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Councillor Wanchap resigns from Greens, supports West Byron

Hans Lovejoy

Byron Shire councillor and realtor Rose Wanchap has quit The Greens party after again siding with pro-development councillors at Thursday's Council meeting.

Her vote was crucial in blocking an urgency motion by Greens mayor Simon Richardson, which would have seen Council discuss whether to ask the state government to re-evaluate the West Byron development.

If approved, the planned estate of up to 1,100 dwellings opposite the industrial estate would be one of the largest in Byron Shire and the first major development in decades.

Its approval rests with the state government and a decision is expected within weeks.

The Byron Residents' Group (BRG), who have support from Greens (Crs Richardson, Dey), and independent councillors Spooner and Cameron, are calling on the

government to reconsider the development owing to what they say is a lack of due process and flawed reports.

In particular, the residents' group say the NSW planning department allowed for consideration of a traffic study that did not follow RTA guidelines and allowed the withholding of studies referring to koala habitat and acid sulfate soil from public exhibitions concerning the rezoning.

During Thursday's public access Byron Residents' Group's Cate Corey made mention of 2,389 signatories to a petition asking local member Don Page to intervene and stop the rezoning. 'Of those [signatories], more than half are from people in the 2481 or adjoining postcodes,' she said.

But concerns by those residents were not shared by councillors Alan Hunter, Chris Cubis, Di Woods, Sol Ibrahim and Rose Wanchap, who voted against mayor Simon Richardson, Crs Paul Spooner, Duncan Dey and Basil Cameron.

In reply to the resident group's claims, Cr Wanchap told *The Echo*, 'Councillors have had briefings from the developers and have been provided with details of studies which they claim are in accordance with the requirements and are of a high standard. We will have to review these before the next meeting.'

'There was so little time to research the claims of the Byron Residents' Group hence my reluctance to agree to the urgency motion.'

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Byron councillor and Byron Bay realtor, Rose Wanchap

Buckled up for paddle fun



Twelve hundred locals flocked to the Mullum2Bruns paddle over the weekend, raising over \$25,000 for the Brunswick SLSC, Brunswick Marine Rescue and Brunswick Heads Visitor Centre. Competitive, novelty and family challengers made the 10km journey from Mullumbimby's Heritage Park to Terrace Park in Brunswick Heads, where they were greeted with live music and festivities. Event co-ordinator Michele Dennis said the event was a total success that wouldn't have been possible without its volunteers and supporters. Pictured are three young paddlers about to take to the water. Photo & story Maleika Halpin

CCTV: shall we take the money or not?

A majority of councillors agreed – after a long protracted debate at Council's Thursday meeting – to take an offer to apply for a \$200,000 grant for CCTV in Byron Bay's trouble spots.

The application will include a request for additional lighting.

Under the Safer Streets Program, minister for justice, Michael Keenan MP, recently invited Byron Shire Council to submit a proposal that would see CCTV in Apex Park near the Beach Hotel (\$100,000) and CCTV on Jonson St, ending at

Kingsley St (\$100,000).

But Cr Paul Spooner was unimpressed, saying that without lighting, CCTV would be useless and that the ongoing costs are unknown.

'If the government are genuine, they would support our own community compact policy, which calls for more lighting as well.'

The town's chamber of commerce, Byron United (BU), says its board were delighted at the outcome

But Council's general manager Ken Gainger noted that the CCTV

funding offer would have ongoing costs estimated at up to \$80,000 for monitoring and maintenance each year.

Ongoing costs \$80k

'If the application is successful, this cost will need to be included in all future Council budgets while CCTV is in place,' he said.

Prior to installing the system, Council will be required to develop a CCTV policy, guidelines, code of practice and operating procedures.

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A crazy journey through the French legal system

Photo & story Eve Jeffery

The dream of being a young artist in France was shattered one July evening in 1999, when 21-year-old Claire McFarlane was viciously slashed, raped and left to die in the arrondissement du Panthéon by an unknown attacker.

'I was in France on a student visa', says Claire. 'I was learning French and had a part-time job in a bar, and I was preparing my portfolio for the fine arts school in Paris.'

It turned out that the man who assaulted Claire was a serial rapist who had offended just one month before in the exact same location.

But police, in the hope of not scaring him off, had not made the attack public and unsuspecting women went about their lives ignorant of the possible danger.

Claire says had she known, she would not have walked alone late in the evening after work to find a taxi.

Three months after the attack, Claire returned home to Australia to try to rebuild her life. 'The police stayed in sporadic contact with me for about a year afterwards, then, a few years after that they archived the case. At the time in France, DNA re-



After a vicious attack in France 15 years ago, Claire McFarlane had to spend about \$30,000 of her own money to prosecute her attacker in the French courts, owing to that country's laws.

ords were not on a database.' In the meantime, her assailant – Cameroon-born Eric Priso-Nseke Mouelle – had re-offended at least once.

Claire says that it wasn't until 2009 when a young police officer found a pile of old cases that had not been entered into the database that Mouelle's DNA was matched with Claire's evidence.

DNA match

The case was re-opened and this is where insult was added to injury: 'In June 2009 I was contacted by French police saying they had found the guy, they had a DNA match and I needed to get to Paris as quickly as

possible to do a line-up.'

Claire identified Mouelle straight away and the process to convict him began.

Victim pays costs

In a confusing twist of French law, once Mouelle was taken into custody, Claire was asked if she wanted to prosecute the case. It was then she discovered that unless she paid for the court proceedings and legal representation, he would walk free. Claire went ahead – Mouelle was found guilty and sent to jail for twelve years. While it was a just result that played out in the highest criminal court in the country, it was financed entirely by Claire.

To date, these legal pro-

ceeding have cost her about \$30,000. In an effort to try to recoup some of the costs, Claire must again travel to Paris. 'In an attempt to claim back half of these expenses, I have now been forced into an appeal proceeding which will cost up to another \$6,000.'

Recently Claire was advised she must again go through that traumatic event and needs to be in court in Paris on June 5 to testify – so she is mounting a GoFundMe appeal to ask for assistance.

CrossFit fundraiser

To help Claire along, the crew at CrossFit Byron Bay are holding a fundraiser where there will be events for all levels as well as face-painters for the kids, a sausage sizzle, yummy paleo treats and coffee.

Half of the proceeds will go towards Claire's GoFundMe campaign, and the other half is being donated to a local non-profit organisation that supports women who are victims of sexual assault.

The CrossFit fundraisers will be held this Saturday from 8am. For more information about Claire's story visit www.gofundme.com/claairesbattletjustice.

Rous Water adopts strategy, groundwater use on cards

Rous Water, the water authority for northern rivers councils including Byron Shire, has adopted an updated 50-year water strategy, which includes increased use of groundwater and potential future water re-use.

Rous Water chair Cr Sue Meehan said that the council had received positive community feedback and was confident that the *Future Water Strategy* was the best approach to providing long-term regional water security.

Feedback from over 60 groups

'Over 60 groups and individuals provided feedback during the consultation phase with a high level of support for the strategy and the recommended actions,' Cr Meehan said.

'There was particularly strong support for continued water efficiency and the council is determined to adopt measures to get the most from our current water supplies before developing new water sources.

'The *Future Water Strategy* identifies increased use of groundwater as the primary new water source to supplement existing supplies and outlines a series of investigations to identify and develop potential groundwater sources.

Sufficient supplies until 2024

'Groundwater investigations will commence as soon as practical to determine where groundwater can be best sourced and the potential yield.'

Cr Meehan stressed that groundwater would only supplement – not replace – current supplies from Emigrant Creek Dam, Rocky Creek Dam and the Wilsons River Source.

'The *Future Water Strategy* investigations found that we have sufficient supplies to meet forecast demand until around 2024, but that by 2060 a further 6,500 megalitres per year would be required.

See more about the strategy at rouswater.nsw.gov.au.

Nats MP admits 'atrocious' handling of federal budget

Darren Coyne

While federal Page MP Kevin Hogan (Nationals) admits that his government's handling of the federal budget has been appalling, he still maintains that his Liberal/National Party was tasked with the job of 'budget repair' and has delivered on that commitment.

The electorate of Page covers Lismore, Ballina, Yamba, Casino and Grafton, but not Nimbin, as reported last week.

'Our message on this budget has been atrocious,' he told *The Echo*. 'People do have issues: pensioners are concerned and they have come to me anxious and fearful,' he said.

But Mr Hogan says that once told that raising the pension age to 70 will not

kick in for 20 years, most go away relieved.

As for unemployment, he said the main aim of toughening up benefit entitlements was to motivate people into the workforce.

Green Army

'We want everyone under 30 to have a job or be learning. We want them to be motivated and optimistic and that's what it's all geared around,' he said.

That would be achieved with 'green army' projects, which would provide certificates along the way to participants taking part in projects such as regeneration.

Mr Hogan also said he remained committed to opposing gas mining in the region.

■ Read more on this story at Echonetdaily.net.au

Man in critical condition after cardiac arrest in New Brighton

The Westpac Life Saver Rescue Helicopter was tasked to retrieve a 67-year-old male following a cardiac arrest on New

Brighton Beach on Saturday at around 11am. He was transported to Gold Coast Hospital in a critical condition.

Byron Shire Echo archives: www.echo.net.au

CO*OP Kulcha celebrates first year

The region's only 100 per cent volunteer-run food co-operative, CO*OP Kulcha, celebrates a year of operation and co-operation this week.

To mark the occasion, a 'food lovers' degustation and a day of information, music and fine food is planned on Thursday May 29.

Kulchajam's Techa Beaumont says five of the region's finest chefs will create a five-course '100-mile' degustation menu to showcase the region's produce.



Planning their 100-mile feast in the co-op kitchen are Anthea Amore, with (left to right) Ronit Robbaz, Stream, Guy Simpson and Sufiyo. Photo Jeff 'Pumpkin Head' Dawson

One-hundred-mile degustation

Anthea and Casper from Organic Passion Catering, Ronit Robbaz from Open Table Catering, Stream from True Nature Cuisine, Sufiyo of Raw EnerQI and Guy Simpson have donated their

time to create a special plate from ingredients within 100 miles of Byron Bay.

The evening culminates in a gypsy jam featuring mem-

bers of Rapskallion, The Link and The Sea Gypsies and goes on into the night with DJ Mr Mantiki and the Mung Bean All Stars. Pre-booking is essen-

tial, and tickets are available at www.kulchajam.org/coop or at the door. Kulchajam is located at 1 Acacia Street, Byron Arts & Industry Estate.

Greens call on Cr Wanchap to quit Council after quitting party

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Upon hearing the news of Cr Wanchap's resignation, Greens convener and former councillor, Tom Tabart, called on Cr Wanchap to resign from Council as well.

But that's unlikely; Cr Wanchap instead told *The Echo* she will serve out her full term as an independent.

Mr Tabart told *The Echo*, 'I welcome the news that Cr Wanchap has finally recognised the irreconcilable differences that have existed between her and the Greens for a long time.'

'Now that she has left the Greens it is her moral duty to also resign as a councillor, having gained that position as a member of the Greens' election team.'

But Cr Wanchap said, 'I want to assure the community that despite not being a member of the Greens, I will continue to fight equally for social justice, environmental and financial sustainability that affects the health and wellbeing of the whole community, while striving to create access for the average person to rent or own their

own home here in Byron Bay.' Tensions also ran high during Thursday's break following morning access; a squabble erupted after former Greens council candidate, Jim Beatson, accused Ms Wanchap of a conflict of interest - something she vehemently denies.

Squabble erupts

Cr Chris Cubis intervened and an argument ensued outside the chambers.

Cr Wanchap told *The Echo* that she believes there are no pecuniary interests that need

to be declared when she votes on the development.

'I was advised by staff that, as a realtor, there are no financial gains that I could make that relate to West Byron.'

She added that others on Council with day jobs may benefit from the development, which were also not considered a pecuniary interest.

'It is difficult to make the hard decisions to get the balance right between providing housing for our shire and protecting the environment.'

'With West Byron, we have had numerous workshops, the

developers have worked diligently as have staff at the state and local level for years to get the best outcome for the community and this work needs to be recognised and respected.'

'It is clear we have a housing crisis. We need to come together and work on solutions rather than putting up obstacles. I might add that the silent majority could just very well be in agreement. There were 245 submissions in support and 119 against when the application went on public exhibition.'

■ See letters, page 11

Over \$2k for Rail Trail fundraiser

Over \$2,000 was raised for the Northern Rivers Rail Trail Inc (NRRT) at last Saturday night's fundraiser dinner, held at the Byron Bay Entertainment Centre.

Association member Marie Lawton told *The Echo*, 'Rail trail supporters gathered together for a fun night of circus acts, music and dinner, with a guest appearance from The Space Cowboy with his miraculous spoon bending

and unicycle feats.'

'[Local NSW MP] Don Page also made a guest appearance and spoke eloquently on his vision for the northern rivers with the potential building of the rail trail. The ARUP feasibility study has been completed and will be released to the public shortly.'

'Mr Page is very optimistic that the result will be a positive one. Mr Page also said that he will remain committed to the

project even though he will be retiring as the local member for Ballina next year.'

Ms Lawton says money was raised through a raffle and a silent auction from donations made by local businesses in Byron and Lismore.

'Businesses have been very happy to support the fundraiser and Circus Arts have been amazing with the amount of work they put into making the night a success,' she said

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Getting in focus for Mullum's big picture

Story & photo Eve Jeffery

Leaving your home town for greater opportunities in the big city is nothing new.

Quite often in Australia, leaving the country is the only hope of having a crack at the world stage.

These were the exact circumstances for Mullumbimby man Lindsay Roser. He moved to New York and fortunately became a very successful internet entrepreneur as founder and CEO of G3 Technology.

But interestingly, he would like to see young locals supported more at home.

'Our community rightly celebrates the success of its young artists, sportspeople, dancers, writers, musicians and entertainers, but something very important is missing,' says Lindsay.

'We don't encourage, invest in, or publicly applaud anywhere near as much our brightest and best young scientists, engineers, mathematicians and technology achievers. Why not?'

Lindsay says our best and brightest will need to leave their home to find experience, work and make a living.

But with the world growing ever smaller, those goals



Like many before him, Lindsay Roser left the area to seek his fortunes but says we need to encourage our youth at home

could be achieved in our own backyards. 'Where's the annual Science Expo? Where's the Technology Innovation Incubator and the Environmental Science and Engineering Centre of Excellence?' he asks.

As part of the 2014 Mullumbimby Big Picture Show being held this weekend, Lindsay will ask the public to consider the creation of a local space for creative and talented young people.

He would like to see an incubator in the town for the purpose of promoting science and has suggested that the old Telstra building and site would be perfect.

'The proposed Byron Shire Science and Technology Incubator at Mullumbimby that we hope to establish with eve-

ryone's help sets out to address this gap in our creative industries.'

Lindsay hopes that the Big Picture Show will be the birth of something wonderful for science.

'Individual, community and cultural prosperity go hand in hand,' he says.

'The transformative businesses we want to encourage within our own community will make a direct and significant contribution to our town's long-term social and economic prosperity, through direct employment and the creation of a technology-based economy.'

The Big Picture Show will be held this Saturday, May 31, at the Mullumbimby Civic Centre.



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Cr Spooner seeks state Labor preselection

Byron Shire councillor and manager of the Byron Bay Community Centre, Paul Spooner, is the first to announce intentions to contest the NSW seat of Ballina for next year's state election.

Cr Spooner will be standing for Labor preselection among other candidates.

For the last 26 years, the Ballina electorate has been a

safe Nationals Party seat, held by Don Page.

'I am standing for better schools, a better healthcare system and a fairer society,' Cr Spooner told *The Echo*.

'I will provide strong local representation to the people of this region in state parliament.' He added that Labor candidate preselection will be decided over the coming weeks.



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Bentley banner bound for Canberra

Two banners were unfurled in Byron last week in support of the Bentley blockade, just as the protector's camp near Lismore began to pack down their site. Photo Jeff Dawson

■ See the video on this at Echonetdaily.net.au - echo.net.au/?p=96356

Three people's flags are destined for Canberra to highlight public opposition to the expanding fossil fuel industry and unwelcome gas exploration on prime farming land. The first flag was started by musician Xavier Rudd at

Bentley; the flag was then signed by hundreds of Bentley protesters and it then went to Nimbin, Bellingen and Coffs Harbour. A second flag was started by children at Bentley.

The third was started in Byron last week.

Invite-only holiday letting forum to be held - again

As part of its push to formalise holiday letting, Byron Shire Council will hold an invite-only workshop on May 27.

It follows on from last November's closed forum, and the Holiday Letting Strategy Discussion Paper says, 'Council would like to continue the dialogue with you as a representative of a key stakeholder group' in developing Council's holiday letting strategy.

The letter says the forum will inform the strategy's development, 'culminating in an amendment to Council's Local Environmental Plan to give effect to the planning control provisions.'

One of Council's 'key messages' is that regulating holiday let owners/managers may have to pay development costs and/or business rates.

Council also acknowledged in the paper that 'holiday letting is an important component to Byron's tourist accommodation market and thus the economy.'

A 'key stakeholder' handed the invitation over to *The Echo*, 'in the interests of transparency.'

They added, 'the public should be informed about what Council is considering.'

Rare-earth corp defends environmental cred

Hans Lovejoy

Australia's only rare-earth company, Lynas, has told *The Echo* that last week's article on the Greens Party, entitled 'One rainy night in Mullum,' contained 'factual inaccuracies and misleading statements.'

Rare-earth minerals are the raw materials used for the manufacture of renewable energy items such as wind turbines, hybrid car batteries, solar panels, circuit boards and magnets.

And while rare-earth minerals are also used to manufacture parts for cruise missiles and iPhones, their extraction is known to be associated with highly toxic materials such as uranium and thorium.

Lynas's executive vice-president of corporate affairs, Alan Jury, said that contrary to the statement that Lynas was forced to shift its operations to Malaysia owing to opposition from 'all political parties', Lynas possessed regulatory approvals to build its refining operations in Australia and received support

from the major parties.

He said, 'Lynas decided to locate its refining process in a Malaysian industrial park owing to access to the abundant supply of electricity, water, relevant technical expertise and chemical inputs for the refining process that were not readily or competitively available in the Western Australian desert.'

Radioactivity low

Mr Jury also said that senator Ludlam's statement that Lynas's rare earths are 'radioactive sludge shipped in plastic bags' was misleading.

'The radioactivity in Lynas's rare earths is so low that it is prevented, by transport regulations, from applying a radioactive placard to the load.'

'If every product that was radioactive required similar treatment, then bananas, stone benchtops and garden fertilisers would require similar signage.'

Regarding public opposition in Malaysia, Mr Jury said the company had been 'active within the community,' and

cited various meetings with local community groups, NGOs and academics.

He maintains that the Malaysian plant poses no health risks and that naturally occurring radiation in the waste will be reduced to almost zero and made into roadfill, fertiliser and the like.

'Waste that doesn't get used ends up in temporary storage ponds next to the plant,' he said. 'These have leak detectors and are lined and raised. It's not a simple "pond".'

Anti-Lynas seats won in Malaysia

Yet ABC reported last year that candidates 'running on an anti-Lynas platform won a raft of seats around the plant, in the May general election.'

Bloomberg listed Lynas as the worst performer this year among its index of 11 rare-earth producers and explorers and it lost more than \$107 million last financial year. Lynas's processing plant in Malaysia started producing late last year, according to Mr Jury.

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What's the reality of reality TV?

Lennox resident Jules Allen talks to Mandy Nolan about her *MasterChef* experience

Andy Warhol once predicted that in the future everyone would get their 15 minutes of fame.

It was a curiously accurate prediction of the current zeitgeist that sees reality TV offer ordinary people a chance at celebrity, albeit short lived.

Last year, Lennox Head resident and social worker/counsellor, Jules Allen, found herself in the heat of *MasterChef* and in the eye of the reality TV storm.

For this single mother of four and foster parent to a total of 31 children, the experience had 'a far greater impact on me and my family than I expected.'

Allen's story is the subject of ABC1's *Australian Story*, which will air this Monday night. She says she experienced 'post traumatic stress' after her five-month stint on the Channel 10 show.

'Disconnected'

For starters, contestants are expected to spend 24 hours a day together. Allen shared a room with four others, and only had time to herself 'in the linen closet' where she retreated to find some mental solace. It shut down her world for five months, and she was only able to call home for ten minutes each week and see her children for four hours once a month.

Allen speaks of becoming 'totally disconnected from the world. It was harder than I expected.'

