

Big swim brings out the best



Of the 2,000 aquaphiles that made the best of near perfect conditions for the Swim Classic, 87 year old Bill Ringland was not only the oldest swimmer but also one of the more consistent. Bill first swam from Watego's to Main Beach in 1992 as a youngster of 70. See more in Sport. Photo Jeff 'Hot Togs' Dawson.

High costs put the squeeze on local poor, says forum

Victoria Cosford

A combination of hefty living costs, specifically in terms of accommodation and the level of unemployment, is the main reason for the alarmingly high rate of poverty in the Byron Shire, according to General Manager of the Byron Community and Cultural Centre, Paul Spooner, at a poverty forum last Friday. Holiday letting forces the pricing up further and there is a greater need than ever for affordable housing.

The Poverty Forum attracted about 30 people. It was held in the Fletcher Street backroom of the Community Centre – a fitting venue, as Paul Spooner commented, given the plethora of services conducted there. With representation from St Vincent de Paul, Salvation Army, the Northern Rivers Social development Council and emergency relief services amongst other bodies, the forum generated much lively discussion on the deplorable situation of poverty and homelessness in the Shire.

'Something is going on that needs to be talked about,' said Paul by way of opening up the dialogue. The national rate of those officially living below the poverty line is 11.7% – the Richmond electorate's rate is 16.6%, or one in six people. More figures were cited, such as the state-wide median rental which is about 23% of the median income; in Byron Bay it is twice as high, at 47%.

The fact that younger people are increasingly applying for assistance is equally disturbing. Various solu-

tions were proposed, perhaps the most positive being the need to lobby governments at both state and federal level for facilities and funding.

A centre like the Matthew Talbot Centre for the homeless was proposed; someone else spoke about the enormous disparity between the wealthy and the impoverished in the area (the 'resource-rich' versus the 'resource-poor'), offering ways that those without could somehow benefit from the sort of unwanted possessions

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Capital works high on Council's budget

Byron Shire Council's 2009-2012 Draft Management Plan and Budget is now on public exhibition.

Council's general manager Graeme Faulkner said the plan focuses on the delivery of infrastructure and community services without putting more financial burden on Shire residents. 'Council is adhering to the 3.5% rate pegging announced by the state government and there is no additional rate variation increase proposed for 2009/10,' Mr Faulkner said.

'The Draft Management Plan and Budget outlines Council's programs, an overview of capital works, and the proposed rates, fees and charges – \$47million has been allocated for a range of capital works including the construction of the Brunswick Valley Sewerage Treatment Plant, local road reseals, stormwater upgrades, cycle ways, construction of the Byron Bay Library, Byron Regional Sport and Cultural Complex, Suffolk Park Children's Centre and upgrade of the Mullumbimby Swimming Pool.

'Further development of the Affordable Housing Project at Station Street Mullumbimby will be continued along with implementing key actions from the Cultural Plan and the Disability Access and Inclusion Plan.'

A public presentation of the Draft Management Plan is being held at Council Chambers on Tuesday May 12 at 6pm for all interested community members.

Mayor Jan Barham said, 'I encourage the community to attend the public meeting to find out what priorities and funding have been allocated for the next year. Council's budget is tight and we welcome community input on the priorities that have been set by the council.'

Included among the expenditure is \$7m for sewerage services, \$4.3m water supplies, \$5.5m waste services,

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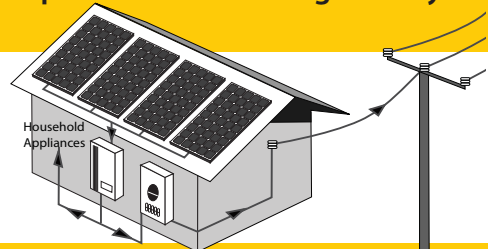
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Seven the magic number for youth



Clockwise from left, Talisah Noter from Cabarita, Ollie Norberg from Sweden, who is doing an internship at YAC, Rosalie Bryant, mentoring coordinator with Byron Youth Service, Teela Williams from Coraki, Morgan Bailey from Shearwater in Mullumbimby and Daisy Sowter from Byron discussing ways of doing things a little better for the region's youth. Photo Jeff 'Yak Better' Dawson.

Last Friday Byron Youth Service, using a grant from the Northern Rivers Community Foundation, invited seven youth workers to bring young people from the seven regions that make up the Northern Rivers area to Byron Bay to attend a forum to discuss ways that they can change their communities for the better.

The young people attending the Forum came from areas between Coraki and Tweed Heads. During the morning session of Seven from Seven, each area worked on answering these questions about their own communities:

- What's good?
- What's not so good?
- What annoys you?
- What excites you?
- There was a number of areas

in which all of the young people were pretty much unanimous in their answers. The lack of venues, youth events, organised parties, in particular music events were top on the list of things that were not so good in their communities. Other things that the young people found to be a problem were things like transport, both the lack of and the expense of those services that are available, stereotyping, bullies and violence, alcohol, accommodation, drug use and the lack of jobs for young people.

Some of the things that they found to be good about their communities and excited them were festivals, beaches, skate parks, working in the community and the future. One thing that was particularly noticeable

was just how closely each region identified similar problems and issues.

Throughout the day there was a host of events, from graffiti and fire twirling to brainstorming sessions and volleyball.

Each group has returned to their own regions with an achievable project that they will work on with a mentor and connecting with others in their community. The forum will be followed up in six weeks, with all regions returning to Byron

to deliver their projects and discuss the outcomes.

Seven from Seven was the brainchild of Rosalie Bryant, who runs the Mentor Net program for BYS and was made possible by a grant from the Northern Rivers Community Foundation.

Mentor Net is a project designed to offer young people support through linking them with trained adult mentors. Anyone interested in becoming a mentor can contact Rosalie at BYS on 6685 7777.

Man hit by taxi at Bay

Police are appealing for witnesses after a man was hit by a taxi at Byron Bay on Sunday morning. About 3.20am, the 20-year-old Gympie man was walking along Ewingsdale Road when he was struck by a westbound taxi, about 100

metres east of Banksia Drive. He was treated at the scene and taken to Tweed Heads Hospital with serious injuries and remains in a stable condition.

Witnesses can contact police on 6681 8618 or via Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

Council capital works

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\$6m roads, parks and beaches, \$4m planning services, and \$5.9m community and rural fire services.

A summary and full copy of the Draft Management Plan can be found on Council's website at www.byron.nsw.gov.au

and Shire community access points.

Council also has a rates calculator on its website at www.byron.nsw.gov.au under the heading of Current Matters. The rates calculator gives an indication of the general rates payable for 2009/10.

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The proposal by Bayview Land Development Pty Ltd on behalf of landowners Eric and Sarah Freeman is for a subdivision to create public open space incorporating three sportsfields, two tennis courts, a basketball court, a

public road and carparking.

The aim of the proposal, according to the documents attached to the development application, is to provide amenities for the proposed Tallowood Ridge Estate development of 240 to 320 houses as well as the Mullum community in general.

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Combat climate change with compost

This is International Compost Awareness Week, and local groups are intent on demonstrating the wonders of compost by practical example.

According to Compost Australia about 60% of the rubbish Australians put in the everyday mixed-waste 'garbage bin' could be put to better use in the garden as compost and mulch or could be returned to agricultural land to improve soil quality. Using compost in your garden also reduces the need for water by an average of 30%.

Alarming, such a huge amount of organically-active material buried 'anaerobically' (without air) in landfill causes over 3% of Australia's total greenhouse gas emissions annually by producing methane: a gas with 25 times the global warming potential of carbon dioxide. If properly composted instead, this same organic waste could help to abate climate change in yet another way: by sinking or 'sequestering' carbon back into the soil.

Compost bonanza

Sustainable Streets is holding a Backyard Compost Bonanza in Mullumbimby this Saturday morning. Upgrade your skills with a demonstration of various composting methods such as worm farming, Bokashi, hot and cold composting. Choose the method and mix most suited to your needs - whether it be just doing your bit for the environment and or using waste as resource to boost your garden's magic.

Building a compost heap is precise but easy - a pile of kitchen scraps and grass clippings in a corner of your yard is not compost. Cost is \$5 per person, kids free.

For details and bookings



Students from Mullumbimby High set up their own worm farm.

Email ssstreets@nccag.org If unable to email phone during business hours on 6684 1263.

Community garden

Composting has been likened to alchemy - a process of transforming raw materials into 'green-gold'. That's exactly what the Mullumbimby Community Garden team will be trying to achieve on Saturday by turning community spirit into a composting toilet at their first major fundraising event in the Mullumbimby Civic Hall.

According to Garden coordinator Jeannette Martin, a state-of-the-art composting toilet facility is vital basic infrastructure for the new Community Garden site. 'We have architect designs, incorporating wheelchair access and lots of willing hands but still need to find the extra money to get the project underway,' said Ms Martin.

The family event will run from 11am to 10pm with a range of activities and entertainment, including a bush tucker walk, biodynamic workshops, seed swap and recycled goods treasure trove. Food will be served all day with dinner between 6pm and 7pm. A variety of topical films will also be screened and local musicians Loren, Murray Kyle, Vasudha and Jem and gypsy funk band

Stipsky will perform, with all proceeds going towards the construction of the composting toilet system.

The Mullumbimby Community Garden is accepting donations of goods, finances or volunteer time for the fundraising efforts. For more information contact Jeannette Martin on 6684 4876 or email jl.martin@bigpond.com

According to Linda Tohver, Education Coordinator for the North East Waste Forum, says, 'Home composting is easy, rewarding and very beneficial to our environment. 'More than half of what we throw into our rubbish bins is organic waste - including food scraps, coffee grindings, egg shells, and garden cuttings, which could be put to better use in the garden as compost and mulch.'

If you don't end up making your own compost system with Sustainable Streets, you can purchase a compost bin or worm farm from Byron Shire Council or a hardware store. For information on how to set up a compost bin and what you can put in it, check out the Easy Guide to Composting at www.northeastwasteforum.org.au in the Education Section or go to www.compostweek.com.au for further information about International Compost Awareness Week.

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Arts group lobbies for \$2m strategy



Virginia Judge, Minister Assisting the Premier for the Arts, fourth from left, with members of the Northern Rivers Creative Industries Consortium. Photo Grant MacIntyre.

Last Wednesday Virginia Judge, Minister Assisting the Premier for the Arts, met with representatives of ten leading arts organisations in the Northern Rivers to launch a new Arts and Creative Industries Strategy for the region.

The visit came after a NSW government report recognised the Northern Rivers as the hot

spot for the arts in NSW, with double the growth rate in creative jobs than Sydney.

The arts organisations in the region (including Arts Northern Rivers, the Writers Centre, Screenworks, NORPA, NRCAC) have formed the Northern Rivers Creative Industries Consortium.

Together they made a unit-

ed pitch to the Minister for \$2 million to support creative jobs and business growth in the region, through implementation of the Northern Rivers Arts and Creative Industries Strategy.

Minister Judge said that 'creative jobs in the Northern Rivers were growing at a rate of 5.1 percent – double Sydney's

growth rate. This is a remarkable effort for a regional area. I will do everything in my power to support these organisations in developing more opportunities for local artists.'

The Consortium is now preparing a proposal for the Minister, seeking a \$2 million investment in creative jobs growth in the region.

Writers get chance to pitch a novel

The Byron Bay Writers Festival 2009 provides an opportunity for new writers to pitch to big-name publishers but this year the event is providing new sport for Festival audiences and going live.

A panel of visiting Festival publishers will be pressed into service to judge Pitching Sessions LIVE2009. Writers wishing to participate in the event will send a synopsis of their manuscript to the Northern Rivers Writers' Centre and ten finalists will be selected to appear.

Application forms for Pitching Sessions LIVE 2009 are available at www.nrwc.org.au or from the Writers' Centre. The deadline for submissions is Friday June 19. All enquiries to Susie Warrick 6685 5115 or susie@nrwc.org.au.



Jotham Kingston pitches a novel to Peter Shepherd while Madeleine Faught gets ready with the catcher's mitt. Photo Jeff 'Pulp Friction' Dawson.

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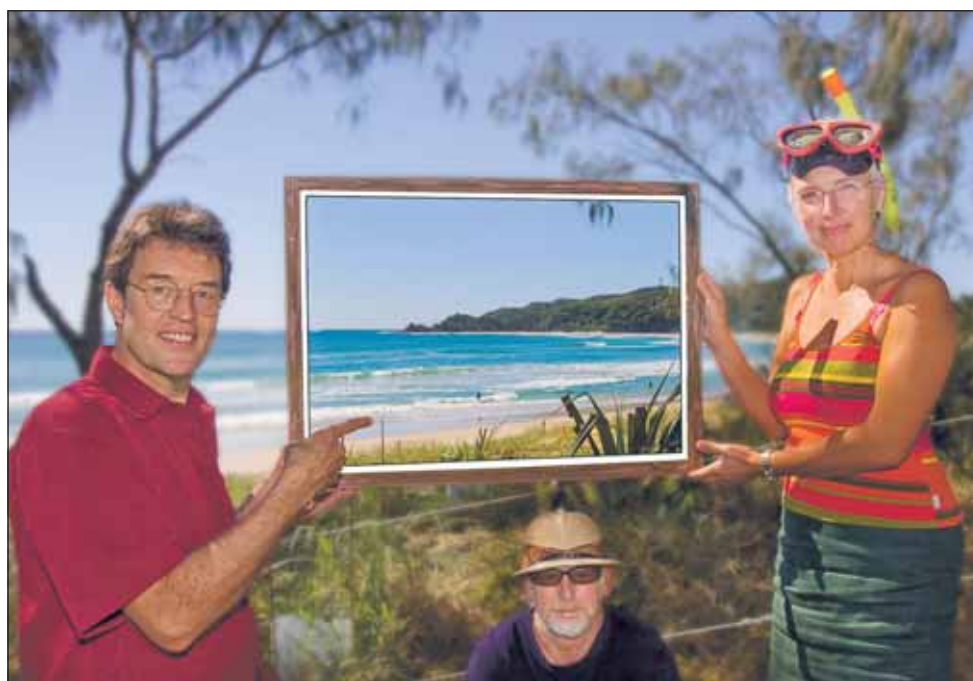
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Adventures in paradise at the centre

Biologist and writer Mary Gardner will launch her DVD *Mary Gardner's Adventures in Local Ecology Byron Bay, Australia, 2007-2009* at the Byron Community Cultural Centre on Thursday at 6pm in the Southern Cross Room.

Lightforce will be supplying laptops so that guests will be able to view the DVD themselves. Mayor Jan Barham will introduce the evening followed by a slideshow viewing on the big screen.

There will be music, refreshments and wine as well as wildlife and ecology experts on hand to discuss various aspects of ecology and answer any questions. Copies of the DVD will be available for around \$40, and everyone is invited to attend. The DVD is based on Mary's articles for *The Echo*.



Putting nature in the frame: from left, Tim Shanasy, John Giles, and Mary Gardner. Photo Jeff 'Picture Perfect' Dawson.

Survey looks at economic value of tourism

Byron United and Byron Bay Tourism have joined forces with Tourism NSW and Chambers of Commerce in Mullumbimby, Bangalow and Brunswick Heads to survey the their local businesses on the economic impact of tourism.

The groups believe everyone who is employed or is running any business in Byron Shire is affected by the state of the overall economy whether or not they deal directly with visitor tourism.

'For instance, if the economy

shrinks the immediate effect of loss of jobs brings employment risks to the teacher, the tradesperson, the health professionals etc as people relocate in search of work.

'When a visitor orders breakfast at a café, this creates demand for local eggs, bread, local cutlery and crockery retailers, employees, while also providing income for the café owner/employees who might spend that income at a doctor, car dealership or corner store for example.'

The survey is being conducted by Urban Economics (www.urbanecomonomics.com.au). The completed surveys will be returned to Urban Economics and they 'will proceed with all confidentiality maintained'.

President of Byron United Ed Ahern said, 'The business community has been reaching out to Council for some time, asking for acknowledgement of the significance of tourism to the broader Byron Shire community, the flow-on effects to jobs for teachers, doctors,

plumbers and Council's own bottom line benefits.'

He urged businesses to 'please complete the survey form as soon as it is received and return it by the due date.'

'Any business or tradesperson who has not received a survey should email Byron United at info@byronunited.org.au or telephone 02 6680 8853.

'We hope this study will help highlight the reality and lead to positive recognition and action to supporting our Shire's primary economic driver.'

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which end up on front lawns for council pick-ups. A greater need for compassion, especially on the part of the rangers who regularly confiscate the few sad objects left on sand-dunes by the homeless - objects which constitute their 'homes' - was called for. Essentially, most agreed, it was time to take the situation to government level.

Major Darren Elsley from the Salvation Army in Byron Bay reports that he has noticed a 35% increase in new people

for the first quarter of 2009, compared with the same time last year. As for Trish Evans, Affordable Housing Project Officer with the Northern Rivers Social Development Council, she regards it as imperative that, given all the federal government funding opportunities around at the moment, the region secure its share.

With much of the spending directed toward housing development and the homeless, she feels strongly that 'we need to draw attention to ourselves'

and 'collaborate with each other'. Initiatives such as the Byron Bay Poverty Forum are one significant way this might be done.

The Northern Rivers Social Development Council cites some sobering statistics for the region. According to the Department of Housing Sales and Rent (December quarter 2008), the Richmond-Tweed separate house rents are the highest in the state outside of Sydney, while the vacancy rates in the Northern Rivers

are comparable to Sydney. And whereas the median household income averages out at around \$35,000 per annum, with rent constituting around 45% of that amount, in Sydney the figure is \$60,000 per annum, with rent constituting 33% of that amount. The commonwealth electoral divisions of Page and Richmond are ranked 4th and 5th poorest in NSW, with 20,627 and 19,259 people respectively living on less than 50% of median disposable household income.

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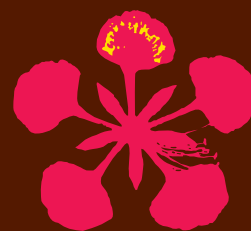
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Bangalow children exhibit their art

Bangalow Community Children's Centre (BCCC) and Bangalow Public School have announced their latest community initiative: 'Imagination – A creative manifestation by the children of Bangalow'.

Teaching staff at Bangalow Public School and Bangalow Community Children's Centre conceived 'Imagination' as an opportunity for the students to exhibit their art pieces within a professionally set-up arena while also presenting a fund-raising opportunity.

Principal of Bangalow Public School, Tim Edwards, said, 'It is terrific how the whole school is involved in a variety of different projects for this exhibition. The creativity and imagination shown by the students is wonderful.'

The children are being assisted in the creation of their masterpieces by talented parents and artists from within the community who have volunteered their time and expertise.

Kerry Ellbourn, Director of BCCC, said, 'Through exploration of their environment, children, as natural artists, express their thoughts, emotions and their own unique way of understanding the world. They make worlds from twigs and leaves, from blocks, mud and flowers as well as drawing,



An artistic bent is a genetic condition for Bangalow Public School student Mabel, and Bangalow Community Children's Centre kids Ned, Maggie and Mary with their grandpop, renowned artist Peter Powditch, and his daughter Ellie. Photo Eve Jeffery.

painting, clay and other art materials.

'Teachers at BCCC give children time to develop and practise their ideas and to explore these ideas in many different ways by offering quality materials and experiences.'

This inaugural art exhibition will be on display to the public for one night only from 6pm on Wednesday June 3 at

the Bangalow A&I Hall with the official opening to be held at 7pm by distinguished Australian artist and art educator, Peter Powditch.

It is estimated that the exhibition will showcase over 450 pieces of original artwork that will be sold off on the night to the public and parents.

Parents will be able to purchase individual works by

their children and there will be a public auction held for larger art pieces that have been created collaboratively within the various classes/stages.

Tickets are \$10 per person and that includes cheeses and wines.

Tickets are available from either Bangalow Public School or BCCC. Numbers will be strictly limited.

Films look at radical nutrition ideas

Two 'paradigm shifting' documentaries will be screened at the Mullum Drill Hall this Sunday May 10 at 6pm.

Nominated for Best Unreleased Documentary by the Australian Film Critics Association, *A Delicate Balance* documents the latest discoveries of some of the most prominent experts on nutrition in the world.

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Byron Bay traffic about access, not bypass: Council

Byron Shire Council says that, according to the findings from the Main Road 545 (MR545) traffic study, Byron Bay's traffic solution is about access not a bypass.

Byron Shire Council's director of asset management services, Phil Holloway, said in a press release last week that the MR545 study found over 80% of vehicles enter and stay within Byron Bay for at least three hours with most staying longer.

'The MR545 Study shows Byron Bay town is the destination for most vehicles and therefore improved access to and traffic distribution within the town centre, is required, not a bypass of it,' Mr Holloway said. 'A true bypass would serve a minority of travellers and is hard to justify in terms of cost-to-benefit and attracting the necessary approvals and funding.'

The MR545 Study recommends a second rail crossing that links Butler Street to Marvell Street via the old emergency rail crossing and a new roundabout at Jonson and



Marvell Street. 'The location of the second rail crossing is the key to successful traffic flow movement,' Mr Holloway said. 'The study shows that the further south a new access point is provided, the less traffic it will attract and therefore not alleviate the congestion and lack of traffic movement most notable at peak times such as Christmas and Easter.'

In receiving and noting the report, Council resolved as a matter of urgency to seek the necessary state approvals and write to the Minister for Transport and Roads.

Byron Shire staff will also be meeting with the Australian Rail Track Corporation to discuss the option of a second rail crossing. State authority approval for the second rail crossing is required prior to the works being undertaken.

Council also requested staff to prepare a report on the development application and design work previously undertaken for the option known as the 'mini bypass'.

'Encouragingly, the RTA welcomed the study and is accepting of its conclusions,' Mr Holloway said.

The MR545 study looked at

the current demands (2008) versus the future needs (2018 and 2028) of the 19 kilometre long transport corridor from the Pacific Highway interchange at Ewingsdale Road to the Ballina Shire boundary.

Consultants engaged for the study, Opus, reviewed and modelled the number of vehicles the road carries, the origin and destination of traffic, vehicle traffic times and intersection capacity at key points along the corridor.

'The MR545 Study had a broader scope than previous studies and looked at the needs of the road corridor, considered potential future developments and has provided direction regarding the role of park and ride and car parking,' Mr Holloway said.

Byron Shire staff will also prepare a report to Council on the potential for Park and Ride and explore the role car parking can have in improving the amenity of Byron Bay.

A copy of the report to Council and the Strategic Study of Main Road 545 (MR545) can be found at www.byron.nsw.gov.au/meetings/meeting/218 among the agenda paper items.

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Cameron calls for return to rail

Byron Shire Councillor Basil Cameron has released a discussion paper called *Getting On Track*, examining existing transport links in northern NSW and setting out a case for regional commuter trains and a rail link to Queensland.

Commenting on the NSW government's cross border transport report, which recommended sticking with buses rather than returning the rail service, Cr Cameron said, 'Our region deserves better than to have to wait three years for

such a shallow document, especially as the lack of rail services is contributing to major congestion and safety issues within the region.'

'We need a better balance of regional and national interests in the development of cross border transport links and that means councils across the region are going to have to continue to work together to ensure our future transport networks are sustainable and provide maximum benefits to the community.'

