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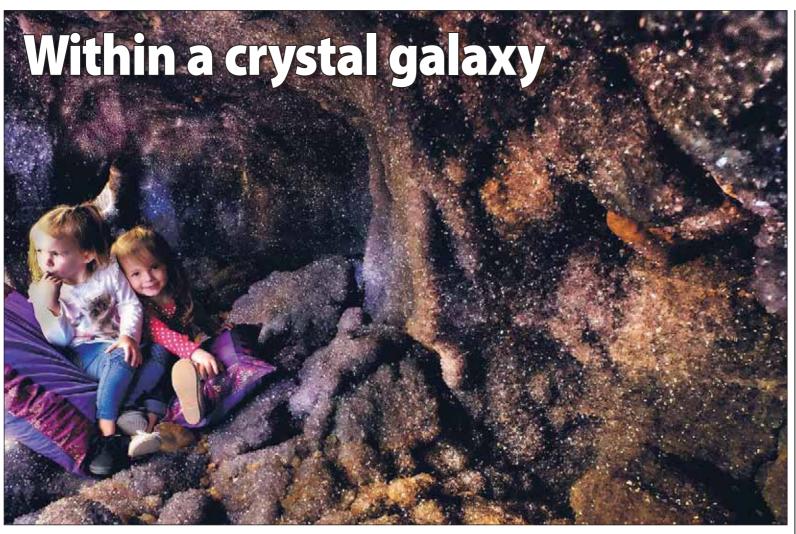




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Estimated to be 120 million years old, two of the world's largest known crystals have a new home at the Crystal Castle in Byron's hinterland. Both are 5.5 metres and are a smoky quartz geode and an amethyst geode cave. Manager Naren King says it's the result of a 'monumental deal with a Uruguayan farmer and long-term friend of the Castle.' Pictured are Molly-Rose and Roxy. Photo Jeff'l Said Atheist, Not Amethyst' Dawson

State govt refuse seawall funding

By the time you read this, councillors who hold the majority of power will have met on Wednesday and presumably voted to forward its incomplete coastal policy to the state government for consideration.

While the long-running saga of building a 1.1km Belongil Beach seawall may well have exhausted public interest, the significance of its outcome may have enormous implications. According to Cr Paul Spooner, adopting this Coastal Zone Management Plan Byron Bay Embayment (CZMP BBE) could send Council broke and force an eventual amalgamation.

From start to finish, it has been redrawn, recalibrated and rewritten, while questions regarding its

legal standing and compliance with legislation remain unanswered.

The latest cost blowout is \$4.8m, with the Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) advising staff within a report that it will not commit to funding the plan.

Staff say in this week's report, 'Without the assumed funding from the NSW government via OEH, this

then puts a different complexion on the extent of funding Council will need to contribute to the CZMP BBE, changing the funding model to landholder and Council contributions only.'

Those who have consistently pushed for the seawall are Crs Ibrahim, Woods, Hunter, Cubis and

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Bypass ahead

Hans Lovejoy

Sorry, Butler Street residents – you are about to make way for a bypass.

The last hurdle for the \$10m Byron Bay project was cleared last Wednesday night in the Mullumbimby Council Chambers by an 'independent' panel.

It is called the northern Joint Regional Planning Panel (JRPP) and is one of six NSW government-appointed panels that determine large-scale developments across the state.

This panel is headed by former National Party MP, Garry West.

Political appointment

With such a political appointment, *The Echo* asked NSW planning minister Rob Stokes how the panel could be considered 'independent', which is a description published on the JRPP website.

The Echo is yet to receive a reply; however, the minister's office did say that he was appointed by former Labor premier Kristina Keneally.

And as for the panel's track record? According to JRPP's own website, 56 major NSW regional developments have been approved by all six panels since 2013, with one refusal and three deferrals.

Nonetheless, an upbeat press release by Mr West that followed failed to mention any opposition to the project and instead concluded with, 'The bypass will help cars, cyclists and pedestrians to move around

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Council in court again

Belongil landowners will again take Council to the NSW Supreme Court over a 'significant financial loss and diminution in value of their properties,' and other issues that have arisen from 'works in front of the Jonson Street carpark.'

Council will go into confidential session in the meeting of June 29, and the agenda says 'the proceedings have been ongoing since late 2010.'

It reads, 'Council's solicitors, Council's Legal Services team and staff have been considering a settlement proposal put by the [sixteen] plaintiffs.'

'Council's solicitors will apprise councillors of the present state of the settlement proposal in a confidential presentation to councillors.'

There is no recommendation from staff tabled in the agenda.

A song for Solstice



The Byron Community School's annual Winter Solstice Lantern Night was held on Friday in blustery winter conditions. It was a feast for the eyes and ears as the children performed songs for the turn-out of more than 300 parents and friends braving the chilly temperatures. On Saturday, the Pocket School also held their Winter Festival, while thousands attended the annual Lismore Lantern Parade, held at Oakes Oval. Photo Donatella Parisini.

Coastal policy blows out another \$4.8m

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Wanchap, while those against are mayor Richardson, Crs Cameron, Dey and Spooner.

It also comes with great haste; there appears two reasons – council elections are looming and a new *Coastal Management Act 2016* will soon become law and this CZMP was written to comply with soon-to-expire legislation.

Dept feedback

As expected, state government agencies have flagged major concerns over the plan – even before it gets formally considered. Within the agenda, staff have responded to feedback from department agencies and the public.

The NSW Department of Planning and Environment say they 'do not believe [in] the inclusion of our organisation as a support organisation in the implications of these actions'.

Meanwhile the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage told staff that the draft CZMP 'must make provision for protecting and preserving beach environments and beach amenity [as per the Coastal Protection Act 1979]... and is therefore unlikely to meet requirements for certification under the Act.'

In response, staff say, 'Adaptive management principles provide provision for protecting and preserving beach environment and amenity.'

Cr Paul Spooner told *The Echo* that the staff reply indicates groynes and beach nour-

Ballina's CZMP adoped

Ballina Shire Council's Coastal Zone Management Plan (CZMP) has just been certified by planning minister Rob Stokes, and will include an 'upgrade to the Lennox Head seawall to protect the road and other public facilities.' The minister said in a press release there will also be 'investigations into beach nourishment and ongoing monitoring at the site as part of the plan.'

ishment will be needed, and he estimates the total cost could be as high as \$36,115,520.

Similar concerns are raised by National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS).

They wrote, 'The plan does not address the high potential for coastal erosion to occur within the Cumbebin Swamp Nature Reserve and Tyagarah Nature Reserve as a result of seawalls being built along Belongil Beach.'

Staff replied, 'As per the requirements of the *Environmental Planning Assessment Act 1979*, investigations concerning impacts on coastal processes and the environment will be undertaken as part of the approvals process for the Belongil rock wall... In addition adaptive management principles provide for impacts to be investigated/mitigated in the future, if/when required.'

Public comment

Overall, staff say 50.65 per cent of the 689 submissions were against the CZMP BBE, while 46.59 per cent were for.

As for the Belongil seawall proposal, 44 per cent were against while 42 per cent were for.

The Echo asked staff for a breakdown of residents versus visitors but those data was not provided.

Director sustainable environment and economy, Shannon Burt, said the submissions on the draft CZMP were not weighted according to residents versus visitors.

'Many submissions [were] emailed in, and had no address location. This is not an unusual occurrence,' she said.

Legal advice

The status of long-awaited legal advice will also be discussed at Wednesday's meeting. An original motion on February 4 sought explanation of legal barriers, legal avenues, previous advice and rulings, as well as financial implications implementing the planned retreat policy affecting 'properties directly behind existing coastal protection works, as well as 'Nearby properties and businesses approved by Council which may be impacted on by removal of the coastal protection CZMP...'

Staff say in the agenda they will recommend an alternative resolution.

Cost now doubled

Cr Paul Spooner told *The Echo* that the most recent developments see Council's costs now doubled to \$9,387,296, which is inclusive of all works planned within the CZMP BBE, not just the seawall.

He says after the new costings were reconsidered, it would put the Fit for The Future strategy 'clearly at risk'.

'There is no income to pay for this CZMP,' he said.

'Council would need to cut \$10 million in existing programs and services over the next ten years to pay for this CZMP. This CZMP should be withdrawn.'

GM replies

When asked if this plan would put Council at serious financial risk, general manager Ken Gainger did not reply but told *The Echo* that should it be finally approved, Council will have to factor the costs into its Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP).

'The plan is renewed regularly and the outcomes from the CZMP will have to be included in upcoming revisions. We will also be actively applying for funding support from the NSW government for forward programs.

'Our aim is to remain Fit of the Future,' Mr Gainger said.

The Echo asked Elements resort management, who would be directly affected by the plans, if they had sought legal advice but there was no reply by deadline.

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Calls to secure women's lake

A push to introduce stronger protections for the Tea Tree Lake north of Broken Head is being lobbied by Byron Bay-based Nationals MLC Ben Franklin along with local Arakwal leader Delta Kay.

They met on Tuesday with NSW planning minister Rob Stokes at the lake to ask it be placed on a list of the state's most sensitive lakes.

Mr Franklin said, 'Tea Tree Lake is a stunning part of our local environment and has deep significance to Aboriginal culture, particularly to the Bundjalung women.'

'I asked Minister Stokes to personally visit the area, listen to the arguments about why the lake should be protected and see for himself the spectacular beauty of our region.'

Mr Franklin says including the lake in the list of sensitive lakes under the Coastal Man-



Delta Kay, Planning minister Rob Stokes and Nationals MLC Ben Franklin. Photo Jeff Dawson

agement SEPP would mean that the 5.25-hectare lake would be protected as well as its entire catchment area. 'When that is combined with its high conservation value, including significant native plants and animals, rainforests and wetlands, it would be absolutely appropriate to place it on the list of sensitive lakes across NSW.

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Bypass determination surrounded in politics

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Byron Bay and ease traffic congestion in the town centre.'

The bypass will ease only 20 per cent of traffic congestion.

It's a blow to those who fought fiercely to retain their amenity while also advocating for what they say is a better planning solution – the disused rail corridor that runs just metres away.

At 1.3km in length, the bypass will include the removal of 1.21 hectares of native vegetation, which will be 'biobanked', or offset via the planting of native vegetation elsewhere.

At last Wednesday's meeting, Council staff were flanked by consultants and specialists in traffic, biobanking and the like, while residents sat behind in the gallery. Yet despite strong public submissions by the residents to applause, it was all over within minutes. And that included the panel being told by residents a 1,000-signature petition against the current route was not considered by Council. *The Echo* understands that during public submissions, Council collected 646 signatures against, and six in support.

No formal advice

But perhaps the most concerning aspect of the decision was that no formal advice was sought from the state government with regards to the alternative rail corridor. During the meeting, the panel appeared satisfied that one Transport for NSW bureaucrat unofficially told Council the corridor was an unlikely option.

Business affected

One local business that will be affected by the bypass is Byron Music, located near the corner of Jonson and Browning Streets. Owner Nick Sergi told *The Echo* that he hadn't heard anything for a year after the initial consultation.

'This has felt like a one-ended consultation,' he said. 'We kept asking to be informed but have heard nothing.' Mr Sergi added the loss of parking has not been addressed.

Butler Street Community Network (BSCN) spokesperson, Paul Jones, later wrote, 'as expected we were thoroughly trounced by National Party politics and the local government business machine.'

'Lip service was paid to the affected community and obvious impacts on the environment and town.

'The panel accepted their response unreservedly, did not allow any questions from the floor, congratulated council on all their good work.

"The community was informed that "hey, this happens all the time, someone has to cop it, you have done some splendid work, thanks for coming," Mr Jones wrote.

Techa peddles off to the US



Kulchajam's Cherise, Techa and Jessi at Saturday's Peddle and Hawk market in the Arts & Industry Estate. Photo Jeff Dawson

Kulchajam's Techa Beaumont is off to the US to pursue a master's degree in Peace and Conflict Resolution and International Development.

It's thanks to Byron Bay Rotary Club, who give out Rotary Peace Fellowship awards annually. And after six years of operation, Kulchajam is seeking help to expand its capacity 'to provide a community space and venue for collaboration of local culture, art, food and sustainability in Byron Bay.'

To get invovled visit supportourkulcha.org/crowd.







Corrections from last week

surprised last week to read that Rob Bridgland, fourth generation owner and operator of Bridglands, was repeatedly called Rob Ware in an Echo story.

The Echo is pleased this week to reassure residents and his family that Rob's last name is indeed Bridgland. Apologies for the error, Rob.

And further to last week's story 'Maths champions re-

Mullumbimby residents were turn, it was stated that both Kyla Critchlow and Tosh Perrow are from Byron Bay Public School. They are in fact from the Byron Community Primary School.

> Finally apologies to Russell Killarney of Fred Nile's Christian Democrats, who was initially left out of the candidates announcement and invitation to the Meet the Candidates event on July 21 in Byron Bay.

StoryBoard nabs \$50,000

The NSW government is supporting of the Byron Writers Festival's travelling schools creative writing program, StoryBoard.

The government has provided \$50,000 for the program, which will use a decorated bus to deliver literary events to students in more than 100 schools across the region.

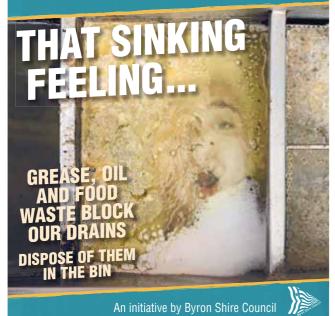
Nationals MLC Ben Franklin said the StoryBoard bus will take some of Australia's award-winning children's

authors into local schools. Tristan Bancks, Samantha Turnbull and Byron Shire citizen of the year, Delta Kay, have all joined as storytellersin-chief for StoryBoard.

One of the driving forces behind StoryBoard is another acclaimed local author, Dr Jesse Blackadder.

'The program will include free activities, a project-based approach, support for students through volunteer tutors and publishing participants' work,' Mr Franklin said.





Ray Thorpe is running for the NSW Senate

for the Free Cannabis, Drug Law Reform Party.

New tourism funding model

Tourism minister Stuart Ayres will announce a new tourism funding model at the upcoming tourism symposium on 12 August at Elements of Byron.

Other speakers will include John O'Sullivan, managing director of Tourism Australia, and Chris Mills CEO of QLD Airports Ltd, with a focus on the 'state of play' in tourism.

Other speakers such as David Jones from Elements of Byron, will discuss the 'branding' of Byron Bay, described as the jewel in the crown of tourism on the north coast.

Bookings can be made at www.trybooking.com/LTKF

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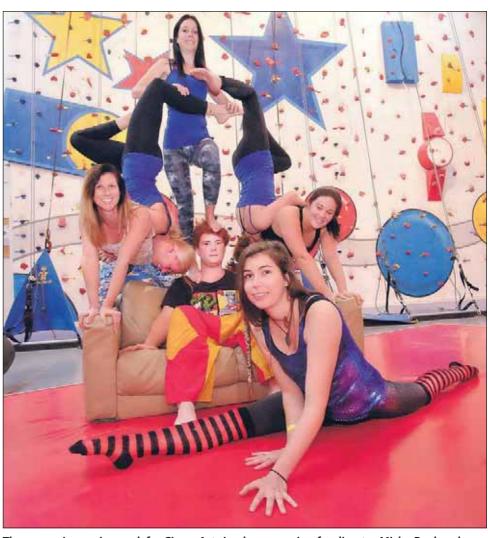
Byron chamber subscriber drive

The Byron Bay Chamber of Commerce's membership drive is about to begin, and there are prizes to be won for new and existing members who renew or join by July 31.

Six winners will be announced on August 1.

For more information visit www.byronunited.org.au.

Acrobatic antics



The upcoming major work for Circus Arts is a homecoming for director Misha Reale, who grew up in the area. 'I've been working with some of the One Year cast for over 11 months and we are excited to showcase all their hard work in July,' says Misha. The production, One Year, will be performed Friday July 1 from 7pm and Saturday July 2 from 3pm and 7pm. The venue is 17 Centennial Circuit, Arts and Industry Park, Byron Bay. Tickets are available at circusarts.com.au. Photo Jeff'l Said Acronyms, Not Acrobats' Dawson

Howie's dispatch from the Philippines

Local artist and marine conservationist Howie Cooke returned recently from a province in the Philippines, where he painted a large mural on a main wall of the Negros Museum in the capital, Bacolod.

The project was part of Surfers for Cetaceans (S4C), who are forging an alliance with Negros non-government organisations (NGOs).

They are working to implement organic rice farming, solar power generation, reef and marine biodiversity protection.

He says that politically, the island nation has a progressive local governor in Negros Occidental, while the president is a far-right authoritarian.

At 80 years, Negros Occidental's governor Alfredo Maranon has instigated progressive programs to empower the community, Howie says.

No GMOs

'The governor has overseen a regional ordinance banning GMOs, including Monsanto's golden rice.

'Commendably, Negros sees itself as the future organic food bowl of Asia.'

Huge solar farm

As for solar, Negros has an 80-hectare plant near Cadiz in the north, and it is the largest solar farm in South East Asia and seventh largest in the world.

Marine Reserve

The Sagay Marine Reserve was enacted by Governor Maranon in 1999 and, at 32,000 hectares, is the largest marine reserve in the Philippines.

Howie says his mural features Mt Kanlaon, with its remnant rainforest.

'Sadly, the Philippines is down to three per cent of its original forest cover, and some 25 endemic animal species, which are listed vulnerable through to critically endangered.

Howie also added that the organic-farming vision for Negros Island was instigated by Richard Hughes, who runs an accountancy business in Mullumbimby.

School bus accident

A ten-year-old child was run over by a bus at Shearwater school on Friday and remains in hospital with injuries to both legs.

He father said on social media that it happened at the entry to the carpark.

'The bus turned left into the driveway, he wrote.

'The left side of the bus knocked her down and the rear left wheels drove over her legs... It's a miracle she is alive and not maimed for life.' Head of the school, Greg

Parkes, told The Echo thankfully the girl did not sustain broken bones.

Added parking

As for addressing the traffic issues, Mr Parkes said, 'A development application (DA) for an extra 80 carparks was approved earlier this year, and it's planned that it will be opened next term.'

'We have parking monitors in the morning and afternoon, and the main issue we have is cars travelling too fast.'

Grandmothers against removals unite

Indigenous grandmothers in the Ballina area have launched a group which they say will provide a voice for the local Aboriginal community in relation to child removals.

They are called Bundjalung Ballina Grandmothers Against Removals (BBG-MAR), and a spokesperson for the group says there are more Indigenous children in out-of-home care now than there was at the time of the national apology to the Stolen Generations in 2008.

'The first response should be a family group conference and involvement of the wider Aboriginal community,' they said.

The group say they are committed to working with the Department of Family and Community Services (FACS) to stop children being placed in culturally unsuitable care.

