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# Music fest goes off 'without hitch'



The festival parade, with festival director Glenn Wright centre in red, livened up the streets of Mullum on Sunday. Photo Jeff 'Trom Boner' Dawson. See more of Jeff's photos on page 20 and Sharon's video on *Echonetdaily* at echo.net.au.

## Mandy Nolan

The sixth Mullum Music Festival took to the streets, halls, clubs and pubs of Mullumbimby last weekend in an event that festival director Glenn Wright says 'went off without a hitch'.

Although things could have been quite different. Saturday night saw wild storms hit the coast and for half an hour there was a tornado warning, not something to relish when you are the director of an event that that involves thousands of people, tents and a need for continuous power supply. The storm circled and somehow managed to miss Mullum, hammering nearby Byron Bay.

'We were lucky,' says Glenn Wright, 'but then we seem to

be lucky most years.' And true to form Mullumbimby turned on searing hot days and balmy nights for the 6,000-plus festival-goers enjoying over 120 performances by almost 80 acts over four days.

## Spine-tingling

Opening with a sold-out Gala on Thursday night, featuring a spine-tingling song dedicated to Dave Ades by Jo Jo Smith, the festival set a cracking pace and continued to deliver. Greg Sheehan led the street parade on Sunday to the Civic Hall, and the days' programming at the venue was organised by Sheehan, to whom this year's festival was dedicated. 'Greg told the story of his life and it was definitely one of the event highlights,' said Glenn. 'He then went on

to "guest" with artists. It was magnificent, and all credit to the incredible musicianship and collaborative genius of Greg Sheehan.'

Festival patron Mama Kin delivered a unique concert with the support of 15 Cape Byron Steiner School students who sang and played as she presented a selection of her songs from previous albums. Kin was delighted not just because of the students' excellent musicianship but because 'my kids are in the audience and they get to see me with a bunch of teenagers who think I'm cool!'

Sketch the Rhyme enjoyed capacity crowds each evening with their interactive freestyling hip-hop and drawing performance and for this writer one of the true highlights was

the Songbirds of the 70s show curated by Tin Pan Orange's Emily Lubitz.

## No police

Perhaps one of the true measures of the charm of Mullum Music Festival is the complete absence of police. As Schoolies hit Byron with riot police in force, giant booze buses and mounted police, I did not see one police car in Mullumbimby over the entire weekend.

With a successful Keys Please program encouraging drivers to hand over car keys and offering a breathalyser to check alcohol levels before you hit the road, Mullum Music Festival proved itself not just a great festival for music lovers, but also a successful and well-managed event.

# Byron rejects fluoridation

Hans Lovejoy

Byron Shire will remain fluoride free after councillors voted against Cr Diane Woods's motion in a rowdy meeting full of interested onlookers last Thursday.

Mayor Simon Richardson, Crs Paul Spooner, Duncan Dey, Rose Wanchap and Basil Cameron voted against, while Di Woods, Sol Ibrahim and Alan Hunter voted for. Cr Chris Cubis was absent from the meeting and therefore forfeited his vote, but his notes of support for fluoridation were read out by Cr Woods.

## 'Test case'

Mayor Simon Richardson was applauded by a full gallery of residents as he said Byron should be a test case in achieving improved dental health through education rather than medication. 'If Health NSW are truly concerned about dental health and not just fluoride, then

they should support us in other ways to achieve better outcomes,' he said.

Cr Paul Spooner also questioned the state government's motives.

'Why are in this position?' he asked. 'The dentist who addressed us this morning told us that he was very supportive of preventive health care. He would like to see that happen; he would like to do those things – but he can't. And why can't he? Because the NSW government is somehow abandoning their primary healthcare in terms of our children. This is what's really going on here.'

## In favour

Cr Alan Hunter spoke in favour of fluoride, saying his views are influenced by his personal experience and he is concerned for the children and the elderly. 'I wasn't convinced by the arguments against fluoridation. This is not forced medication; there

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Protesters in the Council Chambers. Photo Jeff Dawson

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## Bay FM wants young leader

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To find out more and get an application form, email [gm@syn.org.au](mailto:gm@syn.org.au) or call 03 9925 4788. Applications are due by Sunday December 1 at 5pm.

## Danger: muses and music

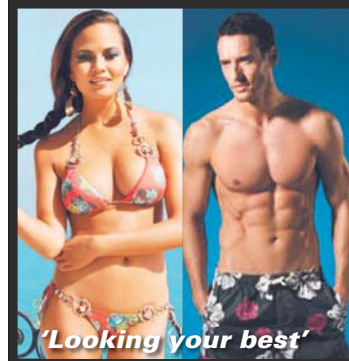
Right: Alison Mackay consults her muse while turning poems into songs to share at the Dangerously Poetic celebration of Music and Poetry, Sunday December 1, 3-5pm at the Bangalow Heritage House, with The Lucky Wonders duo, Jessie Vintila and Emma Royle. Bring a poem or lyrics to share in the open section. High tea catered by the Bangalow Heritage House is included. See full details in the Book Reviews feature on page 22.

Photo Jeff Dawson



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'Looking your best'

## Byron Council rejects water fluoridation

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are options for those who don't want to drink the water. [For example] putting rain-water tanks in or buying bottled water. It's low in cost to deliver - the cost is less than \$2 per person per year.

'I have seen no evidence of harm after 63 years. Children don't get a chance but as parents we do.'

Cr Richardson further said, 'It's a shame fluoride dwarfed the debate; this is about dental health.

'What I'll be doing with

my foreshadowed motion is going back to the department of health. I think this shire is not about just saying "no". Instead, it's "no thanks, but how about this instead".

'The department of health say that fluoride will improve dental outcomes of under-five-year-olds by 15 per cent. That's one figure they hammer out: 15 per cent difference. Well, let's see if they will let us be a trial case and see if we can achieve that 15 per cent in other ways.

'Can we do it by increasing education with pre- or post-natal parents? If the biggest issue is children under five, let's educate rather than medicate. [We should be] subsidising fluoride varnish where it's already having fantastic results, bringing back those primary school dental health check-ups... and if we have a waiting list of a year to get decent dental care maybe that's a sign that we need a second free dental health clinic.

'It's up to those who want

fluoride to prove that it's the only way. I haven't seen that proof.

'So I'd like the department of health, who have said they have allocated \$7m for dosing plants... well I'll be asking if Byron Shire can have our portion, and can we spend it on non-dosing plant infrastructure... if we can show that it has the same 15 per cent difference, well then we don't need fluoride.'

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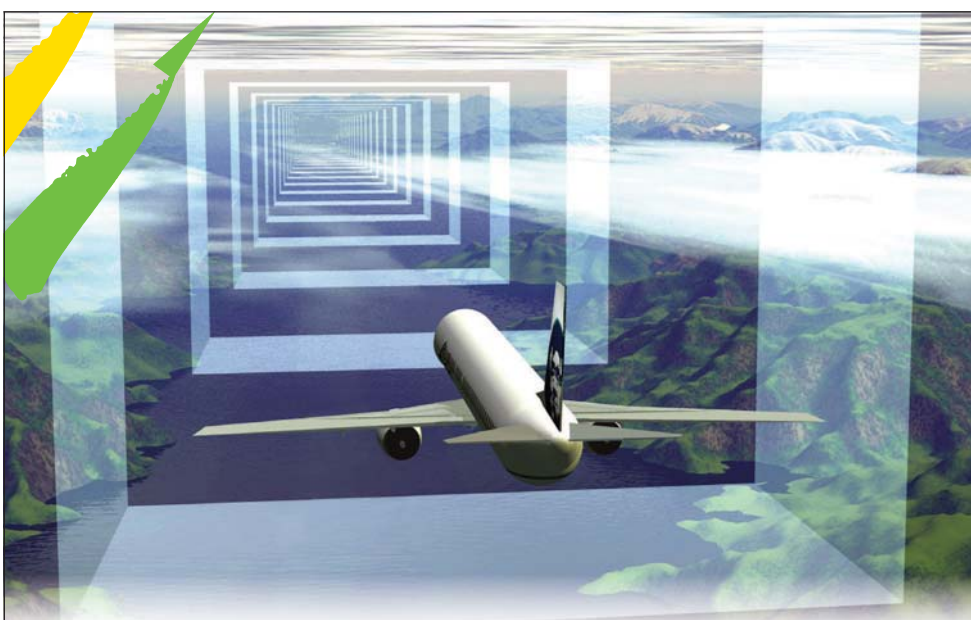
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## Students promote anti-violence message

Students from the Chrysalis Girls Group at Mullumbimby High School have been involved in a project that brings awareness to the issue of violence against women. As part of the White Ribbon campaign ([www.whiteribbon.org.au](http://www.whiteribbon.org.au)), students have created images and designs for coasters which will appear in pubs and hotels across Byron Shire during the 16 Days Of Activism from November 25 to December 10.



The Chrysalis team, from left, Isabella, Bethany, Jade, Sharni and Zali, who is holding the work of Buku. Photo Eve Jeffery

### Take a stand

'The White Ribbon Campaign is about encouraging men to take a stand and say that violence, in any form, is never acceptable,' said Neroli Jager of the Women's Resource Service. 'The girls have produced some amazing images which reflect how it feels for women experiencing violence and also for men to realise the impact that violence has on women.'

'The Never Violent Never Silent coaster project aims to bring awareness to all hotel patrons about the need to not stay silent about this important issue. By bringing the

issue to the attention of the public it gives everyone permission to take a stand around not excusing or remaining silent if they see violence occurring in their home, workplace or community.'

The coaster project is an initiative of the Byron Shire Committee Against Domestic Violence (BSCADV) and has been supported by donations from local businesses,

including the Mullumbimby Comprehensive Health Centre, the Hotel Brunswick, the Bangalow Hotel, the Great Northern, the Railway Hotel and Byron Shire Council.

Thirty thousand coasters will be distributed across the shire in various hotels, clubs and pubs through to the end of December.

The BSCADV will also be at the Byron markets on

December 15 and will have white ribbons for people to wear. The BSCADV will be raising money for the Escape fund which is used to assist women in the shire who need financial assistance to ensure their safety.

If any businesses would like to obtain coasters, please contact the Women's Resource Service on 6684 4299. ■ Comment, page 10

## Council aims for chem-free weed control

Byron Shire Council voted last week to aim to go chemical-free within the next five years in a new shirewide weed/pest management policy. The policy includes ending the use of all non-organic chemical-based herbicides and pesticides on all Council-owned and -managed land.

Mayor Simon Richardson said, 'Our community needs confidence that our high-use

areas do not use chemical herbicides unless it is absolutely necessary and there is no other viable alternative. For instance, this would include playgrounds and sports fields.'

'Using steam to eradicate weeds is already being embraced more and more by individual and organisational land owners. Council needs to keep up and embrace new

technology that is sustainable for our shire.'

'While [the five-year target] is aspirational, we need to set a benchmark against which we can list our achievements and perhaps revise the target if needed. Let's consider a trial in some locations and empower our community to pitch in and help when they are willing.'

Council will also be writ-

ing to the National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) for assurances that no aerial spraying or broad-scale, ground-based spraying residue can contaminate Council or private land adjacent to NPWS-controlled land, along with a request that NPWS engage with the community to grow a community ecological and non-chemical weed management group.

## SMALL SCHOOLS NEED PRINCIPALS

### WHAT'S HAPPENING?

The NSW Department of Education and Communities is proposing to downgrade the role of *Principal* to that of *Leading Teacher* in all small schools with up to approximately 160 students. This affects the majority of schools in our area and nearly 600 principals statewide.

The reforms serve to remove from the school environment the complex role of the Teaching-Principal. A role that provides leadership, authority, professional support and management of staff, guidance, community and parent consultation, daily site management, and future planning, whilst simultaneously providing the best possible educational outcomes for the students in their care.

### WHAT CAN YOU DO?

Write letters of opposition to the Minister for Education, Hon Adrian Piccoli, the Premier, Hon Barry O'Farrell, and your local MPs. Let them know our communities value the role and status of Principal in small schools and that you oppose the move to reclassify the role to that of Leading Teacher. Ask that the DEC provide evidence that downgrading the role of principals in small schools improves student outcomes.

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# AFL chiefs open Byron Bay field

AFL CEO Andrew Demetriou, pictured, and AFLQ CEO Michael Conlon were welcomed by Byron Shire mayor Simon Richardson last Wednesday to officially open the AFL facilities at the Byron Regional Sport and Cultural Complex.



Mr Demetriou said, 'It's just a real pleasure and a great privilege to be here. Seeing facilities like these and to see the commitment and the effort that has been put into producing [them] is just really heartening.'

Mr Demetriou said that not only was the new venue great for AFL, it helps encourage all sport in general. 'We've got an ambition to grow the

game nationally and the most important parts of that process is to have football being played in New South Wales and Queensland and to come here and see what is happening in the northern rivers is remarkable.'

Mr Demetriou, a long-term admirer of the northern rivers, unveiled the official plaque to commemorate the establishment of the AFL field in the northwest corner known as the 'Cornell Family Fields' together with Delvene

Delaney. After the event Mr Demetriou headed off to attend the 2013 AFL Draft on the Gold Coast.

Northern Rivers Junior AFL President Bob Lodge said, 'This event marks an exciting milestone for not only junior AFL but AFL as a whole on the northern rivers. Victorian AFL teams are already requesting pre-season and mid-season training camps here in Byron Bay.'

There has been much activity since the announcement of a Regional AFL office based at the complex, including the installation of goal posts and 10m-high netting behind the posts.

Photo Eve Jeffery

# Majestic Brunswick Heads gum to be axed?

The state agency charged with running public Crown reserves and caravan parks at Brunswick Heads plans to chop down an historic gum tree in the middle of a popular park opposite the local pub. Incensed locals are once again gearing up to fight to preserve the majestic old eucalypt, which is around 80 years old.



North Coast Holiday Parks (NCHP) says an arborist has declared the tree dangerous and just over a week ago the agency fenced it off around its base. Locals say the tree in Banner Park near the children's playground provides shade and is home to many birds.

One resident told *The Echo* last Monday that NCHP 'tried to chop it down years ago but local intervention stopped that and an arborist was brought in to do remedial work on it.'

'What is needed is definitely a second arborist's opinion, particularly in view of the willingness to chop, all on the allegation of safety', the longtime local said.

NCHP park co-ordinator Shari Shiels said the arborist had also undertaken a second inspection and report, climbing up the tree and taking photos of it from the top

down, which she said confirmed the initial report that it was dangerous. But Ms Shiels said the tree could not be cut down without authority from Byron Shire Council.

A summer-holiday market with numerous stalls is held every year in Banner Park around the tree.

Since the controversial takeover from Council of the Brunswick Heads parks by the state government almost ten years ago, NCHP has been accused by locals of 'land grabs' by encroaching on Crown and council land such as road reserves.

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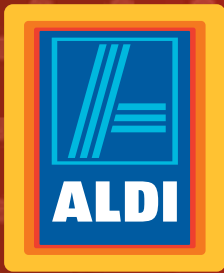
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# Feast planned for all your senses

Having started this 'food revolution' in California, Aphro Cuisine's Megan McCulloch has now brought the pleasure of sensual cuisine to the Byron Shire for all to indulge in.

Megan and her team of Aphrodeities, Open Table's Ronit Robbaz and event manager Justine Speed, have concocted a three-course fresh and sultry summer menu for a pop-up dining event on Saturday December 7 at the Bangalow A&I Hall.

The menu is pescatarian or vegetarian, and all ingredients are aphrodisiacal, according to the team: 'Each course is designed to be enjoyed in new and alluring ways - eat with your hands, feed your partner and use a blindfold to heighten your senses.'

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Tempted? From left, Ronit Robbaz, Megan McCulloch and Justine Speed taste test the fruits of their Aphro Cuisine venture. Photo Eve Jeffery

and vital energy that food brings us every day,' writes Megan on Aphro Cuisine's website aphrocuisine.wordpress.com. The site includes

a blog which explores what exactly aphrodisiac foods are, how they affect your body and mind, and provides recipes for the sensually inclined.

Seats for this event must be booked in advance with Megan on 0431 911 403 or aphrocuisine@gmail.com before December 5.

# Pop-up exhibition for Byron College's art students

Students who have completed their Certificate III in Visual Arts with Byron Community College are proudly presenting their finished works to the public in a one-

night-only exhibition. The emphasis of the night is on process, showcasing the students' development as they learn new techniques and build skills across a range of

media, including painting, drawing, sculpture, printmaking and digital imaging.

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Santa and Dancing Tommy helped launch the St Finbarr's Primary School 25th Annual Christmas Fair last Wednesday in the school hall. The students, teachers and parents were treated to sneak-peek of what's to come at the fair on Saturday December 7, 10am- 3pm. Principal John Wilson played the fair song he wrote with the aid of his guitar and the students, followed by the surprise appearance of Dancing Tommy, who jumped out of a giant Christmas present, with the event breaking into a dancing frenzy. Denise Woolsey (aka Miss Holly) said, 'There will be something for everybody and it is jam-packed with events, music, amusements, sideshows, amazing food and a live auction with fabulous items on offer.' Ride passes and more information can be obtained from St Finbarr's Primary School.

Photo Jeff 'Men With Beards A Specialty' Dawson

## Council seeks sponsorship for NYE plans

Byron Shire mayor Simon Richardson said that yesterday's meeting saw additional funds allocated to support the management of New Years Eve, but that additional community sponsorship was still being sought. He welcomed the support of The Falls Festival (\$25,000), Byron Bay Liquor Accord (\$5,000) and In the Pink Byron Bay (\$1,000).

'It's a great boost, but Council needs further support,' he said. 'Doing nothing is not an option and Council is committed to delivering a safe summer in the Bay.

'There are costs in setting up, closing the main street, rubbish collection, cleaning and the hosting of Soul Street and the First Sun New Years Day celebration. Byron United have been an active supporter in ensuring that we get the mix right.'

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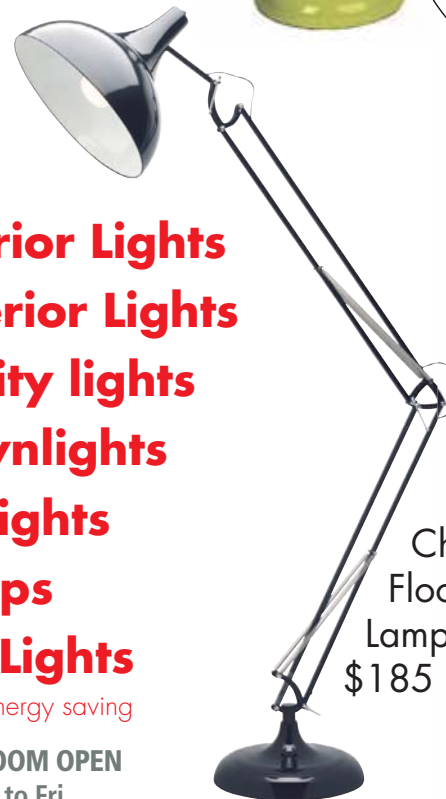


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## End the violence

Congratulations to the Women's Resource Service in Mullumbimby and the Byron Shire Committee Against Domestic Violence (BSCADV) for their ongoing support of domestic violence awareness campaigns and to the Chrysalis Girls Group at Mullumbimby High School for designing images for coasters, to be distributed among local pubs, recognising the value of a 'Never Violent Never Silent' campaign.

It is in pubs that men sometimes speak jokingly about keeping their partners in line with a little physical persuasion, and the coasters present men who do not support violent behaviour among their friends with a reminder of the need to point out, 'No mate, that's not acceptable', perhaps also suggesting calling the Men's Helpline at 1300 78 99 78.

The figures on violence against women remain alarming. According to the *Personal Safety Survey*, conducted by the Australian Bureau of Statistics, nearly one in six women (16 per cent) has experienced violence by a current or previous partner in their lifetime. It is disturbing that such abuse begins in the home and leads on to the streets, to the office and to religious institutions.

The White Ribbon campaign ([www.whiteribbon.org.au](http://www.whiteribbon.org.au)), which the BSCADV will be supporting from this week through to the end of December, gives individual men the opportunity to swear off violence, and workplaces a prompt to make their businesses safe from abuse – for women and for men.

It takes more than a coaster or a personal pledge to bring an end to violence against women, but it's a good place to start, assisted by education and support services. It's not time to be a bystander.

Michael McDonald

# SBY leaves Abbott dangling

Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono is not only the Indonesian leader most sympathetic to Australia in that country's short democratic history; he is arguably Australia's best friend in Asia.

The outgoing president has been a tireless advocate for our interests in the councils of a frequently suspicious and sometimes downright hostile region. So why on Earth would we risk this invaluable relationship by a ham-fisted interception of his, his wife's and his closest associates' personal phone calls?

The answer is probably the simplest one: because we can. It is easy to see how it could have happened. After a hard day's phone tapping at the then Defence Signals Directorate, a boffin and a spook are having a quiet drink or several at the canteen. 'You know,' boasts the boffin, 'with the new gear we've got, we can hack into just about anything. Why, I reckon we could even listen to SBY's own mobile.' 'Jeez, that'd be good,' replies the spook. 'Let's give it a go.' So they do.

It is possible, even likely, that none of the politicians around, then or since – not Kevin Rudd, Julia Gillard, Tony Abbott, or any of their nominally responsible ministers – had a clue what was going on. After all, there has been no suggestion that the intercepts uncovered anything worth passing up the line. But obviously word would have spread through DSD itself and probably the wider intelligence community. And of course the material was routinely passed on to our great and powerful friends in Washington; that, after all, was what the whole operation was about.

And it was at this point that it all went wrong, because almost unbelievably lax American security meant that junior and untried operatives had access to the whole shebang and one of them, Edward Snowden, decided that the punters had a right to know what was being done by their governments in their name. And so DSD broke the first, and perhaps the only, rule of espionage: don't get caught.

Abbott, as he must, has been trying to talk down the damage, but the hard fact is that almost all the painstaking diplo-

macy and a shameful capitulation by his country, now rightly proud of its emerging role as a serious player in world events. At the very least his reaction has to be as strong as that of the German chancellor Angela Merkel, when she was placed in a similar position. Some would say that it has to be stronger: Indonesia needs a clear win over Australia to prove that it has shaken off its colonial past.

Abbott's immediate response was along the lines of his old adage: shit happens. It had all been very embarrassing and unfortunate and he

intelligence matters, explicitly including the one that hurt – joint action on people smugglers.

Nationalistic Indonesians took this as a licence to mount anti-Australian demonstrations and things continued to deteriorate as Abbott cogitated on how he should respond to Yudhoyono's demands; at least Barnaby Joyce cancelled a proposed visit, which must have helped a bit. Finally Abbott, or more probably a committee from the Department of Foreign Affairs, which had spent the previous week tearing its collective hair out as Abbott drove a wrecking ball through the relationship it has spent years, indeed decades, cultivating, prepared the swift, full and courteous reply Abbott had belatedly promised, and fired it off towards Jakarta.

