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Who ate the democracy sausage?

While Lucia is pretty invested in the outcome of the local government election, Bella the puppy is more concerned with the trimmings.
Photo Jeff 'Silly Sausage' Dawson

While the final tally is still unknown until preferences and below-the-line votes are finalised, one thing is certain: the next Byron Shire Council will not be led by incumbent mayor Michael Lyon. Both Greens candidate Sarah Ndiaye and Labor's Asren Pugh are in the running, with Cr Ndiaye slightly ahead, at 34.66 per cent and 30.35 per cent respectively. Newcomer David Warth (independent) attracted 17.67 per cent of the mayoral vote to date, and Cr Lyon is last at 17.32 per cent. According to tr.elections.nsw.gov.au, there were 791 'informal/other' mayoral votes.

As for councillor votes, The Greens are currently ahead at 38.10 per cent to Labor's 27.71 per cent. Warth's independent councillor ticket of Compass Shire Byron has attracted similar numbers to Cr Lyon's ticket, at 11.86 per cent and 11.46 per cent respectively. The independent ticket of Jack Dods (Bright Future Byron) is sitting at 9.78 per cent and independent ungrouped candidate, Lucy Vader, is at 1.09 per cent. The NSW Electoral Commission (EC) said in a statement on Monday that with the initial count process, 'several types of votes are allocated to the "informal/other" category... For example, some candidates'

formal, below-the-line votes are included... During the check count, these votes will be reviewed and, if formal, moved out of the "informal/other" group and included in the formal count numbers'. As such, the EC says informal figures, 'will not be clear until much later in the vote count process'.
Final result in October
Results will be declared between October 1 and 3, says the EC. Given there are 4,454 'informal/other' first preference votes for Byron Shire councillors, some of those votes will shape who sits on the next Council. Both Greens and Labor party

candidates are guaranteed a return to a seat on Council with unknown numbers, with the possibility of Warth, Cr Lyon and even Dods scraping in as independents. Cr Lyon and Cr Ndiaye were both elected as Greens councillors eight years ago, but Cr Lyon quit the party and ran as an independent, and was elected mayor in 2021. While his 2024 campaign tried to present a centrist position, his ticket included Rhett Holt, the former running mate of retiring conservative councillor, Alan Hunter. Hunter actively supported Cr Lyon's re-election. Cr Lyon's campaign was also plagued by DV accusations, which he denies.

More illegal camping enforcement on the cards

Paul Bibby

For years the beachside streets of Ocean Shores, South Golden Beach and New Brighton have been a haven for van campers looking to park up for the night.

With signs prohibiting overnight parking virtually non-existent in the northern towns, the four-wheeled wanderers have been on easy street.

But it seems all that is about to change. Last week, Byron Council's traffic committee voted unanimously to install 19 'no parking area 1-6am' signs in some of the most popular parking spots.

The areas to get signage include Park Street and the Esplanade in New Brighton, Pacific Esplanade and Helen Street in South Golden Beach, and Shara Boulevard, Ocean Shores. Assuming the incoming councillors provide final sign-off on the plan, the signs are set to be installed in time for the annual van influx over summer. While the van folk are unlikely to be impressed, local house dwellers may be breathing a sigh of relief.

Regular complaints

Council staff say they receive regular complaints from northern shire residents about the practice during the warmer months.

'At the northern end of the shire, illegal camping enforcement is practically non-existent owing to lack of signage,' Council staff said in their report to last week's meeting.

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Geoff Cousens to speak of koalas' plight at luncheon

Paul Bibby

Can you imagine life in the Northern Rivers without koalas?

With the iconic marsupials facing the triple threat of development, disease, and dozy drivers, this is a very real possibility.

Last week saw another vehicle strike on Broken Head Road, the latest in a series of incidents stretching back years.

Fortunately, unlike the death of local koala Moji two weeks earlier, this time the animal survived.

But Friends of the Koala say there is a desperate need for greater awareness in the community, not only to prevent such accidents

occurring, but to fight the even more serious threat of koala habitat destruction.

It is with this in mind that the local charity will hold its Save the Koala Day Luncheon at Crystalbrook Resort next Friday (September 27).

The event will also raise much needed funds for Friends of the Koala and its dedicated koala hospital, the only operation of its kind in the Northern Rivers.