BELONGIL ROCK WALL A MAJOR SUCCESS

After the recent storm event, I am extremely thankful that I did not follow the advice of the Byron Greens Party three years ago when they insisted that 'Planned Retreat' was a policy I should support.

I believe that most people are understandably confused on such a complicated issue. The media have not helped in that good news doesn't sell advertising and it is all too easy to twist facts to make a person look sinister. I would like to make some points below which convinced me to support 'adaptive' measures as advocated for in the CZMP.



Cr. Rose Wanchap

- ★ If Planned Retreat was the policy advocated for in the Coastal ★ Whilst 'Planned Retreat' has been the adopted management Zone Management Plan, our beaches would look like Collaroy's with massive waste being spewed into the ocean and a clean-up bill in the millions of dollars.
- ★ If Planned Retreat was the policy accepted in the CZMP, Byron Shire Council would then be responsible for serving notice on 56 home owners whose properties front the beach to remove their protective rock walls, some of which have been in place for 20 to 30 years.
- ★ Of those 56 homes, 14 of them were built prior to the 1988 LEP and Council would have to buy them back at today's market value as well as pay for the demolition and clean-up. This has been estimated in the Cost Benefit Analysis to be \$41 Million and that is before any litigation costs are taken into account.
- ★ When I voted to 'defend' rather than 'retreat' I was not convinced that a rock wall would mean the loss of a beach since there has already been rock or sandbag revetment of some kind along the full length of the beach in question for many decades. Beaches that have endured numerous major storm events have not been lost.

- option of Byron Shire Council since 1988, no home owner has ever been served notice to remove their rock walls. In fact no home owner anywhere in the state or country have ever had a policy of Planned Retreat enforced.
- ★ The obvious reason being that if you plan on forcing a home owner to put his home at risk, you had better have deep pockets (something Council or State government bodies don't have).
- ★ The not so obvious reason is that it is incredibly discriminatory to single out a group of people who are considered to be wealthy, whilst not advocating the same treatment of the township of Byron.
- ★ Not even the most radical lefties are advocating that the protective rock wall in front of the Surf Club, Swimming pool and Main Beach car park at Jonson Street should be removed and the township of Byron allowed to be reclaimed by the ocean.



Collaroy - Council General manager, Mark Ferguson, who met up to 40 affected residents on Tuesday, said the council was happy to work alongside the State Government and residents to build a sea wall, but couldn't foot the entire bill. SES crews and hundreds of volunteers worked into

the night piling thousands of sand bags to fortify the dozen or so homes and two apartment blocks that are on the verge of sliding into the sea. Boulders are being brought in on Wednesday to strengthen sea defences. Sydney Morning Herald.



CHESS by Ian Rogers

Play at Byron Services Club, Mon 7pm

In the same week that chess lost a great in Viktor Korchnoi, the world's weakest Grandmaster Herman Suradiradja also passed away, aged 69.

As a young player Suradjiradja's progress was patchy, but an approached by Bulgarian GM upset win of the Indonesian Georgy Tringov who said, 'I have the idea that chess might be a pathway to respect.

Two tournaments in Singapore and Poland where the success of certain players was preordained gave Suradiradja the IM title, but the road to Grandmaster looked to be somewhat tougher.

competing started taking chess lessons. even a blitz game – Unfortunately his trainer soon awards you the title! concluded - and results conwas to become a GM, he was going to have to buy the title.

First up, a tournament in enough points to win the tourna- significantly more difficult.

ment and secure a Grandmaster 'norm'. A year later in 1978, Suradiradia sponsored almost an entire tournament in Ploydiv. and claimed the final result he needed to become Indonesia's first Grandmaster.

At the lavish closing ceremony, sponsored by the winner of course, Suradiradja was Championship in 1975 gave him some very important advice, but it will cost you \$1,000 to receive it.' Suradiradja thought and then accepted the offer.

Tringov said, 'You have invested plenty of money to become a GM and it looks like you have done it... but not yet. You will become a GM only when FIDE After an unsuccessful stint awards you the title. So, my Yugoslavia, advice is this: do not play a single he moved to Bulgaria, and game of chess – any place, not started taking chess lessons. even a blitz game – before FIDE

Suradiradja took the advice firmed - that chess was not and became a GM, but the Suradiradja's special subject; if he world's weakest GM which meant that the respect he had hoped for was limited.

Soon afterwards, Primorsko was organised for changed the title regulations to Suradiradja where he was gifted make becoming a Grandmaster

Industry estate gets compost wise

Compost Central Byron Bay, Santos Organics Warehouse and Byron Bay Herb Nursery are working together to start a compost program on location at the Santos store in the Byron industrial estate.

Andrew Hayim De Vries from Compost Central says he is setting up a simple, vermin-free compost system using organic waste from Santos cafe which will be fully integrated into their existing raised vege beds.

'Byron Bay Herb Nursery are kindly donating the herb and vege seedlings, he says.

Worm tunnels

The systems are worm tunnels which Andrew calls 'The Boroughs' and are minicompost units using 25-litre buckets embedded into the vege beds. He says, 'The boroughs are brilliant and a must for all vege gardens ground-level or raised beds.'

'Firstly, you are able to compost all year round as the system is below ground and therefore insulated.

Secondly, the worms travel out and around the compost system into the vege beds aerating the soil.

Thirdly, they excrete rich, nutrient hummus soil and liquid fertiliser as they travel, thereby activating and replenishing the soil all year round and also saving on water, says Andrew.

Workshop

Andrew says he will be showing how the boroughs work and how compost systems can be adapted for your needs on Saturday from 10 till 11am at Santos in the industrial estate.

Another workshop is planned for the same time and place the following Saturday.

There are also free monthly talks; the next will be held Wednesday, July 6 from 6pm till 8pm at Compost Central Byron in the industrial estate.

For more information all Andrew on 0413 530 559 or visit www.compostcentral.org.



Andrew Hayim De Vries from Compost Central with Santos manager Rica Oliveira and cafe manager Josh Ivanof and Nick Thom from the Byron Bay Herb Nursery. Photo Jeff 'Thanks, But I Stopped Eating Dirt As A Kid' Dawson

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Slightly better than a flawed law

In an effort to appear that politicians care about the enormous and growing inequity that exists between an average household income and a corporation with a billion dollar turnover, the government enacted the Tax Laws Amendment (Combating Multinational Tax Avoidance) Bill 2015 late last year.

It's a topic everyone is fairly aware of – on April 20 this year, *The* Guardian reported that 76 of Australia's biggest multinationals pay an average effective tax rate of just 16.2 per cent, which is half of the corporate tax rate. They say an average nurse pays 24 per cent.

The Australian Tax Department (ATO) says the law applies to 'significant global entities' that have an annual global income exceeding A\$1 billion.

The ATO website reads, 'The MAAL gives the Commissioner of Taxation the power to cancel any tax benefits the foreign entity, and its related parties, obtained from the scheme. Significant global entities are also subject to increased penalties for tax shortfalls arising from the application of this law.

The question is – will it be enough to help keep up with hospitals, roads and schools?

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Plastic makes way for recycled clothing

Main Arm Public School students are doing their part for Plastic-Free July, by making recycled shopping bags from donated clothing this Wednesday.

Mullumbimby's IGA will have them available, and like other businesses in the town, the supermarket has accepted the challenge of not distributing single-use plastic bags to customers during the first two weeks of July.

Organiser of the school's event, Niyati Hutchings, said, 'Our aim is to gear this as a "community project", working as a team and running a production that contributes sustainable products to our local community.'



Dan, Sophia, Nouveau, and Grace learn the fine art of repurposing t-shirts into shopping bags from Bolas Bags's Emriqueta Marquez. Photo Jeff'In And Out Of The Bag' Dawson

Dean's Shamanic doco crowdfunding night

Local filmmaker Dean Jefferys is launching his crowdfunding campaign for his new documentary The God Molecule and the Shamanic Toad at Kulchajam on Friday.

Mr Jefferys will present the promo clip and talk about the film. Shamanic commentator Rak Razam and others will give a background into the potential impact of the powerful shamanic ritual involved.

Dean will also show his cult shamanic film Shamans of the Amazon.

According to Mr Jefferys, the film will follow him as he travels around Central and South America to experience 5-MeO-DMT rituals with initiates, indigenous shamans, and westerners.

People can see some of the night live streamed, see more info, support the film, and make a donation at www.thegodmoleculemovie.com. The crowdfunder starts at 5.30pm with food and chai available.

Stolen generation inquiry recommends reparations

A NSW upper house committee inquiry into reparations for the stolen generations has recommended an administrative-based reparations scheme be established.

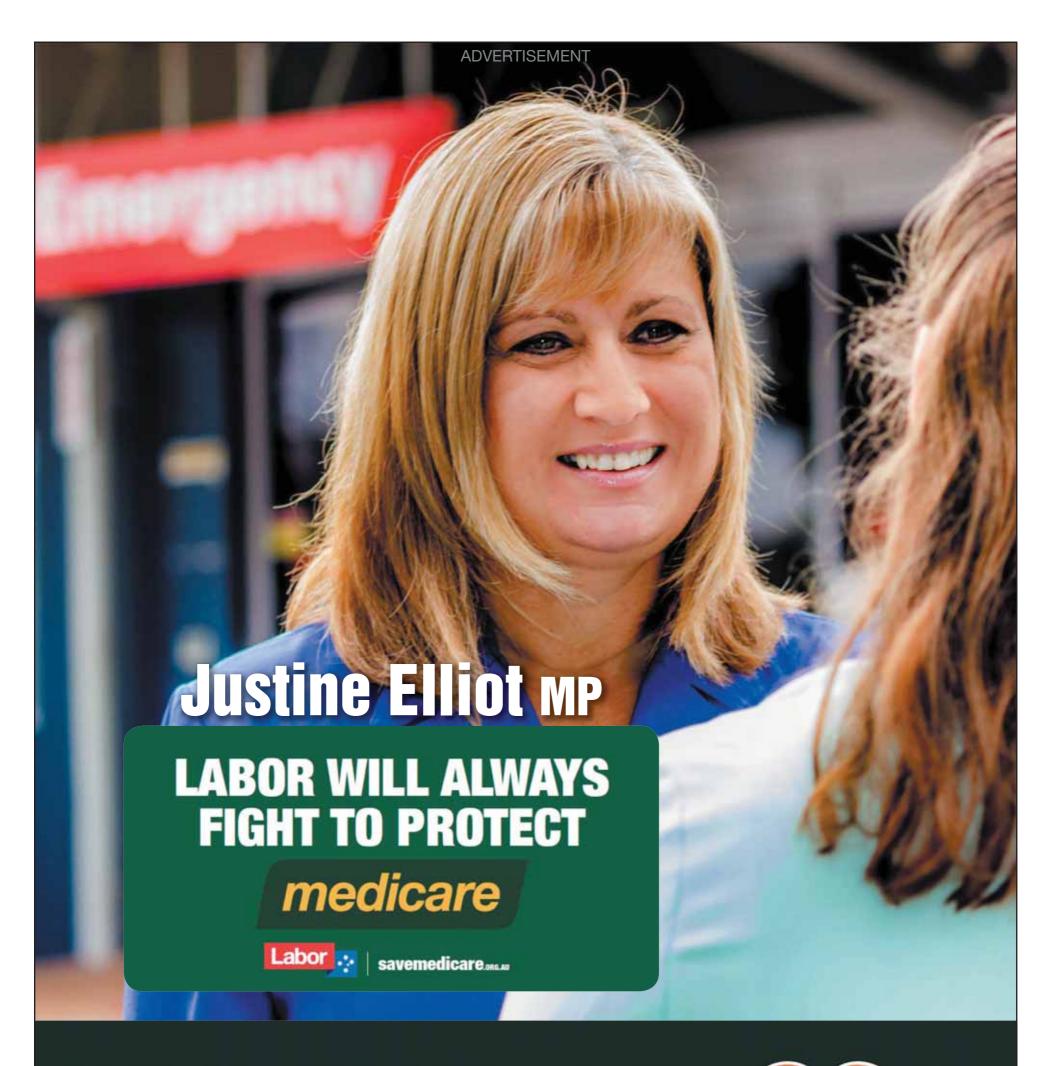
Chair of the committee, former Byron Shire mayor Jan Barham MLC, says such a system would allow eligible stolen-generations survivors to apply for a monetary payment, 'similar to the schemes provided in South Australia and Tasmania.'

The inquiry considered

how reparations could be provided to those who were 'stolen' from their families between the late 1800s and 1970s under past government forcible-removal policies and practices. Ms Barham says the scheme is needed urgently as survivors are elderly and/or in poor health.

'They need swift action in terms of financial reparation as they have already waited far too long. For more information visit www.parliament. nsw.gov.au/gpsc3.

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Labor believes that every Australian should have access to world-class healthcare, regardless of what they earn or where they live.

- Malcolm Turnbull wants to privatise Medicare and drive up the cost of vital health care.
- 8 His GP Tax by stealth could leave patients out of pocket by up to \$20 for every GP visit.

A Shorten Labor Government will restore indexation of the Medicare Benefits Schedule, and stop Malcolm Turnbull's Medicare cuts.

Only Labor will fight to protect and strengthen Medicare, to make sure all Australians have access to affordable and universal healthcare.



Authorised by Justine Elliot 107 Minjungbal Drive Tweed Heads South





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Expediency v process

As a resident/landowner on Butler Street you would have every right to be angry that there was no formal request by Council to examine the rail corridor as an alternative route.

The final decision to go ahead with the Butler Street bypass was made late Wednesday afternoon last week in the council chambers by the Joint Regional Planning Panel (JRPP).

As they spoke and asked questions, it felt somewhat staged and a fait accompli.

This northern JRRP panel is one of six across the state tasked with big development decisions.

The panel's chair is apointed by the NSW government and the relevant local council appoints two panelists. As this panel is headed by a former National Party MP, how independent are they of the agenda of the government of the day? All six panels have rejected only one development out of 57 in the past three years.

Yes – the bypass has been long recognised as a major issue for the town – but the project has followed a flawed process, right up to the end. And yes, it's well understood the Butler Street option is much easier to undertake because Council manages the wetlands and road.

Butler Street resident Richard Jones made an excellent speech pointing out that the original planners of the town put aside additional State Rail land for the future expansion of transport infrastructure and needs. Forward planning - wahoo! He then compared their wisdom and their powers – 120 years ago – to the present-day panel before him. Mr Jones listed the necessary credentials needed to hold a planning position. He said those attributes were integrity, leadership, selflessness, impartiality, accountability, openness, honesty and respect... and always maintaining the public's trust and confidence in the planning system for the betterment of the entire township.'

The Echo asked mayor Simon Richardson (Greens) for comment on this decision but no reply was received by deadline.

Butler Street residents claim the mayor, along with councillors, has been led by staff to accept the Butler Street route.

What we do know is that councillors had a bypass completion on their wish list for their term. But \$10m for a 20 per cent reduction in traffic ain't something to be proud of, especially at such a social and environmental cost.

Meanwhile the biggest change in coastal policy in a generation is unfolding with no clues as to where it will lead us.

It's clear Council staff are under pressure to adhere to the wishes of five belligerent and aggressive councillors who are pushing a 1.1km Belongil seawall. Staff's reply to major issues flagged by government departments concerning Council's coastal policy amounts to 'we will work it all out later.'

Perhaps there is pressure from unknown factions that would like to see Byron Shire Council amalgamated. A better resourced council could afford to keep a handful of Belongil landowners (almost) happy, but such a scenario would be devastating for all other ratepayers. Amalgamations are generally aimed at diminishing public autonomy and centralising power to the state.

They can have dreadful outcomes – just ask those who were recently forced to amalgamate in Sydney. Oh, and happy voting on Saturday! It's no use resisting - they always get in anyway.

Hans Lovejoy, editor

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If promises don't work, then scare them

o at long last, next weekend, the voters get to choose, not that it's much of a choice: which putative prime minister do they least distrust?

The last few days of the campaign have degenerated into a screaming match between dodgy scare stories, a barrage of negativity which can only erode what little faith the punters have retained in the political process.

Neither Malcolm Turnbull nor Bill Shorten is believable, and neither will be believed: the absurd demonisation of their respective opponents has gone way over the edge of credibility. But both sides have garnered just enough shreds of truth to make their cases without being silenced by a thunderbolt from a just deity.

So let us try them for size.

Turnbull thunders that Shorten's assertion that the Liberals want to privatise Medicare is the biggest lie of the entire campaign, which is a pretty big call in itself.

And indeed, the Liberals have no plans for selling the political icon – at least for the moment.

Turnbull has promised, hand on heart, that Medicare will never, ever, be privatised.

It was perhaps not the most fortunate choice of words: about 20 years ago another Liberal prime minister, one John Howard, pledged that there would never, ever, be a GST. But of course what he meant was not vet: as soon as the next election was nailed down and the heat was off, the GST was not just back on the table but was being marketed assiduously and aggressively at public expense.

It is fair to ask whether Turnbull's solemn undertaking would be any more permanent if the opportunity to reverse it arose. So Bill Shorten's so-called scare campaign - just the latest from both sides in this unedifying election may indeed have some substance.

The Libs may not be game to sell off Medicare, but that does not mean that they have to like it – or any other manifestation

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have to cross the

patio covers for homes and businesses

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avoid a customer in the street, so he insists on

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of publicly funded health policy.

It is easy enough to go back over the last three years - Tony Abbott's promises of no cuts to health, education and the ABC, the attempt to introduce a co-payment (read: charge to patients) for Medicare services, the slicing away of pathology and other areas, the reinstatement of what was supposed to be a temporary freeze on rebates, the so-called reviews of ways to reduce costs by handing over the payment system and maybe other bits of human resources to free enterprise - Turnbull's record of preserving Medicare in all its pristine glory is hardly a convincing one.

But not for long: when Malcolm Fraser brought the coalition back into government, one of his first (and one of his only) policies

was to cut Medibank down. He reduced it to a shadow until Bob Hawke resurrected it in the 1980s. Since then it has become something of a sacred cow, but this has never stopped the Liberals from undermining it by stealth.

Iohn Howard and his health minister Tony Abbott (who boasted that his government was the best friend Medicare ever had) did everything they could to boost the private funds at Medicare's expense; they saw the private system not as a complement to the public system, but as

reliable boats: Turnbull has implied that Shorten would go back to open borders, that the dreaded people smugglers are ready to unleash their armada, countless numbers would flock to our pristine shores and thousands would drown at sea in the process. In fact Shorten won the fight at Labor's national conference, and

the policy of border protection is

essentially unchanged. But not all of his supporters like it, and of course the Greens don't like it at all. Thus Turnbull said the boats would return as a result of an alliance with Labor, Greens and independents - an alliance which Shorten has constantly rejected but which both major parties vied for after the 2010 election, although we don't talk too much about that.

