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Council to mull over \$34m coastal works

Hans Lovejoy

Are the public happy to lose Belongil beach to around 34 private landowners?

That reality continues to unfold after consultants preparing a management strategy for the beach say a seawall and groynes are still the best 'economic' option.

The long-awaited draft Coastal Zone Management Plan Byron Bay Embayment, or CZMP BBE, will be tabled at this Thursday's Council meeting. And while it's incomplete and bases some of its research on assumptions, it's likely to be accepted by the ruling council faction and put out on public exhibition as quickly as possible.

The minority councillors have been highly critical of the process, claiming that the report is authored by a company whose core business is designing coastal engineering solutions. And thus, they could be biased against other options such as planned retreat.

Desired outcomes

Remarkably the plan admits that 'some assumptions' are required for 'desired outcomes' and does not take into account 'ecological impacts, value of surfing and visual amenity impacts'. Nor is there any details regarding the suggestion for sand nourishment, which will be required to replenish Belongil beach.

While the focus is on Belongil, the draft CZMP BBE also covers other areas: Wategos, the Pass, Clarkes Beach, Main Beach and Cavanbah.

The Echo understands that for 12 years Council have operated without a CZMP. Most recently, the issue was shrouded in legal confidentiality when the last draft CZMP was inexplicably withdrawn amid legal threats by Belongil landowners in April 2011.

Given rock-type structures erode beaches over time, consultants Water Research Laboratory (WRL) have hosed down the loss of public amenity by stating there are a 'range of usable public beaches' that will still be available within the 37km of the shire's coastline.

Land value up 40pc

Regardless, the likelihood of protection is good news for landowners; WRL told councillors in a recent workshop that land values since July 2015 have increased 40 per cent, which is 'up to 140 per cent increase since commencement of study.'

Protection cost \$15m

The cost of protecting Belongil landowners, according to WRL, would be \$15m in the first year, and then be \$34m over a ten-year construction phase.

For the first year, WRL suggest landowners pay \$12m, Council \$1m and the state government \$2m.

For the ten-year plan, WRL suggest \$21m (62 per cent) should be paid by landowners and the public would stump up the other \$13m. Council would use \$6m of ratepayer's money and the state government would contribute \$7m of public funds.

The contentious plan led by Cr

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Diversity and colour



Lilith, Corinne, Agung, Tjintana, Lelani and Moana enjoy diversity and colour at Saturday's Harmony Day, held at Apex Park in Byron. Photo Jeff Dawson

Issues remain for big Ewingsdale development

A large-scale seniors housing and commercial precinct is before Council again this Thursday April 7 and, according to staff, the draft DCP submitted by the developer includes 'issues not previously considered.'

The 15-hectare proposal would surround the new Byron Central Hospital on Ewingsdale Road, and has been slowly working its way through the approval process.

But the latest plan would require a 'significant rework', staff say, before Council can consider its release for public exhibition.

Developers John and Leigh Belbeck from Belbeck investments are asking Council to amend the Byron

LEP 2014 'to enable seniors housing, medical centre, business premises, restaurants and cafes, and shops.'

The report by director of sustainable environment and economy Shannon Burt and development planning officer Christopher Soulsby highlights the many issues that have dogged the proposal from the start.

No strategic planning

Inadequate traffic management plans have been flagged again, as has the lack of an overarching strategic planning strategy for the site.

Strategic planning is the third tier of planning 'instruments', after the LEP and DCP. Other surrounding

shires operate with these; however, Byron Council is yet to adopt one.

It is expected that the draft residential strategy will be presented to Council by June 2016.

Strong community opposition was also mentioned in the report.

In an effort to move forward, Ms Burt and Mr Soulsby recommend proceeding with a Voluntary Planning Agreement (VPA), which would see the developer fund a roundabout at the McGettigans Lane intersection with Ewingsdale Road.

So how did it get to this stage?

The contentious project was endorsed by the controlling Council
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Fisherman's Co-op under new management



Veronica O'Dwyer is part of the new management team at the Brunswick Byron Fisherman's Co-op, located at the marina. She's pictured with Jackson Harenberg, Sebastian Howard, John O'Connell. Photo Jeff Dawson

New Hospital open day April 9

Everyone is invited to the new Byron Central Hospital Community Open Day on Saturday April 9 from 10am til 2pm.

Free guided tours of around 30 minutes will give groups of 15 visitors a preview of the new facility.

Facilities merge

When the hospital opens, NSW Health say, all acute, ambulatory care and birthing services in the shire will move to the new location on Ewingsdale Road.

Visitors are asked to register their preferred time via www.bchopenday.eventbrite.com.au. or by calling 0409 984 488 between 9am and 5pm on weekdays.

Seniors/commercial hub hits hurdles

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 faction of Crs Ibrahim, Woods, Hunter, Cubis and Wanchap in September last year.

At the time, it appeared to be embraced on emotional grounds rather than with any sound planning principles.

Opportunistic and problematic

In their report, Ms Burt and Mr Soulsby said that, 'The planning proposal is an opportunistic response to the decision by the state government to locate the new Byron hospital on rural land adjacent to the subject site at Ewingsdale.

'It has been publicly exhibited twice and the community feedback on both occasions has been mostly opposed to the planning proposal.

They say the top issues are 'traffic and congestion, impacts on the Ewingsdale character and quality of life, density and height of buildings, and excessive number of dwellings.'

May not be best use of the land

They even say the preferred use put forward by the current landowners may not be the 'best use of the land.'

They also warned that, 'Approving this planning proposal is pre-empting the outcome of a future strategy.'

'The absence of a detailed traffic study resulted in significant delays to the site's consideration. Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) advised Council on August 1, 2014 that the work undertaken by the

proponent was inadequate and a demand transport model was required.

'At the time the proponent declined to undertake this work as they believed that the traffic assessment provided with the planning proposal was adequate for the purposes of the planning proposal process.

'The new traffic study now provided by the proponent has shown that the location of the commercial precinct on the western portion cannot be accommodated and needs to relocate to the eastern portion.'

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Solar project reaches target

The Mullumbimby Drill Hall is going solar, thanks to community support and COREM (Community Owned Renewable Energy Mullumbimby).

They claim over \$22,000 has been raised, which was in excess of their original target.

And that means a larger solar PV system can be installed, says spokesperson Deborah Lilly.

'Mullumbimby is one step closer to reducing its carbon footprint. COREM's vision is for the whole town to be self-sufficient in renewable energy, decarbonised, democratised and decentralised.' To get involved for the next project – a 10kW PV system for the Mullum Showgrounds – visit www.corem.org.au.



Mayor Simon Richardson, pictured left, celebrates reaching the solar funding goal for the Drill Hall with the COREM crew. Photo Jeff 'Solar Perplexed' Dawson

Private ownership v public amenity saga continues over coastal management

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Sol Ibrahim aims to overturn a long-held previous policy of planned retreat.

And despite legal threats by Belongil landowners, Council staff told *The Echo* planned retreat is considered as 'one of six shortlisted management options.'

The Echo previously reported that Belongil landowner and Brisbane-based developer John James – along with unnamed fellow neighbours – intend to take Council to court if planned retreat was included within the draft CZMP BBE.

Council staff have also previously stated that there is legal uncertainty with overturning a planned-retreat policy in favour of rock-type structures, owing to erosion issues.

Planned retreat cost \$43m: WRL

WRL claim the funding cost of planned retreat would be \$43m, split 69 per cent for landowners and 31 per cent for the public sector. There are 34 Belongil properties that are at immediate risk, says WRL.

And while consultants WRL admit that planned retreat 'most closely aligns with the NSW Coastal Policy 1997 and the Coastal Protection Act 1979', they argue the Belongil landowners' property is now the 'status quo.'

They say, 'Planned retreat has received backing in court rulings regarding setbacks for new development and removable buildings... Seawalls now protect all private Belongil beachfront properties North Coast news daily: www.echonetdaily.net.au

and are the status quo.' 'Planned retreat could only be implemented with the orderly removal of all seawalls on Belongil.'

The main disadvantages with planned retreat, WRL say, are 'low economic viability, funding inequity, likely protracted resistance from affected landowners... and a high probability of a breakthrough of Belongil Spit at Manfred Street during a major storm.'

Council's last Belongil project – a 105-metre rock wall – was highly criticised owing to it being outside an operational CZMP, and for a lack of broad community involvement.

But a workshop presentation by WRL claims that if the new seawall works were removed and there were a breakthrough of Belongil spit, it could threaten approximately 15 properties to the north of Manfred Street.

Legitimate errors

It's been a difficult document in the making; most recently the state government's office of environment and heritage (OEH) rejected the consultant's cost benefit analysis (CBA) within the draft CZMP.

OEH pointed to 'legitimate errors' and suggested that if calculated differently, planned retreat would be a better option rather than rock-type structures.

But now the latest cost benefit analysis (CBA) report, which cost ratepayers \$13,500, suggests that an engineering solution for Belongil should roll out over stages and include a seawall,

walkway, groynes and 'small-scale sand nourishment.' *The Echo* asked OEH if they have full confidence in the document, but OEH is yet to reply.

WRL have coined the strategy as 'adaptive management.'

But Cr Duncan Dey (Greens) says, "Adaptive management" is the key phrase, as this management plan is based on ideas and intentions. It commits to the one-kilometre seawall, but leaves it for others later to overcome their impact, which includes loss of beach at and north of Belongil.

'For example, there is no consideration of how the Little Tern nesting area at the Belongil Creek mouth will survive.'

Dailan Pugh, who is one of the members of the project reference group (PRG) that is overseeing the plan's development, is also highly critical.

He told *The Echo*, 'If this proceeds it will result in the loss of 1.6km of Belongil Beach in front of, and to the west of, the walls, dramatically increased erosion of the mouth of the Belongil estuary within the Cape Byron Marine Park, cause loss of shorebird habitat, SEPP 14 wetlands, and endangered littoral rainforest, and increased erosion of North Beach, none of which has been considered.'

It will leave Council vulnerable to claims for millions of dollars in compensation for increased erosion from the Elements resort.

It will also make Council liable for the tens of millions of dollars for works (groynes,

sand-pumping) required to try to vainly retain a public beach in front of the new walls.

The Council's latest conservative estimates are that Byron Bay's beaches generate a minimum local income of \$115 million annually for Byron Bay due to beach-related tourism expenditure.

'By their calculation, the loss of 1.6km of Belongil's beaches will equate to a loss of \$20 million in tourism revenue each year.'

'Byron's beaches are also worth millions more annually for Byron Shire's residents, so the losses will be far more than this.'

'This proposed option is directly contrary to legal and planning requirements, as it is effectively getting rid of the beach and public access to it.'

'The fact that Council staff are recommending it speaks volumes about their competence and independence.'

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Thousands rail against van company's obscene slogans

Wicked Campers management have so far refused to comment to *The Echo* over the furore regarding their offensive slogans displayed on their vans.

The QLD-based company is under pressure to clean up its repugnant slogans, with thousands of people responding to a boycott on social media.

And campaigners Christine and Frank King are set to meet with the QLD Attorney-General, Yvette D-Ath on Thursday April 7, and are calling to change the legislation.

Byron Shire grandfather Paul McCarthy said he had a 'brain snap' when he saw the slogan 'A b.w job a day beats an apple' on the back of a Wicked Camper recently.



One of the many offensive and sexist slogans that can be found on a Wicked campervan. Photo Daily Life

He spray-painted over the offending word but says he is yet to be charged by police.

Mr McCarthy told *The Echo* on Tuesday he reported another offensive van slogan to Byron Bay police but was told they could not prosecute, despite it potentially being in

breach of the NSW *Summary Offences Act 1988*.

A change.org petition with over 2,200 signatures can be found at <http://chn.ge/1MMVwIv>.

As of Tuesday April 5, the 'Boycott Wicked Campers' Facebook page had 3,751 likes.

Bangalow tree planting April 10

The public are invited to a rain-forest tree planting day next to Byron Creek on Sunday 10 April on Ashton Street, Bangalow, between 9am and 1pm.

Organisers say it's a child-friendly event and there are no holes to dig, 'just plant and

spread mulch.'

Bangalow Land and Rivercare, Rous Water and East Coast Bush Regeneration have formed a community partnership with the All Souls Anglican Parish with the goal of restoring one hec-

tare of riparian land along Byron Creek.

Light lunch and refreshments will be provided, but bring sturdy shoes, water, gloves and a hat.

For more contact Liz on 0403 720 950.

Calls to move chopper base

Chris Dobney

There are calls for the Life Saver Rescue Helicopter to move base from Lismore after it was unable to attend six urgent overnight cases last month owing to fog.

They included a young child who was injured after falling from a second-storey window, a bushwalker lost in remote bushland and a man suffering severe trauma and blood loss after a car accident.

Health Services Union (HSU) secretary Gerard Hayes is calling on health minister Jillian Skinner to move the helicopter rescue operations, and suggests Ballina as an option.

Common sense

'Our members are telling us that anywhere else on the north coast would be better than Lismore,' Mr Hayes said.

Mr Hayes said it was time for the minister to step in and show some common sense before lives were lost.

A request for comment from Life Saver Rescue Helicopter GM and former NSW Nationals candidate Kris Beavis has yet to be returned.



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Resort's creek paddles suspended

Hans Lovejoy

A possible breach of development consent by the new Elements resort on Belongil beach comes with a promise that management will do better to inform guests and resort staff about the sensitive ecosystem that surrounds the resort.

Sunrise resident Jessie Chapman alerted *The Echo* that on March 25 she, 'observed a large number of the resort's guests swimming and operating standup paddle boards in the Belongil Estuary and shorebird nesting area.'

She questioned Council's responsibility to enforce compliance.

'The resort's development consent clearly states on page five of the North Beach Estuary Management Plan that the resort is to design and install signage/fencing at resort beach access point to direct guests to the northern beach area only and prevent scattering into estuary mouth and shorebird zone.'

She says that after asking the guests, they replied they had not been informed of the shorebird nesting, or been discouraged from accessing

the estuary zone.

In reply, Mr Holmes told *The Echo* the resort had 'suspended kayaking and stand-up paddle boarding in the creek, which were trialed during the Easter weekend only.'

He said, 'Ms Chapman is totally right about our responsibility to provide information to our guests.'

'This information about the creek and shorebirds is provided to resort guests via signage, resort staff and our environmental education material in all guest villas.'

'One of the signs at the beach access is currently being updated with a better map and improved information.'

Fine-tune actions

'While we are complying with obligations in our Dunal and Estuary Management Plan, which we developed over the last six months with Wetland Care and Byron Shire Council, we continue to fine-tune our actions and try to do better. A big part of this is continuing to engage with Marine Parks.' Mr Holmes added that the resort is also 'funding a lifeguard on the beach in front of Elements of Byron at certain times.'

'We hope that the local community, as well as our resort guests, can benefit from these things. By providing a lifeguard service we can contribute to proper management of the estuary area through them maintaining a watchful eye. We will work harder to ensure that our lifeguard and staff are fully briefed.'

A meeting has been called with Council, says Mr Holmes, and Byron Shire Council's sustainable environment and economy director Shannon Burt confirmed it would be next week.

Ms Burt said, 'As part of consent conditions for the Elements development, an estuary and dunal management plan was developed.'

'This outlines requirements to manage the resort access, to educate guests and minimise disturbance of shorebirds.'

'The meeting next week will discuss these requirements and outline what can and can't occur in relation to recreational activities.' Ms Burt said an onsite follow-up meeting will also be held with Elements, Marine Parks and Council staff to outline concerns and a way forward.

Govt too cosy with road builders: rail protesters

Is the relationship between politicians and road construction companies too cosy?

That's the claim by a spokesperson at a rail protest, held on Friday April 1.

Beth Shelley from Northern Rivers Railway Action Group (NRRAG) says companies such as Linfox trucking, and oil and car companies have donated to the major political parties for

years. 'The Nationals in this area said for years they would reinstate the Casino to Murwillumbah railway line at little cost,' Ms Shelley said.

'[But] During this time successive NSW governments have increased funding for roads instead of rail.'

The combined Trains On Our Tracks (TOOT) and NRRAG protest was called to object to the proposed bike

path on a section of the track at Murwillumbah and to propose the federal government fund a rail connection between the NSW north coast and southeast QLD.

TOOT's Angie Burgler added her group's own railway experts estimated that repair of the Casino to Murwillumbah line 'would be easily less than half the \$953m quoted in the Arup study.'

Bangalow talks Food Hub April 7

A meeting to discuss the concept of a 'food hub' industrial estate on the RMS/Lend Lease highway office site just outside Bangalow will be held Thursday 7 from 5.30pm at the Heritage House, Bangalow.

Bangalow Progress Association say they will also discuss the recent Place Activation Workshop and the gradual progress towards improving traffic conditions on Granuaille and Lismore Roads. All welcome.

Art shows women in focus



Artist Yvonne Fenech's latest exhibition features inspiring women, including local troublemaker Mae Wilde. Opening night at the Lone Goat Gallery is April 15 from 6pm. The exhibition runs until April 27. Photo Jeff Dawson

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Spreading unity through song

Fifteen Indigenous students have just completed a series of hip-hop workshops, producing a song entitled *Unity At The Forefront* that recognises the importance of a non-divisive community.

Mullumbimby High School is the first of six north coast high schools to participate in the 'Music for Change' program.

Topic chosen

Lennox Head-based non-profit organisation OneVisionProductions ran the program, and its director Mark Robertson said, "The kids get to choose what they want to write about."

"We talked about contemporary social challenges affecting youth and rather than focusing on jobs, drugs or politics, the students opted to write about culture and unity and the need for us to



Indigenous students from Mullumbimby High School have just produced an original tune about culture and unity. Photo Andy Bowles

come together.'

Mullumbimby High School principal Donna Pearson supports the program, and says, "This program has been

excellent in implementing life-changing programs for the youth of Mullumbimby High.'

Mr Robertson says the finished product will be

disseminated through social media and promoted to radio and television broadcasters, with NITV especially keen to air the clip.

Amalgamation delegates rake in massive pay

A team of delegates formulating the state government's forced council amalgamation plans for Sydney are paid \$1,500 a day, according to a freedom of information request by NSW Labor.

Shadow minister for local government, Peter Primrose, said, "These are exorbitant fees for any service, let alone to buy a rubber stamp."

"This government is prepared to pay anything to get its forced amalgamations through."

Labor say that 15 of the 18 delegates are not public servants, and that the daily rate

of \$1,500 for them equates to an annual salary of \$360,000, 'a salary higher than premier Mike Baird.'

A spokesperson from the minister for local government, Paul Toole, told *The Echo*, 'Each delegate has the skills necessary to examine and report on the merger proposals in accordance with the Local Government Act.'

'Their appointment followed an extensive process that included an external agency assessing the role and its responsibilities and recommending a salary for the delegates.'

Lismore bar sold after police 'harassment'

Darren Coyne

A popular bar in Lismore has changed hands following what the former owner described as continued harassment from the NSW police force.

Jack's Bar at the Met, which was subjected to a raid by 25 police officers two weeks ago, will be reopening as The Hub from April 8.

Departing owner Darren (Jack) Barry said it would be a fresh start for the premises, which has been heavily scrutinised by police during the last 18 months because of his refusal to sign the 'voluntary' Liquor Accord.

The entertainment side of the business has been sold to the members of Third Eye Productions, although Mr Barry will retain control of the hotel's accommodation.

Mr Barry said his decision to sell the business would not stop him from taking action against the police for loss of earnings as a result of the recent raid. Police had applied for search warrants and then, a week later, a 30-hour closure, which effectively killed off two parties being planned by outside promoters.

Mr Barry has consistently denied the bar was being used to distribute drugs.

Greens focus local



Federal Greens MP Adam Bandt joined local Greens candidate Dawn Walker for a 'meet the public' session at the Ocean Shores Tavern last week. Ms Walker has also set up her campaign office in the Santos health foods building in Mullum. The offices of Justine Elliot (Labor) and Matthew Fraser (Nationals) are based in Tweed Heads. Elections are coming! Photo Jeff Dawson

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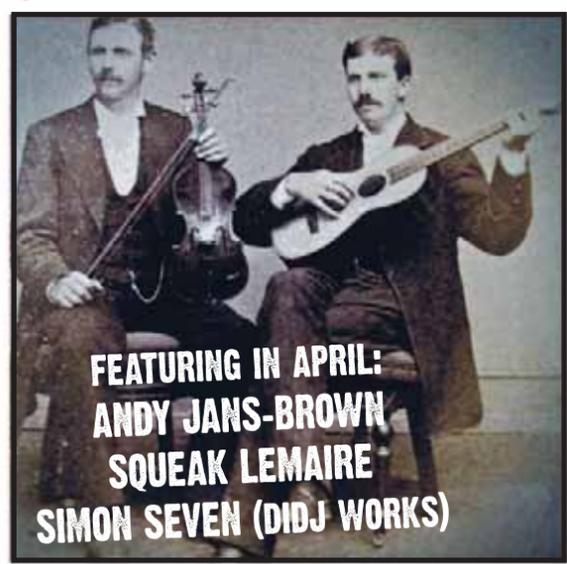


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Farewell Bob Ellis

One of Murwillumbah's and Lismore's most talented and eccentric sons died on Sunday, aged 73.

Bob Ellis was a passionate writer and journalist from a notoriously individualistic time at the University of Sydney which included Clive James, Germaine Greer and our own Mungo MacCallum.

Ellis wore his heart on his sleeve and his heart was dedicated to lefty Labor causes. Cantankerous at times, controversial, he railed against his enemies, and the people's enemies, in a highly elegant, almost Biblical, style, and infused his work with humour as well.

Among his work were scripts for noted films such as *Newsfront*, *Fatty Finn* and *Man of Flowers* (with Paul Cox). His most successful – and infamous – book was *Goodbye Jerusalem*, an early edition of which was pulped after Ellis was sued for defamation by Tony Abbott and Peter Costello.

While he stood staunchly against the hardline Liberals, he strangely blamed himself for the rise of the Howard/Abbott regime. His attempt to stop Bronwyn Bishop gaining the seat of Mackellar in a 1994 by-election was unsuccessful but running as an independent he gained a remarkable 23 per cent of the vote.

While Bob spent most of his time in Sydney, the northern rivers also benefited from his presence. He turned up to speak eloquently at the Byron Bay Writers Festival and in 2005 wrote a series of articles for *The Echo* on US military adventures in the Middle East. He was against them, of course.

The rise of the neocons in his last years meant that Bob was never short of a target. His sharp pen – and wit – will be sorely missed.

Michael McDonald



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Policy is sizzling

It's surely to be a massive Thursday this week in the council chambers.

Big-ticket items have resurfaced and will be thrashed out, but considering the council majority generally operate on emotion while lacking planning clarity, everything's likely to pass without much scrutiny and move closer to approval.

Top of the list is a highly questionable – and extremely important – coastal planning document, called the CZMP BBE. While it should strike a balance with public amenity and private interests, it appears at this stage that its aim is weighted instead to provide legal passage for a handful of landowners to erect seawalls at Belongil.

Notably, the plan admits to 'desired outcomes' and doesn't even examine 'ecological impacts, value of surfing and visual amenity impacts'. It appears Council staff are also left to work out the finer details.

Then there's the Ewingsdale Seniors/massive retail hub that would envelop the new hospital over 15 hectares. Last year, the Belongil Five – on emotional grounds – decided to allow it to move closer. They asked the developers for a DCP, yet it will be without any forward planning.

Interestingly at the time, the five only spoke about the need for seniors housing and basically ignored that large area earmarked as a retail sector.

Rezoning of residential land at Tallowood Ridge Estate, Mullumbimby, will also be tabled. The Byron Bay masterplan public submissions close Thursday too – get your voice heard and visit www.byron.nsw.gov.au/byron-bay-masterplan.

Hans Lovejoy, editor

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Premiers shoot down PM's tax bubble

Another of Malcolm Turnbull's thought bubbles has collapsed like a lead balloon.

Our prime minister's bold back-to-the-future plan (back some 74 years, in fact) has been rejected within 48 hours, as soon as the premiers realised that it was not an April Fools Day joke.

And it was hardly surprising. When Turnbull announced what he called the most fundamental tax reform in generations at the Penrith Panthers carpark, without warning, detail or documentation, it was never going to be taken seriously.

And even the hapless treasurer, Scott Morrison, once again caught short by his leader, said it was just speculation: he was certain that Turnbull had not intended to imply that state taxes could actually rise.

But all that showed that Morrison was not only out of the loop, he was just about round the twist.

If taxes did not increase, then what was the point of the exercise? Was it just to be churn, duck-shoving the responsibility from one jurisdiction to another without doing anything to solve the looming crisis threatening hospitals and schools?

The idea, such as it was, appeared to be that the states would have to become responsible for finding their own funds, however they chose to do so. That, at least, seemed to be what Turnbull was saying; he even foreshadowed the proposal that the Commonwealth would abandon the public state school system entirely, and would only give money to the private schools, the ones he and his cronies inhabited. He was worried, he said, that the state sector might compete unfairly with the bastions of privilege, the ones that sometimes declared multi-million-dollar profits.

The optics were appalling,

and Turnbull never tried to pursue his case. And in any case the scheme never got that far; the premiers had already declared it a shit sandwich and consigned it to the waste disposal unit – or, as Turnbull more delicately put it, there was no consensus so the proposal was withdrawn.

Instead, the premiers accepted a few urgently required bucks to get on with, and agreed to talk about a regular allocation of tax revenue from the Commonwealth, instead of the grant system that currently prevails.

