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## Future funding for circus secured

Spaghetti Circus has received, for the first time, multi-year grant support for 2021 to 2024. General manager/creative producer Alice Cadwell said the \$85,000 per year is a \$10,000 increase from previous years. Pictured are (front line) performers; Rosa Mordaunt, Jamalia Brenton, Anouk Schlueter and Anais Stewart. In the backline are Spag Circus founder Leone Mills, Ben Franklin MLC (Nationals), and NSW Parliamentary Secretary for Energy and the Arts, Spag Circus General Manager Alice Cadwell, and Don Harwin MLC (Liberal Party), and NSW Minister for the Arts. Photo Jeff 'Backflips Since 1986' Dawson

## Mullum, Byron Bay rail with trail moves forward

Paul Bibby

The debate over the future of the Shire's decommissioned rail line flared again at last week's Council meeting, with councillors considering spending another \$200,000 on the dream of getting trains back on the degraded line.

With Council set to allocate further funds to the project at its next budget review, Councillor Alan Hunter unsuccessfully moved that the plan be shelved until a benefactor with deep pockets could be found.

'We need to stop talking about putting a train on the tracks until we get someone who's going to underwrite our expenses, or to pick it up and build it,' Cr Hunter said during an at-times fiery meeting.

'There's no way forward with the train – it's just a sink-hole for money.'

'What we do have is clear support for the bike and walking trail. There's support here, in other Shires, across the country and around the world.'

A report from Council staff tabled at the meeting recommended that further funds be allocated to the project to fund the development of a 'robust business case' and to determine the amount of work needed to make the line train-ready.

Private consultants Arcadis Australia have made a proposal to Council to undertake a structural assessment of the 12-plus bridges on the line using a 'digital methodology'.

The company, which has previously been hired by Council to work on the rail project, quoted \$200,000 for the work.

However, it has been suggested that the company significantly underestimated the number of bridges on the line, and that the cost of the assessment could be closer to \$500,000.

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## Byron's coastal erosion sparks urgent meeting

Paul Bibby

Severe coastal erosion at Clarkes Beach and Main Beach has prompted Byron Council to call an urgent meeting with Crown Lands and other stakeholders to discuss ways of addressing the issue.

Clarkes Beach has been particularly affected by the erosion over the past three months, with tonnes of sand stripped away exposing a rock shelf beneath.

The beach is also littered with uprooted pandanus trees, and the eroded dune line is

now within metres of the Beach restaurant and cafe.

'I walked along Main Beach on Sunday morning and was devastated at what had occurred just in the space of the previous seven days,' Greens councillor Sarah Ndiaye said.

'To see one of the most beautiful beaches in the world gouged by the sea like that was shocking.'

'On a big swell at high tide waves could potentially break over the embankment.'

Under an urgency motion successfully moved by Cr Ndiaye, Council staff will

convene a meeting of all land managers with responsibility for the two beaches.

This will include Crown Lands, who have primary responsibility for managing the site.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the impact of various coastal processes on the beach, and to explore potential options for management.

The outcome will be reported to the next available Council meeting.

One matter likely to be discussed at the meeting is the Lighthouse Road stormwater

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# Byron Film Fest returns Oct 23

The Byron Bay International Film Festival returns in 2020 with a special edition hybrid festival to include select cinema screenings, a competition for independent filmmakers, and a unique virtual reality experience.

Screening at Byron Bay's Palace Cinemas and the Byron Theatre, the festival will run from October 23 to November 1.

Festival director J'aimee Skippon-Volke says, 'The 2020 festival will not be a business as usual event. Social distancing regulations will change the atmosphere and scale of what we deliver, but we're still going to roll out the red carpet and bring audiences the very best of world cinema and screen events.'

Apart from screenings, J'aimee says the festival will still include a competition celebrating the very best of independent filmmaking in 2020 and a special virtual reality experience at Byron's iconic lighthouse under a full moon.

Celebrity judges for the event include acting legend Jack Thompson, actor David Wenham, artist/filmmaker Lynette Wallworth, rising star



Festival directors, Ozzy Alfaro and J'aimee Skippon-Volke, and venue partners Byron Palace Theatre manager Eli Ayo and the Byron Community Centre General Manager, Louise O'Connell. Photo Jeff Dawson

Joel Jackson, surfing royalty Layne Beachley, Bob Hurley, and the first female big wave world champion, Paige Alms.

### Industry leaders

Acknowledging that this is a tough year for filmmakers looking to get their films noticed, J'aimee says the festival has made sure that BBFF's 2020 film

competition is judged by industry leaders, film buyers and distributors, who will provide opportunities for those nominated, celebrating the independent and creative spirit of filmmaking.

J'aimee added, 'We decided to go ahead with presenting a Special Edition of BBFF to support our venue partners too, this is

a difficult time for them, as social distancing regulations mean capacities have been dramatically lowered. Some thought that we might just sit this year out, but we wanted to continue our work during these uncertain times, enabling us to return with a bigger better BBFF in 2021'.

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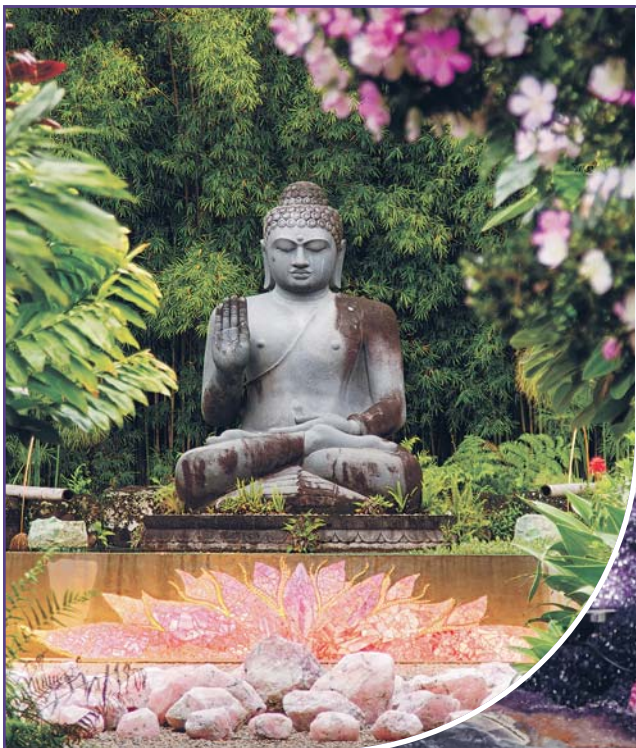
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# Politics in the pub returns October 7

With the demise of the Ngarra Institute, Turning Point Talks has emerged to fill the void and present the popular politics in the pub events. The first event under the new name is on October 7 at the Mullumbimby Courthouse Hotel, and features

one of the area's foremost activists, Aidan Ricketts. Mr Ricketts is SCU School of Law and Justice lecturer and author of *The Activists' Handbook: A Step-by-Step Guide to Participatory Democracy*. His speech is titled 'Conspiracy or same old vested

interests?' Organisers say Mr Ricketts is 'a brilliant, clear speaker, with a warm personality and poetic use of words.' 'Aidan inspires and informs, as few can. His passionate commitment to the Australian environment is

reflected in his tireless work to coordinate non-violent protests against CSG, coal mining and deforestation here and in Vanuatu.' Owing to COVID-19, audience numbers are limited – book via [www.turningpointtalks.com](http://www.turningpointtalks.com).

# Vale Richard Doggett

Macadamia farmer and local identity, Richard Doggett, was found dead on Friday after a farm accident at Numulgi. He was 72-years-old. Richard was well known through both his association with the Richmond AFL club and as Chairman of the Australian Macadamia Society. Officers from Richmond Police District say Mr Doggett's death is not being treated as suspicious.



Richard Doggett

The Richmond Club posted a message on their website: 'Richmond is mourning the passing of 1980 premiership General Manager Richard Doggett, who was killed in an accident on his northern NSW property.' 'Doggett had two stints as the Tigers' General Manager – from 1979-80 and 1986-88. He also served as the Club's treasurer in 1979-80.

'After leaving Tigerland the second time, Doggett had a stint as executive at Conrad Jupiters Casino on the Gold Coast. The Club sends its deepest sympathy to Richard's family and friends.' The Australian Macadamia Society said they were devastated by the news. 'A kind, compassionate

and polite man to say the least'. Northern Rivers Food Chair Pam Brook said her organisation is mourning his loss. 'Many in the NRF community will have met Richard at food industry functions and events, where he represented the Australian macadamia industry.'

## Well respected

'He was an active member and a great supporter of NRF industry initiatives. 'He was articulate, clever and well respected. He had the ability to bring calm and reason to any discussion. And above all, he was a gentleman. He always looked for the good in everyone', said Pam.

# Byron's coastal erosion sparks a meeting

► Continued from page 1 diversion project – a Council-lead measure aimed at reducing the impact of stormwater runoff on the fragile coastal fringe.

## Stormwater project

Councillors are scheduled to receive a briefing on this project at December's Strategic Planning Workshop. Another issue that is likely to come up at the upcoming meeting about Clarkes Beach is the contribution of surface runoff and hard drainage systems to beach erosion.



Clarkes Beach has become severely eroded in recent times. Photo Jeff Dawson

Council staff said, in July, that they were in discussions with Crown Lands about what could be done to address the erosion issue. 'I know that staff have

been working on a number of things to help the situation,' Cr Ndiaye said. 'Unfortunately, we're not

the landholders in that area. But I do think the drains need addressing. This is happening at such a rapid

rate, we need to be doing whatever we can. 'I don't think we can leave this to the last minute.'

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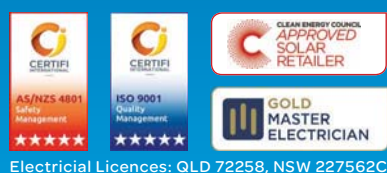
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# Councillors ignore Main Arm residents' over compliance blitz delay

Aslan Shand

Requests for councillors to halt an aggressive pursuit of unauthorised dwellings in Main Arm fell on deaf ears at last week's Council meeting.

Representing Main Arm Residents Association (MARA), former councillor and aspiring Greens mayor, Duncan Dey, requested councillors table an urgency motion during public access.

The suggested motion asked that Council 'cease hinterland action on perceived unauthorised dwellings'. The request further sought that if Council were to resume the program they 'do so only after considering public submissions on its Draft Unauthorised Dwellings Policy' and 'after resolving to

adopt such a policy.'

However, the request was ignored, despite Councillor Michael Lyon acknowledging that the draft policy and letter was 'waffle' and that the current approach was 'not productive' and is 'scaring people' as pointed out by MARA representative Matthew Lambourne.

'The request went in writing to the councillors and the general manager and was repeated in public access, but was ignored,' Mr Dey told *The Echo*, following the meeting.

'It is disappointing that the councillors couldn't even pause the process until the public have had the first opportunity to comment on the policy, which should also outline the procedure that

is already underway starting with the robo letters.'

Responding to detailed questions from *The Echo* on the policy and letter, Byron Shire Council staff again contradicted themselves.

At the previous Council meeting of September 17, Shannon Burt, Director Sustainable Environment and Economy, stated that the letter sent to Upper Main Arm residents was 'a show cause letter - not an

enforcement letter.'

Yet a Council spokesperson stated on September 28 that, 'The letter sent to residents was not a letter of demand or a show cause letter', leaving residents unsure of the implications of the letter.

'The aim of the letter is to initiate a conversation between Council and those landowners who may have unauthorised dwellings located on their property', the spokesperson states.

'Council's Enforcement team works on a wide range of matters and over the next 15 months its focus will also include unauthorised dwellings.'

'Council's message to residents who may have unauthorised dwellings is to contact staff so any problems/issues can be clarified and resolved'.

NSW Greens spokesperson for Planning, Jamie Parker, told *The Echo* that

while Council does have a legal responsibility in relation to safety of buildings and fire risk, 'It is clear that it needs a light touch. These [people] aren't developers'.

'What's clear is that there are many legacy issues. Following the Aquarius Festival, many people were following their hearts. Things need to be addressed on their merits.'

'The community would hope they were being flexible - but making sure a building

## Rail with trail plans to continue

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\$500k in reports

'Already in this [term of] Council we've spent \$380,000. Now, just to get this new report done it's going to cost \$500,000,' Cr Hunter said.

But a majority of councillors disagreed.

Greens Mayor, Simon Richardson, moved that the original staff recommendation be put, and this passed by five votes to three.

'We keep hearing how expensive this is going to be, but no state government is going to spend tens of millions on a bike path [along the railway line] when most of the community doesn't want it,' Mayor Richardson said.

'The cost of upgrading it

to a bike path is similar to the cost of making it fit for a train shuttle of under 10 tonnes.

'The bike trail people have been quietly supporting this [bringing back the trains] because they know that getting a financially feasible vehicle on there first is the best way to go.'

The mayor's amendment reads, 'That Council considers a budget allocation at the September quarterly review to undertake further work on the Rail with Trail on the corridor between Mullumbimby and Byron Bay'.

Crs Hackett, Spooner, and Hunter voted against the amendment.

In favour were Crs Richardson, Martin, Ndiaye, Cameron, Lyon and Coorey.

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# Rail trails for parts of north coast move closer

Hans Lovejoy

A bill to remove sections of the Casino to Murwillumbah railway line for rail trails/bike paths passed the NSW lower house (Legislative Assembly) last week.

To become law, it requires the support of the upper house (Legislative Council), which is still to vote on the bill.

The *Transport Administration Amendment (Closure of Railway Lines in Northern Rivers) bill 2020* was supported locally by Geoff Provest, (Nationals MP for Tweed) and Janelle Saffin, (Labor MP for Lismore). Local Ballina MP Tamara Smith (Greens) voted against.

The bill 'authorises the closure of railway lines between Crabbes Creek and Condong, and between Casino and Bentley, and to retain the land in public ownership'.

See page one for how Byron councillors voted last week regarding the Byron Shire section of the railway.

## Lease details needs tightening: Greens

Ms Smith told *The Echo*, 'The Greens are still hopeful of getting amendments passed in the Upper House that will really tighten up the leasehold provisions to ensure that public trusts have to be established to manage Rail Trails so that the broader community is truly represented over the longer term'.

'Elected councillors come and go, but a public trust with community representatives needs to be established.

'As it stands, this law means that councils could give tourism operators a 30 year lease to put a business in the corridor [and] that would confer property rights that would trump any other transport projects, and a



Abandoned railway from Casino to Murwillumbah.

right that the community would be unable to challenge. We think this is unacceptable and it is at the heart of why we are opposing this legislation.

'If it's true that public transport or rail transport along the Tweed and Casino to Bentley rail corridors can be returned at any time, as the LNP and Labor are hanging their hats on, then explain to us, please, how exactly that happens once millions of dollars has been spent on rail trails built in the centre of the rail corridor?'

'Who decides that the light rail project should trump the cycle paths and sets about to rip up millions of dollars in cycle infrastructure?'

'The answer is nobody; it is a complete furphy, and we all know it.

'At least by mandating that public trusts should manage rail trails, those trusts can be the entities that actually oust the rail trail when a transport solution for the corridor presents itself.

'This law was literally in the public domain for five working days before it was passed and debated in the Legislative Assembly.

'For Labor to say that the community have had their say for years on this issue is political doublespeak. We wanted more time for the community to be able to engage with the actual law being passed, and we do not think that five days is enough time'.

Ms Smith said Labor blocked an inquiry into the new law in the Upper House, despite the support of the Christian Democrats, The Shooters, Fishers and Farmers, Justin Field MLC, and the Animal Justice Party.

'It is very disappointing that such a radical change in public infrastructure in the Northern Rivers was not able to be fully examined by communities of interest.

'Let's not forget that it was Labor who robbed us

of two highly profitable and well used train services in the Northern Rivers in 2003.

'Both the Member for Tweed and the Member for Lismore spoke [in parliament] this week about wanting rail services in their electorates! But they were happy to sign off without close scrutiny on a law that will literally preclude rail from ever returning to their electorates.

'In Byron Shire, we have shown that you can have it all. You can have rails and cycle trails, and I commend Byron Council on their Byron Line project – extending the solar train line to Tyagarah.

'We will deliver a trail alongside light rail and prove that you can have your cake and eat it too.

'This law is a lost opportunity to look at public transport across the whole of the Northern Rivers, to demand more from the Minister for Transport and to deliver rail services and cycle trails'.

## Nothing unexpected: Labor MP Saffin

Responding to the limited time the bill was examined, Lismore MP Janelle Saffin (Labor) told *The Echo*, 'My focus was on ensuring that the bill maintained the rail corridor in public hands, able to be brought back to train use without obstacles'.

'I negotiated two amendments with the minister, that strengthened this. These passed in the Legislative Assembly. The view I had heard many express was that the one-page bill contained nothing unexpected.

'The Legislative Council, as the house of review, will do just that – review the bill in detail and I am sure debate it in detail'.

## Momentous: NRRT

Northern Rivers Rail Trail (NRRT) secretary, Geoff Meers, described the bill's passing as a 'momentous

event' which 'enables the building of a walking and cycling path on the disused railway corridor in the Northern Rivers'.

'The legislation must now be affirmed in the Upper House of Parliament, and after that time the Tweed Shire and Richmond Valley Councils will be at liberty to commence the construction process. Ms Saffin jibed that there may be a throwing down of the gauntlet between the two councils in their race to open their prospective sections', said Mr Meers.

## NRRTAG: sad day

Meanwhile, Northern Rivers Railway Action Group (NRRTAG) Chairperson, Beth Shelley, told *The Echo*, 'Nationals and Labor MPs mentioned the Tumbarrumba to Rosewood rail trail as a role model for the Northern Rivers; however, there is a very big difference. Tumbarrumba has 1,862 people, and Rosewood has a population of 214 people. They would like a rail trail to interest tourists in coming to their area. The Casino to Murwillumbah area has nearly 300,000 people and over 2.1 million tourists coming to Byron Bay alone'.

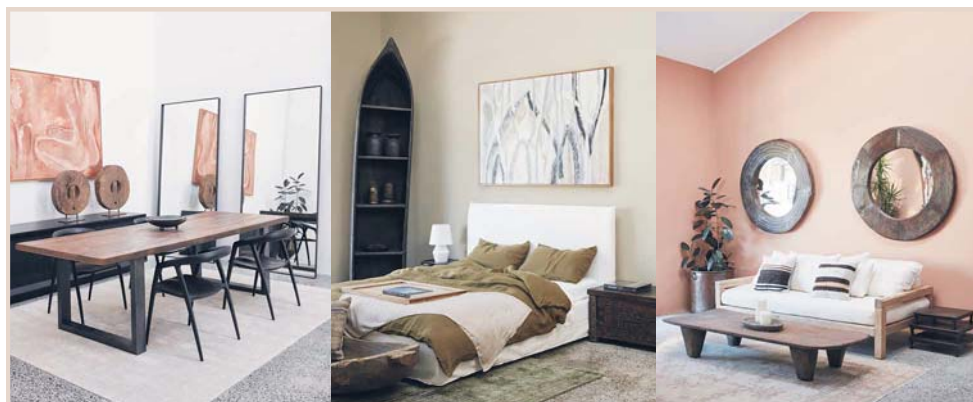
'The world-first Solar train is currently running at Byron Bay and Byron Shire Council plans to extend rail services, with a rail trail beside, throughout the Byron Shire.

'Since the ARUP [rail] report (estimated cost \$7 million/km), the Byron Bay Solar train was developed with repairs to 3km of the line, costing less than \$500,000 per km in 2018. In its first year it carried over 100,000 passengers. These are much greater tourism numbers than the proposed rail trails.

'This is a very sad day for our region. The repair of our railway would cost less than the repair of a single road of the same length, and yet the government has no interest [in doing so].

'They don't want to provide adequate rail services for the elderly or people without transport to get around in our communities.

'They have forgotten the reason for being a government, which is about creating equal opportunity for all people to have a reasonable quality of life. But as we've seen recently, elderly people rarely get the services they need and deserve in our society, and this is a terrible failure on our part'.



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## Alstonville film studio fast-tracked by Ballina Council

David Lowe

Byron Studios is a step closer to securing the Alstonville Cultural Centre for filming purposes after last week's Ballina Shire Council meeting.

After a long and emotional debate, councillors agreed (6-4) to authorise General Manager, Paul Hickey, to enter into negotiations with Byron Studios for the use of the former Alstonville Leisure and Entertainment Centre (ALEC).

The section of the debate relating to the details of the lease arrangements was confidential.

Yet it emerged that there was virtually no public consultation prior to the decision.

Mayor David Wright told the chamber that everything had happened so quickly it was impossible to have any proper community



Alstonville's Leisure and Entertainment Centre is to become a film studio. Photo supplied

consultation.

Cr Phillip Meehan was an enthusiastic supporter of the proposal.

'I know there is sensitivity around the site of the ALEC, but we can't let this opportunity pass us by.'

He described the 'perfect storm' of events which has led US productions to be looking at Ballina and Alstonville since COVID-19, leading to a potential reinvigoration of Alstonville, which has been suffering with business closures recently.

Cr Meehan acknowledged

some people were worried about the lack of consultation, and the urgency of the process, but emphasised Byron Studios needed somewhere to shoot in November, and that only a 'small group of users' of the Alstonville Cultural Centre would be affected, including the library, who were 'happy to move'.

Speaking against the motion, Cr Nathan Willis said, 'I recognise that people need to pivot with COVID-19, but this is off the charts pivoting. I cannot support this.' His amendment to not

license the film studios to use the Alstonville facility found no seconder.

Cr Ben Smith said he supported the idea of film production in the industrial estate which was a 'visionary positive thing' but was strongly opposed to the Alstonville proposal.

Describing it as a 'terrible lease agreement', he added he was shocked that Byron Studios were already advertising hire of the site when no decision had been made.

► Full story online at [www.echo.net.au](http://www.echo.net.au)

## South Ballina Beach Road closed for inspection

Hans Lovejoy

A popular road to the South Ballina Beach has been temporarily closed after it was deemed unsafe by the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment.

Residents alerted *The Echo* to the unexpected closure on Thursday, which included a steel gate being erected. The gate has blocked traffic access over a kilometre from the beach.

'Many surfers and fishers use this road, and the closure will now impact on their activities', said one *Echo* reader.

A spokesperson for the NSW government's planning department told *The Echo*, 'Following the recent incident at South Ballina, and a number of close calls along South Ballina Beach Road, the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment commissioned a road safety

inspection of South Ballina Beach Road'.

'The inspection indicated the training wall structure on which South Ballina Beach Road sits has deteriorated and is unsafe for general vehicle access.

'To address the immediate safety issue, the only practicable option to protect public safety is to close the road to vehicles until further assessments can be made.

'The Department

provided information to the Ballina Shire Local Emergency Management Committee advising of the road safety inspection outcomes.

'Emergency service vehicles will retain access for emergency response'.

They added the temporary road closure is located approximately 1.3km from the beach access point.

'Access to the beach along the training wall will be maintained for walkers and cyclists'.

## Rotary Club recognises exemplary employees

The Rotary Club of Ballina-on-Richmond recently held its annual Vocational Service Awards Evening at the Ballina RSL. These annual awards are given to a limited

number of people in the community who have been recognised by Rotary Club members as being employees who give exemplary service in their vocation.

2020 is the 31st year for the Vocational Service Awards.

