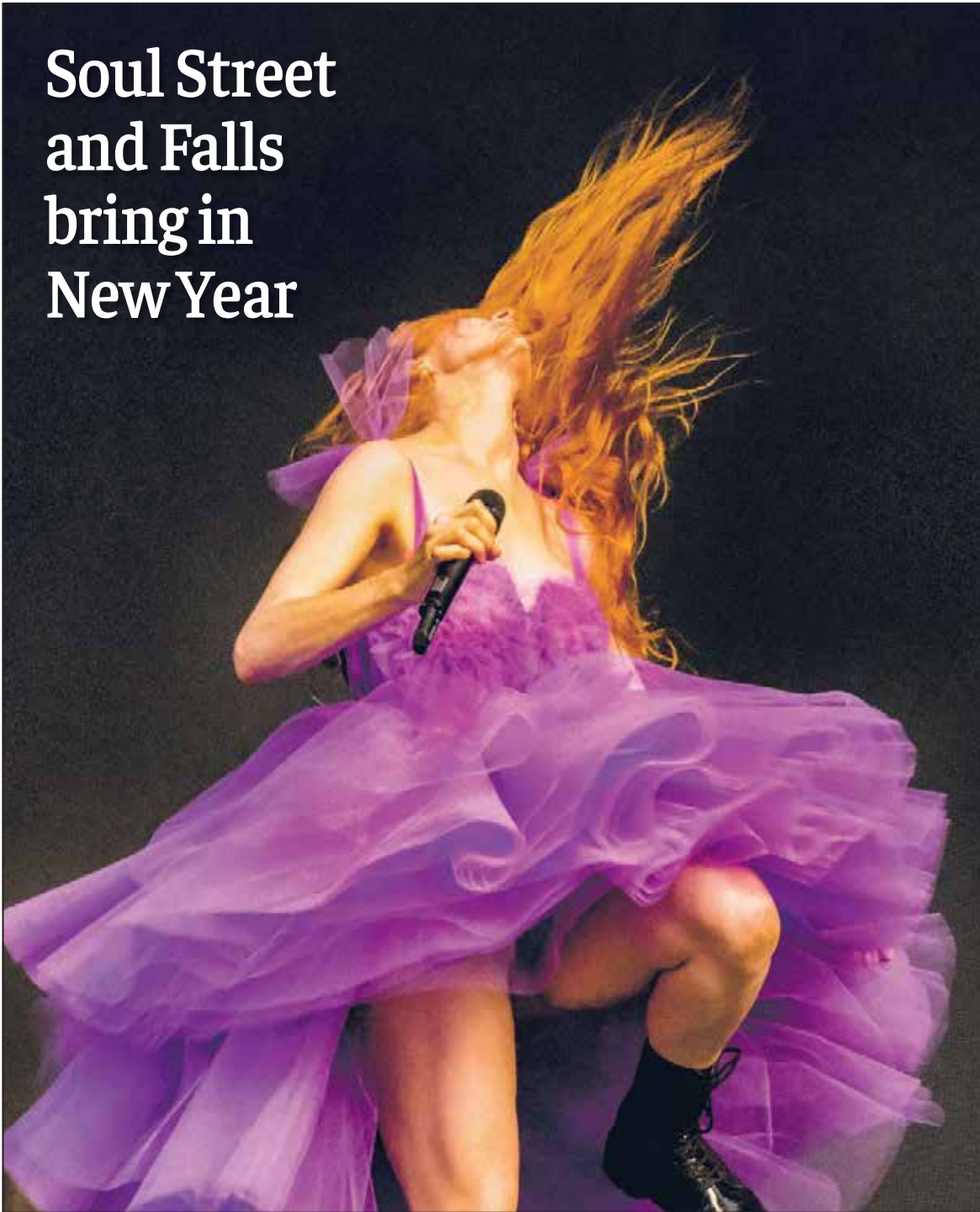


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Soul Street and Falls bring in New Year



With up to 20,000 patrons attending the three-day Falls festival daily, police say they were 'generally pleased with the behaviour of patrons.' And for the first time, NSW Health provided drug amnesty bins at the festival entrance. A police statement said they recorded '50 drug detections and one drug supply offence, predominantly for MDMA.' Cannabis, ketamine, cocaine and LSD were also detected they say. Meanwhile, an estimated 20,000 people celebrated the start of 2020 at Soul Street, on Jonson Street in Byron's CBD. Pictured is Vera Blue, who kicked off New Years Eve at Falls. Photo Jeff Dawson

Water supply critically low

Paul Bibby

Average daily water consumption in Mullumbimby has not fallen at all despite the introduction of water restrictions, Byron Council says.

Council's director of infrastructure services and acting general manager Phil Holloway said the daily water use remained at around 270 litres of water per person per day, even though level four water restrictions have been in place for more than two weeks.

The target for the region is 160 litres per person per day.

'Since November [when water restrictions were introduced] the average water consumption per person in Mullumbimby hasn't really diminished,' Mr Holloway said.

'The water supply into Lavertys Gap [Mullumbimby's water supply] is roughly 0.5 megalitres a day, but water consumption in Mullumbimby is roughly one mega litre a day.'

'That's obviously a pretty dire situation.'

Mr Holloway urged those in the community who were not limiting their water use to start doing so immediately.

'We need to really get out there and educate the community about what we need to do, and to emphasise the importance of doing it,' he said.

'We need to start knocking on doors, perhaps doing a pop-up [stall] in town.'

'We need people to recognise that water is a precious resource.'

He said that Council had activated the Rous emergency water line – a pipe that connects to part of Mullumbimby from the main Rous County Council water supply.

This was currently balancing out the usage in the town, but could not be guaranteed as a long- or even medium-term solution.

'Rous County Council already has responsibility for providing supply to the rest of the Byron Shire along with Lismore, Ballina, and Evans Head,' Mr Holloway said.

'We can't draw on their supply indefinitely.'

'The next step is to introduce level 5 restrictions. Obviously we're not there yet, but if we don't reduce our consumption and we don't get any rain then that will become the option.'

Level 5 : supply limited

Level 5 restrictions are emergency level restrictions, and can involve limiting supply to homes and businesses.

Measures that locals can take to reduce water consumption include making sure your washing machine or dishwasher is full before use, no more than one short shower per day, limiting toilet flushes, turning off or fixing dripping taps, especially before going on holidays, and recycling water as much as possible.

Mr Holloway said Council had not been cruising the streets looking for those breaching water restrictions, but was considering

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Pool improvement plans put forward

Paul Bibby

The Mullumbimby Pool would get solar heating, a hydrotherapy pool, disability access, and a kids' 'splash down' area under a proposal from a local residents' group.

The Mullumbimby Residents' Association (MRA) is hoping to make the pool a more accessible and enjoyable place that is open 12 months of the year as opposed to the existing eight-month season.

The group is lobbying Byron Council, which owns the complex, to apply for state and federal government grants to fund the redevelopment.

The group said in a letter sent to residents and stakeholders: 'The Mullum pool is the only 50-metre pool in the Shire and an important focus for school events and swimmers of all ages.'

The group has also been seeking support and feedback from the local community, setting up at the Mullumbimby Markets with the plans and a petition. It is understood the group has around 700 signatures on paper and online for the project.



Garr's art on show

Natalia Carr has a one-night-only exhibition this Thursday, January 9, from 5 till 8pm at the Byron Bay Gallery. Natalia references everyday icons, which she renders with a touching irony. The gallery is located at 17 Lawson Street, Byron. All welcome. Photo Jeff Dawson

Water restrictions result in slight reduction

Paul Bibby

While water restrictions appear to be having little effect in Mullumbimby (see page 1), it is a slightly rosier picture in the region more broadly.

Figures from Rous County Council show that in the first week that water restrictions were introduced in the

Ballina, Lismore, Richmond Valley, and Byron LGAs (not including Mullumbimby), the community used 33 million litres per day.

This was down 15 per cent from the previous two weeks, where locals used 38 million litres per day.

However, it appears that water use increased again as December went on.

The average for the whole month, up to December 24, was 34.2 million litres per day.

This is slightly higher than the average use for December over the past three years, which was 34.1 million litres.

Rous say they are concerned that daily water use will increase further, owing to the many tourists who come into the region over summer.

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Climate change protest Friday

A protest in Byron's Railway Park is planned this Friday at 10am to call for immediate action in the face of the bushfires that are devastating much of the country.

Their key demands are emergency relief and support for communities affected by fires, improved consultation with and increased funding for the RFS, an immediate pledge to decrease carbon emissions, and forest regeneration and habitat repair.

'This peaceful protest represents an opportunity to show our support for communities affected by the ongoing bushfire crisis and to demand real action on climate change,' the group said in a statement.

A NYE gift for Orly and Jaye



Orly Miller's beautiful baby boy was the first baby born this year at Byron Hospital, with the support of midwife Michelle Pople and Orly's partner Jaye Huxley. Also pictured is super-proud big sister Aluna. Photo Jeff 'Delivered' Dawson

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Mullum's water supply critically low: Council

► Continued from page 1 increasing its compliance activities.

'It's normally an honest system. We haven't got the water police out there.

'But if you see someone who's blatantly breaching the restrictions we

encourage you to report it to Council.'

Byron Council itself has significantly reduced its water consumption and increased its use of recycled water.

'We've increased our recycled water use from one

megalitre to two megalitres,' Mr Holloway said.

'That's being done through using recycled water in our toilet facilities, road works, and irrigation operations.

Of additional concern is the increased use of water by

tourists visiting the Shire.

'People are a bit more relaxed about things like water use when they're on holidays,' Mr Holloway said.

'We need to get the message out there so that people know it's an issue and to be really careful.'

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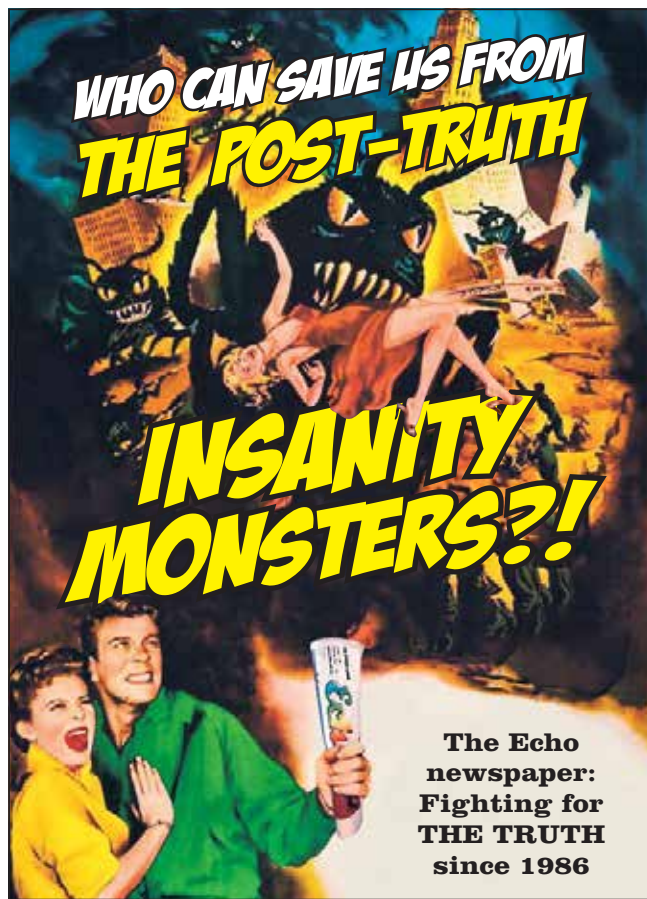
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Festival tents headed for Cobargo

Inspired to help after fires raged through Cobargo on the NSW south coast, youth worker Nicqui Yazdi has assembled a crew to assist impacted residents.

She says she was 'shocked at the extent of the damage to this small community,' after seeing footage posted on social media by former Byron locals Mike and Khilass Nicholas.

'Realising that there would be lots of tents discarded from the Falls Festival, I contacted [co-organiser] Brandon Saul and asked could we potentially go in and collect tents and other camping items. Of course he said yes.'

She says, 'I then started to put a crew of volunteers together to do some sort of collection.'

Yazdi says Brandon connected her with Grace, one of the Falls workers, and they set a plan in motion, which included recruiting volunteers to sort and load tents onto a truck.

'Grace organised for alerts to be sent to camping patrons at the Falls Festival, via SMS and through social



Volunteers from BUDDI, the Schoolies HUB, the Community Centre and YWAM (Youth With a Mission) with Nicqui Yazdi and the Mullumbimby Removals crew. Photo Jeff 'In Tents' Dawson

media and their own message boards, asking patrons that if they would like to donate any of their tents, and sleeping and camping goods, to pack them up nicely and take them to the campground marshals in their areas as they were leaving.

'I contacted a few people I knew who had trucks and someone suggested calling Mullumbimby Removals, and in just one quick call it all

came together perfectly.

'Adam from Mullumbimby Removals told me that they already had a truck headed for Cobargo, due to be there early next week, and that we would have to pack it on Friday.

Perfect timing

'It was perfect timing for the end of the Falls Festival and the camping pack-down.

'When the loaded truck from Mullumbimby Removals leaves the depot, the drivers won't know what they are headed into, as these fires down south are a long way from over.

'But their planned destination at the moment is the Cobargo Showgrounds, made infamous last week when the PM visited there on Thursday and no-one wanted to shake his hand'.

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Police chase ends in drug bust

A man and a woman will appear before court after allegedly ramming a police car on New Years Day.

After reports of a stolen Mazda 6 sedan in Lismore, it is alleged the driver of the vehicle failed to pay for fuel at a Brunswick Heads petrol station on January 1 and was involved in two separate police pursuits near Alstonville.

Police say, 'The second pursuit was terminated after a police car was allegedly rammed, causing it to come to rest'.

After the car eventually hit a tree at McLeans Ridges the pair fled by foot but were later found and arrested.

Police say cannabis, tablets and ammunition were seized.

Cube changes hands



After ten years curating the Cube art space in the Byron Council's front office in Mullum, Dev Lengel is passing the baton to artist Hannah Massey. To mark the occasion, Dev and Hannah collaborated on a topical sculptural work which draws a link between open-cut mining and potholes. Photo Jeff 'Fossil Fooled Since 1986' Dawson

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Misner plans for a \$11m new abode

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cinema, gym, sauna, massage room, butler's pantry, billiards room, infinity pool, and eight bathrooms.

A separate music recording studio features a billiards room, gym, pool, two live rooms, an isolation room,

control room, media room, office, and two-bedroom accommodation

How sustainable is it? According to the BASIX (Building Sustainability Index) report, the development exceeds the water

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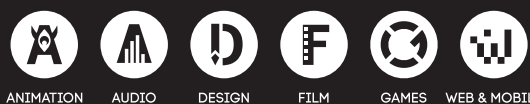
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MAKE A SUBMISSION

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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Byron Shire Council resolved (19-582) at its 28 November 2019 meeting to place 'Draft Policy 5.52 Commercial Activities on Coastal & Riparian Crown Reserves' on public exhibition for a period of 28 days for the making of public submissions.

The draft Policy is available for viewing on Council's website at www.byron.nsw.gov.au/public-exhibition

Submissions open: 11 December 2019

Submissions close: 13 January 2020

Enquiries: Leasing Coordinator 02 6626 7300

For information on lodging a submission, and where to address it, refer to the "Make a Submission" section within Council's advertising.

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In accordance with Section 154 of the *Roads Act 1993* interested parties are invited to make submissions about this proposal within 28 days.

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

Submissions open: 18 December 2019

Submissions close: 20 January 2020

Enquiries: Paula Telford Leasing Coordinator 02 6626 7300

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PANEL MEMBERSHIP: HERITAGE ADVISORY PANEL REQUESTING COMMUNITY MEMBERSHIP

Council is currently calling for nominations for community members to sit on the Heritage Advisory Panel.

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All applications for nomination must be submitted on an approved nomination form. Nomination forms and the Committee's Constitution are available on Council's website www.byron.nsw.gov.au/Public-Notice or contact Council to make alternate arrangements for acquiring a nomination form.

Nominations close: 5 February 2020

Enquiries: Noreen Scott 02 6626 7062 or council@byron.nsw.gov.au

DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL

Byron Shire Council is the consent authority for this Development Application for Designated Development.

Exhibition / Submissions close – 10 February 2020 (4pm)

DA / Parcel No.	Applicant	Property Description	Proposal
10.2019.643.1, PR2560	Newton Denny Chapelle	11 Brownell Drive BYRON BAY NSW 2481 (Lot 6 DP 251131)	Demolition of Existing Dwelling House and Construction of Dual Occupancy (Attached) and Two (2) Swimming Pools

The abovementioned development application has been lodged with Byron Shire Council. The proposed development is designated development. The development application and the documents accompanying the application including the Environmental Impact Statement are to be exhibited from 10 January 2020 to 10 February 2020 (submission period) and may be inspected at:

- Via the online Kiosk located within Byron Shire Council offices, Station St, Mullumbimby between the hours of 9.00am and 4.00pm Monday to Friday (public holidays excluded) or on Council's website (www.byron.nsw.gov.au/PublicExhibition), and
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- the Department of Planning & Environment, located at 22-33 Bridge Street, Sydney, Monday to Friday (public holidays excluded). Contact phone number (02) 9228 6333 or fax number (02) 9228 6555 or Level 3, 49 Victoria Street, Grafton, phone number (02) 6641 6600 or fax number (02) 6641 6601

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DA / Parcel No.	Applicant	Property Description (Amended)	Proposal
10.2019.630.1 PR2540, PR2550	Kaisa Pty Ltd	7 Brownell Drive Byron Bay (Lot 4 DP 112343) 9 Brownell Drive Byron Bay (Lot 5 DP 112343)	Demolition of Two (2) Dwelling Houses and Construction of Dual Occupancy

Enquiries: Jordan Vickers ph: 02 6626 7313

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Any person during the abovementioned submission period may make written submissions to Council concerning the development application. If a submission is made by way of objection, the grounds of objection must be specified in the submission.

Please quote the abovementioned development application number and parcel number(s) when making a submission. The submission must be received by 4.00pm on the final day of the submission period.