The premiers declared it a shit sandwich and consigned it to the waste disposal unit

by Mungo MacCallum



This would not make them financially independent; they would still have to rely on the grace and favour of successive Commonwealth administrations. But it would give them a degree of certainty as they framed their annual budgets, and it would remove the need to beg and plead for ambit claims on their humiliating trips to Canberra.

So the premiers could celebrate a win, of a kind; but Turnbull is left to try and explain whatever possessed him to try such a reckless and unsaleable suggestion.

One possibility is that he was just using it to wedge the premiers: he had made them an offer they could not refuse and when they refused it he could say that they had been given a chance to fix their problems with health and education, and if they didn't like it, then it would not be the Commonwealth's fault; the arguments about the \$80 million Tony Abbott stripped out of the 2014 budget were no longer operative.

But the problem with that is that the voters just want

results; they want their schools and hospitals, and they are not concerned with which level of government pays for them. In the end, the buck – or, rather, the lack of it – will stop with Turnbull and his predecessor to make the commitments in the first place. And this is where all the pontificating and theorising breaks down.

Academic economists, conservative commentators and the other deep thinkers in the media may well be worried about vertical fiscal imbalance, and they

than a nightmare.

Kevin Rudd wanted not to hand the funding of hospitals over to the states but to take over their administration by the Commonwealth; in his incarnation as John Howard's health minister Tony Abbott had the same idea.

Both foundered on the grounds of expense and complexity; but how much more daunting would it be to set up eight separate account books to the states and territories to give them the kind of autonomy Turnbull was proposing? The imagination boggles, and so did the premiers.

Whatever the merits or otherwise of Turnbull's latest brain-storm, the result was a political fiasco, an ignominious defeat. The impression left to the public was of an arrogant and foolhardy captain's pick, another illustration of the perception that the obscenely wealthy prime minister was more interested in his own agenda than with the legitimate daily concerns of ordinary people.

Federation may well be a mess, a long-term problem which should, in the long term, be resolved. But it is not an ambush in the leadup to an election campaign which Turnbull badly needs to clarify in the short months left to him and his government.

And blaming the premiers will simply not hack it. Turnbull is the prime minister of the Commonwealth of Australia, and whatever loopholes the founding fathers left for the states in the constitution, there was one clear directive: if state laws conflict with Commonwealth laws, the Commonwealth will prevail. For all the lofty talk of consultation and cooperation, it is the prime minister who is the boss.

So get on with it, Malcolm – stop bugging about and start governing while there is still time.

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Better call, Sol: seems the folks are not impressed

■ Cr Sol Ibrahim's response to the Community Alliance of Byron Shire's recent scorecard on Council's activities is a study in misdirection. What Cr Ibrahim should be addressing is why an alliance has formed of community groups which are demanding much better for our Shire when it comes to planning and community consultation.

As community-minded people we do the right things – we go to Council and speak on issues of concern, we make multiple submissions, we attend community consultations and still we are ignored by the gang of five in Council. Cr Ibrahim, our groups represent your constituents from across the Shire. You should be working for us instead of assisting developers and vested interests that are against community interests.

From the member groups of CABS:

Byron Residents' Group, Suffolk Park Progress Association, Sunrise Residents Association, Bangalow Progress Association, South Golden Beach Community Association, Conservation Organisation of North Ocean Shores (CONOS), Mullumbimby Historical Group, Save Ewingsdale Village, Butler Street Community Association, Belongil-Byron Catchment Group, Pinegroves Road Action Group (Myocum), Main Arm Residents' Association, Byron Environment Centre

■ Yes, Cr Ibrahim, democracy does include 'divergent opinions' but there is much more to it than that. *The Echo* gave us a good summary of

events at the last Council meeting (March 17) and process was clearly very poor in the examples CABS singled out for criticism. As your raft of amendments to the draft Rural Land Use Strategy was apparently submitted only a couple of days before the meeting, proper scrutiny was impossible and your 'bloc' just pushed it through – not good enough.

We believe there are a number of inadequacies in the Elements DA, not least that such major changes from the original warranted a new application but your group was not prepared to wait for answers to important questions raised and, again, just pushed it through.

As for the Coastal Zone Management Plan, the process has been seriously flawed for some time and it is obviously being driven by a group of landowners at Belongil at the expense of the rest of us. There are many hundreds of examples worldwide of the effects of sea walls on beaches; basically they destroy them.

CABS is well-informed and serious in its criticism. We want a council which listens to community and adheres to the Community Charter for Good Planning it endorsed in 2014 – nothing less is acceptable.

Jenny Coman
for CABS

■ With regard to the last Council meeting and Sol Ibrahim's reply in last week's *Echo*, it is clear that he doesn't understand that CABS is composed of individuals who live in the Byron Shire.

When he says, 'CABS have once again failed to engage constructively with councillors through appropriate channels,' he seems to have overlooked the hundreds of presentations that individuals have brought to Council meetings over the years.

Cr Ibrahim seems to take a condescending approach in using the phrases, 'had not bothered,' 'who had bothered,' 'did not bother.' We have indeed 'bothered' to do research, 'bothered' to read complicated DAs, 'bothered' to meet with other residents, 'bothered' to spend time sitting at Council meetings and 'bothered' to meet with councillors. Collectively, residents of Byron Shire have 'bothered' to spend thousands of hours on issues that matter to them. And, unlike councillors, are not paid anything at all.

Regarding the Elements DA that was rushed through at the last Council meeting, it was apparent that not one councillor or member of staff knew the parameters of the stated expression 'significantly the same.' Without any measurements, an elephant can be argued to be significantly the same size as a mouse if you compare them to the size of Mt Warning.

This community and councillors have the legal right for all relevant information pertaining to a S96 to be available. The fact that important information related to roads, fill and drainage was missing from the Elements application and Council report can hardly be called 'transparent.'

And the council staff said in the report that they did not

know the existing floor area. However, they recommended approval of the application based on Elements' figures, anyway.

Finally, with regard to Cr Ibrahim's showing his adversarial attitude to CABS, it would be far more constructive for him to realise we are all in this community together. He could perhaps look at the reasons why CABS is here and work together for a better outcome.

Lee Cass
Byron Bay

■ Cr Ibrahim commented to *The Echo* that 'all the relevant legal requirements were met' for the Elements Resort's S96 modification to the original 1987 DA.

I and others disagree with the proponent's assertion in their S96 application that SEPP 44, Byron LEP 2014 and the Byron DCP do not apply to the modification application because these instruments commenced after the 1987 approval. The laws which applied at the time of approval continue to apply to the development. The aspects of the development which are the subject of the modification are required to comply with current laws.

Cr Ibrahim was scathing and extremely critical of CABS, stating in *The Echo* last week we do not engage constructively with Council. Our alliance is constantly in contact with Council, or writing submissions, emailing councillors, attending Council meetings and communicating with Council to include us in

relevant meetings of Council and other groups to enhance ongoing community participation and collaboration.

We are doing our best to see the Community Charter for Good Planning is followed. We want positive, sustainable planning outcomes for the good of the commu-

nity, environment and our resources into the future.

I suggest more people start to get involved, read Council minutes, ask questions and as many of us know in this day and age, query what you read in the newspaper.

Bethany Hudson
Sunrise Residents' Group

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Greens response

While I acknowledge the positive contribution of Fast Buck's cynicism on behalf of the community over the years, 'Green Cynicism' (Letters, March 30) prompts me to provide another perspective.

I was one of two Greens MPs who promoted changes to the NSW Legislative Council voting system after the notorious 1999 Table Cloth election. At two elections I had to deal with the ugliness of backroom deals. The Greens made preference arrangements according to other parties' proximity to our policy ideals.

Recent micro-party preference

deals are purely for the substantial chance of one getting elected without consideration of policy direction.

In NSW I believe the Greens lose electorally under the new laws and this will be reflected federally. It is because many ALP voters will not direct preferences to the Greens with what is now optional preferential voting. Just look at the Greens' loss to the Nationals in Lismore owing to a lack of ALP preference flows.

At both state and federal level the Greens made the changes in an attempt to clean up the system and deliver power back to the

voter. Naïve perhaps but not a power grab. Unfortunately, I believe it is destined to be a millstone, delivering greater representation to the coalition.

I agree with Buck's analysis of the major parties. I suggest that including the Greens is a superficial analysis. Forest protection, marine parks, anti CSG campaigning, political donation reform, gay rights, threatened species legislation, container deposit legislation, drug law reform, euthanasia reform, Aboriginal land rights, anti-genetically modified food production, to mention but a few issues, have

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been driven by the Greens for decades.

Disparaging Richard Di Natale is a cheap shot. He is a medico, has worked on remote Aboriginal communities, did an excellent job as health spokesman, was instrumental in pushing a national dental care system and walks the talk, living on a sustainable farm in Victoria. I was personally delighted with his election to leadership because he was not a factional warrior as Buck\$ suggests. There are too many of them even in the Greens.

Ian Cohen
Broken Head

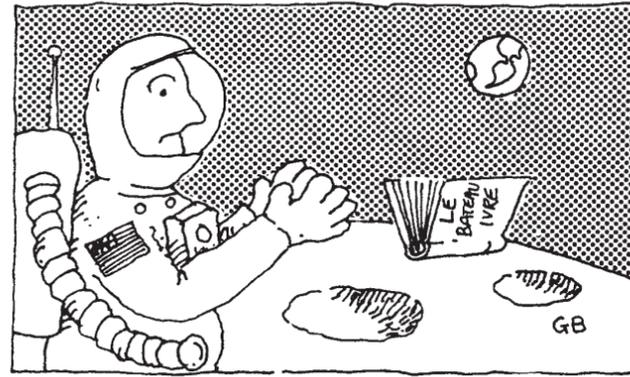
Farewell, Hoss

Reading about the passing of our bro Hoss, Ian Hosken (*Echo*, March 16), brought back memories of 1990-91. The time we travelled to Canberra to protest AIDEX.

A busload of activists, including one Nicholas Shand, left the northern rivers heading to Canberra to join the mob already there, to say we didn't want an expo for warfare technology. We survived that ordeal, the choking and breaking of wrists of men and women by the federal cops.

The night before we left Canberra we seemed to find

Backflash: tripping down memory lane



Buzz was startled by Rimbaud's use of decadent imagery

This week our trawl through early editions of *The Echo* comes up with this original artwork. We had not yet learned to fill spaces with house ads.

ourselves at an African music club. The beat got to us and we couldn't help jiving on the dance floor.

I remember Hoss going for it on the floor and to be honest it was the first time I noticed him other than on the bus going down to Canberra. As you can imagine at the protest it got very heavy so I had my eyes out for the feds.

When I moved to Mullum I kept bumping into Hoss and we would reminisce about our trip to Canberra and how we jived on the dance floor to celebrate surviving the feds.

RIP Hoss forever bro.
Paul Brecht
Goonellabah

the road only produces the predictable finger.

Please, cyclists, before someone gets killed, show some sense, and ride in the same direction as the rest of the traffic. You are obliged by law to do so, and it is also the intelligent thing to do. Maybe that's the problem.

Derek Wright
Byron Bay

Tallow correction

Since writing the letter concerning the opening of Tallow Creek, published last week, I have learnt that the hand-dug trench was undertaken after consultation with and with permission of Council. I apologise to Byron at Byron for assuming it was clandestine. For clarification I should also add that both the hand-dug and machine-dug trenches were dug at the base of the northern dune.

And incidentally, Vic Alhadeff (Letters, March 30) trying to belittle and trivialise both Gareth Smith himself and his beliefs does not constitute a counter argument; in fact it represents the avoidance of it.

David Gilet
Byron Bay

Dangerous cycling

I have noticed over the last few months an increasing number of cyclists are choosing to ride on the wrong side of the road, heading directly into the flow of the traffic. This is not only illegal it is extremely dangerous.

On a couple of occasions recently, I have turned a corner in my car to be suddenly head-on with a cyclist causing me to swerve dangerously to avoid a collision, and the cyclist to almost fall off the bike.

I have no idea why the cyclists are choosing to ride on the wrong side of the road. The suggestion from me that they go to the correct side of

Follow the shekels

In light of what we know about donations to political parties, if we want to see the

herb-superb legalised it's just a matter of getting a few shekels together, no?

Arthur Sinodinos could probably point us in the right direction. There is probably a long 'window of opportunity' before they 'close the door'.

Jim Nutter
Main Arm

Bad bypass

I am concerned that the proposed bypass, utilising Butler Street, will not only severely impact on Byron Bay's character, but also cause congestion in Shirley Street, and render this bypass ineffectual. I am further concerned about noise and pollution impact of this route on the many residents in Butler Street.

A proper CBD bypass that causes minimal impact on Byron township's ambience and is fully effective would run via Kendall Street, bisect Skinners Shoot Road just south of The Piggery complex and continue roughly in line with Browning Street to join at the proposed roundabout near Mitre 10.

Please save our precious Byron township by building a proper CBD bypass!

Robert Zandstra
Mullumbimby

Tardy TARDISES

In November 2015 *The Echo* published my letter complaining about the ugly 'TARDIS' portaloos that had sprung up on Byron Main Beach adjacent to the Surf Club and between the three self-cleaning toilets and the beach. I was assured that they were temporary and would be removed after Christmas. Both Christmas and Easter have come and gone. They are still there.

The draft Master Plan celebrates Main Beach as a 'natural foreshore environment' that will 'celebrate the iconic views towards Byron Bay's hinterland'. These festival-style portaloos obscure these iconic views and must feature in most tourist photos.

When are they going to be relocated into an appropriate position? I request that Council's general manager respond publicly.

Pamela Ditton
Byron Bay

Lattes and lefties

My thanks to David Lisle (Letters, March 30) for reading and commenting upon my letter of March 23 pointing out the 'Latte Lefties' of yore have morphed into the 'Inner City Islamists' of today. We do indeed live in interesting times. Nonetheless, there were two errors in his response that are very important, and must be addressed.

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Understanding life in the ocean

Mary Gardner

The blast of fireworks lit up the grand finale on the platform in the waters of Currumbin. I joined the happy applause at this world premiere of *Shifting Sands*. The performers were professional ballet and Indigenous dancers plus circus artists as well as community people from many groups including the morning swimming club, youth water clubs, paddle boarders and a drag-boat team.



Photo facebook.com/SharkSpotters

Composers, musicians and narrators contributed to a soundtrack built on recordings by residents about the history of this place on the Gold Coast. The scope of the pageant was inspiring and made me think again about Tallow and Belongil. Sometimes, to better understand community here in Byron Bay, I go outside of it.

Sarah Waries, an employee with Shark Spotters on the beaches of Cape Town, spoke clearly and confidently to a packed meeting near the beach in Ballina. I was glad to applaud her, her non-profit employers and the people who helped get her here: Warren Hubbard, Tamara Smith and Sea Shepherd. Sometimes, to learn about marine animals that are seen on Byron beaches, I need to hear about what other people see from their beaches.

For twelve years, Sarah

and the rest of the team honed their system. Observers on eight beaches monitor the water and raise flags advising the public about the sightings of great white sharks. The advice is in real time. The observers on the beach are part of a team who pool their local knowledge into both scientific reports and community education. They provide practical support so that people and great white sharks can share the inshore waters.

The patient work by Shark Spotters resulted in people gauging more exactly what risks they take at the beach at any given time. The holiday makers are better informed. The newspapers can report facts based on over 2,000 sightings rather than sensationalism of the moment. Every beach has sharkbite first aid kits. The great white sharks continue as those im-

portant predators influencing communities of fish and marine mammals.

Both projects highlight the importance of local ecological knowledge. Maybe even more important are the new systems that people are using to develop and share that knowledge. The performance was an innovative project in local history, its collection and presentation.

The Shark Spotters are a non-profit group providing good employment for 36 people while developing credible information about the local ecology. In both cases, people had to create new social structures within their community. This pulled together participation, funding, resources and goodwill for an important collective aim.

The loss of local historical and ecological knowledge is the deepest of the thousand cuts that slowly kill a place

like Byron Bay and the Shire. In this post-colonial transnational age, global studies call it habitat loss and social disempowerment.

Our label as a biodiversity hotspot means everyone is watching to see what this community will do before our animals and plants all die out and our places either paved with bitumen or walled up with rocks. After the logging, dairy farming and fishing, we have yet to start our new work. This involves employing a new generation of our community to work with elders of culture and place in rehabilitating these habitats.

Look past the fences on the land or in the mind. Our teams can monitor sharks as well as the whales, seabirds, fish and the waterways. Bring Aboriginal and western science together. Use all our arts to collate and share the knowledge. How about rebuilding reefs of wild oysters? Rejuvenating beaches for pipi?

Managing the waterways primarily as nurseries for fish, prawns, eels and crabs? Add logs for 'cobra', the edible burrowing clam? Rehabilitating drained wetlands to produce the indigenous grains, tubers and wild game for what is now called the Australian native food industry? If nothing else, at least we could hope to feed ourselves with proper bush tucker. So, who's putting up their hand?

► The first is the conflation of the 'Latte Left' set with the actual Left, people (like myself) who believe some public ownership of assets and means of production is necessary in a modern economy. People who support public health, education, income support, and rational business regulation. The actual Left.

The 'Lattes', like their predecessors the 'Bollinger Bolsheviks', knew little and cared less about actual Marxism. None of them gave a damn about the realities of life behind the Iron Curtain. None of them ever bothered to live in a Soviet Bloc country and experience firsthand the pleasures of enforced conformity under a totalitarian

regime. They just wanted to criticise and decry the people of countries like ours.

The 'Inner City Islamists' (and I do mean Islamists)

are much the same. Do they read the Sunnah? No. Have they lived under Sharia? No. But try actually discussing

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Israel's psychopathic violations

■ Vic Alhadeff accuses me of psychopathy (Letters, March 30) while he acts as an apologist for Israel, a terrorist and psychopathic state. The Israeli Occupation Force's psychopathic behaviour is revealed in shocking detail by Breaking the Silence's courageous veterans in their book, *Our Harsh Logic*.

Consistent with their testimonies was the March 24 extrajudicial killing of 21-year-old Abdul al-Fatah a-Sharif in Hebron, while he lay injured on the ground. The slaughter was captured on video by 'Imad Abu Shamsiyeh, a volunteer with B'Tselem - The Israeli Information Center for Human Rights in the Occupied Territories.

He recorded the blocking of Palestinian ambulances

and the denial of medical aid from medical teams walking around Abdul's body. The video then shows Kahanist leader Baruch Marzel asking an Israeli soldier medic whether 'the dog is dead' and if not, to shoot him in the head. The soldier then obliges and shoots Abdul at point-blank range.

Amnesty International and other humanitarian NGOs have long documented Israel's practice of summarily executing Palestinians which, according to a recent survey, finds favour with 53 per cent of Israelis. Amos Harel writes: 'Most of them (Israeli politicians) are riding the tiger of public opinion - which, at least on social media, is vehemently and crudely backing the soldier -

and are afraid to anger it.' (*On Hebron Shooting, Netanyahu and Bennett follow enraged public all the way to the right* haaretz.com/israel-news/.premium-1.711205.)

The world community cannot any longer tolerate Israel's psychopathic violations of international law which call for urgent treatment in the International Criminal Court.

Gareth W R Smith
Palestine Liberation Centre
Byron Bay

■ In response to Vic Alhadeff and as a Jew (all four grandparents), I wish to record my agreement with Gareth Smith's championing of Palestinian freedom and my disagreement with Vic Alhadeff's smears against those who question Israeli govern-

ment policy in this regard.

Conflating criticism of Israeli government policy with anti-Semitism is a common ploy used to silence voices such as Gareth's. Yet there are numerous well patronised Jewish organisations of which I am a member, including Independent Australian Jewish Voices, Jewish Voice for Peace, Israeli Committee Against House Demolitions to name a few, who promote the very same views as those expressed by Gareth.

Mr Alhadeff characterises Gareth Smith's position as reflecting a belief in a 'World Jewish Conspiracy'. What rubbish! Perhaps he just has a passionate respect for human rights (everybody's).

Jenny Bush
Wilson's Creek

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Islamic law in practice.

Try questioning whether bringing kids up to revere as a role model a man who enslaved thousands, massacred thousands, and had sex with children, is a good idea (hint: that's why ISIS do what they do; they're a Muhammad cover band).

The danger is, they are empty vessels making a lot of noise, drowning out voices of reason and humanity.

Matt Hartley
Byron Bay

■ Matthew Hartley's letter, of March 23 tries to mistakenly conflate political Islam with Marxism. His wrong interpretation regarding authoritarian Stalinist regimes as 'Marxist' is misleading and used op-

portunistically. Philosophically, Islam and Marxism are diametrically opposed.

Hartley's populist right-wing political views are designed towards maximising resonance among the uninformed and undecided in a period of human history where national instability and political uncertainty in governance is creating unprecedented human tragedy since WWII.

Not content with offering simplistic, erroneous views, Hartley then attempts to psychoanalyse the motivations of these phenomena. It then becomes clear his Islamophobia and political right-wing views are used opportunistically.

It is reality the so-called great Australian dream (home ownership) is becoming just

that, beyond many people's grasp. Increasing income inequality, insecure work as casualisation of the workforce, poverty and high rates of youth un(under)employment is causing severe stress on some quarters in our communities.

Why would you not expect people, especially some young alienated, to get caught up in the Medievalist Islamic fantasy hype? These are complex and nuanced phenomena that deserve serious analysis and rigorous debate.

Boyd Kellner
Newrybar

Above the law?

As Mandy Nolan suggests in her March 23 Soapbox article about new protest laws, the law has little to do with lawful

justice for its citizens. It is designed to serve only the state (the ruling class) and benefit the rich and powerful who can afford expensive and protracted legal representation.

While we cannot with any certainty alter their decisions, we the servants can be above their law if we act purposefully, responsibly and caringly. Believe me, it's not difficult, witnessing their mendacity and greed compared with the dedicated hard work of many we personally know in our own communities.

So while we cannot coerce them, neither can they coerce us if we object to their rules, orders, form completions, rates and taxes or even fines. Sure, there may be consequences if we don't obey, but some common sense and a

Online comment of the week

As a father and grandfather I'm often astounded by the overt misogyny displayed on these vehicles. The subject matter and vocabulary wouldn't be allowed on television before 8pm and there would be a suitable rating listed, yet it seems like it's fine to park one of these vehicles outside a primary school at any time of the day.

■ Comment by Craig in response to the *Echo*netdaily story 'Thousands rail against van company's obscene slogans' - www.echo.net.au/thousands-rail-against-van-companys-obscene-slogans

bit of backbone will guide us in what causes to prosecute and how far to take the fight.

For me, buying a property behind Mullumbimby in 1980 quickly revealed an archaic cattle quango pretending to be a green Rural Lands Protection Board by demanding an annual farm animal census and payments for no forms for no animals receiving no services. Here was an obvious example of government-sponsored corruption to be conquered.

Now, 36 years on, with six court cases I have lost and an expensive aborted auction in 2003 (orders and costs still unpaid and looking more unrecoverable than ever) can I consider myself above the law? For more information google Rural Lands Group and go to the first site (don't neglect the capitals or you may be directed to their latest incarnation Local Land Services).

Russell Preston
Brisbane

Eye opener

Many people by now are feeling that there is something very disturbing and unfair going on in the world. If that's you, maybe you'd like to check out a 15-minute YouTube item called 'court system finally exposed'. It is an audio recording of a very well-informed

Australian dealing with his 'offence'. The clip also gives a brief overview of what's going on, and references to learn more. An eye opener.

David Hall
Ocean Shores

Business as usual

Huge bribery corruption exposed in the oil industry including an Australian company. Liberals money-laundering Free Enterprise Foundation caught out and \$4m withheld from NSW Libs - Arfa (I saw nuffink) Sinodinos remains coalition senior minister. Banks routinely defrauding their customers but no royal commission - pink batts far more important. Developers buying politicians at all levels. Mining lobby 'running' Baird government. Tax cheats ignored by Turnbull, etc.

Why? Because the electorate keeps voting for the fully purchased major parties, not noticing the blinkers kindly provided.

Congratulations to *The Echo* editor's fine effort last issue in exposing the chicanery that passes for governance at our state level, including the mealy-mouthed rationalisations of Ben (I may vote the party line but you should have heard me in the cabinet) Franklin MLC.

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Blocking Trump could trigger an American nightmare

Phillip Frazer

One of the few myths that most Americans believe is that they are not a class-based society, but it is a myth.

What's happened in this election, so far, is that two old white guys – Sanders and Trump – set out to win their parties' nomination with the same strategy: talk about class advantage and disadvantage, how bad it has become and how to fix it.

Sanders says the corporate top dogs have taken over the political system and are screwing us, the American people and much of the world, to accumulate ever more monstrous piles of wealth and power for themselves. Trump tells his followers that the people who are screwing them are poor migrants from Latin America, poor Black Americans from down the street, poor Muslims who'll shoot you at the mall, the Chinese who'll take over the world unless he stops them, and above all women who won't stand by their men.

These overlapping world-views have propelled these two guys to within centimetres of being nominated, and each of them is geared up right now for a yuuuge showdown as both their parties' NY state primaries loom on April 19.

Both men were born in

Presidential election circus episode 5



Jason Green locked and loaded with bananas marked 'Smith' and 'Wesson' at a rally in support of open carry gun laws in Austin, Texas, in January 2015. AP Photo/Eric Gay

New York and they will be joined in a battle for America's biggest city over the next fortnight by Hillary Clinton, who was a two-term senator from NY state and has lived in New York for 25 years.

It's going to be a wild ride, folks, but it might be just the start of a year of extremely dangerous living in the USA.