And it culminated in Brexit, a real problem for everyone, allowing Turnbull to claim that only the coalition could avert chaos and poverty throughout the fragile Australian economy. He offered, he told us, stability. The Liberal party may be bitterly divided, but it hasn't knocked off a leader for nearly ten months, so that can be called stability, of a kind. Of course the truth is that there is very little Turnbull or anyone else can do about Brexit, but hey, why waste a good scare campaign, es-

It's not all negative. Shorten has his 100 positive policies - although no-one can remember more than about six of them.

pecially at the eve of an election?

And Turnbull has his tenyear national economic plan although now he admits it's really only a three-year plan. He'll only put it in a little way and if it hurts

he'll pull it out again. But as we cut to the chase, both men seem more comfortable slandering their opponents than enthusing the public over their own visions, such as they are. If the voters aren't scared they should be - not because of what the leaders are saying about

each other, but of what they are

saying about themselves.

Neither Malcolm Turnbull nor Bill Shorten is believable, and neither will be believed

by Mungo MacCallum

But of course the Liberal ideological opposition to public health - indeed to public everything - goes far further back than that. In the early 1930s, the then Country Party leader, Earle Page, was inveighing against the establishment of a public hospital system: it was, he thundered, unfair competition against the private hospitals, of which, by pure coincidence, he owned several.

His crusade continued unabated until Robert Menzies made him health minister in 1949, when he immediately established another nice earner, the private health insurance network. The private funds grew and waxed rich, but then Gough Whitlam proposed the idea of Medibank, the precursor of Medicare.

The conservatives, egged on by the doctors, were outraged: socialised medicine, they screamed, and fought the proposals tooth and nail, up till the 1974 joint sitting of parliament which finally and painfully brought Medibank into being.

a fierce and favoured competitor. And so when Abbott battled his way to the top job, the war of attrition continued.

The problem is that Medicare is undeniably popular; the idea that it could be sold off is politically untenable. Turnbull knows this, hence his overblown protestations. He may even believe them - for the moment. But if history is any guide, the coalition will eventually strike back.

Shorten's big scare campaign is tenuous, but the same can be said of Turnbull's own tactics.

The assault on reforming negative gearing, which Scott Morrison said would throw a sledgehammer (or perhaps a wrecking ball) into the entire economy was only trumped when he and Turnbull warned the world that Shorten had declared war on business.

Nonsense, of course; but the fact that Shorten is not enamoured of the big end of town can be documented, and thus the scare could be flimsily justified.

And then there are the ever-

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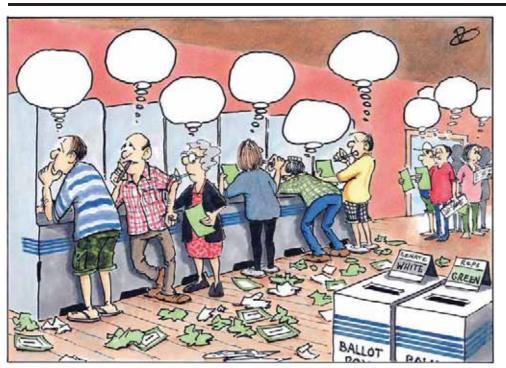
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Killing the CBD

Paid parking is killing Byron Bay CBD. These blue robots may bring in a million bucks a year for the council, but they are starving tens of millions out of Byron's retail sector, affecting every business in town. It's a completely false economy – costing far more than it's earning.

Compared to last year, winter sales are down as much as 50 per cent, and no business can survive that. Paid parking unfairly discriminates against the Byron CBD. No other town in the shire has it. Why pay \$7 for a coffee in Byron when you can get one down the road for \$4?

The one hour parking limit in the shopping area was never enough to eat and shop. The restrictions don't allow you to pay for two hours and do both; you have to move your car.

Hundreds have been fined and it's soured their Byron experience.

With annual shop rent over \$1,000 a square metre and so few customers in town, paid parking is killing off dozens of long-established businesses.

For those wanting to push tourists out of town it's a Pyrrhic victory, because it's pushed many people into bankruptcy, with hundreds of job losses and tens of millions in lost income. Time to reconsider.

Michael Balson Upper Wilsons Creek

Betrayed

The exchange between Tom Tabart, former Green Rose Wanchap, and various others, has left two key points uncovered. How the mayor himself has mirrored Rose, and danced with Sol Ibrahim, is the first. The absolute necessity for the Greens to recover as a moral and administrative force is the second.

Sack Simon, pick Tom Tabart as mayoral candidate. Tom has dignity, integrity and ability. Pick anyone except 'A Rose By Any Other Name' Simon Richardson.

Simon and Rose have made a splendid couple, and fine partners for Ibrahim's crew, betraying the Greens' policy on illegal holiday letting and excessive tourism. When Rose talks about a housing shortage, why aren't Dailan Pugh and others pointing out that the council itself is responsible for that shortage through failure to act on illegal letting? The moral pressure for megaprojects that Rose and Ibrahim seem to claim is Simon Richardson's dirty legacy.

Hell, invite Fast Buck\$ to lead, or beg Jan back, or me! The public have been played for fools, robbed, and worse. We've been betrayed on these issues by Rose and Richardson, and if the mess isn't fixed and they attempt to return this Janus of a mayor, we will have been irretrievably and unforgiveably betrayed by the Greens.

Matt Hartley Byron Bay

Contentious DA

The Cordlea developers have submitted a new development plan for Bayside Brunswick Heads.

As I live on the edge of the site for the proposed development I made the trip to Byron Council Chambers to see what

the developers have in mind. I found the very large, thick folder on the table and started to read the appendix, which was clearly marked for each component of the proposal.

I made my way through to the last section and started to read. I found a fabulous picture of a pastoral field and read that the land for the proposed subdivision is a vast grassland with little or no tree or shrub growth. I read again and I thought, BS.

I read that the land for the proposed development slopes towards Simpsons Creek. I again had the same thought.

There is some confusion in my mind; I must be living somewhere else. We can't be talking about the same place.

Those with any concern about this development, please go to the council chambers and read the file for yourselves.

There is no engineer reports and no traffic flow stats. The stormwater is to be mainly directed into the south end and to flow into Simpsons Creek and I have witnessed huge erosion of the open stormwater drains over the years.

But on the brighter side all those who wish to live and build close to Brunswick may now have an opportunity. We must make sure that the sewerage system and stormwater is upgraded to cope with the already-burdened load.

Developers also state the area is *not* a 1-in-100 year flood area. Interesting.

Annie Radermacher Brunswick Heads

Shakti power

Shakti power and leadership was evident at Renewfest, Mullum, besides solar power and five electric cars. By that I mean the power of the feminine; it was a woman who envisioned, created and organised Renewfest on June 18, and a young woman at that. Ella Goninan, who is also the president of COREM, together with a team of marvellous males (especially Rob Passey) and savvy women, collectively dream to make renewable energy the new

norm in Mullumbimby.

I was working in COREM Cafe and was touched by the goodwill and support from our volunteers, for which I thank them. Also much appreciation goes to Dharma the cook, Open Table and Claire Mason for cakes, Santos Organics, Kombucha Mamma, Grumpy Grandma's Olives, Hari Hai Chai, Stan continued on next page ➤



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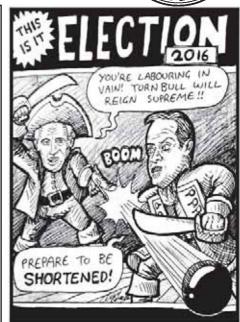
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Last letters on the election we had to have

■ Handing out how-to-vote cards at a Tweed Heads prepolling booth I struck upon the idea of saying 'vote Green to save the Barrier Reef'.

At one point two middleaged men approached. I said my spiel to the first - 'we haven't got a Barrier Reef' was the disdainful reply. Next bloke looked at me with allknowing confidence, saying 'God is looking after that'.

In one second I was rocketed from one bloke's backyard into the far reaches of the cosmos. Let's keep our microscopes or telescopes fastened firmly in front of our eyeballs so we always remember that there is nothing useful between our ears.

> **Sapoty Brook** Main Arm

■ Having listened to a number of politicians spitting out diatribe and pre-scripted speeches over past weeks it was an absolute joy to attend the Greens function in Murwillumbah at The Regent last week. Bob Brown was the guest speaker and I was reminded what a huge loss to the political circus he is.

He speaks off the cuff, he says what he means (and

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and Ricky Morrow from the

farmers market and other

stallholders and Edens Land-

ing who were generous with

their discounts. Further

thinks and feels) on an enormous range of issues and is concerned with worldwide issues with a scientific background of facts.

We may have pre-election saturation because there has been so little said that is true and meaningful, leaving us dissatisfied with the two major parties, but Bob Brown and the Greens aren't making promises - they are urging us to pay attention and think about the policies that are being promoted. Please google The Bob Brown Foundation to follow other initiatives from this 'eco warrior' (a description that he is not at all comfortable with, he says).

> **Carole Gamble** Mullumbimby Creek

■ Chris Dobney's front-page report last week suggests that in Richmond Labor's Justine Elliot would scrape back in on Greens preferences if the Morgan poll figures follow through to the election.

On those poll figures though, it is equally likely that Justine would get back in on Nationals preferences. If the election results nationally were very close, one seat could make the difference

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grounds, especially Harry.

as to which side could form government.

This means the Nationals' Matthew Fraser, by preferencing Justine ahead of the Greens' Dawn Walker, could give Labor the one seat they need. I realise the Nats rate the Greens one above Lucifer, but it seems a big risk to take if the results are as close as they seem to be heading. Perhaps Matthew Fraser should rethink his how-to-vote card before the government's kneecappers come looking for him.

> **Matthew Lambourne** Mullumbimby

■ Ah, the federal election campaign. Wow! Never before have so few inspired so much apathy in so many at such a crucial time.

I want to ask voters not to let the avalanche of hype and misinformation tempt you into switching off at the ballot box on voting day.

For those like me who are 'over' the big parties, I wish to alert you to a relatively new party doing great work. Sustainable Australia (formerly Sustainable Population Party) is a real alternative in the Senate. They are the only party willing to tackle the

harsh reality of the effects of population growth and immigration on our nation, and indeed the planet. This is not a 'racial' stance. It is simply a fact that Australia, like the rest of the globe, is suffering from over population by humans. The poor old boat people get a bashing, but meanwhile about 250,000 people are arriving on planes every year.

Apart from myself, Dick Smith has endorsed Sustainable Australia. They have solid policies as alternatives to the 'Jobs and Growth' mantra that is fast becoming meaningless hyperbole.

As the great Sir David Attenborough has said, 'We are a plague on the Earth. It's coming home to roost over the next 50 years or so. It's not just climate change; it's sheer space, places to grow food for this enormous horde. Either we limit our population growth or the natural world will do it for us, and the natural world is doing it for us right now.' (http://bit. ly/daveplague)

Vote Sustainable Australia in the Senate, and yes, I am a member.

> **Rossco Phillips** Wanganui Gorge

evolution and revolution is a buzz. To have a woman with clout at the crest inspires all women and especially young girls who, as Naomi Wolf declares, '... are themselves, units of potential power'.

Deborah Lilly COREM Cafe coordinator

The federal government's ES-CAS regulations supposedly to protect export animals are not working and atrocities such as the recent Vietnam savage despite countless 'investigations'. There are just too many overseas abattoirs which practise vile inhumanity towards animals to be monitored and it's usually Animals Australia which does the investigation, drawing these practices to our

Meanwhile, this savage trade goes on and animals suffer horrendously, including in the transport of Australian animals where thousands die on every lengthy voyage and where numerous 'investigations' by the federal govern-

Online comment of the week

The council has all but destroyed Byron Bay in the last five years. It has lost all heart and all soul; it is now a cheap copy of all the other trashy tourist sites around the world.

■ Comment by Max Igan in response to the **Endonetdaily** story 'Byron Bay's Butler Street bypass route approved' - echo.net.au/byron-bays-butler-streetbypass-route-approved

ment take place with shipping companies without any alleviation of the cruelty.

Not good enough, Barnaby Joyce, and you, the federal coalition and the Labor opposition need to show some decency and humanity and cease this incredibly cruel trade.

New Zealand stopped its export trade in sheep and it hasn't gone broke. Neither will Australia with the superior resources we have. Chilled meat is the way to go with more abattoirs and more jobs here in Australia.

> Cherie Imlah Bonalbo

■ Last week we were appalled by images of Australian cattle being bludgeoned to death with sledgehammers in Vietnam, to be met with, once again, a complete lack of appropriate action being taken by our illustrious leaders. This week we see more horrific images of the conditions suffered by these unfortunate creatures, on the ships which carry them to their cruel and barbaric fate.

The worst part is that we can't blame anyone but our own industry for these latest atrocities. Apparently these ships and the way they carry their miserable cargo are all within Australian regulatory standards.

If that isn't bad enough, they have now sacked experienced and respected liveexport veterinarian Lynn Simpson, who was employed specifically to advise government after the exposé of conditions in Indonesian abattoirs in 2011. She gave them a confidential report which they stupidly published on their own website, and then sacked her because the industry 'could no longer work with her'. Once again we see evidence of an industry controlling its own regulator! This is nothing short of corruption.

We need to end this inhumane treatment of defenceless creatures destined to end up on people's dinner plates. New Zealand ended its own live-export trade for exactly these reasons and it's high time we did the same.

It is clear that Barnaby Joyce and the Department of Agriculture are only interested in the income derived from this industry and are prepared to turn a blind eye to anything which might get in the way. Only yesterday, this quote was published on Joyce's Facebook page: 'If it walks, if it isn't human, someone around the world wants to eat it. I believe in the future of agriculture in Australia, one of our fastest-growing industries, one with record

The only way things will change is if people speak out. I urge anyone who is affronted by this continuing cruelty to join organisations such as

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Written by sheep farmer Tim Barritt. Barossa Valley, S.A

Animal cruelty

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affected by the proposed

rock protection I definitely

support it and would so if I

owned property here or not.

This town needs a properly

engineered rock wall. Yep, we

humans are stupid for build-

ing Byron Bay in the sand

dunes in the first place but

hey, we did and here we are.

walls including the 'mini

headland' at the centre of

town that created the prob-

lem at Belongil in the first

place and no state govern-

We have scattered ad hoc

■ Firstly I would like to state ment is going to agree to a (*Echo*, June 22). The Byron less decisions of others? make some nice ones.

All in all, it's just another look at The Wall

Controversial as this issue has become, it is I believe a politically motivated stoush emanating way back from Ian Cohen, Jan Barham and no doubt others who have been in elected office in order to garner support from basically anyone who can't afford a beachfront at Belongil and have a penchant for bashing the rich guy.

> Philip Ewen Byron Bay

■ I refer to Roy Giles's letter

my allegiance to my own plan to remove any of them, community was recently inhard-earned property at Be-so let's just get on with it and formed by Echo editor Hans Sol Ibrahim, with the aid of Lovejoy in a front-page ar- real estate databases should ticle that since the discussion of The Wall has become solidified the actual real estate values at the Belongil have risen by 47 per cent, and in today's market are no doubt rising.

So it stands to reason that in March 2015 a property sold at Belongil for \$10 million and thanks for this info, Roy.

How many houses have been given final approval by Byron Council?

Should ratepayers be fiscally responsible for the reck-

Crs Rose Wanchap and give us the facts in order to aid a cost benefit analysis that impacts on decisions that are being made. Will they?

The history attached to this developed dune has always been preceded by the precautionary principle. A very active Cr Anudhi Wentworth personally informed Belongil residents of their foolishness and the cost that will come to community and Council.

> Jo Faith Newtown



Armstrong tackles child abuse in new novel

Michael McDonald

Acclaimed Mullumbimby author Sarah Armstrong takes on the painful issue of child abuse in her third novel, Promise.

The promise comes from neighbour Anna who believes Charlie, the 5-year-old girl next door, is being abused. She takes the drastic step of driving away with the child when Anna's reports to police and Family and Community Services (FACS) fail to remove Charlie from harm's way.

Promise explores the emotional, ethical and legal impact of taking responsibility for an abused child. Fortunately for Anna and Charlie - and for the reader - the dilemma is resolved happily.

This is not the case for all children. Armstrong started writing Promise after seeing media reports about a twoyear-old boy who died and whose mother was charged with his murder.

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the live-export trade.

speak for them.

Big mistake

Animals Australia and others

who are dedicated to ending

for themselves, so we must

The beginnings of civilisation

with the Neolithic revolution

can be seen as a vast mistake

rather than a sign of Homo

sapiens coming into its own.

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since found humans are able

to eat healthily without ani-

mal products and ploughing

has been one step forward,

two steps back.

The signature of the revo-

The animals cannot speak

Lyn FitzGibbon

Bangalow



'In a television report, the boy's neighbours explained how they'd been worried and had called FACS with their concerns,' Sarah said. 'I put myself in the shoes of those neighbours and wondered if I would wish that I'd just picked up the boy and run to safety with him.

'That formed the premise of my book, although it's clearly not that little boy's story in any way. In terms of real-life sources, I spoke to several people who work or have

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symptoms of successful ne-

human hominid origins.

worked in child protection, and I feel confident that the scenario I paint is plausible.

Exploring issues

'I don't start work on a novel planning to motivate readers to take some kind of action. Rather, I am exploring

'I am, effectively, involved in a long conversation with

Armstrong's work is not about moving her readers to action, however.

an issue that concerns me.

myself about something that

gotiation of childhood where they look outward and attempt to aid the whole rather than particularly themselves.

The political movement of libertarianism, on the other hand, can be seen as narcissism operating as encouragement of a current dysfunctional competitive rather than cooperative (or reciprocal) economic system. Libertarianism can be conceived to be based in 'me' rather than 'us', in the immature rather than the grown human, in the law of the jungle rather than compassion.

Civilisation has been mostly a process of causing humans to turn their backs on humanness.

Geoff Dawe

preoccupies me. Then, I am inviting readers into that conversation - in this case, about how far our responsibility for the children around us extends.

'This is a question that genuinely interests me and I don't think there's an absolute answer, although I've come to an answer for myself.

The way forward?

We often read of dire problems arising from the stretched services of agencies such as FACS. Does Sarah see a better way forward for children at risk?

'I don't profess to be any kind of expert on child protection. However, I suspect that the majority of people who work in services such as FACS are hard-working and good-hearted, and - most significantly - pushed to their absolute limit.

'They appear to be underfunded, stressed beyond belief, and stretched way too thin. After that two-year old boy died and his mother was charged with his murder, the FACS workers at the local office went out on strike to protest their long-term lack of resources which meant that they couldn't go and check up on him that week when he died.

'If there are better ways forward for children at risk, I am not the person to identify or suggest them but, as a community member, I wish we placed greater value on child protection and pushed politicians to properly fund the sector.'

Northern rivers magistrate and poet – David Heilpern will be launching Promise at the Mullumbimby Bowling Club on Saturday July 2, 2-4pm.

'There's a court scene in the book and, in the course of my research, David Heilpern showed me around the Lismore courts,' said Sarah. 'He seems the perfect person to launch it as he would regularly see, in his court, the long-reaching effects - both personal and society-wide of the abuse and neglect of children?

