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Bangalow Music Fest comes of age



Scott Mullen introduces school students to the fun and intricacies of classical music at The Southern Cross Soloists' Bangalow Music Festival last Friday. Read full review on page 32. Photo Jeff Dawson

New Saddle Road plans meets opposition

Paul Bibby

Residents living in and around Saddle Road between Mullumbimby and Brunswick Heads fear plans for an industrial estate and business park could be a Trojan horse for broader residential development in their rural enclave.

But the owners of the property who have put the plan forward said local businesses needed suitable, flood-free land to operate, or they would continue to leave the Shire. Two months ago, Skai and Kelvin Daly applied to have part of their sprawling property, which lies between Saddle Road and Gulgan Road, included in Council's Business and Industrial Lands strategy.

This was one of a number of late inclusions in the strategy – including land at Bangalow – which were not

subject to the initial round of public consultation for the strategy, a fact that has angered some residents.

The Saddle Road site is the same property that was to have become the Bruns Eco Village (BEV) – that idea was shelved following strong opposition from surrounding landowners, and Council setbacks.

Under the new proposal, the land would be divided into four precincts spanning 11.8 hectares.

The first, located at 66 The Saddle Road, would be home to a business park with a series of multiple small buildings.

The remaining three precincts, located on both sides of Gulgan Road, would be home to a traditional industrial estate with warehouses and regular truck movements.

In their submission to Council, the Dalys said the site had the advantage of being close to the highway interchange, allowing easy access for large trucks, and was largely free from constraints such as flood risk.

Advantages

Skai Daly said there was a need for a business park to provide employment for those living in the north of the Shire. 'We envisage a business park... where local small businesses can cluster together and take advantage of being with other like-minded businesses,' she said.

In a related submission, local company 'Regionality' said the site was ideal for a small-scale regional produce precinct.

This was part of a broader

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Greens mayor refuses ecology study for road

Hans Lovejoy

With protesters evicted from the Butler Street bypass construction site by Council staff on Monday, it's emerged that the peak body representing ecological consultants in NSW is calling for additional surveys of the site after critically endangered species were found in its path.

And while Council are yet to provide the public with evidence that its approval requirements have been met, staff did confirm that a vulnerable Cypress and other native trees were cut down in the first stage of construction, in front of the homes of Butler Street residents.

Meanwhile, Council staff are remaining mute over allegations they failed to self-determine that a permit was required for the bypass construction.

Staff however did reply that 'Council is currently responding to enquires from the Commonwealth

Department of Environment and Energy as a result of public representations made to it'.

Greens mayor Simon Richardson has doubled down on why he won't support a complete environmental survey of the area, which is also being requested by state Greens MP Tamara Smith.

Cr Richardson says instead the project needs to get done and delays would cost ratepayers money.

State Greens MP Tamara Smith says a complete environmental survey of the site is needed, 'so that the flawed biodiversity offsets they are opting for are at least offsetting the correct species.'

Smith's request comes after seeing Council's map of the environmental species in and around the footprint of the Butler Street Bypass. She said, 'It clearly shows a critically endangered rainforest.'

The Echo understands Council's

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While they have vowed to fight on, protesters moved on peacefully on Monday at the request of Council and enforced by police. Photo Jeff Dawson



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Tackling the perils of palm oil

Aslan Shand

Saving orangutans can go hand in hand with reducing climate change, halting deforestation, and ensuring your everyday choices have a wide impact both locally and globally.

Where companies source their palm-oil can have a significant impact on deforestation and the release of carbon into the atmosphere. Palm oil is in thousands of products, from ice-cream, shampoo, and lipstick to biofuels.

The main producers of palm oil are in Indonesia and Malaysia, and the production has led to the clearing of of an estimated 27 million hectares of often peaty (therefore releasing more carbon) soils.

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Responding to the ongoing impact of destructive palm-oil management, Santos Organics has been working towards ensuring that all their products that contain palm oil or palm-derived ingredients can be traced back to an ethical and sustainable source.



Rainforest 4 founder Kelvin Davies with Santos general manager Jolene Ryan. For more visit www.rainforest4.org. Photo Jeff Dawson

'The growing popularity for palm-oil plantations is currently the leading cause of rainforest deforestation, with 300 football fields of forest being cleared every hour to make room for plantations,' said Santos Organics spokesperson Ash May.

Santos Organics have been working towards certification with Palm Oil Investigations, and will be celebrating that all the products they sell only contain palm oil and palm products from sustainable sources on World Orangutan Day, August 19.

'This process has involved a complete review and

overhaul of all products and means that any products containing palm oil or palm-derived ingredients that cannot be traced to a completely ethical and sustainable source have now been removed from shelves,' said Ms May.

Aug 18 event

Partnering with the Rainforest 4 Foundation, Santos Organics is also supporting a special community event with renowned conservationist Panut Hadisiswoyo, founding director of the Orangutan Information Centre in Sumatra. Mr Hadisiswoyo will

be speaking about his work setting up the Orangutan Information Centre (OIC) on Sunday August 18 at the Byron Community College, located at 8 Burringbar Street, Mullumbimby. He will look at the work the not-for-profit OIC have done to rescue and rehabilitate orangutans, replant rainforest, and pursue wildlife-crime cases.

'The event's objective is to raise funds for and awareness of the Orangutan Information Centre and their work,' said Ms May.

Tickets can be purchased online www.rainforest4.org or at the door.

Health minister, bureaucrats mute over alleged fraud at local hospital

Hans Lovejoy

Allegations that at least three former managers at Byron Hospital embezzled public money remain unexplained by both NSW health minister Brad Hazzard (Liberal) and his health officials.

The Echo was contacted anonymously by three individuals at different times with knowledge of the allegations and an internal report into the matter.

Hazzard's office handed Echo questions back to the department that undertook the investigation. Both refuse to provide any information.

Chief executive of Northern NSW Local Health District Wayne Jones said, 'We treat all allegations of fraud or misconduct seriously and investigate where appropriate. However, it is not appropriate to comment on internal staff matters.'

Local Greens state MP Tamara Smith told The Echo,



Chief executive of Northern NSW Local Health District Wayne Jones



NSW health minister Brad Hazzard (Liberal)

'It is disappointing that the community is not being told anything about alleged fraudulent conduct on the part of high-level managers within a public hospital.'

Right to know: MP

'It is public moneys that fund our public hospitals and communities have a right to know the substantive details of any corruption in our hospitals. Not to mention the many decades of hospital auxiliary members, and community members who have raised funds and supported public hospitals in Byron Shire.'

'We don't need the names, but we do deserve to know what went down and what steps the Local Area Health Service is taking to make sure that any kind of fraudulent behaviour by trusted officials at Byron Hospital or any other hospital never happens again.'

'I receive regular emails from staff and community concerned about shortages of doctors and nurses at Byron Hospital.'

■ The Echo encourages those who came forward to contact us again should there be more information available.

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Kids' adventure playground unveiled

Eve Jeffery

Children in the Ocean Shores area didn't care that the playground at Waterlily Park was upgraded because of a \$418,608 grant from the NSW Government's Stronger Country Communities Fund.

They also didn't give two hoots about the in-kind support and complementary open-space and resource-recovery projects from Byron Shire Council, or that Council also invested in an outdoor exercise gym.

All they cared about was playtime on Sunday and they flooded the reopened space with gusto!

Treehouse

Greens mayor Simon Richardson said the space was a wonderful example of a project that started with some local residents seeing huge potential for improvements at their local park.

He said, 'Waterlily Park is now a child's dream play area with an amazing treehouse, rope climbing nets, a



Mayor Simon Richardson, Cr Alan Hunter, Justine Elliot MP with Waterlily Park development committee members Tom Faulty, Tina Petroff, Orit Ben-Harush, Fabricio Bettega, Helen Graveson, Josie Tevo and baby Kai (not yet a committee member). In the foreground is lady beetle Seara, a random photo bomber and Kaelum, driving a Fred Flintstone mobile. Photo Jeff Dawson

see-saw, and slippery dip'.

Flying fox

'This playground is about kids being kids - getting away from their screens, getting outside in the fresh air and using their imaginations.

'One of the best features of the upgraded park is the installation of an "all abilities" flying fox which allows children that disability to experience the thrill of moving through the air,' said Mayor Richardson

'The Ocean Shores community should be very proud of this park, and thanks must go to the hard-working members of the Waterlily Park Playscape committee who have worked alongside Council staff to realise this dream'.

Critically endangered species collateral for bypass

► Continued from page 1 mapping identified the area as rainforest in 2017.

MP unaware: mayor

Greens mayor Simon Richardson replied, 'Unfortunately Tamara's press release indicates she is unaware of some of the details surrounding the bypass and Council remains open to providing her a briefing to share up-to-date information should she seek one'.

'Tamara is correct in stating our map shows rainforest; however, the original Council mapping of the area as a rainforest type was based on a process based largely on desktop and photo analysis.

'Owing to the requirements within the biobanking process, Council undertook a far more detailed assessment of the area than Council's usual mapping process. Essentially, plot transects were completed in accordance with the required methodology in terms of location, orientation, and minimum number of plots required.

'The application of the plot transects and the results were then independently reviewed and approved by the NSW OEH.

'The overwhelming characteristic species identified within the plots is described

in Table 3-2 of the biobanking assessment (September 2015) as paperbark swamp forest. The presence of certain species which are characteristic of lowland rainforest was noted, for example, Tuckeroo and Bangalow Palm; however, analysis of the key characteristic species obtained from plot/transect surveys showed a far stronger correlation with paperbark swamp forest, with very little of the 1.4 hectares of overall impacted wetland containing rainforest species.

'Under the requirements, each vegetation zone must be assigned a biometric vegetation type and owing to the much stronger correlation of species, paperbark swamp forest type was assigned.

'This approach was independently supported by OEH.

'Council supports Tamara's call for offsetting the correct species as this has always been Council's position. Within Council's banking regime, the 1.4 hectares impacted will be offset with the management and improvement of over 44 hectares of the exact type of vegetation found within the bypass - a perfect 'like for like' in terms of vegetation, including species found in rainforest and within the bypass footprint. In fact, we

have now gone above what is required and will be outlining our additional wetland restoration plan at the next Council meeting. Again, Council is very happy to provide Tamara an extensive briefing on this should she request one.

'The chosen route was first recommended in 1982, and resolved upon around six years ago. Any delay could escalate the project cost, which must be paid from Council and ratepayers' road budget. Any decision to delay or reconsider the project in the final hour owing to political or ideological opposition to the road will also likely threaten our grant funding commitments and the timely delivery of the project. We have received approvals and have signed, sealed, and already begun to deliver the project.

'Our local tradies wanting to get to jobs, our local parents wanting to get kids to school and our local community in general just wanting to avoid the town centre have waited for decades. I do not support making them wait any longer.'

Ecologists concerned

Meanwhile, the peak body representing ecological consultants in NSW have backed calls for a survey by

ecologists David Milledge and Ross Wellington.

In a letter sent August 10 to Council, president of the Ecological Consultants Association of NSW, Dr Stephen Ambrose, said the pair located lowland rainforest and the Mitchell's rainforest snail within the construction zone.

He said both entities are listed as critically endangered under the *Commonwealth Environment Protection and Biodiversity Act 1999* and endangered under the *NSW Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*.

Dr Ambrose says, 'It is their professional opinion that the original bypass EIS and biobanking report were based on inadequate field survey effort and subsequent analysis of impacts on these threatened entities and, consequently, there are inadequate avoidance or mitigation strategies'.

As such, Dr Ambrose says his organisation supports additional flora and fauna survey work to determine more accurately their habitats, which would then be taken into account.

The Echo understands that GHD consultants, who did the survey and assessment work, are not members of the Ecological Consultants Association of NSW.

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Coastal rezoning for subdivision would be a disaster: former MLC, mayor

A 'reckless planning decision' is how former mayor and NSW Greens MLC Jan Barham has described the community title (CT) subdivision proposal for the Linneaus Estate, located in Broken Head.

Byron Shire Council and the minister for Planning have approved for public exhibition the 33-lot subdivision, which has a long history of numerous development applications (DAs) and court cases.

Public submissions close August 23 for the subdivision, which is located at 951 Broken Head Rd, Broken Head. It is Lot 1 DP 1031848.

The link on Council's website can be found on its public notices page www.bit.ly/2GY7Feo.

Barham says, 'The 111ha lot is the most southern coastal lot in Byron Shire and was zoned as Education Facility in 1988. Ever since, there have been numerous development applications and court cases to define an acceptable development standard. In 1998, the Land and Environment judgment granted approval for the Broken Head Coastal Foundation, a private education facility. The development featured 30 buildings and camping lots in the coastal erosion zone.'

'In 2017, the draft Byron Rural Land Use Strategy included a landowner's request to transfer the lot zoning to community title. This was strongly opposed, but ultimately included in the strategy.'

'Last year, a Council

report for a planning proposal to rezone to the CT was put forward.

'I made representations to councillors regarding the risks of the proposal to allow freehold lots to be placed in the erosion zone and requested a refusal or at least a deferral to receive additional advice.'

'Council voted to defer and receive further advice, but then accepted the planning proposal unchanged, as the staff response was that conditions could be included in consents.'

Reckless planning

'It's a reckless planning decision to allow new lots to be created in the coastal erosion zone. There is a "foreseeable risk" owing to the likelihood of cyclonic and storm events that will increase owing to climate change and the erosive impact of sea level rise.'

'The precautionary principle should apply and those lots removed from the proposal.'

'Over the last 30 years, there have been numerous court cases relating to coastal erosion development owing to the 1988 LEP and DCP allowing the restricted development of dwellings in the zone.'

'The legal challenges by property owners have been costly and time consuming for Council, but for the majority of cases, the outcome was in support of Council's "planned retreat" planning provisions. However, the important lesson that should've been learnt is to

avoid the risk in the future, to ensure litigation avoidance.'

'The current proposal to allow new lots in an identified coastal erosion zone is not a precautionary approach, as it should be. Unfortunately in 2014, Council approved the development of six accommodation units in the erosion zone, where the camping sites had been originally approved owing to the erosion risk.'

'The current rezoning proposal seeks to define community title lots around those structures and at least seven lots are in the Immediate Coastal Zone.'

'As the staff report last November indicated, "As many as 15 of the 33 approved accommodation structures may be affected by coastal processes over the long term".'

'There are also key issues in relation to wastewater management and the capacity of the land to facilitate increased growth, but this issue has not been considered fully in the planning proposal despite previously being a legal issue.'

'In 1986, the draft LEP proposed that no development be allowed in the immediate and 50-year coastal zone, but the final LEP did allow development but highly restricted in relation to demountability to allow for removal if and when the erosion escarpment posed a risk.'

'The reality of compliance with the conditions imposed on consents is a legal liability that Council should avoid,' warned Barham.

Falls festival lineup drops for NY

Paul Bibby

In an out-of-left-field revelation, Australian music legend John Farnham has been announced as part of the lineup for this year's Falls Festival.

The much-anticipated lineup announcement includes American singer/songwriter Halsey, alongside New York legends Vampire Weekend, fresh from the release of their album *Father of the Bride*.

They will be joined by English house outfit Disclosure and pop performers Peking Duk.

The announcement of Farnham follows in the same tradition as Daryl Braithwaite, whose 2017 performance of *Horses* will forever sit in the pantheon of magical Falls.

Byron Bay favourite Tash



Headliner John Farnham.

Sultana will also perform at the Byron event – the only one of the four Falls festivals at which she will be performing.

The full lineup, as announced last week, is as follows – Halsey (only Australian shows), Vampire Weekend, Disclosure, Peking Duk, Of Monsters And Men, Pnau, Lewis Capaldi, Milky

Chance, John Farnham, Banks (only Australian shows), Dope Lemon, Vera Blue, Yungblud, G Flip, Crooked Colours, Parcels, Thelma Plum, #1 Dads, Waax, Baker Boy, Psychedelic Porn Crumpets, Amyl & The Sniffers, The Japanese House, Pink Sweat\$, Good Doogs, Cxloe and Totty.

Saddle Road plans meets opposition

► Continued from page 1 opportunity to 'activate a valuable, sustainable, local food system that connects into the domestic market and can develop a path for export.'

Residents disagree

However, a significant number of the surrounding landowners and residents across the area more broadly oppose the plan, making their feelings plain at a Council-run public consultation session last week.

Saddle Road resident and president of the Community Alliance for Byron Shire, Matthew O'Reilly, said he and other residents wanted

the area to retain its rural character.

'This [proposed development] would mean a big chunk of industrial, agricultural production, a distribution hub, and a big business park,' he said.

'We're also concerned that if they get this large area included (in the strategy) it then means that the state government changes the urban growth area map.'

'It would then be much easier to rezone the land for residential.'

'We're concerned that this could be a Trojan horse for that rezoning.'

Another common theme during the public discussion at last week's meeting was the objection to an industrial area at the gateway to Brunswick Heads.

'Council's background report found that eight to 10

hectares of additional land are required to meet the Shire's employment needs,' Mr O'Reilly said.

'They're now proposing an additional five hectares. They're potentially supplying far more industrial land than Byron needs. I just don't see the justification.'

In response to the concerns about loss of character, Ms Daly said the employment lands strategy 'seeks to consider sites on their merit' and the decision to include land 'sits with Council whose responsibility is to balance the various needs and views of the community.'

When asked about the possibility that the proposal would lead to rezoning large parts of the Saddle Road area for residential development, she said: 'Council decided to omit Saddle Road from their Residential Strategy.'

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The life of Wiradjuri man Wayne Mukrrngll Armytage was one of love, friendship, laughter, and a deadly serious need to tell his truth.

Wayne was born a Wiradjuri man, and was later initiated as a Kuku Thaypan man. He identified as coming from both mobs.

He had a strong connection with the Arakwal Mob, many of whom know him as Uncle Wayney.

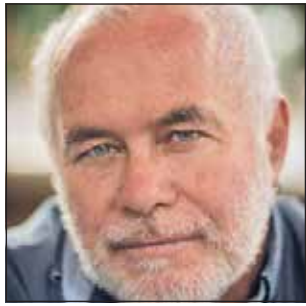
Wayne was born in Balmain on Valentine's Day 1954. His grandmother, a Wiradjuri woman, was born on the banks of the river at Devil's Hole Mission, Dubbo.

His father's people came from the aristocratic Armytage family from Bundeena.

He survived a childhood growing up in Green Valley in Sydney's west.

At 14, he discovered surfing and found his home in Byron Bay when he was 18, settling here in Arakwal Country in the late 70s.

At 28, after the death of his



brother, his mother urged him to embrace his Aboriginality, which led to the Riley family of Kuranda, where he formed a deep abiding friendship with Uncle Lance Riley, through whom he was taken into family and into culture. At the Laura festival he was claimed by Kuku Thaypan elder Mukrrngll and was initiated into that mob by Grandfather George Musgrave.

He opened Riji Didj, an art gallery, with artist Ian McConnell, collaborating with artists such as Chris Attwood and supporting the local art scene.

With Warrunbri, a Lardil man from Mornington Island, the Tjapukai/Mona Mona Dance Troupe from Kuranda, and Mukrrngll, he was part of Aboriginal cultural revival efforts in many places, including this area. They also initiated a series of reconciliation

workshops, which started with Rhythms of Reconciliation at the Maleny/Woodford folk festival. Mukrrngll and Wayne were invited to speak about their culture at many conferences in Australia and around the world.

In the late 80s, they made a big journey across the country visiting communities while Wayne was going through law.

He promoted culture and music on the Bay FM *Goorie Jama* program and worked with the Northern Rivers Aboriginal Men's sexual health group, and with the Aboriginal Legal Service.

He supported our young ones by contributing to the inquiry into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody.

Wayne was also an active member of the International Process Work community, which was an important part of his life in the 1990s and to which he kept connected throughout the rest of this life.

In the last 20 years he was a father, a husband, a brother, an uncle, a true and honest friend, a creator of beautiful homes, and the centre of his personal clan.

He was a mentor and

uncle for many. Mostly he saw himself as a poet.

We are tremendously lucky to have known him, been loved and seen by him, and split our sides laughing at his truly wicked wit.

Created community

Wayne created community wherever he went, with dogs, children, and anyone who crossed his path.

Those intense blue eyes could reach right into you, and let you know that you were seen and welcome in his world.

What most of us might not have known in all those years was that while he could stop and engage you in the street or hold court at the coffee shop and make you laugh, this big-hearted man grappled constantly with severe chronic pain.

We are grateful that he is now released from this battle and is now at peace.

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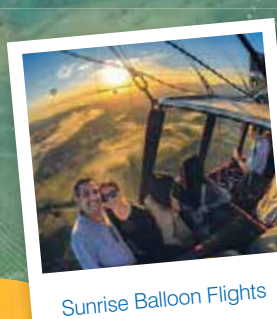
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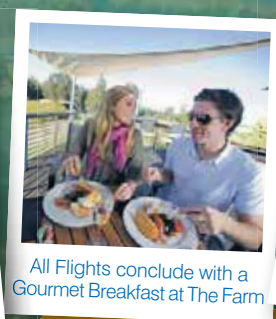


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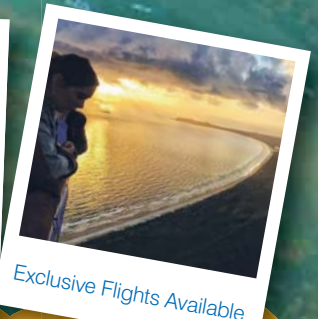
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Men's group fry up for Sept event

Paul Bibby

At first glance, the group manning the barbecue at Byron Bunnings this Saturday might seem like just another bunch of blokes slinging snags.