But it may still prove to be too little too late. Abbott's earlier attempt to brush the matter aside has proved to many Indonesians what they always suspected about Australians: they are a brash and crude people, incapable of appreciating the niceties of civilised behaviour, and, now, under the leadership of a shambling, hairy Neanderthal, they have descended into total savagery.

We are told that Yudhoyono has received Abbott's letter and is now considering it – or just leaving Abbott dangling. Of course, even that information could be a piece of diplomatic tact. Given the way Abbott has handled the whole matter to date, it is just as likely that he put the wrong stamps on his letter and it will come back to him marked 'Return to sender'.

■ See Mungo's video at [Echonetdaily.net.au](http://Echonetdaily.net.au)

*Almost all the painstaking diplomacy devoted over the years to building trust with Jakarta has now been trashed.*

by Mungo MacCallum



macy devoted over the years to building trust with Jakarta has now been trashed. There are still plenty of old hands around who have never forgiven Australia for its role in East Timor and since then there have been plenty of hiccups, like the arbitrary suspension of the live cattle trade and ongoing tensions over asylum seekers.

And most recently the revelations about Stateroom, the joint US-Australia spying network operating through embassies, has stretched things almost to breaking point. To find that this extends to a contemptuous disregard for the privacy of the president and his wife is too much.

Even if he wished to – and there is no sign that he does – Yudhoyono could not accept the intrusion; to do so would involve a humiliating loss of face towards the end of his highly successful term in of-

wishes it hadn't been in the papers. Better luck next time, if possible. But this, as a clearly angry foreign minister Marty Natalegawa pointed out, only made things worse: Abbott was trivialising a most serious matter. The first step had to be a full explanation – including, presumably, an admission that the spying had actually taken place, which Abbott has refused to give.

This is the time-honoured practice, but it will not be good enough this time. Merkel got a private apology from President Obama and a public assurance that the practice would now cease. Abbott told the Australian parliament he was not going to apologise and that he was not going to overreact, to which Yudhoyono responded with a series of outraged tweets. And he then shut down all co-operation with Australia on military and

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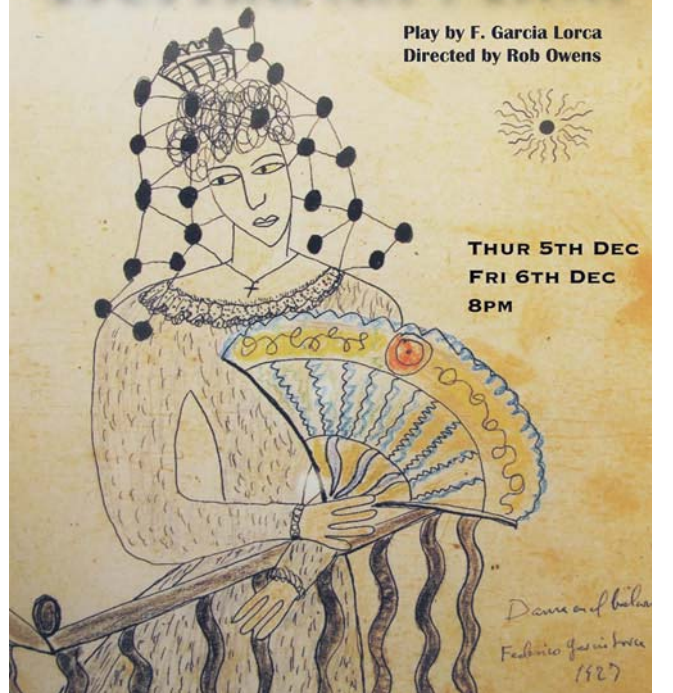
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# More to Belongil than just rocks

■ There's much more to rocks at Belongil than meets the eye. I review some recent documents.

1. Costs: from where are we collecting the total funding of \$1,415,000-\$2,098,300? (Sum from the draft technical reports less the \$300,000 offered by the state 'to match council's fund' - see council website.)

2. Short-term fix? Are we prepared to pay this for a short-term fix (ten years)? The reports make multiple references such as: 'The structures were designed for a life of ten years...' and 'For a project life of ten years, sea-level rise... can be ignored with regard to extreme water level for a ten-year life, but needs to be considered if the structure life is extended to 20 years or more...'

3. Are we clear about the stated impacts to the public side of these rock walls?

'Beach recession due to sea-level rise has been considered for the ten-year project life... For the subject structures, WRL has assumed that the beach recedes 1.5m due to sea level rise over the ten-year life of the project.'

4. Finally, from a paper cited in the reports (<http://bit.ly/19P3wP9>): 'The key advantage of engineering solutions for the medium term is that they allow continued enjoyment of the coastline for another 30-50 years while preserving livelihoods and doing as little damage to the coast as possible. At some point, locations around the coast may well need to be abandoned as they become impractical and too expensive to protect, but in the authors' minds it would appear that this time is not yet here. Landowners, however, need to accept the likelihood of abandonment at some point.'

But the rocks are called a short-term fix *and* this paper predates new estimates that climate change will be even more strongly underway by 2020-30 in this region.

5. None of the works/reports discuss inundation (the estuary rising).

So what is the larger plan for Belongil spit and estuary over the next 30-50 years, let alone 100? Do these rocks help or hinder that plan? What can we see on the other side of planned retreat?

Mary Gardner  
Byron Bay

■ A 'memo' in *The Echo* of November 12 told me 'if you want to save a beach, build a groyne'. Consider this: stand somewhere with ocean water in front of you and a sandy landscape behind. That *is* a beach.

Allowing that interface to wander in and out as it

wishes, over time, keeps that beach forever.

A proper beach includes the sand dune behind it. The dune stores sand in times of accretion and resupplies the beach in times of erosion. It also likes to wander, with the beach. There are lots of old dune formations that got stranded inland from Belongil. They date from geological times of higher sea levels. You can see their shapes east and west of the A&I Estate on map apps and other satellite views. Their crests run parallel to the coast.

A beach is a process, not a line on a real estate map. There are good examples everywhere, like the Tyagarah coast - guess what, no real estate. Groynes (and any hard structure) are only the answer if we have asked the wrong question.

Cr Duncan Dey  
Main Arm

## Typhoon help

I'd like to thank the people who've asked after the welfare of my ex-wife Hilda and my son Kurt, knowing that they are currently in the Philippines. Although Hilda's family hail from the vicinity of

Tacloban, where the eye of the cyclone hit, the two of them were actually safely in Manila at the relevant time, having changed their plans at the last minute. Apparently Hilda's extended family all survived but all their houses

were destroyed. They can't get out due to transport bottlenecks, while there's no point in going to Tacloban because there's no accommodation and bugger-all to eat. So much for the family reunion.

Anyway my neighbour

Terry Hamill did a quick unbidden whip-around and came up with \$250 for me to send as a donation. It hadn't occurred to me to ask anyone for help, but I suppose there are those who simply don't trust the charities; certainly 50 per cent of the millions to be sent by the federal

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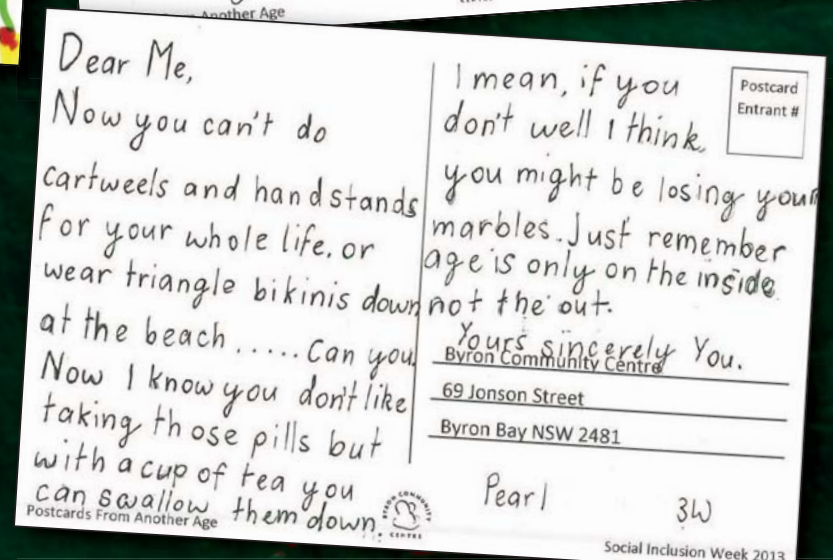
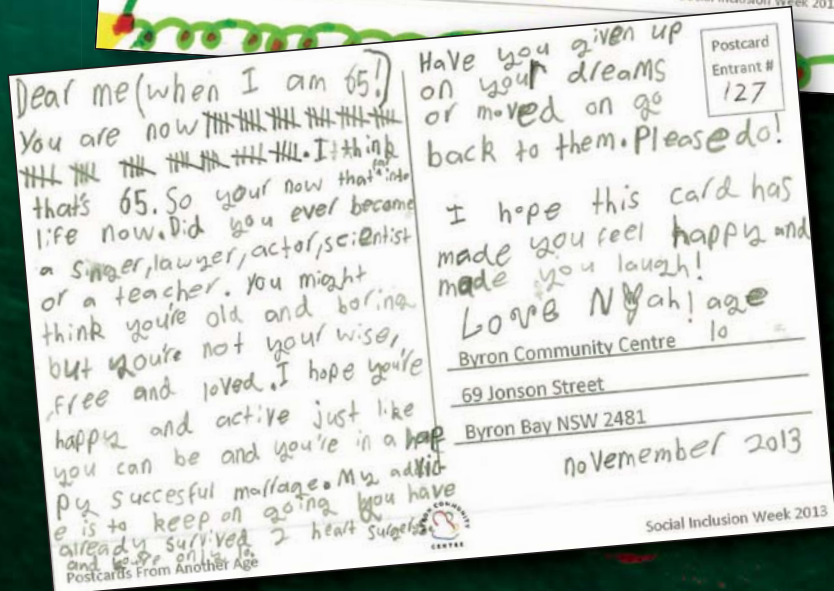
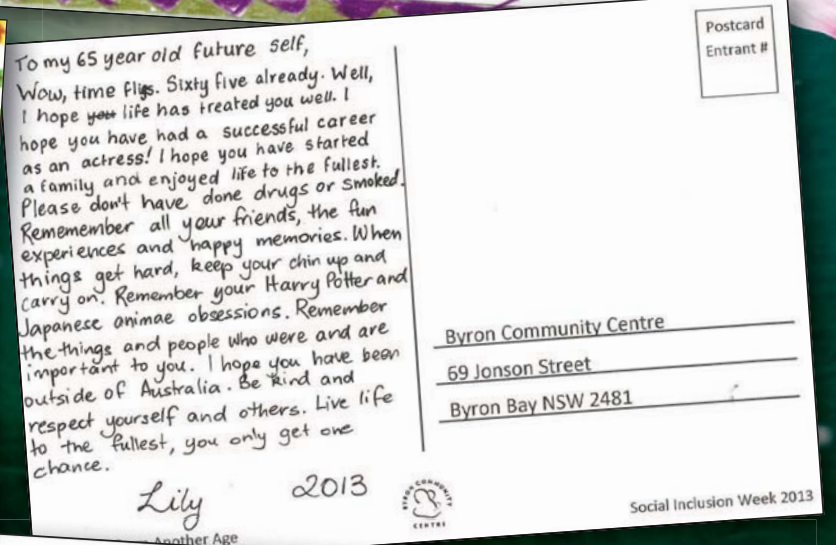
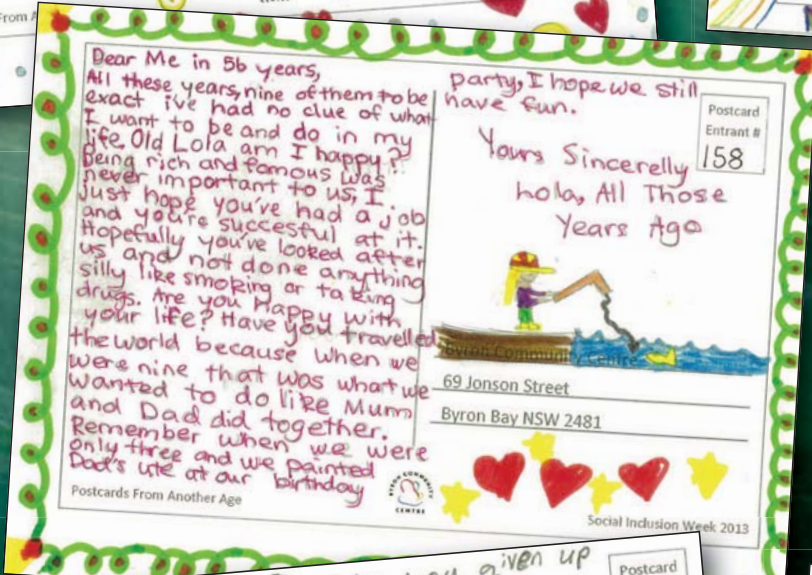
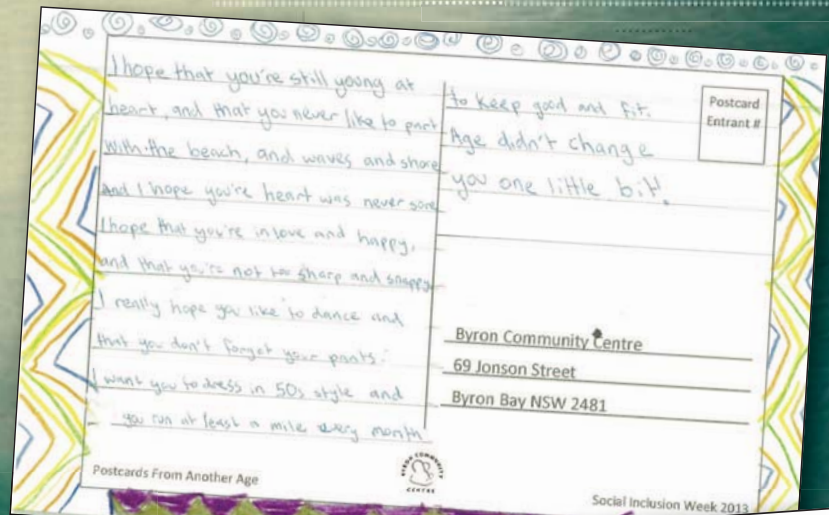
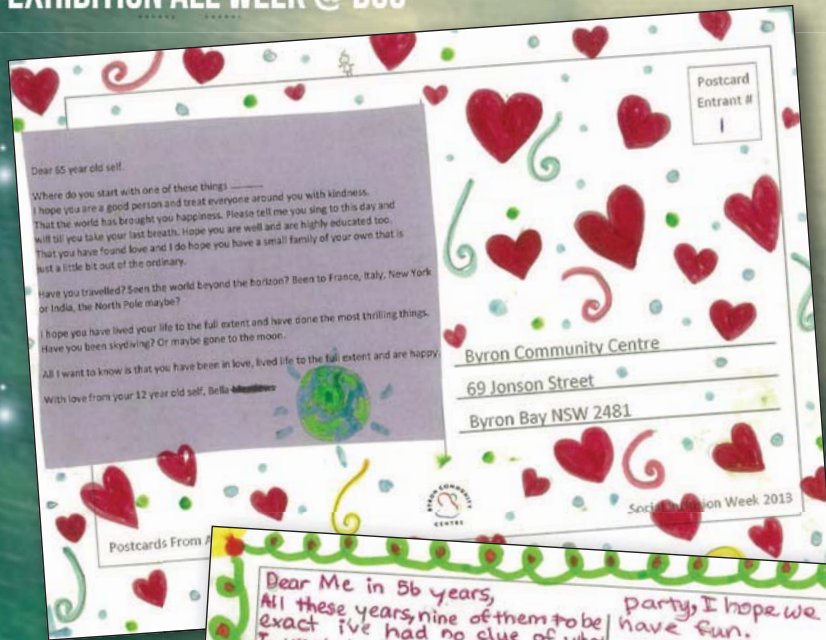
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■ I know Byron has a lot of Israelis living here. I would like to congratulate their government for sending in their highly skilled medical and search-and-rescue teams to the devastated Philippines.

**Michael Burd**  
Holidaying from Melbourne

**School downgrades**

I wish to express my concern regarding the proposal by the NSW Department of Education and Communities to downgrade the role of principal to that of leading teacher in all small schools with up to approximately 160 students. This affects the majority of schools in our area and nearly 600 principals statewide (*Echo*, November 19).

The reforms serve to remove from the school environment the complex role of the teaching principal and no evidence has been presented by the DEC regarding educational benefits associated with this arrogant proposal.

The teaching principal is a role that provides leadership, authority, professional support and management of staff, guidance, community

and parent consultation, daily site management, and future planning, while simultaneously providing the best possible educational outcomes for the students in their care.

Research routinely concludes that small schools consistently provide better educational outcomes than large schools. This is a model that is to be celebrated and supported. Our kids' futures depend on it.

As a parent who takes great pride in the small school model, I urge all parents and community members to write letters of opposition to the minister for education Adrian Piccoli, the premier Barry O'Farrell, and their local MPs.

**Sharon McGrath**  
Mullumbimby

**Sobering reading**

The Australian National Council on Drugs report, which was released this week, makes for pretty sobering reading. In short the key findings were:

- Almost one in eight deaths of people aged under 25 is due to alcohol.
- Sixty per cent of all police attendances (including 90 per cent of late-night calls) involve alcohol.
- One in five hospitalisations of people under 25 are due to alcohol.
- Twenty per cent of Australians drink at levels putting them at risk of lifetime harm.
- Almost two-thirds of 18-29-year-olds drink 'specifically to get drunk'.

This is the background to Byron's even greater problems of late-night intoxication and violence. I wonder how the local Liquor Accord accounts for these findings in

their defence of Byron's late night alcohol supply.

**Dr David Moss**  
Byron Bay

**Happy surprise**

Congratulations to Byron Shire Council for introducing a third bin for organic garden waste! A happy surprise it was to see their FOGO notice in last week's *Echo* announcing the long-overdue and most welcome change. How good it will be to see all those green-lidded bins, and know their contents will become useful compost rather than toxic landfill.

**Ziggi Browning**  
Mullumbimby

**Chem-free regen**

There are many organic ways to treat weeds. So those who are inspired to reverse our biodiversity loss and want to reduce the Shire's reliance on herbicides are invited to a work and training session at the Mullumbimby Community Garden chem-free regen site. Come any time between 9am and 1pm on Wednesday December 4. It's time for less talk and more action.

**Dave Rawlins**  
Mullumbimby Creek

**Consider leg-ropes**

Can I make a plea to all our new-style surfers who have abandoned leg-ropes to take five minutes out and give some consideration to others using the surf. After 30 years of relatively safe surf at Wategos Beach, it seems a new generation of board riders have abandoned a vital piece of protection, the leg-rope. Wearing protection when undertaking inherently dangerous sporting activities

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**Oliver Dunne**  
Wategos Beach

### Good public school

Watching my son graduate recently from Byron High School, I could not help comparing the difference from my own schooling. Having attended an exclusive, expensive private school that instilled elitism, tolerated bullying and fostered many values I would not want my children exposed to, I feel extremely glad that Byron Bay has such a good public school.

The staff and students have created and maintained a culture of co-operation more than competition, with programs to deal with bullying and encourage acceptance. I have watched my daughter and now my son go through

their school years at Byron High in an atmosphere that encourages learning, open mindedness, environmental and social awareness and tolerance. It's a vast difference from what I experienced at school.

There was a feeling of camaraderie and warmth among the students and staff at the school breakfast and final assembly, as well as the school formal. The principal Peter King and year adviser George Graham both made inspiring speeches, delivered from the heart with humour, wisdom and guidance. I would like to offer my sincere thanks and gratitude to the principal, all the teachers, the P and C, and everyone else who has helped make the school what it is. It was great to see this group of young people finishing school and preparing for their futures as adults and I wish them all the very best, hoping they will take with them the wholesome values that have been instilled at Byron High School.

**Rosco Faithfull**  
Possum Creek

### Formal joy

Byron Bay High School held the year 12 Formal at the new Byron Regional Sport and Cultural Complex. More than 300 students, parents and friends enjoyed the sit-down meal and celebrations. This is the first time we have had a venue large enough to host such an event in Byron Bay.

In the past we have often

gone to Ballina. We were pleased to be able to use local caterers and hire company. More importantly the \$18,000 budget was spent in our town. Congratulations to those who had the foresight and will to make this venue a reality in Byron Bay.

**George Graham**  
Byron Bay

### Rail revival

Over the past few months I've been overseas studying transport systems and policies. The core message is integration – it's not just about bikes, or rail or cars. You create the core longer routes, then add the short, connecting journeys.

The northern rivers is blessed with a transport corridor 130km long that connects our towns and villages – like Bangalow, Lillipilli, Byron, Sunrise, Tyagarah, Mullum and Billinudgel.

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We can use bikes to get to and from stations. Or, we take our bikes *on* the train. Or, bikes travel *beside* the tracks on their own path – as they do in California, Italy and even Victoria. This creates a choice to bike one way and rail home. We also add small feeder buses, like Ocean Shores to Billinudgel, to assist others.

Keeping the tracks for rail is the only option that

guarantees the land stays in public ownership forever, for long-term social, economic and environmental reasons. No other option does this. The rail revival is happening worldwide – let's not go backwards.

**Karin Kolbe**  
Suffolk Park

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### Orchid news

The end-of-year dinner for Byron District Orchid Society will be held at Mullumbimby Ex-Services Club on Tuesday December 10 at 6.30. Members and their guests welcome. If attending phone Penny 6680 1600 before Saturday 7th.

### Byron Sophia

Byron Sophia Philosophical Group: 'Happy-Scope' for 2014 presented by student-astrologer Julia Williams. Thursday 28 November, 1-3pm, at Masonic Centre, 6 Byron St, Byron Bay. Info: Celia 6684 3623.

### Katia AGM

Katia Project Inc's AGM will be held at the Byron Bay Herb Nursery, off Bayshore Drive, Byron Bay industrial estate at 5pm on Thursday 28 November. Existing and new members welcome. Phone Nick 6685 5109.

### North Coast Lesbian Alliance

will be holding an end-of-year fundraiser dance on Saturday 30 November at Ewingsdale Hall. World View Catering will be open at 7pm. Women only. Contact Epona 0418 483 526 or nclca@bigpond.com.