The six awardees are: Teena Grissell (Lighthouse Beach Cafe), Chris Hawkins

(Ballina Golf Club), Cathy Jupp (Ballina Tiles), Mark Nicolle (Autobarn), Shivani Lama (The Cove Restaurant), and Kim Pauling (Ballina RSL Club).

## Catholic Church's residential DA knocked back

David Lowe

The Catholic Church's attempt to rezone a nine hectare block of land near the motorway at Cumbalum, for 20 new residential lots, has been blocked by Ballina Council on noise and environmental grounds.

Council was unswayed by a deputation from the developer and a noise expert, as well as 239 pages of technical attachments, submitted on behalf of St Francis Xavier Parish.

Speaking for the proponent, noise consultant Jason Fox from TTM said the noise

issues were manageable, and that Council was being overly concerned.

However Cr Keith Williams asked, 'Should we be approving rezoning when we know there will be noise issues on those properties, not just on upper floors or now and again, but consistent noise from the highway at ground level, not able to be remediated by sound barriers?'

'We should not be approving this,' he said.

Cr Nathan Willis asked Council staff how what was being proposed for Cumbalum compared to existing noise amelioration works at

Alstonville.

Manager for Strategic Planning, Matt Wood, said terrain had a significant influence on whether noise barriers would work, and said retrofitting existing residences was quite a different matter to allowing new residences so close to a major road.

Newly elected Deputy Mayor, Sharon Cadwallader, agreed with staff's recommendation to refuse the proposal, noting the unsuitable topography of the land and koala habitat mapping in the area.

She also noted that the noise problem was only going

to get worse with predictions of increased freight movements, including B triples, proposed for the motorway.

Cr Jeff Johnson, who built his house in Cumbalum, agreed that there was already a lot of noise from the highway, saying it was 'quite shattering actually', even though he was a long way back from where the proposed blocks would be.

'I don't know how they would address the noise issues so close to the highway,' he said.

Councillors voted unanimously to decline the proposed LEP amendment.





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## Old Byron Hospital handed over

Paul Bibby

Byron's old hospital was transferred to an incorporated not-for-profit company at last week's meeting of Byron Council.

In a move conducted in confidential session owing to 'commercial sensitivities', the Council voted unanimously to grant a head lease to the Old Byron Hospital Pty Ltd for the next 10 years, with an annual rent of \$1,046,500 per year.

Old Byron Hospital Pty Ltd consists of the same group of community members who have been involved in the project since 2016.

They helped convince NSW Health to sell the site to Byron Council in late 2018 for \$1, and have been preparing the site for its new purpose

as a community services hub.

Old Byron Hospital Pty Ltd will now have the power to decide which organisations are given leases to operate out of the Shirley Street site.

Byron Council have released three of the four documents from being confidential.

This includes the constitution of Old Byron Hospital Pty Ltd, and a draft of the lease agreement Council is offering to the company.

The draft lease between the Council and Old Byron Hospital Pty Ltd indicates that the company has agreed to a limited number of uses of the site, including an educational establishment, a health service facility, a retail facility selling food and drinks, and office facilities.

## Where Warhol meets Banksy

Brian Mollet

Byron Shire has always been known as a hub for the arts, with its natural beauty, laid back lifestyle, and tradition of free-thinking.

Indeed, it has been said that you could hardly swing a cat in a local cafe without skinning a poet, a guitarist and a couple of graphic artists.

While musicians, thespians, and performers were decimated by the lockdown conditions, the painter, whose solitary toils bring warmth, colour and feeling to our lives, was in a way, in his element.

Mullumbimby artist Mike Chavez is a case in point.

He says, 'I came to fine arts through the back door'.

'After graduating from the QLD College of Arts, I found my way into commercial art, working in film and television as an animator.

'I worked in Los Angeles on big productions like *Space Jam*, *Iron Giant* and more recently with the ABC for the popular local production *Bluey*. But I always wanted to try my hand at working without a script; to



Mullumbimby artist Mike Chavez. Photo supplied

just work with concepts and ideas that pleased me'.

### Cartoon Dada

Mike's work usually starts with a screen print that he embellishes with overtones in acrylic, and can take the form of a portrait or cartoon-like figures that can be playful and quite funny.

The works bring to mind Andy Warhol (one of his

heroes) with perhaps a touch of Banksy thrown into the mix.

'I call my style "Cartoon Dada" - it's not overly intellectual. I'd like to think its fairly accessible, but I find that I deal with concepts that are important to me like identity and racism (Mike is of Phillipino extraction) and also a dash of humour, hopefully something that will

spark a conversation'.

Mike is holding an exhibition of his work called 'Thrilla from Manilla' which runs throughout October at Mike's studio, "the Boondocks".

It is located at the Ross Industrial Estate on the corner of Station and Mill Streets, Mullumbimby.

Opening night is Friday October 2, from 6 till 8pm.



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## Lennox Head Cultural Centre revamped

A \$2.58 million upgrade on the Lennox Head Cultural Centre has been completed, with Ballina Mayor, David Wright, joining Don Harwin MLC (NSW Liberal) for the opening last week.

Improvements include insulation and wall linings to enhance acoustics in

the theatre, as well as air-conditioning in the theatre and central foyer. A new roof and 80kW solar power system is also part of the refurbishment.


There is also a new laser projector and six-metre retractable screen at the rear of the stage.





The centre also features new-look turrets on the outside, which are now covered in zincalume.


Mayor Wright says, 'Not only will this provide additional income to operate and maintain the facility, but it will bring income into businesses across the community'.

Seating capacity in Park Lane Theatre has now increased from 480 to 580 people, and up to 800 people can be accommodated for standing room performances and activities. The centre is open for bookings on 6687 6291, in line with current Public Health Orders.

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## Wildlife Hospital opens in Lennox

Byron Bay Wildlife Hospital has opened its doors to provide full-time specialist care for injured and traumatised wildlife with a veterinary team led by wildlife specialist Dr Bree Talbot.

From Monday, the not-for-profit Wildlife Hospital will operate full-time veterinary services from their Lennox Head branch. They will admit, diagnose and treat native animals including mammals, birds, reptiles and marine life.

'I'm delighted to join such a highly experienced team of veterinarians', said Dr Bree. 'Their combined knowledge and experience inspire my commitment to give vulnerable native animals all the specialist care they need to get them back into the

wild where they belong.

'Any member of the public who encounters distressed native animals should call our dedicated Wildlife Hospital phone number 0437 818 883. We'll provide immediate advice on what to do so we can admit them as patients and hopefully save lives.

'The work has started already, as I'm currently assessing a young magpie with a twisted leg, a baby blue-tongue lizard that has been attacked, and a freshwater turtle that's swallowed a fish hook', said Dr Bree, who is joined by Veterinary Nurse Hayley Corrigan to assist with wildlife patient care.

Byron Bay Wildlife Hospital Founder and CEO, Dr Stephen Van Mil, says, 'Dr

Bree's talents, compassion and experience working in bushfire-affected areas to treat badly injured animals are the reasons she is our full-time foundation vet'.

He says, 'The Byron Bay Wildlife Hospital has attracted support from the United Nations, Wild Ark, and World Animal Protection and inspired the generosity of hundreds of people around the world who contributed over \$574,000 to build the organisation's Mobile Wildlife Hospital, scheduled for completion in November'.

Byron Bay Wildlife Hospital can be reached on 0437 818 883. Tax deductible donations can be made via [www.donate.odonata.org.au/#causes](http://www.donate.odonata.org.au/#causes).



## Ecuadorian sailor who reached Ballina, dies

Spanish born Vital Alsar, the sailor who led three expeditions from Ecuador to Australia on small balsa wood rafts, died last week at the age of 87.

While his first attempt failed in 1966 owing to an infestation of shipworms, in 1970 he succeeded in reaching Mooloolaba in QLD after 161 days at sea.

Not content with setting a world record, he again

succeeded in leading a small crew and navigating the Pacific Ocean in 1972 to land in Ballina on November 21, 1973.

The raft, and the history of the Las Balsas expedition, can be seen at Ballina Naval and Maritime Museum, located at Regatta Ave, Ballina.

The museum is open seven days, from 9am to 4pm. For more, visit [www.ballina-maritimemuseum.org.au](http://www.ballina-maritimemuseum.org.au).



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## Car parking spaces to be repurposed for dining

Paul Bibby

Food outlets and other shops across the Shire will be able to use parking spots for outdoor dining and other business activities under a 'parklets' trial being conducted by Byron Council.

In a move designed to activate the region's main streets and boost the local retail sector during COVID-19, eligible businesses will be allowed to use some nearby street parking spaces between 5pm and 11pm daily for the next 12 months.

The trial, passed unanimously at last week's full Council meeting, will commence on November 30, and Council has agreed to waive the fees for businesses with a registered COVID Safe plan.

Cr Alan Hunter, who moved the motion at last Thursday's meeting, said, 'This is about supporting an activation plan, alongside the Mullum and Byron

activation projects, where we make the main streets more pedestrian friendly, more liveable and more appealing'.

'It's not something that will be appropriate for every restaurant and business, but for some it will really work.'

'This is something we can do with minimal costs at the moment to help our restaurants serve the visitor and help the visitor by making more tables'.

Parklets typically extend out from the footpath to the width of the adjacent parking space, and involve two or three parking spaces being put together.

They typically feature small outdoor dining areas, but can also be used to display clothing, art or any other retail items.

A number of other nearby councils, including Port Macquarie, Lismore and Tweed, have implemented parklets in their areas, or are considering doing so.

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## Council staff respond to greywater standoff with Ed Dept at Byron Bay Public School

Further to last week's story regarding the impasse with the NSW Department of Education and Training (DET) and Byron Council over a grey water system, Council's Manager Utilities, Cameron Clark, has provided more details behind the arrangement.

He told *The Echo* that in 2019, Byron Bay Public School approached Council asking if it was possible for recycled

water to be connected to the school to irrigate its gardens and playing fields.

'As strong advocates of water reuse, Council staff met with school representatives, including the NSW Department of Education to discuss the project.

'Council then began the process of drafting a recycled water agreement with the school and laid necessary

pipework to the school.

'This was completed in November 2019, and is waiting to be turned on.

'Council has invested approximately \$20,000 for the installation of the infrastructure and it is also responsible for its maintenance, repair and replacement, to the point of supply, on the school property. We are also responsible for

providing test results on the water quality and we have committed to testing the water every two weeks.'

Mr Clark outlined other Byron venues, businesses and parks where Council's recycled water is currently used.

'The recycled water is treated to an extremely high standard and must meet all NSW and Australian Health Guidelines', Mr Clark said.

'The school has requested it be able to access Council's recycled water and we have done everything possible to meet this request including a Recycled Water Use agreement [that] has been drafted and presented to Byron Bay Public School; DET states that the Recycled Water Use agreement can only be validly made by DET. Council responded that it is fine to change the

agreement to be between the Department of Education and the Byron Shire Council. But, as the school is the participating land manager and has responsibilities regarding how the water is used, they will need to be included in the agreement as well.'

*The Echo* previously sought comment from the DET, but they declined to explain why the impasse has occurred.



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**Nominations close: Friday 23 October 2020**

Enquiries: Joanne McMurtry, Community Project Officer, 02 6626 7316 or [jmcmurtry@byron.nsw.gov.au](mailto:jmcmurtry@byron.nsw.gov.au)

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**Submissions close: 21 October 2020**

Enquiries: Dylan Johnstone 02 6626 7150

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**10.2020.434.1 – Ewingsdale, 20 Taylors Lane (LOT: 5 DP: 853798, LOT: 4 DP: 1221424)** Byron Bay Planning & Property Consultants – Subdivision Two (2) into Two (2) Lots

**10.2020.445.1 – Mullumbimby, 105 Stuart Street (LOT: 2 DP: 602466)** Punch & Daisy – Change of Use from Retail to Restaurant

**10.2020.439.1 – Byron Bay, 13 Marvell Street (LOT: 2 DP: 844738)** Planners North, Alterations and Additions to Existing Bed and Breakfast Establishment including First Floor Additions and Relocation of Car Parking

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**10.2020.425.1 – Suffolk Park, 1/22 Macgregor Street, 2/22 Macgregor Street (LOT: 1 SP: 16360, LOT: 2 SP: 16360)** Planit Consulting Pty Ltd, Alterations and Additions to Unit 1 and Use of Alterations and Additions to Unit 2, Fence and Pergola

**10.2020.460.1 – Bangalow, 90 Byron Street (LOT: 26 SEC: 6 DP: 4596)** Byron Bay Planning & Property Consultants, Use of Alterations and Additions to Existing Dwelling House comprising of Front Fence and Verandah

**10.2020.462.1 – Mullumbimby, 8/121 Dalley Street (LOT: 8 SP: 96441)** Ms J M Rapley & Mr A G Rapley, Use of Windows

**10.2020.458.1 – Brunswick Heads, 7 Tweed Street (LOT: 2 DP: 853493)** Newton Denny Chapelle, Demolition of Existing Structures and Construction of a Mixed Use Development Comprising of a Specialised Retail Premises, Business Premises and Two (2) Shop Top Housing Dwellings

## Mayor yet to reply over improving large DA exhibition process

Hans Lovejoy

Greens Mayor, Simon Richardson, is yet to reply as to whether he will seek to improve the process which has resulted in public submissions limited to three weeks for Villa World Byron's latest DA exhibition.

Public submissions for DA 10.2017.201.1 close September 30, and come in at a file size of 817Mb. Nearly 100 lengthy and complex planning documents are included.

It is one of two massive DAs for urbanisation of low lying constrained and ecologically significant lands. The other DA is by 'locals', Site R&D.

Council staff confirmed that with other contentious DA exhibitions, late submissions will be received.

As developers took Council to court, negotiations between Council's Sydney-based lawyers Marsdens, and Villa World Byron, are held behind closed doors.

A statement from Council's media spokesperson said both parties (being Villa World Byron and Council), 'discussed the timing for the exhibition during the conciliation conference, and it was agreed that having regard to Council's obligations pursuant to the DCP and legislation, and the nature of the proposed amendments, three weeks would be sufficient.'

The reply continues, 'Council's Community Participation Plan (October 2019) sets out notification and exhibition timeframes for development applications. The Villa World subdivision DA (10.2017.201.1) falls under Level 3 being: Any development type with an estimated development cost of \$20 million dollars or more; Any development application that will be referred to the Joint Regional Planning Panel for determination; Subdivision that create 50 or more lots.

'Level 3 development has a specified timeframe for public exhibition of 21 days and that

is the period the amended Villa World proposal is being publicly exhibited.'

*The Echo* understands a court date for the hearing has not yet been set.

*The Echo* asked Council's legal counsel, Ralph James, 'Can councillors seek to improve the process by updating Council's Community Participation Plan and DCP to allow longer public extensions on similar large and significant DAs?'

He replied, 'Yes, based on the fact that the Community Participation Plan (CPP) is adopted by Council.

'The types of development you are talking about are categorised as community significant development – we have, for these types of DAs, a requirement for pre-lodgement consultation to occur as well as an extended public exhibition when lodged.

'There remains a need to balance the statutory assessment times under the Act, and assessment timeframe requirements set by the Minister.

'For this Council the balance has been set by the CPP requirements.

'The Community Participation Plan is adopted by Council (under the EP&A Act) [and], applies to planning functions and decisions of Council.

'While matters pertaining to the LEC fall outside this plan, it was, in the Villa World matter, used to inform the parties' discussions as to the notification period.

'It cannot be amended with retrospective application.'

The Byron Residents Group (BRG) say that if approved, Villa World Byron poses a threat to the Belongil and the Cape Byron Marine Park, could result in major flood impacts, and will increase congestion by adding 2,800+ extra car movements per day.

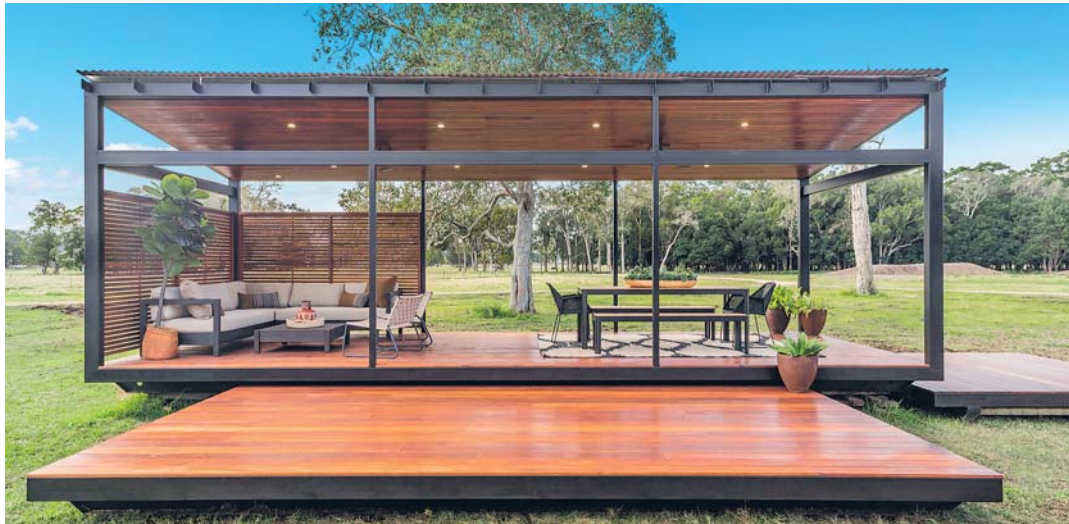
They added there is also no masterplan or co-ordination between the two land owner groups.

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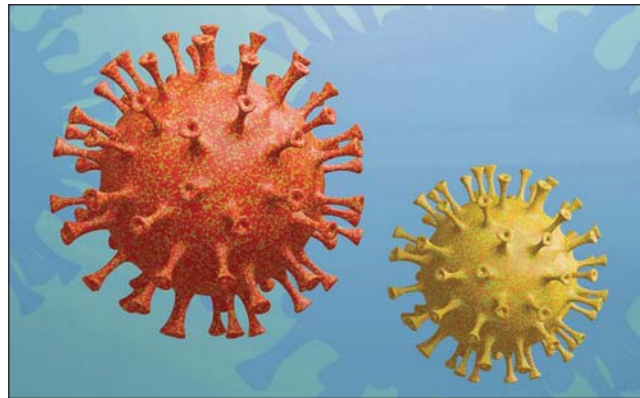
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# Superspreading the good news



Terrific news! Australia is beating this global virus back and lockdowns will soon be eased.

The economically crushing border closures are about to be lifted, and this week venues will be allowed more patrons.

It's the school holidays too, and local shops and markets will no doubt soon be packed with visitors.

The road into Byron Bay is back to being clogged, holiday rentals are up, and carpark spaces in Mullum, Bruns and Bangalow are again hard to find.

While Australia is doing very well in reducing COVID-19 transmissions, it's worth considering that we are still likely to be nowhere near any end point with the virus.

Being complacent and hygienically relaxed has led to France, Spain and the UK being hit hard again.

ABC reports that India is close to overtaking the US. Cases are steadily climbing in Iran, Iraq, Indonesia. Brazil and Mexico are also copping it.

Global deaths, according to the Johns Hopkins University tracker, are now around one million.

Meanwhile, back in Australia, JobKeeper payments are winding back. And Byron Shire, like all other regions highly dependent on JobKeeper, could soon face a bumpy ride.

Academic website, theconversation.com, reports, 'Australian National University calculations suggest JobKeeper and the boosted JobSeeker payment have saved about 2.2 million people from poverty.'

'JobKeeper will now fall to \$1,200 per fortnight for those who previously worked 20 or more hours per week and to just \$750 for those who previously worked less than 20 hours per week.

'The payment to people on JobSeeker and related benefits will fall to \$815.

'Beyond December, JobKeeper will fall to \$1,000 and \$650 per fortnight and the Coronavirus Supplement will end, returning JobSeeker to \$565.70 per fortnight.'

The ANU researchers who authored the story (Ben Phillips, Matthew Gray and Nicholas Biddle) say this 'will push an extra 740,000 Australians into poverty, lifting the total number in poverty from 1.1 million to 1.84 million.'

Poverty, defined in this case, is 'an equivalised household income of less than half the median household income.'

Surely the government, who work, ahem, for the common good, don't want this?

Hans Lovejoy, editor

# Govt self-interest above the national interest

At least the latest energy plan – the coalition's twenty second, and counting – is not all about gas.

Last week the bumbling minister, Angus Taylor, breathlessly revealed that there are all sorts of goodies – hydrogen, energy storage, "green" steel and aluminium, carbon capture and soil carbon.

This scattergun approach, he claims, includes the best bets for a policy which will drive prices down and reduce emissions, very much on that order.

So we are not really talking about coal – except that we are, given that so called 'blue' hydrogen and carbon capture both intimately involve the forbidden fossil.

And we are most certainly not talking about renewables, which can bloody well look after themselves.

No, this is all about technology, the great wave of the future.

And, as we start to unpick it, a long way into a very uncertain future. Even assuming that Taylor's gamble pays off, we are looking at a good decade before we can hope to collect.

The only technology which is really going ahead is energy storage – batteries are becoming bigger, more efficient and much cheaper even as we speak, But ironically, the beneficiaries are far more likely to involve renewables than any iteration of fossils.

Hydrogen is possibly a goer, but Taylor is obviously thinking about it as so called "blue" hydrogen, a spin off from turning coal and gas into products like plastic with all the carbon emissions that entails. "Green" hydrogen, from the clean process of electrolysis of water, is much further down the years.

As are so-called "green" steel and aluminium, on everybody's wish list in about 2040 if we are lucky.

Soil carbon is an old idea of Tony Abbott's devised to satisfy Australia's targets at Kyoto. It can be useful for the farmers, but affects emission reduction only at the fringe.

Which leaves us the rainbow gold of carbon capture. It is not quite true that this is a proven failure – not quite. It can be done and it has been, on a small, basically experimental scale.

But after many, many years of effort, it remains horrendously expensive, totally unacceptable to industry and inapplicable to a serious attack on our climate crisis.

So Taylor's package has little to do with economics, in the short term, and almost nothing to do with emission reduction in any time frame you want to discuss.

*After many, many years of effort, carbon capture remains horrendously expensive and totally unacceptable to the industry.*

Mungo MacCallum



But then, it isn't meant to – hence his refusal to talk about targets, unlike some more open and transparent regimes such as the People's Republic of China. The best Taylor can manage is a hope that we may get to zero emissions in the latter half of the century. In other words, we will do nothing for the next thirty years and start thinking about it some time in the following fifty.

Even from a party room resigned to the constant inanities of the this risible minister, this is too silly to accept.

However the conservatives will settle for a political fix, a policy whose only real purpose is to demonstrate that he has a policy. It will be dismissed by the international community and derided by the critics who have long despaired that the government might take notice of the science and take positive action.

But it will pacify the party room – well, most of it. The hardliners, like the coal-obsessed Matt Canavan, have already made it clear cannot be wooed. He, like his arch enemy Malcolm Turnbull, thinks enshrining gas in centre stage is, as Turnbull bluntly asserts, plain crazy.

And there are others, less extreme, who have grave doubts that it can survive the scrutiny of the next round of climate talks, when the pressure will ramp up for tougher targets and more stringent measures. Energy policy #23 may be needed before the next election.

And there are other concerns. It is not entirely clear who was responsible for putting together the mish-mash Taylor delivered, but presumably there was input from Morrison's National COVID-19 Coordination Commission – after all, that is supposed to be its job. And it just happens that several

members of that commission stand to profit massively if the gas bonanza at the core of it goes ahead. The chairman, Neville Power – the previous CEO of Fortescue – is particularly vulnerable to the charge of conflict of interest.