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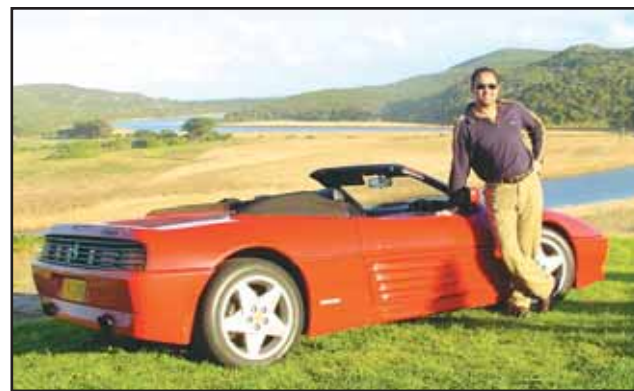
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Transports of delight

According to the latest report on the much-studied Byron Bay traffic flow – if flow is the right word for a pace often slower than treacle – 80% of vehicles enter and stay within Byron Bay for at least three hours with most staying longer. This observation in the category of the bleeding obvious – it is a tourist destination, after all – gives ammunition to those who say a bypass will not solve the town's traffic woes.

However the report by consultants Opus for Byron Shire Council does recommend a second rail crossing linking Butler Street to Marvell Street via the old emergency rail crossing and a new roundabout at Jonson and Marvell Street. This will give some hope that the primary congestion where Shirley, Lawson and Jonson Streets congeal at the roundabout is lessened, and give commuters a chance to scoot around the visitor queue. Despite Councillors voting to lobby the state government on getting this 'mini-bypass' up, no-one should be too excited about jackhammers tearing up the bitumen very soon.

Opus's study of Main Road 545 (MR545) – the stretch from the Pacific Highway interchange at Ewingsdale Road to the Ballina Shire boundary – looked at other issues besides bypasses, park-and-ride among them. Given that traffic on Ewingsdale Road is likely to be slowed down by a series of roundabouts out as far as McGettigans Lane, it might be easier to take a shuttle bus to town. The cost estimates for road improvements along the length of MR545 range from a low of \$8.6 million to a high of \$17.4m – another reason to expect not too much to happen at once.

Opus's modelling shows that, out to 2028, tourists will continue to provide most of the traffic (63.4%) followed by Belongil Residential (12.6%), BayShore Village development and the commercial rezoning of south Jonson Street (6.2%). As the consultants point out, however, forward planning will be affected by 'real life uncertainties such as the current economic downturn, fuel prices, variations in tourist travel, and the like...' We might also mention the possible impact of climate change, or swine flu for that matter. The biggest uncertainty could be Council's ability to get a measure of consensus from the community on what options should be favoured.

Opus will not win many friends among lobbyists for the restoration of the Casino-Murwillumbah rail link with this suggestion: 'If heavy rail use of the rail corridor is permanently abandoned, the remnant corridor could operate as combined cycle and public transport route. As the spine of a public transport route, it could be adapted and extended to provide a local network for public transport vehicles separated from the road traffic.'

'Therefore the rail corridor should be considered a potential future transport and communication asset for the local community and not alienated by inappropriate development after its abandonment.'

Coincidentally the state government's Cross Border Transport Taskforce on the rail link notes that 'a determination on the future of the Casino-Murwillumbah rail line would enable Byron Shire Council to finalise and proceed with appropriate plans to address significant and increasing traffic congestion in Byron Bay township.' That view hangs on the 'determination' being to close the line and the Rail Infrastructure Corporation's so-far rigid view that it would require a bridge or underpass for a second rail crossing 'if the line were to be kept available'. Is this a carrot being held out to Council to fall in line with the state government's plan to keep the line closed?

No doubt more carrots (and sticks) will follow, along with plenty of debate within the community on the future of local transport. Ladies and gentlemen, start your engines!

– Michael McDonald, editor

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Kevin is messing with our minds

During the 2007 election campaign Kevin Rudd announced that he planned to have a bit of fun messing with John Howard's mind.

As became clear on polling day, few voters begrudged Kevin07 this harmless diversion; indeed, the majority laughed along with him.

But two years later they could be forgiven for having their doubts; perhaps they should have stopped him while there was still time. The Prime Minister now seems to enjoy messing with the collective mind of the entire electorate.

It was never going to be easy to explain that the best way to deal with a downturn caused at least partly by profligate spending and lack of saving and investment was by handing out money. Orthodox economists applauded the prompt stimulus, but it still defied common-sense, especially after Treasurer Wayne Swan started talking about the need for a harsh and unpopular budget.

The problem was compounded when Rudd followed up by announcing the biggest infrastructure program in history, \$43 billion for a broadband network. Doubters were quickly directed to the fine print: this was not all going to be government spending, the private sector was to be involved as well. In fact the government might be up for a mere \$22 billion or so.

And in any case once the network was up and running the government would sell its share, so in a sense it shouldn't be counted as public spending at all. But if it was it was good public spending because it created infrastructure and therefore jobs.

Not entirely convinced, the punters resumed listening to Swan and Finance Minister

Lindsay Tanner warning of the hard times ahead and the need for swingeing cuts and draconian discipline – and then Rudd unveiled a defence program which involved spending squillions on imported weaponry to deal with a situation which might or might not occur some 20 years in the future.

In the meantime, Swan explained, there would not be

spring instantly to mind. But has there ever been a less likely candidate for popular acclaim than the late unlamented Richard Pratt?

This is a man who stole – yes, stole – hundreds of millions from ordinary Australians to finance one of the most self-indulgent lifestyles of the century. And he admitted it: when he died he was facing criminal charges which the prosecution

followed the Columbian drug lord Pablo Escobar, but while Escobar gave to the poor, Pratt was more inclined to subsidise the hobbies of the rich. It must be doubted that too many of those who paid extra for the cardboard around their cornflakes were regular patrons of Opera Australia.

It should be noted that, when finally sprung, Pratt returned his Order of Australia; now his claue of devotees want it back, to cancel any shred of remorse the corporate criminal might have exhibited. This is in sharp contrast to their eagerness to strip the honours from another fallen idol, the former Judge Marcus Einfeld.

Einfeld was rightly jailed for perjury and other offences, but in material terms the damage he inflicted on the public was very small; compared to the depredations of Pratt it was unnoticeable.

Einfeld, too, did a great many praiseworthy things in his life; he was formerly regarded as a living national treasure. But none of the famous and powerful who gave him the accolade want to know him today. In particular the Jewish establishment, so unstinting in its embrace of Pratt, has dumped Einfeld like a stale pork sausage.

Perhaps it is because he was not as enthusiastic and generous a supporter of the Zionist cause as Pratt, and he was less charismatic in other ways; his mistress was not as glamorous as Pratt's and of course, he didn't die of cancer. But it is hard not to suspect that the real difference is simply that he didn't have as much money, even if a lot of Pratt's really belonged to other people. Wealth may not buy happiness, or even votes, but you can't beat it if you're after instant adulation.

The electorate remains on side, but it could be forgiven for feeling a tad confused, and confusion can only lead to dismay, and thence to rejection.

by Mungo MacCallum



enough small change to pay for intravenous cancer treatments, dole payments for the growing numbers of unemployed would remain well below the poverty line and even the promised tax cuts, already enshrined in legislation could not be guaranteed.

Faced with this seemingly unfathomable paradox, the voters sat down to wait for next Tuesday, when all will presumably be made clear. It better be; Malcolm Turnbull has already latched on to what he calls Rudd's Jekyll and Hyde approach, and while it has so far failed to stick, Rudd just keeps on giving him ammunition. The electorate remains on side, but it could be forgiven for feeling a tad confused, and confusion can only lead to dismay, and thence to rejection. Australians don't like having their minds messed with.

Of course, some are pretty mixed up already. Australians have a habit of making martyrs out of some pretty grim people – Kerry Packer and Steve Irwin

was sure would be proven, and were withdrawn purely because there was no point in pursuing them when his death was imminent.

He and his packaging company presided over the worst case of price fixing in Australian history; he was a crook on a scale far exceeding Christopher Skase, or even Alan Bond. But while those two were rightly considered public enemies, there is a powerful movement to rehabilitate Pratt as a hero of the people, a movement that includes show biz stars, business moguls, religious leaders and two former prime ministers.

This attempt at not just forgiveness but canonisation apparently stems from two ideas. The first is that from humble beginnings, Pratt rose to become very rich and powerful. Yes, and so did Attila the Hun, but he remains unloved. The second is that Pratt was a philanthropist, and indeed he gave a small fraction of his loot to various charities. In this he

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The impact of aerial spraying

■ We can all relax about aerial herbicide spraying. Lisa Wellman of NPWS assures us the town will in no way be affected and that the two areas of operation are north of the Brunswick River and the Cape Byron and Broken Head reserves. So, the 10,000 residents north of the Brunswick will be dumped on but they don't count, and Watego's, east Byron and Broken Head people can just, like, deal with it. Thanks Lisa, we aren't worried any more.

Ri Fraser
Ocean Shores

■ Re your lead story on aerial spraying last week – words like 'biodegradable' may reassure some but I, for one, won't be volunteering for dune care work where spraying has occurred.

In 1997 I prepared a review of glyphosate herbicide for the Byron Environment Centre newsletter. We soon received a letter from Monsanto stating:

'Certain information in the article is considered by Monsanto to be false or misleading. If you are not prepared to remove the article from the website please contact...'

We wrote back 'To date our investigations of the article under challenge have failed to identify any "false or misleading" information, as claimed by you. Please supply details of any corrections you think are required.' They never replied, so we don't know what offended them so much. Maybe it was the following:

'There have... been an increasing flow of reports, mostly from North America, that the active ingredient [of Roundup], glyphosate, can and does:

- bioaccumulate in plant parts,
- get washed into water-courses attached to sediment,
- have potential to cause chromosomal damage and tumours,
- reduce nodulation and

hence nitrogen uptake by legumes (cloves, beans etc),

- persist in 'the environment and in plants for long periods.'

It's time Council and agencies like Parks stopped using herbicides.

Cr Richard Staples
Talofa

■ The juxtaposition of adjacent page articles (*Echo*, April 21) on aerial spraying for Bitou and a warning on mozzie-borne viruses are not unrelated. There is a prima facie case that poorly functioning immune systems are less able to provide immunity to insect attack and that aerial spraying will pollute people. The authors of climate change and the threateners of life on this planet, technologically dependent *Homo sapiens*, have no idea how much Roundup can be taken in by people so that it will not compromise immune systems. Nor do they know with certainty how long it remains in the air

or how far it travels.

But that risk may be entirely unnecessary. It is possible that Littoral rainforest gradually supplants Coastal Heath and that Bitou acts as a natural stage of seral succession to forest where the former, because of rampancy, is able to lay down more organic matter for soil improvement to support rainforest, than the low growing Coastal Heath.

Further, the society itself has not the concern for Bitou that aerial spraying implies. If it had there would be regular teams of volunteers overcoming it bit by bit by tree plantings protected from weeds until the trees shaded enough for the Bitou to no longer be a problem. Strong Littoral rainforest does not harbour Bitou.

Unlike wholesale spraying, the gradual approach incorporates the rarely heeded precautionary principle.

Geoff Dawe
Uki

Turkish tribute

In response to a letter by Tom Koo (*Echo*, April 28). I thought everyone knew of this wonderful tribute from Mustafa Kemal known as Atatürk (father of the Turks). But it seems we still need history lessons without denigrating Tom's admiration.

In 1934 Atatürk wrote a tribute to the ANZACs killed at Gallipoli:

'Those heroes that shed their blood and lost their lives... You are now lying in the soil of a friendly country. Therefore rest in peace. There is no difference between the Johnnies and the Mehmets to us where they lie side by side now here in this country of ours... you, the mothers, who sent their sons from faraway countries wipe away your tears; your sons are now lying in our bosom and

are in peace. After having lost their lives on this land. They have become our sons as well.'

This inscription appears on the Kemal Atatürk Memorial, ANZAC Parade, Canberra.

Jenny Garrett
Ocean Shores

Keep the rail

As a bike rider I'm putting up my hand for keeping the current unused rail lines for rail. If we let the rail corridor be replaced for use by bikes and horses as proposed we lose the opportunity to restart the rail lines. Once gone, our community will lose the option of joining these lines to an extension of the popular Gold Coast-Brisbane line.

Using the corridor for bicycle riders will benefit only the small number of distance

riders. The mileage between towns is too great for individuals to realistically use the corridor for regular commuting.

Jim Beatson
Byron Bay

Woolies and farmers

Not that I suggest you shop in Woolworths, however, do pop in and have a look at the giant sign in the fruit and veg area claiming 'Backing our Farmers'.

After watching the ABC *Four Corners* program, 'The price we pay', produced by Stephen Long, aired September 1, 2008, which featured the difficulties that farmers and a lot of smaller suppliers have in dealing with Woolworths, and Mullumbimby's own struggle against Woolworths, including the 'burning box' demonstration, we may ask, 'How many

farmers across our country would suggest this should read, "Backing our Farmers – Against the Wall"?' Video and background information can be viewed at www.abc.net.au/4corners/content/2008/s2348906.htm.

Robert Hart
Mullumbimby

Thanks to Bluesfest

On Sunday April 12 at the Byron Blues Festival, a group of Cape Byron Steiner students (including myself) waited backstage at the APRA tent, bubbling with nervous excitement. We made it to the stage intact, despite the nerves, and had a blast playing our original compositions to an appreciative crowd. On behalf of myself, my fellow students and our music teacher Tom Whitaker, I would

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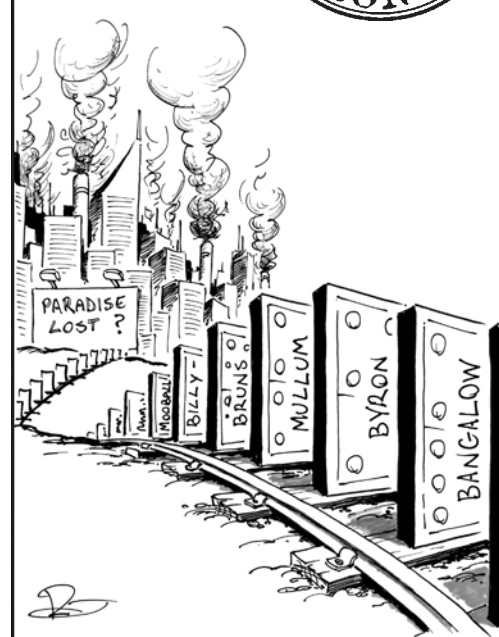
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like to thank Peter Noble and the welcoming staff and crew of the Byron Blues Festival for giving us the opportunity to perform at such a wonderful event.

As a young member of the Byron community who has grown up in the area, I certainly harbour many fond memories of times spent among the tents of the Blues Festival; laughing, talking, dancing and enjoying the music. After all those years as cheering crowd members it was amazing to be the ones standing on stage.

Domini Forster
Byron Bay

Council in action

The rural illegal dwelling issue has been big to say the least over the last few months. Both staff and councillors have been feeling the heat from this, so something had to be seen to be done. No initiative from the councillors, so the staff put forward an item to the April 9 meeting: they recommended a yakfest with other government agencies regarding the problem and – you guessed it – that a further report be prepared (ie in addition to the report accompanying that recommendation!).

So what do your elected representatives do? Cr Tabart, possibly in order to demonstrate that he is still alive, moves an amendment that there be a further report on the compliance cases already on the table. Wow! That's really seizing the moment, eh. Cr Tucker quickly seconds it, thereby ensuring that nothing more substantive will be debated. (If your motion is seconded by Cr Tucker, better withdraw it immediately, is my advice.)

What's really irritating about this item is that it was put before Council as a 'late item', that is, instead of appearing in the normal agenda so that the public has some notice of an issue that concerns them, this device means that it is handed to councillors only at the last moment. In other words no members of the public get to have their

say and by the time the item is debated the public gallery is certain to be empty, meaning that the public at large wouldn't even know that a debate took place, and the contents of the staff report would effectively remain secret.

None of your councillors noticed any of this, much less demanded that it be deferred to appear instead on the agenda of the next meeting, as would be proper.

Is this the most hopeless line-up I've seen in 25 years? I'm beginning to think so.

PS: John Lazarus, don't leave town, mate. There's got to be a vacancy coming up soon.

Fast Buck\$
Coorabell

Good science

In *The Echo* of April 21, Sapoty Brook wrote on the Carbon Emergency that seabed drilling at past atmospheric CO₂ levels of 400ppm to 450ppm, the Western Antarctic Ice Sheet was completely melted and that we will reach 400ppm in six years. This is scary stuff, but is it justified to state this as if it was a good science prediction?

Good science does not take two events that occur at the same time and make the assumption that one is the cause of the other, in fact it may well be that both events are the result of some other event or factor. Before we could see this information as telling us anything about our current situation we would need to know a lot more about what other climate change factors were present at that time of Earth's past. The tone of this letter is that the only cause of climate change is CO₂ concentrations whereas there is a vast amount of scientific knowledge regarding other major causes of climate change.

We would need to know for example if this was a time when the solar magnetic field was very strong and as a result was shielding Earth from the waves of cosmic radiation that have been shown to result in major cooling effects.

My point here is that we

Jumping through employment hoops

Social security for the unemployed is already an authoritarian and paternalistic system and the current government's efforts to make it even more so, especially for youth, are likely to prove counter-productive to their aims.

Unemployment clients are already expected to jump through hoops – and imaginary hoops at that. Devices such as job search diaries I refer to as the tit grip and ball grabber clause because the DSS itself knows full well that the conditions laid down are impossible to fulfil but it allows them to call in anyone at will and hassle them at their leisure at any time.

This causes resentment among the clients and often causes them to expend all their energies and ingenuity in at-

tempts to outmanoeuvre the system.

I can remember asking one of my handlers when I was an unemployment beneficiary just how many vacancies were registered with her organisation per month. I was told a couple of labouring jobs and couple of commission sales jobs (and commission selling jobs is a form of bondage rather than a 'real job' after all).

Believe it or not I once worked for the CES at Balgowlah. At that time every CES had a person (I forget their designated title) who spent their entire day matching vacancies with clients, free to both client and employer. Due to this system many employers registered jobs with the agency.

For ideological reasons the Howard government privatised

the employment system by first castrating the CES by reducing staff numbers. Naturally, the most useful member of the staff – the job matcher – was the first to go.

The government then claimed that the system was inefficient – as all their efforts had gone into making it so this was hardly surprising and both the DSS and the private employment agencies degenerated into being the dole police.

The Howard government created a top-heavy clumsy system of enormous expense to the taxpayer which achieves very little as it doesn't change people's attitude to work – those who want to work will find jobs – it is cheaper in the long run to let those who don't want to work alone as the cost

of the whole superstructure forcing them to go through the motions is more expensive than just allowing them to create their own existence as they wish.

After all it is the greed generated by the Protestant work ethic that is one of the key factors destroying the world environment – people who are willing to live on loss should be rewarded not punished. It should also be kept in mind that the dole given without too many questions was the greatest stimulus to the arts ever given by any government at any time.

Unfortunately with Therese Rein making so much money out of the current system it is unlikely to change.

David Gilet
Byron Bay

should not be panicked into focussing on just one area of attention in this time of great changes through a sense that dealing with CO₂ levels is all that matters now. For myself, there are much more immediate matters to attend to because the global financial system, now seen for what it is, an abundantly bankrupt and environmentally and socially destructive system, must not be revived. This is for humanity a time of great opportunity to bring about the public pressure needed to get our governments to take back the people's power to control our monetary system directly through its own power to manage the monetary supply instead of being at the mercy of the private banking system and the global financial oligarchy.

Bear in mind that it is the design of the financial/banking system that requires the unrestrained growth economy that is the cause of our global environmental and social crises. This needs to be the priority, because without fundamental financial/economic restructuring there is no way that any of

our major concerns will ever be adequately addressed.

Further discussion of these matters will be continuing at the next Public Symposium on May 16 at Mullumbimby Civic Centre.

Dudley Leggett
Sustainability Research
Institute

Dauber unrevealed

Wouldn't you know it! Two responses to my letter (April 21) and neither of them from the only person who matters – the phantom dauber.

But what a scintillatingly scathing response from R (whoever he may be) Hamilton. It is a classic case of having nothing pertinent to propound and directing attention to the irrelevant; here, persecuting a poor little pronoun as if it is a pernicious pervert. It is a stunt engaged in by someone with little worthwhile to do and nothing worthwhile to say – essentially a 'Look at me!' letter.

Diane Hart essentially engaged in some name calling, emphasised by the rhetorical device of putting it 'aside'. I am

alluded to as a pedant, but I'll wear that as it concedes that I am right. Incidentally, have other readers noticed the funny phenomenon of someone who is merely right being accused of 'pedantry' with the insinuation of moral blameworthiness?

Be that as it may, it is a pity I have to restate my central (missed) point. I simply detest the *anonymous* piously moralistic posturing of the dauber and was hoping he would be shamed into giving an open and honest defence of his views.

J Rose
Mullumbimby

Living simply

Well, Lau Guerreiro (Letters, April 28), you really served it up to me, mate, for having a more simplistic view on how we could live, as well as you say some of your friends thank the gods and goddesses I am not alone.

The only comeback I have to your letter, Lau, is, before white man decided to invade this country how do you think the indigenous population survived? I'll tell you, Lau, a whole

lot simpler and better than they do today under white man's intervention.

Theirs was a simplistic existence, don't you agree?


PS: Don't forget Cuba.

Paul Brecht
Mullumbimby

Palestine's plight


Let's begin the debate with the premise that Israel is a terrorist state par excellence. Menachem Begin, the sixth Prime Minister of Israel, was the leader of the Irgun – a Zionist terrorist group funded through robbery, extortion and insurance scams responsible for bombing public buildings, murdering public officials and civilians in Palestine. Espousing the Revisionist Zionist founder of Irgun's parent organisation 'Beitar' – Vladimir Jabotinski's creed: 'every Jew had the right to enter Palestine; only active retaliation would deter the Arabs and the British; only Jewish armed force would ensure the Jewish state'.

Note that the Arab armies only joined the fight after six massacres including that of Deir Yassin where Begin's ter-



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Get out on the streets

Can Byron Shire march for something? Like a clean green grid? It's time for us to lead once again, to get out in the streets, and here's why.

The suggestion that Australia could not afford to replace its coal-fired power stations has been revealed to be complete rubbish. The nation has spent since January several times the money required in cash handouts and commitments to longer term infrastructure spending, not to mention handouts to industry. The money allocated to assist big business in the carbon trading scheme alone would be sufficient to bridge the gap that may occur between savings on coal-not-burnt and returns from investment in renewable generation. The other moneys spent dwarf these requirements.

What this means is that we have finally actually won. The logical way forward is to begin building the solar and tidal facilities we need and can produce through the Australian manufacturing industry. At this point the coal industry is standing in

the way of a major rebirth of Australian manufacturing, the solving of the greenhouse effect as this manufacturing goes global, clean air, and your job. This is the stimulus package we can afford.

Because of its returns over the long term there are no issues around the harrowing and dreadful repayment of debt. Renewables at this point are quite simply the most sensible investment option available to Australians, and an ideal place for superannuation funds. Given the incapacity of super funds to return consistent profits to members in recent years the new facility should prove particularly attractive.

The way forward with this is to commit firstly to buy electricity at a set 2009 price for thirty years, the life of the construction and finance packages. The second stage is to ban the importation and manufacture of the internal combustion engine in Australia while encouraging other countries to join us. The third stage is a simple transference of government

policy that will save households literally thousands of dollars a year and improve the business climate in Australia: abandon monetary policy as a means of controlling inflation.

The fourth stage involves a regulation of banking in a more detailed process centred around the separation of housing and commercial finance and the return of banking to a service industry from its current position as a dominant market parasite. All of these things are actually easy to achieve. There are no technical issues opposing either the development of the clean green grid or the interchangeable battery vehicles (IBVs). These are purely matters requiring legislation. The latter two points of the program are similarly straightforward. What is required is public desire, political will, and political/economic intelligence. It is to be hoped that the Rudd government possesses sufficient of these to move forward.

