the more formalised processes. If you have already submitted ideas and proposals to previous studies or Council initiatives, these are currently being considered. Thursday night is for individuals with ideas not previously aired to do so.

Lastly, experts and Council staff will not be present as I do not wish to distract them from

their current work in completing various transport and traffic plans. However, I will take the compiled list ideas first to the local traffic committee for comment and then to staff if required, after the soon to be completed Council policies and reports are done.

I will email to all attendees, and submit a letter to the editor, a report of gathered feedback on all ideas listed a few months down the track when finalised. As previously stated, my intent is to gather information and ideas, not to offer a whinge session. If you have information or an idea, it'd be great to see you there. Entry by gold coin donation to cover the cost of the space.

Simon Richardson
Cr.simon.richardson@byron.nsw.gov.au

Caution horses

The Mullumbimby Pony Club would like to thank all the considerate drivers who slow down and take care when passing horse riders, especially our young riders. It is much appreciated.

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C Saffin
Ocean Shores

Woolworths again

Deborah Lilly's letter of March 3 raises many questions about the understanding of the key issues in question in my view. If you want to see the 'people smile and talk to each other'

in the community you love why drive a divisive campaign even using children in some instances? Driving out of Mullumbimby and finding graffiti against Woolworths on every sign out of town clearly reflects that there is no real respect for the community we live in. That is what divisive campaigns can accomplish.

On the issue of integrity, I personally object to Mr Sartor having interfered in the approval of this DA but surely, with letters of support from over 1,700 community members (we could barely muster 70 against even spending big on advertising) who really are the people responsible for this development going through?

Woolworths have now bought a site correctly zoned for the supermarket they want to build. In hindsight, a lot more could have been done by your action group four years ago. There were plenty of other options for building another supermarket in town. They were just not as economically

lucrative as buying 'community' land and rezoning it. As a community we let this happen!

I would suggest to you now that it would be much more constructive to sit down and negotiate with Woolworths on all aspects of the building of this supermarket. From design to landscaping, hours for deliveries, even discussing a range of fresh local fruit and vegetables to be sold in a special section of their store should be canvassed. Given where we are today, gaining concessions from them on some of these issues would be a much more constructive outcome in my view.

Carlos A Gutierrez
Myocum

■ Wow, the Council is really thinking progressively. Food production on public land! I got an invite to say that on April 4 there will be a community planting meeting at the Council Chambers at 9.30am. I'm so excited to find out that Jerry Coleby-Williams from *Gardening Australia* will be

there at 11am. Jerry will be discussing his family's experiences during WWII when backyards and vacant blocks were 'commandeered' to reduce the pressure on public food supplies. Jerry will draw parallels to future scenario post peak oil and climate change and show ways we can respond.

They are also doing a seed swap in the afternoon. Now I know what to do with that bag of agapantha seed. What a brilliant idea.

It's just a crying shame that down the other end of Station Street we are being forced into accepting into our midst a dinosaur of architecture, commerce and sustainability. Woolworths – I won't shop there!

Magenta Appel-Pye
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■ 7.15 on a Sunday morning and I am dragged from sleep by the drone of a WWII flying boat circling my house in a desperate attempt to make an emergency landing in Wilsons Creek.

Looking out of the window to watch the doomed aircraft come down, I realise my mistake. The inordinate, offensive rattling comes from a tiny aircraft many hundreds of feet above the valley. The bloody parachuting plane again.

Quite right, Hans Lovejoy (*Echo*, March 3). I'm glad you enjoyed your jump. Several hundred of us appreciated it less.

You may find that the residents of Mullumbimby aren't as ecstatic about the experience as you appear to be in your advertorial. At least we know where *The Echo* stands on this one. It works like this – half a dozen

visitors have a bit of fun jumping out of an extremely annoying plane, someone makes a lot of money, all very Byron.

The rest of us can go jump...

Dave Kennerley
Mullumbimby

■ I like to respond to Hans Lovejoy's article 'Touchdown in the heart of town'.

Hans must have been on too much of something in his brain when he wrote this. It puzzles me that he would blatantly promote this unethical type of business. That article is full of spin and completely misleading.

It has to be understood that these are non-essential flights. Their sole purpose is to carry tourists into the air just so they can jump back down again and, of course, make money in the process.

Skydiving relies on noisy, polluting airplanes that have annoyed residents for years and years. For that expensive kick that Hans has described, hundreds of residents have to endure the noise, pollution and loss of privacy on the ground.

I live in Tyagarah and have pleaded with the pilots for 12 years to take a landing and takeoff route away from the growing residential areas. There are many options to reduce the impact on the neighbourhood. Sadly, nothing has changed.

The so called 'Fly Neighbourly Policy' that Steve is referring to has been completely ignored by the pilots. That 'harmonious relationship with the community' only exists in Steve's dreams.

The truth is the communities in Tyagarah, Myocum and the Shire at large are angry and fed up by the increasing air traffic, noise, air pollution and loss of privacy.

Steve knows that Council is presently attempting to mediate between an increasingly agitated community and the business interests of the sky diving companies.

The pilots do not care about the needs of the community. The more flights, the more money they make, at the expense of the community. They

are not able to regulate themselves.

Council needs to regulate the community owned airstrip and take the community's interest into account.

Alok W Eggenberger
Tyagarah

■ To Maynard and Norm (Letters, March 3) and any other noise complainants: get some earplugs, guys. Also good for noisy neighbors, lawnmowers, chainsaws, snoring, nagging, crying and whining etc, etc. Spare a thought for Ballina and Coolangatta whose airports service our community's air travel expectations. Tyagarah airstrip has been about a long time.

Sport and recreational aviation is a legitimate community activity, so live with it and smile.

Edward Gray
Mullumbimby

■ In response to various correspondents writing in about aircraft noise pollution I can verify that Norm Sanders is correct. The bulk of aircraft noise around the Ocean

Shores area is from two flight schools operating out of Gold Coast Airport, namely Air Gold Coast and Australian Air Wings Academy. Both these schools operate in areas south around Tyagarah and as far south as the northern outskirts of Byron Bay and inland as far as Durrumbul. Around Tyagarah you also get local traffic including the sky diving plane but that is not low flying. At Ocean Shores we cop a lot of low flying activity because it is a designated training area for emergency landings.

One point made by Norm suggesting an area be designated west of Murwillumbah has already been granted to Air Wings Academy.

CASA is currently looking at increasing the amount of area designated for training activity which would have the effect of spreading the load somewhat but the problem with this area is that given the limited air space due to the approaches for commercial aircraft into Gold Coast Airport and because of the mountains on one side and the sea on the other (they

can't train trainee pilots out to sea) there are very limited areas to rezone for training purposes.

Both schools, if you visit their websites, advertise overseas for trainee pilots, particularly from Asia, and the Gold Coast location is a big attraction.

The real issue and the only way of solving what will become a deteriorating situation is for CASA to limit the number of aircraft being used for training out of Gold Coast airport. We suggest moving to Casino and further inland where landforms and residential densities are more compatible.

CASA has the power to do that but without pressure from our politicians they will not be inclined to act. Unfortunately, this is not an issue that Ms Elliot seems to take seriously as her efforts on this matter to date could best be described as tokenistic.

Mac Nicolson
North Ocean Shores

■ A long letter from Skydive Byron Bay Pty Ltd on this topic has been published on our website. – Ed



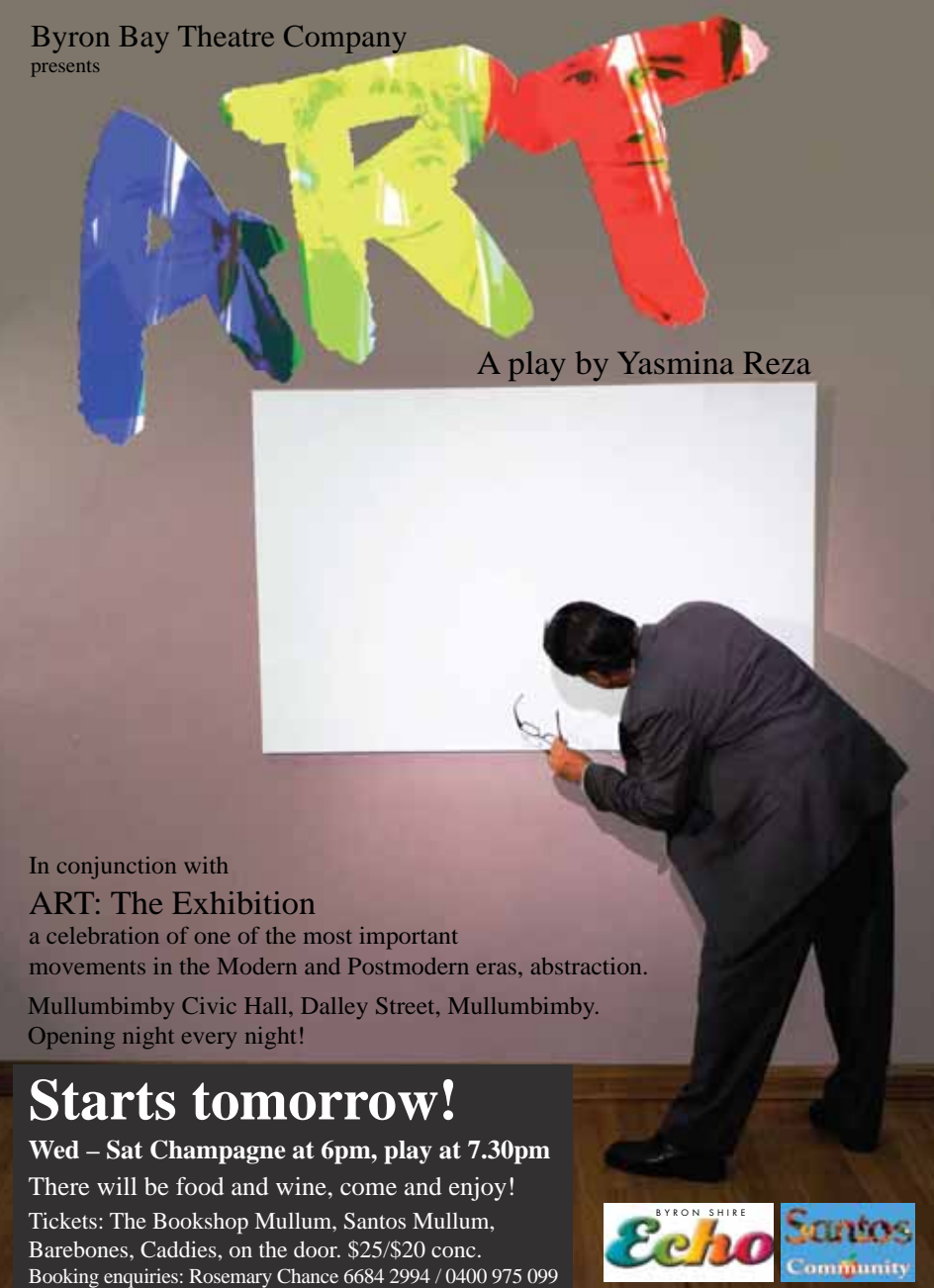
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ists and public commentators have evoked the 'tall poppy syndrome' as though it were meaningful in the Australian context. As usually expressed it is demeaning of the Australian spirit.

We Australians are not envious of people who succeed in any field. It offends our sensibilities when anyone who achieves some eminence acts without the probity and dignity that we expect of them whether they be footballers or High Court judges.

The 'tall poppy syndrome' as mostly expressed is another example of the 'infected meme' which, like a virus, has a deleterious effect on our ability to think and communicate effectively.

Two of the best examples of the 'infected meme' are the mostly misquoted 'the love of money is the root of all evil', and where 'ignorance is bliss 'tis folly to be wise.'

These abbreviated, clichéd misquotes turn the meaning on its head and lead to ignorance and confusion.

'Infected memes' deserve a book which should be de rigueur for all journalists.

Jim Nutter
Main Arm

Policing dogs

Although very much pro dog, I write to support (mostly) Denise Nessel's letter (March 3) re Byron Council's seeming disinterest in policing its dog policies. I have been a daily New Brighton beach dog walker for the last three years. A casual visitor to the beach

might gain the impression that the dog walkers are a careless lot, judging by the dog faeces that can be found on the entry path and on the beach. However, I can vouch for the fact that virtually all walkers (with one notable exception) conscientiously clean up after their dogs. Some also clean up other dogs' droppings plus various bits of human rubbish.

The culprits are certain beachside residents who are in the habit of letting their dog out 'for a run', unsupervised. Dog walkers would be all for the drastic penalties Denise lists if Council could find the human resources to apply them. (We would, however, strenuously oppose the application of the \$220 fine for not having the dog on its lead in the few metres between the car park and the beach. That is just a nasty piece of nitpicking which does not address any real problem.)

Perhaps the council could write to beachside residents with a warning and subsequently have a blitz on roaming dogs (perhaps Council's new media communications officer could find a role to play here).

I do agree with Denise that dogs are allowed to freely roam around the area. They seem to find the lawns of our strata plan property irresistible and we are sick of them.

Bryan Milner
Ocean Shores

OSCA and sports

Re Tina Petroff's letter (*Echo*, March 3). Let's put things in some context. Council knows the views of Ocean Shores Community Association

(OSCA) in relation to sportsfields in the North of the Shire from its submission (July 7 2008), when Ms Petroff was president. There it states that OSCA's position for integrated sports facilities for Ocean Shores was that 'Council should persuade NPWS to gift back Lot 107 Shara Boulevard', land the previous council sold. To those wanting to pursue this with NPWS, good luck.

If OSCA has changed its view since then and wants to propose a new location for Council to consider, Council would be interested in hearing. Anyone can throw stones at Council, but can anyone propose an appropriate and available site that 'is in the Ocean Shores catchment' for new sports facilities? We want to pursue solutions not revisit the deeds of a previous council. Until then we will pursue various options to ease the squeeze around existing facilities.

In relation to Dung Oval being back in consideration, it is incorrect, Ms Petroff, that Council did not consult. As stated, Council knows OSCA's position from its submission and it was silent on the matter of Dung Oval. However some sports groups in the north did propose Council reconsider Dung Oval. And so we are. Where that will lead is another matter.

In relation to other groups, whether OSCA represents all of Ocean Shores or not is unclear, let alone residents of South Golden Beach, New Brighton etc. What has become clear in recent days is that various OSCA executive members are

Council compliance duties – and a challenge to the Mayor

■ With regard to Mr. Anderson's (Fast Buck\$) correspondence in *The Echo* on March 3, we would like to clarify a few points:

1. Byron Shire Council has a responsibility to fairly and equitably treat all complaints concerning unauthorised developments. When a complaint is made, Byron Shire Council has a duty of care to assess the validity of the complaint. This may require issuing an Inspection Notice to ascertain the validity of the complaint. Often we can not make a fair and equitable assessment until a property has been inspected.

2. Inspection notices are a normal part of Council practice. In 2008 Byron Shire Council issued 284 Notices of Entry resulting from complaints. It is very rare that a person objects to having their property inspected as most people are willing to rectify any identified problems.

Inspections of unauthorised dwellings take into consideration the environmental impacts on the nature and built environment, and public safety considerations that may result in health or safety risks to the occupant.

3. The rezoning of land and development applications. Council has a process which is applicable to all development applications and rezoning proposals. Council will not be intimidated or influenced by any applicant or proponent. All assessment is based on Council's statutory obligations under the Local Government Act (1993) and the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act (1979).

4. Freedom of Information (FOI) regarding verbal complaints. Verbal complaints are entered directly into Council's computerised complaints register – they are not voice recorded. Externally submitted complaints (whether handwritten, typed or emailed) are scanned

and logged into Council's database. Therefore, requesting an FOI on a verbal complaint will result in an internal form being sent. All details identifying the complainant are removed from all documents.

Byron Shire Council has a duty of care to inspect properties in which there is a need to ascertain the validity of any complaint. If the complaint is found to be *not* placing people, property or environment at risk, and they have the appropriate development approvals, then no further action is required.

For those who choose to build unauthorised dwellings, and find they have a complaint made against them, remember that Council has an obligation to assess the situation and this may involve further action being taken.

Graeme Faulkner
General Manager
Byron Shire Council

■ Those who voted for Jan Barham, and in other ways benefit from her re-election, might be interested in the following letter which I have addressed to her in relation to compliance:

'Dear Jan, I acknowledge that the elected council's role is to set policy and that it has no formal or direct control over, or responsibility for, staff conduct or performance in the implementation of that policy. Nevertheless you may recall that when I was on council I consistently confronted individual staff members who were subverting the will of the elected representatives and that I did so very publicly. There is nothing to prevent an individual councillor from experiencing a personal view as to the conduct of staff; indeed sometimes this is the only avenue available in terms of applying pressure.

I will let you off the hook in terms of naming individual staff members who have un-

derperformed but I will not respect you if you do not respond publicly and fulsomely (ie in down-to-earth, non-bureaucratic language) to the following questions that go the core of what it means in practice (as opposed to appearances) to have a Green council:

• Are you satisfied that the compliance section is properly and impartially carrying out the council's policies in regard to unauthorised dwellings or are they in effect a law unto themselves?

• Are you satisfied that staff are observing the spirit and the letter of legislation in relation to FOI, in particular the incident referred to in my article in last week's *Echo* (which I imagine is not atypical) where the staff fudged their response?

• Was the "compliance priorities" document referred to last week drawn up with input from the elected council, and on what basis were the priorities determined? (Note that "priorities" implies an element of policy, thereby requiring councillor input as well as a responsibility to explain to the public.)

I note that in relation to the above you would be in a better position than me to illustrate your responses with particular examples, ie you by virtue of your position would receive more complaints than an individual member of the public would be aware of.

In insisting that you answer these questions publicly I am (very) aware that doing so would put you under a lot of stress in terms of the vibe in the Council building. Too bad; it goes with the territory. We didn't elect you to leave the staff culture intact, and it won't change by wishing, hoping and praying.

John Anderson
(Fast Buck\$)
Coorabell

■ Edited for legal reasons. –Ed

providing varying and at times highly colourful language to and about Council. It would clearly help us all if one consistent message from OSCA was presented with a view to moving forward, not back.

Cr Patrick Morrissey
Goonengerry

Waterways in peril

Re our local waterways: when our rivers and estuaries are being hit with large scale pollution and massive fish kills such as at Tallow Creek, and the 'no swimming' signs are up, then something is wrong. I'd like to see the decade of community work in the Belongil honoured by continuing with the rehabilitation process, and adding Tallow Creek, which is

so clearly in need of some informed management.

So what did we achieve in the ten years of community-Council work in the Belongil? Firstly there's been a lot of research done on how our local estuaries work as a basis for management. About a dozen major studies were commissioned by the committees and carried out on the Belongil catchment and estuary from 1997 onwards, with a lesser number in Tallow.

The first was the West Byron 'Fate of Effluent' Study, which after two years of monitoring found clearly that wastewater from the STP was not having a significant impact on the estuary, but any increases needed to be carefully managed. Over

the years, other work included the comparative study of processes in Tallow Creek and the Belongil, which led to the closure of the South Byron STP.

The Belongil Acid Sulfate Soils 'Hot Spot' Report, the West Byron STP Environmental Impact studies and many others identified problems such as stormwater, but all concluded the primary source of pollution in the Belongil is acid sulfate runoff in its many forms. The damage is caused by the drainage and clearing of wetlands, mostly in the western part of the catchment around Ewingsdale and Skinners Shoot. Although the main body responsible locally is the Belongil Drainage Union along

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■ Well, here I am doing something I thought I'd never do – entering the debate on holiday letting!

There are just three points I'd like to make:

1. Given our community's long-time inability to deal with this issue, only a compromise can now work. The present Council's proposal is probably the best we can do and should be supported.

2. The enforcement of this new regulatory regime will obviously be the key to its success, and our track record with compliance is not a happy one. So how about some self-regulation by the property owners involved: mandatory, *not* voluntary. Instead of the enforcement onus being passed on as an expense for us all (Council staff time, legal fees, police time, etc), why not require the

participating property owners to lodge a substantial bond with Council, to be forfeited if repeat complaints about their tenants are received. Once a bond has been forfeited, licence renewal would require an even larger bond. It's then up to them to protect their investment by protecting the interests of the community. The present arrangements are a classic example of privatising the profits while socialising the costs (of enforcement).

3. It's time we as a community faced up to the fact that our critical economic dependence on tourism is our Achilles heel. One doesn't need to be a seer to realise that the coming deep restructuring of the global economy driven by climate change, overconsumption, obscene income disparities, and the end of cheap oil will not produce

a good outcome for tourism. Take a look around the world right now if you're unclear about the trends. Now is the time to start thinking seriously about how we diversify and strengthen our local economy. It may already be too late.