This is in no sense criminal – at worst it can be seen as crony capitalism at its most blatant and cynical. But even if it were labeled corrupt, apparently that would not matter.

In an astonishing decision recently, the NSW Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC), a body previously regarded as a serious watchdog with a few teeth ready to chew on, told us that the widespread and bipartisan tradition of pork-barrelling was not illegal – no surprises there, we had long been resigned to that. But it was not even to be seen as corrupt.

Hang on. According to my *Macquarie Dictionary*, corrupt means 'dishonest, especially involving bribery' – the very essence of pork-barrelling in which undeservedly favourable treatment is meted out to certain groups of people in the hope of securing their votes.

To say such behaviour is not corrupt is not just a question of nit-picking or pedantry, it is a denial of reality. Such is the abysmal level of accepted standard of conduct that our current politics have now plumbed.

And this is the standard that Taylor espouses.

The national interest is at best secondary – if it can be spun as part of his policy agenda, it can sometimes be helpful, but it is not the real point.

What is vital is to look after your mates, and especially the ones who make lavish donations to party funds. Secure the base, and the baser the better.

And thus it is with the energy package. It has never been about emissions, or even cutting costs – the consumers have got used to the idea that any reductions in their bills are likely to be both temporary and illusory. Power, after all, is what the economists call an inelastic demand which has to be paid for however exorbitant the charges.

And power is politics. Mao Zedong said power grew out of the barrel of a gun. ScoMo says it hisses through the valve of a gas cylinder.

A somewhat less compelling image, but a handy prop to replace Morrison's carboniferous pet rock in question time.

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## Tallowood Landcare

As residents of Tallowood Ridge community in Mullumbimby, we have the enormous privilege of living at the edge of a rare, remnant, old-growth forest.

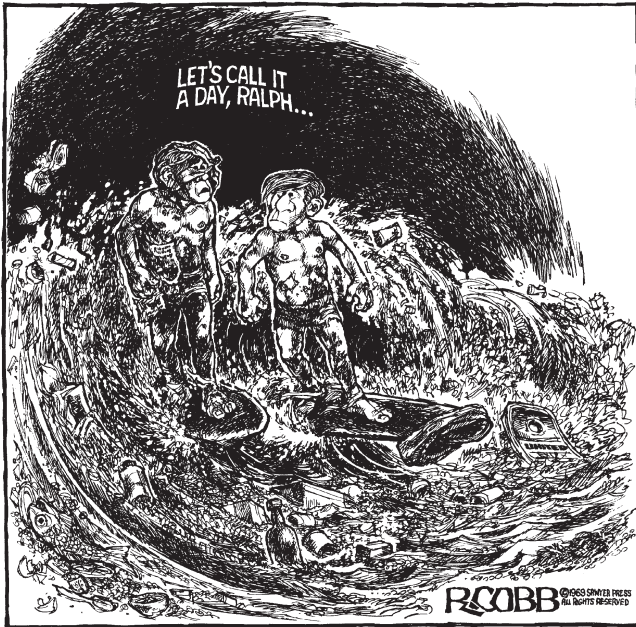
Each morning we walk along the ridge, through this towering forest of brush box and tallowood and it is alive with wallabies, gliders, birds, and koalas. We look north to Mt Chincogan and west along the range to Wollumbin, across the largest and oldest shield caldera in the world. It is a breathtaking, quietening, and humbling experience.

With this privilege comes a responsibility to care for and protect the forest so Tallowood Ridge Landcare group has been formed. Weeds are being removed and nesting boxes placed in trees.

The intention is to establish a publicly owned nature reserve along the ridge to ensure the long-term protection. Tallowood developer, Eric Freeman, has offered to gift the forest to Council, to ensure proper management in perpetuity. To date, Council has not agreed, and in the meantime some private landowners have removed large trees from the ridge.

In mid-October, there is a Council planning meeting to make approvals for the last two stages (8/9) in Tallowood Ridge Estate. As it stands, the forest is slated to go into the private hands of the Stage 9 Community Title landholders. Stage 9 is not adjacent to the forest, nor is there a guarantee that under private ownership it will be protected.

To ensure the integrity of the forest, and its ongoing care and protection, we ask that Council to take over the management.



American artist Ron Cobb, who died last week, drew dozens of powerful political cartoons in the 1960s and '70s including a series of commentary drawings on Australia. See page 17 for a more on his life and achievements.

Meanwhile, the Tallowood Landcare Group is holding a community get together at The Gathering Tree, on the corner of Lorikeet Lane and Cockatoo Cres, on 17 October. All are welcome.

**R Ritchie & T Gordon**  
Tallowood residents

### Thanks Byron!

At 4am on Tuesday, 15 September, I drove all 195 United Nations flags to the front of the Byron Bay Surf Club and lined them up along the beach, ready for the 5.30am sunrise. From that moment until around 3pm, when I dismantled them, my experience and dialogues with the Byron Bay community were simply beautiful.

One man remembered us from last year with Lucy's birthday party being one true highlight... he promised me to pass on Happy Birthday Lucy... I wonder if she got it?

A group of ladies mentioned I could provide more warning and we could get

children to do the 'sand with line run (of flags)' along Byron Bay main beach... great idea!

Another sought the Maltese flag, a Serbian one and German one for another holidaying couple from Sydney, and a cheerful Chilean traveller snapping happily!

One man's first words to me were 'world peace!' Another lady said it was to do with the Sydney Olympics. A few people even declared 'it's World Peace Day!'

Thank you everyone for making this 20th birthday a completion for me, and happy 13th Birthday to Lucy who started the World Peace Take Off Party in the same place last year!

**Charles Crawshaw**  
Ocean Shores

### Price of lockdown

Peter Olsen asks if the lockdown's worth it (Letters, 23 September). He compares deaths owing to COVID-19 with deaths caused by

influenza where 'no freedoms were taken away'.

There are two differences: there's a vaccine for flu, and flu is less contagious and less deadly than COVID-19.

If Australia had the same number of deaths per capita as America, a country that has done little to avoid its spread, over 15,000 Australians would have lost their lives to the novel coronavirus.

Have our precautions been worth it? Clearly yes!

**Warren Kennedy**  
Mullumbimby

### Cruelty: refugee boy

Thank you for last week's excellent article about Angus MacDonald's portrait of Behrouz Boochani. Behrouz' book *No Friend but the Mountains* opened our eyes to the injustices and cruelties of offshore detention of refugees and asylum seekers.

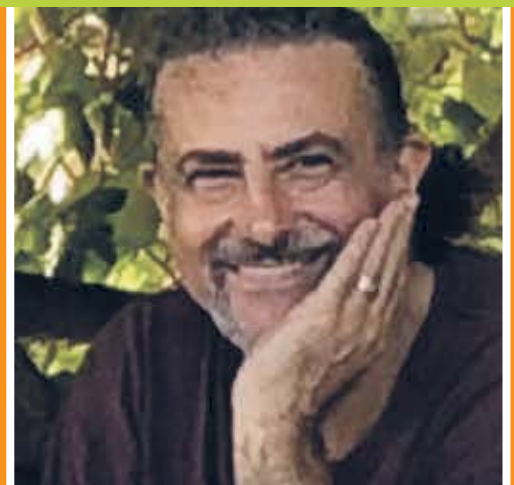
I just finished reading Emma Adams' book *Unbreakable Threads: the true story of an Australian mother, a refugee boy and what it really means to be a family*, which reveals even more depths of cruelty and injustice to a refugee. This time it was perpetrated personally by Scott Morrison against a 16 year old Afghan Hazara boy who made it to Australia after his father was murdered by the Taliban.

As a refugee advocate, I thought I knew most things about Australia's deplorable treatment of asylum seekers and refugees. I didn't. Emma's story shocked me.

Emma and her family offered their home to Abdul who was in Immigration Detention in Darwin. Eventually they succeeded

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THE FUTURE: 10 MINUTES BEFORE THE QUEENSLAND BORDER REOPENS...





# The homeless women of the Byron Shire you won't see on Instagram

Mandy Nolan

Poverty is an uncomfortable truth. Knowing you can intervene to change the circumstances of another human being's life is a privilege and a duty. In his book *The Life You Can Save*, philosopher Peter Singer argued that citizens of affluent nations are behaving immorally if they do not act to end the poverty they know to exist in developing nations.

This is upsetting. None of us want to perceive ourselves as immoral. But we are. I believe Singer's thesis can be pushed further. In this shiny coastal utopia we call home, filled with influencers doing yoga on the beach, celebs building mansions on hills, and real estate agents cashing in on housing values that are swelling like the bellies of Singer's malnourished children, then perhaps it's time we looked at what we should do to change. And I'm not saying Council. I'm saying us.

The rental stress in this region is out of control, and is about to make a whole tier of the community who previously occupied the lower rung of the rental market, at risk and homeless. Many of these are the unseen of homelessness; women.

## Opportunism costs

Let me share three real stories from this community. I have changed their names to protect their dignity, but be assured, these are not fictional stories. This is the long-term social harm that occurs when the super privileged move to town, and our most vulnerable are left without options.

Meet Carol, she's 87. She's a widow who has been living in a rental in Ocean Shores for the last seven years. She still drives. She is still able to live independently. Her rental was \$350 per week. She lives upstairs and sublets downstairs so she can manage on her meagre aged pension. Her landlord has just served Carol with an eviction notice, and she is to vacate the property in the next six weeks. Clearly, with the going rental rates, a renovated house in Ocean Shores could lease for up to \$800 per week. Who would begrudge anyone a bit of free market opportunism? Isn't it what we all do? But all opportunism has a human cost. And I guess if we were to be truly honest with ourselves that is where it becomes immoral.

There aren't many options for Carol. She doesn't want to leave the area, because this is where she has made friends, it's where her life is, it's where her medical and



*This is the long-term social harm that occurs when the super privileged move to town, and our most vulnerable are left without options.*

– Mandy Nolan

social supports are. How does an 87 year old woman pick up and start again as a stranger in a new community with no support?

## Invisible gates

Before you say what I hear many say – which is – 'move somewhere you can afford', consider what a community is. Consider how valid every tier of our community is to our overall social cohesion. That is what *inclusive* means. As soon as you say 'move out' – you are engaging in exclusivity, and we all start to live in a gated community. Except you can't see the gates.

So here are the options for Carol: She can go to the Tribunal and possibly get extended tenancy until January. Not an ideal time to be seeking accommodation. The reality is, who will lease to Carol? How can she compete, on the pension, against young couples who have moved from Sydney and who have offered to pay six months in advance? Because that is what's happening. Everyone I know who has got a lease recently has paid many months rent up front. Who among our more vulnerable community could afford to do that?

There is an elderly priority wait list for the Housing Department once you are 80, but unfortunately we are so short of housing here that that's not an option for Carol. The only retirement village where she can rent at \$250 per week is in Murwillumbah, but there is a long waiting list for a room there too.

Carol's most realistic outcome at this point is going to be homelessness. She will have to live in her car.

Oh yes, there is the 28 days emergency temporary accommodation 'option'. But do you know how that works? It's five nights, and then you have to go back to your local office in Tweed with your signed lease-seeker document to prove you are looking for housing. This continues until the 28 days is up. Then guess what? Nothing. There is nothing.

This is how a vulnerable member of our community, who has always paid her rent, who has done the right thing now ends up homeless. If we let this happen, we are immoral.

## Can you step up?

She is extremely distressed. She is frightened. She feels her life has no meaning, that she has no

value, no future. The message we are giving Carol is that there is no place for her here. In a truly connected and diverse community her story must become our story.

Someone must intervene. There are enough people in our region with enough money to pay for 100 Carols. Please step up.

Meet Sally. She's a hard-working single mother in her mid thirties. She currently lives with her two children in a one-and-a-half bedroom home. She's been living here for over a decade. She recently looked at a house in Newrybar that 245 people applied for. If she doesn't find something soon she'll have to leave the area. Her kids will need to change schools, she'll need to find work again, and she will be living somewhere without her social supports. Someone, please step up.

And then there's Bec. She's in her late 20s and has a full-time job in hospitality. She's a brilliantly friendly young woman with a talent for connecting with her customers. When she's not couch surfing, she has been living in her car. Step up.

## Homeless slide

Housing stress is hard on the whole community – but it's particularly hard on women who become increasingly vulnerable as they slide into homelessness.

Government and Councils are hamstrung by funding availability, politics, and budget restraints. And generally progress moves far too slowly to make the necessary

changes when we have so many people in housing stress.

## Meaningful action

Right now there is an opportunity for the affluent private sector, and I especially mean the super affluent (you know who you are) new residents, like Chris Hemsworth, who love this place that so many of us have worked so hard to curate into something unique and amazing, to do something meaningful.

We call on those newer residents we've welcomed, like Chris and friends, who, simply by their presence have unwittingly had significant economic impacts on our postcode's desirability explosion. We call on you to really become part of this community by leading the way to create something ongoing for our most under-resourced citizens. Imagine the story we could tell to the world if rich and poor could live together harmoniously in a connected community!

We need social housing for women like Sally and Bec. We need someone with a lot of money to do it *now*.

We need a house for Carol, now. This is the life you can save.

If anyone has housing options for Carol, please email [mandy@mandynolan.com.au](mailto:mandy@mandynolan.com.au)

And if you have a shitload of cash and want to change the world, let's start.

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**CHESS** by Ian Rogers

12-year-old Sravan Renjith from Brisbane has won the Nell van de Graaff Classic.

The 24th edition of the Classic has traditionally been one of two annual Gold Coast tournaments to be ranked in the highest Grand Prix category. In 2020 more than half of the AGP's constituent events were cancelled and so was the GP series.

However, relaxed covid regulations in Queensland enabled the Classic to go ahead and more than 100 chess-starved players turned up, though none of course from interstate. The new normal applied: no handshakes, hand sanitiser use, piece cleaning between rounds, distancing between games, etc.

As the top two seeds stumbled early – top seed Dusan Stojic to 10-year-old Ryan Xing! – Renjith and 16-year-old Michael Ostapenko raced to the lead. The two were joint leaders going into the final round but the luck of the draw favoured Renjith, who was paired with veteran Tony Weller while Ostapenko had to take on top seed Dusan Stojic.

Renjith duly won but Stojic took

down Ostapenko to recover to a shared second place and push the unlucky teen to fourth.

Had the Grand Prix existed this year, the NvdG Classic would have been the highest ranking GP tournament ever won by a 12-year-old. Instead Renjith had to be content with \$700 and plenty of ranking points.

His success will be equally celebrated in New Zealand. Renjith's family moved to Australia from NZ five years ago, but he has maintained New Zealand as his country of representation with FIDE.

Gold Coast 2020  
White: S Renjith  
Black: J Turner  
Opening: Reti  
1.Nf3 Nf6 2.g3 g6 3.b3 Bg7 4.Bb2 0-0 5.Bg2 d5 6.0-0 c6 7.c4 dxc4?! Leaving White with a central pawn majority is unnecessary and unwise. 8.bxc4 Nbd7 9.d3 Qc7 10.Nbd2 Rd8 11.Qb3 Nf8?! Now White takes complete control. 11...e5, here or earlier, was required. 12.Be5 Qa5 13.Qb2 Ne6 14.Nb3 Qb6 15.Qa3 Rd7 16.c5 Qd8 17.Rfc1 Nd5 18.Qb2 f6 19.Bh3 Ndc7 20.Bc3 Rd5 21.d4? Allowing Black to fight back. After 21.Ba5! Black would be paralysed. 21...Nxd4! 22.Nbxd4 Bxh3 23.Qxb7 Rxc5? Missing 23...Rb8! 24.Qxa7 (On 24.Qxc6 Bd7! traps the queen.) Nb5! when Black stands well. 24...Nxc6 Qd6? A final error. After 24...Qe8 Black is still alive. 25.Bb4 Rxc1+ 26.Rxc1 Qd7 27.Nxe7+ Kh8 28.Qxc7 1-0

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# Ron Cobb's cartoons on Australia, 1972 – all missing from the mainstream obituaries

Phillip Frazer

American graphic artist Ron Cobb drew dozens of powerful political cartoons in the 1960s and '70s, which were published in all the emerging alternative papers of the day, across the US and Europe. He also spent time in Australia back then and did a series of commentary drawings about us and our country, which were published in the countercultural monthly *The Digger*, of which I was co-editor.

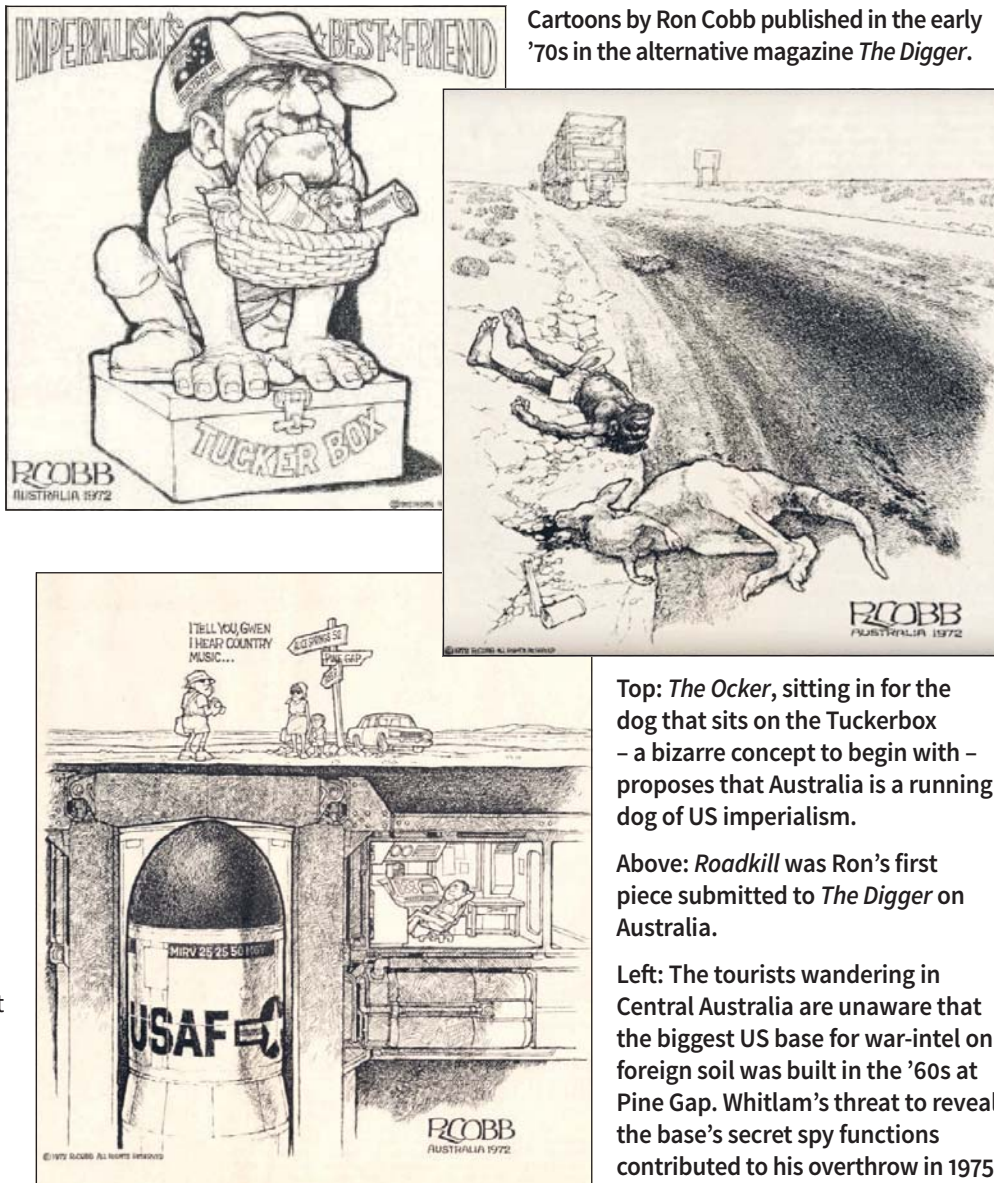
Ron died last week and is getting that post-mortem second wind of attention, but mostly for his later career as a superstar concept designer in Hollywood movies, including *Alien* (the first one, with Sigourney Weaver and the thing that pops out of John Hurt's chest), *ET*, and *Back to the Future*.

Last Thursday the *Sydney Morning Herald* ran almost two pages on Ron's sci-fi art, and never mentioned his acerbic political cartoons, even though some of his best were about Australia.

Cobb's cartoons featured impeccable caricatures and startling settings – rendered in an amazing variety of hatchings, cross and otherwise. He said he wanted to expose the brutal repressions of his government – Nixon's America – and of the ruling conservative culture of that period. His broadsides against his country's imperial ways still seethe with righteous anger.

In 1972, with the war in Vietnam at its peak, Robin Love of the Australian Union of Students invited Cobb to tour our universities, sharing the stage with another American dissident, troubadour Phil Ochs. Since their tour coincided with the launch of Australia's countercultural newspaper, *The Digger*, I

## THE DIGGER



Cartoons by Ron Cobb published in the early '70s in the alternative magazine *The Digger*.

Top: *The Ocker*, sitting in for the dog that sits on the Tuckerbox – a bizarre concept to begin with – proposes that Australia is a running dog of US imperialism.

Above: *Roadkill* was Ron's first piece submitted to *The Digger* on Australia.

Left: The tourists wandering in Central Australia are unaware that the biggest US base for war-intel on foreign soil was built in the '60s at Pine Gap. Whitlam's threat to reveal the base's secret spy functions contributed to his overthrow in 1975.

invited Ron to draw some of his perceptions of Australia for us.

His first submission was a single panel depicting an 18-wheeler truck disappearing on an endless highway through the desert, leaving an Indigenous man and a big red roo in its dust – fellow roadkill of White Australia. The sign on the side of the highway doesn't say where it's going, it doesn't say anything.

Each one of his single-frame cartoons had the look and the heft of a stone tablet chiselled by a sturdy fellow with a chunky beard, whose

perspective was of one who sees things from above the planet. That was how Ron himself looked, and also how he saw things.

As a kid he drew space-ships, and after his brief period as a graphic commentator on American and Australian society, he returned to sci-fi, spectacularly, by designing the spaceship in that first *Alien* movie, and then 'concept designing' for many other superhit movies.

He believed sci-fi films could be more successful than cartoons at helping us see the troubles we humans can get into, and, perhaps,

how to get out of them.

Ron Cobb and Robin Love got together back when the 1972 tour and *The Digger* were happening, and they stayed together through the intervening 48 years, living in Sydney and Los Angeles. They have a son named Nicky.

The best collections of Cobb's cartoons were published by Wild & Woolley in Sydney, run by another Californian, Pat Woolley, who came to visit Australia way back, and stayed.

Thanks Ron, you did good for your fellow humans, and for the planet.

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# Is there any holding onto Byron as it drowns in its own success?

■ In response to Sue Lennox, (Letters, 23 September), I read the article by Angela Mollard. Sadly, I found it to be a pretty true account of what has happened to the town of Byron Bay.

Sue didn't live here before Byron became a mass tourist destination around the globe. I can remember the days when real estate and rents were affordable in town, you knew people in the main street, you didn't have to lock your car or house, surfing at the Pass was accessible, driving across town was a breeze, and you could walk the streets safely late at night.