Leaving her children was the biggest challenge for the reality celebrity, who says, 'I assumed wrongly that kids need you to be there when they are little.'

'But they need you just as much when they are adolescents. My brother stepped in and looked after the kids, but when I came back they were discombobulated - like helium balloons without anything



holding them down. My eldest son got expelled the day I got eliminated! I said "dude, you got expelled," and he said, "come on, Mum, you got eliminated!"

Masterchef participants all sign contracts that make numerous stipulations around their availability and confidentiality of the subject matter. Unprecedented permission is granted to use their images and footage to market the reality product.

While participants are available 24 hours a day, and are often shooting for up to 20 hours a day, they are paid a paltry \$630 per week.

Allen also believes now that her time on *MasterChef* affected her ability to resume her life once her time on the show ended. 'You can't go back to the world you had before because it doesn't exist anymore, and you aren't allowed to talk about it, and then people's reactions to you are different, so I isolated myself.'

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'[But] I would be lying if I didn't say part of why I did it was about ego.'

'For me a big part of being on *MasterChef* was to raise my profile so I could talk about issues like food and family that I am passionate about. They didn't lie to me; they told me that it was go-

ing to be hard, but it's like trying to tell someone what childbirth is like. You don't really get it until you are there.'

Having a counselling background meant that Allen was well aware of the trauma being caused to some participants and to herself.

'I chose to speak out on *Australian Story* because this whole reality TV thing frightens me. I see a lot of young people walk blindly into it. Shows like *Biggest Loser* terrify me. It's dangerous.'

'It was hard being on the show, but at times I did have a fantastic time, but when I came out, I was fucked.'

Questionable work practices

Australian Story producer Vanessa Gorman believes that reality TV is getting away with questionable work practices.

'Most of the contracts for these shows are exploitative - the companies can put in the contract whatever they want and people just sign them, because if they don't they don't get on the show. Part of every contract is that you are not allowed to criticise the show in perpetuity - in *Australian Story*, Jules talks about her emotional response.'

'People go into these shows,' says Gorman, 'thinking that it's going to be great, but as shown by the *Australian Story* with Jules Allen, they can take their toll emotionally and psychologically.'

Jules is also about to launch her therapeutic herbal tea line with 100 per cent of the profit going to sustaining her work in charities she supports both in Australia and globally.

Go to julesallen.org for more information.

Lennox Head ready to feel the love

The Love Lennox Carnival - a celebration of everything that Lennox Head has to offer visitors and residents - will take place again on Saturday June 7 in the main street.

Once again the carnival is being hosted by the Lennox Head Chamber of

Commerce, but this year the chamber is welcoming a new major sponsor, the NSW government-run North Coast Holiday Parks (NCHP).

A range of stalls, entertainment, local arts and crafts, and business displays are planned.

The southern end of Ballina Street will be closed from Rayner Lane to Park Lane so that visitors and participants can relax, wander freely, and enjoy everything on offer.

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Winterson keynote speaker at writers' festival

Celebrated author Jeanette Winterson has been announced as keynote speaker for the Byron Bay Writers' Festival, which runs over August 1-3.



Her appearance will be part of her 2014 Australian tour, and is in collaboration with Sydney Opera House and Brisbane Powerhouse.

The Guardian (UK) recently listed Jeanette Winterson as being one of the world's top ten writers to see live: 'She walks on with such confidence and never has any barrier between herself and the audience...'

Jeanette Winterson OBE is one of the most acclaimed authors of our time. Whatever

the genre - novels, screenplays, essays and journalism - Winterson takes risks and challenges us to think differently about identity and relationships.

Risk taker

At age 15, Winterson's teenage love affair with another woman came to light.

She was condemned by her church, leading to her expulsion from the community and her decision to leave home.

Working odd jobs, from an ice-cream van driver to a funeral parlour make-up artist, she supporting herself to obtain an English BA from St Catherine's College, Oxford.

She has gone on to write more than 15 books, including the celebrated novels *Oranges Are Not the Only Fruit*, *The Passion* and *Sexing the Cherry*.

Writers' Festival director Edwina Johnson said, 'Byron Bay Writers' Festival is delighted Jeanette Winterson will deliver the 2014 keynote address, and to have negotiated her east-coast tour to

include events at both the Sydney Opera House and Brisbane Powerhouse.'

The program will feature more than 100 authors and includes some of Australia's best writers and thinkers from Malcolm Fraser, Clare Wright, Julian Burnside and Tim Flannery to M L Stedman, Ashley Hay, Alex Miller, Andy Griffiths and many more.

The full program will be available from June 6, and the festival will also include writing workshops commencing on July 28. Earlybird tickets are on sale until the full program is announced.

For more information visit byronbaywritersfestival.com or call 1300 368 552.

Federal sculpture exhibition



Nathalie and her Luminous exhibition. Photo Jeff Dawson

An exhibition of plaster, ceramics and jewellery by Nathalie Verdejo will be held at the Federal Village Gallery on Saturday May 31 from 11am to 1pm, and continues until June 15. Ms Verdejo says,

'Luminous is inspired by our behaviours around new technologies and the challenge to live a full somatic experience when, many times a day, we find ourselves reaching for electronic devices.'

GM rewarded as RV Council ratepayers hit

Chris Dobney

The Richmond Valley Council (RVC) is preparing ratepayers for a tough budget while hoping it will still receive its requested above-cap rate hike.

Richmond Valley Council covers the towns of Casino, Coraki, Evans Head and Woodburn.

Mayor Ernie Bennett says Council planned to deliver a \$339,000 working funds surplus in the 2014/15 budget even if

it had to stay within the budget cap. But, he admits, it won't come without some pain. General manager John Walker added that austere measures would be required to offset increases in 'non-controllable costs', such as salaries, and the absence of any significant new income items.

One of the 'non-controllable' costs is Mr Walker's own salary of \$240,000 for the next financial year, which was approved by Richmond Valley Council last week. Richmond Valley councillors

approved unanimously the \$10,400 increase Mr Walker's pay packet at last night's meeting of Council.

KPIs not up for scrutiny

The increase included a 2.5 per cent award increase plus a bonus for performance based on undisclosed Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) set by and assessed by councillors.

The KPIs are not available for public scrutiny.

OS crash victim named

Police have released the name of an 80-year-old man who was found dead by officers in his car off Shara Boulevard, Ocean Shores, at around 12.40pm on Saturday afternoon (May 24).

Inspector Jim Kain of Tweed-Byron Local Area Command told *The Echo* that John Williams, from Ocean Shores, was last seen around 6am prior to being discovered when his car was sighted

by police in bushland to the side of the road.

'The Red Mitsubishi Magna had driven off the road and collided with a tree,' Insp Kain said.

He added it was not clear whether Mr Williams had died from the impact of the vehicle or an existing medical condition. 'That will be for the coroner to determine,' he said. Police investigations are continuing.

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God finally gets her botherers to act

The Guardian and handful of other news outlets reported last Monday something quite significant: church leaders were arrested for an asylum prayer vigil at Tony Abbott's Sydney office.

Meanwhile, a simultaneous sit-down protest was held at opposition leader Bill Shorten's electorate office in Melbourne.

The significance of course is that peaceful, law-abiding civilians with strong religious beliefs are now prepared to be arrested over the horrendous imprisonment of 1,023 children in Australian-run immigration detention centres.

More than that, they targeted both political parties that engage in this cruelty, and came from a broad section of the Christian faith: Catholic, Baptist, Anglican and Uniting churches.

Interestingly Abbott's goons brought the cops in while Shorten let them stay. It follows similar sit-in protests at immigration minister Scott Morrison's electorate office in March, as well as the office of foreign affairs minister Julie Bishop. Will non-violent protests against human and environmental crimes define 2014?

Media morphine

Heads up hyper-local media junkies – newly released newspaper circulation figures have seen *The Byron Echo* increase its dominance over *The Byron News* (APN), with a 48 per cent circulation lead. The figures, which are updated every six months, were released last week by the Audited Media Association.

There's been a general decline for local daily *The Northern Star*, owned by Australian Provincial Newspapers (APN). *The Star* now prints 9,662 copies daily, which is down seven per cent on the same period last year. Its Saturday edition is also down 8.8 per cent.

While independent publishers such as *The Echo* are holding steady and expanding online, the days of complacency are long over. The media's existence relies on more than just relevant and informative news; it relies on good relationships with its advertisers. But as for corporate suckholes like Rupert Murdoch, be wary of those who afflict the afflicted while comforting the comfortable.

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The GST cat has escaped the bag

Let's be absolutely clear about this: we are not, repeat not, contemplating any changes to the GST. Tony Abbott and Joe Hockey have both assured us of this, and we know we can trust them.

And the state premiers (three of whom, in New South Wales, Victoria and Queensland, happen to be facing elections in the next 12 months) emphatically agree. Even Judith Sloan, *The Australian's* iron-hearted economic fundamentalist, concurs, for a reason totally out of character: the political cost for her soul-mates in government would be just too great.

So that's it: there will be no changes to the GST, never, ever – or at least not until after the next round of elections, including the federal coalition's own, due in 2016, are out of the way.

But funnily enough even a number of Abbott's own colleagues are not convinced. A number of federal backbenchers, led by the former front-bencher, Ian Macdonald, insist that we should be talking about it – and, to Abbott's embarrassment, they are. And they are joined by an influential mob: former premiers John Brumby (Labor, Vic) and Nick Greiner (Lib, NSW) have been joined by the Australian Chamber of Commerce and Industry, the Australian Industries Group and, more surprisingly, the Australian Council of Social Services in urging that the GST should at least be discussed.

So let's discuss it: and the first thing to be said is that the GST is a cop-out – was, is and always will be. Everyone acknowledges that the GST, like all flat-rate taxes, is regressive: it hurts the poor more than the rich. Ten per cent of a grocery bill or the cost of a washing machine is buggar-all to someone on \$100,000 a year, but for a single mother on Newstart it can gouge a huge hole in the

weekly budget. But for the boffins who design tax, its unfairness is less important than its efficiency: the GST is hard to avoid and easy to collect.

Of course, in its Australian form it is less efficient than the purists would like: the exemptions demanded by the Democrats to pass it through the Senate in 1999 seriously sullied the elegant simplicity of John Howard's proposed model. Food, health, education, wa-

edged that death and taxes were inevitable and Oliver Wendell Holmes even rejoiced: he was happy to pay taxes, he said, because it was with taxes that he bought civilisation. But in Australia, over the last 40-odd years at least, a contrary attitude has taken hold, both among individuals and governments: regular tax cuts have become the expectation and tax increases political suicide.

And if there can't be cuts,

the current sales tax regime (which was actually progressive: luxury items attracted a higher rate than everyday goods) and substitute a universal model along the lines of Great Britain's openly regressive Value Added Tax (VAT).

They went proselytising among the politicians and made converts: first Paul Keating, then John Hewson and at last, triumphantly, John Howard. And now they are going in for the final kill: remove the existing exemptions (well, most of them – the sanctity of financial transactions is to remain) raise the rate, or preferably both.

It will be a hard sell: Treasury itself is not unanimous. The outgoing secretary, Martin Parkinson, is telling the states to forget the GST and concentrate on other areas, like jacking up payroll tax, which he says performs essentially the same function.

And of course the political pain and risk in revisiting what was always a much-loathed innovation (remember it nearly cost John Howard office in 1998, and he was a much better spruiker than Abbott will ever be) may yet prove too much. But the hard fact is that the feds' budgetary king hit on the states means that something will have to give, and the GST is the obvious target.

And after all why not? Even with some additional compensation raising it would be regressive, unfair, another hit on those who can least afford it – but isn't that the way Abbott and Hockey are going anyway? And of course it would make room for another round of pre-election income tax cuts for the well-off.

Everyone acknowledges that the GST, like all flat-rate taxes, is regressive: it hurts the poor more than the rich.

by Mungo MacCallum



ter and sewerage are left out, and so are financial services; the money changers remain secure in their temples.

And imported purchases made through the internet were not even thought of, an omission which is now the subject of regular and often bitter debate. And even with these exemptions, various compensations had to be negotiated for low income earners. Despite the best efforts of its zealous proponents, our GST has ended up a bit of a dog's breakfast. But: it is still harder to avoid and easier to collect than the time-honoured alternative, progressive income tax.

The intrinsic fairness of this system was a no-brainer for nearly a century: the more you earn, the more you pay, and as you pass various milestones, the rate at which you pay rises.

And the revenue raised is used to finance the works and services that private enterprise either cannot or will not provide, and those, such as defence, which are the exclusive role of the government.

Obvious and transparent, and accepted as a fact of life: Benjamin Franklin acknowl-

at least there can be loopholes, lurks, wangles and hornswoggles, so many of them that for some years it has become a cliché that for those with the will and resources to hire a wallet-guard of lawyers and accountants, paying income tax has become an option.

In the days when he was Australia's richest man, Kerry Packer used to boast openly that he paid as little tax as possible; he preferred to buy his own version of civilisation.

In the years since then, many if not most of Australia's super-rich elite have taken the same approach; and with this shining example before them, ordinary wage earners have followed suit. Tax avoidance has become a national sport.

So sometime in the 1980s, the treasury and its tax officers effectively threw in the towel.

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I realise also that Sunrise and the industrial estate and, for that matter, the whole of the CBD of Byron has been built on a swamp, so future flood issues would affect all of the community, not just West Byron.

All of the restrictions that West Byron faces are exactly the same as faced the Sunrise estate and our wonderful industrial estate. They sit at the same position above sea level, with the same acid sulfate soils, bounded by the same estuary in exactly the same topographical position and will most likely house the same number of people. All of those issues were addressed and I believe we as a society have learned a lot from past experiences. We need to get the balance right between providing housing for our people and protecting the environment.

If the flooding and climate mitigation issue is addressed and an eco-friendly sustain-

The multiple costs of fracking the country

■ Bentley camp is celebrating a victory while Metgasco laments a loss, but in all it's a sad and silly waste of time and money.

Metgasco's chief understandably is cross and wants compensation, but consider this: if a thousand people gave up five hundred dollars a week that they could have earned doing something more lucrative than camping at Bentley to defend our land and water against an absurd industry for six weeks, they've lost three million bucks - whoever won the day. Are the demonstrators due for compensation? If not, why not?

Politicians' failure to represent their electorates allows this industry to dictate outrageous terms over the land and its people. Politicians ignore scientific opinion and threaten to drag our police force

able development can be designed to the satisfaction of all parties and key stakeholders involved, then I believe this development will be a welcome bonus to our shire.

Cr Rose Wanchap
Byron Bay

Democracy please

Thank you to Andrew Player and Madeleine Green for their letters highlighting the bizarre Nungkari Treatment Centre approval (Echo, May 20). Nice. Affordable housing at \$1,000 a night.

Is this what we voted for?

into an ugly degrading fight with the community that every police officer has sworn to protect. These politicians should personally compensate Metgasco and everyone else whose time is wasted by this unnecessary conflict. Compensation shouldn't come from money we've paid as tax - that's our money, not theirs. We knew years ago that approving these licences was wrong and we told them so. It was clear when the trucks drove over the Akubras that this would end in tears and it's not over yet.

Alistair Bell
Byron Bay

■ Congratulations and thanks to all of those who supported the Bentley protest.

A recent article on Alternet.org (search the site under 'fracking' by date) about

What have the Greens been smoking? This stuff looks like NSW Inc, doesn't it?

Come next March, NSW has the chance to gut the crook parties. If that happens, expect repercussions right across the state. Thankfully, the backlash is starting to bite. Victory at Bentley, and our mayor starting to backpedal on West Byron.

Greens, regain your decency. Hammer illegal lets; start by cutting off their water and sewerage services, then demand state support in prosecuting them, including

fracking presents figures that show increased traffic fatalities caused by increased heavy trucking in the areas where fracking takes place. Some areas report a doubling of traffic deaths while others less. Bit of an eye opener.

Another useful tool for the activists' box is roads.

Nowhere in the fracking discussion is the cost to local councils of the wear and tear on local road systems caused by fracking trucks. In the early 90s the NRMA published research that showed that a semi-trailer caused \$80k damage to roads each year. Given the cost of roads seems to have rocketed since then, this presents a massive budgetary issue for country ratepayers.

Because fracking occurs in areas where there is zero or little road shoulder, the destruction of country roads

stronger legislation. Get real about housing; focus on the village movement. Damn the housing estate; damn your mayor while you are at it. For goodness sake, can you also give us some participatory democracy, finally, for real?

Matt Hartley
Byron Bay

Power of protest

In response to Rodaan Klejara's letter May 20: quite simply, I disagree. If someone tried to abuse or molest me I would say NO and then if necessary fight until I was safe. The same goes for the protection of my family.

The same goes for me when protecting our environment, continued on next page >

by increased trucking is guaranteed. Perhaps if state governments were to be publicly quoted by local councils on projected repairs to local roads caused by fracking projects on the drawing board they may consider that it is not such a lucrative

business after all.

Fighting fracking from an economic standpoint as well as traffic fatalities opens up a whole other front in the fracking wars.

Keep up the good fight.

Mark O'Brien
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The volunteer committee which organised this community fundraising event is comprised of representatives of each of the beneficiary organisations.

Michele Dennis, Kim Rosen, Rex Fisher, Penny Fuller, Stephen Bond, Craig Reid, Andrew Sinclair, Bill Mun, Roger Curran, Michelle Beggs, Alan Raabe, Sharon Wearne.

Many thanks also to all the volunteers who helped out before and on the day.

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the Earth, who is our mother, from whom we all came and will always depend on for our healthy survival.

I will always stand proud and say NO to ecocide and to human rights abuses, access to clean drinking water being a prerequisite for the actualisation of other human rights.

To say NO is a powerful and positive act. NO is equal in its value and role in life to another great word, YES. Here's to a proud NO to CSG protecting our YES to a safe CSG-free future for all.

Gisela Conechado
Brunswick Heads

■ Rodaan, your protest against protesters risks doing a huge disservice to both the Bentley movement and spirituality. Your angle seems rather misguided and simplistic.

Who are all the 'transfixed fear-based campaigners'? Did you meet them all? I met many of them. I saw courage, passion, concern, determination and selflessness. I saw a lot of heart. How do the so-called 'dark energy forces' feel about that?

The protest does not seem to have 'given that which it was protesting energy'. You could say it has actually disabled the energy - literally. The company, for now, has gone.

I suggest you contemplate somewhat deeper before shooting from the hip. What does it mean to work on ourselves? Does working on ourselves mean we don't act on behalf of one another and the planet?

We are all at risk of hiding behind lofty spiritual concepts that may actually be a

convenient truth to justify a rather self-centred selfish life.

Tondi Ings
Mullumbimby

Seniors wanted

Dear senior residents of Mullumbimby, did you know there is a senior citizens' Autumn Club right here in Mullumbimby? We meet the second Monday of every month at the Cook Pioneer Hall at 1pm to discuss future lunches and club business, etc.

We have Hoy afternoons once a month (with lucky door prizes) and free lunches every second month. Members must attend club meetings to enjoy the other privileges. Our most senior member Olive Spedding turns 100 this June. We would like to extend a warm invitation to any residents over 55 to come along and enjoy some social time.

Also, the Autumn Club is in need of a new treasurer. If you would like the satisfaction of helping support our senior citizens please call Keith Basing on 6684 2916 to volunteer.

Sue Handran-Smith
Secretary, Autumn Club

Billy cart ballsup

I would like to thank the lawmakers at the Bangalow Billy Cart Derby for teaching our youngsters some valuable life lessons. These being that life is not fair, you can't believe everything you read and if you want to succeed forget about following the rules! I would suggest however that changes to the rules should really be brought to the attention of participants prior to their spending hours building carts according to the rules and specifications

The Coolamon speed freaks



Here we go again on Coolamon Scenic Drive. The residents have signed a petition to avoid these accidents, to lower the speed limit. We have sent it with photos to the relevant departments. It falls on deaf ears. Why does no one listen? This is this morning. This poor man was pushed off the road by a 4WD speeding, which did not even stop!

Irina Tennant
Coorabell

on the Bangalow Billy Cart website, and definitely prior to the contestants crossing the finish line!

David Kennedy
Bangalow

Praise for health services

I have great praise for the ambulance and hospital care which I used recently. The two ambulance officers were very pleasant and caring. The hospital doctors, nurses and staff went out of their way to help with a smile. I support keeping our local Mullumbimby hospital open.

Diana Marks
Ocean Shores

Cyclist responsibility

I see in the *Daily Telegraph* (May 3) people calling for cyclists to be licensed or at least wear a numbered helmet so they can be held responsible for their actions.