Keine Nombre
Byron Bay

rorist group was involved in the wholesale murder of civilians including children. In 1948 the Irgun emerged from the underground and formed the Herut Party, a forerunner of today's Likud Party in the newly formed state of Israel. That year after Begin's visit to the US a letter was published which described Begin's Herut party 'as closely akin in its organisation, methods, political philosophy and social appeal to the Nazi and Fascist parties'. This letter was signed by Albert Einstein who opposed the formation of a Jewish state.

Herut's ultra nationalistic irredentist policies represent the cornerstone of the Palestinian problem which exists today whereby the expulsion of all non-Jews from Palestine is the core agenda. Add to this the contemporary religious extremism of the likes of Rabbi Abraham Kook whose influential teachings include ideas based on the Talmud and taught at Mirkaz Harav Judaic religious college. He states that Jews should hasten the coming of their awaited-for Messiah through acts of bloodshed and violence to cleanse the 'Promised Land' from all goyim (non-Jews, Palestinians), destroy their homes of worship and build the third temple for the Messiah to live in.

This is exemplified in the 1982 massacre at Sabra and Shatila refugee camps where the UN voted to declare the massacre an act of genocide by Israel. Menachem Begin was prime minister at the time. In addition Israel has breached international law that prohibits annexation of territory by military force, (the modus

operandi of Nazi Germany in Poland et al), by invading Lebanon, Syria and Egypt. It has breached the Nuclear Non-proliferation Treaty by creating an undisclosed and unchallenged nuclear capacity.

The population of Palestine has forever been changed by Israel's state-sponsored terrorism and aggressive nationalism which has reduced the Arab population from an 86% majority in the 1800s to a minority today. It is for this reason, the 'ethnic cleansing' of Palestine and the continued theft of its land, that the solidarity in the Palestinian cause is apparent worldwide today.

Duncan Shipley-Smith
Upper Coopers Creek

Swine of a flu

SBS TV reported last week that a young girl who lived near a pig farm was the first person in Mexico to contract the new lethal Swine Flu.

Ninety nine percent of people would be quickly convinced by such a coincidence and attribute the cause of the new Swine Flu to the adjacent pig farm. The problems is, none of the pigs in that pig farm had Swine Flu.

Mexico's chief epidemiologist Miguel Lezana said, 'The presence of Eurasian Swine Flu genes in the H1N1 virus makes it unlikely that the disease originated on a Mexican pig farm' (Reuters, April 29). Furthermore other researchers claim the new Swine Flu contains genetic material from two types of Human Flu, a Bird Flu, and two types of Swine Flu.

One fact seems extremely clear, the Mexican Swine Flu is unlikely to have originated

in Mexico, because the genetic material found in the virus is not found in Mexico. Reuters (April 29) notes that the new Swine Flu contains DNA from Swine Flu, Bird Flu and Human Flu.

The simplest solution to explain the origin of such a new virus would be that the new virus was made in a laboratory.

Peter Olson
Goonengerry

■ Surely sceptics must now accept evolution. Birds once learnt to flu. Now pigs can flu. And humans will soon flu too.

Hayo van der Woude
Ocean Shores

Wildlife at risk

We have a wildlife corridor here in Byron Bay that runs from Belongil Fields, across Ewingsdale Road, through the bush block of land for sale next to the SAE and across Sunrise Boulevard and into the Belongil Creek Estuary Sanctuary. The west Byron land release would seriously threaten the wildlife as would development on the block for sale opposite.

I have seen koalas in all three areas. I have often stopped on both these roads to allow crossing for koalas, echidnas, goannas, pythons, possums, and ducks. Who needs to be approached for appropriate road signs and how can these animals be saved from overdevelopment of these precious areas?

Jude Southwell
Sunrise

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Bruns dance troupe wins five excellence awards

Story & photo Eve Jeffery

A troupe of young local dancers have been through months of hard work and rehearsals, fundraising, costume fitting and rehearsals and rehearsals and yet more rehearsals, and even a nasty bout of gastro in LA performance week, to come out of the Dance Excellence Festival held in Los Angeles at Easter as five from five winners.

The group of girls aged 9 to 19 travelled to the US to perform at Disneyland and competed at the Dance Excellence Performance Boards.

Choreographer and former solo artist for the Australian Ballet, Robyn Brawley, was one of the adjudicators at the performance boards event.

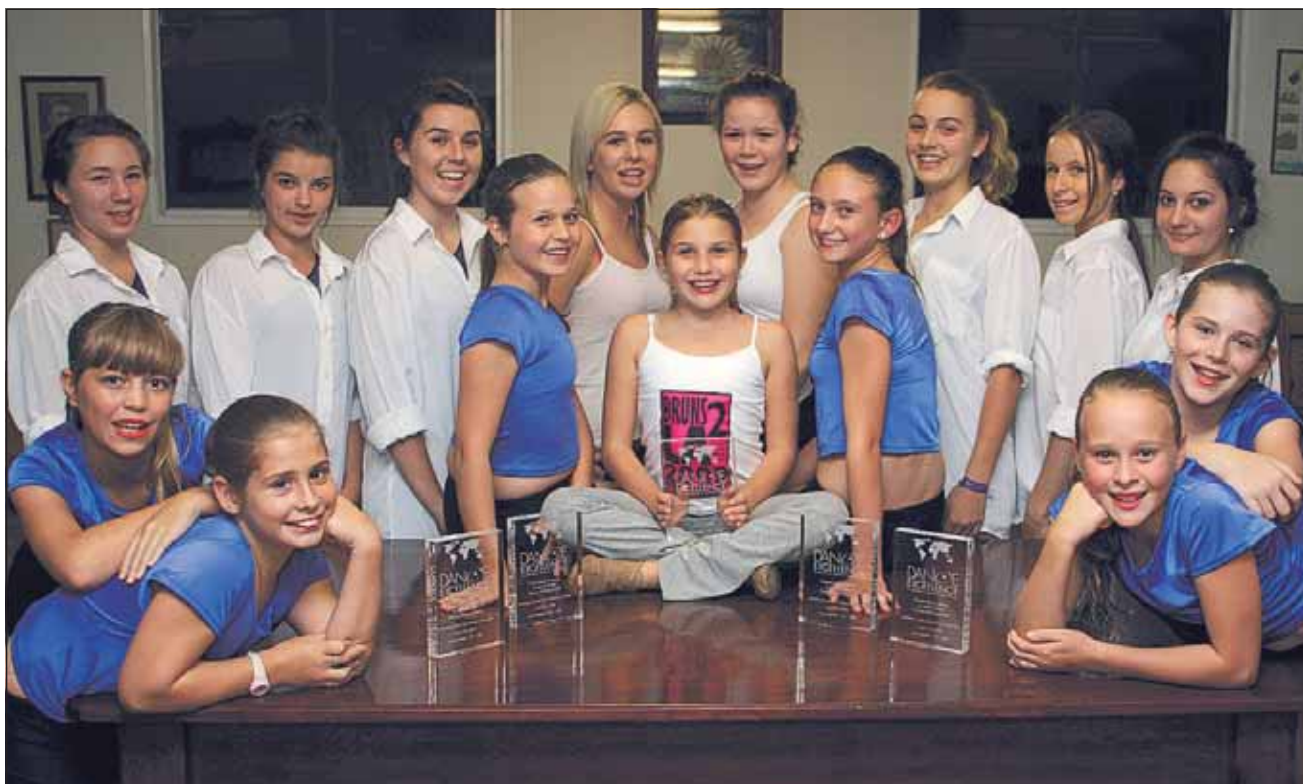
'This is a great group of dancers,' said Robyn in her appraisal of the Bruns troupe. 'They are well rehearsed, they have a fantastic connection with the audience, I loved the costumes and the little girls are just so darned cute.'

Lyrical and contemporary choreographer and seven time Emmy nominee, Suzy Miller, also had praise for the girls. 'These girls are good technicians,' she said in her judgement of their performance. 'I loved the costumes and the ideas and concepts of their pieces. They told a great story and I can see that they love doing it. They are obviously very well rehearsed and should be congratulated.'

Ms Miller was also very complimentary of the choreography in the pieces presented by the girls, a testament to the hard work of Brunswick Valley School of Dance director Carly Connors.

After almost a year of preparation all of the hard work paid off and the troupe won a place in all five events of the events they competed in, bringing home two first place trophies and three second.

Carly says the girls gained a greater respect for the dance world during the festival.



The Bruns 2 LA Dance Troupe with the five trophies they won at the Dance Excellence Festival in Los Angeles at Easter.

'I think they realised what they could gain from their dancing with a lot of hard work

and determination and the Disneyland performance was a great experience for them.

The audience was fantastic. The main focus of Dance Excellence is to be really supportive of other dancers and give them the respect during performances. The girls learned to be open and excited about anything new.'

Miss Carly, as she is known to a generation of young dancers, is extremely proud of the girls.

'The workshops during the festival week produced an amazing transformation in the

girls. It gave them the freedom to dance from the heart.

'Being a teacher and choreographer you always have to focus on the technique of the dancers as well as the performance, whereas the LA workshops gave them the chance and the freedom to experience so many styles that they had not done before and really just focus purely on the performance. It was amazing to see them grow and mature in their dancing.'

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The wallum offers a cone of fragrant blossoms

Story & photo Mary Gardner

My friend and I both noticed the dwarf wallum (*Banksii* species).

'Isn't it wonderful how they are blooming right now?' she said. 'And they have all the old blooms and the old seed heads still on their branches too?'

Giving up the light and heat of summer isn't all that bad if the wallum will burst into flower. Here around the Byron headland, on the ridge of the Arakwal heathland, there's still a whiff of what the Bundjalung people call 'honeysuckle country'. The dwarf *Banksii* species and the taller ones have all been existing for some 40 million years. It's a deep pleasure to get to know them here where they flourish still, in their own sanctuary.

The hard dark cones have small gaping holes. These are what's left after the pods open and the ripe seeds have gone. I was surprised to learn that the seeds would have ripened for a full year and these cones can be still attached to the plant for much longer.

We looked closer at the green soft spikes where the

newest flowers were growing. Each 'bristle' is a flower which will soon open and drip with nectar. Some of the spikes are more advanced and already blooming.

There was some scent on the wind. Maybe it went to our heads.

'Imagine having all the growth and blossoms and seeds of your life exposed to everyone for years like these *Banksii*,' I said, a bit dreamily. 'We are so unlike plants!'

Vegetation startles me. Unlike me, plants stay still. They send roots down into the dark in one direction, reach for the sun in the other. Unexpectedly, the thought occurs to me that our projects in life are much like plants.

Fanciful yes, but my work is much like this wallum. As a biologist and writer, I have been part of project after project year after year. New growth, different blossoms, some broken off, some surviving. Some becoming seeds ripening, some scattering finally on the wind.

My latest project is, of course, producing regular articles for *The Echo*. Over the past two years, this has required I



put down roots while soaking up sun. The 53 articles, with hundreds of photos are now a DVD produced by John Giles. Artwork by Favian Sansom. There is even a slideshow with solo piano by Tim Shanasy. The launch is May 7 at 6pm at the Byron Bay Community Centre.

A cone of blossoms now ripe seeds about to burst open into the breeze. You're invited.

Oh I have been busy photosynthesising, er, I mean putting energy into organising the launch, writing, teaching students, holding everything else together. But I also did a

bit of digging down too. I read again a book I had loved when I was a girl.

I wasn't sure why I ordered *The Sword in the Stone* by T H White from the library. But by page 68, I knew I was in a curious process of self-renewal. Paragraphs that once caught my very young imagination were extra bold and vivid as I read them once again.

The wizard Merlin is teaching an unsuspecting future King Arthur, who is a young orphan of no account in Sir Ector's household. Merlin astonishes the boy by changing him into a fish, a hunting bird, a snake, an owl and a badger. He spirits him away on adventures with knights and giants and even Robin Hood and Maid Marion, who stalks and shoots arrows as well as any woodsman.

The boy is delighted. He even gets to listen to trees talking. Time races, a year passing every two seconds, and he hears what different trees care about. In this adventure, as with others, there is much he doesn't quite understand in all the talking. But he glad to 'leap along in their wake, jumping

at meanings, guessing, clutching at known words... he had the glee of the porpoise then, pouring and leaping through strange seas.'

Don't the world's stories fascinate me, though even now I still don't understand much! Who wouldn't want to be some other creatures for a while and change back again? Back then, as a girl, I wondered. How could this magic happen to me too?

It's not simply facts that inspire a person to get into the sciences. I bet it's not only feelings that draw a person into the arts. It's not just the material world we experience, or only the living people we touch or that touch us.

If my Byron writing project is a cone of seeds about to scatter, well it's also a magic experience. It develops in this community of people and other species. Time weaves back and forth. Perspectives alter again and again. It's mine, then ours, then yours forever. You are so much a part of it. You are it completely. Thank you. Thank you again.

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Byron Council's coastal retreat policy is indefensible

John Vaughan

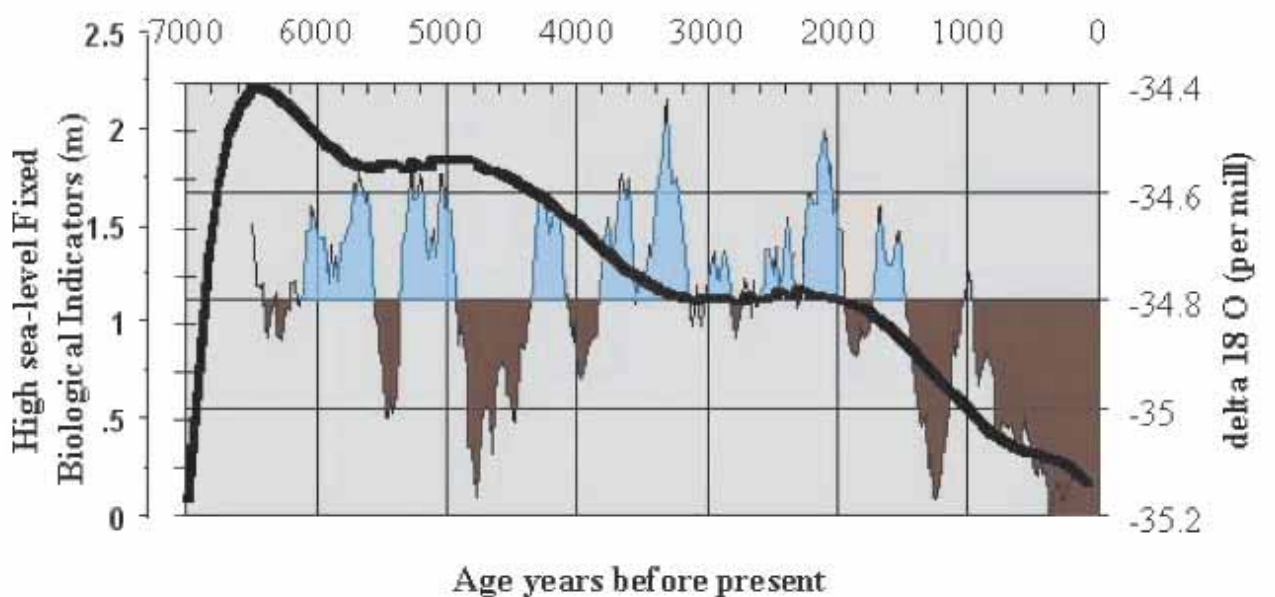
Byron Council's Greens' glass is always half empty. Their alarmist and pessimistic outcries about possible future climate are acting as a ball and chain on Council's planning policies.

At last week's Council meeting, on the urging of BEACON representative, Dailan Pugh, Council deferred the Draft Belongil Creek Flood Study to allow for a further report that considers even more extreme flood levels and all the constraints of Climate Change Scenario 4. It seems that only

a planning flood level of Biblical proportions across the residential areas of Byron Bay will satisfy Mr. Pugh. Climate Change Scenario 4 is where we all go to live on top of Mount Chincogan.

Mr Pugh's pessimism is well known to readers of *The Echo*. In April 2006 he wrote, 'After a six thousand year standstill, sea-levels are on the rise again due to the thermal expansion of the seas as they warm and the melting of the world's terrestrial ice-masses'. More recently he wrote, 'The seas off Byron are rising at an accelerating rate due to

Rapid Sea Level Changes and Surface Temperature Change



The graph above referred to by Mr Vaughan is sourced from the University of New England's Palaeo-Group at www.une.edu.au/bcss/geography/palaeo-group/enviro-change/.

the expansion of the warming waters and melting of terrestrial ice masses', - 'worldwide seas rose 17cm last century, with estimates of rises for this century many times this.' Etc etc.

Rest easy, Mr Pugh, the ice is continuing to grow in the East Antarctic and despite the recent sea level rise the dune north of Belongil Creek has been stable for 6,000 years, growing and moving seaward over the last 100 years.

Sea level changes

If you take just a little trouble to do a little bit of research, you find that sea-levels have not been at a 'standstill'. In fact you find that during the last 6,000 years sea levels at Byron Bay have been 1.8 metres higher than current levels and have been on average one metre higher in four out of the five millennium periods. The fact that Byron Bay's current dune has withstood higher sea levels and significant weather events in the recent past has significant planning implications which the Greens would prefer us to ignore. As an example, the intensity of the 1974 cyclone has been established as a one in a 500 to 1,000 year event. If you want the referenc-

es, I will gladly provide them.

Further and most importantly you also find that the past rise and fall in sea levels do not necessarily correspond to higher temperatures or lower temperatures in this period. Yes, higher temperatures in the past have corresponded with falling sea levels!

Mr Pugh is also worried about the defence of the Byron Bay township. He states: 'Our disappearing dunes are already an incomplete line of defence.'

Belongil residents agree the narrow dune is Byron's vital first line of defence during significant weather events. However, climate change is not the culprit for the recent demise of the Belongil dune. The culprit is Council's 1.2ha of pool, car park and rock protection works that the Council plunked into the sea in the 1960s and 1970s. Council was alerted by various government departments at the time of the likely impact of these works on Belongil Beach but chose to ignore the warnings. Now they have hitched their star onto climate change as an 'out'.

Ice mass expands

There's good news for Mr Pugh's concern about melting ice. The recent Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research report has found that the larger East Antarctic ice mass has expanded and the ice is now 10% thicker than it was in 1950s, thus more than compensating for the changes in the West.

When I pointed out these various facts at the Council meeting Mr Pugh interjected saying 'rubbish'!

Well Mr Pugh, the relevant graph of historic sea levels is shown above.

Sea levels were higher (~1m) but air temperatures were cooler than present (from 3500 to 1500 yrs BP). Note the warmer

phases 4300 to 3800 and 5500 yrs cal BP.

In another recent letter, Mr Pugh was alarmed that the 'Council is now intending to decimate the 20 year old policy of planned retreat in response to coastal recession - these are not the actions you would expect from a Green Council.'

He also stated: 'Due to major coastal erosion associated with a cyclonic period in the 50s, 60s and 70s, the Department of Public Works [PWD] assessed coastal recession trends and mapped those areas likely to be eroded over the next 50 and 100 years. Council then included the erosion precincts into its Development Control Plan (DCP) as part of "planned retreat" in 1988.'

PWD got it wrong

It is now very apparent the PWD simply got it wrong. The 1978 PWD report used to justify the 1988 coastal planning instruments was said to be wrong by experts at the time and thirty years later the resulting 'retreat policy' is still indefensible. The long-term erosion trends the PWD mapped just reflected the recent coastal realignment caused by Council's seaside structures.

In 2004 Council resolved to keep the artificial headland created by these works; it has also been recommended that this may involve a rebuilding and expansion. This policy threatens to continue to further the realignment of Belongil Beach, posing a further threat to all low lying areas of town, now protected by the dune.

At the meeting of April 23 Council considered a staff report on the Belongil Flood Study, which stated: 'Whilst the Study does not consider coastal erosion in general, it is noted that while the town is severely affected by flooding under Cli-

mate Change, the town is also at risk from severe coastal erosion under Climate Change.'

And importantly it noted, 'This issue needs further consideration and discussion as it may affect the long term viability of the Byron Bay town centre, without the construction of significant infrastructure. This issue would be considered by a Floodplain Management Plan, however, this stage is some years away and Council may wish to begin discussions sooner rather than later.'

Belongil residents can only agree about the urgency and urge Council to consider these important planning issues.

■ **Reference:** Council's minutes and resolution. Report No. 11.9. Draft Belongil Creek Flood Study File No: ENG091019 #842680. 09-270 Resolved: 23 April 2009

1. That the Draft Belongil Creek Flood Study (#844527) be deferred to allow for a further report that considers varying flood levels and the implementation of Scenario 4.

2. That clarification be sought on specific issues raised by Mr Pugh and Mr Vaughan, regarding sea level rise and storm surge scenarios used in the study, with a report back to Council.

3. That additional information be provided in the report regarding climate change and Council resolutions specific to climate change assessment and DECC Floodplain Risk Management Guideline Report of October 2007.

4. That the report include information on the Belongil entrance opening, licence and requirement for an EIS as identified in Resolution 07-273.

5. That Section 13 include additional references cited in the body of the document. (Barham/Staples)

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Watch out for echidnas on the move, says NPWS

North coast drivers are being reminded to be alert for echidnas which move around more at this time of year.

National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) Community Relations Ranger, Lisa Walker, said that wildlife carers have had a dramatic increase in the number of calls in the past few weeks about echidnas being injured or killed on local roads.

'Motorists need to keep an eye out for these unique little creatures,' Ms Walker said.

'Autumn is a busy time for echidnas when young ones are dispersing to new territories.

'In late winter the more mature male echidnas also become active in readiness for the breeding season.

'This signals the time when the female echidna releases a pheromone that attracts the

males. She is then pursued by her male admirers who can be seen following on behind her. This is called an echidna train.

'Echidna trains can last anywhere up to six weeks before mating happens. During this time the echidnas can be seen walking, foraging and resting together and this is when they are most vulnerable on our roads.'

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'We love it when she comes in the boat and we play hide and seek'

THE ECHO KIDS WERE ASKED...

*What's my
favourite thing
to do with
mum?*



RUBY-FLOWER, 15 months
'Dancing to Hi 5'



ELI, 10 years old
'Going to the beach with Mum'

A mother is a person who seeing there are only four pieces of pie for five people, promptly announces she never did care for pie. *Tenneva Jordan*

The most important thing a father can do for his children is to love their mother. *Theodore Hesburgh*

A mother is the truest friend we have, when trials heavy and sudden, fall upon us; when adversity takes the place of prosperity; when friends who rejoice with us in our sunshine desert us; when trouble thickens around us, still will she cling to us, and endeavour by her kind precepts and counsels to dissipate the clouds of darkness, and cause peace to return to our hearts. *Washington Irving*

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ONE OF THE BIG NAMES IN REGGAE ON THE NORTH COAST IS RAZ BIN SAM, AND HIS NEW CD IS OUT THIS WEEK - OWN THIS LIFE. THE LAUNCH IS AT THE BEACH HOTEL THIS SATURDAY.

'I have always been playing music, mainly writing songs and lyrics,' he says. 'The Lion I band started four years ago, and before that I was trying to get a committed group together. In the beginning of 2005, I gave myself six months to finish the album I was working on (*Bin Tote Too*), before moving to Melbourne to find myself a band. About two weeks later I met a couple of the Lion I members, and they invited me for a jam and we've been together ever since.'

What made you move here?

'Surfing. I have been here nine years and was coaching at Black Dog Surfing for six years, and still surf almost every day. Initially it was for a three month surf trip with friends. I fell in love with Australia and wanted to stay.'