### SPPA AGM

Suffolk Park Progress Association will be holding its AGM on Tuesday 3 December at 7pm in Suffolk Park Hall followed by Christmas drinks. All Suffolk Park residents welcome.

### Lamington drive

St Paul's Anglican Church, 14 Kingsley St, Byron Bay. Delivery Date: Friday 13 December. Orders can be placed by phoning Sue on 6685 3680.

### BEC AGM

The Byron Environment Centre is holding its AGM on Friday 29 November at 2pm at the Cumbebin Wetland Sanctuary in Byron Bay (behind the market site). Everyone invited to attend. Enquiries 6687 1538.

### Probus Club

The Brunswick Valley Probus Club will hold their next meeting on Tuesday 3 December at 10am at the Ocean Shores Country Club. Guest speaker will be author Bette Guy, followed by our Xmas luncheon. Enquiries Veronica 6680 2025.

### U3A Ballina/Byron

Our Christmas party will be held on 3/12/13 at 10am in the CWA rooms, Brunswick Heads. All welcome. Enquiries 6680 7350.

### Fishing workshop

DPI Educational Fishing Workshop to be held at Brunswick Heads, 14 December, 9am-1pm. Workshop is for ages 8-14. Come learn how to tie knots and rigs, handle and identify fish and get in some casting practice. Cost \$40 per child. Receive a rod, reel, tackle box, shirt, hat and info showbag. Contact: Milan 6626 1381 or 0458 274 876

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### Film night

*Gandhi* (1982), on Wednesday 27 November 2013 at 7.30pm at the A&I Hall, Station Street, Bangalow. Tickets at the door. Fundraising event hosted by AD-FAS. Enq 6684 3249.

### FNC CWA

The CWA Council Group, Far North Coast (FNC) General Meeting on 28 November at Brunswick Heads Bowling Club. Start at 9 for morning tea and meeting 9.30. Enquiries 6685 0489.

### Chem-free regen

Mullumbimby Community Garden – chem-free regen training and work morning. Wed 4 December, any time from 9am to 1pm. Please bring gloves and a small knife. For more info contact Dave Rawlins 0410 019 997, daverawlins75@gmail.com.

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### Candlelight remembrance

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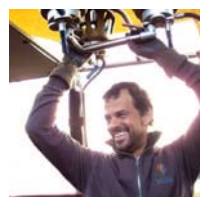
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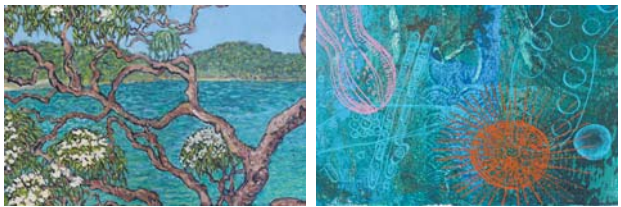
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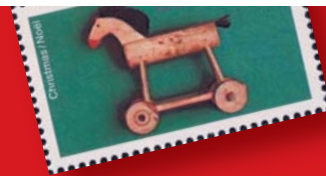
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It's bursting with vital information; you can easily see what events are on at any time in 2014. All the local markets are listed too, including weekly farmers markets. There are also school holidays and schoolies dates so you know when the crowds are due to descend upon us. It also has the moon phases, daylight savings changes and more. All this in an easy-to-read layout with space left to write on.

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**VIOLINIST LAURA TARGETT STEPS OUT OF THE SHADOWS AND INTO THE LIMELIGHT WHEN SHE LAUNCHES HER BRAND NEW CD FEATURING SONGS SHE HAS WRITTEN, PLAYED AND SUNG. SEVEN SPOKE WITH LAURA ABOUT HER EMERGENCE FROM FIDDLE PLAYER TO SINGER, REVEALING A UNIQUE AND EVOCATIVE VOICE.**

**Congratulations on getting three songs selected in the finals of Music Oz awards. When do you learn of the outcome?** It's been really affirming that the songs got into the finals! I didn't win an award this time. I entered them as a kind of dare to myself - if they got anywhere, I'd follow this thing through. Got my answer, with three songs in the finals!

**I am a little confused about the difference between fiddle and violin. Which is it you play - and what is it about the essence of that instrument that is so evocative for you?** The instrument itself is the same; the difference is in how you play it. Classical musicians would call it a violin, whereas folk musicians call it a fiddle. There are grey areas of course! I've been playing for so many years, the violin feels like an extension of myself, another voice really to express all the things that can be hard to put into words. I remember this first when I was a kid and my mum had cancer - I struggled to communicate what I was going through with words, but found it much easier to let it all out with music. Finding my singing voice has followed on from finding my voice with the violin.

**How has your classical training informed the musician who you are today?** My early classical training was something I sometimes struggled with at the time, but in retrospect it gave me a solid grounding, good technique and some invaluable skills in composing and understanding the structure of harmonies.

**Have you always sung? How is it stepping up to the microphone as a singer?** It's always been easy for me to play the violin in front of an audience (actually it's a bit of a social prop that helps me deal with shyness!) and I've been performing as a violinist (or fiddler) for years, since I was a teenager. But to step up and sing to an audience is new for me, is somehow more revealing, and can feel quite exposed. But getting comfortable with that vulnerable feeling is part of the process. And is also a running theme in this debut album, *Fragile*. I'm sure all the years of playing and studying traditional fiddle styles from around the world has affected the way I sing - and having spent years using my violin to express myself, some of those musical inflections translate over into my voice for sure.

**Tell me a little about the songs you have written that are on your new album?** I wrote my first ever song about four years ago coming through some stormy times after going through depression, relationship break-up and personal crisis. I began to use this new-found private therapy practice to



process life in the early hours when the kids were asleep... as you do! I played my song sketches to a few friends and had such overwhelming encouragement to 'do something' with them - people seemed to relate quite empathically with the way I wrote about my experiences. So the idea of recording an album was born, with the co-producing skills of wonderful producer, Avishai Barnatan, helping shape it into something magical. It evolved into a far bigger, farther-reaching project than the personal milestone I'd initially envisioned with some truly amazing artists and engineers coming on board.

**What is the song that you are proudest of?** Really depends what mood I'm in! They all represent different aspects of my experience of life, from love, to crisis, to hope, to shadows, to vulnerability. I try to write as directly as I can - one friend called the songs 'intimate, direct and poetic' and that sounds good to me!... They're all very human really.

**Who are the musicians that you most enjoy playing with - how do they change or influence the way you play?** I've played with so many incredible musicians from around the world over the years; all of them have shaped or influenced my playing. The best way

to study music in my books is get out there and play! Playing with musicians better than myself is one of my favourite things to do - the chance to be inspired and see where I can develop as an artist is a never-ending, always rewarding process. I'm really looking forward to playing with some of my favourite musicians in the area at the CD launch on Friday - Thierry Fossevalle on bass, Oles Krolikowsky and Alex Mcleod on guitars, Cye Wood and Dominic Rado on violins (love playing with other violinists!), Jamie Patugalan on drums, Parissa Bouas on harmony vocals and probably a special guest or two!

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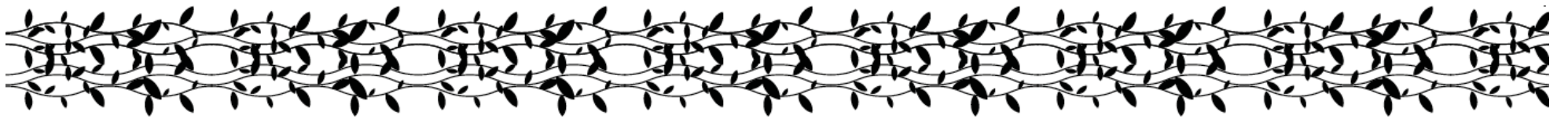
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## VEGAN KARMA

I have never really believed in karma. It just seems too neat. Too much like ointment for the pains of seeing dickheads get away with being dickheads, and good people be punished for no apparent reason. I guess I believe in the randomness of all things and if something bad happens to someone who's been an arsehole I think less that they had it coming and more that it's some sort of sweet serendipity. Like winning the arsehole lottery. Like if Gina Rinehart fell down a mineshaft I'd be delighted.

But perhaps I am wrong about this karma thing. That's not something I admit often. In fact like most opinionated people who see it as their god-given right to mouth off in the public arena I tend to be pretty firmly entrenched in my own self-righteousness.

Let me tell you what has happened, and you tell me whether it's universal accident or conspiratorial karma. I have always made fun of vegans. Not because I hate vegans as a food group, but because they are an easy target. When you start defining yourself by your food choices I think you leave yourself pretty wide open for ridicule. And vegans take their veganism very seriously. Religiously even.

That makes them even more vulnerable to my ruthless wit.

And in general they seem a little slower off the mark, like all the pistons aren't firing. Vegans also seem to dress like vegans. Dreadlocks, hemp pants, natural dye t-shirts, armband tattoos. What could once be described as a sandal now ferments on the foot.

In my crude and unkind generalisations I have also suggested that vegans are humourless. That they are so pious and protein deprived that they've starved the part of the brain that knows how to process satire. After writing an article of this nature some years ago I attracted the ire of one very, very angry vegan who then wrote me threatening emails suggesting that I was not funny. For a vegan I was amazed at how aggressive she was. I guess in my stereotyping of vegans I also imagined them to be placid and tolerant, not raging angry psychopaths.

Angry vegan continued to send me abusive vegan-mail. I drew the line at the one where she gave a list of famous vegan people (suggesting that I was a loser because I wasn't famous) and she listed Pamela Anderson. I was like, listen lady, the woman wears ugg boots and I've seen the video and I can tell you that she's definitely a meat eater! In fact the vegan got so angry I had to tell local police that if I was found dead with a carrot in my back that they were to track down psycho-vegan and throw her in tofu prison.

Now, four years later I find the joke is on me. My 18-year-old daughter has decided to become a vegan. Somehow that psycho vegan bitch has infiltrated my family! She's turning them against me, one vegan at a time. Now every night I make two meals. Family

meal and Vegan meal. It's exhausting trying to think of something that doesn't contain milk, butter, eggs, honey, cheese, chicken, beef, prawns, fish, pork, haloumi, and anything that is generally delicious. Anything that generally gives a dish that WOW factor.

I was bad, I warned my daughter, a beautiful young woman who is fastidious about her appearance. 'Watch out, pretty soon you will start dressing like a vegan.' She recoiled in horror. 'No mum. I will never dress like a vegan!' I am a meat-eating bitch. I nodded in agreement but then dropped in a clanger 'that's what they all say, love. No-one ever starts off dressing like that. It happens by degrees. Tofu melts your brain. You start thinking green hemp singlets look good, and before long you've bought yourself a pair of crocs.'

She knows me well enough to know that I am scared. I can't face a vegan menu. Maybe one night a week. But every meal, every night? I was born with teeth and a digestive system for a reason. I didn't fight my way to the top of the food chain to eat nuts. Honestly, having a vegan in the house is like looking after a rare bird. I leave a trail of seeds and berries, and there she is, my hungry little vegan, crying for her supper. So psycho vegan, I hope you are fucking happy, you bean-munching bitch. You have turned one of my inner circle. One down, six to go. Yes, perhaps there is a thing called karma. And I'll be eating mine tonight. Vegan karma of course.

Read more of Mandy in her book, *What I Would Do If I Were You*, available at all good bookshops

# Live Music!

## SISTERS WITH KULCHA

This Saturday there is a free youth barbecue with Ya Kulcha hip-hop and salsa crew and the Three Little Sisters at Brunswick Heads soundshell on the river. These young and talented dancers and singers performed last weekend at the Mullum Music Festival. Issara Ketkul (Cawongla) and Harry Waddington (Kyogle) join Shoni Dawkins to share their amazing moves and crazy hip-hop style. Ebony Webb and Satima Ornano will be teaching salsa and reggaeton. The Three Little Sisters, who've graced the stages of Bluesfest and Splendour in the Grass, will be singing and playing some of their much-loved songs. Learn some moves, enjoy the music and food, make new friends or just share in the friendly vibe. This is a No Drug No Alcohol event for 12-26 and a Byron Shire Council Youth Grant supported by BYB FB Ya Kulcha Hip-Hop & Salsa. 11am-3pm

## NOTHING SMALL ABOUT A LITTLE PROVINCE

Moulded out of acoustic folk rock, and turned into the funnest chunk of prog rock you've heard, **A Little Province** gig starts big... then gets bigger. Rhythms designed for dancing and mathematic confusion, violin soaring within the fabric of heavy-affect guitar, one angelic singing drummer and a very, very energetic live show. These four east coast of Oz boys are in the studio again, and exited by this big new sound. They steam up the backroom, **Great Northern**, on

**Saturday.** Don't miss this one-off 'engine room' theme. Hey, come dressed up if you are awesome!

## CAMEL TONES FOR BILLI

The Camel Tones are coming to the Billi this Friday for a night of rhythm 'n' blues with guitar whizz Geoff Wright doin' what he does best, the one and only Ric Crothall laying it down on bass, as well as the mighty Pete Wilkins on drums and Tim Longworth guitar and vocal. So come on down for a fun night at the **Billinudgel Hotel!**

## DEYA GETS SYMBIOTIC

Deya Dova launches her brand new EP *Symbiotic* in Byron Bay this Saturday.

Having just returned from the US where Deya and her band performed at the Burning Man Festival in the Nevada Desert, headlined at the amazing Sacred Spaces Village, they previewed the new music with an absolutely euphoric response from the international audience as they danced up the Deya Dova energy. She has worked with producers from around the globe and her music features in countless media and films. Her musical journey has spanned genres including global electronica, world, ambient, downtempo, glitchhop, and origins as a guitarist, singer/songwriter. Known for her shapeshifting and evolving musical journey, what remains constant in Deya's music is her love of ancient songlines, cinematic soundscapes, textural organica, totemic bass, temple beats and euphoric tribalism. The new music brings together Deya's spine-tingling vocals, potent songwriting and rich downtempo dance beats. Saturday's show features Deya and the band playing two full



AURORA JANE AT THE LENNOX PUB ON FRIDAY



DEYA DOVA AT KULCHAJAM ON SATURDAY

sets, a special guest DJ set by **Dakini** and immersive projections.

Doors open 8pm, launch at 9pm at **Kulchajam**, 1 Acacia Street, Arts & Industry Estate, Byron Bay. Saturday.

## BRAZILIAN PARTY

No it's not a party excluding people who haven't had their pubic hair removed! It's a full colourful **streets-of-Brazil extravaganza!** The return of Brazilian samba rock, MPB and samba soul group **Zambabem**, who bring the hip and swinging sounds of Sao Paulo's downtown dance halls to the dance floor. The band plays old and new Música Popular Brasileira (MPB), specialising in a style of music called samba rock (a mixture of samba, American swing/rockabilly, and funk) and samba soul also incorporating styles such as boss nova, samba de gafieira, maracatu, mangue beat, forro, baião, reggae and ska into an exciting and upbeat mixture of music from their homeland! Alongside DJ Paprika mixing up Música Brasileira and Brazilian beats from the past, present and future!

Blending samba rock, samba funk and soul, forro, baião, embolada, samba de coco, tropicalia, boss nova and more for the dancefloor! On **Friday** at the

**Byron Brewery.**

## FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH

**Allensworth** is proud to represent the Southern Cali experience that they have deemed 'SoCal Feel Good Music'. Back for the band's third time, hailing all the way from southern California, the funk, rock and soul quintet are touring Australia this summer to promote the new album *Against the Grain*. Allensworth has been named Orange County's best live band, having shared the stage with the Godfather of Soul Mr James Brown, Stevie Wonder, Herbie Hancock and the Headhunters, Prince, and Maceo Parker just to name a few. This tells you that this ensemble is not foreign to feelgood music, the kind of music that you can't help but groove to, move to, chill out and drink a brew to. Allensworth returns to the **Byron Bay Brewery, Saturday 8pm.** Free show.

## BY THE STRANDS

The passion-driven, soul-drenched vocals of Trish Wilson, the guitar work of Neil Jeffs, whose passionate playing demonstrates that he wears his heart on his strings, supported by the synergistic energy of rhythm section Jimmy Lieschke on drums and Jon DeLaurence on bass, makes for a memorable night of fun with **The Strands**. Together only 12 months, each of the members has years of experience playing in rock, soul and blues outfits up and down the east coast of Australia. They have already received airplay both on local radio ZZZ and ABC Radio National for several of their songs, were shortlisted for the Australian Songwriter's Awards in 2013 and plan to record a full-length album early next year thanks to regular requests at shows to be able to purchase a CD of their material. The Strands effortlessly blend their rock and blues influences and add a bit of pop and funk for good measure. This fusion is most apparent in their original material, the themes of which are personal, interpersonal and about matters of social conscience. There is also a sprinkling of covers that find a home in their sets, which include songs from artists such as Powderfinger, The Divinyls, Baby Animals, Lincoln Park, Adele, Pink, Jet and Allanis Morrisette. They are at **The Middle Pub** this Friday.

## HEADLINERS SING

The **Headliners Chorus** would love you to join them on **Sunday** at the **Ballina RSL Club** for a seasonal soiree. It will be an entertaining afternoon performance featuring new repertoire, old favourites and some seasonal songs to begin the countdown to Christmas. Musical director Cathy Gordon has proudly led the Headliners this



### SUMMER PROGRAM

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year as they continue their journey to excellence. May 2014 will see them represent their northern rivers communities at the National Sweet Adelines Convention in Sydney. This has been a year where the Chorus has focused on community performances including Lismore Eisteddfod, Ballina Relay for Life and Cinema Under the Stars in both Ballina and Lismore. Tickets only \$10pp and can be purchased online at [www.ballinarsl.com.au](http://www.ballinarsl.com.au) or at the club 6686 2544. 2pm.



KIARA JACK AND THE JILLS AT THE RAILS ON THURSDAY

### KNIKI AND MIKE

According to Bas from Blues on the Hill at 3NRG in Melbourne, **The Kniki and Mike Beale project** is one of the better new releases he has heard this year – full of energy, passion and soul. You can catch this combination of personality, musical prowess and audience rapport at the **Court House** in Mullumbimby on **Sunday**. They will also be appearing with **Andrew Baxter**.

### VOX ROX

**Vox Caldera Chamber Choir**, directed by Nicholas Routley, will be performing **Eighteen Shining Buttons**, songs of Passion, Prayer, Drunkenness and Fishing on Saturday. Their music will range from Josquin des Prez through Monteverdi and Debussy up to contemporary improvisation, with many moods: bawdy, bombastic, beseeching and always beautiful. **Saturday at St Kevin's** at Bangalow. 7pm. Tickets at Barebones Artspace in Bangalow. \$15/20. Further enquiries 6684 4164.

### JACK AND JILLS AT THE RAILS

**Kiara Jack and the Jills** are an original world folk band hailing from the Gold Coast. Their live performances echo the sounds of world meets contemporary with a dash of rhythmic improvisation, making each show a unique journey in itself. At the centre of their sound is the eclectic-edged voice of Kiara Jack, delivering vivid storytelling into the passionate sound of experimental instrumentation. At the **Rails** on **Thursday**.

### UKEY THURSDAY

This **Uke Mullum Stukulele** and **Miss Amber** will be presenting a repeat performance of some of the greatest songs from the year with a bunch of special guests including ol' mate **Ash Bell** and juggler extraordinaire **Joel Salom**... Make sure you're there nice and early to

get a good seat. Strumming 7–9pm, **Thursday**. Join the mailing list for the music at [www.ukemullum.com](http://www.ukemullum.com). Adults \$10 kids under 15 FREE!

### AURORA JANE AT LENNOX

Fronted by one of the world's most exciting female guitar players, **Aurora Jane's** new sound has been likened to having the fluidity and excitement of a Hendrix experience, with the deep groove of *Blood Sugar* era Chili Peppers, and the retro get-up-and-dance stylings of 70s P-Funk. Her latest album *Deep End* has been making waves around the

world. She's 'Not a plain Jane' (*Rolling Stone*, India) – the 28-year-old Australian artist has been touring the globe since 2004. Her impressive tour history includes: six tours of India (where she is signed to Blue Frog Records alongside John McLaughlin), and has headlined Roots Festival, Pubrockfest and World Music Festival – Ladakh; Canada (in 2008 & 2010 headlining Robson Valley Music Festival); Europe (2008), and endless circuits of her home turf in Australia, where she has opened for John Butler Trio, Blue King Brown and The Waifs, and played countless festivals including: Festival of the Sun, Woodford Folk Festival and Island Vibe Reggae Festival. *Deep End*, Aurora Jane's third album, was recorded across three continents, with tracking taking place in Canada, Australia, and India. At the **Lennox Pub** on **Friday**.

### HOMEGROWN BEATS

Homegrown talent **Nick Balcombe** returns to Australia in November for his first ever national tour. A successful European summer saw Balcombe take on festivals such as Woodstock and Madness, and he's now set to tackle a four-week adventure taking with him **Charlie Keller**. Balcombe's easygoing acoustic numbers and relaxed, witty stage presence are the epitome of the Australian summer, and his tour coincides with the change of the seasons. Balcombe's national tour is set to be a fully interactive and digitally immersive journey, where fans can follow his tour via social media, including video blogs. The online content is set to be as varied and exciting as the shows themselves, with performances ranging from venue shows to secret garden

shows, to the occasional busk.

Having played support slots for some of his biggest influences (Donovan Frankenreiter, Josh Pyke and the Wolfe Brothers), Balcombe is now ready to headline his own bill. The Melbourne date of the tour will feature special guest Sam Brittain, who previously held the #1 spot on the Triple J Unearthed Roots Charts, and supported Passenger for Passenger's National Theatre tour (Melbourne). Brittain will showcase his wares ahead of his highly anticipated sophomore release. At **Frankie Browns** on **Tuesday**.



ALLENSWORTH AT THE BREWERY ON SATURDAY

## Meet Your Soulmate in Silence

HAVING DIFFICULTY MEETING A PARTNER? IT USED TO BE SO SIMPLE, BUT SUDDENLY AT 30 YOU WANT SOMETHING DIFFERENT, OR YOU DON'T WANT TO MEET SOMEONE AT THE PUB, AND YOU HAVEN'T GOT TIME FOR THE THREE-DATE AUDITION PROCESS. FACILITATOR ERNST DAMS SPOKE TO *THE ECHO* ABOUT SILENT SPEED DATING, A RESPECTFUL, INTERACTIVE AND FUN WAY FOR LOCAL SINGLE PEOPLE TO MEET EACH OTHER.

**So what was your inspiration for instigating Silent Speed Dating?** In my work as group facilitator and relationship counsellor I've come to appreciate men's and women's innate need to be met, seen and witnessed by a committed and loving partner. Relationships offer fertile ground for personal growth and satisfaction... and challenge! We are relational beings, this is how we live!