I agree with Mollard that the prices are ridiculous, especially real estate. It's for a reason that the sign on entering Byron has been repeatedly changed to 'Byron Pay'. The Council's manipulative sign advising us to 'Cheer up and Chill Out' as we are stuck in regular traffic jams, is a failed pseudo New Age propaganda attempt.

The kids who grew up here can't afford to buy in the Shire. Homelessness is on the rise (See p.16). Developers are pouncing. It's all about supply and demand, they say.

Byron has been over-promoted worldwide as the most desirable tourist destination in Australia. Celebrities [moving in] are a by-product of that.

There are now 2.2 million tourists visiting annually. How many more do we want? The values of environmental protection and sustainability that residents have fought for since the '70s are being displaced by gentrification. People have bought themselves a lifestyle here, but generally haven't brought with them the values and actions that saved this place. If people really care about protecting Byron from over-development then please join the local community groups fighting to save what is left of it.

**Kathryn McConnochie**  
Byron Bay

■ Regarding Sue Lennox's letter about Byron Bashing, I have to say I'm not familiar with her tabloid media references and journalists' commentary. But I can imagine that it's all part of a 'silent contract' that the media seem to have with publicity interests – tourism, business, real estate etc and this place. The odious usage of Byron as a brand name!

It always amuses me that people, who often sneer at royalty, will coo over, or defer to, so-called celebrities. Not much of the old egalitarian Aussie society in that, is there?

I fail to see why, just because one lives in a place, one should adopt an 'Everything in the garden's lovely' attitude and suspend one's critical faculties. It is precisely because I care about the place that I complain about the overwhelming impact of what is being foisted on this town. And how it seems to be in the rapid process of irrevocable change – and not for the better, in my opinion.

Elsewhere I have described the town as

being one of the greed hubs of Australia. Of course, change is an axiom; even in antiquity there was awareness that all is in flux. A Bermudian millionaire visiting in the 1980s said the place was 'stagnating'. He ought to see the place now (no doubt he'd approve).

I have no space to list all the ways I believe this place is being legally abused by free-booting capitalism in action. Doubtless the losses I could describe would be meaningless to many. The town is simply being sold off, regardless of any consequences to the local community and the 'liveability' of the place.

The sun shines pleasantly, the sea is blue, the spring blossoms are a picture; citrus flowers scent the air, but... I fear that all in the garden will not, in the long run, be well. (Call me Cassandra, if you will). I recall someone saying once that part of California's problem was that it started to believe its own publicity.

**David Morris**  
Byron Bay

► **Continued from page 15** in their bid to have Abdul released into their care. Abdul is now an integral part of their family – at least for now.

Emma's story exposes Morrison's direct and personal cruelty to Abdul when he was Minister for Immigration in the Howard government years. He was aided and abetted by many bureaucrats in the Department of Immigration and Border Protection.

Thankfully there were some staff who retained their humanity.

Scott Morrison had other workable options for 'stopping the boats'. He chose to do it through cruelty and wrecking lives.

Subsequent prime ministers and ministers for immigration – both Coalition and ALP – have also been personally complicit in serious cruelties and injustices to refugees and asylum seekers. These will continue

unless we all raise our voices even louder. Abdul is still vulnerable to deportation.

**Bobbi Allan**  
Mullumbimby

## Free Assange

Julian Assange, an Australian citizen, is being slowly tortured to death in a British prison at the behest of the American government, and he hasn't even committed any crime under UK or Australian law. Another example of the US trying to impose its

own domestic laws on the rest of the world.

Assange is clearly a political prisoner being punished for exposing the US empire's crimes against humanity. He has been subjected to years of arbitrary detention, deprivation of liberty, and denial of due process.

Lawyers for Assange have released an open letter detailing the injustice being perpetrated against Assange, an eye-opening document that's well worth reading

([lawyersforassange.org/open-letter.html](http://lawyersforassange.org/open-letter.html)).

Through its refusal to offer any assistance to Assange, the Australian government has rendered itself complicit in the ongoing persecution and abuse of an Australian citizen, by so-called allies of Australia.

These are the very same allies that former Australian PM, Malcolm Fraser, warned about in his illuminating book, *Dangerous Allies*. The Australian

government needs to add its voice to those demanding the immediate release of Julian Assange.

**John Scrivener**  
Main Arm

## What a gas!

That chilling sound of gasping for gas comes from our Liberal and Labor leaders below fossil fool boots. Outdated industries must be allowed to die gracefully.

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Image: Soda Jerk, *TERROR NULLIUS* (video still), 2018, HD video, 54 minutes. Commissioned by the Australian Centre for the Moving Image, Melbourne. Courtesy the artists.



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**Hayo van der Woude**  
Mullumbimby

**Lost records?**

Last week I opened *The Echo* to read 'Council staff embark on crusade against residents', a somewhat alarmist headline I thought.

So I said to myself, 'What have I done?'

Reading on I realised it

wasn't about me, but about those residents in the Main Arm, Huonbrook area who may be living in houses that have not been approved by Council. So it's not a crusade against all residents, just some!

As a Building Inspector who worked with Byron Council from 1979 till 1999 I thought to myself, 'I might know something about this' so I read on.

I was surprised to read that the journalist claimed that 'Council's records are incomplete, as a result of losing records decades ago in fire and flood events.'

So, it's all Council's fault! I wondered to myself, 'Hell, when were those fires and floods? Did I miss something?'

As a Building Inspector for 20 years, I never had a problem searching records going back at times to the '50s. When did these fires and flooding events actually occur?

I thought to myself that maybe I should write to the Editor and ask that he provide guidance to the Journalist about being able to prove these generalised statements. However, being retired and having so much fun doing other things, I missed the deadline.

The Editor surely would

coach the journalist about being able to justify generalised statements such as this. So, I let it go.

But this week, there it was again! But this time it was from the Editor's pen, (see page 12). So I thought to myself, maybe I am wrong, maybe there was a flood that inundated Lawson Street to a height of probably 2m or more, sufficiently high enough to reach the floor level of the Council Chambers to destroy all or even some of the files that were stored in the building. Mind you, a flood of that height in Lawson Street would have wiped out most of the town. But who knows, perhaps these fires or floods occurred while I was on annual leave.

So, I thought to myself, let's do a fact check by, say, mid October? If I am wrong, I will eat humble pie. If you are wrong, what will *The Echo* do?

**Bede Cooney**  
Ewingsdale

■ *The Echo* will confirm with its sources – Ed

**Belongil DA**

The Bureau of Meteorology has warned that the East Coast of Australia can expect three cyclones owing to changing weather conditions. The timeline indicated

the 'near future'. Is Byron prepared for cyclones?

Byron Council's 2015 flood plan study considers a maximum sea-level rise of 0.8m by the end of this century. Given changes in weather patterns current predictions now view a sea-level rise of 1-2m as more likely.

The recent mayoral vote to push through a Belongil development application (DA) for Gantra Pty Ltd, 'Elements' owners Brian and Peggy Flannery is confusing. No mention is made of the Coastal Protection Plan when addressing this Belongil development which forms part of the Cape Byron Marine Park.

Rezoning of the site to 'Environmental Living' seems to be a new method of supporting private property development.

This site is rich with acid sulphate soils, human sewage and a history of fish kills. It is a highly sensitive estuary currently undergoing the most painful of human induced deaths.

The site has always attracted the principles of upholding of the public interest, and public rights, which are now being displaced by 'institutional forgetting'.

**Jo Faith**  
Newtown

**A little probe**

Roadside drug testing (RDT) roadside checkpoints are designed to catch people driving with illegal drugs in their bodies – regardless of whether or not those drugs affect the driving.

Why then do the police not much more efficiently set up checkpoints outside shopping centres, schools, hospitals, post offices, banks, and parliament etc? That way they would not have to disrupt the flow of traffic on the roads and would soon have half the population under lock and key.

Add mandatory on-the-spot strip-searches and rectal probes and everybody would be only too happy to comply with COVID-19 restrictions and stay at home. That way we will have solved two problems at once.

**John Jennings**  
Numinbah

**Reluctant to criticise?**

Looks like I was right in describing Cr Lyon as 'Cr Wannabe', by which I meant that his overriding need is to be a leader of men.

I've always thought of him as a bandwagoner who used The Greens as a vehicle for self-enhancement.

When The Greens failed recently to anoint him as

Simon Lunchbox's successor he at first whinged about the voting system, which is actually quite democratic, then ditched The Greens because, presumably, they were holding him back from the greatness he obviously deserves.

When it comes to self-belief he is in a tight race with 'Lunchbox' and 'Blah Blah'. His most recent foray was to suggest that it is the councillors' responsibility to protect the morale of the permanent staff, which is apparently achieved by sucking up to them and by signing their written excuses as though it was his own work.

Talking (reluctantly) of 'Blah Blah', she recently wrote a letter to *The Echo* suggesting that I call her 'Blah Blah' on account of her unusual name. That's very creative of her but the real reason is that she talks too much, talks too much about herself, and expects all her utterances to be interesting to others.

I only raise this because she seems to think that my silence on this subject is some kind of admission, i.e. that she has scored some moral victory over me.

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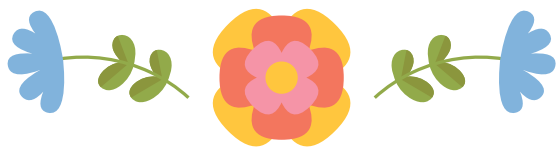
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**Dates:** Monday 5th - Saturday 10th October  
**Location:** Outside Target  
**Cost:** First one is FREE, \$1 to laminate

Come along for hands on SandWizard fun, kids of all ages can get creative and take home a SandWizard masterpiece.



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## Sunshine Cycle E Bike Tours

Sunshine Cycles are proud to announce that they are introducing a range of guided daily tours. From Lighthouse sunsets and vistas across the Bay, to back-country hamlets and windy country lanes, through orchards and rainforest, there is a Sunshine Cycles E Bike Tour to discover the beauty of the region, no matter what your passion. Each tour will take in a different aspect of the area and visit some of the region's amazing merchants and providers.

The minimum age is 18, or 14 accompanied by an adult. There is safety and training on the day and COVID safety precautions in place for customers. Check out their website for options and to book, and come cruise on their amazing fun comfy Ebikes and explore in style! They have eight different tours to choose from.

Minimum of three persons for a tour, maximum of six. Starting from \$78 for the Lighthouse/Wategoes tour.

[sunshinecycles.com.au](http://sunshinecycles.com.au)



## Fun at Ballina Fair these school holidays

Enjoy a day out in Ballina with loads of activities at Ballina Fair to entertain the kids.

In the first week, outside Target, they have Byron Bay's very own homegrown KidzKlub Australia with hands-on spring art and craft fun that the kids will enjoy. In week two, they have sand art fun with SandWizard, where kids of all ages will enjoy making an artwork with coloured sand.

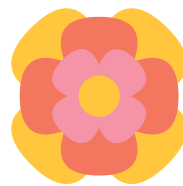
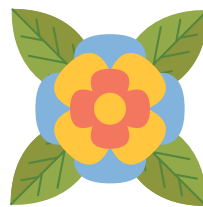
Ballina Fair Cinemas also have a great line up of movies on offer and be sure to pick up a colouring-in competition from Kaisercraft for your chance to win a beanie boo!


To ensure the safety of their customers, they have COVID safety measures in place and will ensure that customers maintain social distance whilst completing the activities. They have also installed hand sanitising stations at each of the entrances to the Centre.

**Cnr Kerr and Fox Street, Ballina**

**02 6686 8555**

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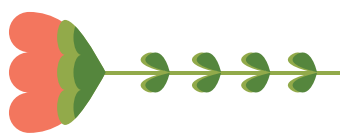
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# SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

## The Regent Cinema Murwillumbah

Cinema - Theatre - Cafe - Bar

'A true Art Deco Movie Theatre experience.'

The Regent offers an authentic movie-house and theatre experience, with a socially-distanced, yet personal atmosphere.

Enjoy new cinema releases these school holidays in this authentic Art Deco Movie Theatre, with stunning digital projection and surround-sound.

Celebrate the inaugural Festival Of Fun with live performances, especially for kids, with Dr Hubble, Shorty Brown and The Space Cowboy!

Light meals are available from the cafe and licensed Balcony Bar.

Only 40 minutes from Byron Bay, enjoy the beautiful hinterland drive to The Regent in Murwillumbah.

Now under new management, The Regent is excited to welcome you.

Visit [cinemaregent.com](http://cinemaregent.com) for session times

Online ticketing coming soon.



## The Macadamia Castle

There is a full daily activity schedule, train rides, playground and mini golf, as well as a new spring menu in Cafe Macca, as well as their legendary pancakes, new gift range and new additions to their nut bar. Join them for the daily free flight bird show, farmyard animal feeding, koala, kangaroo and reptile talks, and your much needed pancake fix.

Locals... consider purchasing an annual pass. It is great value for regular visitors.

[macadamiacastle.com.au](http://macadamiacastle.com.au)

419 Hinterland Way, Knockrow

02 6687 8432



## Wild Kids School Holiday Program

School's out and nature is calling! Wild Kids is a holistic nature mentoring program in Broken Head. It's packed full of bushcraft, storytelling, nature awareness, and wild play activities that help your child to reconnect with their wild self and the natural world these holidays.

**6-9 years:** Mon 5 Oct, 10am-3pm (full day)  
Sat 10 Oct, 9am-12.30pm (half day)

**9-12 years:** Fri 9 Oct, 10am-3pm (full day)  
Sat 10 Oct, 1.30pm-5pm (half day)

**Full Day:** \$70 **Half Day:** \$50. Siblings 10% off.

**Bookings:** [www.trybooking.com/BLKOA](http://www.trybooking.com/BLKOA)

0431 954 364 | [info@wildsong.org](mailto:info@wildsong.org) | IG: @wildsong\_

## Vision Walks Eco Tours

Explore your own backyard with Vision Walks Eco Tours. They have heaps of award winning walks and wildlife tours to suit all ages and abilities.

- Bush Tucker Walk - with local Arakwal woman, Delta Kay. Discover what's good to eat and useful in our local environment (kid friendly tour).
- Night Vision Walk - Use military grade night vision goggles to look for nocturnal wildlife in the rainforest. They have a 30% discount for locals when you use the promo code: 'LocalNight' (kids must be over 10 years old).
- Koala Tour - Go looking for koalas in their natural habitat, learn about their biology, habitat and threats (kid friendly tour). They have a 20% discount for locals when you use the promo code: 'KoalaLocal'.
- Platypus Walk - Ever want to see a platypus in the wild? Vision Walks go to a special place at a special time and see them 90% of the time.
- Nightcap Historic Track - 19km hike from Mount Nardi to Rummery Park, with return shuttle bus service.

Book online [visionwalks.com.au](http://visionwalks.com.au) or call 0405 275 743.



## Beyond Byron E Bikes

Beyond Byron E Bikes run small group guided E Bike tours of the countryside and National Parks surrounding Byron Bay. Be surprised at how easy cycle touring is on an electric bike. Going up hills has never been this fun! You will be riding a German made FOCUS electric mountain bike with the latest Bosch motors. We are fully licensed by National Parks NSW to operate in National Parks and Reserves and we abide by the principles of Leave No Trace.

Check our website ([beyondbyronebikes.com.au](http://beyondbyronebikes.com.au)) for the tour information and easy online booking.

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### WILD KIDS SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Bushcraft, storytelling, nature connection adventures, and wild play.

6-9 years & 9-12 years  
Mon 5th, Fri 9th & Sat 10th Oct  
in Broken Head

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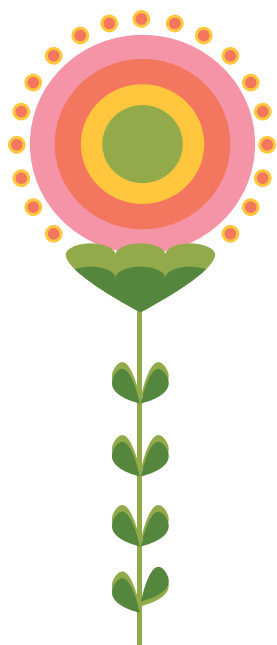
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# SCHOOL HOLIDAYS



**YUM CHA**  
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BYRON BAY

11.30 AM — 3 PM

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## Family Flix on the big screen at Byron Theatre!

Byron Theatre has you covered for these school holidays with their Fun Family Flix program. They have a fantastic selection of popular and classic movies that everyone will enjoy.

Titles include: *Happy Feet*, *Dora and The Lost City of Gold*, *Shaun The Sheep: Farmageddon* and *Paddington*. Special Family Ticket price of only \$50. The Events bar will be open for you to grab popcorn and ice creams before the show.

Byron Theatre is a registered COVID Safe venue. With reduced audience size and a ticket system that automatically allocates a safe space between your ticket group and the next, Byron Theatre staff are dedicated to keeping our events safe for all.

Book now at [byroncentre.com.au](http://byroncentre.com.au)

## Byron Community Market

There's fun in store for the whole family at the Byron Community Market on Sunday 4 October.

Occupying the picturesque foreshore of Main Beach, the market is bursting at the seams with a delightful variety of stalls offering unique products and boutique wares.

Spend the day in beautiful Byron Bay and feast your senses on over 250 stalls, showcasing the best of what the Rainbow Region has to offer. From handcrafted gifts to locally designed clothing and kids' activities, there's something for everyone.

Grab a tasty meal, take a leisurely browse along the beachfront and be entertained with live music by Christopher Mapstone, Chell Bell, Kobya, and Broadfoot.

**Make the school holidays memorable and enjoy the relaxing environment of Byron's iconic Sunday market.**

## Byron Ballet Auditions

Byron Ballet's classes are designed for the passionate dance student and parents seeking age-appropriate tuition within a holistic environment. They provide solid foundations in classical ballet, contemporary dance and other genres in both a disciplined and nurturing way, cultivating the joyful essence of dance in every body.

Byron Ballet students are excited to be performing again in the Byron Ballet Company production of *Peter and the Wolf* and *Ravel's Bolero*.

'We are currently looking for committed dancers that would like to be involved. After cancelling two ballet seasons this year it will be wonderful to get back into the theatre for everyone involved. We also need male dancers from 8-13 years approx. to perform as the hunters', says director, Yvonne Hall.

**AUDITIONS October 7-8**

Enquiries - [byronballet@gmail.com](mailto:byronballet@gmail.com)



**BYRON THEATRE**

**FUN FAMILY FLIX**

<i>Happy Feet</i> Sat 3 Oct 11.30am	<i>Dora and The Lost City of Gold</i> Wed 7 Oct 4.30pm
<i>Shaun The Sheep: Farmageddon</i> Fri 9 Oct 11.30am	<i>Paddington</i> Sat 10 Oct 4.30pm

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Byron Theatre, 69 Jonson St, Byron Bay 2481



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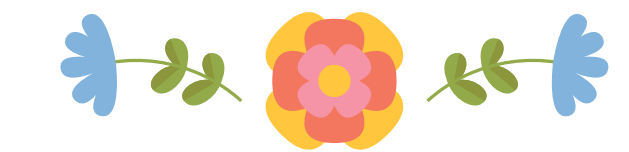
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## Love Byron Bay crêperie and chocolate boutique

'Ooh la-la! What to have for dessert?'

Clear the table and make room for the ultimate selection. The taste of French crêpes prepared right in front of your eyes, L'Ultime cakes and pastries, artisan chocolates, rocky road, confectionery, dipped fruit and hot chocolate. It all tastes so good!

Love Byron Bay crêperie and chocolate boutique offers a unique retail and takeaway experience, combining a local twist with French dessert favourites and a connoisseur's selection of artisan chocolates suited to any dietary preference, including vegan and GF.

Delicious ways to celebrate life with quality chocolate indulgences, unique gifts, vegan desserts and traditional French cakes and pastries.

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# Magic Murwillumbah

## Husk Distillers produce the 100th batch of Ink Gin

Ink Gin has been part of the Australian gin scene since its infancy and is now one of the most popular brands by market share, marking its 100th batch this month.

"When we launched Ink Gin, not everyone was impressed, with several industry veterans commenting 'it tastes great - but gin is supposed to be clear!'," recalls Founder/Distiller Paul Messenger.

At that time the craft gin boom was yet to hit Australia and Ink Gin was a radical step out of the norm.

Since 2015 the gin market in Australia has grown by 95% and the premium sector by an incredible 1,216%.



Although the long-term economic impact of the COVID-19 virus remains to be seen, with impressive double digit growth persisting across all price bands, Australians still seem to be riding the gin wave.

Batch 100 of Ink Gin is being celebrated with a commemorative label and a COVID-Safe community cocktail competition.

huskdistillers.com  
1152 Dalguigan Road  
Tumbulgum



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108 Riverside Drive, Tumbulgum.



The beautiful Tweed River.



## TRAC Swim Schools

Water sports are the perfect way to keep active over summer! Before letting your child jump into the water though, it's important they're prepared by knowing how to swim. Supervised swimming lessons with an Austswim certified instructor can teach your child the many far-reaching benefits of swimming and make the water a fun and stress-free place to be.

Not only is swimming great for the body, it's also great for your child's mind. It can improve their mood and self-esteem. Learning to swim early on will also reduce a child's fear of water, making pools and beaches less stressful environments.

**Top 5 benefits:**

- Swimming saves lives • Improves fitness • Increases confidence in the water and on land
- It's a skill for life • It's fun!

TRAC Swim Schools operate from Kingscliff and Murwillumbah.  
Term 4 Mon 12 October-Sat 19 December 2020

Active Kids Vouchers accepted.  
Kingscliff 02 6671 2945 or Murwillumbah 02 66 70 2750  
Assessment day Wed 30 September 8-10am or 3-5pm



## Murwillumbah Wreckers

Established in the early '70s, Murwillumbah Wreckers has been serving the local community with the current owner for over 20 years.

They have a courier network that can transport your much needed car part to all corners of Australia. For local customers they have fast and reliable couriers servicing the Northern Rivers.

They dismantle all makes and models, specialising in post-2005 model vehicles. They can source and supply any part through their network of over 250 members Australia wide.

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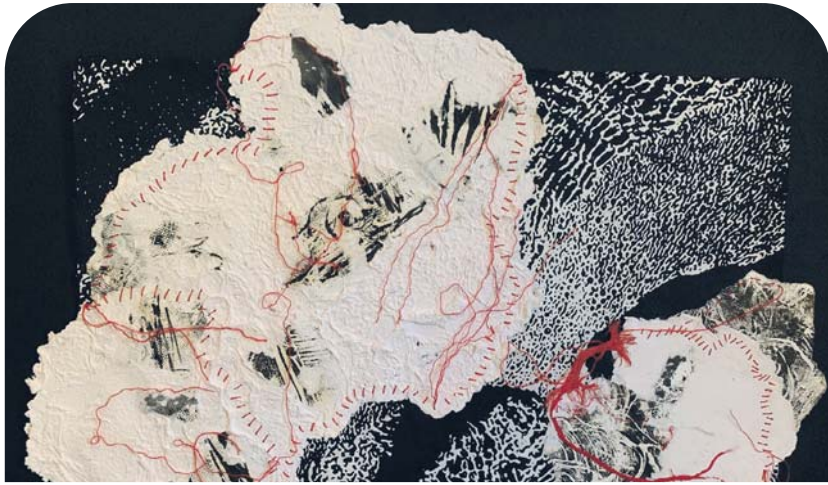
02 6672 2869  
11-15 Lundberg Drive Murwillumbah.