What drew you to the one drop?

'I have been listening to reggae forever - my parents listen to reggae, among other music. It was played at home on a daily basis - Bob Marley, Burning Spear. I really feel connected to the message and the way reggae artists use the lyrics. It's about life, love, religion, keeping it real and telling your story.'

Raz is no Rasta

'I don't sing conventional reggae, I am a Jew and an Israeli, and my main message is to give the Jew and Israeli a better name; to shed some clarity and light on the Middle East situation. I respect other people and their religion and their belief.'

'I believe in one God and that love is the golden rule. The biblical God - that is for the Christian, the Jews and the Muslim, are all one. According to the book, we are the sons and daughters of Abraham the father. My band members are all from different religions - Muslim and Christian, and I am a Jew. We all get along greatly!'

Perceptions of Jews and Israel are often mixed he says.

'I came across people in Australia that

have a judgemental opinion about Israelis. They would say things like "you kill the Palestinians." "Well I don't kill anyone - I even escaped compulsory Israeli military service for that reason."

It is a complex and often misunderstood socio-political-religious situation in Israel, according to Raz. The media's short grab reporting of an event is often not explored in depth.

'The same people that watch the news and build an opinion on what they watch - and then criticise - these are the people I want to reach. The majority of Israelis want to share and prosper on the land, and having peace in that part of the world would boost the economy. I believe that the same goes for the majority of Palestinians. Unfortunately we have extremists on both sides, and the sad fact of blood revenge running through generations. Jerusalem is the centre of the biblical world, and is to be shared by all people and all religions. Jesus's tomb and the Western Wall are three minutes walk from each other.'

For some reason, Jews and being Jewish has a bad connotation, according to Raz.

'There is no reason for it - people are people, no matter colour, race and religion. There is good and bad in all of those. It shouldn't be generalised and globalised. In my songs I want to reach Jews all over the world who are afraid and ashamed of being who they are. Religion for me is like a tool; it is to be a better person (ie the Ten Commandments). These tools were created over thousands of years by highly spiritual people. Judaism is my roots. I question it all the time and some people don't need religion to better themselves. There are things that I don't agree with 100%, however I take in what I find positive and constructive and use that to become a better person with myself and for others. The new album is about much of this - and the way forward is love, education and consideration. No man is better than another. Bless.'

Raz Bin Sam & the Lion I Band will launch their CD at the Beach Hotel, on Saturday. Support is by Brisbane band Kingfisha.

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IVY'S STORY

Last Friday April 24 I pushed my fourth child, a brand new baby daughter, into the world. In just one push she was delivered, head to toe, still in her sac. A friend of mine remarked that it's just how horses give birth. I didn't mention that I had to chew her free, and in just five minutes she was up and we were galloping around the grassy fields outside the birth centre. Even after four shots at it, I am still humbled by the amazing human process, that as a woman, with a little bit of help, I can make people. The day started like most others, with me wandering the streets and people remarking: 'wow, still pregnant?' I was beginning to feel like a self-inflating camping mattress without the plug, just taking on more air, engorging to the point where bending over was a conceptual activity and thongs my only form of footwear. Friday morning I had taken one last look at the rubbish in my garage and given my partner the orders: 'It has to go. Today

we take it to the dump.' The car was loaded and ready to go. The cramps had started. I timed them at two minutes apart. But it was OK, I could still talk. Still time to tip it. By Myocum, contractions were a minute apart and getting more intense. With a history of births under two hours, and a whole recycling system to negotiate, and a stench that had me writhing, I made a quick decision. Pull out. I am committed to the concept of responsible waste management but I wasn't about to give birth there and have to pay extra on the car weigh-in on the way out. My partner looked relieved, although he thought we should call our daughter Tippi. Next job: sort the kids. After four phone calls I found a friend to come and be with my children. As luck would have it, none of the people who I'd lined up could make it. For a minute I thought I was going to have to give birth with the kids sitting around going, 'Are we there yet?' 'Shut up mum, we can't hear the telly.' An available girlfriend was located.

I was free to give birth. We rang the Mullum Hospital. 'You're lucky we just sent two women home who thought they were in labour but weren't'. Lucky alright, if I got up there and didn't get a shot at the birth pool there would have been a bitch fight. I may be a feminist, but three women in a birth pool is just a little too cosy. 'Excuse me, is that my placenta or yours?' I'm not a drug free birther. I like to go the gas. I'm in the bath hallucinating with pain and I make my nitrous request. The midwife, who was very adorable, informed me there was none, and offered me affirmations instead. 'You're doing so well'. I had a small moment of panic: those bloody hippies have tricked me into a natural birth! Naked, and about 9cm dilated, I decided it wasn't the time for a tantrum. I fell into the pain and followed it. I used my voice to make a noise that I don't think I could make again. Except for my next Brazilian. The roaring was my only relief. And it was extraordinarily effective. I think roaring may even be better than gas. I thanked god I wasn't married to Tom Cruise and was left with the solace of biting on a sock. Ivy was born around 2.30pm. We think. The clock wasn't working properly. Which in Mullumbimby is a sueable offence. What if my daughter never knows her rising sign?

What if she's the only kid in the class who hasn't had her chart done? We called our daughter Ivy Mae Elizabeth Stevens. Named after maternal and paternal grandmothers - a small human legacy to the memory of our old women. I rang my nanna, Ivy. At 93 and blind she lives independently and hasn't lost a dot of her memory. She's a courageous, at times tactless but warm and extraordinary woman who I often use for inspiration: she's the one that offered me the family strap to discipline my kids, loves John Laws but hates injustice, who sits and entertains a constant stream of friends and animals and kids through the tiny home where she has lived for 70 years. It's the kind of place Diane Arbus would have paid top dollar for a photo shoot. I told my nan we had called our baby Ivy. She said 'Get out of here. You didn't. What an honour. Oh Mandy, you've done me proud. When I die, she'll be there to remember me by. I think I have to go now and have a cry.' So Mandy the super overachiever takes a break. I am now in that blissful breastfeeding land where thoughts start but never finish, tea is made but never drunk hot, and a whole day's output is just one load of washing. It's wonderful. (Tune in next week for episode one of *Matriarchal Jones and the Evil Hormone Plunge*.)

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2pm **Q's Jazz & Blues** Quentin Watts
4pm **Cruisy Beat** DJ Cruisy
6pm **Grailey Whole Celtic Show** Margaret Wyatt
8pm **The Master Plan** Timbo, Trent & Sarah
10pm **Phase in Dub** Pixie Bebekis
12am **Nineball** DJ Dinofoot & Dregz

TUESDAY
6am **Planet Luv** Glitter Girl
9am **Love, Life & Laughter** Pavitar
11am **Byron Business** Phil Daly
12pm **Audio Chocolate** Lou & Rich
1pm **Mezzanine** Kellie / Mazzy
2pm **Theme Park** Lyn McCarthy
4pm **Rollin'** Mel
6pm **Post Modern Backlash** Hudson
8pm **Radio Mundial** Steve Snelgrove
10pm **Long Strange Trip** Ice Cream Kid

WEDNESDAY
6am **Eggs-essential** Mitch & Harry
9am **Zeitgeist** Nyck Jeanes
11am **Go Earthcare** Ros Elliott
12pm **Suara Indonesia** Dharma, Kirana, Judy
2pm **Future Classics** Matt Meir
4pm **African Massive** Manie
6pm **Bongo Gum** Brett Diemar
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10pm **The Freq Consortium** Jonny Coates

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6am **The Best Dressed Chickens in Town** Vasudha & Jem
9am **Arts Canvass** Karena Wynn-Moylan
11am **Bohemian Beat** Riddhi
12pm **Juke Joint** Tony Parker
2pm **Paddy's Pleasure** Paddy Raleigh
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10pm **At the soul inn** Jasmine

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6am **The Friday Fluff** Pam & Nicky
9am **The Shakedown** Red Terra
11am **Not The Comedy Show** Paul & Danno
12pm **Whirled Music** Phil Hurst
1pm **Fabwha** Tom Benditz
2pm **Groove Yard** Teesha
4pm **Strictly Vinyl** Inchie
6pm **Beatluv** DJ Spyda
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10pm **Roots 'n' Culture** DJ Selector

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8am **Musical Kaleidoscope** Jill
10am **Cowboy's Sweetheart** Carrie D
12pm **Red Hot & Cool** Anthony & Ken
2pm **Toasted** Lady Marmalade
4pm **Natural Balance** Sut
6pm **Nu Groove** DJ Neele
8pm **Diggin' in the Archive** Undertaker & Joan of Arc
10pm **Shel's Place** Shel

SUNDAY
6am **The Bahai-way** Pete McHugh
7am **Colours of Byron** Des & Nella
9am **That's Entertainment** Michael Shamon
10am **Jazz Moods** Jean Brown
12pm **Omnibus** RG Pedicini & Les Schmidt
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Little Birdy

Little Birdy are in Byron this week to launch their new CD *Confetti*. It's a collection of classic-sounding tracks that sound like Dusty Springfield has been teleported from her Memphis heyday into modern-day Melbourne, and she's brought Burt Bacharach and Midlake along for the ride. 'We just want to try and continue to be as honest as we can with our music,' says Katey, 'We don't want to be swept away with any trends. We want to make it feel timeless and most of all, we want people to feel something real when they listen. That's all.' **Hotel Great Northern on Thursday.**

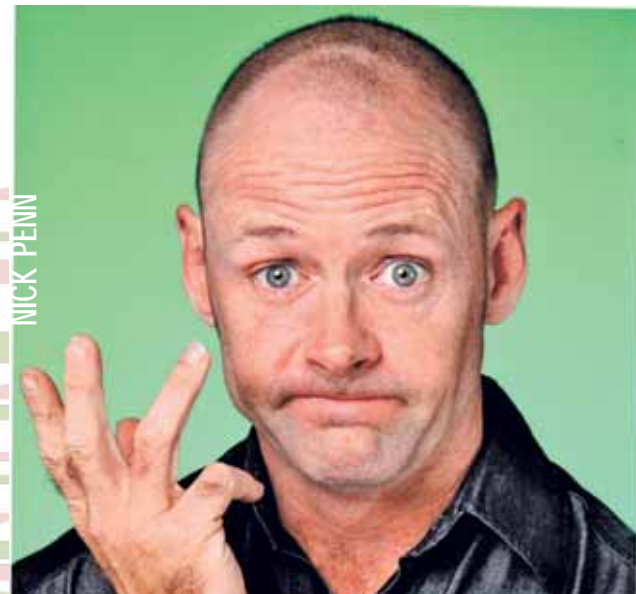
Jazzgroove Mothership Orchestra

The **Jazzgroove Mothership Orchestra** is made up of Sydney's heavyweight instrumentalists and is

arguably the hippest act touring Australia right now. This tour sees the orchestra collaborating with incredible Belgian trumpeter and composer Bert Joris. The band also features an unbelievable all star cast including Aaron Flower on guitar, Evan Mannell on drums, Hugh Barrett on piano, Brendan Clark on bass and an awesome 13 piece horn section (we love a good onslaught of horns), this very special one off Blue Birdy event is not to be missed. **5/17 Tasman Way, Byron Bay (A+I Est.) 7.30pm Wednesday.** Cost is \$15. Check them out on www.mothershiporchestra.com.

Mr Percival

Much more than a singer, Mr Percival is a vocal artist and innovator – painting with his voice, using a looping pedal to create rich soundscapes and sublime grooves. As an accomplished jazz singer and vocal teacher, **Mr Percival** has toured the world, all the while developing a technique of vocal layering to create his own band of instruments. Out Of The Loop is the result of 20 years spent performing live and exploring the power and scope of the human voice. Catch the live show is this



Friday and Saturday at the Mullum Bowlo. Tickets available at: All Music and Vision, Byron, Ballina and Lismore and Mullumbimby Book Shop – www.mullummusicfestival.com

The Bongo Brothers

Hot on the heels of their sell-out season at the Melbourne International Comedy Festival, the **Bongo Brothers** are in Byron Shire for one show only! Join Mongo, Bongo and Drongo in their classic Aussie beach show, Surf Safari, suitable for kids all ages. The Bongo Brothers are performing **Sunday at 2.30pm** at the **Federal Hall**. Tickets on the door, \$10/\$35 family.

Taboo Cabaret at the Winsome Hotel

A brand spanking new performance night, the Taboo Cabaret will kick off this **Saturday** in the decadence of the Winsome Hotel's upstairs Ballroom. A night of quirky performance will include shadow puppetry, comedy, erotica, body poetry, projections, spoken word, live music, roving performers and much more. Doors open at **8pm** for an 8.20pm sharp start. Entry is a slim tenner with all door proceeds (after costs) split up equally amongst the

performers. Be there to support a long awaited cabaret night for Lismore. For more call Edda on 0420 558 100.

Cheyenne Murphy and Mark Heazlett

The beautiful little village of Uki will see **Cheyenne Murphy** and **Mark Heazlett** bring their acoustic folk sound to the **Sphinx Rock Café, Sunday** from 1pm. They will be showcasing songs from Cheyenne's new EP *Firesongs for the Soul*, but you can also expect a whole lot more.

Northern Rivers Screenworks seminar

On **Wednesday** from 3pm to 6pm, Northern Rivers Screenworks and Lemac Films is offering local content creators an introduction to high-definition tapeless production and post-production with a seminar on the revolutionary Red One and Panasonic P2 camera systems. The event will be at the **Byron Community and Cultural Centre**. The cost is free to Screenworks members and SCU students and only \$5 to the public. Greg Henderson and David Tinley of Lemac Films will be there to show you the cameras. To book contact Screenworks on 6687 1599 or

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Australian surf film *Ride a White Horse* screening

The first public screening in over 40 years of the late Bob Evans 1968 Australian surf film *'Ride a White Horse'* will be on this Thursday. *Ride a White Horse* is considered by many to be Australia's answer to *The Endless Summer*. Bob Evans, founder of *Surfing World* magazine, was also the pioneer of the Aussie surf-film industry with 14 films. *Ride a White Horse* takes us on a 'surfari' with Midget Farrelly's world title win in Sydney to Nat Young's world title in California via the testing ground of Hawaii's big waves. Screening at **Byron Community Cultural Centre** on **Thursday**. Box office and bar open at **6.30pm** for a 7.30 start with surf shorts. The feature will be followed by a Q & A session with surf legend Bob McTavish. Tickets are \$15 from the Centre or at the door.

Plays

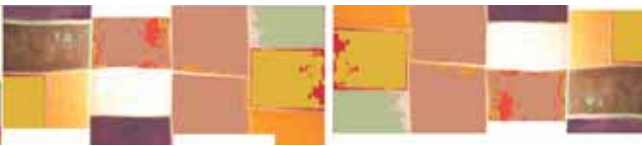
Kate Mulvaney's critically acclaimed audience-revered theatre piece is making a quick fire one stop run at NORPA's **Lismore City Hall** on **Saturday**. She says 'The play was written as an exploration of my own family's spectres of war, and as a response to military commitments being made by my country. The Seed is not so much a political piece however, as it is a deep exploration of family, loyalty



and betrayal. It is a play for anyone who lives in a country currently at war, recovering from war, anyone who is part of a family. And in Australia, that's pretty much all of us right now.'

Festivals

D' ALLIANCE FESTIVAL, CURRUMBIN
The path on Currumbin Creek, next to the Currumbin RSL will be transformed into a mysterious, wonderland of music and magic. Maestros, stilt walkers and gate keepers will roam along the lantern-lit setting, as aerial acrobats transcend through the air. The Saturday evening culminates with a visual light spectacular by festival masters 'LightnUp Inc' who created the Lismore Lantern Festival and Swell Closing Ceremony. As part of the festival, 'LightnUp Inc' will transform the daytime carnival atmosphere into a night-time garden of delight, wonder and surprise. The pathways, trees and waters edge will be adorned with stunning sculptural lanterns. As night falls fire sculptures and theatrical pyrotechnic effects will glow over the shoreline of Currumbin Creek as a prelude to high energy leading musicians 'Tijuana Cartel' who will dance the night away. Come one, come all to a merry path of dalliance and delight, **Saturday 9am-5pm** free and **6pm-10pm** ticketed visit www.curumbinrsl.com.au for bookings and further information. The festival will also feature a special appearance by amazing singer/songwriter Andrea Sole.



LITTLE BIRDY
CHEYNNÉ MURPHY
+ MARK HEAZLETT



Comedy

It's funnier than a driving lesson with Marcus Einfield, more dangerous than shaving a haeomophilic and it's free. **Court House Comedy** is the monthly standup comedy open mic night held at Mullumbimby's newest venue. Promoted and booked by Mandy Nolan, this is one of her newest rooms and provides comics with the opportunity to get stage time. 'Comics don't just appear out of the ether. They need venues that serve as a comedy creche: somewhere to cut their teeth with an audience: try out new

jokes, develop their patter and basically work out whether they have what it takes to be a full time professional comic.' This week Nick Penn takes the talking stick. He has been a feature comic for over two decades, a true pro who cut his teeth at the Comedy Store in Sydney. Nick is the comic glue that will hold the show together when 10 new open micers present their stuff. This open mic will present at least five new voices in the comedy scene, fresh after their recent Adult Education Stand Up Comedy Course. **Thursday at 8.30pm**. Entry is free.



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Solid Gold

FRIDAY @ GREAT NORTHERN
After its longest break in a record breaking five year history, 'Goph once broke his 7" copy of *Boom Boom Boom*, *Let's Go Back to My Room* on my (Rock's) head', **Solid Gold** is back for more with a 'Back to the Classics' edition with unprecedented dagginess and predictability. No tricks, no fancy stuff; just pure, unadulterated fancy dress fun, dancing wildly to tragic retro music. They really haven't come a long way, getting the formula just right with their first Solid Gold and their mix of mockery, sauciness and foolery recreating the over top music, TV and video performances of the 70s and 80s. After a return from their sub space tax exile, **Rock Solid**, **Gopher Gold** and the **Solid Gold Dancers** were the guests of NASA scientists for a week of testing and refitting. Rock

Solid, 'while Corky, KT and the girls were rushed off to the Six Million Dollar labs for a bionic makeover, Goph and I hit the computers and were allowed to use such space age technology as the "Intranet" and something called the "World Wide Web" as well as sneaking in a few games of Pong and Galaxian.' With these new, more powerful tools at their tech-savvy fingertips the boys have 'downloaded' some new old stuff that they lost when the dog ate the K-Tel record library in '79... *Rock Solid*. 'At the same time, the Solid Gold Dancers were able to rehearse, in weightlessness, some of their more gravity defying routines all the while boosting their necessary nutrients on Space Sticks under the watchful eye of nerds in lab coats.' Put that astronomical preparation together with five months R&R and look out!



The Solid Gold team hits the stage at the Great Northern armed with 70s and 80s classics you haven't heard them play before. ELO, Dolly Parton, Wham! Bros, Donna Summer, Barbara Streisand, Blancmange and many, many more.

As is a must with Solid Gold, the outrageous fancy dress participation of the audience turns the clocks back to the classics complementing some real sing-along Solid Gold magic. Break out your Bedazzlers, raid Uncle Ron's walk-in wardrobe or borrow Beryl from the Bowls Club's best beehive and let your inner gold shine; on you crazy diamond!

Get 'Back to the Classics' tickets now from the venue and online. If you're a bunch of five, buy your tix together and get a Solid Gold t-shirt for free; who wouldn't want one!? **9pm**.

PARTY SMART

FRIDAY @ YOUTH ACTIVITY CENTRE BYRON BAY
This CD launch provides an interactive environment braving the taboos about drugs. Become community conscious, help reduce harm of alcohol and other drug consumption, check out a safe, unbiased and non-judgemental environment this Friday at the YAC. BBQ and tunes until 10pm with DJs Taya, Nick Taylor, Jackie Onassid and hip hop, rhythms and rhymes with Street Wise. Free CD give away, entry is free, starts **5pm**. Supported by INTRA, BUDDI, Byron Youth Services and the YAC.

Liquid all week

Liquid has opened its doors Monday to Saturday with Little Liquid's guest DJs from Monday to Wednesday, followed by Thursday's 'plugged in' promising local vocals over DJs. The weekend won't be watered down with H2O and DJs Basek, Strawberry Syme and Nick Taylor along with Saturday's 'House of Now' with DJ Adam and Captain Kaine.

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Television Guide

1. Imagine being stuck in an airport with Tom Hanks forever and ever. **The Terminal** (Prime, Friday, 8.30pm) makes that dream true. Catherine Zeta-Jones helps with the suffering.
2. Would you like acid slime with that? The **Alien** franchise is among the best of the scifi genre and **Alien 3** (TEN, Saturday, 8.30pm), lives up to the weirdness. Sigourney Weaver takes interspecies relationships to greater depths than those occasionally seen in the barn late at night.
3. The glorious snow leopard of the Himalaya comes under investigation in **Snow Leopard: Beyond The Myth** (ABC, Sunday, 7.30pm). See it while it still exists.