Earlier this year I attended a speed-dating event in Melbourne, run by my friend Arven Alexander, and it was fun and effective. He supported me to set it up here as we both recognised the potential need for this service in our shire.

**Maybe tell me what you mean by 'silent'?** Each man and woman will meet initially in silence, just connecting through the eyes. As most of our actual communication between people is essentially non-verbal, I'm a great believer in connecting through the eyes, the breath, the heart... first. Once that connection is felt and established (and this may only need a minute or less), then we can choose to communicate in other ways as well, in movement, dance, play and even speak!

**Why do you think so many people are finding it hard to partner?** I think there're many reasons, Mandy. First of all in this shire the (good!) men versus women ratio

is out of balance, some say as much as one to seven! That creates an extra challenge in the 'playing field'. Some women I speak to tell me they've given up, after much effort with online dating etc. But I also think on the other hand single people can get stuck in their ways, become comfortable being alone, or are really scared to risk again for love.

**What do you think the main obstacles are in finding a mate?** I believe people need to be ready to enter into the journey that is relationship. That means they have integrated the learnings and healed the pains of the previous relationship. They may feel tender, cautious even, but they have decided they are willing to enter the relational domain again, now richer and wiser because of lessons learned. Many enter prematurely or with unresolved issues. This can become an obstacle. It takes a fresh new commitment and some clarity around the kind of person you're looking to attract this time around, to successfully take that plunge again...

**What do you think the problems are with conventional dating services or websites?** I do not have a lot of personal experience but as a men's coach I get a lot of complaints from men how they are challenged in finding the right woman online and end up on dates where there is not much interest, attraction or polarity. Women tell me similar stories. It seems the digital meeting place of online dating doesn't allow for sufficient 'feel' between two people to determine an actual attraction. And how could it? It's one-dimensional.

**How is what you are doing different?** It's quite essentially different as it is a meeting 'in the flesh' amid a segment of our local community with a common cause: Connecting and meeting consciously with an intention to find a partner for the next leg of the relationship

## Culture

### PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

**International Day of People with Disability (IDPWd)** is celebrated worldwide recognising the achievements and contributions of people with a disability. This year's Festival of Ability event will be held on Tuesday in Lismore and will feature artist with a disability **Renee McAlpin**. Renee is an unsigned country music singer, and a judge for the **Talent Quest**. Shortly after Renee started singing a few well-known country songs at the local pub, she was later discovered by Lyn Manning, a great friend to the family. Lyn and her son Matthew helped Renee develop her amazing voice further and Matthew has (and still does) played guitar for her at many gigs. Renee has performed at many talent quests and sung at country music festivals and worked with amazing and very talented musicians around Australia, making many friends with the audience and other great artists. The Red Inc band **The Last Path** will also be performing along with La Fontinella. Opened by **Jenny Dowell** at midday and hosted by **Mandy Nolan**. At the **Lismore Greyhound Racing Track** from 10am. Free.

### FOCUS ON YOUTH DEPRESSION

**Byron Youth Theatre** showcase their latest work *Mind Made Me*, a piece focusing on depression, anxiety and self-injury on **Monday** at the **Drill Hall** in Mullumbimby.

The accomplished young group put on an incredibly powerful and moving performance, highlighting their talents in singing, slam poetry, acrobatics and dark comedy. All pieces performed by Byron Youth Theatre are devised through research, interviews, surveys, personal experiences and activities and performed at local high schools. *Mind Made Me* has already received tremendous feedback from local youth and the Cringe the Binge event at the Byron Community Centre. Recommended for ages 14+. 6pm. Entry by donation.

### NEW THEATRE GROUP FOR BYRON

A new theatre group in Byron, **The Theatre Project**, directed by Robert Owens, are presenting their own adaptation of the great Spanish play *The House Of Bernarda Alba* by Garcia Lorca in the **Performing Arts Centre** at **Byron Bay High School** on **Thursday**. The play tells of a family ruled by the domineering matriarch, Bernarda Alba. Her five unmarried adult daughters are not beyond desire, yet are shackled by the severe restrictions placed on them by Bernarda and the social and moral mores that dominate life, particularly for women, in the village in which they live during the years leading up to the Spanish civil war. It is a theatre of beauty and contradiction that makes comment on what it is to be an artist in the theatre and live in Byron. Thursday 5 and 6 December at the Byron Performing Arts Centre at the Byron High School. Tix at Santos Mullum and Byron. \$15/20. Tix are limited. Shows at 8pm.



journey. So you can ask yourself, 'how does this person feel, act, behave, play, move... how present are they with you... how is your heart affected by this meeting?'

And remember, you're not only meeting one on one, but you are also observing people in the context of a larger group, so this all provides ample 'information' about any possible attraction you might experience, which could well be mutual!

I recommend people serious about finding a new committed partner to jump in and explore this new way of meeting and connecting authentically with others, who share the same intention. Perhaps risking all to love again!

**This Friday in Byron at a venue that will be confirmed on booking. Pre-purchase of tickets is essential. The event starts at 7pm. It costs \$35 and there is a \$10 discount if you book with a friend of the opposite sex. Please call Ernst on 0411 206 997 for more bookings and enquiries.**

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8.00pm  
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2.00pm  
**DJ BEATDUSTA**  
4.30pm  
**FEREMONES**  
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WITH LILITH

With the Sun off and running in the sign of the optimistic Archer, this Happy Birthday Sagittarius week's got legs, energy and plenty of big ideas...

- ♈ **ARIES:** If early November's unhappy events left a lingering tristesse, this mood-lightening, life-brightening, spirit-lifting week revives your natural joie de vivre. Puzzling, peculiar or painful mysteries are explained, though perhaps brutally by some. No need to join them – make this week's mission telling the truth kindly.
- ♉ **TAURUS:** Confidence-boosting Venus in Capricorn's your personal success recipe for meeting useful contacts, influential supporters and new opportunities through shrewd socialising and schmoozing. Maintain a balance of resolute with adaptable and firm with user-friendly; ditch what's no longer useful and open up to fresh perspectives.
- ♊ **GEMINI:** As wobbly circumstances stabilise, a candid look at your future requires commitment to scrapping unsupportive, unhealthy habits, whether that's financial lifestyle or mindset. Your savvy social circle can help establish a user-friendly regime, and listening to someone older, wiser and more experienced could prove extremely helpful.
- ♋ **CANCER:** Love or friendship differences can be overcome this week by releasing history, assumptions, judgments or blame, while Capricorn Venus offers the will to do it. Even if your efforts don't garner the results you wanted, they'll still bring

- ♌ **LEO:** This week of exciting invitations also offers seductive dreams and attractive schemes likely to end in trauma and drama. So enjoy the gameplay, but keep your feet and finances on terra firma. Think practical evaluation, feasibility studies and realistic probabilities versus pie in the sky extravaganzas.
- ♍ **VIRGO:** This week encourages self-promotion, while at the same time recommending financial reserve and conservation. When Venus in Capricorn (Virgo's house of love) combines with midweek Virgo moon, be ready to think big picture, dance with unexpected developments and move on rather than hang on.
- ♎ **LIBRA:** Libran scales swerve this week between exhilaration and aggravation due to external circumstances and your own morphing moods. So stick with your strengths: creating style without costing a motza and maintaining the keen eye for a shrewd buy till life levels out round late week Libra moon.
- ♏ **SCORPIO:** Scorpios need to routinely detox their fierce beings of emotions that poison them from the inside, ie the infamous sting. The present transit offers plenty of healing potential for discharging this damaging stuff. Don't be over-swift to judge others

- temper that laser insight with empathy.
- ♐ **SAGITTARIUS:** This is your time to shine, so as you share your pearls of wisdom put as much thought into how you say something as what you say. Express with finesse. As ideas fire and visions inspire, be attentive to the small picture as well as the big perspective.
- ♑ **CAPRICORN:** During this week's wild ride, be appreciative of steady, reliable, benevolent friends, and not slow in showing your gratitude. This is a time when boundaries can be overstepped and expectations unaddressed, so stay sensitive, aware and ready with the S for sorry word.
- ♒ **AQUARIUS:** Your future isn't manifested by simply writing down your goals. Practical plans to achieve these need implementing, and this week supports discipline and ticking off to-do lists. Meanwhile, it's easy to step on emotional land mines, so be aware that controversial conversations could have unwanted repercussions.
- ♓ **PISCES:** People offer opinions this week wanted or not, so it makes sense not to get defensive but listen instead to which feedback applies. The difference between assisting and enabling – either yourself or someone else – could become blazingly clear, and also that further education's a worthwhile idea.

**BOGAN BINGO**

**Ocean Shores Tavern** go the mo and raise awareness for men's health with **Bogan Bingo**. Everyone loves a good game of Bingo – and when it is teamed with 80s rock tunes and an air-guitar competition you have a rocking night of interactive comedy gold! The bingo calls are done over the top of an 80s anthem rock-filled soundtrack. Entry is free but awareness is on fundraising to support men's health. Show starts at 7.30pm in the main bar.

**WRITE HERE WRITE NOW**

Byron's **Writers at the Rails** do their poetic leap into summer this **Sunday** with two very special guest features: intergalactic ever-touring iconic poet/muso and founder member of the infamous band Gong, **Daavid Allen** will share the stage with Sydney poet/playwright/muso/puppeteer **Benito Di Fonzo**.

The afternoon show will also include invited readings and the ever-popular cashed-up **Poetry Slam**. Show starts at 2pm.

**IT'S A MYSTERY**

**Mullum Flicks** presents the brilliant Australian film directed by Ivan Sen **Mystery Road**. Aaron Pederson leads a star-studded Aussie cast. Indigenous cowboy detective Jay Swan returns to his outback hometown to solve the murder of a teenage girl. Alienated from both the white-dominated police force and his own community, Jay stands alone in his determination to fight back for his town and his people. **Friday at The Drill Hall**, Mullumbimby, 7pm. Dinner 8pm. Film tickets: \$14/12 Mullum Bookshop and door.

**BIG GIG GOES GREEK**

**Jimmy Poulos** is a stylish comic professional whose long career has established him not only as one of Brisbane's most popular and successful funny men, but one of the funniest 'Wog' comics in the country. His sharp one-liners, machine-gun delivery and instinctive comic timing leave audiences exhausted with laughter. With **June Horden** and **Mandy Nolan** at the **Ballina RSL's Big Gig** on **Thursday** at 8pm.

**GREEN EGGS AND HAMLET**

National Theatre Live's 2010 broadcast of **Hamlet** returns to cinemas around the globe this month as part of the National's 50th anniversary celebrations. Rory Kinnear gives an extraordinary performance in the title role of this dynamic production of Shakespeare's complex and profound play about the human condition. This is a **Hamlet** for our times, with palace courtiers constantly hovering, conspiring, and whispering into mobile phones. *The Times* awarded this production five stars. At the **Palace** in Byron on **Saturday** at 1pm. Tix are \$23–25.

**ROYAL OPERA AT THE PALACE**

**The Royal Opera** is renowned for its outstanding performances of traditional opera, as well as commissioning new works by today's leading composers. Palace Cinema is screening a major new production from the Royal Opera, Verdi's grand opera **Les Vêpres Siciliennes**, with a stellar cast that includes Bryan Hymel, Lianna Haroutounian, Erwin Schrott and Michael Volle.

The spectacular ballet plays a significant role, with Johann Kobborg choreographing for dancers from The Royal Ballet and Royal Danish Ballet. The story is set to impassioned and dramatic music, rich in showpiece arias and ensembles and with striking choruses. Through this monumental operatic work, Herheim takes us over the threshold from the reality of the opera house into the dreamlike stories of the operas they present.

**Les Vêpres Siciliennes** screens at **Palace Byron Bay Cinema** on **Sunday** at 1pm and **Wednesday** December 4 at 11am. Tickets \$21–24.

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**BYRON YOUTH THEATRE SHOWCASING THEIR LATEST WORK MIND MADE ME AT THE DRILL HALL IN MULLUMBIMBY ON MONDAY**



**SERA MEY YERPA MONKS CREATING A SAND MANDALA IN THE SCU ROOM BYRON COMMUNITY CENTRE UNTIL TUESDAY. CHANTING DAILY AT 9.30AM AND 4.30PM.**

**SHOOTING WITHIN**

Award-winning young film director **Darius Devas** is set to release his ground-breaking experimental surf film **Within** this month.

'I've been dreaming about making *Within* for more than a decade now. I wanted to express how the experience extends beyond language, reaching out towards the most essential feeling of unity. I was inspired by George Greenough's film *Echoes*, a surf cult classic from the 70s, shot from inside the barrel of a wave on a 16mm camera. Around the time of the initial inspiration for the film, one of my childhood surfing friends, Billy, took his life. This had a huge affect on my perspective of the world. Now, suddenly I was asking myself much bigger questions about who I was and what I was doing with my life. I was seeking a connection between Billy's death, the ocean and my place in the world; something that would inspire, and allow people to experience that sense of unity. The end results exceeded my expectations. The majesty of

the ocean showed me something I could never have imagined; I felt like a witness, as if the ocean itself had made this film.' Screening at **Pighouse Flicks** on **Wednesday** at 7.30pm.

**COMEDY CHRISTMAS VIRGINS**

**The Virgin Sacrifice** is back. For the past six weeks **Mandy Nolan** has been teaching the gentle art of standup to her latest comedy initiates.

**CHESS** by Ian Rogers

Magnus Carlsen didn't just win the World Championship title in Chennai, he sent a message to his rivals that he will be a dominator in the style of Bobby Fischer.

After beating Viswanathan Anand in the ninth game of the match to take an unbeatable 6-3 lead, Carlsen and Anand were expected to play out a short draw the next day, giving Carlsen the world title and the \$1.5m winner's purse.

Instead Carlsen played for the maximum, potentially risking the World Championship title and \$0.5m.

Carlsen played on not to humiliate Anand – though a final score of 7-3 would have looked impressive in the history books – but simply because he is a maximalist like Bobby Fischer, believing that every advantageous position deserves to be played out regardless of extraneous circumstances.

In doing so the 22-year-old was sending a message that he will not be first among equals like his predecessor but plans to dominate the chess world.

Ultimately Carlsen conceded the draw after five hours play in a position where only kings were about to remain on the board.

Whilst the Carlsen era has begun, Anand admitted that he would have to rest and take stock. While Anand is highly unlikely to retire, he may decide to opt out of World Championship qualifying events, given that preparation for and participation in highly charged World Championship matches has taken such a toll on his tournament performances in recent years.

Anand will no doubt continue to compete in tournaments – he is set to compete alongside Carlsen in Zurich in February – but he may not be the ubiquitous presence in top tournaments of the past 20 years.

Carlsen, on the other hand, will do whatever he wants, which includes a new modelling contract with G-Star Raw in 2014.

One thing is sure; his appearance fees, already the highest in the world, will become stratospheric.

'This is a very funny group of people. I love teaching classes like this. It's a real pleasure teaching them. They're naturally funny. Sometimes even I can't believe what people say. You just don't know what you get until you bite 'em! Comedy is the ultimate tool for revenge. It's the place where the oppressed can take out the oppressor. Graduates all take to the stage after their short training to present their five-minute comedy routine in a real live comedy setting. With Mandy Nolan as MC, the comedy graduates fly in the face of fear at the **Court House Hotel** on **Thursday 5 Dec** at 8pm. Free.

**JEWELLERY AND METAL COLLECTIVE**

This **Friday the Hammer and Hand** is having an **opening party for '13 Boxes'**, an exhibition that will showcase new work made by this eclectic group of jewellery makers and metal workers. Each member of the collective was given the same materials and asked to come up with a range of work that reflected their individual style and creativity. Some of the pieces are wearable and some are not but all of the work reflects the diversity that is apparent in this collective. Live music by the **Moondog Gypsy Blues** band. 2–5pm.

**FULL MONTY AUDITIONS**

**Auditions** for an adaptation of **The Full Monty** will take place at the **Rochdale Theatre** on **Saturday** at 2pm. The company is particularly looking for male actors, 18 years up, age no barrier, who don't mind being partly clothed! The show is scheduled for production in late March 2014; rehearsals will begin early 2014. The show is well known to audiences through the original film of 1997, set during a period of widespread industrial unemployment and despair in the UK, which portrayed a group of unemployed men who decide to take their clothes off for fun and profit. To register your interest and book in for an audition please call Jason Smith as soon as possible on 0403 003 883.

**COMEDY IN THE CAGE!**

If you are in the **Burringbar** area and you are up for a laugh this **Saturday** pop on down to the **Sports Club** to experience **Standup Comedy in the Cage!** **Mandy Nolan** appears with two of her fellow comedians to present a knockout funny show. **McConville** is a hit on the high seas with comedy cruise ships, and **McMahon's** a local boy who knows how to spin a yarn. Tix are \$20 at the club or on the door. 8pm.

**Mullumbimby Ex-Services Club**

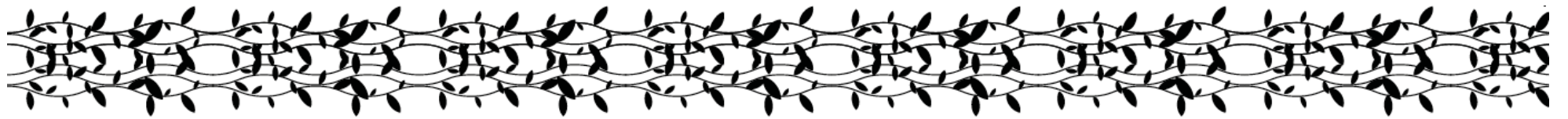
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# Book Reviews

## DEAR LIFE

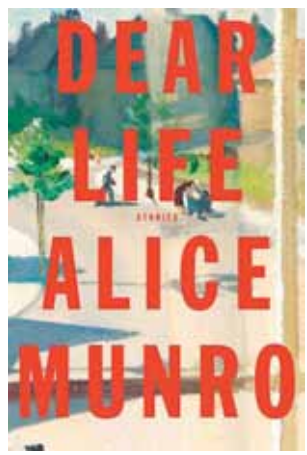
by Alice Munro, Baker and Taylor, hc \$32.95

Having picked up the Man Booker in 2009 and now the Nobel prize this year, 82-year-old Canadian author Alice Munro is one woman entitled to rest on her laurels.

In the space of 44 years Munro has produced over 100 longish short stories in some 14 collections. *Dear Life* (2012) is the most recent of them.

In a similar way to some of the modern Japanese writers' work, Munro's stories start quietly and edge along until the protagonists, mostly women, find themselves in dangerous, if not decidedly weird, waters. Munro's work has been described as Southern Ontario Gothic, a genre not nearly as florid as the work of American Gothic writers such as William Faulkner or Tennessee Williams. The common thread is the tackling of the quotidian, and the revelation that its surface tension is easy to plunge through unexpectedly.

*Dear Life* is also notable in that in the final four stories we get a glimpse into the author's own life. It's not the autobiography



her fans would wish for but it's intriguing nevertheless. The Nobel prize has a fascinating page on all the literature prize winners at [www.nobelprize.org/nobel\\_prizes/literature/laureates](http://www.nobelprize.org/nobel_prizes/literature/laureates) and it is a diverse lot, many of whom I know nothing about. I must read more.

~ Michael McDonald

## THE SEARCH FOR WONDLA

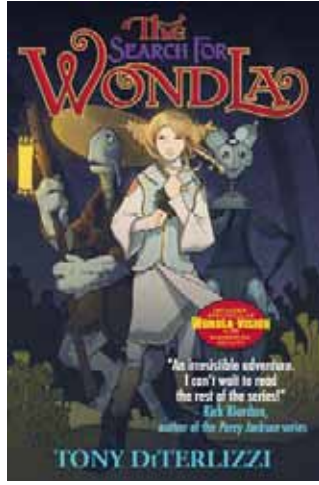
by Tony DiTerlizzi, Simon & Schuster, pb \$14.99

Think about unknown creatures. Now think about robots that look after you. Then think about tiny capsules that stem your hunger and imagine you've lived on them your whole life. Bundle it up into an amazing adventure and you have got yourself *The Search for Wondla* by Tony DiTerlizzi.

Eva Nine has never gone outside, yet alone seen the sunlight. In fact, the closest she's ever got to sunlight is the lights from her underground sanctuary. Until one day, a truly enormous intruder finds their way into her home. Alone, she is ordered to flee, and from that day on, she knows exactly what she has been missing out on.

So take my advice. Read this book and you will go on a mesmerising journey. This book is great for boys and girls from the age of nine onwards.

~ Sophia Wright-Mendeslohn, 3W, Byron Bay Public School



## THE BOOK THIEF

by Markus Zusak, Baker and Taylor, pb \$16.95

After *The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo*, along comes Liesel Meminger to take up the baton of the independent female struggling to survive in a hostile world, demonstrating lots of chutzpah and determination in the process. Meminger is the protagonist of Australian author Markus Zusak's best-selling novel, *The Book Thief*, set in Nazi Germany from 1939 on and broaching themes not for the faint-hearted, as you would expect – poverty, displacement, brutality, alienation, and of course persecution of the Jews. Zusak grew up hearing stories of Nazi brutality in his mother's hometown, so he knows, of which he writes.

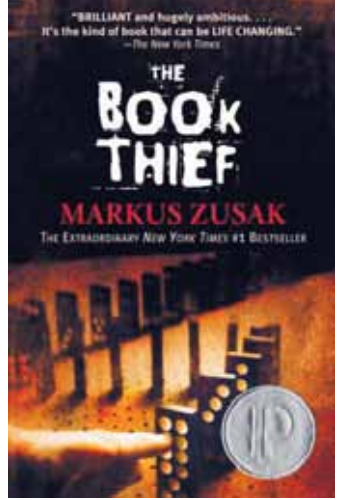
As a child of ten and onwards, Liesel's world is beset with people dying on her. She comes to live with a foster family and thankfully the kind father encourages her and teaches her to read, a process which begins with her stealing a gravedigger's handbook. In between becoming a street-fighting tomboy, Liesel 'acquires' more books and finally begins writing one of her own. Interwoven with this plot is the tale of a young Jewish man who seeks refuge in her home as the world burns around them.

Zusak's characterisation is highly engaging and the struggling (and powerful) folk of Molching are well worth knowing. Two devices of his annoyed me, however. The novel is narrated by Death, who seems irrelevant to the narrative – and in any case Terry Pratchett has cornered the market on a humorous and poignant Death. Zusak also has Death's large-type explanations scattered through the text, and these detract from the flow of the story.

As well as the brutal realities of persecution, Zusak is keen to examine and promote the joys of reading – what author wouldn't be when there are so many other distractions these days?

The film of *The Book Thief*, starring Geoffrey Rush and Emma Watson, is due for release in January 2014. It's going to be hard to capture all the nuances which entranced so many readers and critics.