If you want to attend the launch, RSVP ASAP to sarah@sarah-armstrong.com.

- Sarah Armstrong's first novel, Salt Rain, was shortlisted for the 2005 Miles Franklin Award, the Queensland Premier's Literary Prize and the Dobbie Literary Award. Her second novel, His Other House, was published in 2015 to wide critical acclaim. Sarah also won a Walkley Award in 1993 as a journalist with ABC Radio Current Affairs. See more at sarah-armstrong.com.
- If this article raises personal issues for you, you can call the National Child Abuse Helpline 1800 99 10 99, Lifeline 13 11 14 or Kids Helpline 1800 55 1800.

Important talks

Thanks, Victor Marsh, for your letter last week. It is important that we have these conversations regarding religion, lifestyle choices, etc.

Though the majority of Christians who view the Bible in the light of the New Testament, like myself, may not agree with some lifestyle choices, religious convictions, etc, we do not hate, fear or want to see any harm come to anyone. No need for another phobia.

Christians are the most persecuted people group in the world. Thousands are killed each year and tens of thousands have been imprisoned over the decades for their faith. That's men, women and children, who were

just going about their lives (something you rarely see in the media).

The persecution in its many forms is only going to get worse as the silencing of Christians shows no sign of abating. There are a lot of people who have been hurt (abused) out there. How they got to where they are (lifestyle) is being ignored.

I know, who really wants to hear the truth? It hurts. Jesus heals the broken in heart and binds up their wounds, this is just one of his promises

> **Paul Hamill** Bangalow

A little tweaking

The faceless men controlling the Liberals knew they would lose power if Abbott remained PM. With a little tweaking they allowed him to be replaced by Turnbull, to bring the people on side. Voters would love the integrity Turnbull promised enough to get the party over the line, they reasoned.

They had the power, and were cocky enough to rein him in, to retreat from his promises. Abbott has already volunteered to take a seat in cabinet.

With some more adjustment after re-election, it won't be hard to get the Ship of State to re-adjust to the 'right' course, with or without Malcolm's help.

Simple as that.

Hayo van der Woude Mullumbimby



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How should reading be taught in our schools?

In TheConversation.com Misty Adoniou questions the motivation behind current learn-to-read programs

hen my son was nine years old, he put aside the large Harry Potter novel he had been slowly, but enthusiastically, reading each evening and instead began ploughing through lots of fairly uninspiring books that he brought home from school each day.

It turned out the Year 4 teachers had devised a competition at his school – whichever class read the most books would be rewarded with an end-of-term pizza party. The aim, I presume, was to motivate the children to read. It is ironic then that the effect was that my son stopped reading for pleasure and instead began reading for the numbers.

Reading is now increasingly being reduced to a numbers game in schools. At pick-up time, parents quiz each other about what reading level their child is on. Inside the school staff room, teachers are directed to have children on level 15, 20 or 30 by the end of the school year.

Six-year-olds are deciding whether they are good read-

ers or not based on how many books they have ticked off on their take-home reader sheet. These levels are based on algorithms that calculate the ratio of syllables to sentences, or measure word frequency and sentence length.

The rationale is that these formulae can be applied to rank books on a scale of readability and thus guide teachers to match books with children's reading ability.

There are two key problems with this numbers approach to reading. First, the algorithms are faulty. Second, publishers misuse them.

The missing variables in readability algorithms are the authors' intentions, the readers' motivations and the teachers' instruction. These are key omissions, and they seriously reduce the usability of the algorithms and the credibility of the reading levels they produce.

Fictional stories often use familiar and high-frequency vocabulary, and many authors use relatively simple sentence structures. However, the use of literary tools

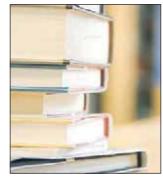


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like allegory and metaphor, along with challenging text themes, increases the difficulty of works of fiction in ways that are not captured in readability algorithms.

For example, readability formulae give Hemingway's *The Old Man and the Sea* a reading level suitable for primary school students. They may be able to decode the words on the page but comprehension of the book is less likely.

The same formulae may rank a non-fiction book on dinosaurs, for example, as only suitable for high school students because of its uncommon vocabulary, lengthy sentences and multi-syllabic words. Yet a child's interest and familiarity with the topic, or a teacher or parent's support and instruction, can make that non-fiction book very readable for younger children.

As readability formulae are not always a good fit for books, the solution has been, instead, to write books which fit the formulae. And publishers have been very keen to supply those books.

These are the books that our children take home each evening. They are written according to the numbers – numbers of high-frequency words, numbers of syllables, numbers of words in a sentence.

What is missing in those books is author intention and craft, reader engagement and interest, and teacher support and instruction. Essentially, then, what is missing in these books is the very essence of reading.

We have been using the reading scheme system for decades and we still have children struggling to read. When we use these quasibooks to teach reading, we

are not adequately preparing them for real reading.

These books, written to fit algorithms, don't build broad vocabularies in our children. They don't teach our children how to read complex sentence structures or deal with literary language or read between the lines. In many cases, they turn children off reading altogether.

Children learn to read by reading a book that is a little beyond what they can already read. The gap between what they can read and what they could read is reduced when the child: is highly motivated by the content of the book; has existing background knowledge about that content; is receiving good instruction from a teacher.

We don't need books arranged in coloured boxes labelled with level numbers to teach a child to read.

Beautifully written pieces of children's literature will do the job. Books full of carefully crafted writing by authors whose intentions are to engage, entertain and inform.

Books that teachers can

in words, and how words work in sentences to make us feel, see or think new things. Beautiful books that parents can also buy and delight in reading with their children.

The way we teach children

work with in the classroom

showing how sounds work

The way we teach children to read will fundamentally influence what they understand the purpose of reading to be.

When we teach children to read through schemes that tally their books, we teach them that reading is simply about quantity.

If reading is about getting a reward of a pizza, then children are less likely to read for intrinsic rewards.

Reading books to your children brings you closer to them, can teach them philosophy and about world issues. But they can do something else. They can teach our children to read.

■ Misty Adoniou is an associate professor in Language, Literacy and TESL at the University of Canberra. She is on the board of directors of TESOL International.



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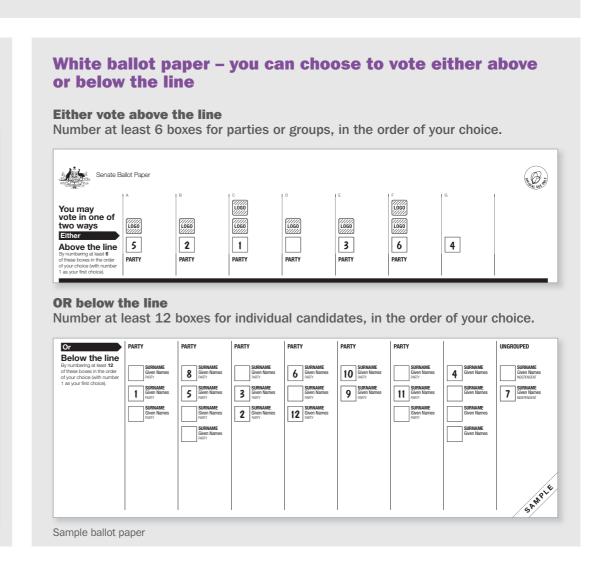
- a green one for the House of Representatives
- a large white one for the Senate

On the green ballot paper you are voting for a candidate to represent your local area or electorate in the House of Representatives.

On the white ballot paper you are voting for representatives of your state or territory in the Senate.

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Cheryl Strayed from Wild to Brave Enough

hervl Strayed is the author of the critically acclaimed novel Torch, the New York Times bestselling memoir Wild, which was later made into a feature film starring Reese Witherspoon, a collection of essays Tiny Beautiful Things: Advice on Love and Life from Someone Who's Been There and a collection of quotes Brave Enough.

At 22, and in a state of overwhelming grief following the death of her mother, Cheryl Strayed went on an impulsive 1,700km walk on the Pacific Crest Trail from the Mojave Desert to the Canadian border. The account of her journey became her best-selling memoir Wild.

In 2012, Cheryl Strayed revealed herself as the hugely popular, straight-talking, anonymous advice columnist 'Sugar' for US website Rumpus. Tiny Beautiful Things is a collection of the best of the 'Dear Sugar' columns.

Last year Strayed published Brave Enough, gathering together more than 100 of her quotes and thoughts - 'mini instruction manuals for the soul'.

Cheryl Strayed spoke to The Echo before setting off for her trek to Byron Bay.



Author and journalist Cheryl Strayed. Photo Joni Kabana

Is Strayed your real name?

Yes. Strayed is my real, legal name and it has been since May 1995. I chose it for myself.

Did you keep a journal while you were on your Pacific Crest Trail hike? How did you write such vivid details?

I kept a journal all through my 20s and 30s, and yes, I kept a journal on my Pacific Crest Trail hike. My journal was enormously helpful as I wrote the book, often providing me with details I'd have

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forgotten. I also researched facts and consulted others about their recollections and interpretations of some of the events in Wild.

But like any memoir, Wild is based primarily on memory crafted with the intention of creating a piece

of literature, not a report. I re-conjured moments, recreated conversations, feelings, landscapes, and the people I met as I remembered them.

Do you still hike and/or backpack?

Yes. It's one of my favourite things to do.

How long did it take you to write your first book, Torch?

There are three answers to this question and they are all true: four years, seven years, and 34 years. I found it to be both great fun and difficult to write my first book. It takes a tremendous amount of selfdiscipline, determination, and magical thinking to keep the faith with a project such as a novel.

What is it anyway, aside from a story you made up while sitting alone in a room? The reason I finished Torch is that I finally came to understand that the only thing worse than having to really, truly write the whole damn thing was having to live with the fact that I didn't. The day I wrote the final sentence I bawled my head off for an

■ Cheryl Strayed will be at Byron Writers Festival in conversation with Caroline Baum (Friday), The Art of Walking with John Faulkner and Damon Young (Saturday), The Americans with William Finnegan and Angela Flournoy (Sunday).

Literary debut for Richard Fidler with Ghost Empire

Festival guest Richard Fidler is known to many as the presenter of Conversations with Richard Fidler, an in-depth, up close and personal interview program broadcast across Australia on ABC Radio. He's interviewed prime ministers, astronauts, writers and scientists, but the program often features remarkable people who are unknown to the wider world.

In 2014, Richard Fidler and his son made a journey to Istanbul. Their journey became the starting point for Fidler's debut book Ghost Empire that will be released in late July.

Inspired by Richard's passion for the rich history of the dazzling Byzantine Empire - centred on the legendary Constantinople - Ghost Empire sweeps us into some of the most extraordinary tales in history. The clash of civilisations, the fall of empires, the rise of Christianity, revenge, lust, murder.

Turbulent stories from the past are brought vividly to life at the same time as a father navigates the unfold-



ing changes in his relationship with his son.

'When my son turned 14, we set out to explore the ghost empire of Constantinople. It was to be a coming-ofage adventure, of sorts,' says

'My ambition was that Joe and I would walk the entire length of the fabled Land Walls of Constantinople, from the sea of Marmara all the way to the Golden Horn: this was where the Roman Empire died in agony, in the most bizarre and dramatic siege in medieval history.

Once you know the story of the Byzantine Empire, you can't help but feel its ghost pressing against you. You feel it in the crumbling walls.

'You become suffused with it as you stand under the golden dome of the Hagia Sophia. You hear its echoes in the shadows of the cavernous underground cistern of Justinian.

'The story of how Constantinople flourished into greatness and then expired in terrible violence is one of the strangest and most moving stories I know. I wanted my son to have that story too.'

■ Richard Fidler will be at Byron Writers Festival in conversation with Rosemarie Milsom (Sunday), Fatherhood with David Leser (Sunday), Bearing Witness: The Power of Story with Angela Flournoy and Debra Oswald (Saturday).

Calling young writers

Young writers between 13 and 21 years of age are encouraged to submit a short story for the Susie Warrick Young Writers Award.

First prize includes \$1,250 to go towards skills development and furthering the winner's writing career, as well as a one-day Byron Writers Festival pass and publication of the winning

story in Northerly, the bimonthly magazine of the Byron Writers Festival.

The competition is open to all residents of the northern rivers (from Tweed Heads in the north, to Taree in the south, and west to Kyogle).

Applications close on Tuesday July 5. For details, go to Festival Opportunities at byronwritersfestival.com.

The Byron Writers Festival has given me more moments of interviewing pleasure than any one man deserves. But if I had to pick one interview, one moment, that stands above all others it would be the moment in 2006 when I asked Irina Baronova, the 86-year-old former Russian dancer, whether she ever missed the roar of the crowd. She replied 'Oh, those days are long gone.' To which I said 'Well, would you like to hear it one more time?' And without any prompting the entire audience rose as one in the main marquee to give her a standing ovation. *There was not a dry eye in the house.*

- David Leser

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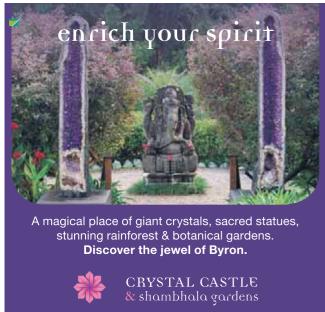














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BYRON BALLET WORKSHOPS

Byron Ballet's recent season of *Peter and the Wolf* was enjoyed be many schools and very well received by the general public. After rave reviews the company now continue's it's 10th year anniversary with preparations for Shakespeare's Midsummer Night's Dream.

To keep the dancers in shape there will be several workshops plus classes offered to the wider community throughout the school holidays, adults included.

'We have wonderful special guests in a variety of styles - classical ballet, jazz, hip-hop and contemporary', said director Yvonne Hall.

'Guests include Katie Ripley (ex Australian Ballet and Sydney Dance Co principal), professional ballet dancer/ teacher Tatiana Virmond (returning from Brazil), Louise Deleur (professional contemporary choreographer), Dale Hutson (ex Opera Ballet Australia) and professional hip-hop dancer/teacher James Deane from Sydney', said Yvonne.

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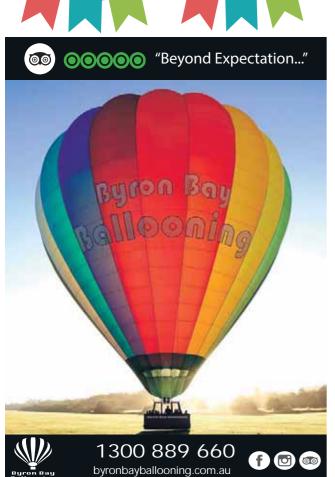
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Take the kids to The Kiddies Plot, where they can be entertained with free hands-on art and craft activities, have their faces painted or learn some circus skills with Spaghetti Circus while you sit back relax with a coffee and enjoy the live music and friendly vibe.

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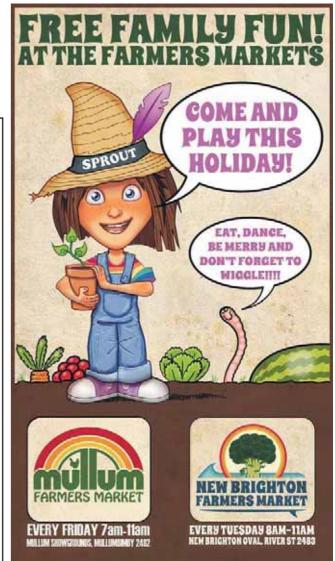
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Byron tourism symposium

By Simon Haslam

An upcoming tourism symposium in August at Elements of Byron with the tourism minister will focus on the state of play in tourism, with the minister announcing a new tourism funding model.

The north coast (Newcastle to Tweed) is Australia's third most popular tourist region after Sydney and Melbourne, with Byron Bay being the region upmost in visitors' minds.* While overall north coast visitors only grew five per cent last year, CEO of QLD Airports Chris Mills, who is also attending, is expanding the Gold Coast airport and indications are that numbers will increase.

Day-trippers now account for about 30 per cent of tourist revenue, and the number of interstate travellers to NSW, mostly from QLD, grew a surprising 20 per cent last year. Tourism is a key economic driver in Byron, with food-related business (including restaurants that benefit from QLD day-trippers) following close behind.

Build a wall and make QLD pay

To ensure Byron tourism is sustainable, protects nature and benefits residents, Byron Council has consistently eschewed



David Jones by the lagoon at Elements of Byron.

the Trump solution (build a wall and make QLD pay!), instead seeking infrastructure funding to cope with tourists, and working with Destination Byron to ensure our marketing attracts the 'right' sort of tourists.

Elements of Byron's marketing manager David Jones is an experienced international hotelier and says that Byron operators have a similar ethos of providing guests with a place to reconnect with themselves and nature.

He will share Elements' successful marketing strategies,

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feedback and insights at the symposium, with a focus on how to put theory into practice in order to help other Byron regional tourism operators market themselves effectively to the changing visitor demographic.

Visitors seek reconnection

'Visitors to our region are more environmentally engaged, higher yielding and, importantly, are seeking what I'd call a "reconnection" to something lost in the cities,' says Mr Jones.

'I accepted this job because I love the uniqueness of Byron. Elements of Byron have joined Destination Byron because, as one of the largest national marketers, our message, along with organisations such as The Farm and Harvest, is amongst the most recognised by intending visitors. Destination Byron's aim is to help other Byron operators to embrace the changing visitor demographic, rather than changing Byron.'

While Mr Jones would not be drawn on whether the asphalt of Byron's Main Beach carpark was a key regional drawcard, he did say that town planning was important to shaping the visitor experience, as well as pointing to the impending sale of the Beach Hotel, the redevelopment of which in 1990 by Cornell is credited as putting Byron on the tourist map, as potentially playing a key role in the way the town is perceived. (*Tourism Research Australia 12 months to March 2016).

A hub of foodies celebrates

By: Vivienne Pearson. Photos: Greg Saunders Photography

It is a challenge for any food business to find suitable commercial premises, especially one that has started as a home- or market-based enterprise. The Byron Food Hub is providing both infrastructure for mico-businesses to expand and also, in Stage 2, providing infrastructure that is attracting established businesses to the region, reversing a trend of businesses leaving the region.

The Byron Food Hub, open since late 2015, has proven to be the right place for five food businesses. Three are taking their first step into commercial premises: Koobideh (Persian food), Farmhouse Foods (sauces, pickles and

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The food businesses showcased their products at the launch.

smokehouse meats), and Byron Bay Alive Foods (fermented foods). Two others have made the move from smaller premises: Naked Byron Foods (dips), and Almond Road (artisan bread). Almond Road was the fifth

and final business to move in so the Food Hub is now fully occupied. Cue a celebration!

Organised by Northern Rivers Food (an industry body), a celebration was held last Thursday onsite at the Byron Food Hub. That's Byron as in 'shire', not 'town' – the hub is located in the Mullumbimby Industrial Estate. Owned by two locals, Richard Kowalski and Sharon McGrath, it is an innovative development

both in concept and design, including vertical gardens to soften the industrial feel, and a fabulous mural.