I hope Robin 'I know all about everything' Harrison saw this article and dashes off a very terse letter condemning the very audacity of these people to suggest bike riders should have any responsibility on the roads and footpaths at all.

W B Crompton
Mullumbimby

Oh for OM

Mandy Nolan's latest rant is a confused and confusing mix of fear and anger and misinformation, and I am surprised. She usually has an open mind on strangeness.

I first came across Organic Meditation (OM) a year or two ago. It seemed a natural segue to Google *slow food* and then *slow sex*. Up popped the book, which I ordered and read, as well as the website.

The point of OM is to allow or give women pleasure without their needing to care or consider the man's pleasure or expectations. It is a gift of pleasure, free and

simple. And helps to balance the books between men and women in the pleasure stakes.

It also gives a man the opportunity to give pleasure without having to 'perform'. It is a lovely thing to do with your partner or friend.

Whatever clitoral stimulation techniques you use are fine, but the OM organisation introduces a new perspective that is interesting and useful, but not compulsory. Learning can be fun!

I am not sure why Mandy makes a leap into public masturbation, but the book and website don't recommend it. By the way, I always thought masturbation was playing with yourself, but OMin has two people involved and so is something else. Orgasms are frequent but so are different sorts of pleasure: 'it's the journey and not the goal that matters'.

I feel the Onetaste.org has brought something new and interesting to the joy between men and women. I also feel that Mandy has confused OM with Quodoshka and shamanic de-armouring.

Finally, I would point out that there is no charge for OMin; it's free, so why the angst? Mandy, I think your bullshit detector needs to be recalibrated.

Andrew Hall
Huonbrook

Lyme disease

Lyme disease is an issue currently causing a lot of concern among the Australian public and the completely one-sided promotional piece by Francine Lee Taylor in last week's *Echo* should not have been published as a piece of journalism. Although Ms Taylor does use the word 'controversial' in her article, nowhere does she cite any of the evidence or expert consensus that does not support her opinion.

In fact, while Lyme disease is a very well recognised, and

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Ballina MP in the spotlight again

■ I take exception to Don Page (Letters, May 20) accusing me of spreading mis-truths (Letters, May 6) when he was unable to identify a single thing I said that was untrue.

Don did vote to allow shooting in all our local national parks at the discretion of the environment minister.

Don did intervene to stop north coast councils from including environmental protection zones in their local environmental plans while a review was undertaken, and yes, Don's review that was suppressed for over seven months has been released since my letter and does support inclusion of rainforest, oldgrowth forest, endangered ecological communities, and a variety of other high-conservation-value lands in E zones.

Unfortunately, contrary to the SEPP 44 requirement to 'include land identified as a core koala habitat within an environmental protection zone', Don's review does not propose allowing protection of core koala habitat in E zones. Don claims personal responsibility for SEPP 44 so I hope he will ensure core koala habitat is once again allowed to be included in E zones.

Don is apparently also supporting the zoning at West Byron of 4.6ha of core koala habitat and 21ha of buffers around core koala habitat for residential and busi-

ness purposes. This habitat is identified for protection in Byron Shire Council's draft koala plan of management prepared under SEPP 44. Don seems to think that it is only after a development or a highway is approved that koalas should be considered. It's too late then.

Don also pretends that the changes to the law he championed to allow trees from native forests to be burnt to generate electricity only apply to trees cleared for the Pacific Highway, which is patently untrue. Rather the changes allow any tree not classed as a sawlog from any forest in NSW to be burnt for electricity.

Contrary to Don's assertion, his government's decision to open up Cape Byron Marine Park's sanctuary zones for shore-based fishing was not based on science and was opposed by the Australian Marine Sciences Association. If he says the science to justify this decision is still incomplete, then why did he support it?

I am glad that he now supports excluding fishing from The Pass-Wategos and The Moat, and apparently wants to extend the sanctuary zone to include Main Beach. I am disappointed that he does not support restoring protection to the mouth of the Belongil Estuary, Tyagarah and Broken Head, particularly as he has no science to support him.

I still assert that Don's three years in power have been an environmental disaster for his electorate and NSW. I challenge him to identify any environmental achievements he has made in the past three years.

Dailan Pugh
Byron Bay

■ As a Ballina Shire councillor I take offence at Don Page's comments that 'Ballina and Byron shires zoned large areas of farming land as environmental zones in their draft LEPs and that Mr Page had to 'intervene on this to protect farming and food production in the two shires'.

I'm proud of our local farmers and greatly value their contribution to our economy. We can protect our high-value environmental areas and maintain or increase our agricultural production. It has never been, and never will be, one or the other.

I have spoken to Ballina Council staff about the contents of Mr Page's letter and they have confirmed that the Ballina LEP has an open zone (permissible use) for extensive agricultural production in the E 3 zones, which effectively created no additional restrictions on agricultural production. For Mr Page to say that 'food production' has been put at risk is both misleading and a political ploy seeking to divide the community. Calling Council planners 'dark green'

and saying that decisions are made based on a 'whim' are smears on the profession and do him no credit.

After 18 months of inaction by the government and its 'consultants', councils and the public have been given three weeks to write a submission on the E Zone review; 145 councils in NSW have submitted LEPs based on the government's 'one size fits all' template that include a range of environmental zones and values within them. These environmental values have long been recognized in the Ballina 1987 LEP and it's inconceivable that these environmental values would not be recognised on the north coast into the future.

It is only the five north coast councils that have had their environmental zones put on hold. Was this decision, announced via a press release, politically motivated to draw attention away from our local National Party MPs' support for the CSG industry (invasive gasfields) setting up camp in the northern rivers and beyond?

Cr Jeff Johnson
Lennox Head

treatable, tick-borne infection in the USA and other parts of the world, and in Australians who have visited these areas, expert consensus does not support an entity of 'chronic Lyme disease' such as Ms Taylor is hypothesising.

There has been a number of very reputable studies and reviews by scientific bodies which do not support the existence of the 'chronic Lyme disease syndrome'.

The mainstream medical community does not support this diagnosis or the use of dangerous and ineffective courses of long-term antibiotics to treat it.

There is also a great deal of concern around a few particular laboratories in the US using unvalidated tests to give positive results.

A number of peak bodies including the Centres for Disease Control in the US and the Royal College of Pathologists in Australia have recommended avoiding these tests in making a

diagnosis of Lyme disease.

There are some very good articles published in this area. I recommend the *New England Journal of Medicine* review article from 2007, 'A Critical Appraisal of Chronic Lyme Disease', freely available online, as a great starting point.

While there has never been any evidence found of endemic Lyme disease in Australia, the chief medical officer has convened a committee to re-examine the issue currently and work is ongoing.

There are many people who feel very strongly about this issue and I respect their right to their own opinions. However, I suggest *The Echo* publish a more balanced account of Lyme disease and leave editorials marked as such.

Rosie Hamilton
Mullumbimby

Naughty editor

Hans Lovejoy has been absent from two of the last three public access sessions at

Council. Considering that the time required to hear what the community's concerns amounts to less than one and a half hours every four weeks (on average), you'd think the editor of *The Echo* would make the opportunity. I do and it's not even my job.

Fast Bucks
Coorabell

■ Hans Lovejoy only missed last week's public access, not two. But we do appreciate your magnificent obsession. -Ed

Reality bites

As a One Nation member/supporter/candidate I must confess I am tempted to say 'I told you so' upon the release of the coalition's first budget. I was manning a polling booth in the last election and it was distressing to see people lined up to vote clutching major party how-to-vote flyers with that knowing, smug look in their eyes.

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Letter from London: who wants to be a billionaire?



Daniel Sage

The most expensive units in the world, opposite Harrods in Knightsbridge, London. Source: B Sage

Bad hair, face in all the papers, everybody wants something. Your partners are only after one thing and you still have to obey the law.

The nation that invented fairness and cricket (and irony) is having a tough time accommodating the world's grumpiest billionaires and keeping them in line.

A penthouse unit in Knightsbridge, central London, sold this week for 140 million pounds. That's \$250 million – a quarter of a billion bucks! For an apartment. With a few windows on the top floor and a lot of traffic outside. It's still a shell too, no walls or flooring or anything. Fitting it out is extra, and will push the price to an expected \$300 million or so.

That is one brave 'eastern European buyer', as the mysterious new owner is known. What if they don't like how it turns out? They'll want to move. And they can't. They're already in the most expensive property – which surely is one of their purchasing criteria.

There is, at least, a hot tub on the terrace to chill out in if tempers flare. Somewhere a testy oligarch can contemplate the stars and his place in the scheme of things, a place to feel exalted again. Or, if of a more reflective turn of mind, to fantasise about being a commoner perhaps, down below heating up leftovers, or whatever they do, and having commoner fears and troubles. Then maybe letting up a bubble or two into the still night air, to celebrate their shared physical nature.

Estate agents hope the unit will set a new benchmark price for the area. Buoyed by the wealth of Russian and Chinese tycoons and Arab sheikhs, it would seem the only way is up.

For the same truckload of cash in other cities, you could

pick up billionaire Ira Renner's sprawling 29-bedroom home in New York that has its own power plant underneath. Or the Ambani family's building in Mumbai that hosts three helipads and employs 400 people. All clearly serious real estate.

But this, however, is a unit. You have to go downstairs and around the side to walk the dog. You can't get your newspaper delivered because the eye scanner in the lift that prevents intruders might not let the delivery boy through. Or a pizza. Or, as likely, any friends who've recently had a bit of nip and tuck and don't match their stored profile. They probably don't want to talk about it, but you'd have to explain why they're stuck downstairs on the intercom and how they need to upload a new photo.

Meanwhile, in The City That Can't Say No, another hardworking billionaire has found himself all out for no wickets at the Old Bailey High Court. Justice was squarely served to cocky Prince Al Waleed bin Talal, nephew of Saudi Arabia's ruler King Abdullah, after he reneged on a deal to pay for the sale of his fancy Airbus jet to Colonel Gaddafi. The timing was all wrong from Gaddafi's point of view anyway, who only flew it a handful of times. The plane now sits rusting outside Tripoli. It has a hot tub too.

The broker of the deal was due a cool \$12 million. But, Prince Al Waleed's inner voice repeated over and over, she's only a woman. A woman! I don't have to pay her a penny... And he thought the court would agree. After all, he knows prime minister David Cameron personally! And Prince William! And he owns the Savoy Hotel!

Many an overseas 'investor' mistakes the welcome of our bustling market town for an opportunity to practise some of the backhanding lubrication and loose contract-keeping that makes life smooth in other parts of the world, only to face a stern bewigged judge who sends them down without a second thought.

And lately it's happening more and more. Political and social unrest elsewhere drives wealth to safe havens, especially with interest rates low, where the clash of cultures can end in tears.

In the event, Mr Justice Peter Smith described the prince's evidence in court as 'unreliable, pathetic and hopeless', and implied he knew he'd lied in the witness box. The prince was ordered to pay the full \$12 million plus \$4 million interest.

A measly settlement, possibly, in royal terms – a big Saturday night out in Mayfair – but it stood for a mother lode of humiliation. In the words of the prince's nemesis, Jordanian-born fixer Daad Sharab, who brought the suit, 'it was the first time in his life he had lost a case – and to a woman! In the Arab world that is very bad for his dignity.'

We can only imagine what path of redemption this might lead the prince down. When your hosts show you up so fittingly, it's surely time to mull over a few things. So if you're visiting Knightsbridge for a Scotch egg at Harrods, perhaps, or for some pedigree window shopping, look up to the top floor of the newest (ugliest) block on the block, and spare a thought for any sulking relic in the hot tub, who maybe can't quite figure out why everything is so unfair.

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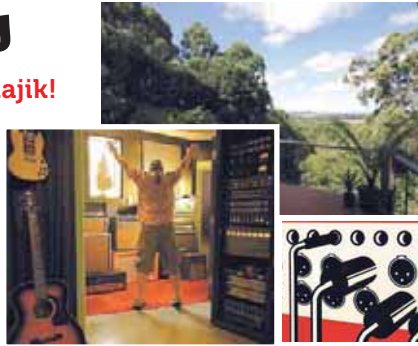
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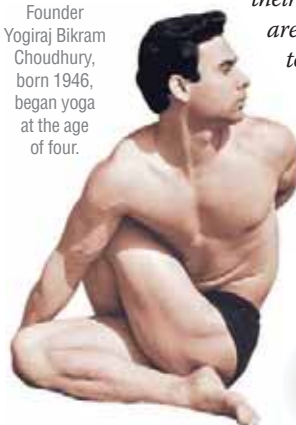
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Byron Community
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The same major parties that have sold off any national asset worth having, who have handed our industry and jobs over to foreign shores and got us involved in foreign wars.

The same parties who have racked up huge amounts of debt and are now squeezing all they can out of the ill, the elderly, school leavers and students – in 'the national interest'.

One Nation was the one party that saw this coming and was ridiculed. What will it take to wake up a sleeping people?

Rod Smith
One Nation NSW
Northern Rivers
Byron Bay

Omens abound

Physical matter is blind to our socioeconomic fluctuations. An ominous phase change, a sublimation from crystal to gas, from methane hydrate

(methane trapped in ice) to vast columns of methane bubbles, is growing exponentially in the Arctic Ocean.

Given the known ferocity of methane in heat trapping, this has the potential, some would say inevitability, of a rapid escalation of global warming to catastrophic levels.

Phase changes often happen rapidly like the sudden onset of boiling of water on a stove... and the quantity of methane hydrate in the Arctic Ocean is enormous.

This fate is too dire to countenance. Continued political, economic, industrial, and agricultural activism are of the utmost urgency and importance. We must bring about a revolutionary shift in human activities now, and in the ensuing weeks, months, and not too many years.

Not only must we urgently stop carbon emissions (which are the underlying trigger of arctic methane release), we also must use every means

at our disposal to bring the carbon dioxide levels down below 350ppm.

Also in the near term we must be prepared to use artificial means to shield the Arctic Ocean from sunlight, taking over the role of the melting ice sheet.

Such extreme necessities are being foisted on us by the fossilised economic rationalists who continue on their individualistic pursuit of wealth at the expense of our collective future and the collective future of the entire ecosystem.

Sapoty Brook
Mullumbimby

Heal thyself

The Congregation of the People of Tradition for Proselytism and Jihad, aka Boko Haram, slash and burn their way through whole communities in northeastern Nigeria, Niger and north Cameroon, while in Australia we have Christian fundamental-

ists using economic terrorism instead of machetes to inflict mass misery.

These Robin Hoods in Reverse, aka the Abbott government, strip the poor, the young and the sick and distribute the loot to the rich and powerful.

They pour \$245 million into the school chaplaincy program and narrow its focus, Sharia-like, to magnify its religious impact, while at the same time deliberately turning a blind eye to the crippled NSW Department of Family & Community Services which shredded 40,000 files of children at risk because of lack of resources.

If the Abbott government truly believe that the school chaplaincy program creates ethical citizens then they should urgently apply it to themselves and all the grubs in the business world identified by ICAC.

Gareth W R Smith
Byron Bay

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Toastmasters

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3rd Mondays 6.15pm, St Finbarr's school. www.byrontoastmasters.org
Mullum Magic Toastmasters meet 2nd, 4th and 5th Mondays at 7pm, Presbyterian Church Hall in Mullum. Call Robyn for more info 6685 1836.

OS art expo

'Home' is the theme for the Ocean Shores Art Expo 2014. Entries are open till 3 August. More info online at www.osartexpo.com.

End-of-life choices

To learn how to make the right decisions about your end-of-life-choices, come to the meetings held quarterly. Phone Elaine for more details 0421 796 713.

Newrybar winter fair

Newrybar Hall will be holding its second seasonal fair on Saturday 7 June from 8am to 2pm at the hall. More information newrybarhallfair@gmail.com and www.newrybarhall.org.au.

Byron Sophia

Byron Sophia Philosophical Group: Dante's Purgatory: Confronting the Ego, presented by Sean & Rachelle White, Gnostic Society, Byron Bay, Thursday 29 May, 1-3pm, at Masonic Centre, 6 Byron St, Byron Bay. Info: Celia 6684 3623.

Op shop

Uniting Church Op Shop, Dalley St, Mullumbimby, open each Saturday 8am-noon. May Madness clearance of summer stock to allow us to bring out the winter clothing.

Music concert

Renowned duo and solo pianists, husband-and-wife team Natasha Vlasenko and Oleg Stepanov, are bringing their magical musical skills to the Byron Community Centre on Sunday 1 June at 2pm. Tickets \$30, Byron Music Society members \$25, children \$10. Ph: 6685 6807 or purchase at the door.

Byron Young Mums

Byron Young Mums' Group meets every Friday at 10.30 at the Byron YAC, free, for young mums and expectant mums 25 and under. Contact Lotte 0477 591 555 or email byronyoungmums@gmail.com.

U3A Ballina/Byron

Poetry with Don Brown in the Brunswick Heads Bowling Club at 10am on 3/6/14. Enquiries 6680 7350.

Lions Club survey

The Lions Club of Brunswick-Mullumbimby are very interested in hearing

from community groups and individuals in the community about their thoughts on the needs of our local community. See www.surveymonkey.com/s/2Y9DVD7 or phone 0417 019 343 for a hard copy.

Mullum Senior Citizens

Meets on 2 June at 1pm in the Pioneer Hall. Our oldest member, Olive Spedding, turns 100 on 16 June. All seniors welcome. Phone Roma 6684 2572.

Social Group

Social Group for age 55+ singles, lunch on Sunday 1 June at the Billinudgel Hotel. Men welcome! Enquiries Natalie 0498 480 373.

Worship

Worship in Unity with Uniting NSW Moderator Brian and Grafton Anglican Bishop Sarah, Sun 1 June 10am Bangalow A&I Hall.

Byron Community Centre

Free seniors' basic computer lessons. BYO tablet, smartphone or laptop. Wednesdays 10am-noon. Bookings essential. Call Carolyn 0413 223 462.

Buddhist meditation

Teaching and practice Wednesdays 6-7.30pm, SIA Centre, 1/22 Fawcett St, Brunswick Heads. Info 6685 8842, mishaela@si.org.au.

BYS Fun in Suffo

Free circus and drumming event for youth at the Suffolk Park Hall hosted by Byron Youth Service, Saturday 31 May 1-3pm. Music, food and circus fun with family and friends.

At Mullum Gardens

Basket weaving at Mullumbimby Community Gardens – Bookings: kimjtait@gmail.com or 0413 318 829. Monthly astrology group – contact Kaye: kayegroves@gmail.com. QiGung continues every Wednesday – contact Kaye: kayegroves@gmail.com.

Narcotics Anonymous

Narcotics Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women for whom drugs had become a major problem. We are recovering addicts who meet regularly to help each other stay clean. For information and meetings 6680 7280.

No Interest Loan Scheme

If you're on a low income and have lived in Byron Shire for at least six months, you may be eligible for a not-for-profit, interest-free NILS loan. To find out more, collect a NILS application pack from the Byron Community Centre, Mullum Neighbourhood

House, www.byroncentre.com.au, or call 6685 6807.

Mullum craft show

Mullumbimby Craft and Quilt Show to be held at Mullumbimby High School 9 July 9am-2.30pm. Money raised to the Special Needs Unit at the high school and the Sunshine Bus for the children. Stall holders can contact Lesley on 6684 3331 daytime only.

All -town Garage Sale

Registrations for this year's Brunswick Heads Old & Gold Festival Closing 30 May. Phone 6685 1754.

Lions meet

Lions Club of Brunswick-Mullumbimby meets every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month at the Ocean Shores Country Club at 7pm. Phone 0417 019 343 for more information or write to PO Box 12, Mullumbimby 2482.

Scrabble group

Fun-loving group of people meet every two weeks to play Scrabble at Tintenbar Hall at 10am. Contact Marg 6687 8793 for more information. Brunswick Heads Duncare Meets at the surf club 8.30am every 4th Sunday of the month. Contact Greg McDonald 0414 457 346.

Craft group

Do you like to do crafty things with needles, pins and hooks of all kinds? The Uniting Social and Craft Group gets together every Monday 9.30am-3pm (approx) at the Uniting Church, Carlyle Street, Byron Bay. Patchworkers and quilters are at the same place from 6pm to 9pm. Phone Tilly for info 6685 5985.

Co-dependents Anonymous

Co-dependents Anonymous (CoDA) is a worldwide network of groups of men and women learning how to develop and maintain healthy and fulfilling relationships. For more information, and meetings in your area, visit www.codependentsanonymous.org.au or phone 9281 3330.