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PUBLIC EXHIBITION OF DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

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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 Councils 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 CLOSING 15 JANUARY 2020

10.2019.610.1 – Eureka, 18 Taylors Road (Lot 50 DP 1099747) Byron Bay Planning & Property Consultants, Use of Alterations and Additions to Existing Dwelling House

10.2019.560.1 – Byron Bay, 3/75 Bangalow Road (Lot 3 SP 86774) Ardill Payne & Partners, Stage 1: Use of Alterations and Additions to Existing Dwelling House Stage 2: Alterations and Additions to Existing Dwelling House and Swimming Pool

10.2019.611.1 – Suffolk Park, 43/31 Hayters Drive (Lot 4 DP 271003) Mr B G Gray, Use of Sauna

10.2019.619.1 – Main Arm, 963 Main Arm Road (Lot 1 DP 1079219) Planning Sustainable Solutions, Multiple Occupancy consisting of Twelve (12) Dwelling Sites, Community Facility and Associated Works

10.2019.609.1 – Byron Bay, 10 Banksia Drive (Lot 1 DP 814604) Ingen Consulting Pty Ltd, Change of Use to Establish Place of Public Worship and Alterations and Additions

10.2019.625.1 – Byron Bay, 3/7 Lawson Street (Lot 3 SP 58526) Mr J Hill, Change of Use from Shop to Food and Drink Premises

10.2019.444.1 – New Brighton, 37 Byron Street (Lot 3 DP 869207) Ms K Radmacher, Dwelling House and Swimming Pool

EXHIBITION CLOSING 22 JANUARY 2020

10.2019.631.1 – Coorabell, 15 James View Court (Lot 7 DP 803290) Ms D Wolff-Chambers C/-Balanced Systems Planning Consultants, Tourist and Visitor Accommodation comprising of Six (6) One Bedroom Cabins, Ancillary Community Building and Associated Earthworks, Landscaping and Vegetation Management

10.2019.581.1 – Suffolk Park, 3 Clifford Street (Lot 11 DP 1121015) Ardill Payne & Partners, Change of Use of Shop 6 to a Recreation Facility (Indoor)

10.2019.629.1 – Mullumbimby, 12 Murwillumbah Road (Lot 2 DP 567268) Newton Denny Chapelle, Stage 1: Alterations and Additions to Existing Dwelling House and Strata Title Subdivision into 3 Lots including 2 Vacant Lots, and Stage 2: Multi Dwelling Housing Comprising the Existing Dwelling and 2 New Dwellings

10.2019.613.1 – Byron Bay, 17 Banksia Drive (Lot 43 DP 249402) Balanced Systems Planning Consultants, Fifteen (15) Light Industrial Units, Two (2) Food and Drink Premises, Ancillary Dwelling and Associated Demolition, Tree Removal and Earthworks

10.2019.637.1 – Federal, 642 Binna Burra Road (Lot 1 DP 785298) Matt Walker Town Planning, Conversion of Existing Unauthorised Secondary Dwelling to Eco-Tourist Cabin and Use of Unauthorised Alterations and Additions to Existing Dwelling House

10.2019.656.1 – Mullumbimby, 23 Casuarina Street (Lot 2 DP 242794) Mr P J Wood, Use of Garage Converted to Bedroom and Construction of Carport

10.2019.641.1 – Byron Bay, 23 Jonson Street (Lot 1 DP 713659) Betty's Burgers Australia Pty Ltd, Change of Use to Restaurant

10.2017.474.3 – Mullumbimby, 70 & 88 Station Street (Lot 1+2 DP 1227659, Lot 10 DP 850902) Agcorp Constructions, S4.55 for Additional On-Site Car Parking

10.2019.161.1 – Bangalow, 23 Lismore Road (Lot A DP 376877) Lismore Venture Pty Ltd, Multi Dwelling Housing Comprising Fifteen (15) Dwellings

EXHIBITION CLOSING 29 JANUARY 2020

10.2019.616.1 – Byron Bay, 137 Jonson Street, 139 Jonson Street, 3 Browning Street (Lot 21 DP 247289, Lot 5 Sec 51 DP 758207, Lot 60 DP 1256365) Mr M Scott, Demolition of Existing Buildings and Construction of Mixed Use Development

EXHIBITION CLOSING 8 FEBRUARY 2020

10.2019.643.1 – Byron Bay, 11 Brownell Drive (Lot 6 DP 251131) Newton Denny Chapelle, Demolition of Existing Dwelling House and Construction of Dual Occupancy (Attached) and Two (2) Swimming Pools

COMPLYING DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATES ISSUED

SECTION 4.31 EP&A ACT 1979 AND CLAUSE 137 EP&A REGULATIONS 2000

The following complying development certificates may be inspected free of charge at Council's Customer Service Counter, Station Street, Mullumbimby during normal office hours 8.30am to 4.30pm weekdays, excluding public holidays.

The validity of these certificates cannot be questioned in any legal proceeding except those commenced in the Land & Environment Court by any person within 3 months of this notice.

16.2019.114.1 – SUFFOLK PARK 5 Orchid Place (Lot 12 DP 811498) Awning

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

- 10.2019.606.1 – BYRON BAY, 3/13 Acacia Street** Change of Use to Light Industry (Laundry)
- 10.2019.514.1 – MYOCUM, 120 Lagoon Drive** Secondary Dwelling
- 10.2019.398.1 – MULLUMBIMBY, 7 Laverly Court** Dwelling House
- 10.2019.291.1 – BYRON BAY, 6 Wollongbar Street** Eight (8) Self Storage Units
- 10.2019.523.1 – SOUTH GOLDEN BEACH, 26 Gloria Street** Demolition of Existing Dwelling House, and a New Dwelling House
- 10.2019.347.1 – BANGALOW, 53 Granuaille Road** Dwelling House
- 10.2019.472.1 – BYRON BAY, 23 Hamiltons Lane** Demolition of Existing Dwelling House and Construction of New Dwelling House
- 10.2018.307.1 – GOONENGERRY, 300 Mafeking Road** Alterations and Additions to Existing Dwelling, New Artist Studio and Boundary Adjustment
- 10.2019.361.1 – MULLUMBIMBY, 131 Dalley Street** Secondary Dwelling
- 10.2019.432.1 – BYRON BAY, 49 Paterson Street** Alterations and Additions to Existing Dwelling House
- 10.2019.169.1 – TYAGARAH, 19 Grays Lane** Electricity Generating Station – 5 Megawatt Solar Farm
- 5.1997.540.2 – COORABELL, 221 Coolamon Scenic Drive** S4.55 to Delete Condition F6
- 10.2019.190.3 – BYRON BAY 1/118 Lighthouse Road** S4.55 to Modify Fence and Condition 4
- 10.2019.53.2 – SUFFOLK PARK, 14 Macgregor Street** S4.55 To Modify Condition 5
- 10.2012.233.3 – OCEAN SHORES, 5 Inderwong Avenue** S4.55 for Modification to Approved Subdivision Boundaries
- 10.2019.121.2 – BANGALOW, 51 Granuaille Road** S4.55 to reduce Size of Second Storey and reconfigure Ground Floor
- 10.2016.237.2 – BINNA BURRA, 1141 Friday Hut Road** S4.55 to Modify Conditions 25 and 27
- 10.2017.28.2 – SUFFOLK PARK, 12 Macgregor Street** S4.55 to Modify Front Fence Design
- 10.2019.252.2 – SUFFOLK PARK, 42 Brandon Street** S4.55 to Change Material of Fence
- 10.2018.497.2 – MULLUMBIMBY, 11 Parakeet Place** S4.55 for Design Modifications
- 10.2014.491.3 – MULLUMBIMBY, 20 Dalley Street** S4.55 To Reduce Deck Size and Add Ensuite
- 10.2017.101.4 – BYRON BAY, 88-94 Centennial Circuit** S4.55 to modify condition 33 to permit issue if interim occupation certificate and delete condition 14(k)
- 10.2017.628.3 – BYRON BAY, 2 Gallagher Street and 28 Parkes Avenue** S4.55 to Modify Condition 32A regarding Public Art
- 10.2018.501.3 – SUFFOLK PARK, 169-171 Broken Head Road** S4.55 to Delete Condition 8 regarding Subdivision Completion
- 10.2017.477.2 – MULLUMBIMBY, 25 Manns Road** S4.55 to Modify Conditions of Consent for the Temporary Use of Site for Monthly Markets
- 10.2018.556.2 – SUFFOLK PARK, 16/31 Hayters Drive** S4.55 to Stage Development in Three (3) Stages with Minor Design Modifications
- 10.2017.402.4 – MULLUMBIMBY, 77 Tuckeroo Avenue and 22 Cockatoo Crescent** S4.55 for Modification of development consent to dedicate Lot 130 to Council as a Public Reserve, and amend Stormwater Design, Bushfire Asset Protection Zones and provide Habitat connectivity between Management Zones 7b and 9

DEFERRED APPROVAL APPLICATIONS

- 10.2019.213.1 – MYOCUM, 1350 Coolamon Scenic Drive** Use of Existing Building as a Dwelling to Create a Dual Occupancy (Detached) and Associated works
- 10.2019.222.1 – SUFFOLK PARK, 180 Broken Head Road** Use of Unauthorised Secondary dwelling and Alterations and Additions to Dwelling House
- 10.2019.470.1 – SUFFOLK PARK, 15 Mango Bark Court** Use of Secondary Dwelling, Tree Removal Four (4) Trees and New Driveway Crossover

Local News

Church aims to expand

C3 Church Byron Bay have lodged a development application (DA) which, if approved, would see a major expansion of its place of worship.

Located at 10 Banksia Drive in the Arts and Industry Estate, the \$385,000

proposal would move into the existing workshop of Byron Prestige Motors.

Submissions for DA 10.2019.609.1 close on January 15.

For more information, or to make a submission, visit www.byron.nsw.gov.au.

Disruptive women and the Country Witches Association

On Sunday, some of the new members of the Country Witches Association met for a Sunday swim to raise money for the Women's Resource Centre.

The Boobs and Bubbles social event featured a topless swim at Torakina and is the creative coupling of musician Aine Tyrrell and comedian Mandy Nolan.

Nolan says it grew out of an offhand remark, that with all the fundraising they did, they were like an aberrant version of the CWA, except more like the Country Witches Association.

She says, 'It stuck!' 'The girls put on a show and a group of like-minded women have started gathering around them – ready for action'.

'We aren't making fun of the actual CWA – we think they're amazing – we just made a joke and it became a thing!'

Nolan says, 'We intend to present shows, have conversations and gatherings by disruptive noisy women'.

Photoshopped boobs

'The boobs-out swim was a quiet feminist action celebrating the diversity of who we are.'

'The only boobs people see are photoshopped

or have been surgically augmented.

'It's important for women, particularly young women, to see real breasts – they're as unique as the women who own them!'

Two upcoming gigs

'The Country Witches Association presents two shows with Gretel Killeen: on February 1 at the Byron Brew House at the Byron Brewery and a Speak UP performance workshop to give a voice to your rage on Sunday February 2.'

More information on the events is available on mandynolan.com.au.



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How good is it to lose democracy?

'I am not a big fan of the word hope, I am a big fan of the word determination. Being determined is a moral position, when you are depending on the word hope, you are lazy'
Ece Temelkuran



Turkish journalist and author Ece Temelkuran knows how quickly and easily a society can collapse into tyranny from democracy.

It all unfolded around 2016 from a failed coup attempt against Turkish president Erdoğan, which led to mass incarceration of tens of thousands of military personnel, academics, and judges.

As one of the most read journalists in Turkey (she has 2.7m Twitter followers), her new book *How to Lose a Country: The 7 Steps from Democracy to Dictatorship* is described as a 'field guide to spotting the insidious patterns and mechanisms of the populist wave sweeping the globe.'

They are: 1) Create a movement; 2) Disrupt rationale/terrorise language; 3) Remove the shame: immorality is 'hot' in the post-truth world; 4) Dismantle judicial and political mechanisms; 5) Design your own citizen; 6) Let them laugh at the horror; and 7) Build your own country.

On the positive side, the checklist that makes Australia, or indeed any Western nation, a highly educated and wealthy successful country includes a constitution, the rule of law, separation of religion and government, a free and independent press, free speech, and transparency/oversight of government operations.

It's a challenge to explain how important these essential democratic foundations are, let alone defend them in the age of populism.

Temelkuran describes populism as the 'act of politicising and mobilising ignorance to the point of political and moral insanity.'

She told Vikas Shah Mbe in a September 2019 interview, available at www.thoughteconomics.com: 'It's not about the maturity of your democracy, it's not about the strength of your institutions either... [populists] have this very specific way of paralysing political mechanisms and dismantling the fundamentals [of] human logic.'

It's perhaps worth considering in the context of the ongoing drought and fire catastrophe. Fires of this magnitude will impact on the nation's food supply for example, not to mention the immense loss of biodiversity. Vladimir Lenin said, 'Every society is three meals away from chaos.' How good is our food and energy security?

Sure, the bumbling incompetence of populist politicians such as the prime minister are an embarrassment and are sending the nation backwards, yet in his populist mind he is immune to shame (point three of *How to Lose a Country*).

'Hard times create strong men,' wrote G Michael Hopf.

'Strong men create good times. Good times create weak men. And, weak men create hard times.' Clearly we are in hard times with weak leaders. At least good times are on the way, right?

Hans Lovejoy, editor

Quiet voters urged to celebrate while the joint burns

For the last three months the headlines have been dominated by bushfires, and the grim prospect is that this will continue for at least another three months to come.

Unprecedented, obviously – to all but the deliberately perverse. The latest line from the deniers and refuseniks is that sure, the bushfires are less than desirable, but hey, we've always had bushfires and we always will.

We can rely on no greater authority than Dorothea Mackellar, who has now been resurrected as a climate scientist – she called Australia a sunburnt country of droughts and flooding rains, so just suck it up, cupcakes.

And her droughts (forget about the flooding rains for the moment) were worse than our droughts – they led to more fires, more damage, more loss of life. Why, the Victorian Black Saturday holocaust of 1939 killed 71 people and burnt some 2 million hectares.

Then, even our Queen, sheltered safely in her fastnesses on the other side of the world, sent a telegram of commiseration – a courtesy she had not extended at the time of writing. So this time we have got out relatively lightly – some deaths to date, although far less than the scores that were feared, and lots of destruction, but even that, not on the scale the pessimists predicted.

We should be relieved and grateful. Well, sure, and we are. But the comparison is utterly misleading.

Communications, technology and fire fighting innovations have changed a bit over the last 80 years. We have been forced to become both faster and more efficient in our responses, and it's this, not some irrational claim that the fires have somehow become less severe, that has saved us from worse losses.

In fact, the fires have become longer, hotter, more widespread and far more regular – just as the scientists have always told us they would.

However, after bitter experience we have become more prepared. The internet, for all its drawbacks, has proved an unparalleled method of issuing instant and near-universal warnings of danger, the need to get ready for the worst and evacuate when necessary.

And our irreplaceable ABC has been constantly on the job, updating information, and providing succour and advice.

Fire fighting remains a mix of professionals and volunteers, but both teams are now far better trained and resourced than they used to be. Water bombing,

once considered a rare, expensive and often risky last resort, is now, if not quite routine, certainly a normal and effective part of the job.

Co-operation between all tiers of government – federal, state and local – has been vastly improved.

And, somewhat belatedly and reluctantly, the armed forces have become involved in logistics at least, if not on the front line.

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Mungo MacCallum



Obviously we are neither fireproof nor foolproof, and probably will never become either. But as the disasters increase – as they will – we are holding back the worst of the onslaught.

The problem remains that we will have to keep doing better, year after dreadful year. It's not a solution – it's a palliative, one which may offer some comfort, but will not heal the afflictions, let alone offer hope that they might be alleviated altogether.

The best Scott Morrison and his climate sceptics can offer is a form of stoicism – last week we were repeatedly adjured to remain calm and steadfast, to look after each other and trust the authorities – meaning, basically, him.

And, of course, pray for rain – the flooding rains, the drumming of the army Mackellar remembered.

But, as events have shown, that drumming is becoming far more of an exception than a rule. Drought is pretty much the norm in large parts of Australia, and while there will be areas which will escape – and even prosper – as a result of climate change, vast tracts on which we relied for providing our food, for local consumption and for export, are going to be all but unviable.

The government's solution, as demanded by the beleaguered Nationals, is to try and buy itself out of trouble – more compensation, more subsidies.

And obviously the farmers and graziers, having been assured for a couple of centuries that successive governments would look after them, have every right to expect help. But they would also like

something like a plan, some hope that somewhere, somehow, someone is in charge and, if not ready with a silver bullet, can at least show an ability to find his arse with both hands.

Which brings us back to the tin-eared ScoMo. Having returned from his family sojourn in Hawaii, the prime minister urged his quiet voters to celebrate, to fling themselves into new year festivities with mammoth fireworks displays, even in places where a total fire ban had been imposed on ordinary mortals.

Business as usual – pyrotechnics have proved to be hugely profitable, especially for those in Sydney.

Even the NSW National leader, John Barilaro, found that a touch crass and insensitive, but Morrison was unfazed – we mustn't become depressed just because our homes are burning and our friends being killed. So watching a couple of tonnes of cordite explode on television is just the fillip needed.

And then, back to the real fire front – not that the exhausted fire fighters and their potential victims had ever left it. And they are unlikely to be assuaged by another distraction emanating from those determined to play down the ongoing catastrophe.

This is the sudden realisation that some of the fires were probably deliberately lit – arsonists may have been involved.

And a few may have been, although most flare ups are more likely to have been caused by badly extinguished camp fires, lightning strikes, electrical faults, even tossers who still throw their lighted cigarettes out of car windows.

And anyway, it hardly matters – they still have to be put out. But the implication is that the fires, like everything else that goes wrong in the best country in the world, can be blamed on greenie lefty latte sippers intent on – well, what?

Elevating the great climate change conspiracy to a new height of evil?

Very likely – after all, they are the ones who oppose massive burning off in the increasingly rare intervals when nature is not doing it for them.

Presumably this is yet another escalation of the culture wars, a ramping up from the identity politics of the lunar right in which ideology – their ideology – will always be more important than science, logic and common sense.

And of course, it provides a few more headline anti-Green diatribes for the Murdoch media. And that, perhaps, is the most important thing of all.

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Praise be

Apparently Nero fiddled while Rome burned.

What instrument has our illustrious coal-loving leader ScoMo been playing while Australia has been burning; or has he just been singing a hymn?

Martin Bail
Federal

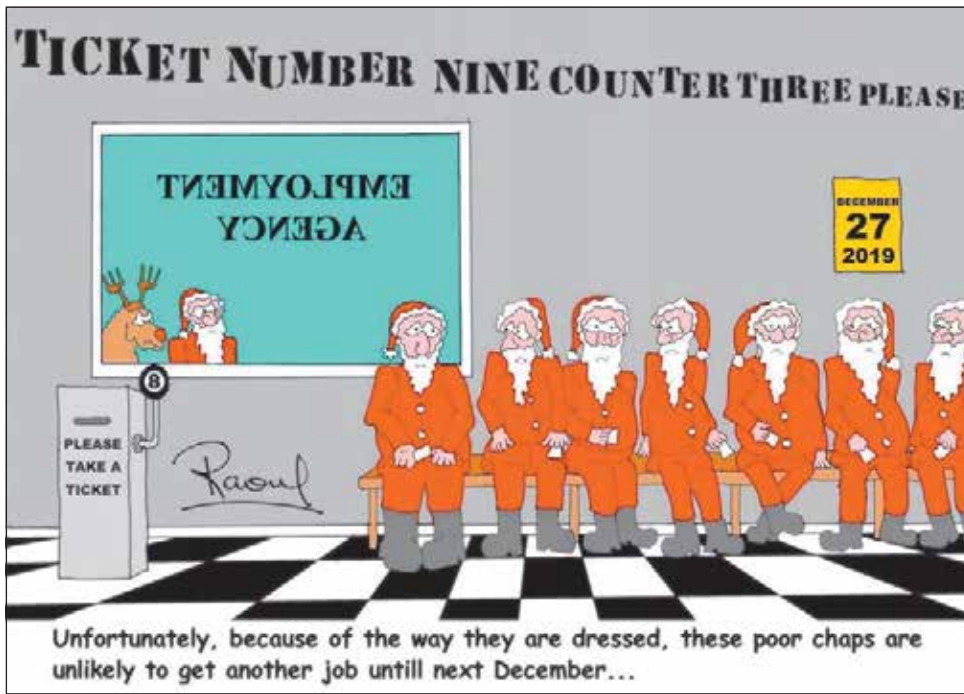
Lost pleasures

There are no 'Simple Pleasures' for local residents and ratepayers in Brunswick Heads and surrounds – including native flora and fauna.