The concept of having only food businesses colocated is paying off, with the five tenants sharing resources. 'It's like having great house neighbours,' says Pegah Pourkarimi from Koobideh. 'Except instead of borrowing a cup of sugar, I recently asked to borrow 10 kilograms!'.



Byron Arts & Industry Estate.



Architect Paul Jones with councillor Duncan Dey and mayor Simon Richardson at the Food Hub opening



Sharon McGrath of Byron Food Hub with one of the tenants, David Mendes of Byron Bay Alive Foods

All the businesses speak highly of the flexibility Richard and Sharon have shown in custom outfitting the units to best meet each business's needs – such as Almond Road's 'three-deck oven', which is set up for equal easy access for baking and servicing, and a drive-in loading space for Koobideh for when they cater for huge events in inclement weather.

New businesses are already signing up for Stage 2, which is being planned for around the corner and will feature larger units. Architect Paul Jones and the build team involved in Stage 1 will be able to customise even basic structural features for these businesses.

According to Byron Food Hub owner Richard Kowalski, the appeal of being able to manufacture locally under the Byron brand has resulted in some of the Stage 2 businesses relocating to this area from outside the Shire, bringing employment to the region – something that is definitely worth celebrating!

More wild food

Further to last week's story, The Wild Harvest foraged-food experience on Wednesday nights at Harvest in Newrybar has proven so successful during its trial period that from Wednesday 29 June it will be solely Wild Harvest as either a set four courses for \$70 per head or each dish available as à la carte.

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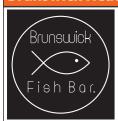
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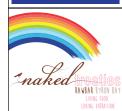
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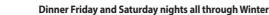
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Property insider

One year a director

Christian Sergiacomi is about to celebrate his one year anniversary of being a director at Byron Bay Property Sales. Christian began with BBPS in March 2013. He had decided to make the move into real estate and the boutique nature of the agency. Having bought and sold through the agency himself, he liked their innovative approach. After his first few years at BBPS

and a growing portfolio of high-end sales it was a natural progression to become a director.



Christian Sergiacomi

'Byron Bay Property Sales is going from strength to strength and I wanted to be part of that. Through the unique team approach of the agency it is transforming and growing at a steady rate?

In addition to his responsibilities as a director and sales agent, Christian has also taken over the head of the marketing department and works with the BBPS marketing team to create innovative marketing solutions both for property sales and agency branding.

Natalie Leslie of Harcourts Northern Rivers has chosen YouTube as the medium for providing information on the current rental market to the residents of the northern rivers. Natalie has a wealth of experience in this area and her passion and enthusiasm for residential property management is evident in the short and to-the-point monthly report. Check out the first



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Greg Price joins McGrath Byron Bay

McGrath Byron Bay has secured the experience of Greg Price (pictured), long-time rural and hinterland specialist.

'To have an agent of such immense experience and respect join our team is an honour, further enhancing our brand's dedication to servicing every market of the Byron Shire. Greg member of the Bangalow

community, and has terrific experience in the rural markets.' says David Mills, principal and auctioneer.

Greg has been working in the industry for more than 40 years and says the the property industry has changed incredibly over these last four decades 'Lifestyle television to databases - it's all happening! However, customer service and honest ethical advice will always be paramount when working with people and their property assets.'

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.



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The open plan design of this spacious apartment allows for easy flow between indoor and

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Consisting of a generous one bedroom, one bathroom layout which includes a lock-up garage and access to a swimming pool & tennis court, this complex also has full time on site management.

The Links complex adjoins the 18 hole traditional style Byron Bay Golf Club which has its own restaurant and club amenities.

Inspect: By appointment
Contact: Ed Silk 0418 660 063
Ed Silk Byron Bay



2 Elkhorn Place, Bangalow

Auction 20th July, 2016



You really do need to inspect this property to appreciate the unique setting and tranquil situation. The original home was completely renovated and extended approx 15 years ago and now comprises four bedrooms and two bathrooms. A generous parents retreat was added upstairs allowing lofty ceilings to be created in the living area and provides a fabulous master bedroom, ensuite bathroom, walk-in robe, private sitting room and two balconies plus a mezzanine library with its own Juliet balcony.

The kitchen is spacious and has near-new appliances. The laundry has easy access to the side garden, which is the perfect sunny site for a pool. Off the living area is a large soaring roof extending out to the north. It covers a generous deck, which is the place you will be relaxing all year long, enjoying your very own outdoor home theatre and private sanctuary overlooking a reserve. There is also a separate two-room studio with its own bathroom.

This home ticks a lot of boxes and is well worth an inspection. The owners are downsizing and would consider offers prior to auction.

Inspect: Wednesdays 12pm – 12.30pm Saturdays 11am – 11.30am Contact: Janice Maple 0401 026 359 Elders Bangalow

Anna's Beach House

67 Alcorn Street, Suffolk Park

\$2.35M



Anna's Beach House is located right on the beach at Suffolk Park. This two-storey, timber residence has room for all the family, including a master bedroom retreat upstairs. There is also a plunge pool for you and the kids to dip in after a hot day at the beach.



Upstairs is a private master bedroom and ensuite with spa, ensuring private relaxation. The kitchen has natural stone bench tops and a walk-in pantry. There is an outdoor barbecue pavilion for evening dining.

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Property

Blue Ribbon Location

9 Kanandah Court, Ocean Shores

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Number 9 Kanandah Court, Ocean Shores is situated at the end of the cul-desac and commands uninterrupted views of the Hinterland, coastline to Black Rocks/Pottsville and you can even see the whales passing.



\$945,000

The home was master built in 1994 and offers a large 3 bedroom residence on the first floor while the ground floor is consumed by a flat and garage/workshop; which at a pinch could accommodated up to 6 vehicles. Whilst the property does not suit everyone, it has unbeatable charm where you can enjoy a glass of wine while watching the sun set over the Hinterland after spending a day relaxing around the pool. A must to inspect!

Inspect: Saturday 10.00 – 10.30am
Contact: David Holden on 0435 789 677
LI Hooker Brunswick Heads

The Wait is Over...

Lots 10 & 11/13–15 The Crescent, Angourie From \$395,000



In this iconic location known for its National Surfing Reserve, the pristine beaches and the Yuraygir National Park, is a wonderful gem waiting for you. Two commercial ground floor shop spaces or residential units of 113m2 and



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Inspect: By appointment
Contact: Sue Hughes 0401 862 202
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Rural Lifestyle Blocks

Lot 6 Sunrise Lane, Ewingsdale

\$799,000



Located on the outskirts of Byron Bay, 'Cape View' offers a semi rural lifestyle minutes from beaches, the hinterland & Byron Bay town centre.

The blocks range in size from 4,052 sqm (1acre) to 8,488 sqm (2 acres)



and have sealed road frontage, water and electricity access in place. Lot 6 is 8453sqm.

If you are looking to build your dream home, do not delay an inspection of this prestigious land release as several blocks have already SOLD.

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Great Home in Bangalow

1 Marblewood Place, Bangalow



Located only moments from the heart of Bangalow village on a 669m2 (approx) corner block, this home is ready for you to move straight into. An abundance of glass, in particular the expansive floor to ceiling feature window in the



Contact Agent

entry foyer, captures the scenic rural outlook from all angles. Open plan dining and living space flows to multiple indoor/ outdoor living options & bedrooms are extremely generous and all have their own private timber deck area. Beautiful timber flooring, an abundance of natural light, high ceilings and square cut cornices make this home very appealing to the most discerning buyers. Spacious front yard has room for pool (STCA) Call Lois or Mark now to arrange an inspection.

Inspect: By appointment

Contact: Lois Buckett 0428 877 399

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Ray White Rural

Stunning location & ocean vistas

163 Coopers Shoot Road, Coopers Shoot

\$1,995,500 to \$2,195,000



Located in a tightly held and sought after enclave, this property is ideally situated on approximately 2 acres. The ground floor incorporates a rumpus room/bedroom, part of the original wet



bar, laundry, bathroom, lockup garage and an attached triple carport. The main house is situated on the first level, which can be accessed via 2 other separate entrances. There are 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, the master with amazing rural and ocean views, WIR and ensuite.

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Inspect: By appointment

Sophie Christou 0419 399 222 Raine & Horne Byron Bay



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Eagleview - Rural Splendour

136 Pearson Road, Eltham

\$1.175 million



Eagleview embodies the rural lifestyle, offering privacy and breathtaking hinterland views. With a desirable northerly aspect, the house features wraparound balconies. The perfect place to enjoy the commanding views.



With 570sqm under roof plus a separate granny flat, this 5 bedroom brick home provides ample space for family living. Every room has independent ground floor access via french doors.

Relax by the pool or take a stroll across the rolling acreage. There are also 2 horse shelters, 3 fully fenced paddocks, deluxe chook pen and an organic vegetable garden.

There is potential to create a secondary dwelling with a Dual Occupancy title (STCA).

15 minutes to Ballina. 20 minutes to Lennox Head and 25 minutes to Byron Bay.

Inspect: By appointment

Contact: Denzil Lloyd of Great Real Estate on 0481 864 049

or denzil@greatrealestate.com.au

Classic home in town

60 Carlyle Street, Byron Bay

Auction



Full quarter-acre blocks in this location are becoming rare as hens' teeth. This property has been fully renovated and offers warmth and charm with a clever floorplan. The home features high ceilings and beautifully restored



hardwood floors which maintain a lovely feeling of the original era yet the new additions work in seamlessly from the old to the new. The level of finish throughout is of a very high standard. Then there is the huge yard to enjoy as is, plant a vege garden, run some chooks, build a studio, add a pool or possible future subdivision STCA. Rear access via Carlyle Ln. 8-minute walk to Byron's Main Beach and CBD.

Inspect: Thursday, 30 June 12.00 – 12.30pm Saturday, 2 July 1.00 – 1.30pm Auction: Saturday, 23 July 2pm if not sold prior

Contact: James Young 0419 856 840, Helen Huntly-Barratt 0412 332 232 First National Byron Bay

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- 16 Palm Tree Crescent, Bangalow. Sat 12–12.30pm

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- Lot 6, 155-159 Broken Head Road, Suffolk Park. Thu 1-1.30pm
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NEW LISTINGS

ELDERS BANGALOW

- 4 Repentance Creek Road, Rosebank. \$1,345,000
- 8 Marblewood Place, Bangalow. \$850,000
- 32 Parrot Tree Place, Bangalow. \$739,000

FIRST NATIONAL BYRON BAY

- 17 Scott Street, Byron Bay. Auction 30th July 10am
- 7 Myocum Downs Drive, Myocum. Auction 23rd July 10am unless sold prior
- 5/102-104 Centennial Circuit, Byron Bay. \$400,000

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You call yourself a Story Catcher. What is that?

Well it's kind of a fun way of describing to children where my story inspirations come from, but it's also a job I take very seriously! All of my stories and songs start in nature – the whisper of a gentle cooling breeze, a hard and heavy downpour, or the feeling of fresh dirt in my fingers. All of my stories really are inspired by the natural world and I love to encourage children to start hunting for their own stories there too.

Why are you always going on about the seasons when we hardly even have four of them here on the northern rivers?

It's a funny thing to celebrate the European-based four seasons in a country and climate where the Indigenous cultures marked the year by at least six different seasons, which of course is far more suitable. I guess I focus on the four seasons more as a metaphor to understanding the natural rhythms within. The quiet of winter, the celebration of spring, the long days of an endless summer and the gratitude for the autumn harvest – these are ancient traditions and cycles many of us carry within our ancestry and they make great metaphors for children to start processing their own inner world.

Many musicians consider themselves storytellers. What's the difference for you?

I use a combination of oral storytelling, melodies and music. Singing together is fun and naturally brings children into a listening space, and from there we head off on a story journey together.

Are your stories and songs just for children or do you find adults listen in too?

I often have adults telling me how much they enjoy singing along to my CDs or joining in my Storytents. And parents often tell me they cry when listening to my stories, which I think is a compliment.

The testimonials on your website describe your stories as contemporary folktales and earthy tunes. What inspires your work?

One of the lovely and surprising gifts of parenthood has been seeing the world again through the eyes of a child. That simple magic, beauty and wonder that children so naturally see in the world very much

You're heading away to write your next project for children and

families. Any ideas what it's about?

We'll be living on a farm on the edge of a vast wilderness for the next year and I'm so looking forward to connecting with this ancient land in a way I've never had the chance to before. I have a feeling there's going to be some pretty funny first-time farmer stories in there too!

What's the one thing you hope to inspire in the little ears listening in?

To celebrate and embrace both the storms and sunshine of life!

Any surprises in your upcoming Story Parties?

Usually we stick with the one season in each show, but this time I'm inviting children to come dressed up as their favourite season (colours / costumes etc) and, through songs, stories and games, we'll see what kind of strange and wonderful weather patterns we can create together!

You can catch Annie Bryant and her Story Party these school holidays on Wednesday 6 July at 10.30am Mullumbimby Library and 2.30pm **Brunswick Heads Library**, and in the Story Tent at **Bello Winter Music** on Saturday 9 July 12.30pm and 3pm and Sunday 10 July 12.30pm.

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You better do what you're told. If not, someone will fine you. If you don't pay the fine we double it. Then we double it again. Then we send the State Debt Recovery Office (must be a hoot working there) and then we take your driver licence. Even if it was a fine for not wearing a bicycle helmet.

How random and unrelated. It's like threatening to take one of the kids. We are all civil hostages to the bureacratic terrorism used to extract undisclosed

'taxes' in the form of fines. If you are really really naughty, like non-compliant in paying your fine for non-compliance, then sometimes we'll even send you to jail. That's how we punish people in our over-regulated over-compliance-focused society. We employ punitive damages in the form of nasty little fines.

I currently have two outstanding letters of demand for road tolls in the form of 'Demand Notice for Non-Payment of Toll'. It would appear that on the 30th of April at 12.33.50 I was travelling at Kuraby South and didn't pay my \$2.54 toll. This oversight now costs \$25.61. I have one

ten minutes later for a \$1.64 toll that is now at \$24.71. If I don't pay them today, each one will incur a fine of \$140 each, under section 99 of 'the Act'. What fucking act? The 'although you pay taxes for maintaining roads we also reserve the right to sell sections to private corporations who profiteer through what I call 'The Road Toll Extortion Scheme'?

I find it hard to pay these fines. Not from lack of funds – because of principle. Sure there's a nice picture of my car's arse which is somehow meant to depict me stealing \$1.64 worth of road time, but now I owe \$50 for 10 minutes of pleasure in Loganlea East. (Which is ironic because that's how much I made in Loganlea West actually giving pleasure.) When it comes to infringement notices, the one I accidentally

opened yesterday takes the cake. It wasn't mine. I will keep the identity of the owner confidential. Sure, I probably shouldn't be writing about it but I didn't even know an infringement of this type existed.

On this very scary letter from the Department of Transport a certain young man was issued with a '3205'. Or for those not up to date with the thousands of non-compliant behaviours you can commit on public transport - the 'offence' was described in detail and, I should add, in capslock. Like an angry transport marshall dude screaming at you. The infringement reads: 'PLACING FEET OTHER THAN ON THE FLOOR OR PART OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT VEHICLE DESIGNED FOR PLACING FEET WITHOUT REASONABLE EXCUSE'. What does that even mean? Why couldn't they have said 'FOR

PUTTING YOUR SKANKY FEET ON EXCUSE' but more serious than THE SEAT YOU MISERABLE LOW-DOWN PUBLIC TRANSPORT-USING FUCKER'S

And, what, one wonders, would the good people at the Department of Transport consider to be a 'reasonable excuse'?' My foot was on fire, sir' or 'There was hot lava on the floor and I had to lift my feet to avoid being burned alive'. People are dying at sea by the thousands and we're fining people for putting feet in places other than the floor? What about a fine for people using brains for things other than rational thinking?

This infringement, which I imagine is slightly less serious than 3206: 'DISPLAYING COCK IN PART OF THE TRANSPORT VEHICLE NOT ACTUALLY DESIGNED FOR DISPLAYING **COCK WITHOUT REASONABLE** 3204, one I would be happy to see enforced more regularly: 'SITTING UNCOMFORTABLY **CLOSE TO FELLOW PASSENGER** AND ENGAGING IN BORING AND RELENTLESS CRAZY-ARSE CONVERSATION'.

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The Transport Infringement Notice comes with a warning: 'Do Not Ignore This Notice'. Clearly non-payment of the \$228 fine will result in incarceration. Imagine having to confess that to your fellow inmates who are in the slammer for drug trafficking, rape and murder. And what about you, mate, what are you in for?

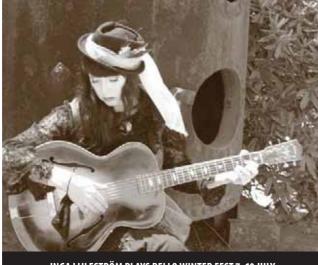
'PLACING FEET OTHER THAN ON THE FLOOR OR PART OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT VEHICLE WITHOUT REASONABLE EXCUSE:

Feet-on-the-seat boy gunna learn him to keep feet on the floor.

Live Music

SINGING UP A STORM WITH INGA

After five years basing herself in France and, most recently, a relocation to the UK, Australian singer/songwriter, multi-instrumentalist and film composer Inga Liljeström returns to her home town of Bellingen for the second annual Bello Winter Music festival. Inga grew up between The Promised Lands and Bellingen itself and has always had a creative spirit, averse to rules and finding freedom and comfort in breaking new ground. This shines undeniably and irrevocably through her music. Inga is an experimental singer/ songwriter through and through and her music crosses many genres. She studied jazz as Southern Cross University but quickly moved on to



INGA LIJLESTRÖM PLAYS BELLO WINTER FEST 7-10 JULY

exploring electronic music and stringed instruments, which featured heavily in her first two albums: Urchin and the critically acclaimed Elk.

Inga has now released multiple albums, played sold-out shows all over the world and collaborated with artists as

diverse as indie band Gerling, iconic Aussie rock band The Church, and seminal Sydney iazz act d.i.g.

Inga is incredibly excited to be returning to her hometown of Bellingen and this time at the second annual Bello Winter Music.

'I love Bello! Something in me just loves it and I always feel content and peaceful there. I can't wait to play there again. I'm hoping it will be cosy and intimate. We are playing as a trio with Val Grey, whom I knew when I was a kid in Bello, on guitar, and a fantastic pedalsteel player friend, Leigh Ivin, whom I met at University in Lismore. We'll be presenting songs from my last few albums, with a country/folk feel, a little melancholy, but with a good dose of beauty to help it go down,' she said.

Since relocating last year from France to the UK, Inga has released her new album, We Have Tigers; flown to Arizona to attend Scottsdale Canal Convergence, a light festival featuring her music; travelled to LA and Nevada City; and spent some time in the Sedona desert. Amongst this she has been working on two diplomas to become a sound therapist.