	ABC 1	ABC 2	SBS	PRIME	ten	NBN
WEDNESDAY 06	<p>4.30 GP (PG) Repeat.</p> <p>5.30 Einstein Factor (G) Repeat.</p> <p>6.00 Kids' Programs</p> <p>11.05 Super Cockroach (G)</p> <p>12.00 Midday Report</p> <p>12.30 National Press Club Address</p> <p>1.30 Talking Heads (G) Repeat.</p> <p>2.00 Parkinson (G)</p> <p>3.00 Kids' Programs</p> <p>6.00 Travel Oz (G)</p> <p>12.30 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 The Gruen Transfer</p> <p>9.35 Moving Wallpaper (M)</p> <p>10.00 At the Movies</p> <p>10.30 Lateline And Lateline Business</p> <p>11.30 Vincent (M)</p> <p>12.40 Movie: The Private Life Of Henry VIII (PG 1933) Stars Charles laughton, Merle Oberon.</p> <p>2.15 Movie: Criminal Lawyer (G 1937) Stars Lee Tracy, Margot Grahame.</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 Travel Oz (G) Repeat.</p> <p>4.55 Animal Cops: South Africa (G)</p> <p>5.45 Time Team (G) Repeat.</p> <p>6.35 A place In Greece (G)</p> <p>7.00 Zoo Days (G)</p> <p>7.30 Something In The Air (G) Repeat.</p> <p>8.00 Body Hits: Snack Attack (PG)</p> <p>8.30 Beyond Boundaries: Across The Andes (M)</p> <p>9.30 Rize (M)</p> <p>10.55 Fatboy Slim: Big Beach Boutique (M)</p> <p>11.55 Close</p>	<p>4.30 UEFA Champions League Semi Final Arsenal v Manchester United</p> <p>7.00 World News in various languages.</p> <p>1.00 Eurovision Dance Contest 2008</p> <p>3.30 Nerds FC (G)</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 Mexican Dream (G)</p> <p>6.30 World News Australia</p> <p>7.30 Food Safari: Maltese Safari (G)</p> <p>8.00 Trawlermen (G) Doco from UK.</p> <p>8.35 Long Way Round (PG) Doco from UK.</p> <p>9.30 World News Australia</p> <p>10.00 Movie: Night On Earth (M 1991) Indie from US. Stars Sinona Ryder, Gena Rowlands, Roberto Benigni, Rosie Perez, Beatrice Dalle.</p> <p>12.10 Movie: Buena Vida Delivery (M 2003) Comedy from Argentina. Stars Ignacio Tosselli, Moro Anghileri.</p> <p>1.50 Weatherwatch Overnight</p>	<p>6.00 Sunrise</p> <p>9.00 The Morning Show (PG)</p> <p>11.30 Seven News</p> <p>12.00 Movie: Ties That Bind (M 2007) Stars Robert Carradine, Joanna Miles, Lea Thompson, Joe Penny.</p> <p>2.00 All Saints (M)</p> <p>3.00 House Call</p> <p>3.30 Raggs</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 Thank God You're Here (PG)</p> <p>8.30 Criminal Minds (M)</p> <p>9.30 My Name Is Earl (PG)</p> <p>10.00 Family Guy (M)</p> <p>10.30 Russell Brand's Ponderland (M)</p> <p>11.00 Lost (M)</p> <p>12.00 Hot Auctions (G)</p> <p>12.30 Brand Developers (G)</p> <p>1.00 Guthy Renker & Danoz</p> <p>5.30 Seven Early News</p> <p>Prime HD program same as above except: 12.00 Documentary: The Need For Speed (G) 1.00 Final 24 2.00 The Great Outdoors (PG) → 12.00 Dateline NBC 1.00 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 Masterchef Australia (PG)</p> <p>4.00 Totally Wild</p> <p>4.30 The Bold & The Beautiful (G)</p> <p>5.00 Ten News</p> <p>6.00 The Simpsons (PG)</p> <p>6.30 Neighbours (G)</p> <p>7.00 Masterchef Australia (PG)</p> <p>8.00 The Simpsons (PG)</p> <p>8.30 House (M)</p> <p>9.30 Numb3rs (M) Series return.</p> <p>10.30 Ten News With Sports Tonight</p> <p>11.15 Late Show With David Letterman (PG)</p> <p>12.00 Cops (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 Alive And Cooking (G)</p> <p>3.30 Kids' Programs</p> <p>4.30 NBN News</p> <p>5.00 Antiques Roadshow (G).</p> <p>5.30 Hot Seat (G)</p> <p>6.00 NBN News</p> <p>7.00 A Current Affair</p> <p>7.30 What's Good For You (PG)</p> <p>8.00 RPA (PG)</p> <p>8.30 The Mentalist (M)</p> <p>8.45 Lotto</p> <p>9.30 Cold Case (M)</p> <p>10.30 Cold Case (M)</p> <p>11.30 NBN News</p> <p>12.00 The Ellen Degeneres Show (PG)</p> <p>1.00 The Baron (PG)</p> <p>1.00 Guthy Renker And Danoz</p> <p>3.30 Good Morning America</p> <p>5.00 Early Morning News</p>
THURSDAY 07	<p>4.30 GP (PG) Repeat.</p> <p>5.30 Einstein Factor (G) Repeat.</p> <p>6.00 Kids' Programs</p> <p>11.00 The War (PG)</p> <p>12.00 Midday Report</p> <p>12.30 Pilot Guides (G) Repeat.</p> <p>1.30 Collectors (G) Repeat.</p> <p>2.00 Parkinson (G)</p> <p>3.00 Kids' Programs</p> <p>6.10 Grand Designs (G) Repeat.</p> <p>7.00 ABC News</p> <p>7.30 The 7.30 Report</p> <p>8.00 Catalyst (G)</p> <p>8.30 Media Watch 20 Years: Stuff Ups, Beat Ups And Barneys</p> <p>9.30 Q&A With Tony Jones</p> <p>10.30 Lateline And Lateline Business</p> <p>11.30 Spectacle: Elvis Costello With Rufus Wainwright (G)</p> <p>12.20 Wildside (M)</p> <p>1.10 Movie: Rose Of Cimarron (PG 1952) Stars Maia Powers, Bill Williams.</p> <p>2.30 Movie: Second Chance (PG 1953) Stars Robert Mitchum, Linda Darnett.</p> <p>3.55 The Glass House (M)</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 A place In Greece (G)</p> <p>7.00 Zoo Days (G)</p> <p>7.30 Something In The Air (G) Repeat.</p> <p>8.00 Spicks And Specks (PG) Final.</p> <p>8.30 The Gruen Transfer</p> <p>9.00 Moving Wallpaper (M)</p> <p>9.30 The Graham Norton Show</p> <p>10.00 Peep Show (M)</p> <p>10.25 Q&A With Tony Jones</p> <p>10.55 Phoenix Nights (PG)</p> <p>11.20 Ideal: The Pregnancy (MA) Repeat.</p> <p>11.50 Close</p>	<p>4.30 UEFA Champions League Semi Final Chelsea v Barcelona</p> <p>7.00 World News in various languages.</p> <p>2.20 Podlove (G)</p> <p>2.30 Dateline</p> <p>3.30 Kings Of Clubs (G)</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: Plemonte (G)</p> <p>6.30 World News Australia</p> <p>7.35 Inspector Rex (PG) Austria Repeat.</p> <p>8.30 Mad Men (M) Excellent series telling it as it was in the early 60s.</p> <p>9.30 World News Australia</p> <p>10.00 UEFA Champions League Hour</p> <p>11.00 Oz (M) US drama series.</p> <p>12.00 Movie: The Eye (MA 2002) Thriller from Hong Kong. Stars Angelica Lee, Lawrence Chou</p> <p>1.45 Weatherwatch Overnight</p>	<p>6.00 Sunrise</p> <p>9.00 The Morning Show (PG)</p> <p>11.30 Seven News</p> <p>12.00 Movie: Love's Abiding Joy (M) Stars Erin Cottrell, Dale Midkiff.</p> <p>2.00 All Saints (M)</p> <p>3.00 House Call (PG)</p> <p>3.30 Raggs Kid's program.</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>10.35 Heroes (M)</p> <p>11.30 Beauty And The Geek (PG)</p> <p>12.30 Brand Developers (G)</p> <p>1.30 Danoz & Guthy-Renker</p> <p>5.30 Seven Early News</p> <p>Prime HD program same as above except: 12.00 The Gibb River Road And Beyond (G) 1.00 Final 24 2.00 The Great Outdoors (PG) → 12.30 Movie: Abandon (M 2002) 2.00 Danoz Direct & 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 Masterchef Australia (PG)</p> <p>4.00 Totally Wild</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 Masterchef Australia (PG)</p> <p>7.20 Rules Of Engagement (PG)</p> <p>8.00 Bondi Vet (PG)</p> <p>8.30 Law & Order: S.V.U. (M)</p> <p>9.30 Medium (M)</p> <p>10.30 Ten News With Sports Tonight</p> <p>11.15 Late Show With David Letterman (PG)</p> <p>12.00 Cops (PG)</p> <p>12.30 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 Alive And Cooking (G)</p> <p>3.30 Kids' Programs</p> <p>4.30 NBN News</p> <p>5.30 Who Wants To Be A Millionaire (G)</p> <p>5.00 Antiques Roadshow</p> <p>5.30 Hot Seat (G)</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 NBN News</p> <p>11.30 The AFL Footy Show (M)</p> <p>1.30 Guthy Renker Australia</p> <p>3.30 Good Morning America</p> <p>5.00 Early Morning News</p>
FRIDAY 08	<p>4.30 GP (PG) Repeat.</p> <p>5.30 The Einstein Factor (G) Repeat.</p> <p>6.00 Kids' Programs</p> <p>11.00 Island Life (G) Repeat</p> <p>12.00 Midday Report</p> <p>12.30 Darling Buds Of May (PG)</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 (G)</p> <p>8.00 Collectors (G)</p> <p>8.30 Midsomer Murders (M)</p> <p>10.10 The Hollowmen (M)</p> <p>10.40 Lateline (M)</p> <p>11.20 triple j tv With The Doctor Repeat</p> <p>11.50 Good Game Repeat.</p> <p>12.20 rage (M) goes on until 5am Saturday.</p>	<p>6.00 ABC News Breakfast</p> <p>9.00 ABC 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 A Place In Greece (G)</p> <p>7.00 Zoo Days (G)</p> <p>7.30 Something In The Air (G) Repeat.</p> <p>8.00 Father Ted (PG)</p> <p>8.30 Spectacle: Elvis Costello With... She And Him (G)</p> <p>9.15 A Little Later (G)</p> <p>9.30 Massive: Recording The Single (M)</p> <p>10.05 BBC Electric Proms: Paul McCartney (G)</p> <p>11.05 triple jtv's One Night Stand 2008</p> <p>11.30 London Live (G)</p> <p>12.00 Close</p>	<p>2.30 2009 UEFA Cup Semi Final</p> <p>5.00 2009 UEFA Cup Semi Final</p> <p>7.00 World News in various languages.</p> <p>1.30 Insight</p> <p>2.30 World News in various languages.</p> <p>3.15 Space files: The Universe Unveiled</p> <p>3.30 Living Black</p> <p>4.00 The Journal</p> <p>4.30 Newshour With Jim Lehrer</p> <p>5.30 Hotspell (G) Doco.</p> <p>6.00 Global Village: Ardeche (G)</p> <p>6.30 World News Australia</p> <p>7.30 Afghan Star (G)</p> <p>8.35 As It Happened: Guests Of The Ayatollah – Endgame (PG) Doco from US.</p> <p>9.30 World News Australia</p> <p>10.00 In Search Of The Perfect Penis (MA)</p> <p>11.00 Movie: The Final Gaze (M 2005) Drama from Mexico. Stars Sergi Mateu, Marisol Centeno, Arcelia Ramirez, Gina Morett.</p> <p>1.10 Movie: A Tale Of A Naughty Girl (M) Drama from India. Stars Samata Dus, Rituporna Sengupta.</p> <p>2.45 WeatherWatch Overnight</p>	<p>6.00 Sunrise</p> <p>9.00 Morning Show (PG)</p> <p>11.30 Seven Morning News</p> <p>12.00 Movie: Doomsday Man (M 1998) Stars James Marshall, Esai Morales, Yancy Butler, Renee Griffen.</p> <p>2.00 All Saints (M)</p> <p>3.00 House Call (PG)</p> <p>3.30 Raggs</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 (PG)</p> <p>8.30 Movie: The Terminal (PG) Stars Tom Hanks, Catherine Zeta-Jones, Stanley Tucci, Chi McBride.</p> <p>11.05 2009 AFL Premiership Season Essendon v Hawthorn.</p> <p>2.30 Danoz And Guthy-Renker</p> <p>Prime HD program same as above except: 12.00 The Gibb River Road And Beyond (G) 1.00 Movie: If You Knew Susue (PG 1948) 2.30 Deal Or No Deal 2.00 My Restaurant Rules →</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 Huey's Cooking Adventures (PG)</p> <p>3.30 MasterChef Australia (G)</p> <p>4.00 Everybody Loves Raymond</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 Masterchef Australia (PG)</p> <p>7.30 The Simpsons (G)</p> <p>8.30 Law & Order (M)</p> <p>9.30 Law & Order (M)</p> <p>10.30 Life On Mars (M)</p> <p>11.20 Ten Late News</p> <p>11.50 Sports Tonight</p> <p>12.20 Late Show With David Letterman (PG)</p> <p>1.20 Infomercials (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 Alive And Cooking (G)</p> <p>3.30 Kids' Programs</p> <p>4.30 NBN News</p> <p>5.00 Antiques Roadshow (G)</p> <p>5.30 Hot Seat</p> <p>6.00 NBN News</p> <p>7.00 A Current Affair</p> <p>7.30 Friday Night Football Australia v New Zealand.</p> <p>9.45 Friday Night Football City v Country.</p> <p>11.45 NBN News</p> <p>12.15 Movie: New Jack City (M 1992) Stars Wesley Snipes, Ice-T, Chris Rock, Judd Nelson.</p> <p>2.15 Ellen Degeneres (PG)</p> <p>3.15 MADTV (M)</p> <p>4.00 Guthy Renker Australia (G)</p> <p>4.30 Good Morning America</p>

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SATURDAY 09	ABC 1 5.00 rage (PG) 6.00 rage (G) 8.00 rage (G) 10.00 Rage (PG) 11.00 Executive Stress (G) 11.30 The Cook And The Chef 12.00 Stataline 12.30 Australian Story 1.00 Foreign Correspondent 1.30 Can We Help? 2.00 Rugby League 2009 4.00 Naked Science: Roman Tech 5.00 Bowls: Perth International 2009 Australia v Malaysia: Womens pairs. 6.00 Echo Beach (PG) Repeat. 6.25 Minuscula (G) 6.30 Gardening Australia (G) 7.00 ABC News 7.30 New Tricks (PG) Repeat. 8.25 ABC News 8.30 The Bill (M) 10.00 ABC News 10.05 Foyle's War (M) Repeat. 11.45 rage (M)	ABC 2 7.00 Kids' Programs 3.00 rage (G) 5.00 rage (PG) 6.05 The New Inventors Repeat. 6.35 Heartland (G) Repeat. 7.20 Rex The Runt (PG) Repeat. 7.30 The Einstein Factor (G) Repeat. 8.00 At The Movies Repeat. 8.30 Movie: Suspicion (PG 1941) Stars Cary Grant, Joan Fontaine, Nigel Bruce, Cedric Hardwicke, Isabel Jeans. 10.15 Movie: Slaughter On Tenth Avenue (PG 1957) Stars Wlter Matthau, Dan Duryea, Jan Sterling, Richard Egan. 11.45 Close	SBS 5.20 World News in various languages. 1.00 Le Sacre Du Printemps (G) Masterpiece from Germany. 1.45 Gabriel Yared (G) Masterpiece from UK. 2.45 Jumba Jimba (G) Masterpiece from Australia. 3.20 I'm Not Here Today (G) 3.30 Buren And The Gugenheim (G) Masterpiece from France. 4.30 Newshour With Jim Lehrer 5.30 The Colony (PG) 6.30 World News Australia 7.30 Mythbusters (PG) 8.30 Iron Chef (G) 9.20 Rockwiz (PG) Entertainment. 10.10 Movie: A Friend Of Mine (M 2006) Comedy from Germany. Stars Daniel Bruhl, Juergen Vogel, Sabine Timoteo. 11.40 SOS (PG) 12.40 Sinchronicity (MA) 1.35 Weatherwatch Overnight	PRIME 6.00 Kids' Programs 12.00 Eclipse (PG) 1.00 V8 Extra (G) 1.30 Motorsport On Prime (G) 2.30 Chrome (G) 3.05 Movie: When We Were Kings (PG 1996) Stars Muhammad Ali, George Foreman, Don King, James Brown, Spike Lee, BB King, Mobutu Sese Seko, Norman Mailer. 5.00 Border Patrol (PG) 5.30 Sydney Weekender (G) 6.00 Seven News 6.30 Billy Connolly: Journey To The Edge Of The World (PG) 7.30 Kath & Kim (PG) Repeat. 8.00 The Vicar Of Dibley (PG) 9.00 Movie: Cast Away (M 2000) Stars Tom Hanks, Helen Hunt, Chris Noth. 12.00 Movie: Igby Goes Down (MA 2002) Stars Kieran Culklin, Jeff Goldblum, Claire Danes, Jared Harris. 2.00 Danoz Direct & Guthy Renker	ten 6.00 Toasted TV & Kids' Programs 9.30 Dex Hamilton 10.00 Video Hits (PG) 12.00 Infomercials 1.00 MasterChef Australia (G) 1.30 Hook Line & Sinker (PG) 2.00 AFL Premiership Season 2009 Geelong v Sydney. 5.00 Ten News 5.30 Sports Tonight (PG) 6.00 Futurama (PG) 6.30 The Simpsons Marathon (PG) 8.30 Movie: Alien 3 (M) Stars Sigourney Weaver, Charles S. Dutton, Lance Henriksen, Paul McGann. 10.45 AFL Premiership Season 2009 Carlton v Fremantle. 1.15 Good New Week (M) 2.15 Infomercials 2.45 Video Hits Up Late 4.00 Religion to 6am (PG)	NBN 6.00 Infomercials 7.00 Kids' Programs 11.30 TVP Direct (G) 12.00 My Boys (PG) 12.30 2009 Ironman Australian Triathlon 1.30 Movie: Big Jum McLain (G 1952) Stars John Wayne, Nancy Olson. 3.30 Discover Downunder (G) 4.00 Talk To The Animals (G) 4.30 The Garden Gurus (G) 5.00 David Attenborough's Life Of Mammals (PG) 6.00 Evening News 6.30 Australia's Funniest Home Videos 7.30 Movie: Secondhand Lions (PG) Stars Michael Caine, Hayley Joel-Osment, Robert Duvall. 8.40 Saturday Lotto 9.50 Movie: Wolf Creek (AV) Stars John Jarratt, Cassandra Magrath, Kestie Morassi. 11.50 Movie: Ghost Ship (AV) Stars Gabriel Byrne, Alex Dimitriades, Julianna Marquies. 2.00 Movie: S.O.B. (M 1981) Stars Julie Andrews, Richard Mulligan, Larry Hagman, William Holden. 4.00 Danoz 4.30 Guthy Renker
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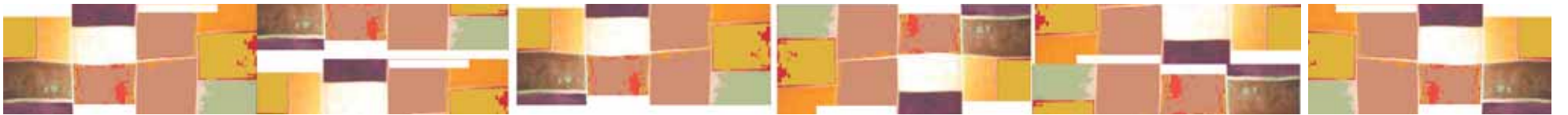
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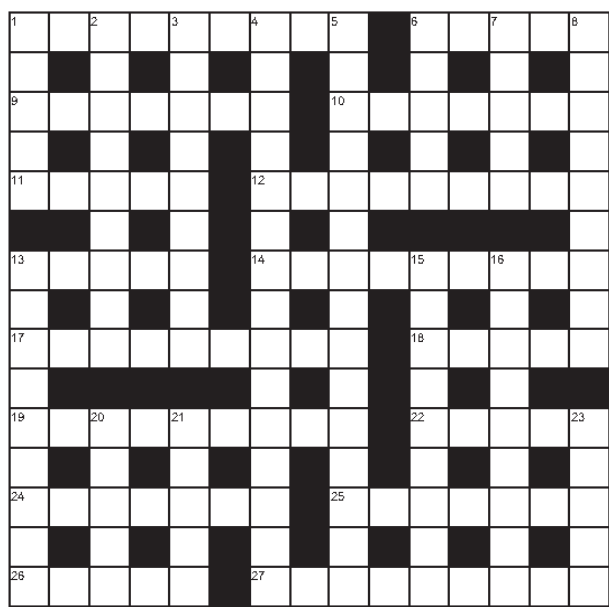
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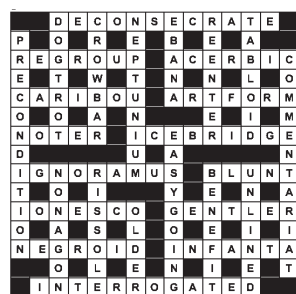


Quick Clues

ACROSS
1. Personification of cold, especially by and for children (4,5)
6. Pertaining to a city, or to citizenship (5)
9. Luggage compartment in automobile (3,4)
10. Ruler of more than one country (7)
11. Imprint (5)
12. A calling forth of some experience (9)
13. Aggressively masculine (5)
14. One qualified to act in place of a doctor in emergencies (9)
17. By virtue of office (Latin) (2,7)
18. Small river boat (5)
19. Discard housing for molluscs found on beaches (9)
22. Seeps (5)
24. Result of gathering, especially of cattle (7)
25. Indian title "great soul" (7)
26. Cobbers (5)
27. Outside marriage (2,7)
DOWN
1. Sporty types (American college slang) (5)
2. Thinly sliced raw meat or fish (Italian) (9)
3. Never failing, risk free (9)
4. See 5.
5,4. War, fire, pestilence and death in the Book of Revelations (3,4,8,2,3,10)
6. Coconut fibre (5)
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Last week's solution



21. Hell (Greek) (5)
23. Put off, cease moving (5)

Cryptic Clues

ACROSS
1. Australian Davey and English David combine to make one very cold individual (4,5)
6. Municipal and symmetrical (5)
9. Short former NSW Premier gets the sack and now carries the baggage (7)
10. Ruler of great city turned on everyone (7)
11. Heavy foot print? (5)
12. Calling forth, eastern calling (9)
13. Great Helmsman embraces church --- how butch! (5)
14. Truncated command after article found in baby carriage; get an ambulance man! (9)
17. Divorced, not working, 99. And a priestess of Hera by right of office (2,7)
18. Craft for the stormy ocean (5)
19. Sounds like an Indian Ocean resort, but they are reportedly sold by the seashore (9)
22. Back quarter of Taronga Park seeps away (5)
24. Collect weedkiller (7)
25. Mother holds Panama, for instance --- what a great soul! (7)
26. Reverse morning setback for couples (5)
27. Horrible tax line up - it can be a bastard! (2,7)
DOWN
1. Scottish underwear (5)
2. Complain over account with American unions - it's a raw deal! (9)
3. Idiot takes print - it's really simple (9)
4. See 5
5,4. Dreadful quartet invades house of prayer; man of the cloth pees in ruins (3,4,8,2,3,10)
6. Firm god holds soft fibre (5)
7. Stunt diver, friend and colleague of 16 down (5)
8. Clarke stuck in chewing gum base - a record (9)
13. Mortals met in utter confusion (9)
15. Computer part makes note of reptile groovy (9)
16. Spanish noble takes one complex number and French note to Italian composer (9)
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ARIES: May's emphasis is in your house of money, funds and income - and with Venus gracing you with a long stay in Aries, it could be an exceptionally loving and successful month so long as you maintain emotional poise and stay mindful of other peoples' feelings.

TAURUS: It's time again to re-evaluate what works and what doesn't in your life, but don't bother unless you can be honest. Keep trusting your intuition, which is just another way of saying your basic common sense. Oh, and beef is the rave flavour this week - you sexy thing...

GEMINI: Your ruling planet retrograde says slow down and do some serious thinking, because it's coming up to crunch time for big decisions around partnerships and finances. You're the zodiacs ace talkers but this week benefits from listening: to relatives, co-workers, health professionals, sensible advice.

For half a century, the Soviet Union was the dominant chess power and only a tiny trickle of defectors and émigrés were able to leave the communist empire and compete under other flags - most notably world title challenger Viktor Korchnoi and World Champion Boris Spassky.

When the USSR split into 15 pieces in 1990/1, many ex-Soviet Grandmasters took the opportunity to leave for greener pastures. Many countries gained a new ex-Soviet as their number one; these included Spain, Germany, Belgium and, controversially, Slovenia, who lured Alexander Beliavsky from the Ukrainian team without requiring him to change his country of residence. Australia also benefited, Irina Berezina becoming the leader of our Olympic women's team.

Earlier this decade the world body FIDE made country transfer rules quicker and easier - although far more expensive - resulting in some Grandmasters spruiking their services to the highest bidder. Subsequent Olympiads have seen Bulgarian

This week brings the first of Mercury's annual three week retrograde periods - a cosmic pause which gives us a chance to slow down, catch our breath, integrate change, recharge, reflect and reassess.



CANCER: If this week's healing energy triggers uncomfortable past patterns or issues, then that's what needs to happen to work through your present concerns so a new cycle can begin. Best let small annoyances slide - remember they're happening to everyone, not just you.

LEO: It's worthwhile being the first to say sorry this week, even if you think it's you who's due an apology. Better to avoid fireworks, aim for grace and find fun ways to indulge yourself and those on your current A list that won't break the bank.

VIRGO: A week astrally designed for analyzing, clarifying, simplifying and realigning, with shopping definitely less costly than gossiping - but only for smallish comfort purchases of the pampering kind. Put off big ticket buying till next month, when deals are more likely to be in your favour.