The once-regular sightings of dolphins, turtles, goannas, fish diversity, and even echidnas have been usurped by noisy, smelly boats, and hordes of people who are ignorant at best, or, with a 'don't give a stuff attitude' at worst. They are entering and trampling areas of sensitive habitat, often with dogs (eg cordoned off areas for endangered nesting birds).

Our recent encounter with a 'Bondi Cigar' (human poo) floating in Simpsons Creek near the footbridge was the latest affront.

Council, Reflections, local businesses and National Parks NSW can argue all they like about finances and responsibilities, but it's time for urgent, constructive



dialogue so sensible solutions can be enacted ('drastic measures') before Brunswick Heads is permanently ruined.

In terms of options, paid parking may need to come back on the agenda as the summer months, school holidays, and weekends are unbearable, especially with the enormous influx of day trippers.

Ariane Minc and Wu Wong
Ocean Shores

Mellow out Ms Kitty

In last week's *Echo* I read the interview with the hilarious Kitty Flanagan. To my mind Australia's best comedians

are female. With such laughable luminaries as Kitty, Mandy Nolan, Hannah Gadsby, and Judith Lucy, I don't understand why the male comedians get all the TV hosting jobs.

To get to my point, Kitty was quoted as saying she has just published a book on rules, and her most important bathroom rule of all was FPC – Flush, Pause, Check. Leave nothing behind.

It seems Kitty has moved to this Shire and it is important that city people must adjust their way of thinking in regards to water consumption. People who live in the

country have a water-wise mantra – 'if it's yellow, let it mellow, if it's brown, flush it down'. Sure it smells a bit, but every time you don't flush, you save litres of water.

In Mullumbimby we are on Level 4 water restrictions. I hate to think what happens if we get to Level 5. Maybe we won't be able to flush our toilets at all. Perhaps we will be told to plant lemon trees in the back yard and water them with our piss. Lemons like that sort of thing.

Magenta Appel-Pye
Mullumbimby

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Hands-on help needed after devastating fires

Aslan Shand

It is devastating to see your work of 18 years destroyed in less than ten minutes. But for local Bart Vanarey, who lives in Byron Bay, the destruction of his and his partner's 600 acres 30km outside of Tabulam at Pretty Gully in early December by fire is the least of their worries. More important is the devastation that has been wrought on their farming neighbours and local community and what they can do to help.



What is left of the tractor in the machinery shed after the fire raged through the property in early December.

'One of my immediate neighbours lost her house. She is in her 70s and she and her daughter had to run across the paddock while it was raining embers to escape the fire that took her home. Two of the other neighbours' houses were saved through the efforts of the local fire brigade and the RFS,' explained Bart.

On the Thursday they had been told that there was a fire in the area but that it was not that bad. By 12.30pm on Friday locals were fighting for their houses and lives.

'I rang Jason, one of my neighbours, who is also in charge of the local RFS on the Friday. He took my call

but had to tell me that they had lost our property. He told me that everything was gone and not to come up. Then as he was hanging up I could hear them all yelling that they needed to get everyone in the truck and get out of there.'

Between 13 and 15 houses were lost in the local farming community and thousands and thousands of acres have been burnt out leaving farmers reliant on hand feeding their animals.

'I got up there on the Sunday and the shed and caravan we stay in, the machinery shed, everything that we needed there to reforest the property was gone,' said Bart, who is obviously

devastated by the loss.

'My initial concern was for my neighbours. I rallied some friends together and we raised \$35,000 to buy feed for neighbours' cattle. We were able to purchase 60 tonnes of hay that has been driven up from Victoria. My neighbours were blown away to feel that someone cares about them.

'The hay has given them breathing space hopefully till mid-February so that they have time to get back on their feet.'

Need helping hands

While with preparation the farmers were able to save most of their stock the majority of fences were

destroyed by fire. They are currently having to keep their livestock in small paddocks that still have some basic fencing. Blazeaid is helping to supply the materials they need to get their basic fencing back in place but they need hands on deck to help them get the work done.

'They need help to build their main fences as we just don't have the workforce to get the work done,' said Bart.

'We need some able-bodied people who can come to our aid. We need some people who can spare from four days to a week to help with fencing work to get the perimeters of the properties fences' done.'

Bart says they can supply tents, mattresses, some camp-oven cooking, and company for anyone who thinks they might have the time to spare.

While Bart says he will also get back to reforesting their property, helping get his neighbours back on their feet is his priority at the moment.

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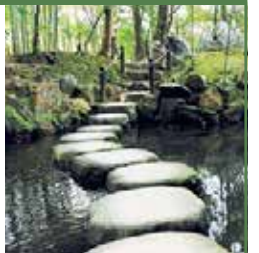
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CHESS by Ian Rogers

The latest world rankings see Magnus Carlsen streets ahead of his two main rivals, Fabiano Caruana and Ding Liren, yet the World Champion starts 2020 being seriously disgruntled at being overlooked in the Norwegian Sports Awards.

Carlsen was not nominated for 'Name of the Year', a title he won in 2014 and for which he was a nominee in 2018 after a modest year.

It has become clear that Carlsen's omission for the 2019 award is purely political: punishment for Carlsen's role in lobbying for the national chess federation to accept a major sponsorship deal from gambling interests.

When the NCF declined to accept the money, which would oblige it to lobby government to allow private betting companies into Norway, Carlsen paid membership fees for a massive new chess club he created in an attempt to rig the NCF vote.

The effort failed and Carlsen subsequently resigned from the NCF, although he continues to represent Norway.

Carlsen's pro-gambling efforts generated an enormous backlash in Norway, especially by the major sporting bodies, and his snubbing at the awards is the consequence.

Yet Carlsen, apparently in a bubble of adulation from fans, his team and other players, seems oblivious to the negative image he created in 2019. While insisting, 'This is not so important to me,' he lashed out at the nomination committee, saying, 'When they make choices that are one of two things, either political or inept, they deserve to hear it. It's not my job to say, but I thought that it was so obvious that I deserved it.'

After a successful post-HSC month on the European circuit, Anton Smirnov is also far ahead as Australian number one on the January list, and also topped the 2600 level for the first time.

Three players are vying for second place, with Temur Kuybokarov expected to move ahead of Bobby Cheng and Zhao Zong Yuan after the ongoing Australian Championship in Sydney concludes.

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Jan Barham's article *Will Byron Shire Achieve an Ecologically Sustainable Future?* (24 December, 2019) needs to be compulsory reading for all who wonder how and why Byron Shire might be seen as 'uniquely different'; particularly against the background of current world-wide crises. It is all about a broad vision and local action.

For the newcomers, it's a pen-sketch of where we've been. For the rest of us, it's a reminder of the critical milestones along the path we have trod and the fact that there is no end to that road.

Jan writes lucidly about the concept of ecologically sustainable development (ESD) and, most importantly, reminds us that ESD is 'very much a YES statement'.

Jan explains best practice strategic planning, speaks to us of the community activism that drove many of [our past] achievements, and of the visionary policies and strategies which emerged. Jan also addresses the inevitable disappointments and road blocks we encountered on the way. Ultimately it's a timely reminder of not only why ESD should be part of the future but why it should always be embedded in our strategic planning and our thinking!

The only element missing from the article (not surprisingly) is about the massive amount of energy and achievements which Jan brought to her role as both a local and state representative.

At a time when there is no shortage of psychopaths and charlatans masquerading as community leaders, it's timely to be reminded of the debt that we owe some very special individuals.

Hugh Ermacora
Byron Bay

Sprung!

On Sunday night at the Drill Hall, I saw the other side of *The Echo* editor. No longer will he be the hard-nosed iconoclast ripping into councils or other collective fools.

For ever, etched into my mind, will be the mild mannered, gentle double bass

player. Not only is he note perfect, but he shows a wonderful sense of harmony.

The two other musicians were excellent, as they would need to be. Unlike so many others, the drummer was hardly noticeable, but he would be missed if he was not there. The keyboard player/singer matched the other two, but I think she would contribute more to their sound had she been able to play on a traditional piano.

Oh, their support – Mandy Nolan, and guests, were not bad either!

John Davies
Mullumbimby

Racism deleted (PS)

I have discovered that the Mullumbytes Facebook group has 11,652 members and is moderated by one white man (admin). There is another moderator listed who, I believe, is the same person!

I posted the letter published in *The Echo*, (December 24) on the Mullumbytes page. Despite many positive comments and discussions around the topic, admin deleted it, four times, over as many days.

Admin has muted anyone he disagrees with (he muted me for a week).

Mullumbytes purports to be a community page, but I am left frustrated with the way one individual wields so much power. We are a mostly white population here and while there is surface support for First Nations culture there are also murky depths of racism, white supremacy and bigotry that emerge when anyone talks about racism, injustice and rights for First Nations people; and the voices speaking out against that should be heard.

Vashti Easton Wright
Byron Bay

Taking a swipe

In response to Tim Harrington's letter (January 1), taking a swipe at Phillip Frazer's *FU* article (18 December, 2019). After some deep breathing and lots of chamomile tea, here's my take on the inaccuracies you expressed.

On matters that have escaped Mr Harrington's peripheral vision; the

reason Mr Frazer was perplexed as to why voters chose Slomo, is simply because he is an educated journo with a professional approach and a capability for deep, analytical, political commentary.

Regarding Hillary Clinton losing the election – she won the popular vote by three million. And Hell the British people were prepared to vote for Boris Johnson for a swift BREXIT outcome.

As for Bill (Shorten) the media indisputably staged an anti-Bill campaign from the word go.

'It's not terribly smart to claim the mass media and politicians are biased towards the bosses' – so says Mr Harrington. To claim that the media is controlled by the far Left; well I do hope I live to be 157 to see that.

The Murdoch press devours most of our media and *Fairfax* media that he 'assumes' is independent, merged with *Channel 9* last year. The *Fairfax* name is soon to be ditched.

In late 2017 the federal government changed long-standing laws to remove restrictions that prevented mass media monopoly ie owning TV, radio and newspapers. The Feds also abolished the 'reach rule' which prevented a single TV broadcaster reaching more than 75 per cent of the population. So much for the leftie media having any power.

To claim that our beloved *ABC* tells people how to think and what to think – man I wish that were true. If it was, then we would have a far more educated and enlightened voting populace. Praise the Goddess for the *ABC* and *The Echo* I say.

Last, but not least (where's the chamomile tea trolley?), you expect the 'lefties' to solve the burgeoning tourist traffic issues, why not blame them for the black holes in the cosmos? Speaking of black holes in our roads, please grow up, there are many more important issues to concern yourself with. Slow down, drive around them, and as we are in a climate emergency, there won't be that much rain any more, so there will be fewer potholes. Welcome to the Apocalypse...

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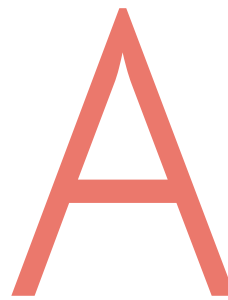
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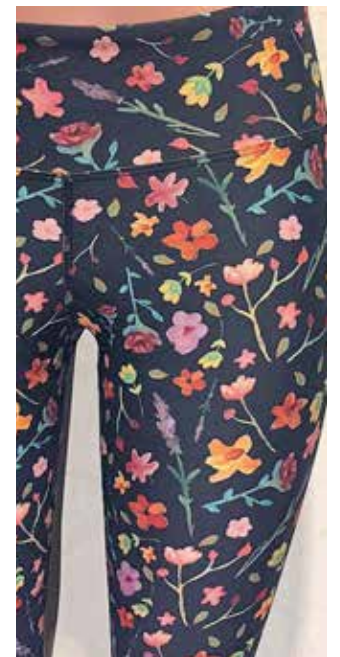
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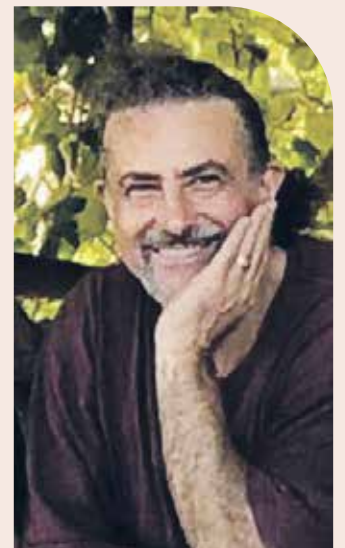
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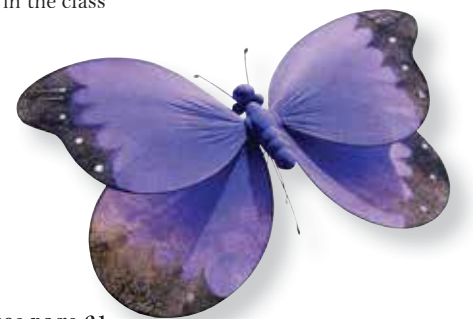
Natural wellness workshops in Byron Bay

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For workshop dates, times and booking info please see page 21.



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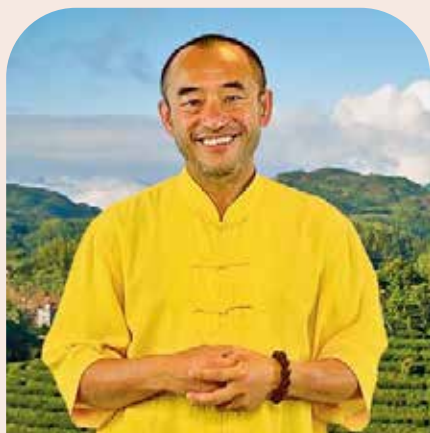
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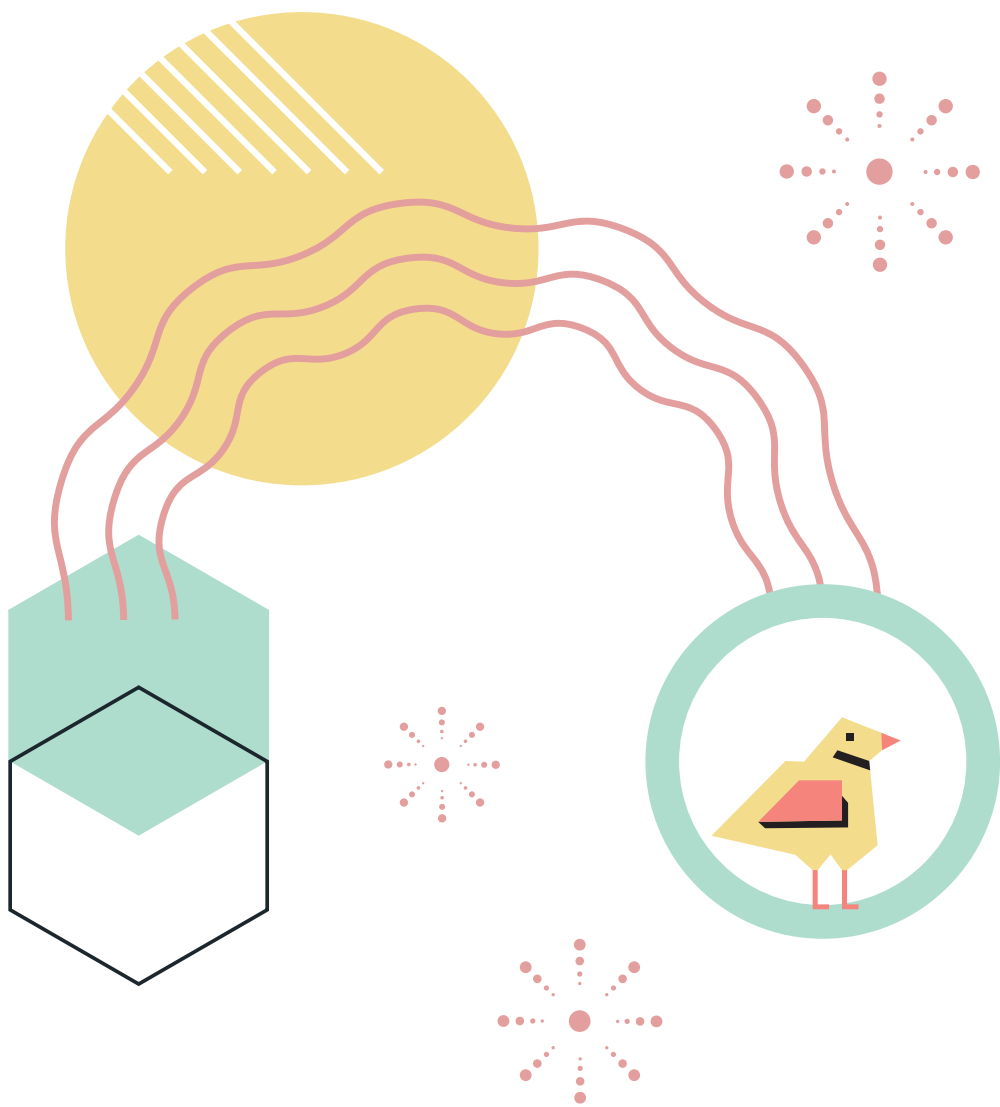
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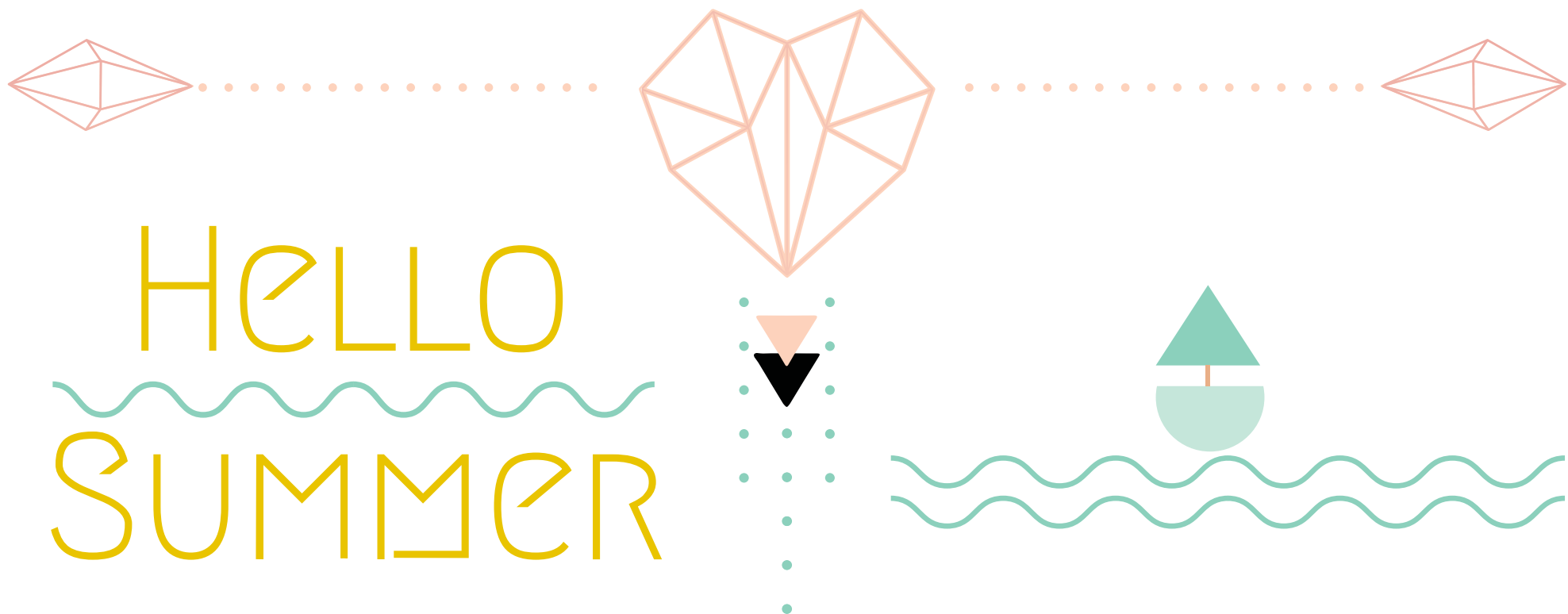
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Natural Wellness Workshops in Byron Bay