Chemical Free Landcare

Byron Shire Chemical Free Landcare next working bee is on Saturday 24 May, 9am to 12.30pm at the Brunswick Heads Crown land reserve site down by the seaside. Meet at the end of South Beach Road fire-track gate. For more info phone Terry 6684 7641.

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Could you tell us a little about your business/career background?
I came from a coal mining family background and branched into hospitality as a chef and restaurant owner in my 20s and 30s then moved into seafood distribution. Once my wife and I had kids and decided to settle in Byron Bay long term I searched for a business that would appeal to my family balance and lifestyle. I learnt the window cleaning trade from a close mate with over 20 yrs experience and have been in business for four years now.

What advice have you been given that has served you well in your business?
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What advice have you been given that has served you well in your business?
'Listen to your customer' - understanding their needs and expectations is vital to providing a truly satisfying service.

What is the most rewarding thing about what you do?
Seeing a fantastic finished product that impresses and satisfies the customer. I love the process of transforming drab floorboards with sanded and polished timber or taking a bare cement floor and laying a carpet or sisal weave that transforms the room and creates a comfortable living space.

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Community Forum

The forum will have two sessions with a presentation and workshop component in each.

Session 1 – Mullumbimby's history and the strengths and weaknesses of the town today.

Session 2 – The future of Mullumbimby, looking at the threats and opportunities for the town.

There are two workshop sessions related to each of the presentations and workshop groups will be limited to a maximum of 12 participants each.

Creative Mullumbimby Inc would like to thank our Forum partners Byron Shire Council, Mullumbimby Chamber of Commerce, Mullumbimby High School, and Brunswick Valley Historical Society Inc for their assistance in staging this event.

Community Project Ideas Soapbox

There will be nine quickfire three-minute presentations by various community groups and individuals of a community project idea.

Pre-registration for workshops is essential

Pre-registration will be on the day between 8.30am and 10am or by email before event at malcolm@socialhabitat.com.au

Participants will be asked to stay in the same workshop group for both sessions

Registration for Workshops	8.30–10am
Community Expo At the beginning of the day around twenty-five community organisations will have tables with displays promoting their activities and membership.	8.30–10am
Forum Session 1 – The Past and Present • Opening and Welcome to Country • The Story of Mullumbimby – <i>Susan Tsicalas</i> • What is Happening in Town Now – <i>Mark Cochrane</i> • Statistical Snapshot of Mullumbimby – <i>Tara McGready (BSC)</i> • What is the Big Picture Show trying to achieve? – <i>Malcolm Price</i>	10–10.40am
Community Project Soapbox Session 1 1. Healthy Waterways for Life – <i>Brunswick Valley Landcare</i> 2. Working together to engage our youth – <i>Mullumbimby High School</i> 3. Electric Bikes Battery Interchange – <i>Sapoty Brook</i>	10.40–10.50am
Morning Tea – Brought to you courtesy Mullumbimby High School Hospitality Students and special thanks to Nadine Abensur (Art Piece Gallery)	10.50–11am
Workshop Session 1 – The Past and Present Culture, Art and Enquiry Social and Community Development Built and Natural Environment Business and Economic Development Paint the Cultural Map with Suvira MacDonald Storytelling Part 1 with Frank Mills	11–11.40am
Community Project Soapbox Session 2 4. Growing our Community – <i>Mullumbimby Community Garden</i> 5. Rethinking education, it takes a village – <i>Shearwater, The Mullumbimby Steiner School</i> 6. Byron Shire Incubator @ Mullumbimby – <i>Lindsay Roser</i>	11.40–11.50am
Forum Session 2 - The Future of Mullumbimby • What Could a Creative Mullumbimby Look and Feel Like? – <i>Mandy Nolan</i> • Why do we need a Growth Management Strategy in Mullumbimby – <i>Simon Richardson</i> • A Role for Public Art in Mullumbimby – <i>Suvira MacDonald</i> • What's on the Horizon of Tallwood Ridge – <i>Christopher Dean</i> • Why do we have to be Sustainable – what does it mean? – <i>Katrina Shields</i>	11.50am–12.40pm
Workshop Session 2 – The Future of Mullumbimby Culture, Art and Enquiry Social and Community Development Built and Natural Environment Business and Economic Development Paint the Cultural Map with Suvira MacDonald Story Telling Part 1 with Frank Mills Poetic Visions with Mandy Nolan	12.40–1.20pm
Community Project Soapbox Session 3 7. Mullum Re-membering – <i>Paul Smith</i> – <i>Mullumbimby RSL Sub-branch</i> 8. Micro Enterprise Villages / Creative Industry Hubs – <i>Malcolm Price</i> 9. Awareness of Grant Program – <i>John Downs</i> – <i>Northern River Community Foundation</i>	1.20–1.30pm
Summing Up – MC Tony Barry	1.30pm
Lunch – Brought to you courtesy of Nadine Abensur (Art Piece Gallery) and Mullumbimby High School Hospitality Students	1.40pm
Continuation of Community Expo (Optional)	1.40–3pm



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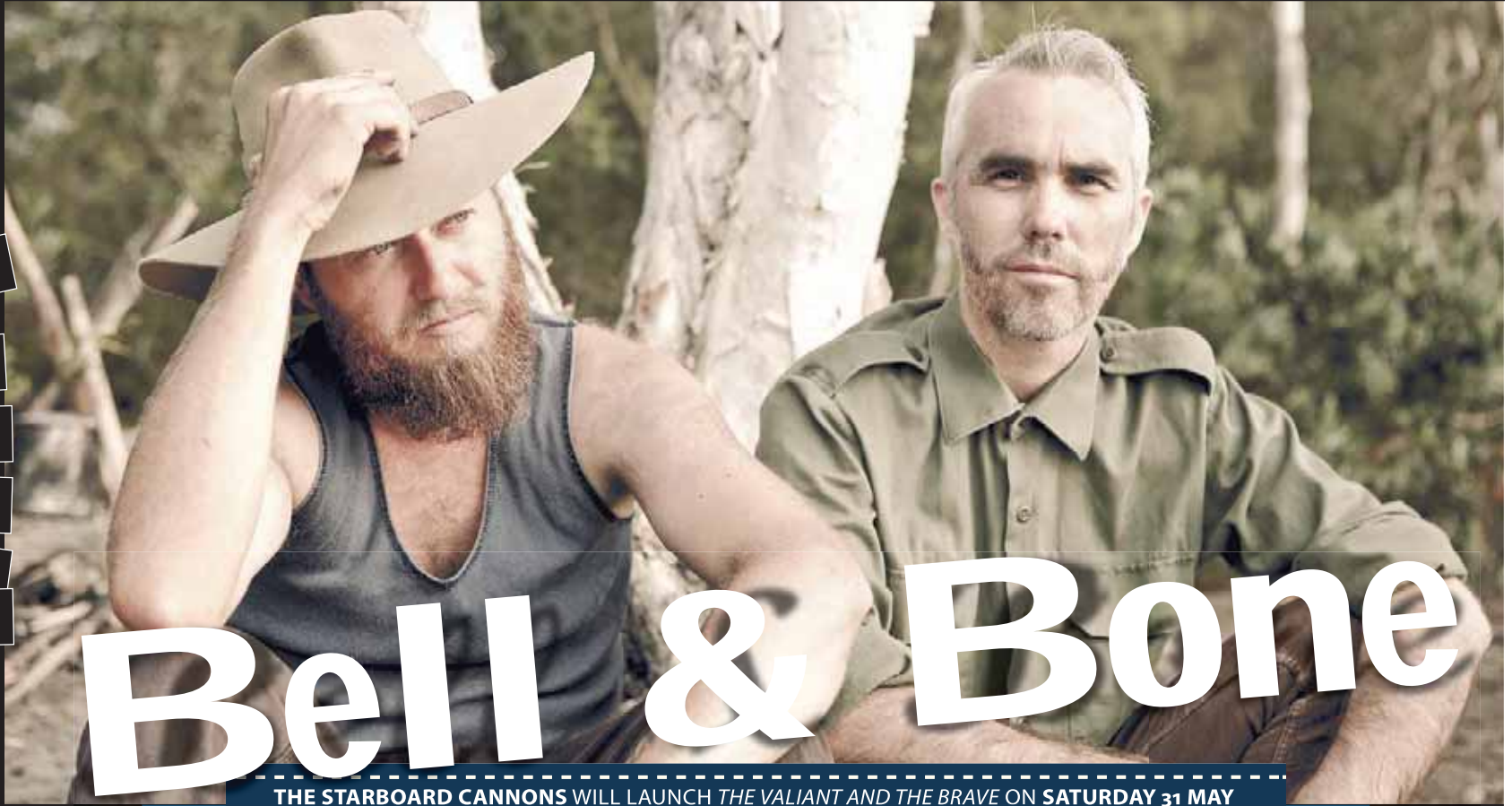
FREEBIES!

Tickets on Taylor

Ku Promotions are soon to be presenting Taylor Henderson at the Bangalow A&I Hall on Sunday 13 July.

This Australia's Got Talent finalist has been selling out shows around the country and tickets are on sale now. In the meantime, why not try your luck at winning a double pass?

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Bell & Bone

THE STARBOARD CANNONS WILL LAUNCH THE VALIANT AND THE BRAVE ON SATURDAY 31 MAY FROM 7PM AT THE COURT HOUSE HOTEL MULLUMBIMBY. ALL AGES WELCOME. \$15 ON THE DOOR.

AFTER THE HUGE SUCCESS OF THEIR FIRST ALBUM *SOMEBODY'S OPUS*, ASH BELL AND MATT BONE, THE LADS FROM **STARBOARD CANNONS**, HAVE JUST FINISHED THEIR SECOND OFFERING *THE VALIANT AND THE BRAVE*. ON THE EVE OF THE RECORDING'S LAUNCH WE CAUGHT UP WITH SINGER/SONGWRITER ASH BELL.

Why this album now?

It's been a couple of years. Had a few new songs. Dug up some old ones.

Seemed like a good idea at the time...

In what way is this album different from or the same as the last one?

I think the response to the first album gave me the idea that it was okay to be a bit introspective with the lyrical content, so that's probably a bit more personal this time round. Also we weren't quite so strict with our folk-band rules. We used some electricity and I have no regrets.

Are the players, writers and production team the same as *Somebody's Opus*?

The core team was essentially the same. Jordan Power wove his special magic once again as engineer/co-producer; Jason Caspen on drums and Steve Cook on all things strung – but there's a few cheeky special guests in

there too, including Mikey Bee (MT Warning), Ash Grunwald and a bunch more. It's a really good mix of different styles and themes, I reckon.

Did your last album fulfill your expectations?

Absolutely! It was a bit scary making this album, knowing what we were following with the success of *Somebody's Opus*. It very much put us on the map, and is still doing a pretty good job even though its baby brother is getting all the attention..

How hard is it to bounce back after the first album?

The 'second album blues' are nothing new. Once the first album is out, you're writing for a purpose. Everything that comes out is something you know will be scrutinised and compared with

all that's come before. But this can be good! Letting go of expectations is the key. The writing takes care of itself.

What's behind the album title?

It's one of the lines from the track *Horses Stay Behind*. The song is written about the situation that arose at the end of the First World War with the Australian Light Horse.

What's your favourite track?

I like *Andy* because it's a very personal story for me. Also Sara Tindley does some harmonies and that's always nice. Steve Russell's piano playing in *Down The River* still gets me every time.

Were there any tracks that didn't make the cut?

No. We really scraped the bottom of the jar this time.



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TV IS DEAD

When I was a kid I loved the TV. In fact it was the focus point of the entire house. All the furniture in the house was pointed in the direction of this aforementioned laminated bloated box on spindly legs. The couch, the dining table, even the toilet door could be flung open if you had to do a poo during the news. My mother would shriek 'it will rot your brain' about once a day, and then we'd settle down to a family dinner smack bang in front of the source of the alleged brain rot.

Apparently it only rotted my brain when I was watching the shows that I liked, but partaking in a bit of *Man About the House*, *Are You Being Served* or *Antiques Roadshow* was quite safe. Every night my family sat around the television and we watched our favourite shows. It would start with *Monkey Magic* or *The Goodies*, lead into *ABC News*, and then someone would have to actually get up and walk to the TV to turn the knob to the

only other station DDTV (Darling Downs TV), which stopped transmission around 11.30pm. Then I'd be allowed to watch *The Bionic Woman* or *The Six Million Dollar Man*, or *Charlie's Angels*, or *Dukes of Hazzard* and go to bed wishing that I too had lost my legs in a rocket launch so I could run faster. Or at least in slow motion.

Sometimes as a special treat Mum would let me sit up with my grandmother and watch *Prisoner*. It was strangely bonding and to this day it never ceases to amuse me that my dear quiet dainty little grandmother was hooked on a TV soap about the goings-on inside a women's prison. It just shows you how boring being a suburban housewife must have been when you fantasised about the camaraderie of incarceration.

The television was a strange piece of furniture. It was magnetic. It was like a story box, and we lived by the guide. Not an Indian guru – the thing they used to print in *TV Week* that told us what was on and when. If you missed your favourite show there was no iView, no Pirate Bay download, no DVD store – it was gone until a few years later when people had lost interest and it got a late-night re-run.

The TV was like our pop-culture altar, the place that fed us. There was a lot of excitement around TV shows. A buzz would go around the playground leading up to that night's screening of *The Paul Hogan Show*. The next day every kid in the school was putting undies on their head pretending to be Strop or doing standup on a stool pretending to smoke a Winnie Blue. Some even had their own Winnie Blues.

After dinner, families used to sit in the lounge room and watch TV. Sure, they weren't really talking, but they were enjoying physical proximity. They were laughing or criticising or being scared together. I used to do that with my own kids. But not any more. It's finished. I have this beautiful big lounge room with a giant 14-seater leather couch that I paid a fortune for because in my mind I imagined all my kids gathering in the evenings for a snuggle while we watch our favourite shows. Now it sits, like a giant iceberg, bemoaning the fate of the lonely flat screen. The TV is dead.

I think in the last 18 months there have been no more than three occasions when all of my family have assembled for a 'family TV' session. My kids are part of the new generation that doesn't watch TV. And don't

think they are in their rooms reading. They're not. They're in their rooms watching a movie or a series or a YouTube clip that they've downloaded from the internet. If they are watching a series, they don't budget it out a week at a time; they download the whole series and watch it over two days. They are part of the 'watch what you want when you want' generation that is quite happy to watch alone.

Now I know why TVs have become bigger. It's attention seeking. It's a plasma-screened cry for help. The only thing that might draw the family back out is the possibility that a cinema-sized screen might offer a better viewing experience. But that never wins out against the desire to watch what you want on demand. So most nights, John and I sit on the giant couch, etched either end watching our downloaded *Game of Thrones* while the kids sit in their rooms watching the same show... alone.

Mandy's new book *Boyfriends We've All Had and Shouldn't Have* is available at Mary Ryan's in Byron and the Book Warehouse in Lismore.



TIJUANA CARTEL AT UKI HALL GLO DANCE ON FRIDAY

CATCHING KACHEL

Guy Kachel is a hugely experienced and widely respected singer/songwriter based in the Byron Bay hinterland. He's just produced his first album, *Innocent Screams*, a work of timely, mature introspection that reverberates with the sounds of his varied and manifold influences. There is the grace and soul of the blues interspersed with the country strains of his youth – and the tempering power of rock and roll. What emerges is a form of kicking country blues that esteems and embellishes the legacy of icons such as John Hiatt and Li'l Fi. He plays **Sunday at the Eltham Hotel.**

DIANA ROCKS

Roots rock and folky to the core, with several ARIA nominations for her edgy pop rock tunes such as *I Go Off* and *Perfect Family*, critically lauded and loved by fans, **Diana Anaid** is also a hardworking independent artist whose originality has been embraced all over the globe. Diana has headlined many national tours, also supporting the likes of The Eels, Cake, Joe Cocker, The Whitlams, Pete Murray and Xavier Rudd, and performing at Falls Festival, Woodford Folk Festival, Big Day Out and various other happening national festivals, including headlining Sydney's Cruelty Free Festival. With countless accolades and awards and top-charting success in the USA and at home in Australia, it's no wonder why Diana has become one of our favourite touring (and also local!) musicians.



DIANA ANAID PLAYS THE GOLLAN IN LISMORE ON FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT THE RAILS

LIVE MUSIC

THE TIJUANA GLO

Tijuana Cartel bring their dubbed gypsy dance caravan to the GLO dance floor at the **Uki Hall** this **Friday**. With the extraordinary flamenco guitar playing of Paul George, the funky beats of Carey O'Sullivan and driving percussion the band create a unique and infectious dance sound. Their sound has had them play major Australian festivals and feature on national radio. The night will also feature the global beats of DJ Pulse. **8pm**. Tickets @ www.GLOdance.com.

BILLI JAM

The **Billinudgel Hotel's Sunday jam session** returns. This long-running popular jam always has great talent and this weekend special guests are **Belle Hendric** and **Lez Karski**. Belle Hendric has an exceptional voice and is one funky bass player; she was recently a finalist in the 2014 chain awards (Australian Blues Music Awards). Lez Karski is best known for his stint with popular Aussie band the Bondi Cigars. Lez has a relaxed smooth voice and he is an awesome guitarist. Staged in the backyard, hosted by Lyne Davis and Grant Robertson, all jammers are welcome to get on down to this great venue for an afternoon of splendid entertainment. **3pm** kick-off.

BOOM FAYA GOODBYE

Dancehall / reggae DJ crew **Boom Faya**, led by DJ Oren Selecta and singer / MC Dougy, made their mark in Byron Bay with their high-energy dance parties. This **Saturday** Boom Faya will be throwing their last party as a goodbye party to Dougy before he heads back home to France. Featuring all the who's who of the dancehall scene including producer Mista Savona and MC Baptist, as well as fire-twirlers, artistic dance shows and more! **Friday** at 6pm at **The Brewery**. Free entry.



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DALLAS JAMES AT SPHINX ROCK CAFE, MT BURRELL ON SUNDAY

In the words of Iain Sheddon: 'There's only one Diana Anaid'. She's performing her addictive songs at a venue close by this weekend: **Friday** at the **Gollan Hotel** in Lismore and **Saturday** at the **Rails** in Byron.

DALLAS COMES TO MT BURRELL

Dallas James is a singer/songwriter from the hills of Byron. His mellow, acoustic tunes tell poetic heartfelt stories of struggle, love, loss and hope. His sound is melodic and simplistic, featuring beautifully reverb-laden vocals and poetic lyricism over the gentle strumming of an acoustic guitar. Dallas has played alongside acts such as Ash Grunwald, Phil Jameison (Grinspoon), and Andrew Stockdale (Wolfmother) with his previous band 'The Grains', which he fronted. But since stepping into the new lead role and starting a family, Dallas has returned to his roots as a solo artist. Don't miss the chance to catch this moving performer. At **Sphinx Rock Cafe** at Mt Burrell on **Sunday** at 1pm.

LOONALOO AT THE BEACH HOTEL

Fondly referred to as 'The globetrotting troubadours of genre-hopping cosmic electronica', **Loonaloop** have been active on the international circuit for more than a decade, producing unique music that is a colourful sonic tapestry of genre-splitting dance music, drawing its influences from drum n bass, dub, tribal trance, electro and even a touch of folk. Renowned for their vibrant and uplifting live shows, Loonaloop is fronted by dynamic vocalist Shiney Lefai and features a plethora of instruments including violin, didgeridoo, drums, percussion, synths and bass. With five albums and 10 European tours under their belt, Loonaloop are excited to be bringing their music back to The **Beach Hotel**. **Sunday** at 4pm.



MEGAN BERNARD PLAYING WITH LITTLE WISE AT THE SHEOAK SHACK IN FINGAL ON SATURDAY

CHILDS AND COX SING FOR BENTLEY'S BENEFIT

Last week's victory in temporarily suspending Metgasco's licence to explore for gas in Bentley has inspired further support for the ultimate goal of creating a gasfield-free zone forever. Some of the region's top musicians are donating their time and talents for this mega-benefit, with all funds raised going to the Environmental Defender's Office (EDO).

The EDO consists of eight independently managed community environmental legal centres around Australia and has played a key although largely behind-the-scenes role in the gasfield-free Bentley community action, working with Lock The Gate on critical legal aspects of the campaign. The federal government announced it would no longer fund EDOs the week before Christmas, two months after the NSW Minerals Council made public statements calling for an end to funding of EDOs. Legendary singer/songwriter **Toni Childs**, a lifelong clean-Earth advocate, will premiere her newest work, due out in September, titled *It's All A Beautiful Noise*, with her full band. Toni Childs will be supported by singer/songwriter/storyteller **Kerriane Cox**, and musician **Laura Targett** and her band. **Thursday** at the **Star Court Theatre** at 7pm. Tickets: \$40/\$30 con, from www.starcourttheatre.com.au or box office during business hours.