You can catch Inga at Bello Winter Music on all four days of the festival: 7-10 July. For the full lineup or to book tickets visit www. bellowintermusic.com.



SUNROSE AND

Hot on their toes and following the momentum created from their debut single release of Strange Behaviour, psychedelic rock four-piece Sunrose are setting sail with a swag promoting their new single Sleepwalking. Sunrose can give thanks to a Salvador Dali painting for their name but pay homage to the likes of Pink Floyd, The Shadows and Peter Green through their music.

Songwriting from old souls in young bodies, Sunrose melt together hypnotic

grooves, dream like melodies and soaring falsetto vocals to unravel a unique sound lingering in the remnants of your cerebral storm.

The Strange tour pays homage to everyone who has played part in the radical rise of Sunrose, with intimate venues and larger establishments the key balance for their diverse showcasing capabilities. The Great Northern Hotel is the ideal venue to kick off their tour, with further dates from Newcastle north to the Sunshine Coast

Friday at The Great Northern with Donny Love + Mecha Mecha.



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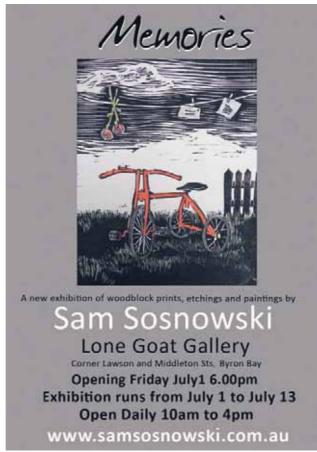
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YOUNG WINNERS AT Bello

Bello Winter Music (7–10 July) has announced the winners for this year's Youth Mentorship Program. The program nurtures young talent by teaming them up with mentors who are established artists from the festival lineup. 'I play guitar and sing mostly but it varies when I have the chance to play something else such as the piano or drums. This will give me the chance to get my voice out to the public and I would just purely love to sing for everyone, said 16-yearold River Boyce Rose, who won the Vocal category. River will be mentored by soul legend Jo Jo Smith, who also knows her way

around a drum kit

Band category winners Boewood are a four-piece alternative rock band from the Coffs Coast. With more than a year of gigging experience and one interstate tour under their belt, their dance, surf and jazz fusion sound has grown an increasing regional following. Sixteen-year-old Marni Besley impressed judges with her incredible vocal range, talent for words and musicality at such an early age. The Bellingen High School student says she has been immersed in music most of her life. 'The music I write and listen to is usually fun, with lots of fast words and complicated lyrics. I write songs



a lot, but have never had the opportunity to share them with people who really know what they're talking about.' Marni won the Singer/songwriter category and will be mentored by Miss Eileen and King Lear of the Perch Creek band. Fourteen-year-old Juno Pepper Nebauer, winner of the Under-15 category, impressed with her voice and intensity. Juno said she loves Fleet Foxes, Fleetwood Mac and singing with her sister. Juno will be mentored by Merryn Jean, herself a previous Youth Mentorship winner who now has more than two million YouTube hits since teaming up with French producer Møme.

Bello Winter Music takes place throughout the town of Bellingen over **7–10 July**. Lineup includes Willie Watson (US), L Fresh The Lion, Mojo Juju, William Crighton and Sahara Beck. Tickets at www.bellowintermusic.com.



DON'T DROP THE PLTS

PLTS (pronounced Pilots) are an alternative-rock band that formed in 2012 in Byron Bay. They won the local Triple J Unearthed slot for Splendour this year, an honour previously taken out by Skeggs and Tora. The group was born from a simple vision: to craft and release passionate, feelgood music. Setting a strong benchmark, PLTS's first single Coast to Coast secured a notable sync opportunity with the World Surf League. In 2013, the band partnered with Nick Didia (Powderfinger, Pearl Jam, Karnivool) to record their debut EP at Studios 301. The result: four tracks, expanding on their indie foundations and exhibiting a dynamic approach to songwriting. Rejuvenated and armed with a stockpile of new material, the band returned to the studio in late 2015.

This time, working with producer JP Fung (Last Dinosaurs, Art Vs Science, Josh Pyke) to create a brand new single, On & On. A venture into nostalgia and connection that doubles as a bold sonic progression, the new single saw the group experiment and expand both onstage and in a studio setting.

Selling out multiple shows on the release tour, amassing hundreds of thousands of plays online and garnering an impressive response from radio, media and the wider



CLELIA ADAMS – JOINS JIMMY WILLING AND STUKULELE AND MISS AMBER AT THE MULLUM UKE NIGHT AT THE MULLUM EX-SERVICES ON THURSDAY

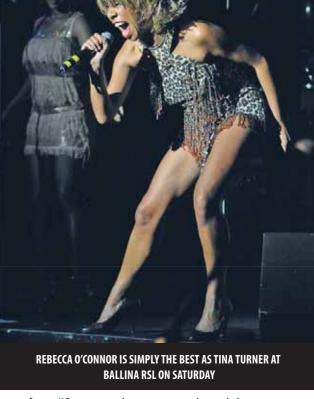
industry, On & On has since surpassed all expectations for the ever-humble four-piece.

Splendour warmup show on **Friday** at the **Beach Hotel**.

TINATURNER IS SIMPL' THE BEST AND SO IS REBECCA O'CONNOR

Tribute artist **Rebecca O'Connor** has had the highest honour: a recommendation from the artist she tributes,
Tina Turner.

Says Tina, 'Rebecca is so good she's scary... If I had her energy I would still be touring today.' Even Mick Fleetwood from Fleetwood Mac was impressed. 'This show is beyond a tribute act. Rebecca is an amazing performer and vocalist. I was mesmerised. A night you'll



never forget!' Be prepared to stand in your seats as Rebecca O'Connor delivers her flawless rendition of the queen of rock'n'roll Tina Turner's greatest hits. Rebecca tours with her world-class band of rock musicians and her two sensational dancers. This show rocks from start to finish with such iconic hits as Nutbush City Limits, Proud Mary, River Deep, Private Dancer, When the Heartache Is Over, Better Be Good To Me and, of course, her anthem Simply the Best. Saturday at the

ALL WHITE ON THE NIGHT

Ballina RSL

Byron Bay Records & Productions presents **The White Party 2016** at Durrumbul Hall.

Anyone with a love for techno, tech-house, deep-house or dance music in general will be enthralled by the most exciting DJs Australia has to offer, including LeOCh, Shazay, Nick Taylor, Pumpernickle and Liam Kiernan. Enjoy some slick grooves, dance your arse off and experience the universal language of music expressing the crystal-clear message of White. There will be a bonfire outside, a laser-light show inside and fluorescent lighting just about everywhere so make sure to wear something white! Food and drinks will be available. Bring your friends and enjoy this event that only happens once a year, here in Mullum! **Saturday** 5pm–midnight, \$25 at the door. **Durrumbul Hall**, Main Arm.

GREAT PROSPECTS FOR CAVILLATTHE RAILS

In 2015 singer/songwriter

Chris Cavill made a successful return to the Australian music scene, releasing his most ambitious record

Destiny.

to date, Know Your

Reinvigorated after a lengthy break from the music business, Cavill reemerged with his new band The Prospectors and toured the album to great feedback from the Australian folk/blues scene. Twelve months later, Chris Cavill & The Prospectors are back, a whole lot louder and plugged in. Shifting from the folk sounds into a more blues-rock direction, the band has gone fully electric, translating the high-energy intensity of their live shows into a powerful recording.

Musically inspired by the 70s rock/grunge era of Neil Young, Tom Petty and Led Zeppelin, their 2016 EP All That You Got (out 24 June) yields dirty blues anthems, crunchy rock ballads and a pair of crowd-pleasing and band-favourite covers. All That You Got goes beyond the folk stylings illustrated on last year's release, showcasing the depth of the band's influences and abilities. He plays the Rails on Saturday.







SWEET JEAN ARE PLAYING AT THE BELLO WINTER MUSIC FESTIVAL 7—10 JULY, AND WILL BE PART OF MARY CANNON'S GRAM PARSONS PROJECT SHOWCASE ON THE SUNDAY JULY 10 AT THE BELLO MEMORIAL HALL 11.30AM—1PM. THE FOLLOWING WEEK THEY'LL BE UP FOR A FULL BAND GIG ALSO PRESENTED BY MARY CANNON AT MULLUM EX SERVICES ON SATURDAY 16 JULY



Mercury joining the Sun and Venus in the sign of the Crab makes this week uberCancerian and ultrasensitive, so best tread gently...

- ARIES: Midweek Aries moon red light cautions think before you speak, look before you leap. Late-week Mars moving forward in Scorpio switches to green, firing up a drive for powerful, positive change. Backstage an amber light advises that magnetising strategies will attract more support than a dominating approach.
 - **TAURUS**: Best end-of-month activities? Those that recharge your batteries, like time spent in nature reviewing the year so far. Or exercise followed by its opposite: complete relaxation. Doing something you're passionate about. Finding new ways to show people you love how you feel: with considerate gestures, thoughtful gifts, or just telling them.
- **GEMINI**: Head and heart pulling in different directions? Listen to both but go with your intuition, which this week wants you considering ways to get more satisfaction from your work, more nurturing in relationships. Late-week Gemini moon decrees it's time to decide what you really want - to choose it, and go for it.
 - **CANCER**: Communicator Mercury in your sign offers the opportunity to play peacemaker with understanding, authority and excellent effect. You're probably not in the mood for confronting statistics, but might they actually be realistic? With the new moon completing a planetary quartet in Cancer, every move you make this week has far-reaching repercussions.

- **LEO:** This week could resolve something that's been brewing and stewing for a while, but only if you avoid getting so fired up you can't recognise when someone's on your side. If they obviously aren't, negotiating without rancour will get best results, as will resisting pushing your luck, an agenda, or others too far...
- VIRGO: Some things just not feeling worth the effort this week? Then they probably aren't. Your planet mentor Mercury checking into Cancer can be a mixed blessing: hurtful and healing, supportive and annoying. If others offer unsolicited advice - and they may - appreciate this as the helpful gesture it's intended to be.
- LIBRA: June's astrological grand cross hasn't been without its testing times, with congenial Venus on one side of Libra's scales wanting greater engagement, Saturn on the other insisting it must be the right kind. Easier suggested than achieved, but you'll be pleased to hear this week offers practical answers to finding that
- **SCORPIO:** As the energy engine of motivating Mars moves forward in your sign so will you: with renewed efficiency and effectiveness in the bedroom, the boardroom and the bank. With all this fuel in your tank, it's advisable to maintain a warm and friendly approach. Too much insistence will provoke resistance.

9TH ARAKWAL NAIDOC FILM SCREENING FEATURING SPEAR WITH O&A AT THE BYRON THEATRE, COMMUNITY **CENTRE ON TUESDAY**

SAGITTARIUS: Up-and-at-'em midweek Aries moon emphasises the importance of goodwill and workable strategies for getting along with others. Ditto when Mars gets its groove on with a welcome end-of-month energy surge, which also contrasts the way things are with the way you think they should be.

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- **CAPRICORN**: As the grand mutable astro-wobble firms into energies more amenable to your success-oriented personality, what seemed to be irritating mind-changing shows up for what it is: a savvy adaptation technique for taking advantage of shifting trends. Something it mightn't hurt you to try this week, Saturnians.
 - **AQUARIUS**: It's worthwhile monitoring your current pressure gauge: is someone or something heavying you? Are you weighing yourself down with worries and anxieties? Yes or no, this week's celestial suggestions are self-caring, personal nurturing and pampering, so make it a priority to do something absolutely beautiful
- PISCES: Neptune retro in your sign makes dreams grand and expansive, but fantasies need a plan. Which includes distancing from people whose philosophical doctrines aren't in sync with the way they behave. Those who practise what they preach, with proven track records, are the ones to look at hooking up with.



TRIPPIN TOADS!

Dean Jefferys launches his crowdfunding campaign for his new documentary The God Molecule and the Shamanic Toad at Kulchajam on Friday.

Dean's doco is a personal journey into the mysterious shamanic world of the most powerful entheogenic molecule known to man, 5-MeO-DMT or the god molecule as many are now calling it. 5-MeO-DMT appears only in a few plants and one animal known as the Bufo Alvarius, Sonora desert toad from Mexico. The film follows filmmaker Dean Jefferys as he travels around Central and South America to experience 5-MeO-DMT rituals with initiates, indigenous shamans, and Westerners experienced in 5-MeO-DMT. You can make a donation at www. thegodmoleculemovie.com.

Or come to Kulchajam for some Toadie fun on Friday at 5.30pm. \$10 entry. Featuring film screenings and discussions from local shamanic commentators.

THE DANDY MAN, THE **ROBOT DOG & YOU**

The Brunswick Picture House is bringing world-class circus, cabaret and vaudeville to our doorstep.

This **Thursday** and **Friday** at 1pm catch the wonders of **Dandyman** in his all-ages circus spectacular, and on Saturday and Sunday at 1pm and then Thursday 7 July and Friday 8 July at 1pm, Erik the Robot Dog and his master Joel Salom are bringing forth their electro circus.

Suitable for all ages.

Learning to be a comedian is quite a challenge. For 16 local people, their performances at the Mullumbimby Ex-Services on Wednesday will see a big red tick against a major item on the bucket list.

What's most impressive is the courage these first-timers have



COCO OF THE CURLY COUSINS IS RUNNING A KID'S DRAMA AND PLAY WORKSHOP FROM 11-15 JULY. REGISTRATIONS TO 0427 917 571

in getting up in their local community and pressing their comedy pedal to the metal. It's impossible not to fall a little bit in love with all of them. I always do.

Learning comedy is a great skill for life. You learn to re-frame everyday challenges, and in the end a comedic godsend might be annoying for friends and loved ones but, in my experience, you'll laugh all the way to the bank. Then you'll probably find your account is empty, but that just makes the shit funnier.

This class has been a riot. With 16 people graduating, it's been a rollicking outrageous experience week to week. With a Greek bloke who makes the world's finest baclava to a QC to a real estate photographer to a banana farmer and a swimwear designer... there's a whole lot of life experience in this little old group.

Catch their first comedy performance at the **Mullumbimby Ex-Services Club** on Wednesday.

Tickets are \$10/15 and are either available at the door on the night or by booking at 6619 0529. Doors at 7pm. Show at 8pm.

FUN WITH COCO

It's always a challenge to find something exciting and new to do with the kids every holidays. Especially during winter when the beaches aren't quite the attraction they are in summer.

So if you have a collection of smalls with a penchant for drama or creative play then Coco from the Curly Cousins has just the workshop. Her cousins Miss B and Sunshine are both busy this holiday so she is looking for some playmates. Coco would love you to join her for five fun-filled drama/play sessions in beautiful Brunswick Heads.

The program starts Monday 11 July and runs to Friday 15 July. The cost for the five sessions is \$120 (with an option of \$30 a session if you can't join her for the whole time).

Numbers are limited and bookings are essential.

For more info or to book call Mandy (Coco) 0427 917 571. 11am-1pm, the Brunswick Heads RSL Sub Branch Hall (next to Caltex).

NAIDOC EXHIBITION

The Annual NAIDOC Group **Exhibition** at the **Northern Rivers** Community Gallery in Ballina provides an opportunity for all of us to recognise the valuable contribution Indigenous people have made to this country. This exhibition features paintings, ceramics, textiles, weaving and sculptural works by Aboriginal artists associated with the northern rivers region.

The gallery will also host three workshops by local Bundjalung artists Albert Digby Moran, Emma Walker and the Saltwater Dubays Circle. The official Gathering Launch event is Sunday 3 July 11am-12 noon and all members of the community are welcome.

The exhibition is presented in partnership with local Aboriginal organisations and the Bullinah Goori Services Action Group and continues until Sunday 17 July.

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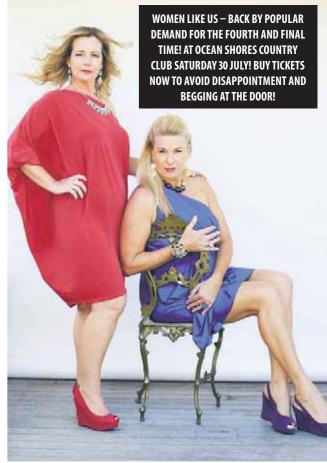
Originally from the outback of Australia comes a comedic talent that will blow your mind. Jenny Talia is a blond-haired, blue-eyed, fast-talking, ball-busting sheila with an attitude, and that's on a good day!

This feisty little woman has a voice larger than herself and an arsenal of material to make any woman proud and every bloke piss himself laughing. Coupled with an amazing talent for writing songs that mirror the ridiculous realities in life, Jenny delivers a fresh approach to comedy you're going to love.

Sunday at the Ballina RSL at 8pm.







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MEMORIES ARE MADE OF THIS

SAM SOSNOWSKI PRESENTS

MEMORIES, HIS NEW EXHIBITION

FEATURING PAINTINGS, ETCHINGS,

WOODBLOCK PRINTS AND

SCULPTURE.

What inspired you to create a show that reflects on childhood memories?

This show has been a long time in incubation and it's comforting to finally bring these images to the surface. Over the years I've returned to Carlton, Melbourne and have reflected on moments in my early childhood. The pieces from the show each represent moments of mixed emotion. I am keen to understand them, translate them, and then let them pass. I am fascinated by the fact that during childhood we are so naïve – we have no idea of our immediate circumstances. It's so lovely to have the benefit of hindsight now at 65, and to reflect and interpret what I felt and saw.

There is a sense of fragmentation throughout the series, even in the medium choice. How does that reflect the theme of *Memories*?

I have refined many of the images in this show over a number of years through various media. Some media, such as woodblock, tend to be very graphic, illustrative and quirky. Yet the same image repeated on a large canvas is far more surreal and moody. I've used these two techniques with a number of different pieces. I guess the media I use are a way for me to interpret, understand and resolve the image. I have always turned to art for consolation and resolution. And I have never been just a painter *or* a print-maker; I like to diversify in my art.

How do you think your parents being Jewish Holocaust survivors affected your experience of childhood? Was there a shadow in even your sweetest memories. There is a quiet sadness in some of these works that is very beautiful.

My parents were religious Jewish immigrants who were both in concentration camps. They worked very hard after the war to achieve a level of security for our family. They would have really liked me to



become a doctor, but I think they also would have been proud of me as an artist. Sadly, they both died before I was 20, so not only was there a generation gap, but I was also too young to get to really know them before they died. Now, as a parent myself with two grown-up daughters, along with a grandchild, I am sad that my kids never had the opportunity to meet them. There is an element of longing and sadness to many of the pieces. However, my parents never discussed the Holocaust, and I'm not sure that it was ever really an issue for me... maybe it affected me indirectly and it is now coming out in my art ...

Tell me about the red trike?

I remember an early photo of myself in a tricycle, wearing a cardigan. I have very fond memories of light-hearted times with friends. We'd play on the plantations in the middle of the wide roads of Carlton, and I'd ride my beloved tricycle down the bluestone laneways of Melbourne.