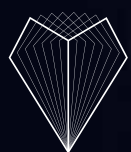
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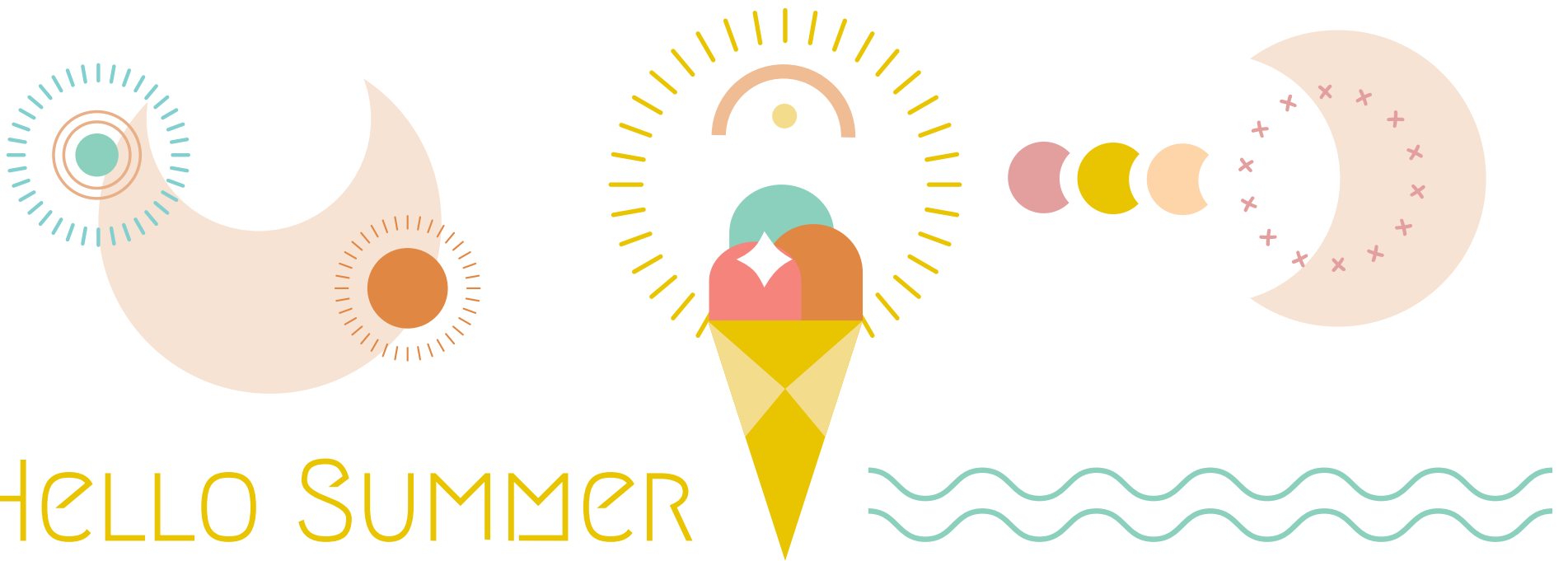
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School Holiday Activities

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Wednesday 8 January 10.30am till 12pm
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Free Kids' Disco

Friday 10 January 4.30pm till 6pm
On the Boardwalk

Free Reptile and Dingo Show

Tuesday 14 January 10.30am till 11.30am

Free Cooking and Craft

Wednesday 15 January 10.30am till 12pm

Bop It with Bonzo Show

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Free Kids Bingo

Wednesday 22 January from 10am

Australia Day Free Kids' Fishing Comp

Register from 10am
Last Weigh-in 3pm at RSL Club
Open to kids 4-16 years
Prizes for 4-9 years & 10-16 years
PLUS Random Draw Prizes
Underage children must be accompanied by an adult to all children's events

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Summer at Bruns News

This summer pop into Bruns News in Brunswick Heads for locally made products and cards. They have a great range of Indigenous artwork, boomerangs, woomeras, stones and Didgeridoos made locally and authenticated. Ranging from very modest prices up to larger spectacular paintings, these items make superb gifts.

Locally made jewellery from the Mermaid Collective and Merchants of Venus showcase some of the unique talents from the Shire.

Their great variety of cards from Marion Liddle and Moonface Maddy offer gorgeous local views that you can share with friends and family.

Lots of other interesting stuff such as Panama hats, quality bluetooth speakers and 3D postcards, placemats, jigsaws, and drink bottles all emblazoned with 'Brunswick Heads'. Bruns News and Emporium is more than just a newsagent.

Park Street, Brunswick Heads

ALL ABOUT KIDS



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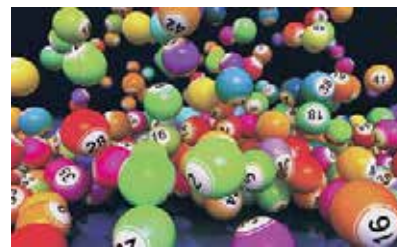
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Monday 13 January 6pm - 9pm



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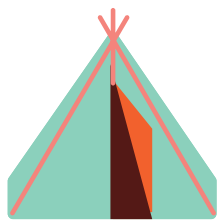


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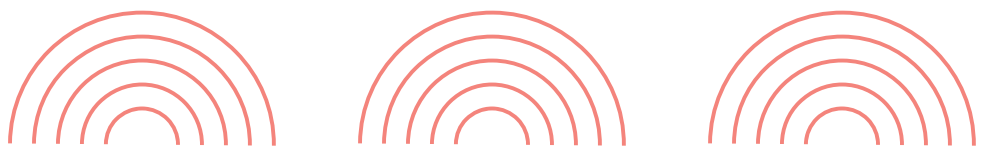
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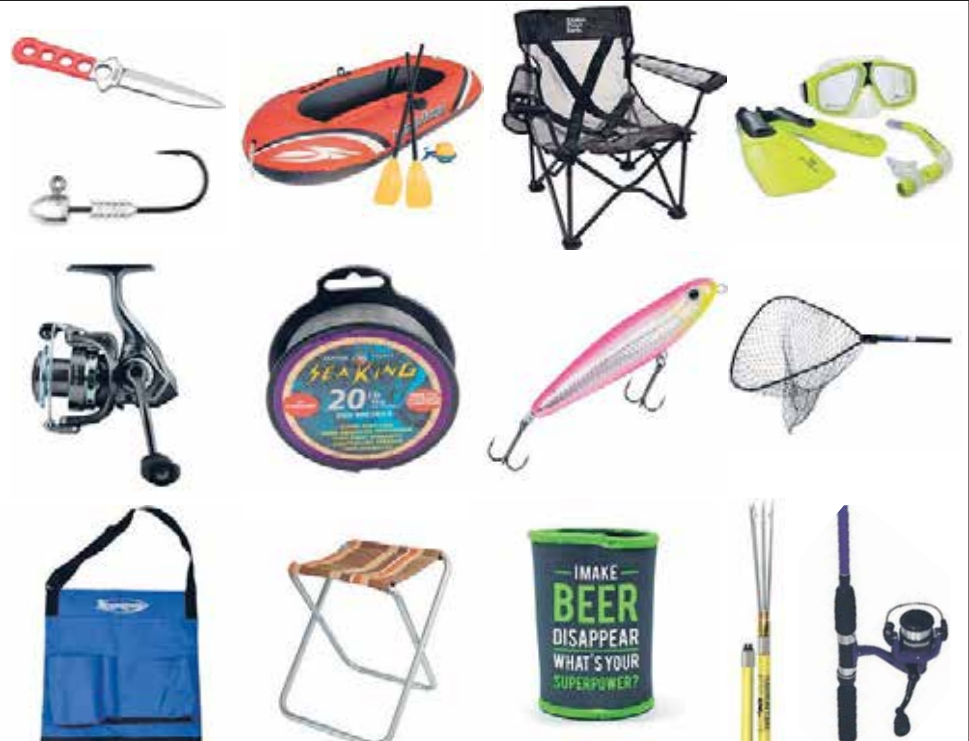


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The Arts Yard

The Arts Yard offers an eclectic blend of creative spaces for hire nestled amongst bustling creativity from surrounding professional artist studios. In its midst is Illumin8 Gallery showcasing the work by The Arts Yard creatives; Owner Gabriel Rosati, Arterium Creations, Wood & Grain, Alioness, and Emily Becher Jewellery.

The Arts Yard has an environmentally considered design powered by solar and constructed using mostly recycled materials creating a space overflowing with rustic charm. The indoor/outdoor workshop area available for hire provides a haven for creative education and healing workshops with picturesque views overlooking the lush permaculture gardens, Byron Creek, and beautiful Bangalow farmland.

Other spaces available for hire include Illumin8 Gallery for exhibitions and opening events, Sorce Studios for photography and sound recording, and Fairy Folk's light-filled pagoda perfect for hosting children's birthday parties.

Illumin8 Gallery is open Thursday–Saturday 10am–4pm.

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Lismore Regional Art Gallery

Join in the arty fun at Lismore Regional Gallery in Lismore's Creative hub these summer holidays!

Hang out in the cool of the gallery, bring a picnic to share in the Quad, or grab a cool drink at the Slate Gallery Café.

They have lots of great activities for kids and families this summer including their monthly Peggy Popart Tours (Sun 12 Jan), a watercolour and ink portrait workshop for young people with Beki Davies (Sat 11 Jan), and their Friday Funday: art tours, art activities and eye spy games (Fri 3, 10, 17, 24 Jan 2020).

**Check their website: lismoregallery.org
and Lismore Regional Gallery Facebook
for details on all of their upcoming events.**

Kids Take Over at HOTA

HOTA's Kids Take Over school holiday program returns this January, with an action-packed mini-fest where kids can get creative, be messy, and be entertained.

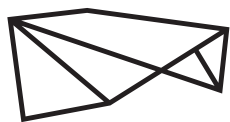
HOTA CEO Criena Gehrke said kids and their adults will love what's on offer.

'Our Kids Take Over program is one of the best yet, jam-packed with a mix of free and low-cost performances and activities that will keep your little creatives entertained this summer.'

A highlight is Laser Beak Man, from the mind of Australian artist Tim Sharp, part pop concert and part puppet show, at HOTA from January 16 till 18.

And prior to Kids Take Over, two of New York's greatest clowns, Acrobuffos, will wow audiences from January 10 till 11 with Air Play, which has captivated audiences worldwide with their magical circus-style adventure bringing to life the very air you breathe.

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The Macadamia Castle Turns 45!

The Macadamia Castle turns 45 this Saturday 11 January and they are having a huge party to celebrate. Party-goers are encouraged to join them for this milestone on Friday 10 and Saturday 11 January from 9am till 4pm. There will be a huge waterslide, roaming keepers with animals, watermelon, zooper doopers, and face painting and all their regular attractions including the free-flight bird show, Nocturnal Theatre, reptile show, and farmyard animal feeding. Don't forget to pack swimmers and sunscreen. Two free slides with entry or purchase an unlimited ride pass for \$10.

There are also limited places available in their full-day school-holiday workshops. Keeper for a Day, Wildlife Guardians, Creature Keepers (for children with a disability), and their new Critter Capture photography workshop are filling up fast.

Go online or call 6687 8432 to book.

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Bruns Bush School

If you are looking for some wholesome summer fun for the kids, Bruns Bush School has it covered these holidays. They are running two programs starting on 6 January running right through till school starts: their regular holiday program for children aged 6-12 years and their new program called the Wild Wallabies for children aged 3-5 years. They spend the whole day outdoors in nature exploring, creating, connecting, learning, and sharing.

These holidays they have a number of new activities: sling shots, bows and arrows, death traps and snares, fishing, and survival kits plus many of their all-time favourites like canoeing, water blasters, and knots and shelters.

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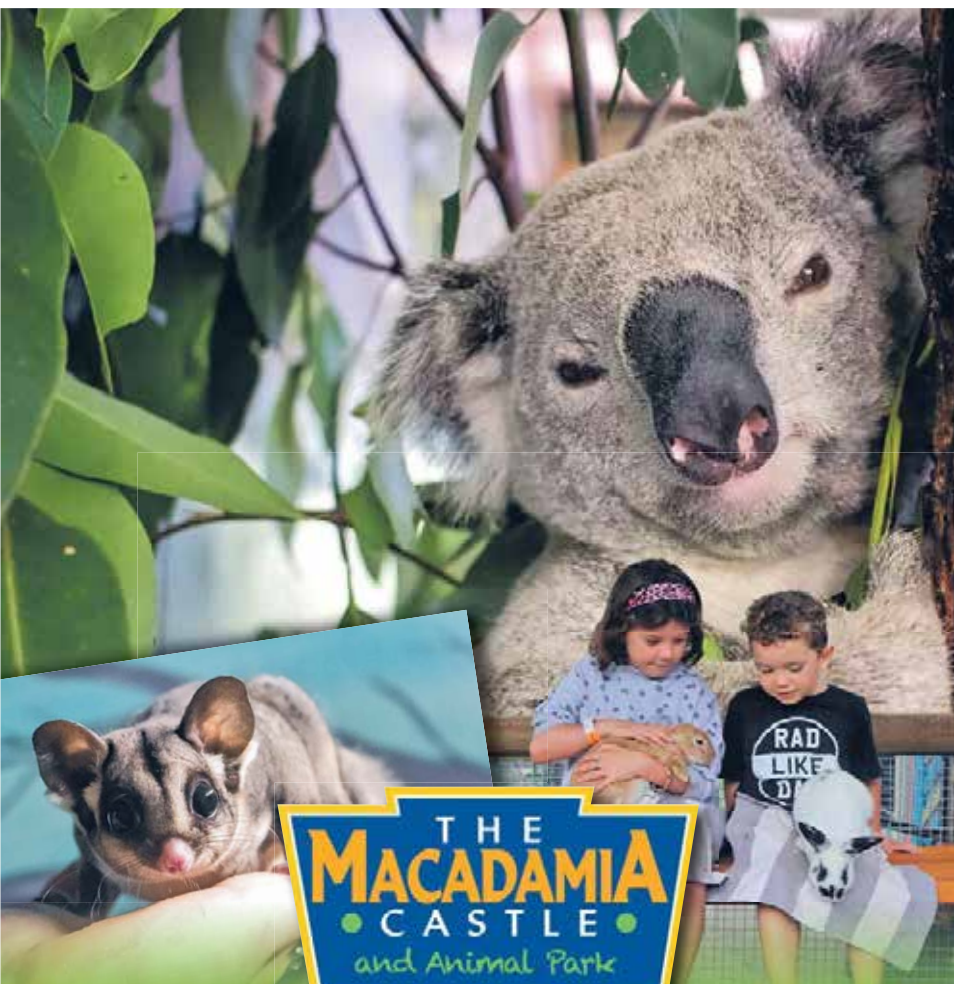


Theatre/Family

16-18 Jan
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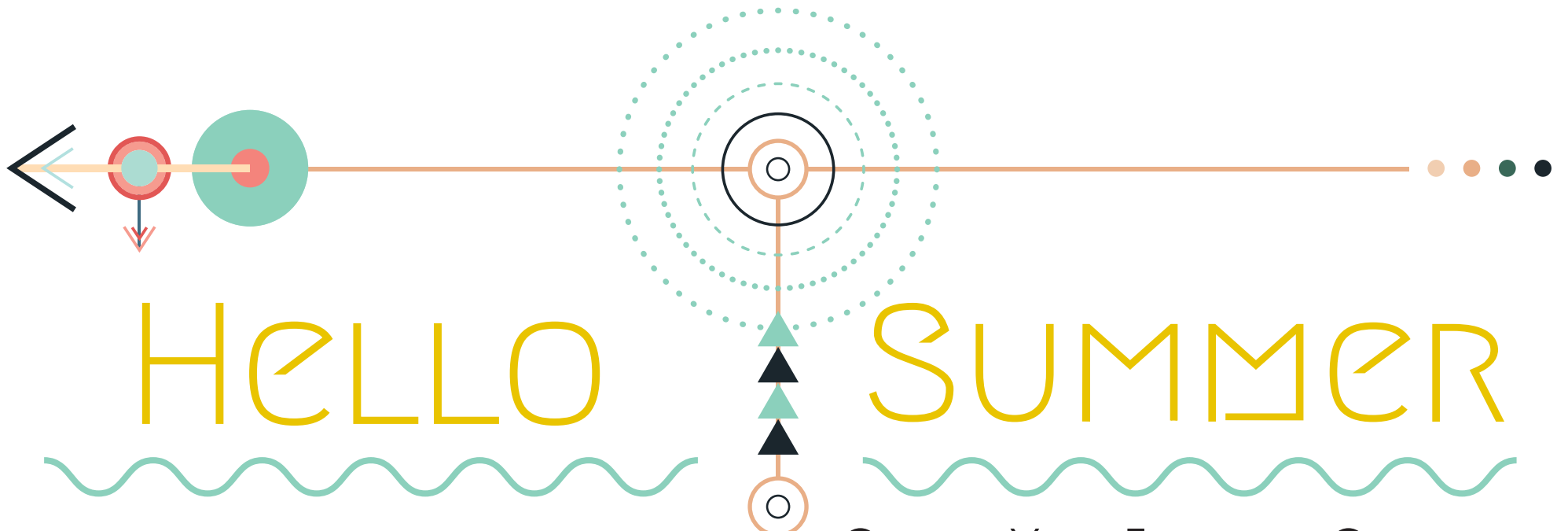
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Make the most of this fabulous day out and leave your car at home! Buses will be available to the event from the following locations:

Byron Bay (11.15am), Suffolk Park (11.25am), Alstonville Bus Zone (12 noon), Wardell (12.25pm), West Ballina (12.45pm), Lennox Head beachfront bus stop (12.15pm), opposite Chikiba Shops (12.20pm), Shaws Bay Shop bus zone (12.25pm), and Tamar Street (12 & 12.30pm)

For updates and details: Facebook, Twitter, Instagram
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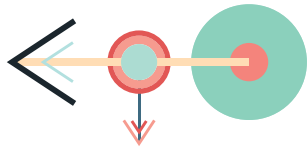
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HELLO SUMMER



Bless the RFS and Yay for the CFA!

The bushfire fundraising T-shirt certainly seems to have struck a chord with so many as we watch the once-green bushland of Australia burn, and witness the dedication and selflessness of the Rural Fire Service vollies, as well as the incredible co-ordination efforts by those behind the scenes. It's emotional stuff witnessing such loss and such heroism.

Running up to Christmas the fundraising T-shirt sales went pretty steadily with a few sold every day. Creator Tamsin Smyth was humbled and chuffed to see so many people get on board and support the fundraiser. 'It's a little frustrating trying to raise funds with such a small profit margin, set at twenty per cent by the platform,' says Tamsin. 'It's not like the olden days when you had a shed piled high with hand-printed T-shirts. Someone has to absorb the production costs.'