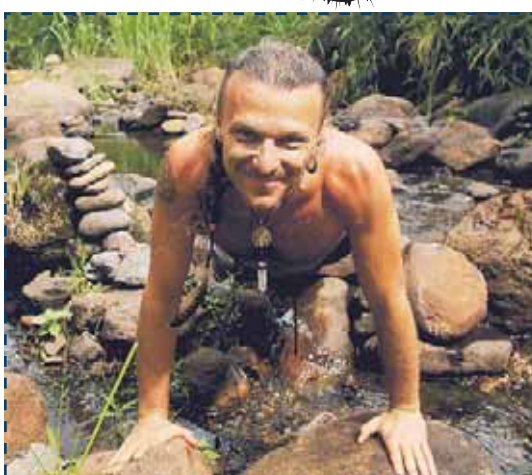


LOONALOO AT THE BEACH HOTEL SUNDAY

WISE MUSIC

Folk roots duo **Little Wise** and hybrid pop artist **Megan Bernard** are joining forces for a national tour, touching down with a show at the **Sheoak Shack** in Fingal on **Saturday** from 7pm.

Little Wise showcases precise female harmonies lead by singer/songwriter **Sophie Klein's** wistful but self-assured vocals. While mostly a rhythm guitarist, Klein confidently throws in layers of banjo, mandolin and slide guitar, summoning the spirits of Lucinda Williams, Mia Dyson, The Waifs and James Taylor. Joining Klein is Megan Bernard on backing vocals, decorating Klein's songs with her irresistibly lush electric guitar tones. Together, the pair share a palpable musical chemistry emerging from years of musical friendship. Bernard is touring in support of her recently released single *Bulldozing*, a much-anticipated follow-up to this Melbourne hybrid-pop siren's previous releases *Big Dreams*, and *Shifting Futures*. *Bulldozing* takes Bernard's sound and songwriting to inspiring new places, filled with sensual and haunting vocals, aggressive sonic attack, elegant lyrical structures and instrument samples including an Indian sarangi from orchestral rock band BaK. Bernard's sound draws its power from a John Mayer-inspired guitar style and the luscious vocal soundscapes of Imogen Heap.



NATHAN KAYE AT THE RAILS ON FRIDAY

MULTITASK MASTER.

You may have seen him last year on the 44-date sold-out tour with Pete Murray. This year after recently supporting Birds of Tokyo to 15,000 people in Perth, **Nathan Kaye** will be continuing on a huge

Australian tour, including returning to his local venue, The Rails; but not only that – he is currently acting the leading role in an Australian feature film, *One Less God*, an intense hostage terrorist drama (and, no, he's not playing a Muslim terrorist!). With dates and venues in most states and in many cities and remote regional towns, Kaye intends to uplift and motivate crowds to embrace being alive and celebrate life's gift. Who doesn't love that vibe?

He's funny, moving, got something relevant to say and he's seriously good at multitasking on an impressive quiver of instruments, all while taking you on an inspiring musical journey. Catch Kaye's uplifting Byron vibes at **The Rails** in Byron on **Friday**, and **Saturday** at **Mandala Organic Arts** in Mermaid Beach!

GRINSPOON GUITARIST DJ'S SOCCER FEST!

Next **Saturday** and **Sunday** 7 and 8 June see the kick-off of Bangalow's first-ever **soccer festival**. This Australian Masters six-a-side soccer championship will also be featuring **Pat Davern** of Grinspoon on field as the DJ for the weekend. So get ready for some amazing, pumping tunes from the 60s right through to today's modern classics. **5pm to 8pm** at the **Bangalow Bowling Club**

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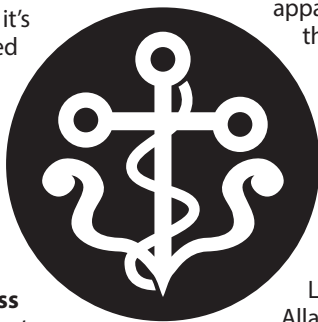
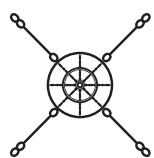
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SUMMER OF LOVE

At **Uke Mullum** this **Thursday** it's 1967 again. Slip on your tie-dyed best and groove on down to the Court House Hotel for The Summer Of Love ukulele songbook.

Sunshine Superman, Hey Joe, Creeque Alley, San Fran Cisco, Snoopy vs The Red Baron... all the flower-power hits in glorious Technicolor. **Miss Amber** and **Stukulele** with guest vocalist **Kim Banffy** and a crack band will lead you in songs of peace and love projected on the big screen with chords and

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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. **Saturday** at the **Byron Brewery** from **8pm**. Free entry.

LIVIN' LA VIDA LOCA!

What better way to start your weekend than with the Gold Coast's **Tony Sierra's Live Latin Dance Band**. Put on the satin shirt and fire up your inner Latino and step on out to The Backroom at **Mullumbimby's Ex-Services Club** on **Friday**. Brush up on some sexy moves with Salsa Caliente's dance class at 7pm and hit that dance floor for a night of hot, hot, hot dancing at **8pm**. DJ Libertad plays the latest Latin tunes between band sets covering salsa, bachata merengue, cha cha cha and more. This will be a night for some serious dancing. Tickets \$20 at the door on the night.

GROOVIN' ON

The **New Groove Jazz Ensemble** is a community big band providing the opportunity for players young and less young to express their musical passion through the medium of big band swing, latin, blues, funk and rock. The New Groove Jazz Ensemble is doing one show only at the **Ballina RSL Club** this **Friday**, so don't miss out on your chance to see this Brisbane big band in full swing. Tickets \$15pp and may be purchased online at www.ballinarsl.com.au, or phone the box office on 6686 2544. Box office transaction fees apply.

TURNING ON THE SOUNDSHOWER

Join **Avishai Barnatan**, musician, producer and sound therapist, when he 'turns on the taps' at his **Soundshower** at **St Martin's in Mullumbimby**. The Soundshower combines Tibetan bowls, chimes, flutes and overtone singing. During the Soundshower you will be invited to lie down and immerse yourself in the soothing tones. These tones reduce the brain activity and slow the heartbeat, allowing a deep expanded state where healing can occur. The healing frequencies enhance a physical, mental and emotional calibration to the human body and energy field. The Soundshower can shift and release stagnant energy and tension accumulated in the body, and is a very relaxing, rejuvenating and energising experience. **Saturday** from **4pm**, Tix \$20 at the door. (Please come on time bring mats and blankets to make yourself comfortable.)

CONNECTED VOICE

Each person has their own sound and voice, as well as their own movement. You can discover yours this Sunday at a fun and physical **Connected Voice** playshop with local actor Sally Guildford. Extended voice is a fairly new technique discovered by a soldier suffering shellshock in WWII who experimented with mimicking the sounds of shells and explosions to see if that would help his recovery. In a kind of audio homeopathy, the procedure worked. Later, Roy Hart from Pan Theatre in London continued the exploration and the resulting 'connected voice' became part of a course for actors. This is where Sally discovered it.

One of the benefits of the practice is that it can expand your kinaesthetic awareness. Other benefits include increased vocal range and confidence. Sally says, 'if you can change the range of your voice you can change your range of humanity'. The playshop is suitable for all from shy beginners to experienced professionals, singers, performers and those wanting to explore their natural sound and to transcend fears around expression. **Sunday** at **Brunswick Heads Memorial Hall**. \$45/40. Call 0402 289 202 to book.

LIVE CULTURE

BOY IN THE YELLOW DRESS

Victor Marsh will be launching his new book, his autobiography, *The Boy in the Yellow Dress* at the **Northern Rivers Writers' Centre** this **Friday**. In 1950s Western Australia a sissy boy is rejected by his father. He stumbles through a confusing sexual awakening into the hippie haze of the early seventies, when his spiral into psychedelic oblivion is interrupted by a rude encounter with the police. Soon after, a meeting with a young guru shows him that what he has been looking for can only be found within. The author will introduce his book and read some excerpts, and sign your copies. Drinks, nibbles, books and good company. 5.30-7pm at the Northern Rivers Writers' Centre, Level 1, 28 Jonson St, Byron Bay (above Witchery). RSVP 0408 447 264.

McCOOL CHANGE

Ever wondered what you'd get if you crossed Italians with Indians; Scots with Samoans; or Jamaicans with New York Jews? You'd get one very cool dude. **Sam McCool** in fact.

Sam McCool is a unique commodity in the Australian comedy scene. A global comic, he has travelled to 50 countries, speaks several languages, and has performed characters from Invercargill to Inverness. He brings the best of these experiences to life each time he takes the stage. He's a conceptual comic with a cross-cultural edge, with accents and voices that leave audiences both amused and amazed! No heckle too great, no audience too audacious, and no stone left unturned to squeeze the comic marrow from each morsel of material at his disposal.

He has cameoed recently on Channel 10's *Can of Worms*, guest-written for ABC's *Glasshouse*, performed at the Edinburgh and Melbourne international comedy festivals, starred as an Italian youth in Australian feature film *Dags*, played 'Crocodile Man' on an Indonesian soap opera, an Indian IT guru for Bovis Lend Lease, and a lispng Aussie marine biologist, Dr Skippy Scuba, for Disneyland Paris; it's safe to say there are few more versatile comics around than Sam McCool. Watch, learn, and laugh along!

Sam is joined by support act **Paul McMahon** and **Mandy Nolan** at the north coast's favourite comedy room: The Big Gig at the **Ballina RSL** on **Thursday** from **8pm**.



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NATASHA AND OLEG

Renowned duo and solo pianists, husband-and-wife team **Natasha Vlassenko** and **Oleg Stepanov** are bringing their magical musical skills to the **Byron Community Centre** on **Sunday** at **2pm**. They will perform on the Steinway concert grand piano and have generously offered to donate their performance fee to the Steinway restoration fund. Your attendance will support this fund and you will enjoy an afternoon of exquisite music including works by Chopin, Liszt, Debussy and Ravel. (The last two works are for piano, four hands - fantastic!) Natasha and Oleg both come with the highest credentials from the unsurpassed and prestigious Russian music conservatories. Now living in Brisbane, they both are involved in music education at the highest levels. A rare chance to see and hear these gifted musicians in Byron at amazingly low prices. Tickets \$30, members \$25, children \$10. Phone 6685 6807, or purchase at the door. But be quick!

BY THE STRANDS

The passion-driven, soul-drenched vocals of Trish Wilson, the guitar work of Neil Jeffs, who 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**.

Although as a band they are only 12 months young, 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 and plan to record a full-length album early next year because of regular requests at shows to be able to purchase a CD of their material. The Strands effortlessly blend these

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Stars
WITH LILITH

This week's sun and midweek new moon in Gemini team up with Mars to move situations forward that have been frustratingly delayed or long in resolving...

♈ ARIES: The highs, lows, stops, and false starts of recent months are past. This week's improved conditions reward your commitment and vision with an enthusiastic support team to resurrect your confidence, courage and enterprise. Because what fun is achieving what you set out to if others can't share it?

♉ TAURUS: This week's Tauran Venus has money on her mind when brokering deals or big-ticket buys. If other people's mental calisthenics drive you to meltdown, ground yourself by getting physical with the stable regularity of familiar routines: relaxation, humour and artistic pursuits, plus plenty of excellent food.

♊ GEMINI: Midweek Gemini new moon's your astro-portal of opportunity for formulating and fine-tuning your wish list for the coming twelve months. Squander it drawing eyebrows on babies or spurious Facebook questionnaires about who you were in a past life if you will – but how about your future life?

♋ CANCER: While this mental-as-anything week isn't the emotive Cancerian kind, it is changeable, showing its flip side one minute, smiley face the next. What to do? Don't engage. Midweek Mercury joining Jupiter in your sign of home-centred pleasures prefers you hanging with comfortable others.

♌ LEO: While your majesties naturally like doing things in grand, hi-viz style, it's advisable to keep a low profile during this week's passionate exchanges and emotionally loaded disputes. Be a charmbuster instead – make love, not arguments, and leave socialising till late week, which incidentally is networking heaven.

♍ VIRGO: This articulate, inventive week percolates with creative ideas and exciting possibilities, so conduct feasibility studies in the light, up-to-date style this week favours. New moon in your house of important causes rewards time spent on planning for commitments and agreements that you want to last.

♎ LIBRA: Even disappointing scenarios show their flipside when you stop treating them as The Enemy. Clarify what you want from difficult situations, and, more importantly, what you're prepared to offer. Because harmonious teamwork is what you do best – something Mars on the move in Libra makes clear this week.

♏ SCORPIO: Mars smouldering away in your house of privacy dredges up underground doubts, fears and resentments. Processing these leads to expanded understanding, even behaviour changes. Congratulations! And this week's Venus in Taurus encourages physical activity, especially involving someone else. Which could be sport or recreational exercise, right?

♐ SAGITTARIUS: The current astral emphasis in the sign of sparking conversation and entertaining chat is a climate in which Sagittarians shine. Downside? With Mercury playing devil's advocate in the sign of defensive sensitives, careless comments, throwaway witticisms or flippant quips could spark a towering inferno of wounded outrage.

♑ CAPRICORN: This week's Venus is a material girl who loves the material world, like you do. And tells you all about it, non-stop. Resist the perfectly natural urge to insert ear plugs, because letting others gush with what may be useful information could actually work to your advantage.

♒ AQUARIUS: This week's prime requirement is flexibility: adapting to the demands of shifting circumstances rather than struggling to make a fixed plan work. Don't waste time and energy second-guessing other people's motives; check instead whether any resistance to compromise on your part could be creating conflict or difficulties.

♓ PISCES: With this week's overflowing cornucopia of effervescence, you might overlook important details or advice. If so, midweek moon should increase awareness and insight, clarifying nagging feelings that may have been too confusing or difficult to put into words, rendering them easier to express and discuss.



EMMA WALKER IS THE EXHIBITING ARTIST FOR 'ART AT THE AIRPORT' AT THE BALLINA AIRPORT

ART AT THE AIRPORT

Northern Rivers Community Gallery is currently presenting the second series of works for the **Art at the Airport** program, running from **May** through to **June**. The program features three major works by leading contemporary Australian artist **Emma Walker**. Walker

lives and works in the northern rivers and her work is represented in various corporate and public collections such as Macquarie Bank, Lowenstein's Arts Management, Lismore Regional Gallery and Tweed Regional Gallery, as well as numerous private collections in Australia, the United States, United Kingdom, Indonesia and Hong Kong.

All artworks exhibited in Art at the Airport are for sale via the Northern Rivers Community Gallery. Walker's work will be on show at the **Ballina airport**.

BAY FM DINNER

Bay FM is holding a Dinner Club fundraising event that will help support Byron Shire's own and only independent radio station this **Thursday at 7pm at Fins Restaurant and Bar** in Kingscliff. \$100 per person includes a welcome canape and glass of wine, a fabulous three course meal in an innovative fine-dining atmosphere. You'll be in great company, as well as contributing funds for Bay FM! Call the station on 6680 7999 to make a booking for this special night and help keep your radio station up and running in Byron and beyond.

AS IT IS IN KEVIN

KEVIN BENNETT, WELL-RESPECTED SINGER/SONGWRITER WITH SYDNEY ROOTS BAND THE FLOOD, CMAA GOLD GUITAR WINNER IN 2006 (WITH THE FLOOD FOR BEST GROUP) AND 2011 (WITH KASEY CHAMBERS FOR VOCAL COLLABORATION), AND ALSO ARIA NOMINEE FOR 2006, WRITES RELEVANT, CONTEMPORARY AUSTRALIAN MUSIC CONTAINING ELEMENTS OF BLUES, ROCK AND COUNTRY – TELLING STORIES OF WHERE HE'S FROM AND WHERE HE MIGHT BE GOING.



CURRUMBIN SOUNDLOUNGE WITH THE FLOOD ON FRIDAY AND THE COURT HOUSE HOTEL WITH GLEN HANNAH, SUPPORTED BY WARREN EARL DUO – SUNDAY 3-6PM. COST: \$20 AT THE DOOR.

KB was in Mullumbimby last September and played a solo show to a rapt audience. He plays the Currumbin SoundLounge on Friday with the Flood and the Court House this Sunday with compatriot Glen Hannah for a special duo performance.

What have you been up to since your last visit to this area?

The last year has been a whirlwind of diversity for me – I've been playing music, of course, but in many varied forms such as solo/duo acoustically, electrically with The Flood, and with tributes to great bluesmen Robert Johnson and Muddy Waters.

In between, I've been incredibly lucky to be visiting remote communities with The Jimmy Little Foundation's Thumbs Up health program, promoting, through music, the benefits of healthy diet and drinking water for school children. The kids write a song, have fun and, one hopes, retain the message 'Good Tucker Long Life'.

As a professional musician with four decades of experience, what drives and inspires you?

The endless possibilities of music, the way different people's voices sound different on the chords we all play, the way music can be made by just about anyone with imagination. Writing songs keeps me connected, interested and driven... performing new stuff as well as older material in front of an audience is the thing that keeps me going – it never gets old.

How has the discovery that you have Aboriginal blood in your family line changed you?

It's made a lot of sense of many things in my life and helped me understand my dad's behaviour and our relationship better. I've acquired a great, generous new family, and everywhere I go I meet people who help me with getting in touch with my culture. I feel that I really belong and that is a wonderful thing.

The Northern Exposure Tour is reuniting you with some longtime friends/musical associates – Glen Hannah for all the shows, Kirk Lorange, Scott Hills and Greg Lyon for The Flood show at The SoundLounge. What can the punters expect from these performances?

I can't wait to hear what happens when we all play together! Kirk and I started in a band called Chasin' The Train in Sydney in the 80s and Scotty was drummer in The Flood for years; Greg's a legendary musician and Glen is in the current Flood lineup, so it will be amazing! There'll be a mix of Kirk's gumbo + Train funky blues and the rootsy Flood sound, all in one!

What plans do you have musically for the rest of this year?

I'm attempting to get a Flood record done as soon as financially possible and also am applying for the Americana Festival in the US in September – more JLF work and trying to write better songs!

Mungo's Crossword N020

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Cryptic Clues

ACROSS

- Provisional drama about debtor is an integral part of one-day cricket (5,4)
- Ecstasy in odds over getting drugged (5)
- Report that beer caused sickness (7)
- The French parabola, for example, was concise (7)
- Our place in the wood turns over juvenile music-maker (5)
- Soon unknown rodent loses tail, and has name withheld (9)
- A short hymn is able to tease audience (8)
- Thanks, but British uranium is banned (4)
- Home at last, after hard drive leads to the city (4)
- Rejected, but socialist holds the pea (8)
- Ironically amusing, or just goat-faced? (9)
- Gravity in dreadful, mournful air (5)
- The setter will take two notes, gaining a bad reputation (3,4)
- Large around but first rate back; outfit for a king (7)
- Approaches new listeners (5)
- Chew up resin – made a meal of it (9)

DOWN

- Soft and lean, but proverbially short and thick (5)
- Laid mat, but lost vote for new anthem (8,7)
- Following blood test, Bana took to fine words (8)
- Allow hard mate to act in a deadly manner (8)
- Scream a cry of pain – coward (6)
- A foot? Well, a finger actually (6)
- Lyric, spoken about an opera; top up but rejected with 2 across (4,2,9)
- Badger dad's hunch, and badger hunter (9)
- Kevin Rudd's first name? No, Kim Beazley's middle one (9)
- Naval supremos secure shares (3,5)
- Town five miles from an Australian icon (8)
- Dull notices for old forest-dwellers (6)
- Trick includes note – hysterical (6)
- Wipe out cardinal, after ages (5)

Quick Clues

ACROSS

- Period in one day-cricket (5,4)
- Medicated (5)
- Illness (7)
- Brief, terse (8)
- Child's musical instrument (5)
- Nameless (9)
- Short piece of sacred music (8)
- Forbidden (4)
- Capital of Italy (4)
- Beaten back, repelled (8)
- Parodic, ironic (9)
- Funeral song (5)
- Notoriety, bad repute (3,4)
- Accoutrements of royalty (7)
- Approaches, draws closer (5)
- Chew food (9)

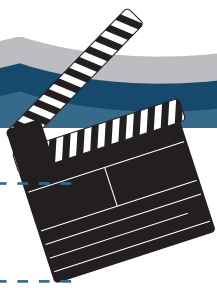
DOWN

- Length of wood (5)
- Famous Australian song, lyrics by Banjo Paterson (8,7)
- Intense style of speaking, often exaggerated (8)
- In a deadly manner (8)
- Primary colour (6)
- Metrical measure: long short short (6)
- Patriotic song once a candidate for national anthem (4,2,9)
- Short breed of dog (9)
- Member of a religion (9)
- Aristocratic heads of the Royal Navy (3,5)
- Town famous for incident involving a dog (8)
- Wood nymphs (6)
- Cry out, usually in terror (6)
- Rub out (5)

Last week's solution N019

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CINEMA REVIEWS



SUNSHINE ON LEITH

As most movies are now saturated with mood-prompting songs – they can often seem like little more than soundtracks with accompanying visuals – the fully blown musical runs the risk of being uncomfortably twee, if not entirely implausible.