The charity must raise \$500,000 per year to keep the hospital's doors open so that it can continue to rescue and treat over 350 koalas each year.

'Many locals have expressed that, despite living in the Shire for decades, they have never seen a

koala,' Christine Ahearn from Friends of the Koala said.

'This lack of sighting is not owing to the absence of koalas, but rather a lack of awareness about their presence and the threats they face.

Save the Koala Day

'The Save the Koala Day Luncheon aims to do something about that.'

The luncheon is a chance to meet some of the volunteers from Friends of the Koala and to hear from one of the organisation's vets about koalas in the Northern Rivers.

The meeting will also feature a special guest speaker – business leader-turned environmental campaigner,

Geoff Cousens AM.

As an environmental activist, Mr Cousens is best known for his contributions to successful campaigns to stop the Gunns pulp mill in Tasmania, and the proposed Woodside gas hub in the Kimberley.

Currently, he is pushing to halt logging in what is to become the Great Koala National Park on the NSW Mid North Coast.

His speech at the luncheon promises to be a clarion call for action to protect koalas in the Northern Rivers and beyond.

The lunch will take place from midday to 2pm on September 27. Tickets are available for purchase at friendsofthekoala.org/save-the-koala-day-lunch/.

Efforts to clean Baywood Chase Lake underway



Baywood Chase Lake Photo Alex Brawn.

A Baywood Chase Lake and Tallow Creek clean-up is being organised by former councillor Cate Coorey, with an information night planned for Thursday, September 26, from 6.30pm at the Byron Bay Services Club.

She told *The Echo*, 'From Baywood Chase through Suffolk Park, the catchment area of Tallow Creek is impacted by pollutants, which have a negative impact on the creek. Tallow Creek is an ICOLL – an Intermittently Closing and Opening Lake Lagoon, which makes it a unique place, but it is under a lot of pressure.'

'The Byron Coastal and ICOLL Centre (BCIC), is commencing a project to involve our local community to do some science detective work in the Tallow catchment area – all the way up to Baywood Chase – and find ways to clean it up.'

'Working with Alex Brawn, a Masters student from UTS School of Landscape Architecture, we will start by looking at what is going on with Tallow Creek using the latest in digital imagery,' says Cate Coorey, who is also president of BCIC.

'Alex's presentation will show where the problems are and we can take this knowledge out on country,

gathering real-life information and begin to improve water health upstream from Tallow Creek.

'We will invite people to join us in finding ways to help revive the creek to how it might have been when the Arakwal were the only inhabitants of the area.'

'Starting with a community information session, we will introduce everyone to Tallow Creek and everything that is affecting it, most of that being human activity.'

'One key area of interest is Baywood Chase Lake; in high flow times, water makes its way through drainage channels and ends up in Tallow Creek.'

'The Lake has very poor water quality and is a source of pollution that we need to address.'

Citizen scientists

'We hope that interested locals will get on board. We will train them to identify problems and use digital meters to assess water quality, particularly in these upstream areas from where pollutants are making their way into the catchment.'

'After the introductory session we want to get started, and we'll plan some days getting out there and being citizen scientists,' she added.

Northern Rivers community resilience efforts recognised

Healthy North Coast's 'Community Wellbeing and Resilience Program' has been recognised for its efforts in building community health and wellbeing resilience in the face of increasing climate disasters, winning the Resilient Australia Mental Health and Wellbeing Award for NSW.

Healthy North Coast's entry, titled 'Climate Ready North Coast: Elevating the community service sector', showcases the work being done, which resources community-led, place-based initiatives that support better health and wellbeing

through disaster recovery, and future challenges.

Monika Wheeler, CEO of Healthy North Coast, said, 'Northern NSW is one of the highest disaster declared regions in the country for frequency and severity across all three measures of fire, flood and storm. Together with South-East Queensland, our North Coast region has been labelled a disaster "hotspot".'

'For this reason, a connected, engaged and vibrant community who support each other in times of need is so important,' Ms Wheeler said.