The T-shirts are print-to-order and, after much trial and research, Redbubble proved to have the best sustainability and social responsibility practices, a great quality product, and the same profit margin as most of the other platforms.

'Unfortunately, without the support of a T-shirt printer who donates the production costs and product, this is the best deal I can find. So if anyone with T-shirt printing facilities would like to come on board to help with the fundraising effort, that would be fabulous!' Tamsin says. And in the meantime, a new 'Yay! for the CFA' T-shirt is now available also. Every little bit helps.

You can contact Tamsin via tedheadcreative.myportfolio.com.

Go to tedhead.redbubble.com to order a T-shirt, cotton bag, or sticker.

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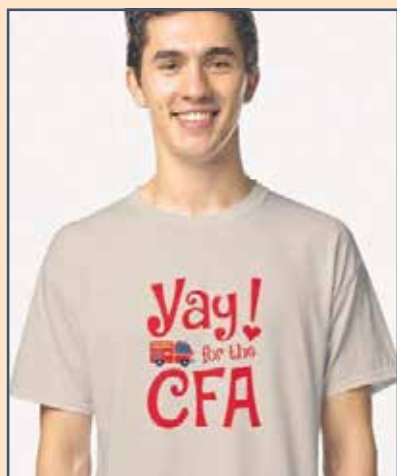
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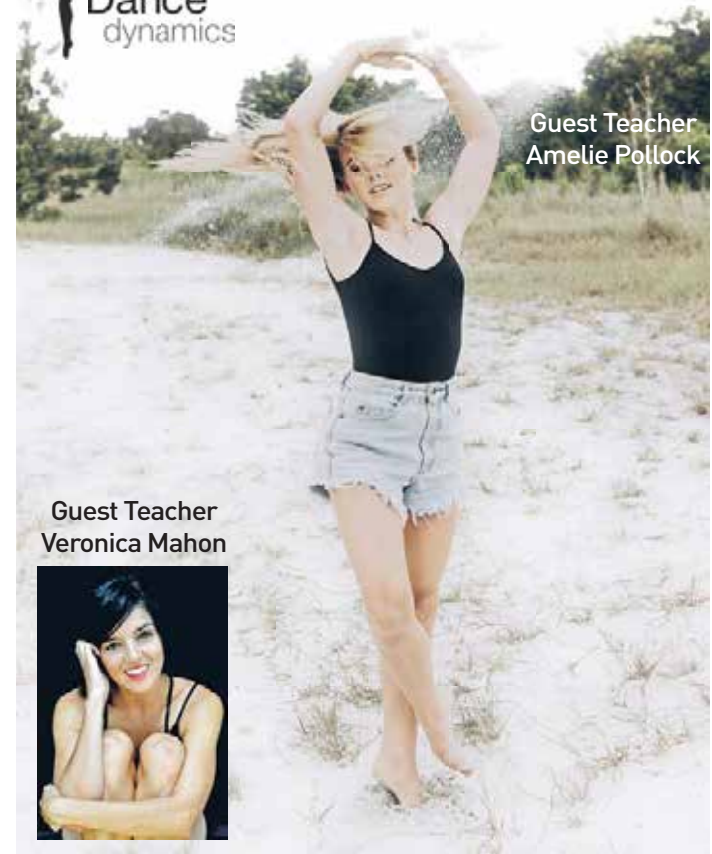
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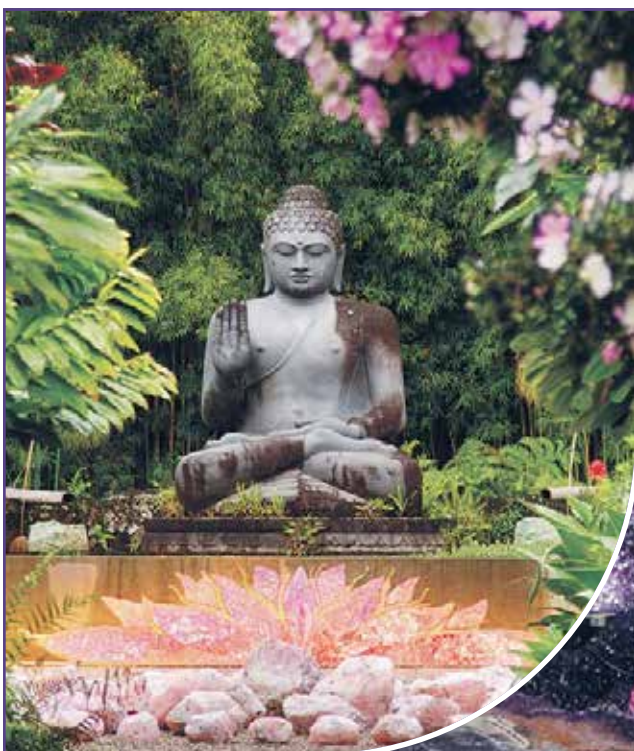
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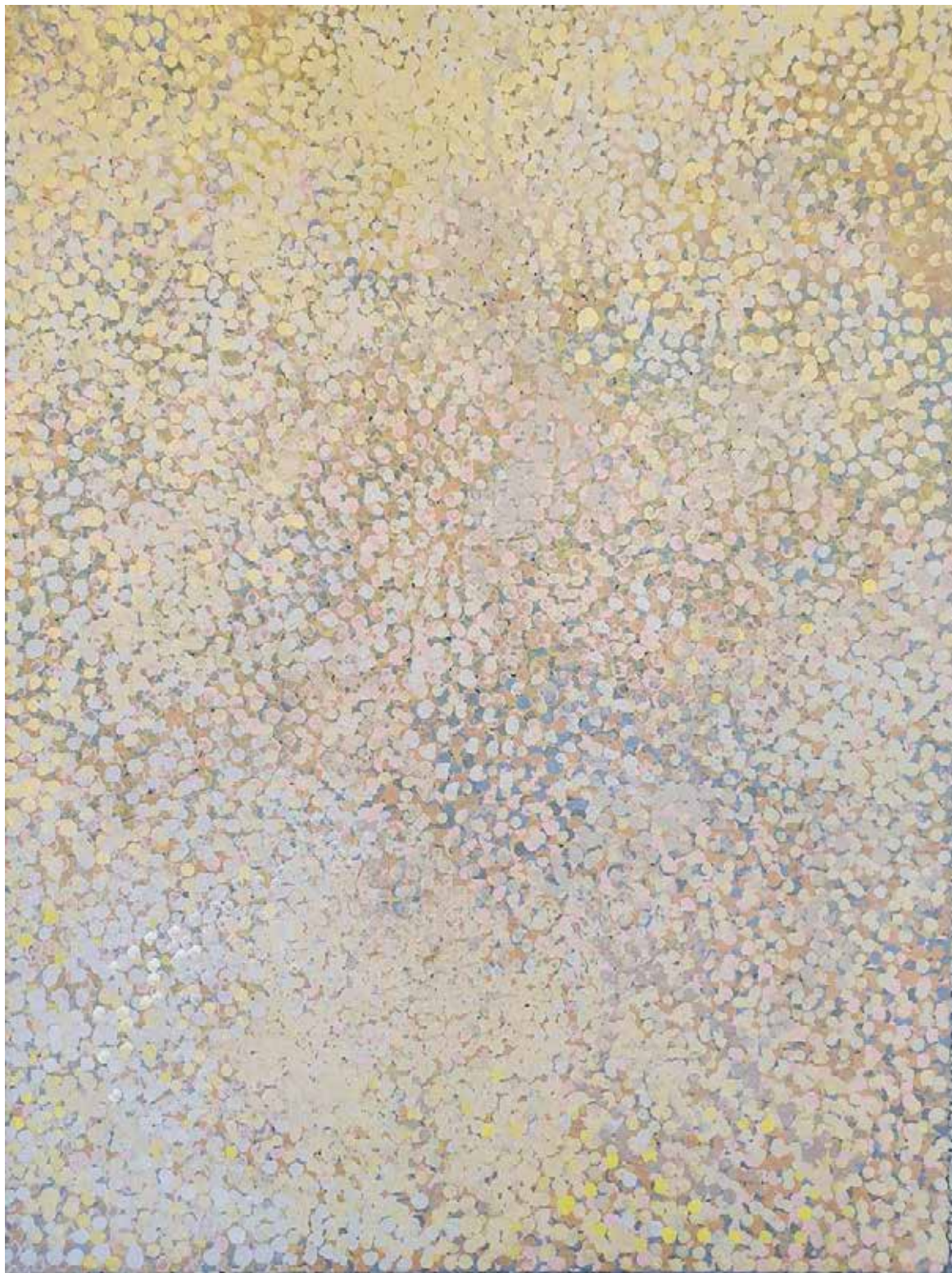
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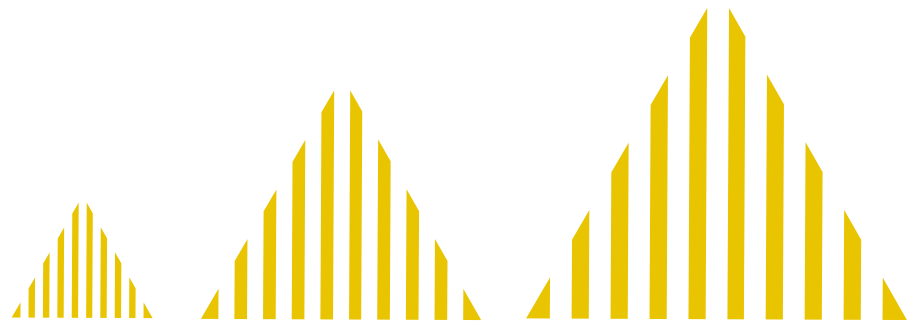
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THE GOSPEL TRUTH

If you've seen War and Treaty at BluesFest then you don't need to be told they're something special.

Husband and wife Michael and Tanya Trotter came from different paths, and when they converged, magic happened.

After winning a talent show when she was 13, Tanya knew singing would be her life. Growing up in a tight-knit community just outside of Washington, DC, Tanya had a voice that was already hinting at the force it'd become: honeyed and bold, guttural but angelic. She'd discovered writing, too, and every blank space was an opportunity.

Michael started writing later, and for different reasons. He spent part of his childhood, with his family, in and out of homeless shelters – a limbo Michael would experience again as an adult. He became a soldier and was sent to Iraq. Stationed in one of Saddam Hussein's demolished palaces, he had access to a piano that had emerged, miraculously, unscathed. A captain heard him play and sing with his once-in-a-generation volcano of a voice, and he encouraged Michael to pursue music. When that same captain was killed, Michael sat down to write – really write – for the first time.

Officers noticed the tribute, pulled Michael from the front lines, and gave him a new charge: write and perform songs for the fallen. So whenever a brother- or sister-in-arms died, Michael spoke to buddies, uncovered the story, and penned a song for the memorial. When Michael returned home, he was booked on a festival that also featured Tanya Blount. After his set, Tanya approached him and asked if he'd written his songs. He had. The two exchanged numbers, but Michael, battle-weary, scarred, was daunted

by Tanya's beauty; when Tanya called, he didn't call back. He didn't know why she would be calling him! The two eventually hooked up though, and the rest is history.

Tanya reflects on meeting Michael. 'I was running across the field, at the festival where he was playing, in my heels, telling him I wanted to work with him – I gave him my number and he told me he threw it away!

'I'm not normally like that,' says Tanya. 'But I wanted to get to know who he was as a person, and I wanted to write with him.

'There's a level of genius that comes with Michael, and without him trying to challenge it, he receives a song. He gets the music and the beats and the lyrics – I have never seen anything like it before. He is prolific.

'He writes four or five songs a day. I didn't know when we got married that he had been in the military – I didn't know that story of his writing; I didn't know that about him for three years! The soldiers weren't received well by Americans. So there was a shame about having been there,' says Tanya.

Gospel is the most natural genre for the Trotters.

'We write about humanity, love, and peace – that's how we approach it, what people are going through... gospel still touches people – it is the good news, people want to hear the good news – there's so much bad news on TV, and in the paper; you want to have moments of inspiration.'

Rivers feature in a lot of their work.

'Water is life,' says Tanya. 'It is cleansing, it revives you – it keeps you alive. When you are trying to clean yourself up from a situation, it's symbolic for that, so you hear a lot of people sing *Take me to the River*. It's where we go to renew our soul.'

Tanya believes that, through music, you can make a tiny neighbourhood out of the world.

'Everyone looks different, they have different stories, but you can make a neighbourhood out of your world.'

That's pretty well what War and Treaty do, every show!

War and Treaty are at Bluesfest this Easter. Tickets and program info from bluesfest.com.au

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CHANGE FOR SCOTT MORRISON

Change is coming. I can feel it. I can even smell it. It smells of dust and death and is tinged with the acrid stench of smoke. Change is pulsing on social media, in the street. It's the conversation around dinner tables. It's on the radio. It's in evacuation centres. On beaches. In the last few weeks, as our country burns, one thing has become evident: It's impossible to be complacent. People are waking up. They are waking up to the reality that their government has betrayed them. Their prime minister takes a holiday in Hawaii while the country he has been elected to lead is on the critical list. On New Year's Eve, Scott and Jenny hosted an exclusive dinner party to watch the Sydney Fireworks – meanwhile 500,000 animals burnt, 17 people died, and 28 are missing. At least 10.1 million hectares of country has burned. More than 1,000 buildings are lost.

The people don't need the trivial indulgence of fireworks. They want compassion. They want recognition. They want change. They want responsibility. Leadership. Renewables. Corporate accountability. They want the kind of change old white men just can't bring. Distractions just aren't working anymore. It's hard to enjoy the spectacular sky formations of Sydney's NYE fireworks when the climate disaster rages around us. You don't need fireworks when you're actually on fire.

This country is burning because of our government's lack of action, their neglect; they've left us in the car while they've gone to the pub. And they've left the windows up. We've been abandoned by those we elected to care for us. The country burns because of denial and self-interest and corporate greed. Try telling the family of one of the volunteer firefighters we've lost that climate change is a hoax. Climate change is real, and our government's lack of action puts them at the heart of the crime.

Scott Morrison lit those fires. Maybe not with a match or a discarded cigarette, but with his dangerous disregard of a worldwide climate emergency. The man who stood in parliament defending our commitment to fossil fuels by brandishing his 'harmless' lump of coal must have that same lump of coal for a heart if he can't recognise the devastation he and his government have caused. His denials, and lack of action, were an incendiary as potent and as deadly as that of any arsonist.

This is not a time for standing still. This is a time for action. Our fire-action plans have to go beyond packing our cars and leaving our homes. Our plans need to extend to how we intend to make systemic changes that address climate change. There is a feeling of anger, of despair and a call for action. For too long we've been passive bystanders, expecting our government to facilitate the changes that are needed to navigate our uncertain future. They are the government we've elected. We get the inactive government that a disengaged population deserves.

But our comfort zones are gone. They've been razed to the ground. The people are becoming dangerous. It's hard to govern a population when they realise that real power is with the people, not with the government. To address climate change we need a political climate change – where passive voters become active constituents demanding environmental responsibility. We need innovators, visionaries, and most importantly we need new leaders. Fires, Mr Prime Minister, are not an opportunity to raise money for the Liberal Party, as you did in your ad campaign. The people are taking charge. They've raised tens of millions of dollars.

This has been the wakeup that Australia needs to avoid more catastrophes. So if this government isn't listening, then they need to go. #dismisstheprimeminister #dismissthegovernment #stopdismissingclimatechange

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SINGING FOR YOUR SOUL

Did you know that group singing is cheaper than therapy, healthier than drinking, and more fun than working out? If you are hankering to laugh, move, and sing your way through 2020, now is your chance to check out Big Sing.

Local singer, teacher, and performer with The Mighty Loveys, **Janet Swain**, is offering a **two-hour workshop** this **Friday, 4-6pm, at Marvell Hall** in Byron Bay.

Participants will learn vocal warm-ups, fun exercises, simple chants, improvisation and circle singing, lullabies and rounds, as well as deepening their connection with their own authentic voice. Through sighing, yawning, laughing, and deep breathing, combined with the practice of deep inner and outer listening, they discover ways of using singing as a simple and extremely effective way to de-stress, enrich, and enliven their lives. Participants love the freedom of the Big Sing format – the connections that are made, the laughter, the effect that the harmonies have on everyone, and the magic of singing together in a circle.

The two-hour workshop is also a chance for people to check out if Big Sing is for them before signing up for regular weekly classes in Brunswick Heads, Kingscliff, or Byron Bay. **Janet Swain's Big Sing – Own Your Voice** classes started at Brunswick Picture House in 2018, and have grown in popularity, so much that Janet has started a Big Sing in Kingscliff, and this year will start a regular pre-dinner Big Sing at the wonderful Marvell Hall in Byron Bay on Friday afternoons 5-6pm. Janet also runs the slightly more formal **Bowlo Community Choir** with **Adrian Williams Brett** from Dustyesty Choir, on Monday nights at the Brunswick Heads Bowlo.

Regular Big Sing classes resume on Monday 13 January at 9.30am in Brunswick Heads, Thursday 30 January at 10.30am in Kingscliff, and Friday 31 January at 5pm, at Marvell Hall in Byron Bay.

Bookings online via songdynastymusic.com (\$30 online or \$40 at the door). Email Janet at sdynastymusic@gmail.com for more info.

THE BYRON CRUMPET

The **Byron Surf Festival** has decided to run all of its indoor events in the one venue this year, with the Byron Brewery playing host to talk sessions, bands, and films. This will make it the hub of the festival with punters able to go from event to event in just moments. Heading the rock stage are Perth's **Psychedelic Porn Crumpets**, delivering their signature powerful sprawling rock'n'roll. Somehow you can still feel the vibes of night-long jam sessions, belting out worksite frustrations, and the almost romantic memory of the neighbouring rat trash mansion. Psychedelic Porn Crumpets jump on stage at **Byron Bay Brewery** band room to close BBSF 2020 with support from local legends **The Violent Monks** and **100!!** Also performing are super fun time rock'n'rollers **Goons of Doom**, the charismatic **Didirri**, **Cupid & The Stupids**, **Fiona Franklin**, **The Violent Monks**, and **Wash and Tay Oskee**.

The BBSF runs 14-16 February with tickets from eventbrite.com.au

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THE CURIOUS NUDGE

DJs and live musicians are creating **Cosmic Osmosis - Curious**, an extraordinary night, from the team behind Nudge Nudge Wink Wink. Curious is a chance to stimulate your new year and celebrate Cunning Stunts' 2020 inaugural lineup with **DJs Phil Perry** (Full Circle, UK), **Dale Stephen**, **Lord Sut**, and **Lux Velada**.

She J, of Tijuana Cartel, who has collaborated with Ash Grunwald and Deya Dova, is providing her live percussion repertoire of Afro rhythms, electronica, deep house, and tech house to invigorate your dance experience in the best-sounding shed in the southern hemisphere!

Illuminate and rejuvenate as you experience incredible selections and epic shed-rocking sets that take punters soaring to the stars.

Closing the inaugural set of Curious's 2020 events, with a blend of house sound sensations guaranteed to make you gyrate, is Leftfield's first UK tour DJ, **Phil Perry**! Phil is the creator of the infamous London Sunday session Full Circle.

Phil's creation became the stomping ground for house and techno's biggest DJs, playing to a loved-up crowd, who included clubland's most influential movers and shakers: Carl Cox, Danny Tenaglia, Andy Weatherall, Terry Farley, and many more all graced the decks at Full Circle.