# Magic Murwillumbah



## Art exhibition Fire & Ice

at The Field, M-Arts Precinct, Murwillumbah  
30 September-13 October



Fire & Ice is an exhibition about Iceland and climate change. Fire and ice are two words often used to describe Iceland, with its volcanos, lava fields and glaciers. In October 2019, Northern Rivers artist Heather Matthew went to Iceland for an artist residency in the remote fishing village of Skagaströnd. She created handmade paper in glacier shapes and embedded pieces of fishing rope into them with red thread stitching to reference the red jackets of tourists walking on the glaciers. A week before she arrived in Iceland, a funeral was held for the Ok glacier which had lost its 'glacier' status owing to the effects of climate change.

As part of the exhibition, there will be an Imagine Peace evening event to coincide with the annual lighting of the Imagine Peace Tower in Reykavik Iceland on 9 October.

For more information contact [hello.thefield@gmail.com](mailto:hello.thefield@gmail.com)

## Gelato & Co

At Gelato & Co. their aim is to serve the best quality gelato and sorbet; made daily, using local fresh ingredients.

The judges at the Sydney Royal and Brisbane Fine Food Awards agree and have awarded Gelato & Co. numerous gold medals plus the title of reigning Grand Champion.

Their gelato is stored in enclosed Italian pozzetti freezers to ensure the gelato is served at optimum freshness without using stabilisers.

All are gluten + egg free with many vegan options.

Come and visit!

Opening hours:

Wednesday & Thursday 12-8pm

Friday & Saturday 12-9pm

Sunday 12-4pm

Shop 2/115 Murwillumbah St, Murwillumbah



## Coast to Country Real Estate Specialists

Raine & Horne Ocean Shores/Brunswick Heads is an award-winning business focused on delivering service excellence and achieving outstanding results on behalf of their clients. Tapping into their combined 50+ years in the industry and with a strong reputation for integrity and drive, Julie-Ann and Charlie established the business in 2015, after falling in love with the Far North Coast region and relocating from Sydney.

With the size and strength of the Raine & Horne brand behind them, the team have amassed a substantial client database which will greatly benefit clients of Raine & Horne Murwillumbah.

"We're passionate about the beautiful Northern Rivers and Tweed regions, actively participating in and promoting local events within our community, and proudly serving clients from Ballina to the Tweed and everywhere in between."

Our team is proactive and committed to achieving the best possible results for our clients. We're excited to be part of the Murwillumbah community."

15 Commercial Road, Murwillumbah.  
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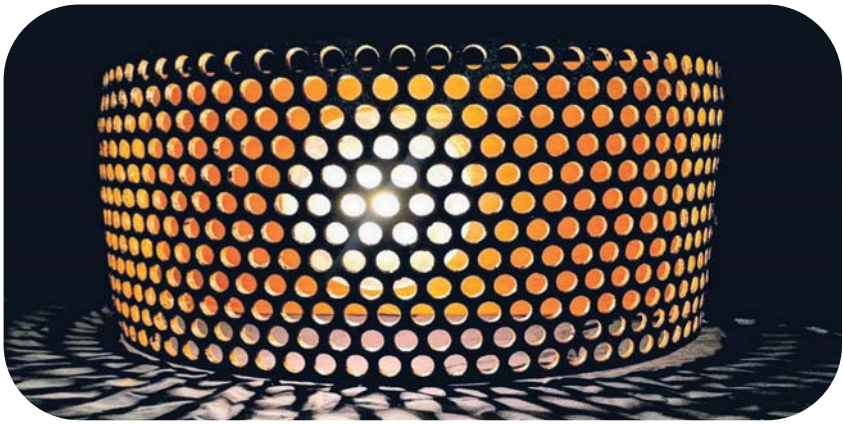
## Discover Murwillumbah



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2. Tweed Escapes, 108 Riverside Drive, Tumbulgum
3. Tweed Regional Aquatic Centre, 6-8 Tumbulgum Road
4. Murwillumbah Wreckers, 11-15 Lundberg Drive
5. Fire and Ice exhibition, The Field, M-Arts Precinct
6. Gelato & Co, 115 Murwillumbah Street
7. Raine & Horne, Murwillumbah, 15 Commercial Road
8. Clifford's Metal Recycling 60-64 Quarry Road.
9. The Foundry, 90 Murwillumbah Street
10. The Shire Seamstress, Studio 2, M-Arts Precinct, Cnr of Brisbane St & Proudfoots Lane
11. Tweed Regional Gallery, 2 Mistral Road
12. The Regent, 5 Brisbane Street



# Magic Murwillumbah



## Clifford's Metal Recycling

Since moving location two years ago, Clifford's Metal Recycling has grown rapidly. The shop adjoining the yard was a natural addition to showcase the many vintage, unique & quirky finds that their team collects.

Let your imagination run wild as to what they can re-create by repurposing and recycling metals such as copper, brass, steel and more recently wood. You can find lights, water features, wall hangings, sculptures, vintage furniture and materials for you to create such things for yourself. Every item is unique and usually has more than one story from the mixed and matched items used. Reasonably priced & worth checking out.

60-64 Quarry Road, South Murwillumbah  
Ph 04 1150 7885  
www.cliffordsmetalrecycling.com.au  
Instagram: upcycled\_steampunk\_interiors



## The Shire Seamstress

The daily inspiration at the studio of The Shire Seamstress is the fashion Revolution movement that brings awareness to the impact of the Fashion industry on our planet, both environmentally and socially. The Mend and Make Do movement is growing rapidly, as are the number of people wanting to learn how to sew and mend. Whilst mending, altering and refashioning are the backbone of their business, sewing classes are gaining popularity. The Shire Seamstress offers made-to-measure service, bridal alterations, and carries a beautiful range of home decor soft furnishings.

Visit them at the M-Arts Precinct to discuss how they can be of service to you.



## Tweed Regional Gallery

You are here: *art of the region* is an exhibition comprised entirely of works in the Tweed Regional Gallery collection and highlights one of the Gallery's four collection focus areas: artworks of regional relevance. The exhibition explores artists' different interpretations of the unique landscape and characteristics of the region,

which extends from the Northern Rivers of New South Wales to South Eastern Queensland,

as well as the work of artists living or working in our region. Artists include Margaret Olley, William Robinson, Angus McDonald, James Guppy, Karla Dickens, Guy Maestri and Hiromi Tango. Image: Emma Walker Intervolve I 2020, oil and mixed media on board. Purchased through the Tweed Regional Gallery Donations Fund, 2020.

Book your free visit to the Gallery online [artgallery.tweed.nsw.gov.au](http://artgallery.tweed.nsw.gov.au)  
Open Wednesday to Sunday  
10am-11.30am, 12.00pm-1.30pm,  
2.00pm-4.00pm  
Cafe bookings | 02 6672 50882

Mistral Road, Murwillumbah NSW  
Instagram | @tweedregionalgallery



## Spring into The Foundry

This 'News, Lifestyle & Gift Emporium' boasts a carefully selected range of luxurious and versatile gifting options for the entire family - all within a restored 1908 building.

This is the place for readers, dreamers and creators and those seeking gifting inspiration. Your senses will be engaged as you browse the beautiful range of giftware, cards, magazines, fashion stationery (including 2021 diaries and calendars), children's toys, games, books, confectionery, local souvenirs and more. It is a unique retailing shopping experience - gifting and customer service at its finest.

There has never been a better time to explore The Foundry Murwillumbah.

90 Murwillumbah Street, Murwillumbah

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The authentic Art Deco theatre, built in 1947, provides a modern take on the timeless majesty of show-timet!

The Regent Cinema, with the latest digital projection and surround sound, specialises in screening international and independent arthouse films, together with a great selection of brand new releases.

Keep an eye out for The Regent Theatre's upcoming spectacular program of live performance - theatre, comedy, music and more... by local and touring artists - comfortably viewed from tiered seating ... stay tuned!

Part of the progressive arts space M-ARTS, The Regent, now under new management, welcomes you to enjoy their covered outside Balcony, Licensed Bar and Cafe dining area.

Open: Thursday through Sunday, and every day in the School Holidays.



## Wandana: the wonder of Mullumbimby

Story by Eve Jeffery

Rupert moved to the area when he was eight and finished school at Mullum High. Chrissy, from the Netherlands, moved to Australia almost 12 years ago. Now the couple live walking distance from their business – Wandana Brewing Co.

They were on track for a grand opening on the Easter long weekend – but COVID-19 extinguished that idea. ‘On the list of potential setbacks in the business plan, “pandemic” was certainly not on it,’ says Rupert.

‘We opened for takeaways in May. Local support was amazing from day one. We could finally open our roller doors as a walk-in venue at the start of June.’

Rupert says he and Chrissy have loved creating a happy place where people can enjoy locally crafted beers, catch up with old friends and meet new ones. ‘We thrive on the community we’re part of.’

Rupert says the craft beer industry is also very supportive. ‘If you have a problem, the first people you turn to is your closest competitor! The industry motto is “us little guys

have to stick together”. It’s so refreshing, after having worked in advertising. We can’t think of many other industries where this is the case. We have a rotating Guest Tap in our venue where we invite local breweries to showcase their beers; currently we have Seven Mile’s deliciously refreshing Cali Cream.’

Wandana’s customers are loving the great selection of craft beers, the magical sunsets, the relaxed family vibe, the music and the local food trucks.

Rupert says Wandana is such a young company, the only way is up. ‘We can’t wait for restrictions to be lifted, and have a bunch of really cool things in the works for when it does. Can’t say too much just yet...’

‘If you enjoy our beers and would like to have some at your local bottleshop or pub, all you have to do is ask their management to stock it. It really does work. There has arguably never been such a challenging time to start a hospitality business. We would like to say a massive thank you to the locals for their support. Without the amazing collection of regulars coming back week after week, we simply would not be here. They made the countless



Wandana Brewing Company.

hours of hard work and stress worth it. Cheers!

■ You can find Wandana Brewing Co. at 20 Manns Road in the Mullum Industrial Estate.

## Awesome Burgers on Main Street

Main Street Burger Bar in Byron is the last word in awesome burgers.

They still have their delicious range of original ‘Classic’ burgers, and chef Tayla Brew has run a little wild with the ‘Extra Awesome’ range of burgers; including a vegan version of their signature burger called The Vegan Main Street.

‘Main Street will always have a special place in my heart,’ says Tayla. ‘I still remember walking into this building as an apprentice chef ten years ago and getting my first job here in Byron.’

‘I’ve worked here through two previous restaurants and

learned so much. It’s amazing that all these years on, I’m still here, now running the place and serving beautiful food to my friends and family.

‘I love seeing the look on my mates’ faces when they try a new special! I’m blessed to have the opportunity to make so many people happy.’

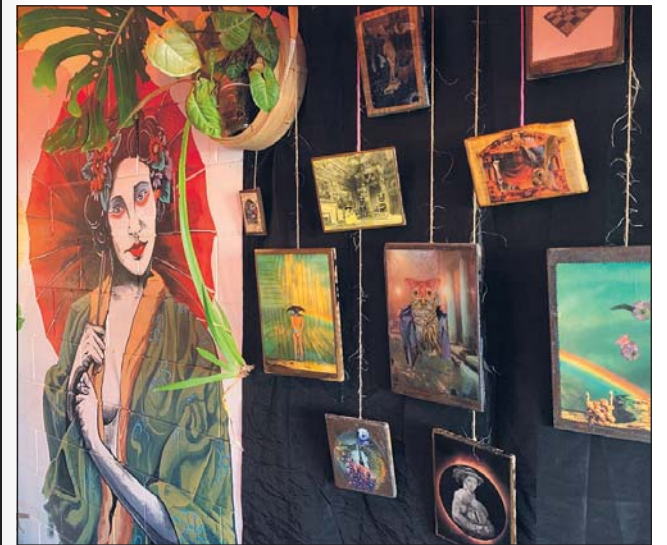
Main Street also has a great selection of craft beers with a locally focussed Indie Beer menu.

■ You can get your burger fix at Main Street Burger Bar, Shop 4, 18 Jonson St, Byron Bay.



Mains Street Burger Bar’s Tayla Hay Brew and Mazey Evans.

## Art at Foxy Luu’s



In October, Foxy Luu's has two exhibitions; a variety of Steiner School art students’ works ranging from digital landscape design to fashion, followed by Julia Dvorak’s explorations of mixed media that combine traditional and contemporary tools, mediums, textures and ideas. Foxy Luu's Asian street eatery in the old Woolies carpark is a hip art haven by day and a playful den of deliciousness by night.

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Byron Bay

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Casual, relaxed dining perfect for intimate dinners, groups and special occasions. Menu by Head Chef, Craig McFarland.

Our new ‘set menu’ option is perfect for groups - enjoy our chef’s selection of dishes.

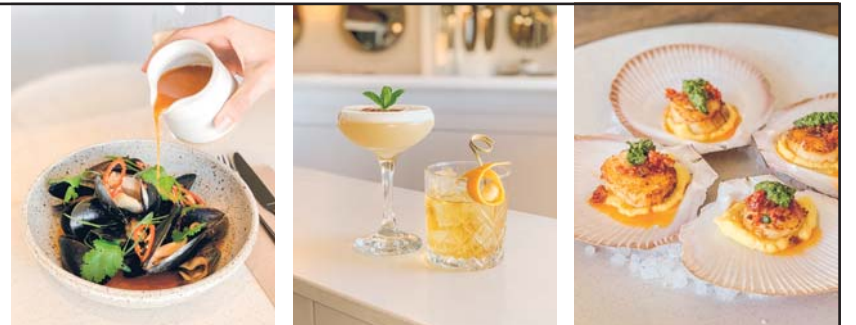
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4 Jonson St, Byron Bay 02 6680 9183

Book online: [loftbyronbay.com.au](http://loftbyronbay.com.au)

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### Set Menus

- LOFT FAVORITES -

7 DISHES  
\$39 PP

- LOFT DINING -

9 DISHES  
\$49 PP

for groups of 4+





# Good Taste

## Eateries Guide

### BALLINA



**Wharf Bar & Restaurant**  
Ballina


FB/Insta: wharfbalballina  
12-24 Fawcett St, Ballina  
**6686 5259**

**We are thrilled to announce that Wharf restaurant is now open to the public!**

It is important to us that we support the community as best we can, and do our best to uplift spirits with delicious seafood and welcoming customer service. As part of our reopening, we have also launched a new restaurant and takeaway menu! Book now while tables are still available




### BYRON BAY



**Main Street**  
Open 7 days  
11.30am until late  
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18 Jonson Street  
**6680 8832**

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Cocktails, wine and beers served all damn day. Group bookings available, please email [mainstreetburgerbar@gmail.com](mailto:mainstreetburgerbar@gmail.com) for reservations.



**Targa Modern European**  
Cafe • Restaurant • Bar  
11 Marvell Street  
Byron Bay  
**6680 9960**  
[targabyronbay.com](http://targabyronbay.com)  
[targabyronbay@gmail.com](mailto:targabyronbay@gmail.com)

**Open 7 Days**  
Breakfast & Lunch

**Thursday – Sunday**  
Tapas 2.30pm, Dinner 5.30pm  
Aperitivo happy hour 3–5.30pm & Cheese/wine special  
Single cheese plate & 2 glass wine \$30  
Double cheese plate & 2 glass wine \$35

**Indoor & outdoor seating (puppies welcome)**



**La Cuisine Deli Shop**  
by Byron Bay Olive Co  
2/29 Brigantine Street  
**0431 842 340**  
BYRONBAYOLIVECO  
[byronbayoliveco.com](http://byronbayoliveco.com)  
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French deli shop that offers all products by Byron Bay Olive Co and amazing options for breakfast and lunch. Sandwiches, salads, soups and Mediterranean style products such as olives, dips, cured meats and French cheeses.

**Mon – Fri 9am–3.30pm**



**The Rocks @ Aquarius**  
Brunch  
7am–12 noon Mon–Fri  
7am–1pm Sat & Sun  
16 Lawson St, Byron Bay  
**6685 7663** – Menus at [therocksbyronbay.com.au](http://therocksbyronbay.com.au)

**Our Rocking New Brunch Menu**

Come and join us at the Rocks for some light brunch options or hearty breakfasts. We offer a range of home-made, locally sourced produce at affordable prices, including our delicious new loaded halloumi or chorizo tacos, vegan nasi goreng and our signature Rocks Big Brekky which will keep you going for hours! Fresh juices, Byron Bay coffees and healthy smoothies available too. The Rocks is registered as COVID Safe, and is practicing all NSW health guidelines.



**Fishheads**  
Byron Bay  
1 Jonson Street,  
Byron Bay  
**6680 7632**  
FISHHEADSBYRON

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**Success Thai**  
Mon-Fri lunch & dinner closed Sundays  
Lunch 12 noon–3pm  
Dinner from 5–8.30pm  
3/31 Lawson St, Byron Bay  
[www.facebook.com/pages/Success-Thai-Food/237359826303469](https://www.facebook.com/pages/Success-Thai-Food/237359826303469)

All your favourites every lunch and dinner Experienced Thai chefs cooking fresh delicious Thai food for you.

BYO only


Welcome for lunch, dinner and takeaway.

Menus available on Facebook



**Barrio**  
7am–3pm Mon–Thu  
7am–7pm Fri  
1 Porter St, North Byron  
Booking via our website [barriobyronbay.com.au](http://barriobyronbay.com.au)  
Walk in tables available

Barrio's canteen takes its inspiration from locally sourced produce with Moorish cuisine. Offering daily bakes, breakfast cakes, classic sandwiches, vibrant salads, smoked fish, grilled meats. Aperitif Hours Friday 5–7pm: \$10 plates + drinks Private Dining: Now taking private party enquiries for lunch and dinner with your closest friends: [gather@barriobyronbay.com.au](mailto:gather@barriobyronbay.com.au)



**Lord Byron Distillery**  
Open Tuesday–Saturday  
12 noon – 5pm  
7, 4 Banksia Drive,  
Byron Bay  
**8646 4901**

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Byron Bay  
**6680 9183**  
**Book online:**  
[www.loftbyronbay.com.au](http://www.loftbyronbay.com.au)

Incredible cocktails, locals beers & all-day snacks and food to share with ocean views.

**Happy Hour** | Every day 4-6pm  
\$6 Loft Lager or Wine, \$10 Aperol Spritz, \$12 Margarita

**Espresso Martini Nights** | Every day 9-11pm  
2 for \$20 Classic Espresso Martini

**Open every day from 4pm till late.**



**St Elmo Dining Room & Bar**  
Open Thursday – Sunday  
5 – 10pm  
Cnr Fletcher St and Lawson Lane, Byron Bay  
**6680 7426**  
[www.stelmodining.com](http://www.stelmodining.com)

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



**Chupacabra**  
Eat in or take out.  
Shop 12A, 3 Clifford St,  
Suffolk Park  
**6685 3059**  
[www.chupacabra.com.au](http://www.chupacabra.com.au)  
[chupabyron](mailto:chupabyron)

Fresh authentic Mexican in a relaxed atmosphere. This is food made with love, all produce sourced locally. **Margaritas and tacos all night long!** Family friendly, totally GF menu.

DINNER 5pm – 9pm  
WED – SAT  
Book via Resy



**Legend Pizza**  
Open 7 days  
9am till after midnight  
Shop 1 Woolworths Plaza  
90-96 Jonson Street  
**6685 5700**  
[www.legendpizza.com.au](http://www.legendpizza.com.au)

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### LENNOX HEAD



**Krill Bar**  
Lennox Head  
47 Ballina St,  
Lennox Head  
[www.krillbar.com.au](http://www.krillbar.com.au)  
**6685 5538**  
KRILLBARANDRESTAURANT

Open Thursday 5pm–10pm, Friday 12pm–3pm & 5pm–10pm  
Saturday 5pm–10pm, Sunday 11:30am–4:30pm

**Amazing cocktails, fabulous local food, a la carte and bar menus all with super friendly service.**

Head Chef Minh Le was a finalist for Australian Chef of the Year in 2016 and has owned multiple hatted restaurants. Come in and experience his fine food in the stylish decor.

**Happy Hour Thursday – Saturday 5–6pm**  
We recommend booking via email - online booking coming soon

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**The Empire**  
20 Burringbar St,  
Mullum  
**6684 2306**  
Tues–Fri 8.30am–2.30pm  
Sat, Sun 9am–2pm  
FB/Insta: EmpireMullum  
[empiremullum.com.au](http://empiremullum.com.au)

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**6684 3778**  
[www.yamanmullumbimby.com.au](http://www.yamanmullumbimby.com.au)  
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**Harvest**  
18-22 Old Pacific Highway  
Newrybar NSW 2479  
**02 6687 2644**  
[www.harvestnewrybar.com.au](http://www.harvestnewrybar.com.au)  
[harvestnewrybar](mailto:harvestnewrybar)

**HARVEST RESTAURANT, DELI + BAKERY**  
Lunch: Wed – Sun 12–3pm  
Dinner: Thurs – Sat from 5.30pm  
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Sunday 3–5pm: Chook Night  
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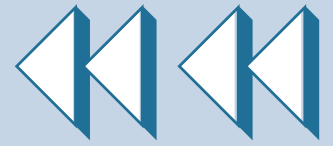
### CATERING



**Celebrations Catering By Liz Jackson**  
Celebration cakes  
Personal catering services  
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E: [lizzijackson@gmail.com](mailto:lizzijackson@gmail.com)  
**P: 0414 895 441**





## GIG GUIDE

### WEDNESDAY 30

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **JASON DELPHIN**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **TIM STOKES**

### THURSDAY 1

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **THE SWAMP CATS**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 4PM **KARUAH**, 7.30PM **LUKE MORRIS DUO**
- OCEAN SHORES COUNTRY CLUB 6.30PM **TRIVIA**
- SLIPWAY TAVERN, BALLINA, 7PM **MATT BUGGY**
- MARY G'S, LISMORE, 9PM **KARAOKE**

### FRIDAY 2

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **OOZ**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 3PM **MANOA**, 5.30PM **BEN WALSH**, 8PM **MAJESTIC KNIGHTS**
- BYRON THEATRE 6.30PM **SCREENING – PULP FICTION**
- BRUNSWICK HEADS PICTURE HOUSE 7PM **PAUL CAPSIS**
- PALACE CINEMAS, BYRON BAY, **ST. ALI ITALIAN FILM FESTIVAL**
- SLIPWAY TAVERN, BALLINA, 7PM **WILDFLOWER**
- KINGSCLIFF BEACH HOTEL 7PM **BENNY D WILLIAMS**

### SATURDAY 3

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **JOCK BARNES**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 1PM **FERNANDO AREGONES**, 4.30PM **ALIVAN BLU**, 8PM **THE 4'20 SOUND**
- BRUNSWICK HEADS PICTURE HOUSE 7PM **PAUL CAPSIS**
- PALACE CINEMAS, BYRON BAY, **ST. ALI ITALIAN FILM FESTIVAL**
- OCEAN SHORES SHOPPING CENTRE 6.15PM & 7.15PM **WHAT IS FOUR – LIGHTBOX STORY ADVENTURE**
- SLIPWAY TAVERN, BALLINA, 7PM **AUDIO VELVET**
- MARY G'S, LISMORE, 7.30PM **CARLY & ROO**
- KINGSCLIFF BEACH HOTEL 7PM **MARSHALL OKELL**

### SUNDAY 4

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **CARLY & ROO**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 1PM **JARRAH**, 4.30PM **ROUGE ELEMENTS**, 8PM **CROAKER & THE HONEYBEE**
- PALACE CINEMAS, BYRON BAY, **ST. ALI ITALIAN FILM FESTIVAL**
- CLUB LENNOX 4PM **BEN WHITING**

### MONDAY 5

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **SLIM PICKENS**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 4PM **JOSH HAMILTON**, 7.30PM **FINTAN CALLAGHAN DUO**
- PALACE CINEMAS, BYRON BAY, **ST. ALI ITALIAN FILM FESTIVAL**
- KINGSCLIFF BEACH BOWLS 12PM **DAVE BARRY**

### TUESDAY 6

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **ALIVAN BLU**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 4PM **SARAH GRANT**, 7.30PM **ADAM BROWN**
- PALACE CINEMAS, BYRON BAY, **ST. ALI ITALIAN FILM FESTIVAL**

### WEDNESDAY 7

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **JASON DELPHIN**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 4PM **JOCK BARNES**, 7.30PM **HARRY NICHOLS**
- PALACE CINEMAS, BYRON BAY, **ST. ALI ITALIAN FILM FESTIVAL**



**MANDY NOLAN'S SOAPBOX IS ON PAGE 16**  
[www.echo.net.au/soap-box](http://www.echo.net.au/soap-box)

### ILLUMINATING OCEAN SHORES WITH THE LIGHTBOX



The first InSideOut Lightbox event at the end of August was a great success. An open call brought together 24 local artists and creatives to find a new way to exhibit their works.