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Remembering Tony's big heart and vision



Scores of 'old' friends and admirers of Tony Narracott gathered to reminisce at the Byron Golf Club last week, 17 years after Tony's 'Living Wake'. Barry Wallace, John Bennett, Tony's wife Barbara, his son Andrew, Peter Noble, along with Paul and Karen McCarthy, spoke lovingly of the larger-than-life cheeky character that was Tony Narracott. Tony brought many new members to the Byron Bay Chamber of Commerce, and was the first to bequeath to the Northern Rivers Community Foundation (NRCF), a philanthropic organisation that supports local not-for-profit and grassroots organisations who are tackling challenging social and environmental problems. Photo Jeff 'Grass Roots' Dawson

Mullum High cooks up for vulnerable

Last week, 60 Mullum High students received certificates of recognition for their contribution to the frozen meal program at the Mullumbimby Neighbourhood Centre (MNC). Sylvia Amoding from the centre told *The Echo*

the students cooked over 300 home-cooked meals, which will feed those who live alone, are unwell or are rough sleepers. 'It's a tremendous contribution', Sylvia said, 'And we offer our gratitude and thanks.'

More illegal camping enforcement?

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 'Because of this, these areas do not get patrolled often unless Council receives complaints.'
 Staff said that, with parking restrictions increasing in Brunswick Heads as parking meters come into force, the

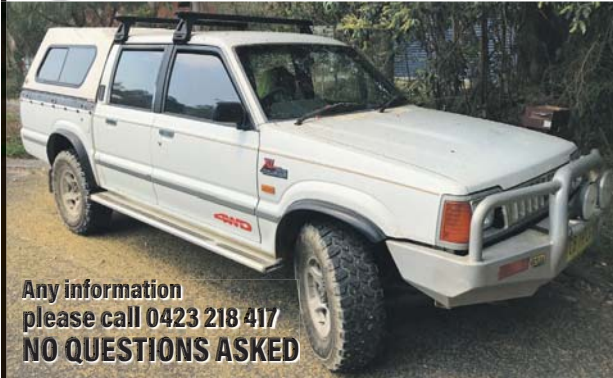
quieter areas will become even more popular with campers.
 No mention was made of the fact that a significant proportion of those living in vans in the shire are homeless locals rather than freeloading visitors.

Music festivals thrown a lifeline

New regulatory and financial support for music festivals struggling under the pressure of increasing costs has been announced by the NSW Labor government.
 The statement says a review of the *NSW Music Festivals Act 2019* found the 'regulatory framework would benefit from a closer focus on harm reduction, industry sustainability, and ensuring costs for festivals in NSW are at a level comparable to other states'.
 From the new Contemporary Music Festival Viability Fund, the government

says, 'music festivals across NSW will receive two years of emergency funding assistance, with an initial \$3 million allocated, and benefit from sector-wide reforms as they weather headwinds that have led to numerous cancelled events'.
 Amendments to the *NSW Music Festivals Act 2019* will be introduced to parliament, says the media release, and includes, 'Decisions on costs and conditions will now be able to be appealed internally within agencies... if a festival's economic viability is under threat.'

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Women's Giving Circle pitches receive funding

Aslan Shand

Last Thursday saw three amazing women get up on stage and pitch three incredibly worthwhile projects to a packed audience at the Brunswick Picture House.

The three projects were selected from 19 submissions to the Northern Rivers Community Foundation's (NRCF) Women's Giving Circle (WGC).

'This is the third year that we have run the WGC grants program,' explained Amy Colli, as she introduced the program.

'Our aim for the WGC was to reach 100 women giving this year, and we have reached 127.'

Each woman who joins the WGC donates \$1,000 a year towards the program that uses part of the money to support grass roots women's programs and initiatives across the Northern Rivers and the other part goes into an in-perpetuity fund to support future programs.

DV focus

All three women spoke to programs that supported women and girls who had been victims of sexual



Crystal Whitney from Women Up North, pitch winner Jen Parke from Human Nature Adventure Therapy, and Haus of Armour's Kate Jackson. Photo supplied

lifetime,' explained Crystal.

'The important thing is that when women fight back, 68 per cent avoid rape, and 81 per cent will avoid a violent situation if they fight back or run.

'This program is about empowering women and girls via a self-defence facilitator. It is based on the five principles of: think, yell, run, fight and talk. It is not just physical defence, but also looks at how to set boundaries and say no.'

Empowering change

The final presentation was from Human Nature adventure therapist, Jen Parke.

Her EmpowerHER program works with young women who have experienced sexual assault and violence in outside active settings, including surfing and adventure camps.

'What we know is there is a huge surge in young women who have experienced abuse. We have contacted people who had done this course to ask them what worked and what didn't and we have transformed our service based on their feedback,' explained Jen.

assault and domestic violence (DV).