Read more about Zusak at [www.facebook.com/MarkusZusak](http://www.facebook.com/MarkusZusak). ~ Michael McDonald



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**13 BOXES**  
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**WEDNESDAY 27**

- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, BYRON
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 8PM FEENIXPAUL
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON JAFFER
- BYRON BREWERY 7PM OPEN MIC NIGHT 10PM DJ IISAMURAI
- BYRON COMMUNITY CENTRE 9.30AM & 4.30PM SERA MAY YERPA MONKS CHANTING
- FRANKIE BROWN'S, BYRON TOMMY SHEEHAN
- WOODY'S SURF SHACK, BYRON DJ JON
- COCOMANGAS, BYRON PENS DOWN MELBOURNE
- PIGHOUSE FLICKS, BYRON 7.30PM DARIUS DEVAS' WITHIN PREMIERE

**THURSDAY 28**

- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, BYRON JON J BRADLEY
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 8PM TENZIN
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON KIARA JACK & THE JILLS
- BYRON BREWERY 7PM ANDY JANS-BROWN DUO
- BYRON COMMUNITY CENTRE 9.30AM & 4.30PM SERA MAY YERPA MONKS CHANTING
- FRANKIE BROWN'S, BYRON MATTHEW ARMITAGE
- WOODY'S SURF SHACK, BYRON DJS SLOP ROCK & RATRAPPS
- COCOMANGAS, BYRON DJ QC PENS DOWN MELBOURNE
- TREEHOUSE, BELONGIL WARREN EARLE BAND
- BRUNSWICK HOTEL 7PM DAN HANNAFORD
- COURT HOUSE HOTEL, MULLUMBIMBY 6.30PM UKE NIGHT
- DRILL HALL, MULLUMBIMBY 7PM A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM
- BALLINA RSL 8PM BIG GIG COMEDY W MANDY NOLAN MC, JIMMY POULOS & JUNE HORDEN
- WHITE JADE, POTTSVILLE 7PM OPEN MIC W GREG

**FRIDAY 29**

- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, BYRON THE BADLANDS

- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 5PM SCOTT DAY-VEE DUO 8PM MGMC
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON PINK ZINC
- BYRON COMMUNITY CENTRE 9.30AM & 4.30PM SERA MAY YERPA MONKS CHANTING 7PM LAURA TARGETT ALBUM LAUNCH
- YACROCKCAFE, BYRON 7PM ABSENT PROTEST, THE GREEN WHISTLE, THE HEARTLESS, GOODBYE GRAVITY
- BYRON BREWERY 7.30PM BRAZILIAN PARTY W QUE SAUDADE
- FRANKIE BROWN'S, BYRON KYLE LIONHART
- WOODY'S SURF SHACK, BYRON 8PM DJ ADRIAN
- COCOMANGAS, BYRON DJ QC & JIMMY D
- BYRON (0411206997) 7PM SILENT SPEED DATING
- HAMMER & HAND, BYRON A&I 5PM 13 BOXES EXHIBITION OPENING
- TREEHOUSE, BELONGIL SOUTHERLY CHANGE
- BRUNSWICK HOTEL 7PM BILL JACOBI
- DOMINIC'S, BRUNSWICK 6.30PM DJ SUPERNOVA JADE & GUESTS
- MIDDLE PUB, MULLUMBIMBY THE STRANDS
- DRILL HALL, MULLUMBIMBY 7PM IVAN SEN'S MYSTERY ROAD
- OCEAN SHORES COUNTRY CLUB 6.30PM CAPTAIN WOW
- OCEAN SHORES TAVERN BOGAN BINGO FUNDRAISER FOR MOVEMBER
- BILLINUDGEL HOTEL THE CAMEL TONES
- LENNOX HOTEL 9.30PM AURORA JANE
- BALLINA RSL 8.30PM THE DIRTY CHANNEL
- ELTHAM HOTEL 7PM CONSPIRACY OF ONE
- TATTS HOTEL, LISMORE DINKUM BOHOS
- MACLEAN BOWLING CLUB 7.30PM CHRIS COOK BAND
- MURWILLUMBAH SERVICES CLUB 6.30PM END QUOTE
- RIVERVIEW HOTEL, MURWILLUMBAH 7.30PM

- WAYNE RAWSON**
- SALTBAR, KINGSLIFF 8.30PM GREG KEW
  - KINGSLIFF BEACH BOWLS CLUB TOMMY MEMPHIS
  - POTTSVILLE BEACH SPORTS CLUB 7.30PM SHANNON BEAUMONT
  - WHITE JADE, POTTSVILLE 7PM STEVE LOVELIGHT
  - CONDONG BOWLING CLUB 8PM CAXTON STREET JAZZ BAND
  - SOUNDLOUNGE, CURRUMBIN FYAH WALK & BULLHORN
  - SOUTH TWEED SPORTS 6.30PM PAULY ATKINS
  - SEAGULLS, TWEED HEADS SUE REID

**SATURDAY 30**

- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, BYRON A LITTLE PROVINCE, ARGONAUTS & CLOUD LADDER
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 9PM DJ TAYA
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON DAVE SCOTT BAND
- BYRON BREWERY 7.30PM ALLENSWORTH (USA)
- BYRON COMMUNITY CENTRE 9.30AM & 4.30PM SERA MAY YERPA MONKS CHANTING
- CAFE OSKA, BYRON 5PM BILLY JAMES BLUES HARMONICA
- FRANKIE BROWN'S, BYRON LUKE MORRIS
- KULCHAJAM, BYRON 8PM DEYA DOVA EP LAUNCH PLUS DAKINI
- COCOMANGAS, BYRON DJ QC & JIMMY D
- WOODY'S SURF SHACK, BYRON 8PM DJ JON
- TREEHOUSE, BELONGIL THE NEW HIGH
- ST KEVIN'S, BANGALOW 7PM VOX CALDERA CHAMBER CHOIR
- BANGALOW HOTEL 6.30PM KIARA JACK & THE JILLS
- SOUND SHELL, BRUNSWICK 11AM YA KULCHA WITH THE THREE LITTLE SISTERS
- BRUNSWICK HOTEL 7PM RICHIE WILLIAMS & DJ
- LULU'S, MULLUMBIMBY 11AM DINKUM BOHOS
- BALLINA RSL 8PM DAN HANNAFORD & DAVE MURRAY
- AUSTRALIA HOTEL, BALLINA 7PM BILL JACOBI
- LISMORE WORKERS CLUB 7.30PM CHRIS COOK BAND
- MARY G'S, LISMORE ROCHELLE LEES BAND
- TOMMY'S, LISMORE 9PM SHYBABY
- FLUTTERBIES, TYALGUM 6PM LIZA BEAMISH
- BURRINGBAR SPORTS CLUB 8PM STAND UP COMEDY IN THE CAGE WITH MANDY NOLAN, MARK MCCONVILLE, PAUL MCMAHON

- SALTBAR, KINGSLIFF 8.30PM CABOOSE
- KINGSLIFF BEACH BOWLS CLUB HIGH NOON
- SHEOAK SHACK, FINGAL 7PM CHEYNNIE MURPHY
- CABARITA SPORTS CLUB 7PM RICK HAY
- TWIN TOWNS, TWEED HEADS 8PM BELINDA CARLISLE
- TWEED HEADS BOWLING CLUB BLACK MAGIC TRIO
- SOUTH TWEED SPORTS CLUB 3PM SATURDAY JAZZ 7.30PM ISSI DYE, LEISSA KERIS, BEN KING
- SEAGULLS, TWEED HEADS TAKE ON TWO

**SUNDAY 1**

- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, BYRON GARRETT KATO
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 2PM DJ BEATDUSTA 4.30PM FERAMONES 8PM DJ RHYS BYNON
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON 2PM WRITERS AT THE RAILS W DAEVID ALLEN 8PM BLIND WILLIE WAGTAIL
- BYRON COMMUNITY CENTRE 9.30AM & 4.30PM SERA MAY YERPA MONKS CHANTING & SAND MANDALA
- BYRON MARKETS ROMANIACS
- FRANKIE BROWN'S, BYRON LOUIE & PATRICK
- ST ELMOS, BYRON 1PM ROD MURRAY DUO
- THE EATERY, BYRON 4PM DJ KAYCI
- BYRON BREWERY 6PM TIMBERWOLF + KAURNA CRONIN + BEN WHITING
- BYRON GOLF CLUB 1PM OPEN MIC COMP
- TREEHOUSE, BELONGIL 2.30PM DJ DIAMONTE 5.30PM DJ ALEX DB
- BRUNSWICK HOTEL 4PM LISA HUNT & LIFELINE
- COURT HOUSE HOTEL, MULLUMBIMBY KNIKI + MIKE BEALE PROJECT + ANDREW BAXTER
- LENNOX HOTEL 4PM JON J BRADLEY
- BALLINA RSL 1.30PM HEADLINERS CHORUS
- CHERRY STREET SPORTS CLUB, BALLINA 12PM BALLINA COUNTRY MUSIC CLUB
- SPHINX ROCK, MT BURRELL 1PM REBECCA IRELAND
- STOKERS SIDING HALL 2PM DISASTER AID CONCERT FOR PHILIPPINES
- TYALGUM HOTEL 2PM SABOTAGE
- CHINDERAH TAVERN 2PM DIRTY CHANNEL
- COOLANGATTA-TWEED HEADS GOLF CLUB 2PM TWEED LINKS MUSIC CLUB'S TRIBUTE TO ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER
- COOLANGATTA SANDS HOTEL

- 4PM EUREKA FUNK
- TWIN TOWNS JUNIORS 2.30PM BILL JACOBI
- SEAGULLS, TWEED HEADS GLEN BRACE

**MONDAY 2**

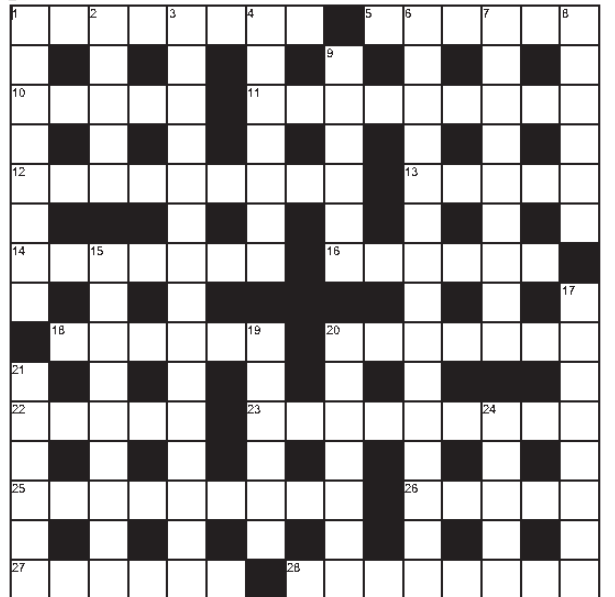
- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, BYRON THE BLUE RUINS
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 8PM HIT THAT HIT MUSICAL BINGO
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON THE ALTAIS
- BYRON COMMUNITY CENTRE 9.30AM & 4.30PM SERA MAY YERPA MONKS CHANTING & SAND MANDALA
- BYRON SERVICES CLUB 8PM CHRISTMAS VIRGINS COMEDY WITH MANDY NOLAN
- FRANKIE BROWN'S, BYRON ZIGGY
- BYRON BREWERY 7.30PM LOVE CLUB SPOKEN WORDS NIGHT
- COCOMANGAS, BYRON DJ QC
- WOODY'S SURF SHACK, BYRON 8PM DJ ADRIAN

- DRILL HALL, MULLUMBIMBY 6.15PM MIND MADE ME WITH BYRON YOUTH THEATRE
- KINGSLIFF BEACH BOWLS CLUB DAVID BARRY

**TUESDAY 3**

- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, BYRON MATT BUGGY
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 7.30PM OPEN MIC NIGHT
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON ALISHA TODD
- BYRON COMMUNITY CENTRE 9.30AM & 4.30PM SERA MAY YERPA MONKS CHANTING
- FRANKIE BROWN'S, BYRON NICK BALCOMBE & CHARLIE KELLER
- WOODY'S SURF SHACK, BYRON DJ ADRIAN
- COCOMANGAS, BYRON DJ QC
- BANGALOW HOTEL 8PM BRACKETS OPEN MIC
- LISMORE GREYHOUND TRACK 10AM FESTIVAL OF ABILITY
- MARTY'S @ CABARITA DAVE MURRAY OPEN MIC NIGHT

**Mungo's Crossword**



**Quick Clues**

- ACROSS
1. Dead bodies (8)
  5. Counting device (6)
  10. Bolshevik leader (5)
  11. Doorman, caretaker (9)
  12. Fee paid on share transactions (9)
  13. Presses clothes (5)
  14. Brownd under griller (7)
  16. Indian retreat (6)
  18. Lunatic (6)
  20. Balkan nation (7)
  22. Label again (5)
  23. Real name of Bungle Bungles (9)
  25. Birthing operation (9)
  26. Redden in embarrassment (5)
  27. Particular, descriptive note (6)
  28. Real name of the Olgas (4,4)

**DOWN**

1. Not indulging in sex, chaste (8)
2. Warrigal (5)
3. Leader of the Gurindji strike at Wave Hill (7,8)
4. Name of three English kings (7)
6. Canadian province (7,8)
7. Diving sea bird (9)
8. As simple as that (2,4)
9. Girl's name, seraphic (6)
15. Residence unit (9)
17. Russian grandmother (8)
19. Reddish metal (6)
20. South American oil palm (7)
21. Discovered the whereabouts of (6)
24. Real name of Ayers Rock (6)

**Cryptic Clues**

- ACROSS
1. No gentleman declares for corpses (8)
  5. Countercurrent in a vehicle (6)
  10. Revolutionary in dirty linen (5)
  11. Come together and lose 5 for 101 to caretaker (9)
  12. Share-trading fee leads to penniless fury (9)
  13. Presses for clubs (5)
  14. Saluted Bufo on the way east (7)
  16. Horny sheep goes after tree - retreat! (6)
  18. One insane Scotsman embraces his confused compatriot John (6)
  20. Country backs first class philosophy - Papist! (7)
  22. Label again scrap about alien (5)
  23. Confused pun and fifty with 24 down - a double bungle! (9)
  25. Imperial surgery (9)
  26. Born a drunk - show embarrassment (5)
  27. Particular dock? (6)
  28. Old Olgas report of Tom, an Israeli sailor (4,4)

**DOWN**

1. Blanchett holds back peevishness while doing without sex (8)
2. Ernie's turn after row (5)
3. Unhappy civilian renting, finally got his land back in 1975 (7,8)
4. The first was a crusader but the third was a villain (7)
6. Indulge our limbic habits in Canada (7,8)
7. Hypocrisy covers a thousand between alternatives - get the bird! (9)
8. Cover each second with bean sauce - that simple! (2,4)
9. A no good drink up for Merkel (6)
15. Flat bit in the last word on a shirt (9)
17. The Prez is caught by B, also known as Red Granny (8)
19. PCCu (6)
20. Purple bloomer loses German - yes, an oil palm! (7)
21. Followed and ran under bar (6)
24. Rock and roll three turns, left and right, near 28 across (6)

**Last week's solution**



**WHAT'S ON @ THE YAC... Term 4**

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 Friday 29 November, 7.30pm.  
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**Beautiful World**  
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 Saturday 30 November, 1:30pm & 6:30pm.  
 Tickets: Full \$15. Child \$10.  
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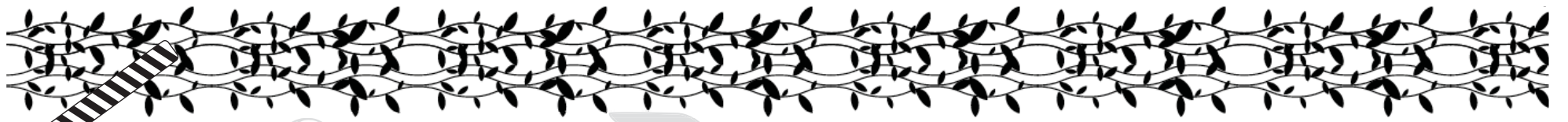
**Dance**  
 Presented by Dance Dynamics.  
 Sat Dec 7, 11am & 6pm. Sun Dec 8, 6pm.  
 Tickets: Adults \$21, Seniors & Students \$19, Child Under 12 \$17.

**Band Recital**  
 Presented by Byron Bay Public School.  
 Wednesday 11th December, 6:30pm.  
 Tickets: \$12.

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# Cinema Review

## THE HUNGER GAMES: CATCHING FIRE

This is not so much a sequel as the second episode of an epic sci-fi serial. As such it has arrived with great expectations after the enthralling first instalment. Unfortunately, probably because I was totally absorbed (and surprised) by the initial appearance of Katniss Everdeen (Jennifer Lawrence), it has turned out to be dimly anticlimactic and, as the latter stages dragged on (and on), a bit of a yawn. Winners of the most recent sacrificial Hunger Games, Katniss and Peeta (Josh Hutcherson) should by

rights be entitled to a life of carefree celebrity, but they don't follow the strict edicts of the all-controlling state, ruled by callous President Snow (Donald Sutherland), and before too long they find themselves symbols of rebellion among the downtrodden, increasingly resentful populace. The establishment's response is to organise another Games that will have previous champions competing until there is but one left standing. Thus ends the establishing segment of the movie, during which a heavily over-emphasised

fascism is elevated to high-camp status by the whacky performances of Stanley Tucci and Elizabeth Banks, and the sinister machinations of lugubrious Phillip Seymour Hoffman. Most laughable in this period is Woody Harrelson's Haymitch telling Katniss that the Games are only there so that the mob don't think about how they are being screwed – as if the industry that has allowed Harrelson to live like a lord's bastard isn't. From this point, Katniss, Peeta and the dozen or so other competitors, in the grand tradition of TV's

ridiculous *Survivor*, are let loose in a tropical jungle with the task of killing each other. They all have special skills – Katniss's is as an archer – but a poisonous fog that makes anyone it touches break out in unsightly blisters, and a pack of bad-tempered baboons, make things even trickier for the homicidal heroes. Enough has already been written about Katniss as the feminine role model for a new age, but when you get past that it's all pretty one-dimensional, standard and, in truth, a monumental bore. ~ **John Campbell**



## WITHIN; CREATING WITHIN

At its core, making art is an act of love. That it survives

in a cynical age is because those who pursue it do so

with integrity, tenacity and healthy single-mindedness. Profoundly affected by the suicide of a long-time surfing buddy, local filmmaker Darius Devas, with a high-speed HD video camera strapped to his board, sought solace in the swell. The result is a short movie of elegiac but uplifting beauty. Complementing the main work, *Creating* is, in its own way, even more intimate for the direct contact with Darius that it provides. Taken as a whole, it is an inspiring achievement. If you're quick you'll catch it at the Lounge Cinema. ~ **John Campbell**



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**THE HUNGER GAMES: CATCHING FIRE (M)** (No free tix)  
Tue 26: 11:30am 1:50, 6:40, 9:30pm  
Wed 27: 11:30am, 1:50, 6:40, 9:10pm  
Thu 28, Fri 29, Mon 2, Tue 3: 1:30, 4:10, 6:20, 9:15 Sat 30: 10:00, 4:10, 6:20, 9:15 Sun 1: 11:10, 4:30, 6:20, 9:15  
Wed 4: 11:20, 3:30, 6:20, 9:15pm

**ONE CHANCE (PG)** (No free tix)  
Thu 29-Sat 30, Mon 2, Tue 3: 10:00, 2:00, 7:00, 9:10 Sun 1: 10:15, 2:20, 7:20, 9:30 Wed 4: 9:15, 2:30, 7:00, 9:10

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**NT LIVE: HAMLET** (No free tix)  
Sat 30: 1:00pm

**THE ROYAL OPERA VERDI'S LES VÉPRES** (No free tix)  
Sun 1: 1:00pm Wed 4: 11:00am

**ENOUGH SAID (M)** Tue 26: 11:00, 5:00, 7:00 Wed 27: 11:20, 5:00, 7:00  
Thu 29-Sat 30, Mon 2, Tue 3: 12:05, 5:15, 9:30 Sun 1: 12:20, 5:30, 9:40pm  
Wed 4: 9:00am, 2:10, 8:30pm

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Wed 27: 2:20, 9:00 Thu 29-Sat 30, Mon 2, Tue 3: 10:00am Wed 4: 9:30am

**3D: GRAVITY (M)** Tue 26, Wed 27: 11:50am, 4:45pm  
Thu 29, Fri 29, Sun 1-Wed 4: 4:20pm

**CAPTAIN PHILLIPS (M)** Tue 26: 1:00pm  
Wed 27: 1:20pm  
Thu 28, Fri 29, Mon 2, Tue 3: 10:50am

**THE FIFTH ESTATE (M) LAST DAYS!**  
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## JACKASS PRESENTS: BAD GRANDPA

Figuratively speaking, I was dragged kicking and screaming to Johnny Knoxville's latest. Anybody with half a brain who has had to sit through his execrable 'Jackass' indulgences would have felt the same way, so I'll own up and say that this is not quite as vile as I expected – but only by a hair's breadth. One of its saving graces is that it at least has a narrative component, unlike the endless idiocies that made up Knoxville's previous efforts, and the road trip genre is a format with which his fans should not struggle too much. Horny old widow Irving Zisman (Knoxville) sets

out with Billy (Jackson Nicoll), his eight year-old grandson, his intention being to deliver him to his Dad after Mom was arrested for drug-dealing. Their pranksters' journey is filmed with a hidden camera and, though not my cuppa tea, there is a discernible difference between Jackass's approach and the mocking superiority of Sacha Baron Cohen. I love a good fart joke as much as any bloke, and against my better judgment I laughed (and squirmed) when Knoxville got his dick caught in a vending machine, but there is only so much buffoonery a man can take. The title (will 'bad' ever lose its



currency among juveniles?) prompts memories of *Bad Santa* and the mode is very *Little Miss Sunshine*, but it's not in the same league as either and is best left for the schoolies. ~ **John Campbell**

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Within - Special Event 7:30pm  
Prisoners 8:30pm

**Thursday Nov 28**  
Mystery Road 3:45pm  
About Time 6:00pm  
Alan P: Alpha Papa 8:30pm

**Friday Nov 29**  
Alan P: Alpha Papa 4:30pm  
Mystery Road 6:15pm  
Prisoners 8:30pm

**Saturday Nov 30**  
About Time 12:40pm  
Prisoners 3:10pm  
Mystery Road 6:00pm  
Alan P: Alpha Papa 8:30pm

**Sunday December 1**  
Prisoners 1:25pm  
Mystery Road 4:15pm  
Alan P: Alpha Papa 6:30pm  
About Time 8:30pm

**Monday Dec 2 - all tix \$10**  
Prisoners 3:00pm  
About Time 6:00pm  
Alan P: Alpha Papa 8:30pm

**Tuesday Dec 3**  
Mystery Road 3:45pm  
About Time 6:00pm  
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<b>DELIVERY MAN</b> (M) THUR 28TH TO WED 4TH 10.00AM	<b>ENDERS GAME</b> (M) THUR 28TH TO WED 4TH 10.00AM	<b>CLOUDY WITH A CHANCE OF MEATBALLS 2</b> (M) THUR 28TH TO WED 4TH 10.00AM

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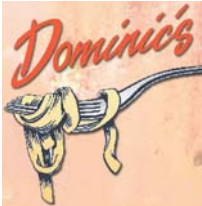
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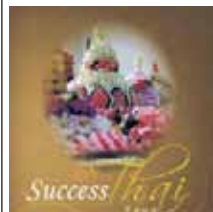


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'While Pete knows his music, I know my food and together it was a perfect balance of art and authenticity,' Sally said. The result is the Frankie Brown Café Bar, named after Pete's beloved kelpie.