The creatives from Dashboard Animals (DBA) who presented the visual feast in the pop up space have extended their lease and their newly fostered collaborations will result in Lightbox No.2 'What is Four', showing Saturday 2 October. Being during the school holidays this gives you the chance to grab the family for an experiment in live cinema.

'What is Four' is a lightbox storytelling adventure about where the wind begins; using projection, shadow play and music.

The story was originally written by Arianna Bosi's best friend and long-time collaborator, Alison Bicknel, as a gift for her daughter Livia, on her fourth birthday.

'It comes from a very personal place, so I'm excited to be bringing it to life in such a special way – in my local shopping mall car park, for everyone to enjoy', says Arianna, the Creative Director for DBA.

Check out InSideOut Lightbox on Saturday, running 6.15–7pm. Ocean Village car park (beside Target). For more info go to [www.dashboardanimals.com.au](http://www.dashboardanimals.com.au).



### FIRE & ICE

Fire and Ice by Heather Matthew, inspired by walking the glaciers of Iceland and witnessing the impacts of climate change; on show at the M-Arts Precinct in Murwillumbah from today (Wednesday) to 13 October.

In October 2019, Northern Rivers artist Heather Matthew went to Iceland for an artists residency in the remote fishing village of Skagaströnd. She created handmade paper in glacier shapes and embedded pieces of fishing rope into them with red thread stitching to reference the red jackets of tourists walking on the glaciers.

A week before she arrived in Iceland, a funeral was held for the Ok (pronounced 'Awk') glacier, which had lost its 'glacier' status owing to the effects of climate change.

The exhibition will feature handmade paper lit up by coloured lights, like the lights she saw when it snowed. An Imagine Peace evening on Friday 9 October, as part of the exhibition, will coincide with the annual lighting of the Imagine Peace Tower in Reykjavik, Iceland, on 9 October. Matthew attended this event in 2019 when a tower of laser light streamed into the stratosphere as a message of peace from Yoko Ono, John Lennon's widow. At the Murwillumbah event, there will be a ceremonial 'peace lighting' and singing.

Fire and Ice is on show at The Field, M-Arts precinct, Murwillumbah from Wednesday 30 Sept to 13 Oct.

## WHAT'S ON

**FUN FAMILY FLIX PRESENTED BY BYRON THEATRE**  
 Sat 3 Oct – Sat 10 Oct. Live Theatre events  
 Special Family Price – \$50  
 See website for details



**ART ON SCREEN: SECRET IMPRESSIONISTS LIVE THEATRE EVENT**  
 Sunday 11 October, 3pm  
 Full \$22 | Conc \$20 | Student under 18 \$15



**A NIGHT IN WITH MATTHEW MCCONAUGHEY LIVE STREAM EVENT**  
 Wednesday 21 October, 7pm  
 Book + Show \$55 | Show only \$25



**PRESENT LAUGHTER – NT LIVE SCREENING LIVE THEATRE EVENT**  
 Saturday 31 October, 1pm  
 Full \$25 | Conc \$23 | U18 \$15 | Group of 6–10 \$20



**A NIGHT IN WITH NIGELLA LAWSON LIVE STREAM EVENT**  
 Thursday 5 November, 7pm  
 \$23.80



Arrive early and enjoy a drink at the Theatre Bar

Byron Theatre & Community Centre  
 69 Jonson Street, Byron Bay  
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## STARS BY LILITH

### LIBRA THE SCALES

Now Saturn's boot camp retrograde is over for the moment, it's time to take the lessons learned from wherever it impacted you personally, and forge them into trusty guidelines for moving forward...



**♈ ARIES:** Aries' full moon this Friday is like your own private renaissance after the challenges of the last half year, while Saturn's reboot has those seemingly endless course corrections starting to pay off. Notice this week what depletes you and leaves you fatigued, then head for wherever the most energy and excitement beckon.

**♉ TAURUS:** As Saturn lurches forward after recent frustrating weeks, Venus ignites your earthy style and Mercury conducts an extended rejig of Taurean partnerships. Which definitely augurs well for getting personal and private, public and business relationships back on the same page – best done during the next couple of weeks before Mercury's mid-October retrograde.

**♊ GEMINI:** After recent heavy-level testing, seven-ringed circus master Saturn ends its annual retrograde just in time to support Gemini's planet mentor, Mercury, in an extensive reorganisation and overhaul of your financial futures. And Friday's full moon cuts a cord with the past to make room for something new.

**♋ CANCER:** With winged messenger Mercury sweetening up your verbal exchanges and Saturn regaining traction in your partnership sector, it's safe to cautiously resume talks about teaming up for joint ventures. Venus supports harmonious communications during most of October, and the late week full moon is auspicious for a bit of strategic self-promo.

**♌ LEO:** Yes, it's time now to start cleaning up the mess made when Saturn went walkabout. Friday's full moon wants you out and about, practising the knack of being in the right place at the right time, while Venus invites you to splurge on treating yourself (and some lucky other?) to some lush and lavish indulgence.

**♍ VIRGO:** As Saturn ends its lengthy reversal through your sector of verve, vivacity and creativity, your signature style emerges from its winter hermitage. With flirty Venus in Virgo till late October, this is your time to dress up and turn on the charm – though you'll have to share this week's stage with Librans.

**♎ LIBRA:** With Saturn winding up its dark night of the soul in your home zone, emotions lighten and life brightens. Mercury offers optimistic insights into future financial options, Venus takes her annual pleasure cruise through your dreamy imaginative sector, and Friday's full moon shines on Libran togetherness – what could be better?

**♏ SCORPIO:** At last! As Saturn's retrograde ends, you're done with mulling and ready to step out of neutral. Communicator Mercury is in Scorpio for most of the next two months, Venus has you catching up with old friends, making new ones, expanding your social circle, and this week's full moon supplies plenty of start-up juice.

**♐ SAGITTARIUS:** Mercury entering a long cycle of Sagittarian introspection takes thought processes deep. And slow. So shortcuts aren't likely to pay off during the next couple of months. The fun news? Friday's fiery full moon... although, not if feeling furious gets the better of you. Saturn's forward move could bring a windfall: kaching!

**♑ CAPRICORN:** Now Saturn's back in gear, you can put all the valuable learning of the last ten weeks into practice to work for you from now till December, when the planetary personal trainer leaves Capricorn for another 30 years. Mercury logging into your tech sector expands virtual networks this week, and Venus is keen to engage.

**♒ AQUARIUS:** Saturn in your zone of closure has offered lessons necessary for growth and development about what you no longer need. Now a cycle ends, you're equipped to handle the next by applying what you've learnt rather than repeating patterns. Venus in Virgo is a turn-on, Mercury and full moon want to play, what more could a Waterpouwer want?

**♓ PISCES:** The planet of tough love has given your interactions with groups and technology a gruelling workout in recent months, which have probably had their fair share of mayhem and meltdowns. Now repair is under way, and affectionate Venus is in the mood to make October relationships pleasant and playful.



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**PALACE BYRON BAY**  
 Fri 2 Oct. Byron Bay premiere screening of *PINOCCHIO* (M)  
 7:00pm arrivals for  
 7:30pm film (SELLING FAST!)  
 tickets & session times: [italianfilmfestival.com.au](http://italianfilmfestival.com.au)

## PALACE CINEMAS

Session Times: Thu 1 Oct - Wed 7 Oct    NFT = No Free Tickets

<b>DIRT MUSIC (M)</b> Adv Scr Fri-Mon: 4:00PM <b>CORPUS CHRISTI (CTC)</b> Adv Scr Wed: 11:30AM, 6:30PM <b>MATTHEW BOURNE'S THE RED SHOES (CTC)</b> Sun, Wed: 1:00PM <b>ROCKY 1 &amp; 2 (M)</b> Sun: 2:00PM <b>KIKI'S DELIVERY SERVICE (G)</b> Thu: 6:30PM Sat: 2:00PM 007 DOUBLE FEATURES: <b>THE LIVING DAYLIGHTS + LICENCE TO KILL (M)</b> Sun: 2:00 <b>RETRO SCREENINGS:</b> <b>BIG TROUBLE IN LITTLE CHINA (M)</b> Fri: 6:45PM <b>ALIEN (M)</b> Mon: 6:45PM <b>FAMILY FILMS:</b> <b>ASTRO KID (G)</b> Thu: 12:40PM Fri, Sat, Tue, Wed: 11:20AM Sun, Mon: 10:40AM <b>CATS &amp; DOGS 3: PAWS UNITE! (G)</b> Daily: 10:40AM <b>THE SECRET GARDEN (PG)</b> Thu: 12:10, 2:15, 4:30, 7:00PM Sat, Tue: 2:15, 4:30, 6:30PM Sun: 12:40, 6:30 Mon: 2:15, 6:30 Wed: 2:00, 4:15, 7:30PM	<b>PAW PATROL: JET TO THE RESCUE (G)</b> Daily except Thu, Wed: 12:30 Thu: 11:10AM, 12:30PM Sun: 11:00AM <b>TROLLS WORLD TOUR (G)</b> Thu: 11:00AM, 6:00 Fri: 10:10AM Sat, Tue, Wed: 10:20AM, 2:30 Sun: 10:00AM, 12:00PM Mon: 10:20AM, 12:20PM <b>ON THE ROCKS (M)</b> Fri: 11:00AM (Golden Screening), 11:45AM, 1:20, 1:45, 2:15, 3:30, 4:00, 4:45, 6:00, 7:15PM Sat, Tue: 11:45AM, 1:20, 2:15, 3:30, 4:45, 6:00, 7:15PM Sun: 11:45AM, 2:15, 3:00, 4:45, 6:00, 7:30PM Mon: 11:45AM, 12:40, 2:15, 2:45, 4:45, 7:15PM Wed: 11:00AM (Babes), 11:45AM, 1:20, 2:15, 3:30, 4:45, 6:00, 7:15 <b>ANTEBELLUM (M15+)</b> Daily except Sun, Mon: 1:45, 4:00, 6:15PM Sun: 11:00AM, 1:20, 6:30PM Mon: 11:30AM, 2:30, 7:20PM <b>AFTER WE COLLIDED (M)</b> Thu: 2:00, 4:20PM Fri, Mon-Wed: 2:00 Sat: 11:30AM	<b>AN AMERICAN PICKLE (PG)</b> Thu: 11:10AM, 6:00 Fri: 11:10AM Sat, Tue, Wed: 12:30PM Sun: 11:00AM <b>LA BELLE EPOQUE (M)</b> Daily except Thu: 11:20AM, Thu: 11:20AM, 4:00, 6:40PM <b>MADE IN ITALY (M)</b> Thu: 1:30, 4:00PM Fri: 1:30PM <b>TENET (M)</b> Thu: 11:00, 1:10, 3:00, 4:10, 6:30 Fri: 1:10, 4:10, 6:30PM Sat, Tue, Wed: 4:30, 6:30PM Sun: 3:30, 6:30 Mon: 1:45, 7:20 <b>THE BROKEN HEARTS GALLERY (M)</b> Thu: 11:00AM, 2:00PM Fri, Sat, Mon, Tue: 11:00AM Wed: 8:15PM <b>THE HIGH NOTE (M)</b> Thu: 2:20, 4:40, 7:10 Fri: 2:20 Sat, Mon: 1:40, 7:30PM Sun: 1:50, 7:10PM Tue: 1:40, 4:00, 7:30 Wed: 4:00 <b>THE TRANSLATORS (M)</b> Thu: 11:30AM, 1:00, 4:15, 6:45 Fri, Tue: 11:30AM, 4:15, 6:45 Sat, Sun, Wed: 4:15, 6:45PM Mon: 4:15, 7:15PM
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## THE BYRON BAY FILM FESTIVAL IS BACK!

Finally we have something to look forward to! Our most loved events are starting to find their way back. The Byron Bay International Film Festival returns in 2020 with a special edition hybrid festival to include select cinema screenings, a competition for independent filmmakers and a unique virtual reality experience.

Screening at Byron Bay's Palace Cinemas, and the Byron Theatre, the festival will run 23 October to 1 November, offering audiences the opportunity to experience a stimulating array of world cinema, that in other times would have been sweeping the 2020 festival circuit. Film lovers are encouraged to leave the isolation of home and join in the communal experience of watching stories unfold, as they were meant to be seen – on the big screen.

The 2020 event is *not* business as usual. Festival Director J'aimee Skippon-Volke said, 'Social distancing regulations will change the atmosphere and scale of what we deliver, but we're still going to roll-out the red carpet and bring audiences the very best of world cinema and screen events.'

See story on page 3, or visit [www.bbff.com.au](http://www.bbff.com.au) for more information.



<b>Admission Prices:</b> Adults: \$14 Stud/Conc: \$12 Senior: \$11 Child: \$10	<b>Wednesday</b> All tickets \$10	<b>BALLINA FAIR CINEMAS</b> Thursday October 1 to Wednesday October 7	Tel: (02) 6686 9600 <a href="http://ballinafaircinemas.com.au">ballinafaircinemas.com.au</a>				
OCTOBER							
	THU 1st	FRI 2nd	SAT 3rd	SUN 4th	MON 5th	TUE 6th	WED 7th
<b>AFTER WE COLLIDED</b> M 105 MIN	1:15 PM	1:15 PM	1:15 PM	1:15 PM	1:15 PM	1:15 PM	1:15 PM
<b>CATS &amp; DOGS 3: PAWS UNITE</b> G 84 MIN All Tickets \$10	11:30 AM	11:30 AM	11:30 AM	11:30 AM	11:30 AM	11:30 AM	11:30 AM
<b>DIRT MUSIC</b> M 105 MIN		3:15 PM	3:15 PM	3:15 PM	3:15 PM		
<b>PAW PATROL: JET TO THE RESCUE</b> G 56 MIN All Tickets \$10	10:20 AM	10:20 AM	10:20 AM	10:20 AM	10:20 AM	10:20 AM	10:20 AM
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**FIRST NATIONAL BYRON**



**Large Family Home with Pool in Quiet Location**

6 2 2 716 M<sup>2</sup>

- Quiet convenient location with just a short stroll to cafe and South Golden Beach
- Generous open plan living area plus additional lounge room
- Master bedroom features large walk in robe and ensuite
- Undercover patio area with plenty of space for alfresco dining
- 20 minutes to Byron Bay

Address: **9 Natan Court, Ocean Shores**  
 Price: \$900,000 to \$950,00  
 Open: Saturday, 3rd October 12.00 - 12.30pm  
 Enquiries: Tara Torkkola 0423 519 698, Sally Green 0488 030 116



**Gorgeous Family Home on Large Corner Block**

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- 4 generous bedrooms, master with ensuite, walk-in robe & private balcony access
- Airy ground floor apartment with kitchenette, bathroom and bedroom
- First level residence provides open plan lounge/dining area
- Amply equipped kitchen with Bosch oven, practical bathroom and separate laundry
- Northerly facing pool and entertaining deck overlooks leafy surrounds

Address: **4 Pacific Vista Drive, Byron Bay**  
 Auction: Forthcoming  
 Open: Wednesday, 1st October 4.00 - 4.30pm  
 Enquiries: Paul Banister 0438 856 552

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**Sought after Beachside Suffolk Townhouse – Walk to Beach**

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- Modern three bedroom townhouse
- Located in sleepy beachside Suffolk Park
- Open plan living area
- Private paved courtyard surrounded by established trees
- 3 sun-filled spacious bedrooms
- 200m stroll to Tallows Beach and a 5 minute walk from the Suffolk Park village

Address: **8/11 Korau Place, Suffolk Park**

Price: \$850,000 to \$900,000

Open: Saturday, 3rd October 10.00 – 10.30am

Enquiries: Tara Torkkola 0423 519 698



**Exceptional Land Awaits Architectural Masterpiece**

46.2 HA

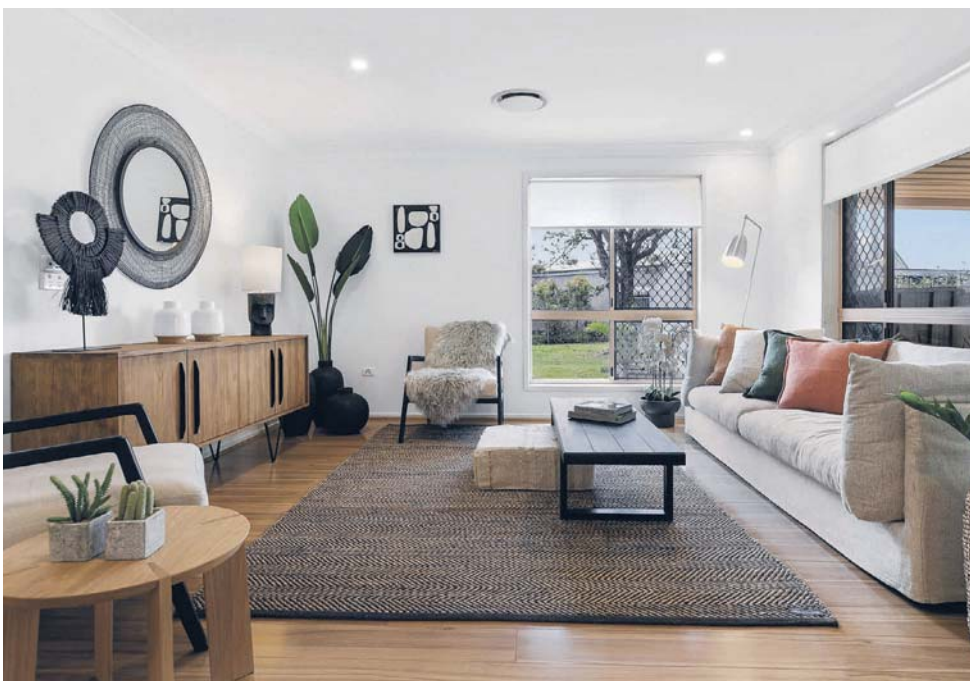
- 114 acres of both level and ridgeline topography
- Approval for a superb architecturally designed residence
- Sweeping panoramic views from the Lighthouse to the mountains
- Conveniently located close to Byron, Brunswick Heads and Mullumbimby
- Fully fenced, this low-maintenance acreage perfect for equestrian pursuits
- Driveways in place to elevated build pad with north-west aspect
- Detailed architect's plans are available on request

Address: **48 Myocum Ridge Road, Myocum**

Price: Expressions of Interest

Open: Wednesday, 30th September 4.00 – 4.30pm

Enquiries: Denzil Lloyd 0481 864 049, Tara Torkkola 0423 519 698



**Prime Real Estate in Central Mullumbimby**

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- Immaculate 5-bedroom, 1 acre in central Mullumbimby
- Clever modern floor plan functions perfectly
- Open plan kitchen and dining area seamlessly join with outdoor areas
- Great pool, spa and alfresco dining spaces
- Multiple home office spaces as well as separate living areas
- 10-minute drive to Brunswick Heads and 20 minutes to Byron Bay

Address: **124-128 Station Street, Mullumbimby**

Auction: Forthcoming

Open: Wednesday, 23rd September 2.00 – 2.30pm  
Saturday, 3rd October 10.30am – 10.30am

Enquiries: Vanessa Coles 0433 836 755, Helene Adams 0412 139 807



**Well Maintained Gem with Parklike Grounds**

3 1 2 1892M<sup>2</sup>

- Solid brick family home on large block with easy stroll to Federal Village
- Large multi purpose room with floor to ceiling glass
- Fabulous established parklike gardens
- Raised veggie beds with plenty of room for more
- Plenty of scope for updates
- Reverse cycle aircon, 2 x 22,000 tanks, 7kw of solar
- 30 minutes to Byron Bay and fabulous beaches

Address: **7 Coachwood Court, Federal**

Price: \$775,000 to \$825,000

Open: Saturday, 3rd October 11.00am – 11.30am

Enquiries: Tara Torkkola 0423 519 698, Denzil Lloyd 0481 864 049





**Modern Luxury in the Perfect Location**

- Luxurious, private home opposite Clarkes Beach
- Easy stroll the lighthouse, boardwalk or into town
- Stunning contemporary design featuring a large open living space
- Great undercover private deck area with lush garden outlook
- Outdoor wooden spa, aircon and heating throughout
- Great investment or holiday letting potential
- Attached garage with spaces for 2 cars as well as 2 off-street spaces
- Loads of storage, minutes to the centre of town, sold fully furnished

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Address: **78 Lawson Street, Byron Bay**

Price: **\$3.2m**

Open: **By Appointment**

Enquiries: **Su Reynolds 0428 888 660, Luke Elwin 0421 375 635**



**8 Bedroom B&B Luxury Accommodation – "Aabis" Byron Bay**

9 12 10 1200M<sup>2</sup>

- 8 Superb luxury guest bedrooms plus a 2 bedroom managers residence
- Prime location currently a luxe B&B with residence + 10 car spaces
- Separate guest lounge room
- 12m swimming pool with luxury heated spa and heated outdoor shower
- BBQ cabana with kitchen, Communal kitchen facilities
- Treatment room. 9.6 Rating on booking.com
- Approved as two separate buildings (dual occupancy)

Address: **17 Ruskin Street, Byron Bay**

Price: **\$5.25m**

Open: **By Appointment**

Enquiries: **Su Reynolds 0428 888 660, Luke Elwin 0421 375 635**



**Idyllic Small Acreage Farmlet with Rustic Cottage**

2 1 2 2.43 HA

- Stunning, private, 6 acre hobby farm with endless possibilities
- Panoramic Possum Creek views in dress circle location
- Wide open decks that flow seamlessly from open plan living spaces
- Inground pool with plenty of privacy and shade
- Sold with DA approval for a new home
- Just a few minutes easy drive to Byron's beaches and Bangalow Village
- Location location in Sleepy Creek Valley

Address: **212 Fowlers Lane, Bangalow**

Auction: **Forthcoming**

Open: **Wednesday, 30th September 1.00 – 1.30pm  
Saturday, 3rd October 12.30pm – 1.00pm**