LIBRA: This month isn't helpful for anything much except doing the prep for what you want to launch next month. Communications are a bit off, but Tuesday-Thursday's Libra moon favors value-adding upgrades to your base of operations: home, office or wherever you spend the most time.

SCORPIO: If something you're trying to finalize gets put on hold or falls through this week, a full on attitude is strongly contraindicated. Dark Moods aren't the smart response. Pushing things? Even worse. Cutting your losses and moving on can be an incredibly liberating decision.

SAGITTARIUS: With Mercury throwing the glitch switch this week won't be without hiccups, which needn't necessarily be negative: they could open up new avenues of action. There's no sense in extending yourself right now - much better to build on what you've already got.

CAPRICORN: Mercury retrograde in your health sector suggests misunderstandings about your physical needs - perhaps you or your health professional out of synch with what your body wants. Take time out from world concerns for some deep listening, and give yourself the kind of personal TLC we all need.

AQUARIUS: This week's best activities? Pruning dead wood in the form of profitless pursuits and time wasting activities. Aquarians facing family dramas involving property are advised to resist being pressured into big decisions or signing anything life changing till after June first.

PISCES: Keep communications clear and simple this week. Put things in writing, double check dates, confirm arrangements - might sound fussy but you'll thank me. And don't let economic pressures get you down - you started life with nothing, so whatever you've got is a bonus.

CHESS by Ian Rogers

Play at Byron Services Club, Mon 7-10pm

veteran Evgeny Ermenkov leading the Palestinian team (despite his political sympathies being with Israel) and Mikhail Gurevich moving (again) from Belgium to Turkey.

Last month saw another two prominent Grandmasters making unexpected changes of allegiance. Most attention was focussed on Sergey Karjakin's decision to leave his native Ukraine and play for the old colonial power, Russia.

Karjakin, pictured, who earned the Grandmaster title at age 12 (still a record) claimed that he did not have enough financial support in the Ukraine and wished to work with better coaches. Karjakin plans to move to Moscow and work with Garry Kasparov's old mentor, Yuri Dokhoian, who has a contract with the Russian Chess Federation preventing him from working with foreigners.

Karjakin's move has received a mixed reaction - not surprising in a country where political bat-

tles are often fought between the Ukrainian and Russian-speaking parts of the population.

But if Karjakin's decision was a surprise, Ivan Sokolov's announcement that he would in future be representing Bosnia rather than Holland came as a complete shock.

Sokolov, 40, moved to the Netherlands 15 years ago during the Yugoslav wars and has since won two Dutch Championships and become the most successful player in the history of the Dutch club competition.

Concurrently Sokolov has frequently battled with the Dutch Chess federation over appearance fees and skipped the 2008 Dresden Chess Olympics. So when the Bosnians sent out feelers - and a firm financial offer - Sokolov was happy to abandon the 'richer' Netherlands and begin representing a

country which he believed would provide him with more respect and resources. Notably, Sokolov has no desire to relocate back to Bosnia and will remain as a Dutch resident and citizen.

Chess migration patterns were once entirely predictable: east to west, with Grandmasters going from being a small fish in a big pond to becoming the murray cod of a chess puddle. However, Karjakin's and Sokolov's moves show that players seeking opportunity may find it anywhere in the world.



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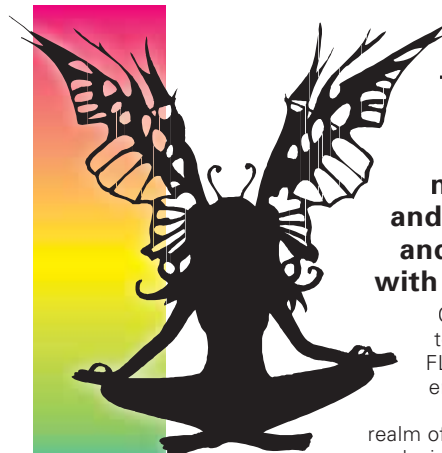
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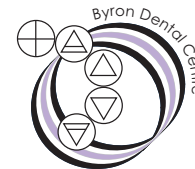


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- HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON **ALEX LLOYD**
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- LA LA LAND, BYRON **STRETCH AND RHYS**
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- BANGALOW HOTEL 8PM **OCCULT DJS**
- MULLUMBIMBY CIVIC HALL 6PM **TONY BACKHOUSE A CAPPELLA SINGING WORKSHOP**
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THURSDAY 7

- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 9.30PM **TIM LOYDEL & THE DECK CHAIRS**
- THE RAILS, BYRON 6.30PM **BO JENKINS**
- HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON **LITTLE BIRDY (CD LAUNCH)**
- BUDDHA BAR, BYRON **OPEN MIC NIGHT**
- BYRON COMMUNITY + CULTURAL CENTRE 6.30PM **BOB EVAN'S 1968 AUSTRALIAN SURF FILM RIDE A WHITE HORSE**
- LIQUID, BYRON **PLUGGED IN LOCAL VOCALS WITH DJS**
- LA LA LAND, BYRON **DANIEL WEBBER**
- COCOMANGAS, BYRON **REQUEST FEST**

- RICE RESTAURANT, BRUNS 6PM **SHADOW SUNDA**
- MULLUMBIMBY RSL 7PM **JAM NIGHT**
- COURT HOUSE HOTEL, MULLUM 7.30PM **COMEDY OPEN MIC WITH MC NICK PENN**
- LENNOX HOTEL 9PM **JAM NIGHT**

FRIDAY 8

- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 9.30PM **THE BIRD**
- THE RAILS, BYRON 7PM **FYAH WALK**
- HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON **SOLID GOLD DJS**
- BUDDHA BAR, BYRON 8PM **A PLANET IN SPACE**
- SATORI ON BELONGIL 5PM **GROOVE DROPS WITH FLOW POETRY**
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- BANGALOW HOTEL 8PM **THE OZRAELIGHTS**
- URBAN JAZZ & BANG THAI 7PM **JIM KELLY & JOHN HOFFMAN**
- HOTEL BRUNSWICK 7.30PM **BIG MUSIC**
- COURT HOUSE HOTEL, MULLUMBIMBY 7.30PM **BETTY BLISSETT BAND**
- MULLUM BOWLS CLUB MR **PERCIVAL- DINNER & SHOW**
- LENNOX POINT HOTEL **BO JENKINS**

SATURDAY 9

- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 9.30PM **RAZ BIN SAM & THE LION CD LAUNCH, KINGFISHA**
- THE RAILS, BYRON 6.30PM **PLANET IN SPACE**
- HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON **BYRON TRIATHALON, SOUL'D**

- RAILWAY PARK, BYRON **ARTISAN NIGHT MARKET**
- BUDDHA BAR, BYRON 8PM **DACHAMBO (JAPAN)**
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- BO'S, BYRON 6PM **JIMMY & JOHNNY B GOOD**
- LIQUID, BYRON **HOUSE OF NOW DJ ADAM, CAPTAIN KAINA**
- LA LA LAND, BYRON **LIVEWIRE**
- COCOMANGAS, BYRON **DJ QUALITY CONTROL, FOXXY**
- CHEEKY MONKEYS, BYRON **LADIES NIGHT**
- BANGALOW HOTEL 8PM **MARK EASTER**
- HOTEL BRUNSWICK 7.30PM **WEAR THE FOX HAT**
- COURTHOUSE HOTEL, MULLUMBIMBY 7.30 **LEIGH JAMES**
- MULLUMBIMBY RSL 8.15 **LIVING DAYLIGHTS**
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- LULU'S, MULLUMBIMBY 11AM **BARRY FERRIER**
- LENNOX POINT HOTEL 9.30PM **PURPLE STONE**
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- WINSOME HOTEL, LISMORE 8PM **TABOO CABARET 'RISQUE BUSINESS'**
- CURRUMBIN CREEK RSL FROM 9AM **D' ALLIANCE FESTIVAL**

SUNDAY 10

- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 4.30PM **LISA HUNT 8PM DJ GRAVEY & NOWAK**
- THE RAILS, BYRON 6PM **THE REAL DEAL**
- HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON **BOB EVANS**
- SATORI ON BELONGIL 12PM **STACY INDIA PAGE**
- BUDDHA BAR, BYRON 7PM **MICK MCHUGH**
- LA LA LAND, BYRON **CAPTAIN KAINA**

- HOTEL BRUNSWICK MOTHERS DAY 1PM **BRUNSWICK SCHOOL CHOIR** 1.30PM **BARRY FERRIER** 4PM **MUD CRAB BOOGIE**
- FEDERAL HALL 2.30PM **THE BONGO BROTHERS**
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MONDAY 11

- THE RAILS, BYRON 6.30PM **GUY KACHEL**
- GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON **WAYNE EVANS**
- BUDDHA BAR, BYRON 8PM **MATT HANLEY**
- COCOMANGAS, BYRON **BACKPACKER NIGHT**
- CHEEKY MONKEYS, BYRON **MEXICAN MADNESS**
- A&I HALL, BANGALOW 7.30PM **LECTURE: MAX DUPAIN**

TUESDAY 12

- THE RAILS, BYRON 6.30PM **RHYS CRIMMIN**
- HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON **HARRY HEALY**
- BUDDHA BAR, BYRON 9PM **MICK MCHUGH + SPECIAL GUEST**
- BYRON BAY COMMUNITY CENTRE **RHYTHMS OF IRELAND**
- COCOMANGAS, BYRON **RETRO PARTY**
- CHEEKY MONKEYS, BYRON **COYOTE UGLY**
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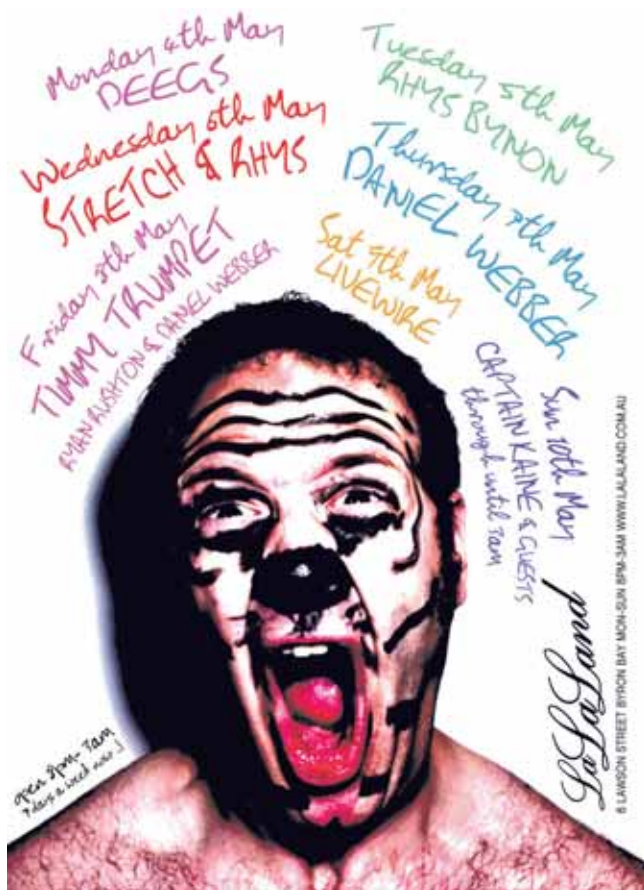
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Love The Beast

If, like me, you would not know a carburettor from a Bunsen burner, it is highly unlikely that you'll be motivated to go and see Eric Bana's ode to his 1974 Ford Falcon XB Coupe. Which is a real shame, for this is the loveliest of docos. Bana has had the car since he was a teenager. The day he got it was a dream come true for him and, despite the glamour, fame and wealth showered on him by Hollywood, he still cherishes it. He drove it in the five-day Targa Tasmania rally in 1996 and, again with his mate Tony as navigator, entered it in the 2007 event. Once or twice the rally sequences get a bit repetitive, but they are compensated for with beautiful scenic photography, the full-on commitment conveyed by Bana and Tony and some genuinely scary footage, from behind the windscreen, of competitors losing control and going off the road at high speed (making the 'fun' of smash-ups in movies such as

Wolverine look exactly like what they are – total bullshit). It is low budget and rough around the edges – part of its effortless charm is that it makes you believe that you could make a movie, too – but it pushes no political or ideological barrow and is emotionally ingenuous. When Bana prangs the beast his grief is inconsolable. Two days later he is in New York, dressing for a premiere. He downs a beer, 'it makes the red carpet shorter', and is delivered by limo to the gala function where he is photographed with Drew Barrymore and fawned over by reporters from gossyglossies, one of whom tells him he has great hair – and all the time he is agonising over the totalled Coupe. Well paced and interspersed with relevant edits of conversations with fellow car maniacs Jeremy Clarkson and Jay Leno (whose automobile collection is awesome), and TV's Dr Phil, who speaks to Bana (and indirectly to us all) about the things that matter in our lives, and why they do – we



all have a red Coupe – it owes its success to the immensely likeable, unspoilt Bana, his mum and dad, wife and kids and rev head mates. Not in a million years did I think I would get weepy over a story about a bloke and his car – but that's because it is about so much more. As one of his buddies says, 'love is never wrong'. A little gem.

~ John Campbell

Wolverine

Consideration of a film's artistic merit is of secondary importance to the major studios. Success is measured purely and simply according to whether the target audience has been hit. Pragmatists have made the point repeatedly; there are four groups – males under and over twenty-five, and females under and over twenty-five. (Consumers in this last group being most interested in reviews and consequently, according to Tad Friend in January's New Yorker magazine, the most discerning when deciding what to fork out their money for. That's why they are so rarely catered to.) Blokes under twenty-five outnumbered all others by precisely four to one at the session that I attended of this mega action drag (I

counted them). So rack one up for the industry boffins. There is a story being told, but I was not interested enough to follow it, the SFX, CGI and Hugh Jackman's Mungo Jerry mutton chops being the centre of attention. I did not believe for one minute in the ridiculous retractable blades that slid gleaming from between his knuckles every time he got his dander up, but was unexpectedly tickled by adamantine being the only substance (like kryptonite) that could hurt him. The unintended but hilarious consequence being that the bad guys resort to making ammunition out of the stuff, leading to Danny Huston delivering a line that comes out as 'these are Adam Ant bullets.' I couldn't get the pretty Pommie rocker out of my head from that moment and was still singing 'so unplug the jukebox, and do us all a favour ...' when I got home, where I was gobsmacked to see that the SMH's Sandra Hall had awarded the movie three and a half stars. It caused me to doubt my own judgement. I read closely her take on what for me was like being bored to within an inch of my life – but I didn't buy it. And when she said

'it's fun', well, I nearly choked on my Kalamata olive. Her enthusiastic critique made me wonder if, what with the thing being shot at Sydney's Fox Studios, Sandra was being a smidgin over-loyal to the local product. (It is an impression I invariably get with Margaret

and David – I take with a grain of salt their assessments of all Oz flicks.) Best to call it as you see it, I say, so I maintain that any adult with a modicum of intelligence will surely find *Wolverine* a blockbuster of unendurable stupidity.

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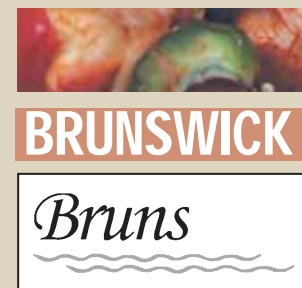
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A TALE OF TWO BOOKS

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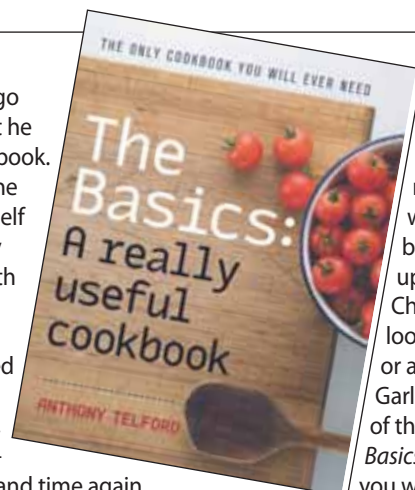


About two and a half years ago Anthony Telford realised that he lacked a certain type of cookbook. He had – as most people in the hospitality industry have – shelf after shelf of gorgeous glossy food tomes at home filled with exquisite photography and a lot of recipes he would never actually cook. What he wanted was one book containing all those dishes – unremarkable, prosaic, but salt-of-the-earth-useful – he would cook time and time again, like marshmallows for the school fete or one of his innumerable offspring, for example. Or scones or frittata or banana cake. Of course for all these recipes there is the internet – but who has time, Anthony asked himself, to go wading through four hundred entries for meringues?

Thus was born *The Basics - A Really Useful Cookbook*. This is Anthony's second book, his follow-up to the exceedingly successful *The Kitchen Hand*, a slender volume packed full of information on culinary matters, a 'miscellany of kitchen wisdom', no less.

In fact, a hundred of the best pages were plucked from this reference guide and added to *The Basics*. What probably sets the new book apart from the scores of other cooking bibles around – Margaret Fulton's, Stephanie Alexander's, The Womens Weekly's increasingly stylish series – are the hints and tips appended to every recipe. Occupying an entire page, these are the extra morsels of information potentially invaluable to the cook, be they beginner or advanced. For example, alongside the recipe for mayonnaise, Anthony lists the equipment required; what to do in the event it 'splits'; the types of oil to use and why; a handful of variations on the theme – advice often critical to the outcome of the dish in question.

This is a chunky book calling out for splodges and splatterings of the work in progress. Completely devoid of visuals of any kind – no stylised food shots – it is engagingly down-to-earth, with typeface that gives the pages a sturdy, homely quality as if the recipes have



been bashed out on an old-fashioned typewriter. These are, moreover, recipes which hardly need to be graphically propped up; we all know how Chocolate Crackles should look, or Macaroni Cheese, or a Beef Casserole, or Garlic Prawns. The caption of the cover claims that *The Basics* is 'the only cookbook you will ever need': it's an ambitious claim but it

might just be true! Especially given its affordable price of \$35.

Eat Fresh – Cooking Through The Seasons by New Zealander Annabel Langbein is that other type of cookbook: good-looking and glamorous with page after page of sumptuous photography you could almost eat. As good-looking and glamorous, it could be said, as the author herself, whose culinary output in publishing terms is prodigious. This is the fourteenth book by the Auckland-based cook and food-writer, who has won many awards and gained international recognition for her earthy approach to cooking. Divided into the four seasons, it features recipes both cosy and sophisticated; offers – although not nearly to the extent of Anthony's – extra tips and variations alongside many of them; throws in amusing anecdotes along the way. Much of the gorgeous photography features Annabel herself looking irritatingly beautiful given she's the mother of teenagers and presumably as passionate about eating as she is about cooking. Then again, a calorie-consciousness pervades many recipes, rendering the book ideal for those (probably 99.9% of us) who want to have our cake and eat it too.

The Basics: A Really Useful Cookbook – Anthony Telford – Allen & Unwin – RRP \$35 (with book signings by the author at Book City in Byron Bay on Saturday May 9 for Mothers Day)

Eat Fresh - Cooking Through The Seasons – Annabel Langbein – Smith & Schuster – RRP \$34.95

FAREWELL CASA PEPE

Casa Pepe, the quietly triumphant little vegetarian restaurant at the end of Byron Street in Byron Bay, is no more. Sensing an economy-driven downturn, owner/chefs Ras and Rasika – whose unstinting passion in their gloriously crafted meals earned them a loyal following in the three years they were open – decided to quit while they were ahead and to leave while 'still happy and loving the restaurant'. Plans include overseas travel, a cookbook and possibly another restaurant – but in the meantime they would like to thank all their customers for their great support. The heavenly Berry Crumble with house-made vanilla ice cream is only one of the items on the menu which will be sorely missed.

EXPLORING PINOT NOIR

Pinot noir, the wine whose sales went through the roof following the movie *Sideways*, will be showcased at a special degustation at The Pacific Dining Room, Byron Bay, on Friday May 15. 'Pinot Noir : From Mornington to Martinborough' will be exploring new world pinot noirs with hosts Tom Carson (Yabby Lake, Victoria) and Larry McKenna (Escarpment, New Zealand). Head chef David Moyle will be matching the wines with a four-course meal – prawns, quail, pork, duck – preceded by canapes and winding up with cheese. The evening starts at 7pm for 7.30 pm and bookings, at \$100 per head, are essential by May 10 – call 6685 6402.

The day I saw the world’s greatest sportsman

John Campbell

Like pop music and the movies, sport thrives on the cult of celebrity. We can mock it and try to ignore it as much as possible, but the media’s 24/7 obsession with it means that none of us are immune to it.

And let’s face it, it can provide a harmless buzz on a slow day.

I’ve spotted the Titans’ coach John Cartwright at Coolangatta Airport, Cliff Lyons at the Channon market in singlet, stubbies and thongs, and former middleweight champ Jeff ‘Hitman’ Harding at a pub in Pyrmont, looking like he’d gone one round too many. All of those sightings are a rung up the ladder from seeing the Giants’ centre Jay Hampson coming out of the newsagent in Burringbar Street (no offence, Sunshine), but they don’t quite cut the mustard when it comes to A-list star gazing.

For full accreditation, the object of one’s gaze needs to be known to nine out of ten readers of the back pages, and

the element of serendipity is essential.

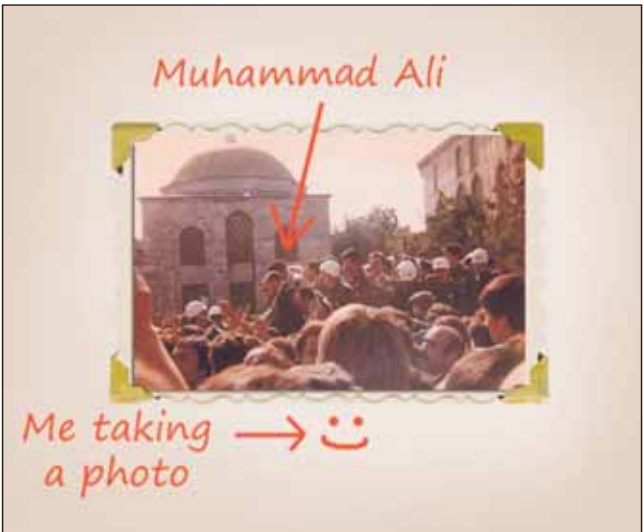
I recently stepped into a lift in Sydney and, blow me down, there was Rugby League’s own Toad of Toad Hall, Phil ‘Gus’ Gould. I did the standard double take and held my tongue – but I couldn’t contain myself forever.

Near the ground floor I said to him, ‘G’day Gus.’

‘G’day buddy’ was all the encouragement I needed.

‘You know, I was at the 1981 semi-final, when you were playing for Newtown, and there was that all-in brawl with Manly in front of the Ladies’ Stand after Les Boyd started using Barry Jensen’s head for a punching bag, and the scrum erupted, and Tommy Raudonikis was going the rat, and Steve Bowden decked Mark Broadhurst, and Terry Randall put the slipper into Mick Pitman.’ I didn’t draw breath. My capacity for making a goose of myself surprises even me sometimes.

To his credit, he took it well and instead of telling me to get a life, he smiled, and with



A very old photo album snap of Muhammad Ali during a 1976 trip to Turkey. Photo John Campbell

a hint of nostalgia, said ‘yeah, it was great.’

I suppose Gus gets stuff like that from tragics like me all the time.

Going from three stars to four, Herb Elliott sat next to me at the Ensemble Theatre one night. For the life of me I can’t remember what the play was, but at intermission I said to my mate, ‘d’you see who’s

sittin’ next to me?’