A melting pot of electronic stew, global grooves, dubby disco, and heart-opening house. A Saturday evening service - each first Saturday of the month, curated for dancers and conscious party people to unite, connect with community, and celebrate together consciously.

Saturday 4pm - 11pm at the Billinudgel Hotel - it's an 18-plus event. Tix at cunningstunts.com.au



TURN IT UP AT THE BRUNSWICK PICTURE HOUSE!

At the **Brunswick Picture House** Tuesdays are like Saturdays, so for three consecutive **Tuesdays in January** the Picture House introduces *Turn It Up Tuesdays!* It's a shameless dance party playing all the shameless classics.

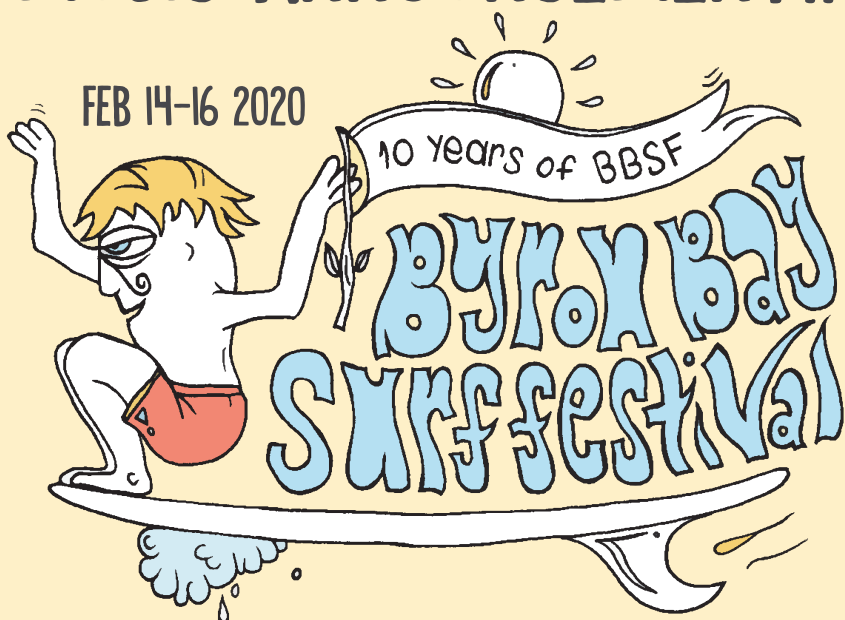
The dancefloor is all yours as we bring in some very cool guest DJs...

What better way to enjoy those gorgeous January Bruns nights than letting loose, getting down for a boogie, and escaping into the rhythm with delectable tunes.

So dance like EVERYBODY is watching... and you'll be sure to see us on the dancefloor as well, all at Turn It Up Tuesdays! 6pm-9pm. \$20/18 with kids \$15 and family of 4 \$60. Tix on brunswickpicturehouse.com

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CULTURE



LUCY'S LOVE STORIES

Judith Lucy recently reflected on her entire history with men and concluded that maybe it was time to shut up shop. At 51 she said, 'Whatever it is that I'm selling, a lot of straight guys simply aren't that interested in buying it, and I'm including people like my father.' In amongst exploring stereotypes and her own desires, Judith Lucy will recount her full history with the opposite sex, and leave it up to the audience to determine whether she should hang up her vagina for good. In 2019, Judith did a massive sellout tour of the capital cities asking this question, but now she wants a second opinion. Brunswick Heads – the decision is yours!

She plays the Brunswick Picture House, Wednesday 8 Jan–Sunday 12 Jan. Wed–Friday at 6pm, and Saturday and Sunday at 5pm. Tix are \$40/45 from brunswickpicturehouse.com.

THE METAMORPHOSIS OF A COWBOY

The world's wildest record breaker, **Space Cowboy**, presents *Metamorphosis*, an action-packed show with thrilling stunts and mental marvels. Watch sparks fly as this daredevil take centre stage and risks his life with a 500,000 volt Tesla coil! Inspired by great thinkers of the past and present in the field of psychological persuasion and mind-reading, the Space Cowboy performs some of the most direct and precise thought-reading demonstrations that can be found in the world today. Witness his curious antics as he draws pictures from people's minds and twists spoons in their hands. You are invited to bring your own cutlery for the Space Cowboy to bend – with no apparent physical force!

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Brunswick Picture House, Friday 10–Sunday 12 January at 2pm. Tix from brunswickpicturehouse.com.

MR WOODLEY GETS FRANK

For **Frank Woodley**, comedy is like one of those old-fashioned washing machines with the wringers on top. Frank loves to push any topic or tale into the wringers and squeeze as much laughter out as he can. Occasionally, he pushes a little enthusiastically and gets his fingers mangled, but that can happen. This is your chance to see the master of daft creating a brand-new show, before he heads off on a national tour.

He performs at the Brunswick Picture House Wed–Sunday. Wed–Friday at 8pm. Saturday and Sunday at 7pm. Tickets \$30/35 from brunswickpicturehouse.com.

TONY'S REHEARSAL FOR HEAVEN

Tony Backhouse, international choir leader, composer, innovator, and singer will lead a **public workshop** in a **cappella singing** on **Saturday 11 January**, at the **Byron Community College in Mullumbimby, 1–4pm**. Under such inspiring guidance, no previous singing experience or musical knowledge is needed to get the joy of singing in instant harmony with a big group of strangers! Renowned as the founder of Sydney's Cafe at the Gate of Salvation choir, the Honey Bees, and the Heavenly Light Quartet, Tony's compositions have graced the big screen (Jane Campion's *Sweetie* and Peter Jackson's *Braindead*), and have been recorded by Joe Walsh, Renee Geyer, Jackie Orszaszcky, Jenny Morris, and many others. Backhouse has received awards from the Contemporary Acappella Society of America, and composer commissions from The Song Company and the Australia Council. In 1990 he received an Australia Council International Study Grant to research black gospel traditions at Memphis State University. In 2006, his song *Lost in the Heavenly Light* was nominated for the Australian Classical Music Awards for Vocal Work of the Year.

HANSARD ON STAGE

The Byron Theatre presents *Hansard* screened live from the National Theatre performance in London. Two-time Olivier Award winners, **Lindsay Duncan** (*Birdman*, *About Time*) and **Alex Jennings** (*The Lady in the Van*, *The Queen*), perform in this brand-new play by **Simon Wood**. It's a summer's morning in 1988 and Tory politician Robin Hesketh has returned home to the idyllic Cotswold house he shares with his wife of 30 years, Diana. But all is not as blissful as it seems. Diana has a stinking hangover, a fox is destroying the garden, and secrets are being dug up all over the place. As the day draws on, what starts as gentle ribbing and the familiar rhythms of marital scrapping quickly turns to blood-sport. Don't miss this witty and devastating portrait of the English governing class.

Saturday 11 January, 1pm at Byron Theatre. Tix from byroncentre.com.au.

GRETEL KILLEEN

A few weeks ago TV personality and program host **Gretel Killeen** said what the country was thinking when she told her *Sunrise* anchor and the other guest that she was 'gobsmacked' at their attitude that it was okay for PM Scott Morrison to have a holiday in Hawaii while the country burned. She went on to say this was a time when we needed good leadership and questioned whether Scott Morrison had the credentials. The segment went nuts on Twitter and viral on social media. Generally people in the mainstream media don't speak like this. They toe the line. They back the government. Gretel isn't someone used to staying quiet. She has politicised and been outspoken on a number of issues. In keeping with their commitment to present disruptors, at the end of January the **CWA (Country Witches Association)** presents **Gretel Killeen** in a comedy blurt of wit, wisdom, and witchcraft to stop the freaking nutters ruling the world. With two sittings at the **Brew House Theatre in Byron – 5pm & 7pm. Tix are \$30 from mandynolan.com.au**. Gretel also co-presents **Speak Up** – a half-day workshop, on **Sunday 2 Feb (\$150) – with Mandy Nolan at Mullum Ex-Services**. Places are limited.

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FLICKERFEST - ELECTRIFYING SHORT FILMS!

Australia's largest short-film festival returns to Australia's biggest little town in 2020! **Flickerfest** returns to the Northern Rivers, **Thursday 30 January to Saturday 1 February**, for its 22nd year, screening a smorgasbord of the best short films from the Byron region, Australia, and the world, across one packed weekend at the **Mullumbimby Civic Hall**.

Celebrating 29 years in 2020, Flickerfest remains Australia's only Academy-qualifying and BAFTA-recognised short-film festival, and the country's largest Australian and international short-film competition, presenting A-list short-film programs, recognised amongst the best in the world.

After the highly successful ten-day Sydney festival, under the summer stars at Bondi Beach in early January 2020, selected highlights then tour to more than 50 Australian venues from January till May.

Flickerfest remains a platform for celebrating the most entertaining and innovative short filmmaking from Australia and around the world. Expect to experience the www.echo.net.au/byron-echo Byron Shire Echo archives



world. The Flickerfest program includes the Best of International Shorts and the Best of Australian Shorts, curated from the Flickerfest international and Australian programs in competition at Bondi; and Short Laughs Comedy, an unusual selection of clever comedy shorts from around the world. This is a one-off chance to see these amazing short films before they continue their journey around the world.

best in short filmmaking that Australia and the world have on offer.

The Flickerfest 2020 program in Bondi is selected from 3,600 entries, from 100 countries, giving local Flickerfest audiences the first look at the hottest short films in the world today. At Mullum Flickerfest we will be screening an entertaining, inspiring, and award-winning range of over 30 Flickerfest short films (many are Australian, and even world premieres), curated into three highlight programs over three nights.

There is also the best of Northern Rivers Shorts with screenings of the **Byron All Shorts finalists**, selected from around 50 entries, showcasing a wonderful new collection of creative shorts from our very talented local filmmakers on a range of themes that reflect Northern Rivers life, including surfing, music, comedy, love, and everything in between.

Thursday, 30 Jan - Saturday, 1 Feb. Tix and program info from www.iQ.org.au (tickets will be avail online and at the door). Volunteers wanted: 0414 779 881.



THE GREAT EASTERN FLY-IN

The region's longest-running and friendliest community aviation event will be held on **11 and 12 January** at the **Evans Head Memorial Aerodrome**. With up to 200 planes of all shapes and sizes to look at, amazing air displays, joy flights, market and food stalls, merchandise, raffles, and plenty of kids' activities, there is something for everyone. Free entry and onsite parking, donations appreciated. Wheelchair accessibility. BYO chairs or picnic blankets, but no umbrellas, small marquees, or tents as these can be a serious hazard on the airfield. Please leave dogs and drones at home.

Details and program at greateasternflyin.com.



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Explore the craft of novella writing through award-winning novelist Nick Earls's **Novella Writing**, Saturday 7 March.

So fire up those post-holiday brain cells, get your projects on track, and sign up today! More events, workshops, and opportunities listed on our website: byronwritersfestival.com/whats-on.

SUMMER ART CLASS TASTER SESSIONS



Summer Taster Sessions are back at BS'A in January and February. Joining a 3-hour Taster Session is a great way to experience a taste of studio time at Byron School of Art and to get to know the different teachers and the classes being offered throughout 2020. \$65 each or \$50 each, when booking three or more.

Gift certificates available at byronschoolofart.com

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Will this new decade arrive quietly?

Sun, Mercury, Jupiter, Saturn and Pluto in Capricorn, plus a full-moon eclipse and edgy alignment to dwarf planet Eris, named for the Greek goddess of discord, say 'Maybe not...'

♈ **ARIES:** This week of high-profile energetics and unexpected change could have you feeling both wired and tired, but with Mars in fiery, rash, reactive mode, it's crucial to stay flexible and edit before you speak. Execute the dance between the urge to blurt, and what will serve the highest interests of the situation very, very carefully.

♉ **TAURUS:** With Mars heating up already-incendiary temperatures, this week's call to truth is too loud and persistent to ignore. If full moon presses Play on an honest, air-clearing convo, which you know is way overdue, use this opportunity to start making changes while the ball's still in your court.

♊ **GEMINI:** Argumentative Mars and righteous Venus are this week's downside, so flip the script – stop bickering about who's right or wrong. As Uranus moves forward, a creative venture gets legs. The triple merger of Sun, Saturn, and Pluto help ditch old baggage and smash addictive patterns. And this full moon could bring money with it.

♋ **CANCER:** With a rare cosmic consortium of five planets in your relationship sector, plus late-week dramatic full-moon eclipse in Cancer, the Crab clan can expect a sudden change of plans, a situational or relational turning point, the confirmation of something you already anticipated. Look for silver linings as conditions shift.

♌ **LEO:** As a healing full moon helps release behaviours, attachments, or attitudes blocking growth and forward progress, this week issues an invitation to transformation you can't refuse: the organisational imperative to declutter, simplify, and streamline. If ever there was a time to embrace the art of graceful change, this is it.

♍ **VIRGO:** Hot-headed, red-tempered Mars has emotions running high, so right now it's crucial to keep cool, especially in the domestic arena and specifically with nearest and dearest. Go easy on this week's messy, distressy world and use your Mercurian superpowers to make life more enjoyable for others.

♎ **LIBRA:** Eclipse energy can pressure indecisive situations into action, so this week's full moon could activate a significant shift. As a Mercury/Saturn/Pluto trinity audit and inventory what needs rejigging in the life of Libra, remember your guiding planet Venus is the diplomat of the zodiac, and if you need to disagree, offer a workable alternative.

♏ **SCORPIO:** Lip-loosening Jupiter has you speaking up and out this week, which makes self-regulation more important than ever. Honestly monitor the signals you're transmitting, both expressed and silent. The good news? Full moon could bring together the connections for something big that's been a long time in the works.

♐ **SAGITTARIUS:** Mars in Sagittarius puts Archers in the mood to gallop. But this week's five-planet conglomerate in Capricorn likes to take its time – or, more specifically, to align with right timing. This power package energising your sector of money and stability, routines, and work, suggests open listening, accurate assessing, then moving or waiting, as indicated...

♑ **CAPRICORN:** With this week's game-changing coalition of celestial luminaries in Capricorn, we wish the Shire's goat-folk happy birthday, year, life. You've worked hard getting Chateau Cap in order, now the pieces fall into place, and it's your time to fly. Who rules this week? You do. Whatever you pursue, the force is with you.

♒ **AQUARIUS:** As your ruler Uranus moves forward after a five-month hiatus, so do you on certain things you've been ambiguous about. Mars in your house of collaborations is pushing the benefits of teaming up, while Jupiter's on a mission to change the ways you do this – this year's work in progress.

♓ **PISCES:** This year's about giving back. This month expands your efforts, connecting you to prime movers on a similar mission. And this week's full moon could see you standing up and speaking out for your ideals. With power dynamics at play, it's always advisable to press Pause before going public.

CINEMA



ROCKET MAN AT FEDERAL

Federal Films kicks off 2020 on **Saturday 11 January at 8pm**, with the dazzling *Rocketman*, a fantastic musical extravaganza about the life of Reginald Dwight, or, as he's better known, Elton John. When fate brought Elton and Bernie Taupin together, a collaboration was formed that created some of the most iconic songs of the past fifty years. Come and sing along!



This month's caterers are Amrita in Australia, who are raising funds for the Galupa Homeland Project, working with Yolngu Elders in East Arnhem Land to establish a Community Art Program to keep young women safe with purpose and connected to their culture and land.

Dinner is available from 6.30pm and includes: chickpea and vegetable tikka masala, mushroom and vegetable korma and roast vegetable salad with haloumi. Tea, coffee, and delicious cakes are available at intermission.

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If you walk into the cinema thinking 'I'm not expecting much from this film, I just want to be entertained and have a laugh' then this film doesn't disappoint. As most people expected, there is no real depth to the story or the characters in the film; however, the characters are forever in the middle of some elaborate and ridiculous action sequence – so it will keep you watching.

The sequels in the Jumanji franchise don't have the same feel about them as the original, 'mostly owing to the absence of Robin Williams, who made the first film (1995) truly special. Now starring big names like Dwayne Johnson, Kevin Hart, Jack Black, and Karen Gillan, this sequel is loaded with extensive CGI, and very obvious humour.

For a family trip to the cinema or for a bit of light-hearted action and comedy, *Jumanji: The Next Level* will leave you feeling totally satisfied. For those looking for complex characters and a gripping plot, you might want to skip this one.

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THURSDAY 9

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- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY **DAN HANFORD**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 7PM **MAKE IT RAIN BENEFIT NIGHT**
- HOTEL BRUNSWICK 7PM **SIMON MEOLA**
- BYRON BAY BREWERY **LUKE MORRIS, KIT BRAY**
- HOTEL BRUNSWICK 7PM **SIMON MEOLA**
- BRUNSWICK HEADS PICTURE HOUSE 6PM **JUDITH LUCY VS MEN**, 8PM **FRANK WOODLEY - WORK IN PROGRESS**
- TREEHOUSE, BYRON BAY, 7.30PM **KING RIVER RISING**
- EVANS HEAD RSL **AUSTEN TAYSHUS & MANDY NOLAN'S VERY FUNNY 2020 VISION**
- MARY G'S, LISMORE, 6PM **CROAKER & THE HONEYBEE**
- DUSTY ATTIC, LISMORE, 7PM **THE AWESOME**
- MURWILLUMBAH SERVICES CLUB 6PM **PHIL GUEST**
- KINGSCLIFF BEACH BOWLS 7PM **KINGY COMEDY - GREG "SULLY" SULLIVAN + SHAYNE HUNTER - MC MANDY NOLAN**

- BYRON BAY, 9PM **OOZ + LOCAL DJS**
- MARVELL HALL, BYRON BAY, 4PM **JANET SWAIN SINGING WORKSHOP**
- HOTEL BRUNSWICK 7PM **THE LYRICAL**
- BRUNSWICK HEADS PICTURE HOUSE 2PM **THE SPACE COWBOY: METAMORPHOUS**, 6PM **JUDITH LUCY VS MEN**, 8PM **FRANK WOODLEY - WORK IN PROGRESS**
- OCEAN SHORES COUNTRY CLUB 7PM **DAVE CAVANAGH**
- MIDDLE PUB, MULLUMBIMBY, 8PM **KRAPPYOKEE**
- LENNOX HOTEL 9PM **MASSIVE**
- BALLINA RSL BOARDWALK 6.30PM **GUY KACHEL**, LEVEL ONE 7PM **DALLAS JAMES**, 8PM **JIMEOIN**
- BALLINA PLAYERS 7PM **DR DOOLITTLE JUNIOR**
- ELTHAM HOTEL \$20 **BUSHFORE FUNDRAISER 6PM BABE RAINBOW, THE FAMILY JORAN, MYLEE AND THE MILKSHAKES**
- MARY G'S, LISMORE, 5.30PM **HDM - HUMAN DINOSAUR MACHINE DUO**
- LISMORE WORKERS CLUB MAIN LOUNGE 7.30PM **CHECK 2**

FRIDAY 10

- HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON BAY **SUNROSE, THE OOGARS, RORY ONIELL**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY **VANESSA BAKER & THE ECLECTIC ELECTRIC**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 5PM **LUKE YEAMAN**, 9PM **FOLLOW THE FOX**
- BYRON BAY BREWERY **THE SWAMPS**
- THE SUN, BYRON BAY, 7PM **MANOA**
- TREEHOUSE, BYRON BAY, 7.30PM **JOSH LEE HAMILTON**
- THE STICKY WICKET BAR,