Ken McLeod
Ocean Shores

■ In response to Garth Brien's defence of holiday letting in last week's *Echo* citing its alleged employment generating effects for Jeremy, Mel, Jo, Tim, Dave, Scott, Stuart, Chris and Mick, I would like to point out that since our lovely neighbour Libby moved interstate two years ago, my quiet living family is now closely surrounded by not one, but two holiday letting properties that are part of a contiguous strip of short term rental properties at the beach end of Helen Street South Golden Beach.

This noxious infestation is totally unregulated by the HLO, and is a regular source of noise and disturbance by Tom, Dick

and Harry and their nameless friends and families at holiday and festival times. Their presence is inexorably eroding the sense of community and the quiet, friendly neighbourhood atmosphere that drew us to set up residence in the area seven years ago.

Garth, I resent and lament the fact that we are left to raise our infant son in a sea of strangers with their alienating insensitive behaviour, because myopic people infected by the real estate virus rationalise their own self interest as the public good. A community is more than an economy.

Varij (Wayne Stuart)
South Golden Beach

■ Having read the at times hysterical comments on holiday letting, I would appreciate the opportunity to speak for the Byron Shire residents who rent their properties to holiday-makers for various short-term periods while they themselves are away. We are such a family, happily enjoying living in this

part of the world but appreciating a little extra income when we holiday elsewhere. I don't believe that this deserves the title 'greedy' bandied about by what I suspect is the usual vocal minority.

At those times such as Easter, Christmas and when events such as Splendour and the Writers Festival are held, an important service is provided for an obvious overflow that the proposed holiday letting areas will be unable to service.

It should also be noted that part-time holiday letters have no effect on available housing stock as the premises in question are occupied for the most part by local residents. In this particular local's opinion it is preferable from a security point of view to have the premises inhabited than empty.

Council speaks of a level of regulation and responsibility which when fully explained will be readily considered. They also seem to suggest that planning for bushfire protection would need greater measures

for holiday accommodation which I hope doesn't mean that locals are less important.

Look, we live right next door to a house that is available for holiday letting permanently and is often occupied by gatherings of young people who love nothing better than to sit outside at nights, have a drink, a laugh and make enough noise to keep us awake. A little word in their collective ears is always enough to let them have their fun inside and allow us to return to sleep.

I've been so impressed to date with their politeness as well as their willingness to cooperate. They're a lot more considerate than we used to be and it might be a little lesson to some of us to remember our own youth, to reflect back on our 'loud years' and to maybe live and let live. And for those few holidaymakers who refuse to cooperate? Get real, get the police and run 'em outta town in the middle of the night!

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with a section of NSW Agriculture, the policy failure can be shared widely.

The arguments for stopping this large scale pollution include reduction of floods and mosquitoes, besides addressing the sulfuric acid, deoxygenation and heavy metals. Many times I've seen floodwaters being pushed up the main drains into Byron Bay from the western acid zones.

The polluted drains and the pools that collect on the drained floodplains provide bad water ideal for mosquito breeding, particularly the salt marsh mosquito – the carrier of Ross River virus. These drained wetlands with so much potential for better water quality and fish are wasted on a few cattle. In Tallow Creek the problems are not as clear-cut, but the processes don't appear hugely different. There's a lot of existing knowledge, a good foundation of community-Council work to build on – why not continue it?

D Pont
Byron Bay

Afghanistan

Alex Mitchell, in his article 'Make peace not war in Afghanistan' (*Echo*, February 24) expressed the deluded belief that 'if the Afghani people are strong enough to achieve a victory over the occupying US, NATO and Australian forces I believe they will be strong enough to create a better life for themselves after the occupiers have been expelled.'

I do not believe that people who are really good at fighting will also be really good at making a happy, well-adjusted society. Do you? If Alex truly

believes this then he must also believe that the world would be better place if we got rid of politicians and allowed the military to run every country.

Wouldn't a nation of peacemakers, rather than a nation of relentless fighters have a better chance of building a happy and well-adjusted society?

And as for Alex's despairing question 'Doesn't anyone read history books any more?' it appears that if he does then he only chooses to remember the bits that support his predetermined beliefs.

If, instead of referring to Afghanistan's distant history, Alex were to read about what Afghanistan's society was like immediately prior to the US invasion, he would get a pretty good idea of what their society would revert to if the western forces left.

Does Alex consider that life under the Taliban was so much better than Afghans are now experiencing? Is that brutal and repressive Taliban society the proof that Alex offers us that the Afghans will 'create a better life for themselves after the occupiers have been expelled'?

It amazes me how some people can completely ignore glaring contradictions in their belief systems!

I believe that we will build a better life for ourselves when we are brave enough to let go of the contradictory beliefs we've been holding on to.

Lau Guerreiro
Mullumbimby

Extreme events

There are lots of examples of extreme weather events these days: there is a furious intensifying exchange of energy between the cold and the

increasingly hot parts of our planet. Crops are already being destroyed and people are already dislocated and dying from climate catastrophes.

Many people are alarmed, but this is only early days. Top climate scientists are predicting global catastrophic collapse of water and food supplies as soils and forests dry out over the next few decades. It is expected that only those of us living close to the polar regions will avoid desperate consequences.

Almost everyone I talk to seems resigned to a very bleak and hopeless future. Certainly as individuals we have little impact. There are many individuals who are making significant sacrifices to reduce their carbon footprint with tree planting, organic food, solar heating and electricity, and a few using renewable energy transportation.

But the greenhouse gases are still accelerating because many people value short-term productivity and wealth more than long-term survival. These fossil fools are a reflection of the evolutionary fact that a portion of the human population have little altruism or trust in society. They do have a role in human survival, but this is not their time.

Humanity has now reached a crisis where, for planetary survival, the antisocial, pro-competitive, people and instincts are no longer enough. Individualistic action is becoming less beneficial and more detrimental.

Even well directed individualistic action is now futile in the face of the looming megacatastrophe. Environmental socialistic action is rapidly

becoming extremely relevant. Survival of billions of us and other species now depends on our inherent capacity for socialistic action.

Change takes human effort. Momentous change requires enormous effort. Such effort and adaptability has always been the province of the young. Old-wisdom is not going to get us out of this mess. The old and wise are prevaricating in the hurricane, unable to conceive of a world without fire. If there was ever a time that called for civil disobedience it is *now*.

The time for evolution has passed. *Right now* we need a revolution guided by fresh adaptable young minds. We need young revolutionaries with the courage and care to switch off the coal fired power plants, stop the coal shipments, and intensify the focus of society on building the windmills and solar panels and solar kilns, converting the cars, planting the trees, and growing the food.

Our choice is simple: accepting a future of vast lifeless deserts and massive dislocation and starvation; or saying 'NO!' No to fossil fuels; and saying 'YES!' Yes to renewable energy. If you think that is costly, try buying a planet. There is nothing more valuable than a healthy planet, and time is running very short.

Sapoty Brook
Mullumbimby

■ Letters received from David D Kolb, Brunswick Heads, Stuart Hardy, Eureka, Warwick Johnston, Byron Bay, Hayo van der Woude, Ocean Shores, Andrew Hall, New Brighton, David Sumpter, Mullumbimby, Peggy Balfour, Mullumbimby.

Home and artworks lost in blaze

Friends and supporters of long time north coast residents Anthea da Silva and Raina Savage, who lost their home in the recent Kinglake fires, are calling on Shire residents with an unusual request for help.

‘Anthea is an accomplished artist and one of the founders of PAN, the Northern Rivers professional artists network,’ says longtime friend Roe Ritchie. ‘She completed a Bachelor of Fine Arts at Southern Cross University and exhibited in many galleries across the north coast.

‘It’s hard to begin rebuilding without a record of the past, so we are putting out a call to anyone who has photos of Anthea and Raina. We are also calling on people who have Anthea’s artworks to make them available for photographing and documentation.’

The couple were familiar faces around the Northern Rivers between 1989 and 2002. Anthea was a founder of the Women’s Housing Co-op, creating affordable housing for women and children in Federal, Clunes and Myocum. Many also know Anthea from her years as a paediatric occupational therapist with North-



Raina Savage and Anthea da Silva.

ern Rivers Area Health Service based in the Byron and Mullumbimby Community Health Centres.

Raina Savage worked as a family and youth counsellor at the Rural and Town Youth Service before studying Law at Southern Cross University. Her years of diligent study paid off and she was awarded the University Medal.

‘As a couple Anthea and Raina were always the first ones to help out friends in need, and the last ones dancing at every get together,’ says Roe. ‘They created the most gorgeous and outrageous outfits for parties and were always up for an adventure.’

After a decade in the Shire they were ready for a change and headed to Western Aus-

tralia where Raina worked with the Yamatji Land and Sea Council, representing Aboriginal native title claim groups. Anthea worked in the Geraldton Regional Gallery, taught art at Edith Cowan University and TAFE and immersed herself in the emerging arts community. After several years, Raina’s work took them to Melbourne and their idyllic bush home at Kinglake.

Anthea and Raina were on holidays when the fires hit. Raina’s parents were house-sitting and luckily escaped unharmed with the couple’s beloved cats. Everything else was destroyed in the blaze, including Anthea’s studio and artworks. She was only a few months away from exhibiting new works.

People who have photographs or artwork can get in touch with Gina Baker on 6684 3239 or send them to 6 Stuart Street, Mullumbimby NSW 2482. For those who would like to make a cash donation to help Anthea and Raina rebuild their lives, their account is Raina Savage & Anthea da Silva, Members Equity Bank, Collins Street Branch BSB 944 300, account number 011 67 28 70.

Opportunity with NORPA residencies

In 2009 performing arts body NORPA will offer two Generator Residencies, each of up to two weeks duration in Lis-

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Applications will be assessed by a panel of five including two NORPA staff (including Artistic Director Julian Louis) and three arts professionals from the region.

Contact details are online at www.norpa.org.au. Follow the link from ‘More About NORPA.’

Places for artists offered in new journal

Submissions are currently open to Northern Rivers artists for the 2010 *Byron Bay Art Diary*, but the usual benefits of being published in the *Byron Bay Art Diary* have just been doubled in an announcement by the diary’s creators:

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Left: Val Toulemonde and Lana Nancarrow at the launch of the 2009 Byron Bay Art Diary.

The Laughing Buddha

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A tribute to Geraldine Bigelow, artist, writer, filmmaker

Gordon Fraser-Quick

How can words convey something meaningful about Geraldine Bigelow? How many words would we need and are the 171,476 words in current use in the English language enough words to do justice to Geraldine?

The Oxford dictionary wisely suggests it is impossible to count the number of words actually in a language, because it is at times so hard to decide what counts as a word. So too is it impossible to count the number of ways in which Geraldine Bigelow was and will forever remain a special person or define adequately who she was, or what she represented.

This brief tribute can only touch on the life of Geraldine Elizabeth Bigelow, lover, fighter, painter, writer, gardener, poet, debater, film maker, and sculptor. Words too simple and too few, yet with hope these few words attempt to describe some of what she did and who she was.

With a hugely generous spirit, love is what she offered in unbounded gestures and live is what she did with unbridled enthusiasm and vitality. Geraldine

was the best precious loyal friend and colleague to many.

She was informed, articulate and opinionated. With a sharp wit she could crack a wry smile from even the most prudish. With her acute intellect she could dissect even the most complex concepts and debate the very base on which they are framed.

Whilst on the outer at times taking the facade of a harsh woman with guilt-edged pragmatism, inside she was always delicate, demure and in some small way nervously shy about the world around her and her role in it. Geraldine would never compromise her truth in order to please someone or to gain something for herself.

Known and well recognised locally and internationally as a vivacious, gregarious, outgoing, creative and vibrant socialite, she remained always a genuinely shy and deeply personal woman. She believed that it is the heart not the mind that guides our souls in the right direction and she lived her life accordingly.

As the darling daughter of Brian she was love of her father's life and a playmate and companion for her brother



Geraldine Bigelow's Sufi Bird 2006 – roadkill, wood, 50 x 50cm, from her exhibition 'Where are we all going in such a hurry?' at the Lismore art gallery. Photo Ian Slade.

Michael. Geraldine nursed her Irish mother Joan through her own battle with cancer which sadly ended in 2003.

As life partner for Matthew she shared a delightfully pacific yet at other times curiously cacophonous relationship that was able to span across the great expanse of all that any deep and caring relationship can bring forth.

Born in Canberra on November 5, 1967, and moving to Tregeagle at the age of five she demonstrated high level

artistic talents from a very young age. By the time she was in high school she had a surprising vocabulary and gift for writing which was fostered by her schooling locally at St Carthage's and Trinity College and then through her Bachelor of Arts at Macquarie University where she majored in film.

Her sense of place and the special role of community saw her develop, nurture and maintain a massive international network of passionate, caring and active friends and ac-

quaintances. As a champion of animals and earth warrior she was a great carer of Starsky the Goat and buddy of Buddy the waggy tail palliative puppy.

She travelled extensively throughout Europe and for some considerable time lived in Wales and in County Cork, Ireland, a country for which she held a special affinity as the birthplace of her mother.

Through her art and much of the balance of her very diverse and at times hectic life she created not just beauty in this life but gave beauty to the after life too.

In her most recent exhibition title 'Where are we all going in such a hurry?', mounted at the Lismore Regional Gallery alongside the Archibald Prize Exhibition, she not only created a mantle for wasted life from the roadkill animals and driftwood used in her sculptures, but set the stage for a new life by noting and displaying so poignantly that even within and beyond death there is beauty.

Not just a three dimensional artist Geraldine dabbled in the unconventional and digital domain as well. Through her Video Diabolico enterprise she created and circulated images

and film where in her words 'In a world hellbent on its own destruction we are building a temple of respite where we create digital art in our own field of image. A bit like God would have done had he been creative enough to own his own camera.'

Geraldine in an almost epitaphic text to describe her final exhibition wrote: 'It was not darkness that accompanied me on the crooked roads – but Light. A quest. To take the broken forms of our wasting ways and pay them some respect. To pray for their lonely animal deaths, dismembering, reanimating... More in the name of God than Art:Life. There is no death.'

■ Based on input from her surviving family and more than 40 of her closest friends who helped to decorate her casket/carriage to the stars with art, poetry and written tributes. Her wake was an amusingly loud and joyous event as Geraldine would have wished. The gathered throng bade her a repeated hugely loud, heart filled and heartfelt 'Slan go foill!', a traditional Gaelic farewell meaning 'Bye for now'.

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Whats happening at the Byron Underwater Festival

This year's festival is bigger than ever before with a whole week full of activities in and around the water.

One of the new things this year is that underwater photographers can submit digital entries to Marine Visions III, the Underwater Festival open medium Art competition and exhibition. This is especially useful for those entrants far away and for those who cannot physically attend the event in Byron Bay. For digital entries, the entry fee includes getting your photo printed on either 600 x 400 mm stretched canvas, or onto archival photo paper and box framed.

Marine Visions III will be launched on Friday, May 1 at Byron Bay's most prestigious gallery, Retrospect, and like in previous years we will have the wonderful wines of MadFish help to appreciate the more abstract art...

Here is a wrap-up of the main events of this year's festival. make sure you visit the festival website often to stay up-to-date with news and additions to the program.

Monday & Tuesday April 27 & 29

These pre-shoot-out days are to help people prepare for what lies ahead. Neville Coleman is offering a full Underwater Naturalist Course to teach you to identify those critters underwater

and to spot unusual creatures that might have you walk away with the big prize in the photo competition (this can be a PADI specialty if you are into collecting cards).

Mathieu Meur, photographer extraordinaire and author of several book on underwater photography will host 2 days of pre-shootout Photo Clinics, one day for beginners and one day for advanced photographers. The skills you will learn during these clinics can become very handy during the competition and Mathieu will give tips on how to select your most suitable photos to win an underwater photo competition.

Wednesday April 29

Shootout competition starts and the day ends with a night dive at Julian Rocks where you can trial the amazing new LED lights from AUNOC at no charge. Following the night dive is the traditional PLANULA Welcome BBQ for shoot-out participants and this year we won't just have the wonderful MadFish wines but also the support of Byron Bay Premium Brewery. Make sure you don't go overboard as there are many days of diving ahead!

Thursday April 30

Second day of the shootout with another night dive opportunity at the end of the day. In the evening there will be presentations by our very special guests, Neville Coleman, Mathieu Meur and David Harasti.

Friday May 1

Third day of the shootout. The evening will see a pre-Marine Visions III launch dinner and sneak preview of the Marine Visions III Exhibition which will be launched to the public at



7pm. This event has seen over 300 people attend last year and promises to be a great night again this. Of course there will be entertainment, speakers, prizes and MadFish wines!

Saturday May 2

Fourth and final day of the shootout and at the end of the day all photo and video submissions are due to be handed over to the judges who will include John Thet (Publisher

of ScubaDiver Australasia), Neville Coleman (needs no introduction), Mathieu Meur (UW Photo legend from Singapore) and Dave Harasti (Marine Scientist and well known underwater photographer from Australia's Central Coast).

More presentations in the afternoon where you can learn about marine life, photography and diving.

The evening will celebrate the end of the shootout at the Underwater Party at the famous Buddha Bar in Byron Bay, home of the Byron Bay Premium Brewery. The Underwater Party will have some great entertainment, loads of

prizes and best of all, it will be totally free (FREE Beer will be limited to UF09 shootout participants of course). So think of your best underwater outfit... as there will be prizes for the best (and worst) dressed.

Sunday May 3

The judges go to work to decide who wins what and there are nearly \$30,000 in prizes.

Activities offered throughout the day include a guided seabird walk and like every day of the festival you can go kayaking with the dolphins in the bay, snorkel the wreck of the Tassie II which lies in 5-8 metres of water just off the main beach in Byron Bay or fit in another dive at Julian Rocks.

After a sleep-in from the Underwater Party the night before we gather all photographers at the Byron Bay lighthouse for a group photo session

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Nursing a Grey Shark



and posing in Underwater Festival T-Shirts... as we watch Neville consume copious amounts of Byron Bay ice cream.

The evening will see the Underwater Festival Finale with film screenings and the presentation of the winning images and films of the shoot-out as well as the all important handover of prizes.

Monday May 4

Festival organisers wake up and wonder what to do all day... ah well, we might as well start organising the 2010 Festival...

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It came as a shock when in July 2008 divers reported a grey nurse shark swimming around at Julian Rocks - with a gaff sticking out of its mouth. Cape Byron Marine Park, NSW Department of Primary Industries - Fisheries and Sea World rapidly formulated a plan to locate, capture and if possible treat the afflicted animal. All agreed that this was a tall and probably undeliverable order, however given that the shark was a female, part of the critically endangered East coast population, and almost certain to die a slow and painful death without intervention, it was decided to give it a go.

Initial doubt of success dissipated when, as luck would have it, the rescue crew located the shark in 'The Nursery'. A relatively shallow and sheltered area at Julian Rocks, it is not known for commonly holding grey nurse sharks but was ideal to mount the complex rescue attempt.

The capture method was surprisingly simple and effective, however experienced personnel are required due to the risks involved, which are primarily from entanglement rather than aggression on the shark's behalf. The lead diver got as close as possible and slipped a hoop over the exhausted shark's head and tightened it over the shark's body just forward of the pectoral fins. Divers steadily and carefully manoeuvred the shark into a specially fabricated perspex container. However, at 2.9 metres long her tail protruded a little.

Once secured for transport, the gradual ascent and decompression of both shark and divers followed. At the surface the shark, contained in its perspex tube, was gently lifted onto the deck of Sea World 1 where a suitably sized holding tank, complete with continuous 100% oxygen supply was filled and ready.

The grey nurse shark will enter a state of near torpor for short periods if gently rolled onto its back and quietly restrained. This is termed 'tonic immobility'. In this quiet state the shark's



Photo - wikipedia.org

lower jaw was gently opened. The gaff was firmly embedded in the shark's 'pharyngeal' area and had been there long enough for the flesh to begin to adhere to the steel of the hook. The gaff was carefully manoeuvred and it was clear from the shark's occasional flinches that this caused at least some discomfort. Fisheries researchers monitored the shark's respirations to ensure that it was not overly distressed.

Exclamations of surprise, relief and happiness resounded on deck as the gaff was finally removed and the shark free from her torment. After a brief pause the shark was rolled upright and a dose of antibiotics administered by injection. The Fisheries researchers then quickly took a DNA sample and attached a satellite tracking tag.

The time had finally come to release the grey nurse shark back to where she belongs. A small group of divers was tasked to observe for any sign of distress following release. Initially she swam quietly away from the group of attendant scuba divers and once clear headed rapidly to the surface for a gulp of air. This is quite a normal action for grey nurse and the swallowed air assists with buoyancy control. She then made her way purposefully toward the quiet of the depths.

