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Yindi and Caspar contribute to the tree of thoughts, prayers and hope at Sunday's Day Of The Dead gathering at the Crystal Castle. Each year, Zenith Virago guides many through grief, toward honouring friends and family who are no longer with us. Photo Jeff 'Shuffling Along The Mortal Coil' Dawson

# How resilient is the Shire's biggest industry?

### Paul Bibby

The number of visitors to the Byron Shire is not expected to return to pre-COVID levels for four years, and it could be a decade before international visitor numbers bounce back, a Council discussion paper says.

But the paper also confirms that the tourism tide has now begun to turn, with visitors from within NSW leading the charge to our sunny shores.

The information is contained in the *Tourism Resilience Discussion* 

*Paper*, released by Byron Council earlier this month, in response to the impacts of the pandemic on the Shire's biggest industry.

The paper complements Council's draft Sustainable Visitation Strategy (SVS), which is on public exhibition until November 27.

Council say in a media release, 'The aim of the SVS is to support a visitor economy that cares for and respects local residents, protects the natural environment, celebrates cultural diversity and shares local values'. The discussion paper states that 2.41 million visitors came to the Shire last year, contributing \$883 million to the local economy.

### Worth \$883m locally

Over 90 per cent of these visitors were domestic, with 78 per cent being day visitors from South East Queensland (SEQ).

However, when interstate borders closed and NSW went into lockdown earlier this year, 'almost all domestic travel demand went into hibernation, along with large components of the economy'.

'With the Queensland border restrictions, our domestic SEQ day visitors stopped coming and our local businesses that directly, and indirectly, support our tourism economy were hit hard,' it says.

Around 2,150 local jobs were lost and 60 per cent of workers went onto JobKeeper.

Between April and June, businesses in the tourism industry experienced downturns of between 40 and 100 per cent,

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# Police officer faces court over youth bashing

### Mia Armitage

A police officer accused of assaulting a 16-year-old in Byron Bay nearly three years ago faces trial in Lismore this week.

Senior Constable Michial Luke Greenhalgh, 39, is alleged to have assaulted the boy as part of an arrest in Lateen Lane, sometime between two and three o'clock in the morning on January 11, 2018.

Video footage of the arrest made national headlines, and was later used as evidence in a Law Enforcement Conduct Commission inquiry.

The inquiry examined the actions of all four policemen involved in the arrest and ended with a recommendation for the Department of Public Prosecutions to consider charging one officer.

Witness, Daniel Thomas, has described watching the boy earlier from an apartment overlooking Lateen Lane with his female partner, who would later film the final part of the arrest on her mobile phone.

'He was calling out for help... asking for water,' Mr Thomas told Lismore Court on Monday, via video link from Melbourne.

Mr Thomas said the alleged victim, who cannot be legally named, was crying out that he 'wanted the experience to end' and was looking up at the sky a lot.

Sen-Constable Greenhalgh is pleading not guilty to the one count of assault laid against him.

The prosecution must prove the blows constituted unreasonable force

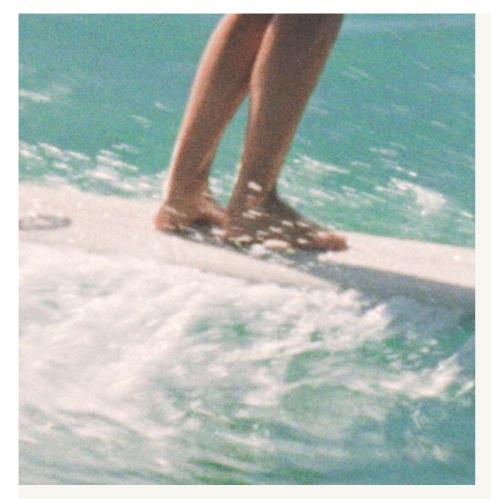
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### **Local News**





A new art gallery has sprung! Peek Gallery is open Tuesday to Sunday, from 10.30am to 5.30pm, and is located in the beach end of Fletcher Street, Byron Bay. Pictured are artists Davide Uliana, Bill Undery and gallery owner/artist Gabrielle Pool, who all exhibited works at Friday night's opening. For more info, visit www.peekgallery.com, or go to page 23. Photo Jeff 'Invited To Openings Since 1986' Dawson

# Popup book sale from Nov 16

Looking for a good book to read, or as a festive season present? Instead of the annual Book Fair in Byron this year, Friends of the Libraries are keeping you COVID-19 safe by creating a popup book sale.

Through their fundraising efforts, they are able to help keep your libraries well stocked and to create a space that is comfortable and enjoyable to spend time in.

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### A closer look at Byron's tourism resilience

► Continued from page 1 with the festival and event industries, and tourism businesses that service the international visitor market, among the hardest hit.

The paper predicts that visitors are not expected to return to 2019 numbers until 2024; visitor nights are not expected to return to 2019 levels until after 2030; and international visitors are not expected to return to 2019 numbers for at least 10 years.

But it seems the ship has

begun to turn around.

'Over the past few months, 80 per cent of accommodation has been booked out, mostly by intrastate visitors', the paper says. 'Visitors are staying longer (increased on average from three to four to five to eight nights)'.

'Byron Bay is [also] now a filming hot spot owing to the efforts of Screen Australia, which is attracting a growing number of cast and crew, who are also supporting the local visitor economy with medium term accommodation.

'This early recovery will be accelerated, as restrictions are eased by pent-up demand from business and the need to visit friends and relatives following lockdown'.

It is also anticipated that Australians will redirect overseas travel plans to domestic travel pursuits, offsetting some of the loss of international visitor expenditure.

At the same time, the paper notes that tourist

behaviour has changed significantly, with visitors not dispersing or travelling as much to villages such as Bangalow and Mullumbimby.

Neither are they participating as much in organised tours, a possible reflection of the impacts of social distancing measures.

The discussion paper and the SVS are avilable at www.byron.nsw.gov.au.

# Country Club holds AGM, Nov 15

Ahead of the Ocean Shores Country Club's AGM on Sunday November 15, chairperson James Cotta says in his report (available online) that the 'downturn in trade [owing to COVID-19] and ensuing financial stressors have placed the Club with a significant loss for the 2019/2020 year of \$221,396'.

He writes, 'One must remember that financial pressures on the Club in

terms of ongoing maintenance and course upkeep remained unchanged'.

### Revenue downturn

'It must also be mentioned that prior to the pandemic, the Club was already experiencing a significant downturn in revenue from gaming machines'.

'On the upside, we were fortunate that our members and visitors continued to play golf during this period, allowing participants to remain active and in contact with their friends. Unfortunately, bowlers received harsher restrictions and were subjected to return on a graduated basis'.

According to the Club's financial statement, the company's liabilities exceed its assets by \$396,209 at June 30, 2019. In 2018 it was \$350,887.
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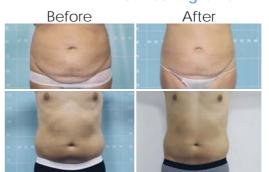
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## Rugby fundraiser at Courthouse, Nov 20

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### Byron Chamber welcomes new president, kickstarts event

Mark Ryan, an immigration lawyer, has been appointed as the new president of the Byron Bay Chamber of Commerce.

In his first newsletter, Mr Ryan said, 'Firstly, I would like to thank our outgoing president, Todd Sotheren and our Treasurer Matt Davison for all of their hard work and I wish you both the best of luck with your next steps'.

'I would also like to welcome our new board members, Cam Hogan treasurer, Belinda Kirkwood – board Member, and Diego Tiago - board member, and of course welcoming back



Mark Ryan. Photo from the Byron Bay Chamber's website

Cathy Levin-Byers and Kate Hardman in the role of joint vice president, along with returning board member, Eddie Brook.

'I am thrilled to be working together with such a

strong board through the remainder of 2020 and into

'It goes without saying, 2020 has been a wild ride for a lot of businesses in Byron Bay. What has been brilliant to witness though is how businesses have been able to pivot and readily adapt to the changing market conditions. The community has seen an increase in online sales and businesses moving to online platforms, businesses introducing new product lines to meet demand and businesses changing the way they operate to continue to work

safely within the COVID-19 framework'.

### Nov 18 event

'I am very excited to announce that after a long COVID-19 borne hiatus, the chamber will have its first event lined up for November 18! The wonderful team at Art & Wine Co have graciously opened their doors to 40 of our members for an evening to get our creativity flowing!'

Art & Wine Co is located at 13 Lawson Street and the event starts at 5pm.

For more info, visit www.byronbaychamber.com.

### Mother-in-law user guide launches November 15

A new book by author Ruth Winton-Brown explores the important, but often over looked relationship of mother-in-law.

With A Mother-in-Law's Roadmap: The User's Guide To A Successful Relationship, Ms Winton-Brown uses both her own experience of becoming a mother-in-law, and that of others to explore this relationship from a

range of perspectives.

'This book has been written to support people to navigate the delicate relationship with their mother- or daughter-in-law,' Ruth told The Echo.

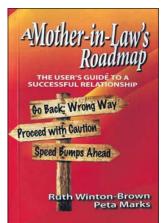
'As a general rule, mothersin-law experience bad press. Personally, I learnt so much from interviewing both mothers-in-law and daughters-in-law, and it has helped me learn to stand back'.

She says one key insight

that came from the research for the book was to respect the decisions that your adult children make, 'even if you don't always agree'.

The book will be launching at the Drill Hall in Mullumbimby on Sunday, 15 November at 4pm, with some champagne bubbles and laughter with comedian Mandy Nolan, who was also interviewed for the book.

The event is free and everyone is welcome.



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The Solar for Low Income Household Trial is supported by the NSW Government.

### Large DA rejected by locals and Bayside's developer

Hans Lovejoy

A proposal for 39 boarding rooms, retail and shop top spaces has sparked organised community opposition, with Brunswick Heads residents and a Bayside developer meeting over the weekend to plan a strategy and highlight how inappropriate the proposal is for their community.

The group, Bayside CON-NECTED, has also launched a GoFundMe campaign (www. au.gofundme.com/f/helpsave-bayside) to help pay for a property lawyer and planner.

DA 10.2020.571.1 is proposed for 94 Kingsford Drive, and as part of the DA process, developer The Kollective engaged with residents prior to a DA being submitted.

While The Corso is listed on Council's DA tracker website, DA documents are yet to be published.

Codlea, the developer of the remaining land at Bayside, was represented at the meeting by one of their directors, Ian Fraser. He told The Echo Codlea sold the commercial block to The Kollective earlier this year.

Mr Fraser said, 'We had the opportunity to cut the remaining developable land into small allotments and maximise our return'.

'We resisted that, because we didn't want to tip a bucket on the people who already live here. So it is a shame to see someone trying to do this, when we have gone to the trouble to keep up the standard of Bayside.

'When offering to purchase Lot 71, The Kollective showed us concept plans of a commercial development,



Lily and her dog Hazel were two, of around 100 residents, who met last weekend to show their opposition to a large Bayside development. Photo Jeff 'Protests Are My Middle Name' Dawson

which included a medical centre. We were happy, and thought it would be good for the locality, and make the commercial development of the land viable. The Kollective assured us their development would be in line with their concept plan.

### Vastly different plans from original

'As a result of the community consultation process we learned that The Kollective's proposal was vastly different from the concept we were provided.

'Codlea directors met with The Kollective, expressing their disapproval of the proposal, and offered to buy back the commercial land. This offer was not taken up.

'On more than one occasion, Codlea has approached Byron Shire Council to change the zoning of Lot 71 to Residential B, but our attempts were unsuccessful;

the reason being, that Council considered there was insufficient commercially-zoned land in the Shire. How can Council approve this "mostly residential" development, when Codlea was refused a back-zoning to residential?

The Echo asked Council staff to confirm the claims by Mr Fraser, but no reply was received by deadline.

Mr Fraser continued, 'What The Kollective proposes will house in excess of 100 people. The 39-room boarding house only requires half a car space each, so when you include the shop top flats there could be up to 100 cars parked in the streets and on the verges.

'With roughly another 150 housing blocks and 400 plus people moving into Bayside over the next few years it is even more important for the community to retain a commercially zoned lot'.

Meanwhile, Jude Brazenor from Bayside CONNECTED

said, 'This is the Shire's biggest boarding house DA to date, and it does not have the parking, public transport, jobs, amenities or infrastructure to support it'.

'It threatens to bring a host of safety, social, traffic and parking issues to yet another Shire community.

'We are supportive of the need for affordable housing, but the Kollective's boarding houses are rented at strong market rates... There must be a better solution than building micro-apartments as small as 20sqm for two people'.

She added, 'If a boarding house can be built in the middle of a family focussed housing estate such as Bayside, it can happen anywhere in the Shire'.

The Kollective was contacted for comment, but none was received by deadline. Mayor Simon Richardson is yet to reply regarding his support of Kollective developments.



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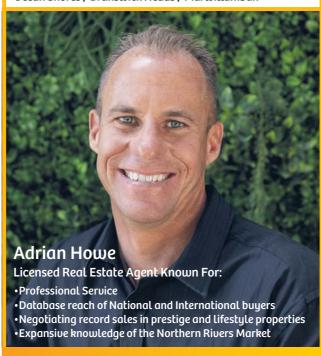
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# Kids support koalas, as fate rests with Liberal-Nationals

### **Aslan Shand**

Last week around 50 kids from the Byron Community Primary School made their voices heard over the plight of koalas.

'We should look after koala habitat because they need a home, just like us,' said Mimi, aged 7.

This was supported by Tommy, aged 8, who said, 'Koalas need trees to live and the trees also clean the air for us!

The kids worked with Bangalow Koalas to show their support for safeguarding the koalas and their habitat.

Many fear that the vulnerable species is at risk from the NSW government's contraversial Local Land Services Amendment (Miscellaneous) bill 2020, which is awaiting a final vote in the NSW Upper House on November 10.

'If koalas all die out in Australia, you can't find them anywhere else in the world,' pointed out Florence, aged 8.

Bangalow Koalas are one of the many groups who have grave concerns about the controversial bill. Byron Shire councillors have also condemned the bill.

### Bill removes protections

Linda Sparrow, President of Bangalow Koalas, says the bill removes protections for koalas and 'is a massive step backwards for koala



50 kids from the Byron Community Primary School up to the age of nine were making their voices heard in support of koalas, Photo Saul Goodwin.

protection in NSW, especially in light of the devastating drought and bushfire season of 2019/2020, which has already placed the surviving koala population under immense pressure'.

'We should start replanting the trees that have been cut down, so that koalas have more places to live, especially after the bushfires,' says Orlando, aged 7.

However, the NSW Liberal-National government appear to be intent, not on planting and protecting more trees, but on passing a bill that will, 'double the duration of private forestry operations (PFO) from 15 to 30 years,' says Ms Sparrow.

'It will freeze the amount of koala habitat that can be protected in Comprehensive Koala Plans of management (KPOMs), meaning that over 99 per cent of koala habitat on private land in NSW will never have protection, and

allow more clearing to take place in environmental zones - undermining the protections offered by E-zones.

'This bill is designed to benefit developers and agri-business, without any consideration for the value of our forests and the incredible biodiversity they support.

'If we do not protect koala habitat and stop the logging of native forests there simply will be no future for our koalas,' she said.

### Numbers in decline

According to North East Forest Alliance (NEFA), even before the Black Summer fires in 2019/20, northern NSW koala numbers had declined by 50 per cent over the previous 20 years. The Black Summer fires burnt approximately 30 per cent of 'likely koala habitat'.

**Nature Conservation** Council Chief Executive, Chris Gambian, adds that, 'Nothing in this bill helps ensure koalas survive beyond 2050. But it does mean property developers could bulldoze koala trees without needing an approval'.

Locally-based Nationals MLC Ben Franklin has previously told *The Echo* he would be voting for the bill. He claims the bill, and associated codes, already contained 'robust protections for koalas'.

He said, 'The LLS Act and the land management framework totally prevents harm to threatened species habitat. It acts as a complete stop point'.

'This included the fact that all activities under the LLS Act were subject to penalty offences under the Biodiversity Conservation Act

'Division 1 (2.4) of the Act makes it clear that harming the habitat of a threatened

species subjects that person to either \$1.65 million fine, or imprisonment for two years, or both,' Mr Franklin said.

'This includes any activity by farmers. These protections are arguably much higher than any protection for koalas afforded by the planning system, which only aims to mitigate habitat destruction'.

### Weakened laws

Yet the Biodiversity Conservation Act and LLS Act, when introduced in 2016, attracted considerable opposition from a large number of environmental groups.