- RICHMOND HOTEL, LISMORE, 9.30PM **SUPERCHEEZE**
- CASINO GOLF CLUB 7.30PM **SEBASTIAAN**
- NIMBIN HOTEL 7PM **HAPPY RAYZ**
- MURWILLUMBAH SERVICES CLUB 7.30PM **BENNO & KESH**
- CABARITA BEACH SPORTS CLUB 7.30PM **ARCHIE RYE**
- KINGSCLIFF BEACH HOTEL 7PM **JON TOOGOOD**
- SOUNDLOUNGE, CURRUMBIN, 7.30PM **NATH VALVO + TOM BALLARD**
- COOLANGATTA HOTEL 6PM **THEY CALL ME BRUCE**, 9.30PM **THE BIG DUO**

SATURDAY 11

- HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON BAY **BOING BOING, RADOLESCEANT, CHILLI GOMEZ, THE STRIPPERS**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **DAVE SCOTT BAND**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 5PM **DJ LONGTIME**, 9PM **RHYTHM & CUTLOOSE**
- BYRON BAY BREWERY 6PM **SABOTAGE**
- BYRON THEATRE 1PM **HANSARD BY SIMON WOOD - NATIONAL THEATRE LIVE SCREENING**
- THE SUN, BYRON BAY, 6PM **OPEN MIC**
- THE STICKY WICKET BAR, BYRON BAY, 9PM **JAMES SCOTT + LOCAL DJS**
- FEDERAL HALL 8PM **FEDERAL FILMS - ROCKET MAN**
- HOTEL BRUNSWICK 7PM **CATH SIMES BAND**
- BRUNSWICK HEADS PICTURE HOUSE 2PM **THE SPACE COWBOY: METAMORPHOUS**, 5PM **JUDITH LUCY VS MEN**, 7PM **FRANK WOODLEY - WORK IN PROGRESS**
- LULUS CAFE, MULLUMBIMBY, 11AM **ALLISON FORBES**
- TONY BACKHOUSE, **ACAPPELLA SINGING WORKSHOP**, 1PM BYRON COMMUNITY COLLEGE, MULLUMBIMBY
- BILLINUDGEL HOTEL 4PM **CUNNING STUNTS - CURIOUS**
- BALLINA PLAYERS 2PM **DR DOOLITTLE JUNIOR**
- BALLINA RSL BOARDWALK 6.30PM **PAUL MULQUEEN**

- THE GREAT EASTERN FLY-IN**, EVANS HEAD MEMORIAL AERODROME
- DUSTY ATTIC, LISMORE, 7PM **LE FLEUR**
- LISMORE WORKERS CLUB MAIN LOUNGE 7.30PM **ROUTE 66**
- RICHMOND HOTEL, LISMORE, 9.30PM **MY ADDICTION**
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- SHEOAK SHACK, FINGAL HEAD, 2PM **SHANI FORRESTER**, 7PM **SKYEATER**
- SEAGULLS, TWEED HEADS, 8.30PM **HILLBILLY GOATS**
- COOLANGATTA HOTEL 6PM **THEY CALL ME BRUCE**, 9.30PM **FOLLOW THE FOX**
- CHINDERAH TAVERN 6.30PM **LEIGH JAMES**

SUNDAY 12

- HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON BAY **DAN HANFORD**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **LE FLEUR**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 4.30PM **LATE FOR WOODSTOCK**, 7.30PM **MVMT**
- TREEHOUSE, BYRON BAY, 12PM **SUNDAY SESSION DJS - JEZZA J & VINNIE LADUCE**
- BYRON BAY BREWERY **SKY HIGH**
- THE SUN, BYRON BAY, 5PM **LEIGH JAMES**

TUESDAY 14

- HOTEL BRUNSWICK 4PM **SUNSET CITY**
- BRUNSWICK HEADS PICTURE HOUSE 2PM **THE SPACE COWBOY: METAMORPHOUS**, 5PM **JUDITH LUCY VS MEN**, 7PM **FRANK WOODLEY - WORK IN PROGRESS**
- OCEAN SHORES COUNTRY CLUB 1PM **ANDY KAY**
- MIDDLE PUB, MULLUMBIMBY, 3PM **SUNDAY JAM**
- CLUB LENNOX **AUSTEN TAYSHUS & MANDY NOLAN'S VERY FUNNY 2020 VISION**, 4PM **ANDY PIERCE**
- BALLINA PLAYERS 2PM **DR DOOLITTLE JUNIOR**
- THE GREAT EASTERN FLY-IN**, EVANS HEAD MEMORIAL AERODROME
- SPHINX ROCK CAFE, MT BURRELL, 11.30AM **FELICITY LAWLESS**
- CABARITA BEACH SPORTS CLUB 4PM **JESSE MATTHES**
- KINGSCLIFF BEACH HOTEL 3PM **EPIC**
- TWIN TOWNS, TWEED HEADS, THE STAGE 2.30PM **THE BUGGY BROTHERS**, THE SHOWROOM 7PM **BRIAN CADD & RUSSELL MORRIS**
- COOLANGATTA HOTEL 1PM **THEY CALL ME BRUCE**, 4.30PM **THE BILLY GUDGEON BAND**
- CHINDERAH TAVERN 2.30PM **FOLLOW THE FOX**

- HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON BAY **MARSHALL OKELL**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **ANIMAL VENTURA**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 7.30PM **HARRY NICHOLS**, 10PM **DJ REFLEX**
- TREEHOUSE, BYRON BAY, 6.30PM **VINNIE LADUCE (DJ SET)**
- BANGALOW HOTEL 7.30PM **BANGALOW BRACKETS - OPEN MIC WITH SLIM PICKENS**
- BRUNSWICK HEADS PICTURE HOUSE 6PM **TURN IT UP TUESDAYS**
- MIDDLE PUB, MULLUMBIMBY, 7PM **TRIVIA**
- KINGSCLIFF BEACH BOWLS 11AM **WILD RANGERS WILDLIFE ENCOUNTER**
- TWIN TOWNS, TWEED HEADS, THE SHOWROOM 11AM **ISSI DYE LEGENDS OF THE 60S ROCKNROLL SHOW**

WEDNESDAY 15

MONDAY 13

- HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON BAY **DAN CLARK**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **KURT GENTLE**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 8PM **4'20 SOUND REGGAE NIGHT**
- TREEHOUSE, BYRON BAY, 6.30PM **VINNIE LADUCE (DJ SET)**
- BRUNSWICK HEADS PICTURE HOUSE 7PM **KITTY FLANAGAN: NEW MATERIAL WORKSHOP SHOW**
- BALLINA RSL LEVEL ONE 6.30PM **MANPOWER**

- HOTEL GREAT NORTHERN, BYRON BAY **JAZZ IN THE RESTAURANT**
- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **LEIGH JAMES**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 7.30PM **JOSH LEE HAMILTON DUO**, 10PM **MY HAPPY PLACE**
- BYRON BAY BREWERY 7.30PM **OPEN MIC NIGHT**
- TREEHOUSE, BYRON BAY, 6.30PM **OLI WRIGHT (DJ SET)**
- THE STICKY WICKET BAR, BYRON BAY, 9PM **FELIX**
- BRUNSWICK HEADS PICTURE HOUSE 7PM **COMEDY - DAVE HUGHES - WORK IN PROGRESS**
- CLUB BYRON 6PM **OLE FALCO**
- BALLINA PLAYERS 7PM **DR DOOLITTLE JUNIOR**

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Brothers have what Kingscliff likes

The hospitality industry may not seem like a likely fit for two veterans of several tours of Afghanistan, but 'brothers by choice', Daniel John, Brad Butson, and Maryann (Mez) Butson have built a team with years of experience, and together they had a pretty clear idea of what they wanted when they joined to make a restaurant in Kingscliff where there's 'something for everyone'.

In fact, the team listened to exactly what their loyal customers wanted when they merged Byron Gourmet Foods with The Burger Guru to create what the locals thought Kingscliff really needed – a venue with a welcoming and laidback vibe. You can order a coffee and sit there on your computer, enjoy a breakfast or lunch with friends and family, a night of live music with dinner, have drinks with friends and family, or a romantic dinner for two.

Its bar means that it's perfect for those birthday parties and weddings that go late into the night. Just looking around the beach and foreshore on a beautiful summer day I could see how easy it would be to gather at the restaurant, get married on the foreshore, and then come back across the road for the festivities.

Brothers is fully licensed of course. Brad likes whisky, so they have a whisky for everyone; Dan loves his beers so they offer a range of beers. They have two tap beers, one of which is Stone & Wood, and a feature keg on the second, as well as other local craft beers and your usual suspects. Mez loves her wine and is always bringing in new Australian wines from all around the country. Grace and Cody are the managers and have years of experience, and they bring you a different \$10 special every Thursday, as well as an ever-changing cocktail list.

'We've called our place Brothers, in the sense of family', says Brad, 'but really our motivation is to be a positive part of, and serve, the Kingscliff community. We live locally and love



where we live'. Brad and Mez got married in Kingscliff before they lived here, and Dan and Tayla are soon to be married in Kingscliff as well.

They support the local suppliers, and are involved with the Surf Club, the local chamber of commerce, the Kingscliff RSL (having helped coordinate last year's Remembrance Day) and

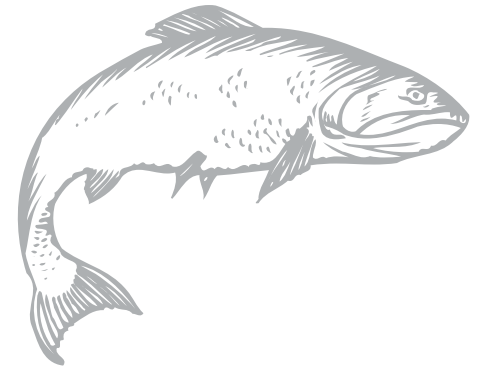
they try and help out local groups with fundraising, as well as running their own fundraisers for military groups and other charities.

The menu deliberately offers a great selection of light meals, up to what the 'brothers' call 'eat-your-heart-out' portions.

And for those who are thinking of having dinner on a summer night on the foreshore at Kingscliff, the menu offers entrees such as polenta fish fingers or calamari with yogurt tartare, warmed olives or woodfired Turkish bread and fresh-made dips. You can follow that with wood-fired pizza, seared salmon; ribs; a delicious eye fillet steak; Balinese satay chicken or chickpea dahl for example, because at night Brothers is a restaurant.

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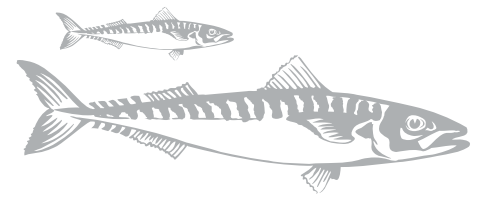
Kids' Fishing Comp

Ballina RSL are all set to host their annual Australia Day Kids' Fishing competition, in collaboration with Ballina RSL Fishing Club, Ballina Bait and Tackle, Shimano and Frogley's Offshore.

Registration kicks off from 10am on Sunday 26 January, followed by the competition, and the last weigh-in is at 3pm, at Ballina RSL Club. A presentation will be held in The Boardwalk area, on the ground floor, from 3.30pm.

This is free for all children, and for the first 100 kids that enter, Shimano are offering an epic sample-bag full of goodies. Open to kids 4-16 years of age. Prizes for 4-9 years and 10-16 years. Plus random-draw prizes. Fun for all the family to enjoy!

See ballinarsl.com.au for full competition details.



Visitors

There were 2.21m visitors to Byron in the year ended 30/6/2019. About one million of those were domestic day visitors (think SE Queensland and Brisbane) and one million were domestic overnight visitors (70 per cent of whom came from Brisbane, Sydney, the Gold Coast and Melbourne, in that order). The biggest category of visitors is 'friends and family'. International visitors are about 220,000 pa. While the number of visitors has not increased much (it was around 2.1m two years ago) the number of visitor-nights has increased quite a lot recently.

Source: Destination Byron (destinationbyron.com.au)



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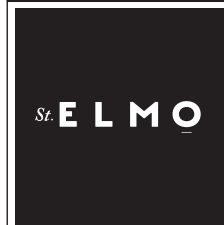
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A crisis of underinsurance threatens to scar rural Australia permanently

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Australia is in the midst of a bushfire crisis that will affect local communities for years, if not permanently, owing to a national crisis of underinsurance. Already more than 1,500 homes have been destroyed – with months still to go in the bushfire season. Compare this to 2009, when Victoria's Black Saturday fires claimed more than 2,000 homes in February, or 1983, when the Ash Wednesday fires destroyed about 2,400 homes in Victoria and South Australia, also in February.

The 2020 fire season could end up surpassing these tragedies, despite the lessons learned and improvements in preparedness.

One lesson not really learned, though, is that home insurance is rarely sufficient to enable recovery. The evidence is many people losing their homes will find themselves unable to rebuild, owing to lack of insurance.

We know this from interviews

with those affected by the October 2013 Blue Mountains bushfires (in which almost 200 homes were destroyed). Despite past disasters, more than 65 per cent of households affected were underinsured.

Research published by the Victorian government in 2017, meanwhile, estimated just 46 per cent Victorian households have enough insurance to recover from a disaster, with 28 per cent underinsured and 26 per cent having no insurance.

The consequences aren't just personal. They potentially harm local communities permanently, as those unable to rebuild move away. Communities lose vital knowledge and social networks that make them resilient to disaster.

Miscalculating rebuilding costs

All too often the disaster



Upper Malapiki, Coordination Cooperative, Tunttable Falls. Photo Kali McLaughlin

of having your home and possessions razed by fire is followed by the disaster of realising by how much you are underinsured.

As researchers into the impact of fires, we are interested why people find themselves underinsured. Our research, which includes interviewing those who have lost their homes, shows it is complicated, and not necessarily owed to negligence.

For example, a woman who lost her home in Kinglake, northeast of Melbourne, in the 2009 fires, told us how her insurance calculations turned out to bear no resemblance to the actual cost of rebuilding.

'You think okay, this is what I paid for the property,' she said. 'I think we had about \$550,000 on the house, and the contents was maybe \$120,000.' It was on these estimates that she and her partner took out insurance. She told us:

You think sure, yeah, I can rebuild my life with that much money. But nowhere near. Not even close. We wound up with a \$700,000 mortgage at the end of rebuilding.

An extra mortgage

A common issue is that people insure based on their home's market value. But rebuilding is often more expensive.

For one thing there's the need to comply with new building codes, which have been improved to ensure buildings take into account their potential exposure to bushfire. This is likely to increase costs by 20 per cent or more, but is rarely made clear to insurance customers.

Construction costs also often spike following disasters, owing to extra demand for building services and materials.

A further contributing factor is that banks can claim insurance payments to pay off mortgages, meaning the only way to rebuild is by taking out another mortgage. 'People who owned houses, any money that was owing, everything was taken back to the bank before they could do anything else,' said a former shop owner from Whittlesea, (about 30km west of Kinglake and also severely hit by the 2009 fires).

This meant, once banks were paid, people had nothing left to restart.

She told us: 'People came into the shop and cried on my shoulder, and I cried with them. I helped them all I could there. That's probably why we lost the business, because how can you ask people to pay when they've got nothing?'

Undermining social cohesion

In rural areas there is often a shortage of rental properties. Insurance companies generally only cover rent for 12 months, which is not enough time to rebuild. For families forced to relocate, moving back can feel disruptive to their recovery.

Underinsurance significantly increases the chances those who lose their homes will move away and never return – hampering social recovery and resilience. Residents that cannot afford to rebuild will sell their property, with 'tree changers' the most likely buyers.

Communities not only lose residents with local knowledge and important skills but also social cohesion. Research in both Australia and the United States suggested this can leave those communities less prepared for future disasters.

This is because a sense of community is vital to individuals' willingness and ability to prepare for and act in a threat situation. A confidence that others will weigh in to help in turn increases people's confidence and ability to prepare and act.

In Whittlesea, for example, residents reported a change in their sense of community cohesion after the Black Saturday fires. 'The newer people coming in,' one interviewee told us, 'aren't invested like the older people are in the community.'

Australia is one of the few wealthy countries that heavily relies on insurance markets for recovery from disasters. But the evidence suggests this is an increasingly fraught strategy, particularly when rural communities also have to cope with the reality of more intense and frequent extreme weather events.

If communities are to recover from bushfires, the nation cannot put its trust in individual insurance policies. What's required is national policy reform to ensure effective disaster preparedness and recovery for all.

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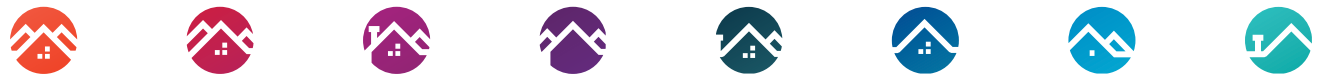
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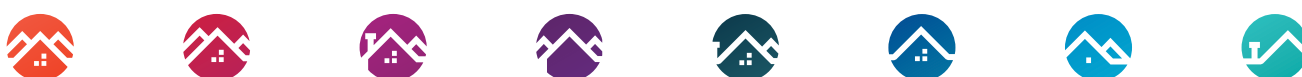
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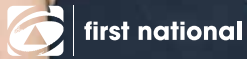
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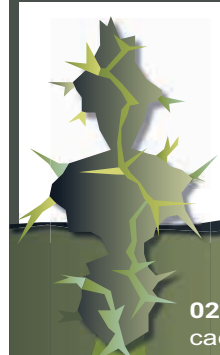
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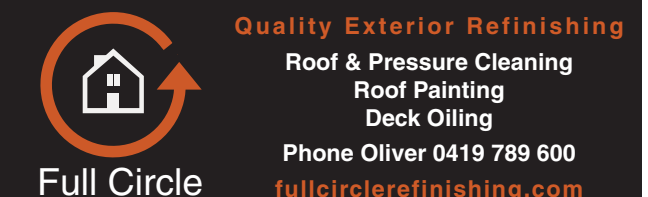
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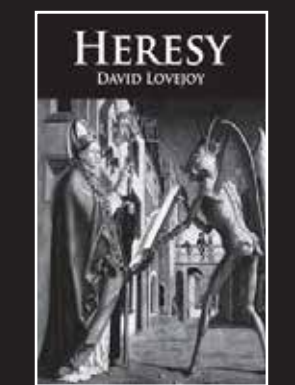
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Regular As Clockwork

DEADLINE NOON FRIDAY

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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.

Contact Improvisation

Contact Improvisation Saturdays in Mullumbimby 10–12 noon at St Martin's, Church Hall, Stuart Street, Mullumbimby. All levels of dancers welcome. Enquiries 0402 059 564.

Respite Service

Byron Shire Respite Service Inc delivers high-quality respite care to a broad range of clients throughout the Byron, Ballina and Lismore shires. Donations welcome: Ph 6685 1921, email fundraiser@byronrespite.com.au, website: www.byronrespite.com.au.

ACA

Adult Children of Alcoholic Parents and/or Dysfunctional Families (ACA) help & recovery group meets in East Lismore every Friday 10–11.30am corner 215 Dibbs St and Wyrallah Rd in small Quakers hut next to Community Hall.

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 10–12 noon 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.