Enquiries: **Greg Price 0412 871 500**





**Spectacular Hinterland Parcel**

- Over 52 Hectares (approx 130 acres) of gently sloping hinterland country
- Over two kilometres of stunning frontage to the Wilson River.
- Numerous babbling rapids folding into postcard swimming holes.
- Happy balance of open pastures and dense rainforest pockets.
- Choice of several elevated homesites with forested valley panoramas.
- An amazing "network" of walking and riding trails for your enjoyment.
- Just 19 minutes to Byron centre, 8 minutes to Mullum's amenities, shops & cafes
- DA approval PENDING for 6 homesites with individual aspects and atmosphere

52 HA

Address: **Lot 20 DP 1045761, 506 Goonengerry Road, Montecollum**  
 Auction: Saturday, 24th October at 11.30am onsite – Unless Sold Prior  
 Open: By Appointment  
 Enquiries: Greg Price 0412 871 500



**High Set Home with Stunning Views and So Much Potential**

5 2 2 2.15 HA

- High on a ridge overlooking Coopers Creek Valley
- High set 3 bedroom home of red cedar and brick on 2.15 HA
- Spectacular scenery from state forest to Lismore's outskirts
- Frost free, red soil paddocks - level to gently sloping
- Family pool in sunny picturesque position
- Cabin plus double garage/shed
- 20 minutes to Lismore, 45 minutes to Byron Bay

Address: **119 Hunters Hill Rd, Corndale**  
 Auction: Saturday, 10th October at 3.00pm onsite – Unless Sold Prior  
 Open: Wednesday, 30th September 3.00 – 3.30pm  
 Saturday, 3rd October 10.00 – 10.30am  
 Enquiries: Greg Price 0412 871 500



**European Masterpiece in Byron Bay**

4 5 2 885M<sup>2</sup>

- Two self-contained buildings, private plunge pool / spa and lounge deck
- Sliding glass doors open to fantastic and atmospheric internal courtyard
- Outdoor kitchen with full inbuilt barbeque and sink
- Large open plan kitchen, living & dining with butler's pantry
- Large separate laundry/mud room
- Solid masonry construction with hand crafted finishes throughout

Address: **69 Lilli Pilli Drive, Byron Bay**  
 Auction: Forthcoming  
 Open: Saturday, 3rd October 2.00 – 2.30pm  
 Enquiries: Greg Price 0412 871 500



# THANK YOU!

“Having achieved some great results in property sales in the Brunswick Valley in the last decade, I just would like to say a big thank you to the local community for getting behind me in my first year as an independent agent. Here are some kind words from some of my lovely clients in 2020.” – *Fiona Johnson*



**Accurate market appraisal, listing & marketing through to sale**  
Fiona's professional approach to selling her insightful and accurate knowledge of local and interstate markets is second to none. Her personable manner and ability to connect with sellers is what really stands out and is why I chose her. She really listened to and understood my needs which I really appreciate. Fiona kept me up to date and provided

**Simply the best**  
Fiona was absolutely amazing from the beginning of the campaign to the sale. She always kept me informed of what was happening in the market and discussed options with me and always heard me. I have bought and sold many times over the years and I can honestly say she is simply the best agent I've dealt with and knows her job. I would highly recommend her to anyone.  
*Kim – seller, Ocean Shores*

**Fiona is the best real estate agent that we have dealt with**  
Fiona has great communication skills, both with the vendor and buyers. She has a diligent approach to selling with consistent communication, something we found lacking in other agents. Fiona gives that extra time and focus, which as interstate sellers we greatly appreciated. We highly recommend Fiona.  
*Jo & Murray – sellers, Brunswick Heads*

**It was a pleasure to buy a property from Fiona**  
Fiona was very different to most real estate agents we've dealt with in the past. She was so easy to communicate with and authentic.  
*Esther and Matt – buyers, Brunswick Heads*

**Couldn't have secured the purchase without Fiona**  
“Fiona is unlike any real estate agent I've interacted with – genuinely caring she takes the time to have conversation that doesn't involve selling you something. Very considerate of both buyer and seller. Fiona's communication was exemplary, always checking in to see how I was doing and updating me throughout the process on what came next as I'm a first home buyer. No sales tactics and crocodile smiles to be found with Fiona. I will be seeking her out whenever I have use of the services she provides. A community-orientated local with a heart. *Thankyou Fiona!!!*”  
*Ben – first Home Buyer, Ocean Shores*

**A real estate agent that works for you**  
Fiona was absolutely brilliant. A dedicated sales and customer focused real estate agent. She got me the figure I wanted in the sale of my property, had contacts for brilliant photos, followed up all leads. This is one real estate agent that will not let you down.  
*Cristina – seller, Mullumbimby*

**Thank you Fiona**  
I cannot express how grateful we are to Fiona for her support and care through the process of buying our first home. We have found Fiona to be honest and reliable, with clear communication. Fiona has been available to contact and prompt in her replies. She has been both professional and compassionate throughout. Thank you!  
*Stacey & Kye - first home buyers, Ocean Shores*

**We had a very positive experience with Fiona as our agent.**  
Fiona was professional, efficient and knowledgeable. Communication was great, and the whole process went as smoothly as possible. Thank you Fiona!  
*Jacki – Seller, Ocean Shores*

**Exceeded my expectations**  
Fiona made selling my house a pleasant experience. At times when I felt overwhelmed, emotional and stressed during the process Fiona's professional and personal support, patience and confidence helped me to make the process flow smoothly. I felt she went above and beyond her duty to ensure the sale went smoothly. I highly recommend her for a representing agent.  
*– first time seller, Ocean Shores*



**FIONA JOHNSON**  
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Auctioneer

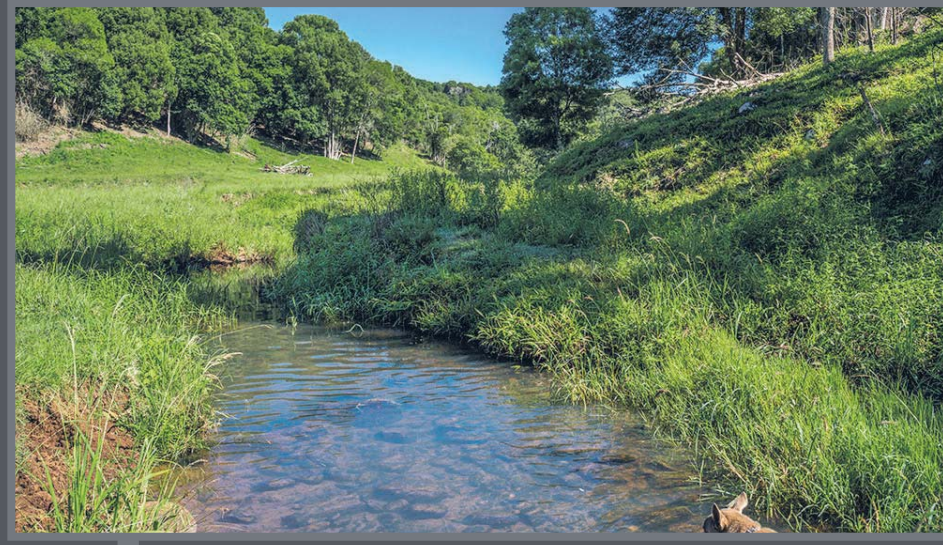


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AUCTION 3 2 3



**Stunning Views, 95 Acres with Creek plus Spring**

200 Dorrroughby Road, Corndale

- Often sought but rarely found!
- Elevated position with amazing 270-degree views
- Character timber homestead sitting proudly on a knoll
- Large cleared clean acreage ideal for cattle
- Micks Creek meandering through the property
- Spring with power and pump connected
- An easy 12 minute drive to Clunes Village, 20 minutes to Bangalow & Lismore

Inspect: Saturday 11.00 – 11.30am  
Auction: Onsite at 10am, 17th October

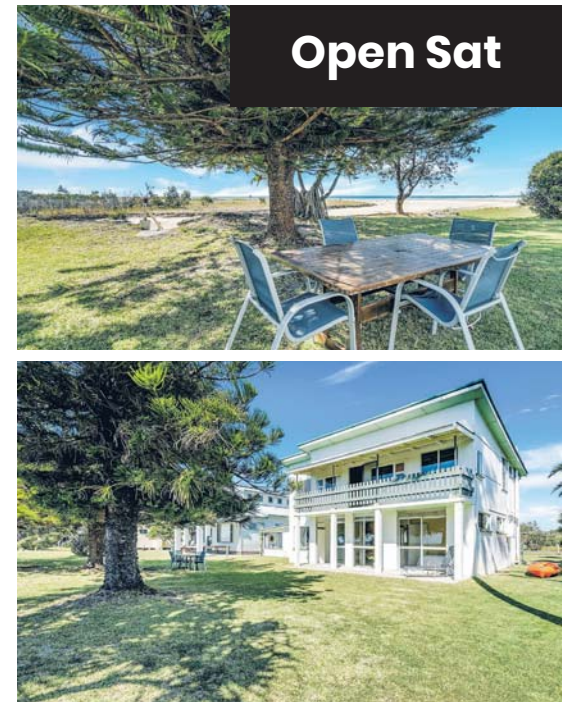


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**Open Sat**

## 13 Ocean Road Brooms Head

### Bring the Whole Family and More To the Beach

Ever dreamt about owning a cottage that epitomises what Australian beach holidays are all about? 13 Ocean Road Brooms Head, is one of the finest examples of this dream on the East Coast. With a prime beachfront position, unobstructed ocean views and beach access, combined with the playground of Cakora Lagoon at your door. And being situated in the unique coastal village of Brooms Head, 13 Ocean Road is sure to catch the eye of those searching for a slice of that East Coast dream.

The cottage has a family friendly design with two bedrooms, living, kitchen and bathroom upstairs and the same configuration downstairs. The balcony off the upstairs has views across the lagoon and out to sea. Come downstairs and the living room opens up to the lawn and the lagoon. With the lawn extending all the way to the edge of the lagoon and shaded by two Norfolk Pines, it is sure to be the area that you'll spend most of your time enjoying.

The added bonus of 13 Ocean Rd is the additional bunkhouse / unit. This provides extra space for the extended family to be self-sufficient, or a place for all the children to bunk in together. However, the bunkhouse is used, it is a place where childhood memories will be made and stay with you throughout your life. There is an additional shower and toilet in the shed and the laundry.

Brooms Head is surrounded by the Yuraygir National Park. To the North you have Redcliff, Shelly Headland and Lake Arragan to search out and enjoy. While to the South you have the Sandon River to discover, with a crystal-clear tidal river offering a wonderland for fishing, crabbing, kayaking and all manner of water activities. These added areas only add to what is already on offer at the scenically beautiful, 13 Ocean Road Brooms Head.

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#### Auction

On-Site Saturday 17th October 10:30am

#### View

Open for Inspection Saturday 10am – 11am

#### Agent

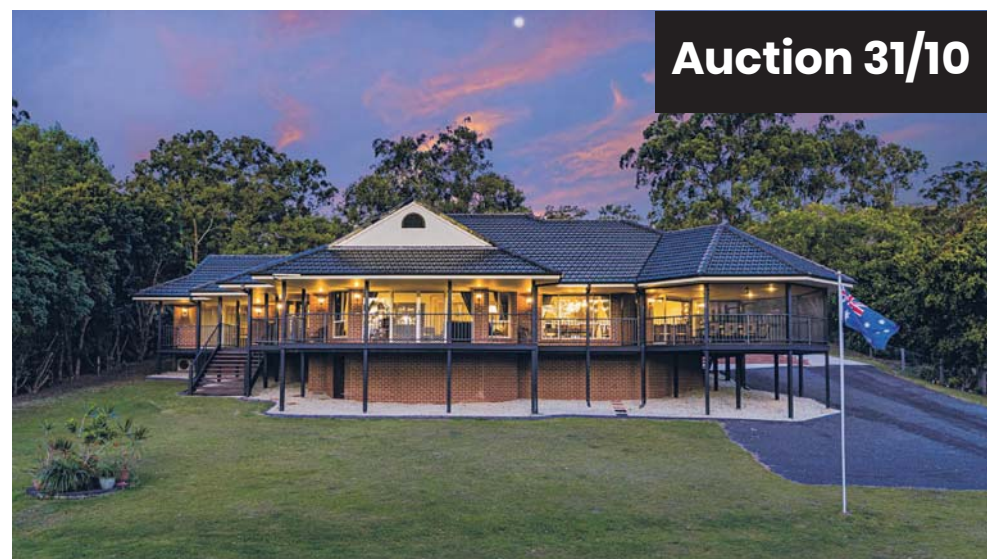
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**Open Sat**



**Auction 31/10**



## 488 Old Ferry Road Ashby

### A Home Where the Views are Spectacular and The River Runs Wide

488 Old Ferry Road is an executive residence that captures, from its elevated position, the superb, uninterrupted views of the Clarence River, Woodford Island and, to the west, the lower reaches of the Great Dividing Range. The design of the home will please the most discerning buyers. High ceilings, open plan living, banks of louvre windows and stacking doors create a feeling of luxury and spaciousness.

3 3 6

#### Auction

On-Site Saturday 17th October 1:30pm

#### View

Open for Inspection Saturday 1pm – 1:30pm

#### Agent

Angus Suttor 0436 006 717

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## 167 Golf Links Rd Woodford Island

### Fairway to Heaven

Natural tranquillity, overlooking the first Green, close to the River, minutes from Maclean.

- Executive residence, award winning design.
- Expansive living dining kitchen connected to outdoor entertaining hub.
- Open plan captures picturesque views.
- High quality build includes Select Australian hardwood flooring and terracotta tile roof.
- Fully furnished independent 2 bedroom unit, ideal as B&B enables immediate cash flow.
- Includes 3 car garage and work space set on 1 acre.

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#### Auction

On-Site Saturday 31st October 11am

#### View

By Appointment Only

#### Agent

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558 Middle Pocket Road, **MIDDLE POCKET**

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- Approximately 111 acres with a mixture of paddocks, rainforest, creek & ocean views
- Infrastructure includes 2 approved homes, double garage, shed/yoga studio, stables, round yard, tack room, wash bay, bamboo grove and more
- Houses include 3 bedrooms and 2 bedrooms respectively with both double master rooms, 1.5 bathrooms and 2 x single-covered carports
- Permanent creek, 3 x dams, 6 x 19000 Ltr water tanks, 4 x fenced paddocks
- DA in progress for 12 cabins & 2 x granny flats

- Public road access provides convenient bus pickup to local schools
- Located 30 minutes drive to Byron Bay, 40 minutes to Gold Coast Airport, 10 minutes to Billinudgel, 19 minutes to South Golden Beach or Ocean Shores Shopping Centre

**View**  
Thursday 1 Oct 3–3.30pm  
Saturday 3 Oct 10.30–11am

**Contact Agent**  
Brett Connable 0408 155 931  
Nick Russo 0405 977 049

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## FOR SALE

### 7 FERGUSON COURT BANGALOW

AUCTION SATURDAY 17 OCTOBER ON-SITE 11.00AM  
OPEN HOUSE SATURDAY 10.00AM - 10.30AM

Architect-designed, two pavilion home with views over the village to the surrounding hinterland



4 2 2 851 m<sup>2</sup>

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Address: 1-8, 6 Wollongbar St, Byron Bay

Enquiries: Bryce Cameron 0412 057 672

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# Katrina Beohm

real estate

coastal & hinterland sales



**BYRON BAY**  
11 Shelley Drive  
**\$1.5M - \$1.65M**

3 2 1 606.2m<sup>2</sup>

- + Magical oasis in prime, quiet, sought-after location
- + Spacious creative studio space with 2nd bathroom
- + Relax in total privacy in the lush, green backyard
- + Cool off in the large in-ground saltwater pool
- + Easy walk or ride to cafes, schools & beaches

Katrina Beohm 0467 001 122 or Christopher Plim 0467 000 222



**BYRON BAY**  
6 Grevillea Street  
**\$4.95M**

2 2 21 3110m<sup>2</sup>

- + Large industrial block plus sheds, shops & a unit
- + Caretaker unit plus plans for additional warehouse
- + 1463sqm of existing buildings including 3 shops
- + Ewingsdale Road exposure. Easy motorway access
- + Prime location. Move your business straight in

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Katrina Beohm  
Director



Christopher Plim  
Sales Agent



Rachael Jenkins  
Sales Manager



Gail Beohm  
Sales Support



Lily Hewitt  
Sales Admin

“

Katrina Beohm and her team are A grade real estate agents. They were professional and always available to answer any questions or concerns. They made buying our first home a pleasure. I highly recommend them.

Matt & Caitlin

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# BYRON SHIRE REAL ESTATE

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AUCTION

OPEN SAT 10AM



OPEN SAT 2PM



8 Short Street, Brunswick Heads

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This tastefully presented house has what everyone is searching for in today's market; a home plus income potential. Here there is a separate approved studio with rear lane access, plus an office/garage with approval for conversion to a 60m<sup>2</sup> granny flat.

**Inspect**  
Saturday 3rd October 10-11am  
**Auction - on site**  
Saturday 3rd October 11am  
**Todd Buckland 0408 966 421**

3B Whitton Court, Ocean Shores

3 2 2

This three year old house is perfectly private and offers an elevated outlook. The open plan kitchen, dining & living room with vaulted ceilings flows onto the east facing covered deck. A double garage & great yard complete the property.

**Inspect**  
Saturday 3rd October 2-2.30pm  
**Price**  
\$820,000 to \$860,000  
**Todd Buckland 0408 966 421**

## Open for Inspection

### Byron & Beyond Real Estate

- 15 O'Rourke Street, Cumbalum. Sat 10-10.30am

### Byron Shire Real Estate

- 8 Short Street, Brunswick Heads. Sat 10-11am
- 1 Tongarra Drive, Ocean Shores. Sat 12-12.30pm
- 47A Orana Road, Ocean Shores. Sat 12-12.30pm
- 6B Burra Burra Close, Ocean Shores Sat 1-1.30pm
- 6/33 Fingal Street, Brunswick Heads Sat 1-1.30pm
- 3B Whitton Court, Ocean Shores. Sat 2-2.30pm

### Byron Bay First National Real Estate

- 212 Fowlers Lane, Bangalow. Wed 1-1.30pm
- 124-128 Station St, Mullumbimby. Wed 2-2.30pm
- 1 Lychee Drive, Rosebank. Wed 2-2.30pm
- 119 Hunters Hill Rd, Corndale. Wed 3-3.30pm
- 48 Myocum Ridge Road, Myocum. Wed 4-4.30pm
- 1/84 Swift Street, Ballina. Wed 4.30-5.30pm
- 5 Palm-Lily Crescent, Bangalow. Thu 3-3.30pm
- 4 Pacific Vista Drive, Byron Bay. Thu 4.30-5.30pm
- 2 Marattia Place, Suffolk Park. Fri 3-3.30pm
- 7 Coachwood Court, Federal. Sat 9.30-10am
- 124-128 Station St, Mullumbimby. Sat 10-10.30am
- 119 Hunters Hill Rd, Corndale. Sat 10-10.30am
- 42 Waterford Pde, Skennars Head. Sat 10-10.30am
- 8/11 Korau Place, Suffolk Park. Sat 10-10.30am
- 1 Lychee Drive, Rosebank. Sat 11-11.30am
- 4 Kooringa Court. Ocean Shores. Sat 11-11.30am
- 31 Fox Valley Way, Lennox Head. Sat 11-11.30am
- 5 Palm-Lily Crescent, Bangalow. Sat 12-12.30pm
- 2E Pacific Vista Drive, Byron Bay. Sat 12-12.30pm
- 9 Natan Court, Ocean Shores. Sat 12-12.30pm
- 212 Fowlers Lane, Bangalow. Sat 12.30-1pm
- 4/22 Mahogany Drive, Byron Bay. Sat 1-1.30pm
- 549 Friday Hut Road, Brooklet. Sat 1-1.30pm
- 135 Rocky Creek Dam Road, Dunoon. Sat 1-1.30pm
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### Byron Shire Real Estate

- 8 Short Street, Brunswick Heads. Open Sat 10am. Auction 11am onsite

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- 119 Hunters Hill Road, Corndale. 10 October, 3pm onsite
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8 Short Street, Brunswick Heads

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**Auction:** This Saturday 3rd October 11am on site  
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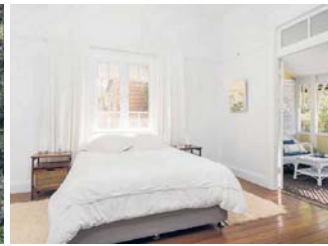


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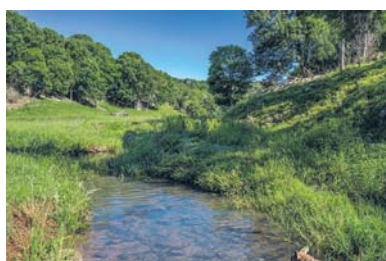
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		24 Oct		12.22am			
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1	T	0524	1746	1712	0513	0758 1.37; 2012 1.54	0150 0.23; 1346 0.28
2	F	0523	1747	1804	0542	0830 1.42; 2042 1.50	0217 0.22; 1422 0.28
3	S	0522	1747	1856	0611	0902 1.46; 2111 1.43	0245 0.21; 1457 0.31
DAYLIGHT SAVING BEGINS 2am – turn clocks forward one hour							
4	S	0621	1848	2048	0741	1036 1.48; 2241 1.35	0411 0.23; 1633 0.34
5	M	0619	1848	2142	0812	1110 1.49; 2312 1.26	0438 0.25; 1712 0.40
6	T	0618	1849	2236	0846	1146 1.47; 2345 1.16	0506 0.30; 1753 0.46
7	W	0617	1849	2331	0924	1227 1.44	0537 0.36; 1842 0.52
8	T	0616	1850		1006	0023 1.06; 1314 1.41	0613 0.42; 1943 0.57
9	F	0615	1851	0026	1053	0114 0.98; 1411 1.37	0700 0.49; 2101 0.59
10	S	0614	1851	0121	1147	0228 0.92; 1523 1.37	0807 0.53; 2226 0.55
11	S	0613	1852	0213	1245	0402 0.94; 1638 1.43	0932 0.53; 2332 0.46
12	M	0612	1852	0302	1347	0519 1.03; 1742 1.52	1050 0.47
13	T	0611	1853	0347	1452	0618 1.15; 1838 1.61	0023 0.35; 1155 0.36
14	W	0609	1853	0429	1559	0709 1.30; 1928 1.69	0106 0.23; 1251 0.25
15	T	0608	1854	0509	1706	0757 1.44; 2014 1.72	0145 0.13; 1344 0.16
16	F	0607	1855	0547	1814	0844 1.57; 2059 1.70	0224 0.06; 1435 0.10
17	S	0606	1855	0626	1923	0930 1.67; 2143 1.62	0302 0.02; 1527 0.09
18	S	0605	1856	0707	2033	1016 1.74; 2227 1.50	0341 0.02; 1619 0.12
19	M	0604	1857	0750	2143	1103 1.77; 2312 1.35	0420 0.06; 1715 0.19
20	T	0603	1857	0838	2252	1153 1.74	0500 0.14; 1816 0.28
21	W	0602	1858	0931	2356	0000 1.19; 1245 1.68	0544 0.24; 1925 0.37
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24	S	0559	1900	1225	0146	0336 0.94; 1604 1.45	0856 0.54; 2300 0.43
25	S	0559	1901	1324	0231	0456 1.00; 1710 1.43	1019 0.55; 2354 0.38
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28	W	0556	1903	1608	0416	0723 1.30; 1929 1.44	0111 0.29; 1312 0.41
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30	F	0554	1904	1751	0515	0832 1.46; 2037 1.40	0209 0.22; 1431 0.35
31	S	0553	1905	1844	0544	0905 1.52; 2109 1.36	0236 0.20; 1508 0.34

Times are Eastern Standard Daylight Savings Time.  
Time lags: Ballina Boat Dock: 15 min; Byron Bay: nil;  
Brunswick River Hwy Bridge: high 30 min, low 1 hr;  
Mullumbimby: 1 hr 10 min; Billinudgel: 3 hr 55 min;  
Chinderah: high 1 hr 15 min, low 2 hr; Terranora Inlet: high 2 hr 10 min, low 2 hr 25 min;  
Murwillumbah: high 2 hr 30 min, low 2 hr 50 min. Tides in bold indicate high tide of 1.7m or more and low tide of 0.3m or less. Data from Bureau of Meteorology.