But if you wander over for a snack you're likely to discover these guys are cooking for a pretty important cause.

They are members of a Mullumbimby men's group that supports men to gain a deeper understanding of themselves and to move beyond masculine stereotypes to live more fulfilling lives. They are part of a broader network of men's groups called Mankind Project, or MKP.

The barbecue is being held to raise awareness about their work, and to raise funds to help local men with limited



Local men take part in the MKP group in Mullumbimby. Photo Andrea Falletta

means to attend a weekend of self-growth known as the New Warrior Training.

'Personally this work has really helped me in my growth as a man,' one of the group's members Andrea Falletta says.

'I went from not knowing much about myself and how to live my life, to having a clearer sense of direction and the bigger picture.'

'I see there's a need out there for men to be able to connect with other men

and to share their feelings with other men – to realise they don't always have to be super tough and strong.'

The New Warrior Training will be taking place in Bellingen from September 20 till 22. It is designed to help men undertake deep personal exploration and, in so doing, to live with greater purpose, passion, and integrity.

'The Warrior Training doesn't just benefit me as a man; it's also for all the people around me so we really want to support other local guys to attend,' Mr Falletta says.

'I know there are men out there on low incomes who might not be able to attend and this is a way to give them a hand, as well as raising awareness about MKP and the warrior training generally.'

The Farm launches EV fast-charging station

A fast EV-charging station has been installed at The Farm in Ewingsdale, allowing most EV motorists to charge their cars in about 30 minutes.

According to NRMA, who installed the station, it's their 19th electric vehicle fast-charging station to open to the public across the state. 'It follows Sydney Olympic Park, Wallsend near Newcastle, Jindabyne, Pokolbin in

the Hunter Valley, Mittagong in the Southern Highlands, Narrandera, Berry, Young, West Wyalong, Bathurst, Parkes, Dubbo, Nabitac, Tamworth, Batemans Bay, Orange, Glen Innes, and Grafton'.

NRMA executive general manager motoring Nell Payne says, 'Our aim is that 95 per cent of member journeys are within 150 kilometres of one of our charging stations.'

'We know one of the key reasons electric vehicle uptake has been relatively slow in Australia is because people are worried there isn't any charging infrastructure available along their journeys.'

NRMA says it has committed \$10 million to build one of Australia's largest fast-charging networks across NSW and the ACT.

Riding for the Disabled celebrates 40

Aslan Shand

For the last 40 years, the local branch of Riding for the Disabled has helped people with a disability in the Ballina and Byron shires connect with horses and learn to ride.

This Sunday August 18 from 10am they will be celebrating this amazing achievement, based on the dedication of volunteers, at their Riding Develops Abilities (RDA) Centre in Teven.

'The RDA works with people across a range of issues including people with post-traumatic stress

disorders (PTSD), acquired brain injuries, autism, mental health, and those born with a disability,' said RDA president Peta Best.

'While many who participate in the RDA program will ride the horses there are also people who just want to come and participate in caring for the animals.'

'The chance to care for and ride the horses helps people in a range of ways including building self-esteem and confidence, physical and spacial awareness, thinking processes, and much more.'

The Ballina Byron RDA began in 1979 at Kerry and



Bridget with Jasper. Photo supplied

David Johnston's Boulder Beach riding school near Ballina.

Six years ago, local farmer Brian McNamara left the 46ha Teven property to the Ballina Byron RDA as a bequest, giving them a permanent home.

August 18 event

'The centre is reliant on the goodwill, donations, and grants given by the community. The Ballina RDA Centre has given children and adults from Biala and in those in the community 40 years of

therapeutic riding,' said Ms Best.

The big 40 will be celebrated with the Famous Lone Cowgirl demonstrating her horse-riding skills, an all-day sausage sizzle, free face painting, riding demonstrations, horse stroking, and the not-to-be missed Horse Parade at 1pm.

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Documents on exhibition are available for viewing at the customer service centre in Mullumbimby and on Council's website at www.byron.nsw.gov.au/Public-Notice.

MAKE A SUBMISSION

Submissions may be made to Council in the following ways:

Online: www.byron.nsw.gov.au/Council/Make-a-submission

Written: Address to: General Manager, Byron Shire Council, PO Box 219, Mullumbimby NSW 2482

Email: submissions@byron.nsw.gov.au

Please be aware that all submissions will be made public in accordance with Schedule 1 Part 3 Clause 1(a)(vi) of the GIPA 2009 Regulations as applicable including both the substance of the submission and the identity of the author. For further assistance please contact our Records team on 02 6626 7113.

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PUBLIC EXHIBITION OF AMENDMENTS TO BYRON DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTIONS PLAN 2012 (AMENDMENT 4)

REMOVAL OF SECONDARY DWELLINGS CONTRIBUTIONS WAIVER

Council resolved to publicly exhibit an amendment to Byron Developer Contributions Plan 2012 in accordance with the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, and Regulation, for a period of 28 days. The amendments consist of:

1. Deletion of clause 2.14 that allowed for the waiver of contributions on secondary dwellings.
2. Sequential numerical changes of the plan to reflect the updated numbering of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

The amendment to the Byron Developer Contributions Plan 2012 is on exhibition from 24 July 2019 until 21 August 2019 and is available for viewing and on Council's website at www.byron.nsw.gov.au.

Submissions close: 4.00pm 21 August 2019

Enquiries: Christopher Soulsby Development Planning Officer on 02 6626 7058

For information on making a submission, and where to address it, refer to the "Make a submission" section of Council's weekly advertising.

PUBLIC EXHIBITION OF DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING & ASSESSMENT ACT, 1979

The following development applications (DA) have been received by Council and require exhibition in accordance with Development Control Plan 2014 (A14). The DAs may be viewed online at Council's website www.byron.nsw.gov.au/find-a-DA or by using the Online Kiosks at Council's Customer Service Centre during normal office hours.

DA submissions can be lodged using an online form via Council's eServices Portal. Once you have viewed a copy of the DA, select 'Make a Submission' to lodge a submission directly with Council. Information on making a submission is available at www.byron.nsw.gov.au/Make-a-submission-on-a-DA.

If you are making a submission, there are requirements in relation to the disclosure of political gifts and donations. Refer to Council's website to satisfy yourself that you are complying with your disclosure obligations prior to lodging a submission www.byron.nsw.gov.au/Political-donations-disclosure.

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

EXHIBITION CLOSES 21 AUGUST 2019

There are no DAs for advertising in the newspaper for this date.

EXHIBITION CLOSES 28 AUGUST 2019

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PLANNING PROPOSAL TO PERMIT COMMUNITY TITLE SUBDIVISION OF LAND AT 951 BROKEN HEAD RD, BROKEN HEAD LOT 1 DP 1031848 – "THE LINNAEUS ESTATE"

The Planning Proposal to permit community title subdivision of land at Lot 1 DP 1031848 Broken Head (The Linnaeus Estate) is on exhibition for a period of 4 weeks from 24 July to 23 August 2019.

The objective of this planning proposal is to identify the subject land in appropriate schedules to Byron LEP 2014 and Byron LEP 1988 to permit the creation of a neighbourhood community title scheme comprising 33 neighbourhood lots and one lot for common property, consistent with the Byron Rural Land Use Strategy. No additional development will result from the planning proposal as the neighbourhood lots will be required to correspond with existing approved structures on this land.

Your feedback is important to us. The Planning Proposal and supporting information are available at www.byron.nsw.gov.au/Public-Notice.

The Minister for Planning and Public Spaces has issued an authorisation for Council to exercise delegation to make this LEP amendment.

For information on making a submission, and where to address it, refer to the "Make a submission" section of Council's weekly advertising.

Submissions close: 23 August 2019

Enquiries: Steve Daniels 02 6626 7315

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ROAD NAMES

Land Registry Services (LRS) has notified Council that Old Pacific Highway (North) in Brunswick Heads does not comply with the Geographical Naming Board (GNB) regulations. The road name 'Old Pacific Highway' is not in accordance with current addressing standards.

Council has proposed to rename and renumber Old Pacific Highway (North) to Harbour Way and invites written submissions.

For information on making a submission, and where to address it, refer to the "Make a submission" section of Council's weekly advertising.

Submissions close: 4.30pm Friday 13 September 2019

Enquiries Deanna Savage and Renae Fegent 02 6626 7000

DEVELOPMENT CONSENTS

In accordance with Section 4.59 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (as amended)*, notification is hereby given of the following development consents granted by Council. The consents listed are available to view Online at Council's website www.byron.nsw.gov.au/find-a-DA.

Information relating to these applications as required by Schedule 1, Division 4, Clause 20(2) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (as amended)* is also available online.

APPLICATIONS APPROVED

10.2018.435.1 – GOONENGERRY, 41 Goonengerry Road
Dwelling House, Secondary Dwelling and Swimming Pool

10.2018.289.1 – HUONBROOK, 59 Johnsons Road
Use of Dwelling House

10.2018.461.1 – BYRON BAY, 65 Lilli Pilli Drive
New Secondary Dwelling, Use of Expanded Dwelling Module, New Driveway, Carparking and Landscaping

10.2019.388.1 – BYRON BAY, 30 Bangalow Road Replacement of Existing Awning, Signage on Awning and New Fence and Gates

10.2019.360.1 – MULLUMBIMBY, 20 Corella Crescent
Dwelling House

10.2019.348.1 – EWINGSDALE, 60 Bay Vista Lane
Alterations and Additions to Existing Dwelling House

10.2019.378.1 – BYRON BAY, 8 Jacaranda Drive
Alterations and Additions to Existing Dwelling House

10.2019.366.1 – MULLUMBIMBY, 17 Brunswick Terrace
Alterations and Additions to Existing Dwelling House

10.2019.393.1 – SUFFOLK PARK, 6 Bottlebrush Crescent
Alterations and Additions to Existing Dwelling House

10.2019.200.2 – SUFFOLK PARK, 23 Armstrong Street
S4.55 to Modify Garage

10.2019.33.2 – BYRON BAY, 35A Cowper Street
S4.55 to Remove Conditions of Consent relating to Holiday Letting, Vehicle Parking and Amended Design Requirement

10.2019.190.2 – BYRON BAY, 1/118 Lighthouse Road
S4.55 to Modify Rear Deck

10.2018.392.4 – SUFFOLK PARK, 24/31 Hayters Drive
S4.55 to Modify Windows, Laundry Location and Change Carport to Garage

Contentious rural accom DA again before Council

A rural tourist accommodation DA in Wilsons Creek will be before councillors again this Thursday, and while surrounding residents remain opposed, staff are again supportive of the proposal, despite it again breaching Council's planning rules.

The number of cabins has been reduced from eight to seven in the revised DA, and there is a reduction of decking and paving around the large pool.

Additionally 'upgrading, but not sealing, of the first 450m of Cedar Road' is proposed to improve access to the property.

The DA was presented to councillors in May, and came with no consultation by the proponent say residents.

As previously reported, it lacked required information and breached planning policies. Staff recommended approval at the time, but councillors deferred a decision.

Neighbours opposed

Resident Ben Fawcett told *The Echo* the entire neighbourhood of 15 properties are still opposed, and their extensive planning advice suggests that councillors should refuse the DA based on NSW LEC judgment 1125 (March 2019), which states that 'the DCP provisions calling up the

Byron Rural Land Use Settlement Strategy (1998) remain live and pertinent'.

He said, 'We believe that the numerous anomalies and discrepancies, between what is proposed and Council's own policies for development of rural tourist cabins, mean that this DA should be refused'.

'The site for the cabins, on a steep, south-facing slope, is both unsuitable and against the planning guidelines; the location of a large pool on the ridgeline and only just over 100m from a neighbouring property is likely to cause disputes; and the experience for tourists, on a property surrounded by other private land, and accessed by a rough, poorly maintained single-lane, no-through road, is not what they would expect'.

Concerns overblown

Greens mayor Simon Richardson previously said of this development that he felt neighbour concerns were 'overblown'.

Cr Cate Coorey told *The Echo* she is opposed to the revised DA. Greens Cr Sarah Ndiaye was concerned that the original proposal did not return any ongoing revenue to Council.

According to the DA, the proponents are Mr S B Yishay and Ms L B Levi.

Council project to focus on farmers

A *Rural Land Know How* package is now being developed by Council to increase landowners' awareness, knowledge, and skills of land management, best practice, and how to mitigate risks associated

with climate change.

It's been possible thanks to a \$50,000 grant from the Australian Government's National Landcare Program.

Council says the local agricultural sector employs more than 500 people.

Solar carpark for Mullum

Construction is underway for a \$380,000 solar 'roof' in the Council-owned carpark in Station Street in Mullumbimby.

The 99-kilowatt solar system will cover approximately 40 parking spaces. Mayor Simon Richardson says the panels are expected to generate enough power to offset around 20 to 25 per

cent of the daily electricity use in Council's administration building.

He says, 'This is a great project for Council and the community in that it will take us a step closer to being 100 per cent carbon neutral by 2025 and reduce our reliance on fossil fuels'.

An EV charging station is also planned for the site.

A big voice no more: George Whaley 1934–2019

David Lowe

A great Australian actor, director, teacher, and writer died this week on the North-eastern Rivers of NSW.

I knew George as the head of directing at the Australian Film Television and Radio School in Sydney in the 1990s, but this was just one of many hats he wore in a long and distinguished career.

Born in Castlemaine, Victoria, on 19 June 1934, George initially trained as an engineer, before studying acting with Eileen O’Keefe. After she introduced him to the great Russian theatre genius Konstantin Stanislavsky, the course of George’s life was set.

His first professional acting role was in John Osborne’s seminal play *Look Back in Anger*, in 1960, playing the archetypal angry young man. This was also the year he met his sweetheart Georgina (Georgie). Marrying in 1966, they stayed together for the rest of George’s life.

George went on to perform at the Emerald Hill Theatre in South Melbourne (which he opened with fellow director Wal Cherry



in 1962), and the Melbourne Theatre Company.

Best Actor in 1968

He won Best Actor in 1968 for his portrayal of John Proctor in *The Crucible*.

In Sydney he became equally well-known, directing and/or performing in numerous plays in venues.

While George had a particular enthusiasm for Australian writing, directing works including David Williamson’s *The Perfectionist* and John Derum’s adaptation of C J Dennis’s *More Than a Sentimental Bloke*, he was equally at home with Harold Pinter and Bertolt Brecht.

As a teacher and director of actors, George famously discovered Geoffrey Rush, giving

him his first stage role, in *Waiting For Godot*, at the Jane Street Theatre in 1979, and his first film role, in *Dad and Dave: On Our Selection*, in 1995.

This was also the film that introduced mass audiences to Essie Davis, one of George’s favourite performers.

Taught big names

His students at NIDA included the actor (and later director) Mel Gibson and Judy Davis. Other big names associated with George include Philip Quast, Hugo Weaving, Colin Friels, Kerry Walker, Steve Bisley, Robert Menzies, Scott McGregor, and John Howard.

George did an enormous amount of work with first Australians, directing David Gulpilil and Jack Charles

on the stage, and bringing in people like Ivan Sen, Warwick Thornton, and Erica Glynn to study at AFTRS.

George Whaley was also a noted TV director, working with producer Anthony Buckley to create the classic Ruth Park adaptations *Harp in the South* and *Poor Man’s Orange*, as well as programs for children such as *More Winners* and *Clowning Around*.

In later life, George became a published author, with his highly regarded 2009 biography of *Leo McKern: the Accidental Actor* (famous as Rumpole of the Bailey).

Innumerable other roles, in everything from *A Country Practice* to *The Gods of Wheat Street*, made him a familiar face to Australian TV audiences.

When the great CSG fight loomed in this district, the Whaleys were at the forefront as activists and community mobilisers.

In his final years, George was increasingly paralysed with Parkinson’s disease, which made life increasingly difficult. George is survived by his loving wife Georgie, sons Michael and Matthew, and five grandchildren.



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Disco dong removal up before Council

Paul Bibby

The infamous ‘Disco Dong’ sculpture on the Bayshore Drive roundabout could be removed by Council within months after an investigation found ‘structural and non-structural’ safety issues.

Councillors will vote on decommissioning the sculpture at their August 22 meeting, following reports that people have been climbing the structure and stopping on the road to take pictures.

A council report noted that pieces of the structure had recently been found on the ground.

The report also noted that a structural investigation had been undertaken on July 16 at a cost of \$8,000.

It found there was ‘a risk of serious personal injury being sustained by a member of the public due to climbing and falling from the sculpture’.

Integrity compromised

Added to this was ‘the eventual risk of the sculpture’s structural integrity being compromised’.

Staff estimated the cost of decommissioning the sculpture at between \$11,000 and \$13,000.

Should the sculpture be removed to storage in a state that would allow reconstruction at a later date, the cost of decommissioning would increase to between \$16,000 and \$20,000.

The Public Art Panel, at a meeting on June 26, recommended that additional money be spent on ‘finishing’ the sculpture.

The estimated cost of this enterprise, including contingencies, is \$35,500 according to Council staff.

The minutes from the panel’s most recent meeting on August 5 have not been released by Council.

A request has been made for the meeting minutes.

There have been repeated calls from members of the community to remove the sculpture, including at least two online petitions, each of which received hundreds of signatures.

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When politicians and staff merge, it's double ungood

Executive Council staff and the Greens councillors have been chirping in unison for some time now, no matter how shallow the rhetoric is in detail or evidence.

It raises the question – who are the most powerful people making decisions about the future of Byron Shire? Or a better question is – do these people represent our interests?

For example, take the mayor's reply (again) to the bypass debacle on page 2. It looks as though staff wrote it for him.

Worse, Cr Simon Richardson refuses to provide proof to the public that staff have met strict environmental conditions to undertake this massive project.

This is National Party politics.

When the body politic and bureaucrats act as one, against the public, it becomes a dangerous time for democracy (see page 2 story).

Almost all bureaucrats protect their racket, which has been going on since the beginning of time.

And if a politician wants to enhance the trust of the community and represent them, and not the bureaucrats, they need to wield the power.

Better, just keep the pistol of power on your side of the table and give it a pat occasionally to let the bureaucrats know who is in control.

In the case of this councillor majority, all policy wisdom appears directly divined from staff. There appears little to no independent advice sought, legal or otherwise.

Over the past three years, it's been alarming sitting in the chambers hearing very little questioning of poorly written staff planning reports, for example, or challenging staff's advice when it is questionable.

The last and only attempt at holding staff to account was at the March 2018 Council meeting. The Greens mayor bravely tabled a motion for an independent consultant to undertake an organisation and governance review. Yet when it came to the follow through on the day, the mayor inexplicably withdrew it.

Independent audits are, of course, the best way to keep bureaucrats on their toes. Another is making sure they adhere to a charter of community expectations.

Such measures would surely be unpopular and make your presence at the staff Christmas party uncomfortable.

Unfortunately, the mayor seems to treat the job more as a popularity contest and sees protecting the staff's reputation as more important than transparent and good governance.

So – those in control of the Shire include general manager (GM) Mark Arnold, who rose within the executive ranks after former GM Ken Gainger retired in late 2017.

Gainger left a trail of questionable decisions, including launching an extraordinary \$450,000 vexatious legal case against Butler Street residents. Councillors were unaware.

Mark Arnold as GM was a safe bet. It's safe to assume nothing will change under Arnold.

One of the most influential and powerful individuals in the Shire is Council's planning director Shannon Burt.

Planning is perhaps the most important aspect of local governance, given its impact on residents.

Councillors have given Burt and her department the power to bend the planning rules to their liking with any DA up to \$10m. Unsurprisingly their liking is to prefer developer wishes over residential amenity. That seems to suit the Greens.

Those who have given almost all powers to staff include mayor Simon Richardson, Crs Jeannette Martin, Michael Lyon Sarah Ndiaye (all Greens), Paul Spooner, Jan Hackett (Country Labor) and Nationals Party-aligned Alan Hunter.

Left-leaning independents Basil Cameron and Cate Coorey are firmly in the minority. The Greens and to a lesser extent Labor have officially sold us out. The question remains – do staff and their councillor majority actually represent the interests of ratepayers?

Hans Lovejoy, editor

News tips are welcome: editor@echo.net.au

Will 2022 be a war election year?

Scott Morrison is not too keen on history.

When it comes to politics – or at least the politics of the Liberal Party, which to him is all that matters – history began with his election as prime minister. Everything that happened before then, and especially in the three years before then, is utterly irrelevant – it should, must, be forgiven and forgotten.

But one might have hoped that he had at least a vague recollection of Vietnam, Iraq, Afghanistan – the various conflicts in which Australia forgot, or worse, deliberately ignored, its national interest to support American adventures that have led to disastrous unforeseen consequences.

But if he has the awareness, he obviously does not care – he is about to plummet from the precipice yet again.

History repeating.

The apparent hesitation is entirely confected. Even before Donald Trump's chief warmonger, Mike Pompeo, arrived in Canberra to issue his marching orders, it was already clear that Morrison was ready, indeed eager, to agree to follow the United States into the forthcoming war with Iran.

Of course, that is not the way it will be spun: we will be told – we already have been told – that it is all about de-escalation. Give us a break – sending a military task force is de-escalation?