Professor Hugh Possingham, a leading author of the 2014 report, whose recommendations the government claims it implemented, resigned in disgust.

And in April, a damning Natural Resources Commission (NRC) report claimed that since the implementation of the NSW Liberal-National government's biodiversity and conservation laws in late 2017, land clearing jumped by a staggering 1,300 per cent.

The Liberal-Nationals' bill has the support of One Nation's Mark Latham, who congratulated the government on a 'magnificently drafted piece of legislation' during a speech in parliament in September.

Meanwhile, Local MP, Tamara Smith MP (Greens) described it as 'the most

ideological bill I have seen during the six years I have been in this place before the Parliament'

She told Parliament on October 14, '[The bill] is an Orwellian state of mind that arranges itself around convenient fictions and ignores established facts'.

'This bill is the perfect example of un-logic, of science being sidelined and replaced by negotiation and politics.

'The policy settings underpinning the bill are inconsistent with so many recommendations by scientists and environmentalists who, by the way, Minister Marshall has not consulted with.

### No consultation with experts: MP

'[That] there was no consultation with experts, with science, should be the biggest red flag. It is, once again, the death of science with The Nationals'.

She said, 'It is inconsistent with recommendations made by the Audit Office of NSW and the Natural Resources Commission.

'Neither of those organisations are left-wing think tanks. It is also inconsistent with the NSW Upper House inquiry, which was scathing in its review, and the recommendations that were made by the independent **Biodiversity Legislation** Review Panel'.



### Community consultation on the draft Far North Coast Regional Water Strategy

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- Wednesday 11 November, Tweed Heads, 1.30 pm to 4.00 pm: Aboriginal engagement
- Thursday 12 November, Lismore, 9.30 am to 12.00 pm
- Thursday 12 November, Lismore, 1.30 pm to 4.00 pm: Aboriginal engagement

### 3. Book a phone consultation with a regional water strategies team member.

Appointments available on Monday 16 November and Tuesday 17 November between 10.00 am and 4.00 pm.

Submissions close at 11.59 pm (AEST) on Sunday 13 December 2020.

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### New firefighters for region

Fire stations across the Northern Rivers will welcome new firefighters as new recruits graduate from the Fire and Rescue NSW (FRNSW) Emergency Services Academy at Orchard Hills.

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### So much for a property downturn!

Australian house prices have rebound in every major city except one – while Byron Bay prices have surged by 30%.

- Australian house prices have rebounded in every major city except Melbourne.
- Sydney saw a 1.2 per cent increase in median house prices.
- Properties in Byron Bay have surged by almost a third in the past year.
- The popular coastal town saw a 29.6 per cent surge in the year to September.





"Over the last 20 years, no Australian location, capital city or region had a higher average annual rate of capital growth than The Byron Shire. One shouldn't underestimate the role that work from home played in this outcome," the Researcher said.

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## North coast growth, and the Dunoon Dam

**David Lowe** 

With development in the Ballina area growing at record levels, what does local NSW MP Tamara Smith think about the implications for water infrastructure?

Ms Smith told The Echo, 'I made a strong submission to the Rous Future Water Project, and spoke very stridently against a dam, and also against any increase in water mining'.

'I expressed personal support for recycling, reverse osmosis, because both Water Commissioners have told me that's the way to go. Then you're future-proofing. But the major focus needs to be on water-saving, at the home and elsewhere.'

Noting that Ballina is

already becoming a leader with purple pipes (recycled water), Ms Smith says she would like to see Ballina lift its sights higher.

'I'd like to see us become beyond sustainable; regenerative and completely off the grid', she said.

'The endgame is that we want to reduce emissions dramatically, but meanwhile, we've got to prepare ourselves for life on a warmer planet. How do you future-proof?

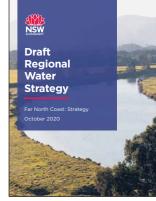
'To me, reverse osmosis makes sense. There's issues we need to think about, like ocean outflows, and the cost, and I've given a detailed submission on that'.

Meanwhile, the NSW government last week released its draft Far North Coast Regional Water Strategy, which boasts bringing together 'the best and latest climate evidence with a wide range of tools and solutions to manage the water needs of NSW over the next 20 to 40 years'.

### Water strategy on exhibition

According to www.industry.nsw.gov.au, the Far North Coast's population of 240,000 is serviced by the Rocky Creek Dam (14GL capacity), Clarrie Hall Dam (16GL capacity) and the Toonumbar Dam (11GL capacity).

The strategy's long list of options include: 'maintaining and diversifying water supplies, protecting and enhancing natural systems,



The Draft Far North Coast Regional Water Strategy is available online at www.industry.nsw.gov.au.

supporting water use and delivery efficiency and conservation, and strengthening community preparedness for climate extremes'.

To see the strategy, visit www.industry.nsw.gov.au.

# Is the govt giving up on beach-nesting birds?

**David Lowe** 

Stephen Totterman from Coastal Defenders Network says fatalities are mounting for locally endangered pied oystercatchers at South Ballina Beach, as authorities fail to act.

In a letter to all parties who hold a jurisdiction and/ or duty of care for the area, he said, 'On 1 November 2020, I was on South Ballina Beach to collect evidence against vehicle-based recreation'. 'As usual, there were dogs

everywhere, some 4WDs "hooning" and fresh 4WD and motorbike tracks in the dunes at Broadwater NP.

'Then, I found a dead oystercatcher, run over 3.5 km north of Boundary Creek.'

Previous Coastal Defenders Network research has indicated mortality rates rising from vehicle strikes.

Mr Totterman asks, 'Why does the state government spend tens of thousands of dollars annually on oystercatcher conservation at South Ballina (as noted in my complaint of 11 June 2020) and then allow 4WDs to run

over these endangered birds?'

He argues that politicians continue to allow 4WDs to 'wreck the beach' because there is a perception that a considerable number of voters want beach driving to continue.

'Nevermind the NSW **Biodiversity Conservation** Act 2016, which anyhow is a 'toothless tiger' in failing to recognise human recreation disturbance as a Key Threatening Process.'

Mr Totterman said the recent silence from the NSW NPWS has been 'deafening'.

### NPWS replies

In reply, a NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) spokesperson told *The Echo* the department manages Richmond River Nature Reserve, which is located at the northern

end of South Ballina Beach, including approximately 2.5km of intertidal beach zone from the south wall at the Richmond River.

'Four-wheel-driving is not permitted on the beach adjacent to Richmond River Nature Reserve, between the break wall and the 4WD access trail, to protect threatened shorebird habitat. The minimum fine for four-wheel driving within this zone is \$300.

'NPWS rangers and field officers are onsite in Richmond River Nature Reserve and Broadwater National Park most weekends.

'These officers actively manage offences on NPWS land. NPWS has issued over 300 fines in the past two years for various offences in Richmond River Nature Reserve and Broadwater National Park'.



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### Asbestos warning from Ballina Council

November is National Asbestos Awareness Month, and Ballina Shire Council is urging renovators, tradies and property owners to take warnings about asbestos seriously when renovating or maintaining properties.

Council says in 2020, more than 4,000 Australians will die from asbestos-related diseases caused by exposure to asbestos fibres.

'Asbestos related diseases include pleural disease, asbestosis, lung cancer and malignant mesothelioma, which can develop from 20 to 50 years after asbestos fibres are inhaled. There's no

cure for mesothelioma and the survival time following diagnosis can be as little as 10 to 12 months'.

Kristy Bell, Environmental Health Officer with Ballina Shire Council, explained the most effective way of preventing asbestos-related illness is to avoid inhalation of asbestos fibres by wearing protective equipment and following safe asbestos management practices.

### Widespread use

'Australia is among the highest consumers of asbestos in the world, with widespread use of asbestos in home construction and renovation prior to 1987 and in commercial structures prior to December 2003, said Ms Bell.

'There are thousands of asbestos products including fibro, brick, weatherboard and home cladding products that have been used to build cost effective out-buildings, fences and farm sheds in regional areas like the Northern Rivers,' she said.

Visit asbestosawareness. com.au for more information, including 'Asbestos in Your Home – The Ultimate Renovators Guide' video and the '20 Point Safety Check'.



### Gleeson pitches for more arts sector support

**Paul Bibby** 

They are the unsung heroes of our favourite performance venues – the hardworking crews who keep the shows seamlessly on the road.

But they are also bearing the brunt of restrictions imposed because of COVID-19, and government cuts to arts funding.

This week at Brunswick Picture House, comedian Tom Gleeson took a moment to acknowledge those working behind the scenes; including the back stage crew, box office staff, front of house, bar staff and security.

The Gold Logie winner is posting crew photos every night from this current tour with the tag #broughtoyouby.



Gleeson's management company, Token, feels there has been a lack of understanding at government level as to how much of an impact the arts make in this country – and how many people it employs.

'There's more to Australia than footy and horse racing', Gleeson told *The Echo*.

'Imagine if the arts got the same support?'

'How many more live events would there be?

'I decided not to wait for help and to start my tour anyway. Every solo show

### Mullum Sewage Treatment Plant to be remediated

Work has started on the remediation of the old Mullumbimby Sewage Treatment Plant (STP), say Council staff.

I do means jobs for all the

theatre staff. For that alone

it's been worth it. Big thanks

to Brunswick Picture House

The federal government

axed/merged its arts depart-

ment last year, much to the

horror of many working in

the industry and arts lovers

\$250m arts sector lifeline is

unlikely to start flowing until

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across the country.

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for putting on the shows'.

'The STP was built in the 1970s to treat the wastewater from Mullumbimby and was decommissioned in 2011 with the opening of the new Brunswick Valley STP at Vallances Road'.

'In keeping with NSW Government legislation, Council has started remediating the old STP to meet the requirements of the NSW Contaminated Land Management Act and Regulation.

### Infrastructure demolished

'This involves demolishing infrastructure, excavating, stockpiling and removing contaminated soil, sampling and validating the remediation [work] and landscaping.

'The recycled effluent pond and associated infrastructure will be retained on the site, as they remain operational as part of the Main Arm recycled water scheme, where water is treated and reused for irrigating pastures.

'The remediation project will be completed in April

'Council has not yet decided on the future use of the Mullumbimby STP site'.

# Activists petition fed govt over persecuting whistleblowers

Gareth Smith from the Palestine Liberation Centre says he has posted a petition with 4,291 signatures to federal Attorney-General Christian Porter, calling on him to drop charges against barrister Bernard Collaery and his client, Witness K, who exposed the federal government's bugging of the Timor Leste government.

The petition states, 'These are honourable men who bravely exposed Australia's subterfuge in its negotiations with the government of Timor Leste'.

### Oil and gas grab

Mr Smith said, 'I was in Timor Leste in 1999 as a District Electoral Officer, and experienced the acute poverty and bravery of the people who sacrificed so much to help Australia during WWII'.

'There is a cairn erected by Australia outside Dili as a gesture of thanks to the Timorese, but its message now rings hollow and hypocritical in light of Australia's unscrupulous bugging of the Timorese Parliament so that it could gain an unfair advantage over the Timor Sea oil and gas negotiations.

'Just how low can you get when you diddle the Timorese, the poorest people in the world? And the men who exposed this contemptible swindle are now being viciously calumniated by a rotten government and face imprisonment. Shame, Australia, shame!'.



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Starting November 14 the National Gallery of Australia has the *Know my Name* exhibition, a special collection showcasing female artists. Or find out about the arrival of James Cook in Australia from the perspective of Indigenous people with the *Endeavour Voyage* exhibition at the National Museum of Australia.



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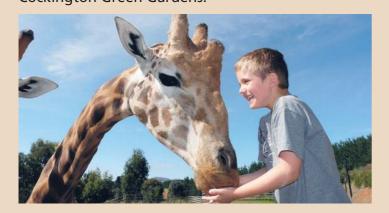
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### **Paul Bibby**

A local artist brought a vibrant splash of colour to The Pass recently, projecting a series of psychedelic displays onto the famous surfing spot.

In the first of a series of local light experiments, artist Kit Webster used a projector, connected to a generator, to pour coloured light onto the rocky outcrop at the northern end of the beach.

'I wanted to feature the natural beauty of the Shire, and the first place that came to mind was The Pass', says Webster, who recently moved to Mullumbimby.

'I wasn't sure if it was going to work, but it turned out to be incredible'.

'The moon was full and it was really clear, and the cliffs were a perfect canvas'.

Mr Webster was showing his work at major light festivals across Australia and internationally when COVID hit, necessitating a return home. But he has been making the most of the change, successfully applying

for a grant from Northern Rivers Arts to undertake projections highlighting the natural beauty of the Shire.

# Digital and physical worlds meld

'I've always been fascinated by the melding of digital and physical worlds', he says.

'I use that interplay to create psychedelic experiences – playing with how far we can go'.

'I'm excited about the

possibilities of creating different experiences for locals'.

Webster is hoping to collaborate with other local artists, musicians, and performers to create multimedia experiences in the coming months.

'There's such a wealth of creativity here, and I'd love to hear from anyone who'd like to get involved', he says.

He is also hoping to collaborate with local businesses. To see more of Webster's work go to www.kitwebster.com.

# Affordable housing projects require mass infill: report

**Paul Bibby** 

Land on Mullumbimby's southern fringe is suitable for residential development, but only with the addition of thousands of tonnes of fill, costing tens of millions of dollars, a new report has found.

The report, by WMAwater, was commissioned by Byron Council as part of its exploration of potential sites for affordable housing.

It assesses the potential flood issues stemming from the development of a collection of paddocks, known as the Mullumbimby Land Release Area (MLRA), which have been put forward for housing by their respective private owners.

The report confirmed that the MLRA is subject to significant flood impacts, including from Kings Creek and the Brunswick River.

'The site is also impacted by flooding from Kings Creek, Saltwater Creek and by-flows that overtop Jubilee Avenue from Mullumbimby Creek'.

The report found that the site is affected by significant ponding issues in the areas to the south east of New City

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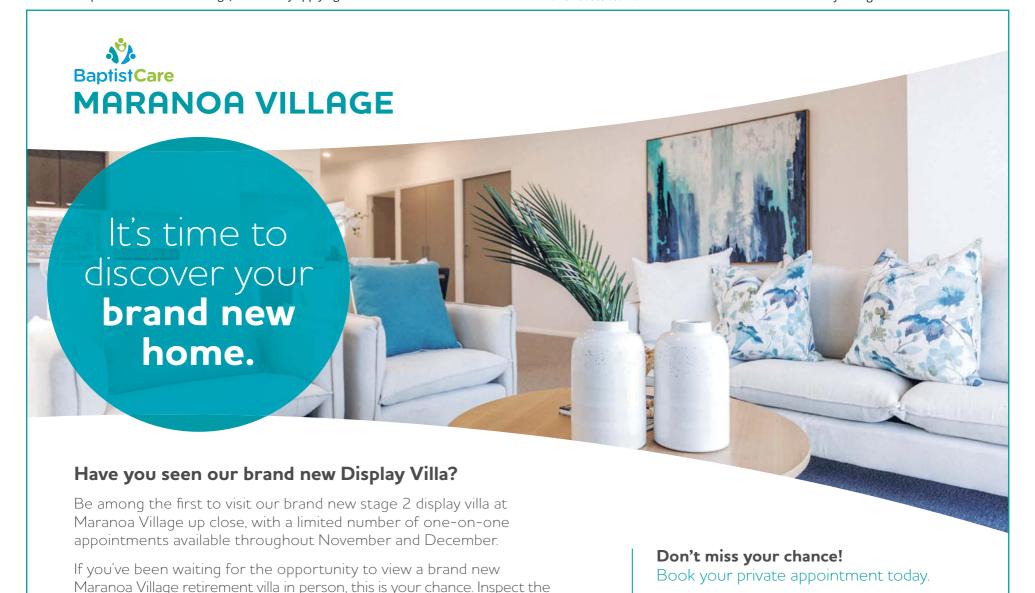
Road, caused by blockages to the waterway downstream.

It found that these flooding issues could be mitigated so that housing could be built.

'The sites all have a portion of area which is deemed developable when considering the impact to the regional flood levels and the development controls with regards to flooding on new land release areas', it said.

However, the report's authors also stated that houses being built in the area would need to be raised up on large amounts of fill, at least some of which would need to be trucked in. Each of the nine zones being assessed for development would require between 1,600 and 46,200 cubic metres of fill. Depending on the method used, this would cost between \$20 million and \$28.4 million, when added to the cost of managing storm water. This cost would almost certainly be passed on to buyers, adding significantly to the cost of housing.

The report found that putting the houses on stumps, as some had suggested, would still require the addition of significant amounts of fill.