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## ECHO CLASSIFIEDS – 6684 1777

### CLASSIFIED AD BOOKINGS

#### PHONE ADS

Ads may be taken by phone on **6684 1777**

#### AT THE ECHO HEAD OFFICE

Ads can be lodged in person at the Mullum Echo office:

**Village Way, Stuart St, Mullumbimby**

#### EMAIL ADS

Display classies (box ads): [adcopy@echo.net.au](mailto:adcopy@echo.net.au)

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Ad bookings only taken during business hours: Monday to Friday, 9am–5pm. Ads can't be taken on the weekend. Account enquiries phone 6684 1777.

### DEADLINE TUES 12PM

Publication day is Wednesday, booking deadlines are the day before publication.

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Books, plants, household, other. Sat 8am–2pm at 2 Warina Pl, Mullumbimby

**COMBINED SALE.** Women's clothes, h/hold goods, treasures. 22 The Terrace, Bruns. Sat 8am–12.

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**28 LEFT BANK RD, MULLUM** 8am–1pm. Pottery tools, furniture, clothes, household items, round mozzie net, lights, misc. Half-size tennis court net & posts. Free jewellery kiln.

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*Connecting the Byron Shire Community*

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Mullumbimby and District Neighbourhood Centre are looking for a crew of volunteer food recovery van drivers.

**Requirements for the job** are that you must be fit and able to lift sometimes heavy boxes of food, you must have an unencumbered Drivers Licence.

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Help us to continue this valuable program, keeping good food out of landfill and in people's bellies.

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### ECHO SHUT THIS MONDAY

The Echo will be closed the Labour Day public holiday Monday 5 October, but you can still place Classified ads on Tuesday, until midday, for our next edition that comes out Wednesday 7 October.

**SONG CIRCLE WITH MATIJO** at The Temple, Serene Earth Sanctuary, 266 Kennedy Lane. Thursdays 11am 0435049489. All welcome.

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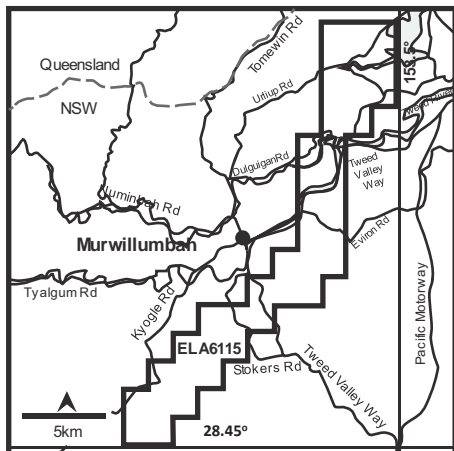
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### EXPLORATION LICENCE APPLICATION

Notice is given in accordance with Section 13A of the *Mining Act 1992* and Clause 15 of the *Mining Regulation 2016* that Exploration Licence Application ELA 6115 for Group 1 (metallic minerals) has been lodged with the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment by GOLD BELT PTY LTD, ACN: 643583546, over an area of 39 units (approximately 118 square kilometres) which is located approximately two kilometres East of the town of Murwillumbah, as shown on the diagram below. Information regarding this application can be obtained from Mart Rampe, phone number (02) 4647 6177. General information regarding exploration licences and landholder's rights is available from the website: [www.resourcesandgeoscience.nsw.gov.au/landholders-and-community/landholders-rights](http://www.resourcesandgeoscience.nsw.gov.au/landholders-and-community/landholders-rights)



PROPOSAL TO UPGRADE A TELSTRA MOBILE PHONE BASE STATION AT  
**8 ACACIA STREET, BYRON BAY NSW 2481**  
[www.rfnsa.com.au/2481014](http://www.rfnsa.com.au/2481014)

1. The proposed upgrade consists of reconfiguring and reusing existing panel antennas, removing three (3) existing panel antennas, and installing three (3) new 5G panel antennas measuring 810mm(h) x 400mm(w) x 200(d), on existing and new mounts on the existing monopole to improve Telstra's mobile phone network (including 5G).  
The proposed installation works will also include the upgrading of equipment within the existing equipment shelter or room, the upgrading of associated equipment (including RRUs and TMAs), cables, and ancillary works necessary for the safe operation of the site.
2. Telstra regards the proposed installation as a Low Impact Facility under the *Telecommunications (Low Impact Facilities) Determination 2018* ("The Determination") or Exempt Development under the *NSW State Environmental Planning Policy (Infrastructure) 2007*, based on the description above.
3. In accordance with Section 7 of C564:2018 Mobile Phone Base Station Deployment Code, we invite you to provide feedback about the proposal. Further information and/or comments should be directed to: Matt Wood, +61 437 600 895, [community.consult@downergroup.com](mailto:community.consult@downergroup.com) by Friday 16th October 2020.

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WANTED TO RENT

LOOKING for 1-2bdr studio, detached and private, for long-time local fully employed person. Ph/txt 0404460358

31 Y.O. self-employed man exploring new way of life, seeking room in Byron Bay for long-term stay. Laid back, active, vegetarian. Enjoys reading, surfing and eating Mexican food. Spend my free time volunteering. No dog, happy to get one if it will help find a home. \$250p/week (neg). 0475240340

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LADIES WANTED, MUST BE 18+ Casual or permanent work available in busy adult parlour. 66816038 for details.

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Forward resume to kerry@buddhagardens dayspa.com.au



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2-3 days per week plus holiday cover.

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Req for busy Lennox Head restaurant, approx 35hrs pw. Professional, energetic team player for fast-paced kitchen. Phone 04 0506 9026.

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Local family operating five boutique guest accommodation properties seeks an Administration Assistant, part time or full time options available.

Experience within the accommodation industry would be preferable however not essential. Could suit a parent in between school hours equally as much as someone wanting a new start in a thriving industry in Byron Bay. Competitive pay rates commensurate with experience offered along with great working conditions. To apply please send your CV to The Manager at noahbay@bigpond.com

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Bright, energetic people who love working with people and helping customers. BARISTA: Must be experienced in coffee making and cafe duties JNR KIOSK STAFF: Must be available after school, weekends & school holiday. Full training provided. ALL ROUNDERS: Variety of jobs including cafe, yard work and cleaning. SWIM INSTRUCTOR: qualified with AUSTSWIM Send CV to c davidson2009@live.com or drop CV to pool. Mullumbimby Pool 66842494

PERSON TO ASSIST male quadriplegic, Byron Bay. Nursing background preferred. Must have high level English. \$30ph. Email: mattharcla@gmail.com

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BIRTHDAYS

JEFF 'HAPPY BIRTHDAY' DAWSON



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BEREAVEMENT NOTICE

Scott "Krush" Peck 6/1/1973 - 11/9/2020

One of the true gentlemen of this time. A true gentle soul, who was always ready to help others. Lover of sport, music, adventures, good coffee, and friendships. We are so grateful to have had you in our lives and you have given us so many memories of friendship and happiness. AWOL.



Farewell and happy astral travels to our beautiful friend and brother.

Forever young and forever in our hearts, until we meet again. Jenny O and Pauli Matty O, Zu and Isy xxx

FUNERAL NOTICES

AILSA 'Judy' WEIR nee LEE 31.07.1940-19.09.2020 Fondly remembered by her children, Dean and Anita, and four grandchildren. Siblings Vernon, Delma and Shirley. (Dec.) Ivan, Evelyn, Bernard, Dianne. The funeral will be held at St Marks Anglican Church, Daisy Hill, Brisbane.

HASKEW, Norma Ruth (Nee Gardiner)

Passed away peacefully on 23rd September 2020 at John Flynn Hospital, late of Terranora, formerly of Billinudgel. Aged 82 years.

Beloved wife of John, dearly loved mum and mother-in-law of Geoff & Trish, Gary & Michelle, proud and loving grandma "Ma" to Lewis, Dale, Emily and Benjamin.

Loved and remembered by all her family and friends.

Family and friends are invited to attend a funeral service for Norma to be held at the Tweed Heads Crematorium Chapel, 176 Kirkwood Road Tweed Heads on Thursday 1st October 2020 at 1.00pm

The family has requested no flowers please - donations to the Cancer Council would be appreciated.

Easton Funeral Services, Tweed Heads 07 5599 1500

DEATH NOTICES

Susanne Stargard Passed away peacefully 18/03/1929 - 23/09/2020



A Loving mum to Anne, Hannes, and Jenny.

Loving omi to Michelle, Allison, Karl, Jack, Rik, Kris, and partners. And a loving omama to Max, Owen, Henry, Scarlet, and Harlow.

Mum will be missed by all her family and friends.

Farewell to a beautiful Henkel Hen.

PETS

Leia sadly is not as happy as she was last week as she no longer has the shelter all to herself. She is not impressed with the new arrivals and she's sadly reverted back to being a grumpy cat. Leia has shown that she can be relaxed and loving when in her own space, so please be the one to give her a chance to thrive and be happy again. To meet Leia please visit the Cat Adoption Centre at 124 Dalley Street, Mullumbimby. OPEN: Tues 2.30-4.30pm Thurs 3-5pm, Sat 10am-12 noon Call AWL 0436 845 542. Like us on Facebook! AWL NSW Rehoming Organisation Number: R251000222



"If I can stop one heart from breaking, I shall not live in vain." - Emily Dickinson

Byron Dog Rescue (CAWI)



Rangi is strong, energetic and needs plenty of exercise and training. Equally he loves to snuggle with his female companion/s and is immensely sweet, gentle and affectionate and adores his playtime with other dogs. Rangi will need a strong woman to initially bond with in any new situation and will only be good with gentle children. Please phone Shell on 0458 461 935. MC: 982126050238628



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Visit friendsofthepound.com to view other dogs and cats looking for a home. ABN 83 126 970 338



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### Mullum CWA opens up

The CWA Rooms in Mullumbimby (Tincogan & Gordon Sts) will be open with refreshments and stalls each Friday morning from 9am to noon, starting 9 October. Call in for a cuppa and browse the stalls of home cooking, plants, books, glassware, and more. Info: Jenny 0427 847 282. There will also be a garage sale on 17 October.

### AGM CWA

All financial members of Mullumbimby branch of the Country Women's Association (CWA) are invited to attend the annual general meeting on Wednesday, 14 October at 9.30am at the CWA Rooms. The usual monthly meeting will follow. Bring a plate for a light lunch. Join us in helping to improve conditions for country people and lobbying for change. Info: Jenny 0427 847 282 or email johnandjen6@gmail.com.

### BV VIEW Club

Brunswick Valley VIEW Club meets on Thursday, 8 October at 10.30am for luncheon at Mullumbimby Bowling Club. Numbers are limited so please book. Contact Wenda on 0449 563 580 or email wjhunt@yahoo.com.au no later than the Monday before. VIEW supports seven disadvantaged students in The Smith Family's Learning for Life program. Info: president Margaret Alderton 0429 966 894.

### Purple Heart Day

'Purple Heart Day - A day of hope' is on Thursday 15 October at 6.30pm recognising Infancy loss day. The celebration service is for all those little ones who lost their fight for life, it will be held at Jack Evans Harbour, Tweed Heads, near the swings beside Twin Towns.

### Pottsville Croquet

Pottsville Fun Croquet Club will have a new starting time of 8.30am on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6 October. Croquet is played at Black Rocks Sports Fields. For more information ring Pat on 0427 976 436, or Jean on 0431 606 376.

### Bangalow Heritage House Cafe

The Bangalow Heritage House Museum and Cafe on the corner of Deacon and Ashton Streets in Bangalow has reopened with a new menu. Outdoor dining for families with young children and well-behaved dogs. Opening hours Wednesday-Friday 10am -2.30pm from Wednesday 7 October. For bookings call 6687 2183 or email: bangalowhistorical@bigpond.com.

### BPA AGM

The Bangalow Progress Association AGM will be held at 7pm on Wednesday, 21 October at Heritage House, Deacon St, Bangalow. We will review activities over the past year and discuss village plan projects now being implemented, including an update to Bangalow planning controls. All

members and interested residents are welcome.

### Books and Butterflies

Books and Butterflies is a free weekly supported playgroup in Lismore, held on Mondays, 10.30am-12pm for children aged 2-5 years old, their parents and carers. Bookings are essential. Call Northern Rivers Community Gateway on 6621 7397.

### AGM for Richmond-Tweed Family History

The AGM for the Richmond-Tweed Family History Society is on 3 October at the Players Theatre, Ballina at 2pm. To meet COVID-19 rules those attending must notify Secretary Kerrie at either 6628 1324 or secretaryrthst@yahoo.com.au.

### AGM Liberation Larder

Liberation Larder 2020 Annual General Meeting to be held at Fletcher St Kitchen, Byron Community Centre on 24 September from 2pm. All financial members are invited to attend. Nominations for vacant board of management positions are welcome and must be received by 17 September.

## Regular As Clockwork

DEADLINE NOON FRIDAY

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

### Low-cost or free food

**Food Box Thursdays** 9.30-11.30am at Uniting Church, Mullumbimby. If you have any Centrelink card you may purchase cheap food, obtain free veges. **Free Food Relief Bags** for anyone doing it tough, every Wednesday 10-12noon at The Hub Ocean Shores, cnr Rajah Rd and Bindaree Way. No ID or Concession Card required. NILs referral service also available.

### Byron Community Centre

**Homeless Breakfast:** 7:30-9am Wednesday. **Homeless Showers:** Monday and Wednesday 10am-12pm (book in at breakfasts). **Women's Support and Counselling:** Friday 1-3pm, Community Cabin Carlyle St. **Free Phone Counselling:** Call 0415 332 064 10am-2pm. **Seniors Computer Club:** Friday 9am-11am, Community Cabin Carlyle St. **Seniors drumming,**

### yoga, ukulele, art and drama:

66856807 for booking and time details. **Volunteer Hub referral service:** Call 66856807. **Byron Community Pantry:** free food box delivery to locals who are financially or physically unable to shop. Call/text your order to 0482 787 552. For more info call 66856807 or visit www.byroncentre.com.au

### Mullumbimby District Neighbourhood Centre

MDNC services that are running include: **Community support/emergency relief:** Food parcels, meals, assistance with electricity and Telstra bills. **Listening Space:** free counselling. **Staying Home, Leaving Violence program.** **Integrated Domestic & Family Violence program.**

**Financial Counselling:** outreach available Thursdays & Fridays **Financial Counselling:** free service funded by the government, offering advocacy & assistance to find options to address debts. **Information, referral and advocacy.** To enquire about accessing any of these services call 6684 1286 or fill out an online enquiry form.

### 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.

## Girl juniors dominate Coffs Harbour Groms surf contest

Ross Kendall

Local girl surfers proved themselves again after dominating event three of the 2020 Woolworths Surfer Groms Comp Series held in Coffs Harbour this week.



Juniper Harper on her way to another title. Photo Ethan Smith

Juniper Harper (Lennox Head) showed she had gained more momentum since taking out the 2020 Havaianas NSW Grommet Titles at Maroubra Beach earlier this year, by taking out the U/14 Girls division. As in the Grommet Titles,

Juniper and fellow Lennox Head surfer Ocea Curtis went neck-and-neck with both girls trading off a handful of impressive snaps to finish first and second respectively in the final.

Leihani Kaloha Zoric (Byron Bay) put on an exciting display of surfing in the U/12 Girls division, finding a handful of rare, long-running righthanders to post an excellent 8.33 wave and gain

the upper hand in the final. Zoric is also expected to compete in the U/10 Girls division.

### Boy Groms

Max Mcgillivray (Evans Head) made his trip south worthwhile, taking out the U/14 Boys division with a dominant performance.

The event includes four different age divisions, starting at U/8s right through to the U/14s.

Over 70 competitors were in the event.

## Mullum wins local tennis competitions

Junior tennis players from Mullumbimby have dominated the local Northern Rivers tennis competition for Term Three, taking out divisions one and two.

Mullumbimby coach, Steve Gort, saw his teams perform strongly in the local junior district competition on the last Saturday of term three.

In division one, two Mullum teams battled it out in the grand final where Onyx, Ariel and Jamere narrowly

defeated Marielou, Sascha and Elzie.

In division two Mullumbimby's team of Harlem, Kylan and Keanu took the trophy from Ballina's trio of Skye, Shaniquwa and Yali (not pictured).

The competition runs each term and includes junior players from Mullumbimby, Alstonville, Wollongbar, Ballina, Bangalow and Ocean Shores.

A fresh 9-week competition



Mullumbimby tennis finalists: (L-R) Elzie, Marielou, Sascha, Onyx, Steve Gort (Coach), Ariel, Kylan, Jamere, Keanu and Harlem. Photo S Haslam

will start in term four of the school year.

Other future fixtures include some players going to an

Academy Challenge against Terranora and Tweed Heads players, as well as a Junior Development Series in Inverell in late October.

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## Mungo's Crossword

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### Cryptic Clues

#### ACROSS

- Amen! (4,4)
- Effeminate American university (6)
- Dark, mysterious thing (5)
- Aboriginal woman reported with Blanchett in Grease (9)
- Company folded, meant to be heaven (9)
- Proverb for present time (5)
- Leaves? Tell them to allow us! (7)
- Courses, and a meeting - peaceful (6)
- Allows a thousand raves (6)
- Street went off in all directions from the centre - got lost (7)
- People say they're entitlements - but they're just customs (5)
- Lead time in 13 for an edge (9)
- Bugs Bunny game, new book by John Updike (6,3)
- Angry about single assessment (5)
- Small measures of two gallons - they're minute, in fact (6)
- Pompey or Alexander - get heart enthusiastically (3,5)

#### DOWN

- Country, occupy to capacity - waste! (8)
- Argus stuffed - sweet stuff (5)
- They say, superior to a poke in the eye before performing tin washtub trick! (4,1,5,5)
- Ease up - the Italian in the bailiff! (7)
- Minelli, in a way, on the tippie - flat out, they say! (1,6,8)
- Greens and workers on the railway - but they're poor rural workers (9)
- Cold bearing in vessel - dramas! (6)
- A psycho killer - but it gets less (6)
- Elba time for an old sound system (9)
- Present time, present territory for the supporter (8)
- Good man broadcasts - take flight! (6)
- Small happening, hot after the 6th (7)
- Credit minerals for Indian millions! (6)
- Conscious of a party after the funeral (5)

### Quick Clues

#### ACROSS

- Final remark (4,4)
- University grounds (6)
- Period of darkness (5)
- Oil, grease (9)
- The heavens (9)
- Saying, proverb (5)
- Salad vegetable (7)
- Calm, peaceful (6)
- Handouts (6)
- Lost the way (7)
- Ceremonies, rituals (5)
- Get ahead, favourable handicap (9)
- John Updike's novel (6,3)
- Angry, upset (5)
- Very small portions, remnants (6)
- Soubriquet for a triumphant ruler (3,5)

#### DOWN

- Contents of tip (8)
- Sweet condiment (5)
- The way you do not want to be poked in the eye (4,1,5,5)
- Take over, ease burden (7)
- Slang expression for a totally prone posture (1,6,8)
- Unenfranchised rural population (9)
- Views, spectacles (6)
- Loses force (6)
- Part of an old gramophone (9)
- Follower, supporter (8)
- Steps, risers (6)
- The one after the sixth (7)
- Millions of rupees (6)
- Alert, risen (5)

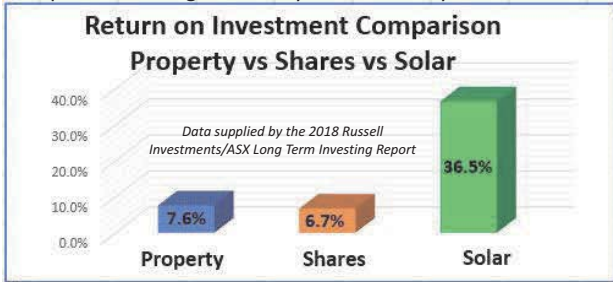
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A reminder that now Spring has sprung, so have koalas. Motorists should be especially wary as koalas start their roaming. Likewise the public should be wary of any NSW National Party MP who says they want to protect the vulnerable species while actively undoing the protections that give them a home. See page 10 on the new Wildlife Hospital, based in Lennox Head. They can be reached on 0437 818 883.

Looking for Ballina news? It will now be contained within one area of *The Echo's* news pages – this week it's page 8.

Avoiding hype, clichés and mixed metaphors must be like threading the eye of a hurricane for TV weather presenters. *Mumbrella* reports that, on-air last week, former Ten weather presenter Tim Bailey told 2GB's Ben Fordham his redundancy hit him 'right between the eyes'. It was a 'knife through the back and through the heart is the best description of it. It was brutal and I was very, very sad'.

Flags were raised on Saturday for the start of the surf lifesaving season. Patrols are now underway from Tweed Heads to Yamba, with organisers saying that 4,818 local surf lifesavers have enlisted to help protect far north coast beachgoers this summer. 'Last season, volunteers from Far North Coast Surf Lifesaving dedicated 21,707 hours, performing 91 rescues and tending first aid to 567 people'.

Farewell, Cardinal George Pell, who returns to Rome after his acquittal on appeal



Australia is 68th in global internet speed rankings, according to Speedtest Global Index, making it the fourth slowest country for broadband in the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD). We are behind Slovenia, Slovakia and Estonia. Who do we thank for that? Perhaps seven years of the Liberal-Nationals government, and their close ties to media baron and US citizen Rupert Murdoch? And because the PM surrounds himself with mining executives and PR hacks, the chances of the nation becoming a leader in non-fossil fuel energy any time soon remains embarrassingly slim.

after child sexual abuse convictions. Victims of crimes may take solace in King Solomon's words: 'If you see oppression of the poor, and justice and righteousness trampled in a country, do not be astounded!'

Melbournegrad! We stand in solidarity with you and congratulate your success in reducing the scamdemic spread. Vic Labor was at fault in letting the virus spread, as were the Liberal-Nationals, when they unleashed the virus ship in Sydney. At least Vic Labor's health minister resigned, unlike the Liberals who will ignore any accountability.

Remember: philanthropy is nice, but paying taxes is nicer.

The 45th US president is unlikely to concede in November if he loses the election. What is more likely is that an army of his Orc lawyers are preparing to file court cases in battleground states to contest the election result as soon as it's over. Fun times ahead!

Rural residents in Main Arm are being given conflicting messaging from Council staff over plans to regularise unauthorised dwellings. In the absence of any leadership from councillors, staff are undertaking an aggressive campaign to try and get

people to do themselves in if they live in unauthorised dwellings. Being DA compliant makes perfect sense if you want to flip and cash in on Byron Shire, but not if you have lived in the same home for decades. See page 5.

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