And this is a confected crisis, a conflict of Trump's personal devising.

All America's serious allies – not some, but all – begged him to maintain the nuclear deal with Iran. But alliances and treaties are irrelevant when Trump's ego is involved.

The Iran pact was a successful legacy of his reviled predecessor Barack Obama so obviously it had to be trashed.

And the only ones egging him on were, and are, Saudi Arabia, whose murderous Sunni dictators are determined to crush all Shia, and Israel, whose aggressive, authoritarian, ultra-nationalist Benjamin Netanyahu is determined to crush all opposition, whether real, potential, or imagined.

And in any case, for Trump conflict is the default position – it is as natural to him as tweeting and lying. And Morrison, for all his phoney amiability, is not far behind him. He may talk of temperance and restraint, but his current

mantra is: 'Whose side are you on?' When The Donald blows the whistle, ScoMo will be in it with his ears back.

But he will still refuse to talk about the war – it will be all about freedom of navigation, a coalition of the willing to protect our national interest – and Australia's oil imports in particular, although we won't hear so much about that. We are defending democratic values, and we have absolutely no intention of actually going to war.

It is probably giving ScoMo too much foresight, too much intelligence to believe that he even thinks he knows what he's doing

Mungo MacCallum



But for those of us who remember a little history, the idea that we can only put it in a little way and if it hurts we will pull it out again is a dangerous lie.

When Robert Menzies sent Australian military advisers to South Vietnam, he solemnly assured us that actual troops would never be involved. But soon, as soon as Washington asked us, he enthusiastically sent in the troops and later, disgracefully, conscripts who were sent to fight and die before they were allowed to vote. We only withdrew from the bloody morass shortly before our great and powerful friend retreated in disorder, defeat, and humiliation.

A generation later, John Howard invoked the sacred alliance to embroil us in Iraq after Saudi terrorists domiciled in Afghanistan attacked the United States. This tenuous link was spun as the need to eliminate entirely mythical weapons of mass destruction.

And once again it ended in disaster – the rise of the hideous Islamic State, whose aftermath remains today and whose reach now extends to Australia largely because we fell in with the folly.

But hey, it wasn't all bad – it became the phoney rationale for a raft of oppressive laws in the name (as always) of national security.

This is a cause dear to what Morrison calls his heart. So who knows

what useful additions may emerge as the forthcoming war against Iran may develop?

But it is probably giving ScoMo too much foresight, too much intelligence to believe that he even thinks he knows what he's doing.

He is just tagging along, convinced that his quiet Australians are now up for any thought bubble he may float. If he and they can ignore the past, why worry about the future? And a khaki election in 2022 won't hurt either.

And the real horror is that Iran may be just the entree. Trump's belligerence against China is rising to a critical point.

And the trigger will, as before, be freedom of navigation, this time in the South China Sea. If – when – this leads to a serious incident, or one is deliberately manufactured (as happened in the Gulf of Tonkin back in the Vietnam days), there will be real risk of nuclear war.

Unthinkable? Not for some. Pompeo and his fellow crazy, John Bolton, are already getting close to the 'Better dead than red' mentality of the previous cold war. Trump himself, a couple of years ago, complained that there was no point in having nuclear weapons unless he could use them, and has just ditched yet another disarmament treaty.

And closer to home, Morrison's hard-right ally Andrew Hastie has compared China to Nazi Germany and warned that Australia must be prepared to hit back.

He apparently casts himself as Winston Churchill in a party of Neville Chamberlains – he can't wait to fight them on the beaches.

This is the mindset, to give it a flattering term, of those we have just re-elected – a party which, having no discernible agenda for peace, is now preparing for war.

And not even its own war – the war now being orchestrated by an idiot ego-maniac half a world away, a psychotic who seems to regard Armageddon not as the end of the world but as some kind of victory redemption.

From an Australian point of view, it all sounds horribly Pentecostalist. And for Scott Morrison, there is always a bright side: not only does he get to go to his chosen heaven, but he won't have to worry about climate change any more.

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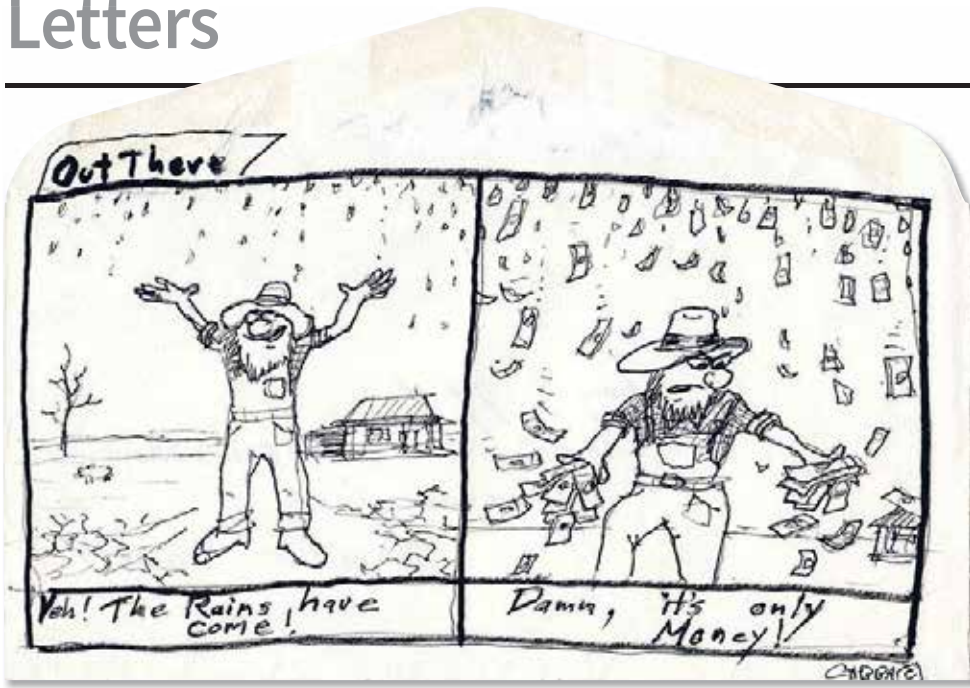
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Adani and GHD

If there is something positive going on, as claimed by Cr Michael Lyon (Letters, August 7) in relation to the Council motion that any company that has links to Adani is not eligible for Council business, then Council will have already written to GHD advising them of this motion. The purpose of the motion is surely to discourage companies from working for Adani, rather than merely punishing them afterwards.

I have written to GHD about this Council motion,

and I hope Council has too. I will ask them this in Public Access at the August 22 meeting.

Matthew Lambourne
Mullumbimby

No need for farmland

Byron Council is developing state-significant farmland – really?

In the looming face of climate-change-induced food shortages and the reality of our current 98 per cent drought-declared state of New South Wales, it beggars belief that any governing body, particularly one led by the Greens, would seriously consider developing state-significant farmland – be it contiguous or not.

Our council's Business and Industrial Lands Strategy, despite already having identified more land than is required for the next 20 years, belatedly decided to include a couple of extra locations – one being part of the former Bruns Eco Village (BEV) proposal, the other in the Bangalow environs.

Council staff are aware that the BEV land is

constrained by the results of a previous investigation that identified ecological and heritage areas, state-significant farmland, and potential challenges with water, sewerage and NBN connections.

Apart from diminishing the food-production potential of the land, one wonders if ratepayers are happy to continue footing the bill for such investigations?

R Whelan
Myocum

Buck\$ correction

I can't forgive Aslan Shand, *The Echo* Letters editor, for concluding my letter with the suggestion that releasing the bypass information 'would only invite a local challenge'. Clearly I wrote 'legal challenge' [in the handwritten letter]. *The Echo's* version isn't even cogent.

My point was that Council staff refuse to release information about what they've done in terms of complying with the Land and Environment Court's environmental orders *because they do not intend to comply*.

If they released their plans they would immediately be subject to legal challenge in terms of an injunction. Their plan is to keep their plans secret until the last moment and then move in quickly to do the environmental damage so that it is 'too late' in the eyes of objectors. This is a tried and tested method and they used it a couple of weeks ago to chop trees on Butler Street.

As for the mayor's response in last weeks *Echo* I can only say that It's a typical evasion, undoubtedly crafted, once again, by Council's skilled lawyers. The first part appears to refer only to the current stage of construction, being the Butler Street section, not the wetlands.

The second part seems to relate to the wetlands but refers only to 'pre-construction management plans' – which is not the essence of what the court requires. These plans, we are told, have been submitted to Council for approval. In other words your elected duds have not yet voted to accept them – but they will, oh they will, simply because not one of them has the guts to really challenge the mayor in any case.

It seems to me that your elected councillors should be prepared to release such plans to the public. They can't be confidential until a vote to that effect has taken place – and in that event they must give reasons as to why it should be kept secret.

Meanwhile Councillor Lyon has pleaded with us to look for positives. Accordingly I now lead a rousing rendition of that classic Monty Python

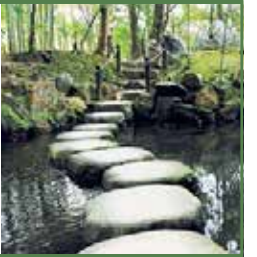
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Message to the Byron Bay community and to the Australian authorities.

On behalf of the Federal Government of Belgium I would like to thank you for your unwavering support, your great sense of empathy and your continuous efforts in the search for missing young Belgian national Théo Hayez.

The Byron Bay community has spared no expense to help and showed great solidarity since the very beginning of this disappearance case. Your community has taken good care of the family of Théo, his father Laurent, his mother Vinciane and his cousin Lisa, supporting them in various ways: providing accommodation and transportation, offering meals and other heartwarming gestures. I am very grateful to all of you, including the volunteers who were involved in the ground searches as well as those who supported them.

I also want to express my sincere gratitude to the local and State Authorities, the State Emergency Services and the Police of NSW for their steadfast commitment and determination in the difficult circumstances in which they have been working as well as for their great cooperation with our consular services and Belgian authorities. The dedication and professionalism you have demonstrated during the ground searches and ongoing investigation, have been exemplary.

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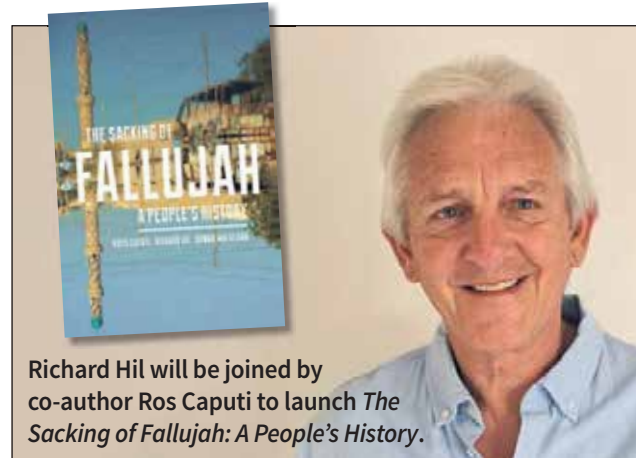
Behind the proppanda of war in the Middle East

Richard Hil joins forces with a former US marine and journalist to examine the human cost

The Sacking of Fallujah: A People's History confronts the dominant military accounts of the war in Iraq and the devastation wrought on the city of Fallujah from the siege in 2014 till when American and coalition forces moved on the city to defeat ISIS in 2016.

Former US marine Ross Caputi, Australian journalist Donna Mulhearn, and adjunct professor Richard Hil have brought together this critical analysis of the idea that the US 'liberated' Fallujah.

They look at the outcomes of repeated sieges of the city



Richard Hil will be joined by co-author Ros Caputi to launch *The Sacking of Fallujah: A People's History*.

and its destruction in 2016 that left in its wake a public health crisis, civilian casualties, and political instability. The book places these

events within the larger context of the US policy in the Middle East with a particular focus on the testimony of civilians.

Book launch

Richard Hil will be joined by co-author Ros Caputi to launch the book at the Bookroom at Byron, 27 Fletcher Street on Thursday, August 22 at 5.30pm.

'The book aims to expose the US propaganda that justified a murderous assault on a once-beautiful city and its people,' said Mr Hil.

'Our intention was to not let this be forgotten.'

Everyone is welcome. To RSVP call 6685 8183 or go online www.thesackingoffallujah.com.

► Continued from page 11 chorus: 'Always look on the bright side of life!...' repeat, repeat...

Fast Buck\$
Coorabell

■ Aslan notes: Perhaps it is time you confronted your logizomechanophobia, Mr Buck\$, then all misinterpretations would be resolved.

Own your dog

Thank you for the article by Melanie Lotfali, (Comments, July 31), concerning dog

owners. It is timely.

I am a dog lover, have owned dogs myself, and appreciate that they make a great contribution to the lives of many people. But Ms Lotfali's experience is becoming increasingly common.

Dog owners who normally pass as friendly and reasonable people seem to go into a bizarre and irrational zone when perfectly legitimate claims are made against their dogs' behaviour. This seems to happen especially, as in the event described, when those owners are not actually present for the critical event.

Another type of encounter is dogs behaving badly in their owners' backyards. Even when the owners appear to be home, dogs are often left to bark, whine, and howl unchecked for prolonged periods. And the most benign complaint about such behaviour in the owner's absence is treated with scepticism, often hostility. As if we sit at home making this stuff up!

Dogs are in plague proportions in many of our towns now, and even unavoidable, it would seem, on tranquil beach walks. I believe we need much stricter policing of antisocial dog behaviour and steep penalties for the negligent owners involved.

Elizabeth Taylor
Bellingen

Residents' first Barrio

The noise is set to escalate at Barrio in Sunrise if a new development application (DA) to double their licensed area is approved.

Nearly residents are disappointed this comes so soon after a year-long process to control excessive noise at the venue.

In early 2018 Council

imposed a noise-prevention order and a comprehensive noise-management plan on Barrio that brought intrusive sound from machinery and patrons under control. The matter was only finalised in December 2018.

Locals are now concerned about the new DA that proposes Barrio expand its liquor-licensed area to include the outdoor quadrangle resulting in a 700m² bar and restaurant with a capacity for 216 patrons. This is a far cry from the low-key 'canteen' that was approved by Council in 2015.

We are owners of a townhouse complex directly opposite Barrio and believe that crowds of over 200 people at a licensed venue less than 50m from our front fence will be loud and that the proposed noise-management measures will be unable to contain the new level of sound. Acoustic modelling by the developer that says otherwise should be treated with extreme scepticism by Council.

The expansion will also enable Barrio to host wedding receptions, parties, and other large events near homes. These are hardly renowned for being quiet affairs!

The DA also seeks to push back a Council restriction on noise from delivery trucks near homes from 8am to 6.30am even though there are loading zones on the Habitat site that are out of earshot and could be used.

Barrio knowingly moved next door to a pre-existing residential area and their operations should respect that.

We call on Council to reject the DA and uphold their own Liquor Licensing and Approval Policy, which states that licensed premises

should not be located within 100m of a residential area.

Local residents object to the Habitat DA for Barrio.

Gael Nash
Sunrise

Predictive text

Around 1769, some people walked on a pristine beach, eating pipis and fish. Years later some people arrived who caught a whale and wanted different food, clearing land for cows and chickens. Nobody protested. They wanted pigs for their bacon and eggs, and a butter factory for their bread, so drained the swamps. The yellow-eyed bunyip perished. Nobody protested.

They needed sugar for their tea so moved inland, bulldozing koala trees, forcing the cockatoos to fly to Sydney to feast on polystyrene cladding. No-one protested.

Four hotels were built so they could have a cold beer after working all day. Nobody protested. Then people arrived from everywhere so locals chopped down a million trees and built houses with large garages for tourists. Nobody protested. Some people wanted to sell hamburgers. Everybody protested. The hamburger people ran away.

The next day, clothing, sandwich, ice-cream, pizza, and yoghurt franchises opened everywhere. Nobody protested. An international hotel complex was proposed for an old caravan park. Everybody protested. An Aussie bought it and built an international hotel complex. Nobody protested.

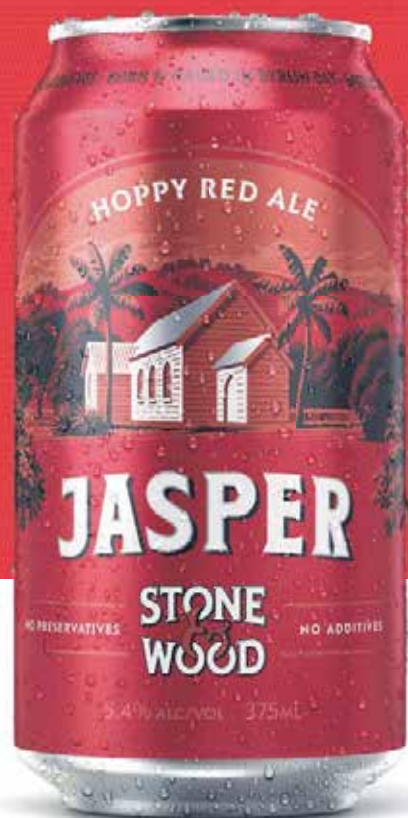
Shops sprang up selling mined crystals, snake oils in omnivorous flavours, and coffee grown in rainforests. Nobody protested. Soon

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'Politics, it seems to me, for years, or all too long, has been concerned with right or left instead of right or wrong.'

– Richard Armour

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What would a climate resilient Byron Shire look like?

Story & photos Jean Renouf

David Attenborough recently slammed Australia for inaction on climate change stating that 'Australia is already facing some of the most extreme manifestations of climate change'. Given the 2018-2019 'angriest summer' ever, when Australia was the hottest place on Earth and where more than 200 weather-event records were broken, this is no surprise.

On the east coast of Australia, from south of Sydney to north of Rockhampton, the projections for the coming decades by the CSIRO and the Bureau of Meteorology are dire. They anticipate an increase of the average temperature in all seasons; a decrease in winter rainfall but an increased intensity of extreme daily rainfall events; a harsher fire-generating climate; and a significant rise in sea levels.

In other words we should brace for more floods, bushfires, heatwaves, droughts, coastal erosion, storms and cyclones.

A different future

The climate of the past will not continue into the future as these climate hazards could occur simultaneously or in quick succession. Indeed, higher temperatures can exacerbate prolonged droughts, which increase the risk of wildfires, strengthen cyclones, and increase extreme rainfall.

This will mean increased food and water insecurity, more weather and climate-related diseases ranging from heat stress to malaria and dengue, more extinction of wildlife, and damage to infrastructure, as well as less productivity as people struggle in the heat.

No-one knows how people



are going to react to such drastic changes, so social unrest may be possible, especially if global and regional migrations of scales never seen before are poorly planned for.

Resilience

So, a resilient Byron Shire would be guided by a shared understanding of the unprecedented scale of the challenge and unite around a common vision. Current gaps and needs need to be identified and local entrepreneurs and community leaders invited to develop innovative solutions, creating new livelihoods and income streams.

A climate resilience centre, where the Shire's resilience efforts would be agreed and coordinated, should be created. It would also launch an assessment of the current efforts to tackle climate change, from emissions reductions (Zero Emissions Byron, COREM, etc) to community awareness-raising and adaptation as well as of the vulnerabilities of community members. The centre would also identify and support shelters to gather in times of need, and provide training and equipment to help homes and businesses



prepare for natural disasters.

People would have been able to grieve the end of the world as we know it and offered means for coping.

Social cohesion would be further built through street or neighbourhood community activities, intergenerational sharing and learning, nature and arts projects, as well as radical acts of kindness (where each of us decisively steps out of our comfort zone to care for others) leading to a compassionate community. The farmers' markets would host an annual harvest festival, drawing the whole town together to cook and celebrate locally grown food.

Every household, business, and institution would collect their own rainwater, have access to shared 'water banks' or have off-grid water condensers. They would also be energy independent using their own, or shared, locally produced, renewable energies.

The Shire would be self-sufficient in terms of basic food needs, with multiple community gardens, food forests, lawns transformed into vege gardens, indoor vertical gardens, sustainable regenerative agriculture and fishing practices, and farm-to-plate

type business models. A food hub would link local producers to local retailers, processors, and other food markets and include a permanent market site, cafe, commercial kitchen and food-processing facilities. It would also support multiple activities such as the sharing of knowledge in land management and production techniques as well as energy and nutrient recovery via composting and biogas generation.

The community would assess and decide what to do with flood-prone houses and buildings, including retrofitting or relocating them.

Ecological conservation and restoration would be the new normal, increasing biodiversity, afforestation, and reforestation, bushfire reduction, green infrastructures (shade trees, green roofs, etc), ecological corridors, seed banks, community-based natural resource management, and more.

When it comes to the engineered and built environment, sea walls, coast protection structures, flood levees, and culverts would have been considered and installed if necessary. Improved drainage and sewerage works, flood and cyclone shelters, storm and waste

management, transport and road infrastructure adaptation, and floating houses would be installed.

Reinvigorate the local economy

Public transport would be promoted and supported.

Non-violent community safety and security would be strengthened through a network of ethically driven and trained carers and protectors.

The local economy would be regenerative and organised as closed cycles, helping businesses increase profitability by reducing raw material and waste disposal cost, reducing carbon emission, and making their by-products a source of revenue to be bought by other businesses. The Byron dollar would have been created as a local currency, helping to support the local economy and a way created to support universal basic income.