The obvious question remains - how did a gaff come to be down the throat of a grey nurse shark? I doubt that we'll ever know for certain. This incident, unusual as it was, highlights how we all need to take care. Even small things, which may seem minor at the time, can lead to significant impacts on our big wet world.

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Council presents free workshop on birds in backyards

Byron Shire Council is hosting a 'Birds in Backyards' workshop in conjunction with the Australian Museum and Birds Australia on March 16.

The workshop has been developed to provide practical advice on developing habitats for native birds and to better understand the importance of birds as environmental indicators.

Byron Shire Council's natural resources team leader, Scott Hetherington, said the 'Birds in Backyards' (BIBY) program was developed as a partnership between the Australian Museum and Birds Australia to help stop the decline of small birds in urban areas and to of-

fer practical advice on providing native bird habitats in urban environments.

In 2008, BIBY program won the Australian Museum Eureka prize for Environmentally Sustainable Education and is now being run throughout regional NSW.

The workshops will feature the Guidelines for Enhancing Urban Bird Habitat and aims to educate participants with the skills, knowledge and tools to establish a bird-friendly urban environment.

The guidelines include seven handouts each specifically designed for differing stakeholders: councils, developers and the housing industry, open

space managers, bushland managers, landscape architects, street planners, schools and domestic gardeners.

The free workshop will be held in Byron Shire Council's conference room, Station Street Mullumbimby, on Monday March 16, 5.30pm to 8.30pm.

Bookings can be made with Lizzie Rose on 0414 940 284 or by emailing lizzierose22@bigpond.com.

The free guidelines and handouts are also available online at www.birdsinbackyards.net/spaces/guidelines.cfm.

Byron Shire Council also has a biodiversity extension service to assist landholders to restore native vegetation and improve wildlife habitats across the Shire. As part of this service a list of birds recorded in Byron Shire has been developed and is available to download from Council's biodiversity web pages at www.byron.nsw.gov.au/biodiversity/extension-service/.

'Using a list like this can help you come to know the birds that live in your backyard,' explained Council's biodiversity extension officer, Wendy Neilan.



The Superb Fairy Wren is one of the frequent visitors to backyards. Source: http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Superb_fairy_wrens_mark_2.jpg.

'People can pin the list on a prominent place like their fridge and over time tick off the birds they see around their homes and properties.

'Some birds will be familiar friends all year round like Fig-birds and Fairy Wrens, whereas others will come and go with the seasons like Dollarbirds

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It's pre-dawn in a lush, semi-tropical back garden in a main street in Mullumbimby. Roy Stokes is baiting his Indian Myna bird trapping cage with their favourite food, (Lucky Dog Minis, minced beef, veg. and pasta flavour). It is a beautiful, warm, summer morning and Roy, a very fit man in his seventies, will go for a power walk after he has set the trap. He loves breezing around his pretty home town before the rest of the world wakes up.

When he finishes his walk he will come in the front gate and make sure the birds don't see him. They will be there though.

There are many flocks of invasive Indian Mynas in northern NSW and Roy is one of the people who care enough about native wild life to do something about culling them.

These aggressive, smart Mynas, nicknamed the flying cane toads, were introduced into Melbourne's market gardens in the 1860s to keep down insects, then taken to Cairns and other places in far north Queensland to control insects in cane fields. They failed to



Roy Stokes with his Indian Myna trap. Photo Lou Beaumont.

do that, are now universally recognised as a serious threat to worldwide biodiversity, and were voted Pest of Australia in an ABC WildWatch Australia survey.

They are not the native Noisy Miner, a honeyeater, which has a grey and white body and is a protected species. Both species have yellow beaks, but the Indian Myna has a chocolate brown body.

Mynas prefer living in suburbs, parks and rural landscapes where native vegetation has been cleared, and are now often the predominant bird in urban areas all along the east coast, from Cairns to Melbourne. The Mynas are unobtrusive while nesting through spring and summer, evicting small animals such as sugar gliders, rosellas, lorikeets, parrots and many threatened Aus-

tralian species from their tree hollows, killing their eggs and young.

Now the Myna chicks (each female can raise 18 babies each season, so two Indian Mynas easily turn into 20) are grown, the Indian Myna colonies are coming back together in flocks of 70 to 90 birds, and roosting in large trees overnight. One of the many large flocks in the Byron and Tweed shires spends its nights in a leopard tree near Roy Stokes' place.

Having read our previous articles about the invasion of In-

dian Mynas, Roy decided to do something about them. Tweed and Byron Council's Indian Myna Project Officer, Pamela Gray, gave him a specially designed cage, and Roy has been trapping Indian Mynas since January 16.

He has caught 31 in two months, at least one every day, sometimes as many as five in a day and is proud to show *The Echo* his Trapping Success Record Sheet. Roy's meticulous reportage shows that the Mynas enter the cage after being attracted by the lure of a sprinkle of dog food just outside the two entrances to the cage, and the sight of a lot more food inside. Roy puts the dog food on white plastic plates, and the smart birds now recognise white plates as a food source.

'A few native birds such as magpies were attracted at first, but the Indian Mynas soon took over,' said Roy. 'I've never caught a native bird in the trap.'

The captured Mynas are taken to the Mullumbimby vet, who euthanases them painlessly.

'Byron and Mullum vets have been so helpful in agreeing to euthanase Indian Mynas,' said Pamela Gray. 'We also have trained shooters who can come to rural properties to help eradicate the Mynas, so please contact us at Council if you

have any sightings. We really would like more public spirited people like Roy to take a cage, provide food and monitoring, catch the birds, and contact us if you don't have access to a helpful vet.'

In Canberra, community groups have cooperated so well they have eradicated hundreds of Indian Mynas over the past few years.

Isn't it strange that the much complimented spiritually aware communities in Byron and the northern rivers area generally are not pulling together to control these threats to our native wild life as wholeheartedly as those who dwell in the ACT?

Roy Stokes has brought up his family in Mullumbimby, and although retired, is a busy man. When he is not gardening, growing vegetables, fixing a car or two, maintaining the house and playing with grandchildren, he is attending to the Indian Mynas, a daily chore. Why?

'I love our local wild life. When I realised that I could do something about helping our native birds and animals I didn't hesitate.'

If you spot any Indian Mynas, don't hesitate to ring Pamela Gray at Tweed Council on 02 6670 2778, email indianmynatweed.nsw.gov.au or Byron Council 6626 7000.

Oil palm threat to biodiversity

Scientists have argued that industry sponsored disinformation campaigns are hindering efforts to slow the rapid expansion of Oil Palm plantations in Indonesia and Malaysia. In their recent article published in *Trends in Ecology & Evolution*, Dr Lian Pin Koh and David S Wilcove are likening the campaign by the palm oil industry to the one energy companies waged against efforts to curb climate change.

According to Koh and Wilcove, the efforts by conservationists to curtail deforestation due to oil palm could have been undermined by 'the aggressive public relations campaigns undertaken by the oil palm industry to promote public acceptance of palm oil and to dismiss the concerns of conservation biologists and environmentalists'.

One of the arguments put forward by proponents of the palm oil industry is that scientists should compare the biodiversity of oil palm plantations to other industrial monocultures, not the rainforests they replace. They claim that 'biodiversity that exists in the oil palm plantations is a bonus for all to benefit'.

However, a recent comprehensive review of the impacts of growing palm oil production conducted by Emily Fitzherbert from the Zoological Society of London and University of East Anglia refutes this claim. The review asserts that



'degraded forest, and even alternative crops such as rubber and cocoa, supported higher numbers of species than oil palm plantations'.

Fitzherbert's research found that conversion of primary rainforest to an oil palm plantation results in a loss of more than 80 percent of species.

The palm oil industry also claim that since 1990 oil palm expansion has not threatened biodiversity because land used for oil palm cultivation has been mainly converted from former rubber, cocoa and coconut cultivation, and not rainforest land. However, data compiled by the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation suggests that during the period 1990-2005, 55%-59% of oil palm expansion in Malaysia, and at least 56% of that in Indonesia occurred at the expense of forests.

Oil palm is now one of the most rapidly expanding crops in the world. Between 1961 and 2006, oil palm cultiva-

tion increased globally from less than nine million acres to more than 32 million acres. Palm oil is forecast to be the world's most produced and internationally traded edible oil by 2012. Malaysia and Indonesia account for 83 percent of production and 89 percent of global exports.

Koh and Wilcove maintain that to safeguard tropical biodiversity a prohibition on the conversion of primary or secondary forests to oil palm is urgently needed. They contend that 'until that happens, oil palm might well be the single most immediate threat to the greatest number of species'.

■ To help stop illegal clearing of rainforests in Indonesia, visit www.rainforestrescue.org.au and make a donation to Rainforest Rescue's "Indonesia Orangutan Habitat for Survival Project". To help Rainforest Rescue protect rainforests forever, visit www.rainforestrescue.org.au or phone 1300 763 611.

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GIVE AWAY

We have a double pass to see The Village Idiot Final at The Big Joke Festival on Sunday 29 March. Email mandypow@echo.net.au with subject header 'I'm an Idiot Lover'

This year's Bluesfest features a very special Thursday evening event: a presentation of *Morning Of The Earth*, the film, accompanied by live music by original shapeshifters and culture shaper, Brian Cadd, with homage to the legacy of this seminal piece of film making with contemporary musicians Lior, Old Man River and Mike Rudd. The film and the soundtrack is as ageless as Brian Cadd, the enigmatic and charming keystone of the project, produced by his partner, a powerhouse in her own right. Amanda Pelman is a theatrical and special events producer who can sniff out a good show, she's the woman behind the *Priscilla* stage show.

But before we move on to this remarkable show, let's pause for a minute to reflect on the wild and exciting life of Brian Cadd, a man who describes himself as being 'in the right place at the right time' ...all of the time. If I was a wanna be muso, I'd just hang out with Brian, he's luckier than a rabbit's foot!

At the end of the 60s Brian moved to London. 'We were at the Easybeat's Earl Court apartment this one night, in various states of combustion,

and there was a knock at the door and Cream's road manager was standing there with a reel to reel of the yet to be released music from *Big Pink*, the band was called The Band. He played the album. And we sat there playing it over and over until 1pm the next day. It was an absolute epiphany. I learnt the power of telling real stories in songs. Up to then, pop songs had been more like nursery rhymes.'

Brian moved to the States in 1974 and lived there for the next two decades.

Arriving in LA in the early 70s opened a whole new door for Brian. It was probably one of the most musically fertile places on the planet.

'We would hang out with people like Jackson Browne, Lynda Ronstadt and The Eagles. All of those people were accessible then. You could walk into a studio at Sunset Sound and walk in on someone recording. You just

don't do that kind of thing anymore.'

Brian developed a sixth sense for riding the wave. Like a seasoned surfer he intuitively climbed on board in those fragile moments before something major happened, but just at the right time to enjoy a wild ride. He moved to Nashville at the end of the 80s just before it became the nucleus of country music.

'It also happened when I arrived in London and lived in the Kings Road. Not long after I arrived we all

walked up and down and they had just opened the Chelsea Drug Store. The Stones had released *Can't Always get what you Want* and in the song they sing 'I went down to the Chelsea Drug Store to see what I could find' - I walked in to the drugstore and I'm not kidding, Mick Jagger walked out - the album was even playing.'

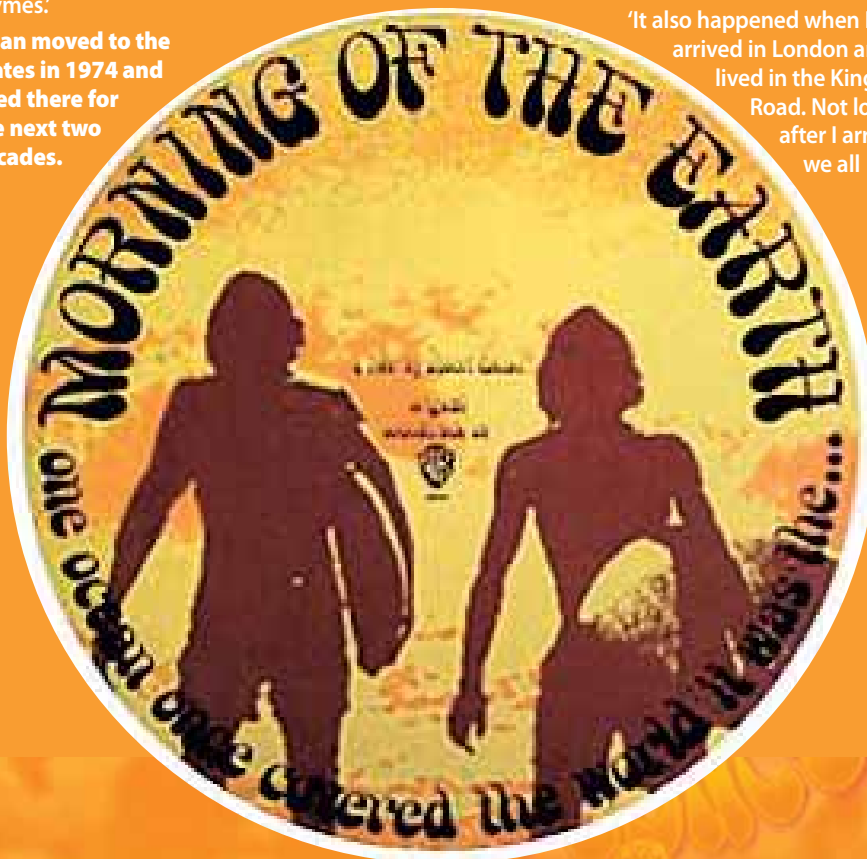
So what inspired Brian to instigate the return of *Morning of The Earth*?

Amanda, his producer partner is quick to answer. 'I always wanted him to do more of it in his set. At one gig in Melbourne, one punter said, I don't care what you do just do *Morning of the Earth*. People really went for it.'

At their shows at The State Theatre in Sydney, the audience reached fever pitch.

Expect the same at Bluesfest when a recut version (now including some contemporary footage by David Rastovich) of Albe Falzon's film is screened as part of a theatrical performance of *Morning of The Earth*, featuring original and new performers in a spectacular two and a half hour show.

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A MESSAGE FOR GOD

Have you ever wanted to contact God, but just couldn't get through? Have your prayers gone unanswered? Well, God has finally got with the program and updated his mode of contact – because let's face it, in the wake of technological advance, praying is a bit old hat and with God's poor history of actual engagement, public pleading with his holiness can lead passersby to suspect one has some mental health issues. Well, all that could be a thing of the past! Thanks to a Dutch artist, those pleading with God can now leave messages on his answering machine. I am not sure whether God is with Telstra, Optus or some other random provider, but it heartens me to know that God will also be targeted by cold calls from India at dinner time. 'Hello Mr God. How would you like a holiday?' What worries me is that God, being the busy dude he is, just won't have the time to deal with his voicemail. I can imagine the messages left for God 'Please God, help the starving children', 'God, this is Barack, just wondering if you've got a bit of time, if you don't mind slipping by and stimulating the economy' and the usual one from Warney 'S'pose asking for a root's outta the question? Oh yeah, mate, that's between you and me. Don't tell Simone', and from Simone, 'Please God, make Shane's dick drop off', then there's the late night SMS from Shane, 'Help, God, My nob's gone.' The God message has been formulated by a Dutch artist and goes something like this: 'Hi, you are speaking to God. I'm not in right now so leave a message after the beep. I am worried that God isn't in.

Being brought up Catholic, I was led to believe that the Lord was omnipresent. If he's not in, then the atheists may in fact be right. If he doesn't exist it's a bit insensitive to ask people to leave a message. In fact some may even say it's spiritually sadistic. A loving honest God would go for a more direct approach like 'Hi, this is God. I don't exist. Please assume full responsibility for your actions immediately and cease calling this number.' A truly modern God would get a website with a pulldown menu featuring all the usuals like 'bio' 'pics' and 'press'. I'd love to read God's bio: 'In his early days God was an architect, and is perhaps best known for some of his more impressive work like creating heaven and earth... oh, and light.' Hobbies would read 'smiting, turning water into wine and breeding locusts.' God might even consider putting a few clips on YouTube, that Indonesia tsunami was mighty impressive, not even Spielberg could have pulled that off. The other day I noticed God had a Facebook profile so I sent a friend request. A week later: nothing. So much for loving everybody. So I left an abusive message on his answer phone: 'Listen God, this relationship isn't working. It's all you you you. You have serious intimacy issues, and I suggest you do a Pathways program to work on that weird stuff you have about your father and son issues. Truth is, God, I think you are a lonely man, and this whole Greenhouse, Iraq, bushfire thing is just a cry for help.' Still nothing. It doesn't do much for your self-esteem when you know God is screening your calls.

This hip hop, jazz and Latin fusion of what could be truly called 'world music' have taken the world by the short and curls with their infectious arresting festival performances throughout Europe and America. The band is touring promoting the release of their latest album: Live on Earth.

I had a quick chat with Felix to download some data on The Cat Empire. The album is a collection of the best of Cat Empire, recorded on Earth.

'We don't record every gig,' says Felix, 'but during the time off (the hardest working band on the circuit had 8 months off last year) we had over 100 hours listening to do – it meant that we could almost relive the tour in the comfort of Melbourne.'

I wondered how one chooses from 100 hours, knowing how TCE likes to improvise and change the songs.

'It does change from show

to show, in some ways the band is an unexpected band from night to night, some nights some people feature and sometimes it's more improvisational.'

Over the past six years of TCE, the band has morphed and grown, both in sound and line up.

'It's strong because it's the musicians are good and we play a different type of concert to what a lot of people are used to.

'The thing I love most about music is songwriting and that is the thing that keeps me grounded – I am very happy when I am at a piano writing music – when I had time off last year I spent a long time on harmony and practising piano and thinking of interesting things to write – the more energetic Cat Empire stuff is based on the instrumentation of life, which is quite

celebratory, and the other stuff I write might be a lot quieter...

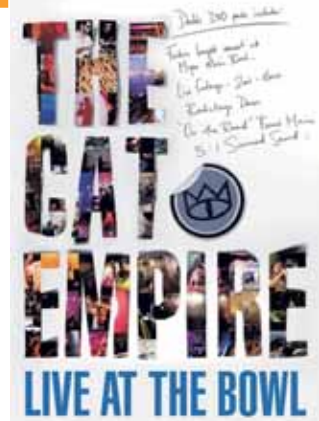
It's those quiet moments that are crucial to creating the shape of a large energetic live performance.

'You have to have moments when the audience can reflect and catch their breath and other moments where they are not reflecting, but are dancing and getting exhausted.'

So what is a good gig for Felix?

'When you are musically happy beyond making people dance, after that it becomes about delivering a show that people are going to remember and leaving an impression... I think the band is always capable of touching people.

'It's funny but we are often asked what are our biggest influences, we have been influenced by cultural events as much as by artists, funeral songs, wedding songs, songs



about towns or cities where you are, that type of playing has been a big influence, it's a world music band in its scope and that level of drama and expression comes out in those songs – we still approach our audiences from a folk tradition.'

And that my friends, is the secret to their success.

The Cat Empire play **Live on Earth** on **Saturday** at the **Mullumbimby Footy Grounds**. Gates open at **6pm** with the show from 8pm. Tickets at the usual outlets.



The Missing Link

Link Wray is a rock 'n' roll guitarist legend. Think 'Rumble,' – Pulp Fiction. Actually Link Wray (RIP) is one hell of a granddaddy legend who many guitarists including Pete Townsend, Jeff Beck, Jimi Hendrix, Neil Young and Lou Reed to name just a few, cite as one of their biggest influences. Local muso Michael Turner got to support Link Wray on his only Australian tour in Melbourne in the early 90s and Link even signed the back of his coveted white '61 Fender Jazzmaster guitar.

Together with two mates Sam De Pasquale and Anthony McManus and of course his white Fender Jazzie, Mr Turner has put a little trio together: **Surfer Ray** playing some of Link's best instrumentals and some good ole favourite surf tunes. Surfer Ray will be joined by MC Triple Nip and Lismore black friday balladiers The Black Lullabies outside in the courtyard at the new look **Buddha Bar** on **Friday** at **8pm**.

Mullum Music Fest artists return

After the tremendously successful release of her album *Lucky The Sun* in 2007, Sara Tindley's star has been on the rise. With shows at major festivals nationally, her music on TV and all over radio, and five star reviews it's hard to believe this exceptional talent lives right under our noses



here in Byron. Already this year, Sara has performed sellout shows at Tamworth, her music will again be featured on the ABC series *East Of Everything*, and most recently she has been short listed as a finalist in the prestigious International Songwriting Competition.