Haus of Armour

Kate Jackson pitched for support for her project, Haus of Armour, which provides a free one-on-one styling service to women who have experienced DV.

'One in four women in Australia will experience DV and this erodes women's self-worth, impacts health and wellbeing and impacts children,' explained Kate.

'In the last year in the Northern Rivers, there were 1,349 DV assaults reported to the police.

'Clothes are a form of armour and at the Haus of Armour we use fashion to help a woman rebuild her self-worth, her confidence and dignity.'

Women Up North

The second pitch was from Crystal Whitney, from Women Up North, and looks at empowering women and girls through self-defence.

'One in three women will experience physical violence before the age of 15, one in five will be sexually assaulted, and one in four will experience intimate partner violence during their

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Climate scientist gives presentation

Renowned climate scientist, Dr Joelle Gergis, will give a presentation, 'Highway to Hell: Are We Stuck in a Climate Action Cul-de-sac?' on October 23 from 6pm at the Brunswick Picture House.

Dr Gergis asks, 'How many disasters does it take to wake people up to the fact that Australia's climate is becoming more extreme, with today's destruction set to be dwarfed by things to come?'

Following her speech, a panel will discuss practical solutions.

For more info visit brunswickpicturehouse.com.



Students on canvas

As part of the refurbishment of Mullum High facilities after the 2022 floods, students held their Creative and Performing Arts showcase last Wednesday. Pictured is April McGauley, with her Year 12 major work, *On Their Shoulders, We Stand*. Photo Jeff 'Canvassed Since 1986' Dawson.

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Local firefighters call on public to prepare for fire season

With the bush-fire season approaching, the Billinudgel/Ocean Shores Rural Fire Service is offering to work with local residents and landowners to be aware of bushfire risk and take steps to protect their families, homes and properties.

Senior Deputy Captain, Murray Drechsler, told *The Echo*, 'While our region has recently had rain, prolific vegetation growth is a major

concern, because it can become a source of fuel for fires. Early fires, this year, across the state make us aware the bushfire season will soon be here.'

'As part of the NSW Rural Fire Service's Get Ready Weekend, we are hosting two local events. On Saturday, September 21, we will be at the Ocean Shores Shopping Centre, between 9am and 3pm, and on Sunday, September 22, we will open up

the Billinudgel Fire Station, between 10am and 2pm.

'At both events we will have a lot of information and resources to help you plan ahead for the upcoming fire season. Our team will be there to answer questions and help you think through your individual situation.'

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Laurie's winning orchid

Laurie Mills is pictured with his award-winning Spider Orchid, one of Laurie's many successful orchids at this year's Byron Orchid Show, held at the Mullum Ex-Services Club last weekend. Photo Jeff 'Out Of This World' Dawson

New inclusive art program for young peeps

Calling all creative young people: the Byron Youth Service (BYS) has just announced the launch of 'Art Access', a brand new free and inclusive art initiative.

Organisers say the program features workshops, exhibitions and fun events at the Byron Youth Activity Centre (YAC).

Art Access project manager, Rosalie Bryant, says, 'The first workshop series of the program called 'Glimmer

Lab' kicks off on September 25, and is especially designed for young people aged 16 to 22'.

'Through hands-on art-making, Glimmer Lab will provide a safe space where participants can explore their artistic talents, share ideas, and connect with peers in a supportive and welcoming environment.

'What makes Art Access stand out from other art projects is its focus on

inclusivity. The workshops have been co-designed by young people who identify as neurodivergent, LGBTIQ+ (or curious), those who have faced barriers to joining community activities in the past and their supportive friends'.

BYS invites young people who are eager to explore their creativity in a safe and encouraging space. To find out visit www.bys.org.au/youth-culture, or contact Karma Barnes at karma@bys.org.au.

Home-grown tucker on the table



Students from local schools recently took part in the Lunch Box Challenge, which was held at the Mullum Farmers Market. The challenge? To grow your own lunch, of course! Pictured are Rotem from Ocean Shores Public, Salvia from Upper Main Arm, Mabel from Goonengerry, Romy from Shearwater, Ruby from Wilsons Creek, Obi from The Pocket and Ishwari from Mullumbimby Public. Photo Jeff 'Lydia Lunchbox' Dawson

Free men's health check in Byron Bay

The Rotary Club of Byron Bay will be offering local men a free quick five- or ten-minute health check, with the aim of saving lives and avoiding preventable death.