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## Renewables finally come into vogue

Something doesn't feel quite right. It appears the NSW Liberal Nationals are moving towards a cleaner future, one that recognises climate change and isn't coal-fired.

It's odd, because the Minerals Council lobby group hold a massive influence over those politicians and their policies.

Minerals Council staff interchange with the staff of Coalition politicians. The Minerals Council even have a yearly Christmas shindig to thank all those politicians for keeping them in a job.

But it looks like things might change. The NSW government have unveiled an Electricity Infrastructure Roadmap, available at energy.nsw.gov.au.

And those who keep a critical eye on carbon polluters seem to be in favour.

The Nature Conservation Council (NCC) welcomed it, describing the framework as a 'crucial step towards making NSW a low-carbon economy'.

NCC chief executive Chris Gambian said it represents 'serious action on climate change in a way that will also create jobs and bring down power prices'. He said, 'The plan will see about 60 new solar and wind farms start generating across the state, more than quadrupling clean energy generation'.

'While the Morrison government is absent on climate action, thank goodness their Coalition colleagues in NSW are willing to step up to the challenge of cutting climate pollution while

Meanwhile, Michael Mazengarb from www.reneweconomy. com.au reports that 'Australian Conservation Foundation climate change Program Manager Gavan McFadzean said that a crucial aspect of the plan was that it had secured bipartisan support across the NSW parliament, with the Liberal, National and Labor parties all backing the plan'.

Part of the plan is to create 'Renewable Energy Zones', which 'are the modern-day equivalent of traditional power stations'.

A 3GW zone in the Central-West Orana region is planned, as well as an 8GW zone in the New England region.

Additionally, there's plans for 'firming', which refers to 'generation that can deliver electricity to the market on demand'.

'Firming can be provided by a range of technologies, including batteries, gas generators and demand response. In the future, fast firming may also be able to be provided by hydrogen generators'.

Upon reading the roadmap, it appears the NSW Liberal Nationals have finally discovered out what the rest of the world has been doing for years – moving to renewables.

It reads, 'With some of the best natural energy resources in the world, NSW is in a unique position to benefit from emerging low cost technologies like wind, solar, batteries and pumped hydro'.

According to the roadmap, 'Four of the five NSW coal power stations, accounting for three quarters of NSW's electricity supply, are expected to close in the next 15 years'.

'We will be putting the state on the path to becoming one of the lowest cost, lowest carbon regions in the world'.

Hallelujah to that. The state's reliance on ageing coal fired power stations should have been addressed a long time ago.

When the likes of Tony Abbott leave politics, it's clear good things can happen.

Hans Lovejoy, editor News tips are welcome: editor@echo.net.au

# Megalomania averted, for now

o Planet America has returned to the known universe – well, up to

Many more Americans voted against Donald Trump than voted for him - millions more. But nearly as many did not vote at all. And the explanation of why they failed to do so is bad news for what is left of democracy.

Some had an ideological objection to being taken to the ballot boxes. Some just couldn't be bothered. And quite a few would have been convinced by the polls that it was all a forgone conclusion, so they might as well play golf instead. Such are the perils of voluntary voting.

But there were those who had been deliberately disenfranchised – prevented from exercising their rights by a system manipulated by conservative power brokers who were able to exploit loopholes to make it difficult, if not impossible, to negotiate a way through the maze of restrictions.

The vast majority of those whose policies they saw as dangerously progressive would almost certainly have endorsed Joe Biden.

They were the forgotten people – the subversive underclass regarded as unworthy to participate in the American

And even those who fought their way into the lines at the polling booths are now facing the threat of having their votes shredded by the Trumpists, who are opening their war chests to fund challenges all the way to the Supreme Court, which they have shamelessly stacked with their allies.

So even when every vote has been cast and counted, when the results in every state have been tallied and confirmed, when the numbers have been declared within the tortuous electoral college, there may still be a lot of litigation to enrich the lawyers before we can confidently say it's over.

If, in fact, it ever will be. The most berserk of the reactionaries, led by Trump's spoiled brat sons Eric and Donald junior, and his obsessive legal adviser Rudy Giuliani, have vowed never to surrender - to fight on until they have avenged their loss, and maybe a bit longer just for the fun of it.

This is not only deranged but also dangerous. There was relief mixed with some surprise when Election Day itself went off without serious disruption. But now the right wing belligerents are deliberately raising the stakes to the point of inciting violence. And within a heavily armed populace with more than a few vigilante gangs waiting for a signal to strike, they cannot be ignored.

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Mungo MacCallum

And even inside the Capitol building itself, there are still many conflicts to be played out. The Republican majority in the senate may be a small one, but there are no signs that it will not remain solidly against Biden and his program, however mild that may turn out to be. There is an element of payback in this; the Democrats had the gall to drag their man in to face a charge of impeachment. The least they can do in return is to make their lives as difficult as possible.

So the next four years are far from done and dusted, or an opportunity for healing and moving on. They look more like another act of the melodrama, the Grand Guignol of conflict, rancour and revenge that beset American politics in the last term and looks to persist until Trump admits defeat and fades away – which he won't.

This was the election Scott Morrison lauds as a triumphant vindication of American democracy in action. Well, as democracies go, it's better than some. But at its best – at its record turnout – it could only deliver 67 per cent of those thought to be eligible. For one reason or another, a third of the population did not take part in what was supposed to be the most important decision they would ever make.

If Morrison is looking for a model of a democratic system, he can find a far more complete one at home, with compulsory voting, a robust and impartial electoral commission and a genuinely independent judiciary underpinning the fragile structure.

But perhaps he doesn't. He has been temperate to the point of timidity at the outrageous comments of his coalition colleagues, past and present – Joe Hockey, Matt Canavan and George Christensen in the lead - who've applauded Trump's ridiculous lies about stolen votes and fraudulent counting, claims dismissed as paranoid dementia by even the most conservative commentators.

ScoMo's supporters explain away such caution as justified insurance - there was still just a chance Trump could end up winning, if not through the ballot, then through his tame courts. And if that dire moment came to pass, our prime minister would have to deal with a doubly deranged great and powerful friend.

But more troubling is the possibility that Morrison sees Trump's assault leading to division and anarchy as just part of the cut and thrust of political discourse in the 21st century. So he lies, cheats, trashes every rule and convention, is prepared to make his country ungovernable, all to avoid defeat – isn't that how a leader is supposed to behave? Oh, for the advantages of an all but impregnable executive, with party, parliament and the separation of powers no more than petty obstacles to untrammeled megalomania!

Actually Morrison seldom, if ever, entertains such fantasies – too ambitious altogether. But there are times when he will stick his toe in the water just to see how much he can get away with.

The sneaky announcement of his Integrity Commission, the watchdog without teeth or even a decent bark, is a sign that he is happy to dispense with rationality or credibility if it can get him out of political strife. He would, of course, have preferred to ignore it entirely, but the pesky Westminster system made that impossible - too many skeletons uncovered for the bloody media and their cross bench hangers-on to be silenced.

But if a token must be offered, he can at least ensure that democratic accountability can be made powerless. So even as Planet America sidles back from outer space, the rocky satellite of Australia is nudged further towards the fringe of the home galaxy. Cosmic entropy is maintained...



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### Rous... what's changed?

I am perplexed by the present situation of Rous County Council pushing its proposal for a Channon/ Dunoon dam even before the public consultation period was finished.

This dam was previously rejected (2014) on the basis of Endangered Ecological Communities and Cultural Heritage preservation considerations after reports that showed serious impacts. Why is it okay now?

Does the Aboriginal cultural heritage no longer matter? Have the rare and endangered species suddenly become common place? Why are these things no longer considered important?

We have a dam: Rocky Creek dam. For new residential development there are new water solutions. A new development in Warrnambool, for instance, was fitted with a roof rainwater collection system that takes all the rain that falls on all the roofs and takes it to the treatment plant and into the reticulation system. It services the complete needs of that development. We could do that in Ballina, and other new housing developments.

> A Hart The Channon

### Skennars Head & **Sharpes Beach**

I am not sure if all residents are aware of the change in policy Ballina Shire Council (BSC) has just released regarding dog management on Sharpes Beach. If you read the latest 'Community Connect Extra' produced by BSC there is a section 'No Go Zones for Dogs'.

It states that, 'because

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**Cartoon by Antoinette Ensbey** 

of the popularity of some beaches and the presence of migratory and shore birds, dogs are not allowed on: 'Northern end of Sharpes Beach during summer when the beach is patrolled'.

Upon studying the whole section, you will see this policy implies that outside of this area, dogs are allowed anywhere else on Sharpes Beach, leashed or not. This would include the other patrolled area at the southern end of the beach which is adjacent to Flatrock Reef. That is, by implication, the same dog management regime as north of the Lennox Head Surf Club i.e. free range.

This is inconsistent with the current signage at Sharpes Beach, which again is inconsistent with BSC's last published Annual Report, and is now overridden with this latest publication that also restricts the season in which this operates (summer only, rather than patrol season).

In addition, apparently

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our elected Council resolved to minimise any enforcement actions during the period from March to June this year due to COVID-19 when there would have been more infringements owing to COVID restrictions.

On discussing this matter with one of these councillors he said in frustration, 'The rangers attend very rarely and never fine people, so it makes a joke of the no dog signs... the problem is getting worse... and there is an increasing culture that dogs can go everywhere'.

My neighbours have had their leashed dogs facially mauled and bloodied by unleashed dogs at the beach. They, and not to mention the wildlife, would also appreciate some consistency. Though, I am sure the birds will know that they can safely land/ nest on Sharpes Beach north of the Red/Yellow flagged Surf Patrol area from December-February!

To set the record straight I do not dislike dogs. My

91-year-old father's dog is in its management of this issue rather than change policy by stealth or deliber-

Otherwise, with most people holidaying domestically this year, the rules at Sharpes Beach will simply become 'Rafferty's'.

> Stephen McIllhatton Skennars Head

### Bioenergy white elephant

Byron Shire Council are seeking feedback on a \$15million bioenergy facility. Don't do it, \$15million really means \$25million - a small rate base like Byron Shire should not be the first in Australia. Our rates went up \$600 this year – how much more will this cost us?

> **Andrew Hunter** Bangalow

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basically his only companion since mum died and a great source of comfort. I just want the Council to be consistent ate inaction.

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### Emperor Trump has no clothes, nor secret Chinese plots

Phillip Frazer

It's in the wind all around the world, a global sigh of relief. The American election happened, and despite the Republicans' best voter suppression efforts, Biden/Harris won, Trump lost. And despite lots of guys with beer bellies and automatic weapons strutting around polling stations, no one got killed.

What's next...

### THE GOOD:

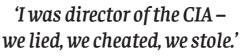
When a new President and Veep take office they reveal their choices for cabinet positions, which is good because almost anyone would be

better than the 'Secretaries' Trump appointed, such as Secretary of State Mike Pompeo. When he was director of the CIA, Pompeo declared: 'Jesus Christ our Saviour is truly the only solution for our world.' Recently he clarified his position: 'I was director of the CIA - we lied, we cheated, we stole.' Biden's team will nominate a person for Secretary of State who has solutions backed up with arguments rather than gods. (Mike Pompeo, by the way, wants to be President.)

The bloke who is running the US postal service (USPS) owns a company that intends to replace the USPS, once he's run it into the ground. Biden's crew will replace him with a person who understands that the postal service should be run for the benefit of the people.

Beyond the top-dog jobs there are more than 7,000 public service jobs up for new hires; all will be listed in great detail in December here: https://bit. ly/3eHl2iU, the print version is called The Plum Book.

Trump gave the plum positions to people who swore allegiance to him, and left thousands of positions unfilled because he thinks public works get in the way of private business.



- US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo

Biden's team will look for people who understand ecosystems to run the national parks, and for scientists who understand climate change to advise on relevant policies.

### THE BAD:

Joe Biden and his mates are politically middle-of-the-road. For decades Joe was a senator from Delaware – a more accurate description would be Senator for the Credit Card Companies. Even so, my internal eternal optimist tells me he might be eager for a better legacy, especially since he's retiring in 2024. He might sign off on a bunch of serious reforms, like Medicare for all, the Green New Deal, or what the fuck, a planet with a future.

What's bad is that far too much energy will be spent getting new policies out of the Biden administration, especially if the Republicans win the two Senate seats in the special election on 5 January in Georgia. The Democrat candidates have strong appeal to progressive blacks and to newcomers from up north who gave Biden and Harris a surprise victory. The odds on the Dems winning both Senate seats remain bad, but folks are singing that fine old song Georgia in hope, like John Legend



Photo Michael Moore

did on the morning Biden/Harris won. Google Legend's, as well as Van Jones' equally heartfelt response on CNN.

### THE UGLY:

The world's biggest loser, Trump, will be president until January 20, and he ain't done yet.

There are thousands of terrible things he can do between now and then, and he will do most of them. His big plan was to invent a plot that the Chinese stole the election, declare a national security emergency, then dismiss the people's votes and have Congress and/or the Supreme Court give him another four years.

Trump and his grotesque Attorney General, William Barr, laid out this serpentine pathway through the Constitution and via the electoral college, just last week. If you love serpentine and grotesque plots, there's a version in Newsweek from 3 July, and another in the Washington Post on 7 November. What stands in their way is that election workers rejected the plots and scams; poor and ignored voters got to the polls to bet on safe ol' Joe and be rid of crooked Trump. His fellow Republican politicians and his bankers are quitting the sinking Trump Titanic. With surprising speed, this crazed emperor has, finally, run out of 'clothes' and faces a flood of lawsuits when he runs out of the legal protections of the presidency.

### **CHESS** by lan Rogers

star Patrycja Waszczuk.

tar Patrycja Waszczuk.

Reigning Polish Girls ChampChess program.'

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FIDE is likely to follow.

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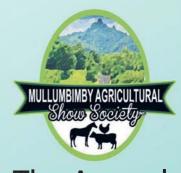
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has long been amateurish; more One of her junior invalor.

Michalina Rudzińska, com-One of her junior rivals, However, this week the 17-year- mented soon after the ban was old was banned from all Polish announced, 'Such a situation events for two years. A similar should be shocking, but it isn't global sanction by the world body for any of us, because for around one and a half years the question The ban followed Waszczuk hasn't been if she's cheating, but

Arbiters are reluctant to con-Festival analysing one of her duct searches due to embarrassment and are rarely proactive Katarzyna Dwilewicz, play- in noting players who are often ing on an adjacent board but absent from the board. It is a situdistracted by Waszczuk's antics, ation that will have to change or decided to follow Waszczuk to else more players will feel forced the toilet. Dwilewicz occupied an to conduct potentially illegal toi-



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## Erosion, sandbagging and the future of Byron's beaches

■ Unfortunately the fact that the Belongil seems to be in good condition is no indication that the beach to the south of it also is.

I used to walk to the mouth of the Belongil and about half an hour further north, five or six days a week. One of the first things I noticed was that the beach north of the Belongil selfrepaired while the beach to the south of it did not.

The reason that the Belongil can look okay while the rest of the beach is eroded is because the erosion tapers, being more severe the closer you are to the rockworks.

The other thing I noticed was that when the owners dumped rocks on the border of the beach and their property, the result was that storm surges gouged out four or five square metres of the adjoining property - which of course provided an excuse for the neighbours to also dump rocks. The present arrangement is a confrontational one, we need to find a way to work with the forces of nature not against them.

**David Gilet** Byron Bay

■ With all the sandbagging on the main beach at Byron Bay one could be forgiven for thinking that Byron is preparing for an invasion by a foreign power.

It is certainly an invasion by a superpower; nature, but that isn't foreign to us. We have known it for a long time, but so often don't plan for, or allow for it – to our

Supposedly the sandbags are to save selected trinkets

and baubles of the local modern economy. What concerns me is where will it stop? The main car park, Belongil, Brunswick Heads, or Fingal Head?

Has planned retreat been suffocated and buried under sandbags, never to rise again.

**Neil Matterson** Byron Bay

■ David Gilet and Ray Kent are both right. Passive coastal works, duplicating the wave-softening effect of pre-mining deep mineral sand structures, (the 'sloping core'), plus a sand supply solution at river mouths starting with Ballina's – are relatively straightforward.

Since Jan Barham's terms as Mayor, these proposals have been rejected - with the notable exception of Richard Staples. Councillors Staples and Cameron joined me at the Main Beach car park for an on-site presentation, which was followed, shortly after, by the sound of crickets. These things aren't difficult, but it is necessary to want them enough to take

Dailan Pugh's stated view was that I wished to 'concrete our beaches'. Understandable as an emotional statement, but nature ceased taking its majestic course some time ago. If you'd like David and Ray's ideas to happen, hustle.