‘I know,’ he whispered, like it was a state secret. ‘Herb Elliott.’

We rubbernecked him over our glasses of champagne while the girls discussed the play’s confronting themes and pregnant pauses.

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Ocean Shores

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DARTS

Brunswick Valley

29/4: Game 1; Workers 5; Ladies H/Peg D Paynter 10; Ladies H/Score A Schneider 109; Mens H/Score N Cairns 100; Mens H/Peg C Scott 40. Workaholics 4; Ladies H/Peg P Cartner 40; Ladies H/Score P Cartner 134; Mens H/Score R Collinson 101; Mens H/Peg R Collinson 36. Game 2: Off the Board 4; Ladies H/Peg C Denholm 32; Ladies H/Score K Kellie 90; Mens H/Score Philly Johnson 98; Mens H/Peg Curly Johnson 32. Fumbles 6; Ladies H/Peg R Redden 87; Ladies H/Score E Redden 40; Mens H/Score K Cartner 155; Mens H Peg K Cartner 70. Thank you to all players who came and supported the Sherwood visit.

GOLF

Mullumbimby Men

2/5 Monthly Medal: Overall M Powell 65; A Grade G Fairs 66; B Grade D Mills 66; C Grade I Ridges 68. NTP: 5th H Dent 170cm, 7th R Rielly 150cm, 9th T Donnelly 188cm, 12th B Walker 380cm, 17th B Donnelly 1500cm; Gundie’s Mug M Powell; Ball Rundown 71 or better.

Mullumbimby Ladies

30/4 S/Stab: Div 1 G Lynn 36; Div 2 J Clarke 34. Weekly Ball Comp: F Gannell 36; r/up N Carsburg 34; J Neate 32. 7/5 Monthly Medal Draw: 1st Tee; 9am L Walker, W Stenner, J Clarke; 9.06 K Thomson, R Wilson, J Stuart; 9.12 A Moser, G James, J Beer; 9.18 T Robbins, G Poynting, M Davey; 9.24 H Hammond, J Ball, G McDonald; 9.30 M Trivett, J Hopper, J Wickers. 10th Tee; 9am G Lynn, S Kosaka, F Booth; 9.06 F Gannell, G Mackay, M Crichton; 9.12 M Essery, R Manley, N Dwyer; 9.18 R Slogrove, G Redman. Kitchen W Stenner/J Beer; Table L Walker/F Booth.

Ocean Shores Men

27/4 Medley Stab: R Macdonald 40 c/b; r/up W Keating 40; L Reid 39; Balls to 33. 29/4 S/Stab: A Araby 42 c/b; r/up S Evans 42 c/b; M Shacker 42c/b; Balls to 36; Pro Pin P Conaghan Jnr. 2/5 S/Stab: D Vanpraagh 44; r/up M Wilsdon 43; G Bourke 42; Balls to 34; Pro Pin T Foster.

Ocean Shores Ladies

28/4 Rnd 2 4somes C’ships: Daily Prizes; L Dahl, A Clifford 67; r/up F Crowder, J Brown 71; Vouchers to 77½. 2 Day Results, 4somes C’ships: Overall Gross; B Wingad, V Marsh 182; Overall Gross R/ Ups K Howard, M Pratt 191; Overall Nett J Brown, F Crowder 157; Overall Nett R/ Ups S Brady, P Price 158. 30/4 Stab: C Blacker 37; R/Up D Devir 35; Vouchers to 30. 2/5 Stab: Div 1 M Broughton 39; r/up J Harrold 37; Div 2 F Crowder 36; r/up D O’Brien 35; Vouchers to 31 c/b; NTP Div 1 L McGowran; Div 2 L Franks.

Ocean Shores Vets

30/4 2 Person Ambrose: I Smith, G Isaacs 62; r/up H Gould, M Brady 65.75; B Baxter, B Blows 66. NTP: 3rd B Blows; 8th S Downes; 17th R Conway; Gorilla Award h/c 0 to 19 R Bartlett, h/c 20+ F Sparrow; balls to 72.75; Scrubbers Balls; K Dean, N O’Brien.

NETBALL

Brunswick Byron

9/5 Rnd 3 Draw: 12 noon arrival; Table Byron Bay; Canteen 12 noon Bangalow; 1.45pm Main Arm; Hard Court 12 noon Breakers; 4pm Taveners. Games: 12.30pm Netta (Duty Butterflies); crt 7 Bliss v Anglefish, Bliss; crt 8 Bumble Bees v Beauties, Bumble Bees; crt 9 Turtles v Butterflies, Turtles; Bye Pocket Rocket. 12 and Under; crt 1 Blueberries v Mighty Minkies, S Oliver/J Evans; crt 2 Bluebirds v Breakers, R O’Connor/G Dazell; crt 4 Gummi Bears v Electric Eels, R Brown/M O’Brien; crt 5 Dragons v Bluebottle, J Streets/Babes; crt 6 Groovy Smoothies v Sea Monkeys, Ellie/B Bain Jones; Bye Blanks. 1.45pm; crt 1 Classics v Cruisers, Taverners/Leonie; crt 2 Cocktails v Bombers, Sue H/Sue K; crt 4 Bellas v Waterspritz, Giants/Blitz; crt 6 Boosh v

My most memorable brush with fame, however, is one that I still dine out on. It was October, 1976. I’d been in Turkey for a month. On a diet of bread, tomato, yoghurt and watermelon, supplemented by a torrential dose of the runs in Kayseri, I was as thin and nervy as a whippet.

The day was hot and smelly. At noon I was still in my undies, lying under a creaky ceiling fan in a cold water, naked light-bulb hotel in Istanbul, down near Aghia Sophia.

I became aware of a rhythmic chanting. It was distant but building.

‘Ali

! ... ali!’

Getting louder

‘... ali! ... ali! ...

Constant and frenzied, until it sounded like it was right outside my fly-specked window.

‘Ali! Ali!’

I had no idea what it was, but I threw on some clothes, grabbed my trusty Olympus camera and raced downstairs to find out.

It was Muhammad Ali.

A month earlier he had defeated Ken Norton to retain his heavyweight title and, having converted to the Nation of Islam in 1975, he was a hero to Moslems as well as Blacks and agit-prop white boys like me.

The local blokes were going bananas. I pushed and shoved and squeezed until I was about twenty metres from whatever the vehicle was that Ali was standing on. Through flailing arms I caught glimpses of him. Handsome, proud, taller than all around him.

I lifted the Olympus as high as I could, aimed it in his direction and snapped blind. Not having the benefit of the digital screen’s instant gratification, I could only hope that I’d framed him in shot – it would be weeks before I discovered that I did.

The hotel manager was at the desk when I got back. He looked like the guard in ‘Midnight Express’ and I had previously been intimidated by him. Now he was different.

‘Ali,’ he beamed.

I nodded, just as pleased.

‘Ali.’

PNG surfing appeal

A group of surfers are collecting surf related gear to donate to our PNG neighbours to help them in the development and growth of the surfing industry in PNG.

This appeal will not only help them by directing local villages and local children into an active and enjoyable pasttime but will also help foster and develop the surfing industry and build a growing tourism industry to PNG which will be of huge benefit to the local people and villages, helping create employment and inject much needed income and funds into the immediate local community’s and villages.

The group are collecting anything and everything including surf boards, body boards and surf clothing, as well as rescue equipment like surf rescue boards, rescue tubes, CPR manikins, training manuals and clubbie equipment like racing mals, racing skis and nipper boards.

There will be a local collection of items for the PNG project on Sunday May 17 from 10am to 12pm at the Brunswick Surf Club. For more info on the project visit www.pngsurfing.com.au.

Babes, Patsy/Jodie. 3.15pm; crt 1 Taveners v Blitz, Classics/Michelle; crt 2 Giants v Mudslide, Cocktails/Bombers; crt 4 Crash v Dino, Cruisers/Cocktails; crt 6 Bratz v Whatever/Jo L/Boosh.

RUGBY UNION

Brunswick Valley Juniors

Training Wed at 5pm, Bruns Sports Ground. Registrar to sign new/renewing players on. Cost \$85 or \$150 for family (inc socks/shorts). U10s play at Evans River 6.30pm, U12s play at Lennox at 6.30pm, U13s/U17s at Grafton at 7.30pm/8pm. U14 and U15s away at country c’ships. Contact Rebecca 0438 851 140 or see website www.brunswickvalley.rugby.net.au for info.

SOCCER

Brunswick Heads Juniors

2/5: U7’s Bilbys; Great first game with lots of fun had by all. U11’s Brunswick Breakers1 v Lennox Heads Whalers 5. Shores United Juniors Week 1: Under 6 Sharks v Mullum Reds and Shores Crocs, Player of the week Adam. Under 6 Whalers v Shores Crocs and Sharks, Player of the week Piper. Under 9 Sharks v Mullum and Brunswick, Player of the week Jack. Under 10 Sharks d Casino 4 to 1. 1/5: Under 13 Redbacks d Byron Bay 5 to 0. 3/5: Under 13 Redbacks d Alstonville 3 to 0.

SQUASH

Brunswick Heads

6/5 Rnd 3 Cape Byron Med Centre Comp: OS Bakery v Bruns Pharmacy; B Trivett v D Bird, G Hall v C Peate, Kijay v C Booth, S Moon v R Cameron, S Truesdale v B Doran. Canty’s Surveyors v OS Glass;

C Ashworth v C Littlewood, S Thompson v C Walsh, J Gribble v W Ferrier, R James v C Johnston, F King v D Fisher. Bruns Blinds v Byron Bay Trophies; M Underwood v G Davis, L Clarke v C Pearce, D Runciman v P Hill, C Staff v J Heers, P McQueen v Jeff Heers. Bruns Smash Repairs Bye. 11/5 Rnd 3 Byron Health Foods Comp: Div 1; 5pm B Trivett v G Davis, L Powell v D Bird, C Littlewood v M Underwood. Div 2; 5pm L Clarke v J Gribble, C Walsh v T Dryden, A Li v L Tomasella, C Pearce v M Cassidy, R King v R Hughes. Div 3; 5pm C Johnston v W Mahera, S Moon v J Heers, J Nicolson v R Draper, D Runciman Bye. Div 4; 5pm M Hazelwood Ross v Jeff Heers, D Williams v P McQueen, S Truesdale v F King, B Doran v T Ashworth, D Fisher Bye.

TENNIS

Mullumbimby

Ladies Social: Wed start at 9.15am. Saturday Social: 1.30pm till 5.30pm all welcome, membership not required. New comps start end May, interested players ring Greg on 0427 788 773.

VOLLEYBALL

Brunswick Heads

5/5 Rnd 1 OS Skips Comp: 6pm Brwers v Ballistic, Lounge Lizards v Hit and Run, Duty Mixed Chickens; 7pm Mixed Chickens v Flash, No Mercy Bye, Duty Ballistic. 7/5 Rnd 1 OS True value Comp; 6pm Volleys v Go Go Girls, Kaos.com v Cosmic Kittens, Red Frogs v Snickers, Duty Pink Flamingoes. 7pm Pink Flamingoes v Golden Girls, Chillli Twist v Tripods, Barefoot Bandits v X Factor, Duty Kaos.com. Ph 6685 1794.

Byron's swim is a Classic



Here are the boys – Ocean Swim Classic blokes hit the water at Watego's Beach for Sunday's 21st birthday event. Photo Jeff 'Lost My Speedos in the Surf' Dawson.

Numbers were up again this year at the Beach Hotel Ocean Swim Classic held in the bay on Sunday. The event, which was undertaken in ideal swim conditions, attracted entrants from as far afield as Hong Kong, Singapore, France and the Netherlands.

The swim committee's Syl Reid said the event was a great success that ran like clockwork and that there were more participants in the Classic alone this year than competed in the entire event in 2008. 'We were surprised and pleased to see so many turn up for the race, the numbers were way up on last year,' said Syl. 'Everybody was over the moon. I had a lot of

people coming up and telling me what a good time they had and that they would be back next year.'

Only 80 seconds separated the winners up to 10th place and line honours went to Trent Grimsey from Cashmere in Queensland, with a time of 0:24:27. The first female, who came 5th overall, was Melissa Gorman from Boondall, Queensland, in a time of 0:24:53.

The Mini Swim saw 300 entrants hit the water with only one being assisted to shore by the surf patrol. Eleven year old Jarred Burley from Broadbeach Waters took the line in a time of 0:12:56 and for the girls, Suzanne Ryan from Miami, also

11 years of age, came in first in the category and 10th overall in a time of 0:14:05

The weather played nice for the swimmers, keeping rain to a minimum and in between races. The 10-15 knot wind and the small chop meant that swimmers had little to fight against in the quest for Main Beach. Spectators also had the added bonus of viewing the competitors as they traversed the sand bar on foot before the last dash across the gutter before hitting the shore.

The combined total of participants was 2,041 and the total number of swimmers for the Classic was 1,607, four up on the overall total from last year.

Knights of Byron delighted



Pictured in the foreground are Mariah Bowers in a game against Artemis Arthur-Andrew.

With the top four seeds rated over 800, the third annual Knight of Byron was a tough battle on the top boards. However, the winners came from outside this top four group.

Arthur Thiele the 6th seed was this year's big improver to win from 5th seed Raj O'Brien with top seed and previous

winner Jarrod Laverty third. Oliver Arthur-Andrews made it to board 3 in the last round to go one better than last year and win the junior section from Evan Litchfield and school mate Max Hamilton. Sunshine Coast visitor Ulani Powell won the special age adjusted prize. Final results were: Open Divi-

sion, 1st Arthur Thiele, 2nd Raj O'Brien and 3rd Jarrod Laverty and in the Junior Division, 1st Oliver Arthur-Andrews, 2nd Evan Litchfield and 3rd Max Hamilton. The Age Adjusted Prize went to Ulani Powell.

The Mullum Junior Chess Club meets Tuesdays 4-5pm 6684 6281.

Junior AFL season kicks off

The Junior AFL Byron Bay Magpies began the 2009 season with a shakeout of their wings, but not the full flight local fans have come to expect of the team.

No one was disappointed at Fripp Oval last Sunday, however, as the Magpies contested the always aggressive and finely tuned Ballina Bombers. It was a great day of quality junior footy featuring two highly motivated sides.

The under 10s found their footing early in the day, and although scores are not kept,

Magpies President John Thompson said, 'They displayed a level of play and determination normally seen in much older teams.'

The two under 12 sides battled to a solid victory of 19.17.135 to Ballina's 3.1.19, but lost to Brunswick Heads with an 8.9.57 to 15.11.101 finish.

The Under 14s took to the oval with their usual enthusiasm, with Cian Langan kicking the first goal of the season soon into the first term. The Bombers bounced back strongly, and the Magpies were hard pressed

defending until their offense rallied with Daniel Witchey kicking his first 2009 goal.

The under 14s are maturing into a very interesting and lively side, but showed the effects of a long off-season combined with rainy weather keeping their home turf, Shultz Oval, closed for most of the preseason. The Magpies pledged a greater level of fitness while showing an abundance of the most important elements of the game – real enjoyment, enthusiasm and the love of footy.

Byron fans stay tuned ...



Crankin' what's happening surfside

Byron Bay Boardriders

The BBB ran its fourth club round on Sunday May 3 at Tallows beach. Thanks to the parents who lend a hand with judging and organising the day. Also a big thank you to all our monthly prize sponsors.

The waves were a consistent three to four foot, and some sneaky barrels were to be had if you could find them. We had an injury in the women's division but it was soon sorted by Nurse and President Bryce Cameron, followed by Malcolm Beard giving out free juice cards. It was a great turn out and we thank everyone for coming down.

The results for the event were, Open: 1st Yerin Brown, 2nd Abe McGrath, 3rd Jono Salfeld and 4th Malcolm Beard.

In the Masters: 1st Neil Cameron, 2nd Greg Dutch, 3rd Dave Hamilton and 4th Geoff Mitchel and for the Seniors, the winners were: 1st Yerin Brown, 2nd Shane Lawson, 3rd Emiliano Cataldi, 4th Lloyd Lawton and 5th Adam Wessel.

In the Women's division: 1st Kirsten Ogden, 2nd Emma Williams, 3rd Maddi King and 4th Valentine.

In the Juniors, 1st went to Sam Steinhauer, 2nd Peter, 3rd Wes Bannister and 4th Matt S.

In the Cadets: 1st Tommy Boucaut, 2nd Mackie Walker, 3rd Tai Naughton and 4th Jordy Congdon.

In the Fleas places went to: 1st Will Harbison, Jacob Ogden, Cory Flannagan, 4th Toby Pauling and in the Super Groms 1st was Jy Bryen, 2nd Joel Paxton, 3rd Shaun Chaseling, 4th Ben Hunstman and 5th Josie Huntsman.

Riding the White Horse

The Byron Bay Community Centre is excited to present the first public screening in over 40 years of the late Bob Evans' 1968 Australian Surf film 'Ride A White Horse'.

Ride A White Horse was Australia's answer to The Endless Summer and this event marks the first of many evenings to celebrate surf culture and bring the surf community together and also serve as a fundraiser for the centre.

Bob Evans, founder of 'Surfing World' magazine, was also the pioneer of the Aussie surf-film industry with 14 films. Ride A White Horse takes us on a 'surfari' starting with Midget Farrelly's World Title win in Sydney to Nat Young's World Title in California via the testing ground of Hawaii's big waves.

The movie travels into a surf and cultural exploration in Peru and Equidor, but the film's high point is the documentation of all the uncrowded classic point breaks like Crescent Head, Angourie, Lennox Head, Byron Bay and Noosa Heads. The film features some great surfing by Nat Young, Peter Drouyn and Bob McTavish.

The film will screen at the Cominuty Centre this Thursday and the box office and bar open at 6.30pm, for a 7.30pm start with surfshorts and will be followed by a Q&A with Bob McTavish, entry is \$15.

There are two single tickets for the taking by the first two emails telling me in what generation Surfing World magazine was born. Genration X, Y or is it a Boomer? Email your answer to eve@echo.net.au.

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		Moonset 6.08 am	
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		Moonset 7.07 am	
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		Moonrise 6.22 pm	
		Moonset 8.04 am	
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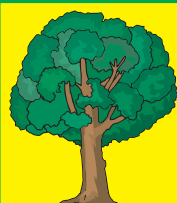
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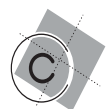
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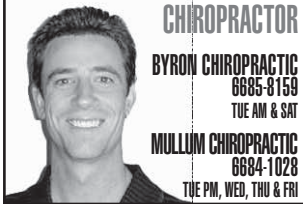
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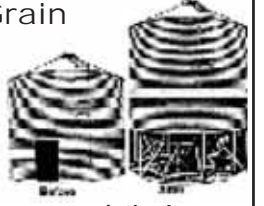
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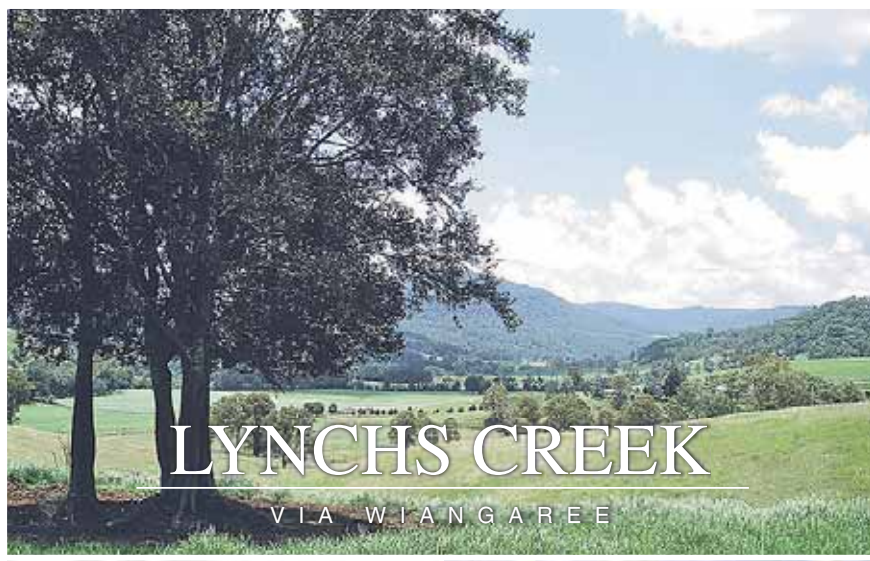
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• Sandstone & timber features
• Private reserve on two sides
• Bifold doors bring 2 worlds together
Agents Interest Declared \$895,000

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AUCTION

Superb Redevelopment Opportunity

36 Marvel Street, Byron Bay 1 Open House Wednesday & Saturday 2:30 - 3:30pm
 Superb redevelopment opportunity located in the highly sought after & most desirable top end of Marvel St just minutes from Byron Bay town. Features include an original 2 bed Fishermen's Cottage with a lovely North aspect & quiet leafy surrounds, 1012 m² of land with a 20m frontage, zoned 2(a) Residential with plenty of options STCA, rear lane access, close to sporting fields & less than 5 minutes walk to Clarkes Beach. Rarely are we able to offer a full ¼ acre block in such a tremendous position. Redevelop to multiple houses, units, townhouses or a fantastic new home.
David Gordon 0418 856 222 Auction on site Saturday 16 May at 11:00am
 Web Id 371556

**Urgent Sale to Finalise Estate**

This single level home offers an outstanding opportunity to enter the Byron Bay real estate market. Occupying an elevated setting with a leafy outlook, this 3 bedroom residence holds enormous appeal to first home buyers or young families.
Brett Connable 0408 155 931
 Web Id 367870

\$535,000

AUCTION THIS SATURDAY

Liquidating Joint Investment

80 Koonyum Range Road, Mullumbimby
 Located on an elevated plateau, this solid timber brick bungalow with 3 bedrooms is nestled in its own 50 acre wildlife corridor and has great potential for expansion. North facing, there is surplus water, underground power, orchard and an ocean glimpse.
Kaye Wilkie 0412 856 208 Auction on site this Sat 9 May at 12:30pm
 Web Id 365806



AUCTION THIS SATURDAY



agent declares interest

The Temple House**63 Caniaba Crescent, Suffolk Park****Asian Inspired Pavilion Design Home with Ocean Views**

This magnificent Asian inspired pavilion style home with ocean views is perfectly positioned & set in a truly wonderful location. Set on a level 1/2 acre block, it is bordered by Byron Bay Golf Course & nature reserve on three sides. Features include 3 beds (plus office), 2.5 baths, stunning 14m lap pool & cabana with spa, the finest quality fittings throughout & wonderful tropical gardens.
David Gordon 0418 856 222
 Web Id 368999

Auction on site this Saturday 9 May at 10:00am**Elders Byron Bay 15 Fletcher Street 02 6685 6222****15 Lawson Street, Byron Bay****Phone: (02) 6685 8466****Town Byron Bay**

Air conditioned, fully furnished apartment
 Solid income for holiday accommodation
 Underground parking and an onsite manager
 Undercover BBQ area, salt water pool
 Easy walking distance to Belongil Beach, Main Beach, shops and restaurants.

\$309,000**Beachside Suffolk**

Unassuming, minimalistic, relaxed beach house
 Open plan living area, high ceilings, tiled floors
 Gas kitchen, s/s appliances, granite bench
 East facing garden with water-wise natives
 Sounds of the ocean swell can be heard in the background only 200m away

\$1,295,000**Byron Hills**

East facing townhouse with a private backyard
 Modern kitchen with quality appliances
 Living area opens out onto the timber deck
 A short stroll to local shops and Tallow Beach
 A must see in this price range, absolutely immaculate!