Of course, all of this needs funding. To start with, existing global climate finance and impact investments could be sought to develop local-level resilience projects. Then, by orienting planning around resilience practices, the Shire could uncover new efficiencies in investments to achieve multiple benefits.

I acknowledge that climate change remains a divisive issue in Australia and we need to create new ways of living and working in our community. I don't have all the answers but I know there is no cavalry coming to the rescue. The good news is that a lot of inspiring projects are already happening.

The Byron Shire Council should now consider a series of public meetings to begin to address the specific challenges presented by the climate crisis. We are in it together.

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► **Continued from page 14** there were so many cars it was hard to drive to buy beer, crystals, and coffee. Everybody protested. A bypass would solve the problem. Twenty people protested, setting up camp to stop the work.

Tourists tweeted the free camping site and drummed every sunset. The bypass opened on schedule early 2020. Everybody cheered. There were multiple traffic jams the next day. Everybody protested.

Raphael Lee Cass
Byron Bay

Drugs and that war

I think you missed my point, Marc Salmon (Letters, August 7). I will never support anyone encouraging young people to go and try pure heroin or MDMA because they say it is safe, as was claimed by the editor in a previous *Echo* editorial.

I'm not sure why you've thrown the Global Commission on Drug Policy (GCDP) at me... I don't disagree with anything said here. However, the GCDP advocating for the decriminalisation of drug use would not then make drug use lawful. It would still be an offence... with a monetary penalty.

I do believe the ongoing debate on drug usage will change our drug laws in time... just like the debate on same-sex marriage changed the law in 2017 and the current debate on assisted dying is changing Australian law state by state.

I acknowledge we still have a way to go before the laws on drug usage change. If my grandchildren ask me one day why my generation was so restrictive (for the

lack of a better word), I will say 'because we couldn't evolve fast enough!'

Until then, I will not support young people ingesting something that cannot be accurately verified or engaging in any activity that puts them at an unacceptable risk of harm, lawful or otherwise.

Paul Dixon
Ocean Shores

SP pump track

The Suffolk Park community and the Suffolk Park Progress Association (SPPA) are encouraging families to support our children by lobbying the state government to allocate grant money to finance the building of a pump track on their new community field of Beech Drive.

These grant funds are to be allocated on a first-past-the-post voting system to community projects. You have to be over 16 to vote and must have a Medicare card number. So if we want our kids to get this facility, we the adults have to vote for the 'Suffolk Park Pump Track' at: <https://mycommunityproject.service.nsw.gov.au>. Select 'Ballina electorate', follow the prompts, and register to 'vote 1' Suffolk Park Pump Track. Each person can only vote for three to five projects; however, you can encourage your adult partner, friend, grandparents, and neighbours to vote as well.

This pump track is only part of the overall masterplan structures that the Suffolk community have developed for our new park land. The draft masterplan can be viewed online: <http://suffolkparkprogressassociation.org>.

Donald Maughan
President SPPA

Shooting chef

Gordon Ramsey is the target of justifiable outrage for shooting and then cooking a goat in New Zealand. But let's not forget the eight million animals who are just as cruelly slaughtered every single hour of the day for human consumption. They are also suffering and dying: cows are shot in the head with metal bolts, pigs are gassed in cages, chickens are hung upside down by their legs, which are often broken by the rough treatment, to have their necks sliced open.

Of course caring people are appalled by Ramsey's actions but if you object to innocent animals being brutally killed for profit, then stop buying meat. Going vegan is better for your health and the environment, and will make the world a kinder, more considerate place for all of us.

Desmond Bellamy
PETA Australia

A god of kindness

Israel Folau has become Australia's OJ Simpson without the murder – or perhaps in his own mind, Australia's Joan of Arc. We have all read about the star rugby player's sacking from his multi-million-dollar contract with his club for contravening the ethics clause in his contract when he used his fame to tell gays that they will face eternal hellfire and damnation. He is now taking his club to court and a crowd-funding campaign instantly attracted a heap of cash from fundamentalist Christians towards the legal costs of the millionaire Folau, far outstripping the campaigns for the handicapped and domestic-violence victims – money and support the homeless and refugees could only dream of. There was much noise about religious freedom, which is very well protected as is.

I started thinking that I needed to have a chat with you, Israel. Look, mate, you know that life is a challenge for every one of us. There is magic and there are wonderful times. There are, or will be, trials and defeats. The last thing you want is some

Just a bunch of bleeders

Aslan Shand

It was only at the beginning of this year, January 7 to be precise, that the Australian Tax Office announced that the Goods and Services Tax (GST) had been removed from 'most menstrual products'. That's right – it took 18 years of campaigning to recognise that it was absolutely unreasonable to tax such an essential item as tampons and sanitary pads. Perhaps they had just been expecting us to stay constantly pregnant and therefore it was only the irresponsible of us who would be so outrageous as to actually bleed monthly!

But bleed regularly we do and unless the powers that be expect women to drip their way around the streets, to work and on the school run, then we can only consider sanitary products as 'essential'. But they are still expensive and for many women these can be difficult to afford. That's where you can help. Share the Dignity is



a drive running throughout August that encourages people to purchase and donate sanitary products for women who are struggling to afford them.

'So many women, every month, have to forfeit sanitary products because they cannot afford them. Many mothers have to choose between buying sanitary items and feeding their children,' said Rochelle Courtenay, founder of Share the Dignity.

There are 3.2 million Australians currently living below the poverty line

and 52 per cent of these are women. Recognising this local volunteer Wendy Pluckrose has joined the drive and is coordinating a number of donation boxes throughout the north coast.

'It broke my heart to learn women out there were going without basic needs including sanitary items and knew I had to help to share the dignity and love. I knew in my heart going without was not an option so there was no hesitation to join as a volunteer (Shero/hero). It's a nationwide issue and with people volunteering for a few hours a month it can make such a difference,' said Wendy.

Donation boxes are located at a range of places including Byron Community Centre, Skin Divinity in Byron Bay, Chempro Chemists, Woolworths, and many other locations. To find a location near you look online at www.sharethedignity.com.au/donate-pads-tampons/dignity-drive-collection-points.

dickhead god hanging over you, threatening everybody with eternal fire and damnation and sneaking around your bedroom.

I personally feel fine without a god. It teaches me to be responsible for my actions and do my best to face what life throws at me and live in harmony with the ones around me. And like the millionaire who falls for Jack Lemon in drag in the movie *Some Like it Hot* replied when Jack confessed being a man: 'No-one is perfect'.

But we try our best. If you and I were chilling with a beer after a footy match I would say this to you as a mate, 'Israel, fuck him off. If you really want a god, choose one with a more positive attitude, a kinder approach, with less vengeance, guilt, fear, loathing, damnation, and punishment. There are many choices out there. Gods can be nice to

have around. Like having a pet dog, they can bring some emotional support. There is a good reason that the two are mirror images of each other. Also, if you have a group of people who like the same god, you can get together and sing songs. It can happen on pews, carpets, or dancing with bells and drums. Some gods come with rituals and costumes too and, though you might not really believe in it, these can be good fun.

'It is your call, mate. But, please keep in mind that everyone is trying to find their groove as we all walk through the short tunnel that is our life. Let others be who they want to be and we will all be more able to get along.'

Carl Cleves
Byron Bay

Social Influence?

I was amused to read a number of articles on social

influencers. As a person who is not on social media – am I the last human to say that? – I don't have followers but I do have some readers from time to time.

Although George Clooney seems a nice person and I do drink the coffee he spruiks there is no connection between the two matters for me. If I buy something it's because I need it or want it, not because some pretty person, sorry George, tells me to.

I am of course not a saint and am willing to sell my soul. If anyone would like to send me whisky, or anything else, including cash, I will make sure it is well used. Your business ethics will be safe as nobody except I will know. I won't mention my favourite brands as I don't want anyone to miss out on this opportunity.

Dennis Fitzgerald
Box Hill

CHESS by Ian Rogers

Just a few weeks after a photo of Grandmaster Igor Rausis analysing with a mobile phone inside a toilet cubicle went around the world, a new cheating scandal has blown up in the Netherlands.

Joris Boons, a 19-year-old amateur from Utrecht, had enjoyed a dream run over the past few months, winning restricted tournaments in Hilversum, Haarlem and Amsterdam with perfect or near-perfect scores.

Boons's convincing victories, from a player who had never shown exceptional talent previously, aroused suspicions, especially since he seemed to be visiting the toilet rather often.

So when Boons entered the third group of the recent Dutch Open in Dieren the organisers decided to be prepared. Unfortunately, their efforts using a metal detector proved fruitless – until the penultimate round.

By then Boons had won every game bar one and seemed headed for a new tournament success. However, in the eighth round the arbiters stopped Boons on his return from a toilet visit and asked to scan him. Boons refused.

He was taken to the arbiters' office and after having been told the consequences of refusing screening admitted to having a phone. The phone contained chess apps, but Boons claimed that he had never used them during

a game. He was nonetheless forfeited (for phone possession), expelled from the tournament, and all his opponents in the event were given back the point they had lost against him.

Boons's case has been referred to the world body FIDE, which is expected to implement a ban of two years. The Rausis case, in which the cheating could have been taking place for as many as six years, may become FIDE's first life ban, because if a strong player decides to get occasional help with a hidden phone for just a few key moments in a game, it will be very hard to identify.

Only when 58-year-old Rausis became greedy, reaching the top 50 after winning half a dozen tournaments in Italy and France over the European spring and summer, did suspicion rise to the point where vigilante players decided to secretly photograph him in a cubicle and present the evidence to the world.

Warning signs have been clear since at least 2015 when Georgian GM Gaioz Nigalidze was banned after his phone was found hidden behind a cistern at a tournament in Dubai. He was banned for three years but he had already won two Georgian titles and thousands of dollars of prize money.

The moral seems to be that, despite isolated successes, current anti-cheating measures are inadequate and the integrity of the game is in serious danger.



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Stronger Communities Programme

I am pleased to announce that Round Five of the Richmond Stronger Communities Programme is now open.

The Richmond Stronger Communities Programme will deliver funding through small capital grants for projects that will contribute to the vibrancy and viability of our region and support our local communities across the North Coast.

Local community groups, incorporated not-for-profits, incorporated trustees and local governments are all invited to apply via an Expression of Interest form, available from my office.

Applicants will be able to apply for funding from \$2,500 up to a maximum of \$20,000, but will need to provide matching or in-kind funding to be eligible.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to read the Programme Guidelines and the Frequently Asked Questions, available on the Department of Industry, Innovation and Science's website - <https://www.business.gov.au/assistance/stronger-communities-programme>

Expressions of Interest close Thursday, 19th September 2019, and must be submitted via my office.

I look forward to working with local community groups, sporting clubs, and organisations to ensure we secure important funding for our community and I encourage organisations interested in applying for funding to contact my office on (07) 5523 4371 to discuss projects.

Justine Elliot MP
Federal Member for Richmond

Don't forget
I also have reusable calico bags, notepads, bowling score cards and shopping lists available at my office for local residents, sporting clubs, organisations and community groups.

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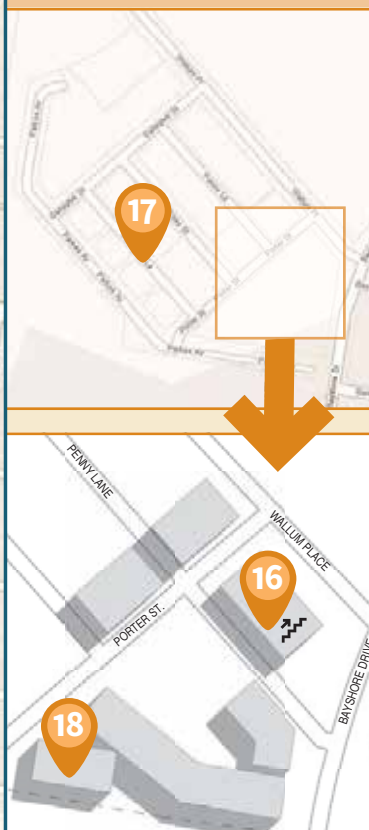
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the Arts

COLLABORATE WITH NATURE AT BYRON SCHOOL OF ART

There are plenty of interesting workshops and courses coming up this month at BSA.

Next up on 17 & 18 August is Collaborations with Nature – Ephemeral Land Art with Shona Wilson. Participants will



learn about the lineage of Ephemeral Art and work through a series of exploratory exercises and techniques on a beautiful property in the Mullumbimby hills.

byronschoolofart.com

KOOKY, WACKY, WEIRD, AND WONDERFUL.

DARK SCIENCE is a new freaky festival of fun taking over The Quad, Lismore, on Friday 16 and Saturday 17 August. Set during science week, it's a free event celebrating the intersection between provocative art and the sciences. The hot-pink Deja Voodoo Dome will host a variety of performances and music

acts, and the Conservatorium of Music's cavernous dungeons will present a myriad of site-specific performances, films, and installations. Featuring The Space Cowboy, The Monster Sideshow, Kellie O'Dempsey and Mick Dick's Dub Show, a Dark Museum of Intrigue, Andy Forbes, Dark Shire Choir, Public Act Theatre, and so much more.

Friday 16 and Saturday 17 August. 5-10.30pm

The Quad, Lismore

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RICHARD JONES OF RAINFOREST CERAMICS HAS GONE A BIT MAD THIS YEAR.

He and Jo are opening their studio for the North Coast Mud Trail this weekend and he has decided to give away over two hundred ceramic animals to visitors in a lucky dip.

There are dinosaurs, ducks, dogs, roosters, and a miscellany of animals.

They are also having a clay-animal making session each day at 2pm. Richard will glaze, fire, and mail them to participants for \$20 each.

Their studio is hidden in a rainforest at 56 Gittoes Lane, Possum Creek. With a bit of luck you may see one of the koalas that live there.

They will have hundreds of new and colourful bowls, cups, mugs, and plates, many with tree designs. Richard specialises in reduction firing that produces brilliant colours and sometimes unexpected results.

20 per cent of the takings go to Rainforest Trust to conserve rainforest. This is matched by another donor. They're hoping to save three thousand acres of Amazon rainforest in Peru this weekend as they did last year. If you need a Mud Trail map, they'll have them available there.

56 Gittoes Lane, Possum Creek



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WELCOME TO THE NORTH COAST MUD TRAIL!

SATURDAY 17 & SUNDAY 18 AUGUST 2019. 10AM TILL 4PM

Across the weekend 21 ceramic artists on the North Coast Mud Trail will open their studios to discuss their work and processes, share cups of tea, give demonstrations and offer hands-on workshop experiences.

It's a rare opportunity to meet local creative practitioners living and working in the Northern Rivers so you can experience the wealth of talent firsthand and find out what inspires people to do what they do.

You will be delighted and surprised by the diversity of work for sale from tiny, delicate, handheld objects in porcelain to impressive large-scale sculptural works; from bright,



minimalist shapes to loose, gutsy, rustic ones; from dreamy, whimsical narratives to useful, practical pots there is bound to be something that stirs your interest. While you're looking, you'll also be satisfying your curiosity by exploring a variety of studio settings in some of the most scenic locations in the region.

Journey into the world of the handmade and plan for an immersive experience. All artists will have work for sale, with no two styles alike, so think about Christmas gifts and bring friends and a bag. Check out the map for studio locations.



North Coast
Mud Trail
17 & 18 August
10am-4pm
2019

Open Pottery Studios

- 1 - Murwillumbah Potters
- 2 - Round Mountain Pottery
- 3 - Peter Pine from Pottsville
- 4 - Catherine Lane
- 5 - ML Ceramics
- 6 - SOS Ceramics
- 7 - Jenn Johnston Ceramics
- 8 - KERAMIKA Ceramics
- 9 - Mullumbimby Clayworkers
- 10 - Raven Esque
- 11 - Pottery to the Max
- 12 - Studio Suvira
- 13 - Ruby & Frank Studio
- 14 - Rainforest Ceramics
- 15 - Satya Ceramics
- 16 - Cindy Hawkins
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- M - Flock
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- O - Sunshine Alley
- P - The Patch
- Q - BSA Project Space
- R - Cara Duncan
- S - Byron School of Clay
- T - Bayleaf Cafe
- U - Federal Doma Cafe
- V - Moonshine Coffee Roasters
- W - Pack Gallery Studio
- X - Butcher Baker Bangalow
- Y - The Rug Shop
- Z - Eltham Pub
- A2 - Tintenbar General Store & Post Office
- B2 - NRCG - Northern Rivers Community Gallery - Ballina Shire Council
- C2 - Northern Rivers Pottery Supplies

PLEASE NOTE !
This map is intended as a region guide only. Please look up the address for each studio and/or sponsor (as listed). There will be signs on the roads to help direct you. Or visit our website for Google Map location pins!

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This Weekend!
Don't Miss Open Studios

21 local ceramic studios will open their creative spaces this **Saturday and Sunday 10am-4pm** showcasing a wondrous array of handcrafted ceramics at affordable prices. This is a once a year opportunity to visit makers in their studios and learn some of their secrets.

There will be demonstrations and opportunities to make things yourself.

Brochures with maps are available from many locations, or check the website.
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BEER INVITATIONAL

Orange Sky provides regular shower and laundry services free of charge to homeless and disadvantaged people around Australia, and has been selected to receive profits from the upcoming Backyard Invitational Gold Coast via the Northern Rivers-based not-for-profit, the inGrained Foundation.

Following the inaugural event in Brisbane late last year, Stone & Wood's Backyard Invitational Gold Coast invites the community alongside 22 independent breweries, distillers, and providers to a day of tastings, live music, and food trucks, to help raise funds for the inGrained Foundation to direct to a local charity.

Held at the Surfstitch Warehouse in Burleigh Waters, Stone & Wood's Backyard Invitational Gold Coast invites over 20 independent breweries, distilleries, and a local kombucha to share their products and connect with drinkers, with intimate tasting stands, industry talks, and masterclasses.

Masterclasses: craft beer fans will learn how to ferment native ingredients in beer as part of the upcoming Backyard Invitational masterclasses, hosted by craft beer writer and podcaster Luke Robertson from Ale of a Time. Luke will demonstrate using native ingredients and talk about how honey and fruits are used in beer and spirits, leaving attendees with a take-home sample. The following two masterclasses will feature speakers from the attending breweries and distilleries, who'll together discuss sour beers and dark beers and their current popularity.

Complementing the beer, gin and kombucha tastings will be food truck Pequeña Cocina and JR Smokehouse, plus live vinyl DJ sets from Huggy Per and Acid Joe. Tickets to the Backyard Invitational Gold Coast include entry to the festival, all beer, access to talks and masterclasses, a take-home beer cup, and a \$5 food truck voucher.



For more information on the craft beer Backyard Invitational Gold Coast, visit stoneandwood.com.au.

Deer: Fair Game?

S Haslam

Wild deer are not native, and the NPWS cull them to preserve our national parks. Farmers also cull deer to protect pasture and crops. Most deer are left where they fall in remote locations; an incredible waste of a premium, nutrient-dense, high-protein natural food source.

Normal butchers can't use this meat, only the holder of a game-meat processing licence such as Jonas Widjaja can butcher it, hang it, and dry-age it to produce the venison served increasingly at upmarket Northern Rivers restaurants. 'This is an artisanal process,' says Jonas, a former primary school teacher and recreational hunter. 'I work on a single animal at a time so the provenance is extremely strong. I can even guarantee the method of despatch, and that every single animal shot is sold.'

An inspiration for Jonas was friend and award-winning NZ wild-game chef Dariush Lolaiy of Cazador, who is coming over to help launch Jonas's business Fair Game on 25 August at Mavis's Kitchen restaurant. Dariush is ready to showcase what he calls the 'surprisingly delicate' flavour of venison with some sensational cuisine.

'Dariush has a wilderness-to-fire approach, but he also inspired me to use the whole animal,' says Jonas. 'I make bone broth, I sell the hides, I use the offal - I have about 200g at the end of the process from a big animal. I am very focused on the question of making the most of this animal that is amazingly healthy; after all it forages on native grasses and berries as well as the best of farmers' crops!'

According to Jonas, the whole process including the shooting, is as ethical as possible, and if it were more widely understood it would gain community acceptance. 'The commercial shooters will only take a shot if it's an instant kill,' he says. 'There is no stress on the animal, unlike at an abattoir, and there is no live transport.'

Taking a practical approach to this issue, Jonas says that since commercial cullers and farmers are going to be killing the deer anyway, the more deer shot for food the less food is being wasted. 'Farmers would prefer to be farming rather than culling deer,' Jonas says, 'so they are happy to work with me. At the moment the number of deer killed for food is very small compared to the total culled for environmental reasons, but I believe the time for this approach has come.'

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Loteria! at El Camino

S Haslam

El Camino Cantina in Byron Bay is calling all chicas and chicos for a fun-filled night of Loteria on the last Thursday of every month. Last month, the *Echo* crew (or at least those of us who felt we could still cram more fun into ourselves) went down to check it out, and it was really fun.

First off, you're sitting up on a deck above the new Woolies, looking out over the action of the south end of Jonson St, lighthouse visible over the rooftops. The restaurant itself is actually pretty fun, with an inviting backlit bar full of spirits, and the *Byron Slow down, chill out* picked out in neon amongst quirky skulls and cacti.

There are tables and stools out on the deck, along with gas burners and shutters to weatherproof it, and it's ideal as the weather is warming to sit out in the evening and have a nice Mexican beer, as well as a range of food that was surprisingly light and healthy.