> **Matt Hartley** Byron Bay

■ Rising sea levels are eroding our beaches. Let's ask Jerry Harvey to pack up all his ice making machines and send them to the Arctic. Set them up on solar power

to redistribute the ice all over the Arctic! Global warming problem solved!

Seriously though, we should be hiring an oceangoing dredge and trialling some different locations to dredge and deposit sand, until we find the best option.

> **Warwick Anderson** Suffolk Park

■ It will be a tragedy for the community of Byron Bay should they follow a 'do nothing' strategy in relation to Clarkes Beach erosion advocated by Dailan Pugh.

The erosion is not the result of climate change or rising sea levels. It is a localised post-storm event due to a lack of seasonal currents to drive the usual sand recharge from the sand plug at Wategos and the Cape.

It has been exacerbated by Reflections Holiday Parks action of installing a sandbag wall that had an immediate 'end wall' effect of destabilising the dune in front of the Clarks Beach Café [now 'Beach Byron Bay'] and so on down Main Beach.

Any competent coastal engineer could have warned them of this outcome.

Nobody should be relying on the 1978 study. It's been overtaken by enormous strides in the science behind coastal engineering over the last 40 years.

Evidence shows our beaches are now relatively stable. In 1978 our beaches had endured 30 years of cyclone damage. The cyclone damage highlighted the damage done to the Belongil area by the construction of rock protection works to secure the Surf Club and the swimming pool car park.

It was the same story north of the Brunswick River where the new training walls installed at the river mouth led to massive erosion to New Brighton and beyond.

The same end wall impacts occurred on the Ballina and Tweed beaches.

Add in the impacts of industrial sand mining, removal of all dunal vegetation, and the flattening of the large high dunes along our beaches prior to 1970. Main Beach foreshore was only reconstructed in the early 1970s, but nowhere near its original heights.

Recent studies tell us that the sand shortfall not entering the bay from the Cape Byron sand lobe is a mere 8,350 to 11,300 cubic metres a year. This is way below what either the Gold Coast Council or the Tweed sand bypass are pumping onto their beaches annually.

The Byron Shire coast is not short of sand. A huge sand lobe exists off the Cape from which we can temporarily borrow and repay it.

Beach nourishment programs have been used but discontinued. In 2006 and 2016 Council chose not to reboot them. This has made management of short-term localised events like at Clarkes Beach difficult. We need a major permanent sand pumping operation.

Like Council rebuilds its infrastructure after storm events, so it should, manage the post-storm impacts on our beaches. In the year 2020, I do not believe the future of our town or its beaches should be resolved solely by Crown Lands in Sydney. I would urge Council to request the relevant minister to intervene and provide an exemption so that the long-term protection and stabilisation of the foredune with the local community involved.

> Oliver Dunne Byron Bay

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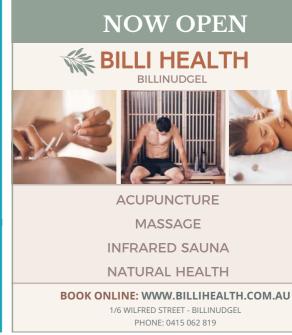
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Arrows show flowpaths

### 24 - 34 BAYSIDE WAY, BRUNSWICK HEADS COMMUNITY **CONSULTATION SESSIONS**

PLANNERS NORTH will shortly submit to Byron Shire Council a Development Application for a 20 lot community title subdivision at 24 – 34 Bayside Way, Brunswick Heads. To ensure that people in the neighbourhood have a full understanding of the proposal and have the opportunity to provide feedback before the proposal is lodged with the Council, Community Consultation Sessions are being conducted

The proposal entails:

- obtaining development consent for a 20 lot community title subdivision from Byron Shire Council;
- the construction of the internal access road and utility installation drainage, landscaping and works on the public road in accordance with the specifications in the development consent;
- consolidation of the existing six Torrens Title Lots into a single allotment and registration of a community title subdivision plan; and
- the erection, in a staged and orderly way, of the approved dwellings on each

The Covid-safe community consultation sessions will take place between 11am and 6pm on Saturday 21st November 2020 in the part of the dining room at the Brunswick Heads Bowling Club. To make an appointment, please email your contact details to consultation@plannersnorth.com.au.

You may review the proposed plans and background information on the community consultation website - https://tinyurl.com/yy4pyjgm

We need to receive any comments or suggestions you have before 5pm on

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### How does your toilet flush affect the Belongil Estuary?

Byron Shire Council are looking to overcome waterlogging of farmland caused by treated effluent from the Byron Sewage Treatment Plant (STP), by diverting excess effluent via a shorter route through the Arts & Industry Estate to the Belongil Estuary. This appears to be a prelude to upgrading the STP. Doing the flowpath project under the infrastructure SEPP, Council are not required to investigate all environmental impacts, alternative options, or engage with the community. Here David Pont explores an alternative...

Story & map David Pont

**T**he Belongil STP ideas advanced by State Member Tamara Smith and Cr Coorey add interesting points to what I've put forward in recent articles. We need progress in the discussion if the community wants a sustainable solution to the Belongil problems. With that contribution we are beginning a community assessment, with ideas and concepts put forward, followed by looking at the advantages and constraints of each. A formal assessment process will follow in future, but now is the time for ideas. The complexity means an effluent project must be decided based on best knowledge, what's practical, and

possible, in the landscape.

In broad-scale water management a fuller understanding of the land's shape helps because water runs easily downhill, and it's expensive to pump uphill.

Council collects sewage from the houses, and pumps it to the STP for treatment. The excess treated effluent must re-enter the environment by spreading out again. The current short-circuit drain project uses a small estuary to spread it out. I propose that it be spread out to the maximum possible, evaporated, and naturalised through large wetlands.

### Restoration opportunity

The 'mudmap' (above) shows a broad layout of how water runs (arrows) to the Belongil Estuary, along with the general soil types. The map shows acid sulfate soils (ASS) in yellow to describe the old estuarine areas with mangrove muds and peat, with a little sand, and a general surface elevation below about 2.4 metres above sea level, and a geological age of about 8,000 years to the present – so fairly recent. Owing to the prevalent ASS, my view is that these lands, currently used for low-value grazing, should pass to public ownership and be rehabilitated.

The delineation of these high-risk ASS areas that are cleared and drained, and are suitable for restoration, needs to be done through detailed planning. In general there may be about 400 hectares possible, both north and south of Ewingsdale Road, and around towards Skinners Shoot. The task is to map areas below about 2.4 metres elevation, then work through the constraints around wetlands protected by legislation. It has been considered in detail in the past and the constraints won't be a block.

There will be little need for any backfill or substantial construction – in fact there

will be as little disturbance as possible. The drains could be reshaped so the soil is no longer dry, and the floodplain will revert to its natural function of storing floodwaters.

SKINNERS SHOOT

The West Byron development site, along with Sunrise and the A&I Estate is, in contrast, on the coastal sand plain. Most of it has a general elevation above 3.3 metres, with an age of at least 125,000 years; when the sea level was higher and sand dunes were deposited. These old dunes were levelled during sand mining in the 1960s, leaving the plain of today. ASS presence is negligible there.

Consider the drive from Ewingsdale into the Bay. Past the hospital, up through the cutting, and the vista opens to Byron Bay, crowned by the lighthouse.

We descend quickly from the cutting to the lowest elevation, about 1.6 metres, the main drain coming from the left (the north), running under the road carrying water to the south. This drain gets bigger and bigger as it travels to the Belongil Estuary. The cleared paddocks here are impacted by severe ASS.

Further on, looking up to the left, the melaleuca forest planted some seventeen years ago as a trial for effluent reuse was successful, but not followed up. We are now going gradually upwards with Island Quarry, a strange outlier of basalt rock, on the right, and on the left are the sports fields. We are leaving the worst ASS as we climb subtly higher, but on the right, the old Sunnybrand site – the lower portion – is one of the worst polluted areas where several hectares of SEPP 14 Wetland were killed by ASS flows during the 2019 fish kill.

Through the roundabout, we're now moving onto the sandplain, elevation at about 3.3–3.5 metres. Coffee rock underlies ancient sand. Stormwater drains carry runoff east and southeast to the Belongil Estuary. In the

sixties here, bulldozers and loaders carved through the six old dunes and laid the land level.

BYRON

We continue, past the A&I Estate on the left, and the West Byron development site on the right. The land then falls quickly again to the Belongil Creek at the road bridge. Crossing the bridge, the land continues rising very slightly again towards Shirley Street, the town drain hidden down to the right in SEPP 14 wetland forest, then onward to town. In summary, the landform is subtle and hard to read, but the water flow paths tell the story.

Both the higher elevation of the West Byron site and the fact that the area is only about 100 hectares means this site is too small to use for the wetland STP as at least 400 hectares are required to achieve a full reuse plan. There would also be practical difficulties in getting effluent to and then on the elevated land, certainly needing pumps. If that sandy site were not to be developed, I would suggest simply stopping slashing it and some strategic planting that would result in a rich ecology within a few years without extra water.

The proposal I've put forward, based on extensive work done by all our groups and resource scientists over the last twenty years, suggests a large benefit in restoring the Belongil lowland catchment by neutralising the identified ASS pollution through using treated effluent, which would lead to a healthy productive estuary. It should be done as part of a larger Catchment Management Plan that deals with the stormwater and other problems in a co-ordinated way, a plan long mooted but never achieved.

We now have excellent hydraulic and water quality models, and capable people in Byron to run them, so there's reasonable certainty it would be done well to return to clean, running, tea-tree water.

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demand we'd love to receive more summer clothes!



### Letters

### Quarrel of lawyers

Recently I discovered that Council employs four lawyers and another four people in its media unit. That's eight professionally-trained truthbenders working arduously to gild the lily.

I have to ask whether the show Emperor, Simon Richardson, is about to step down and pass the baton to his understudy and head-kicker Cr Lyon. Certainly Simon voted for Lyon to become deputy mayor and ignored any obligation to Cr Ndiaye and The Greens. Which is probably why Simon hasn't dared tune into the last four Greens meetings; The Greens are very angry with him and would no doubt give him a piece of their mind. Simon so hates whingers.

I predict that the move will happen before Christmas. I also predict that when Lyon is mayor I will change his nickname from Cr Wannabe to Cr Faust. Look it up.

> Fast Buck\$ Coorabell

### Billions wiped out

Peter Olsen has again beaten everyone in finding out some extremely important news re: the future of the world.

Peter has the alarming news that there is a plan (by Bill Gates I assume) to wipe out multi-billions of our fellow Earthlings within a few years. How this will be achieved is not explained, but I'll have a guess it will involve mass enforced vaccination of some kind.

Now Peter, this is very serious, so can you reveal the rest of this dastardly plan?

An eager planet awaits your explanation.

John Donnellan Ocean Shores

### Invisible protests

When we saw *The Echo*'s masthead, 'Too Many Podcasts and Not Enough Protests' we naively assumed the editor would relish news of our protest in support of Bernard Collaery, Witness K and Julian Assange.

We informed *The Echo* a week in advance that we would be posting a 4,291 signature petition to Attorney-General Christian Porter, calling on him to drop the charges against barrister Bernard Collaery and his ex-ASIS spy client, Witness K (See story page 9).

Nine of us assembled at the Byron Post Office holding placards reading, 'Shame, Australia, Shame' and 'Drop the Charges: Bernard Collaery and Witness K exposed Australia's dirty tricks in Timor Leste'. Several participants held signs supporting Julian Assange. Members of the public complimented our action. Afterwards we sent protest photos and text to *The Echo* but they ignored us.

Since 2013 *The Echo* has only mentioned this appalling persecution of two honourable men who blew the lid on Australia's criminal greed over the oil and gas deposits in the Timor Sea, five times. Clearly, justice for the Timorese and for those of us supporting them, is not a priority for *The Echo* which preferred to front page a McDonald Trump supporters' rally headlined 'Bruns Zombies'!

**Gareth Smith**Palestine Liberation Centre

### **Capitalism**

If you are a voter in the USA the choices are one capitalist arsehole or the other one.

I look at this as no choice at all. And why are we getting inundated with another country's politics?

**Paul Brecht** Evans Head

### Sweetest victory

The resounding election win by Queensland Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk, must be 'the sweetest victory of all'. She endured a massive campaign of bullying and intimidation by: the usual bias in the Murdoch media (Liberal-National party

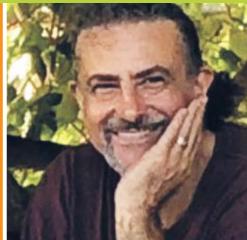
stooges); PM Scott (never my fault) Morrison and his minions; irrelevant, outdated radio personalities, (shockjocks); political opportunists like Clive Palmer and Pauline Hanson, (serial pests); and a totally inept Queensland LNP opposition led by 'deadly' Deb Frecklington.

This convincing win by the Labor Premier vindicates her strong leadership in not prematurely opening up Queensland's borders, against the best medical advice available and putting Queenslanders lives at risk. It must be a devastating loss for the Queensland LNP and their stooges who used every sleazy trick in the book to discredit her.

The LNP hasn't improved much since the bad old days of the corrupt Bjelke Peterson National Party government (don't you worry about that). Queenslanders can now rest easy with four more years of good governance without the extreme right-wing policies of the LNP, and Queensland's strong environmental protection laws will remain safe. Realistically, there were only two choices: amateur hour with the coal-fired LNP, or a professional Labor government, like chalk and cheese really.

Keith Duncan Pimlico





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I am now a trainee at Byron Herb Nursery, I am growing herbs and vegetables and I'm getting more confident to expand my skills. I have also just starting the floristry course at BCC"

Polly was recently announced as a finalist for 2020 Community Colleges Australia Student of the Year Award. The winner will be announced later this month. Good luck Polly.

\* This Training is Subsidised by the NSW Government

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# The Good Life

# Russian Craft Sauerkraut

**Eve Jeffery** 

Zena Gourevitch's cooking story started many moons ago in an oppressed Russia. 'I'm from Siberia,' says Zena. 'I have lived in Australia 33 years now, but my story of sauerkraut starts from my childhood. My father was in prison during Stalin's time. He was there for 10 years and came back home with a completely destroyed stomach. My mum fermented cabbage in a big wooden barrel with a lot of juice and this was his medicine. His stomach was completely cured.'

Zena says that her parents died in Australia at the age of 96 – they ate sauerkraut every day.

Now she has decided it is time to share this gift with the world. Zena makes traditional Russian cooking pots and traditional Russian sauerkraut. 'My life seems to me has never been so busy, filled with creative plans and events and it pleases and inspires.'

Zena, who is also a theta healing instructor, says her sauerkraut has amazing healing results for a happy and healthy life. 'The connection between sauerkraut and theta healing brings your intestinal tract in balance and produces enzymes that help break down food that is carried by villi through the intestines and small openings to allow food and nutrients to go through.'

Zena says sauerkraut can get your pooper working proper. 'Some people have sluggish bowel movements,' says Zena. 'You are supposed have a bowel movement about two hours after eating. You will have regular bowel movements if you eat sauerkraut, it balances your Ph and protects you from cancer.

Zena teaches her craft in small workshops. She believes that what you put into your body can be a nutritional medley



that sustains and enhances your life. 'These workshops are an opportunity to learn the secret art of how to make magic food from seasonal organic vegetables. Fermenting vegetables adds nutritional value and turns it into probiotics. All the participants take away their self-made jar of sauerkraut.'

Zena's next workshop will be held on Sunday 29 November at Coopers Shoot from 9am-1pm. Cost is \$120.

For more information phone 0409 302 548 or find her on Instagram @zena.gourevitch.

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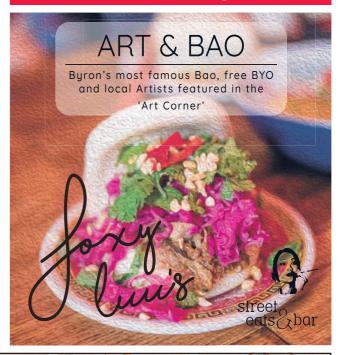
### Sunday 29th of November

9am-1pm | Price \$120

Where: 56 Natural Lane, Coopers Shoot



To book, or for more information 0409 302 548 | ⊚ zena.gourevitch



### Take a peek – and be captivated

**Eve Jeffery** 

Established New Zealand/Australian artist Gabrielle Pool has been exhibiting her painting and mixed media work for 27 years across the globe from New Zealand and Australia to Japan, China, the USA, the UK, Greece and the Bahamas. Partially schooled in Japan, Gabrielle's early inspiration from her teacher, Mori Sensei, led to a powerful oriental influence, with her first solo exhibition in Chiba-Ken at the age of 16.