\$424,000**Town Byron Bay**

Beautifully designed villa style home with pool
 9ft ceilings, bevelled glass & timber doors
 Stone benches & servery for alfresco dining
 Huge deep baths & floor to ceiling marble
 Walk to Main Beach or walk around the corner for a coffee at the Green Garage

\$1,150,000**Pacific Vista**

Arakwal National Park merely footsteps away
 Elevated, 3 bed, 2 bath timber home
 Large wrap around semi-covered deck
 Located close to schools, sports grounds, Byron Bay town centre and of course the beach!
 Gently sloping 1238sqm block of land

\$795,000**Beachside Suffolk Park**

Generous 779sqm block
 Spacious backyard with courtyard area
 Solid brick home, ready for improvements
 Fantastic location, two streets from Tallow Beach and a short walk to Suffolk Park's shops and tavern
 Separate single lock up garage

\$679,000**Beachside Suffolk Park**

Spacious, tidy two bedroom, one bathroom
 New kitchen with modern appliances
 Timber decks at the front & back of the home
 Private established tropical gardens
 Just a few footsteps to Tallow's Beach

\$565,000**Lighthouse Road**

Land for sale
 DA plans approved for luxury 4 bed, 3 bath, 337sqm house with plunge pool and 4 car garage
 Designed by Corben Architects
 North facing outlook and ocean glimpses
 Opposite the Pass

Offers over \$1,750,000

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AUCTION THIS SATURDAY

**170B Lighthouse Road,
Byron Bay**

- Architect designed 3 bedroom house
- Views across the bay
- Easy stroll to 'The Pass' & town centre
- Secluded setting
- Often sought seldom found

AUCTION 12PM ONSITE SATURDAY MAY 9
CONTACT: Tony Farrell on 0417 212 692

VIEW: Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 12-12.30pm

AUCTION THIS SATURDAY

**Unit 4 'Mariner Bay'
41 Shirley St, Byron Bay**

- 2 bedrooms, 1 bathroom
- Air-conditioned apartment
- Bamboo flooring in all living areas
- Modern timber kitchen, granite benchtop
- Short stroll to the beach
- Live in or holiday let

**MORTGAGEE EXERCISING
POWER OF SALE – AUCTION**

AUCTION 11AM ONSITE SATURDAY MAY 9
CONTACT: Tony Farrell on 0417 212 692 or Glen Irwin on 0418 604 080

VIEW: Wednesday & Friday 1-1.30pm



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

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

PRICE: \$895,000

VIEW: Thursday & Friday 12-12.30pm

CONTACT: Andrew Rosee on 0421 914 054



3/21-23 Tasman Way, Byron Bay

- Modern industrial unit
- 95sqm floor, 85 sqm mezzanine
- DA approved for caretakers to live on premises
- Shower & kitchenette
- Solar power installed
- Complex of only 10
- Outstanding investment

PRICE: \$335,000 VIEW: Thursday & Friday 11-11.30am

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



1/45 Cemetery Road, Byron Bay

- 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom home
- 2,433sqm block with a 79m frontage
- Walk to beach & schools
- Lush surroundings
- Potential for sub-division (STCA)

PRICE: \$795,000

VIEW: Saturday 11-11.30am

CONTACT: Liam Annesley on 0417 780 795



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

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

PRICE: \$325,000

VIEW: Agent on site Saturday 12-12.30pm

CONTACT: Andrew Rosee on 0421 914 054



2/78 Broken Head Road, Suffolk Park

- 3 large bedrms, 2 bathrms
- 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

PRICE: \$525,000 VIEW: Friday & Saturday 1-1.30pm

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



6 Teak Circuit, Suffolk Park

- 5 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms plus study
- Fabulous for entertaining
- High raked ceilings
- Free-form inground pool
- Separate parents retreat with balcony
- Fully fenced & landscaped

PRICE: \$749,000 VIEW: Friday & Saturday 1-1.30pm

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



128 Grays Lane, Tyagarah

- Land size of approx 9,070sqm
- Beautiful rural views to Mt Warning
- Very close to Byron Bay
- Approved for an upmarket residence
- Very rare opportunity

PRICE: \$650,000 VIEW: Friday & Saturday 2-2.30pm

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



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
- Agency declares interest

VIEW: Thursday, Friday & Saturday 12-12.30pm

PRICE: \$915,000

CONTACT: Bryce Cameron on 0412 057 672



14 Hillview Place, Ewingsdale

- 5 bedroom, 4 bathroom home
- Striking architecture & design
- Extensive outdoor entertainment decks
- 11 metre fresh water pool
- Elevated cul-de-sac position
- Views to the lighthouse

PRICE: \$1,950,000 VIEW: Saturday 12-12.30pm

CONTACT: Glen Irwin on 0418 604 080 Jon Luton on 0422 794 384



116 Old Bangalow Road, Byron Bay

- Fantastic views to Broken Head
- 4 bedroom timber home + Study
- Peaceful & private location
- D.A. approved for 2 new attached homes
- On a picturesque 5 acres
- Only 5 minutes drive to town

PRICE: \$2,250,000

VIEW: Saturday 1pm-1.30pm

CONTACT: Erin Chapple on 0434 007 227



103 Beech Drive, Suffolk Park

- Well appointed 4 bedroom home
- Tastefully renovated
- Generous open plan living areas
- Great covered entertaining area
- Close to schools, shops & beach

PRICE: \$619,000

VIEW: Saturday 2pm-2.30pm

CONTACT: Sharon McInnes on 0408 659 649



511 Friday Hut Road, Possum Creek

- Beautiful private 1 acre property
- Architect designed 3 bed timber home
- High ceilings & timber floors
- Perfect north facing / overlooking creek
- Easily maintained property
- Only minutes drive to Bangalow

PRICE: \$895,000

VIEW: Saturday 3pm-3.30pm

CONTACT: Sharon McInnes on 0408 659 649



Town Centre Commercial Zoning

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

PRICE: \$2,500,000

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



Cottage – Upper Wilson's Creek

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

PRICE \$560,000

CONTACT: Neil Cameron on 0419 274 798



'Seadrift' Byron Bay

- Only 3 'off the plan' remain
- Settlement end of 2009

PRICE: From \$744,880

CONTACT: Tony Farrell on 0417 212 692 or Peter Yopp 0411 837 330



Beachside Luxury

- Stunning modern home
- 5 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms
- Smartstone benchtops
- Exclusive gated estate
- Close to beach, shops & tavern

PRICE \$795,000

CONTACT: Neil Cameron on 0419 274 798



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?

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

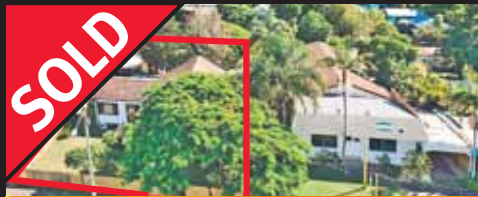


Executive Style Home

- 4 large bedrooms, 2.5 bathrooms
- 3 separate living areas
- Stunning heated 17m lap pool
- Spacious office
- Large well appointed kitchen
- Fully fenced & secure

PRICE \$849,000

CONTACT: Sharon McInnes on 0408 659 649



71 Shirley Street, Byron Bay

- 4 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

PRICE: By Negotiation

CONTACT: Neil Cameron 0419 274 798



69 Shirley Street, Byron Bay

- 1 Freehold shop & 2x 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

PRICE: By Negotiation

CONTACT: Neil Cameron 0419 274 798

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276 Nolans Road, Stokers Siding

- ✓ Situated on 21.57 Ha
- ✓ Creatively designed home provides a colourful and relaxing lifestyle – extensive use of timber and stone throughout
- ✓ Large entertaining deck overlooking pool and boardwalk areas
- ✓ Separate studio

- ✓ 5 bay shed
 - ✓ Large dam & orchard
 - Auction 1pm onsite May 16th if not sold before.**
- Contact Helen Flynn 0402 427 594 or 02 6672 2698.
Internet I.D: NSW5627390

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Beachside Suffolk Park

Located in the quiet northern end of one of the most sought areas in Suffolk Park is a beautifully presented 2 storey split level home. Accommodation includes four bedrooms with built in wardrobes, two generous size bathrooms with bathtubs, two living areas and a study. Spacious main, with a two way ensuite, connects to the second bedroom. Timber floors throughout, high ceilings and large timber windows contribute to the light filtering in. Large, covered

deck for outdoor entertaining. View nature from the balcony that overlooks the reserve.

Approx 50 metres to the pathway to Tallow's Beach or approximately 200metres walk to Tallow's creek.

Price: \$895,000

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Paul Banister 0438 856 552, 6685 8466

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Recipe For A Happy Family

Lot 1 / 1709 Pacific Highway, Knockrow.

- ✓ Convenient location 10 minutes to beach
- ✓ Flowing creek + town water
- ✓ Established gardens & in-ground pool
- ✓ 5 bedroom, 2 bathroom family home
- ✓ Approx 4 easy care acres
- ✓ Cover car spaces for 5 vehicles
- ✓ Privacy assured

Inspect now to avoid disappointment
For sale – was \$725,000 reduced to \$645,000
Inspection by appointment. Call Hugh Hanrahan 0402 198 652.
Elders website
Id: 311680

Elders
Bangalow



OPEN HOUSE
Friday May 8 at 11am

5 Acres Down By The Creek

Lot 11 Tweed Valley Way, Crabbes Creek.

- ✓ 2 bedroom cottage with sleep-out
- ✓ Extra office or lock-up storage room
- ✓ 2 bay steel shed with concrete floor
- ✓ Good usable paddock suitable for horses

- ✓ Short walk to village shop and school
 - Auction 11am May 9 if not sold before.**
- Contact Peter Wade 0409 922 698 or 02 6672 2698.
Internet I.D: NSW5627346

Elders
Murwillumbah



Fiji – Rare Freehold Land Opportunity

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

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The best ocean view lots (over ½ acre) are selling fast from \$125,000 (available on 10% deposit vendor finance).

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From \$95,000



OPEN HOUSE
Saturday 12-12.30pm

Why Have Neighbours?

Lot 5 Grays Lane, Tyagarah.

- ✓ Best priced 5 bedroom home
- ✓ Beachside
- ✓ 2.5 acres with a large shed
- ✓ Swimming pool
- ✓ Minutes to Byron and Mullumbimby
- ✓ Private road
- ✓ North aspect with views

- ✓ Why buy residential when you can have this

For sale \$975,000.

Sales agent Denise Burch 0408 193 415
Website ID 327333

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AUCTION THIS SATURDAY

Unit 4 'Mariner Bay'
41 Shirley Street,
Byron Bay



MORTGAGEE EXERCISING POWER OF SALE – AUCTION

Here is an opportunity to purchase a fantastic property in a prime location. This 2 bedroom, 1 bathroom air-conditioned apartment is located in the popular "Mariner Bay" complex only minutes walk to the town centre and beaches.

The complex offers on-site management, basement parking, fabulous in-ground pool, BBQ area and landscaped gardens. You can choose to live in or holiday let and capitalize on rental returns.

AUCTION 11AM ON-SITE SATURDAY MAY 9

Open For Inspection Wednesday & Friday 1-1.30pm

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

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AUCTION THIS SATURDAY

OPEN FOR INSPECTION
Wed, Thu & Fri 12-12.30pm

170B Lighthouse Road, Byron Bay

- Architect designed 3 bedroom house
- Views across the bay
- Easy stroll to 'The Pass' & town centre
- Secluded setting
- Often sought seldom found



AUCTION ON-SITE SATURDAY 9/5/09 AT 12PM

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ON THE MARKET



Unit 3 'Breeze' at Brunswick Heads

This stylish townhouse is located in downtown Brunswick Heads within an easy walk to the beach, river, local shops and the famous hotel. The home has timber floors, a sunny deck, is light filled and open plan in design. A combination of modern materials has been used to bring an "architectural feel" to the property.

Currently leased at \$400 per week. Agency declares interest.
Price \$535,000.
For further information please contact Glen Irwin on 0418 604 080 or Jon Luton on 0422 794 384.



Unit 7 'Breeze' at Brunswick Heads

This stylish townhouse is located in downtown Brunswick Heads within an easy walk to the beach, river, local shops and the famous hotel. The home has timber floors, a sunny deck, is light filled and open plan in design. A combination of modern materials has been used to bring an "architectural feel" to the property.

Currently leased at \$400 per week. Agency declares interest.
Price \$510,000.
For further information please contact Glen Irwin on 0418 604 080 or Jon Luton on 0422 794 384.



Unique Privacy In The Newrybar Valley

Lot 6 Newrybar Valley, Newrybar. Rarely do you find an easy to maintain property of this calibre in this highly sought after location east of the highway. The property has big ocean views from Broken Head to Lennox Head Point. It is well watered and fenced. Capacity – run approximately 40 breeders under full pasture. You will be impressed from the moment you enter the drive way to when you arrive at the approved

building site. Existing management arrangements can continue if required. 42.6 hectares.
Don't miss out on this one!
Auction to be advised.
Contact Mark Kinneally 0429 868 001



Unique House, Unique Location

Located in the heart of Possum Creek you will find a home designed to take full advantage of the land and its position. This is a home for those looking to escape the city life most dream about. Open plan design inside opens onto big decks with lots of space where the current owner and friends spend most of their time living and enjoying the great Aussie/Byron lifestyle. Set on a private 3.012ha (7.44

acres) with a little creek and a large comfortable spacious workshop with views which could serve as artist space for the creative person. Inspection recommended.
Auction May TBA.
Contact Mark Kinneally 0429 868 001



Nature's Hideaway

2 Tallwood Road, Possum Creek
✓ 4 bed, 2 bath, 2 car on 10 acres
✓ Elevated to enjoy the northerly views
✓ Very large undercover entertaining area
✓ Fenced stock paddocks & 2 spring fed dams
✓ Established bush food & citrus

✓ Studio for storage/ample sheds
Auction 1pm onsite Saturday 16th May
Contact Gail Fuller on 0418 441 675 or 6680 8111



Prestige Retreat

Offers Over \$995,000

Perched high is this stunning Pavilion home creation.
✓ Views include Byron Lighthouse, Brunswick River & Mt Chincogan
✓ Designed by the award winning 'Troppo Architects'
✓ 5 classic bedrooms, 3 bathrooms
✓ Split-level with polished timber floors & high raked ceilings
✓ Extensive use of glass capture the myriad of coastal and hinterland moods

✓ Highest quality appointment includes marble tiling, European appliances & feature timbers
✓ Inspired landscaped tropical gardens
✓ Discreet and private location
Contact Mark Lycos 0438 680 250
Elders New Brighton/Ocean Shores.
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Internet Id 372234.



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✓ Open living, huge verandahs, large natural rock walls
✓ Stunning 360 degree hinterland/ocean/Mount Warning views
✓ 27,000sqm
✓ 45 minutes to Byron, 20 mins to Tweed Heads, 90 mins to Brisbane

✓ Very popular holiday letting
✓ Great potential as a Bed & Breakfast
Price \$1,795,000.
Contact Carlo on 0419 600 044.

\$1,795,000



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\$385,000

✓ 1100sqm lot – fenced
✓ North aspect, 3 bedrooms, air con
✓ Open plan kitchen/living/dining
✓ Family bathroom, ensuite
✓ Separate w/c and laundry
✓ Front and side deck
✓ Double lock-up garage underhouse plus carport

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receipt of your Solicitor's Tax Invoice for Conveyancing Fees (not searches), subject to Exchange of Contracts prior 30th June 2009.
Inspect by appointment.
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OPEN FOR INSPECTION

LJ Hooker Brunswick Heads p51

- 38 Robin Street, South Golden Beach. Sat 11-11.30am
- 61 Balemo Drive, Ocean Shores. Sat 1-1.30pm
- 23 Tweed Street, Brunswick Heads. Sat 12-12.30pm
- 5 Aloota Crescent, Ocean Shores. Sat 1-1.30pm
- 26 Fawcett Street, Brunswick Heads. Wed 11-11.30am

Elders Bangalow p52

- 40 Parkway Drive, Ewingsdale. Wed 12-12.30pm
- 1 Elkhorn Place, Bangalow. Wed & Sat 11-11.30am
- Lot 5 Grays Lane, Tyagarah. Sat 12-12.30pm
- 30 Buckleys Road, Tyagarah. Sat 1-1.30pm

Byron Bay First National p52

- 2/124 Bangalow Rd, Byron Bay. Sat 10.30-11am
- 166a Lighthouse Rd, Byron Bay. Sat 10.30-11am
- 3/64-70 'The Links' Broken Head Rd, Byron Bay. Sat 10.30-11am
- 1/6 Bryce St, Suffolk Park. Sat 11.30am-12pm
- 28 Armstrong St, Suffolk Park. Sat 11.30am-12pm
- 12 Magnolia Place, Ewingsdale. Sat 11.30am-12pm
- 2/19 Julian Rocks Drive, Byron Bay. Sat 12.30-1pm
- 12/45 Belongil Cres, Byron Bay. Sat 12.30-1pm
- 3/45 Belongil Cres, Byron Bay. Sat 1-1.30pm

Elders Byron Bay

- 36 Marvel Street, Byron Bay. Sat 2.30-3.30pm
- 38 Marvel Street, Byron Bay. Sat 2.30-3.30pm

LJ Hooker Byron Bay p53

- 1, 3 & 5/84-86 Centennial Circuit, Byron Bay. Thu & Fri 12-12.30pm
- 3/21-23 Tasman Way, Byron Bay. Thu & Fri 11-11.30am
- 1/45 Cemetery Road, Byron Bay. Sat 11-11.30am
- Lots 8 & 9 'Oasis' 24 Scott St, Byron Bay. Rep onsite Sat 12-12.30pm
- 2/78 Broken Head Road, Suffolk Park. Fri & Sat 1-1.30pm
- 6 Teak Circuit, Suffolk Park. Fri & Sat 1-1.30pm
- 128 Grays Lane, Tyagarah. Fri & Sat 2-2.30pm
- 68 Massinger Street, Byron Bay. Thu, Fri & Sat 12-12.30pm
- 14 Hillview Place, Ewingsdale. Sat 12-12.30pm
- 116 Old Bangalow Road, Byron Bay. Sat 1-1.30pm
- 103 Beech Drive, Suffolk Park. Sat 2-2.30pm
- 511 Friday Hut Road, Possum Creek. Sat 3-3.30pm

AUCTIONS

Elders Bangalow p52

- 80 Koonyum Range Road, Mullumbimby. Auction 12.30pm onsite Sat May 9.
- 63 Caniaba Cres, Suffolk Park. Auction 10am onsite Sat May 9.
- 36 Marvel Street, Byron Bay. Auction 11am onsite Sat May 16. Inspect Wed & Sat 2.30-3.30pm

LJ Hooker Byron Bay p53

- 170B Lighthouse Road, Byron Bay. Auction 12pm onsite this Sat. Inspect Wed, Thu & Fri 12-12.30pm
- Unit 4 'Mariner Bay' 41 Shirley St, Byron Bay. Auction 11am onsite this Sat. Inspect Wed & Fri 1-1.30pm

Elders Murwillumbah p54

- 276 Nolans Road, Stokers Siding. Auction 1pm onsite May 18. Inspect Sat 1-1.45pm
- Lot 11 Tweed Valley Way, Crabbes Creek. Auction 11am onsite Sat May 9. Inspect Fri 11am

Lois Buckett Real Estate p55

- Lot 6 Newrybar Valley, Newrybar. Auction TBA
- Possum Creek. Auction TBA. Inspect Sat 1-1.30pm

Gail Fuller Real Estate p55

- 2 Tallwood Road, Possum Creek. Auction 1pm onsite Sat May 16. Inspect Sat 1-1.30pm



Ocean Shores Duplex

Ocean Shores duplex in block of 2.
✓ Bordering on national park
✓ 2 bedrooms plus office
✓ Recently fully renovated
✓ Stainless steel gas stove
✓ New solar hot water

✓ Front and rear yard
Price \$355,000
Contact owner on 02 6685 5819 or 0411 294 286

\$355,000



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\$380,000

✓ 1702sqm lot, quiet street
✓ Brick & tile, 3 bedrooms with built-ins
✓ 1 bathroom, separate w/c & laundry
✓ Tiled kitchen/dining/living
✓ Paved undercover outdoor area
✓ Lock-up carport, garden shed
✓ Home on flat, elevated rear yard
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Lee Lambert sent us these images of potholes in Byron Bay township for our pothole competition. Lee also suggested running a challenge on the state of public toilets but we think that's a bit like shooting fish in a barrel.



Byron Shire Council's general manager and planning director met last week with Department of Planning honchos on the proposed West Byron land release and other issues. A report to Councillors will go to the meeting of May 14. We suspect the Department's view, channelled from the Minister, will be that Council should go ahead with preparing to rezone the land or the government will do it instead under the controversial section 3A of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, which allows the Minister to declare almost anything to be of 'state significance'.

The life is in the blood, Goethe once said, but obviously he failed to considered compost. Compost Week (www.compostweek.com.au) celebrates the glory of properly-managed decomposing matter which, along with worms, invigorates the garden and cuts down on methane produced when you send your food scraps and green waste to the tip. 'The answer lies in the soil,' as Kenneth Williams used to say in the guise of gardener Arthur Fallowfield, and he was right. Locally Sustainable Streets holds a Backyard Compost Bonanza in Mullumbimby this Saturday while on the same day the Mullumbimby Community Garden will demonstrate composting

and other arts at the Mullum Civic Hall from 11am to 10pm. See details in news pages.

Speaking of great writers, Kurt Vonnegut Jr suggested that the purpose of human beings was to act as transport systems for viruses, and he may be right. Swine flu, for example, hitches a ride in the body and then uses the human cell's normal RNA/DNA machinery to create copies of itself. Then the cell bursts, and hundreds of virus particles are released to repeat the cycle. Pretty clever. Of course the swine flu outbreak is a gift to conspiracy theorists, who can put it down to the villainy of Big Pharma or perhaps an invasion of really small aliens.

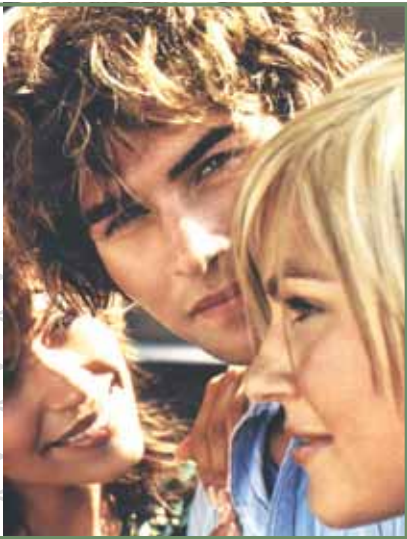
On page 17 we publish NPWS's call for motorists to watch out for echidnas on the move. If the sight of the little darlings isn't enough to make you slow down, consider this: 'Motorists should also be aware that echidnas have extremely tough spines, capable of piercing the tyres of cars and trucks.' Ouch!

Publisher Jane's (www.janes.com), now calling itself an 'information group', keeps track of outbreaks of misery around the world thanks to the efforts of entrepreneurial arms sell-

ers. Jane's *Industry Quarterly* editor Guy Anderson notes in a press release, 'Over the last two years Australia has proved the red hot market with a 200% increase in defence deals between 2007 and 2008.' This is helped along by Australia's defence spending increasing by 3% per year until 2018. You gotta keep up with the neighbours,


we suppose. We can thank our saltwater crocodiles for providing an inexpensive front line of defence in the north. Along with the CIA World Fact Book (<https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-fact-book>), Jane's provides an insight into human nature, 'red in tooth and claw', outside the Byron Shire bubble.

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