Clinton is the candidate of continuity with change, Bernie's the sensible big-change-maker, but Trump is, above all, a dangerous man. He's a bellowing crusader shouting down the nit-pickers and nannies, promising to sweep away the modernist

crap like seat belts and bring back the days when white men owned homes, had jobs, fast cars, obedient wives, secret affairs, and spoke while others listened.

So what could happen?

Here are a few scenarios that could play out between now and election day:

Conventional: More than half the delegates to each party's Convention vote for Clinton and Trump, who choose Sanders and Cruz respectively as their vice-presidential candidates, and the usual 60 per cent of eligible voters choose between them on November 8.

demonstrating in the UK as Cruise missiles escalated in Europe. These women were the recipients of Thatcher's counter-terrorist technologies. These refined policing technologies exist within Mike Baird's government. Are we to expect that his government will use them if protectors are designated by politicians and media outlets as 'terrorists'?

Many elders/activists can personally vouch that non-violent protest/protection is a deep discipline that is deserving of wider social practice.

I congratulate the Greens for challenging this law in the High Court. It is hoped that the philosophy of non-violent direct action is acknowledged by the law.

Should politicians direct that the full force of the law be used against citizens with conscience they will deprive future generations of a safe existence. And therein lies the real crime.

Jo Faith
Newtown, Sydney

ward Trump that the last 25 states' primaries give a majority to Cruz (who says he's just standing in until Jesus returns), or Kasich, who's Mr Bland.

Blow-up in Cleveland: The severely disunited billionaires, Christian crusaders, and pseudo-libertarians who constitute the power centres of the Republican Party might have to launch a series of tactical manoeuvres to block Trump at their Convention in Cleveland. I say 'a series of' because there is no functional Republican Party and the many contending parts won't coordinate. Manoeuvres could include changing the rules so delegates can vote for someone other than the guy they were charged by their state's primary voters to vote for. That could happen before the Convention, in which case Trump would pile up enough lawsuits against the Party to sabotage their campaign – or a rule change during the Convention could lead to a lawsuit tsunami immediately after it.

OR – a rule change, or any other kind of block-Trump manoeuvre at or before the Convention, could lead to a

donnybrook in the hall, and/or in the streets outside. And that could lead to blood, especially since Trumpeters like to travel with guns, and so do other Republicans. In fact 52,000 of them have signed a petition demanding that attendees inside the Convention be allowed to carry loaded guns. The US Secret Service said no, but they're just Big Gov'mint nannies.

Shooting could break out over Trump-blocking, and underlying resentments over power and wealth inequities roughly corresponding to divisions of class, race, religion, and gender could erupt across the country. America's past is full of uprisings, mostly by people locked out of the white male halls of privilege and power. Today's angry white Americans – Trump's people – are angrier than they've ever been, and they could get even madder.

And there are 357 million firearms in the US – 40 million more guns than people.

■ Phillip Frazer writes about the dis-United States, and the relatively gun-free state of Australia, on his blog at coorabellridge.com.

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On senate voting reforms. Certainly the system is bent but not as much as in the lower house where it entrenches the Lib/Lab duopoly. Elect both houses proportionally and you won't need a senate (see NZ).

Jumping on the Greens for voting for a policy they have had for ten years does not wash. The ALP supported the changes until their number-crunchers calculated they would get no advantage. They offered no alternative; many would call this hypocrisy.

And for those hoping for some holiday-let relief, Glenn Brookes, the chair of the parliamentary investigation, has stood aside owing to alleged naughtiness in his election campaign. His replacement is the holiday-let whisperer J Coure (mentioned in an earlier letter) – some hope for respite.

We have two elections before Christmas – bon chance.

Tom Tabart
Bangalow

Non-violent protest

Nats MLC Ben Franklin is displaying political gullibility and social ignorance in his defence of the new anti-protest law. In *The Echo* of March 30 he states, '... at the end of the day, the minister assured me that this is not about just normal decent protesters'. What does he mean? There were no arrests at Bentley and many aged persons attended non-violent workshops for months before attending the protection stance for Bentley.

The philosophical/ethical role of non-violent protest guides many collective social actions. This philosophical/ethical social action was introduced by Mahatma Gandhi when confronting the militarism of the English colonial empire. Citizens were unarmed and nevertheless killed for displaying conscience.

It underpinned the philosophy of the many women who demonstrated against militarism at Pine Gap in 1983. It was adopted by the Greenham Common women

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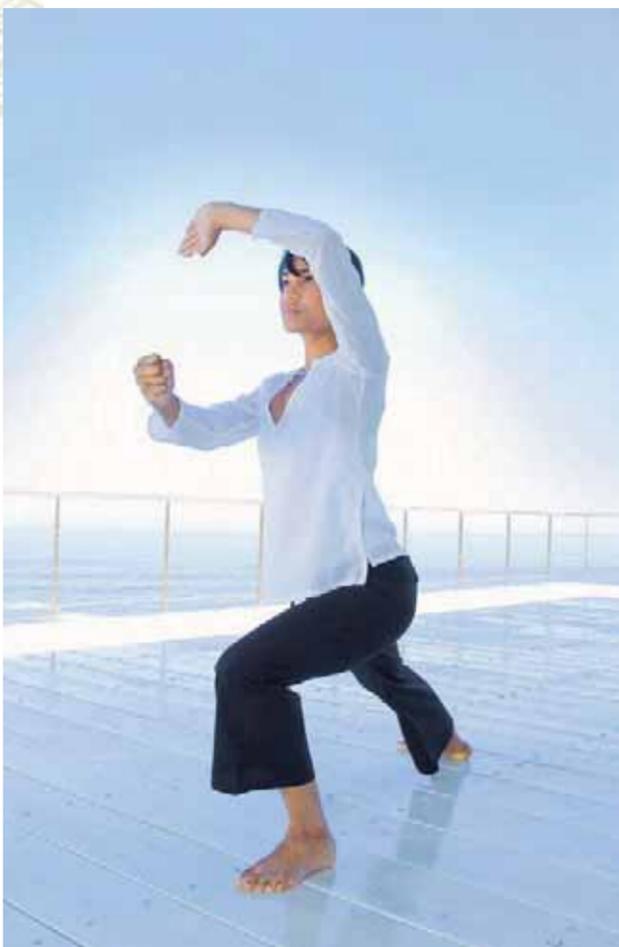
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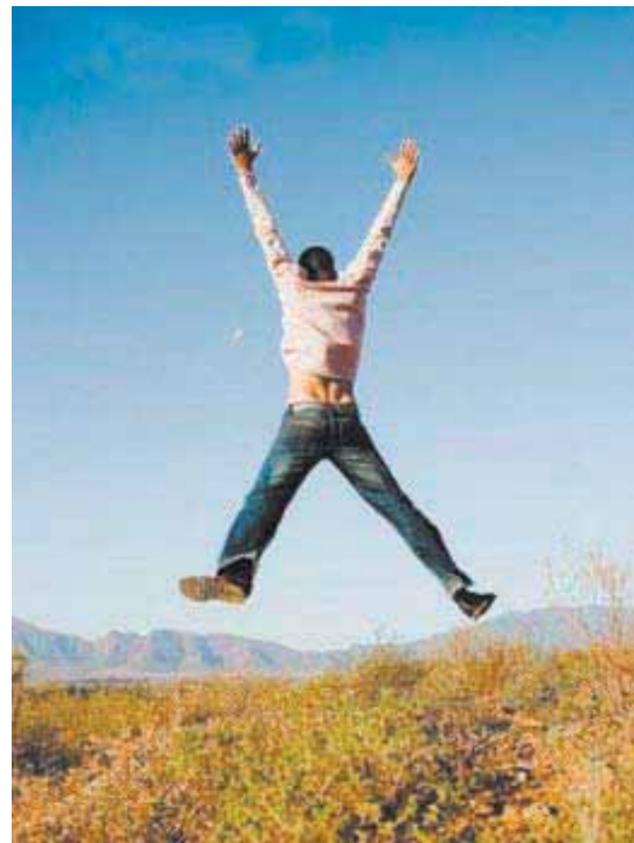
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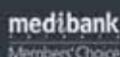
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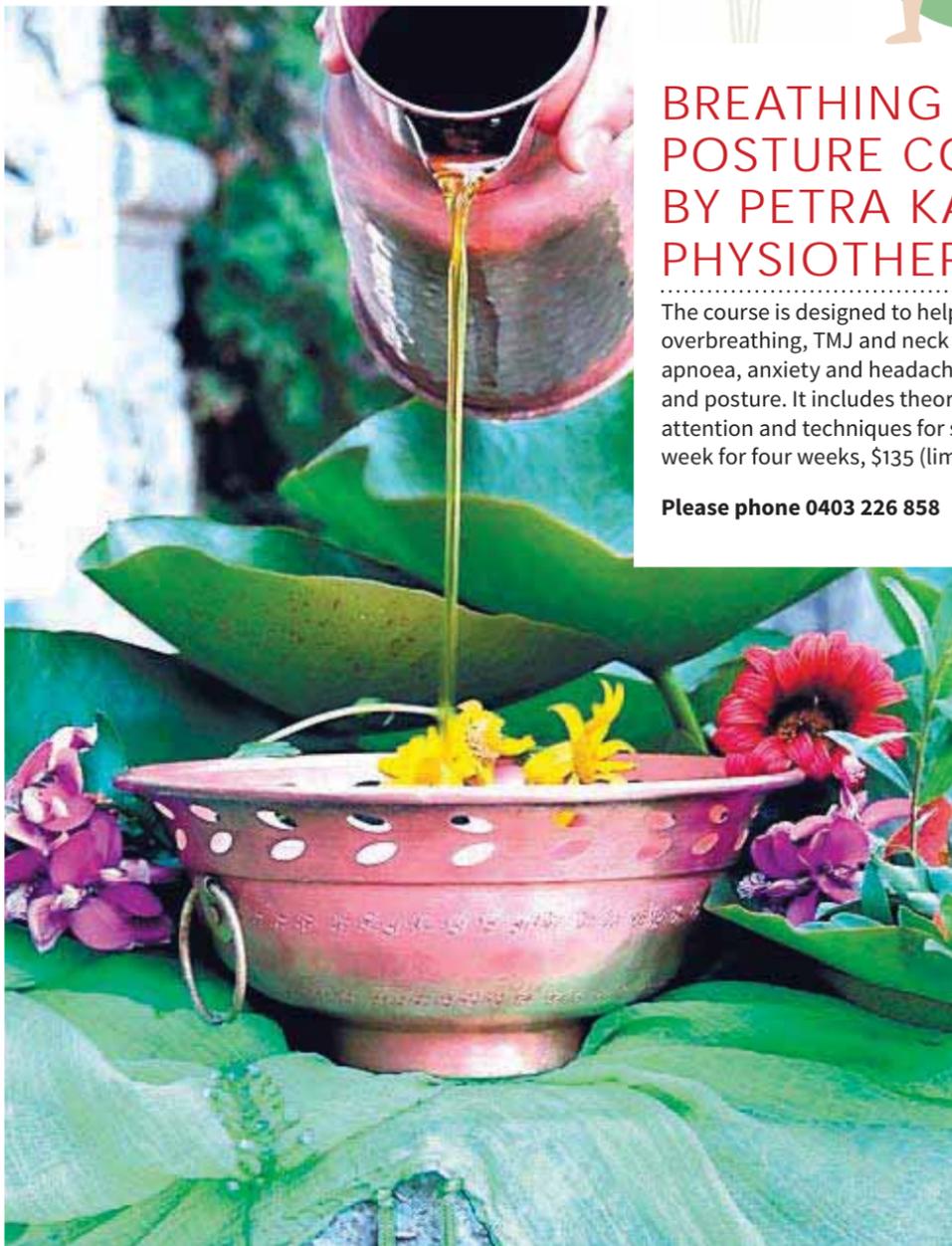
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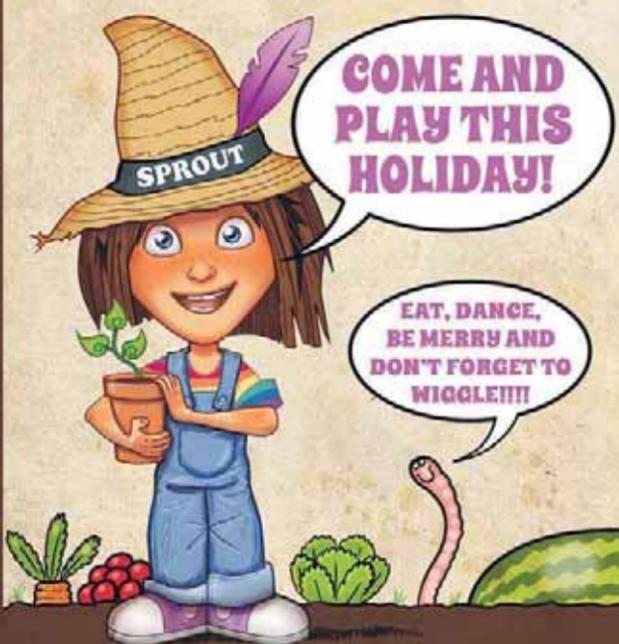
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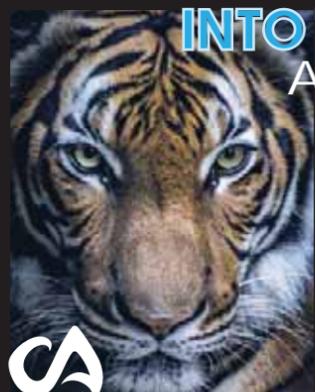
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Enjoy our school holiday kids' art workshop at the Lismore Regional Gallery.

Local ceramic artist Penny Evans will guide kids in creating pinch pots, inspired by our current exhibition *Insight*, artworks from the Hermannsburg Potters Collection.

The event is open to children aged 4-12 years and will be held at the gallery on Saturday 9 April from 10.30am till 12.30pm. The cost is \$5 per person and spaces are limited.

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Joel Orchard, farmer and food activist, is becoming a go-to person in the region on topics such as farming, food sovereignty and ecological agriculture.

His big-picture aim is to put the northern rivers on the map as a 'clean food region'. By this, he means a region where food is produced in a way that equally benefits farmers, consumers and the environment. As he has pursued this aim, and realised how many issues need attention, Joel's endeavours have expanded.



Joel Orchard, farmer and food activist. Photo Jeff Dawson

Firstly, there is a need for farmers. As the current average age of Australian farmers is 55 and climbing, Joel has started a support network for young farmers. Access to land is the most pressing need for those who will not one day inherit a farm. Joel proposes models whereby ageing farmers without a succession plan, or people who own underutilised

acreage, welcome young people onto their land.

Secondly, there is a need for consumers who are committed to supporting local farmers. Joel is trialling a method of direct selling that is popular in the USA, whereby individuals make a season-long commitment to buy a produce box every week. 'Anyone who is interested in food needs to be interested

in food production,' is Joel's straightforward message to all.

Joel's interest in food is longstanding. He came to Byron Shire in 2009 to escape the drought affecting Australia's southern states. He has not ceased to appreciate the good rainfall. 'The warmth is a bonus too,' he laughs, contrasting this with his upbringing in southeastern Victoria.

Joel's background is scientific imaging (he still enjoys photography as a way to 'enjoy the aesthetic' of his farming endeavours), as well as environmental activism (he worked

with Greenpeace on a GM project). On arrival in northern NSW, he worked with Santos as their ethics officer. He learned his farming skills 'naturally' - on the job, from smaller-scale veggie gardens and by using his research skills in conjunction with technology.

His current commitment to himself, at age 32, is to survive through farming work only. As well as the two acres, he works on two banana plantations. He is definitely 'walking the walk', meaning that he is experiencing firsthand the realities of the broader issues

he hopes to influence.

'Agriculture is the cornerstone of the community,' says Joel. Most people would make this statement in the past tense but, for Joel, it is true in the present tense. His aim is to make this so for everyone.

Interested? www.futurefeeders.org is the ideal first point for further exploration or to get involved. You can also head along to a film screening of *Polyfaces: The Film* at Byron Community Centre, Friday 22 April at 6.30pm (tix \$12 from Santos Organics or, if not sold out, on the door).

Food waste? Just Eat It.

A free screening of the movie *Just Eat It*, about food waste, is on at 7.30pm on Wednesday 27 April at Byron Community Centre. 'We all love food. As a society, we devour countless cooking shows, culinary magazines and foodie blogs. So how could we possibly be throwing more than a third of it

the bin?' The two filmmakers and food lovers pledged to quit grocery shopping and survive only on discarded food.

Cooking demo

Prior to the free movie on 27 April, there will be a (strictly limited capacity) 'leftover makeover' cooking demonstra-

tion by Alison Drover, a food-waste chef who is described as a 'locavore-frugavore', as well as being a sustainable-food consultant and lots more. Bookings are essential for this event.

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▼ BYRON BAY



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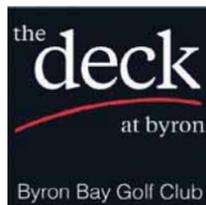
Open seven days: breakfast, lunch & dinner
Thursday Farmers Market Dinner
2 courses \$52 per person
3 courses \$62 per person



St Elmo Dining Room & Bar

Mon-Sat: 4pm til late.
Sun: 4pm til 10pm.
Cnr Fletcher St and Lawson Lane, Byron Bay
6680 7426
www.stelmodining.com

St Elmo is a place where you can enjoy great company, first-class food, sophisticated cocktails and an extensive wine list. St Elmo is plating up modern Spanish cuisine to be enjoyed amongst friends and family. Our menus change regularly and feature daily specials.



The Deck

at Byron Bay Golf Club
62 Broken Head Road
6685 6470
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Lunch & Dinner
Open Wed to Sunday

Great Food, Stunning Views

Affordable, Innovative
Locally Sourced Produce
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Traditional Thai

Dinner every evening
5.30-9.30pm
5/2 Fletcher St, Byron Bay
6685 5151

Here the curry pastes are freshly pounded to leave your palate dumbfounded.

Here the ambrosial meals are cooked to order and the scrumptious cocktails and mocktails thrust you into a land of wonderful tales.



Warung Bagus

3/14 Bay St (opposite the surf club)
7.30am-7pm every day
Dine-in and takeaway
BYO

Indonesian-inspired cuisine in a casual setting on the beachfront. All-day breakfasts, nasi-campur style buffet lunch, snacks and desserts, coffee, smoothies, juices and cakes. Indoor/outdoor seating with sea views.



Hog's Breath Cafe

Open 7 Days,
11.30am-2.30pm
Dinner from 5.30pm
9/4 Jonson St, Byron Bay
6685 5320
www.hogsbreath.com.au

Hog's Breath Cafe's menu just got better with some mouth-watering new steaks, salad, pasta and an abundance of delicious dessert selections. As usual, the diverse menu also offers chicken, seafood, snacks, burgers, ribs, kid's meals, a range of Lite Options, plus their famous Prime Rib Steak - slow cooked for up to 18 hours for maximum flavour and tenderness. Kids eat free Mon - Wed nights and you can grab lunch for just \$9.90, so there's something to please the whole family.

▼ BYRON BAY CONTINUED

Good Taste *Eating Out Guide*

BYRON BAY CONTINUED



O-Sushi

Byron Bay Woolies Plaza, Jonson St **02 6685 7103**
Coolangatta The Strand Marine Pde **07 5536 5455**
Broadbeach The Oracle, 12 Charles Ave **07 5570 2166**
www.osushi.com.au

O-Sushi – Since 2004

An award-winning Japanese fusion cuisine Sushi bar, tapas, main meals and delicious chef's specials
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 Scan code for our menu!
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 Home delivery 7 days



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 BYO & TAKEAWAY
 Bay St opp Main Beach & Surf Club
 For bookings: **6685 7348**

Nights from THURSDAY

Locals specials
 Fresh Mediterranean inspired dishes
 Breakfast / lunch / dinner on the deck or TAKEAWAY



The Bolt Hole

Refuge, Grog & Barbeque
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 5pm–11pm (Sun)
 9 Fletcher St, Byron Bay
hello@thebolthole.com.au
6685 8410

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 Catch you soon!

PEACE : LOVE : GROG : BBQ



Targa

Cafe • Restaurant • Bar
 11 Marvell Street
 Byron Bay
6680 9960
targabyronbay.com
targabyronbay@gmail.com

Modern European

Breakfast/Lunch: 7 days from 7am
Dinner: Mon–Sat from 5.30pm
Bar: From 10am, with or without food
Coffee: Genovese, all day
Venue: available for events up to 60 guests
 Wi-Fi



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Open seven days 7:30am till late
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6680 7632

A range of menu packages for your SPECIAL EVENT

Phone 6680 7632
functions@fishheadsbyron.com.au
www.facebook.com/Fishheadsbyron.com
www.fishheadsbyron.com.au



Muoi's Feast

Dinner: Mon–Sat
 11 Fletcher St, Byron Bay
 Bookings Essential
6685 7557

Muoi's Feast has created a strong following since opening in 2003. Winning numerous awards for its international cuisine, the Asian section of the menu is the predominant favourite.
 Enjoy for dinner.



The Green Bistro at Club Byron

Lunch: 11.30am–2.30pm,
 Dinner: from 5.30pm,
 Tuesday to Sunday (closed Mondays)
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6685 6202

TUESDAYS | 6pm MEAT & VOUCHER RAFFLE
WEDNESDAYS | 5.30pm–close BYO VINYL
THURSDAYS | 6pm MEAT & VOUCHER RAFFLE
FRIDAYS | 4–6pm HAPPY HOUR
SATURDAYS | from 6pm THE MONTHLY MUSO
SUNDAYS | SUNDAY ROAST lunch & dinner
thegreenbistrobyronbay.com.au
info@thegreenbistrobyronbay.com.au
 Functions and catering available



Basiloco

Ristorante Pizzeria
 Mon, Wed–Fri from 6pm,
 Sat & Sun from 12pm for lunch
 Closed Tuesday
 32 Lawson Street **6680 8818**
info@basilo.co

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Come and experience the best Italian/Mediterranean cuisine, made with the best local products, plus Byron's best wood fired pizza.
 We do weddings and special event functions.
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Breakfast/Lunch
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 16 Lawson St, Byron Bay
 Reservations **6685 7663**
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Now serving ALL DAY weekend brekkie!

Can't find a late weekend brekkie in the Bay? Look no further than The Rocks @ Aquarius! Cure those hangover blues with a range of fresh and delicious locally sourced dishes.
 We also have a range of main meals, mini burgers and salad's available from 12 noon in the Aquarius Bar & Grill next door. Enjoy a lazy lunch, an ice cold beer and a dip in our beautiful swimming pool!
 Visit www.therocksbyronbay.com.au for details and new menus.



Success Thai

Mon–Fri 12–3pm
 Dinner 7 days from 5pm.
 3/109 Jonson St, Byron Bay
6680 7798

SPECIAL \$10 LUNCH AND DINNER MENU

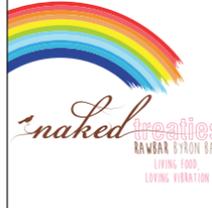
All your favourites every lunch and dinner Experienced Thai chefs cooking fresh delicious Thai food for you.
 Fully Licensed and B.Y.O. for wine.
 Welcome for lunch, dinner and take-away.
www.facebook.com/pages/Success-Thai-Food/237359826303469



Lemongrass

Dinner Mon–Sun
 Lunch on weekdays
 Closed Tuesdays
 Shop 3/17 Lawson Arcade
 Phone orders welcome
6680 8443

The only exclusively Vietnamese restaurant in town, this intimate space spilling out into a courtyard offers up fabulous dishes packed full of herbs, spices and varied textures. The traditionally light and healthy style of cuisine ensures the freshness and natural tastes of food are preserved as much as possible. It's a popular spot so bookings are recommended.



Naked Treaties RAW Bar

Raw, Vegan, Local, Organic and Paleo. Gluten, Dairy and Sugar free.
 2/3 Marvell St
 Open 7 days, 7am till 4pm
www.nakedtreaties.com.au
 Insta #nakedtreaties

Come hang out at the Famous Little Shop of Smiles! Good Vibes, Abundant, Alive & Awesome NEW Menu. Grab & Go Made to Order BREAKFASTS, LUNCHES, Delectable RAW DESSERTS & ICE CREAMS. Sublime Superfood GREEN SMOOTHIES, Iced Drinks & COLD PRESSED JUICES.
 The BEST CHAI EVER, Organic COFFEE & SUPERFOOD hotties all on our own fluffy ALMOND Mylk.
 GOODNESS never tasted SO GOOD!



Luscious Foods

Mon–Fri 7.30am–3pm
 1/6 Tasman Way, Byron Arts & Industry Estate
 BYO & RSVP
6680 8228
www.lusciousfoods.com.au

Summer Friday nights from 15th Jan

Contemporary and Middle Eastern flavours
 • Breakfast and lunch
 • Wood-fired pizzas
 • Fresh juices
 • Great coffee



The Restaurant @ Rae's

Lunch and Dinner 7 days
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6685 5366
raes@wategos.com.au

Open for Breakfast

Saturday and Sunday
 7am till 10am



REPUBLIK

restaurant & bar
Lunch Thurs–Sat 12–3pm
Dinner every night
 95 Jonson St, Byron Bay
republikbyronbay.com
6685 5009
hello@republikbyronbay.com

Kids eat free 5–7pm Monday–Thursday

Republik presents a stylish comfortable environment, offering a warm and hospitable welcome to the whole community. The menu includes a range of contemporary dishes based on global influences.