These days she has settled just outside Byron, beside a river, with her art studio under a 400-year-old Fig Tree. The opportunity came up when local photographer Craig Parry had moved to Jonson St to expand his business owing to the success of his photographic gallery in Fletcher Street – that meant his previous gallery was available. 'Sometimes when a door opens you just have to walk through it – the space felt right, so Peek Gallery was born.' Says Gabrielle. 'The name came about from just the idea of taking a peek in as you walk by. Our goal is to make everyone who walks through the door feel welcome.'

Gabrielle explained that there are currently two permanent artists – herself and Bill Undery. 'Rather than selling through an art broker or dealer, I get to meet the new owners of the work I have created. As the gallerist, as well as [being] an artist, I get to engage with the buyers and explain the unwritten story behind the work they are interested in – their purchase is the next part



of the canvas's story.'

Peek gallery is very fortunate to be a neighbour of Karkalla Cafe who did the incredible catering for the inaugural opening of the gallery on Friday.

'Mindy Woods has been a great support as a fellow local business owner. Peek Gallery is looking forward to many collaborations with Mindy; food and art go well together – add in some Cester Camillo and Italian Prosecco – I have struck gold!'

■ You can visit Peek Gallery at 7/8 Fletcher Street, Byron Bay, or visit them online at: www.peekgallery.com.



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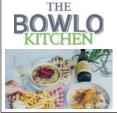
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Byron Bay

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# The Good Life

# Spring is here and summer is not far away!

Rachel Jeffery

The days are changing, so too is our supply of fruits and veggies. This time of the year we see supplies of asparagus, avocado, beetroot, bok choy, broccolini, capsicum, endive, eggplant, various lettuces, tomatoes, and zucchini: plus fruits like kiwi, mango and mandarine, and not to mention the herbs! These include parsley, basil and chives.

It's a great time of year to enjoy a chilled salad, but what about a warmed leafy green salad? Using fresh lettuce, the just added steamed asparagus and broccolini, roasted beetroot and capsicum. Ta-da!

Asparagus and broccolini are great sources of vitamin A and C. Vitamin A is great for evesight, while vitamin C boosts the immune system. Beetroot is high in folate which is vital for normal cell growth and development. Lettuce varieties also contain folate and moderate amount of vitamin C.

Eggplants (aka aubergine) can be used to make a fantastic low-fat dip called Baba ganoush; roast the eggplant, remove the skin and blend the eggplant with a small amount of tahini, lemon juice, garlic and coriander. Eggplants contain iron, potassium, niacin, folate and vitamin C. Eggplants are great too as a base for vegetable lasagna, moussaka or ratatouille by adding fresh capsicum, tomatoes, zucchini and all those fresh herbs. Capsicum, tomatoes and zucchini are great sources of



antioxidants, fibre, potassium, and some B-group vitamins. And fresh herbs (with various health supporting properties) are the perfect flavour-enhancers for any meal.

If you've sensibly accumulated a little extra padding over winter, but now feel it's time to lighten up, just include as little as 30 minutes a day of moderate activity to help you shed it. Exercise is essential in our daily routine for mental as well as physical health.

So spring to it – get off that couch and take a brisk walk to pick up all those local new season fruits, veggies and spring meats.

Rachel Jeffery is an Accredited Practising Dietitian\* (APD)

# The health benefits of Davidson plums

**Suzanne Staples** 

Let's celebrate bush tucker! We are so lucky in Australia to have our own version of a blueberry, that being the increasingly popular Davidson Plum.

Admittedly they're not as sweet as blueberries, but just consider they have more vitamin C than an orange, plus high amounts of anthocyanins – that wonderful antioxidant that blueberries are famous for which can help to prevent cancer. They are rich in vitamin E, have more lutein than an avocado (for eye health), as well as containing zinc, folate, calcium, potassium and magnesium. Oh, and apparently they can help to lower the metabolic syndrome which predisposes us to strokes and heart

That sounds like a powerful superfood, all in one little plum.

Being a rainforest tree, they don't mind a bit of shade and can grow easily in your backyard if you have room. In an unusual looking way the purple fruit hangs off the trunk, not the twigs of the beautifully shaped and furry leaves. Once you have one growing, you will find many ways to enjoy this very tart fruit. Most people are familiar with Davidson plum jam, and I must admit this is one of my favourites, especially when spread on toast with tahini. However, you can also stew the plums with apple and rhubarb, adding a little coconut sugar for sweetening, or boil the plums with water, sugar, cinnamon and nutmeg for a brightly coloured



A luscious crop of Davidson plums

syrup for cakes, yoghurt or ice cream.

They are in season at the moment so I'm thinking of thin slices of the plum sprinkled with chilli powder and salt and eaten with with goats cheese for starters, and yoghurt with Davidson plum syrup for desert. Yum!

Call in to the New Brighton Farmers Markets next Tuesday to get some of these great plums, or a seedling tree from Rebecca Barnes at the Playing with Fire stall.

The market now hosts approximately 30 farmer and producers stalls each Tuesday from 8am. For more visit: www. newbrightonfarmersmarket.org.au.

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### It's Spring...

Did you know that male superb fairy wrens change colour every year, from dull brown to bright blue around breeding time?

Although female fairy-wrens have a stable social partner, when egg-laying time comes, they briefly leave their territory under the cover of darkness and 'visit' the male who became blue earliest in the year.

Tamsin Smyth has created a fine art poster print tribute to our favourite tweeter. You can find it at Tamsin Smyth Designs on Etsy.

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The new Get Job Ready Work Skills courses teach practical skills to help you to feel more confident and empowered about your career and work options. Learn how to write a killer resume and cover letter and get job application and interview tips to get that job.

These new courses are subsidised by the NSW Government.

For more information and to understand eligibility requirements visit www.byroncollege.org.au

www.byroncollege.org.au or call 02 6684 3374.



### **Bodhi Living**

Bodhi Living is a new concept furniture store that strives to bring home the magic of rich and vibrant cultures, looking for character, beauty and quality in everything they source. Bodhi showcases unique, antique pieces from around the world, combined with a range of contemporary furniture, rugs, lighting, décor and art.

They also offer unique and personalised design experience with the support of their knowledgeable team. They can help guide their clients through residential, commercial and contract projects with in house design consultation, planning and execution.

At Bodhi they believe a home is an extension of one's self and they work with their clients to draw on your personal style, creating considered spaces that enrich the soul and are imbued with character and meaning.

Shop 1 – 2/18 Centennial Cct, Byron Bay 6685 5499 | www.bodhiliving.com | @bodhi.living





### **Bangalow Flea Markets**

The newest event on the must do Byron Shire list, Bangalow Flea Markets is full of vintage, secondhand and designer goods, plus a dedicated area – Garage Sale Square – for locals wanting to sell their pre-loved goods, ensuring the market never gets stale.

They also have delicious food stalls, from breakfast bars to lunchtime favourites; so why not indulge yourself in a shady spot beneath the trees.

Asked 'Why a flea market?' Organiser Spencer said they wanted a traditional style market where you can go with \$5 in your pocket and still find something of interest to buy. Of course, if you're in the mood for shopping you won't be disappointed either.

Come along for a vibrant, friendly market experience and find a bargain or treasure.

www. bang a low fleam arkets. com

### Vampt Vintage Design

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Local couple Dave and Maxine have been dealing in mid-century furniture and lighting for 18 years. With a long established, well known shop in Sydney, they also opened a small container store in Bangalow two years ago. Now they have joined forces with Byron Studios in a rentable studio space fitted out by Vampt. You will see them there most Wednesdays and Fridays @5/82 Centennial Cct. and Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays in Bangalow @24 Granuaille Rd.

Specialising in Scandinavian vintage, but stocking a wide variety of mid-century beauties, Vampt is there to sell or hire you the best they can find.

Check their Instagram and website for current stock and see their new virtual tour.

In stagram: vampt vintage design.com



### Tinker Tailor Dancer Trader

Visit Tinker Tailor Dancer Trader, Mullumbimby, for a personal shopping experience and find something unusual, beautiful, timeless and authentic. They spend countless hours sourcing unique handmade, local and sustainable pieces with a special focus on treasures from far away places. Ceramics from bespoke

local artists sit next to ornate pieces from Japan. Their fashion end features smaller boutique Australian designers and jewellers sitting alongside beautifully handcrafted Indian textiles, European shoes and lux New Zealand lingerie.

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### Wallace and Co

Locally owned and steeped in family history, Wallace and Co is situated right in the heart of River Street Ballina.

Offering good old fashioned customer service and expert advice, they specialise in men's and ladies' clothing and footwear fit by their expert staff. They put an emphasis on providing quality products and brands sought after the world over, including Birkenstock, Dr Martens, Skechers, R.M Williams and Crocs.



While it is not always easy to find good quality men's clothing, you are spoilt for choice at Wallace's. Shop the biggest range of Linen and Bamboo clothing from Industrie, Kingston Grange, Gazman and Blazer, as well as famous Australian brands like Akubra Hats and R.M Williams clothing and boots.

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109 River Street, Ballina 6686 2081 | Wallaces.com.au

### **ELEVEN SECONDS – BSA 2ND YEAR STUDENTS' GROUP EXHIBITION 2020**

Byron School of Art second year students would like to welcome the community to view their forthcoming exhibition, eleven seconds, at The BSA Project Space from 14 to 25 November.

During 2020, eleven students investigated contemporary art practices, including printmaking, sculpture, assemblage and painting. Featuring works by Cindy Alice, Tamara Cox, Sue Davidson, Shanti Des Fours, Elizabeth Dwyer, Tiffany Gee, Jen Hogan, Priya

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# THE ARTS



# THE MUD TRAIL POTTERS

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### **BALLINA ART SOCIETY**

Ballina Art Society is excited to showcase recently created artworks at their 48th exhibition.

Their members are emerging and well-known local artists who have created traditional and contemporary artworks across a diversity of subject matter.

The last 18 months has been one of the most turbulent times in living memory and it will be interesting to see the extent to which recent events, at the personal and community level, bring about a reappraisal of what is important; and how this is borne out in this extensive collection of artworks.

Over 130 artworks will be on display and for sale.

Come along and peruse the artworks, enjoy a cuppa and home-made treat at the historic hall and show your support for our talented local artists.

Tintenbar Hall Fri 20-Sun 22 November



Looking for an event that combines a bunch of passionate creative artisans, a stunning hinterland village and a shopping opportunity for unique gifts?

Then you'll be keen to hear about the Potters Market at the Federal Hall at Jasper's Corner across the weekend of November 28 and 29. Some of your favourite Mud Trail potters are gathering together under the roof of this beautiful old hall for a Christmas market, so come along and support them. The combination of meeting the

maker and learning more about the processes involved, inevitably leads to a more personal connection with any purchase. Whether you are looking for something to use in the kitchen, or a beautiful sculpture to give as a gift, you will find something to suit every style and budget.

Be assured this will be a COVID Safe event with distancing measures in place and a cap on numbers inside the hall.

The North Coast Ceramics group has a bowl as its logo, a simple object that holds spirit



and offers nourishment. This year each studio will donate a bowl, proceeds from the sale of these will go to a local charity organisation in a collective gesture of reciprocity at the end of what has been a very difficult year, particularly for the vulnerable in our community.

The Potters Market will be open from 9am-3pm on Saturday 28, and Sunday 29 November in the Federal Hall at Jaspers Corner, cnr Federal Drive and Roses Road.

Come and lift your spirits.



# **Exhibition**Ballina Art Society

20, 21 and 22 November - Free Entry



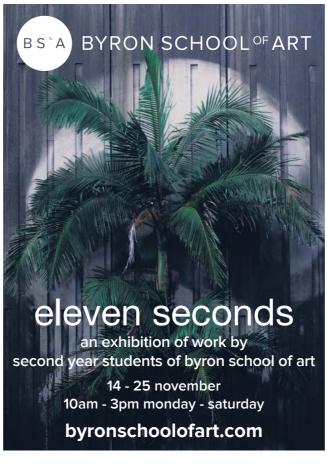
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For 18-year-old artist Budjerah Slabb, making music was an inevitability. Raised in a home filled with instruments, by a family whose time was split between playing in family bands and leading worship services in the local church, Budjerah has crafted a sound that melds the formative elements of gospel and soul with contemporary pop and R'n'B references.

How did your family inform your love of music?

Pretty much everyone in my family plays instruments and sings so it was always a thing that was there for me to do growing up. Everyone also has very different taste in music, so I got to experience everything from country to R'n'B, reggae to rock. It was very

### What is it about gospel do you think that is so uplifting?

I think gospel music is so uplifting for me because it's about hope, strength and overcoming difficulties. It's a place I can go to feel comforted when I'm feeling down.

### I love Fingal - it's such a special place - does where you are make a difference to what you write?

Yeah, where I am definitely makes a difference. When I write, I take a look at what's going on around me, I draw a lot of inspiration from it. It's really crazy what you can come up with when you notice the little things.

### What's your favourite way to work up a song?

Most of the time I like to start with music, I pick up my guitar and find some cool chords. Once the music feels good, everything that's happened in my week comes out in the lyrics and singing.

### Tell me about working with Matt Corby? What has he brought to your music?

Working with Matt Corby was incredible. He's so talented, and it was insane just to sit watching him play. I got to learn so much

from him and he really pushed me to give my best when I was singing and playing.

In your track Missing You - you sing about a sense of isolation. It's a very sophisticated song for someone who is only 18 - how does music help you experience more complex

I think the music helps me to express my emotions, not just through the lyrics, but if I'm really feeling

something, the music helps me to emphasise these things.

### What should we expect for your show in Lismore?

I'm really excited to share songs from my up-and-coming EP, and for people to get to know 'Budjerah'. I hope that people can relate to my music and come away feeling uplifted and excited.

**Budjerah plays Lismore City Hall** on Saturday 14 November, supported by local hip hop legends Teddy Lewis King.

Tix at lismorecityhall.com.au

For Budjerah's gig on this Saturday there is a NAIDOC special offer of \$10 off. People just need to mention **NAIDOC** when they book on the phone or put NAIDOC in as promo code when they book online.



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# MANDY NOLAN'S SOAPBOX



# THEY SHOOT COMEDIANS DON'T THEY?

This year was the first year in a long time I didn't perform for Melbourne Cup. I hate Cup day. Not for the reason that most others do – cruelty to horses. At least they have a lobby group of caring animal activists. Melbourne Cup is also cruelty for comedians. It's probably the hardest gig on the calendar. Drunk women in stupid hats. Is there no greater terror?

Every year I yell into a scratchy microphone to a bunch of people comparing fascinators in a beergarden who wish I'd just shut up. I wish I would just shut up too, but I've been paid three times my usual fee to turn up. That's why I'm here and why I am wearing a stupid hat and high shoes when I've just had breakfast. Champagne is not a listening drug. It's a talk shit about yourself at the same time as someone else drug.

I trip on the raffle on the way down the stairs. I've hurt my leg. I'm down. It's hopeless. A hush comes over the crowd. There's only one way out here, for my own good. So I don't perpetuate the horror any further, the bar manager collects his rifle from under the bar and walks towards me. He looks deeply into my mournful eyes and pop. He shoots me. I'm gone.

Another horse died the other day. It was the pre race favourite. The gravitas of the day was underpinned by the death of this magnificent beast. The fascinators all look a bit trite after that, as does the champagne and the socially sanctioned and acceptable gambling. Shit, they even do sweepstakes in primary school classrooms!

But they don't shoot horses for fun. When a horse has a fetlock injury it's serious. That massive animal holds itself on such light bones that the wrong footing can suddenly cause the bone to shatter. Recovery rates are low – usually 10–20 per cent, with the animal experiencing extreme trauma and suffering. Of course, a horse can experience this life threatening leg injury in a paddock or in non-competitive situation, but it tends to happen more in racing. Obviously being whipped in a frenzied pack adds to the risk. It's not the only injury incurred by these horses, ridden specifically for our pleasure. They can also die from cardiac issues and from bleeds.