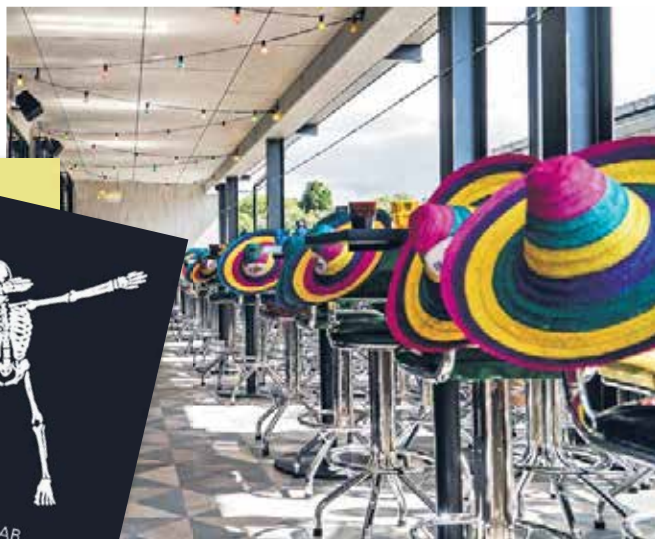
Similar to bingo, Loteria uses quirky Mexican images on a deck of cards instead of numbers and requires players to mark off four pictures in a row. Apparently this game originated in Italy in the 15th century and was brought to 'New Spain' - modern Mexico, in the 1700s. The 54 original images are quite iconic, but El Camino has its own set.

Much to our excitement, one of the *Echo* team, in a high-stakes tequila bottle round, was the first player to stamp off a consecutive set and to shout 'Loteria!' to win the prize. A couple of cocktails really improves your ability to both speak and comprehend Spanish, the de facto national language owing to Mexico's colonial history. Prizes in the Loteria include a restaurant voucher, bottle of Jose Cuervo, or a limited-edition El Camino t-shirt, but of course you can always just come, eat, and have a good time!

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Retirement village exit entitlements – submission closing soon!

Recap:

On 30 July 2017, the NSW Government announced a four-point plan for retirement villages in NSW aimed at putting consumers first. One recommendation was that the government consider implementing reforms to improve the timely payment of exit entitlements and the way recurrent fees for general services are charged to former retirement village residents.

The Retirement Villages Act 1999 (the Act) provides that operators of villages are not required to repay former residents (who are registered interest holders) their exit entitlements:

- until after their unit is sold, and
 - within 14 days after a new resident enters into a contract with the operator.
- However, former residents who are non-registered interest holders must be paid their

exit entitlements no later than six months after they permanently vacate their premises. The inquiry noted that registered interest holders had to often wait for lengthy periods for their premises to be sold before they received their exit entitlements. This may have caused a financial and personal burden on them and their families.

Also possibly causing financial burden is the fact that registered and non-registered interest holders are required to pay recurrent charges for general services (gardening, administration, cleaning, etc) for 42 days after they vacate their premises. After the 42-day period, registered interest holders are still required to pay a share (equal to their potential share of the capital gain as per their village contract) of recurrent charges for general services.

Currently:

On 14 February 2019, the NSW Government made an election commitment to amend the Act to address these concerns by placing a 42-day limit on the length of time villages can charge for general services after someone leaves. It also announced its intention to address the payment of exit entitlements.

The NSW Government is now seeking feedback from the retirement villages sector and the community about how these commitments should be implemented. This feedback will be used to help shape the reforms and ensure that they reflect the needs

of residents and village operators. The discussion paper outlines the two reforms and is now available for public consultation. The consultation closes on 16 August 2019. Have your say: <https://www.fairtrading.nsw.gov.au/consultation-tool/retirement-village-exit-entitlements-and-recurring-charges-cap>



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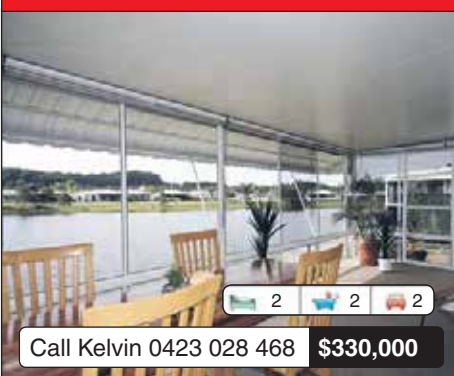
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- 8/21-23 Tasman Way, Byron Bay. Fri 11-11.30am
- 2/42 Gloria Street, South Golden Beach. Sat 9-9.30am
- 29 Pacific Vista Drive, Byron Bay. Sat 9-9.30am
- Lot 2, 15 Magnolia Place, Ewingsdale. Sat 9.30-10am
- 27 Cemetery Road, Byron Bay. Sat 10-10.30am
- 31A Ironbark Road, Ballina. Sat 10-10.30am
- 115 Paterson Street, Byron Bay. Sat 10-10.30am
- 113 Station Street, Mullumbimby. Sat 10-10.30am
- House 2/4-6 Roundhouse Place, Ocean Shores. Sat 10-10.30am
- 46 Figtree Hill Drive, Lennox Head. Sat 10-10.30am
- 813 Myocum Road, Myocum. Sat 10-10.30am
- 42 Parkway Drive, Ewingsdale. Sat 10.30-11am
- 2/8 Julian Rocks Drive, Byron Bay. Sat 10.30-11am
- Lot 20/31 Hayters Drive, Suffolk Park. Sat 10.45-11.15am
- 14 Rush Court, Mullumbimby. Sat 11-11.30am
- 11 Orara Court, Byron Bay. Sat 11-11.30am
- 6 Alexander Circuit, Lennox Head. Sat 11-11.30am
- 62 Nashua Road, Fernleigh. Sat 11.30-12pm
- 1 Gittoes Lane, Possum Creek. Sat 11.30-12pm
- 115 Station Street, Mullumbimby. Sat 12-12.30pm
- 6 Paldi Court, Ocean Shores. Sat 12-12.30pm
- 50 Corkwood Crescent, Suffolk Park. Sat 12-12.30pm
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- 6 Keith Street, Bangalow. Sat 12-12.30pm
- 8/19 Marattia Place, Suffolk Park. Sat 1-1.30pm
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- 1/40 Ruskin Street, Byron Bay. Sat 9.30-10am
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- 8 Wollumbin Street, Byron Bay. Sat 10.30-11am
- 6 Quail Way, Mullumbimby. Sat 12-12.30pm
- 3 Quail Way, Mullumbimby. Sat 1-1.30pm

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- 2 Grevillea Avenue, Mullumbimby. Sat 11-11.45am
- 2 Golden Penda Place, Mullumbimby. Sat 11-11.45am

Raine & Horne Ocean Shores/Brunswick Heads

- 6 Goondooloo Drive, Ocean Shores. Sat 10-10.30am
- 15 Nargoan Court, Ocean Shores. Sat 10-11am
- 11 Hardy Avenue, Ocean Shores. Sat 11-11.30am
- 5 Apo St, Goonellabah. Sat 12.30-1.30pm

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- 30 Blackmores Road, Alstonville. Sat 10-10.30am

New Listings

Byron Shire Real Estate

- 23 Palmer Avenue, Ocean Shores. \$1,400,000

Byron Bay First National

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- 6 Keith Street, Bangalow. \$1,450,000

Katrina Beohm Real Estate

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PRESIDENT JEANES AND LOVING BAYFM

PRESIDENT OF BAYFM NYCK JEANES TALKS TO THE ECHO ABOUT WHY WE NEED COMMUNITY RADIO, AND HOW WE CAN BEST SUPPORT IT!

Nyck, maybe tell me when you first got involved with BayFM?

I was around near the beginning. I do believe it was the wonderful Red Terra (Terrie Wells) who, around 1990, invited me to fill in for a radio show she had on Lismore's 2NCR. From there I started to connect with those who were beginning to activate for a Byron Shire community station. I was involved in the first broadcasts.

What does BayFM mean to you? Why has it been such a big part of your life?

To be honest it's a place I love perhaps a little selfishly. I get to be myself. I get to talk to people I am genuinely interested in. If I'm able to offer something to the community of some value it's very fulfilling. I've perhaps been too 'heart on sleeve' at times on air – but vulnerability is a strength – and it's part of the nature and freedom of community broadcasting. My role has really just evolved over time. I keep 'escaping' and somehow getting drawn back! Where else can you be yourself, be embedded in community, and seek to do some good works – all for absolutely no money? It's kind of liberating!

How have you seen it change and evolve with the community?

We are a media organisation so we have to adapt to the currents of the times. It was easier, arguably, in the beginning, wide-eyed perhaps, but incredibly dedicated. People like Sean Latham and many others in the early days really had a vision. Now we have to be street smart and willing to make harder decisions to survive and grow that vision. Not unlike the community at large.

What role do you see community radio occupying?

I do see us as a little different from other community volunteer organisations, all of which are worthy – because we are a node or hub for all of those networks and orgs too – a central voice, playing a coordinating role, helping to keep the community fabric intact, despite disparate ideas and beliefs. And most of all we are not corporate media so we speak with freer voices and bring perspectives that are ignored or manipulated by the restrictive agendas and old paradigm focus of those media.

How integral is BayFM to this local community; how does it reflect our voice?

We will never reflect everybody's voice here of course, but given the diversity on air, certainly with music, we do a pretty good job. The magnificent thing about this region is the active engagement of many voices in the many issues that arise. I like to think of Byron Shire as the home of black sheep, creative misfits, wild ideas, and future innovation, and Bay does well representing those qualities. We certainly celebrate diversity and free expression, embrace community values, and support other community organisations, and of course local arts and artists.

As the president, what vision do you have for the future for BAY FM?

We are in deeply uncertain times. For a volunteer media org to be relevant first we have to survive. Next year is our 30th anniversary. Think about that! In this region there are not many businesses or entities of any type that have survived this long. Recently I saw that cute little movie *Yesterday*, where the protagonist awakes to a world without The Beatles. It's ostensibly the same world, and yet it's not. There's a moment when you realise OMG if there were no Beatles the world would indeed be very different, less diverse, less magic. I feel the same about the Bay if we weren't here any more. So my vision? Get beyond survive to thrive. Become more professional, consistent, relevant, and inspiring. Feel supported by the wider community, offer positive visions, and celebrate all our successes toward a better world. But be real about the challenges we face and honest about how to meet them.

How is BayFM managing financially? Is it getting tougher to keep operational?

Yes, much tougher. Even as a predominantly volunteer org (apparently the biggest in the Northern Rivers!) it costs us around \$400,000 a year to keep running. Broadcasting, and

being a hub for a community, is an expensive operation. We rely largely on community support in one way or another. We receive no direct government funding. It is a constant juggle to bring in enough, let alone to finance necessary maintenance and upgrades, or some of the brilliant ideas that arise in the station to better the service we offer.

How can the local community get involved?

As a community member it's all about engagement for us. We are activating at the moment a deeper social-media presence, so please take part. You can also text in at any time to the on-air studio and be part of conversations, request songs, make comments (0437 341 119). Many people also don't realise you can listen on demand at bayfm.org to any show or part of a show at any time. Support our great fundraisers, become a volunteer. The vibe in the station these days is really quite exceptional. And as a local business or entrepreneur, and for all organisations and artists, sponsorship is cost effective. But most of all, please SUBSCRIBE!

Tell us about Radiothon!

During Radiothon (19–30 August) we shine the spotlight on BayFM's pivotal role in Byron

Shire and beyond, showcasing who we are and what we bring to community. A subscription represents BayFM's second-highest source of annual income and a successful Radiothon is essential to the continuation of the station. Our theme this year is Celebrate the Difference.

As always it is not really about the prizes, but again we thank those wonderful businesses who enable us to offer something back for your subscription.

First Prize: \$5,000 Apple Products Voucher. Second Prize: 2 bicycles from True Wheel Cycles. Third Prize: Custom-made mid-length surfboard from Munro Surfboards with BayFM logo. Plus, during the 12 days of Radiothon, BayFM will be giving away a \$99.9 Santos Organics shopping voucher. And for subscribers in the Band/DJ/Artist category – a special draw to win a \$500 gift voucher to spend at Still at the Centre art supplies. Business subscribers go into a special draw to win an on-air sponsorship campaign valued at \$750.

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BANGALOW MUSIC FESTIVAL TURNS 18

BY DAVID LOWE

LOVERS OF FINE MUSIC HAD A WONDERFUL TREAT ON THE WEEKEND WITH SOME OF THE BEST PLAYERS IN THE WORLD IN TOWN FOR THE 18TH BANGALOW MUSIC FESTIVAL, PRESENTED BY SOUTHERN CROSS SOLOISTS.

The program included favourites and less-well-known pieces by the masters, including Bach, Mozart, Rimsky-Korsakov, and Rachmaninoff, as well as exciting new works from Australian and international composers including Joe Chindamo and John Psathas.

After opening with young piano prodigy Alex Raineri alone at the Steinway playing Chopin, the festival presented a kaleidoscope of different musical configurations including duos, trios, quartets, and even a guitar quintet. Players filled the Bangalow A&I Hall stage to overflowing for the most ambitious works.

The discovery of the festival was the clarinettist Ashley Smith, who demonstrated exactly why he's in such international demand with an astonishing array of performances across a wide variety of styles. Dancing with his instrument, he leaves the impression of being so good that he can transcend rules and boundaries. Who knew it was possible to play two notes at once on a clarinet? It was thrilling to listen to someone right on the edge of control but never losing it. A true superstar.

The 22-year-old mezzo-soprano Xenia Puskarz-Thomas was another stunning discovery, singing a selection of arias from Mozart and Mahler, and explaining the meaning behind the songs with humour and grace.

Tania Frazer was everywhere at this festival, both behind the scenes as artistic director and as principal oboeist in a number of fine performances. In her opening remarks on the festival's theme of 'conversations through music', she spoke of musicians' role on the early Silk Road in defusing hostilities and communicating without words, a process that continues today.

Guitar soloist Karin Schaupp was a revelation, especially when teamed with members of the Orava Quartet, four young men with dress sense as snappy as their performances. Hearing her virtuosic guitar in this context made me wonder why there wasn't more repertoire for this instrument, which Schaupp explained doesn't descend from the lute but from ancient Egypt. A festival highlight was her performance of an unusually optimistic, later version of Rodrigo's famously sad *Aranjuez, ma pensée*.

When asked what was special about Bangalow compared to the great concert stages of the world, Schaupp said, 'Playing in this intimate place with dear colleagues is very satisfying. It's a close experience with a lovely audience who are with us for every note, so I will keep coming back!'

Among many other highlights, the incredible speed and deft touch of Blair Harris on the

cello were beautiful to witness, as was the interplay between the visiting New Zealand Chamber Soloists.

The conversational element of chamber music was on display throughout the festival, with no conductor for many of the concerts, leading to intense concentration by the musicians upon one another, as well as the intentions of the composer. When conductor Chris Dragon was also present on the stage he lit up proceedings, losing his baton in one particularly exuberant moment.

Almost thirty musicians took a turn in the musical spotlight at one time or another in this festival, and all shone. Whether playing a solo or supporting role, the standard of musical proficiency on display, not to mention spirit, was extraordinary. Audience were carried to many magical places.

The finale concert, *Scheherazade*, was a tour de force from fifteen performers, led musically by first violin Alan Smith, who was playing a 1770 instrument by Jose Contreras. His final, fragile note was very moving. It was followed by a well-deserved standing ovation from a packed house.

Roll on Bangalow Music Festival 2020!

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OUR INCONVENIENT YOUTH

They're rising. And when I say 'they're' I don't mean them. I mean us. We're rising. The people.

You might remember us. We've done it before. We've brought down governments. We've beheaded the aristocracy. Currently we've been corralled into our capitalist feedlots, doe-eyed with mortgages, addictions, obesity, and this belief that we're powerless.

But we're not. The sedation is wearing off. We are angry people. Pissed-off people. People tired of waiting. People who know we've got f-all time to make the systemic change that might have a chance to turn back the impending environmental armageddon.

This is no time to sit back and be polite. This is the time to rattle the cage. To scream. To disrupt. To bring attention to what matters. Last week in Brisbane 70 people got arrested at a peaceful sit-in that shut down parts of the Brisbane CBD and caused 'commuter chaos'.

One of the arrested was a quoll. Well not an actual quoll. A guy in a quoll suit. Watching the police trying to contain a guy in a fur suit was both hysterical and heartbreaking. We are arresting the wrong people.

The real cause of social disruption isn't a bunch of people having a sit-in for climate change; it's corporation. Don't arrest a guy in a quoll suit; go grab a few corporate honchos, arrest the CEOs. And their shareholders. They're not just stopping a little bit of traffic, they're co-conspirators in the END of the WORLD. And the end of the world is about as inconvenient as it gets.

Welcome to the Extinction Rebellion. XR. The door is open for you to step through and join the uprising. This is global. All around the world activists are making noise about climate change and demanding immediate action because their politicians were too weak or self-invested to act on their behalf. Because their governments are handmaidens to corporation. Because everyone wants to get elected and no-one wants to be the architect of real change.

Our governments continue to pass the environmental buck to the next incumbent. It's like Pass the Parcel. Except what's in the parcel isn't a plastic toy. It's our planet. It's us, our kids' future, and by the time the music stops and the last idiot unwraps it there'll be nothing left. Except plastic of course. There will be a shit load of plastic.

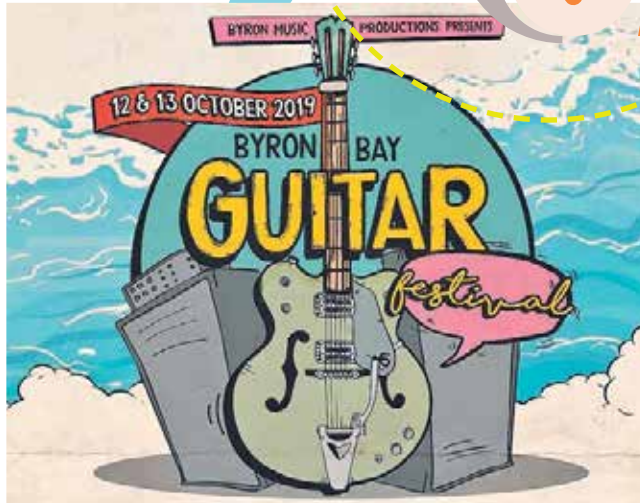
The Extinction Rebellion is here. This is a sociopolitical movement that uses civil disobedience and nonviolent resistance to protest against climate breakdown, biodiversity loss, and the risk of social and ecological collapse. Last week when they shut down parts of the Brisbane CBD the reaction by the Queensland premier and Brisbane Council was to suggest that 'inconveniencing' people was not a good way of getting attention about climate change. Bullshit. That was a lead story. The Quoll being arrested is all over social media.

I'd say it's a bloody good tactic. This IS the time to inconvenience people. Remember Al Gore's movie *The Inconvenient Truth*? That was his attempt nearly 14 years ago to educate people about global warming. It wasn't enough. This is not about payback. This is not about global terrorism. It's about survival.

In London, the Extinction Rebellion have their sights on the textile industry and London Fashion Week and they're demanding instead a people's assembly of industry professionals and designers as a platform to declare a climate and ecological emergency. If this doesn't happen they'll blockade the venues. Because even in this tech savvy world, something as simple as a blockade still works.

Like the kids in Brisbane who blocked a bridge with their kayaks... and then were called 'spoilt brats' by the *Courier Mail*. Wow, when did wanting a sustainable future make you a spoilt brat? Aren't we, the generation 50-plus, the baby boomers, the economic groomers... aren't we the spoilt brats? Aren't we the greedy change-resistant generations who have forced our kids onto the streets in protest?

The Extinction Revolution is here. And you are either part of the solution, or you are the problem. You decide. But I should warn you. There's no time. Become an Inconvenience.



GUITAR FEST LINEUP!

The **Byron Bay Guitar Festival** has just announced the lineup for its third event at the **Byron Brewery** on **Saturday 12 and Sunday 13 October**. Headlining is Aussie punk-rock royalty **Frenzal Rhomb**, guitar hero protégé **Harts**, and **The Delta Riggs**, who will have their much-anticipated third album released in September. Byron Bay Brewery will be turned into a guitarist's heaven with performances and seminars by Torres Strait's 'Magic Fingers' **Chris Tamwoy**, industry legend **Peter Northcote**, bluesman **Claude Hay**, and Australian guitar icon **Nathan Cavaleri**, who makes his return to the stage on the back of his *Demons* album tour. There is something for all music lovers from soul and funk band **The Soul Movers**, international supergroup **The Sidemen**, as well as local favourites **Marshall O'Kell & The Fro**, **Minnie Marks**, and many more! Sunday will kick off with **Bunny Racket** for the little rockers and scheduled is a long list of family activities hosted by **Murray Cook** (The Soul Movers/The Wiggles). Produced by **Byron Music**, the event features 25+ live performances on two stages, as well as a guitar market showcasing some amazing instruments and craftsmanship from the world's favourite manufacturers and Australia's finest luthiers. There will be workshops and seminars presented by artists and manufacturers on both days. **For tickets go to byronbayguitarfestival.com.**



FALLS FEST LINEUP!