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Full Cocktail & Wine Bar.
 Extensive Menu Includes Tapas, Mains, Desserts and Famous Woodfired Pizzas.
 25 Childe St, Byron Bay
6680 9452

New summer menu out now!

Share plates, mains, desserts and famous Treehouse wood-fired pizza. Our kitchen is open all day and night. Presenting incredible original music in Byron's most intimate atmosphere.
 Check our website or Facebook for the gig guide.
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treehouseonbelongil.com



Italian at the Pacific

Open for Dinner & Cocktails 7 days from 6pm till late
 Next to the Beach Hotel Bay Street
6680 7055
italianatthepacific.com.au

Italian at the Pacific provides a bustling atmospheric restaurant, dishing up contemporary inspired Italian cuisine and some of Byron's finest cocktails and wines.



Happy Chilli Garden

Open 7 days 12pm till late
 Byron St (opp Aldi) Byron Bay
P 6680 9191
F 6676 4869
M 0403 516793
happychilligarden@hotmail.com

Hong Kong chef specialising in Chinese and Malay foods

Dinner Special \$18 - Includes a wine or beer
 Fully licensed
 Dine In / Takeaway / Home Delivery Available

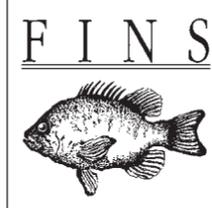


Spice It Up Thai Restaurant

Open Wednesday–Sunday
 Dine-in or Takeaway–from 5.30pm
6684 2209
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Experience the real taste of Thailand. Using local produce, local staff. Free courtesy bus provided for pick up and drop off!

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6674 4833
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 Dinner 7 days
 Lunch Fri, Sat & Sun



Proudly awarded 'Most Sustainable Seafood Restaurant' 2015.

This year we celebrate 25 years of serving the finest local seafood. Join us in the sea breeze on our veranda for a lazy long lunch or intimate candle lit dinner.

Extended Summer Hours
Lunch every day from 27 Dec till 10 Jan



The Butcher's BBQ

Salt Village, Kingscliff
6674 4833
dining@fins.com.au



The team behind Fins have just opened their new POP UP Restaurant THE BUTCHER'S BBQ.

Located next door to our fine diner, The Butcher's BBQ offers a share style menu with 'smalls' and 'bigs' cooked on the grill (from \$8–\$38), communal tables, a cracking cocktail bar, boutique wine list and Gin Bar. This concept is only here for a short time.

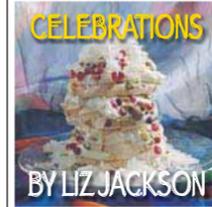
Extended Summer hours.
 Lunch every day from 27 Dec till 10 Jan



Coast Restaurant

Open 7 days from 11am, restaurant menu and all-day bar snacks.
 Located in the Ocean Shores Country Club
6680 1809

Monday night \$15 Burgers & Beer
 Tuesday nights all Pizzas \$15
 Wednesday night - \$10 Schnitzels
 Dine in or takeaway
 Large groups and events welcome.



Celebrations Catering By Liz Jackson

Celebration cakes
 Personal catering services
 Event co-ordination and management

E: lizzijackson@gmail.com
P: 0414 895 441

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Property insider

Property Insider came across a media release during the week from ME Home Loans. It outlined five benefits of buying in a good neighbourhood – although interestingly there was no definition of how ‘good’ was defined. Here are the five benefits as ME Home Loans see them:

1. you're likely to enjoy higher capital growth
2. the community is safer, more secure
3. a choice of quality schools
4. easy access to shops, cafes, restaurants
5. access to transport links.

As PI has mentioned before, the challenge when deciding on where to buy (if it is not your ‘forever home’) is balancing the desirability of the property with the potential for maximising capital growth.

While it is conceded that the points above do contain some

cringeworthy value judgments, on the whole they are valid points to consider.

Of course in our neck of the woods you can add properties that have ocean views or are within walking distance of the beach. They are always a reasonably safe bet if one is buying with the notion of maximising future capital growth.

The release from ME concludes: ‘The key thing is to never lose sight of what is important to you in a neighbourhood. If you're a footy fan, you may love owning an apartment that overlooks the major sporting

grounds. If you're a nature lover, having access to bush reserves may top your wish list.

It's all about what works for you while still being mindful of what's attractive to other buyers because, at some point, you're likely to upgrade to your next home. That's when the value of a great neighbourhood translates into money in your pocket.’

Property Insider has come across another interesting development in the bid for more transparency around the machinations of buying and selling real estate.

Hundreds of dollars are invested by potential buyers in getting property reports (building, pest, strata, for example). If buyers are bidding at auctions in the hope of securing their property of choice, they need to have conducted all the relevant inspections on the property so they are confident in their purchase, because to purchase at auction is an unconditional sale.

Therefore each time a buyer is an underbidder at an auction, they have effectively wasted the money spent on obtaining the reports. If they miss out on a handful of properties this can be thousands of dollars wasted.

Reported today in the *Sydney Morning Herald* online by Sean



Nicholls, *SMH* state political editor, is the plan for the NSW government from July to require real estate agents to keep a disclosure log of any reports that have been generated for a property the agent has on the market. These details will be made available to potential purchasers when they request a contract.

NSW Innovation and Better Regulation minister Victor Dominello said the government will amend the *Property, Stock and Business Agents Regulation 2014* to bring the new laws into force.

PI wonders why the commissioning of standard reports (building, pest, strata) can't be a cost to the vendor rather than of a potential purchaser and for those reports to form part of the contract.

You might have seen in *The Echo's* sports pages a week or so ago that Paul Banister from First National Byron Bay was a member of the team that won the B Grade division at the Far North Coast Water Polo Championship. Not a bad effort considering the average age of the team was over 50. Congratulations, Paul.

HAVE ANYTHING TO LET US KNOW ABOUT?

Any new faces? Career milestones? Exceptional results? Market observations? Have you had anything quirky or unusual happen to you out in the field? Email propertyinsider@echo.net.au.



AUCTION

Onsite 11am Sat, 14 May 2016 (If not sold prior)



59 Kingsley Lane

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Large, modern Queenslander

Panoramic views across town, bay & hinterland

Architect designed & master built

Situated on a large, elevated 978m² block



Open House Times:

Thursday 7th April - 12-12:30pm

Saturday 9th April - 12-12:30pm

For further information contact Jeremy Bennett
0401 222 686 / jeremy@byronbaysales.com.au



12 Lawson Street, Byron Bay / 02 6685 8575

Relax in style and enjoy the view

112 Paterson Street, Byron Bay

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\$1,600,000



Well positioned along the famous Paterson Street ridgeline. The 180-degree views from this beautifully renovated property take in Coopers Shoot and the Mt Warning hinterland around to the beaches of Byron Bay.



The home comprises three large bedrooms on the upper level and a separate master suite on the ground floor.

The master suite allows options of split-level family living or the possibility of additional income-producing accommodation. Whether it be indoor enjoyment from the large living room or outdoor deck entertaining, it's all about the large expansive aspect.

The elevated position captures northerly breezes and the property is walking distance from town, cafes and beaches.

Inspect: Saturday April 9, 10.00 – 10.30am
Contact: Christian Sergiacomi 0400 221 653
Byron Bay Property Sales

Not very Ocean Shores??

2 Ulpirra Court, Ocean Shores

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\$739,000



Situated in an elevated position within a quiet cul-de-sac, the home offers you a peaceful haven, with its eclectic charm enhanced by French doors, artistic finishes and lush tropical gardens.

The upper level offers a welcoming entrance foyer which leads into the light and bright formal and casual living rooms. There's a lovely open air conservatory-style area surrounded by plantation shutters, providing the ideal setting for alfresco entertaining with your friends or to relax in quiet solitude while you sip your morning coffee. The lounge area offers a sense of space and light thanks to the high ceilings and French doors, which open onto the expansive timber deck overlooking the pool. Your sunny, spacious kitchen offers stainless steel appliances, including a dishwasher.

Also on this level, you'll find two gorgeous, romantic bedrooms and the ultra-chic, brand new bathroom with its deep, inviting, freestanding bathtub, plus a separate toilet.

The large downstairs granny flat has the benefit of its own private entrance. There's a spacious studio/office which provides your own personal space, reserved just for you to work, create and enjoy. You also have a charming open plan living area and kitchen, roomy bedroom and bathroom, plus a courtyard.

Inspect: Thursday & Friday 12.00 – 1.00pm
Contact: Franco Braico, Area Sales Manager 0438 565 525
Raine & Horne Ocean Shores / Brunswick Heads

Vacant land at Ewingsdale

Citriadora Rise, Ewingsdale, Byron Bay

\$675,000 – \$875,000



Big blocks of land close to Byron Bay all with housing entitlements ready to build. Located in Ewingsdale, just minutes from the beautiful beaches and seaside community now with very easy access to both Ballina and the Gold Coast. An exclusive opportunity exists for an enclave of luxury homes with a secluded rural feel and if you act now you can build your own dream home.

Lot 201 \$710k 1.57ha (SOLD)	Lot 204 \$700k 1.00ha (SOLD)
Lot 202 \$675k 1.93ha	Lot 205 \$700k 1.00ha (SOLD)
Lot 203 \$875k 42.34ha	Lot 206 \$680k 1.00ha,
Lot 207 \$845k 25.25ha	Lot 208 \$700k 0.80ha (SOLD)
Lot 209 \$800k 1.00ha	

All lots accessed via a paved road in a private cul-de-sac and connected to power, water and NBN. Providing the best of both worlds, there are few locations that are more desirable than Citriadora Rise, Ewingsdale.

Free information evening for Citriadora Rise and the Eco Village now with 33 SOLD on Thursday 7th April at the RE/MAX Coastal Office. 1/10 Brigantine Street Byron Bay RSVP ASAP

Inspect: Saturday April 9, 9.00 – 10.00am
Contact: Matt Towner 0414 185 976
RE/MAX Coastal Byron Bay 6685 5650



15 BRYCE STREET, SUFFOLK PARK

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- One of the best locations in beachside Suffolk!
- Double brick home on 748m2 in quiet enclave
- Opportunity to create your own dream haven
- East facing backyard and covered outdoor entertaining
- Ideally positioned between Tallow Beach and Suffolk shops
- Location, location, location!

Open: Saturday, 9 April 11.00 – 11.30am
Enquiries: James Young 0419 856 840 | Sharon McInnes 0408 659 649



120 LAGOON DRIVE, MYOCUM

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- Must see! Beautiful lifestyle property in sought after Myocum location
- Country living with all the comforts – NBN, ample water and 40min to Gold Coast International airport
- Lovingly restored circa 1910 Queenslander with landscaped gardens on 9615m2
- Large balconies to entertain and enjoy the country atmosphere
- Stunning views from Mt Chincogan to the rolling hinterland hills
- Only minutes' drive to Mullumbimby and Byron's famous beaches

Inspections: Contact Agent
Auction: 14th May, 2016 at 2pm onsite
Enquiries: Su Reynolds 0428 888 660 | Tara Torkkola 0423 519 698



2/30 BRANDON STREET, SUFFOLK PARK

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- Stylish 2 bedroom duplex only 100m to beach
- Tastefully renovated with modern interiors and timber floors
- Large, private yard with rear access
- Covered outdoor entertaining space overlooking garden
- Only one street to Tallow Beach and an easy walk to shops
- An appealing home or investment in this prime location!

Open: Saturday, 9 April 12.00 – 12.30pm

Price: \$660,000 to \$695,000

Enquiries: Paul Banister 0438 856 552 | Helene Adams 0412 139 807

Agent declares interest



AUCTION THIS SATURDAY

20 JULIAN ROCKS DRIVE, BYRON BAY

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AUCTION THIS SATURDAY

- Open plan living/ dining with high raked ceilings and timber floors
- Multiple indoor/outdoor living and entertaining spaces
- Exquisite gardens create ultimate privacy for this truly beautiful home
- A large (8m x 5m) separate light filled studio offers excellent versatility
- 700m2 north facing block, walk to beach & shops. Backs onto reserve

Open: Thursday, 7 April 2.00 – 2.30pm

Saturday, 9 April 1.30 – 2.00pm

Auction: 9th April 2.00pm Onsite

Enquiries: Su Reynolds 0428 888 660 | Paul Banister 0438 856 552



21 SCOTT STREET, BYRON BAY

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- One of Byron Bay's best lifestyle locations!
- Direct access to beach through National Park
- Open plan lounge and dining area with adjoining kitchen
- 630m2 block with north facing backyard
- Peaceful position at the end of a quiet cul-de-sac
- Easy walk or bike ride to town centre and schools

Open: Saturday, 9 April 11.00 – 11.30am

Price: \$870,000 to \$900,000

Enquiries: Su Reynolds 0428 888 660



5 MOTT STREET, BYRON BAY

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- Solid original home at the top of sought-after Mott St
- Plus approved secondary dwelling + additional studio
- 644m2 elevated position
- Excellent location 1.5km from the centre of town
- Short walk to the Green Garage and Top Shop
- Fantastic investment opportunity with income

Open: Thursday, 7 April 12.00 – 12.30pm

Saturday, 9 April 12.00 – 12.30pm

Auction: 30th April 10.30am Onsite

Enquiries: Tara Torkkola 0423 519 698

35 Fletcher Street Byron Bay 2481 | call 6685 8466
sales@byronbayfn.com | byronbayfn.com.au



Home plus granny flat

10 Wright Place, Byron Bay

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\$850,000 – \$900,000



This is exceptional value! 3 bedroom home PLUS granny flat in a quiet cul-de-sac within easy walking distance to beach and town. An open plan living and dining room connects to a covered outdoor patio overlooking the north facing backyard. The kitchen is functional and adjoins the meals area.

The separate granny flat (STCA) has great natural light with a well-appointed kitchenette and lounge, one bedroom with a walk-in robe and a combined bathroom and laundry.

This is separately accessed from the main house and enjoys excellent privacy from each residence.

Set on a sunny 604m2 block with a possible rental return of \$950 per week, this property would make a fantastic start or addition to your investment portfolio.

There is ample room to further enhance the current decor and create your dream family home.

Other features include: Solar hot water and solar panels.

Inspect: Saturday April 9, 12.00 – 12.30pm

Contact: Su Reynolds 0428 888 660
First National Byron Bay

Koko's beach houses

51 Shirley Street, Byron Bay

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P.O.A.



Due for completion mid 2016, this stunning 2 level residence (one of only four) is of the highest build quality and finished with premium fixtures & fittings. Just a short walk from the beautiful Belongil Beach and the town centre of Byron Bay, this open-plan style property boasts a sought-after location in a world-renowned NSW town.

The residence features two large master bedrooms, each with generous ensuites and two other bedrooms that share a common bathroom. This allows for two families to enjoy everything this location offers.

The ground floor open-plan living area has retractable glazed walls providing around a 6m opening to the alfresco dining / barbeque / pool area. The property includes a built-in barbeque, two study nooks, an internal day bed, a powder room for guests and a double garage with good storage space and internal access.

Inspect: By appointment

Contact: Nicolette van Wijngaarden 0411 144 877
Unique Estates



Sensational. Premier position

33 Redgum Place, Suffolk Park

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\$1,650,000



The most breathtaking outlook across the golf course to the lighthouse and miles of wide ocean views with a north east aspect.

This quality built home sits on a large 1273m2 very elevated level block at the top of an exclusive and private no through road.

A large open plan living room with high raked ceilings, Tasmanian Oak timber floors and ocean views from every window.

The open plan kitchen has stone benches and quality appliances. A covered outdoor dining area adjoins the living rooms. The upper level is a luxurious main bedroom with private balcony, WIR and ensuite.

The lower level has 2 bedrooms, each room with direct access to the pool and main bathroom. The ground floor has a DLUG, under house storage plus the laundry with a storeroom.

Beautiful gardens, 2nd alfresco dining area and large yard. The pool gazebo is the perfect spot to take in the view over the pool and ocean views beyond.

Inspect: Saturday April 9, 10.00 – 10.30am

Contact: Su Reynolds 0428 888 660
Sharon McInnes 0408 659 649
First National Byron Bay

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HINTERLAND RETREAT

- Cedar clad cottage • Private lifestyle block • 7.7 acres, established gardens
- 3 bedrooms with built-ins • Woodfire combustion heating • Separate studio
- Solar panels • Undercover verandahs • Only 5 minutes to Federal Village Cafe
- School buses close by.

205 Repentance Creek Road, GOONENGERRY

Open Saturday 12pm - 12.30pm
Duncan Lorimer 0400 844 412

\$695,000



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UNIQUE LIFESTYLE PROPERTY TOTAL PRIVACY

- Fabulous 7 year home on 11.5 acres • Open plan living space
- Gourmet kitchen with quality appliances • Huge deck overlooking Wilsons Creek
- Sweeping lawns with tree lined driveway • Beautifully landscaped grounds
- Superb 14 metre heated pool • Spacious free standing guesthouse.

185 Waltons Road, FEDERAL
Open Saturday 1pm - 2pm
Duncan Lorimer 0400 844 412

\$1,595,000



FORMER CHURCH

- Historical 1906 deconsecrated church • Majestic high timber lined ceilings
- Beautiful teak floors • 1056sqm block • Stained glass windows • Over two levels
- Loaded with potential • Walk Clunes café, shop & Primary School.

52 Main Street, CLUNES

Open Wednesday 11am - 11.30am
Open Saturday 10am - 10.30am
Duncan Lorimer 0400 844 412

\$395,000



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IDYLIC HINTERLAND HOBBY FARM**

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**AUCTION 28 April
6pm in Our Rooms**



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**VILLAGE LIFE AT ITS BEST
AMPLE ROOM FOR LARGE FAMILY**

• Spacious 5 bedroom home • Large 2150sqm block with hinterland views • Light, airy rooms • Large timber decks • Sparkling in-ground pool • Established garden • Fully fenced, great for kids • Close to school & general store • Can't beat this property for value.

57 James Gibson Road, CLUNES
Open Saturdays 1pm - 1.30pm
Open Thursdays 12pm - 12.30pm
Janice Maple 0401 026 359

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6pm in Our Rooms**



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**PEACEFUL COUNTRY HOME
POPULAR MYOCUM ADDRESS**

• Circa 1940s character timber home on 10 acres • Separate converted dairy bails with bedroom plus bathroom • Quiet, no through road location • Usable, level, acreage with 2 dams suitable for horses or cattle • Potential to improve/ value add • Very tightly held, desirable Myocum address • 3.3kW solar photovoltaic panels • Forest area with 1600 native trees planted by the owners.

234 Dingo Lane, MYOCUM
Open Saturdays 11am - 11.30am
Open Wednesdays 2pm - 2.30pm
Janice Maple 0401 026 359

**AUCTION 28 April
6pm in Our Rooms**



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**DON'T WAIT TO INSPECT THIS ONE!
BANGALOW CUTIE**

• Sought after Bangalow village location • Very cute, timber cottage style with large verandahs • Newly polished timber floors, fresh paint and new carpet • Plenty of potential to value add or move straight in • Separate room ideal for home office or guest accommodation • Established gardens surround home creating privacy • Excellent home or investment • Easy stroll to main street, school and showgrounds.

2 Bannister Court, BANGALOW
Open Saturdays 11am - 11.30am
Open Wednesdays 12pm - 12.30pm
Janice Maple 0401 026 359

**AUCTION 28 April
6pm in Our Rooms**

Eco-tourism property on 100 acres

463 Tuntable Creek Road, Tuntable Creek

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Contact agent for price



This stunning architect designed 4 bed, 2 bath home with games room has been created to overlook a beautiful dam situated at the top of Tuntable Creek Valley.

The 100 acres offers numerous options including DA approval for 7 x 2-bed cabins plus managers residence.

There is a separate studio overlooking one of the dams.

There is an abundance of water with 4 dams, 7 water tanks including 2 x 500,000L tanks beneath the house that act as a self-cooling system and there is access to Tuntable Creek featuring big water holes and rapids.

The entrepreneur wanting to operate a business from home, tradies or farmers, or those in need of huge storage space, will love the massive 15x12m machinery shed with concrete slab and self-sustainable solar system.

7 mins to The Channon, 30 mins to Lismore, 50 mins to Byron Bay, 15 mins to Nimbin and school bus pick up at the front gate.

Inspect: Saturday April 9, 3.00 – 3.30pm
Contact: Sharon McInnes 0408 659 649
 Paul Prior 0418 324 297
 First National Byron Bay

Village lifestyle at its best

57 James Gibson Road, Clunes

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Auction



Situated at the edge of the quaint village of Clunes is this lovely timber home on a large 2150sqm block. With 5 spacious bedrooms, high ceilings, timber floors and loads of light, this home is perfect for the whole family.

The open plan, country style kitchen features modern appliances and overlooks the dining room complete with wood fire combustion heating. Downstairs could be the perfect teenage retreat with 2 bedrooms, bathroom, plus living space.

Oversize timber decks surround part of the house and make a perfect entertaining area, no matter what the weather is like, with the front deck affording you expansive easterly views over the hinterland. To complete this picture what home isn't complete without the in-ground pool and large shed/garage for all your storage needs.

Close to all the village amenities and just a 10 minute drive to Bangalow and Lismore, this is a great opportunity to secure a piece of paradise that the whole family will love.

Auction: April 28, 2016
Inspect: Thursday 12.00 – 12.30pm
 Saturday 1.00 – 1.30pm
Contact: Janice Maple 0401 026 359
 Elders Bangalow 6687 1500

Iconic shop and residence

19 Beach Avenue, South Golden Beach

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Auction April 16



Set in the idyllic beachside hamlet of South Golden Beach, this well loved freehold property offers a rare opportunity for the savvy investor. Located just one block from the beach, the property boasts excellent long term tenants and an impressive rental return.

Features include 596 square metre block, scenic protection zoning, internal shop area approx. 154sqm, spacious, leafy and shaded front balcony area.

The two bedroom residence at the rear of the shop offers spacious living room with cathedral ceiling, functional, light and bright kitchen, brand new designer bathroom, separate new toilet + new laundry area, 4 timber decks for outdoor living, private and sunny courtyard, freshly painted throughou, on-site parking for multiple vehicles, boat or caravan.

Unspoilt South Golden Beach is the go-to beach for the residents of the popular nearby growth areas of Ocean Shores, New Brighton and Billinudgel. Byron Bay is just 15 minutes to the south and it's only 30 minutes to the border towns of Coolangatta/Tweed Heads.

Inspect: Wednesday & Saturday 3.00 – 4.00pm
Contact: Franco Braico, Area Sales Manager 0438 565 525
 Raine & Horne Ocean Shores

Sold Properties



Hamam Eden
Fernleigh, NSW 2.5 acres



Willana
Federal, NSW 6.5 acres



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Coorabell, NSW 110 acres



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Mullumbimby, NSW 2.5 acres



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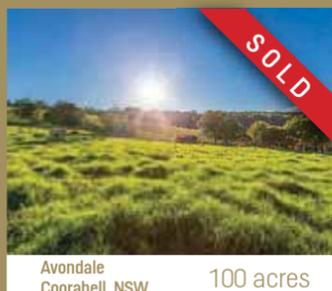
Myocum Ridge
Myocum, NSW 2.5 acres



Redbud Ranch (conjun)
Myocum, NSW 0.75 acres



Friday Hut Estate
Possum Creek, NSW 4 acres



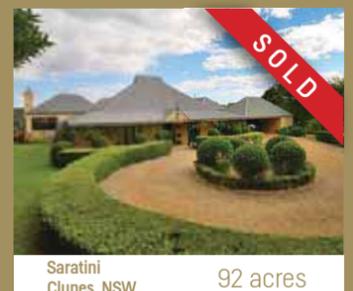
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Great opportunity in Byron Bay

Glen Villa Resort, 80-86 Butler Street, Byron Bay

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\$275,000



A rare opportunity to purchase a home at this great location at the famous Glen Villa. Glen Villa Resort is a caravan park with a difference! At this 'hideaway resort', the emphasis is on peace and relaxation.

Sprawled over 14-spacious acres with private tropical gardens, lush saltwater pool & spa with a relaxed sunny atmosphere, you'll feel a million miles away!

Walk just 400 metres to the centre of this iconic coastal town, or 600 metres and you're at Byron's magnificent Main Beach.

This is a great opportunity to own your own home within Glen Villa Resort at a fantastic price. This lovely home offers an open plan kitchen & living area, 2 bedrooms, carport and storage shed.

This property is only available to persons who choose Glen Villa Resort as their principal place of residence and conditions do apply.

Genuine enquiries phone Peter 0415 662 585

Contact: Peter Croke 0415 662 585

Peaceful country home

234 Dingo Lane, Myocum

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Auction



This 10 acre property offers the quintessential north coast living experience – a highly sought after address with character-filled timber home surrounded by lush, grassy paddocks, on a quiet, no through road. It ticks a lot of boxes for those looking for a peaceful, country home. The house was built in circa 1940 and has a traditional floor plan with wide, expansive wraparound verandahs, high ceilings and timber floors throughout.

It has been extended over the years to comprise four bedrooms and two bathrooms. Separate from the house is a converted dairy bails with separate bedroom and bathroom plus open plan kitchenette & living room. It's perfect for a teenage retreat or those who want to work from home but need a separate space. Or as guest accommodation, it will bring in good extra income. The property is currently home to horses and has previously been agisted with cattle. There is plenty of potential to improve the home and surrounding gardens and plenty of space in the approximate 1 acre home paddock, for a pool. The owners have also planted over 1600 native trees, creating a wonderful forest for kids to explore. Conveniently located just 7 minutes from Mullumbimby and 18 minutes from Byron Bay, it is a rare opportunity to purchase a special property like this.