Over a 12-month period 116 horses have been killed on the track – the data collection goes from 1 August 2019 – to this year. 1 August is the 'Horses Birthday' - the day that Southern Hemisphere racing celebrates to mark how old a horse is. On average one horse dies on Australian racetracks every three days. It makes the hats and the champagne and the luncheons a bit ghoulish. I've taken time to be anti-horse racing. It's not a simple issue. People who have horses and work with them – jockeys, strappers, owners all generally love them - a lot. The track is a mythical place; I grew up down the road from the race track – we had a racehorse and I would often slip down to watch our horse train or go to his stable and pat the long white stripe on his forehead. My father died when I was six, and Fleckson was all we had left. We could only afford to keep him if he won his races – a 26 year old widow can't generally keep her head above water in the racing industry. It's expensive for a country town hairdresser with two small children.

I wanted us to keep him. I remember being trackside watching a race with my mother and my aunt – I remember the heightened emotion when he won. Everyone was crying. We got to keep him until the next race. He was sold not long after, but it's hard to forget the smell, the drama, and the keen emotion of the track. But, competition racing feels wrong. Perhaps if we want to gamble on the outcome of a silly race it is time for some re-imagining. Perhaps something like what I created at a Melbourne cup one year when the drunk women were shitting me; I said, after the cup we have one last race. I took the audience outside onto a square patch of grass. I asked six solid looking blokes if they were happy to be horses, then I got some drunk chicks in hats to jump on and jockey them. Then we raced them. It's one of the funniest things I've seen. Maybe next year for Melbourne cup let's put the punters on the racetrack and leave the horses in the paddock?



## HAVANA RETURN WITH CARIBÉ IN LISMORE

Northern Rivers Conservatorium and Spare Parts presents **Caribé** this **Sunday** in Lismore.

**Caribé's Havana Return** crafts Cuban traditional and classic forms in a contemporary mold resulting in music that is unique and fresh.

Seeing Caribé live is a communal experience incorporating chants and percussive elements deeply rooted in rumba and Afro-Cuban religions.

The constant push and pull between powerful percussion and stunning melodies creates a dynamic tension that draws you in and invites your soul to sing. This bountiful collaboration with Cuban dancer **Adrian Medina** is engaging and entertaining for wallflowers and hipshakers alike.

See Caribé this Sunday 15 November, 2pm at Lismore City Hall.

Since late August The Lightbox has showcased a range of works and artists and turned the car park next to Target in the Ocean Village Shopping Centre into an exhibition and performative arts space like no other.

Now **Dashboard Animals** is in the last weeks of their first tenancy and this *InSideOut Lightbox Showcase* launches their **GoFundMe Campaign** to Keep the Lights On in the Lightbox. The campaign will keep the shows going by paying the rent, upgrading the screens and equipment and much more.

The **InSideOut Showcase** returns with **Lightbox No.3:** a night of digital artists and performers, including installation artist **Wendy Mills** with art performance group **Liquidellic** and a new live performance clip from **Pineapple Lazer** – and so much more...

InSideOut Lightbox No.3 Showcase and Fundraiser Saturday, 7.45 pm.

events.humanitix.com/insideout-lightbox.

### **SO MUCH HAPPENING AT BLEACH\***

Chez Nous on Chevron; rendezvous with Bleach\* for a night of electrifying live performance, sweet cabaret, Queerstories, classical music, jazz, and more – staged from balconies and backyards. Bliss out to opera, or simply sit back with a drink and soak up the vibe. It's electrifying, toe-curling and a little irreverent too. Brave the dark, bring your friends and join the party.

Events included in your Chez Nous ticket include: Intermezzo – surrender to the soothing sounds of **The Seven Sopranos** who will draw you into the soft embrace of Chez Nous On Chevron; **DNA** – a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to see respected Gold Coast-based artist **Glennys Briggs'** monumental artwork on the walls of Chez Nous; and **Baartzy's Brew** – featuring **Martha Baartz.** 

Further, because Friday is a sultry late-spring evening at the end of the working week, Chez Nous brings you; **Ostoorah** – featuring **Samira** with **Greta Kelly; Bubble Girl** – hold your breath and cross your fingers as bouncing, bopping,

blonde bombshell **J'aiMime** twists herself upside down and inside out of a giant 6ft balloon; **Bullseye - Shannen Jones**, The Girl With No Bones; **House Party -** where **The Mint Art House Collective** come together to unify collective voices, taking over an abandoned house on Chevron and turning it into an immersive installation; **Light House** 

**- by Rebecca Ross** sees waves of colour wake up a house at sundown... here you can enter the garden and the aura of Light House, and; **Orchid House** – where stories are told by lost voices of The Great Swamp.

Chez Nous on Chevron – this Thurs is sold out, so get in early to buy tix for Fri 13, Sat 14, Friday 20 and Sat 21 at www.bleachfestival.com.au.

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# GREAT SOUTHERN NIGHTS MEANS LIVE MUSIC IS BACK!

Byron Theatre, Lismore City Hall and the YAC all have awesome line-ups for GSN.

### **GREAT SOUTHERN NIGHTS AT**

### **BYRON THEATRE**

**Great Southern Nights** is a new project to kick-start the recovery of the live music industry – featuring 1,000 COVID Safe gigs across Sydney and regional NSW.

Byron Theatre will host five incredible gigs including award-winning songsmith Ash Grunwald, and Hat Fitz & Cara in November, Australian Music Month; from 6–29 November. Featuring the best of folk to blues, classical to country, and everything in between, the series of concerts will reconnect Australian artists with music fans and bring entertainment back to the community.

Classical fans are in for a treat with a special **Classic Steinway Concert** with accomplished performers **Margaret Curtis** (piano and harp), **Bodhi Scott-Jones** (trumpet) and **Francis Atkins** (piano).

Alongside these amazing live shows that celebrate the true breadth and depth of great Australian music, the Byron Theatre will showcase a lineup of Byron's best performers and buskers as they finally get the opportunity to perform again to live audiences. **The Buskers & Performers event** lineup has just been announced and will highlight some key local artists including: **Miss Renee Simone, Pete Hunt, Tamwah, Broadwaters, Resonant Hand,** and **Black Rabbit George with MC Benhur Helwend.** 

Classic Steinway Concert - November 22 at 3pm
Performers & Buskers of Byron - November 25 at 7pm
Ash Grunwald - November 27 at 9.30pm
Hat Fitz &Cara - November 29 at 7pm

For more info, email tickets@byrontheatre.com.au, call Byron Theatre on 6685 6807 or go to byroncentre.com.au.

### **GREAT SOUTHERN NIGHTS AT**

### LISMORE CITY HALL

As part of the GSN initiative, **Lismore City Hall** is presenting an incredible line-up of musicians including The Whitlams' frontman **Tim Freedman**, international sensations the **No Frills Twins**, powerful singer songwriter **William Crighton** (whose recent intimate Studio Session at NORPA sold out in 30 mins) and emerging artists **Budjerah Slabb**, and **Tainui Richmond**.

These five gigs will just blow your mind – seats are limited, so get in quick. **All gigs start at 7.30pm** 

Tim Freedman - Thurs 12 November. Budjerah - Sat 14 November Tainui Richmond - Sat 21 November. No Frills Twins - Thursday 26 November William Crighton - Sat 28 November.

To find out more go to lismorecityhall.com.au

### LIVE MUSIC BACK AT

### THE YAC

The team at **Byron Youth Service (BYS**) are excited to announce two live music events, in partnership with ACEntertainment and Byron Music, dedicated to emerging artists.

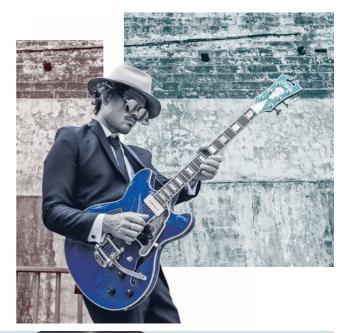
Hosted at the Byron Youth Activity Centre (YAC) the gigs will be outdoor afternoon events, sitting under the sun and lounging around on the grass.

The exciting news is that the line-ups are *all* local artists and the events are supported by local businesses and are **FREE**.

On Saturday 21 November, 4-7pm you can experience The Buckleys, Tahlia Matheson, Ollie Twohill and Hunnybee. On Sunday 22 November, 4-7pm introduce your ears to Jack Botts, Jake Harpaz, Georgia Cummins and Remedi.

The young artists are excited at this opportunity to be entertaining you and bringing you their all-original repertoire of well written and well rehearsed songs.

To book your tickets go to www.bys.org.au/projects and follow the prompts. Make sure you're quick as tickets are limited and the team would love you to come along! BYO picnic rugs, chairs and picnic basket. Great Southern Nights events are drug and alcohol free and COVID Safe.



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# THIS SKY'S IN LOVE: TRENT DALTON TALKS ABOUT HIS NEW BOOK

It's no surprise Trent Dalton is one of the most in-demand writers on the circuit. He's wonderfully humble, he's funny and open and insightful. He has this contagious positivity about life that permeates not just his writing, but his general disposition. The author of the best selling and award winning Boy Swallows

Universe is back with All Our Shimmering Skies, an epic odyssey of true love and grave danger, of darkness and light, of bones and blue skies.

Once again he has chosen a child to navigate the reader through a complex and, at times, magical narrative.

'I think it's from my past, from my period of being adolescent and growing up in a housing commission in Brisbane. I'm 41 now and live a stable life - my life in the late 1980s and '90s was wild, all the stuff from Boy Swallows Universe was real - in the second book I create a character a lot like Eli Bell because I'm deeply fascinated by Aussie kids on the knife edge of having life bash the magic out of them. I think [about] the magic that is in all our kids living on the fringes – I feel for those kids – at 3pm today they walk back into their homes and there will be trauma and violence and adults in those houses, filled with desperation on the edge, and those kids will escape into worlds of story telling. It's no coincidence that Molly Hook is living that life in 1942 Darwin, her life is so hard she has come to believe she is cursed, and as the bombs drop over Darwin she makes her great escape; she goes into the wilderness of the vine forest country'.

The extraordinary landscape is a feature of Dalton's new book, penned as a love letter to Australia and an ode to the art of looking up.

'The country there hits you hard, the sky, the sea, it's unbelievable - then within that is the incredible history that Darwin has. I have been, for the last 20 years, deeply fascinated with Australia's role in WWII and when it came to Australia - 19 February, 1942 - the most incredible moment when people in Darwin looked up to the sky and saw a fleet of Japanese aircraft that dropped bombs. It has to be the most dramatic day in modern Australian history, I always thought it would be an amazing kickstart to an adventure!'

It certainly is. Dalton has a way of weaving real events into his text. The events are creatively escalated, allowing the reader a fantastical insight into an unknown history. One of the threads in his latest book involves the story of Hajime Toyoshima.

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'In real life he was shot down by Aussie soldiers and his aircraft landed on Melville Island, which is as wild and magical, as you can imagine. He hits his forehead on the flight control, wraps his head in a bandage, grabs a pistol what if our her, Molly Hook, meets that guy on her one of her best friends?' says Trent.

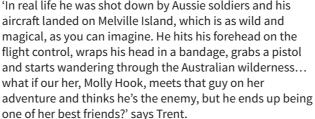
The vastness of the sky plays a major role in All Our Shimmering Skies 'There are these magical realism moments when gifts fall from the sky' says Trent. 'But it's all real. These are all real things that have dropped from the sky for Australians.'

Trent reflects on the enormity the sky represents.

'Why do we have such reverence for the sky? You cannot look at the night sky for too long because you would spend the rest of the night there. The blue sky turns up each day and makes us forget there is this eternal universe. Every now and then you remind yourself to look up. It's very powerful – the kid in my book does that to the point she has no friends, so the sky becomes her friend. The sky has been that to me, it gets my deepest conversations – I will look up and talk to my old man up there.'

The Byron Writers Festival hosts Trent Dalton in **conversation with Zacharey Jane** at the Byron Theatre on Tuesday 17 November at 6pm. This marks a return to live events for the much loved Byron Writers Festival that had to cancel its 2020 program because of COVID. A newly adapted event is planned for 2021 – keep your eye out and get those tickets fast! In the new world of social distancing, tickets sell fast!

To find out more go to byronwritersfestival.com.au.





- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 5PM BROADWATERS DUO, 8PM JOSH
- BRUNSWICK HEADS PICTURE HOUSE 7PM TOM GLEESON -
- SLIPWAY TAVERN, BALLINA, 7PM DAN CLARK
- LISMORE CITY HALL 7.30PM TIM FREEDMAN
- KINGSCLIFF BEACH HOTEL 7PM THE DREGGS
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### **FRIDAY 13**

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, ADAM HOLE BAND
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 5PM KARUAH, 5.30PM LEIGH JAMES, 8.30PM MICKA SCENE DUO
- BRUNSWICK HEADS PICTURE HOUSE 7PM TOM GLEESON -**LIGHTEN UP**
- BALLINA RSL LEVEL ONE 7PM YOLAN
- SLIPWAY TAVERN, BALLINA, 7PM **DRUMMER NOT INCLUDED**
- KINGSCLIFF BEACH HOTEL TIM FREEDMAN
- COOLANGATTA HOTEL 5PM STEVEN GREEN, 9.30PM STRICTLY **ACOUSTIC**
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### **SATURDAY 14**

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **JOCK BARNES**
- BEACH HOTEL. BYRON BAY, 1PM JOSH LEE HAMILTON, 4.30PM WILL HENDERSON DUO, 8.30PM MAJESTIC KNIGHTS
- RYRON THEATRE 5 30PM AND 8PM TIM FREEDMAN
- BRUNSWICK HEADS PICTURE HOUSE 7PM HARRY JAMES ANGUS
- WANDANA BREWING CO., MULLUMBIMBY, 4PM **DJ KAI NOON**, 6.15PM **DJ STEPHEN DALE**
- AUSTRALIA HOTEL, BALLINA, THE BUCKLEYS
- SLIPWAY TAVERN, BALLINA, 7PM BILL JACOBI
- LISMORE CITY HALL 7.30PM BUDJERAH
- MARY G'S, LISMORE, 7.30PM CAM FROM THE BATZ
- KINGSCLIFF BEACH HOTEL 7PM **SWANEE**
- COOLANGATTA HOTEL 5PM CASEY FOGG, 9.30PM MARK SHEILS
- GOLD COAST, BLEACH FESTIVAL

### **SUNDAY 15**

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, TIM STOKES
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 1PM SCOTT DAY VEE, 4.30PM AVERAGE WRIGHT BAND, 8PM THE FOG DUO
- BYRON THEATRE 8PM ABBA & THE BEE GEES "A NIGHT TO REMEMBER"
- BRUNSWICK HEADS PICTURE HOUSE 7PM LOCAL BANDS STEP UP FOR BAY FM
- WANDANA BREWING CO., MULLUMBIMBY, 4PM ANIMAL VENTURA
- LISMORE CITY HALL, LISMORE, 2PM CARIBÉ'S 'HAVANA RETURN'
- UKI MARKET. MAPSTONE
- TWEED HEADS CIVIC CENTRE 2.30PM NORTHERN RIVERS SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA MINSTRELS - YULETIDE
- COOLANGATTA HOTEL 4PM **DISCO DISCIPLES**
- GOLD COAST, **BLEACH FESTIVAL**

### **MONDAY 16**

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, STONED WAVES
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 5PM WALKING FRANCIS, 8PM JOHN CROSBIE
- KINGSCLIFF BEACH BOWLS 12PM TOMMY MEMPHIS
- GOLD COAST, BLEACH FESTIVAL

### **TUESDAY 17**

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, JON J BRADLEY
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 5PM SARAH GRANT, 8PM BILL JACOBI
- BYRON THEATRE 6PM TRENT DALTON
- BRUNSWICK HEADS PICTURE HOUSE 7PM **OKA**
- GOLD COAST, BLEACH FESTIVAL

### WEDNESDAY 18

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, JAMIE ASHFORTH DUO
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 5PM JOHN FOGGON, 8PM JASON **DELPHIN**
- BRUNSWICK HEADS PICTURE HOUSE 7PM MULLUMBIMBY'S **MAGIC-PART 3: THE ARTS**
- GOLD COAST, BLEACH FESTIVAL



### **STARS BY LILITH**



With Mercury joining this week's Sun and new moon in Scorpio, zodiac sign of the shadow self, expect a glimpse into something hidden, a sudden unexpected reveal, a mystery unravelling...