What about the clowns – you repeated that image as you did the dart board?

I've had a fascination with clowns and circuses for a while. They are like an alternative world. I've enjoyed visiting non-animal circuses in Europe and in Australia, particularly the EKKA in Brisbane. The side shows, shooting galleries, the clowns and the carousels are like a surreal world of the imagination. The clowns with their turning heads and gaping mouths are an absurdist take on life as we know it.

The dart image is a bit more prosaic and refers to an altercation I had with my older sister, where I ended up with a dart puncturing the back of my hand!

I feel a great sense of the child alone – I only really see 'you' as a shadow on a swing. What did you want to reflect in that work in particular?

That work is actually a silhouette of my grand-daughter on her circus trapeze. However, it equally reflects myself as an angst-ridden teenager when I felt like I was living in a vacuum. My mum died when I was very young and I had a stepmother I couldn't communicate with, so there *is* a real sense of fragility in that picture.

The imagery is very iconic for the era. How do you feel others will relate to these images of a boy's childhood?

I hope other people will remember their own childhood and resonate with the images – although they are pretty well based in the 6os. I think that being a kid is still about being a kid. Despite the advent of iPads and iEverything... Maybe I'm naïve to think that my grand-daughter will play with robots (she will probably have a *real* one!), but I still hope and believe that childhood is a time of wonder and imagination that doesn't come from a screen. I hope others will feel some of the joy I feel when I remember 'the way it was'.

What are the stark memories of childhood for you, if you were to list them one after the other?

Well, guess the image of *All Alone* pretty well sums up the starkness of those times. And looking back, objectively, I suppose much of my childhood *was* spent alone. I may have gone into a kind of emotional cocoon to protect myself and I know I did a lot of art to escape reality. Perhaps art was (and is), a way of allowing me to cope with whatever life throws at me.

The parents are absent from your work. Perhaps just legs in one of them... or in a photo album. Why is this?

As I mentioned, my parents weren't around in my teenage years so there is a real sense of loneliness in many of the pieces. Even when they were alive, I couldn't really speak to them like I do with my own daughters now. I think it was a generational thing. My dad was a very serious man and even though I went to synagogue with him twice a day for nearly 15 years, we never really had a proper conversation.

Was working towards this exhibition a cathartic experience for you?

Most definitely. These are images that have been asking for resolution



for a long time and now I feel comfortable that I have got them out and put them to bed. I now feel ready to tackle the next challenge!

What should we expect for your opening?

I hope it will be a celebration of everyone's memories of their own childhood. While many of the pieces have a melancholic element to them, there's also, I hope, a real sense of whimsy. At the opening, there'll be live music (playing 6os covers), retro food including the lollies we all remember such as milk bottles, bullets and raspberries. I hope people will come along to relive their own childhoods and celebrate the fact that we all grew out of it!

Opening on Friday at Lone Goat Gallery at 6pm and showing until 13 July.



SCICENTAL BYJOHN CAMPBELL REVIEWS





GOD WILLING

Atheists and believers are poles apart, but there is one thing that they have in common – none of them knows for good and certain if they're right. As a prominent heart surgeon in Rome, Tomasso (Marco Giallini) is pragmatic and curt, a man who knows what it means to not pull his punches. His life of wealth and privilege has been built on unchallenged certainties. When his son Andrea (Enrico Oetiker) announces that he intends abandoning his medical studies to join the priesthood, Tomasso is flabbergasted – to the father it is as ridiculous as wanting to be a bagpipe player.

Edoardo Maria Falcone's sweet-natured movie deals with Tomasso's struggle to cope with what to him is incomprehensible. And on top of that, his neglected wife Carla (Laura Morante) decides that she has had enough of her station in life and moves into the maid's room. The catalyst for such radical upheaval has arrived in the form of charismatic priest Don Pietro (Alessandro Gassman), who has had a profound influence on Andrea. Tomasso's broadmindedness can only stretch so far – it's always the case – and he employs a private investigator to get to the bottom of Don Pietro's activities – why IS he receiving wads of money from a stranger on the street?

The farcical episodes that follow are never quite foolish enough to diminish the themes of acceptance and self-empowerment – in one hilarious scene, Tomasso has to play the husband to his irate, put-upon hospital assistant – and the whole is held together by fine performances and a simplicity of delivery. The Eternal City is shot with a retro loving eye by cinematographer Tomasso Borgstrom and, just when you're all cosy in the softly-softly debate between God and science, an incident shakes you out of your complacency and leads to a finale of intense emotional impact. If Falcone comes down on the side of the angels it is in an acceptable way that is neither didactic nor exclusive. A film of compassion and hope.



THE MEDDLER

It's curious that, generally speaking, actors and actresses are awarded Oscars for excelling in dramatic roles and not comedies and the like. Yul Brynner got one for his part in a musical and Audrey Hepburn won hers for a rom/com, but Hollywood tends to take itself far too seriously to dole out baubles to anything that might not be seen as of the utmost importance to the world. Which is a pity, because Susan Sarandon is superb in this, a movie that is far more substantial than just the sum of its scattered parts.

Marnie is widowed, with a daughter Lori (Rose Byrne) making her own way as a writer in film and TV. She has moved from New Jersey to the sunshine of LA, but finds that there is a hole in her life that she cannot fill. To Lori she is a pest, calling constantly and overstepping the line in their mother/daughter relationship. As a woman of a certain age, Marnie is lonely, but writer/director Lorene Scafaria does not make her out to be concerned only with finding another man. Instead, Marnie seeks activities and involvements that will satisfy her energy, enthusiasm and willingness to give. It is around this matter that the screenplay tends to come unstuck, as Marnie lurches from one not-entirely-believable scenario to the next.

She sets a black guy whom she meets at an Apple shop on a pathway to becoming a lawyer, she bankrolls a

lesbian wedding and, after a clunky setup, finds herself in a car with a bloke who might be a serial killer. In short, there is a lot of standard schlock thrown into the mix, but the movie, which is too long by a good fifteen minutes, rises above it all thanks to the captivating Sarandon who can cry on a plane and eat a fried egg like nobody's business. Byrne and JK Simmons, as a nice-guy suitor who keeps chooks, both pass muster, as you'd expect, and the end result is a film that is impossible not to be warmed by.



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THURSDAY 30

- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL BYRON THE SWAMPS
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON 7PM **FERGO & THE BURDEN**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 8.30PM **CLEA**
- BYRON FARMERS MARKET 8AM **JESSE MORRIS BAND**
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- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, BYRON SUNROSE, DONNY **LOVE, MECHA MECHA**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON 7PM **DEVILS KIOSK**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 5PM SCOTT DAY-VEE 9PM PLTS + **GUESTS**
- STICKY WICKET, BYRON 9PM **LOCAL DJS 9.30PM BIGGY P**
- WOODY'S SURF SHACK, BYRON **9PM JAMES BENNETT**
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- YOGA PEACE, MULLUMBIMBY 6.45PM KIRTAN
- LENNOX HOTEL 10PM BETTY **BLISSETT**
- STOKERS SIDING HALL 6.30PM **DON'S PARTY WITH BRONWYN & THE BISHOPS.** KIM & MICHEL & ROB & CARL
- WHARF BAR, BALLINA 7.30PM **JOCK BARNES**
- BALLINA RSL 8.30PM MASON **RACK**
- BALLINA PLAYERS THEATRE 8PM RETURN TO THE **FORBIDDEN PLANET**
- ELTHAM HOTEL 6PM KATHRYN **JONES & STEVE PASSFIELD**
- THE SUGAR BOWL, KYOGLE 12PM WATLING & BATES
- CABARITA SPORTS CLUB

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- SEAGULLS, TWEED HEADS 7.30PM JON J BRADLEY
- TWIN TOWNS, TWEED HEADS 8.30PM FLEETWOOD MAC **TRIBUTE**
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SATURDAY 2

- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, BYRON FLOATING BRIDGES, **BAREFOOT BAND**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON 7PM CHRIS CAVILL & THE **PROSPECTORS**
- WOODY'S SURF SHACK, BYRON BRUNSWICK HOTEL 6PM **SETH** BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 9PM **SAMMY 2 TOWELS**
 - STICKY WICKET, BYRON 9PM ALI MAY 9.30PM THE **WEATHER MEN DUO**
 - WOODY'S SURF SHACK, BYRON **8PM DJ ADRIAN BRANDELLO**
 - TREEHOUSE BELONGIL 7 30PM **BALTIC BAR MITZVAH**
 - PIZZA PARADISO, SUFFOLK PARK 6 30PM YOYO TUKI
 - BANGALOW HOTEL 7.30PM STEPHEN LOVELIGHT
 - BRUNSWICK PICTURE HOUSE 1PM FRIK THE DOG & JOEL **SALOM**
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- BALLINA RSL BOWLING CLUB 5.30PM LEIGH JAMES
- WHARF BAR, BALLINA 7.30PM MTD MUSIC
- BALLINA PLAYERS THEATRE **8PM RETURN TO THE FORBIDDEN PLANET**
- SHEOAK SHACK, FINGAL HEAD 2PM ANDREW MORRIS
- MARY G'S, LISMORE CATH SIMES BAND
- PHOENIX RISING, NIMBIN 12.30PM **BEETLE JUICE**
- CABARITA SPORTS CLUB **MESCALITO BLUES DUO**
- SEAGULLS, TWEED HEADS LATE FOR WOODSTOCK

SUNDAY 3

- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, **BYRON JESSE PUMPHREY**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON 7PM THRILLBILLY STOMP
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 4.30PM LATE FOR WOODSTOCK 8PM **ELEMENTALS**
- BYRON MARKET 10AM HYPONOLIA, JUZZIE SMITH, **STAN CEGLINSKI**
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- WHARF BAR, BALLINA 3PM **B-TOWN COLLECTIVE DJS**
- BALLINA RSL 8PM JENNY TALIA
- ELTHAM HOTEL 3PM ANDY **BUCKLE** SPHINX ROCK, MT BURRELL
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MONDAY 4

- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL. BYRON GARRETT KATO
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON 7PM 7PM LEIGH JAMES
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 8.30PM

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TUESDAY 5

- GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, BYRON MARSHALL O'KELL
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON 7PM 7PM AQWA
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 8PM **MUSICAL BINGO**
- BYRON COMMUNITY CENTRE 6.30PM THE SAMBA-BLISSTAS 6.30PM ARAKWAL NAIDOC **FILM SCREENINGS**
- BYRON PUBLIC SCHOOL 7.15PM NO LIGHTS NO LYCRA
- THE BALCONY, BYRON 9PM **BYRON AFTER DARK**
- WOODY'S SURF SHACK, BYRON **8PM LIVE DJS**
- BANGALOW HOTEL 7.30PM **BRACKETS OPEN MIC**
- ST JOHN'S, MULLUMBIMBY 7PM **DANCE TEMPLE FCSTATIC DANCE**

WEDNESDAY 6

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON 7PM **LUKE MORRIS**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON 7.30PM LORDS OF DOGTOWN
- STICKY WICKET, BYRON 9.30PM **HAYLEY GRACE**
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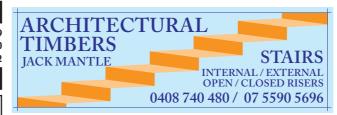


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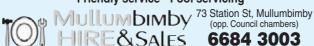
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Day of Sun Sun Moon Moon month rise set rise set High tide, height (m) Low tide, height (m) 1 F 0639 1700 0248 1411 0508.1.36; **1801.1.73** 1114.0.35 2 | S | 0639 | 1700 | 0352 | 1502 | 0611,1.33; **1855,1.81** | 0023,0.47; 1205,0.32 3 | S | 0639 | 1701 | 0455 | 1558 | 0709,1.31; **1945,1.87** | 0119,0.40; 1255,0.29 1701 0556 1656 0802.1.30; **2032.1.89** 0211.0.34; **1343.0.28** 4 M 0639 5 | T | 0639 | 1701 | 0652 | 1756 | 0852,1.28; **2117,1.87** | 0300,0.31; **1429,0.29** 6 | W | 0639 | 1702 | 0743 | 1856 | 0939,1.27; **2200,1.81** | 0345,0.32; 1514,0.33 1702 0829 1954 1023,1.25; **2239,1.72** 0430,0.34; 1558,0.38 7 T 0639 8 F 0639 | 1703 | 0911 | 2051 | 1106,1.23; 2317,1.61 | 0511,0.38; 1641,0.46 9 S 0638 1703 0949 2145 1150,1.21; 2355,1.50 0550,0.43; 1726,0.54 10 | S | 0638 | 1704 | 1025 | 2238 | 1238,1.20 0630,0.47; 1816,0.62 | 11 | M | 0638 | 1704 | 1059 | 2330 | 0035,1.39; 1333,1.21 | 0711,0.50; 1917,0.69 12 | T | 0638 | 1705 | 1133 0121,1.29; 1437,1.23 | 0757,0.52; 2027,0.73 13 W 0638 1705 1208 0021 0216,1.21; 1544,1.29 0845.0.52; 2144,0.73 14 T 0637 1706 1244 0112 0321,1.16; 1642,1.36 0937,0.51; 2257,0.68 15 | F | 0637 | 1706 | 1323 | 0204 | 0425,1.14; 1731,1.44 | 1029,0.49; 2356,0.61 16 | S | 0637 | 1707 | 1405 | 0256 | 0523,1.14; 1816,1.52 1117,0.45 1/50 N3/10 18 M 0636 1708 1540 0441 0700,1.18; 1937,1.66 0125,0.46; 1243,0.36 19 T 0636 1708 1634 0532 0744,1.20; **2016,1.71** 0203,0.40; 1322,0.32 20 | W | 0635 | 1709 | 1731 | 0622 | 0826.1.23; **2055.1.75** | 0240.0.34; **1402.0.29** 21 | T | 0635 | 1709 | 1830 | 0709 | 0909,1.26; **2135,1.75** | **0318,0.30**; **1445,0.27** 22 F 0634 1710 1930 0754 0954,1.28; **2215,1.73 0358,0.27**; **1530,0.28** 23 S 0634 1710 2031 0836 1041,1.30; 2259,1.67 **0440.0.27**; 1617,0.33 24 S 0633 1711 2132 0918 1130,1.32; 2344,1.59 **0524,0.28**; 1709,0.39 25 M 0633 1711 2234 0958 1225,1.33 0610,0.31; 1807,0.47 26 T 0632 1712 2336 1036 0033,1.48; 1325,1.36 0700,0.33; 1915,0.54 1112 0130,1.36; 1430,1.40 0755,0.36; 2036,0.57 27 W 0632 1713 28 T 0631 1713 0039 1208 0235,1.26; 1541,1.47 0853,0.37; 2200,0.56

Times are Eastern Standard.

Time lags: Ballina Boat Dock: 15 min; Byron Bay: nil;
Brunswick River Hwy Bridge: high 30 min, low 1 hr;
Mullumbiny: 1 hr 10 min; Billinudgel: 3 hr 55 min;
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1.7m or more and low tide of 0.3m or less.

Data courtesy of the National Tidal Centre

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30 | S | 0630 | 1714 | 0244 | 1349 | 0500,1.17; 1749,1.64 |



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31 S 0629 1715 0345 1444 0606,1.17; **1844,1.71** 0021,1.41; **1141,0.30**

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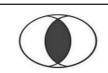
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DEATH NOTICES



MEG CLARKE Died 23 June, aged 81

When Meg Clarke's husband Henry died on March 19, family and friends little suspected that she would follow him just three months later. Meg and Henry Clarke had been married for 61 years, and were inseparable. They were often seen holding hands as they walked the streets of Mullumbimby.

Born in Auckland, New Zealand on 4 December, 1934, Meg had a long career in teaching in New Zealand and Australia, before moving to Mullumbimby 20 years ago. She loved living in this community and made many contributions, including as secretary of the local branch of the Labor Party and the Senior Citizens Autumn Club. She also founded a diabetes support group, as she had diabetes for almost 50 years. Meg was kind, generous, strong-willed and direct. Her family and friends will miss her and Henry a great deal.

FUNERAL NOTICES

WINSLEY ROYLE **TOWNER**

Passed away peacefully at John Flynn Hospital. Much loved husband of Joan. Married 65 years. Loved father and father-in-law of Pam & Geoff, Christine & Wolfgang, Peter & Judy and David. Adored Poppy and Great-poppy to his twenty grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Loved brother of Mim Burger, Fae Sproule and Barrie (dec) & Amy.

Aged 93 years

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend a funeral service to be held at St John's Catholic Church, Mullumbimby on TUESDAY (July 5, 2016) commencing at 2pm followed by burial at Mullumbimby Cemetery.

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Cometh the hour, cometh capitulation

Story & photo John Campbell

My dad was a man of few words, but he had an expression: 'what you need is a good kick up the arse'.

It aptly described the feelings of all who witnessed Byron Bay's insipid first-half performance at Red Devil Park on Sunday. Hosting the Kyogle Turkeys, who had taken a mortgage on last place of the NRRRL's ladder, the home side were flogged to the tune of 42-6 - heaven knows how bad it might have ended if the game were not abandoned twenty minutes early due to a terrible injury to Kyogle's powerful centre, Paoa Faamita.

The sudden cold snap kept the attendance to an estimated 2,001, all of whom were spaced out by the Devils' ineptitude and lack of application. Kyogle came with the sole intention of not being burdened with the season's



'Debonair' Scott Stapleton makes eye contact with a Turkey at Red Devil Park on Sunday, as a day-leave inmate looks on.

wooden spoon and, like perfect hosts, the Devils obliged by volunteering to take it off their hands.

Joseph 'the General' Gordon ran a great line onto an

inside pass to put Byron in front 6-0, but Faamita then bullied his way through a host of would-be tacklers to put Kyogle on the board. The Turkeys' five-eighth,

Sam Nicholson, who sliced us up like a knife through warm butter all day, put them ahead before Chris 'Jawbone' Coleman delivered a beautiful ball to send Cameron

'Jack' Gibson racing for the line - only to have the pass ruled forward. And from that moment the Devils more or less turned it up.

The kids on the scoreboard couldn't keep up as Kyogle ran in try after try. The mob on the hill, loyal to the core, was shocked not so much by the turn of events – that's footy, and sometimes the opposition is just too good – as by their Devils' insipid response. Instead of arcing up, they went to water.

Kyogle held on to the ball, ran onto it with gusto and managed to complete most of their sets. The Bay fumbled and fuddled, stood and watched as the Turkeys off-loaded at will and, when awarded a penalty, didn't find touch - and in the next set they conceded yet another try. Not to put too fine a point on it - it was astonishingly awful.