Possibly even more exciting for Sara is her support spot for Lucinda Williams, an artist Sara simply workshops, at Q Pak in Brisbane on the April 9. Later in 2009 Sara will record her third album but locally we have a chance to catch Sara perform with her full band at

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the venue she had 'going off' at the Mullum Music Festival 2008. Joining Sara will be ever popular Blue Hula's. Also appearing will be Domini Forster and her band. Domini came equal first in the 2008 battle of the high school bands, held at the Mullumbimby Civic Hall. Tickets on sale at www.mullummusicfestival.com, All Music and Vision stores Byron Bay, Lismore & Ballina and Mullumbimby Book Shop.

Leaving the Nest

Opera Eagle's Nest is very keen to foster new talent; this has been a part of the **Opera Eagle's Nest** ethos for a number of years. The group is committed to fostering the talent and the dedication young people have to their craft by offering them the opportunity to be part of the Opera Eagle's Nest team. The young person gets to attend rehearsals, perform in concerts, receive coaching and are generally guided and given direction by the expert professional team over a period of time. The young lady who is being offered this experience is very young, shows great potential and wants to make a career of her singing. Her name is Camille Peters, an artist

who lives in the Byron region. Camille was studying singing with Tania for two years at St Hilda's School, Southport, and was also a member of the award-winning vocal ensemble Senza Ragazzi, directed by Tania, performing in the Opera Eagle's Nest productions of 'Carmen' and 'La Boheme'. Catch Camille and the rest of The Eagle's Nest – **Saturday March 21, Bangalow A&I Hall**. Doors at **7.30pm**, show at 8pm. Tix \$30 presold and \$35 at the door. From Barebones, Bangalow, Murwillumbah Music; Mullum Books; All Music & Vision – Ballina, Byron & Lismore (+BF).

The Sound of Salvation

Years ago I caught a concert of **The Cafe of the Gates of Salvation**, at the time they were under the tutelage of their musical director, Tony Backhouse. It was an uplifting and amazing experience. Even though Tony has moved on the group still have that extraordinary ability to touch people with their performance. Backhouse started the choir in 1988 with little more than a passion for gospel music, an arrangement of Aretha Franklin's hit song *How I Got Over*, and the feeling that

creating a non-denominational, community focused gospel choir might be a good move. Over twenty years later, even he was surprised that the 'spiritual ratbags' who gathered for that first rehearsal had grown into the vibrant and powerful ensemble that has sung around the world, achieved international awards and recognition, recorded three albums, and performed with artists as wide ranging as Powderfinger to Paul Casis. The history of gospel is one of hope and freedom, threaded throughout with protest and social agitation. Gospel music is the undeniable influence on R&B, funk and soul music; the method, dynamics and power behind the songs are different, but the message is delivered each and every time. It is this history and power that inspires a cappella choir Café of the Gate of Salvation to make the music it does. Be a witness to the joy and emotional richness of the gospel tradition on **Sunday at Mullumbimby Civic Hall**. Tickets at the door only and are \$20/\$12 for under 18s. Kids six and under free. **8pm**.

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sale tickets are available now online at www.originarts.com.au, or at Psy.Co Mullumbimby, Fresh Wholefoods (Santos) Murwillumbah, and Uki Cafe Uki. So to get your dance fix head to **Uki Hall** (near Mt Warning) this **Friday** for GLO Dance where the only vibes are good vibes. 8pm Presale tickets \$18/\$20 on door if not sold out.

Hearing the Re-mains

After a 4,000 km roadtrip out to Bourke – via Melbourne, professional vagabonds The Re-mains play a couple of local shows as a warmup for their second tour to Canada in May. They play the **Nimbin Hotel** on **Friday** at **8pm** and the **Winsome Hotel** in Lismore on **Saturday** at **9pm**. With a new album due very soon and a four month tour of Canada coming up, the band's tour of national disaster zones took in fire and flood in Victoria and Bourke, another chapter in the band's ever evolving fortunes.

Getting Rogered

After a huge summer that included Pyramid Festival, the Beach party and Fest of The Sun, a band van burnout, and a cancelled gig as a result of the van burnout, **Rogerthat** are back on the road. At the moment the band are on the road heading to the Quikky Pro Show and the **Great Northern** in Byron on **Friday**, via Melbourne and Sydney with Brandt Bjork (US). And in keeping with the adage, 'the band that plays together, stays together,' Rogerthat have been camping out in guitar player Jimmy 'Treebeard' Young's palatial, shipping container, studio putting the finishing touches to their debut album.

Music to take you Higher

Fans of music that will take you to a higher ground, can catch world/devotional group **Rasayana** at the **Sphinx Rock Cafe** in **Uki** on **Sunday** starting at **1.30pm**. Following well received performances at the Woodford Folk Festival and various Sunshine Coast venues, the inspired trio are set to treat Gold Coast and Northern NSW

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Flamenco Fever

The **Sueno Flamenco Club** is back for another night of Gypsy Flamenco on **Saturday** at the **Swingsdale Hall** at **7.30pm**. Known for its internal spring-loaded, strong, defiant, explosive character, Flamenco is an art form that uses voice, guitar, handclapping, percussion and dance to create an eruption of emotion. Local group Sueño are set to perform with passion and joy and will be joined by special guests and students from the North Coast Flamenco mob. The audiences who came to the last year enjoyed a great night of high energy and fun with good food and a social atmosphere. So come along to enjoy the vibrant, fiesta spirit and delicious food by Tomkats. Bookings 6680 1994.

The Big Band at the End of the Universe

When consumerism implodes and greed has drawn its final breath, rest assured that the last thing standing is art. As long as humans can paint, sing and create beauty with their hands and minds, there's

hope that our destructive attitude towards the planet is in vain. **The Big Band at the End of the Universe** is a no nonsense 16-piece ensemble committed to playing high quality arrangements of the world's greatest composers. They rehearse every week and have done so for over two years, and the result is a sound that is both rare and beautiful. Bandleader/saxophonist Ken Stubbs earned his stripes from the English and European professional jazz circuit, and his own CD's are available through ECM. In times of recessions and economic collapses, what better way to enjoy the demise of capitalism than to experience the sounds of Ellington, Basie and big band Latin tunes? **Sunday** at the **Buddha Bar** at **8pm**. It's free too!

The Invisible Men

Local rock funk and roots act **Invisible Friend** hit the stage for some fun shows this month. The band have been working away in their studio on new material for live shows and new recordings to be released later in the year. The group's Sunroom studio is fast becoming a known recording jaunt for local, national and international artists, set in the lush surrounds of the Byron hills. The band bring their potent rock, funk and soul infused show to the **Rails** this **Saturday** at **7pm**.



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Performing Art

This week a bunch of theatrical types present Art, the first theatre piece for Mullumbimby's newly refurbished Civic Hall. This contemporary French play explores men's friendships and how we maintain closeness but at the same time follow our individual and often incompatible paths. Thespian Avikal plays Mark, a chap he describes as – 'A slightly obnoxious, not aged, but ageing aeronautical engineer.'

In more detail, according to Avikal:

'The show is about the dynamic of friendships and how fragile they can be. My best friend has bought a



The Big Joke Are you an Idiot? Free shows For You

The Big Joke Festival is almost here – with international acts Arj Barker and Nina Conti already in the country and Aussie born Tim Minchin back from the UK to perform for the Melbourne Comedy Festival. Luckily for us, we get a taste of Melbourne's festival with those three headliners at the Big Joke alongside a host of local and national talent. The Village Idiot has been a hit event with local punters who come along to the free heats on Friday evening, during the day on Saturday and Sunday lunch time to cheer on their mates. Two people from each heat are chosen to go through to the finals on Sunday at 3pm. The heats are free for the general public, so everyone has a chance to be part of the Comedy Festival regardless of their economic situation. There's even some room still for a few idiot entries – with spots available at heats over the weekend. Performers don't need any experience, just a keen sense of fun and a few gags – five minutes to be exact. Who knows, some first timer could blitz the pack and take home the \$500 first prize! Heats are at the A&I Hall in **Bangalow** on **Friday March 27 at 6pm, Saturday March 28 at 11am and 5pm** and on **Sunday at 12pm**. To register your interest email mandy@mandynolan.com.au – oh, and don't forget to get your ticket to The Village Idiot Final, hosted by Hannah Gadsby, the girl that Adam Hills is directing in her



THE RE-MAINS

new one woman show at the Melbourne Comedy Festival this year. Tix are just \$15 for the final at 3pm at the A&I Hall and are available at the Urban in Bangalow – tix can be bought directly or booked over the phone by calling 6687 2678.

Magician makes an appearance

S. Séan Tretheway – author, magician and adventurer, will be appearing at **Mary Ryan's Books**, Byron Bay on **Sunday** at **3.30pm**. Originally from Los Angeles California, Séan began his adventure when he sailed a 52' cement sailboat, which he built in his backyard with his sister Roxanne and her husband Jeannot. After hitchhiking around the South Pacific for several years, Séan settled down in Noosa Heads, where he became the Noosa Magician, performing his magic in all the best restaurants in town. In 2005, Sean began writing his first novel inspired by the teachings of Eckhart Tolle (The Power of Now, A New Earth) After self publishing and launching *The Roadless Traveller* in 2008, he sold all his belongings, moved into his van and has been travelling around Australia promoting his book. Catch Sean on Sunday before he disappears.

Art From the Shadows

Local artist, **Melinda Blair Paterson**, opens her solo exhibition 'Shadows of Light' at the **Red Rock Café** in Lennox Head on **Friday** at **6pm**. Melinda incorporates subtle colour graduation within textured layers she refers to as *codes*. 'One night I woke to go to the bathroom. Sitting there, in my moment of private contemplation, I became fascinated by the



invisible friend



around artworks for an hour and then it's into the show.'

The show has been directed by Sandesh, also known as Sean Gibney.

Come and support local theatre at **Mullum Civic Hall** from **Wednesday** to **Saturday** with evening shows at **7.30pm** and an exhibition from **6pm**. There will also be a matinee on **Saturday** at **2pm** with exhibition from **12.30pm**.

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Tydi

SATURDAY MARCH 14
2009 and 21 year old Brisbane boy, **DJ Tydi** has already got a record deal in his 'pocket'. Tydi's gig at Liquid this Saturday will see him just back from Amsterdam (TRANCE ENERGY) where his musical productions got him a record deal with Armin van Buuren's 'Armada' record label. Tydi's compositions strongly resemble Euro Trance. Tydi's tracks blaze depth and emotion, and there is a somewhat serious note to his style of Trance. Tydi was voted No. 1 DJ in Australia last year as well as No. 2 producer and spent the year touring in support of dance heavyweights Tiesto, Armin van Buuren and Paul van Dyk. Brisbane can hear the young superstar every week at one of its super-clubs, 'Family'.

Educated in classical theory, a drummer at 13 with punk as his favorite style, Tydi traded his drum kit for Technics 1200s and won Brisbane's DJ Wars at just 16. While his popularity grew, Tydi's love of music and desire to be more than 'just' a DJ saw



DJ DEE DEE

him take a more traditional path. Fresh out of high school, Tydi was invited to study at the Queensland Conservatorium of Music, where he enrolled in the study of Music Technology. Two years out of high school, Tydi entered his first Sony inthemix Top 50 DJ Poll, and skidded to the #12 spot. One year later, he took out #4. By late 2008, Tydi hit the studio to produce his debut release which he is promoting during his 'Global Gathering' tour. Moving on from his previous sound, Tydi decided to include real strings, keys and drums in his productions. Tydi now insists on featuring vocals that are melodic, emotive and have got the power to tell a story. www.myspace.com/djtydi

This Saturday night at Liquid, the sound system will be running full tilt and Captain Kaine will be spinning his jewels as support for the night. Go check for yourself if Euro Trance is your thing!

Australia's First Lady of House

WEDNESDAY MARCH 11
Kate Monroe's credits read like a guide to the most legendary parties in the Southern Hemisphere. Once again Mardi Gras is set to dazzle us with colour and vibrancy as we have come to expect from this national fiesta; and as a special treat to all those who make their way to the Bay to recover after the weekend, **Liquid** invites you to join **Kate**

Monroe and Elscorcho for a steamy affair on a 'liquid' dance floor.

SCSI-9 from Russia

WEDNESDAY MARCH 18
Live at Liquid – At the forefront of the minimal scene, **SCSI-9** is famous for their live sets and astute aptitude to mesh genres of deep minimal tech and house. Local support is from Byron ex-pat, from the 'Let's get minimal' crew in Brisbane and touting his long awaited return to the Bay, none other than DJ Lee Majors previously known as DJ Tickle.

And some more Liquid please...

DJ Dee Dee from Melbourne's enfant terrible, club Teryaki Anarki Saki, has moved to this shire. Dee Dee is joining the crew of resident DJs at Liquid, hooray! Party hard and party smart at NEON on **Fridays**.

Up and coming and exciting!

Leading up to Easter we've got thrilling times in electronica ahead of us and by looks of it they hold out until end of April.

SOUND CRUCIBLE – Mike Cooper (UK) – Saturday April 4 – Lismore Catholic Church Hall

TRENTMOLLER – Thursday April 16 LaLaLand

Spoonbill – Thursday April 23 Liquid

PARTY SMART CD launch – end April at the YAC.

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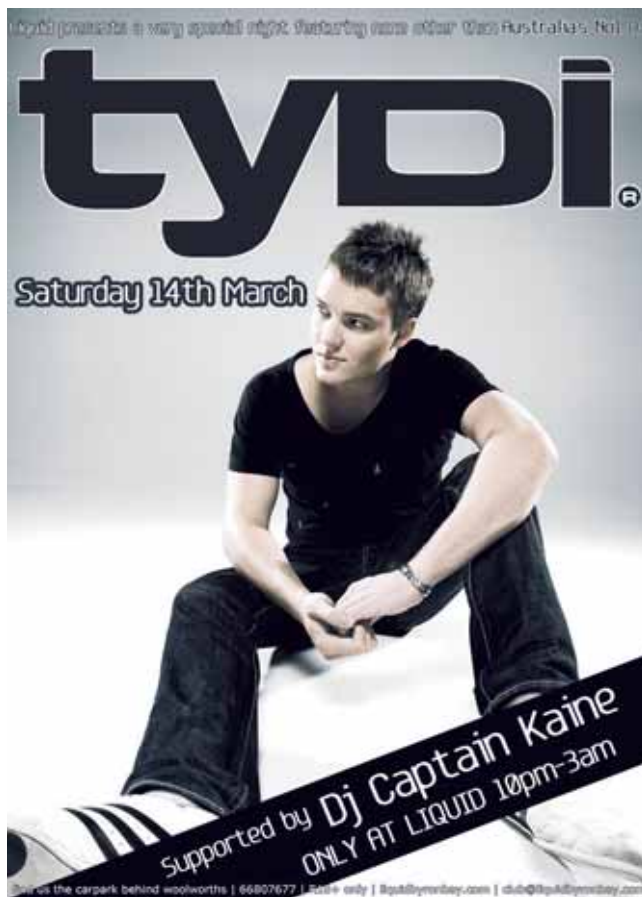
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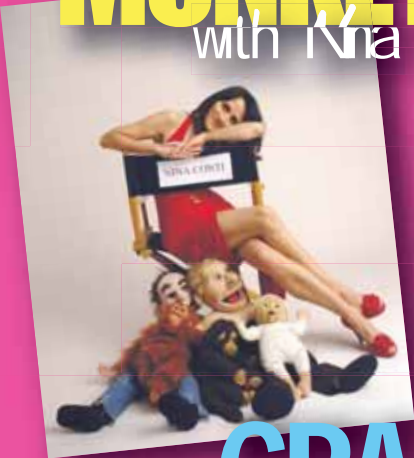
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Television Guide

1. This is Jack Nicholson's famous waitress-bewildering scene from **Five Easy Pieces** (ABC2, Saturday 8.30pm). Forty years on, the movie still holds up.

2. Renee Zellweger is **Nurse Betty** (Ten, Saturday 10.35pm), a pleasant screwball comedy.

3. The real Saturday night pleasure has to wait till 1.40am when NBN screens the original version of **The Wicker Man**, with Christopher Lee. Unfortunately, judging from the schedule, this is the elliptic 1973 release cut down to 90 minutes against the director's wishes. It is still one of the best horror movies ever made, unlike the pathetic sludge that precedes it at 11.40pm. The remake with Nicholas Cage was universally panned, but kudos to NBN for letting us make up our own minds with back-to-back screenings.



	ABC 1	ABC 2	SBS	PRIME	ten	NBN
WEDNESDAY 11	<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 Parliament Question Time: The House Of Representatives (G)</p> <p>3.00 Kids' Programs</p> <p>6.00 The Queen's Cavalry (G) Repeat.</p> <p>6.30 The Cook and the Chef (G)</p> <p>7.00 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 Parliament Question Time: The Senate</p> <p>2.10 Movie: Boy Slaves (PG 1938) Stars Anne Shirley, Roger Daniel, James McCallion, Alan Baxter.</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: Natural Highs (PG)</p> <p>8.30 Stand Up: Muslim-American Comics Come Of Age (M)</p> <p>9.30 Extreme Rescue (PG)</p> <p>10.20 My Teen's A Nightmare: I'm Moving Out - Toni And Leah Crookes</p> <p>11.05 Dust To Dust: The Rufiano (PG) repeat</p> <p>11.35 Close</p>	<p>5.30 World News in various languages.</p> <p>6.30 UEFA Champions Live football</p> <p>9.00 World News in various languages.</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: Akie, Tanzania (PG) Doco from UK.</p> <p>9.30 World News Australia</p> <p>10.00 Movie: Teesh And Trude (MA 2002) Drama from Australia. Stars Susie Porter, Linda Cropper, Bill McClusky.</p> <p>11.35 Movie: All the Invisible Children (M 2005) Drama from France. Seven short films in five languages about children.</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: Tick Tock (M 2000) Stars Megan Ward, Kristin Minter, Linden Ashby, John Ratzenberger.</p> <p>2.00 All Saints (M)</p> <p>3.00 Murder, She Wrote (PG)</p> <p>4.00 It's Academic</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 & Danoz</p> <p>5.30 Seven Early News</p> <p>Prime HD program same as above except: 12.00 Movie: The Falcon's Adventure (PG 1946) 2.05 My Restaurant Rules (PG) → 12.30 Louis Theroux And The Brothel (M) 1.30 A Country Practice (G)</p>	<p>6.00 Ten Early News</p> <p>7.00 Toasted TV & Kids' Programs</p> <p>9.00 9am With David And Kim (PG)</p> <p>11.00 Ten News</p> <p>12.00 Dr Phil (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 & 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 (G)</p> <p>8.00 Guerrilla Gardeners (G)</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 & 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 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 Cold Case (M) New.</p> <p>10.30 Cold Case (M) Repeat.</p> <p>11.30 The Ellen Degeneres Show (PG)</p> <p>12.30 The Baron (PG)</p> <p>1.30 Guthy Renker And Danoz</p> <p>3.30 Good Morning America</p> <p>5.00 Early Morning News</p>
THURSDAY 12	<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 Parliament Question Time: The Senate</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&A With Tony Jones</p> <p>10.25 Lateline And Lateline Business</p> <p>11.30 Status Quo: The Party Ain't Over Yet (M,I) Band profile plus footage of them recording their 47th album.</p> <p>1.15 Parliament Question Time: The House Of Representatives (G)</p> <p>2.15 Movie: Primrose Path (PG 1940) Stars Ginger Rogers, Joel McRae, Marjorie Rambeau, Henry Travers.</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 Fora</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,I,s) 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>6.30 UEFA Champions Live football</p> <p>9.00 World News in various languages.</p> <p>2.30 Dateline</p> <p>3.30 Alain Ducasse: The Chef's Farewell</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: Veneto (G)</p> <p>6.30 World News Australia</p> <p>7.35 Inspector Rex (PG) Austria Repeat.</p> <p>8.30 This Is Civilisation: Ye Gods (PG) Explores the history of religious art.</p> <p>9.30 World News Australia</p> <p>10.00 UEFA Champions League Hour</p> <p>11.05 Queer As Folk (MA,s,I,a) Repeat.</p> <p>12.00 Movie: Zulu Love Letter (M 2004) Drama from South Africa. Stars Pamela Nomwete Marimbe, Sophie Mgcina, Kurt Egelhof, Mpumi Malatsi.</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: Get Over It ((M 2001) Stars Melissa Sagemiller, Sisco, Martin Short</p> <p>2.00 All Saints (M)</p> <p>3.00 Murder, She Wrote (PG)</p> <p>4.00 It's Academic</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 & Guthy-Renker</p> <p>5.30 Seven Early News</p> <p>Prime HD program same as above except: 12.00 Movie: The Saint Strikes Back (PG) 2.05 My Restaurant Rules → 12.30 Movie: Escape From Colditz (M) 2.00 Guthy Renker</p>	<p>6.00 Ten Early News</p> <p>7.00 Toasted TV & Kids' Programs</p> <p>9.00 9am With David And Kim (PG)</p> <p>11.00 Ten News</p> <p>12.00 Dr Phil (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 & 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 & Order: S.V.U. (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 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 The Footy Show (M)</p> <p>11.00 The AFL Footy Show (M)</p> <p>1.00 Seinfeld (PG)</p> <p>2.00 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 13	<p>4.30 GP (PG) Repeat.</p> <p>5.30 Spicks And Specks (G) Repeat.</p> <p>6.00 Kids' Programs</p> <p>11.05 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 - Grand Final Live AEDT.</p> <p>10.00 Soundtrack To My Life: Crowded House (G)</p> <p>10.30 Simple Plan: The Special Music.</p> <p>11.20 London Live (PG) From London's KOKO music venue: James Morrison, The Rapture, Brinkman, Faithless.</p> <p>11.55 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 Ayen's Cooking School For African Men (G) 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: Nirupa (G) Repeat.</p> <p>6.00 Global Village: The Green Ardeche (G) Repeat.</p> <p>6.30 World News Australia</p> <p>7.30 The Thirties In Colour: Adventures In The Americas Doco. UK.</p> <p>8.35 Churchill's Bodyguard (PG) Repeat.</p> <p>9.30 World News Australia</p> <p>10.00 Naked On The Inside (M,a,s,n) Doco. Thriller from France. Stars Benoit Magimel, Laura Smet, Aurore Clement.</p> <p>12.55 Movie: Madame Sata (MA,s,I,d 2002) Drama from Brazil. Stars Lazaro Ramos, Marcella Cartaxo.</p> <p>2.45 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: Perilous (M 2000) Stars Bruce Boxleitner, Catherine Oxenberg.</p> <p>2.00 All Saints (M)</p> <p>3.00 Murder, She Wrote (PG)</p> <p>4.00 It's Academic</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: Raising Helen (PG) Stars Kate Hudson, John Corbett, Helen Mirren, Joan Cusack.</p> <p>11.00 Scrubs (PG)</p> <p>12.00 2009 NAB Cup Grand final.</p> <p>3.00 Danoz And Guthy-Renker</p> <p>Prime HD program same as above except: 12.00 Movie: Step Lively (G 1944) Stars Frank Sinatra 1.40 Movie: Having A Wonderful Time (G 1938) → 11.30 Movie: Broken Lizards Club Dread 1.30 Movie: Porky's II: The Next Day</p>	<p>6.00 Ten Early News</p> <p>7.00 Toasted TV & Kids' Programs</p> <p>9.00 9am With David And Kim (PG)</p> <p>11.00 Ten News</p> <p>12.00 Dr Phil (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 & 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 & Order (M)</p> <p>10.30 Law & Order (M)</p> <p>11.20 Late News With Sports Tonight</p> <p>12.20 Late Show With David Letterman (PG)</p> <p>1.20 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 (G)</p> <p>6.00 NBN News</p> <p>7.00 A Current Affair</p> <p>7.30 Friday Night Football Melbourne Storm v St George Illawarra Dragons.</p> <p>9.30 Friday Night Football Brisbane Broncos v Nth Queensland Cowboys.</p> <p>11.30 Movie: Last Action Hero (M 1992) Stars Arnold Schwarzenegger, F. Murray Abraham, Charles Dance.</p> <p>2.00 The Ellen Degeneres Show (PG)</p> <p>3.00 MAD TV (M)</p> <p>4.00 Guthy Renker Australia (G)</p> <p>4.30 Good Morning America</p>