Although Pete will perform occasionally, there is live acoustic music each week and it's hoped that Frankie Brown will give new musical talent the opportunity to find their feet in a relaxed, intimate setting.

It's a great place to go for cocktails; the popular 'Espresso Martini' is made with fresh espresso every time using a high-quality Italian coffee called The Establishment that is stocked exclusively in Byron by Frankie Brown. They also stock such exotic foreign beers as La Chouffe (a Belgian beer served in an ice bucket with two glasses) and Deus Les Brut de Flanders – a Belgian beer fermented and then shipped off to the Champagne region of France to be placed in caves for 12 months.

A quick selection of the menu items reveals that Frankie Brown takes its food seriously: Duck and cointreau paté with roasted pear and baguette slices; Japanese tempura oysters with bonito flakes, wakami and wasabi mayo; or seared scallops with avocado puree, capsicum jam, pork wafers and truffle essence.

For those looking for something more substantial the main dishes include such items as: macademia-

crusted barramundi with banana slivers, truffle chive mash, glazed beans and toffee lime; or perhaps Sally's famous pasta marina with a hint of chilli, king prawns, snapper, scallops and calamari.

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Previously a Mexican restaurant next to the Bay Beach Motel in Lawson Street, Frankie Brown has undergone a massive transformation. This is the eighth cafe Sally has remodeled, and she was quite specific about both the functionality and the vibe she wanted to create.

Sally says that she's aimed to create a 'vibe that is cool, relaxed and inviting with fresh, interesting, high-quality ingredients from within the Shire – a place where people can make themselves at home, sit back, relax and enjoy what's on offer. I'm very happy with this new cafe, which is already proving popular with Byron locals and visitors.'

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2 M	0540	1930	0445	1837	0811,1.86; 2042,1.46	0140,0.33; 1445,0.22
3 T	0540	1931	0540	1941	0859,1.94; 2133,1.47	0227,0.31; 1535,0.15
4 W	0540	1931	0641	2043	0947,1.99; 2227,1.47	0316,0.31; 1627,0.11
5 T	0540	1932	0745	2140	1038,1.99; 2321,1.45	0408,0.33; 1719,0.11
6 F	0540	1933	0852	2231	1130,1.95	0502,0.36; 1813,0.15
7 S	0540	1934	0958	2317	0017,1.43; 1224,1.85	0600,0.42; 1907,0.21
8 S	0540	1934	1102	2400	0115,1.42; 1320,1.73	0700,0.48; 2003,0.28
9 M	0540	1935	1204	0000	0215,1.41; 1419,1.59	0804,0.54; 2059,0.35
10 T	0541	1936	1304	0040	0317,1.43; 1523,1.47	0915,0.58; 2154,0.40
11 W	0541	1936	1402	0118	0418,1.47; 1630,1.37	1028,0.59; 2247,0.44
12 T	0541	1937	1459	0156	0516,1.52; 1734,1.31	1139,0.57; 2337,0.46
13 F	0541	1938	1555	0234	0610,1.58; 1833,1.29	1243,0.52
14 S	0542	1938	1650	0314	0658,1.64; 1925,1.29	0024,0.47; 1336,0.47
15 S	0542	1939	1744	0356	0741,1.69; 2011,1.29	0108,0.48; 1421,0.42
16 M	0542	1940	1836	0441	0821,1.72; 2052,1.30	0148,0.48; 1500,0.38
17 T	0543	1940	1925	0528	0859,1.74; 2131,1.31	0227,0.49; 1537,0.36
18 W	0543	1941	2011	0617	0934,1.75; 2208,1.31	0302,0.49; 1612,0.35
19 T	0543	1941	2054	0707	1010,1.74; 2245,1.31	0340,0.50; 1646,0.36
20 F	0544	1942	2134	0759	1045,1.71; 2323,1.30	0418,0.52; 1721,0.37
21 S	0544	1942	2212	0851	1121,1.67	0457,0.55; 1758,0.39
22 S	0545	1943	2247	0942	0002,1.30; 1159,1.61	0538,0.58; 1835,0.42
23 M	0545	1943	2321	1034	0045,1.29; 1239,1.54	0623,0.62; 1915,0.45
24 T	0546	1944	2355	1127	0131,1.30; 1323,1.46	0714,0.66; 1959,0.48
25 W	0546	1944		1220	0222,1.32; 1414,1.38	0811,0.69; 2046,0.49
26 T	0547	1945	0030	1315	0317,1.36; 1514,1.32	0916,0.69; 2138,0.50
27 F	0548	1945	0107	1412	0415,1.43; 1621,1.29	1029,0.65; 2233,0.48
28 S	0548	1945	0147	1512	0511,1.53; 1729,1.29	1139,0.57; 2329,0.45
29 S	0549	1946	0232	1614	0605,1.64; 1832,1.33	1242,0.45
30 M	0550	1946	0322	1718	0659,1.77; 1931,1.38	0023,0.41; 1338,0.32
31 T	0550	1946	0419	1821	0751,1.89; 2027,1.43	0116,0.36; 1431,0.21

Times are Eastern Daylight Saving Time.  
Time lags: Ballina Boat Dock: 15 min; Byron Bay: nil; Brunswick River Hwy Bridge: high 30 min, low 1 hr; Mullumbimby: 1 hr 10 min; Billinudgel: 3 hr 55 min; Chinderah: high 1 hr 15 min, low 2 hr; Terranora Inlet: high 2 hr 10 min, low 2 hr 25 min; Murwillumbah: high 2 hr 30 min, low 2 hr 50 min. Tides in bold indicate high tide of 1.7m or more and low tide of 0.3m or less. Data courtesy of the National Tidal Centre.

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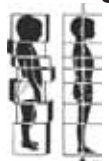
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**SUFFOLK PARK** 1br furn studio with carport, garden area. Sgls working person only, n/s. \$300pw all inc. Ph 0427854050

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**LONG ESTABLISHED** local Byron Bay businessman seeks long-term rental for himself and his young daughters. Quiet reliable tenant. Ph Josh 0401536119

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\$105 pw - inc gst & elec  
Available 11th Dec  
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**MODELS 18+** years required. Nude female for Picture and People magazines. No experience required. All shapes and sizes. Backpackers welcome. Good money. Professional accredited ACP photographer. Ph 0413627846

## BEAUTY THERAPIST

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## PRACTICE MANAGER BYRON BAY

Extensive experience in a general practice a requirement. CV to Doctor@northcoastmedicalcentre.com.au

## BANGALOW HAIRDRESSING

Has a vacancy for a committed & motivated **Apprentice** to join their team. Phone/text 0488161619

**CHEFS, KICHENHANDS, BARISTAS & FLOORSTAFF** required for new cafe opening early December in Byron Bay. Must be experienced committed and well presented. To join this exciting new fresh approach to the food scene in Byron send your resume and position you are applying for to antfood@bigpond.com or call Ant on 0416268258

## Mullumbimby IGA wants YOU

CASUAL positions available in Fresh Produce, Customer Service, Dairy and Deli.  
Experience is essential.  
Call for an appointment on **02 6684 2207**

**APPRENTICE BAKER** wanted for Brunswick Heads Hot Bread Shop. Phone Scott 66851396

**GARDENER/HORTICULTURE** Casual position 6 acre organic farm in Newrybar, req fit retiree or horti student for 5hrs work pw. Role involves ground maintenance, pruning, weeding, mulching. Pref exp with brushcutter, chainsaw & zero-turn. Ph Nick 0410817582

## BARISTA & FOH MANAGER

Exp. 3yrs + in cafe/ rest. mgmt & exc coffee skills. Must have initiative, business sense, outgoing personality. 7 days, flexible. 3-5 shifts pw  
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Email jobs@zentvelds.com.au  
Phone 66872045

**PHOTOGRAPHER** wanted. Will pay \$150 for family photo shoot + pics. Please email portrait examples to bellabluebird44@gmail.com

**CAWI** requires a responsible male (some heavy lifting involved) to volunteer ONE day a week in our furniture shop in Bruns. Ph 66851444 during BH

**MUST BE AVAILABLE DURING CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR** person to assist male quadraplegic, personal care and h/work, 2 morns pw 7-10.30am email mattharcla@gmail.com

## Beauty/Massage Therapists

Required to join one of Byron Bay's best day spas.  
Must be well presented, great work ethic and outstanding customer service skills are essential.  
A wonderful working environment, not enclosed indoors.  
Kerry@buddhagardensdayspa.com.au



## Permanent Part-time Night Duty Care Staff & Casual Care Staff for Residential Care

**Florence Price Gardens Ballina and Patrick Bugden VC Gardens at Byron Bay are seeking motivated Care Staff to join our dynamic team of health professionals.**

Applicants must have Certificate 3 in Aged Care or equivalent. Experience in residential care is preferred.

This is an opportunity to work with a quality leading provider in Aged Care Services.

We offer flexible work arrangement, salary packaging, education and training, with the opportunity for you to make a significant contribution to the care of our senior Australians.

For any enquiries please contact Pamela Robertson on **0419 996 679** or email: **pamela.robertson@rslifecare.org.au.**



## Gaia Retreat & Spa BOOKKEEPER / RESERVATION ASSISTANT

Gaia Retreat & Spa is currently seeking an enthusiastic person to join our dynamic team 2 days per week - permanent/ part time.

**Desired qualities include;**

- Highly qualified in all aspects of Bookkeeping; MYOB, Payroll, Accounts Payable & Report writing
- Strong computer skills;
- Hotel Reservation experience preferred;
- Excellent communication & organisational skills required;
- Exceptional customer service;
- Able to work in a very busy work environment.

*If you are looking for a long term commitment in a great working environment apply NOW.*

All resumes to **leanne@gaiaretreat.com.au**

## CLAIMS OFFICER - Full time

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Email **lara@eagleinsurance.com.au** for a full description of the role **before** applying with your CV and cover letter.

Applications close 16/12/13

Please note that only those candidates selected for interview will be contacted.



**GREEN ROCKET CLEANERS** casual exp cleaners, must have white card OH&S & own car, Mon-Fri. 0405437431

**EXPERIENCED RETAIL SALES PERSON** required for fashion boutique in Byron. Must be available all weekends and school holidays for a perm part-time position. Must have a minimum 2 years experience and be a perm resident. Please email info@namionline.com

**EXCITING NEW RESTAURANT BAR** in central Byron requires Chefs & Front of House staff for all positions. Full-time, part-time & casual options available. Please send resume to vinified75@gmail.com

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Call Malley for further information NOW 0407046551  
Part-time \$800-\$3000/mth  
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**MESSAGE and/or Beauty Therapists** mobile work, must have own equip, ABN, min 5 yrs exp. Ph 66872527 & leave msg

**CLEANER** p/t, with attention to detail for 5 star resort near Bangalow. References & ABN req. 66872527 & leave message

## Staff Required Venus Lounge Tweed Heads 18+ 02 6674 5020

## Osteopathy

**Massage therapists required**  
Brunswick Heads Osteopathy is looking for exceptional massage practitioners to join our professional team.  
You must have accredited massage qualifications, current first aid certificate, and insurance.  
Please contact Sue Broadbent on 6685 1126 or email your resume to info@brunsosteo.com.au

## CRYSTAL CASTLE & shambhala gardens

## Junior (14-17 yo) Facepainters required

for this coming holiday period and beyond.

Art students preferred. Creativity essential.

Please email résumé and sample of artwork if available to: **emma@crystalcastle.com.au** by 02.12.13.

## WORK WANTED

**LOCAL GUYS** 20yrs exp landscaping, gardens & lawns, paving, tiling, ute. Jobs under \$1100. Phone 0432401334

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**EXPERIENCED MANAGER / HOUSEKEEPER** has vacancy for a holiday letting in Byron Bay. 0434193901

**PAINTING**, cleaning, gardening, odd jobs. Lic & Ins. Ph Justin & Nat 0413567191

**SMALL PAINTING JOBS** exp, reliable, careful, imm start, refs. Rob 0401519860

## Window Cleaner

20 yrs exp. Ph Tony 0429948662

**YOUNG** responsible French student looking for babysitting (experience) & teaching French. Ph 0413816038

**DECKS, PERGOLAS** all carpentry needs. Under \$1100. Free quotes. 0427196962

**EXPERIENCED HORTICULTURIST** for all aspects of gardening. Ph 0429020215

## RELIABLE CLEANER

excellent references. Ph 0400979414

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## LOST & FOUND

**LOST: 1 GOLD WEDDING BAND** approx 3 weeks ago. Sentimental value. REWARD. Contact Elaine 0408216463

**LOST: Dog** in Sth Golden/Nth Ocean Shores area. Female, black & white, Bull Terrier with purple collar. Ph 0448448743

**LOST iPhone 5** in Federal on Wed 20 Nov. Phone 0412333841 or drop off at Federal General Store. Reward!

## FUNERAL NOTICES

### Ludlow, Hilda (nee Cavill)

Passed away on Tuesday 19th November 2013 at St. Michael's Nursing Home, Casino. Aged 103. Formerly of The Pocket. Dearly loved Wife of Bill (dec). Loved Mother and Mother-in-law of Cavill & Gwen, Marion & Perc (dec), John (dec) & Jean, Joan & Neville, Ann & Bob, Dorothy & Albert and their families.  
Family and Friends are warmly invited to attend a funeral service for Hilda, to be held at **St. Martin's Anglican Church, Mullumbimby on the 27th November 2013 at 10am.** After the service the cortege will then proceed to the Mullumbimby cemetery.  
McGUINNESS FUNERALS 16 Mogo Pl, Billinudgel 6680 3084

## LAVERTY, DON

Passed away suddenly but peacefully at the Gold Coast University Hospital on 23rd November 2013. Much loved husband of Gerri and loved brother of the Laverty family. Will be sadly missed by his many friends.

Aged 73 years

Relatives and friends are invited to attend a Celebration of Don's life to be held at the Uniting Church, Dalley St, Mullumbimby on Thursday 28th November commencing at 2.00pm.

MICHAEL CURRIE FUNERALS

## IN MEMORIAM



**DEEMS JACKSON EDEN**  
Father, son, brother, nephew, cousin. 30/7/68 - 23/11/12



## JALAL HEMS



16/08/1980 – 26/11/2012

Dancing in the universe  
Time unfolds  
this first year  
But precious memories  
keep us near  
Those we love  
don't go away  
They walk beside us  
every day  
*Love your family  
and friends*

## RETURN THANK YOU

The families of Zachary Croucher extend sincere gratitude to everyone who contributed to, and arranged for Zach's celebration and farewell last Thursday.

Special Thanks to Pr Christiaan Knoetze C3Byron, Cain Hunter, Mango and Faerellen Davis, Sarah Knevet, Lizzie Jackson, Marty and all those who sent money, food, flowers, cards and condolences to ease the burden of sorrow at this time.

Please accept our heartfelt thanks.

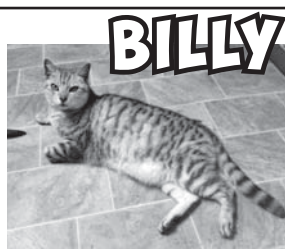
Fasha, Dinks and Araby Steen.  
Wayne, Inca and Josh Stewart

*'The grass withers and  
the flowers fall*

*But the word of the  
Lord endures forever'*

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## PETS

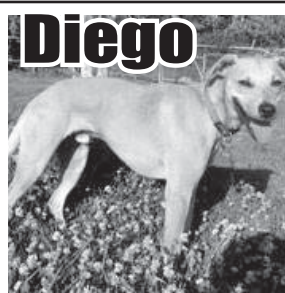


## BILLY

This is Billy! What a handsome chap this fellow is. A sooky, silver tabby cat who is happy, relaxed & ready to meet his new family. As you can see, chilling out is his favourite occupation.

Come & meet Billy & the other cats & kittens at The Cat Adoption Centre. 124 Dalley St, Mullumbimby.

Open: Tues 2.30-4.30pm,  
Thurs 3-5pm,  
Sat 10-12 noon.  
Call AWL 6684 4070.



Diego is an 18 month old desexed male whippet x kelpie. He is a good natured dog who loves to play and would suit an active family with a secure yard. He is also good with other dogs. If you can give Diego a permanent, loving home please contact the **Friends of the Pound Rehoming Centre** on (07) 5524 8590 or Pam on 0421 017 461. Visit [friendsofthepound.com](http://friendsofthepound.com) to view other dogs and cats looking for a home.

ECHO CLASSIFIEDS  
• 66841777 •

HOME URGENTLY needed for lovely family cat. Either perm or temp. Shaka's owners are away overseas and can't care for him for the next 6 months. Will pay all food & care costs if temporary. Please contact William on 0435710277

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## Adopt Me



Bronte is a sweet natured and happy two year old female Staffy who just loves company. \$280 includes

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## PETS FOR LIFE ANIMAL SHELTER



A new photo from the adorable Billi's album. Here he is with one of his toys, taken after a play session. The days are long whilst he waits to be adopted. So he plays with toys and kittens, snoozes, and chats to his friend Herbie. Whenever a human arrives, he is totally committed to making a fuss of that lucky person. Very affectionate and smoochy. A real darling.

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### KINKY GALINKI

Call 0455998167

# AddsUP savings plan returns to Byron Bay

The Byron Community Centre NILS Program has relaunched a financial services initiative that, together with the NAB and Good Shepherd Microfinance, will assist people to build financial resilience.

The AddsUP Savings Plan was developed to encourage positive savings behaviour once people have finished paying off a loan through the No Interest Loan Scheme (NILS).

NILS is a community-based program that enables people on low incomes to access safe, fair, and affordable credit for the purchase of essential goods and services such as white goods, furniture, dental or medical services, computers, tools, car registration and repairs, or educational needs.

According to proponents, it is a much healthier alternative to 'fringe' or 'pay-day' lending, which can often trap people in a destructive debt spiral.

The AddsUP Savings Plan, developed in partnership between NAB and Good Shepherd Microfinance, focuses on helping successful NILS borrowers develop financial independence.

After a break of several months, Byron NILS Coordinator Bronwyn Martin is very pleased to once again offer NILS borrowers the opportunity to achieve greater financial independence, now via an



Satisfied Byron NILS borrower and enthusiastic promoter of the service, David Ostling (back, right), celebrates opening his AddsUP Savings Account with Byron NILS AddsUP Officer, Carl Taylor, Byron Bay NAB Customer Adviser (Sales) Emiley Stewart (front, left), Byron NILS Coordinator, Bronwyn Martin and Byron Bay NAB Assistant Store Manager, Aimee Melton.

online application process.

'By making regular small deposits into an AddsUP Savings Account, once the customer saves \$500 or more over a 6 to 12-month period, NAB will match that first \$500 saved dollar for dollar, resulting in the customer having at least \$1000 in savings, either for a rainy day or for something in particular,' Ms Martin said.

'By continuing to put aside \$20 to \$40 a fortnight, the equivalent of their NILS loan

repayment amount, this is very achievable within the time period,' she said.

The AddsUP program falls within NAB's Corporate Responsibility strategy, which, along with Good Shepherd Microfinance's Strategic Plan, aims to provide fair and affordable microfinancing to over one million people by 2018 by working with local community organisations, such as the Byron Community Centre.

Bronwyn strongly encourag-

es NILS borrowers, who have paid off at least one NILS loan and are interested in taking up the AddsUP opportunity, or anyone interested in applying for a NILS loan, to contact the Community Centre on 6685 6807, [nils@byroncentre.com.au](mailto:nils@byroncentre.com.au) or by dropping in at 69 Jonson Street 10am-4pm weekdays. NILS loan applications can also be printed off from the BCC website by going to: [www.byroncentre.com.au/community-services/nils](http://www.byroncentre.com.au/community-services/nils).

Remove lids, caps, corks and tops

Flatten boxes

Squash containers

Don't break glass

Don't put recyclables in plastic bags

Rinse and clean all bottles and cans

# CHECK IT CLEAN IT RECYCLE IT

## EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Please stick this by your phone

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BRUNSWICK VALLEY RESCUE Primary rescue.....	6685 1999
BRUNSWICK MARINE RADIO TOWER .....	6685 0148
MULLUMBIMBY HOSPITAL .....	6684 2266
BYRON BAY HOSPITAL .....	6685 6200
POLICE Brunswick Heads .....	6685 1277
Mullumbimby .....	6684 2144
Byron Bay .....	6685 9499
Bangalow .....	6687 1404
STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE Storm & tempest damage, flooding.....	6684 3444
AIDS Confidential testing & information (ACON).....	6622 1555
AL-ANON Help for family & friends of alcoholics .....	1300 ALANON
ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS 24 hours.....	1800 423 431
ANIMAL RESCUE (DOGS & CATS) .....	6628 1358
LIFELINE .....	131 114
MENSLINE 7pm-11pm nightly (phone counselling & referral for men).....	6622 2240
NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS Meets daily .....	6680 7280
NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE .....	6684 1286
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NORTHERN RIVERS GAMBLING SERVICE .....	6687 2520
NORTHERN RIVERS WILDLIFE CARERS.....	6628 1866
KOALA HOTLINE.....	6622 1233
GEORGE THE SNAKE MAN.....	0407 965 092
NSW Wildlife Information & Rescue Service (WIRES).....	6628 1898

## BYRON BAY NEW YEAR'S EVE ROAD CLOSURES AND PARKING RESTRICTIONS

Byron Shire Council has resolved to implement various parking and traffic management changes in Byron Bay during the 2013 Christmas - 2014 New Year period. These include the following.