- $\Upsilon$  **ARIES:** Your planet ruler Mars charges out retrograde in Aries this week firing a barrage of 're' words that remind you to revive, reinvent, rectify, rework, restore and retrieve aspects of life that went into abeyance during the corona coma. Get busy shining the fiery light of your inspiring spirit into this spritzy spring week.
- ♂ TAURUS: As Mars turns down the heat on something just about to bubble over, and Mercury sees you stating clearly what you want - and don't want - it's essential to be compassionate as well as blunt. Especially with weekend new moon getting relationships with friends, family, social circle and business partners back into synch.
- II GEMINI: Mars reinvigorates your social life, while Mercury attracts helpful newbies, but this week's most striking astral news is the potent and particular alignment of Pluto and Jupiter, which only happens every 13 or so years. Give this gift of deep insight and clarity your serious attention, especially where investments are concerned
- © CANCER: This week's rare and significant Jupiter/Pluto meet up could throw light on a partnership decision. If you feel you don't want to keep doing what you're doing, now's the time to consider ways of making a change. As Mars eases up on work stress and pressures, there's less resistance to new ideas
- ଣ **LEO:** As red planet Mars' reversal takes a welcome turn around the j-curve, motivation and optimism reboot. Mercury in the sign of deep and meaningful won't waste time on small talk this week, will cut to the chase, while visionary Jupiter and calculating Pluto align to help you make the right decisions for your future.
- w VIRGO: While truthful Jupiter and intense, transformative Pluto ask what do you truly deeply want, expressive Mercury's placement is excellent this week for concentration and articulation. Mars out of retrograde makes emotions less combustible, more workable, so if you listen and observe carefully, this week could connect you with answers to certain pressing questions.
- have taken many Librans on quite a rollercoaster ride this year. Now Mars is less irritable, itchy-scratchy relationships head back onto stronger, more solid ground and a contentious issue can be resolved after weeks of waffling. Late week Libra moon brings a lovely lunar lift.
- m. **SCORPIO:** Pluto could drag out some old baggage this week. In which case, steer clear of sarcasm; using the sting only drives people away from the importance of what you have to say. Use weekend new moon in Scorpio, your lunar fresh start, for planning a timeline to where you'd like to be in six months.
- → SAGITTARIUS: With pesky Mars and Mercury retrogrades fading into history, you might feel like throwing yourself back into a creative project. The weekend new moon makes way for either fence-mending or finally saying sayonara: your choice. But pull back, and really tune in, before making it. Fun factor plus? Early next week Sagittarius moon.
- % CAPRICORN: Now Mars' testy retro is over, expect more ease in your base of operations and a marked improvement in your group dynamics. Make use of this connective transit to extend an olive branch where necessary, schedule meetings, and get out and about. Current stars are also divinely aligned for de-cluttering and a domestic refresh.
- AQUARIUS: Mars going rogue hasn't helped communications recently. This week it won't take an intervention to get back on track, but there probably needs to be some kind of honest acknowledgement of what went on. There's plenty of charged-up, high voltage cosmic electricity for collaborating with kindred spirits who share your vision for the next life steps.
- HPISCES: Mars is lessening work and money stress, but if a Venus/Pluto faceoff sees you majorly triggered this week, take time out from the dramarama of life's telenovela, especially with outspoken Mercury encouraging dummy spits. You can do better than that, so stop and tune into your deeper understanding.



MISBEHAVIOUR (CTC) The true story of the feminist protesters who disrupted the 1970 Miss World competition. Stars Keira Knightlev

Today: 12:00pm, Sat 4:45pm, Mon: 2:20pm.

SIX MINUTES TO MIDNIGHT (M) A discovery at a school for the daughters of the Nazi elite leads to a series of deadly events. Stars Dame Judi Dench. Fri: 2:30pm, Sat 7:30pm, Wed (18 Nov): 7:30pm

Me (CTC) - 2:30pm Kat and the Band (PG) A Call to Spy (M) - 7:30pm THU: A Bump Along the Way (M)

- 12:00pm The Ladykillers (M) - 2:30pm (SELLING FAST) Then Came You (M) - 5:00pm A Christmas Gift from

Tickets & session times: britishfilmfestival.com.au

### THE BEST OF BRITISH AT PALACE BYRON

Presented by Palace, the British Film Festival opened on 10 November and will again celebrate the filmmakers, acting talent and stories from the British Isles with a programme featuring the most anticipated films of the year.

The 2020 British Film Festival programme has a strong focus on females, both on and off screen – this festival sees eight films leading the way.

The charming Irish crowd-pleaser, A Bump Along The Way directed by Shelly Love, has an all-female creative team. The film follows a boozy 44-year-old single mother who falls pregnant from a one-night-stand, much to the shame of her buttoned-up teen daughter.

Other films include: a gripping historical drama, A Call To Spy, which follows a new British spy agency at the dawn of WWII; Ammonite from writer/director Francis Lee, set in 1840s England and staring Kate Winslet and Saoirse Ronan.

A folk-horror thriller, Fanny Lye Deliver'd is director Thomas Clay's third feature and it's a potent brew of sex, violence and political radicalism; and Keira Knightley and Jessie Buckley star in the charming and farcical comedy Misbehaviour, a true story about feminist protesters who disrupted the 1970 Miss World beauty competition in London.

Other great movies on the bill are The Warrior Queen of Jhansi, Six Minutes To Midnight, and Summerland.

Audiences can rock out with two extraordinary music docos -Rockfield: The Studio On The Farm and White Riot. And of course there are strong British dramas too. All up, there are 22 great films - tickets to the 2020 festival are now on sale.

British Film Festival Byron Bay: Nov 10-29, Palace Byron Bay.

### HE'S MAX, HE'S MAD, AND HE'S BACK!

The **Paradis Movie Club** is excited to present their Mad Max Special Event, for one night only, in November.

The event will feature a screening of Mad Max (1979) and Mad

Max 2 - The Road Warrior (1981). You will receive a complimentary 'Mad Mac cocktail, made by the local legends at Brookie's, and access to a special Mad Max merchandise stall and Paradis Movie Club store.

There will be a live Q&A with Steve Bisley (Jim Goose). From 6.30pm at **Byron Theatre, Saturday** November 21. This is an 18+ event. Limited tickets!





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PALACE RETRO SUSPIRIA (MA15+) Fri: 6:45PM PSYCHO (M) Mon: 6:45PM STUDIO GHÍBLI: TALES FROM EARTHSEA (M) Thu: 6:30PM Sat: 2:00PM

SPECIAL EVENTS IDIOT PRAYER - NICK CAVE ALONE AT ALEXANDRA PALACE (M) NFT

FREAKY (MA15+) NFT Daily: 2:45, 5:00, 7:30PM

THE COMEBACK TRAIL (M) NFT Daily: 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:15PM

BABY DONE (M) Daily: 2:50 BRAZEN HUSSIES (M) Daily: 12:45PM CORPUS CHRISTI (MA15+) Daily: 11:40AM, 2:00, 4:30, 7:00PM HONEST THIEF (M) Thu, Fri, Sun: 4:30PM Sat, Mon, Tue, Wed:

4:30, 6:45PM ON THE ROCKS (M) Daily except Thu, Mon 12:00, 4:30, 7:10PM Thu, Mon: 12:00, 4:30PM

**RADIOACTIVE (M)**Daily: 12:15, 2:10, 6:45PM

RAMS (PG) Daily: 11:50AM, 1:50PM, 4:10PM, 7:10PM THE CRAFT: LEGACY (M)

Daily: 5:00PM THE EMPTY MAN (MA15+) Daily except Sat: 2:00PN

NFT = No Free Tickets

No screening Sat THE MYSTERY OF HENRI PICK (M) Daily: 2:15PM

THE SECRET GARDEN (PG) Daily except Sat: 11:45AM, 5:00PM Sat: 10:00AM, 11:45AM, 5:00PM

TROLLS WORLD TOUR (G) Daily except Sat: 11:50AM Sat: 10:00AM, 11:50AM

108 Jonson St, Byron Bay Book online now at PalaceCinemas.com.au



### Admission Prices Wednesday Stud/Conc: \$12 All tickets \$11 \$10 Senior: Child: \$10

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Inspect This 2 storey centrally located townhouse was built in 2007. The property will make

Saturday 14th Nov. 11-11.30am Auction - If not sold prior Saturday 5th Dec. 10am

Todd Buckland 0408 966 421





62 Tweed Street, Brunswick Heads

Originally an early 20th century cottage, discover original weatherboards, timber floors, high ceilings - the ideal renovator. Great shed and central location. 807m<sup>2</sup> lot & 2 road frontages make for a neat dual occupancy & strata subdivision subject to BSC approval. Last sold in 1961.

Inspect

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Address: 620 Friday Hut Road, Possum Creek

Price: Forthcoming Auction

Open: Thursday, 12th November 2.00pm – 2.30pm Saturday, 14th November 10.00am - 10.30am

**Enquiries:** Helen Huntly-Barratt 0412 332 232











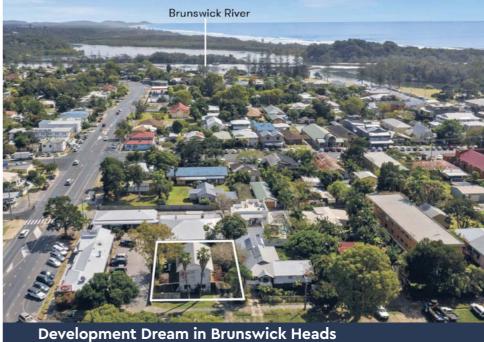
- Ultimate family beach house with a handy flexible floorplan
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Address: 10 Cooper Street, Byron Bay Auction: Forthcoming Auction

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4/22 Mahogoany Drive, Byron Bay Address:

Price: \$1.795m to \$1.895m Open: By Appointment

Su Reynolds 0428 888 660, Luke Elwin 0421 375 635



**Huge Potential in Gorgeous Bangalow** 











- Lovely single storey home on 1.5 acres (approx)
- Elevated position captures sea breezes and hinterland views
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- 3 light-filled bedrooms, the master with ensuite and walk-in wardrobe
- Large studio with doors opening to North with private bathroom and patio
- Room to move, farmland atmosphere without the maintenance

Address: 6/231 Fowlers Lane, Bangalow

Price: \$1.55m - \$1.7m

Open: Friday, 13th November 12.00pm - 12.30pm

Saturday, 14th November 11.00am - 11.30am

Paul Prior 0418 324 297, Oliver Aldridge 0421 171 499 **Enquiries:** 



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6 Muskwood Place, Bangalow Address:

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Open: Saturday, 14th November 2.00pm - 2.30pm

Su Reynolds 0428 888 660 **Enquiries:** 



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### **Mid-Century Charmer**

87 Prince Street, Mullumbimby



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Auction Saturday 28 November 11.30am on site Contact: Todd Buckland 0408 966 421 Gary Brazenor 0423 777 237

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### **Magical Oasis in Prime Location**

11 Shelley Drive, Byron Bay

\$1.59-\$1.69 million



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top and a dishwasher plus a spot for casual eating. Living room opening through sliding doors to the dining area. All bedrooms have ceiling fans, bedrooms two and three also have built-ins. The funky bathroom has a twin open shower, vanity, heated towel rail and separate toilet. Large creative studio space with ceiling fan and the 2nd bathroom. There are plenty of options for entertainment & relaxation with a covered alfresco area and front patio. Stay cool in the warmer months by jumping in the large in-ground saltwater pool. Start living your dream in this patch of paradise and still be an easy walk to the wonderful Roadhouse and General Cafe, schools and beaches.

Inspect by appointment Open: Chris Plim 0467 000 222 Contact: Katrina Beohm Real Estate

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# **Brunswick Heads**





38 Yamble Drive, Ocean Shores

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Inspect Contact

Saturday 11–11.30am
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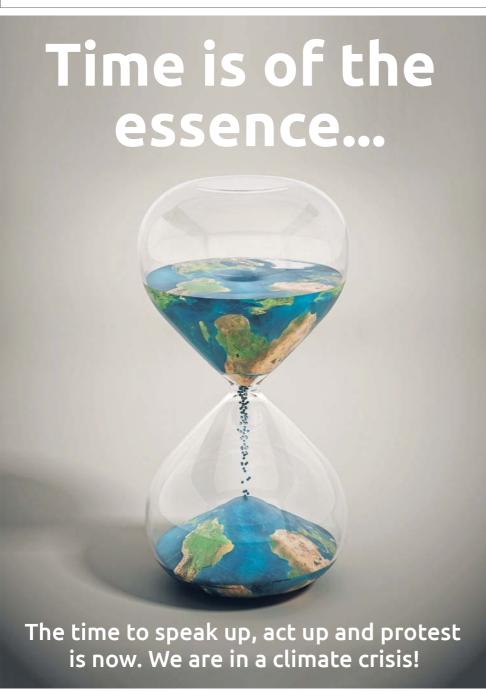


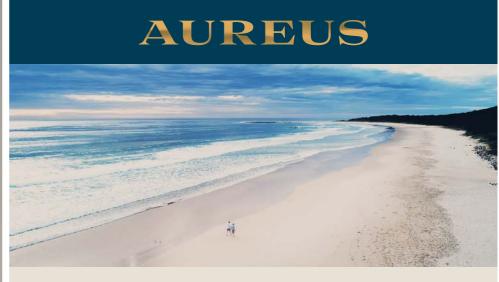
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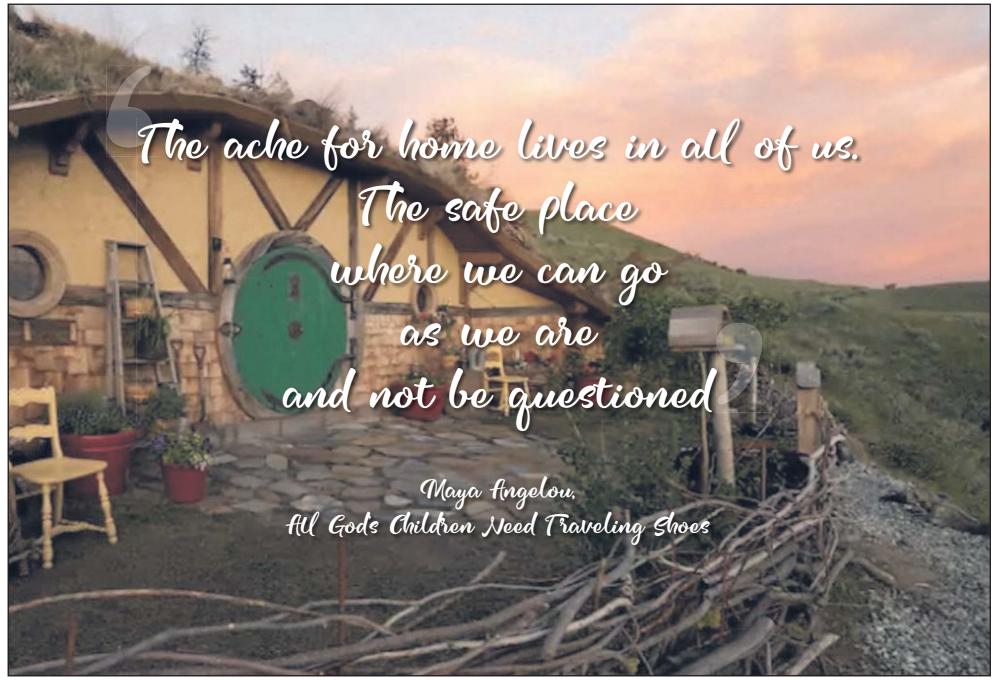


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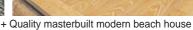
**BROKEN HEAD** 135 Broken Head Reserve Road \$2.5M











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I would like to thank Katrina and her team for their personable and professional service from beginning to end. I would highly recommend them to anyone wanting a great outcome. - Athol

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# **Belle Property**

- 43 Pacific Parade, Lennox Head. Sat 9–9.30am
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- 19 Palm-Lily Crescent, Bangalow. Sat 10-10.30am
- 18 Ibis Place, Lennox Head, Sat 11-11,30am
- 13 Fieldcrest Drive, Lennox Head. Sat 11-11.30am
- 5 William Place, Lennox Head. Sat 12–12.30pm
- 3A College Street, Skennars Head. Sat 1-1.30pm

# **Byron & Beyond Real Estate**

- 11 Tweed Street, Brunswick Heads. Sat 10-10.30am
- 8/3 Sallywattle Drive, Suffolk Park. Sat 12.30–1pm

# **Byron Shire Real Estate**

- 34 Tongarra Drive, Ocean Shores. Sat.10–10.30am
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- 62 Tweed Street, Brunswick Heads. Sat. 12-12.30pm
- 87 Prince Street, Mullumbimby. Sat. 1-1.30pm

# **Elders Brunswick Valley**

• 32 Redgate Road, South Golden Beach. Sat 11-11.30am

# **First National Byron Bay**

- 3/5 Train Street, Mullumbimby. Wed 11-11.30am
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- 6/231 Fowlers Lane, Bangalow. Fri 12-12.30pm
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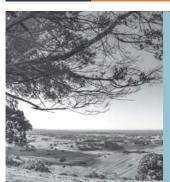
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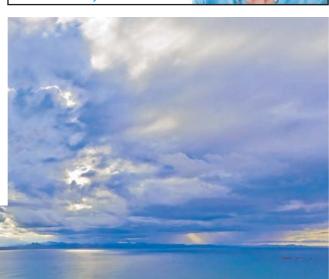
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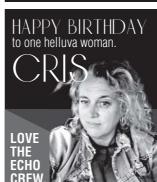
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desexed male 15-montha goofball.

and is now very fearful of men. is generally great with other dogs. Lerov needs lots of exercise.