But *Across The Universe* (2007), based on the Beatles' catalogue, proved that it can still be a viable genre and this, inspired by the Proclaimers' 1988 album of the same name, furthers the cause with ebullient big-heartedness. Not that Craig and Charlie Reid are in the same league as Lennon/McCartney, but their tunes and lyrics are straightforward, feature a strong narrative component and, most significantly, are understanding of the people and place that give them such life.

The story deals with everyday but complex personal relationships (what relationships are not?) and it is told in a simple, direct manner. Davy (George MacKay) and Ally (Kevin Guthrie) return home to Edinburgh after a tour of duty in

Afghanistan (the Reids can be spotted emerging from a pub as the boys dance down the street). De-mobbed, Ally wants to settle down with Davy's beautiful freckled sister, Liz (Freya Mavor), while Davy falls for an English nurse, Yvonne (Antonia Thomas). On the night that Davy and Liz's parents, Rab and Jean (Peter Mullan and Jane Horrocks), are celebrating their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary, an ancient infidelity comes to light and ultimately all three couples find themselves confronted by the prospect of losing the love they so cherish. It is as cheesy as it gets, but not for one minute did I not care about what the end result might be for the characters.

The songs are mostly 'unplugged', with the vocals given every opportunity to eke out the words' emotional nuances and, without exception, each of the players sells the conceit (Mavor is especially winning). Edinburgh never looked so good and the closing, Bollywoodesque rendition of *500 Miles*, including mass choreography outside the city's National Gallery, will lift the spirits of anybody concerned by the dousing of the sunshine that once shone on our country.

John Campbell



X-MEN: DAYS OF FUTURE PAST

My companion mollified me by saying that David and Margaret had described this movie as being 'better than they expected'. That is possibly the ultimate in back-handed compliments, but it nevertheless was enough to give me some hope for the approaching couple of hours.

Alas, that hope, falsely nurtured, was cruelly shattered in the time it took for the first blast of tedious, brain-breaking CGI to assault my senses – by which I mean straightaway. Honestly, I struggle to understand how anybody other than testosterone-addled teenage boys can sit through this sort of thing.

Wolverine (Hugh Jackman – he seems like such a nice bloke, too) is sent to the past to do something or other that will alter the course of history, a curly assignment that, as anybody remotely familiar with the caper will know, is simply not possible. There are a lot of big stars helping him out, most notably Jennifer Lawrence as Raven/Mystique, a sort of blue mannequin who can transform herself into other people.

There's a terrific scene where Iceman freezes the moment to ultra-slo-mo while he darts around the room re-directing bullets as they inch their way like snails towards his buddies, but my mind was wandering long before we'd reached the halfway point. Hugh's party-piece is to unleash extra-long claws that emerge from between his knuckles, but it loses its novelty value when he's done it for about the fifteenth time and the same goes for Jennifer's blue metamorphosis trick – if she turned into anybody else I was ready to scream.

Other than praising it for its obvious technical achievements, I'm unable to say anything good about this bombastic nightmare, for I was literally bored to distraction. John F Kennedy, it turns out, may also have been a mutant but confirmation never arrived, for my companion leaned over to ask, 'Do you have any idea what's going on?' I confessed that I didn't and, more importantly, that I didn't give a rat's either way. We walked. Life's too short.

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- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 5PM **JOHN FOG & FRIENDS 9:30PM SAFIA**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON **NATHAN KAYE KOLLECTIVE**
- BYRON COMMUNITY THEATRE 8PM **ARJ BARKER**
- NORTHERN RIVERS WRITERS CENTRE 5.30PM **THE BOY IN THE YELLOW DRESS BY VICTOR MARSH**
- GINGER PIG, BYRON **FROTHING DJS**
- CAFE OSKA, BYRON 7PM **BALEARIC FUNK**
- COCOMANGAS, BYRON **DJ QC**
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- TREEHOUSE, BELONGIL 7.30PM **LITTLE WISE W MEGAN BERNARD**
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SATURDAY 31

- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, BYRON 8.30PM **PILOTS, VELOCIRAPTOR, SASSIN FRAS, CHASING GHOSTS, SAFARI DJS**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 9PM **DJ CUTLOOSE**

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SUNDAY 1

- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, BYRON **LUKE MORRIS & NICK BRAMPTON**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 4.30PM **LOONALOOP 9:30PM DJ CAPTAIN KAINED**
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MONDAY 2

- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, BYRON **INDUSTRY NIGHT**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON **ADAM BROWN**
- GINGER PIG, BYRON **BOOM FAYA**
- WOODY'S SURF SHACK, BYRON 8PM **DJ JON**
- SOUTHPORT BOWLS CLUB 7PM **MAGGIE BRITTON BAND**

TUESDAY 3

- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, BYRON **MARSHALL O'KELL**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 7.30PM **OPEN MIC NIGHT**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON **SUE-ANNE STEWART**
- GINGER PIG, BYRON **MAX AND TIM**
- WOODY'S SURF SHACK, BYRON **DJ SANCHEZ**
- COCOMANGAS, BYRON **DJ JIMMY D & ZENNA**
- BANGALOW HOTEL 7.30PM **BRACKETS & JAM OPEN MIC**
- TWEED RIVER ART GALLERY, MURWILLUMBAH 2PM **EUREKA DUO**

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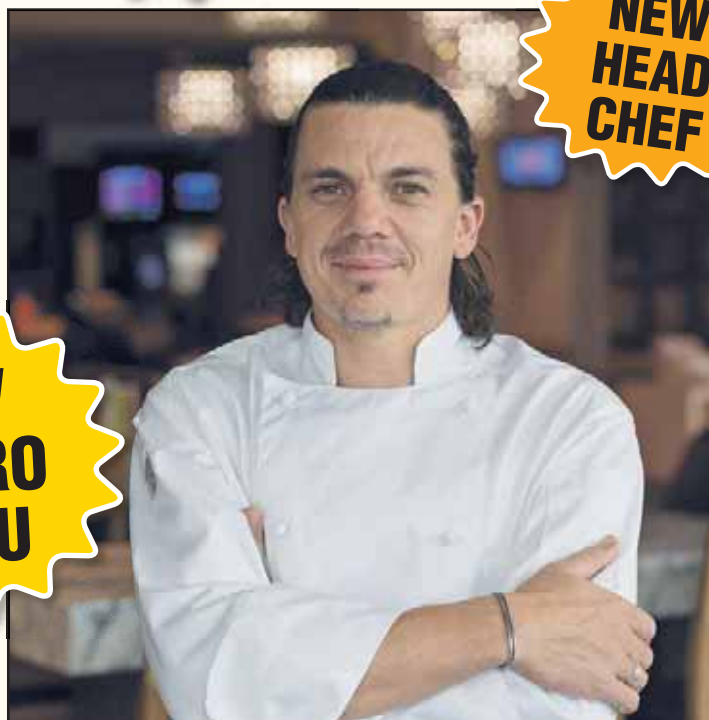
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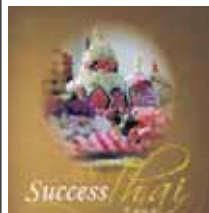
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Red Bamboo @ Byron

IN FOCUS



KUMI YOSHIDA TOOK THE LONG ROUTE VIA TOKYO TO BYRON BAY FROM HER BIRTHPLACE IN SOUTH VIETNAM.

Her family moved as refugees to Japan in the 80s where she began her culinary journey in the family's restaurant and cooking school. There she met her Vietnamese-born husband chef, Masayoshi, who had a similar background to her own. Together they have run their own restaurants and taught for the past 15 years, first in Tokyo before migrating to Brisbane in 2005. Recently they have taken another leap onto new pastures and opened the Red Bamboo @ Byron in Feros Arcade in the former home of the iconic Thai@Byron, where they specialise in Vietnamese and Chinese food.

Kumi loves the cuisine of her birth country and has dedicated her career to creating it, perfecting it, sharing it and teaching others its subtleties while keeping it modern and fresh. Keeping it modern has been her mantra.

'The advice I have stood by is to enjoy eating and maintain the traditions of my cuisine while creating modern versions of it. It's important to keep up to date with modern tastes.'

Favourites on the menu include the much-loved Phos - Vietnamese soups, rice-paper rolls, and the range of vermicelli salads. Mia's own favourites are the salads.

'They're fresh and healthy and make for a good diet.'

She says the locals have taken the Red Bamboo on board and everyone likes to try the latest place in town. Her and Masayoshi's versatility in the kitchen mean they can adapt their menu to any taste or special diet.

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1	S 0630	1657	0857	2001	1043.1,34; 2238,1.72	0442,0.48; 1612,0.66
2	M 0631	1656	0939	2053	1125.1,32; 2317,1.66	0521,0.51; 1654,0.70
3	T 0631	1656	1017	2144	1209.1,30	0602,0.55; 1740,0.74
4	W 0632	1656	1054	2236	0000,1.58; 1259,1.31	0646,0.57; 1832,0.78
5	T 0632	1656	1128	2327	0047,1.51; 1353,1.32	0734,0.59; 1933,0.81
6	F 0633	1656	1202		0143,1.45; 1449,1.43	0824,0.59; 2042,0.80
7	S 0633	1656	1236	0019	0243,1.41; 1544,1.43	0913,0.59; 2149,0.76
8	S 0633	1656	1312	0113	0344,1.39; 1634,1.52	1000,0.56; 2251,0.69
9	M 0634	1656	1351	0208	0441,1.39; 1720,1.63	1046,0.53; 2346,0.59
10	T 0634	1656	1433	0306	0534,1.41; 1805,1.74	1131,0.50
11	W 0635	1656	1520	0406	0626,1.44; 1850,1.85	0036,0.49; 1215,0.46
12	T 0635	1656	1613	0508	0716,1.47; 1936,1.94	0125,0.38; 1302,0.43
13	F 0635	1656	1711	0609	0808,1.49; 2024,2.01	0213,0.30 ; 1351,0.41
14	S 0636	1656	1814	0710	0900,1.50; 2114,2.04	0302,0.24 ; 1442,0.41
15	S 0636	1656	1919	0806	0955,1.51; 2204,2.02	0353,0.21 ; 1535,0.42
16	M 0636	1656	2026	0859	1049,1.50; 2256,1.95	0445,0.22 ; 1630,0.46
17	T 0637	1656	2131	0947	1145,1.50; 2350,1.85	0539,0.26 ; 1729,0.51
18	W 0637	1656	2234	1030	1244,1.50	0633,0.31; 1830,0.57
19	T 0637	1656	2336	1112	0047,1.72 ; 1343,1.51	0728,0.37; 1937,0.61
20	F 0638	1657		1152	0149,1.59; 1445,1.54	0822,0.42; 2050,0.64
21	S 0638	1657	0036	1231	0255,1.48; 1545,1.59	0916,0.47; 2203,0.63
22	S 0638	1657	0135	1312	0400,1.41; 1642,1.65	1008,0.50; 2312,0.59
23	M 0638	1657	0233	1353	0503,1.37; 1734,1.70	1059,0.52
24	T 0638	1657	0330	1437	0600,1.35; 1822,1.75	0012,0.54; 1145,0.53
25	W 0639	1658	0425	1524	0650,1.35; 1906,1.78	0101,0.49; 1230,0.53
26	T 0639	1658	0518	1612	0735,1.35; 1945,1.80	0145,0.45; 1312,0.54
27	F 0639	1658	0608	1703	0817,1.35; 2023,1.81	0224,0.43; 1351,0.55
28	S 0639	1659	0654	1754	0857,1.36; 2100,1.79	0300,0.42; 1430,0.56
29	S 0639	1659	0737	1846	0935,1.35; 2135,1.77	0336,0.42; 1507,0.57
30	M 0639	1659	0817	1938	1013,1.35; 2211,1.72	0412,0.43; 1545,0.60

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 Data courtesy of the National Tidal Centre.

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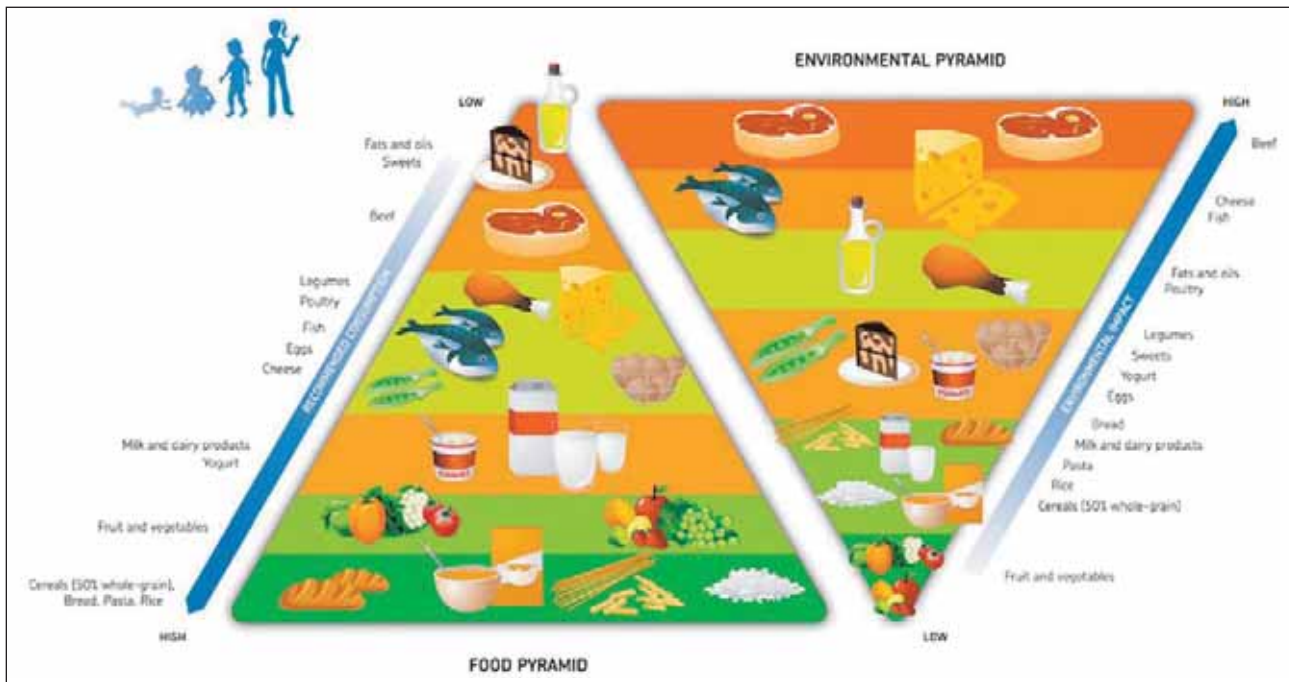
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Healthier diet, healthier planet

In TheConversation.com, Daniel Tan argues the benefits of eating well



The Double Pyramid developed by the Barilla Centre for Food and Nutrition in Italy.

The way we currently produce food around the world contributes up to 20-30 per cent of the world's greenhouse gas emissions and accounts for 70 per cent of all human water use.

But is it possible to eat well and take better care of the Earth at the same time?

The *Australian Guide To Healthy Eating* recommends eating a variety of nutritious foods including vegetables, fruit, grain and lean meat to achieve a balanced healthy diet.

This guide indicates the need to increase the consumption of cereals, legumes, vegetables and fruit, while consuming meat, fish and dairy products in lesser quantities.

Meat intake

Meat is an important source of protein and certain micro-nutrients, including iron, zinc and vitamins, and milk is a rich source of protein and calcium. That's why the *Australian Guide* recommends two daily serves of milk and dairy products, along with two serves of meat, fish and eggs.

Protein intake is important for a balanced diet, as insufficient protein intake can lead to obesity owing to excessive carbohydrate and fat intake to meet energy requirements.

Plant foods - including grains, fruits, vegetables and legumes - are also vital for keeping us healthy. That's why the *Australian Guide* recommends a higher consumption of plant foods each day, along the lines of seven serves of cereals, five serves of vegetables and legumes, and two serves of fruit. Doing that can reduce the risk of obesity, diabetes, heart disease and some types of cancer, and increase life expectancy.

The United Nations' Food

and Agriculture Organization defines sustainable diets as: 'Those diets with low environmental impacts which contribute to food and nutrition security and to healthy life for present and future generations.'

In developed countries like Australia and the UK, people tend to consume more meat and operate at a higher trophic level in the food chain.

At the lowest level of the food chain (trophic level 1) are primary producers such as plants, followed by plant-eating animals such as cows, goats, horses and kangaroos. Then come animals that eat other animals, and then the apex or super predators at the top of the food chain (including carnivores like crocodiles, lions and killer whales).

Energy loss

Between each trophic level, there is a loss of energy. That's why, for example, production of livestock, on average, may require 4kg of cereal grain for the production of 1kg of meat.

The rearing of livestock for meat, eggs and dairy also generates 14.5 per cent of total global greenhouse gas emissions, mainly from methane produced during digestion in grazing animals such as cattle and sheep. If people consumed more crops directly, rather than their processing through livestock, there would be a positive environmental impact.

The Double Pyramid developed by the Barilla Centre for Food and Nutrition in Italy shows the synergies between food that is good for our health and environment.

This model consists of two pyramids: one is the traditional food pyramid similar to the *Australian Guide*, while the other is an upside-down pyramid ranking the

environmental impacts of the same foods. In general, foods at the base of the food pyramid are also those with the lowest environmental impact.

Cereal grain crops are primary producers and have a lower water and carbon footprint. Legumes such as chickpea and lentil have less than half of the greenhouse emissions of other cereal crops, as they are able to fix nitrogen naturally from the air and do not require any nitrogen fertilisers.

Compared with animal products, emissions from vegetables are lower on a per tonne basis. Most emissions associated with vegetable production come from fertiliser use, electricity use and post-harvest refrigeration and transport.

Global scale

Even a modest replacement of energy-intensive animal products with less-energy-intensive grains, fruits and vegetables would be significant at the global scale.

Given that fewer than three per cent of people in Australia and the UK are vegetarian, it's unrealistic to suggest a meat-free diet for everyone.

Instead, it may be more realistic to encourage people to replace quantities of red meat and processed meat with lean, less environmentally harmful meat options such as chicken, and plant-based proteins such as legumes.

In Australia and New Zealand, grazing animals are mainly grass fed rather than grain fed (more common in the US), which may play an important role in soil carbon sequestration in grasslands, which reduces greenhouse gas emissions.

If a healthy and sustainable plant-based diet is better for our health and environment, why is it that consumption of

plant foods in many developed countries does not meet recommended levels?

In Victoria, for example, fewer than eight per cent of adults consume the recommended daily intake of five or more serves of vegetables, and fewer than 46 per cent eat the recommended daily intake of two or more serves of fruit.

The recent Australian Health Survey found that one in four adults were eating no vegetables on an average day and only seven per cent were eating the recommended five servings.

An energy-dense diet made up of refined grains, added sugars and added fats may also be more affordable than a healthy and sustainable diet based on fruits and vegetables and lean meats.

Star system

Australian governments could help promote a healthier diet by considering educational and policy measures, such as reinstating the healthy-food star rating systems and restricting junk food promotion.

Given the rapidly rising costs to all Australians of our growing waistlines - 25 per cent of us are now obese, one of the highest rates in the world - failing to act is already proving extremely expensive, in both personal and economic terms.

It's also up to each of us to make healthier choices, for our own sake, as well as for the environment that our children will inherit from us - and that starts with the food we eat today.

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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.