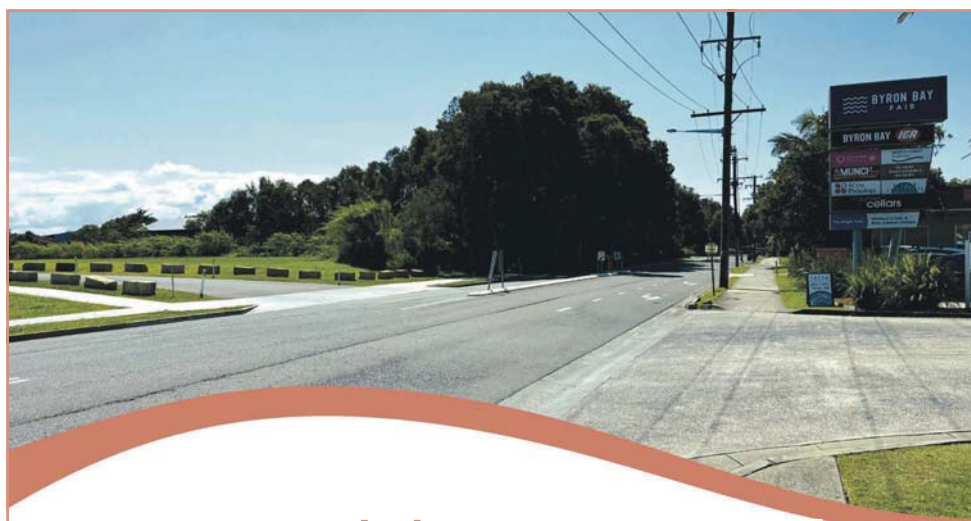
The club say, 'Each year, 41,000 Australian men die of heart disease, with many

of these deaths completely preventable. The problem is men, especially those living in regional Australia, are notorious for being completely in the dark about the state of their health'.

The Men's Health Education Rural Van (MHERV) will

be in Byron Bay on September 25 and 26, from 9.30am to 4.15pm at Byron Bay RSL car park, 132 Jonson Street. No appointment is needed and it's free.

Further information is available at www.mherv.com.au



New roundabout on Bayshore Drive coming soon

We're building a new roundabout at the intersection of the access road for the New Byron TAFE and the Byron Bay Fair (IGA Complex) on Bayshore Drive in the Byron Arts & Industry Estate.

Work is due to start at the end of September and will take around five months to complete.

Two lanes open to traffic during works

We're building a temporary slip lane so that two lanes will be open to traffic.

Traffic management will be in place to ease congestion and keep things moving.

It's business as usual at Byron Bay Fair (IGA complex) – support the local businesses!

All shops and businesses in Sunrise will all be open as usual including Byron Bay Fair (IGA complex), Habitat and North Byron Hotel.

More information

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Sales in Byron Shire

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Police investigating Banora Point fire

Emergency services were reportedly called to Gumnut Grove in Banora Point around 2.45pm on Friday, 6 September, in response to a fire that ended up destroying two garages and a vehicle.

Get out and choose to reuse on Saturday

On Saturday, 21 September you can get out and about and find those special bargains that are just what you've been looking for.

Pedestrian killed after being hit by car – Lismore

About 5pm on Wednesday, 11 September, emergency services were called to the Bruxner Highway, East Lismore, following reports a pedestrian had been hit by a trailer.

Wiradjuri artist wins 2024 Wollumbin Art Award

A painting paying tribute to traditional First Nations weaving, 'Weaving by the River', by Tweed-based Wiradjuri artist Hannah Lange has won the top prize in the 2024 Wollumbin Art Award.

Low-income households are in housing stress, says NCOSS

A new report by peak social services body, NSW Council of Social Service (NCOSS), has revealed nearly two-thirds (64 per cent) of NSW residents in low-income households surveyed are in housing stress, owing to cost-of-living pressures.

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Action on dangerous zombie DAs?

Aslan Shand

'The 2022 floods in South East Queensland and NSW are the costliest natural disaster for insurance costs in Australian history. As of June 2023, the ICA (Insurance Council of Australia) estimates the February-March 2022 floods in South East Queensland and NSW have caused \$5.87 billion in insured damages,' according to the Australian Treasury. And that doesn't include all those who were uninsured or the \$5 billion that modelling showed the 2022 floods cost the economy.