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## NORMAN THOMAS WATTS

27/01/1923-02/11/2020 Passed away peacefully aged 97. Husband of Dorothy (dec'd). Father of Lynette (dec'd), Carol (dec'd), Helen (dec'd), Dianne (dec'd) & Suzanne and Robert.

# **CAROL JOAN SNOOKS (nee WATTS)**

11/01/1950-02/11/2020 Passed away after a short illness. Loving mother of Megan and Kylie. Partner to Neil Howell. Daughter of Norman and Dorothy. Beloved sister of Lynette, Helen, Dianne, Suzanne and Robert.

# Kathleen Marian Westall

Late of Murwillumbah. Formerly of Ocean Shores. Passed away peacefully on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2020. Aged 104 Years.

Dearly loved Wife of Joe (dec'd). Loved Mother and Mother-in-law of Michael & Audrey (both dec'd), Lynne (dec'd) & Brian Hyde. Cherished Grandmother. Loving Great-great-grandmother. Loved Sister of Richard, Jean (both dec'd), and Clive.

Due to COVID-19 a private family service will be held.



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# **IN MEMORIAM**



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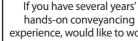


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# **DEATH NOTICES**

# FLICK, **KEITH JAMES**

29.05.1924 ~ 26.10.2020

Of Newrybar and recently of Florence Price Gardens, Ballina. Dearly loved husband of Marie (dec). Much loved father and father-in-law of John and Carol, Anne and Chris, Wendy and Chris. Loving Pa of his seven Jason, Claire, Andrew, Amy and Elliot. Great Pa to five great grandchildren. Loved brother of

Aubrey (dec) and George. A private funeral service has been held.

it can be accessed at Funeral-

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Facebook page. held on SATURDAY (November 14, 2020), for his family and close friends. Due to current restrictions

# If you wish to view Keith's service

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# Community at Work/Sport

# On The Horizon

# **DEADLINE NOON FRIDAY**

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

## **BV Scrabble Club**

Brunswick Valley Scrabble Club is resuming play on Tuesday 10 November from 1 till 4pm at the Ocean Shores Tavern. Contact Barbara: 0479 183 183.

## AGM meals on wheels

The Brunswick Valley Meals on Wheels AGM is on Thursday, 26 November at 10am at the Brunswick Valley Community Centre, 42 South Beach Rd, Brunswick Heads. COVID-19 safety precautions will be in place. Enquiries:

## **BEC AGM**

The Byron Environment Centre (BEC) is holding its AGM and general meeting

at 2pm on Thursday, 26 November in Binnaburra (just past Bangalow). Please email Sharon for exact address and more info: sharon@wwwires.com. All members are invited to attend

## **OS Garden Club**

The next meeting of the Ocean Shores Garden Club is on 16 November at 1.30pm at the Hub hall next to Target in Ocean Shores. Our speaker will be Sami from Ocean Shores Bulk Health Food Store, followed by our Annual Monster Plant Auction. Visitors very welcome. Phone Claire 6680 3707

# **Bangalow Chamber AGM**

Bangalow Chamber of Commerce Annual General Meeting is on

Wednesday, 25 November at the Bangalow Men's Shed 5.30-6.30pm.

## Bike raffle winner

The One Roof Byron bike raffle was drawn on Friday, 9 October at Mullum Farmers Markets. Lucky Davey won with an Orange 10 ticket.

## **Prostate Cancer Support**

The next meeting of the Northern Rivers Day Prostate Cancer Support Group will be held on Monday, 16 November 10am till 12 noon at the Ballina Cherry Street Bowling Club. Men diagnosed with prostate cancer and their partners or carers are most welcome to attend. Enquiries, Bob Corney 6628 1527 mobile 0400 747 630.

# **Bangalow exhibitions**

The Bangalow Historical Society's museum and cafe will host temporary exhibitions of artworks by local and emerging artists. The first exhibition is Terry Bleakley's Emotional Landscapes. It will be held 5.30 to 7.30pm on 11 and 12 December. Tickets are \$20, or \$15 for members, and are available from Heritage House 6687 2183 or email: bangalowhistorical@bigpond.com or contact the Museum on Facebook

# Pop-up book sale

Friends of Libraries are holding a special pop-up book sale instead of this year's Book Fair. To raise funds for local libraries, a wonderful selection of books will be on sale near the former Woolies site in North Byron Plaza, Jonson Street, Byron Bay from 16 till 28 November 10am-4pm.

## **First Fleeters**

The Northern Rivers Chapter of the Fellowship of First Fleeters will meet on Sunday, 22 November from 11.15am at the Cherry Street Sports Club in Ballina. This will be our Christmas get together. All are very welcome. Contact Roddy Jordan on 6687 5339 or email: hollysbuddy1@bigpond.com to attend.

# **BV VIEW Club**

Brunswick Valley VIEW Club will meet on Thursday, 12 November at 10.30am for luncheon at Billinudgel Hotel, Numbers are limited so please book with Wenda on 0449 563 580 or email wihunt@yahoo.com.au no later than the Monday before. The VIEW club supports seven disadvantaged students in The Smith Family's Learning for Life program. Members have recently supplied Ocean Shores Public School and Brunswick Heads Public School with 80 colourful library bags made by the members. Info: president Margaret Alderton 0429 966 894

# **Mullumbimby CWA**

Mullumbimby Country Women's Association (CWA) next branch meeting is at 10am on Wednesday, 11 November at the CWA rooms (on the corner of Tincogan and Gordon Streets). New members are very welcome. More information: 0427 847 282.

# Suffolk Park AGM

The Suffolk Park Progress Association will be holding its Annual General Meeting on Monday, 23 November at 7pm at the Suffolk Park Community Hall. COVID Safe measures will be in place, and numbers will be limited. For enquiries email: sppa.secretary@gmail.com.

## Technology help 65+

Ballina Shire Meals on Wheels are running technology help sessions for over 65s on Tuesday mornings. A volunteer works one-on-one to assist seniors to learn how to better use their devices - mobile phones, tablets and laptops. These 25min sessions are free of charge, but we would appreciate any donations for the service provided. Bookings are essential. To make a booking, or for information contact Kristen on 0419 679 719. We follow COVID Safe

# **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.

# **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.

# **Byron Community** Centre

**Ross Kendall** 

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 322 064 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

# Croquet is on

Byron Bay Croquet Club has resumed play with COVID-19 awareness. Play days are Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday, or by arrangement Enquiries from new players welcome Free lessons. Call Max for more information 0431 906 536. Pottsville Fun Croquet Club has resumed at The Black Rocks Sports Fields (end of Overall Drive) Pottsville. We commence play at 8.30am, Tuesday and Thursday. Please arrive 15 minutes before play starts. or information ring our Club Captains Pat on 0427976436 or Jean on 0431606376

## 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

# Tax Help

Tax Help is now running at the Byron Community Centre every Friday from 1pm. Please phone through to reception on 6685 6807 with your contact details to make an

# 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.

# 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. Call in for a cuppa and browse the home cooking, plants, books, glassware, and more. Info: Jenny 0427 847 282.

# Yoga and meditation

A free yoga and meditation day, for volunteers in the Byron Shire, is offered on Thursday 29 October, at Byron Community Centre, 9am till 4pm.

# Free guided relaxation

Free lunch-time Yoga Nidra community class at Brunswick Heads, every Thursday 12.30-1pm (Wheel of Life Studio). A guided deep relaxation practice done from a supine position referred to as a 'yogic sleep'. No experience required, just turn up. Contact Matt on 0430 008 293 or hello@sravan.com.au.

# **Mullum Magic Toastmasters**

Practice public speaking and develop leadership skills in a fun, supportive environment, at the Mullum Magic Toastmasters Club. New members and guests heartily welcomed. Held every 2nd, 4th and 5th Monday, from 7 till 9pm at the Mullumbimby Civic Hall, 55 Dalley Street Mullumbimby. Contact Ashni on 0439 843 657 for more information, or just turn up.

# **End-of-life choices**

Voluntary euthanasia options are discussed at quarterly meetings at the Robina Community Centre. Attendees must be Exit members. More information on www. exitinternational.net or phone Catherine 0435 228 443.

# **Mungo's Crossword** N360

## **Cryptic Clues ACROSS**

- 1. Progressive? Balls! A discarded
- 5. Territory runner a bullet, perhaps (6) 10. Excited Pat scorns rivals at school
- competitions (6,9) 11. Directions: dog needs a bit of guts! (7)
- 12. Perfect score with a bit missing but it could hang on! (7)
- 13. Firm agreement, time to take possession of a settlement north of
- 15. Drugs for idiots (5)
- 18. Finally, Richard Wagner provides a
- song (5) 20. Urgent ironing (8)
- 23. Plot aliens, objects in space (7)
- 25. Amin held in trial that's as neat as
- 26. Corrupt plan, bits working for trains
- 27. River amphibian but a cad (6) 28. Tape deck for the little Mama in The

# Mamas and Papas? (8)

# DOWN

- 1. Lift traps the Italian pay attention!
- 2. Principal access D (5,4)
- 3. Unpopular sponsor for the far west (7) 4 Do better than the others – the
- Romans said 40! (5) 6. Ruled and fell from the clouds, they
- say (7) 7. Tea and industrial relations for the
- man running the meeting (5) 8. Fidgety? Be more lively! (8)
- 9. Imposture before time! (8)
- 14. Italian river up and down situation
- contrary (8) 16. Quiet specialist, irrational fee for the birthday of the church (9)
- 17. Rag below covering for tent it traps pests! (8) 19. Credit for English sin – it's only a
- crack! (7) 21. Unhappy winners – they're perverts
- 22. Work of art produces a turn in the nation (6)
- 24. Range of morning drill (5)
- 25. Moss covers one jewelled headdress

## **Quick Clues ACROSS**

- 1. Remnant, discard (8) 5. Tracker, searcher (6)
- 10. Combined games event, usually for children (6,9)
- 11. Part of intestine (7) 12. Feeler, tentacle (7)
- 13. Town in far north Queensland (8)
- 15. Fools, patsies (5)
- 18. Poem or song (5) 20. Urgent, immediate (8)
- 23. Satellites of stars (7) 25. Neatest, best organised (7)
- 26. Government-provided means of getting people around (7,8)
- 27. Scoundrel, cad (6)
- 28. Package for tape recording (8)

1. Hear, pay attention (6)

- 2. Main entrance of a residence (5,4)
- The Australian bush, usually (7)
- 4. Be better, overtake (5) Ruled, usually over a nation (7)
- 7. Furniture to sit on (5)
- 8. Uneasy, fidgety (8)
- 9. Imposture, excuse (8)
- 14. In the other direction, contradictory (8) 16. Festival of the descent of the Holy
- Spirit (9) 17. Adhesive material used to trap
- insects (8) 19. Crack, minor breakage (7)
- 21. Perverts who enjoy inflicting pain on others (7)
- 22. Sculptor's portrait (6)
- 24. Range, scope (5) 25. Ceremonial headband (5)

Last week's solution N359



# First woman awarded life membership at Bruns Bowling Club

Lennox Head third XI celebrates centuries

Terry came to the crease with the

Asser (6), before he was joined by John. The pair took the score from 5/193 to

visitors on 4/180 and partnered with R

5/298. In reply, the Ballina Bears were

John topped off a good day with

The win puts Lennox Head on top of

bowling figures of 1/4 off one over.

the table with Tintenbar East Ballina

bowled out for 121.

and Bangalow.

Lorraine 'Blossom' McCormick is the first woman in the long history of the Brunswick Heads Bowling Club to receive the honour of being granted a life membership.

The Lennox Head Pirates had a good win

against Ballina in the third grade after

Terry Rose made an unbeaten 140 that

included a one hundred run partnership

with John Armstrong, who was playing

The milestones were reached on

Saturday at Saunders Oval in Ballina

where the Pirates batted first.

in his 100th grade game for the club.

To get this award at a club with a 65-year history was definitely a 'double honour', Blossom said.

'I just love my club', she said. Recently she has been the COVID-19 registrar for the club, working six days and three nights a week to keep

of the iceberg.

everybody safe, but this is only the tip

Over her 20 year association with the Club, Blossom worked as a secretary for eight years, helped organise scheduling and rosters, as well as playing social and competitive bowls.

Blossom was introduced to the Club 20 years ago when a friend invited her down from her home in Tyalgum for mufti bowls. 'I just loved it,' she said.

It is not the first time her efforts have been recognised; sixteen years ago the district president awarded her a merit badge and 'That was quite a shock', she said.



John (L) and Terry after their big

innings for the Pirates. Photo supplied

Club President, John Foster, and Ladies Bowls President, Kerry Dexter (L), presenting Blossom (R) with a bouquet while Richard Carbines (F) takes the minutes. Photo supplied







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Music is back, baby! The federal government may not care much for the arts, but at least the NSW government has feigned an interest. It's partnered with industry to apply a defibrillator to the sector, and has called the resuscitation 'Great Southern Nights'. Byron Youth Service (BYS) are hosting two free live music events at the Byron Youth Activity Centre. On Saturday November 21, The Buckleys, Tahlia Matheson, Ollie Twohill and Hunnybee will perform, and on Sunday November 22, Jack Botts, Jake Harpaz, Georgia Cummins and Remedi will perform. To book your ticket, go to www.bys.org.au/projects.

When residents need to raise legal funds via GoFundMe to protect their amenity and reject large inappropriate developments, it probably is a sign that the local elected body that is supposed to represent residents, aka Council, is not doing its job. As a resident says, 'If a boarding house can be built in the middle of a family focussed housing estate such as Bayside, it can happen anywhere in the Shire'. See the latest facing Bruns residents on page 5.

Indian coal mining giant Adani have renamed their Australian operations 'Bravus', which sounds brave, unless you look at the Latin meaning of the word, which translates to 'crooked', 'deformed', and 'mercenary or assassin'. It's almost as clumsy and entertaining as the 45th US president booking – by mistake – the Four Seasons Total Landscaping parking lot in Philadelphia for a final press conference.



Nimbin is booming, like everywhere else on the north coast. Lismore City Council have released a Nimbin Development Control Review, saying, 'The village of Nimbin experienced very little development activity from the 1990s to the early 2010s, but in recent years, has seen a significant increase in applications and new development. Since 2015, Council has approved 129 development applications in and close to Nimbin village. Of those approximately 50 were for new dwellings'. Visit www.lismore.nsw.gov.au for more information.

At the October 13 Mullum Chamber of Commerce meeting, it was announced the Shire has three new police officers, one each in Mullum, Bruns and Bangalow. Sgt Paul Thierjung told the meeting crime has dropped since COVID-19 border restrictions were enforced, says Sgt Thierjung. 'It is speculated that a number of suspects came from the NSW/QLD border'.

Local Nationals MLC Ben Franklin, who pretends to be the elected MP for the area, says he will vote for an atrocious bill to further the extinction of koalas this week. Another local MLC, Catherine Cusack (Liberal) is also likely to toe the party line without

much thought. The bill is a result of inside political horse trading between a handful of grifting hack MPs, and as the elected MP Tamara Smith (Greens) points out, it is a law without scientific or academic support. See page 6.

Bangalow Chamber of Commerce will hold its Annual General Meeting (AGM) November 25 from 5.30pm at the Bangalow Men's Shed. For more infomation, visit

www.bangalowvillage.com.

The elderly owner of valuables that were stolen from a property at the end of Coolamon Scenic Drive, near Ocean Shores, is seeking their return. Anyone with information about the missing items, which include a gold funeral jewellery chain, can contact The Echo.

There's endless corruption claims and disgraceful behaviour billowing from the coal-fired smoke stacks within the Morrison government. The latest finds Attorney-General Christian Porter at the pointy end of Four Corners allegations. Other ministers who should have been sacked for their incompetence and/or greed include Stuart Robert, Angus Taylor, Alan Tudge and of course, Peter Dutton.





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