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5.00 rage (PG) 6.00 rage (G) 10.00 rage: Bill Callahan (PG) 11.00 Executive Stress (G) Repeat. 11.30 The Cook And The Chef Repeat. 12.00 Stateline Repeat. 12.30 Australian Story Repeat. 1.00 Foreign Correspondent Repeat. 1.30 Can We Help (G) Repeat. 2.00 Stealing Rugby (G) Repeat. 3.00 Bowls: Australian open 2009 4.00 Basketball: WNBL 2008/09 Grand Final Highlights. 5.58 ABC News Up-Date 6.00 Totally Frank (PG) Repeat. 6.25 Minuscule: Shell Less (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: Jimmy's Story (MA) Crime. Repeat. 11.00 rage (M)	7.00 Kids' Programs 3.00 rage (G) Repeat. 5.00 rage: Bill Callahan 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: Five Easy Pieces (M,s,l 1970) Stars Jack Nicholson, Fannie Flagg. 10.05 Movie: Stranger On The Third Floor (PG 1940) Stars Peter Lorre, John McGuire, Margaret Talichet, Charles Waldron. 11.10 Movie: Conquest Of The Air (PG 1940) Stars Laurence Olivier. 11.15 Close	5.20 World News in various languages. 1.00 Il Viaggio A Reims (G) Opera. UK. Rossini's final comic opera. 3.15 The Chopin Etudes (PG) UK. Freddy Kempff grapples with the techni- cal and emotional challenges of Chopin's Etudes. 3.25 Art in the 21st Century: Paradox (G) UK 4.30 Newshour With Jim Lehrer 5.30 The Children Of The Moon (G) Repeat. 6.30 World News Australia 7.30 Prototype This (G) US. 8.30 Iron Chef (G) 9.20 Rockwiz (PG) Entertainment. 10.10 Movie: Suburban Hayhem (MA,s,l,v,d 2006) Black comedy from Australia. Stars Emily Barclay, Steve Bastoni, Laurence Breuls, Michael Dorman. 11.55 SOS (PG) 12.50 Bro' Town: Morning Side Story (M) Comedy. NZ. Repeat. 1.15 Jammin In The Middle E (M) Comedy. Australia. 2.10 Weatherwatch Overnight	6.00 Kids' Programs 12.00 Eclipse (PG) 1.00 V8 Xtra 4.00 Kids' Programs 2.00 2009 WPS Bathurst 12 Hour 5.00 Border Patrol (PG) 5.30 Sydney Weekender (PG) 6.00 Seven News 6.30 In The Bush With Malcolm Douglas (G) 7.30 Kath & Kim (PG) Repeat. 8.00 The Vicar Of Dibley (PG) Repeat. 8.40 Movie: Under The Tuscan Sun (M,l,s) Stars Diane Lane, Sandra Oh, Lindsay Duncan, Raoul Bova. 11.00 Movie: The Planet Of The Apes (M) Stars Mark Wahlberg, Tim Roth. 1.30 Danoz Direct & Guthy Renker	6.00 Toasted TV & Kids' Programs 10.00 Video Hits (PG) 11.30 Star Wars: The Clone Wars (PG) 12.00 Golf: New Zealand Open 4.00 Will & Grace (PG) 5.00 Ten News With Sports Tonight 6.00 The Simpsons (G) Repeat. 6.30 Movie: Babe (G 1995) Stars James Cromwell, Magda Szubanski. 8.30 Movie: Step Up (M 2006) Stars Channing Tatum, Rachel Griffiths, Damaine Rdccliffe, Jenna Dewan. 10.35 Movie: Nurse Betty (M,s,l 2000) Stars Renee Zellweger, Morgan Freeman. 12.40 Good News Week (M) Repeat. 1.40 Rush (M) Repeat. 2.30 Infomercials 4.00 Religion to 6am (PG)	6.00 Infomercials 7.30 Kids' Programs 12.00 My Boys (PG) 12.30 The Hills (PG) 1.00 Gilmore Girls (PG) 2.00 Movie: Blood Alley (PG 1955) Stars John Wayne, Lauren Bacall, Anita Ekberg. 4.30 Australia's Greatest Athlete 5.00 Antique Roadshow (G) 5.30 Animal Emergency (G) 6.00 Evening News 6.30 Untold Wealth (G) 7.00 Lab Rats 7.30 Movie: Runaway Vacation (PG) Stars Robin Williams, Cheryl Hines. 8.40 Saturday Lotto 9.30 Movie: The Big White (M) Stars Robin Williams, Holly Hunter, Giovanni Ribisi. 11.40 Movie: The Wicker Man (M 2006) Stars Nicholas Cage, Ellen Bursyn, Kate Heahan. 1.40 Movie: The Wicker Man (AV15+ 1973) Stars Edward Woodward, Christopher Lee, Britt Ekland. 3.20 Girlfriends (M) 3.50 Kate Noonan (G) 4.00 Danoz 4.30 Guthy Renker
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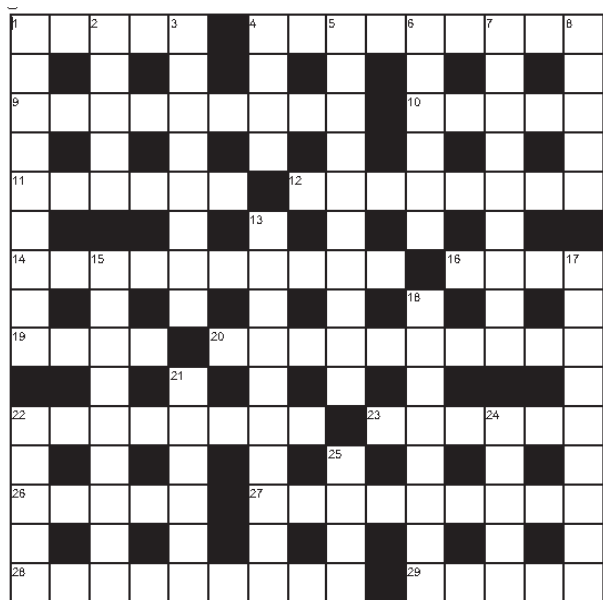
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4.30 GP (PG) Repeat. 5.30 Spicks And Specks (G) Repeat. 6.00 Kids' Programs 11.00 Landline Repeat. 12.00 Midday Report 12.30 Poirot (PG) 1.30 The Cook And The Chef (G) Repeat. 2.00 Parliament Question Time: The Senate 3.00 Kids' Programs 6.00 Landline 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) 10.30 Lateline and Lateline Business 11.35 The Rise And Fall Of The Russian Oligarchs (PG) Repeat. 12.25 MDA (M) Repeat. 1.20 Parliament Question Time: The House Of Representatives 2.20 Movie: Saint's Double Trouble (PG 1940) Stars George Sanders, Helen Whitney, Jonathan Hale. 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 The Making Of 'I Was Only 19' (M) 10.25 Coldplay: Live In Sydney 2003 (G) 11.15 Cowboy Bebop: Jupiter Jazz Part 1 (M) Repeat. 11.55 Close	5.20 World News in various languages. 1.00 Food Lovers' Guide To Australia (G) Repeat. 1.30 P.N.G: The Rules Of The Game (PG) Docco. Australia. 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: The Legend Of Old Gregg (M) Comedy. UK. 10.35 Skins (M,s,d,l,n) Repeat. 11.25 Movie: One Last Dance (MA 2007) Action movie from Singapore. Stars Francis NG, Ti Lung, Joseph Quek, Vivian Hsu. 1.20 Movie: Scratch (MA 2003) Drama from Denmark. Stars Stephanie Leon, Nicolas Dufour, Christopher Laesso, Sofie Helqvist. 2.50 WeatherWatch Overnight	6.00 Sunrise 9.00 The Morning Show (PG) 11.30 Seven News 12.00 Movie: Jane Doe: Yes I Remember It Well (M) Stars Lea Thompson, Joe Penny, Billy Moses. 2.00 All Saints (M) 3.00 Skin Doctors (PG) 3.30 Larry The Lawnmower 4.00 It's Academic 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 TBA (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 5.30 Seven Early News	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 (M) 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 NCIS (M) 10.50 Late News With Sports Tonight 11.35 Late Show with David Letterman (PG) 12.30 State Focus 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 (G) 3.30 Hi-5 4.00 Lab Rats Challenge 4.30 Afternoon News 5.00 Airline 5.30 Antique Roadshow (G) 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) 10.40 CSI: NY (M) 11.30 Ellen Degeneres Show (PG) 12.30 Australia's Greatest Athlete 1.30 Guthy Renker Australia 3.30 Religion 3.30 Good Morning America 5.00 Early Morning News
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Mungo's Crossword

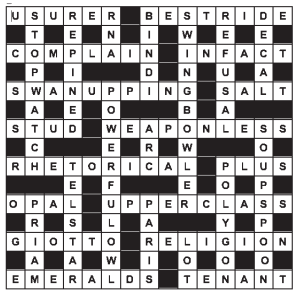


Quick Clues

ACROSS

- Poetic name for Troy (5)
 - Soft covered book (9)
 - Frank (Spanish) (9)
 - Entrance hall (5)
 - Remember. Summon back (6)
 - Nothing to hide, what you see is what you get (4,4)
 - Fidelity, duty to sovereign (10)
 - Silver metal element (4)
 - Grave, place of burial (4)
 - Midsummer Roman festival (10)
 - Horrible sights (8)
 - Badge, usually of honour (6)
 - Epic poem about the fall of Troy (5)
 - Very thin paper (5,4)
 - Attacker, one who starts the fight (9)
 - Mister (Spanish) (5)
- #### DOWN
- Whistleblower, one who lays a complaint (9)
 - Son of Abraham (5)
 - Gum, used in glue (8)
 - Over, not present or future (4)
 - Company document inviting investment (10)
 - Replace interior protective coating (6)
 - Like the food of the gods (90)
 - Eskimo canoe (5)
 - Very gaunt, like a corpse (10)
 - Clumsy style of walking, large and ungainly (9)
 - Collier, excavator of fossil fuel (9)
 - Flowers or creatures found in rockpools (8)
 - Strand of pasta (6)
 - Girls name, heath bush (5)
 - Compare find similarity (5)
 - Dock, jetty (4)

Last week's solution



Cryptic Clues

ACROSS

- Ancient city one fifty one, er ... (5)
 - ... The Australian Winger, a cheap read! (9)
 - Frank Italian, a saint in the city (9)
 - Arrive near the foyer (5)
 - Remember the back net in a winter sport (6)
 - Start to Peep, alright? Nothing is hidden (4,4)
 - For instance, one in the partnership shows loyalty (10)
 - Metal unknown in carbon (4)
 - Grave order in consumption (4)
 - Debauched Australian festival? (10)
 - See saws, they say – horrible sights (8)
 - Reassemble meeting around a symbol (6)
 - One, fifty, one ... present! The story of one across (5)
 - Overcharge, hide – that's a very thin cover! (5,4)
 - Attacker exhibits gross rage (9)
 - Superior loses one to Spanish man (5)
- #### DOWN
- Dog performing very well with worker (9)
 - Newton is a current (5)
 - Gum up copper in imperial distance (8)
 - Step first to what has gone by (4)
 - Company brochure provides spin to turn scouts around over exercise (10)
 - Concerning fishing tackle: again, reinforce it (6)
 - Labor aims hopefully at an outcome fit for the gods! (9)
 - Boat going both ways (5)
 - Deadly rogue to promise nothing to you and me (10)
 - Clumsy while harvesting timber? (9)
 - Reportedly the younger brother of Nat King is an underground worker (9)
 - No seamen disturb these marine creatures (8)
 - The Spanish party on returned pasta (6)
 - Heath from a continent without morning (5)
 - Compare the sound of Thalophyta (5)
 - Dock irrational queen (4)

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

STARS



WITH LILITH

VENUS RETROGRADE IN FLAMBOYANT ARIES MAKES THIS WEEK A LITTLE STEAMY, A LITTLE STORMY – THOUGH UNDENIABLY EXCITING IN A TRIAL BY FIRE KIND OF WAY. AND A FORTUNATE SENSE OF CONNECTION WITH OTHERS BRINGS A POSITIVE CHARGE FOR CONFLICT RESOLUTION JUST AS OUR SECOND CONSECUTIVE FRIDAY 13TH CHUCKS TROUBLE DUST IN THE ASTRAL PANCAKE BATTER...

ARIES: Rather than getting all wild and riled up about difficult people, realize they're just ordinary people having difficulties – who just like you are dealing with difficult feelings. Issuing ultimatums will only close doors that it's in your own

interests to keep open, so find the funny side.

TAURUS: As unexpected shifts and chaotic conditions rock our world, the good news is that with midweek full moon illuminating your house of fun and entertainment, this week the finer things of life will revive your optimism: theatre, music, your favourite creative pursuits, celebrating with friends...

GEMINI: As people trawl for alternatives between rocks and hard places, they mightn't grasp this week's big picture as quickly as you – which is your cue to spell things out simply and patiently. Midweek full moon will be more rewardingly spent at home than out on the town.

CANCER: Your ruling planet the moon, full at midweek, is an opportune time for reassessing personal, work and social relationships: are they supporting you – and are you supporting them? What changes could you make in the way you behave that might make everyone happier?

LEO: This week could put you in the mood for a tough love approach to problems. Not advised. With midweek full moon testing workplace relationships, being over assertive could

cause emotional fallout – softly softly will get better results. Make grace under pressure your mantra.

VIRGO: Midweek Virgo annual full moon brings personal change – whether that's a major change of address, job, life path, partnership or a simply a new look. Your resistance to stress isn't at its strongest right now, so allow yourself plenty of veg out time to integrate necessary alterations.

LIBRA: Plans going pear-shaped provide this week's opportunity to let go what you thought you wanted and be creative with what you get. Venus inundates your social calendar with new acquaintances and activities, but factor in some quality time listening to your best friend: your own inner wisdom.

SCORPIO: Although this week's prone to emotional extravaganzas, why go there when it's bringing unexpected luck in the form of precisely the insight, information or offer required for your next step forward? And why feed grievances when the best way to get even is to forget...

SAGITTARIUS: If economic meltdown's brought on a stalled feeling, appreciate that delays

allow you to make clearer decisions. Everything's in flux as the cosmic jigsaw recalibrates into new alignments, but that doesn't mean you have to sit around waiting – keep up to date on breaking information.

CAPRICORN: Be advised this week's people are extra sensitive, so if you disagree with their opinions, explain why and offer workable alternatives. Midweek full moon is a Capricorn friendly time for expressing feelings which don't usually get an airing and spending spesh time with close companions.

AQUARIUS: Even though the way people feel mightn't make sense to you, emotions have their own logic and this week calls for tact and understanding all round. In the same way you don't respond well to pressure, others won't either – if you're too pushy they'll withdraw.

PISCES: Mercury in Pisces makes you this week's people pleaser, and expressing affection will have a delicious ripple effect that boomerangs back to you on life's karmic carousel in unexpectedly pleasant ways. New horizons are lighting up, possibly through past connections, and your stars say go for it.

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75.e7+ Kf7 but Carlsen played 73...Ra7+? and was forced to resign after 74.Ke8! because White will soon play e7 and extract his king from in front of the pawn.

Last week at the ongoing Lin-ares tournament Carlsen probably experienced a feeling of déjà vu as he again lost a 'trivial' rook endgame against Aronian.

To lose a second drawn endgame must surely be carelessness, said the 18-year-old Norwegian's critics, but it turns out that Aronian was also unable to assess the endgame correctly; some-

times chess is just too difficult, even for the world's elite players.

Aronian had unsuccessfully tried to make progress for 30 moves and now, with Carlsen down to 30 seconds per move, he made a final winning attempt.

(See diagram 2)

82...f3! 83.Kg3 Aronian was highly critical of this move, believing that the only way for Carlsen to save the game was 83.Rf1 Rf5 84.Rf2! Yet it turns out that Carlsen's move is also fine. **83...Rf5** Now Carlsen reached out to move his king but at the last moment grabbed his rook and played **84.Rf1??** and was forced to

abandon the struggle after **84...f2! 85.Kh3** (85. Rxf2 Rxf2 86.Kxf2 Kxh4 is also hopeless.) **85... Rf3+ 86.Kg2 Kg4 87.h5! Rg3+! 88.Kh2 Kf3! 89.Ra1 Rg2+! 90.Kh1 Rg5! 91.Ra3+ Kf4 92.Ra4+ Kg3 93.Ra3+ Kh4 0-1**, in view of 94.Ra4+ Rg4 95.Ra1 Kxh5 followed by 96... Rg1+.

Aronian said later that after 84.Kf2!, Carlsen's original idea, he would have won anyway with 84...Rf6! but he had not seen that after 85.Rh1 Kg4 Carlsen had a saving resource:

(See diagram 3)

86.Rg1+!! White can draw even without his pawn by checking until the Black king goes to g7 (allowing Rh3 and Rxf3) or f4 (allowing Rg3).

Neither Aronian, Carlsen nor World Champion Viswanthan Anand have managed to find form in Linares; unfancied late entrant Alexander Grischuk has held a substantial lead for much of the tournament and is set to secure the \$A200,000 first prize.