Auction: April 28, 2016

Inspect: Wednesday 2.00 – 2.30pm, Saturday 11.00 – 11.30am

Contact: Janice Maple 0401 026 359 Elders Bangalow 6687 1500

Brand new. Commanding views

10 Laverty Court, Mullumbimby

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\$859,000



Architect designed, brand new contemporary home well positioned on an elevated 1363m2 block with panoramic views of Mt Chincogan, Mt Warning and a backdrop of mature brush-box trees.

The home exudes style and design.

Light and airy open plan living, dining and kitchen, bamboo flooring and high ceilings.

Bi-fold doors opening onto spacious covered verandahs, perfect for capturing the breeze. For winter – a slow-combustion heater.

Three bedrooms plus study, master bedroom with walk-in robe and ensuite.

The gardens have been thoughtfully landscaped and NBN is available onsite.

Contact: Ruth Russell 0402 855 929

ruth@promullum.com.au

Professionals Mullumbimby Mark Cochrane Real Estate



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**19 Beach Avenue, South Golden Beach
Iconic Shop and Residence**

- Spacious living room – cathedral ceilings
- Brand new sparkling designer bathroom
- Private and sunny courtyard + 4 timber decks
- Parking for multiple vehicles, boat or caravan
- Land size – approx. 596 sqm
- Shop internally – approx 154 sqm
- Excellent long-term tenants
- Impressive rental returns

Freehold only for sale

Business not for sale

View Wednesday & Saturday 3.00 – 4.00pm

Agent Franco Braico
Area Sales Manager
0438 565 525



\$739,000

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**2 Ulpirra Court, Ocean Shores
Not Very Ocean Shores!!**

Located in a quiet cul-de-sac is this truly exceptional home. Upstairs features a unique 2 bedroom, 1 bath whilst downstairs has a large 1 bed apartment which could be ideal for home business, artist work space, in-law accommodation... the list goes on.

- Light & Bright formal and casual living rooms
- Gorgeous & romantic bedrooms
- Ultra chic, brand new bathroom with deep stand alone bath
- Towering tropical gardens
- Sparkling Salt Water Pool
- Plenty of room for additional granny flat/studio (STCA)
- Elevated and private position
- 1170 sqm block of land

View Thursday & Friday 12.00 – 1.00pm

Agent Franco Braico
Area Sales Manager
0438 565 525



**Price Guide
\$799,000 – \$849,000**

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**14 Beach Avenue, South Golden Beach
Stunning Beachside Home!**

Light, breezy & elevated, this open & spacious home captures coastal breezes, and a pleasant nature-filled outlook, all while being in one of the most sought-after locations: South Golden Beach!

This 639m2 block is visually impressive – surrounded by lush, tropical landscaped gardens, including well established trees that offer ample birdlife, shade & privacy, while still allowing for bright, light sun-streams to enter the home abundantly.

With quality fittings and well thought-out design throughout the entire home, you'll have ample reason to take pleasure in this modern, stylish, split-level home. A HUGE bonus is the fully self-contained downstairs area – ideal accommodation for family or extra rental income.

View By Appointment

Agent Franco Braico
Area Sales Manager
0438 565 525



**Price Guide
\$1,590,000 – \$1,749,000**

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**180 Mafeking Road, Goonengerry
Luxurious Architect-Designed Byron
Hinterland Retreat !!**

Escape the frantic pace of modern life in this idyllic, private retreat set amongst the rolling green foothills behind Byron Bay.

The stunning architect-designed pavilion-style residence is perfectly positioned to capture the cooling breezes and take in the commanding 270 degree rural and mountain views this 12 acre holding enjoys.

The extensive use of glass and a multitude of stacker doors flood the home with natural light, with stylish plantation shutters shielding the bedrooms from the early dawn.

This property offers you a range of options, from a substantial family home, ideal for the growing family to a potential b&b operation, a home-based business or hobby farm.

View By Appointment

Agent Julie-Ann Manahan LREA
Licensee/Principal
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63 Myocum Downs, Myocum 4 2 2

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- Family home, quiet location, 6 acres
- Wonderful rural views and serenity
- Open plan kitchen/dining/living area.
- Master bedroom, walk-in robe & ens
- Enormous undercover entertaining area with 9m x 3.5m saltwater pool
- Separate s/c 1 bed studio with balcony
- 3 bay concrete floor shed with workshop
- Fenced for potential grazing

- Bio cycle septic; solar electricity support and hot water; NBN
- Only 5 minutes from Mullumbimby township and 12 minutes to the beach

Buyers guide \$1,150,000.
Contact Scott Harvey 0412 296 872.



Byron Bay 30 years ago 4 2 2

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Impeccable Lennox home with BIG views 4 2 3

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14 Amber Drive Lennox Head.

- Set on a large 1212m² block, spectacular views from both levels
- Dual level open plan living with multiple indoor/outdoor spaces
- Kitchen with granite bench tops & modern appliances
- Stunning spotted gum flooring features throughout upper level
- Lower level has large family area + wet bar, direct access to covered deck

- 3 car LUG, fully landscaped & est. gardens, room for pool (STCA)
- Located amongst other quality homes, close to village & beaches

Price: \$1,150,000.
Web ID: 1P1054.
Contact Mark Kinneally 0429 868 001
Lois Buckett 0428 877 399.



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74 Ballina Street, Lennox Head. 3 1 3+ + 2 Rentals

- Rare opportunity with potential PLUS
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Note: The 2 businesses are owned independently and are not for sale.

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Tranquil & private living at Lennox Head 4 2 2

8 Claremont Place, Lennox Head.

- Elevated 754m² private, level block – captures the breeze & views
- Practical open plan layout incl 4 bedrooms + multiple living spaces
- Recently renovated kitchen – huge island bench & new appliances
- Choice of two outdoor entertaining spaces – one with cover
- Landscaped gardens surround home
- Rear yard backs onto reserve

- Quiet cul-de-sac, only a short stroll to village & beaches
- Inspect by appointment.

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✓ Elevated with ocean views
Auction 12pm April 30, 2016, on site
 Contact Glen Irwin 0418 604 080,
 Jon Luton 0411 142 996.
 LJ Hooker Byron Bay 6685 7300

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Stylish duplex 100m from beach

2/30 Brandon Street, Suffolk Park
 2 1 2 \$660,000 – \$695,000



Located just one street from Tallow Beach, this stylish duplex offers an easy, breezy beachside lifestyle complete with a tasteful renovation and large yard with rear access!

The home is spacious and full of light with timber floors and an east facing open plan living/dining room that flows onto a lovely patio. The kitchen is modern with stone benchtops including a large breakfast bar and dishwasher.

There are 2 bedrooms both with built in robes. The main has a large window to take in the pretty view and privacy of the large back yard and gardens. There is a central bathroom and internal laundry with extra storage space.

A double carport running along the side of the building creates plenty of room for car parking and a protected and private outdoor living area.

An appealing home or investment in a quiet street only minutes walk to the beach, Suffolk Park shops, tavern and bike track into Byron Bay's town centre and schools.

Inspect: Saturday April 9, 12.00 – 12.30pm
Contact: Paul Banister 0438 856 552
 Helene Adams 0412 139 807
 First National Byron Bay

Agent declares interest

Iconic Byron Bay location

2/110 Lighthouse Road, Byron Bay
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Within walking distance of Clarke's Beach, Tallow Beach and The Pass, this well-proportioned ground floor apartment offers wonderful privacy, light filled spaces and a low maintenance design, ideal for relaxed coastal living.

Modern, peaceful and stylishly renovated, this property cleverly maximises space through an effective layout.

Featuring two well-proportioned bedrooms with built-in wardrobes and ensuite in the master bedroom. Connected to the open plan living & dining area, the private northwest facing verandah provides an extra space to relax and enjoy the cool ocean breezes.

With a well-equipped modern kitchen and Euro laundry, the unit is fully equipped for long stay holiday or permanent living.

Inspect: Saturday 10.30 – 11am
Contact: Brett Connable 0408 155 931
 Ray White Byron Bay



OPEN HOUSE
Saturday 10-10.30am

90 Robyns Road, Wilsons Creek 3 1.5 3

✓ Set on a picturesque 6.5 acres
 ✓ Australian contemporary with a Mexican theme
 ✓ DA approval for a second dwelling
 ✓ Landscaped stepped tropical gardens
 ✓ Expansive views to Mt Chincogan and over hinterland

✓ 2x sheds and a carport
Price \$1,195,000 – \$1,300,000
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- Polished timber floors and high ceilings
- Established gardens
- Huge covered outdoor entertaining
- Outdoor kitchenette, shower and toilet
- Zoning B4 Mixed Use with a corner location

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Ocean Shores

4 Kuringai Way

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- Large 999m2 block, elevated position
 - Approved to develop property into duplexes
 - 3 bedrooms, sep lounge, casual living and dining adjoin a roomy kitchen
 - Outdoor living, 6x3m garden studio + tool shed

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Auction 11.45am 16th April at RSL Auxilliary Hall Brunswick

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LOCATION: BYRON BAY

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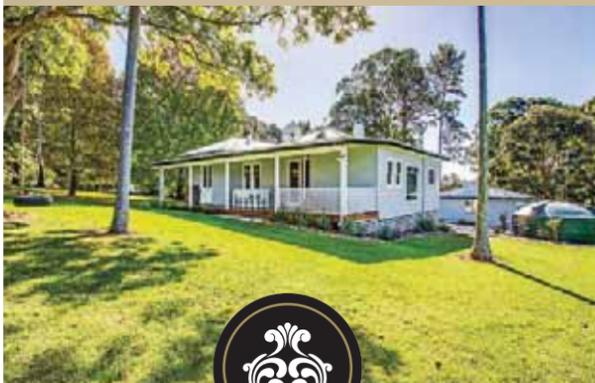
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- 25 minutes from Byron Bay
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- Contemporary kitchen and bathroom
- Home grown eggs
- Abundant fruit trees
- Expansive mountain views

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**LOCATION: PEARCES CREEK,
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- 52 Main St, Clunes. Wed 11-11.30am & Sat 10-10.30am
- 2 Bannister Court, Bangalow. Wed 12-12.30pm & Sat 11-11.30am
- 234 Dingo Lane, Myocum. Wed 2-2.30pm & Sat 11-11.30am
- 57 James Gibson Road, Clunes. Thu 12-12.30pm & Sat 1-1.30pm
- 223 Friday Hut Road, Tintenbar. Thu 2-2.30pm & Sat 12.30-1pm
- 6 Staghorn Court, Bangalow. Sat 10-10.30am
- 27 Blackwood Crescent, Bangalow. Sat 10-10.30am
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- 155-159 Broken Head Road, Suffolk Park. Wed & Sat 12-12.30pm
- Lots 1 and 18 Wilfred St, Billinudgel. Thu 10-10.30am
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- 20 Julian Rocks Drive, Byron Bay. Thu 2-2.30pm & Sat 1.30-2pm
- 7-9 Childe Street, Byron Bay. Thu 2-2.30pm
- 33 Redgum Place, Suffolk Park. Sat 10-10.30am
- 148 Bangalow Road, Byron Bay. Sat 10-10.30am
- 46 Broken Head Road, Newrybar. Sat 10-10.30am
- 6 Staghorn Court (off Palm Lily Place), Bangalow. Sat 10-10.30am
- 4 Barby Crescent, Bangalow. Sat 10-10.30am
- 15 Bryce Street, Suffolk Park. Sat 11-11.30am
- Lot 19 Campbell Lane, Bangalow. Sat 11-11.30am
- 21 Scott Street, Byron Bay. Sat 11-11.30am
- 71 Plantation Drive, Ewingsdale. Sat 12-12.30pm
- 2/30 Brandon Street, Suffolk Park. Sat 12-12.30pm
- 10 Wright Place, Byron Bay. Sat 12-12.30pm
- 9 Callistemon Drive, Federal. Sat 12-12.30pm
- 5/20 Sunrise Boulevard, Byron Bay. Sat 1-1.30pm
- 106 Arkinstall Road, Tunttable Creek. Sat 2-2.30pm
- 505 Ridgewood Road, Rosebank. Sat 2-2.30pm
- 463 Tunttable Creek Rd, Tunttable Creek. Sat 3-3.30pm

LJ HOOKER BRUNSWICK HEADS

- 9 Kanandah Court, Ocean Shores. Sat 10-10.30am
- 4 Kuringai Crt, Ocean Shores. Thu & Sat 11-11.30am
- 10 Orana Road, Ocean Shores. Sat 11-11.30am
- 1 Kulgun Court, Ocean Shores. Sat 11-11.30am
- 8 Nightcap Court, Mullumbimby. Sat 12-12.30pm
- 15 Clifford Street, South Golden Beach. Sat 1-1.30pm

LOIS BUCKETT REAL ESTATE

- 81 Bentinck Street, Ballina. Sat 10-10.30am
- 52 Kinvara Range Road, Tintenbar. Sat 10-10.30am
- 3/11 Range Street, East Ballina. Sat 11-11.30am
- 1/9 Seaview Street, East Ballina. Sat 11-11.30am
- 14 Amber Drive, Lennox Head. Sat 12-12.30pm
- 17 Palisade Way, Lennox Head. Sat 12-12.30pm
- 55 Amber Drive, Lennox Head. Sat 1-1.30pm

PROFESSIONALS MULLUMBIMBY

- 41 McGougans Lane, Mullumbimby. Sat 5-5.45pm & Sat 12-12.45pm

RAINE & HORNE OCEAN SHORES

- 2 Ulpirra Court, Ocean Shores. Thu & Fri 12-1pm
- 19 Beach Avenue, South Golden Beach. Wed & Sat 3-4pm
- 6/10 Kamala Crescent, Casuarina. Sat 10.45-11.30am
- 1/14 Helen Street, South Golden Beach. Sat 1-2pm

REMAX BYRON BAY

- Citriadora Rise, Ewingsdale. Sat 9-10am
- Lot 6 Hilltop Place, Lennox Head. Sat 11am-12pm
- 2/60 Centennial Circuit, Byron Bay. Sat 1-2pm
- 8 Casuarina Drive, Goonellabah Eco Village. Sat 3-4pm

SCOTT HARVEY REAL ESTATE

- 63 Myocum Downs Drive, Myocum. 12-12.30pm
- 12 Carolina Street, Lismore Heights. Sat 10-10.30am
- 54 Hellyer Drive, Wollongbar. Sat 11am-12pm
- 68 Hellyer Drive, Wollongbar. Sat 12-12.30pm
- 576 Pearces Creek Road, Alstonvale. Sat 1-2pm

AUCTIONS

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Auctions April 28, 2016

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- 234 Dingo Lane, Myocum
- 2 Bannister Court, Bangalow
- 57 James Gibson Drive, Clunes

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Auction 2pm April 9

- 20 Julian Rocks Drive, Byron Bay

Auction 10.30am April 30

- 5 Mott Street, Byron Bay

Auction 2pm May 14

- 120 Lagoon Drive, Myocum

LOIS BUCKETT REAL ESTATE

Auction 5.30pm Wednesday April 27 in our rooms

- 3/11 Range Street, East Ballina

PROFESSIONALS MULLUMBIMBY

Auction 11am Saturday April 16 in our office

- 41 McGougans Lane, Mullumbimby

RAINE & HORNE OCEAN SHORES

Auction 3pm onsite Saturday April 16

- 19 Beach Avenue, South Golden Beach

NEW LISTINGS

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- 55 Lilli Pilli Drive, Byron Bay. Auction Pending

ELDERS BANGALOW

- 6 Staghorn Court, Bangalow

FIRST NATIONAL BYRON BAY

- 120 Lagoon Drive, Myocum. Auction 14th May 2pm
- 5/20 Sunrise Boulevard, Byron Bay. \$450,000 to \$470,000

LOIS BUCKETT REAL ESTATE

- 81 Bentinck Street, Ballina. \$680,000
- 3/11 Range Street, East Ballina. Auction
- 8 Claremont Place, Lennox Head. \$729,000
- 52 Kinvara Ridge Road, Tintenbar. Contact Agent
- 14 Amber Drive, Lennox Head. \$1,150,000
- 74 Ballina Street, Lennox Head. Expressions of Interest

PROFESSIONALS MULLUMBIMBY

- 102 Hunter st, Burringbar \$595,000
- 41 Azalea St, Mullumbimby \$695,000

RAINE & HORNE OCEAN SHORES

- 1/14 Helen Street, South Golden Beach

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DIRECTING THE UPSIDE DOWN RIVER

INVOKING THE EXPANSIVE, ISOLATING BEAUTY OF RURAL AUSTRALIA, REG CRIBB'S EPIC NEW PLAY *THOMAS MURRAY AND THE UPSIDE DOWN RIVER* IS ABOUT A MAN RAVAGED BY DROUGHT, FAMILY SECRETS AND LOVE.



The play is coming direct to NORPA from its Sydney Griffin Theatre premiere. *The Echo* spoke with show director, Chris Bendall.

As a director what do you look for in a piece? What was it about Reg Cribb's play that interested you?

As a director, I'm looking usually for two things: firstly, a story that I want to share with an audience – and that may be about the themes or ideas that a work tackles, or an original story or slice of history that I'm excited to share; and secondly that it does this in a way that is creatively exciting both for me and the artistic team working on the piece and also potentially for an audience.

Thomas Murray was a work that I had wanted to tackle for a few years now. It has rich and hugely relevant themes, a gripping story, terrific characters, cracking dialogue – and Reg has crafted this all in a form that's really intriguing and inventive. It's a memory play in the first act, and becomes an odyssey in the second act that starts to get quite surreal and wonderfully playful.

What are the bigger themes that you wanted to develop?

This is a play with big themes about who we are as a country, about a region facing the impacts of drought, about the changing nature of our relationship to the land, and about our responsibility to confront past wrongs committed against the Indigenous owners of the land. It's a play that deals with someone uncovering his family's history, and his own sense of responsibility, complicity and guilt.

How do you go about crafting 'spaces' in your performance – those moments that just linger?

This is something that I think evolves fairly organically from the text and the performers in the rehearsal room and being in tune with the emotional current of the work. Finding when to give a work space to breathe, and for an audience to connect with it, and when to push forward.

What is the key to the emotional intensity in this play?

It's a highly emotionally charged play. There's a personal story of a love triangle, with profound friendships under immense strain, as well as the larger political story embedded in Thomas Murray's family history.

Tell me about the landscape that frames this piece and how you bring it to the stage.

The landscape of the play is really central to the meaning of the work and we wanted to evoke the sense of the land and the river through the set, lighting and sound, as well as creating a space for the stories buried underneath the river to come to the fore.

I love the idea of the wooden ramp for the stage. How does that work, both physically and conceptually?

It's a great central device, shaped like a triangle, that creates an immediate tension for the action to take place on. It gives Thomas Murray a space to travel up and down as he journeys downstream – and it holds quite a few surprises in it too that are revealed over the course of the play.

What about the actors – what were you pushing them to achieve in their performances during the rehearsal process?

The actors get pushed quite a lot in this work actually; it is of course always exciting for an audience to watch actors really stretched to the limit. Not only is there a huge emotional roller-coaster ride but it's a pretty physical production, especially for Grant (Cartwright) and Frankie (Savige), who also have a couple of terrific dances! The other three actors have the challenge of playing multiple roles, sometimes with very fast turnarounds; there're lots of super-fast costume-change action happening backstage! I love plays that really stretch the ability of an actor to completely transform physically, and this gives a real opportunity for that for Vanessa, Nico and Bjorn.

What were your biggest challenges?

There were many! The story isn't told chronologically; it starts at an absolute crisis moment for Thomas Murray and then flashes back through a series of memory sequences to reveal how we arrived at this place of crisis. So there were dramaturgical challenges and directorial ones, shaping the story and the work to make sure that the story was clear in all this. In the second act the play shifts gears quite noticeably too, as Thomas starts to lose his mind and we end up with the appearance of ancestors past in the form of ghosts and even a talking (dead!) sheep!

Tell me about what the actors bring to the piece. Is there something about each of them that expands the work that was once on the page?

The actors are incredible and really do a wonderful job in this work. They were all heavily involved in the development of the play and production for its world premiere season at Griffin in January this year, developing the complexity of their own individual characters and journeys and bringing their own personalities to the piece. Grant Cartwright is really quite awe-inspiring in the central role, bringing remarkable reserves of energy and emotional depth to the work. It's a really riveting central performance.

How did you prepare your actors? What were the deeper places you wanted them to take their performances to?

We had a wonderful rehearsal process – a highly collaborative process that everyone was very committed to and supported everyone exploring the full complexity, depth and humour of the piece on the rehearsal room floor.

How does humour sit in this piece?

It may sound surprising considering the themes I've described, but it's actually a truly laugh-out-loud funny play. This comes to Reg's wonderful knack with language, and crafting very relatable and recognisable characters. There are some truly hilarious lines throughout, and so it's quite a roller-coaster ride of comedy and thrilling tension throughout.

What should audiences expect for the Lismore shows?

We had such a wonderful response from audiences during its premiere season in Sydney. I think audiences in Lismore should expect to laugh, cry, think and be moved, and be swept up in an edge-of-your-seat thrilling story.

Friday 15 April, 7.30pm, Saturday 16 April, 2pm & 7.30pm.

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KEEP CALM... IT'S ONLY A BREAST!

Nasty prudes need to stop picking on breastfeeding mums. Breastfeeding in public is not embarrassing. Being embarrassed by breastfeeding in public: now that is embarrassing. People who get upset about women feeding their babies clearly have a problem with over-sexualising the human body and can only see breasts as something pornographic. If breastfeeding is sexual, then a bottle is a dildo!

It's got to the point that some breastfeeding mothers have been shamed into feeding their babies in toilets. I searched a few blogs and came across some questionable attitudes with one stating, 'Everyone should be considerate to others. It's unpleasant and unsightly' or

'Women shouldn't feed in a restaurant, because not everyone wants to see boobs when they are eating'. Speak for yourself. I am happy to see boobs anytime. Boobs are food. They shouldn't be banned from restaurants – they should be on the menu!

I breastfed for a total of 11 years. Not one child continuously. Four children with a few bench breaks here and there. In anyone's books, you could say it was a lot of 'tits out' time. There was a period when I think my tits were out a lot more than they were in, and at times I lost the ability to tell the difference. Not even a cool breeze would alert me to nipple exposure. Like when the man from Australia Post came to the door and I'd forgotten to put one away. He quipped, 'You just

have to sign, love.' I breastfed him anyway. His hair grew back on the spot.

Breastfeeding shouldn't be shamed, it should be a sport. I got really good at it. In fact, I think I had quite the talent. And not just at home. I was masterful at some pretty impressive public feeding action. In fact, if it were an Olympic event I reckon I'd be a medal contender. Being six foot tall and built like a Viking warrior the 'walking titty' was a breeze.

I could walk and breastfeed children up to two years of age. Generally my own, but I was always happy to take volunteers. I also mastered walking titty while carrying shopping, dry cleaning and a takeaway latte. Many times I went on stage breastfeeding. I don't

recommend it for performance though because it is hard to maintain a train of thought when someone bites you hard on the nipple.

Most impressively though I could shop and breastfeed. All I needed to do was undo my blouse, lean forward just enough for my breast to swing forward and bingo, the baby mouth latches it all into place. It made shopping a lot less stressful. Although it was almost impossible to reach anything on the bottom shelf unless I used my toes.

My children never cried. They couldn't. There was *always* a tit in their mouth. Most people found it bemusing, perhaps a little surprising and unconventional. But there was always the odd person who lost their shit.

This was the person, usually a woman, who would actually stop in their tracks with that strange mouth-dropped-open, frozen-in-time expression. Like they'd had a stroke. Actually I think one day the lady did have a stroke.

I loved doing that to people. I enjoyed it a lot more than I should have. I loved that me grabbing a can of diced tomatoes and popping it in my trolley while my naked breast was in the mouth of my hungry child was shocking. It seemed silly. Because it was probably the least shocking thing of all. Really, who could be offended by someone having 'food' in a place that sells food? Surely if they experience outrage it should be directed at the cruelty of the corporate machine and its

control of food production, not a primary producer doing her weekly shop. I could still hear them talking about me by the time I'd reached the next aisle.

One day a young bloke passed me in the street and said 'that's disgusting'. So I followed him all the way to the pub. You can always pick the bottle-fed boys. In 11 years I *never* fed my baby in one of those gross stinky feeding rooms they provide in airports or shopping centres. I figured if I wouldn't eat in there then why should my child. And I certainly never ever fed them on the toilet. That's offensive. Whether you breastfeed or not is your choice. But being offended by women who breastfeed in public, now that's disgusting.

Live Music

FRESH, YOUNG AND POWERFUL: MEET MONTAIGNE'

Montaigne's fresh and powerful vocals showcase talent beyond her 19 years – a spectacle that does not leave viewers disappointed.

The past year has been a momentous one for the teenager, who re-acquainted herself with Australia after releasing her debut single *I Am Not An End* early in 2014, which was Triple J's 36th most played song of the year.

She first enlightened our senses as an Unerthed high finalist in

2012, before taking a hiatus to complete her HSC.

Her recently released EP *Life of Montaigne* has been met with a lot of well-deserved hype but it's the live delivery of her songs that is resonating with fans and critics alike.