REQUEST FOR TENDER

No 2013-0040

Underbore DN140 Water Main From Wategos Reservoir, Byron Bay, NSW 2481

Byron Shire Council (Council) invites tenders for a contract to underbore and install approximately 340 metres of DN140 PE100 PN16 water main from Wategos Reservoir, Byron Bay NSW 2481. Details of the proposed contract and the assessment criteria requirements are set out in the Request for Tender documentation referred to below.

Request for Tender documents may be obtained by contacting Tenderlink at www.tenderlink.com/byron. If you experience difficulties accessing the website, please call the Tenderlink helpdesk on 1800 233 533.

A mandatory tender site inspection will be held at 10.00am Monday, 2 June 2014 at Byron Shire Council Depot – Training Rooms, Bayshore Drive, Byron Bay. Please confirm with Nominated Contact your attendance at this meeting no later than 29 May 2014.

Tenders close at 2.00pm Friday 13 June 2014

Council invites any person willing to fulfil the requirements of the proposed contract to submit a tender to Council by the deadline specified in this advertisement and in accordance with the Tender Documents referred to above.

Please note: The canvassing of Councillors or Council staff in relation to this tender will disqualify tenders from the tender process.

ASSISTANCE FOR FESTIVALS AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

2014/2015 Financial Year

In accordance with Council Policy "Assistance for Festivals and Community Functions" Council encourages community organisations and persons to submit applications for financial assistance prior to the adoption of the budget.

Funding to a maximum of \$600 per event can be obtained to assist with Council's costs associated with:

- DA assessment;
- Road closure;
- Advertising fees;
- Costs of Council labour and equipment to facilitate temporary road closures; and
- The provision of additional litter bins and clean-up activities.

Applications are required to be supported by sufficient information to assist Council in assessing each application. An application form must be completed and is available at <http://www.byron.nsw.gov.au> expressions-of-interest or a hard copy of the application is available at Council's Administration Office in Mullumbimby and Community Access Points around the Shire.

The allocation of these donations for assistance with holding community events for the 2014/2015 financial year will be considered at a Council Meeting in August 2014.

Applications close: Monday 30 June 2014

Enquiries: Gayle McCallum 02 6626 7045

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 on Council's website at www.byron.nsw.gov.au/development-applications-on-exhibition, or at the Council administrative 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 online at 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 at www.byron.nsw.gov.au/political-donations.

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

EXHIBITION CLOSES 2 JUNE 2014

10.2011.124.3 – BYRON BAY

Bayshore Drive (Lot 2 DP 243218 and Lots 8 to 11 DP 243218)

Byron Bay Writers Festival: S96 – modification to site plan and layout (Byron Bay Writers Festival 2011, 2012 and 2013)

10.2014.222.1 – SOUTH GOLDEN BEACH

32 Redgate Road (Lot 9 DP 880563)

Mr R Fahquhar: New subdivision to create two lots

10.2014.197.1 – NEWRYBAR

Lawlers Lane (Pt 15 DP 603097)

Northern Rivers Survey Pty Ltd: Subdivision to create three lots

EXHIBITION CLOSES 9 JUNE 2014

5.1994.95.4 – BYRON BAY

90-96 Jonson Street (Lot 5 DP 619224)

Greg Alderson & Associates: S96 – to alter occupant numbers (commercial development)

10.2014.244.1 – MYOCUM

341 Tyagarah Road (Lot 26 DP 791228)

Chris Lonergan – Town Planner: Subdivision to create three lots

10.2014.230.1 – TALOFA

440 Bangalow Road (Lot 2 DP 1071115)

Newton Denny Chapelle: Rural tourist facility

10.2014.243.1 – BYRON BAY

56 Carlyle Street (Lot B DP 333291)

Chris Lonergan – Town Planner: Stage 1 Create a vacant strata lot - Stage 2 Construct an additional dwelling to create a dual occupancy

10.2014.238.1 – BYRON BAY

25 Childe Street (Lot 1 DP 854069)

Belongil Group Pty Ltd: Alteration/additions to existing tourist facility

FREE HIRE SUNSMART MARQUEE TO COMMUNITY GROUPS

Byron Shire Council is working with Cancer Council in NSW to foster a SunSmart community and has a large marquee for use at community events.

The 4.5 x 3 metre SunSmart Marquee is a generous gift from Cancer Council in recognition of Byron Shire Council's efforts to raise community awareness about the importance of sun protection.

For the Marquee Procedure and Use Form go to Council's website www.byron.nsw.gov.au and look under publications/forms and applications.

Information and bookings: Kerry Cameron 02 6626 7000 Mon-Wed

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS

My Journey Kit

Every day 33 Women in Australia are being told they have breast cancer and 8 lose their lives to this disease.

The My Journey Kit is a free resource for newly diagnosed women. The Kit contains comprehensive information based on other women's experiences, messages of hope and inspiration, regional information about support services and a personal record.

For a free Kit Call 1300 785 562 or email www.bcna.org.au.

For My Journey Kit promotional posters and pamphlets call 1800 500 258.

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS DETERMINED

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

The following development consents, 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 & Environment Court by any person within 3 months of this notice.

APPLICATIONS APPROVED

10.2014.144.1 – BRUNSWICK HEADS

7 Mullumbimbi Street (Lot 1 DP 9369)

Secondary dwelling

10.2014.154.1 – BANGALOW

30 Rifle Range Road (Lot 112 DP 1188411)

Construction of a principal dwelling and a secondary dwelling

10.2014.126.1 – WILSON'S CREEK

23 Parmenters Road (Lot 10 DP 589299)

Alterations and additions to an existing dwelling-house

10.2014.169.1 – BYRON BAY

15 Lawson Street (Lot B DP 358791)

Alterations to existing commercial building

10.2014.103.1 – SUFFOLK PARK

28-30 Redgum Place (Lot 29 DP 842105)

Construction of a secondary dwelling and tree removal

10.2014.130.1 – SUFFOLK PARK

44 Beech Drive (Lot 24 DP 805839)

Alteration/additions to existing dwelling (convenience store) including new private garage, new shop, platform, loading bay area and three new carparking spaces

10.2000.369.3 – SUFFOLK PARK

Pecan Court (Lot 3 DP 270373)

S96 – severance of Lot 3 from existing Community Title (52 residential units presented as a group housing development (community title) and involving the construction and operation of an on-site sewerage treatment plant)

10.2013.128.1 – TYAGARAH

Pacific Highway (Lots 103,104 and 105 DP 1023126)

Operate a Place of Assembly (Blues Festival), incorporating an annual five-day music festival over the Easter Holiday period, with associated temporary infrastructure (i.e. marquees, camping, food stalls, restaurants, market stalls, fencing and car parking)

10.2013.518.1 – BYRON BAY

26 Cavanbah Street (Lot 5 Sec 54 DP 758207)

Removal of existing dwelling-house and nine trees, construction of a bed and breakfast establishment and construction of a secondary dwelling

10.2014.35.1 – BYRON BAY

79A Massinger Street (Lot 2 DP 625184)

Change of use of a dwelling to a dual occupancy

10.2014.159.1 – BYRON BAY

60 Carlyle Street (Lot 3 Sec 45 DP 758207)

Relocate existing house, construct additions and a new carport

10.2014.211.1 – BYRON BAY

42 Kingsley Street (Lot 2 DP 518026)

Carport

10.2014.190.1 – BYRON BAY

4/61 Centennial Circuit (Lot 4 SP 71432)

Alterations to existing building (Unit 4)

10.2014.84.1 – BYRON BAY

2 Cavanbah Street (Lot 11 Sec 53 DP 758207)

Removal of existing dwelling, proposed new dwelling included expanded dwelling module to be used as a bed and breakfast establishment plus a secondary dwelling, pool and tree removal

COUNCIL CLOSURE

from 3.00pm, Tuesday 27 May 2014

Please be advised that the Byron Shire Administration Offices, Mullumbimby, Myocum Landfill and Byron Shire Depot will be closed from 3.00pm onwards due to a Staff Awards Function. We apologise for any inconvenience. The offices will reopen as per normal hours on Wednesday morning.

For after hours emergencies, please contact 02 6622 7022.

Undermanned Giants trampled by Mustangs

Story & photo John Campbell

The scoreboard rarely tells the whole story.

The record books will have Murwillumbah giving Mullumbimby a 34-4 shellacking at Les Donnelly Field on Sunday. But nothing could be further from the truth.

Premiers in 2012 and runners-up last season, the Mustangs came stampeding into town with an unbeaten record and, after racking up handsome victories in the under-18s and the reggies, things looked less than rosy for the home side as the A-graders emerged from the sheds. Things went from ominous to dire when the Giants knocked-on from the kick-off and presented the visitors with a gilt-edged invitation to apply the blowtorch to their belly.

They compounded the error by conceding a penalty and Mur'bah would have been too embarrassed not to score. They did when a chip



So near and yet so far... the Giants' centre, Jason Willis, scrambles for the ball near the Mustangs' try line at Les Donnelly Field last Sunday.

rebounded into their left-winger's arms for a fluky try – but they all count, regardless of how you get them.

So we started over, albeit with the Giants behind 0-4.

As the game settled, so did

Mullum. They took it to their more fancied opponent and, with the mob behind them, were winning the grind. The Mustangs could find no way through a swarming defence and, unable to get far out of

their own territory, it came as no surprise when, profiting from a repeat set of six, the Giants' five-eighth Chase Nelson shot an inside ball to a rampaging Jack Govett who, now that he has finally been

able to grow a beard, like his fellow second-rower, Sean Watkins, was unstoppable.

Unfortunately, the Giants spilt the pill from the resumption, a blunder that proved immediately costly when the Mustangs' #6, Jake Lennon, putting on a command performance, sold a Brooklyn Bridge dummy and strolled in under the black dot untouched. It was typical of the afternoon's activities – Mullum made the costly errors, Mur'bah took advantage of them. Composure counts for a lot in footy, and it was all with the Mustangs.

They scored again from a neat grubber, after which calamity struck for the Giants. Reacting like a hanging judge, the ref gave Grant Cook an early shower after a head-high that perturbed its victim not in the least. Mur'bah are a tough outfit, and they don't need the advantage of an extra man to state their case.

Compounding the locals'

angst, with oranges about to be taken, a Mustang knocked-on, pure and simple. A Giant retrieved the ball and set sail for the tryline, with nobody in front of him. To everybody's consternation – and fury – the ref, not bothering to call advantage, brought play back to set a scrum, with a Mullum feed. It may not have altered the outcome of the contest, but going to the sheds only ten behind instead of sixteen would surely have lifted the boys' spirits.

Soon after the re-start, the Giants lost Nelson to injury, further disrupting their alignments, and Mur'bah showed a bit of class by scoring a length-of-the-field try in which the ball passed through countless pairs of hands – credit where it's due, it was lovely to watch.

The rest went according to the script of one side a man down pitted against a quality outfit.

Mullum never turned it up, but neither were they ever really in the hunt.

Byron Bay rugby union down but not out



The score did nothing to expose the effort put in by the Byron lads during the weekend's hectic battle against Wollongbar-Alstonville.

Peter Griffin

Byron Bay rugby were beaten 44-15 by First Grade front runners Wollongbar-Alstonville on Saturday.

In a game of three parts, a feisty and competitive opening 10 minutes was followed by a spectacular five-try blitz by the Pioneers in the space of 25 minutes.

The Bay rallied to win the second half but with the home side commanding a 37-3 half-time lead the contest had long been over.

Byron's back-line defence was simply unable to deal with the Pioneers' speed, polish and superb running lines. Almost every play in the devastating spell involved the blind-side winger and/or fullback creating an extra man and, with the Pioneer finishers having better hands than Beethoven, the result was a showreel. Byron's characteristic line speed and aggression were absent and with defenders rocking back on their heels the Pioneers took the invitation to run into yawning gaps.

The Bay's character is never in question and the visitors were rewarded with two second-half tries. Left-winger Ben Macnee finished after Jash Saeck controlled a bouncing ball and right-winger Tom Sandstrom crossed after a 40-metre solo dash.

Byron's forwards more than matched their opponents'; Aaron Shakeshaft was charging through the middle of the ruck as was hugely talented lock Ryan Betts, who is looking like a slightly more attractive John Eales.

Byron's set piece was solid, particularly at the line out, which has improved to be one of the best in the competition. The forwards all toiled bravely, particularly Captain Matt Larsson and hooker Tom Homer.

After seven rounds the Bay's flirtation with the top four continues. Byron have dropped to fifth, two points behind Ballina and two points ahead of sixth-placed Bangalow.

The stage could not be better set for another instalment in the great rivalry between Byron and their shire neighbours.

Bangalow ground out a 19-3 win against Grafton on Saturday and will start slight favourite this weekend despite the Bay having home-ground advantage.

Byron's winning culture may yet prove decisive with the Bay having lost only once to Bangalow in their past 12 meetings. The match kicks off at the Rec Fields at 3.15pm on Saturday.

Byron's junior team continues to impress and entertain. The under-9s produced a wonderful spectacle at the Rec Fields on Friday with a draw against Lismore. No fewer than 20 tries were scored despite some rattling defence from both young teams.

Go the Bay!

Indigenous surfers at Bells



Simon Knox (Sunshine Coast) day 1 at Bells Beach. Photo Liam Robertson – Nikon

The cream of Indigenous surfers in the country have gathered at the famous and culturally sacred site of Bells Beach for the Australian Indigenous Surfing Titles which started on Monday.

The event is in its third year after a 16-year hiatus and has turned into a showcase of the elite Indigenous surfers in the country.

Surfing Victoria Indigenous aquatic manager and contest director, Steve Parker, is ecstatic to be holding the event at Bells Beach once again.

'Having the event at Bells Beach is incredible for all Indigenous surfers. The event is coming into its third year now and is starting to make a mark around the country with our Indigenous communities,' says Parker.

'This year should have some really good surfing

with Victorian Indigenous Champion Jordie Campbell competing and will have the advantage of local knowledge over the interstate competitors.'

Some of the surfers competing this year include:

- 2012 Australian Indigenous Champion, Russel Molony (Central Coast, NSW) – WQS surfer Simon Knox (Sunshine Coast, QLD) – 2014 Victorian Indigenous Surfing Champion, Jordie Campbell (Sandy Point, VIC) – 2013 Australian Indigenous Champion, Joe Haddon (Forster, NSW)

The event kicked off with an opening ceremony at Bells Beach including a traditional welcome to Country and smoking ceremony performed by the local Indigenous community.

Follow the event at indigenous.prosurfinglive.com.

Breakers' great weekend

Gary Osbiston

A Friday-night game in Ballina was the first of two away games this weekend for the Bruns Breakers.

The field was wet and slippery from a downpour 30 minutes before the kickoff.

The Brunswick girls love a night game and were pumped and ready. The ref blew his whistle to start the game and straightaway the Breakers took control; striker Izzy blasted a shot from distance only to have it saved by the keeper.

Only a few minutes later the Bruns striker found herself in range of the goals and this time found the back of the net 1-0. The away side were in total control; defender Erin had a shot from the halfway line only to see the ball tipped over the bar by the home-side keeper.

With only 10 minutes left of the first half remaining the Breakers' number nine found the back of the gain 2-0 and shortly after had a first-half hat trick 3-0. With only minutes left on the clock to end the half, Ballina were awarded a penalty; goalkeeper Zoe, who had seen no action, was in the spotlight. The home-side player hammered the ball straight at the keeper, who parried it away only to find she had to make another save.

The whole crowd applauded. Half time found Brunswick up 3-0. The second began with the home side firing but the Breakers were comfortable. A lot of the half was played in the middle of the field; both teams had shots at goal, not worried

by the scoreboard. Full time sounded.

The Brunswick team had their first win of the season. Well done, girls.

The second game was another away game, this time against Bangalow. Totally different playing conditions this game, played in bright sunshine with the field dry and a very hot day.

The Brunswick Breakers kicked off and dominated right from the start but could not find the back of the net. It took until the 20-minute mark to break the deadlock. Striker Izzy placed a shot wide of the keeper 1-0; this is where the score stayed until half time; it could have been easily four or five to nil.

The second half began with the Bruns coach rotating his players owing to the heat, but the team had no luck in front of the goal.

Finally the Breakers were passing the ball about and making space, and a perfect pass found Annika with a golden opportunity inside the penalty box; she struck the ball beautifully high and wide of the Bangalow keeper 2-0. With this second goal the coach made a positional change: goalie Zoe up front and goal scorer Annika in goals. Zoe, having the fresher legs, made a huge difference against a tiring Bangalow side.

Many chances were made but no more goals were scored.

Full time sounded another win to the Breakers. As always, the coach and parents were very proud of the team. Well done, girls.

Not so mellow the Hornets yellow

Story & photo Dogwhistle

A mixed bag for the Park Hotel Byron Bay Rams on Saturday, with frustration for the Reserves and a fairly cruisy win for the premier squad over bottom-of-the-ladder Goonellabah Hornets.

The Reserves, looking to consolidate their top-of-the-table position and put some daylight between them and a phalanx of eager challengers, had to be content with a single point after a frustrating draw. The Hornets stung first with a clumsy bumbling goal then young Tai Flanagan equalised for Byron but, despite the Rams hammering the Goonellabah defence for the rest of the match, the score remained deadlocked at one apiece.

The Premier Division match was a much more one-sided affair, with the Rams far from stretched in dominating the Goonellabah side. Six minutes in, a cross from James Tomlinson found the head of Connor Cannon, who finished cleanly to take the Rams to an early lead. Dogged defending from Goonellabah – particularly



Another high energy double shift from Byron stalwart Jonathan Pierce

Captain Sam Evers – held off the Byron attack until another header, this time by Sam McIntyre off a corner, took the Rams lead to 2-0. Late in the second half, flanker Dakota Dixon-King threaded a low ball through a goal mouth melee to give Byron their third and final goal of the day. A fourth goal got away when an errant back-pass crossed the line before

being retrieved by the keeper but, instead of a goal, Byron was awarded a somewhat comical free kick that was positioned variously on the goal-line, 10 metres out and, finally, on the six-metre box.

Overall, it was a solid, if not too taxing, team effort with strong performances from Barry Wood, Michael Kelly and Sam McIntyre, and yet another high-energy

double shift from a resurgent Jono Pierce. The win sees Byron on top of the table with a 10-goal advantage over arch-rival, Lismore Thistles.

Next Sunday sees the Rams at home against Thistles for the match of the season.

Reserves kick off at 12.30pm and the Premiers at 2.30pm in a battle that might just determine this year's premiership.

Off the hook – the Mahi Mahi are prolific

The mackerel-fishing season is now drawing to a close as the lower inshore temperatures push them back up north.

There have still been a few about, however nowhere near the amount that we have seen throughout what can only be described as a fantastic season.

Mid-sized snapper are

showing, and we should see the larger knobies in greater numbers over the next two months following the drop in temperature.

Kingfish and amberjack up to 12kg have been scoffing live baits on the reefs east of Cape Byron, with much larger ones lurking that just can't be stopped. If you want to chase these brutes you had

best make sure your gear is up to the challenge!

Dolphin fish (Mahi Mahi) have been prolific offshore and are a very spirited adversary on light tackle. Pictured below is Austin Davis with a lovely specimen.

The rocks and beaches have been producing some quality dart and bream, and some larger tailor are lurking around after dark.

Whiting have also been taken on the shire's northern beaches using worms as bait.

The sea mullet are a plenty at the moment and these are

the best baits to land a large mullo from the beach; the only issue is that unless your bait is live, the hungry whaler sharks are getting to it first.

The annual migration of humpback whales is just starting now and we saw our first mother and calf heading north over the weekend.

Give it a couple of weeks and we should have them in great numbers, so keep your eyes open for these magnificent creatures.

Doug Benjamin
Byron Bay Charters
0400 946 066

Player Profile

Brunswick SLSC

Name Grant Carey
Nickname Forest
Eyes Green
Age 51
Height 180cm
Birthday August 27
Favourite colour Black
Years in the sport 15
Favourite food Pizza
(homemade by his wonderful wife)
Recent Highlight Grant is proudly wearing the medal that he won at QLD state titles in March. He came third in the Masters 2km beach run in the 50-54 male age group.
Motto To be a winner you need to be a good loser.



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Housing rental yields fall

Renters may be happy that rents aren't rising as rapidly as housing prices, but investors should be concerned.

One way a market for income-producing assets such as bonds, shares or housing can move from being overvalued to being fairly valued is for the income the assets produce to grow faster than their price.

The opposite is happening for housing.

The RP Data-Rismark Home Value Index report shows capital-city

home values increased by 11.5 per cent over the year to April while rents rose by only 2.4 per cent.

price-to-earnings ratio in the share market.