■ A one-day tournament will be held on Saturday March 14 at Seagulls Club, Gollan Drive, Tweed Heads. Advanced and Intermediate Divisions, entry \$20, first prize \$100. Registration 8.30am, presentations 5.30pm, 5 Rounds 45 minutes per game. Info www.seagullschessclub.com.



Diagram 1 Carlsen (Black) to move



Diagram 2 Aronian (Black) to move



Diagram 3 Carlsen (White) to move

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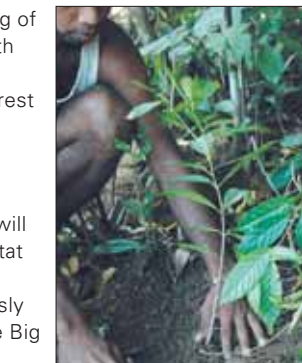
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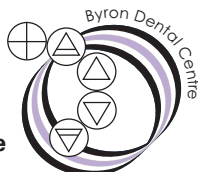
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THURSDAY 12

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- THE RAILS, BYRON 6.30PM **MINI MARIO**
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MONDAY 16

- THE RAILS, BYRON 6.30PM **DAN HANNAFORD**
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TUESDAY 17

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- BUDDHA BAR, BYRON **TABLE TENNIS COMP**
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New In Town

You'll not see a more predictable movie than this in a month of Sundays. Lucy (Renée Zellweger) is an ambitious, high-heeled exec aiming to become a vice-president on the board of a Miami food company. She volunteers to go to Minnesota to oversee the implementation of a new product at a struggling factory. It's winter, and boy is it cold out there – snow and ice everywhere (it made me wonder how the Plains Indians survived – did they simply spend weeks on end in their wigwams?), and there's tiny-skirted, hapless Lucy battling the temperature, the tundra, the hostile workforce and the right friendly Jesus

loving yokels and their gauche patois. Head-office makes stern demands and Lucy must comply by shafting her hosts – that's the glory of capitalism. But hang on – the union rep (Ted), of all people, is handsome Harry Connick Jr. Now, if you can take seriously the idea of Zellweger as a mushy Ayn Rand and Connick Jr as a flannel shirted Joe Hill, then I'll not try to dissuade you, but I couldn't. It was at about the twelve-minute mark, after Lucy had met Blanche Gunderson (Siobhan Fallon) and had been invited by her to dinner, where she had a row with Boslhie Ted, that you could see exactly what was going to happen. Zellweger is a major irritant to some, but I don't mind her. She can find humour where it's not obvious (an invaluable asset here) and does a nice if old-fashioned kewpie-doll anger – without her this film would have sunk like a stone. Connick Jr, given a back story that relieves him of grappling with the



German-derived accent, is a likeable log, J K Simmons creates an awful caricature of the crusty foreman (Stu) and Fallon, seemingly asked to channel Frances McDormand's character from ' Fargo ' (also a Gunderson – it can't have been coincidental), is annoying beyond toleration. Except for a terrific, carefully set up gag when Ted, Lucy and Stu are out crowd shooting, the writing is embarrassingly slack. Lucy's warming to the locals is sudden and inexplicable, as is theirs to her, and the moment of crisis is as solid as Blanche's tapioca pudding. With the world screaming down the razor blade of economic collapse, this will come as a fillip to those gullible souls clinging doggedly to their belief in the big heartedness and Christian compasssion of the free market, but as a travel promo for the charms of Minnesota, it's a no-brainer. ~ John Campbell

Watchmen

When I stood before Mark Rothko's masterpiece in the MoMA, all I could see was a canvas covered in black. It drew zilch response from me and I was tempted to file it under B for *le bullshit absolu*, but I hesitated, knowing that it was 'groundbreaking and visionary'. To be considered a fuddy duddy who has fallen off the pace in the relentless evolution (devolution?) of what is deemed sophisticated is tantamount to a death sentence for those of us who fancy ourselves as players

in the Yarts. The resultant anxiety is heightened as one gets on in years, leading to pronouncements that are, if not strictly dishonest, bent to the Zeitgeist's prevailing gale – or, as Bob Dylan sang, 'you don't need a weatherman to know which way the wind blows.' And it is Dylan, unexpectedly, who makes by far the most stimulating contributions to this high camp stodge – first with 'The times they are a'changin' accompanying a brilliant potted history of the Sixties (it's all downhill after that), then Hendrix's version of 'All along the watchtower' and, as a wrap, My Chemical Romance's thumping take on 'Desolation Row' (I went straight home, bought it from iTunes and thrashed it). In fairness, it is conceivable that the young blokes who read super hero comics are not all pinheads, but really... It is 1985 and, with Richard Nixon as President in perpetuity and Russo/ American relations coming to the boil, the world is on the brink of nuclear annihilation. Enter the heroes, a dynasty of superannuated nostalgics. A futuristic story set in the recent past has tremendous potential, but the possibilities are dashed by a stale, conformist negativity and a horribly convoluted script (I lost interest halfway), with endless digressions – one, concerning Rorschach's time in the clink, serves no purpose other than to allow for a scene where one of the inmates has his forearms severed by a buzz-saw. With a rape that surely



sent a questionable message to the groin gripping audience, it's typical of what this flick, despite its pretensions, is all about – pornographic enactments of violence. They make you wonder just what that naked, napalm-splattered little Vietnamese girl was whingeing about. Memorable only for the nude

blue giant, Mr Manhattan, who breaks mainstream cinema's record for the time his penis (circumcised) is centre screen (you just can't take your eyes off the damned thing), I'd be tempted to say that the film is life-threateningly boring – if it weren't so 'groundbreaking and visionary'. ~ John Campbell

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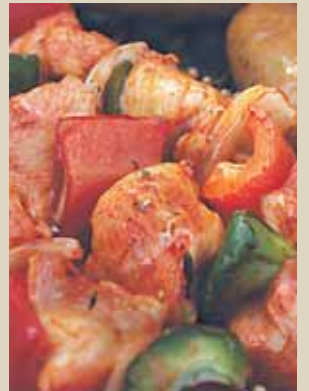
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GRATE STUFF

Victoria Cosford

One of the best Christmas gifts I received last year was a microplane grater. In appearance like a long narrow file, such is the fineness of its grating capacity that its function is indeed similar. It has effectively revolutionised my culinary practices and now I find myself seeking out dishes to cook which involve grating. Not only does this implement facilitate the process but it enables whatever it is I am grating – and it is frequently lemon rind – to cascade cloud-like onto the chopping board in vast quantities.

Furthermore, mine was just an Aldi version; I can hardly imagine how the real deal, the patented product, could be any more efficient. Ku from Byron Bay Trading Company in Jonson Street is an unabashed fan of microplanes. He explains to me the difference between them and normal graters, how the former are laser-cut whereas the latter are just pressed metal. Waving his hand at the various styles his store stocks, he tells me that they just about sell like hotcakes – he averages 300 sales a year of the things! Clearly I have been lagging very far behind in the kitchen equipment department with my four-sided box grater!

And what a chore that has always been! If there were more than two lemons to be grated, for example, my wrist would begin to ache – and then there would be the tedious business of extricating all the rind, scraping it out with a pointy knife. Not to mention the occasional danger of grated finger. I would often float away on distracting thoughts such as why had some genius not invented a more efficient grating system...

I have long been familiar with the various other types of graters available. The single-sided metal ones whose tendency it is to shoot suddenly out of control, the bottom end skidding and dispersing all your painstakingly deconstructed cheese or citrus rind or carrot. The rotary ones composed of an embossed

barrel and a little handle you turn – quite effective for hard cheeses like parmesan though liable to dismantle themselves mid-operation. The cute-as-a-button baby ones for whole nutmeg, and the slightly larger just-as-cute ones for parmesan (which reminds me to point out the importance, when serving pasta, of offering a chunk of - real goes without saying - parmigiano reggiano or its less expensive cousin Grana Padano on a plate at the table accompanied by a little grater in order that it be grated freshly). There are food processors with grater attachments to simplify your life utterly; I confess to taking this option when I make carrot cakes. There are mandolin slicers with graters; cheese graters which perch above their own dome-shaped receptacles; electric graters and zesters. There are graters in the shape of pyramids and there are food mills. And then there is the world of microplanes!

Ku is about to order a microplane box grater (\$90) and a tiny citrus tool complete with garnishing blades (\$35). He claims that the best seller is the coarse grater but the range spans fine through to extra coarse. \$50 is the average spend. He believes that people are beginning to discover that 'less is more' as far as kitchen equipment is concerned: buying one superb quality item rather than have a kitchen drawer full of inferior ones.

I plan to start by throwing out my box grater.



WINE IN PLASTIC

Sirromet Winery at Mount Cotton, just outside Brisbane, has just released a wine in a 750 ml PET plastic bottle for Australian consumers in what is believed to be an Australian first. First Step is the name given to a range of plastic bottles with screw tops which look exactly like glass bottles but which in fact constitute recycled low energy packaging designed to reduce environmental impacts from wine production. The same amount of liquid is contained in the bottles with no compromise on the quality of the wine in any way at all. The range features a 2005 Cabernet Merlot and a 2008 unwooded chardonnay – both made entirely from grapes grown at Sirromet's Granite Belt vineyards.

CLUB AU

Still in the Granite Belt, there is a wine club definitely worth joining. Aussie Vineyards in North Tamborine has introduced Club Au for those interested in enjoying quality wine all year round. The Au brand of wines consist of the moderately priced Regional Range (\$14 a bottle – the 'Piper' Rose is a stunning example), the more expensive Estate Range (\$19 a bottle) and the \$24 Five Bars Range. In order to join all you have to do is purchase a case of wine via cellar door, online, fax or by phone at the members' special price and upon purchasing three cases of Au wine within your 12-month anniversary you will be rewarded with a complimentary fourth case of your choice. Benefits are numerous and include a bonus 'sign-on trio pack', free delivery within Australia, Club Au members days at the magnificent Tamborine Mountain vineyard and invitations to new-release tastings. To join, either ring 07 5545 2000, fax 07 5545 2038 or email dbrown@aussievineyards.com.au

Cricket memorabilia donated to juniors



Commonwealth Branch Manager Amanda Browning presented some of our young representative cricketers with the signed miniature bat framed with photos of Michael Hussey. The boys Jesse Iwaszko, Josh Evans, Remy Veselis, Todd Arthur and Josh Pike hope to one day have a collectable signature of their own.

In a show of support for local junior cricket, the Commonwealth Bank has donated a signature bat signed by Australian test cricketer Michael Hussey to the Mullum Brunswick Cricket Club.

Five lads who represented our area in cricket carnivals from Taree to the border over

the January holidays, were please to accept the donation. These boys love the game and have the dedication and talent to one day have their signatures on a similar piece of cricket memorabilia.

The bat will be raffled as a fundraiser for the club and the draw will be held the club's

junior and senior presentation BBQ and Games afternoon on Saturday April 4.

Tickets for this great collectible prize can be purchased at North Coast Trophies in Brunswick Heads or at the Mullumbimby Tyre Service. Phone 6685 1676 for more information.

SPORTS RESULTS

BOWLS
Brunswick Heads Men
4/3 S/S Triples: J Rittway, B Stewart, D Maundrell; r/up B Hughes, M Carter, J Phypers; E Boyter, K Hosie, L Campbell. 6/3 S/S Jackpot Pairs: S Robson, J McGuire; r/up J Oski, M Hogan; Jackpot not won. 7/3 club/s pairs/triples: J Howell, E Boyter; r/up G Rendell, J Phypers. 8/3 2 bowl pairs: P Boyter, M Jeffreys; r/up L Robinson, J McGuire; Louies prize E Boyter, B Danswan. Major singles: G Rendell 31 d M Hardy 20; V Caldwell 31 d A Montgomery 19; M Petrou 31 d J McGuire 20; C Marshall 31 d R Northcott 24. Major Pairs: B Montgomery, L Wade 20 d B Howell, N Condon 14.

Brunswick Heads Women
3/3 Pennant: win at home v Ocean Shores; 5/3 win at Pottsville. 10/3: pennant game at Mullumbimby. Social: N Barnes, Z Wagner, D Guest 14 d L Andrew, P Appel, L Proudlock 10; M Darby, M Parsons 20 d J Loomes, D Hay 6. 11/3: Committee meeting 1pm.

Lennox Head Men
7/3 Pennant: Rnd1 No1's E Lismore 66 d Lennox Hd 57. 5/1: No 2's Lennox Hd 52 A'ville 50 Points 4/2, No 5's Lennox Hd 59 d Lismore Hts 51 Points 5/1; No 7's S Lismore 74 Lennox Hd 49 Points 5/1. 3/3 Triples: J Robinson, G Grady (w) 19 d R Latham, I Kemp 13; P Flood, J Lowry, R De Re (r/up) 33 d G Maclean, S Lewis, G Maloney 9; J Turner, D Cullen, J Dudgeon 32 d F Taylor (snr), I Whitehall, B Lynch (cons) 16. 4/3 Twilight: J Turner, C Ulrick (w) 22 d L Bartlett, B McRae 13; K Pringle, K McGuire (r/up) 12 d E Burgess, D Higham 11. 6/3 Mixed: N Cotter, B Malcolm (w) 26 d S/C Skennar 13; H Burgess, F Somerville (r/up) 30 d E/T Barr 17. M/L Christian 22 d C/B Lawless (cons) 8. 7/3 Social: H Neill, K Kilby, B Higgins, B Schweitzer 22 d J

Pratten, B Gregory, F Allcoat, I Whitehall 10. 8/3 Club Triples C'ships: Rnd 1; P Blair, L Martin 20 d L Bartlett, W McRae 18; D Hambly, R Reid 23 d R Westworth, B Saric 21; S/D Tancred 20 d R De Re, G Pascoe 19. Rnd 2; P Blair, L Martin 22 d G Maloney, B Malcolm 17; S/D Tancred 22 d D Hambly, R Reid 16; S Prasad, B Evans 25 d J Robinson (sub), I Kemp 11; J Dudgeon, M Daley 21 d M Papas, C Skennar 17; D Smith, N Tancred 23 d P Carter, G Brook 20; R/N Gregor 28 d P Wilson, C Ulrick 5; G Reynolds, D Hall 42 d J Smith, G Lightfoot 5.

Lennox Head Women
4/3 Social: E Reid, S Skennar, R Hefernan, G Martin 28 d M Arandale, C Lawless, P Brining, M Gregor 13; r/up R Sparre, T Harrington, K Philp 22 d A Meagher, F McCarthy, N Holmes 17; N Cotter, J McRae, E Steele, D Papas 28 d J Fogarty, S Nicol, B Turner, M Battese 13.

Mullumbimby Ex Services Men
4/3 Social: D Henry, T Batson, B Moore 30 d L Boyter, T Trivett, T Johnston 7; M Johnston, D Ottery, P McDonald 24 d R Marriot, B Rose, A Bartlett 17; J C Canabou, S Purdie, P Jones 23 d G McKenzie, B Neate, F Buckley 17; R Kidby, J Estreich, S Bre-card 19 d F Cornale, M Thorne, B Gibson 15; A Johnstone, L Henry 25 d N Newton, B Coleman 12. 7/3 Triples C'ships: R/T Fenwick, S Lumsden 38 def R/P Gower, G Naoum 11; M Esau, M Brown, J McKay 33 d T Trivett, J Estreich, B Coleman 11; P Jones, N Newton, T Johnston 35 d S Purdie, S Dettman, B Moore 18. Social: L Estreich, B Reglin, R Philips 22 d M Bertoli, J C Canabou, R Day 12; G Schneider, T Batson, B McClymont 22 d C Thorne, N Lee, P Thompson 18.

Mullumbimby Ex Services Women
3/3 Social: C Thorne, G Henry 20 (Rink W) v K Johnstone, B Reglin 9; J Graham, M Bertoli, J Kidman 17 J Graham, J Morrow, B Croft 11; R Mills, E Jones 25 v J Lee, S Brown 10. Pennant team def by Pottsville

and Mur/bah. 10/3 home v Brunswick Hds. 2/4 Bus visit to Yamba B C, bowls and lunch.

Ocean Shores Men
2/3 Lolly Pops, Wings and Margins: K Hosie, B Elliott, P Tonoros; r/up K Kennedy, T Lawrie, R Norris. OSCC Men's Major Singles Rnd 2: C Klavestyn d B James 31/15; S Pratt d L Hoffman 31/15; P Earl d R Tonkin 31/26; R Norris d J Hay 31/30; G Collins d H Schollbach 31/14; D Whitney d W Sprengel 31/7; T Mason d B Gibson 31/22.

Ocean Shores Women
3/3 Pennants: Brunswick Hds d OS 4/3. Mixed Social: 18 visitors from Kent UK joined OS bowlers for an arvo of friendship and bowls. 6/3 Final Minor Singles: L McGowan (W Out of Hat) d J Loftis; M Flesser d M Hosie; M James d C Timewell; T Warr d P Sullivan. Club 4s entries close 13/3.

BRIDGE
Brunswick Valley
2/3 9 Table Mitchell: H/c Winners; N/S: K Westall/R Pedicini; M Homfray/I Homfray; E/W: K Nelmes/M Clark; D Grant/F Patterson. N/S: 1 M Homfray/I Homfray; 2 D Gall/B Hughes; 3 P Hems/M Downey; 4 J Gibson/E Sherry. E/W: 1 D Grant/F Patterson; 2 K Nelmes/M Clark; 3 M Fleming/R Heale; 4 B Powell/A Gray. 7/3 7 Table Mitchell Rover: H/c Winners; N/S: P Keyte/J Murray; C Blacker/C Timewell; E/W: K Westall/C Fuest; B Philipsen/B Philipsen. N/S: 1 P Keyte/J Murray; 2 R Fox/I Homfray; 3 C Blacker/C Timewell; 4 P Baldwin/M Fleming. E/W: 1 G Withey/A Withey; 2 B Philipsen/B Philipsen; 3= G Falson/J Selleck; 03= K Westall/C Fuest.

Ocean Shores
4/3: N/S 1st gross/net J Hughes/C Blacker; 2nd gross J Selleck/B Simons; 2nd net R/P Keyte. E/W 1st gross/Eq 1st net P Quirke/P Sullivan; 2nd gross/net J Elliott/M Clark; Eq 1st net K Westall/C Fuest.

NCAS launches Athletes with Disability program

North Coast Academy of Sport (NCAS) has just launched its new Athletes With Disability (AWD) program and is looking for applications from emerging and talented athletes from across the North Coast.

‘The program has been designed with the distinct goal of providing a new and ongoing level of regional support to emerging or existing talented athletes with a disability that reside on the North Coast,’ said NCAS executive director Tony Clarke.

‘Our research and consultation with state and national bodies has concluded that a generic region-wide program that can service a range of AWD sports is the best way of supporting athletes with different AWD classifications and levels of performance,’ added Clarke.

The program has received financial support for its first year from NSW Department of Arts, Sport and Recreation as part of their objective to enhance the NSW State Plan by building better communities throughout all of NSW.

Planning advice and endorsement for the new initiative has also been received from the National Paralympic

Committee and NSW Sport and Recreation Disability Sports Unit.

The new program has also been warmly welcomed by the 12 local government authorities throughout the NCAS catchment area including Tweed, Byron, Lismore, Ballina, Kyogle, Richmond Valley, Clarence Valley, Coffs Harbour, Bellingen, Nambucca, Kempsey and Port Macquarie-Hastings. Each of these councils provides an annual financial contribution to NCAS which has been used this year to help fund the new program.

To apply, applicants must reside in one of the 12 North Coast shires, and, subject to their sport's AWD competition pathway and age requirements, can be of any age.

‘Applicants who wish to apply must also be able to demonstrate that they currently are (or at least have the potential to become) an elite athlete for their sport, discipline, age and classification,’ said Clarke.

‘It is expected that applicants will have already been training and competing in their sport, and may have already achieved a notable level of accomplishment.’

The delivery of the inaugural

AWD program will consist of two weekend camps at Lake Ainsworth Sport and Recreation Centre in the middle of 2009 and then a Regional Athlete and Coach Education weekend.

The camp-based format will be designed to support the athlete as they progress along their development pathway and will engage specialist presenters, coaches, sports trainers and mentors to assist the each athlete achieve this goal.

The education component of the program will provide athletes, their coaches, parents and carers education topics such as sports psychology, athlete physiology, athlete nutrition, drugs in sport, core strength and conditioning sessions and ‘respect and responsibility’ as well as media and public speaking, athlete pathways, AWD classification, equipment maintenance and gender-specific issues within each sport.

Applications for the AWD program close on Friday March 27.

For further information and to download an AWD Application Form visit the download section via the front page of the NCAS website.

DARTS
Brunswick Valley
4/3: Off the Board 2 v Workaholics 9; Mens High Score T Garrett 121; Ladies High Score J Garrett 140; Mens High Peg T Garrett 60; Ladies High Peg J Garrett 16. Fumbles 5 v Workers 5; Mens High Score C Redden 135; Ladies High Score P Cartner 116; Mens High Peg R Lawrence 60; Ladies High Peg M Dare 27.