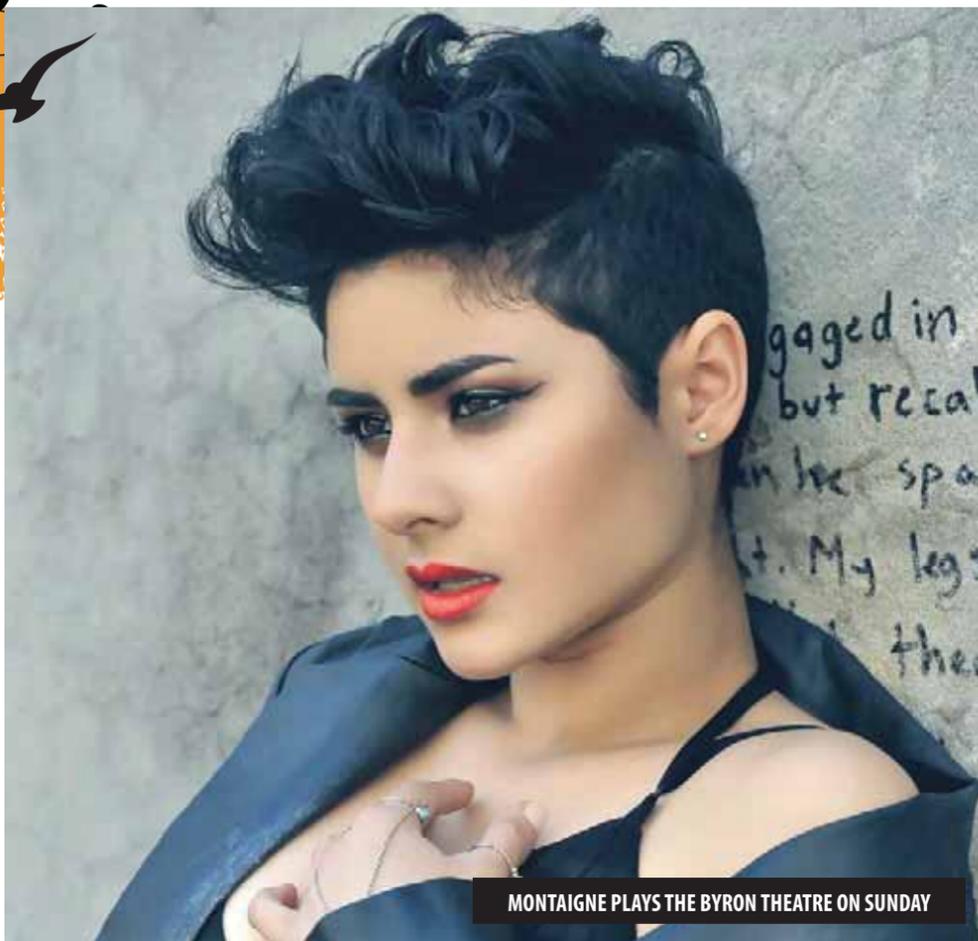
Among a host of other great reviews, Montaigne was named FBI's unsigned artist of the week last July, *Tone Deaf's* 11 Most Talented Aussie Musicians Under

18 and one of *New York Examiner's* 'Seven artists to keep an eye on this summer'.

Montaigne released her most recent single *I'm A Fantastic Wreck* and its video last November; it exhibits quirky animations juxtaposed with real-life footage shot in Melbourne's historic Mintaro Homestead, built in 1882.

The Sydney-based songstress has spent the past year refining her live performance, being handpicked by San Cisco and Megan Washington as the special guest for their respective national tours, and was awarded Next Big Thing at FBI Radio's 2014 annual SMAC Awards.

She plays the **Byron Theatre** on **Sunday** at 7pm. Tix at the venue – \$30/\$25.



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TOBY ROBINSON PLAYS THE BYRON BREWERY AS PART OF THE BYRON VIBES NIGHT ON SATURDAY

COO COO CACHOO, TOBY ROBINSON

Toby Robinson is a folk/indie/pop singer/songwriter. A native of Queensland's Sunshine Coast but now Melbourne based, with a childhood steeped in the music of the finger-picking greats of folk, Toby learned guitar at his father's knee. From busking as a kid at Eumundi markets to playing in bands with his brother throughout his teens, music is the constant in his life. Toby is currently touring off his second release, *Live Your Life*, which is a single off his soon-to-be-released EP. He plays the **Byron Brewery** as part of the **Byron Vibes Night** on **Saturday**.

TUOOOZDAY!

Ooz is an acoustic roots-reggae artist with a large, eclectic repertoire of crowd favourites.

His unique, laidback but lively style creates a relaxed atmosphere and his song choices have you remembering many of those forgotten classics.

His ability to create layers with a loop pedal enables him to play bass guitar and lay percussion beats to accompany his performances and get the audience on their feet.

He plays the **Byron Brewery** on **TuOOOZday!** 7pm.

Free entry.

ORANGE IS THE NEW ALBUM

Seasoned folk darlings **Tinpan Orange** have today announced their fifth studio album, *Love is a Dog* (set for release 8 April), alongside its breathtaking first single, *Rich Man* (out 12 February). The virtuosic trio will hit the road to celebrate the release kicking off at the Fairbridge Folk Festival (WA) on 15 April, moving through Tasmania, Melbourne, Mullumbimby, Brisbane, Sydney, Darwin, Fremantle and finishing up in Adelaide on 5 June. Tickets are available now for their show at the **Mullum Civic Hall** on **Saturday 14 May** from www.redsquaremusic.com.au.

BOWIE UP THE DUFF

The reaction of fans worldwide to the sad and sudden passing of David Bowie is testament to the enormous regard in which he was held as one of the major figures in popular music. Jeff's *Bowie Unzipped* show salutes the enormous legacy that Bowie left behind with Jeff's unique interpretation of Bowie's remarkable and enduring songbook. Jeff has been singing Bowie's songs for many years with the glowing support of Bowie's official website BowieNET, and was a special guest (in conversation) at the opening of the recent Bowie exhibition in Melbourne. Together with a killer band, Duffo's journey to Planet Bowie includes the songs: *Space Oddity*, *Lets Dance*, *China Girl*, *Life On Mars*, *Changes*, *Ziggy Stardust* among many other faves.



TINPAN ORANGE TOUR THEIR FIFTH STUDIO ALBUM NATIONALLY IN MAY WITH A SHOW AT MULLUM CIVIC HALL ON SATURDAY 14 MAY

Jeff's all-star band features guitarist Jak Housden from the Whitlams along with the brilliant keyboard player Glenn Rhodes and drummer/percussionist Jess Ciampa.

He gave us a taste of what's to come at the Byron Easter Arts Classic, so catch **Jeff Duff** when he presents *Bowie Unzipped* at the **Byron Theatre** on **Wednesday 20 April**.

THE YEAR OF THE CAT

Recovered and ready, Chan Marshall aka **Cat Power** returns as promised with a new set of dates, same select venues. 'I've been looking forward for so long to returning to my home away from

home and I wasn't going to let this debilitating illness deprive me or anyone else of that opportunity. I'm so glad to be making it back to Australia,' says Chan. The Georgian-born singer/songwriter has been a longtime fan of Australia – its audience and its people – dating back to 1997 and her first visit at the behest of Dirty Three / Xylouris White drummer Jim White. A visit that also saw Chan record her album *Moon Pix* (including breakthrough track *Crossbones Style*) with both White and Dirty Three guitarist Mick Turner. Don't miss this rare opportunity to see *Cat Power Solo: Up Close and Intimate*, playing songs old

and new ahead of new album recording this autumn.

Thursday 19 May at **Star Court Theatre**, in Lismore. Tickets \$57.00 plus b/f from www.starcourttheatre.com.au.

MUSIC FOR SENIORS WEEK

For many years now, **The Howie Bros** have performed to capacity crowds at **Ballina RSL's** feature Morning Melody show during NSW Seniors Week. On **Thursday** 10.30am–12noon, six-time Mo Award winner Wayne Horsburgh will join Graeme Howie, from The

Howie Brothers, in a show that will have the crowd singing along and yelling for more. (Well, maybe not yelling so much as politely insisting!) As Graeme says, the crowd will be in for a wonderful show. 'We have wanted to perform with Wayne Horsburgh, at Ballina RSL, for a long time!' Wayne Horsburgh has just recently been elevated to the Roll of Renown in Tamworth, the highest accolade in Australian country music. He is Australia's premier male yodeller. He sings in the style of Frank Ifield, Slim Whitman and Marty Robbins. Wayne has a beautiful tenor voice and will have the crowd singing along to favourites such as *China*

Doll, *Love Song of the Waterfall*, and *Forty Shades of Green*. He will take the crowd on a 'trip to the islands' with beautiful Hawaiian songs such as *Blue Hawaii* and *Pearly Shells*. Doors open at 9.45am on Thursday for this free Seniors Week concert. Show starts at 10.30.

MUSIC IS IN THE AIR AT POINCIANA

The Poinciana Cafe is under new ownership, who are keen to fill the air with music. Every **Sunday** afternoon the Mullumbimby Music Club presents jazz and blues from 2pm.

This Sunday will feature **The D Train** – a classy little jazz/blues trio, playing the jazz classics from the great American songbook, such as *Between the Devil and the Deep Blue Sea*, *Stormy weather*, *It Don't Mean a Thing, Beginning to See the Light*, along with some fun uptempo boogie blues.

Talented vocalist Deidi Vine was brought up on Kangaroo Island SA with the wonderful old jazz classics from her father's collection, which included Nina Simone, Ella Fitzgerald, Sarah Vaughn, Billy Holliday, and Fats Waller, to name a few.

Dei's natural timbre and articulation for jazz is apparent from the very first note, complemented by the extraordinary skills of both John Hill, who spent years performing in England, Amsterdam and Japan, Kristan Burnnand, who hails from NZ, where he studied jazz and ventured on to play and teach music for three years in New York.

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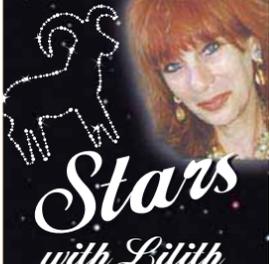
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♈ ARIES: Venus joining the sun, Uranus and Thursday's annual new moon in Aries accelerates this week's pace, making your three-phase mantra: *Breathe. Think it through. Be thoughtful rather than forceful.* When you aren't able to control situations or other people, what you can be boss of is yourself.

♉ TAURUS: If tranquillity and serenity seem scarce this week when even simple pleasures get complicated by pushy people with angsty agendas, then your sweet Venus might finally spit the dummy. And should the long-suffering Bull see red, watch out, world, when articulate Mercury in your sign speaks its mind in no uncertain terms...

♊ GEMINI: Your mentor Mercury moving into the sign of cautious common sense warns against getting too involved with taking sides in other people's wrangles. Attend instead to what this week's good for: networking at social events, making influential contacts and business-boosting connections. Beware of high-pressure sales pitches though.

♋ CANCER: An edgy week for you lunar-ruled sensitives, with a supercharged new moon possibly triggering sudden, dramatic developments in your personal, professional or economic world. Calm down and carefully inspect the changing scenario for a silver lining, ie where you might be able to find unexpected benefits that work for you.

♌ LEO: Your majesty's a fire sign, and this feisty firecracker week could change your life in a flash, for better or worse depending on how you behave. Inflammatory reactions will only provoke no-win conflicts, so stay calm, maintain your composure and don't make drastic decisions before reality-checking with someone you trust.

♍ VIRGO: Your planetary mentor Mercury in the sign of definite and determined can press your 'stubborn' button, but this week even considerate, well-intentioned feedback is likely to have others arcing up, and all your precision-thinking disintegrating in the heat of the moment. Good news? Late week sees conditions ease...

♎ LIBRA: With April's planetary focus in your seventh house of partnerships and conciliation, this week's theme is brokering agreements and peaceful solutions – more easily advised than achieved with people bent on sharing their gripes and rants. If a Venus/Uranus connection brings friendship changes or a friend's change affects you, downplay drama, upgrade patience.

♏ SCORPIO: April's celestial energy rush arrives just in time for the many pressing details of daily practicalities: health checks, family dynamics, interpersonal politics, everyday dilemmas. If this week's pressure-cooker starts messing with your mental wiring, stay pliable and let the energetic momentum ease you through its tight squeezes.

♐ SAGITTARIUS: It's easy for you speedsters to get ahead of yourselves. But shortcuts aren't the smartest path this week, when rushing or making decisions too quickly could mean expensive complications down the track. Confirm agreements in writing. Ruffle as few feathers as possible. If you're upset, don't drive till you've calmed down.

♑ CAPRICORN: Home and family affairs feature prominently on this month's combustible agenda. So rather than letting domestic pressures or challenges to your authority send you to Bad Mood Central, keep shifting focus from what's wrong to what might be the best outcome for everyone – which will involve listening to other people's opinions.

♒ AQUARIUS: This week stirs up a whirlwind of exciting and/or unsettling surprises and changes of mind, mood or agreements that invite a shift in perspective on your part. Combined with research, homework and due diligence this will put you in a primo position to consider the promising opportunities on offer.

♓ PISCES: Finding this week's people heavy-handed, aggressive, irritable, impatient, argumentative or demanding? You're not alone. Best advice is to walk away from power plays, avoid serial complainers, resist arguing with know-it-alls. Don't take things personally, do make sure you factor in plenty of soul-nourishing restoratives.

CULTURE

HEY NICE BITS!

The Drill Hall Theatre's first production for 2016 is **The Drill Bits Show**. Bits of Drama, Bits of Comedy, Bits of Dance, Bits of Music and Bits of Film, all

shaken into a theatrical cocktail that will appeal to all tastes.

Money raised on opening night will go to COREM, who will be installing a 10kW solar PV system on the Drill Hall.

Running **Friday** and

Saturday, 15, 16 April and **22, 23 April** at 7.30pm, and **Sunday 17 April** at 2pm.

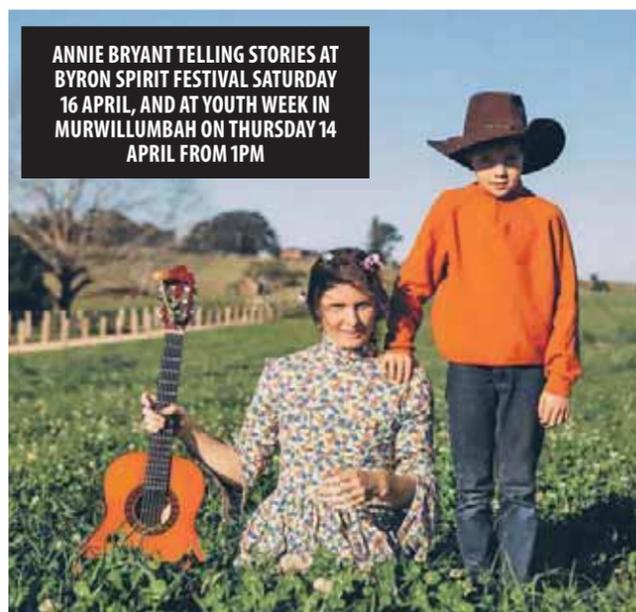
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The screenings of Ethan Hawke's wondrous film **Seymour: An Introduction** have been so greatly enjoyed that Lounge Cinema, aka **Pighouse Flicks**, has decided to screen it a third time! **Sunday** at 3pm.

IN CONVERSATION WITH LAST CAB TO DARWIN WRITER

Multi-award-winning playwright and screenwriter Reg Cribb (*Last Cab to Darwin*) will spend an evening In Conversation with local screenwriter and script editor Charlie de Salis at a Screenworks event, at SAE Creative Institute in Byron Bay on Thursday 14 April. At this special event, Reg Cribb will share his career highlights and



ANNIE BRYANT TELLING STORIES AT BYRON SPIRIT FESTIVAL SATURDAY 16 APRIL, AND AT YOUTH WEEK IN MURWILLUMBAH ON THURSDAY 14 APRIL FROM 1PM

talk about his current projects, two of which he is working on in the Northern Rivers.

Beginning with a networking event at 5.30pm, followed by the In Conversation at 7pm at SAE Creative Media Institute in Byron Bay.

This event is open to the general public. Tickets include food, beverages and admission to the In Conversation. Tickets and more information www.screenworks.com.au.

Murwillumbah on Thursday 14 April (1pm to 4pm) and at Byron Spirit Festival on **Saturday 16 April** (10am and 2pm) in the Spirited Kids Space (general public welcome).

Annie combines spellbinding tales with singalong melodies to create a fun and nourishing show inspired by nature.

More info: talesandsongs.com.

CELEBRATING WISDOM!

Thanks to a NSW Seniors Week Grant, Cape Byron Playback Theatre Company are offering a one-day workshop on Saturday, open to ALL community members. This fun, dynamic workshop will explore the art of Playback, where you will be guided through the basics of improvisation, encouraged to explore your physical and creative self-expression through body and voice while sharing our stories of Wisdom of the Ages. 10am–3pm, Drill Hall Theatre, Mullumbimby.

Entry by donation. Open to all ages 14+. For bookings call Lisa 0403 023 693.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY STORY HUNT!

Join local storyteller and musician **Annie Bryant** for an autumn story hunt in the magical Storytent this school holidays.

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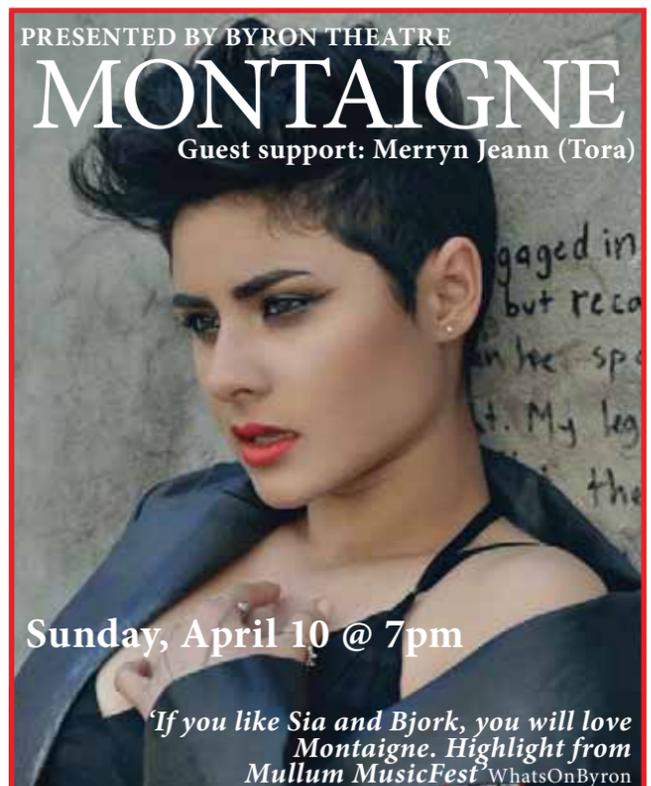
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HELLO BELLO!



THE BEAUTIFUL TOWN OF BELLINGEN COMES ALIVE AGAIN THIS WINTER WITH MULLUM MUSIC FESTIVAL'S SISTER EVENT, BELLO WINTER MUSIC. WHEN LAUNCHING THE LINEUP THIS WEEK, FOR PROMOTER AND EVENT CREATOR GLENN WRIGHT WHEN IT COMES TO MUSIC FESTIVALS IT'S ONWARDS AND... SIDEWAYS?

What is it about Bellingen that attracted you to create a Mullum Music-styled festival there?

I think both towns have a love of the alternative. Both are surrounded by hills and hinterland, and in them there hills there be some pretty wacky people. There're also the traditional farmers and escapees from cities looking for a better lifestyle. It all makes for a good place for the arts, and in particular music, to be heard and appreciated.

When I started the Mullumbimby festival in the back of my mind I knew it would work in Bellingen also.

Do you think having an event in winter changes the 'feel'?

It's brilliant. Cold, like in Melbourne. At Bello Winter it's going to be cold and there will be fireplaces and people will snuggle up and enjoy the music. The cafes are warm places and the venues intimate. Perfect for enjoying music.

How was it received last year? What was the feedback, and how are you going to build on it for 2016?

Everybody seemed to love it. Emily Lubitz from Tinpan Orange said it was her new favourite festival. We programmed many acts that had performed previously at festivals together, so there was a sense of familiarity about the festival, yet it was different. About half the producing team is either from Bellingen, or has close connections with Bellingen, having lived there previously. What we also found was that the audience was super keen for new and emerging artists of all genres. Many of these newer acts I went on and booked for Mullum later that year.

You talk about 'growing sideways'. Tell me what that means.

It's really important to have new challenges and have a way of growth, even if it's not necessarily bigger. Mullum Music Festival could grow bigger but it would not work for the town, and ultimately it would be a very different festival from what it currently is.

It's a great boutique festival for music lovers and that's why people seem to like it. We love what we do. We champion music we are passionate about. That is so cool! To me it was not a difficult choice to do a winter version. We also wanted to broaden our network and see if a close relationship could be forged with a 'sister' town. So far it's been a real success and heaps of fun.



LENNOX LOCAL KARYN FENDLEY IS ONE OF THE ARTISTS IN THE NATURAL CONNECTION EXHIBITION OPENING THIS FRIDAY

SEEING THE CONNECTION

Lennox Arts Collective opened a new working gallery space in December last year, taking over an empty shop in the Lennox Head CBD. This **Friday** they open **Natural Connection**, an exhibition by three local artists, Caroline McKay, Karyn Fendley and Kay Knights, who share their diverse ways of connecting with the landscape. Caroline McKay's intricately detailed artworks remind us to live in the moment and to look closer at our surroundings every day. Using elements of etching, drawing and painting, McKay creates unique artworks that celebrate the small things of daily life. Her artworks explore the patterns and forces of nature and detailed fragments from the environment.

Landscape artist Karyn Fendley composes her paintings in the

studio after spending time in the field. Fendley's dramatic compositions, with their simple imagery and flattened perspectives, capture the essence of the landscapes she paints. Her recent artworks focus on the coastal landscapes and heathlands between Byron Bay and Evans Head.

Kay Knights exhibits a bold new series of artworks that share her daily experience of living on the coast at Lennox Head. The Lennox dog beach, a place of delight for both dogs and their humans, is the inspiration for Knights's colourful oil paintings that capture the joy and energy of dogs at play. Knights depicts the dogs' vitality, enthusiasm and chaotic play with colours and shapes fashioned by sea and sky.

Showing until **Thursday 21 April** at the **Lennox Arts Collective gallery**, 2/72 Ballina Street, Lennox Head.

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CULTURE



PETER WILLEY & LINDSAY WEBB TWO OF THE COMICS AT THE ANZ-CACK COMEDY NIGHT AT THE BYRON BAY SERVICES CLUB ON SATURDAY 23 APRIL, RAISING MONEY FOR THE BYRON BAY WAR MEMORIAL

WEBB JOINS THE BILL FOR ANZ CACK COMEDY

Fast-talking Brisbane comedian Lindsay Webb joins local comedians at the ANZ Cack Comedy Gala to raise money for the Byron Bay War Memorial. There are some comedians that have this uncanny ability of talking to you as if they've known you forever.

Lindsay Webb is one of them. He is unforgettable. Other comedians all acknowledge that no-one talks to an audience and improvises material as well as Webb. He is the master of small talk. In fact he's so good at shooting the breeze that in 2009 he set a Guinness World Record for the Longest Show by an Individual when he performed non-stop – a massive 38 hours six minutes. Hosted by Mandy Nolan, the evening features longtime

comedian Nick Penn, who has also been a regular performer for the troops both here and abroad; mother of twins, Ellen Briggs; and geologist-turned-comedian Peter Willey. Willey has a particularly funny song about a CWA meeting gone horribly wrong. Saturday 23 April. Tickets are limited and are available at the Byron Bay Services Club or can be booked on 6619 0529. Show is at 8pm. Tickets are \$30 or \$25 per person if booked for a table of 10.

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I believe the cross-town benefits have already started in a musical sense but we are keen to explore more ways this can be fostered.

What are the biggest challenges for an event producer such as yourself in creating sustainable events in small communities?

There are challenges, but most people who promote music for any length of time tend to have a thick skin. The winter event got off to a surprisingly easy start, with all four days well attended and the Saturday of the inaugural event actually selling out prior to the day. I think it helped that there are very few music festivals in July; the festival takes place in the middle of the school holidays, and Bellingen is a desirable destination.

How do you get local community and related agencies in on the ground floor?

About half the core team who work on the winter festival are locals to Bellingen or ex-Bellingen locals. We also work closely with about 20 commercial organisations in the town, mainly venues and sponsors. We present the Youth Mentorship in Bellingen, and work with the Youth Hub. We program roughly a third of the music from the mid north coast. Also each year we partner with the Bellingen Shire Learning Alliance (BSLA) to present The Bellingen Leaf, a festival within a festival that showcases more than 10 different not-for-profit organisations of the Bellingen Shire, showcasing social and environmental practices and educational programs through a series of workshops, talks, forums, gatherings and tours throughout the town of Bellingen during Bello Winter Music. All the activities are free to festival patrons and by donation to locals on the day.

What is the feel you are going for this year with Bello?

I co-program Bello Winter Music with Kate Atkinson; it's fun and a really enjoyable process. We have programmed a bunch of really exciting new acts that are emerging. Acts such as Sahara Beck, Tora, Yriimal, Majiwa, William Crighton, Aine Tyrell, Claire Anne Taylor, Desmond Cheese, Raised By Eagles, The Seven Ups, Madeline Leman & The Desert Swells, Honey and Knives, The Grand Magoozi, Stav, and The New Venusians. I think the festival will be shaped by the programming of these emerging acts alongside some incredibly respected

musicians, including Jeff Lang, Jo Jo Smith, Greg Sheehan, Kylie Auldlist, King Tide, Gyan and Brian Campeau.