As the clock explodes on NYE 2019 wrapping up this tumultuous, nameless decade and slingshotting us all into a brand-new set of Roaring Twenties, there could be no better place to be than arm-in-arm with your best friends, surrounded by Australia's vast natural beauty, and tuned in to some of the world's greatest music! **Falls Festival**, ever changing, ever reliable at delivering the best upcoming talent from around the globe, and along with Lorne, Fremantle, and Marion Bay we have our own event here in Byron Bay! Leading the charge in 2019/20 will be newly minted pop royalty and recent *Rolling Stone* cover megastar **Halsey** (for her only Australian shows!), NYC's hugely important hit-making heroes

hot off the back of new album *Father of the Bride*, **Vampire Weekend**. English house icons **Disclosure** with their massive hits *Latch*, *Omen*, and latest banger *Talk*, plus super-fun pop legends cum stage-slaying stars **Peking Duk!**

Add these huge names to a tectonic first announcement that includes plenty more irresistible fruit, including those joyous Icelandic architects of anthem **Of Monsters And Men**, future hall of famers and festival masters **Pnau** with their slew of #1 dancefloor starters *Chameleon*, *Go Bang*, and *Changes*, multi-platinum British lung buster / heartbreaker fresh from his famous Glastonbury set **Lewis Capaldi**, smooth German hook gurus

Milky Chance, and downright dazzling LA alt-pop queen **Banks**.

There'll even be a special appearance from Whispering Jack himself as the one and only **John Farnham** shows us all a thing or two in his first appearance on Falls' hallowed stages. Look for his rendition of *You're The Voice* to sit right next to Daryl Braithwaite's 2017 performance of *Horses* in the pantheon of magical Falls moments.

Also dropping in for single shows are Falls' signature guests! Tash Sultana (appearing as our special guest in Byron Bay) will be showcasing the multi-instrumental talents that have made her an international star.

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MISS AMBER & STUKULELE'S BALLINA RSL UKE

They're back! Owing to popular demand, **Miss Amber and Stukulele** are presenting another **Uke Night at Ballina RSL** on **Thursday**. Earlier this year over 120 avid ukulele players and onlookers filled the auditorium with some sweet singin'n'strummin' to an eclectic mix of popular songs.

There were guest appearances from ukulele performers and groups from Mullumbimby, Alstonville, Evans Head, and even as far away as Maclean. Everyone left with a smile... put simply: it was a joyous occasion.

This month promises the same vibes with a swag of new tunes. Come and join a growing community of uke players revelling in creating some self-made music fun.

Don't miss being a part of this wonderful evening at Ballina RSL this Thursday. Doors 7pm for a 7.30 start. \$15 and \$5 for kids.

THE GOOD DRUGS

CAN PSYCHEDELIC MEDICINES TREAT MENTAL ILLNESS?

In the award-winning documentary *From Shock to Awe*, the use of these cutting-edge medicines is examined in relation to war veterans suffering from PTSD. The film follows veterans Matt Kahl and Mike Cooley through their challenging post-war lives, shattered by the trauma of war. It also explores the impact on their wives Aimee and Brooke. The vets struggle with anxiety, fear, depression, anger, unable to find equilibrium with society and with their families. After confronting death multiple times, our heroes set out on a journey to treat their mental illness with ayahuasca and MDMA.

Australian war veteran **Major Steve McDonald** utilised these medications to treat his depression and PTSD. He will be speaking at the Byron screening.

Steve, just tell me a little about the film. What impact do you think it will have on the general public?

The documentary follows two US war veterans suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) as they undergo treatment with ayahuasca, a psychoactive Amazonian plant medicine. It's an emotionally powerful story that highlights both the failure of mainstream medicine and the effectiveness of ayahuasca as a tool for healing and personal transformation. These two veterans are not only relieved of their suffering; their lives are transformed.

The partner of one of the main characters, also a war veteran suffering from PTSD, seeks treatment with MDMA therapy and successfully resolves her condition after just one session. She was inspired to seek treatment after seeing the beneficial impact ayahuasca had on her partner.

What does the research say? Can MDMA really work as an effective treatment for PTSD?

Yes it can. In 2017 the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) gave MDMA-assisted therapy for PTSD 'breakthrough therapy' status following the success of Phase 2 research conducted by the US Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies (MAPS).

I suffered from complex PTSD and depression as the result of war service in Somalia and also five years as an emergency-services helicopter pilot attending traumatic events. After extensive conventional treatments including hospitalisation, antidepressants, personal and group therapy sessions, which all proved ineffective, my depression was quickly resolved after drinking ayahuasca. Some years later a single MDMA session proved to be more effective in treating my PTSD than any of the conventional treatments I'd tried.

What other drugs have you seen have an impact?

Other psychoactive drugs that are showing promise in research studies include esketamine (a variant of ketamine) for short-

term treatment of depression, and psilocybin (from magic mushrooms) for the treatment of a variety of conditions including near-death anxiety, depression, OCD, alcohol dependence, and tobacco addiction.

The US FDA has also declared both esketamine and psilocybin breakthrough therapies, along with MDMA.

Cannabis can also reduce the symptoms of depression and PTSD for some people and it's the subject of ongoing research by MAPS.

The University of Sydney is currently conducting preclinical cannabis-

I had no idea Australia was such a conservative country before I got involved with PRISM. Here we are still arguing for permission to test pills at music festivals when MDMA, perhaps the highest-profile substance in that debate, has been given 'breakthrough therapy' status by the US FDA for its radically effective healing qualities.

PTSD research on mice.

There is a lot of prejudice around drugs and their uses. Do you think that can change?

I think it is changing. Much of the change is generational, as younger people who've grown up taking different drugs at music festivals move into positions of social influence. They know from personal experience that the government- and media-generated moral panic around MDMA (for example) is ridiculous and not based on scientific evidence. When you consider that 15 Australians die every day (on average) as the result of alcohol use, the hypocrisy is pretty obvious.

During recent media coverage of the pill-testing debate at Splendour

in the Grass, I was reassured to hear some acknowledgement that our recreational drug habits have changed radically and our laws have failed to keep up. What's needed is a drug-scheduling system that's based on scientific evidence of harm, rather than politics. There is no scientific basis to our current drug-scheduling system.

It also needs to be acknowledged that recreational use and medicinal use are two very different contexts. Under prohibition, recreational drugs like MDMA become more dangerous owing to the absence of regulation on production and supply. By contrast, the MDMA used in legal medical trials is subject to rigorous quality controls.

Tell me about PRISM and the work you do with that.

I was at the 2010 Entheogenesis Australis symposium in Melbourne when the founder of MAPS, Rick Doblin, offered some funding to help establish psychedelic research in Australia. I'd travelled from Byron specifically to hear Rick talk after reading about the success of the MAPS MDMA-PTSD trials in the US. Following his offer I joined a group of volunteers who launched the Australian non-profit organisation Psychedelic Research in Science & Medicine Inc (PRISM) in early 2011. Since then I've been a member of PRISM's management team and my contribution has drawn upon my prior experience as a manager and as a war veteran who's benefitted from treatment with psychedelic medicines.

It was a very steep learning curve for PRISM at first, partially owing to our naivety as we stepped into the world of drug development with no prior experience, and partially owing to the conservative responses we received from Australia's academic and medical sectors. After seven years of fruitlessly knocking on doors seeking support to establish research, in late 2017 everything changed. We were approached by St Vincent's Hospital in Melbourne for assistance to establish a psychedelic research study and almost simultaneously some generous donors pledged their support. PRISM is now the formal sponsor of a study to examine the



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psychotherapeutic potential of psilocybin-assisted psychotherapy for treatment of cancer and palliative-care patients experiencing depression and anxiety. Thanks to funding support from Vasudhara Foundation and Mind Medicine Australia, this study will commence soon at St Vincent's Hospital and will be jointly led by PRISM and the hospital. In similar studies in the USA the degree of therapeutic impact was directly related to the depth of the participants' mystical/spiritual experience, facilitated by the psilocybin.

PRISM has been trying to establish MDMA-PTSD research since 2011 but we've had great difficulty gaining institutional support. MDMA has a high public profile as an illicit recreational drug and I feel this has negatively affected our attempts to gain support for legal medical research. We are currently negotiating with Edith Cowan University with the hope of establishing a small MDMA-PTSD study in Perth.

What changes would you like to see?

I'd like to see Australia's drug-scheduling system reorganised on the basis of scientific evidence. When that happens there's also a lot of work to be done re-educating the general public about psychoactive drugs after 50+ years of politically driven disinformation.

Drug prohibition needs to end. It's never worked anywhere in any context. Politicians argue it exists for public safety; however, the evidence shows it actually creates harm.

I'd also like to see a relaxation of the conservative attitudes within Australia's medical and academic sectors towards psychedelic medicine. I had no idea Australia was such a conservative country before I got involved with PRISM. Here we are still arguing for permission to test pills at music festivals when MDMA, perhaps the highest-profile substance in that debate, has been given 'breakthrough therapy' status by the US FDA for its radically effective healing qualities.

The USA began MDMA-PTSD research in 2003 while Australia is yet to begin. MAPS is on target to open legal MDMA-therapy clinics in the USA by 2021. At the end of the day our conservatism means unnecessary suffering for Australian patients, who are being denied treatment with these breakthrough therapies.

Australia can expect a wave of PTSD cases in coming years owing to our intensive involvement in wars over the last two decades. This period generated more Australian war veterans than the Vietnam War.

How important is this film for veterans?

The film opens with this quote from Thich Nhat Hahn:

'Veterans are the light at the tip of the candle, illuminating the way for the whole nation.'

'If veterans can achieve awareness, transformation, understanding, and peace, they can share with the rest of society the realities of war.'

'And they can teach us how to make peace with ourselves and each other, so we never have to use violence to resolve conflicts again.'

From Shock to Awe offers hope for veterans who haven't found healing through mainstream medicine. Perhaps more than that, it offers the potential transformation of lives beset by grief and despair, not just for veterans but for anyone suffering from PTSD and depression.

It also provides a glimpse into the emerging field of multidimensional medicine. In other words: a way of healing that affects mind, body, and spirit simultaneously.

I'd like to thank everyone who has helped make the Australian cinema screenings possible, including the Australian Psychedelic Society, and donors Vasudhara Foundation and Aadi Mesh Foundation.

***From Shock to Awe* screens Sunday at 2.30pm followed by a Q&A presented by Mesh Foundation and Australian Psychedelic Society at the Byron Theatre. \$30/25 with tix for seniors and veterans at \$15. Tix at byroncentre.com.au.**

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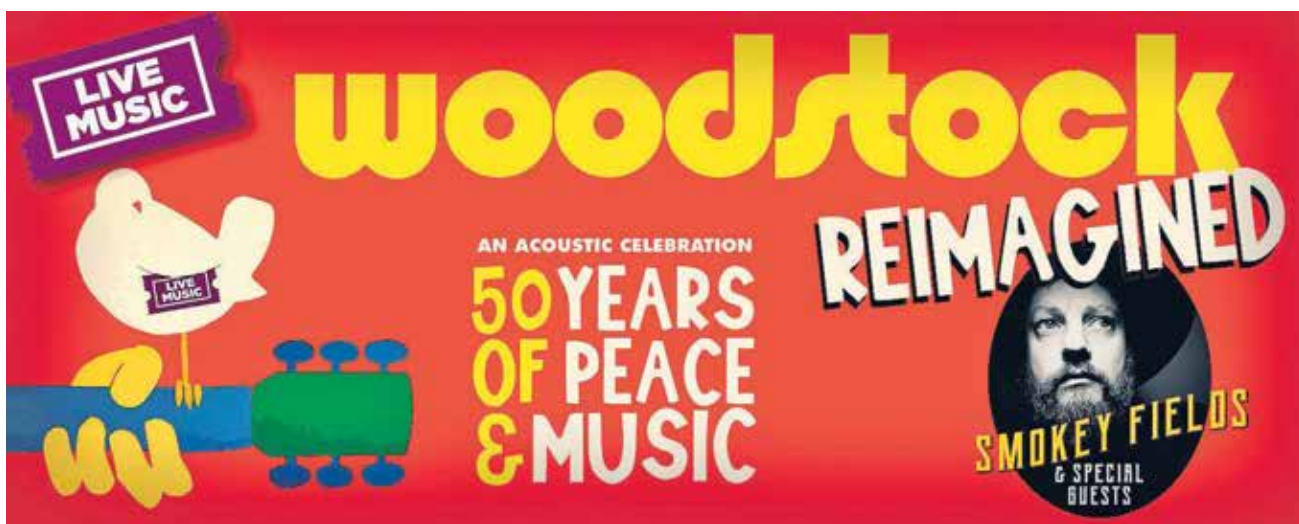
Feel like an epic night out? Well, you need to get to the **Byron Bay Golf Club** to catch 4-piece **EPIC**. Comprising extremely renowned, experienced, full-time musicians who have performed alongside some amazing artists including: Earth Wind Fire, The Doobie Brothers, Nik Kershaw, and 10CC to name just a few.

EPIC is a free gig on Saturday 24 August from 7pm. Tuk Tuk Thai will be open for dinner.

DON'T GO BREAKING HER HEART!

Remember the girl from the duet with Elton John? **Kiki Dee!** Well she's heading to the Ballina RSL for a gig. You may not realise but Kiki and Elton performed another duet in 1993, a cover of Cole Porter's *True Love*, which reached #2 in the UK. Will she ever duet with the flamboyant superstar again? 'Never say never,' she replies. 'I love working with him because as well as being hugely talented he's such a hoot. He's a fascinating person, incredibly loyal, and one of the funniest, most quick-witted people I've ever met.' It was 1976 when their duet topped the charts. She was part of Live Aid; she's performed alongside Marie Osmond, David Essex, and Paul McCartney. This year marks the 50th anniversary of her career as a musician.

So don't break her heart, turn up and see her in the flesh when she performs at the Ballina RSL on Friday. Tickets available www.ballinarsl.com.au or by phone 6681 9500.



RE-IMAGINING WOODSTOCK

SMOKEY FIELDS IS THE ALTER EGO OF MUSICIAN CHRIS MALLORY, AND TO CELEBRATE THE INFAMOUS WOODSTOCK MUSIC FESTIVAL 50 YEARS ON, HE'S GATHERED A HIP GROUP OF LOCAL MUSOS TO PERFORM STRIPPED-BACK ACOUSTIC VERSIONS OF THEIR FAVOURITE WOODSTOCK SONGS. HE SPOKE WITH *THE ECHO* ABOUT THIS MOMENTOUS CONCERT TO COMMEMORATE A MOMENTOUS CONCERT!

You're back from a sojourn at Woodstock, 1969, and getting the band back together for your free love-filled show Woodstock Reimagined here in Byron Shire's Brunswick Picture House. Can you tell us where the concept for the show came from?

After I astrally projected myself back to 1969, Obe Wan Kanobi style, I realised that it wasn't just the mud, drugs, and random nudity that make Woodstock resonate with us in 2019. It's the music (man). So I thought to myself, Smokey, why not get a bunch of like-minded of fellow flash backers to dust off their acoustic instruments and let the songs speak through us. Let the music tell us why it still means something to us. No costumes, no wigs, just our voices and instruments (and a bit of over-the-top flair!).

Who else is on tour with you for your show on Saturday? You have a band of equally Woodstock-esque musicians coming together for this incredible event.

After an exhaustive search in the back alleys of Upper Main Arm I found fellow fake Russian cowboys **Matt Gulliford** (Gully the Kid) and **James Dods** (Jim Bob Dods) to sing magnificent harmonies and wail on their uke and banjo like lost humpback calves. Then the ghost of Joe Cocker himself whispered three names to me in my sleep: **Rebecca Ireland, Aine Tyrrell, and Josh Shelton.**

Is your show at the Brunswick Picture house actually exactly 50 years to the day of the original Woodstock on Yasgur's farm in Bethel, NY, back in 1969?

The 17th of August 2019 coincides exactly with day three of the 1969 festival! There's bound to be some cosmic mojo in the air.

Can you tell us how you picked your way through all that 1969 psych-music epic-ness to decide on your playlist for the night? Was it mostly personal preference, divine intervention, or were the song names brought to you buy an angel who came down from heaven yesterday?

I went to the RSL and invited the punters to throw darts at the original Woodstock setlist. Someone got Richie Havens right in the eye.

Woodstock Re-Imagined: An Acoustic Celebration is at the Brunswick Picture House on Saturday at 7pm. Tix are \$20/25 at brunswickpicturehouse.com.

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Feature

TALKING MUSIC CAREERS

This Friday at **Southern Cross University**, music makers and industry shakers are taking the stage to talk about what it means to have a career in music. With panels running from **9am till 3pm** featuring **Peter Wood**, the executive director for Arts Northern Rivers, **Glenn Wright** from Mullum Music Festival, **Vanessa Tomlinson**, the Professor of New Music at Queensland Conservatorium, director of Brisbane International and Melbourne Women's Jazz Festival, **Lynette Irwin**, and many more. The music industry is full of diversity, with many innovative and creative people carving their niches. One such person is **Kate Stroud**. She's young, fiercely creative, and passionate about music. A maker of music, typography, community, and atmospheres. Bringing people together to celebrate creative endeavours has been the foundation on which Kate Stroud's career has been established. Designing experiences that move and connect with people leaving a lasting impression fuelling the soul is Kate's drive and joy in life. Obsessed with spaces, hand lettering, the power of human connection, pretty settings to be present and gather has led to the birth of Lismore's newest live-music lounge **Dusty Attic**. In this space Kate has collected all her loves and unleashes them upon the world. She will be talking about her passion for bringing people together with music and the challenges of creating a live music venue at the **Music Careers Symposium in Lismore on Friday. It's free. Register at eventbrite.com.**



LAST WEEK OF EXTINCTION

Hannie Rayson, multi-award-winning playwright, weaves her words with wit, intelligence, and a great understanding of the human condition. She is the true dialogue diva! *Extinction* delves deeply into the heart of our moral values, drawing the audience into an emotive story, interwoven with both environmental and social ambiguities.

Playing at **The Drill Hall**; this is the last weekend. Performances **Friday-Sunday at 7.30pm** with **Sunday matinee at 2pm**. Tix \$22/30

SMALL ISLAND

Andrea Levy's Orange Prize-winning novel *Small Island* comes to life in an epic new theatre adaptation. Experience the play in cinemas, filmed live on stage as part of National Theatre Live's 10th birthday. *Small Island* embarks on a journey from Jamaica to Britain, through the Second World War to 1948 - the year the HMT *Empire Windrush* docked at Tilbury, England. The play follows three intricately connected stories. Hortense yearns for a new life away from rural Jamaica, Gilbert dreams of becoming a lawyer, and Queenie longs to escape her Lincolnshire roots. Hope and humanity meet stubborn reality as the play traces the tangled history of Jamaica and the UK. A company of 40 actors takes to the stage of the National Theatre in London in this timely and moving story.

Saturday at the Byron Theatre at 1pm. Tix at byroncentre.com.au

CUCKOO'S NEST

In the movie of *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*, released in 1975, both Louise Fletcher (Nurse Ratched) and Jack Nicholson (Randle P McMurphy) won Academy Awards for their performances.

In **Ballina Players'** production, **John Rado** and **Kasadevi Curtis** re-create the roles, and early rehearsals are showing why these two roles were so good for Fletcher and Nicholson. The film, described as a 'tragicomedy', was only the second to win the five major categories at the 1975 Academy Awards, a feat only followed by *Silence of the Lambs* in 1991, that may never again be achieved. For the movie the actors also witnessed electroconvulsive therapy being performed on a patient to try to achieve the same level of human reaction to these events in the play.

One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest opens at **Ballina Players Theatre, 24 Swift St, Ballina, on 23 August for seven performances, finishing on 1 September**. Tickets are \$25/adult, \$15/child (16 & under), and are available at **Just Funkin Music shop at 124 River St, Ballina, 6686 2440** (a \$2 booking fee applies) or online at www.ballinaplayers.com.au (no booking fee). All shows are at 8pm except for Sundays, which are at 2pm.



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WITH SIX PLANETS IN FIXED SIGNS RENDERING THIS WEEK'S OPINIONS STUBBORNLY UNBUDGEABLE, BLESSED ARE THE FLUID, FLEXIBLE, SUPPLE, AND NEGOTIABLE...

♈ **ARIES:** With your celestial mentor Mars moving into the sign of detail demons, you're an industrious worker, practical and caring, but easily irritated if others aren't performing as you'd like. Yes, small things are important but so is the bigger picture this week. Be mindful how you express critical feedback.

♉ **TAURUS:** While Mars lights a fire in your creative hearth, Uranus begins its five-month backspin in Taurus. How best to reconcile these contradictory energies? One way would be leaving front-of-house activities and getting really stuck into something behind the scenes. Full moon could bring a tangible reward for your efforts over recent months.

♊ **GEMINI:** With Jupiter in full forward power mode make sure you're wearing sensible shoes – retrograde Uranus could spring some unexpected lessons. Focus on education and upskilling is this week's most rewarding exercise, with full moon seeing a group venture fizzle or sizzle, a partnership startup fade or flourish – as always, your choice.

♋ **CANCER:** Full moon's always intense for the Crab clan, and this week's highlights a turning point either towards or away from a commitment. As unpredictable Uranus reverses course for the coming five months, technical or other difficulties may slow plans and necessitate a timeline revamp. Frustrating? On the contrary: it could be a godsend.