GOLF
Mullumbimby Men
4/3 Srixon Challenge: S Johnston; r/up G Anderson; W Gregg, D Blake; C Mangleson. NTP: 5th D Blake, 7th M Allan, 9th M Allan, 12th D Sganol, 17th D Mackay. Balls to 38 pts. 7/3 Monthly Medal: A grade R Phillips 65; r/up H Cooper 66; B grade R Reilly 64 (overall winner); r/up J Anderton 66; C grade M Paron 66; r/up M McLeod 70. NTP: 5th J Stokes, 9th J Gadowski, 12th P Schweitzer, 17th B Bamplett; balls to 70 c/b.

Mullumbimby Ladies
28/2 Single Stroke: D Cullen 66 nett; r/up J Towner 67 nett; ball run down G Parsons 68; NTP 2nd shot 7th M Isaac; 12th M Allan. 5/3 Monthly Medal Stroke: Div 1 M Essery 65; Div 2 G James 63; gross ball Div 1 M Essery 89, S Kosaka 89; Div 2 G James 99. Vets Div 1 G James; Div 2 M Crichton; Putts J Stuart. 12/3 Versus Par: 1st Tee; 9am L Walker, G Mackay, B Woolnough; 9.06 G James, M Davey, G Lynn; 9.12 N Dwyer, M Essery, W Ward; 9.18 F Booth, H Hammond, F Brooker; 9.24 G Redman, L Froggatt, T Robbins; 9.30 J Stuart, M Bertoli, G Poynting. 10th Tee; 9am M Crichton, S Kosaka, W Stenner; 9.06 N Carsburg, J Beer, L Clarke; 9.12 J Neate, J Hopper, R Wilson; 9.18 B Mules, A Moser, F Gannell; 9.24 R Manley, K Thomson, L Siddall. Kitchen M Essery/F Booth; Table L Walker/G Mackay.

Ocean Shores Ladies
3/3 4BBB Stab: K Welsh, J Beohm 46 c/b; R/Up C Caldwell, C Killion

46. NTP Div 1 K Howard; Div 2 H Henry; Div 3 M Byron; Vouchers to 42 c/b. 5/3 Stab: G Tilling 35; R/Up G O'Hagan 32 c/b; Vouchers to 30. 7/3 Stroke Club Medal: V Marsh 73 (Medal winner); R/Up K Howard 74; Vouchers to 75; Putting M Ianson 29 Puts. NTP Div 1 B Wingad; Div 2 J Andrews.

Ocean Shores Vets
5/3 Stab: A Dickens 39 pts c/b; r/up R King 39; B Smith 38 c/b; M Kelly 38; NTP 3rd: H/C 0 to 19 C Godsmark; H/C 20+ J Rogers, 6th T Lowndes; 8th J Price; Pin 12th J Roberts; 15th M Thomsett; 17th H/C 0 to 19 J Conqueror; H/C 20+ L Wyatt; Gorilla Award H/C 0 to 19 L Smith H/C 20+ L Hoffman. Club Cash Run to 23; Balls to 35.

RUGBY UNION
Brunswick Valley Juniors
Training Wed, 5pm at Brunswick Sports Ground. Registrar there to sign new and renewing players. Cost is \$85 or \$150 for family, incl socks and shorts. Contact Rebecca 0438 851 140 for further info.

SOFTBALL
Byron Bay
Div 3 Byron Bay Redsox 13 v Goonellabah Tigers 11. This win gave the Redsox girls the Minor Premiership. Div 1 Byron Bay Whitesox had the bye and didn't take the field. The end of the rounds saw the Div 1 pool split into A Grade and A Reserve. Two teams, Whitesox and Casino Ratpack topped the ladder with 29 points each in A Reserve grade. On c/b, Casino Ratpack 151 runs and Whitesox 130 runs. Both Redsox and Whitesox will now contest in the finals starting Saturday 14/3 in Lismore at Albert Park.

SQUASH
Brunswick Heads
11/3 Rnd 11 Cape Byron Med Centre Comp: Canty's Surveyors v Byron Bay Trophies; S Thompson v C Ashworth, C Pearce v P Hill, S Moon v A Li, C Johnston v Kijay, A Booth v P McQueen. OS Glass v Bruns Blinds; M Underwood v G Davis, G Hall v C Walsh, J Gribble v D Runciman, N Dunn v J Nicolson, B Doran v S Truesdale. Bruns Smash Repairs v OS Bakery; G Elliott v B Trivett, W Ferrier v R Hughes, R King v C Booth, J Smith v R Cameron, F King v Jeff Heers. Brunswick Heads Pharmacy Bye. 16/3 Rnd 6 Byron Health Foods Comp: Div 1; 5pm B Trivett v C Littlewood, M Underwood v L Powell, D Bird v G Davis. Div 2; 5pm L Clarke v L Tomasella, R Hughes v J Gribble, A Li v C Walsh, C Pearce v R King, T Dryden Bye. Div 3; 5pm W Mahera v C Johnston, S Moon v J Heers, R Draper v J Nicolson, D Runciman Bye. Div 4; 5pm M Hazelwood Ross v D Williams, D Fisher v Jeff Heers, S Truesdale v P McQueen, T Ashworth v F King, B Doran Bye. To play phone 6685 1794.

TABLE TENNIS
Mullumbimby
5/3: P McKenzie (-5); r/up B Cawthorne (-9); M Smith (-9); C Strybos (-8). Enquiries ring Mark 0409 473 517 or Chris 6684 1468.

TENNIS
Mullumbimby
2/3 Women: Div 1: Pearls 31 d Opals 23, Diamonds 32 d Emeralds 24. Div 2: Zinc 40 d Bronze 25, Gold 42 d Platinum 21. 3/3 Men: Wilsons 47 d Heads 46, Babolats 58 d Yonex's 33.

VOLLEYBALL
Brunswick Heads
10/3 Rnd 9 J V Towing Comp: 6pm Ballistic v Brewers, Mixed Chickens v Hit and Run, Duty Lounge Lizards. 7pm Flash v Lounge Lizards, No Mercy Bye, Duty Ballistic. 12/3 Rnd 11 OS True Value Hardware Comp: 6pm Tripods v Chilli Twist, X Factor v Go Go Girls, Cosmic Kittens v Kaos.com, Duty Red Frogs. 7pm Volleys v Red Frogs, Something Else v Fusion, Barefoot Bandits v Snickers, Duty Tripods. To play phone 6685 1794.

Dive in and learn to teach swimming

New South Wales Sport and Recreation is giving North Coast residents the opportunity to earn an Austswim Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety certificate.

The program will be held at the Petria Thomas Memorial Pool, Mullumbimby, on March 28 and 29.

Heidi Duncan from NSW Sport and Recreation said the Austswim certificate provides candidates with the essential skills to teach swimming and water safety to people aged four and above.

‘The certificate is valid for three years and includes both theory and practical sessions,’ she said.

‘This course is the industry standard for swimming teachers. Participants must be 16 years or older and will need a current resuscitation award to gain their Austswim teacher certificate.

‘A resuscitation course will be held following Saturday’s Austswim session between 5.30 pm and 7.30 pm.’

The cost of each program is \$330 plus \$60 for those requiring the optional resuscitation course.

For bookings or further information, please contact New South Wales Sport and Recreation on 6618 0400 or follow the link at the website at www.dsr.nsw.gov.au.

Lake Ainsworth Aquathon

Every child deserves to be healthy. This includes good food habits and daily physical activity – if your child has these they’re on their way to a healthy life.

Jo Scotcher, a local mum, has initiated the first of a few events to be held at the Lake Ainsworth Sport and Rec Centre at Lennox Head.

The event is an Aquathon which is a swim and run event for primary school children.

The aim of the event is participation from children of all abilities and as such not a race.

Children and young people should be active every day in as many ways as possible with the benefit of being happy and full of natural energy.

The Junior Aquathon will provide several events including a Swim/ Run with a 50, 75 and 100 metres swim and a 1, 2 and 3 kilometre run.

Age groups for the event range from U6s to U13s but there are limited places in each division.

Everyone is welcome to join in the Aquathon. The event will be held on March 28th.

For more information call Jo on 6687 5979 or Lina on 6687 4419.

Inflated champions at Mullum pool



The Inaugural Mullumbimby Pool Inflatable Championship were held amidst much dash and splash last Friday evening, the culmination of a summer of time trials which saw the top competitors in each category up for the title of Inflatable Champion.

Eight divisions were featured during the event following a 2 hour free-for-all hosted by the pool managers Mark and Clare Mathison.

The results of the championships were: 8 and under males, 1st Luca Tansley, 2nd Theo Bourgoin and 3rd Talizgon. In the 8 and under female division the placegetters were: 1st Keelee Estridge, 2nd Sara Santos and 3rd Lily Macdonald.

The winners in the 10 and under category were: 1st Travis Watkins, 2nd Josh Berry and 3rd Flynn Brown for the boys and 1st Jasmine Whetstone and 2nd Joey Dillon for the girls.

The 11 and over section was a hard fought division with the crowds screaming to a deafening crescendo as each competitor splashed down, with the overall title going to Ethan Askew followed by Ash Lumsden in the men’s, and 1st

In an event that was about getting to the other end first, 11 and up division winners Ethan Askew and Fiona Francis showed that is was more about speed while Mums champ Petra Throwbridge and Dads winner Stu Eadie demonstrated that is was less about style. Photos Tree Faerie.

place went to Fiona Francis, 2nd to Meghan Donnally and 3rd to Jamie Lee Thompson in the women’s section.

It was the parents category which created the most entertaining spectacle of the event especially when trying to squeeze a forty year old sized body through a 12 year old sized obstacle course.

Cash and prizes for the championships valued at over \$2000 were generously donated by the event’s major sponsor Dennetts IGA and many other businesses in Mullumbimby.

The inflatable and the championships proved a great success over the summer and the challenge will be on again every weekend until the end of April when the giant pool toy will hang up its air until next season.

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3rd SAT	Mullumbimby	6684 3370
3rd SAT	Murwillumbah	0417 759 777
3rd SUN	Uki	6679 9026
3rd SUN	Nimbin	6689 0000
3rd SUN	Lismore Car Boot	6628 7333
3rd SUN	Ballina	6687 4328
4th SUN	Bangalow	6687 1911
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PHASES OF THE MOON					
Pisces Full Moon	11th Mar	12.38 pm			
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New Moon	27th Mar	2.06 am			
First Quarter	3rd Apr	12.34 am			
WED 11th	High 9.14 am 1.8	Sunrise 6.44 am			
	Low 9.46 pm 1.6	Sunset 7.07 pm			
	High 3.00 am 0.2	Moonrise 6.59 pm			
	Low 3.37 pm 0.1	Moonset 6.31 am			
THU 12th	High 9.58 am 1.7	Sunrise 6.44 am			
	Low 10.26 pm 1.6	Sunset 7.06 pm			
	High 3.48 am 0.2	Moonrise 7.32 pm			
	Low 4.12 pm 0.2	Moonset 7.33 am			
FRI 13th	High 10.40 am 1.6	Sunrise 6.45 am			
	Low 11.04 pm 1.6	Sunset 7.05 pm			
	High 4.34 am 0.3	Moonrise 8.05 pm			
	Low 4.45 am 0.3	Moonset 8.34 am			
SAT 14th	High 11.20 am 1.4	Sunrise 6.45 am			
	Low 11.42 pm 1.6	Sunset 7.04 pm			
	High 5.20 am 0.3	Moonrise 8.40 pm			
	Low 5.16 pm 0.4	Moonset 9.34 am			
SUN 15th	High 12.00 am 1.3	Sunrise 6.46 am			
	Low 6.05 am 0.5	Sunset 7.03 pm			
	High 5.48 pm 0.5	Moonrise 9.19 pm			
	Low 12.21 am 1.6	Moonset 10.34 am			
MON 16th	High 12.43 pm 1.2	Sunrise 6.46 am			
	Low 6.53 am 0.5	Sunset 7.02 pm			
	High 6.22 pm 0.5	Moonrise 10.01 pm			
	Low 1.03 am 1.5	Moonset 11.33 am			
TUE 17th	High 1.32 pm 1.1	Sunrise 6.47 am			
	Low 7.47 am 0.5	Sunset 7.01 pm			
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Gary ‘Kong’ Elkerton was last week inducted into the Australian Surfing Hall of Fame.

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In an era regarded more for its flash than substance by some, Kong, pictured with his award, was a surfer who could back up the hype.

The big man was untouchable in everything from six to 20 feet and was three-time world championship runner-up during the ’80s and ’90s. Kong also came out firing in the ASP’s Masters Championships, claiming the ASP World Masters Title in 2000, 2001 and again in 2003.

Kong’s induction was one of a number of awards presented last week in Coolangatta as part of the Australian Surfing Awards.

The Australian Surfing Awards were for the second year ‘carbon neutral’ with the organisers undergoing a carbon audit of the event. The carbon footprint of the event will be offset by the purchasing of certified carbon offsets equal to the audited emissions profile. The process was undertaken by awards partner Balance Carbon.

The Australian Surf Business magazine, ASB, continued with their support of the presentation of the awards. Surfing Australia is grateful to its award partners and others in the industry who have contributed to the presentation of the awards.

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To register for the event www.malfunction.com.au.



Thanks for a great Regatta

Congratulations to those who worked so hard for this day - including the surf nippers who turned on a great rescue. The talent and attitude of sailors in Byron is terrific. **A donation of \$3000 was made to the Volunteer Rescue Squad from the yacht club.**

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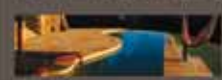
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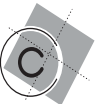
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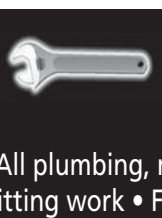
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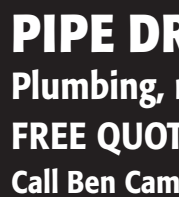
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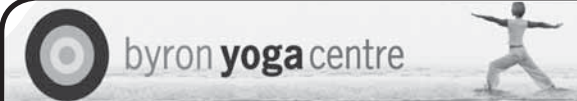
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9/6/1948 - 28/2/2009

Lindsay was loved and cared for during his final illness by his daughter Blossom and the compassionate staff of the St Luke's ward of Melbourne's Bethlehem Hospice. There was a private cremation, and a wake will be held at midday on Sunday 15th March at St Andrews Pub, Victoria. Any North Coast friends with memories or photos to share from Lindsay's life please contact Trish on 66847023

ANDY FRAME

of Nightcap Farm, Mt Nardi, Nimbin. Andy died suddenly at home on Friday evening, 6th March, 2009. Funeral arrangements to be advised

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News in brief – the fun keeps coming

Council pleased with holiday letting responses

Byron Shire Council’s Director of Planning, Ray Darney, said that to date over 45 enquiries and 25 submissions have been received on the holiday letting model. ‘We continue to encourage the community to be actively interested in contributing towards how their community is managed and put in their submissions,’ Mr Darney said.

In tackling the holiday letting issues of noise, antisocial behaviour, parking, garbage, loss of permanent resident housing stock and amenity, Byron Shire Council has proposed a model of holiday letting controls. ‘We urge all concerned residents to view the holiday letting exhibition which details the proposed approved holiday letting areas,’ said Mr Darney.

‘The exhibited maps outline the proposed holiday lettings precincts. It is proposed to allow holiday letting in these areas subject to an approved development certification.’

If the model is adopted, all holiday letting approvals will pay a contribution to Council which will be calculated on the number of guests that are permitted to stay in the holiday accommodation.

The proposed model, including precincts, certification approval process, answers to Frequently Asked Questions and brochure, will be on exhibi-

tion until Friday March 20 in Council’s administration building, Station Street, Mullumbimby, between 9am and 4pm.

Copies will also be available at Council’s Community Access Points around the Shire or on the website www.byron.nsw.gov.au/PublicExhibition. Submissions in writing should be made no later than 4pm Friday March 20. Enquiries to Community Planning 6626 7126.

Meet the Australia movie team

Did you ever wonder what it’s like behind the scenes of a major motion picture? Northern Rivers Screenworks is offering you the chance to peek behind the curtain of *Australia* and find out what it takes to play in the big leagues with the likes of Baz, Hugh and Nicole.

While not a single frame of *Australia* was shot in the Northern Rivers, our local film industry played its part in the person of three highly-qualified professionals, who will share their experiences with you on Thursday March 12 at the A&I Hall in Bangalow from 7pm.

Oscar-nominated and BAFTA award-winning sound man Guntis Sics will talk about his work as Production Mixer, Victoria Sullivan will share her experiences doing Continuity, and Dominic Bean will de-mystify some of the visual effects that make the latest Baz Lurhman epic – umm – epic!

It all kicks off at 7pm. Tickets are available at the door, \$15 for Screenworks members, \$20 for non-members. For more information, call Screenworks on 6687 1599, email events@screenworks.com.au, or visit www.screenworks.com.au. Please note, the film itself will not be screened.

Mozzie alert

As the recent heavy rains and flooding are likely to result in larger numbers of mosquitoes, the North Coast Area Health Service’s (NCAHS) Public Health Unit has issued a public health alert for residents and visitors to guard against becoming infected with the mosquito-borne Barmah Forest and Ross River Viruses.

‘The heavy rains last week combined with high humidity and the possibility of further rain and some very high tides in the next few weeks means more breeding sites for mosquitoes. So, we are expecting very high adult mosquito populations to emerge this week and over the coming weeks,’ said NCAHS Director of Public Health, Paul Corben.

‘With more mosquitoes maturing over the coming weeks, there will be a greater chance of being bitten and contracting a mosquito-borne virus. This is also the time of year when we usually see a steep rise in cases of Barmah Forest virus and Ross River virus infections, so it’s particularly important that people take precautions against being bitten by mosquitoes over the

coming several weeks.’

Symptoms of infection with Ross River virus or Barmah Forest virus are similar and include:

- flu-like symptoms, with fever chills, headache, and aches in the muscles and joints;
- some people may develop joint swelling and stiffness, especially in the mornings;
- a rash sometimes develops, usually on the trunk or limbs. This rash usually disappears after 7 to 10 days; and
- a feeling of tiredness or weakness can occur at times during the illness, which can affect both lifestyle and work performance.

Funding for local infrastructure

Minister for Regional Development Phil Costa has called for expressions of interest from local councils, businesses and infrastructure providers for funding for infrastructure projects linked to business investment and jobs growth in country NSW.

Mr Costa said the \$52 million Local Infrastructure Support Fund will help offset the cost of critical infrastructure needed for businesses to establish, expand or relocate in country and coastal areas.

Expressions of interest for funding this financial year must be received by Friday March 20. For more information, go to www.business.nsw.gov.au/regionalcommunities.

Pin This Up

Plant Some Trees

Mullumbimby Community Planting Day is on Sunday March 22. Everyone is welcome, come and plant trees and be part of a reconciliation project. The Madhima Gulgan Community Assoc and other local Aboriginal artists will give an insight into singing, dancing and bush foods. The planting day is from 9.30am, rain or shine. Follow signs to the western end of Whian Street, Mullumbimby. Planting and activities will take place until 2.30 pm. Bring suitable work clothes, hat, water and food. Supported by Rainforest Rescue, Brunswick Valley Landcare and NSW Environmental Trust. Just turn up, or for more info phone 6684 3925.

Green/Clean Dune Day

The Green and Clean Awareness Team Dune Care day is on Sunday March 15 from 9am to 12 noon at Clarkes Beach. Meet near the Clarkes Beach BBQ. From 12 noon to 1pm enjoy a free BBQ. All food and prizes provided by supportive local businesses. Enquiries to Udo on 6680 9698 or Veda on 6685 7991.

Vipassana Meditation

Vipassana meditation is a universal meditation technique of self observation, originally taught by the Buddha 2600 years ago. A 10 day course of Vipassana Meditation Course is being held from April 15 to 26, in Ballina. A residential course of instruction is an opportunity to learn the technique and experience the benefits of a period of intensive meditation. Courses are maintained purely by voluntary donation and a run by a not for profit community organisation. To apply or for more info visit the website www.rasmi.dhamma.org/nrv/ or phone Ian on 6680 3203.

U3A Brunswick Valley

On March 17, a member of NSW Health North Coast will speak on Living Life Well, 10am to 12noon, this week only at Ocean Shores Country Club. Enquiries 6684 3126. On Thursday March 12, Computing from 2 to 4pm. Phone 6680 1784.

Anglican News

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. The Anglican Women’s Guild is having a street stall on Thursday March 26 at the taxi rank in Stuart Street, Mullumbimby from 8.30am. Home baked goods and fresh produce available.