Road closures in Byron Bay commence from 6am 31 December 2013 and conclude by 6am 1 January 2014 and will occur on:

- Jonson Street, between Lawson Street and Marvell Street and
- Byron Street, between Jonson Street and Fletcher Street

Signed detours will be available and delays can be expected. Avoid driving if possible. These closures are required to facilitate the market stalls and "Soul Street" festivities.

Special Event Parking Area (SEPA) will be signed and apply 26 December 2013 to 6 January 2014 inclusive which applies a 2P parking time limit to all untimed roads and road related areas that exist between:

- Ewingsdale Road, from Belongil Creek Bridge;
- Bangalow Road, from the west side of Old Bangalow Road; and
- Broken Head Road, from approximately 220m south of Bangalow Road.

The 2P time limit applies unless other parking laws apply, for example 1P or another time limit or restriction (eg No Parking) is signed, or you are a "Permit Holder" which is any vehicle that displays a valid Byron Shire "Resident Parking Coupon" as affixed to the vehicle in accordance with the instructions as printed upon the coupon.

Further detail on the above is available from Council's website at [www.byron.nsw.gov.au/new-years-eve](http://www.byron.nsw.gov.au/new-years-eve).

Submissions regarding the above should be in writing and addressed to the General Manager, Byron Shire Council, PO Box 219 Mullumbimby 2482 or sent by email to [submissions@byron.nsw.gov.au](mailto:submissions@byron.nsw.gov.au). Emailed submissions to this address only will be acknowledged.

Submissions close: 23 December 2013

Enquiries: Traffic Officer 02 6626 7000

Submissions will be made public in accordance with Schedule 1 Part 3 Clause 1(a)(vi) within Schedule 5 Part 2 of the GIPA 2009 Regulations as applicable including both the substance of the submission and the identity of the author. For assistance with this please call Council's Records Coordinator on 02 6626 7113.



## COUNCIL CONTACT DETAILS

Council administration centre 6626 7000  
Opening hours: Front counter 9.00am to 4.00pm  
Switchboard: 8.30am to 4.30pm

Email council@byron.nsw.gov.au  
Web www.byron.nsw.gov.au  
Emergency after hours 6622 7022  
Works Depot 6685 9300  
Resident parking stickers Fax: 6684 3018  
Sportsfield information line 6626 7111  
SES Controller 6684 3444  
Rural Fire Service 6684 3662  
Myocum Waste & Recycling Centre 6684 1870  
BRSCC (Byron Regional Sport and Cultural Complex) 6685 5911

Community Access Points: Documents on exhibition are available for review at the Council Administration Centre (Mullumbimby), Bangalow Post Office, Chincogan Real Estate Ocean Shores, Suffolk Beachfront Holiday Park and Brunswick Heads Library.

## PUBLIC EXHIBITION OF DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

### Environmental Planning & Assessment Act, 1979

The following development applications have been received by Byron Shire Council and may be viewed at the Council administration centre during ordinary office hours.

For further information on making a submission please refer to the factsheet 'Making a submission on a development application' available at council or on line at [www.byron.nsw.gov.au/submissions-on-development-applications](http://www.byron.nsw.gov.au/submissions-on-development-applications).

There are also requirements in relation to the disclosure of political gifts and donations. Refer to Council's website to satisfy yourself that you are complying with your disclosure obligations prior to lodging a submission <http://www.byron.nsw.gov.au/political-donations>.

Please quote the development application and property description when making a submission.

### EXHIBITION CLOSES 2 DECEMBER 2013

#### 10.2013.518.1 – BYRON BAY

##### 26 Cavvanbah Street (Lot 5 Sec 54 DP 758207)

Chris Lonergan – Town Planner: *Remove existing dwelling and nine trees; construct new two storey expanded house and use as a bed and breakfast establishment; use part of building as a cafe; construct a secondary dwelling*

#### 10.2008.2471.3 – SUFFOLK PARK

##### 113-115 Broken Head Road (Lot DP 406325)

Mr P C Younan: *S96 – to amend the lot sizes (medium density development comprising 6 x 2 storey dwellings and strata subdivision)*

#### 10.2013.543.1 – BYRON BAY

##### 249 Ewingsdale Road (Lot 3 DP 706286)

Mr C Deckker: *Erection of temporary structures for the annual Uplift Festival event to be held between 10 – 18 December from 2013 until 2017 at the Byron Regional Sports and Cultural Complex*

#### 10.2013.536.1 – OCEAN SHORES

##### 1 Yengarie Way (Lot 509 DP 238451)

Gina Gjioni Pty Ltd: *Subdivision to create two lots*

### EXHIBITION CLOSES 9 DECEMBER 2013

#### 10.2013.549.1 – MULLUMBIMBY

##### Tuckeroo Avenue (Lot 13 DP 1182245)

Tallowood Land Developments Pty Ltd: *Subdivision to create 31 residential lots, extension of Tuckeroo Avenue and two new roads, (Stage 3 of Tallowood estate)*

#### 10.2013.525.1 – BYRON BAY

##### Butler Street (Lot 389 DP 728537, Lot 390 DP 728538)

Weber Circus: *Erection and use of temporary structures for circus (March 2014)*

#### 10.2013.551.1 – BYRON BAY

##### Road Reserve Jonson Street

Byron Bay Community Association: *Use of Jonson Street Road Reserve and Railway Park for New Year's Eve 2013/2014 activities including markets*

## DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS DETERMINED AND COMPLYING DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATES ISSUED

### (Section 101 EP&A Act 1979 and Clause 124 and 137 EP&A Regulations 2000)

The following development consents and complying development certificates issued, together with any conditions imposed may be inspected free of charge at Council's administration centre during ordinary office hours. The validity of these consents cannot be questioned in any legal proceeding except those commenced in the Land and Environment Court by any person within 3 months of this notice.

#### APPLICATIONS APPROVED

##### 10.2013.470.1 – MULLUMBIMBY

###### 105 Stuart Street (Lot 2 DP 602466)

*Relocate existing dwelling-house, construct two new driveways and create four car parking spaces*

##### 10.2013.510.1 – BANGALOW

###### 4 Ivory Curl Place (Lot 4 DP 1185698)

*Single storey dwelling-house*

##### 10.2013.456.1 – BYRON BAY

###### 8 Belongil Crescent (Lot 90 DP 772011)

*Alteration/additions to existing dwelling and construction of a secondary dwelling*

##### 10.2013.478.1 – BYRON BAY

###### 60A Butler Lane and 62 Butler Street (Lot 11 DP 1027557, Lot 11 Sec 34 DP 758207)

*Alterations/additions to existing fence*

##### 10.2013.493.1 – BYRON BAY

###### 38 Byron Street (Lot 19 Sec 19 DP 758207)

*Carport*

##### 10.2013.460.1 – BANGALOW

###### 8 Ivory Curl Place (Lot 6 DP 1185698)

*Single storey dwelling*

##### 10.2013.474.1 – BRUNSWICK HEADS

###### 6/16 The Terrace (Lot 6 SP 47715)

*Change of use to restaurant*

##### 10.2013.534.1 – SUFFOLK PARK

###### 1/36 Alcorn Street (Lot 1 SP 61774)

*Tree removal – three trees*

##### 10.2013.531.1 – SUFFOLK PARK

###### 53 Armstrong Street (Lot 4 Sec 6 DP 11632)

*Tree removal – four trees, tree pruning – one tree*

##### 10.2013.464.1 – COORABELL

###### 641 Coolamon Scenic Drive (Lot 3 DP 580668)

*Boundary adjustment and SEPP No 1 Objection*

##### 10.2013.537.1 – BYRON BAY

###### 69 Lilli Pilli Drive (Lot 2 DP 879888)

*Tree removal – three trees*

##### 10.2013.541.1 – MULLUMBIMBY

###### 14 Tincogan Street (Lot 1 DP 5604)

*Tree removal – one tree, tree lopping – one tree*

##### 10.2013.469.1 – MULLUMBIMBY

###### 33 Station Street (Lot 29 DP 2772)

*Secondary dwelling*

##### 10.2013.532.1 – OCEAN SHORES

###### 17 Walgoon Way (Lot 1710 DP 244405)

*Tree removal – one tree*

##### 10.2002.592.3 – MULLUMBIMBY

###### Coolamon Scenic Drive (PT 468 DP 47676)

*S96 – alterations and additions to existing shed (storage shed)*

##### 10.2007.406.7 – BYRON BAY

###### 2-12 Bangalow Road and 12 Browning Street (Lots 21 and 22 DP 829621 & Lots 5 to 13 DP 4544)

*S96 – to extend period for satisfaction of deferred commencement condition and correct Council error with reversion to S96.2 consent conditions, in 4, 5 and 6 modifications (Affordable housing comprising change of use of 5 existing dwellings for use as boarding houses and erection of 4 new houses for use as boarding houses; medium density development comprising 12 new dwellings; Torrens title and strata title subdivision; staging of the development)*

##### 10.2013.480.1 – OCEAN SHORES

###### 29 Narooma Drive (Lot 293 DP 238455)

*Swimming pool*

##### 10.2013.488.1 – BYRON BAY

###### 33 Bangalow Road (Lot 2 DP 87333)

*Construction of a double storey dwelling, swimming pool, 1.8m front fence and tree removal*

##### 10.2013.449.1 – BYRON BAY

###### 1-3 Mahogany Drive (Lot 7 DP 258945)

*Alterations and additions to create a secondary dwelling*

##### 10.2013.430.1 – NASHUA

###### 604 Lismore Road (Lot 1 DP 857038)

*Subdivision under SEPP (Rural Lands) 2008 to create one additional lot*

## COMPLYING DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATES ISSUED

#### 16.2013.70.1 – NASHUA

##### 140 Scarrabelottis Road (Lot 2 DP 619714)

*Swimming pool*

#### 16.2013.48.2 – SUFFOLK PARK

##### 11 Bryce Street (Lot 6 Sec 2 DP 11632)

*Amendment to change of roof pitch and increase height of boundary fence (alterations and additions to kitchen and new study, deck and pool)*

## Don't DIS my ABILITY: International Day of People with Disability

On 3 December every year, **International Day of People with Disability** (IDPWD) is celebrated worldwide recognising the achievements and contributions of people with disability, who live work and play in our community. This year's theme is "**Living in the Community**".

IDPWD brings together people with disability and the general community and aims to:

- showcase the skills, abilities, contributions and achievements of people with disability
- promote a positive image of people with disability
- involve people with disability and the broader community in activities to celebrate and raise awareness of IDPWD

In recognition of this day, a number of events will be held.

### Festival of Ability Far North Coast 2013

The Festival of Ability is a regional event, and a collaboration between neighbouring councils and local service providers. This year the Festival of Ability, FNC is being held at the Greyhound Race Track, Molesworth Street, Lismore on Tuesday 3 December from 10.00am to 2.30pm.

Many local organisations will be showcasing their services and individuals with a bit of talent have been invited to perform in talent quest or enter the photo competition. Spread the word!

For more information, go to [www.byron.nsw.gov.au/](http://www.byron.nsw.gov.au/) or call Lee on 0421 055 992 / 6624 5499 or email [northernrivers@scia.org.au](mailto:northernrivers@scia.org.au).

### Let's Go Surfing Day – Saturday 7 December 2013

The Disabled Surfers Association are holding a 'Let's Go Surfing Day' starting at 9.00 am at Clarkes Beach, Byron Bay. Come along to have a go at surfing, or to experience the sand and surf in the beach wheelchair. There will be a surfing demonstration for people with disabilities, and an opportunity to 'have a go'. If you would like to 'have a go' phone Paul on 0408 160 686 or John on 0408 160 686 from Disabled Surfers Association or visit DSA's website [www.disabledsurfers.org](http://www.disabledsurfers.org).

For more information on International Day of People with Disability [www.idpwd.com.au](http://www.idpwd.com.au)

Enquiries: Karen Ingleman 02 6626 7224

## NOTICE OF MEETING Of the Trustees of the Mullumbimby Literary Institute known as Mullumbimby Civic Hall

A special general meeting of the trustees of the Mullumbimby Literary Institute is to be held as part of the Byron Shire Reserve Trust Committee Meeting on 12 December 2013 at Byron Shire Council Chambers, Station Street, Mullumbimby NSW. The purpose of the meeting is to consider the desirability to grant a licence for temporary tenure of part Mullumbimby Civic Hall to Mullumbimby and District Neighbourhood Centre Inc.

This Notice is in accordance with Section 5 of the Trustees of School of Arts Enabling Act 1902.

The proposed licence is to be included in the agenda for the Byron Shire Reserve Trust Committee Meeting on 12 December 2013 and will be available at community access points around the Shire and on Council's website at [www.byron.nsw.gov.au/meetings](http://www.byron.nsw.gov.au/meetings) from 3 December 2013.

Enquiries: Leasing and Licensing Coordinator 02 6626 7300

## FOGO is coming! What's happening?

A new three bin collection service is being introduced to assist our Byron Shire community to **sort** and **separate** our **Organics**, **Recycling** and **Garbage**. This will reduce our environmental impact, improve recycling and reduce what we send to landfill.

### How?

Council is in the planning stages of introducing a **Food Organics** and **Garden Organics** kerbside collection service. A new **green bin** will be available towards the middle of 2014 if you live in a single urban dwelling. Stay tuned...

# Local surfers start eco surf tours in the Solomon Islands

Locally based surfer and environmental educator Tash Morton has carved her way into inspiring work in the Solomon Islands.

After organising a group of girlfriends on a 14-day surf trip to the Solomon Islands last November she was invited to join the team from Surf Solomons to guide groups to their isolated surfing locations in Malaita Province.

This coming summer she will return to guide and assist with implementing sustainable practices in waste and community development at the surf camps.

'In the villages there are no electricity, no roads, no telephones, no shopping centres, very little use of fuel and little presence of any kind of government. Yet these communities are well organised, provide their own services, maintain beautiful villages and have a very rich and diverse culture,' says Tash.

'While this stunning environment and rich culture is fascinating for outsiders,



Surf Solomons All Girl's Surf Trip Welcome Ceremony December 2012: Jane Beattie, Anneli Knight, Tash Morton, Tamara DiMattina, Narelle Greenlees and Shamila Millard.

local people face many challenges. The lack of services, such as very limited education and health, and the difficulty to get to urban markets, means that cash incomes are very low.

'Solomon Islanders aspire to improve their lives. At

present they have few options and often resort to selling their resources in unsustainable ways such as logging, or they migrate to urban shanty towns,' describes Tash. 'Surf Solomons is working to develop alternative models of tourism that provide real

benefits to local people and strengthen their culture, environment and way of life.'

Tash's diverse background in environmental and waste education and her love for surfing and culture placed her perfectly to take up the challenge.

Established in 2008 by former Byron resident Tony Jansen, Surf Solomons was inspired by Tony's connection with the Solomons over the last 15 years where he has worked in sustainable agriculture.

Tony would surf the isolated breaks during his summer when he would return home to his wife's village in Malaita.

'All land and reefs are part of customary tribal land ownership systems,' says Tony. 'With Surf Solomons we visit their land and surf on their reefs as guests of tribes and families with complex social connections.'

'Our tours are done in a very sensitive way, respecting local beliefs, local people and the environment. We aim to pass on as much benefit as possible to locals to improve their lives in sustainable ways.'

Local people are employed by Surf Solomons to organise the logistics on the ground, transport, prepare food, building and guiding guests

on local trips to the market, waterfalls or fishing.

'On a Surf Solomons trip we go to places where very few tourists or any outsiders go. People on our trips have the unique opportunity of receiving a genuine welcome and making real friends with the people they meet in some of the most remote communities in the Pacific,' says Tash.

Trips with Surf Solomons run from October to April with consistent swell between two to six foot and the occasional bigger swell up to 10 foot. The trips are land based, staying in a purpose-built surf camp and occasionally in a local village, with access to 15 breaks along the coast.

Tash says, 'It's a rare day that we cannot find a quality wave to surf and, best of all, there are no crowds. We take only six people per trip and it's only us in the surf.'

To find out when the next trip runs, visit Surf Solomons at [www.surfsolomons.com](http://www.surfsolomons.com) or find them on Facebook at Surf Solomons.

## Crossfit coaches to train Olympic skiers



CrossFit Byron Bay are celebrating their first anniversary with the news that owners/coaches Nick and Joe Draxl have both been asked to coach athletes during the Sochi Winter Olympics in early 2014.

Nick as athlete performance manager for Atomic, the world's number-one Ski Company, and Joe as part of the Australian National Alpine Ski Team coaching contingency.

Both Nick and Joe represented Australia as professional skiers, and went on to coach the New Zealand

and Australian National Ski Teams respectively.

'We're advocates of actively contributing to the local community,' says Nick. 'We have hosted charity events ourselves, donated to numerous local fundraising efforts, and we've had the privilege of offering CrossFit as a sport elective for Byron High.'

CrossFit are inviting everyone to help them celebrate their birthday and the good news this weekend with free classes from 8am and kids' activities including face painting, games and a piñata at 102-104 Centennial Circuit, Byron Bay.

## Generations of Girls take on the Waves

The annual Girls Go Surfing Day event, hosted locally by Surfing Byron Bay, is now in its twenty-fourth year. Held this year on December 7 and 8, the Girls Go Surfing Day invites girls of all ages to head down to the beach and have a go at learning to surf. This event is the longest-running all-girl event held in the country.

'Surfing is a great sport for all ages,' says Serena Adams of Surfing Byron Bay. 'Girls, mums, aunties and grandmothers are invited to come down and have a go. It's held on our beautiful Byron Bay beaches; it's healthy and it's fun. Local accredited surf coaches from Go Surfing Byron Bay provide lessons in a safe environment where you will learn the basics of surfing while having a great time.'

Lesson price for the event is \$55, which will include one two-hour learn-to-surf



At the last Girls Go Surfing Day Serena Adams took her daughter Mahia along for the ride, literally. Mahia had a ball on the day and enjoyed surfing alongside the other girls young and old on the day. Photo Tree Faerie.

lesson and equipment, plus each participant will receive official event bag and t-shirt.

To book a place phone 0401 099 029 or email: [gossurfingbyronbay@gmail.com](mailto:gossurfingbyronbay@gmail.com).



## Give it a tri at Kingy

With record entries exceeding 1400 participants and nearly 780 individuals and teams competing in the Olympic distance triathlon – 1.5km swim, 40km cycle and 10km ride. Organisers of the Kingscliff Triathlon are excited and nervous to ensure the event runs smoothly, particularly as this is an Australian team selection race to compete in the world championships of triathlon in 2014.

The Kingy Tri is now just four years of age.

With race ambassadors including Sam Betten and Gillian Backhouse, race director Mike Crawley wants to acknowledge the communities of Kingscliff and Chinderah who are inconvenienced as the race occurs and thanks them for their tolerance.

The event organisers are also bidding in February to bring the national triathlon championship to the Kingy tri in 2014 and 2015.

For more information visit: [www.kingsclifftri.com.au](http://www.kingsclifftri.com.au).

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Find them under the Sport menu or go straight to this link:  
[www.echo.net.au/category/sport/results](http://www.echo.net.au/category/sport/results)

## ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING KEY TO BROKERS, LENDERS: SURVEY

Genworth's annual study of the Australian mortgage industry has shown that almost half (45 per cent) of the brokers surveyed believe that helping Australians overcome the lack of access to affordable housing will be one of the biggest challenges facing the mortgage industry over the next five years.

The Home Grown survey of 356 brokers, lenders and industry leaders found that brokers and lenders believe that housing affordability will be a bigger issue in the next five years than it has been in the previous five-year period.

In addition, lenders expect the market could also be affected by a weak domestic economy (43 per cent), housing affordability (37 per cent) and regulatory impacts (37 per cent).

'The recent resurgence of growth in property prices has likely led to a situation where mortgage industry participants are concerned

about how housing affordability will affect certain segments of their customer base,' said Bridget Sakr, chief commercial officer of Genworth Australia.

'Around one in two brokers surveyed wrote fewer loans to first home buyers over the previous 12 months when compared with the preceding 12-month period.

'This suggests that prospective first home buyers continue to experience difficulty in entering the property market and this issue is negatively affecting the amount of business brokers are writing for this group.'

Lenders and brokers alike expect that borrowers will increasingly use technology to apply for mortgages, with the majority expecting an increase in the volume of mortgages sold through both online channels (90 per cent and 65 per cent respectively), and through mobile devices (74 per cent and 50 per cent respec-

tively) over the next five years.

However, industry experts interviewed for the study agreed that 'the automatic online loan is a long way away' as mortgages are 'too complicated for digital channels'.

'The online arena provides a platform for innovation and differentiation in a competitive market,' said Bridget Sakr. 'The ongoing digitalisation of the sector is likely to continue.'

Four out of ten lenders (41 per cent) agreed that removing or reducing stamp duties will be the one government change that would benefit the mortgage



Affordable housing in NSW

market. Three out of ten (30 per cent) brokers agreed with this assertion.

'However, many participants also argued that removing or reducing stamp duties would only drive up prices and affect housing affordability further,' said

Bridget Sakr.

'The sector is clearly very concerned about the issue of housing affordability and how it is going to affect the mortgage.'

The 2013 Home Grown report draws upon quantitative surveys, in-depth inter-

views and workshop discussions held between August and October 2013 to offer insights on the mortgage industry from brokers, lenders and industry experts.

A copy of the full report can be found at [www.genworth.com.au/homegrown/](http://www.genworth.com.au/homegrown/).

## Home buyers should act like developers: Archicentre

Home buyers should act like developers to avoid being caught with a lemon in the current hot property market, according to Archicentre, the building design, inspection and advice service of the Australian Institute of Architects.

Ian Agnew from Archicentre said developers, who are driven by making a profitable return on the properties they buy, methodically go through the process of carefully assessing the condition of the building and how it can be renovated or redeveloped working out their budget and return before they consider signing on the dotted line.

Mr Agnew said that Archicentre's national inspection

statistics show that around 30 per cent of all homes inspected have faults in areas including illegal building, footings, roof structure, wiring, plumbing and dampness.

'Illegal building can leave the new home buyer with a major and costly legal issue especially if it creates a safety issue or the building does not comply with regulations.

'Unbudgeted costs for repairs such as restumping, plumbing and wiring can run into tens of thousands of dollars and blindside home buyers and investors who fail to do their homework before spending hundreds of thousands of dollars on

purchasing a property.'

Mr Agnew said buying a home at auction without a thorough knowledge of the property can see the purchaser stretch their financial capacity to the maximum.

Many buyers start behind the eight ball by purchasing a property without first having arranged a pre-purchase property inspection only to find they may face many unbudgeted costs after taking possession.

'This often results in the original loan being further extended creating increased mortgage stress. It also can have a major financial impact if money has to be borrowed to repair the home immediately to make

it safe and liveable or at the stage of future renovations when faults are exposed.'