So why are we continuing to allow developers to build on floodplains using development applications (DAs) that are ten or 20 years old and we know will cause significant future costs to our communities and governments? Costs

that will be in the billions of dollars and that ultimately we are paying for via our taxes and rates.

This was the question under discussion in Brunswick Heads on September 5 at a round table discussion of historical development consents in NSW – aka 'zombie' developments.

Zombie developments

A key part of the discussion is how to deal with legacy, or zombie developments on flooding, fire, and the environment. These are DAs that have been approved but not developed. They can be developed under the original DA and don't have to take into account current legislation or impacts like the heights of the 2022 floods.

'This scourge on coastal communities along the entire NSW coast, has been very well documented,' Kingscliff Ratepayers and Progress Association (KRPA) explained in a submission to the inquiry.

'Kingscliff and other areas of the North Coast remain under threat from these historical approvals on the floodplain and in ecologically sensitive areas. The financial cost of recovery to communities and governments is eye watering,' said KRPA president Peter Newton.

Don't use it, lose it

Stricter regulations around how long a DA can remain active were also put forward by President of the Evans Head Residents for Sustainable Development Incorporated (EHRSDI), Richard Gates, who said that 'fixed use-by dates



Is it time to put a freeze on all zombie DAs? Photo Jeff Dawson

for commencement and completion of DAs' need to be implemented.'

Ecological impacts

The impact of a 20-year-old DA in Tringa Street, Tweed that was bought and then activated by a developer highlighted how little councils can do to respond to zombie DAs that would never be approved today. Tweed Council had no mechanism to require the developer to bring the DA up

to current standards or take into account 2022 flood data.

'Regional consequences for biodiversity loss and potential flood and fire impacts were raised and a united appeal for buy-backs and contemporary assessments of the sites' current value and risks,' said former MP and Byron Shire Mayor Jan Barham who attended the roundtable.

■ Read full story in *The Echo* online: www.echo.net.au.

Cadwallader reclaims Ballina

Sharon Cadwallader is poised to take on her second term as Ballina Shire mayor.

Ms Cadwallader won 50 per cent of first preference mayoral votes in the Ballina Shire. The incumbent mayor reportedly claimed victory in a gathering at the Lennox Surf Club after polling booths closed on Saturday night. Her closest competitor was Kiri Dicker for The Greens with more than 21 per cent.

This year there were nearly 3,000 more registered voters in the Ballina Shire than in 2021.

Councillor positions are decided per ward in Ballina with three representatives per ward.

Ward A

Cadwallader's running mate Damien Loone is in first position with 24 per cent of the vote followed by Greens Erin Karsten at 15 per cent and Phil Meehan at 14 per cent.

Ward B

Incumbents Ms Cadwallader and Ms Dicker are leading in Ward B with 40 and 26 per cent of the vote respectively. They are then followed by Labor's Andrew Broadly on 10 per cent and former Cadwallader team mate Eva Ramsey on nine per cent of the vote. As Cadwallader will be mayor, preferences will decide the final make up of the representatives.

Ward C

Greens Cr Simon Chate (33 per cent) and Independent Simon Kinny (29 per cent) for the Cadwallader team lead the pack in Ward C. Therese Crollick is in third position with 16 per cent and Shona Barrett with 13 per cent.

Preferences will decide the final make up of the Ballina Council following the deadline for postal votes on September 27.

Future of new Tweed Council hanging in balance

Mia Armitage

First preferences for the new Tweed Shire Council looked likely to lean towards progressives rather than conservatives.

But questions remained over how preferences might determine the final balance in the seven-seat chamber responsible for the largest local government area, in

terms of voters and budget, on the Northern Rivers.

Counting shows the Liberals with the most first preferences at 29 per cent, followed by Labor at 15 per cent, incumbent Independent Mayor Chris Cherry's group is at 14 per cent, Greens at almost 12 per cent followed by the Nationals' God-abiding candidate Kimberly Hone at 11 per cent.

Independent and sitting councillor Meredith Dennis is next with 6.49 per cent of the vote followed by newcomers Brady Turner (4.42%) and Colin Usher (4.19%). The final preferences will decide the final seat for the Tweed Council.