What is it about the events you curate that is different from other festivals?

I'd say it's a lack of fear of booking good music and a program that is diverse in genres, and ages, and equal representation of sexes. I'm happy to book a mix of local acts and also book an act from New York City, and put them on the same stage, and one after the other. I get excited about booking a traditional mainstream jazz act followed by a hip-hop artist, then a folk singer. It's either good music or it's not, and if it's good and it fits the overall mix of the festival then we will consider programming it. Also I usually try to book fun acts that are maybe not musical but will put people in good spirits so that when they do go into a venue for a musical performance they have a smile on their face and really do enjoy the gig. For instance, one of the acts we have booked for Bello this year is a magician, and he does the coolest card trick on the planet. I doubt many of those who buy a ticket for the festival will actually know this prior to the festival. But hey, it's a great card trick and I think that's what makes for a great music festival. Go figure!

Tell me about the highlights at Bello Winter Music.

A must-see is New Yorker Willie Watson, of Old Crow Medicine fame, whom I recently met as a member of Dave Rawling's Machine when they were touring in February this year. Willie is coming back to Australia for Bello Winter Music and a national tour. Also master blues and roots guitarist Jeff Lang will appear, funk legend Kylie Auldlist from the Bamboos, jazz and blues dynamo Mojo Juju, inspiring and enlightened hip-hop/beats from L Fresh the Lion, blue grass aficionados The Mid North (Bellingen locals), Melbourne's notorious Jazz Party and cross-pollinated world music from West Africa and Australia from Jaaleekaay. For a laugh go to 'On the Couch, with Brian Nankervis', check out what's new in the world of Joel Salom, be amazed by magician Liam Power, dance with the Cassettes or the Bollywood Sisters, and of course the amazingly beautiful, hugely talented, painfully funny, enormously intelligent Mandy Nolan will appear. And yes, the Magic Bus is also en route!

Bello Winter Music – Thursday to Sunday, 7–10 July. Tickets on sale now through www.bellowintermusic.com.



cinema Reviews ZOOTOPIA

It's inconceivable that the children who have been flocking to this brilliant little girl-power movie could possibly appreciate the 'grown up' subtleties and sophistication of its script. When a story that is loaded with social comment has as one of its central characters a sheep named 'Bellwether' you know straightaway that much of what is happening will go way over the kids' heads – hence the PGR rating (not that all Ps will understand the significance of 'Bellwether' either).

Zootopia is a futuristic land in which anthropomorphic, English-speaking creatures live in peace and harmony. Judy Hopps, a cute rabbit from the sticks, wants to be a city cop (her parents try to dissuade her with, 'the reason why we are so happy is that we gave up on our dreams'). Immediately we have the feminist aspect come into play as Judy strives to overcome the ZPD's inbuilt chauvinism. Her unnatural ally becomes the sly fox Nick Wilde, thus ticking off the box of opposites working

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together. The challenge that the pair of outsiders confronts concerns the predatory animals in Zootopia reverting to type and attacking the majority of its citizens that traditionally were animals of prey. Only a small minority of predators are doing it, but that's enough for the powers that be to whip up the mob's fear of 'the other'. The scenario is worldwide and if it takes a cartoon such as this to open youngsters' eyes to its poison, then more power to the filmmakers. It's an animation that relies less on sight gags than it does on smart, topical one-liners.

The drawing and shading and synchronisation of movement and sound is superb, as is the atmos created by light, colouring and a pitch-perfect soundtrack, particularly in some earlier sequences when the plot ventures into LA-noir territory. The voicings, perhaps because they are done by 'lesser' stars such as Ginnifer Goodwin, Jason Bateman and J.K. Simmons – with a terrific Mr Big (Vito Corleone) spoken by Maurice LaMarche – are personalised rather than show-off. I look forward to the sequel.



A BIGGER SPLASH

It's an unhelpful distraction when a movie constantly reminds you of so many others you've seen. Such was the case with this psycho-sexual drama from Italian director Luca Guadagnino. Among those that came to mind, the most persistent was François Ozon's *Swimming Pool* (2003), if for no other reason than la piscina at the luxurious island getaway at which this is set is the focal point of so much that happens. Tilda Swinton is miscast as Marianne Lane, a mega rockstar who has come to a tiny Sicilian island to recover from throat surgery that has left her all but speechless. Accompanying her is current partner Paul (Matthias Schoenaerts). Their idyll is disturbed by the arrival of Harry (Ralph Fiennes), a famous record producer and former lover of Marianne, and his daughter Penelope (Dakota Johnson), who, to all intents and purposes, is a latter-day Lolita. I didn't take to any of them, which made it difficult to like the movie. Fiennes is fantastic as a loudmouth whom I could not stand a bar of, Swinton displays her usual frostiness, while Johnson can find little to make of her cut-out role and Schoenaerts broods listlessly as the not entirely unpredictable tensions smoulder between the four malcontents.

The cult of celebrity has led us to believe that those who enjoy a privileged lifestyle really are different and, to his credit, I believe that Guadagnino is trying to shatter such humbug by contrasting his characters' self-absorbed problems with those of the refugees who are arriving from North Africa and being locked up in makeshift compounds in the island's main town. Nude scenes are equally shared by all participants, though Fiennes, whose penis gets more exposure than Swinton's breasts, thankfully has his daks on when he dances like a loony to the Stones' *Emotional Rescue* (worth the price of admission alone – the dance that is, not his dick). Overwrought, suffocating in style and with unneeded flashbacks, it climaxes with a crime I didn't believe and departs leaving a nasty taste in the mouth.

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- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, BYRON **DAN HANNAFORD**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON 7PM **WALLFLOWER MEADOWS**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 8.30PM **RICHIE WILLIAMS BAND**
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- WOODY'S SURF SHACK, BYRON 8PM **DJ NERY**
- TREEHOUSE, BELONGIL 7.30PM **THE BEAN PROJECT**
- BANGALOW BOWLING CLUB 7PM **ROCK'N'ROLL DANCING**
- COURT HOUSE HOTEL, MULLUMBIMBY 8PM **OPEN MIC STAND UP COMEDY WITH MANDY NOLAN**
- LENNOX HOTEL 9PM **JAM NIGHT**
- BALLINA RSL 10.30AM **SENIORS CONCERT WITH GRAEME HOWIE & WAYNE HORSBURGH**
- TATTS HOTEL, LISMORE 7PM **ACID BLEED**
- SOUNDLOUNGE, CURRUMBIN **TWIN HAUS + BASKERVILLAIN**

FRIDAY 8

- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, BYRON **BLEACH GIRLS, RADOLESCENT, DJ GASTRIC DISTRESS**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON 7PM **CHRIS COOK BAND**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 5PM **TUFFY 9PM TIGERTOWN BAND**
- BYRON BREWERY 7PM **SWAMP STOMPERS**
- GINGER PIG, BYRON 8PM **GROOVE DJ**
- STICKY WICKET, BYRON 9PM **DJ TWITCH 9.30PM OOOZ**
- WOODY'S SURF SHACK, BYRON 9PM **THE HIGH ROLLERS**
- TREEHOUSE, BELONGIL 7.30PM **VANISHING SHAPES**
- SUN BISTRO, SUNRISE 5PM **BEN WALSH**
- BANGALOW HOTEL 7.30PM **KATHRYN JONES & STEVE PASSFIELD**
- BRUNSWICK HOTEL 7PM **DIRTY RIVER DUO**
- LENNOX HOTEL 10AM **B-TOWN COLLECTIVE**
- LENNOX ART COLLECTIVE GALLERY **NATURAL CONNECTION ART OPENING**
- BALLINA RSL 8.30PM **CONSTITUTION**
- WHARF BAR, BALLINA 7.30PM **STU BLACK**
- BALLINA PLAYERS THEATRE 8PM **FUNNY MONEY**

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- ELTHAM HOTEL 6PM **CHARLIE KELLER**
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- RIVERVIEW HOTEL, MULLUMBIMBY 7.30PM **MESCALITO BLUES**
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- KINGSCLIFF BOWLS CLUB 7.30PM **ADAM BROWN**
- CABARITA SPORTS CLUB **BANDERAS BAND**
- TWIN TOWNS, TWEED HEADS 5PM **MAT STOKES DUO 8.30PM LEGENDARY VOICES OF ROCK**
- TWIN TOWNS JUNIORS, TWEED HEADS 5PM **DAVE CAVANAGH**
- CLUB BANORA 7PM **MICK MCHUGH TRIO**
- SOUNDLOUNGE, CURRUMBIN **BEN SALTER BAND + MEXICO CITY**
- CURRUMBIN CREEK TAVERN 8PM **REDSTARBORN, VEAL, UVERSEU, LOTUS SHIP**

SATURDAY 9

- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, BYRON **TWIN HAUS, BASKERVILLAIN**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON 7PM **TIM STOKES BAND**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 9PM **DJ FONZAIUS**
- BYRON YAC 9AM **KARIME, TYMPANIC, RAANI JADE**
- BYRON BREWERY 9PM **BYRON VIBES JAM**
- STICKY WICKET, BYRON 9PM **LOCAL DJS 9.30PM MARTA & MICAH**
- WOODY'S SURF SHACK,

- BYRON 8PM **DJ ADRIAN BRANDELLO**
- TREEHOUSE, BELONGIL 7.30PM **CHRISTIAN PATEY**
- BANGALOW HOTEL 7.30PM **BILL JACOBI**
- BRUNSWICK HOTEL 7PM **WEATHERMEN DUO**
- SOUNDSHELL, BRUNSWICK HEADS 10PM **THE A BOLT PUBLIC RELATIONS ROADSHOW: SELLING THE TURD SANDWICH OF ENDLESS GROWTH WHILE PISSING & TRICKLING DOWN OVER THE 99.9%**
- LULU'S, MULLUMBIMBY 11AM **NAOMI JEAN & FRIENDS**
- DRILL HALL THEATRE, MULLUMBIMBY 10AM **WISDOM OF THE AGES**
- FEDERAL HALL 8PM **EX-MACHINA**
- LENNOX HOTEL 9.30PM **THE DIRTY CHANNEL**
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- BALLINA RSL 7PM **CONSPIRACY OF ONE**
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- BYRON GOLF CLUB 2PM **OOZ**
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MONDAY 11

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☉ Third quarter	April 1	02:16
☾ New moon	April 7	21:23
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☀ Full moon	April 22	15:23
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APRIL 2016
Astronomical data and tides

Day of month	Sun rise	Sun set	Moon rise	Moon set	High tide, height (m)	Low tide, height (m)
1	F 0656	1843	0011	1359	0306,1.49; 1600,1.23	1000,0.63; 2042,0.74
2	S 0656	1842	0105	1447	0415,1.52; 1712,1.29	1105,0.57; 2255,0.69
DAYLIGHT SAVING ENDS 3am – clocks back one hour						
3	S 0557	1741	0103	1434	0421,1.59; 1712,1.40	1101,0.47; 2300,0.59
4	M 0557	1740	0204	1519	0519,1.68; 1802,1.53	1152,0.37; 2356,0.47
5	T 0558	1739	0308	1603	0613,1.77; 1849,1.66	1239,0.29
6	W 0559	1737	0413	1647	0704,1.83; 1936,1.78	0049,0.36; 1324,0.23
7	T 0559	1736	0519	1732	0755,1.84; 2023,1.88	0142,0.27; 1409,0.21
8	F 0600	1735	0627	1819	0846,1.81; 2111,1.93	0235,0.21; 1455,0.23
9	S 0600	1734	0735	1907	0939,1.74; 2200,1.94	0329,0.20; 1541,0.29
10	S 0601	1733	0842	1958	1033,1.63; 2250,1.91	0425,0.23; 1629,0.38
11	M 0601	1732	0946	2052	1129,1.51; 2343,1.84	0522,0.30; 1718,0.49
12	T 0602	1731	1047	2148	1229,1.40	0624,0.38; 1812,0.59
13	W 0602	1730	1143	2244	0039,1.74; 1333,1.32	0730,0.46; 1913,0.69
14	T 0603	1729	1233	2341	0142,1.65; 1445,1.29	0837,0.52; 2023,0.74
15	F 0604	1728	1319		0250,1.58; 1556,1.30	0941,0.55; 2135,0.75
16	S 0604	1727	1400	0036	0357,1.54; 1655,1.36	1038,0.55; 2242,0.71
17	S 0605	1726	1439	0240	0455,1.37; 1743,1.43	1127,0.54; 2338,0.66
18	M 0605	1725	1514	0223	0545,1.54; 1824,1.50	1207,0.52
19	T 0606	1724	1549	0315	0627,1.55; 1900,1.57	0025,0.60; 1244,0.50
20	W 0606	1723	1623	0406	0706,1.55; 1933,1.63	0106,0.55; 1315,0.49
21	T 0607	1722	1657	0458	0743,1.54; 2005,1.67	0144,0.51; 1346,0.49
22	F 0608	1721	1732	0549	0819,1.53; 2037,1.71	0219,0.49; 1416,0.50
23	S 0608	1720	1809	0640	0855,1.50; 2110,1.73	0256,0.47; 1447,0.52
24	S 0609	1719	1848	0732	0932,1.47; 2144,1.73	0332,0.47; 1519,0.55
25	M 0609	1718	1931	0823	1011,1.42; 2219,1.71	0412,0.49; 1553,0.59
26	T 0610	1717	2016	0915	1052,1.37; 2258,1.68	0453,0.51; 1630,0.64
27	W 0610	1716	2105	1006	1137,1.33; 2342,1.64	0538,0.55; 1712,0.69
28	T 0611	1715	2158	1055	1229,1.29	0628,0.58; 1800,0.73
29	F 0612	1714	2253	1142	0031,1.60; 1327,1.28	0725,0.59; 1900,0.76
30	S 0612	1713	2351	1228	0131,1.57; 1433,1.31	0826,0.57; 2012,0.76

Times have been adjusted for Daylight Saving.
 Time lags: Ballina Boat Dock: 15 min; Byron Bay: nil;
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 Chinderah: high 1 hr 15 min, low 2 hr; Terranora Inlet: high 2 hr 10 min, low 2 hr 25 min; Murwillumbah: high 2 hr 30 min, low 2 hr 50 min. **Tides in bold** indicate high tide of 1.7m or more and low tide of 0.3m or less.
 Data courtesy of the National Tidal Centre.



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SUNRISE 52 Jacaranda Dr Sat 8am-1pm. Combined sale. Household goods, plants, furniture, clothes & much more

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BYRON FLEA MARKET @ Byron Youth Activity Centre (YAC), 1 Gilmore Cres, 2nd Saturday of each month 8am-1pm. Food, entertainment, vintage & pre-loved bargains. Next market on the 9th April. Stalls or rug space avail 0490026840

SUFFOLK PARK 2/6 Hazelwood Cl. Sat 9am-12pm. Assorted h'hold items

MASSIVE MOVING HOUSE SALE 28 Beachcomber Dr Byron, Sat, 8-1. H'hold, baby, garden & camping gear, tools

SUFFOLK 9 Red Bean Close. Sat 8.30am. Mega women's new clothing, ex-Running Wild, books, CDs, household

MULLUMBIMBY 89 Station St, Sat 8am. Cedar bi-fold shutter doors, kids & h'hold items, books records, tools, clothes

MULLUM 9 Cassia Court, Sat 8am. Combined sale. Clothes, plants, bar fridge, household and more

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Required to assist with planning, organisation and co-ordination of the resort's payroll & human resources function.

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- Excellent written and spoken communication and interpersonal skills
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- Numerical ability and data entry skills
- Ability to work to deadlines
- Understanding of payroll and HR legislation and processes i.e. interpretation of appropriate awards and legislation, tax, superannuation
- Experience within the hotel industry advantageous
- Approachable and vibrant, outgoing personality

If you meet the above requirements, please forward a resume and cover letter to hr@thebyronatbyron.com.au

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RESORT AND SPA

BAT BUS - YOUTH TRANSPORT CO-ORDINATOR 6 hours per week

We are seeking a flexible and energetic person to co-ordinate our BAT BUS program based in Byron Shire. BAT BUS provides transport for groups of transport-disadvantaged young people for social and recreational activities. The position involves promoting the service through school and youth service presentations, developing and maintaining contacts with local bus companies, recruiting volunteers, following up phone requests, and maintaining records of contacts and trip data. Pay is based on SCHCADS Award - Community Services worker level 4. A national police clearance and Working with Children check is mandatory.

Selection Criteria:

ESSENTIAL: • Minimum 5 years experience working with young people aged 17-25 • Knowledge of services available locally for young people • Demonstrated excellent communication skills • Demonstrated excellent organisational skills (time management, record keeping and computer skills) • Current driver licence and own reliable transport.

DESIRABLE: • Understanding of the needs and cultural values of young Aboriginal and Torres Straight Islander people • Marketing and promotional skills • Experience in coordination of transport for young people.

Applications close 20 April 2016.

Applications must include a cover letter addressing the selection criteria, and resume. For more information or to apply please email admin@community-transport.org.au.

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A Celebration of Life for our darling Lisa Love (Finkenauer) is to be held Sunday 10 April, at Ewingsdale Hall from 3pm.

Vegetarian food will be provided. There will be an open heart space for anyone to share a story or poem in honour of Lisa and an altar where you can offer a flower if you choose.

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MULLUMBIMBY HOSPITAL.....	6684 2266
BYRON BAY HOSPITAL.....	6685 6200
POLICE Brunswick Heads.....	6685 1277
Mullumbimby.....	6684 2144
Byron Bay.....	6685 9499
Bangalow.....	6687 1404
STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE Storm & tempest damage, flooding.....	6684 3444
AIDS Confidential testing & information (ACON).....	6622 1555
AL-ANON Help for family & friends of alcoholics	1300 ALANON
ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS 24 hours.....	1800 423 431
ANIMAL RESCUE (DOGS & CATS)	6622 1881
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MENSLINE 7pm-11pm nightly (phone counselling & referral for men).....	6622 2240
NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS Meets daily	6680 7280
NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE	6684 1286
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE 24 hour crisis line.....	1800 656 463
NORTHERN RIVERS GAMBLING SERVICE.....	6687 2520
NORTHERN RIVERS WILDLIFE CARERS.....	6628 1866
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Robots in travel gaining Oz approval

Australian travellers are di-
vided on how much a robot
could add to the holiday ex-
perience, according to a global
study by travel deals company
Travelzoo. The study reveals
that two-thirds of Australians
are open to the idea of a robot
working in roles such as a re-
ceptionist in a hotel; however,
almost half admitted they find
robots quite frightening.

The Travelzoo Future of
Travel project includes a poll of
over 6,000 people in Asia,
Europe, North America,
South America and Australia
to understand if consumers
are ready for robots and ar-
tificial intelligence to play a
major role in travel and hos-
pitality.

Bartenders
Robots are already being
used in many international
hotel chains such as Marriot
International, Holiday Inn
and Hilton and some cruise
lines have put robot barten-
ders and guides into their ships.
Industry reports cite the total
spend on robots will exceed
USD40 billion by 2020, with
Japan, South Korea and Chi-
na leading the market in both
spend and development.

As a global average the
Travelzoo research reveals
nearly 80 per cent of consum-
ers expect robots to play a big
part in their lives before 2020,
with three-quarters believing
they will make their lives sig-
nificantly better. Almost two-
thirds are comfortable with
robots being used in the travel
industry.
In Australia opinions were
mixed. Notably 93 per cent



Mario from the Marriott Ghent Hotel, Belgium. Mario is 60cm high and is used to welcome guests, provide information about hotel services/local tourist attractions and call taxis, if required.

of respondents have concerns
that robots could be weak in
softer skills such as show-
ing emotions and the same
number are worried about
robots taking away jobs from
humans. Australians are also
concerned that robots will be
unable to understand infor-
mal language such as slang,
irony and the Australian sense
of humour.
Those in the Australian pro-

robot camp highlight the un-
limited energy levels of robots
and eight in ten respondents
believe robots can handle
data faster than their human
counterparts. The majority of
perceived benefits are around
data handling, memory and
skills like communicating in
multiple languages.
Australians also prefer their
robots to look like machines
rather than humans; however,

their voice should sound hu-
man rather than robotic. Chi-
nese respondents by contrast
prefer their robots to look hu-
man - with 76 per cent saying
they prefer this.

Commenting on the sur-
vey findings, Cemlyn Jones of
Travelzoo said, 'Right now is a
very exciting moment in the
history of the travel industry
- ground-breaking technol-
ogy is revolutionising what is
possible from the perspective
of customer service, entertain-
ment and personalisation.'

'Positive'
'Robots and artificial intel-
ligence are making their de-
but on the tourism stage, and
our research into global ac-
ceptance of robots working in
the travel industry is largely
positive.

'It is fascinating to see some
cultural stereotypes emerge
from the research into global
acceptance of robots. The UK
and Australian participants
worry the most about humour
and irony being lost on robots,
and the French and Spanish
are completely unaccepting
about replacing their waiters
with robots - even if a human
waiter is much less efficient
than a robot!'

Jones concluded, 'While the
advent of technology such as
robot butlers and bartenders
is hugely exciting, it's also very
clear from our research that
consumers from all markets
surveyed see the combination
of robots and humans work-
ing in tandem in customer-
facing roles in travel as the
ideal solution.'

Beyondblue smartphone app to reduce suicide deaths

Australian men are taking
their lives in record numbers,
according to new Australian
Bureau of Statistics data, and
Beyondblue hopes its new Be-
yondNow app will help reduce
the suicide toll.

The overall rate has in-
creased from 10.9 suicides per
100,000 deaths in 2013 to 12.0
suicides per 100,000 deaths in
2014. The suicide rate among
men has risen to 18.4 per
100,000 deaths.

Of the 2,864 lives lost to su-
icide in 2014, there were 2,160
men. This is an increase of al-
most one life a day compared
to 2013: 7.8 deaths a day in
2014, 6.9 deaths a day in 2013.

Australian men are at in-
creasing risk of suicide with
those aged 85 mostly likely
to take their lives (37.6 per
100,000) followed by 40- to
44-year-olds (29.9/100,000)
and 50- to 54-year-olds
(29.2/100,000).

Beyondblue chairman Jeff
Kennett said in order to re-
duce Australia's tragic suicide
death toll, which is more than

double the road toll, Beyon-
dblue and Monash Univer-
sity, with funding from the
Movember Foundation, have
developed a world-leading
smartphone app and website
to help save lives when people
feel hopeless and helpless, and
want to die.

'The free BeyondNow app,
which can be downloaded
onto a smartphone, shows
people how to create a plan
to refer to when they are ex-
periencing suicidal thoughts
or are in a suicidal crisis,' Mr
Kennett said.

'A practical suicide-pre-
vention tool like this has been
needed for a long time. We
know that having access to a
safety plan in crisis situations
can save lives.

'I hope that men, in par-
ticular, will work with their
GPs, psychologists, psychia-
trists and carers to personalise
the safety plan on the Beyond-
Now app and refer to it when
they feel at risk of harming
themselves.'

It is estimated 76,000 peo-
ple attempt suicide each year
in Australia. Research shows
15 to 20 per cent of those who
try once will try again. The
first three months after an
attempt are regarded as the
highest risk period.

Paul Villanti, executive di-
rector of the Movember Foun-
dation, said the foundation is
'committed to finding innova-
tive solutions to improve the
health outcomes of men, such
as the BeyondNow app.'

'We are proud to have
funded and been involved in
the development of the world-
leading suicide prevention
tool.

'We know men are reluc-
tant to ask for help when they
need it and those aged 18 to 45
years are among the hardest to
reach,' said Mr Villanti.

'The BeyondNow app will
overcome some of the prob-
lems in reaching this group in
times of crisis and allow them
to develop a list of warning
signs, coping strategies, rea-

sons for living and ways to
make their environment safe,'
he added.

Dr Glenn Melvin, senior
lecturer and clinical psychol-
ogist at Monash University's
Centre for Developmental
Psychiatry & Psychology was
central to developing the app's
safety plan format.

'The safety planning app
documents a series of steps
that the person can use to
keep themselves safe when
they have suicidal thoughts,'
Dr Melvin said.

It starts with things they
can do themselves, then
moves onto people they can
contact for support.

'All this information is
with them constantly on their
phone and they can access it
privately.'

The free BeyondNow App
can be downloaded from the
App Store and Google Play
store.

Find out more about creat-
ing a safety plan at [beyond-
blue.org.au/beyond-now](http://beyond-
blue.org.au/beyond-now).

Suffolk soccer gets hot as season sparks up



Story & photo Rachael Shae

This weekend saw Suffolk Park blaze through the first round of the 2016 FFNC adult soccer competition.

In temperatures of up to 29 degrees players battled both the heat and first-game nerves.

With wins for the men's first grade, men's third grade and a draw for the women's thirds, the season is off to a great start.

The men's first grade kicked off their league campaign with a confident 4-0 win over Shores United. After the opening exchanges, with chances for both sides, it was Suffolk who took the lead with a classy finish from Cesar Fernandes. Following more heavy pressure it was that man Cesar again who doubled the Suffolk lead for a 2-0 HT lead.

The second half saw more dominant attacking from Suffolk and led to German Cerzo slamming home a third

following a good break. The game was sealed when Douglas Lima got off the mark this season from the penalty spot.

Third grade played their first match at home against Casino FC. Matt Steel, with one eye firmly on retaining the golden boat award, took little time to dispatch the opening goal.

The whole team worked the full 90 minutes and stuck to the game plan. Coach Marty Stautner is excited with what this team can do, with some very good players emerging and a team that will certainly become even stronger as the weeks go on.