PAN Meeting

PAN (Practising Artists Network) is a non profit incorporated organisation committed to furthering and promoting visual arts in Byron Shire. Our next monthly meeting will be at the Byron Bay RSL, 7 pm on Tuesday March 24. For further information call Nicole on 6685 5817 or visit our website www.panbyronbay.com.au.

Peace Vigil

All who want peace to replace conflict war and injustice meet at 5pm Sunday March 15 at the Peace Pole in Byron Bay for a Peace Vigil. Bring candles and flowers for the sunset circle. Enquiries to Margeaux on 6685 8382.

Preschool Vacancies

Are you looking for a local preschool? The Wilsons Creek Community Preschool has vacancies for children aged 3 and older. The preparation for school program is rich in art, craft, outdoor play, and music, we are just 15 minutes drive from Mullumbimby. We are open from Monday to Wednesday. For more information call Sue on 6684 0013.

Progress Assn AGM

The Middle Pocket and Yelgun Progress Association are holding their AGM on Monday March 23 at 7.30pm. Venue at Tony Stupka’s residence, enquiries to 6680 1389.

Friends of the Library

Meeting March 18 at 10.30am in the Byron RSL. New members welcome.

Cat/Dog Desexing

If you are the holder of a Centrelink pension or healthcare card and are struggling to afford the cost of having your pet desexed, we may be able to help you. Please call the Animal Welfare League NSW on 6684 4070.

Health Talks

The Health Promotion Service for Older People (HPSOP) conducts free health related information talks that aim to increase community awareness and maintain the independence of older people. Topics presented by Volunteer Peer Educators include Medicine Management and Dental Care and later this year Falls Prevention and Diabetes will also be available. If your group could benefit from any of these sessions, contact HPSOP directly on phone: 1800 451 488 or email: health@cpsa.org.au to arrange a speaker. Local enquires to Caroline Walsh, phone 6687 8420 or 0438 210 079.

Fundraiser Garage Sale

Pets for Life Animal Shelter Inc. at Billinudgel is holding a fundraising garage sale/adoption day on Saturday March 21 at 136 Orana Road, Ocean Shores. If you have any clean furniture, bric a brac, books, CDs, etc that you would like to donate please ring Jean on 6619 1787 or 0411 032 905. Volunteers are still required to assist with the care of PFL’s many kittens.

U3A Ballina/Byron

The Shibashi (gentle exercise) group will meet on Tuesday March 17 at 10am in the Brunswick Heads CWA rooms. All welcome, contact 6685 1982.

Old time Dance

Everyone is welcome to the next Old Time Dance at Newrybar Hall on Saturday March 21 at 8pm. The theme is Easter, admission is \$10 and there are lots of prizes to be won, a delicious supper provided and good music and dancing with the Rhythm Rascals Old Time Band. Enquiries to Lynelle on 6687 1295.

Meet, Greet, Musical Treat

Come along to a free Musical Extravaganza to celebrate Seniors Week on Friday March 20 from 10.30am to 2pm. Light lunch and tea and coffee provided at the Tintenbar Hall, all welcome. Telephone Caroline Walsh on 6687 8420 if you need help with transport.

Garden Club News

Mullumbimby Garden Club meets on Thursday March 12 at 1pm in the Uniting Church Hall. Competition is Flower of the Month. Donations requested for the raffle basket. Afternoon tea follows meeting. New members welcome. Byron Bay Garden Club meets on March 14 at 1pm in the Presbyterian Hall. Culture is a garden ornament. Morning tea at Anne Wright’s on Saturday March 21 at 9.30am Gold coain donation and raffle. Members please bring a small plate or something for the trading table. Contact Anne on 6685 4941 or Carmel on 6685 6644. Everyone welcome.

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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
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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

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30 The Terrace, Brunswick Heads

Retro Flats In Town

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

Price: \$990,000

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Near New In Town

- Spacious light filled 5 year old home
- Walk to town, schools & pool
- 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, 2 living areas
- Single remote garage, nothing to spend

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Park Side

- 3 bedroom house located in a cul de sac
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- 2986sqm (¾ of an acre approx), no neighbours
- Great views into the Blindmouth Valley
- Creek running on the boundary
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Lot 141 Hart Court, Ocean Shores

- Level cul de sac 814.5sqm block
- Duplex compliant (STCA)
- Within minutes of school & beach
- Motivated vendor

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Pockets Treasure
36 Sherringtons Lane, The Pocket

- Large two storey four bedroom home
- 11 acres with rural outlook
- Private country lane location
- 12 mins to local beaches

\$749,000



Loved And Cared For
9 Avocado Court, Mullumbimby

- Neat & tidy three bedroom home
- Bright & fresh kitchen
- Flat block with established gardens
- Large sunroom at rear

\$449,000



Heart Of The Valley
Lot 1 Huonbrook Rd, Wilsons Creek

- Rainforest property with cafe freehold
- Set on 9.9 acres with 2 bed cabin
- Rent cabin & cafe combined approx \$480/w
- Site for new dwelling

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East facing yard and large sparkling pool
Generous main living room with study nook
Beautifully appointed galley style kitchen
Built in a quality area with easy access to the Golf Course, shops, schools and beach

\$670,000



Elegant & stylish home
Enjoying a fantastic location in Pacific Vista
Stylish, contemporary and high quality interior
Spacious, open plan kitchen/dining/lounge
Bright tiled floors and large windows and doors
Extra large main bedroom opening onto deck with treetop views and ocean glimpses

\$595,000



Multiple living areas
Extensive modern home – private + tranquil
Two stories with an office & three living areas
Large, covered outdoor living area
Fully fenced tropical garden setting
A beautifully elevated block with an ocean outlook

\$695,000



Pacific Vista home
Situated just 150m to the Tallow Beach track
Spacious villa on a corner block
Large yard with established gardens
Bright living areas with north and east daylight
Walk to the beach and town, surrounded by the sounds of birds and crashing waves

\$449,000



Stylish contemporary townhouse
Situated in the heart of Byron Bay in a gated estate
Minutes to beach, shops and transport
Stainless steel appliances
Covered entertaining area
Lap pool and BBQ pavilions in complex

\$679,000



Privacy, elevation & space!
Well built & full of warmth and character
Elevated, 812sqm north east facing block
Soaring vaulted ceilings & timber floors
Covered timber verandah and wide back deck
An easy and short walk to Suffolk Park shops, tavern & beach

\$649,000



Broken Head views
Absolute beachfront at Tallow Beach
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NEW PRICE
OPEN HOUSE
Sat 12-12.30pm

116 Old Bangalow Road, Byron Bay

Located only a 5 minute drive from the heart of Byron Bay, on Old Bangalow Road, is this fantastic 5 acre property. The existing timber home is in an elevated position and boasts stunning views to Broken Head and has 4 bedrooms plus a study/office. There is also a DA approval in place for 2 new attached homes. One being 3 bedroom and the other consisting of 2 bedrooms. Privacy and peacefulness is assured with this beautiful property.

\$2,250,000.
Contact Tony Farrell on 0417 212 692.

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511 Friday Hut Road, Possum Creek

Situated in beautiful Possum Creek is this unique architect designed home, surrounded by an acre of lovely gardens and rainforest. The timber home offers 3 bedrooms, open plan kitchen and living areas, beautiful timber floors, window seat, high ceilings and private decks. This fantastic getaway property is north facing and overlooks a creek which runs along the boundary. It is the perfect setting for a weekender being only 5 minutes to Bangalow and 12 minutes to Byron Bay. Unwind from the hectic lifestyle, enjoy refreshing breezes and take in the scenic surrounds.

\$895,000.
Contact Sharon McInnes on 0408 659 649.

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NEW PRICE
OPEN HOUSE
Sunday 2-2.30pm

440 Bangalow Road, Talofa

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Price \$2,595,000.
Contact Glen Irwin on 0418 604 080 or Jon Luton 0422 794 384.

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Burringbar \$420,000

- ✓ 4000sqm flat-ish (1 acre)
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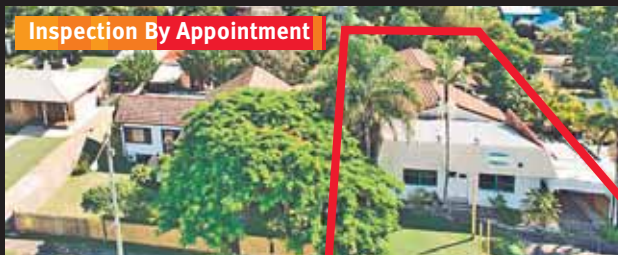


Open Saturday 12-12.30pm

71 Shirley Street, Byron Bay

- 5 bedroom house with rear lane access
- Large block of 1,160sqm
- 100 metres to Belongil Beach
- Close to Byron's CBD
- This property must be sold
- Purchase separately or in conjunction with 69 Shirley Street

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



Inspection By Appointment

69 Shirley Street, Byron Bay

- 1 freehold shop & 2 x 2 bedroom units
- Land size of 863sqm
- 100 metres to Belongil Beach
- Easy walk to Byron's CBD
- Vendor wants it sold
- Purchase separately or in conjunction with 71 Shirley Street

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Open Saturday 11-11.30am

68 Massinger Street, Byron Bay

- Ready to meet the market
- 3 light filled bedrooms, 3 bathrooms
- Walk to Main Beach & town
- Good size living areas
- Double lock up garage
- Low maintenance property
- Invest in your future
- Agent declares interest

CONTACT: Bryce Cameron 0412 057 672
bcameron.byronbay@ljh.com.au



Rep onsite Tue & Sat 3-3.30pm

4 Wattle Place, Bangalow

- Situation change – Owner says Sell!
- Gently sloped 635sqm block
- Short walk to Bangalow's CBD
- Very close to sports fields
- Quiet residential street
- Create your dream home
- Will be exceptional value
- What price would you pay?

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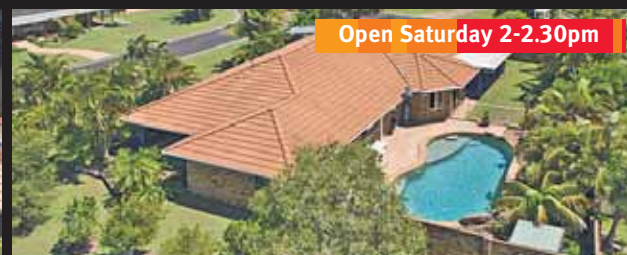


Open Thu & Sat 12-12.30pm

2/2 Osprey Court, Byron Bay

- Our seller is genuinely motivated
- Walking distance to the beach
- Elevated with ocean glimpses
- 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom
- Vendor is aware of current market

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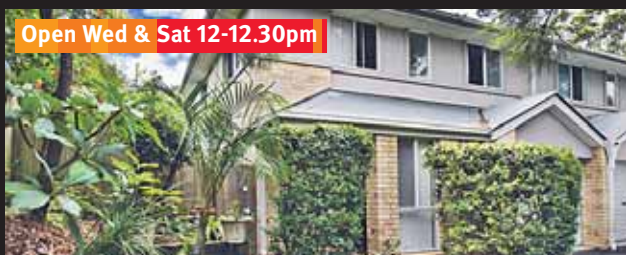


Open Saturday 2-2.30pm

6 Orchid Place, Suffolk Park

- Showroom presentation
- House designed to suit all conditions
- 4 light filled bedrooms
- Sparkling inground saltwater pool
- Owners are willing to listen to the market

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Open Wed & Sat 12-12.30pm

1/7 Cooper Street, Byron Bay

- First Home Buyers - must to inspect
- Smart 3 bedroom townhouse
- Great outdoor patio and garden
- Open plan living/dining areas
- Owner is keen to sell

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Open Wed & Sat 11-11.30am

1A South Pacific Court, Byron Bay

- Views, views, views
- Located at the end of a quiet cul de sac
- Never to be built out
- 4 bedroom, 2 bathroom home
- You be the judge, what will you pay?
- Agent declares interest

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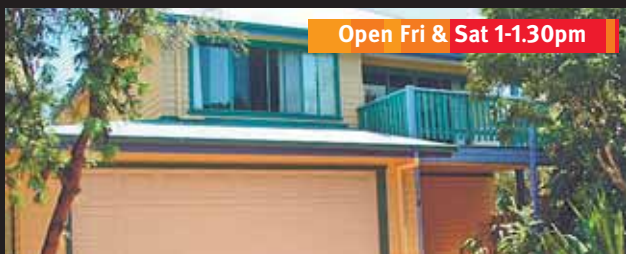


Open Tue & Sat 2-2.30pm

3/21-23 Tasman Way, Byron Bay

- Modern industrial unit
- 95sqm floor, 85 sqm mezzanine
- Caretaker's approval - can live on premises
- Shower & kitchenette
- Solar power installed
- Complex of only 10
- Outstanding investment

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Open Fri & Sat 1-1.30pm

2/78 Broken Head Road, Suffolk Park

- 3 large bedrooms, 2 bathrooms
- Spacious living areas
- Private fenced well landscaped yard
- Individually titled 446sqm lot
- Double lock up garage
- Pet friendly
- Low maintenance
- Time to downsize, owner wants out

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Rep onsite Saturday 11-11.30am

12 Shirley Lane, Byron Bay

- 1,379.45sqm with 2 bedroom home & separate garage
- Fully approved for 4 townhouses
- Developers say sell now
- 5 minutes walk to Byron's CBD & Main Beach
- Great opportunity for the investor – potential, position, profit

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

OPEN FOR INSPECTION

- 2 Wareham Street, Suffolk Park. Thursday 11-11.30am
Contact Neil on 0419 274 798
- 11 Parkway Drive, Ewingsdale. Saturday 11-11.30am
Contact Neil on 0419 274 798
- 103 Beech Drive, Suffolk Park. Saturday 11-11.30am
Contact Sharon on 0408 659 649
- 170B Lighthouse Road, Byron Bay. Saturday 11-11.30am
Contact Erin on 0434 007 227
- Unit 6 "Oasis", 24 Scott Street, Byron Bay. Saturday 12-12.30pm. Contact Liam on 0417 780 795
- 511 Friday Hut Rd, Possum Creek. Saturday 12-12.30pm
Contact Sharon on 0408 659 649
- 17 Ribbonwood Pl, Suffolk Park. Saturday 1-1.30pm
Contact Peter on 0411 837 330 or Bryce on 0412 057 672
- 128 Grays Lane, Tyagarah. Saturday 3-3.30pm
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- ✓ Superior quality - newly built 4 bedroom home
- ✓ Separate media room
- ✓ Open plan living combined dining and kitchen
- ✓ Easy care 4.75 acres
- ✓ Only the best fixtures and fittings
- ✓ Landscaped grounds

✓ Designed by local architect

✓ Luxury master suite

Price \$1,575,000

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OPEN HOUSE
Saturday 3-3.30pm

Spectacular Ocean And Hinterland Views

141 Piccadilly Hill Road, Coopers Shoot.

A very special property – few places offer such inspiration and beauty.

✓ Spring fed dam, watercourse and rainforest area

✓ Unique home with plenty of character and charm

✓ Amazing sense of space both inside and out

✓ Close to airports: Ballina (15mins), Coolangatta (45mins)

✓ 100yr old figs & views to the mountains

✓ 106 easily accessible acres, high on Coopers Shoot

✓ Less than 10 min drive to Lennox Head, Broken Head, Byron Bay and Bangalow

Auction in New Year 2009.

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OPEN HOUSE
Saturday 9.30-10am

AUCTION THIS SATURDAY

Conveniently Located And Privacy Assured!

1125 Booyong Road, Clunes. Situated on one easy care hectare with a private rural setting and yet still only a short walk to Clunes. This spacious family home consists of two levels with 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms and an office. Separate kitchen, dining and lounge plus a large rumpus area on the ground floor.

DLUG plus workshop and connected to town water. Perfect for the family seeking a rural lifestyle!

Auction 10am onsite 14th March

Contact Mark Kinneally 0429 868 001

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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 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 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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OPEN HOUSE
Saturday 4-4.30pm

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

shed ideal for the recreation vehicle (RV). With the price of food today you could be self sufficient here!

Central to Bangalow and Byron Bay.

Auction 1pm onsite 18th April.

View by appointment 7 days. Contact Mark Kinneally 0429 868 001.

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OPEN HOUSE
Saturday 2-2.30pm

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

backyard, perfect for someone wanting to build a pool!

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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OPEN HOUSE
March 14 11-11.30am
March 18 2-2.30pm
March 21 1-1.30pm

Hinterland Views

✓ Best priced 5 bedroom home beachside

✓ Includes parents retreat

✓ Wrap around verandahs, polished timber floors

✓ 2 acres (approx) plus 7.5 of community titled land

✓ DA approved plans for rumpus or second living space

✓ Minutes to Byron & Mullumbimby
✓ Beachside, north aspect with views
✓ Why buy residential when you can this

PRICE: Offers over \$975,000

Contact agent
Denise Burch on
0408 193 415.
Website ID: 327333.

Elders
Bangalow



OPEN HOUSE
Saturday 1.30-2pm

Polished Bangalow Gem

\$650,000

19 Granuaille Road, Bangalow. Charming, three bedroom c.1908 residence refurbished with the comforts of modern life. Featuring 6 inch teak floorboards, 11 foot ceilings, French doors, intricate fretwork, a country style kitchen with s/s stove and timber benchtops.

The separate dining area is perfect for entertaining and leads to the sunny rear

deck with village views to the east. A double garage and established gardens makes this one of the most appealing "old" houses within Bangalow.

Contact Scott Baldwin at Professionals Byron Bay on 0414 322 434 or 6685 6552

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Big And Industrious

✓ 224 square metres of internal floor space (127sqm + 97sqm mezzanine)

✓ Spacious reception area, 5 individual office spaces

✓ Solid timber internal doors, quality bi-folds, large approved balcony

✓ High quality fixtures and fittings, wonderful ambience

✓ Timber flooring, staircase and louvered windows

Price \$449,000 plus GST if applicable

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Further to the busking issue, perennial petitioner Peter Wegner advises us, that contrary to a recent *Backlash*, he wasn't entirely happy with Cr Richardson's motion. What Peter wanted was the removal of all fees currently charged under the existing policy and buskers taken under the umbrella of Council's public liability insurance. Not to mention embracing 'the concept of true busking as part of any new policy initiative...' Perhaps a cheerful song before any policy vote? Council once experimented with performances at the beginning of meetings but the satirical nature of some of the songs might have put an end to that.

The latest spot for graffiti is the DA counter in Council's Mullum admin building. On the cover page of one DA last week we noticed: 'a few porkies in this' followed by 'you're not kidding' in a different hand.

While in the Council admin building we like to admire that scintillating artwork 'Nothingness' by the noted deconstructionist Kerry Noach. Next time you're there, check out it out; we're sure you'll appreciate its fragile beauty. It's in the perspex case next to the front doors.

A local business called Fisherman's Bounty suddenly ran out of product when the Victorian bushfires wiped out the Buxton Trout Farm. There will be no smoked trout from this business at the Byron Bay and Bangalow farmers markets for 18 months but the owners say they're still selling their stockpile of Mutt Munchies - made from the waste of the smoked trout.

A reader tells us that 'Lake Eyre within the heart of the driest continent on Earth [that's us] is starting to fill up. Apparently the Lakes Yacht Club is

rebuilding the clubhouse.' Find out more at www.wrightsair.com.au/floodwaternews.htm.

In the latest issue of *Mother Jones* there is a piece which asks: when is it better, carbon footprint-wise, to buy a new, more efficient car, and when is it better, more earth friendly, to keep driving your old bomb? Mother says that if your car gets 25mpg, or 9ks/litre (11ls/100ks) or better, it is better environmentally to keep it than to buy a new eco car. See www.motherjones.com. Or if you're just getting around town, a bicycle - with or without an electric motor - works pretty well.

If MySpace.com were a country it would be the 11th largest country in the world, just behind Japan (127 million) and leagues ahead of Mexico (106 million), Germany (82 million) and France (64 million) - at least according to MySpace. A survey of over 2,000 Australian MySpace users reveals that this cybernation would legalise marijuana (53% in favour), have Barack Obama as its head of state (25%, Robin Hood got 10% ahead of Kevin Rudd's 9%), and MySpace would be solar powered (44%). On the worrying side, 32% of MySpace citizens condone capital punishment and 53% favour an 'eye for an eye' system of justice.

Ethical dilemmas abound for our soldiers as they protect southern Afghanistan farmers who cultivate opium poppies as well as wheat for a living. The soldiers don't want to get the locals offside, so they turn a blind eye to the heroin trade. Life is never as simple as the fundamentalists make it out to be. *Earthly Powers* by novelist Anthony Burgess should be compulsory reading for all those who think decisions of a moral nature are always clear-cut.



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