♌ **LEO:** With four planets in Leo you'll have a lot to say, but considering this week's bossy boots potential, be careful how you say it to and to whom. Disruptor Uranus throwing a spanner in your long-range plans doesn't mean they're a write-off; more that it's time to attend to your private inner life.

♍ **VIRGO:** Jupiter delivering a fresh wave of inspiration makes this an extremely fruitful cycle for study, higher education, and inner work. This week's full moon encourages individuality in a group, while a dynamic alignment of Mercury and Uranus could stimulate a change of career trajectory and revelations about how to do something differently.

♎ **LIBRA:** Will Uranus heading retrograde in your partnership zone cause disruptions? It can, so if your finances are tied to a co-production, attend to destabilising rifts before any icebergs hit team Libra's *Titanic*. Look for a full-moon epiphany to illuminate ways of renegotiating agreements in the interests of long-term stability.

♏ **SCORPIO:** If you've been proceeding on autopilot or cruise control, this week's full moon could shine enlightening insights into a relationship, real estate, or home situation that would benefit from a total change of approach. And if that means a trip back to the drawing board, the wisdom of hindsight will prove it's worth it.

♐ **SAGITTARIUS:** As Jupiter surges ahead for its final four months in your sign, you can breathe again after recent feelings of being squeezed. And hit the gas on future plans – though be advised unruly Uranus could chuck speed bumps on your path when you least expect it, so include a patience upgrade.

♑ **CAPRICORN:** This week benefits from taking a bird's eye view as an objective observer. Maintaining a practical mindset is your most valuable contribution to the differing, sometimes forceful, opinions of group dynamics. Allow full-moon lunar intensity to expand tunnel vision and spotlight those cobwebs of habitual thinking.

♒ **AQUARIUS:** As Uranus begins a five-month backspin, annual full moon in Aquarius blasts onto late week's celestial stage with eye-opening insights concerning the urgent need to rethink and rejig certain things in la vie Aquirikian. Which first requires some rigorous solo self-examination, then changes to the way you play with others.

♓ **PISCES:** The pliable Piscean mindset comes into its own as you're called to assist this week's overheated citizens. Help them understand the radiant nature underlying illusory appearances. Steer them away from extinguishing the mysterious magic of existence by endlessly talking everything through and trying to make logical sense of it. Thank you.

HIGHWAY TO HALL

FEDROCKS 19 ILLUMINATION IS THE MAJOR FUNDRAISER FOR FEDERAL HALL AT JASPER CORNER. COME AND PARTY IN THE BEST LITTLE HALL IN THE UNIVERSE AND HELP SUPPORT A COMMUNITY WHO LOVE THEIR HALL. ALAN GOLDSTEIN THE PREZ HAD A CHAT WITH THE ECHO.

Why are Federal Hall and the church so important to Federal as a community facility? What happens there?

Located in the centre of the village, both the hall and the old church are in almost daily use throughout the year by the community. The facilities are available to all members of the community, to not-for-profit events, and for commercial hire. The use by commercial users is carefully managed by the venue committee to ensure sufficient community-use availability. Activities range from cooking classes, exercise classes, meditation classes, weddings, ping pong evenings, celebrations, film and food functions, musical events, dance events and instruction, pop-up restaurants, to private weddings, birthday parties, or gatherings of community groups around subjects or activities of community interest.

How do you maintain the facility?

The facility is managed by an elected and volunteer management committee who manage venue booking, maintenance and repair, and all the many activities that are needed to ensure the buildings and grounds are kept in first-class condition for current and future community use. A key role of the committee is to ensure income is sufficient to cover the cost of operating the buildings and grounds.

Why do you need to keep raising money for community infrastructure?

It costs very close to \$20k to operate this facility every year. Costs include insurance, annual maintenance and repair, as well as weekly maintenance. In addition major projects keep popping up, such as the recent total refurbishment of the church building, the landscaping or the recent painting of the hall. Just paid for is the cost of a major sewerage upgrade. Our income comes from venue hiring, donations, grants, and from specific fundraising activities.

Do you get any council support?

We receive no funds from the council as we operate as an independent incorporated association. However, Council and successive mayors are and have always been supportive of our activities and fundraising efforts.

What do you think halls offer a community that is different from pubs or clubs or other venues?

The key point here is that this is a community facility, built by the community, maintained by the community, used by the community... loved by the community. It operates not for profit but for the community... by the community. It is indeed the Heart of Federal.

What is going to be special about this year's fundraiser?

Federal loves music and any opportunity to come together, but also there seems to have been a recent wave of new folk into the Federal area, many of whom are getting involved in community. That is bringing lots more fresh energy and people connections, which are very special and what make this a special place to live. This will be the first BIG dance night in the hall that will bring us all together for a boogie... now that is special.

Why is it called Jasper Corner?

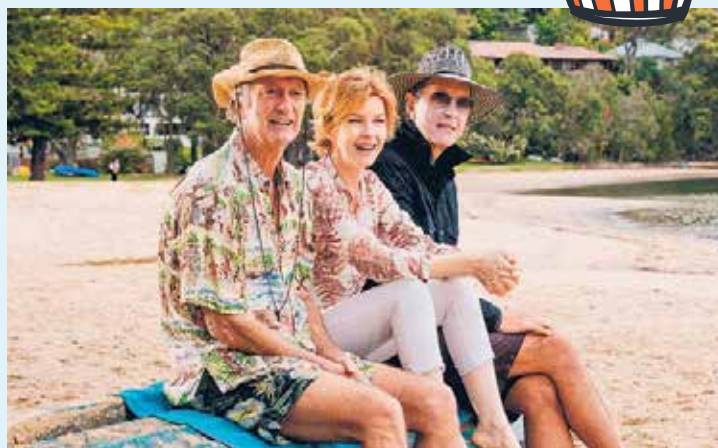
We were looking for a name to draw the two buildings and the space together. Jasper was once a name used in this area to describe the area of the village and some say it even pre-dated Federal; we liked the name. The community agreed.

There'll be a licensed bar and a delicious dinner from our chef Cam, of Forage and Graze fame. Tickets, available at the door, are \$25.

We would love to see you all on Saturday 17 August from 6.30pm for Fedrocks 19, Illumination. All enquiries; phone Alan 6684 9313 or <http://www.jaspercornerfederal.com.au>.

Cinema

PALM BEACH



Produced by Australia's own, Bryan Brown, *Palm Beach* is a movie that addresses the issue of a breakdown of mental health within the baby boomer generation. The movie centres around lifelong friends reuniting in a weekend getaway that was set to go off without a hitch. During his interview with *The Project*, Brown said that after a week-long Christmas holiday in Wales with three other couples, involving lots of fun eating, drinking, and catching up, he realised that the four men (including himself) were all struggling with something. He felt compelled to make *Palm Beach* to shine light on these issues, while making it entertaining at the same time. He adds that the irony of setting it in Palm Beach is that although people may think you're in paradise, you might actually be going through hell. Directed by Rachel Ward, and starring alongside Bryan Brown are Frances Berry, Sam Neil, and Jacqueline McKenzie. Although there is a certain darkness hidden within all the laughter, *Palm Beach* is ultimately a celebration of life and a good Aussie film.

PALACE CINEMAS

Session Times: Thu 15 Aug - Wed 21 Aug

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CAMINO SKIES (PG) NFT Daily except Sun: 10:00AM, 6:15PM Sun: 10:00AM, 5:40PM	ONCE UPON A TIME IN HOLLYWOOD (MA15+) NFT Thu: 10:30AM, 11:45AM, 1:45, 3:00, 3:50, 5:00, 6:15, 7:00, 8:15, 9:00PM Fri, Sat, Mon, Tue: 10:30AM (OCAP Session Tues), 11:45, 1:45, 3:00, 3:50, 5:00, 6:15, 7:15, 8:15, 9:00PM Sun, Wed: 10:30AM, 11:45AM, 1:45, 3:00, 3:50, 5:00, 6:15, 7:15, 8:15PM	THE KEEPER (M) Daily except Sun: 4:00PM Sun: 3:10PM
DANGER CLOSE: THE BATTLE OF LONG TAN (MA15+) NFT Daily except Fri, Sun: 10:30AM, 8:30PM Fri: 10:30AM Sun: 10:00AM, 7:45PM	FAST AND FURIOUS: HOBBS AND SHAW (M) Daily except Sun: 1:00, 9:20PM Sun: 12:15, 7:30PM	THE LION KING 2019 (PG) Daily except Sun, Wed: Sun: 10:10AM, 1:15, 5:40, 7:30PM Wed: 10:40AM, 1:15, 8:00PM
LATE NIGHT (M) NFT Daily except Sun: 11:00AM (BABES session Thu), 3:45, 6:00PM Sun: 10:20AM, 3:00, 5:10PM	PALM BEACH (M) NFT Daily except Sun: 11:00AM, 4:10, 6:20, 8:30PM Sun: 10:15AM, 3:30, 5:40, 7:50	THE WHITE CROW (M) Daily except Sun: 1:15PM Sun: 12:30PM
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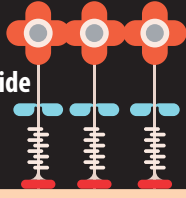
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THURSDAY 15

- HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON BAY, **FRIEND ZONE**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **CARLBURG QUARTET**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 8PM **JOSH LEE HAMILTON**
- BYRON BAY BREWERY 6PM **KARAOKE**
- FRESH, BYRON BAY, 7PM **SLIM PICKENS**
- TREEHOUSE, BYRON BAY, 7PM **OKMATTCOLLINS**
- WOODY'S SURF SHACK, BYRON BAY, UPSTAIRS 9PM **THURSDAY TAKEOVER WITH DJ REFLEX + FRIENDS**
- OCEAN SHORES COUNTRY CLUB 6.30PM **TRIVIA**
- LENNOX HOTEL 9PM **JAM NIGHT**
- BALLINA RSL LEVEL ONE 7.30PM **UKE NIGHT**
- LISMORE WORKERS CLUB, 10.30AM **RODNEY VINCENT & LUCKY STAR**
- DUSTY ATTIC, LISMORE 7PM **JACKUZZI**
- MARY G'S, LISMORE, 6PM **ACID BLEED**
- MURWILLUMBAH SERVICES CLUB 6PM **PHIL GUEST**

- HOTEL BRUNSWICK 7PM **LEMAIRE**
- MIDDLE PUB, MULLUMBIMBY, 7PM **KRAPPYOKEE**
- ST MARTIN'S, MULLUMBIMBY, 7PM **HOUSE OF BLISS KIRTAN, WITH OHAD REIN**
- DRILL HALL THEATRE, MULLUMBIMBY, 7.30PM **EXTINCTION**
- LENNOX HOTEL 10PM **LIVING IN THE 70S**
- BALLINA RSL BOARDWALK 6.30PM **JAMES PALMER, LEVEL ONE 7PM KIKI DEE**
- HOTEL ILLAWONG, EVANS HEAD, 8.30PM **DJ DISCO STATIK**
- THE QUAD, LISMORE, 5PM **DARK SCIENCE**
- LISMORE REGIONAL GALLERY 6PM **EXHIBITIONS OPEN - IDLE WORSHIP & GUNYAH: MELODY POPPLE**
- DUSTY ATTIC, LISMORE 7PM **OKMATTCOLLINS**
- CASINO GOLF CLUB 7.30PM **DISTRACTION DUO**
- NIMBIN HOTEL 7PM **IS MAN KIND**
- MURWILLUMBAH SERVICES CLUB 7.30PM **TOMMY MEMPHIS**

FRIDAY 16

- HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON BAY, **FAIT ACCOMPLI, DICKLORD, VOID, VISAS**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **EPIC**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 5PM **JOHN FOGGON, 9PM PINK ZINC**
- TARGA, BYRON BAY, 6PM **GUY KACHEL**
- TREEHOUSE, BYRON BAY, 7PM **CHRISTIAN PATEY**
- THE SUN, BYRON BAY, 7PM **JOSHUA TREE**
- BANGALOW HOTEL 7PM **SAM BUCKINGHAM**

- RIVERVIEW HOTEL, MURWILLUMBAH, 8PM **THE DIRTY CHANNEL**
- CABARITA BEACH SPORTS CLUB 7.30PM **CHESTER**
- KINGSCLIFF BEACH HOTEL 7PM **LEIGH JAMES**
- KINGSCLIFF BEACH BOWLS 7.30PM **GREGG PETERSON**
- IVORY TAVERN, TWEED HEADS, 8PM **KRAPPYOKEE**
- TWIN TOWNS, TWEED HEADS, THE SHOWROOM 8PM **NEIL DIAMOND SHOW**
- COOLANGATTA HOTEL 8PM **THE POOR AND PALACE OF THE KING**

SATURDAY 17

- HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON BAY, **GOOCH PALMS, SHIVVS & SURF TRASH**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **MICKA SCENE**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 5PM **SCREAMING EAGLES, 9PM RHYTHM & CUTLOOSE**
- BYRON BAY BREWERY 6PM **COCO REPUBLIC**
- BYRON THEATRE 1PM **SMALL ISLAND - NATIONAL THEATRE LIVE SCREENING**
- THE STICKY WICKET BAR, BYRON BAY, UPSTAIRS **NICK CUNNINGHAM**
- THE SUN, BYRON BAY, 6PM **OPEN MIC NIGHT**
- FOXY LUU'S, BYRON BAY, 6PM **ACOUSTIC GYPSY JAZZ WITH BEN JULIAN**
- TREEHOUSE, BYRON BAY, 7PM **PALM WINE AMBASSADORS**
- BANGALOW HOTEL 7PM **BIGGY P**
- JASPER CORNER, FEDERAL, 6.30PM **FEDROCKS 19, ILLUMINATION**
- HOTEL BRUNSWICK 7PM **DAN HANNAFORD DUO**
- BRUNSWICK HEADS PICTURE HOUSE 7PM **WOODSTOCK RE-IMAGINED: AN ACOUSTIC CELEBRATION**
- MULLUMBIMBY COMMUNITY MARKETS **THE ATMOSPHERICS**
- LULUS CAFE, MULLUMBIMBY, 11AM **KINGSLEY JAMES**
- DRILL HALL THEATRE, MULLUMBIMBY, 7.30PM **EXTINCTION**

- WILLIAMS STREET KITCHEN & BAR, LENNOX HEAD, 6.30PM **GUY & ABIA**
- BALLINA RSL BOARDWALK 6PM **NATHAN KAYE**
- HOTEL ILLAWONG, EVANS HEAD, 8.30PM **THE CLOVERS TWO**
- THE QUAD, LISMORE, 5PM **DARK SCIENCE, 6.30PM SHIRE CHOIR**
- LISMORE WORKERS CLUB, 7.30PM **STUNNED MULLET**
- CASINO GOLF CLUB 8PM **PROGRESO**
- MURWILLUMBAH SERVICES CLUB 6PM **SWEET MIXJAH**
- CABARITA BEACH SPORTS CLUB 7.30PM **PINK ZINC**
- CHINDERAH TAVERN 6.30PM **JOCK BARNES**
- KINGSCLIFF BEACH HOTEL 7PM **HEIN COOPER**
- SHEOAK SHACK, FINGAL HEAD, 2PM **MANTLEPEACE**
- TWIN TOWNS, TWEED HEADS, THE SHOWROOM 8PM **KIKI DEE & CARMELO LUGGERI**
- COOLANGATTA HOTEL 9PM **TORI LEVETT WITH SPECIAL GUESTS DIMES & NOTORIOUS CHRIS**

SUNDAY 18

- HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON BAY, **JESSE PUMPHREY**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **SUNSTONE**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 4.30PM **SOUL'D, 8PM TEK IT EASY**

- BYRON THEATRE 2.30PM **FROM SHOCK TO AWE - PREMIERE SCREENING PLUS Q&A**
- THE STICKY WICKET BAR, BYRON BAY, UPSTAIRS **OOZ**
- TREEHOUSE, BYRON BAY, 12PM **SUNDAY SESSION DJ JEZZA J AND FRIENDS**
- BYRON BAY GOLF CLUB 2PM **SUN DAZE LIVE DJ MUSIC ON THE DECK**
- THE SUN, BYRON BAY, 5PM **NATHAN KAYE**
- DOMA, FEDERAL, 12PM **GLENN KELLETT**
- OCEAN SHORES COUNTRY CLUB 1PM **SLIM PICKENS**
- DRILL HALL THEATRE, MULLUMBIMBY, 2PM **EXTINCTION - SPECIAL PERFORMANCE FOLLOWED BY A Q&A WITH HANNIE RAYSON**
- HOTEL BRUNSWICK 4PM **BULLHORN**
- MIDDLE PUB, MULLUMBIMBY, 3PM **THE SWAMP CATS JAM**
- SEVEN MILE, LENNOX HEAD, 3PM **STEPHEN LOVELIGHT**
- CLUB LENNOX 4PM **ISAAC FRANKHAM**
- WILLIAMS STREET KITCHEN & BAR, LENNOX HEAD, 4PM **DJ SET WITH VINYL RICHIE**
- HOTEL ILLAWONG, EVANS HEAD, 3PM **JOCK BARNES**
- ELTHAM HOTEL 1PM **PAINTED CROW**
- RIVERVIEW HOTEL, MURWILLUMBAH, 2.30PM **JOSH LEE HAMILTON**
- KINGSCLIFF BEACH HOTEL 3PM **FERGO**
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WEDNESDAY 21

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SHERYNN CRAWFORD

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BUCKLEY, FRANCIS GEORGE

03.09.1933 ~ 05.08.2019

Loved husband of Dawn (dec). Much loved father of Anne, Mark (dec), Wendy, Susan, Sharon, Mandy, Michelle and their partners. Loved by his eleven grandchildren and one great grandchild. Frank will be sadly missed by all who knew him.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend a funeral to be held at St John's Catholic Church, Mullumbimby on THURSDAY (August 15, 2019) commencing at 10.30am.

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LIFE CELEBRATIONS

SANDESH PASSED PEACEFULLY
Saturday 10 August at home. There will be a memorial celebration Little Wategos, Friday 16th, 3pm. All welcome.

DEAR SHEZZY
We miss all the wonderful times we shared with you and will always cherish these memories. You remain forever in our hearts. All our love Shane & Liz

FUNERAL NOTICES

PHELOUNG, BARRINGTON SOMERS "BARRY"

10.05.1954 ~ 01.08.2019

Passed away peacefully, surrounded by his loving family, late of Billinudgel and High Roading, England. Beloved Husband of Heather. Lovingly devoted Father of Anthony, Daniel, Adel and Timothy. Cherished Uncle and loved by all who knew him.

"Thanks for a lifetime of memories, for your love & kindness, help & encouragement"

Requiem Mass for the repose of Barry's Soul will be celebrated at St John's Catholic Church, Murwillumbah Rd, Mullumbimby, on SATURDAY (August 17, 2019) commencing at 11.00am. After Mass the cortège will leave for Mullumbimby Cemetery.

GUARDIAN FUNERALS
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2005 - 2019



14-years the constant, beloved, loyal, darling companion to Shell, 'Gji' the Basenji was euthanised last Wednesday after a peaceful, gastronomic-delight-filled week in Shell's vet-assisted palliative care, due to an aggressive osteosarcoma. For the last 12-months, 'Gji' worked tirelessly beside Byron Dog Rescue's Shell Dennison, the Rescue & Adoptions officer. 'Gji' met and assessed the temperament and dog sociability-level of the 40+ dogs that Shell rescued and re-homed in that time. Precious angel 'Gji' will be missed by everyone at BDR/CAWI but will live on in the heart of her friend Shell for all time

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Tue 20th August

• Get Your Camera Off Auto

Wed 21st August

• Get Your Camera Off Auto Level 2

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Thu 22nd August

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• Activated Grain Method
• Computer Basics

Fri 23rd August

• Soils - Organic Management

Sat 24th August

• Trees and Perennial Crops - Creating Food Forests
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Sun 25th August

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On The Horizon

DEADLINE NOON FRIDAY

Email copy marked 'On The Horizon' to editor@echo.net.au.

Ocean Shores Art Expo

Awards Night is on Friday 23 August at 7pm at OS Primary School Hall, \$15 entry. An interactive light show, plus entertainment by Del & Raven. The Expo runs Friday 23 till Sun 25 August, 10am-4pm. All art for sale.

Newrybar Hall

The Newrybar Hall is having its annual fundraiser on 24 August. It is a long-bar-inspired cocktail party with food by Friday Hut Dining and cocktails by Brookies Gin with Sinatra-style music by local musician Sebastiaan. Tickets are available via EVENTBRITE or at Luther & Co in the village. **Fathers Day lunch** on 1 September is to raise money for the Australian Seabird Rescue and Cape Byron Marine Rescue. RSVP to info@newrybarhall.com.

Permaculture meetup

Byron Shire Permaculture Group meets the first Wednesday of the month to help reduce our harmful ecological footprint, access fresh food and water, and build resilience through community networks. Meetings are at 7pm at Marvell Hall, Marvell St, Byron Bay. Info: info@permaculture.org.au.

Harry Potter - Coorabell

Harry Potter returns to Coorabell Public School for a Hogwarts-themed fete on Sunday 25 August. From bubble mayhem, Circus Arts and fiery entertainments to fun sideshow games it's all happening at Coorabell School, Mango Lane 11am-4pm.

Daffodil Day

Far north coast and Northern Rivers residents get involved and show your support for those affected by cancer this Daffodil Day Appeal by donate and wear a daffodil pin or receive fresh daffodils.