It was very hard to pick a best player in what was a solid team performance. Individual players showed their good qualities when positional moves were made and the structure stayed the same. The full time score 5-1 (2-1 halftime) Matt Steel 3 goals, Tahnee Stautner 2.

The women's third division battled low numbers

and very hot weather against Casino on Sunday in a dramatic match that ended in a 0-0 draw.

The women played with determination and camaraderie, in very hot conditions with no subs. It was a competitive end-to-end game where both teams attacked and defended well and there was some quality football played.

The men's sixth division played their brand new team against Alstonville, with a 0-2 loss. While Alstonville had an enviably large team, low numbers for SPFC meant that there were no subs, and no chance for anyone to catch their breath.

Sweeper Marcus being injured in the second half meant that the team finished with only 10 players.

Despite the loss this team has some really top-quality players and a great team spirit, and will undoubtedly become a formidable force as the season progresses.

Bangalow Bluedogs season begins



The first women's Division 3 soccer game of the season was played between Bangalow Bluedogs and Lismore Thistles on the weekend. Ruby Anderson is running down the ball with Lily Maxwell with Marsha Warburton ready to back her up. Photo Tara D'hondt.

Werner loves his table tennis

You're never too old to enjoy table tennis and the proof is in the ping-pong as one of the Byron Bay Table Tennis Club members, Werner Borkhardt, has just returned triumphant from the New Zealand Veteran's Championships.

With five gold team medals Werner had wins in the over-65s three-person team, the over-70s three-person team, the over-65s mixed doubles, the over-70s mixed doubles and the over-70s men's doubles.

Back home in this week's local Friday night



competition: Mark Smith defeated Chris Strybos 2-1 in the Singles Competition and Peter McKenzie & Mark Smith came back from the seemingly

impossible position of match point down in the second set to win the doubles competition from Sunny Gibb & Chris Strybos 1-11, 15-13, 11-8.

Byron Bay Table Tennis Club is now at the Suffolk Park Community Hall (beach end of Clifford Street) with three tables. Competition play is on Friday evenings starting at 5.30pm and general play on alternate Thursdays. The next one is 14 April, from 10am till 1pm.

Enquiries can be made to Joan 0408 337 277, Mark 0409 473 517 or Chris 0408 431 367.

Sirens burn Nancies on wheels



The Byron Sirens took out the win over the BCR Nasty Nancies 290-96 in a hard fought epic battle on Saturday night. Photo Jeff 'Roller' Dawson

Brunswick has its own Hot Doggies

Dean Trevaskis

Sunday morning saw the footies flying, the new boots shining and this year's breed of Brunswick Valley Bulldogs AFL Juniors chasing the Sherrin around the park.

Taking on Byron and Tweed teams the Bulldogs

under-7s, -9s -11s and -13s season was under way.

Nervous parents hollered as debutant sons and daughters laid their first tackles, landed the speccy or launched a prodigious punt for the season opener.

Red faces sucked orange quarters at the break. Tiring

legs ran on enthusiasm and the prospect of one more possession.

You can hold your heads high, little Doggies; you gave it your all.

Training is on every Wednesday 4pm at Stan Thompson Oval, Brunswick Heads. All are very welcome.

Intensive Kung Fu week begins

The Mullumbimby Wu Chi Kung Fu School ran a special class last Sunday morning down at Torakina Park, Brunswick Heads.

The event was non-competitive, says school owner Gavin Cook. 'In Kung Fu the competition is mastering yourself', he said.

Gavin says it was a perfect morning in Bruns with more than 25 adult, teens and kids attending the session and many took the opportunity to go to the beach afterwards. 'The morning started at 7.30 with an adults and teens class for two hours and then a kids class for one hour', said Gav. 'A lot of the adults stayed around and helped with the kids class and played games with them too. It was a great morning of Kung Fu training and fun was had by all.'

Gavin says that the train-



ing was facilitated by two black belts and an instructor from Lismore. Participants trained Kung Fu partner drills, short stick weapons, self-defence and games, and three-legged races for the kids, followed by a lunch with everyone bringing food

to share.

For the adults, the event was the first class of the Intensive Kung Fu training Week, where they are training every day, Sunday to Friday, for 1.5 to 2 hours per day.

For more information, visit www.wuchi4.com.



On The Horizon

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Mullum CWA

Mullumbimby Branch of CWA welcomes ladies to attend its monthly meeting at 10am Wednesday 13 April at the CWA Rooms, Tincogan Street, Mullumbimby. Lunch follows at 12.

Orchid news

This month's meeting of Byron District Orchid Society at a private home on Sunday 10 April at 2pm. For more information phone Penny 6680 1600.

New paintings

Bangalow Music & Books are proud to present 'A-BOU', an exhibition of new

paintings by Tasmanian artist Tom Sullivan, on Friday 8 April 5pm, 2/10 Station St Bangalow.

Byron garden club

Byron Bay Garden Club meets Saturday 9 April at Byron Bay Services Club. Lunch will be at 12.30pm. Guest speaker topic - Anthuriums. Inquiries and new members phone Jeni 6685 7816.

Table Tennis

Social table tennis will resume at the Suffolk Park Community Centre each Thursday at 10am starting 14 April, depending on numbers. Please contact Joan 0408 337 277

BYS events

BYS Bounce into Youth Week - free youth event at the YAC (1 Gilmore Cr) this Saturday 8am till 1pm. Bubble soccer, skateboard and graffiti workshop, bouncy castle, music, craft, and Flea Market. Byron Youth Service Battle at Bruns Skate Comp this Sunday 10 till 4 at the Brunswick Heads skate park, all

a major problem. We are recovering addicts who meet regularly to help each other stay clean. For information and meetings call 6680 7280. Are you concerned about somebody else's drinking? Al-Anon Family Groups meetings held Fridays 2pm. Uniting Church Bangalow - 1300 252 666 www.al-anon.alateen.org/australia

Landcare

Bangalow Land and Rivercare working bee every Saturday 8.30-10.30am. See www.bangalowlandcare.org.au or call Liz 6687 1309.

Learn ukulele

Tuesdays at the Mullumbimby & District Neighbourhood Centre come join Neighbourhood Ukes and learn ukulele 9.45am. Then join our local Cuppa Tea Choir from 10.30am.

Museums

Brunswick Valley Historical Society Inc Museum at corner of Myocum & Stuart Sts Mullumbimby open every Friday 10am-12 noon and market Saturdays 9am-1pm. Discover your local history. **Bangalow Museum & Tea Room** open Tuesday-Friday 10am-3pm, Cnr Ashton & Deacon Sts Bangalow. Volunteers sought, please contact the museum 6687 2183.

U3A discussion group

U3A over-50 discussion group Thursdays 10am in Mullumbimby Ex-Services Club.

Bay Singers

The Bay Singers (BB Community Choir) meets Mondays 10.30-11.30am at the Community Centre each week. More info: easwain@bigpond.com.

Quota Club

Quota Club of Brunswick Valley meets every 1st Thursday of the month at the Ocean Shores Country Club at 6pm. Ph 0439 733 763 for more info.

Spanish conversation

A Spanish conversation group meets every Monday evening in Mullumbimby in order to improve language skills and cultural knowledge. Phone Paco 6684 0242.

Men's Groups

Complete Men has regular fortnightly men's groups on different nights in both Byron and Mullum. Call Tim Fisk 0422 508 533.

Repair Cafe

Mullumbimby's Repair Cafe at the Mullumbimby campus of Byron Community College in Burringbar Street on Saturdays 9am till 12 noon. Volunteers will be there to help you fix things that might otherwise end up in the tip, or to advise how it might be done.

Rainbow Dragons Abreast

Rainbow Dragons Abreast (RDA) welcomes breast cancer survivors for a paddle at Lake Ainsworth, Lennox Head, on Sundays 7.30 for

ages, free entry, skate demos, prizes, free barbecue.

Gem Club street stall

Byron Gem Club street stall on Friday 8 April at the corner of Burringbar & Stuart Streets, Mullum, where the taxi rank is. Rocks, crystals, specimens and jewellery.

CWA luncheon

The Mullumbimby Branch of CWA Mongolian Theme International Luncheon Monday 18 April at the Uniting Church Hall, 128 Dalley Street Mullumbimby. Ladies are most welcome and are asked to arrive at 9.30am for 10am.

ADFAS lecture

ADFAS Byron Bay's 11 April lecture 'Life is very like a Railway' presented by Robert Ketton, who will look at the many ways in which railways changed the world, at the A&I Hall, Station Street, Bangalow. Doors open at 6pm prior to the lecture at 6.30pm. Guests are welcome (\$25 per guest).

8am start. Info Marian 6688 4058, mazeratiz2010@gmail.com.

Op shops

Uniting Church Op Shop, Dalley St, Mullumbimby - open each Saturday 8am-12 noon. **Byron Bay Anglican Op Shop** opens Monday to Friday 9am-1pm. Volunteers needed. Enq Jeni: 6685 7816 or 0439 344 281.

Anglican Church Mullumbimby Op Shop opens Monday to Friday 9am-4.30pm, Saturday 9.30am-12.30pm. Volunteers needed, enq Liz 6684 2622 nights. **Mullumbimby Seventh-Day Adventist Op Shop** opens Monday - Thursday 10am-3.30pm, Friday 9am - 2pm and third Sunday of the month 10am-2pm.

End-of-life choices

Voluntary euthanasia options are discussed at meetings held quarterly on the Gold Coast. Phone Elaine 55808215

Lions Club

Interested in making new friends and helping our community? Lions Club of Brunswick Mullumbimby meets 1st & 3rd Tuesdays at 7pm Ocean Shores Country Club. More information President Joan Towers 0400 484 419.

Low-cost food

Food Box Thursdays 9.30-11.30am at Uniting Church, Mullumbimby. If you have any sort of Centrelink card you may purchase cheap food, obtain free veges, and enjoy a cuppa. **C3 Care Byron Bay Food Care** - log on to www.c3byronbay.com to see if you are eligible, or call 6680 8872.

Carers' support

Mullumbimby Mental Health Carers' Support Group for family members and friends who have a loved one with a mental health issue. Meeting on 4th Thursday of each month 9.30am at the Mullumbimby Neighbourhood Centre. Info: Leanne 0409 818 643.

Toastmasters

Byron Cavanbah Toastmasters practise public speaking and leadership through our community-run course. Meetings coaching in communication and self-development run on 1st and 3rd Mondays, 6.40pm at Byron Services Club, Byron Bay; www.byronbaytoastmasters.org. **Mullum Magic Toastmasters** meet 2nd, 4th and 5th Mondays at 7pm, Presbyterian Church Hall in Mullum. Please call Satisha 0402 134 390 for more info.

CoDA

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 visit www.codependentsanonymous.org.au or phone 9281 3330.

Liberation Larder

The charity that collects, cooks and distributes over 450 meals per week across the Byron Shire to people in need

Enquiries: anne.abbink@yahoo.com.au or denisewilliso@gmail.com.

Morning tea

Ladies Morning Tea Wednesday 13/4/2016 from 10am in Brunswick Heads Uniting Church Hall, Fingal St. All ladies welcome. Contact 6685 1487.

Chem-free landcare

Byron Shire Chemical Free Landcare working bee Saturday 9 April, 9am-1pm, at Brunswick Heads Crown Land Reserve site. Meet at the end of South Beach Road fire track gate. More information 0478 272 300 or go to www.byronshirechemicalfreelandcare.org.

Free English lessons

Lexis English School is offering free English lessons to non-native speakers. The lessons are taught by trainee teachers and are suitable for students with a basic to an intermediate level of English. They run Monday to Thursday 2-4pm, from 4 April to 3 May inclusive (excluding Anzac Day). No booking required, just come to Lexis English at

is on the look out for volunteers. There are a variety of roles. For information ring on 0435 879 778 or visit our Facebook page or iberationlarder.org.au.

Bay Community Singers

Bay Community Singers is a singalong group for seniors and anyone else who likes to sing. Mondays, Byron Community Centre, 10.30-11.30am. Entry by donation. 0417 277 211, info@raisetheroofsinging.com.

Nature Walk

A two hour walk with Eugene around the Brunswick river talking about the flora and fauna of the area, identifying edible plants of our region, 9.30 sharp every Thursday morning leaving from the Mullumbimby & District Neighbourhood centre. Must wear closed shoes, hat, sun/insect screen

Town Choir

Mullum's Biggest Little Town Choir meets weekly at the Timber Slab factory, Jubilee Ave, Thursdays at 6.30pm. Newcomers welcome.

Carers Community Group

Presented by Womens Health Forum 2nd Thursday of each month 1-2.30pm Ewingsdale Hall. Info: Yasmin 0437 886 424, whfcareresgroup@gmail.com.

Sex & Love Addicts Anon

Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous is peer-support group of men and women for whom sex and/or romance have become a problem. For details of weekly meetings, phone 0452 074 974 or visit www.slaa.org.au.

Potters & Sculptors

Mullumbimby Potters & Sculptors The Community Art Gallery (Gallery at the Drill Hall) is open every Tues & Thurs 10am-2pm and on the 3rd Saturday of the month (Mullum Market Day) 10am-4pm. The Drill Hall Complex, 2 Jubilee Ave, Mullumbimby. Enquiries: mullum.potters@yahoo.com.au

Mystery talks

The Mysteries of Life and Death: A series of talks and meditations based in the ancient gnostic mysteries, Friday evenings in Byron Bay. Free of charge. Gnostic Society 0412 020 234.

CWA Bangalow

Interested women are welcome to join our vibrant group on Wednesdays and Thursdays 9am-1pm and the second Monday evening of each month 5-7pm in the Bangalow CWA rooms for craft, friendship and community support. Rooms are open daily Monday-Saturday 9am-noon.

Mullum CWA

The Mullumbimby Branch CWA handicraft group meets 9am-12pm each 1st, 3rd and 4th Wednesday of the month in the CWA rooms, Tincogan Street. Classes in crochet, knitting, sewing and embroidery. Enquiries Margaret 6684 2956.

16-20 Ruskin Street, Byron Bay.

Byron Sophia

Byron Sophia Philosophical Group: Jiddu Krishnamurti, religious philosopher, author and educator, presented by Gerald Reardon, Krishnamurti Australia, Inc. Thursday 7 April 1-3pm, at Masonic Centre, Byron Bay. Info: Celia 6684 3623.

Charity Golf Day

Lions Club Of Brunswick Mullumbimby Charity Golf Day 24 April start 12pm, sponsored by Tony Carsburg Holden, supporting Callay Ryan our Personality Queen raising funds for medical research. For booking ph Pro Shop 6684 1688.

Bangalow PA

Bangalow Progress Association meeting Thurs 7 April at 5.30pm in Heritage House. Report on the recently held Place Activation workshop with Council, the proposed 'food hub'

and traffic problems. All welcome.

Storytelling workshop

Free storytelling workshop facilitated by local storyteller Jenni Cargill-Strong and ABC Open North Coast's Catherine Marciniak, Friday 8 April 10.30am-2.30pm, Mullumbimby Neighbourhood Centre. Places limited, call Eva 0438 413 186 or eva@buttery.org.au.

Digital Skill Share

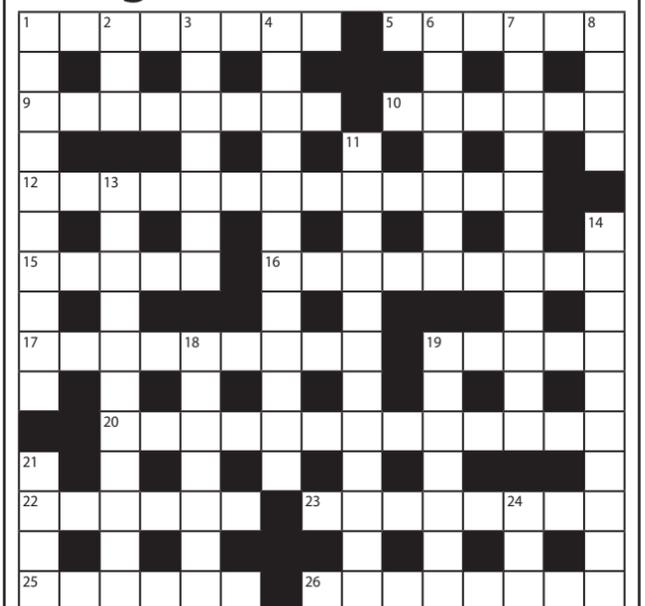
Digital Skill Share Byron Bay, three days of workshops for activists and people working for a better world, 3-5 May. http://actionskills.org/byron2016/

Book fair

Friends of Libraries Byron Annual Book Fair at the Byron Surf Life Saving Club on 9 April, 9am-5pm and 10 April, 10am-1pm. More than 10,000 items of books, children's books, DVDs, CDs, games, magazines.

Mungo's Crossword

N119



Cryptic Clues

ACROSS

- Charm is a vital part of personal magnetism and influence (8)
- Very strong in the heap of rubbish (6)
- Burton, Dawkins (and of course Vivian) (8)
- Silver dismissed one big guinea pig (6)
- At the end of the news, which alternative proposition should follow? (7,6)
- Dodge Hughesy going back East (5)
- Frog father, a party to torture! (9)
- Wind back around the opening to find possible means of escape (9)
- Checks rules, we hear (5)
- Worrying GNP base issues - find them in the newspapers! (8,5)
- Responsible for putting misleading label on iodine (6)
- Gaoler is needed for the harem (8)
- Group of Roman soldiers makes company laugh, right? (6)
- Puts a value on Jennies? (8)

DOWN

- Welsh react badly to acrobatic stunts (10)
- A papist from Joan's town? (3)
- I. Morrison Till, Scott's hero (7)
- Novelty sport is grim, lewd, nuts, crazy! (3,9)
- Circle raised following a broken ring - an exclusive mob! (7)
- Strong right covers American sailor - it's baffling (11)
- Electronic photo is huge! (4)
- Retired Swiss challenge Macbeth's advisers (5,7)
- BO avalanche overwhelms Sydney seaside suburb (6,5)
- Ploughed shores and farms - they're said to be lucky (10)
- Cattle thief drops resistance for heroin - becomes a pusher (7)
- Substitute woven material - tat! (7)
- Beer, cold, for the smart guy! (4)
- The French produce lines about the English (3)

Quick Clues

ACROSS

- The quality that enables one person to dazzle and influence another (8)
- Nonsense, rubbish (6)
- Great West Indian cricketer Viv ... (8)
- South American rodent, related to guinea pig (6)
- Meteorological news (7,6)
- Dodge, avoid (5)
- Torture involving hanging the victim by the wrists (9)
- Narrow openings, escape clauses (9)
- Leather straps used to control a horse (5)
- Section of a newspaper dealing with trade and commerce (8,5)
- Responsible, in debt (6)
- Women's quarters (Turkish); harem (8)
- Basic unit of a Roman legion; any group or company (6)
- Estimates. Evaluates (8)

DOWN

- Sideways somersaults with limbs outstretched (10)
- Portion of a circle (3)
- Eponymous hero of a novel by Sir Walter Scott (7)
- Novelty sport involving combat in swamp-like conditions (3,9)
- Exclusive set of people, identified by a common characteristic (7)
- Thwarting, nullifying (11)
- Long and heroic work, usually literature (4)
- Another name for the witches in Shakespeare's Macbeth (5,7)
- Expensive suburb on Sydney's northern coastline (6,5)
- Footwear for stallions and mares (10)
- Pusher, go-getter (7)

Last week's solution N118



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Gentle exercise

Mullumbimby & District Neighbourhood centre gentle exercise groups Monday to Thursday mornings starting with 'Spirit of Chi gong' for all bodies on Wednesday mornings 9.30 in our new courtyard. For info call Renae at reception on 6684 1286.

Respite Service

Byron Shire Respite Service Inc delivers high-quality respite care to a broad range of clients throughout the Byron, Ballina and Lismore shires. Donations welcome: Ph 6685 1921, email fundraiser@byronrespite.com.au, website: www.byronrespite.com.au.

Meditation

Tuesday Insight Meditation with Radha Nicholson, Ellen Davison and others. Weekly at The Yurt Temple Byron, 7.15-9pm. All welcome. Evening supported by dana (donation).

Buddhist meditation teaching and practice now at the Living Yoga Sanga, first floor, 63 Stuart Street, Mullumbimby, 6-7.30pm, Mondays. Contact Mishaela on 0438 858 842 or mishaela@si.org.au. **Dzogchen Meditation Group** - 1st and 3rd Saturdays of each month at Brunswick Heads Community Centre. Contact Katie 0417 798 726 or qld@shenpenaustralia.org for more info. **One-hour guided meditation** 12-1pm, Wednesday and Thursday. All levels welcome - www.yogapeace.com.au. **Mindfulness Meditation** with Pairoj Brahma, Melli O'Brien and Heather Albrecht Every Tuesday 7.15-9pm at the yurt, Temple Byron (www.templebyron.com). No fees, contact 0423 241 916, 401 359 559. www.themindfulnesssummit.com.

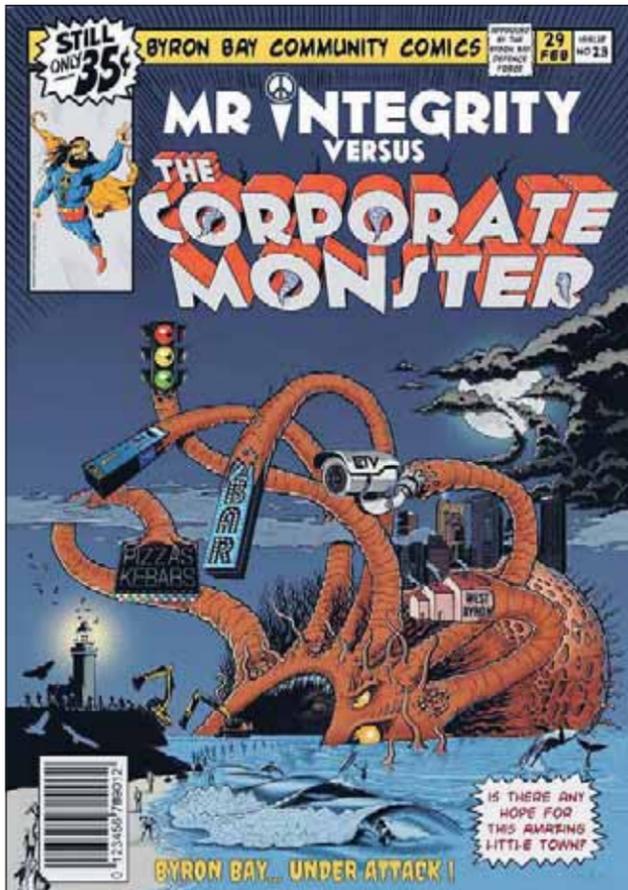
Drug support groups Call **Alcoholics Anonymous** 1800 423 431 or 0401 945 671 - 30 meetings a week in the shire - www.aa.org.au. Are you experiencing difficulties and challenges because of the alcohol or drug use of someone close to you? Learn coping skills and gain support from others. **Confidential meetings** in Byron Bay 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month, upstairs at 75 Jonson Street (stairs beside Westpac Bank). Phone Jane 0410 494 933. **Narcotics Anonymous** is a fellowship of men and women for whom drugs had become

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A comic crisis: one of the 300 or so entries in last week's Byron Arts Classic was Ben Godfrey's highly commended work, above. It's the first time Ben has entered and we believe it was the only digital entry in the 'work on paper' category, which also includes etchings and painting.

Winning Byron All Shorts was not enough for local filmmakers Cloudcatcher Media, one half of which is *Echo* photojournalist Eve Jeffery. Now the team has been chosen as one of only six crews from across the nation to compete in the St Kilda Film Festival Olympus Filmmaker Challenge, with a concept based on a story Eve wrote for *The Echo* in 2011. The challenge is to shoot and edit a short film in under three weeks. See more at stkildafilmmaker.com.au/content/olympus-filmmaker-challenge - and congratulations, Eve and David!

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The Wicked Campers crowd

continue to offend with their distasteful, sexist, and in one instance at least rape-condoning, signs on their tacky vans. Petitions seem to have little effect to date but *Backlash* wonders if the police could have the company owners up on offensive behaviour at least. In any case the Boycott Wicked Campers Facebook page has a petition to the Queensland attorney-general on it. Maybe also try to educate overseas visitors as to how inappropriate these vans are. Check out discrimination complaints procedure at the Australian Human Rights Commission: humanrights.gov.au/complaint-information.

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It's not like portents of climate change haven't been in the wind for a long while. In J F Hogan's book, *The Irish in Australia*, published in 1887, we find: 'There is no unmixed good, it is said, on this mundane sphere, and the evil that has accompanied the extensive settlement of Gipps Land during recent years is to be found in the widespread destruction of the forests, resulting in a disturbance of the atmospheric conditions and the banishment of an ever-active agent in the preservation of health, for these eucalypts, or gum-trees, as they are generally called, possess the peculiar property of arresting fever-germs and poisonous exhalations. They have been transplanted for this especial purpose to some of the malaria-infested districts of Europe and America, and with pronounced success. Australia, to which they are indigenous, has mercilessly hewn them down in the past, but is now repenting of its folly in that respect, and is replanting them at every seasonable opportunity.' And now researchers tell us that eucalypts could be at threat from climate change itself; see the report on ABC Science: bit.ly/gumembo.

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The Greens have announced the Animals in the Wild photographic competition is relaunching as part of their campaign against recreational hunting, with entries opening on May 2. You are encouraged to shoot with a camera rather than a gun. See how to enter at animalsinthewild.info. The ducks will love you.

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