Investors buying into

According to RP Data research analyst Cameron Kusher strong investor activity in the market despite slowing rental growth suggests that most investors are chasing capital growth rather than rental return.

'When you consider that the value growth in our two largest cities (Sydney and Melbourne) has been so strong over the past year, it's no surprise,' he said.

The current gross rental yield of 3.9 per cent is only one percentage point above the inflation rate.

This suggests the market is vulnerable to a turnaround in sentiment – possibly prompted by the eventual move by the RBA to push interest rates up from their current multi-decade lows, anticipation of higher interest rates, a fall in the exchange rate spooking foreign investors, or just a loss of patience as price rises slow.

And the more prices outstrip rents, the more vulnerable the market will become.



Housing of the future

Housing of the future will be judged by very different standards from the housing of today. As a starting point, it will need to respect ecological limits and suit significantly changed demographic patterns and lifestyles. These principles are embedded in the concept of 'positive development' – development that has a net positive ecological and social impact.

This might seem like an ambitious goal, but progressive parts of the housing industry are already working towards positive development. It will need to be the norm in any scenario for a sustainable future. Frameworks such as the international 'Living Building Challenge' set benchmarks and guidance for achieving positive development, and the not-for-profit Living Future Institute Australia has been set up specifically to promote this objective.

Housing of the future will be flexible, adaptable and resilient, helping us to respond to both predicted and unexpected change. As resources will be scarcer and most likely more expensive, housing will need to be capable of meeting its own energy and water needs, producing food and recovering precious nutrients and materials from waste streams. It will be space-efficient in response to ecological limits and the increasing number of single-person households, reversing Australian housing stock's current status as the largest (by floor area) in the world (James 2009).

Housing of the future is more likely to be clustered in 'urban villages' located close to local amenities and public transport to minimise transport energy demands. It will also cater for different living and working patterns and for the needs of an ageing population. A likely trend will be towards the division of large family homes into smaller ones, as well as new forms of housing that allow some level of cooperative living among different households and engender a sense of community.

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Prices rose in every state and territory capital, while rents rose at a lower pace in each – aside from Perth and Canberra where rents actually fell.

As a result, gross rental yields – the return for investment in housing before expenses and tax are taken into account – fell to an average of 3.9 per cent nationwide, from 4.3 per cent a year before.

And they fell in every one of the capital cities as well. A low rental yield is similar to a high

that market are expecting one of two things. They may be expecting a rise in income from the asset – for shares, higher dividends, or for housing, higher rent – which will turn their low-yield asset into a high-yield asset.

Weak growth in employment and wage rates means demand from renters is unlikely to pick up in a hurry.

Alternatively, investors could be expecting a rise in the market price of the investment, giving them a windfall capital gain.

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2 x 2 bedroom pavilion cottages located on 2 acres within stone's throw of New Brighton, Brunswick, Mullumbimby & Byron. Elevated N/E aspect, flood free, landscaped grounds, big workshop shed and gazebo. Ideal income earner or for the extended family. Owners committed to a sale & would like it sold ASAP.

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Auction 11.30am May 31, 2014 at the Brunswick Heads RSL Auxiliary Hall
View Thursday 11.00 – 11.30am
Contact Peter Browning
0411 801 795

LJ Hooker Brunswick Heads
02 6685 0177

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Modern, Family Home 3 2 2

3 Marblewood Place, Bangalow. Only approx 9 years old
For sale \$535,000.
Agent Duncan Lorimer 0400 844 412.
Elders Bangalow 6687 1500.

✓ Appealing design
✓ Light and bright throughout
✓ Raked ceiling in living room
✓ Great floor plan for easy living
✓ Brick rendered construction
✓ Internal access from DBL garage
✓ Perfect for young family or retired couple

**Elders
Bangalow**

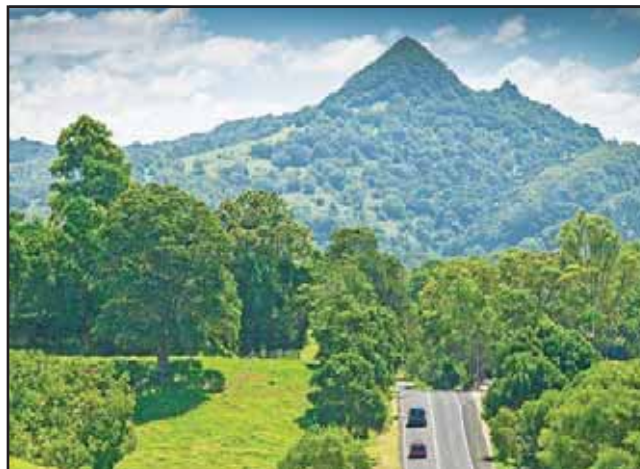


Magical land at Rosebank

The Rainbow Temple is looking for open hearted people to help acquire this stunning 10 acre property. The current owners need to sell this land urgently. Assistance to purchase this property would allow Guy and the Rainbow Temple dreaming to continue to grow.

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Quiet, peaceful, elevated 10 acres with NE views to everywhere, ideal central location with private viewing deck. Mastercrafted 3 bed, 2 bath home adjoining self contained flat. Irrigated gardens and orchards overlooking cattle paddocks. Large workshop, 2 sheds, water – all infrastructure meticulously presented.

GNF bangalow



OPEN HOUSE Saturday 11-11.30am

Perfect Bangalow home 4 2 2

18 Blackwood Avenue, Bangalow. Well suited for investment showing good returns.
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✓ Sunny, safe location, easy walk to schools shops and cafes.
✓ Well presented 4 bed, 2 bath home featuring timber floors, open plan living and galley kitchen.
✓ Private back garden, protected entertaining deck and easy care landscaped grounds.

GNF bangalow



OPEN HOUSE Saturday 12-12.30pm **PRICE GUIDE \$600,000+**

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1 Corlis Crescent, Bangalow. 4 3 2

✓ Elevated contemporary home in Bangalow designed to capture natural light and air flow
✓ A spacious two storey home with high ceilings in a great popular location, block size is 739.3m²
✓ Designed by respected local architect
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Auction June 25 at Lennox Hotel Function Room.
Web ID 1P0126.
Contact Mark Kinneally 0429 868 001, Lois Buckett 0428 877 399.

loisbuckett.com.au



AUCTION **Inspection By Appointment Only**

58.5 Hectares of vacant land

Lot 10 Bundaleer Rd, Broken Head. Agent declares interest.
Auction 5.30 Tuesday June 24 at our office.
Contact Owen Lynn 6685 6552.

✓ Ocean view house site 1.3 hectares.
✓ Nature and farm area 57.2 hectares.
✓ Unprecedented lifestyle opportunity in the world's most sought after destination.
✓ Inspect today you won't be disappointed.

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AUCTION **Inspection By Appointment Only**

Luxurious executive property 4 2 2

126 Grays Lane, Tyagarah. Solar hot water with ducted aircon
Enchanting gardens in private setting.
Auction 5.30 Tuesday June 24 at our office.
Contact Michele Jackson 0407 906 301.

✓ 1.6 acres with 3/4 bedroom home with separate couples retreat and fully furnished and fully equipped
✓ Town water and rainwater (5600 gallon tank)
✓ 16m ionized swimming pool/Blackbutt timber decks

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AUCTION THIS SATURDAY

Retail/Commercial premises in Byron's CBD

7/14 Middleton Street, Byron Bay. Owner realistic about the price
Auction 10am May 31 in our rooms.
Contact Neil Cameron 0419 274 798.
http://byronbay.ljhooker.com.au/7JBF5G.

✓ Located in the heart of Byron
✓ Easy parking access
✓ Suits retail, office or professional practice
✓ Quality complex
✓ Sought after location

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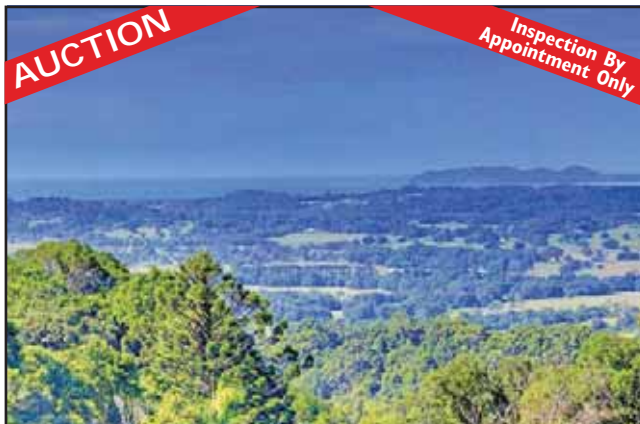
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Leave the car at home 3 3 2

3/19 Marvell Street, Byron Bay. Auction 5.30 Tuesday June 24 at our office.
Contact Michele Jackson 0407 906 301.

✓ 2 bedrooms plus office/rumpus or 3rd bedroom, reverse cycle aircon
✓ Short walk to Byron Bay Main Beach
✓ Open plan living for a seamless range of entertaining options.
✓ Private and peaceful completed with outside spa and courtyard.

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AUCTION **Inspection By Appointment Only**

Paradise found

231 Fraser Road, Mullumbimby. A must to inspect
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Contact Michele Jackson 0407 906 301.

✓ 5 bed, 3 bathroom modern fresh home with pool
✓ 115 acres of total privacy with rainforest, dam and bore
✓ Elevated sea and valley vistas through to Byron Bay
✓ 10 mins Mullum, 30 mins Coolangatta

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OPEN HOUSE Wed 2-2.30pm, Sat 12-12.30pm

Ideal Byron Bay holiday investment 1 1 1

6/8 Byron Street, Byron Bay. Well managed investment boasting solid income
Forthcoming Auction.
Brett Connable 0408 155 931.
brett.connable@raywhite.com.

✓ Quiet yet centrally positioned Byron Bay holiday apartment with full kitchen & spacious open plan living/dining
✓ Large covered E-facing verandah provides a light & bright atmosphere
✓ Heated plunge pool & popular cafe
✓ Undercover parking, plenty of storage
✓ Ceiling fans, aircon and fully furnished

Ray White
Byron Bay



4/8 Byron Street, Byron Bay

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Forthcoming Auction

- Sound investment in the heart of Byron Bay
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- Open plan living/dining opens out to a private balcony
- Large kitchen, 2 bedrooms with BIRs and secure parking
- Agent declares interest

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 Thursday, 29 May 2014 2.00 – 2.30pm
 Enquiries: Tara Torkkola 0423 519 698



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 Enquiries: Sharon McInnes 0408 659 649



54 Teak Circuit, Suffolk Park

3 2 2

Auction Pending

- Owners relocating as they have bought elsewhere
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Auction Saturday 14th June
10.30am on site

View Wednesday 4.30-5.30pm
Saturday 3.00-4.00pm
Or by appointment

Agent Martin Walsh
0488 337 161

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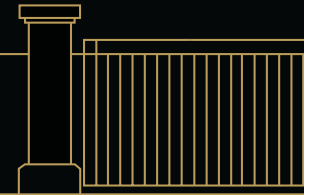
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SCOTT HARVEY REAL ESTATE



Bangalow 3 2 8 **Auction price guide \$895,000**

COMMERCIAL + HOME 14-16 Granuaille Rd

With superb frontage on a lot size of 1732m², 3 leased going concerns and a piece of Bangalow's history in the old home (also rented) this commercial property offers over 6.3% net return.

Bangalow Fuel Supplies is complemented by a separately leased, well run mechanic's business. The turn of the century homestead has 3 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms and elevated ceilings. It includes a large central lounge, traditional fireplace, wide enclosed verandahs, a small yard at the rear – and is just waiting for restoration.

The package shows consistent cash flow with a total gross earning over \$70,000 per annum. The site has a bright future as part of the regional expansion with constant traffic flow and easy access.



Auction onsite
Saturday 7 June 2014

Scott Harvey
0412 296 872

sales@scottharveyrealestate.com.au



Byron Bay 3 1 1 **Offers Over \$460,000**

CLOSE TO TOWN 11 Comet Close

Enjoying a quiet and secure neighbourhood, this lovely 3-bedroom duplex in Byron has a lot to offer.

A beautiful light ambience is created by the open plan living, dining and kitchen areas with large sliding glass doors leading out to the part paved and grassed courtyard, securely fenced and shaded by palms.

The single garage has been cleverly converted into an extra large bedroom/study/office ideal for a home business, extra guests or family.

The duplex enjoys reverse cycle air conditioning and is a short ride to Byron's famous beaches.



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54 Teak Circuit, Suffolk Park. Sat 11-11.30am
106 Parkway Dr, Ewingsdale. Sat 11-11.30am
35 Alcorn St, Suffolk Park. Sat 11-11.30am
14 Citriadora Dr, Ewingsdale. Sat 12-12.30pm

LJ HOOKER BRUNSWICK HEADS

16 Warrambool Rd, Ocean Shores. Sat 1-1.30pm
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Figtree Fields, Ewingsdale. Daily 10am-12pm
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1/24 Oodgeroo Gardens, Byron Bay. Wed & Sat 12-12.30pm

11 Narooma Dr, Ocean Shores. Sat 11-11.30am
11/3 Sallywattle Dr, Suffolk Park. Sat 2-2.30pm

3a Oak Court, Suffolk Park. Sat 1-1.30pm
122 Orana Rd, Ocean Shores. Sat 12-12.30pm

LOIS BUCKETT REAL ESTATE

1/13 Crane Street, Ballina. Sat 10-10.30am
6 Clement Pl, Lennox Head. Sat 11-11.30am
3 Daintree Dr, Lennox Head. Sat 12-12.30pm
1 Corlis Crescent, Bangalow. Sat 12-12.30pm
125 Alcorn St, Suffolk Park. Sat 1-1.30pm
139 Bangalow Rd, Lennox Head. Sat 2-2.30pm

MCGRATH BYRON BAY

142 Parkway Dr, Ewingsdale. Sat 10-10.30am
541 Federal Drive, Federal. Sat 11-11.30am
13/3 Pecan Ct, Suffolk Park. Sat 11-11.30am
2/15 Oceanside Pl, Suffolk Park. Sat 11-11.30am

5 Ruskin Street, Byron Bay. Sat 12-12.30pm
305 Coolamon Scenic Drive, Coorabell. Sat 12.30-1pm

1/21 Cemetery Rd, Byron Bay. Sat 1-1.30pm
35 Hillcrest Ave, Goonellabah. Sat 2-2.30pm

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10 Koorunga Crt, Ocean Shores. Sat 11-12pm
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RAY WHITE BYRON BAY

6/8 Byron Street, Byron Bay. Wed 2-2.30pm & Sat 12-12.30pm
11 Mackay Street, Byron Bay. Sat 1-1.30pm

AUCTIONS

FIRST NATIONAL BYRON BAY

Auction 10.30am Saturday May 31

19 Heritage Court, Suffolk Park

LJ HOOKER BYRON BAY

Auction 10am Saturday 31 in our rooms 4/31

Lawson St, Byron Bay

7/14 Middleton Street, Byron Bay

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Auctions 25 June, 2014

139 Bangalow Rd, Byron Bay

125 Alcorn Street, Suffolk Park

1 Corlis Crescent, Bangalow

6 Clement Place, Lennox Head

MCGRATH BYRON BAY

Auction 1pm onsite Saturday May 31

2 Coomburra Crescent, Ocean Shores.

Auction 2.30pm onsite Saturday May 31

12 & 2-10 Leslie St, Bangalow. Inspect 2pm

Auction 12pm onsite Saturday June 7

35 Hillcrest Ave, Goonellabah. Inspect 11.30am

Auction 1pm onsite Saturday 2 June 21

541 Federal Drive, Federal. Inspect 12.30pm

Auction 12pm onsite Saturday June 28

305 Coolamon Scenic Drive, Byron Bay.

Inspect 11.30am

Auction 1.45pm onsite Saturday June 28

1/21 Cemetery Rd, Byron Bay. Inspect 1.15pm

Auction 12pm onsite Saturday July 5

5 Ruskin Street, Byron Bay. Inspect 11.30am

RAINE & HORNE BYRON BAY

Auction 10.30am onsite Saturday June 14

35 Balemo Drive, Ocean Shores

RAY WHITE BYRON BAY

Auction Forthcoming

6/8 Byron Street, Byron Bay

NEW LISTINGS

BANGALOW REAL ESTATE & BYRON HINTERLAND PROPERTIES

• Lot 8, 176 Fowlers Lane, Bangalow, 1.72 acres \$495,000

ELDERS NEW BRIGHTON / OCEAN SHORES

• 9 Phillip St, South Golden Beach – \$430,000

FIRST NATIONAL BYRON BAY

• 22/9-13 Shirley Street, Byron Bay. Interest Over \$649,000

• 54 Teak Circuit, Suffolk Park. Auction Pending

• 32 Teak Circuit, Suffolk Park. Interest Over \$560,000

LJ HOOKER BYRON BAY

• 3 Oak Court, Suffolk Park, very well maintained 5 bedroom property with pool, suiting all families, Price \$625,000.

• 1/24 Oodgeroo Gardens, Byron Bay, only 1 year old 2 level home with stunning views at highly sought after address, Price \$835,000

• 122 Orana Road, Ocean Shores, generous living with panoramic ocean views, Auction 21st June 2014, 12.30pm on site

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• 6 Satinwood Place, Lennox Head. \$700,000

• 1/13 Crane Street, Ballina. \$327,500

• 3/18 Gibbon Street, Lennox Head. \$550,000

• 5/42 Barrett Drive, Lennox Head. \$549,000

• 4/6 Aurora Place, Lennox Head. \$355,000

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• 10 Koorunga Court, Ocean Shores \$625,000

• 31 Dalley Street, Mullumbimby \$649,000

RAY WHITE BYRON BAY

• 6/8 Byron Street, Byron Bay. Auction. 1 bed north facing ground floor holiday apartment, centrally located.

• 5/16 Tasman Way, Byron Bay. \$340,000.

154sqm Industrial Unit, ground floor 94sqm, mezzanine 60sqm.

• 7/19 Centennial Cct, Byron Bay. Interest over \$280,000. 139sqm Industrial Unit, ground floor 98sqm, mezzanine 41sqm

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Local artist and comedian Brendan Kelly's suggestion for a Mullumbimby stamp. Go on, Australia Post, we dare you. See more of Brendan's work on his Facebook page at <http://bit.ly/BKart1>.

Despite the Bentley jubilation, you can be sure that Metgasco is not giving up the fight to mine gas in the northern rivers, with its chairman outlining on its website (metgasco.com.au) its efforts at lobbying government ministers, including premier Mike Baird. We were amused last week to find the website's so-called 'community consultation' page had only Latin placeholder text, known in the newspaper trade as 'lorem ipsum', and then later we got the message: 'Access denied - you are not authorised to access this page'. So much for consultation. In addition, Metgasco's progress update page contained an upward-reaching graph illustration while the Australian Stock Exchange graph showed its actual share price tanking down to about four cents at May 21.

As an alternative to old-school digging holes in the ground in the search for energy, Solarcitizens.org.au offers Australians support in their quest for clean power. You can join in campaigns to help preserve the renewable-energy target, for example. The current federal government has its head buried in the sand, but even rightish governments like India's can see the value of solar power: <http://bit.ly/modisolar>.

The Byron Bay Writers' Festival turns 18 at the beginning of August this year. A prequel to the event is the Bellingen Readers' and Writers' Festival, the third of which runs June 6-9. See more at <http://bellingenwritersfestival.com.au> if you want to plan a short trip south over the long weekend to enjoy an interesting program of talks and workshops.

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Another festival coming up, is the Australian Burlesque Festival, which drops into Byron Theatre with a bump and a grind on June 12. You too can learn the classic art of tease in workshops or just admire the artistry. See more at www.australianburlesquefest.com. The festival is, of course, produced by Dolores Daiquiri and Rosy Rabbit and sponsored by Green Fairy, the original Czech absinthe.

'I'll still respect you in the morning' seems to be the message the local Greens like to believe before they get done over in post-coital conflagrations by council candidates past and present. The latest ruction comes with local real estate agent Rose Wanchap, but the torrid history goes back to councillors such as former

mayor Tom Wilson and Bob Tardif, who rode into office on Greens' preferences and then turned savagely against them. It's hard to tell if charm is just a front for naked ambition or goals other than your own party's, but obviously the Greens need a few more street-smarts when screening candidates.

The traditional hoon mating ritual, the 'burnout', is now described by local arresting police as a charge of 'prolonged, sustain loss of traction'. Sounds like a bad day at the office. 'Prolonged, sustain loss of verticality' would be drunk and disorderly, we guess.

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