Alateen meeting

Alateen meeting every Thursday at 5–6pm. Do you have a parent, close friend or relative with a drinking problem? Alateen can help. For 8–16-year-olds meet St Cuthbert's Anglican Church Hall, 13 Powell Street, corner of Florence Street Tweed Heads. Al-Anon family groups for older members at the same time and place. 1300 ALANON 1300 252 666 www.al-anon.org.au

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 1300 652 820 or text your postcode to 0488 811 247. www.na.org.au. 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.

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 gets together from at the Byron Community Cabin on Carlyle Street, next to the tennis courts, from 12.30pm–2.30pm, every 3rd Wednesday of the month. More info on Facebook: Breast Cancer Support Group Byron Bay, or call 0431 207 453.

Library fun

Baby Bounce session Mullumbimby – Tuesday 11.30am, Brunswick Heads – Friday 10.30am, Byron Bay – Wednesday 10am. Storytime for toddlers and pre-school children Mullumbimby – Monday, 10am, Brunswick Heads – Monday 10.30am, Byron Bay – Tuesday 10.30am.

Social sporting groups

Mullumbimby: Tuesday Ladies Group of Riverside Tennis Club welcomes new players 9.30am every Tuesday next to Heritage Park, for social tennis, fun and friendship. Info: Barbara 6684 8058. Tuesdays: 10.30am. **Byron:** Drumming with Gareth Jones at Byron Theatre; Chair Yoga with Pippy Wardell 12 till 1pm. Wednesdays: Choir with Kim Banffy, 10–11am; Ukulele 11.30–12.15. Suggested donation of \$10. No bookings needed, information seniors@byroncommunitycentre.com or call 6685 6807. **South Golden Shores Community Centre** every Monday at 10.30. Phone 0435 780 017. **Bangalow Bowlo** Sundays at 3pm. All welcome. Enquiries Margot 0412 394 932. **Byron Bay Croquet** at Croquet Club next to the Scout Hall at the Byron Rec Grounds every Monday at 3.30pm. Ring 0477 972 535. **Pottsville Fun Croquet Club** at Black Rocks Sportfield. Beginners and visitors welcome. Game starts 9.30am Tuesday and 2pm Thursday. \$5 per game. Enquiries 0413 335 941.

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.

Language exchange

Byron language exchange club runs every 2nd Friday from 6pm at Club Byron (Bowlo). Practise other languages or help someone with your English! Find us on Facebook. Contact byronbaylanguages@gmail.com.

Museums

Brunswick Valley Historical Society Inc Museum corner of Myocum and Stuart Sts Mullumbimby, open Tuesdays and Fridays 10–12 and market Saturdays 9–1. Discover your local history, join our team – 6684 4367. **Bangalow Heritage House Museum & Cafe** is open Wednesday to Friday 10am till 3pm. Enjoy home style cooking, fresh baked scones and more. Monthly meeting 1st Monday of each month at Heritage House Bangalow 6687 2183.

Labyrinth Walk

Walk the Labyrinth at Byron Bay Uniting Church 1st Sunday of the month between 2.30 and 4pm. Introductory talk at 2pm. Info: Lauall Greer 0438 608 776.

Toastmasters

Byron Cavanbah Toastmasters meetings coaching in communication and self-development run on 1st and 3rd Mondays, 6.40pm at Byron Services Club, Byron Bay; www.byronbaytoastmasters.org. **Mullum Magic Toastmasters** meet every 2nd, 4th and 5th Monday Presbyterian Church Hall, 101 Stuart Street Mullumbimby 7–9 pm. Contact Shona 0457356567 or Bronte 0451567996.

On The Horizon

DEADLINE NOON FRIDAY

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GCAT: Dunecare Day

The Green and Clean Awareness Team's monthly Dunecare Day is on Sunday January 12, 9am till 12 noon. Meet in front of the Beach Cafe at Clarkes Beach. We plant in the sand dunes from Clarkes Beach to Main Beach. From 12 noon to 1pm enjoy a delicious free BBQ and be in the draw to win one of four excellent prizes. It's good fun. Inquiries to Udo 0413 173 786 or Veda 6685 7991 or Miles 0403 206 190.

Kids 3-D mask making

Free 3-D mask making for kids at Byron Bay Library on Wednesday January 15 at 10.30am. Explore your wild side with this fun crafty activity for children aged 4 and up. Make and decorate two cool 3-D animal masks and decorate them with textured paper finishes. Bookings essential on 6685 8540

Woodchop carnival

The Festival of Fish & Chips will be holding the Woodchop carnival between 15 and 18 January. Day and night sessions. For more info on times, see: www.woodchop.com.

Mullum op-shop dates

Uniting Church op shop Mullumbimby will reopen on Saturday 18 January.

Food Box closed

Food Box will close 19 December and re-open Thursday 30 January 2020.

Giving tree

Habitat in the Byron Arts & Industry Estate have a Giving Tree supporting homeless people in Byron. Drop off donations, vouchers, shoes, socks, undies, torches and batteries, and bags.

Meditation

Buddhist meditation teaching and practice at the Living Yoga Sanga, first floor, 63 Stuart Street, Mullumbimby, 6–7.30pm, Mondays. Mishaela, 0438 858 842 or mishaele@si.org.au. **Dzogchen meditation** and study group 2nd and 4th Saturdays each month at Mullumbimby CWA Hall. Didi 0408 008 769. **Buddhist meditation** and conversation with John Allan, Mondays 6.30–8.30 pm, The Yurt, Temple Byron. No fees. John 0428 991 189. **Byron yoga philosophy club** free meditation classes Monday, 6pm, 1 Korau Place Suffolk Park. Go to www.wisdom.yoga or phone Kris 0435 300 743. **Community Yoga Nidra** class free, Wednesdays 1–1.30pm at the Bamboo Yoga School, behind The Health Lodge, 78 Bangalow Road, Byron Bay. Matt 0430 008 293. **Meditation Collective** Mondays 6.30pm at Temple Byron. For more info: www.byronbaymeditationcollective.com.au or call Geo 0431 747 764. **Yoga Nidra** every Wednesday 1pm at the Bamboo Yoga School behind The Health Lodge 78 Bangalow Road, Byron Bay. Call Matt 0430 008 293. **Integral Zen meditation** Tuesdays 6–7.30pm at the Pura Vida Wellness Centre, 14a Park St. Brunswick Heads. By donation. Contact Erik 0418 337 508. **Free guided meditation Mullumbimby** every Friday from 12–1pm at the Mullumbimby Neighbourhood Centre. Contact Paul: 0401 926 090 or email: paulebibby@gmail.com. **Group Meditation:** Tuesdays 11.30am at Marvell Hall, 37 Marvell St, Byron Bay. Everybody welcome. Donations appreciated. Gnostic Society Byron. 0412 020 234.

French Conversation

Alliance Française – French Conversation in Lismore. Café Conversation every Thursday at Miss Lizzie's, Woodlark St, Lismore, 5–6pm. Come and speak French. For more info: afnorthcoast.org.au.

U3A discussion group

Brunswick Valley U3A audiovisual discussion group, Thursdays 10am Mullumbimby Ex-Services Club. Info 0432 165 006.

Time to sing

Come sing inspiring songs and make new friends, Sundays, 10am at South Golden Beach Community Hall. Call Linda: 0415 412 514.

Quota Club

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

Lions Club

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

Fireworks

The Festival of Fish & Chips will hold a fireworks display on Saturday, January 11, 9pm in Banner Park, Brunswick Heads.

Craft group

The Uniting Craft & Social Group meets every Monday 9.30am–2.30pm at the Uniting Church in Carlyle Street, Byron Bay. Bring lunch and whatever else you need. All welcome. Do you prefer patchwork and quilting? Come along on Monday evening same place at 6pm. Enquiries Tilly 6685 5985.

Byron Gem Club

The Bryon Gem and Lapidary Club is open weekly to members new and old. Visitors welcome to view club facilities. Activities – semi-precious and gemstone cutting, shaping and polishing – gem faceting – silver work – gem setting and jewellery making etc. Facebook @ Byron Gem Club. Club work shed located past Sky Dive Byron at Tyagarah Airfield. Contact 6687 1251 or 0427 529 967 for more info.

Volunteer Hub

The Byron Community Centre Volunteer Hub is open weekdays at the Byron Community Centre. If you would like to volunteer in the local area fill out a volunteer application form on our website www.byroncentre.com.au or, contact us by phone 66856807 or email volunteers@byroncentre.com.au

Potters & Sculptors

Mullumbimby Potters & Sculptors at the Community Art Gallery at the Drill Hall is open every Tues & Thurs 10am–2pm and on the 3rd Saturday of the month (Mullum Market Day) 10am–4pm. Pottery and sculpture crafted by local artisans for sale, 2 Jubilee Ave, Mullumbimby. Enquiries: mullum.potters@yahoo.com.au.

CWA Bangalow

Interested women are welcome Wednesdays and Thursdays 9am–1pm and the second Monday evening of each month 5–7pm in the Bangalow CWA rooms for craft and friendship. Rooms are open daily Monday–Saturday 9am–noon.

#StartupByron

#StartupByron Un-Networking meets the first Thursday of every month, focused on connecting anyone interested in startups or small biz. See startinno.com/events/2015/5/7/startupbyron-un-networking.

Toy Library

The Byron Shire Toy Library is open Tuesdays and Thursdays 9am–12 noon, at the Children's Centre, Coogera Cct, Suffolk Park. Come and see the large range of preschoolers toys available for loan.

Up your skills

Come to Upskill in Mullumbimby, a free introductory building and carpentry workshop. Workshops are held every Friday, 10am to 1pm at Shedding Community Workshop. Bookings Essential. Contact Sophie Wilksch via email at shedding.communityworkshop@gmail.com.

Muslim prayer

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

Grief support

The Good Grief Group meets every Monday 6–7.30pm upstairs at the Mullumbimby Neighbourhood Centre. This is a safe place for people to share their grief and bereavement.

Byron FLEA

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

Soap Aid saving lives

Soap Aid is a not-for-profit organisation recycling and sending critical soap to communities facing major hygiene challenges. Please drop in your partly used household or holiday rental soap for recycling to Kim at Raine & Horne Byron Bay 39 Fletcher Street 0499 839 566. Small and large quantities welcome. https://soapaid.org.

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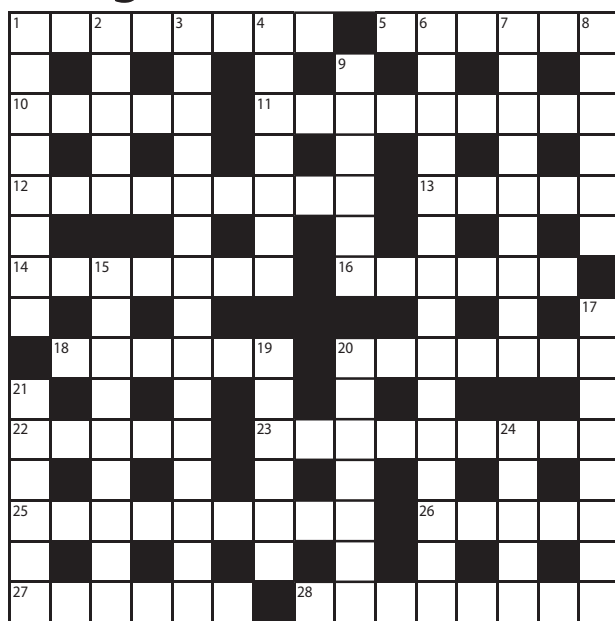
Mullumbimby Mental Health Carers' Support Group for family members and friends who have a loved one with a mental health issue. Meeting on 4th Thursday of each month 9.30am at the Mullumbimby Neighbourhood Centre. Info: Leanne 0409 818 643.

Rainbow Dragons

Rainbow Dragons Abreast (RDA) welcomes breast cancer survivors for a paddle at Lake Ainsworth, Lennox Head, on Sundays 7.30 for 8am start. Info Marian 6688 4058, mazzzerati2010@gmail.com.

Mungo's Crossword

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Cryptic Clues

ACROSS

- Compose manic ode to Abbott or Costello, perhaps (8)
- Managed detective service – but it's rotten (6)
- Tell me, are you going back on word play for a bowling approach? (3-2)
- Scott Morrison makes variable rate more secure (9)
- Australian replaces English fuel in American police vehicle (6,3)
- Brazil's party town with times for disturbances (5)
- Bedtime, a long time, in the small home (7)
- Princess, dead, to get bigger (6)
- Morning segments of ranges (6)
- Small mass of unpleasant exudation from cetacean (7)
- Remainder – about 51 to 100 (5)
- Concerns among disturbed sets (9)
- Bash or a maiden? It's random (3,2,4)
- Coffee delayed over time (5)
- From the French leader? Give up! (6)
- Official document to go around the harbour (8)

DOWN

- Shield vehicle swiftly (8)
- Instant trap for French painter (5)
- Truncated cadaver follows tactful group of envoys (10,5)
- Stick to English envoy (7)
- Wild Saturnalia reigns – it's a national game! (10,5)
- Redhead C (6-3)
- Clothing around the bend – show restraint! (6)
- Raised and bucked (6)
- Prototypes settle map problems (9)
- Spy agency, infotech, include infestations of Greeks – that's my view (2,1,3,2)
- Rum ghost (6)
- Farm bird, over time – a life for a sailor! (2,2,3)
- Monster concealed in exotic flower (6)
- Drunkard to be very subdued (5)

Quick Clues

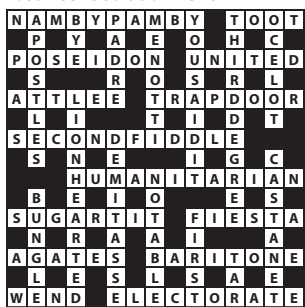
ACROSS

- Comic performer (8)
- Rotten (6)
- Bowler's initial move (3-2)
- Chief financial officer (9)
- Black Maria (6,3)
- Civil disturbances (5)
- Small residence (7)
- Expand, open (6)
- Scopes or ranges (6)
- Risso's dolphin (7)
- Souvenir, heirloom (5)
- Concerns, pastimes (9)
- Random, unpremeditated (3,2,4)
- Type of coffee (5)
- Stap, quit (6)
- Travel document (8)

DOWN

- Shell, of a tortoise perhaps (8)
- Great impressionist (5)
- Group of foreign emissaries domiciled in another country (10,5)
- One of those emissaries (7)
- Victorian footy (10,5)
- Slang term for a redhead (6-3)
- Compulsion, coercion (6)
- Raised, nurtured (6)
- Prototypes to be followed (9)
- In my opinion (2,1,3,2)
- Verve, ghost (6)
- Run off in a ship (2,2,3)
- Showy flower (6)
- Underneath (Italian) (5)

Last week's solution N316



Sport highlights of 2019...

Red Devils just miss rugby league finals



The Red Devils relax with fans at their home ground after the last game of the 2019 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 in the last regular game of the season, 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.

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

U/18s

The U/18s Red Devils made it all the way to the preliminary final where they took on Cudgen for a place in the grand final, but were beaten 24-4

Matilda quick enough for Australian gold medal



Matilda with her medals. Photo supplied

Mullumbimby's Matilda Vial has beaten all comers to become Australia's fastest runner over 200 metres, for her age.

Matilda attends the Shearwater Steiner school and has achieved outstanding results at the Australian Track and Field Championships held in Darwin last week.

'She set out her goals and she achieved them all. She

wanted a gold medal and achieved this by winning the 200m sprint with a time of 26.19, becoming the 12-years-and-under Australian Champion,' mother Fernanda said.

Matilda also ran under 13 seconds to come fifth in the 100m final, and also picked up a bronze medal in the 4 x 100m relay.

'It takes a community, and Mullumbimby has always supported me,' Matilda said.

Shores Firebirds make grand final in debut year



The Firebirds had a season to remember after they went all the way to the grand final. Photo Michelle Begg

The Shores United women's football team lost their inaugural grand final 3-0 against Richmond Rovers last Sunday at Crozier Oval Lismore.

The team never gave up, but a 2-0 deficit at half-time, and a late strike, proved too big to chase down.

'It wasn't the Shores team's best match of the season, but nonetheless it was a remarkable year for the ladies making a grand final in just their first year in

the FFNC competition,' club president Marc Patten said.

'It was a fantastic season for Shores United and local ladies football.

'Congratulations to all the ladies and we will no doubt look forward to seeing you in the red, white and black next season.'

The season got off to a great start for the team when they won their first game 1-0 in front of a jubilant home crowd at the Shara Boulevard ground.

Double grand final for the Rams



Diego Vazquez goes at Celtic's defence.

Story & photo Dogwhistle

A double grand final showing was a fitting swan song for Byron Bay Services Club's retiring premier coach Damon Bell.

Despite a gutsy performances from the Rams' premier division and reserve teams, they both fell short on grand final day in late September.

The reserves lost to the Richmond Rovers 7-6 in a penalty shoot out, while the top team went down 2-1 to South Lismore Celtic.

In a great stint with the Rams, coach Bell has collected four premiership and two championship trophies in the Anzac Cup, as well as taking the Rams to the regional level of the FFA Cup.

Mullumbimby Moonshiners raise reserve grade rugby union shield



The Mullumbimby Moonshiners took home the Far North Coast Rugby reserve grade premiership after beating Ballina 20-7 at Crozier Park, Lismore in September. It was the side's second premiership win in four years. Luke Caldwell scored two tries while Josh Mudge scored one, and Andrew Jordan-Brown kicked a conversion. Byron Flynn chipped in with a penalty goal. The Moonshiners pulled away in the second half by keeping Ballina pointless, after going into the break up at 12-7. Brad Grono scored Ballina's try that was converted by Nick Brydon. Photo supplied

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Kudos to Zoey Salucci-McDermott, a young pregnant Cobargo woman filmed on Nine TV last week. When approached by the PM for a handshake, she did not take his offer and instead said she would only shake his hand if he gave more money to the RFS. While she was clearly still in shock from the bushfires, Scott from Marketing grabbed her limp hand while the cameras rolled, then awkwardly retreated, saying nothing. He walked away from a woman pleading for help who was in shock. Did you know Scott from Marketing pays \$190,000 a year for an empathy coach? It was revealed during senate estimates committee hearings last year and reported in the *Saturday Paper*.

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Psych Rock outfit the Psychedelic Porn Crumpets are headlining this year's Byron Bay Surf Festival, to be held February 14 till 16. For more info visit www.byronbay-surfestival.com.au.

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The Bug claims to be Australia's longest running satirical publication, and is also locally based. One of its writers, Don Gordon-Brown, says he and his partner 'have decided 2020 will (once again) be a year in which we're all desperately going to need a laugh and some light relief.' Visit www.thebugonline.com.au for more info.



Cousins Freya, Fritjof, Billie, and Zoe decided to dedicate some of their holidays to raising money toward bushfire relief. Last Saturday they collected a modest \$25 at the Brunswick Market to give to the Rural Fire Service. On Monday, they had set up outside Santos in Mullum to raise money for the fire victims. Photo Jeff 'The Kids Are Alright' Dawson

Hey, remember when the Panama Papers revealed in 2016 that the uber rich are part of an enormous global conspiracy to dodge paying taxes and hoard unimaginable wealth in offshore accounts and literally nothing happened? #FreeAssange!

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Why is the trust fund man baby president trying to start WW3 with Iran – is it because he faces impeachment for treason? Iran's top military brass Soleimani was assassinated in Iraq and now the US embassy there is urging its citizens to leave the country.

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A climate-crisis protest – part of a national day of action – is planned from Byron's Railway Park on January 10 from 10am. It's also 'an opportunity for the community to show their support for those affected by the bushfires.'

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