Donate-a-can dance

Donate much-needed canned food for the Mullum Neighbourhood Centre at the 10-year celebration of the Rock & Roll Cafe on Saturday 31 August from 5 till 11pm. DJs Stephen Allkins, Mr Ha Yes, Abel el' toro, Cinco Cinco Cinco, Milk, and The Italian Chef will be playing an eclectic mix of reggae, soul, funk, disco, and house with a bit of techno later on. Entry is by donating an item of canned food.

Regular As Clockwork

DEADLINE NOON FRIDAY

Please note that, owing to space restrictions, not all entries may be included each week. Email copy marked 'Regular As Clockwork' to editor@echo.net.au.

Neighbourhood Centre

Mullumbimby & District Neighbourhood Centre is open Monday-Thursday 9am-4pm and offers a range of services and activities. Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy art, music, games, great food and more. Call reception on 6684 1286 and discover what is on offer.

Low-cost or free 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. **Free Food Relief Bags** for anyone doing it tough, every Wednesday 10-12noon at The Hub Ocean Shores, cnr Rajah Rd and Bindaree Way. No ID or Concession Card required. NILS referral service also available. Check Facebook page The Hub Baptist Ocean Shores for details.

Muslim prayer

Friday Muslim prayer. Jumu'ah service held weekly at the Cavanbah Centre at 12:30 pm. Come to the remembrance of Allah.

BB Cancer Support

The Byron Bay General Cancer Support Group has been running for four years and welcomes new participants. The aim of the group is to provide a safe, supportive, and friendly environment for people with cancer to discuss how they are feeling and to connect with other people with cancer. For more information contact Ken on 0411 233 755 or David on 0428 187 025 or email: david@davidyoung.com.au or kenconnell46@gmail.com.

Mullum Market

Mullumbimby Community Market is on this Saturday from 8am until 2pm on the cnr of Stuart and Myokum Streets, Mullumbimby. Enjoy the mini record fair, great local crafts, produce, and coffee. The Atmospherics will be playing live. Support your local community market. No dogs.

GCAT

The Green and Clean Awareness Team's monthly Dunecare Day is on Sunday 18 August from 9am till 12 noon. Meet in front of the Beach Cafe at Clarkes Beach. From 12 noon till 1pm enjoy a delicious free barbecue and be in the draw for prizes. Inquiries to Udo 0413 173 786, Veda 6685 7991, or Miles 0403 206 190.

Orchid Society

Byron District Orchid Society will meet on Sunday August 18 at 2pm in the Uniting Church Hall in Brunswick Heads. Check out our mini-show and meet like-minded people and learn more about your orchids.

BVU3A AGM

U3A Brunswick Valley Tuesday Forum 20 August 10am-12, Uniting Church Hall, Fingal St, Brunswick Heads. AGM celebrating 20 years of operation and achievements. Visitors and potential new members most welcome. Ring 6685 1732.

Federal Fun Day

Family Fun Day at Federal Community Children's Centre on 15 September, 10am till 2pm. Jumping castle, live music, kids' fun activities, raffle with fabulous prizes, all to fundraise for the preschool. Info: 6688 4371.

BB Hospital Auxiliary

The monthly meeting of the Byron Bay Hospital Auxiliary to be held at Byron Central Hospital, 54 Ewingsdale Rd, Ewingsdale on Monday 19 August at 1pm. Members are encouraged to attend and new members are very welcome. Enquiries 6685 3162.

40 years for RDA

Riding for the Disabled in Ballina is celebrating its 40th birthday on Sunday 18 August with lots of fun from Xtreme cowgirls to face painting and a horse parade. The fun starts at 10am at the 46ha farm RDA riding centre 377 Houghlahans Ck Rd, Teven, for all the family to enjoy.

Op Shop Super Sale

Mullumbimby Uniting Church Op Shop Super Sale this Saturday. All adult winter clothing \$2, kids' clothing 50 cents. Come in, have a browse, and grab a bargain.

Bush Dance

The Ewingsdale Community Annual Bush Dance is taking place on Saturday 24 August from 5 till 9pm at Ewingsdale Hall. Music is by Thrillbilly Stomp and Pizza by Ill Carretto Pizza.

OS Garden Club

The next meeting of the Ocean Shores & District Garden Club is at 1.30pm on Monday 19 August at The Hub Church next to Target. Speaker will be Pete from the Seabin Project. The Seabin is a floating garbage bin that removes plastics and garbage from oceans and marinas. Phone Claire on 6680 3707 for more info.

Mullum SEED AGM

Mullumbimby's Sustainability Education & Enterprise Development Hub Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday 31 August at 1pm at Mullum Civic Hall. All Mullum SEED members and community members interested in steering the organisation forward are welcome to make a nomination to join the board by 5pm Tuesday 20 August. For more information contact the Mullum SEED coordinator at: admin@mullumseed.org.au.

Byron Sophia

Byron Sophia Philosophical Group: James Cowan book *The Kingdom Trilogy* 3rd volume, will be read by Don Hansen, volunteer from Amitayus Hospice Service, on Thursday 15 August from 1.30 till 3.30pm, at Marvell Hall, 37 Marvell Street, Byron Bay. Info: Celia 6684 3623.

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. **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** meeting held Fridays 2pm. Uniting Church Bangalow - 1300 252 666 www.al-anon.org.au.

End-of-life choices

Voluntary euthanasia options are discussed at quarterly meetings at the Robina Community Centre. Attendees must be Exit members. More information on www.exitinternational.net or phone Elaine 07 5580 8215 or 0421 796 713.

Over-60s fun activities

Seniors Activities **Tuesdays at the Byron Community Centre**, Jonson St, Byron Bay. Elder Beats seniors drumming 10.30-11.30 am with Gareth Jones in the theatre, 11.30 Morning tea in the Cavenbah room, 12.00-1.00 Chair Yoga with Pippy Wardell. **Wednesdays:** Choir with Kim Banffy, 10-11am; Ukelele

Need a home?

No fixed address? Lost your housing in the last 12 months? One Roof Byron is looking for local residents interested in joining a long-term accommodation program in this Shire. Enquiries: call/text Jenny 0422 455 735 9am-4.30pm Mon/Tue/Wed.

Probus Club

The **Hastings Point/Tweed Coast Probus Club** will be on 20 August at 10am at Tricare Retirement Community, 87 Tweed Coast Road, Hastings Point. The speaker, Ingrid Steynberg, was a vet and wildlife carer in Kruger National Park, South Africa. Visitors welcome. Enquiries: Jean 6670 4074.

U3A Ballina/Byron

Maryanne will take us into the world of Tchaikovsky, in her inimitable style, on Tuesday 20 August at 10am, in the RSL meeting room, Mullumbimby. Enquiries 6680 7350.

Mullum Auxiliary

You can donate your Return and Earn recycling dollars to the Mullumbimby Hospital Auxiliary between 26 August and 24 November. Select the option to donate to not-for-profits and select Mullumbimby Hospital Auxiliary. The Mullum Auxiliary raises funds to support the Byron Central Hospital. Also, the Mullumbimby Hospital Auxiliary will be present at the Mullumbimby Markets on Saturday 17 August where they will be holding a garage sale with continuing sales of raffle tickets for Fathers Day.

Sharks and science

Shark management is under discussion on Friday 16 August 12pm at Byron Library. The Department of Primary Industries (DPI) will be presenting the the NSW Shark Management Strategy. The DPI is leading one of the largest shark-research tagging programs in the world and has been testing and trialling new shark-mitigation technologies like drones on beaches. Discover the latest information on shark movement and the latest results of the NSW Government trials. This is a free presentation but bookings are essential on 6685 8540.

Indoor bowlers

Join a happy, local, friendly group of indoor bowlers in Brunswick Heads. New members 50+ are welcome to join us to play on Saturday mornings at Brunswick Heads Community Centre opposite the surf club. Interested? Ring Gerri after 4pm on 6685 1227.

11.30-12.15. Suggested donation of \$10. No bookings, further information seniors@byroncommunitycentre.com. or call 6685 6807. **Fridays at Marvell Hall** play mahjong, canasta, 500 etc and enjoy a cuppa at 1.30-5pm. Marvell Street East, Byron Bay. Enqs: Nancy 0498 480 373

Support after suicide

StandBy provides support to people who have lost someone to suicide. They provide free face-to-face and telephone support and are accessible 24/7. Follow-up contact is available for up to one year. Find out more at: www.standbysupport.com.au or call 13 11 14. If you, or someone you are with, are in need of immediate support please call an ambulance or police on 000.

Breast Cancer Support

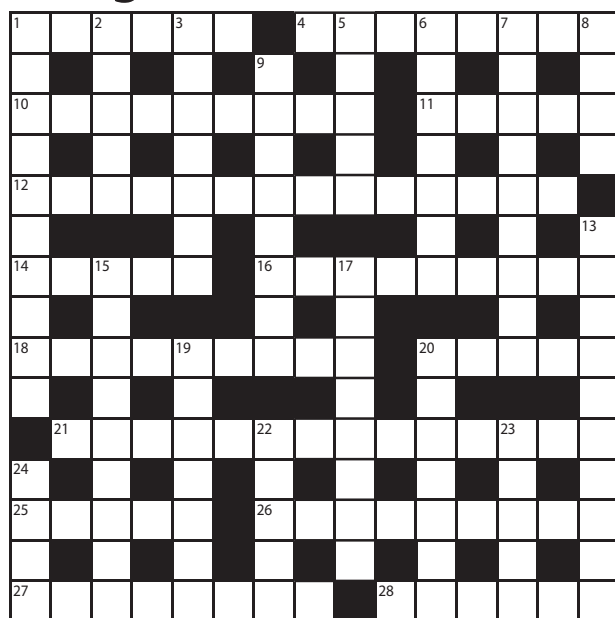
The Breast Cancer Support Group Byron Bay meets at the RSL Services Club in Jonson St, Byron Bay, 12-2pm, every third Wednesday of the month. For information about support for partners and families please call 0431 207 453. More info on Facebook: Breast Cancer Support Group Byron Bay or call 0431 207 453.

PFLAG

PFLAG Northern Rivers supports families and friends of LGBTIQ+ people. Email enquiries@pflag-nr.org, find them on Facebook or call 0467 382 010.

Mungo's Crossword

N298



Cryptic Clues

ACROSS

- Shed hesitation - it's the showman! (6)
- Weird, garish jewellery - sounds ominous (8)
- Trick - a magic one. But he's really up himself (9)
- Gippsland town - a thousand in the place where the witches were burnt (5)
- Two men misled? Be buggered! Ripping the guts out. (14)
- Furious princess and pub turned over (5)
- Ruthless hordes and savagery (4-5)
- Two individuals around the territory copulated, it was suggested (9)
- Serve Gardner, 49 (5)
- Merriment in little homes? More like venues for 12! (14)
- Laugh out loud about - about the pub (5)
- Piano menu mislaid - a serious affliction! (9)
- Continue speaking with a king - a farewell! (8)
- Come, Roman - a wizard hugs a good man (6)

DOWN

- South Pacific staple - harvest of the money tree perhaps (10)
- Marsupials keep time for tubers (5)
- Without weapons - a Thalidomide victim maybe (7)
- Unclean article discarded by Sam (5)
- Comper is top bloke (4,3)
- Popular light main - Caspian perhaps (6,3)
- Plucky, and is often plucked! (4)
- Dictator drowns revolutionary in wine (8)
- Water down mature English tax (10)
- Tablet smashed: howl "banzai!" (6,3)
- Red Sea (French) immerses transcendental Eastern messiah (8)
- Tearfully sentimental - nothing from the French, a thousand raised (7)
- Abashed, a journalist covers fraud (7)
- Leap, queen - she is an aspirant! (5)
- Bone found in foul, nasty pool (5)
- Frantic sale of beers (4)

Quick Clues

ACROSS

- Showman, partner of Bailey (6)
- Sounding like thunder (8)
- Self-obsessed person (9)
- Massachusetts town known for witches' trials (5)
- Evisceration (14)
- Suffering from hydrophobia - usually in dogs (5)
- Severely practical, ruthless (4-5)
- Suggested, implied (9)
- Be of use or value (5)
- Abattoir (14)
- Of the neighbourhood (5)
- Severe disease of the lungs (9)
- Farewell (Japanese) (8)
- Come ye - Latin (6)

DOWN

- Starchy staple, originally from the Pacific (10)
- Origins, also tubers and rhizomes (5)
- Not carrying weapons (7)
- Mother's brother (5)
- Groom's attendant (4,3)
- Large landlocked body of water (6,3)
- Sport, pastime (4)
- Former Chilean dictator (8)
- Pollute, make impure (10)
- Shout to encourage fighting (6,3)
- Messiah, the one who gives back (8)
- Tearfully sentimental (7)
- Remorseful, abashed (7)
- Optimist, one who expects (5)
- Bones in the forearm (5)
- Beers (4)

Last week's solution N297

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Di Grieve wins Byron Bay golf championship



2019 Club Champion Di Grieve (L) with net winner Sue Charles. Photo supplied.

Margaret Pierce

Di Grieve pulled off the trifecta last week by winning the Byron Bay women's golf championship for the third time in a row.

Di went into the final round with a two-stroke lead and held her nerve against a strong challenge from Liesl Roughead to win by just one stroke. Liesl fought hard to the end but just could not head off the leader.

It is the fifth time Di has

been crowned champion, having won in 2009, 2010, and the last three years.

The net winner in division one was Sue Charles.

Division two gross winner was Stella Reakes with Vicki Barnes the net winner, and the third division gross was won by Perri Young with Helen Clarke the net winner.

Maureen Parker, who will celebrate her 88th birthday in October, was runner-up in the division three gross competition.

Red Devils miss finals



The Byron side relaxes with fans after a tough season. Photo supplied.

The Byron Bay Red Devils have narrowly missed out on the rugby league finals for 2019 after finishing in sixth place behind Tweed Heads, who went through on a better for-and-against tally.

Playing at home to the Byron side went down to the Ballina Seagulls 38-16.

The loss meant that Tweed Heads would have gone past them on the competition ladder if they could beat Cudgen. When that game ended in a 24-24 draw, both Tweed and Byron were on equal competition points.

Byron lost the battle for the last finals position as their for-and-against was 13 points behind Tweed.

The Byron side put in a

big effort but didn't have the depth across the park to hold out the minor premiers. Captain/coach Todd Carney was out through injury.

Midway through the first half Byron were in the game trailing 12-6, but Ballina was able to score twice before halftime, and then gave themselves a big buffer, with a try in the first minutes of the second half.

Byron pulled back a couple of tries, playing good attacking football. But they struggled to get their rhythm up with dropped ball and several offside penalties.

All round it was a good day for the visitors, who also won the Ladies Touch 16-0, in the Reserves 68-4 and the U/18s 30-10.

Byron Bay U/15s beat Armidale in Bill Turner Cup



The Byron Bay High School U/15s team has won through to the final 16 of the 2019 Bill Turner Cup. Photo supplied.

Byron Bay U/15 have won their clash with Armidale 2-0 in the Bill Turner knockout competition and will head to Newcastle next week for the quarterfinals.

Despite coming up against an aggressive side that looked to bully Byron, the visitors were able to hold their resolves and capitalise on the ensuing cards that were handed out.

The goal scoring was opened by Hani Addis, who fired in a 'delicious' free kick from 20 metres out, coach Harley Schmidt said.

'The back four of Aaron Spry, Jack Wilson, Lewis Flitney, and Andy Wise were calm and controlled the match for the Byron team.

The skill and control of Jackson Tuckett and Rufus Scott also allowed the Byron forwards to put the Armidale defence on the back foot.

'A second foul by the Armidale defender gave Hani another penalty, this time from 25m on a 45-degree angle, which he again delicately placed in the back of the net,' he said.

Armidale had their chances in the second half, including a penalty kick, but they failed to convert these.

The team travels to Newcastle next Tuesday where they face MacKillop College from Port Macquarie. If they win this they have to back up the next day and play for a place in the final four.

Byron2Bruns adds 5km option



A crowded start line at last year's 10-kilometre Byron2Bruns run/walk. Photo supplied.

Runners taking on the Byron2Bruns Beach Run on August 25 will now have the option of a five-kilometre course as well as the traditional long run from Belongil.

Since 2012 the Byron2Bruns Beach Run has established itself as an annual event that combines fun and competition in a way that makes it an event for all the family.

This fundraiser was launched as a 10-kilometre walk/run from Belongil back to the Surf Club at Brunswick but now runners can choose to do a five-kilometre run starting and finishing at the club house.

'The whole Brunswick

Surf Club gets behind the event and will be out in force on the beach and also back at the club house where there will be coffee, a barbecue, a jumping castle, and a great friendly atmosphere,' organiser Roger Curran said.

'The event is now recognised as one of the best-value fun runs on the calendar and, with an early start and time for an unhurried wind down at the finish, it really offers entrants an inspiring taste of the Brunswick experience,' he said.

Go to byron2bruns-beachrun.com to register, as well as find lots of details and running tips to help you get the most out of the event.

Meinel and Lofts claim open pairs bowls at Brunswick



Jenny Meinel and Jenny Lofts (R) won their first pairs championship last week at Brunswick. Photo supplied.

Jenny Meinel and Jenny Lofts delivered a great comeback game to win the Brunswick Heads Women's Open Pairs Championships last Tuesday.

Under near-perfect bowling conditions in front of an anticipative crowd, including club stalwart of 55 years Sheila Riley, the final game matched up to what had come before it in a terrific series.

The early-morning slower

green obviously favoured the team of Jenny Andrew and Sherril Pearce who earned an 11-5 to lead by mid-morning.

Combined with a quicker green more suited to their game and some excellent weighted shots, Meinel and Lofts took up the gauntlet to steadily fight back and emerge with a well-deserved 18-14 win.

This is the first time Meinel and Lofts have won the Open Pairs.

All Girls Surfriders prize-round romp



Senior Intermediate surfers (L-R): Cally O-Hara, Lou Webster, and Renee Adamson. Photo Natalie Grono.

Crystal Cylinders

The All Girls Surfriders held their annual Hardcore Winter Classic Prize Round at Lennox Beach in a pulsing clean but challenging one-metre waves.

The day was all about wise wave selection, with the outer bank providing some dramatic closeouts but also epic fast rides for those who took the challenge. The inner bank delivered a range of waves rideable for all.

Results:

Junior beginner - Layla

Ross, Josie Morison, Tully Fraser, Sienna Johnson.

Senior beginner - Laura Woolcott, Nat Fraser, Silja Hauser, Colleen Barton.

Junior intermediate - Mia Baker, Poppy Morison, Sasha Oxland, Amelia Walker.

Senior intermediate - Pru Smallhorn, Lou Webster, Sylvie Horau, Cory Whitney.

Wahine masters - Leilani Morgan, Kerene Bienke, Melissa Cook, Nat Edminston.

Opens - Nyxie Ryan, Sarah Morison, Kerene Bienke, Tamika Hudson.

Longboards - Melissa Cook.

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The *Echo* editor is off on long service leave for three months, leaving the very capable Aslan Shand to afflict the comfortable and comfort the afflicted. *Echo* reporter Paul Bibby will be offering fearless analysis of Council meeting shenanigans in the chamber of pain. Fellow reporter Eve Jeffery will also be letters editor, and *The Echo* welcomes Bay FM's Mia Armitage to its scoop.

Those wanting to be informed of what DAs are proposed near you can sign up to www.planningalerts.org.au, a free online DA tracker that uses Council's data. You can even use the service to make your submission. It's one of the free services from OpenAustralia Foundation. Founder and recent Mullum arrival Matthew Landauer says other nationally focused free services include www.theyvoteforyou.org.au and www.righttoknow.org.au.

With the Newrybar Hall turning 120 later this year, management say in the past 12 months there have been new activities and events at the hall for the wider community. To get involved visit www.newrybarhall.com.

Do you have a visitor-focused business near Brunswick Heads? The Bruns Visitor Centre are looking for new member, and say that with around 43,000 walk-in visitors every year, 'the number one question we are asked is "what is there to do while I am here?"' Membership benefits include premium brochure display, website presence, networking opportunities, and more. Contact



Wetlands captured by drone is the focus of Stu Murphy's art latest exhibition *Pause*. It's on display at Byron's Lone Goat Gallery until September 3. The gallery is located at 28 Lawson Street. Photo supplied

Cherie via email marketing@brunswickheads.org.au or telephone 6685 1002 on Tuesdays or Fridays.

The latest billionaire to take a slice of Byron paradise is Dubai-based Syrian Ghasan Aboud, who reputedly paid fellow billionaire Gerry Harvey \$45 million for the Byron at Byron Resort & Spa. When will Byron become like Pitkin County in Aspen, Colorado? The millionaires there were bought out by the billionaires some time ago.

Labor, and of course the Libs/Nats, have refused to enquire about the money laundering and corruption allegations made against Crown Casino. That would clearly disrupt a very large bipartisan business model. Meanwhile www.change.org has a petition to stop the slaughter of wombats in Victoria. The petition reads, 'High-rolling tourists at Crown Casino are being offered the chance to shoot and kill defenceless

wombats at a "luxury" rural property... The lodge is run by a Chinese businessman, who is a Crown Casino partner with alleged crime links.'

Correction: last week, *The Echo* incorrectly named Wayne Armytage as Armitage on the back page. His obit by his family is on page 5.

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