By smoko, the Turkeys

were ahead 32-6 and the level of communication between the men in red was as loud as a morgue. To his credit, Joey 'the Senator' McCarthy, from the left wing, roared encouragement to the boys when play resumed, but to no avail. The Bay nearly fluked a try from the kick-off, but Kyogle regathered themselves and ploughed further ahead. When Faamita was hurt crossing for a try that made it 42-6, the game ended, and not a minute too soon.

On a brighter note, when the Devils host Marist Brothers on Saturday 9 July, there will be a Men of League function held concurrently at Red Devil Park. Organised to help those who have been involved, at any level, in 'the greatest game of all, but have now fallen on tough times, Men of League is a fantastic outfit of old-fashioned philanthropic goals. Be there it'll be a great day.

Cricket wins on the prickly pitch

Brian Mollet

After two weeks of cricketless wild weather the Sunday sun caressed the lush expanse of Lomath Oval where reigning champs the Left Bankers coaxed themselves out of their reinforced bush bunkers to take on the Geckos, who do not so much arrive at the field but condense from all corners of the Shire owing to the power of social media.

A midweek pitch inspection saw the famous turf sending tendrils up trouser legs to knee level and as matted and tangled as Bob Marley's dreadlocks, so Scruff of the Bankers, realising the futility of complaint, went where Council had no inclination to go and mowed the oval.

The Bankers called correctly and batted first, Russ and Leon kept quiet early as James and Brian (o-3) gave away less than Wayne Bennett at a press conference.

first six of the year and getting into stride when he fell victim to the famous inertial qualities of the Lomath turf; the ball doesn't so much roll as get absorbed into the grass. His was the first of four runouts as the Geckos' fielders were sharper than the razor-wire encircling the Manus Island compound.

Brian claimed he got plenty of air taking an outfield catch but most agreed that the only air in the move was blowing hard from his fundamental

Evergreen Eli was the only batsman who mastered the conditions and the opposition. He gave the bowling fifty shades, alternatively spanking and caressing his way to 33 n/o.

Wickets to the chirpy Paddy and the old master Peter Wynne-Moylan closed the innings early for 107 and the Geckos were cooking up a boilover. To do this they had to trump the Bankers' bowlfinding that a steep hillary to

Guy (2-11) and Eli both struck early and then Sean, Scruff, Russ (2-4) and the lively Blake turned the screws.

Skipper James's runout was a dirk between the armour plates as the Banker fielders closed in like wild dogs at calving time.

The Geckos still had the talent of Anthony and the pure self-belief of Paddy Mac at the crease, inspired no doubt by the fair Lori who had come to check the credibility of his claims to cricketing pre-

Blake (1-5) and Guy took both scalps as the run rate mounted but the Geckos scrapped their way to within ten runs of the top-ranked Bankers and cricket, as the homily goes, was the winner.

Next week the Main Armers venture forth from their solar-passive dome houses to meet the thoroughly work-Russ was soon hoisting his ing but the Geckos were soon shopped Byron Full-Tossers. | gious punts.

Dogs give best against hungry Vulcans

Dean Trevaskis

It was blue skies and crisp air as the Bruns Bulldogs Under-11s took on the Murwillumbah Vulcans on Sunday.

The Vulcans laid the foundation for victory with a dominant first half. For the Dogs, River Dragonfly was busier than a one-armed wallpaper hanger on the last line of defence reading the play beautifully to repel wave after wave of Vulcan attacks.

The Dogs found their mojo after the long break in what became an entertaining end to end second half.

Thandi McAllister lit up the Doggies' scoreboard with a rover's snap from the goal square, Jasper Willis and Charlie McAllister were hurling themselves into the hard contests, Charlie Heath exploded off the packs while Krishant McDonald and Ryan Diehm opened the game up with their prodi-



During a great day in AFL footy, Kaliyah Browning ices the cake after a rebound out of defence for the Bulldogs play of the day. Photo Gav McKay.

The Doggies play of the day started on the halfback flank, moved fluently through six sets of hands and finished with Kaliyah Browning booting the sausage roll.

The Murwillumbah Vulcans got the four points but it was hats off to all players, coaches and supporters for a game of junior footy at its very best.

Mullumbimby feverish for a spot of tennis

Wimbledon fever is set to grip the Mullumbimby Tennis Club next weekend, with members, outsiders and outright impersonators of tennis greats from the past and future welcome to turn up and give it their best shot at sartorial sporting elegance on Sunday July 3 from 11am till 4pm. Please wear all-white cloth-

preferably an old wooden one. There will be live music, traditional Wimbledon food and a chance for all the family to have fun (under-5s free).

The club is located opposite the Community Gardens, behind where the Mullumbimby Markets are held at the Mullum Museum.

For info: Coach Steve Gort ing and bring your racquet, 0412 731 814 or 0439 733 763.



Lighthouse run: way too much fun

Registration is open for the 2016 Byron Lighthouse Run, now in its tenth year, which will be held on 23 October. Runners can enter as an individual or as a team. The earlybird entry is open until 15 September.

The event features a 10km run and a 6.7km walk and again, by popular demand, there will be a kids' 1km dash.

All proceeds from the run

go to charity with more than \$121,000 donated to date. In 2016, the run is raising money for cancer - organisers are working with Crackin' Cancer for the Lismore Base Hospital. The hope is to raise \$30,000 to go towards the purchase of a Prone Breast Board.

Registration closes on 20 October. For more info visit www.byronrun.com.

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Community at work

On The **Horizon**

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Bruns PA meet

Brunswick Heads Progress Association meets 4 July at 7pm in the Memorial Hall, Fingal Street. Visitors welcome. Come along for an update on issues affecting Brunswick Heads.

end of South Beach Road fire track gate. See more at byronshirechemicalfreelandcare.org.

New book talk

Chem-free landcare

Byron Shire Chemical Free Landcare

fortnightly working bee Saturday 2

July, 9am-1pm, at Brunswick Heads

Crown Land Reserve site. Meet at the

Friends of Libraries Byron Shire present Gay Bilson in conversation with John Newton discussing John's new book [The Oldest Foods on Earth; a History of Australian Native Foods with Recipes Thursday 30 June, 5.30pm for a 6pm start at Byron Bay Library. Bookings essential by 27 June: http://bit.ly/

billnewt. Phone bookings 6687 1396.

Probus Club

Brunswick Valley Probus Club meeting 10am Tuesday 5 July at the Ocean Shores Country Club. Guest speaker Marele Day from the Northern Rivers Writers' Centre. All welcome, enquiries Margaret Newbould 6680 3316.

Gem club stall

Byron Gem Club street stall Fri 1 July, outside the NAB in Jonson St, Byron Bay. Rocks, crystals, gems, mineral specimens and jewellery for sale.

Byron Bay Library

Byron Bay Library free events: Friday 8 July at 2pm, make a macramé plant holder -suitable for children aged eight and up. Thursday 14 July at 11am, live school holiday performance: The loaded dog, children aged five and up. Bookings essential 6685 8540.

U3A Ballina/Byron

U3A Ballina/Byron will be in recess for two weeks, resuming on 19/06/16.

Lone Goat Gallery

Memories by Sam Sosnowski 1-13 July, opening Friday 1 July at 6pm. Paintings, etchings, woodblock prints and

Bangalow PA meet

Bangalow Progress Association meets 5.30pm Thursday 7 July in Heritage

House, Bangalow. Members and new members welcome

Byron Market

Byron Market on Sunday 3 July 2016 8am-3pm at Butler Street Reserve. Be entertained by Hyponlia and Juzzie Smith. Please leave dogs at home.

Byron Trails talk

Friends of Libraries, Byron Shire & Mullumbimby Library present 'Byron Trails: 50 walking adventures in Byron Bay & beyond' by Mairead Cleary, in conversation with Jesse Blackadder, Thursday 14 July, 5.30pm for 6pm start at Mullumbimby Library. Bookings essential 6684 2992.

embroidery. Enq Margaret 6684 2956.

Potters & Sculptors

Mullumbimby Potters & Sculptors

The Community Art Gallery (Gallery

at the Drill Hall) is open every Tues

Mungo's Crossword

Poets night

Combined Service Clubs of Brunswick Valley Poets Night now reorganised for 13 August at same venue and prior tickets will be able to be used on that night. For more info Joan Towers 6684 2467 or Russell Siwicki 6685 1206.

Artists invited

Artists are invited to submit an expression of interest to present exhibitions at the Gallery at The Drill Hall, Mullumbimby, for July-December. For more information and application form please email mullum.potters@yahoo. com.au or drop in on Tuesdays and Thursdays 10am-2pm behind the Drill Hall at 2 Jubilee Ave, Mullumbimby.

& Thurs 10am–2pm and on the 3rd Saturday of the month (Mullum Market Day) 10am-4pm. Pottery and sculpture crafted by local artisans for sale. The Drill Hall Complex, 2 Jubilee Ave, Mullumbimby. Enquiries: mullum.potters@yahoo.com.au

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Neighbourhood Centre

Mullumbimby & District Neighbourhood Centre presents: Mondays - Toddler Time 9.30-11.15am; Feldenkrais gentle exercise from 9.30am courtyard; Lunch 12-2pm, Board games in the courtyard. Tuesdays -Cuppa Tea Choir and ukulele from 9.30 Hub; Lunch 12-2pm, Extreme Knitting 2pm. Wednesdays – Spirit of Chi Gong 9.30am courtyard; Jammm session Hub from 10am all day; Lunch 12-2pm; Soup Kitchen 5pm. Thursdays - Express Yourself Art as therapy from 10.30am courtyard; Nature Walk with Eugene 9.30am sharp. Everyone welcome! Please call Renae for further info on 6684 1286.

BCC Seniors Activities

Byron Community Centre's Tuesday Seniors' Activities are back on their regular schedule: 10.30am Elder Beats Drumming \$10; 11.30am Morning Tea; 12 noon Chair Yoga \$5. The Bay Community Singers Choir will be resuming its Monday class at 10.30am from 2 May, cost is \$10.

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

Bay Insight Meditation with Radha Nicholson and friends Tuesdays at Suffolk Park Hall, 7.30-9pm. All welcome. Please bring a cushion. 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. 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.

Landcare

Bangalow Land and Rivercare working bee every Saturday 8.30–10.30am. See www.bangalowlandcare.org.au or call

www.themindfulnesssummit.com.

Craft group

The Uniting Craft & Social Group meets every Monday 9.30am-2.30pm at the Uniting Church in Carlyle Street, Byron Bay. Come and chat, enjoy a

cuppa, the company and your craft. Bring lunch and whatever else you need. All welcome. Do you prefer patchwork and quilting? Come along on Monday evening same place at 6pm. Enquiries Tilly 6685 5985.

Budgeting Support

Money Matters is a free service helping people identify where their money is going, how best to save and, most importantly, how to get on top of bills! Contact the Byron Community Centre to make an appointment; private sessions run every Monday afternoon.

Bush School

Each Thursday during term time the Brunswick Bush School takes kids 6-13 years out into the bush to learn, grow and connect with each other. Facebook: Brunswick Bush School and email: brunsbushschool@gmail.com.

Museums

Brunswick Valley Historical Society Inc Museum at corner of Myocum & Stuart Sts Mullumbimby open every Friday 10am-12 noon and market Saturdays gam-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.

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 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

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.

Ouota 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

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. End-of-life choices

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

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 8am start. Info Marian 6688 4058, mazzerati2010@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. Mul**lumbimby Seventh-Day Adventist** Op Shop opens Monday - Thursday 10am-3.30pm, Friday 9am - 2pm and third Sunday of the month 10am-2pm.

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. Meetings coaching in communication and self-development run on 1st and 3rd Mondays, 6.40pm at Byron Services Club, Byron Bay; www.byronbaytoastmasters.org. MullumMagic Toastmasters meet 2nd, 4th and 5th Mondays at 7pm, Presbyterian Church Hall in Mullum. Please call Satisha 0499 918 925 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 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.

Byron FLEA

Byron FLEA at the YAC (1 Gilmore Crescent) 2nd Saturday of every month from 8am till 1pm. Free stalls for young people. Call Lotte 0490 026 840.

Bridge Club

The Brunswick Valley Bridge Club meets every Saturday and Monday at 12.15pm at the Brunswick Heads Bowling Club. All welcome. Info: Silvia Van Rossum 6676 3720.

Byron Girls Group

A fun, creative and supportive group for girls aged 12-18 every Wednesday 4–6pm at the Byron Youth Service. Contact Lotte 0490 026 840 for details.

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.

ManTime

Calling all fellas who as a boy or man went on a Pathways, Making Men or Men₂B Rite of Passage camp: weekly Monday night men's group 7–9.30pm at the CWA Hall Mullum. Email mantime.mullum@gmail.com or call Karim 0403 755 192

Town Choir

Mullum's Biggest Little Town Choir meets weekly at the Timber Slab factory, Jubilee Ave, Thursdays at 6.3opm. Newcomers welcom

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.

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

Cryptic Clues ACROSS

- 1. Decline to look into the deity? (2,2,4) 5. Satchmo loses a limb – still powerful!
- 10. Jolson, Romeo, the soft lady expert like 26 is! (3,4,3,5)
- 11. Head-turn to allow Romeo to name his love (7)
- 12. Charge two quarters to the firm of this absurd playwright (7)
- 13. Why, I ask, the hair style? (8)
- 15. Sum up infant, a beginner (5)
- 18. Venue for Tina? (5)
- 20. Egyptian god twice backs Hindu god, and in ancient Rome - a very unusual thing! (4,4)
- 23. Russian politician famous for his mixed drink ... (7)
- 25. ... but not one consumed by normal communist back around the icehockey field (7) 26. Female activist for equality backs sex
- appeal with the gallows but she's not serious! (15) 27. Gloomy leader enjoys causing pain
- 28. Alien to create confusion and the
- rest! (2,6)

DOWN

bird (5)

- 1. Good weapon for a batsman's armoury! (6)
- 2. Hastily elope, then get a ring! (9) 3. Rescue Myrna sausage (7)
- 4. Chop down tree sheltering German
- 6. I say Kay, what a hair style! (7) 7. Ring, and strike up the Stones! (5)
- 8. Peer under energy unit at alpine city
- 9. Songbird holds hot mystery! (8) 14. Anteater, angry about five, follows
- former 25 acrosses, right? (8) 16. A lean thousand can be conceived of
- 17. They make ma suffer but they shut out the noise (8) 19. I live among workers at this Riviera
- resort (7) 21. Really stupid, like one baseball team
- 22. A flower for a drink (6) 24. Individual embraced by fat landlord
- 25. Break after 500 wander aimlessly (5)

Quick Clues

- **ACROSS** Decay, lose one's strength and faculties (2,2,4)
- 5. Powerful, vigorous (6)
- 10. Random, messy, utterly disordered (3,4,3,5) 11. Family name of Shakespeare's Juliet (7)
- 12. Playwright of the absurd, author of
- 13. Hair style with one piece hanging at the back (8)
- 15. Sum, tally (5)
- 18. Playing field, sports ground (5) 20. Latin phrase for a very unusual thing
- or person (4,4) 23. Russian leader with a weapon ironically named after him (7)
- 25. Toper, one who imbibes (7) 26. Flighty and inconstant person, usually
- 27. One who enjoys inflicting pain (6) 28. ... and other things (Latin) (2,6)

a young woman (15)

- Quick look, also a stroke in cricket (6)
- Communication device invented by Bell (9) Smoked pork sausage (7)
- White heron (5) Hairstyle featuring a bob in the centre (7)
- Australian precious stones (5) 8. French city, ski resort (8)
- 9. Mystery story, whodunit (8) 14. African anteater (8)
- 16. Able to be conceived of or imagined (9)
- 17. Devices used to block out noise (8) 19. Resort on the French Riviera (7)
- 21. Stupid. Idiotic (7) 22. Spectacular flower, originating in Africa (6)
- 24. Scottish landowner (5) 25. Move with the current, wander

aimlessly (5) Last week's solution N130

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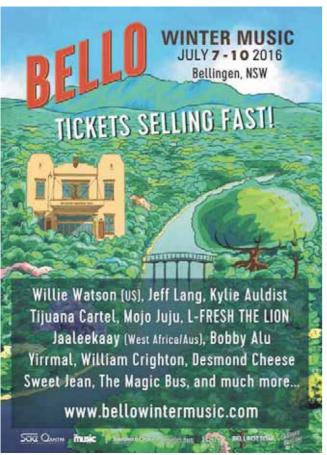
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Those of you who want to vote for the Fairy Party – the party you can believe in - will be pleased to know that a Fairy Polling Booth has opened in Brunswick Heads. And if you want to know when the rain-delayed Fairy Trail will be lit up, check the Facebook page Brunzfairies. The fairies will most likely light up their houses on election day 5.30-7.30pm. Photo Ollie Heathwood

Apart from the efforts of the Fairy Party (see above), what a long, uninspiring, lacklustre election campaign it has been, providing satisfaction only to cartoonists and satirists. The major parties have taken the safe route of emphasising safety and stability when neither really exists on a planet hurtling towards extreme climate change in order not to upset an electorate that wishes for safety first. The political cliche-and-promise bag must be almost empty, so it's a good thing the election day is about to arrive at last. Remember Mother Earth when you vote - she is the only thing protecting you from the chilly blackness of space - and then gird up your loins for the local government election on Saturday September 10. That should be a barrel of fun.

The local Plastic Free July collective is providing an admirable incentive for resi-

dents to get involved - apart from the joy of saving a turtle from a painful death, of course. All those who register to participate will receive 15 per cent off all bulk items at Santos Organics for the month of July. See more at www.plasticfreebyron.com. Both The Echo and Council are supporting the campaign. Find the Clean Coast Collectives' Byron Love Arch in its wanderings around markets and local landmarks and have your photo taken as you offer up tips for reducing plastic waste. You can also upload tips to social media with the hashtag #ByronLoveArch.

Spare a thought for the folks sleeping rough in the colder weather. A Mullum reader reports he was out early in the morning and 'it was about five degrees C. I discovered a number of people lying on bits and pieces of cardboard, etc. I am 71 and have seen some

shocking things over the years, but I was almost brought to tears at the thought of anyone having to be "living" in those circumstances, particularly as the Mullum hospital is empty. I will do whatever I can to assist but if we could get these people into some temporary shelter and with some warm bedding and clothes [that would help]'. We can't quite imagine the health service turning the ex-hospital over to the homeless for winter but it would be a worthy thing to do. Failing that, perhaps Council or a charitable organisation could set up something similar to Swags For Homeless (swags.org.au), at least until Council's affordable housing

'Police halt doof in Goonengerry NP' – see echo. net.au/police-halt-doofgoonengerry-np. We're not

strategy bears fruit – if ever.

sure what kind of profitmaking motive, spiritual philosophy or interesting drug inspires someone to 'organise' an event at the expense of the native habitat, the locals' sleep patterns and possibly the health and safety of the participants but, frankly, it sucks.



Be on the lookout for dodgy \$50 notes doing the rounds. A Mullum retailer picked up one last week. They're pretty sophisticated counterfeiting but Edith Cowan's face will scratch off easily. Poor Edith!



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