Mr Agnew said home buyers can use pre-purchase property inspections to gain value during the property purchase process and includes:

- assessing the quality of the property and the potential cost of any repairs.
- provides an independent document to negotiate the price with the vendor.
- forms the basis for a feasibility study for any future renovation.

Archicentre's free Cost Guide provides general cost estimations for property repairs and maintenance and can be found at [www.archicentre.com.au](http://www.archicentre.com.au).



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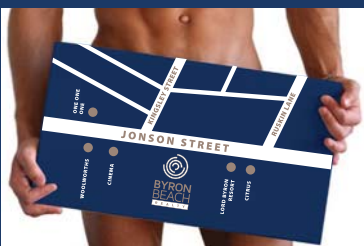
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**OPEN HOUSE**  
Saturday 11-11.30am

### Spacious, Peaceful & Private

**15 Stonehenge Place, Lennox Head.**  
 ✓ Spacious 5 bedroom home on large 2260m<sup>2</sup> block  
 ✓ Open plan kitchen/dining with 2 living areas. Recently updated kitchen with new stone bench tops  
 ✓ Carpeted living room with cozy wood fire burner  
 ✓ Main bedroom with built-in robes and own ensuite

✓ Backyard backs onto littoral rainforest reserve  
 ✓ Rare to find such a large size block so close to town  
**Price \$765,000.**  
 Contact Mark Kinneally 0429 868 001.

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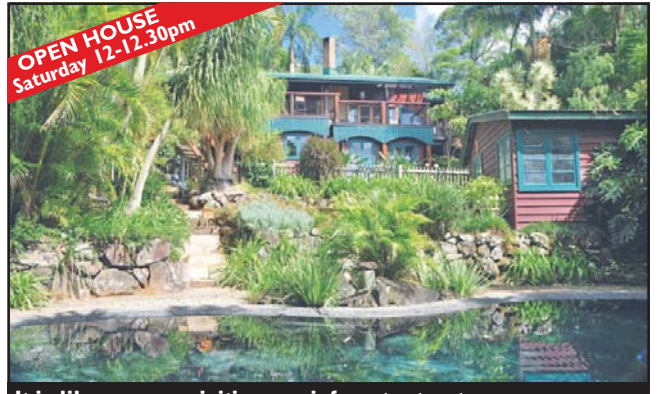


### Views to Boulder Beach & Coastal Reserve

**83 North Creek Road, Lennox Head.**  
 ✓ Completely renovated and elevated 3 level home  
 ✓ Massive 5 bed, three bathroom home with gym  
 ✓ Designed to make the most of the North Coast lifestyle  
 ✓ Wrap around timber decks on 2nd and 3rd levels  
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✓ Huge 1498m<sup>2</sup> block fully fenced with room for a pool. Private access and quiet surroundings complete the picture  
**Price guide \$950,000+.**  
**Auction 5.30pm December 11 at Lennox Hotel Function Room.**  
 Contact Mark Kinneally 0429 868 001

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**OPEN HOUSE**  
Saturday 12-12.30pm

### It is like you are visiting a rainforest retreat

**18 Hillcrest Drive, Tintenbar.**  
 ✓ View of countryside to the ocean  
 ✓ Spacious 4 bedroom house + 2 offices & large library  
 ✓ Open plan design with french country style kitchen, timber features + high raked ceilings for natural light  
 ✓ A low maint property, lots of privacy  
 ✓ Salt water pool with pool house  
 ✓ Shed and workshop

✓ Town water + vege garden, fruit trees. land size 4,747m<sup>2</sup>  
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 LJ Hooker, Brunswick Heads.



## SCOTT HARVEY REAL ESTATE

**Fernleigh 3 2 2 Studios Interest from \$825,000**

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**Auction onsite  
Saturday 7 December**



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### Newrybar Village

**Interest from \$850,000**

### TANGLTREE - ONE ACRE 5 Old Pacific Highway

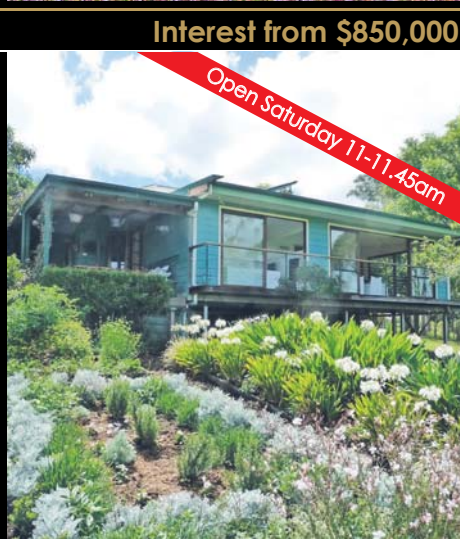
This lovingly restored original 1910 manse is situated on the edge of the historic and charming Newrybar Village, this beautiful 3 bedroom home resides on over an acre of land and boasts a lush garden with sub-tropical fruit trees. From the blonde wide teak floorboards and the light filled rooms, to its state of the art bathroom and sympathetic additions, this wonderful home will delight any buyer. The land slopes gently from the rear of the house and overlooks magnificent hinterland pastures.

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### Property in Focus

## Great First Home or Investment!



Nestled in the Northern Rivers hinterland village of Clunes on a large 1083sqm block is this solid, well maintained family home.

Featuring high ceilings, tiled floors, this 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom home is the perfect fit for the family looking for space to grow. The large open plan kitchen / dining area lends itself to family gatherings, while the living room looks out over leafy surrounds.

A large undercover verandah overlooks the back garden which is the perfect play area for kids and is large enough for a pool, veggie garden or both.

Well priced and close to the child care centre, school, general store and café as well as a short drive to Bangalow & Lismore this home will tick all the boxes and is well worth inspecting.

**Address:** 35 Smith Street, Clunes (3 bed, 2 bath, 2 car)

**Price:** Interest From \$399,000

**Agent:** Elders Bangalow - Tracey Wild 0411 668 338.





## Byron Bay, 45 Julian Rocks Drive

Auction Interest Over \$849,000

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- Architecturally designed, perfect indoor/outdoor flow
- Complete privacy – backs onto acres of reserve
- Pool, electric gate entry, solar HWS and panels

Open: Saturday, 30 November 2013  
10.00 – 10.30am  
Enquiries: Su Reynolds 0428 888 660



NEW  
AUCTION  
DATE

## Byron Bay, 4/24 Scott Street

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Auction Interest Over \$499,000

- Top floor apartment filled with natural light overlooking national park
- Open plan lounge/dining/kitchen leading onto a large balcony
- Lush tropical gardens with resort style facilities
- Quiet haven only minutes to town

Open: By Appointment  
Enquiries: James Young 0419 856 840

## Suffolk Park, 2/67 Brandon Street

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Auction Interest Over \$450,000

- Deceased Estate – Beachside Suffolk Park
- Unique 326m<sup>2</sup> block, great position, loads of potential
- Approx 100m to beach and shopping centre
- Perfect for first homebuyer or investor

Open: Saturday, 30 November 2013 10.00–10.30am  
Auction: 7 December 2013 2.00pm Onsite  
Enquiries: Michelle Hall 0427 443 227  
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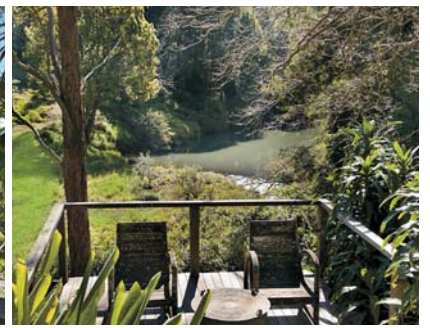
**QUINTESSENTIAL BYRON HINTERLAND RETREAT  
HAVEN OF CONTEMPORARY STYLE AND OLD WORLD CHARM**

- Absolutely charming residence on 5 acres • Circa 1905 superbly complemented with contemporary extensions • Quality property set in beautiful tropical gardens
- Two wonderful living rooms • Large timber decks with total privacy • Council approved B & B, "The Tin Dog Guest House" • 12m salt water pool • 1km stroll to historic Federal village

4 Macadamia Lane, FEDERAL  
Open house Saturday 10 - 10.30am  
Duncan Lorimer 0400 844 412

**\$1,365,000**

NEW PRICE



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**IDYLIC COUNTRY ESCAPE**

- Blissfully private location at Eureka • Appealing timber home with pool • Approx 12 acres with extensive frontage to Coopers Creek • Separate studio with bathroom
- Horse paddocks, stables, endless water supply • Convenient Byron hinterland location
- Mature gardens, rainforest pockets, fruit trees • An inspection will truly delight!

EUREKA  
Inspection by appointment  
Janice Maple 0401 026 359  
Tracey Wild 0411 668 338

**\$1,100,000**



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**CLASSIC FEDERATION APPEAL**

- Plenty of room to grow on nearly 2 acres • High ceilings, French doors & shady verandahs add atmosphere & functionality • The beautifully built & finished detached studio adds enormous extra accommodation options or an autonomous space to paint & potter • Easy drive to Alstonville & Lennox & Ballina beaches • Timely sale is required to finalise estate

8 Bentwing Place, Tintenbar  
Open for Inspection Saturday 10 - 10.30am  
Greg Price 0412 871 500

**Interest Over \$725,000**

Open for Inspection Sat. 7.7.77?



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**BYRON HINTERLAND PERFECTION**

- Spectacular timber & stone construction • Creative quality & character everywhere you look • Elevated, easy care small acreage • Polished Bluegum flooring, exposed cathedral ceilings • Expansive surround verandahs offering breathtaking views across the acreage to Coorabell Valley • Our vendors have already purchased & desire a sensible negotiation

296 Friday Hut Road, POSSUM CREEK  
Open for Inspection Saturday 12 - 12.30pm  
Greg Price 0412 871 500

**Interest Over \$1,350,000**

NEW PRICE



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**BANGALOW ORIGINAL RESIDENCE**

- Thoughtfully restored & partially renovated, this original timber charmer retains & exudes all the character & atmosphere of yesteryear • Situated to the side of a **huge 1010M2 level lot**, there is plenty of room for the studio/granny flat, sheds & pool • Stroll to main street in minutes • Vendors' business commitments in Sydney require speedy relocation

18 Granuille Rd, BANGALOW  
Open for Inspection Saturday 11 - 11.30am  
Greg Price 0412 871 500

**Interest Over \$600,000**

Open for Inspection Sat. 12-12.30pm



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**GRAND BANGALOW HOUSE**

- Beautiful old home with charm and character • Fabulous position adjoining Bangalow Showgrounds • Spacious living, wrap-around verandahs, flexible floor plan • Prime Bangalow village address • Huge undercover space, ideal for games room/entertaining • Large 798sqm block – room for a pool!

9 George Street, BANGALOW  
Open house Saturday 12 - 12.30pm  
Janice Maple 0401 026 359

**Forthcoming AUCTION**

Open for Inspection Sat. 1 - 1.30pm



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**COUNTRY LIVING WITH CHARM & QUALITY**

- C. early 1900's • Home constructed of teak and cedar Internal walls & ceilings with VJ lining boards • Nestled on 10 useable acres with 3 paddocks • Renovated dairy bails plus large historic shed • Centrally located to Bangalow & Byron Bay • Abundant water supply (new tank 110,000 litres) • Rarely available, perfect acreage & totally charming home

797 Fernleigh Road, BROOKLET  
Open house Saturday 1 - 1.30pm  
Duncan Lorimer 0400 844 412  
Janice Maple 0401 026 359

**Forthcoming AUCTION**



Sale



### Size Will Surprise...And So Will The Price!

**Byron Bay** 1/66 Bangalow Road

Spacious & inviting, this solid-brick residence offers an enviable lifestyle in a convenient location, with easy access to vibrant Byron Bay. This property represents exceptional possibilities for home buyers & investors wanting to purchase at the bottom of the market.

- Secure off street parking
- Recently refurbished modern kitchen
- Front court yard, with low maintenance gardens
- 1.5km from Byron town centre, 800m to beautiful Tallow Beach

Ray White Byron Bay

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**Sale**

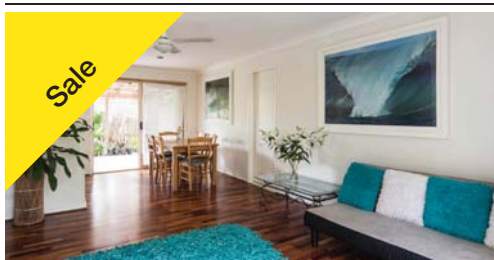
Guide \$430,000—\$470,000  
Inspect Thu 2.00pm—2.30pm  
Sat 1.00pm—1.30pm

**Brett Connable** 0408 155 931  
brett.connable@raywhite.com

rwbyronbay.com  
property ID 1058015  
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Auction



Sale



### Bottom Of The Market Opportunity

**Byron Bay** 4/3-4 Cape Court

Fabulously positioned in a quiet & family-friendly complex, this light & bright free-standing villa presents a fantastic opportunity for home buyers and investors looking to purchase in a welcoming neighbourhood.

- Neat & tidy throughout, filtered by natural light
- Three well-proportioned bedrooms complete with BIRs
- Single lockup garage with internal access
- Located a stone's throw away from Sunrise shopping complex
- Great investment or home

Ray White Byron Bay

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**Sale**

Guide \$385,000—\$420,000  
Inspect Wed 12.00pm—12.30pm  
Sat 11.30am—12.00pm

**Brett Connable** 0408 155 931  
brett.connable@raywhite.com

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property ID 1056856  
02 6685 6222



### Attention Investors And Value-Seekers

**Byron Bay** 4 Wright Place

Conveniently located on the fringe of the popular Pacific Vista precinct and within close proximity to Tallow Beach and town, this freestanding two bedroom, one bathroom Torrens Title residence provides a great opportunity for the first home buyer, downsizing retiree and investor alike.

- Single level brick and tile home on a 611.6 sqm allotment
- Separate single lock-up garage
- Covered north to rear facing entertaining courtyard
- Established lawn and landscaped gardens, level walk to beach

Ray White Byron Bay

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**Auction**

Sat 14th Dec 9.00am On Site  
Inspect Sat 11.00am—11.30am  
Guide \$500,000 to \$550,000

**Ben Ross** 0403 411 788  
ben.ross@raywhite.com

rwbyronbay.com  
property ID 1057834  
02 6685 6222



## OPEN FOR INSPECTIONS

### ELDERS BANGALOW

4 Macadamia Lane, Federal. 10-10.30am  
8 Bentwing Place, Tintenbar. 10-10.30am  
18 Granuaille Road, Bangalow. 11-11.30am  
296 Friday Hut Road, Possum Creek. 12-12.30pm  
9 George Street, Bangalow. 12-12.30pm  
797 Fernleigh Road, Brooklet. 1-1.30pm

### ELDERS NEW BRIGHTON

22 Larelar Court, North Ocean Shores. Sat 10-10.45am  
20/2 Langi Place, Ocean Shores. Sat 11-11.45am  
36 River St, New Brighton. Sat 11am-12pm

### FIRST NATIONAL BYRON BAY

2/67 Brandon Street, Suffolk Park. Sat. 10-10.30am  
45 Julian Rocks Drive, Byron Bay. Sat 10-10.30am  
3 Paperbark Place, Bangalow. Sat 10-10.30am  
46a Paterson Street, Byron Bay. Sat 11-11.30am  
21 Kalemajere Drive, Suffolk Park. Sat 11-11.30am  
4/24 Scott Street, Byron Bay. Sat 11-11.30am  
16 Belongil Crescent, Byron Bay. Sat 11-11.30am  
19 Ivory Curl Place, Bangalow. Sat 12-12.30pm  
5/35 Childe Street, Byron Bay. Sat 12-12.30pm  
7 Arika Avenue, Ocean Shores. Sat 12-12.30pm  
21 Bottlebrush Crescent, Suffolk Park. Sat 1-1.30pm  
11 Poplar Street, Mullumbimby. Sat 1-1.30pm  
19/24 Scott Street, Byron Bay. Sat 1-1.30pm  
18/21-25 Cemetery Road, Byron Bay. Sat 1-1.30pm  
11 Red Bean Close, Suffolk Park. Sat 2-2.30pm

### LJ HOOKER BRUNSWICK HEADS

8 Tongarra Drive, Ocean Shores. Sat 11-11.30am  
19 Mountain View Road, Ocean Shores. Sat 11-11.30am

### LOIS BUCKETT REAL ESTATE

3 Gradwell Dr, Lennox Head. Sat 10-10.30am  
7 Palisade Way, Lennox Head. Sat 11-11.30am  
83 North Creek Road, Lennox Head. Sat 11-11.30am  
18 Hillcrest Drive, Tintenbar. Sat 12-12.30pm  
15 Stonehenge Pl, Lennox Head. Sat 12-12.30pm  
134 Beach Road, Broken Head. Sat 1-1.30pm

### PROFESSIONALS BRUNSWICK HEADS

13 Mia Court, Ocean Shores. Sat 11-11.45am  
37 Natan Court, Ocean Shores. Sat 11-11.45am  
2/40 Buckingham Drive, Pottsville. Sat 12:15-12:45pm  
660A Bangalow Road, Talofa. Sat 2-2:45pm

### RAINE AND HORNE BYRON BAY

91 Beech Drive, Suffolk Park. Wed & Sat 11-11.30am  
43 Beech Drive, Suffolk Park. Sat 10-10.30am  
7/3 Pecan Court, Suffolk Park. Sat 11-11.30am  
153 Coopers Shoot Road, Coopers Shoot. Sat 10-11am  
4 Hakea Crescent, Suffolk Park. Sat 12-12.30pm  
153 Coopers Shoot Road, Coopers Shoot. Sat 12-1pm  
133 Coopers Shoot Road, Coopers Shoot. Sat 1.30-2.30pm

### RAY WHITE BYRON BAY

4/3-4 Cape Court, Byron Bay. Wed 12-12.30pm & Sat 11.30am-12pm  
Lot 14/278 Coopers Shoot Road, Coopers Shoot. Thu 12-12.30pm  
1/66 Bangalow Road, Byron Bay. Thu 2-2.30pm & Sat 1-1.30pm  
18 Beech Drive, Suffolk Park. 10-10.30am  
4 Wright Place, Byron Bay. Sat 11-11.30am  
140 Grays Lane, Tyagarah. Sat 12-12.30pm  
9 Red Bean Close, Suffolk Park. 2-2.30pm

### SCOTT HARVEY REAL ESTATE, BROOKLET

5 Old Pacific Highway, Newrybar. Sat 11-11.45am  
415 Fernleigh Road, Fernleigh. Sat 11am-12pm  
6 Pandanus Place, Ballina. Sat 10.30-11am  
595 Dalwood Road, Rous Mill. Sat 12-1pm

## AUCTIONS

### LOIS BUCKETT REAL ESTATE

**Auctions December 11**  
83 North Creek Road, Lennox Head  
134 Beach Road, Broken Head  
18 Hillcrest Drive, Tintenbar

### RAINE AND HORNE BYRON BAY

**Auction 2pm onsite Saturday December 12**  
91 Beech Drive, Suffolk Park  
**Auction 10am onsite Saturday January 11**  
43 Beech Drive, Suffolk Park  
**Auction 11.30am onsite Saturday January 11**  
4 Hakea Crescent, Suffolk Park

### RAY WHITE BYRON BAY

**Auction 9am onsite Saturday Dec 14**  
4 Wright Place, Byron Bay. Inspect Sat 11-11.30am

### SCOTT HARVEY REAL ESTATE, BROOKLET

**Auction 5.30pm onsite Tuesday November 26**  
5 Harbourview Street, East Ballina. Inspect Tues 4.30pm  
**Auction 4pm onsite Wednesday December 4**  
6 Pandanus Place, Ballina. Inspect Wednesday 3pm  
**Auction 10am onsite Saturday December 7**  
5 Old Pacific Highway, Newrybar Inspect Saturday 9am  
**Auction 12pm onsite Saturday December 7**  
415 Fernleigh Road, Fernleigh. Inspect Saturday 11am

## NEW LISTINGS

### ELDERS BANGALOW

- 9 George Street. Bangalow. Forthcoming Auction.
- 797 Fernleigh Road. Brooklet. Forthcoming Auction.

### ELDERS NEW BRIGHTON

- 26 Banool Circuit, North Ocean Shores, \$485,000.
- 3 Clifford Street, South Golden Beach, \$445,000.

### RAY WHITE BYRON BAY

- 3/8 Lawson Street, Byron Bay. \$895,000. Apartment centrally located to shops & Main Beach, 3 bed, 2 bath, 1 car.



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With the advent of Schoolies in the Bay, expect an increased police presence. They're out already, with local cops supplemented by riot squad, dog unit, mounted unit and a highway patrol targetting alcohol-related offences, illegal drug use and supply, and antisocial behaviour. Overkill? Most likely. A warning to behave yourself? Definitely.

Protesters against fluoridation of the water supply will be happy with Byron Council's decision not to go ahead but it is hard to tell how the state government will react. As part of their campaign, protesters took to chalking messages on the footpaths of Mullum, joining the stencil art for climate action. Have the days of rainbow art gone?

Certainly the good folk of Bangalow are not happy with the tagging by 'Nigel'. One resident writes: 'The person who is defacing Bangalow with their artwork and signing as "Nigel", please put your efforts into attending an art school, or if you need some art paper, please let me know. We are sick of you defacing our tennis club building (we like the plain grey colour), the new skate park, which has since been scrubbed off, and various other places.' What



Watch out for the above tablets being passed off as ecstasy. The State Crime Command's Drug Squad has issued a warning after two recent seizures of tablets which contained dangerous levels of 25I-NBOMe, an extremely potent hallucinogenic substance responsible for a number of deaths in Australia and overseas.



November obviously inspires people to great heights. This Friday November 29 the team at the Ocean Shores Tavern is hosting a fundraising event featuring the internationally acclaimed comedy show Bogan Bingo - see them on YouTube <http://bit.ly/stODsZ>. 'Only last week we lost one of our regular customers to cancer,' notes the Tav team, and 'it really hit the team hard, so now even more we are very keen to get behind the cause.'

we suggest, Nigel, is take a look at [www.streetartutopia.com](http://www.streetartutopia.com) and learn from real artists before the tennis club catches up with you. They have racquets, you know.

Congrats to Lismore Regional Gallery which won a 'Highly Commended' award for their exhibition *Not Quite Square: the story of Northern Rivers Architecture*. The accompanying documentary film *Not Quite Square: hand-made houses in the Northern Rivers*, made by our very own cine-drudge Sharon

Shostak, is now available for purchase on DVD. Call up the Gallery on 6622 2209 or see more via their website [www.lismoregallery.org](http://www.lismoregallery.org), under 'exhibition archive'.

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