There is no mayoral election in the Tweed Shire as elected councillors choose the mayor.

Ekins bows out of Lismore as Krieg returns

Eve Jeffery

Though counting will continue this week, at the time of writing Mayor Steve Krieg will retain his position on Lismore Council but with a reduced back-up band.

Voting saw Krieg returned for a second bite of the mayoral apple and former councillor, Greens Vanessa Ekins, bowing out gracefully

from Lismore politics after 20 years.

Adam Guise and Virginia Waters will take the Greens seats on Council and Harper Dalton and Jasmine Knight-Smith will take seats for Labor. Current Cr Big Rob appears to have retained his position.

Though counting may not be completed for another week or more, until postal

voting closes on September 27, it is not expected that much will change beyond Saturday evening's count, with quotas deciding the final seats and the possibility of Andrew Bing returning to join Krieg, Jeri Hall, Andrew Gordon and Electra Jensen as a possible 'five-pack'.

Depending on preferences, Luke Robinson may also join the Greens.

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Main Arm gathers for jazz and pizza

Local trumpet player/singer Harry Angus and his band again entertained a full house at Kohinur Hall, Upper Main Arm, last Sunday.

It followed another packed recent event and other community activities that have been hosted by Main Arm Disaster Recovery Inc (MADR) and supported by the Northern Rivers Community Foundation (NRCF) and Mullum SEED (Mullum Sustainability Education and Enterprise Development).

MADR vice-president, Wendy Brown, told *The Echo* that over 1,000 people had benefitted from this significant opportunity from the NRCF.

'There's been a real mix of activities to bring the community together, to build skills, to entertain



From left, Hans Lovejoy jumped up to briefly fill the shoes of double bassist Brett Canning at Sunday's Jazz Family gig at Kohinur Hall. Harry Angus, centre, led the band, which included Martha Baartz on sax. Photo Paula Lovejoy

and to share stories. Our community from across the valley has responded and got involved,' Ms Brown said.

A highlight from Sunday was the performance by the Valley Choir which is led by Emily Lubitz.

It was also formed as part of the Main Arm Valley initiative to bring the community together. Ms Brown added, 'We will be holding about 20 events this year, and engaging about 1,000 people from the Main Arm community.'

New youth theatre production hits the stage

A new youth theatre production is in its final rehearsal stages and about to take to the stage for two shows only on Wednesday, September 25, at the newly renovated Mullum Drill Hall Theatre.

Director Sally Davis, from Byron Youth Theatre, and the junior ensemble, aged 13 to 17 years, will bring *This Girl Laughs, This Girl Cries and This Girl Does Nothing* by Finegan Kruckemeyer to the stage.

Sally says, 'This modern-day fairy tale was written by one of Australia's esteemed playwrights for young audiences, and revolves around three young sisters who are left in a forest by their woodcutter father and forced to find their unique way in the world.'



Director Sally Davis says teenagers from Byron Youth Theatre have been involved in the entire production, from set design, direction, staging, costume creation and prop design. Photo supplied

'From a classical beginning, three resolutions are made – one sister walks one way to find purpose, one the other to find adventure, and the third stays right where she is to

create a home. The three sisters traverse the globe in their unique ways to find themselves and heal.'

Tickets for the 6pm and 8pm shows are available from www.trybooking.com/CVGBL.



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Guess who I am talking about

I like quiz shows. Especially *Hard Quiz* on ABC, because Tom Gleeson is brutally funny, and the banter is excellent and the participants are as quirky as the new Byron Council.

I particularly like 'Who Am I?' at trivia nights, where there are obscure facts about a person that put you off guard, and then some more common ones until it becomes easier to recognise them but you are left wondering whether the first ones were true.

Like 'My father has a frog named after him' and 'I run a muesli company' (our new mayor?)

Like 'I was the only one of seven siblings to survive' and 'I ate sweets laced with cyanide but it did not kill me' (Rasputin).

So, in the spirit of 'Who Am I?', let's begin:

My lineage commences in 1916 with the initials FCN.

I changed my last name in 2016, but kept the initials FCN.

Struggles to make a profit

My mission is the supply of timber on a commercial basis, but despite free access to state resources, I have struggled to make a profit.

I am a criminal, and I continue to engage in criminal activity, but I cannot be sent to prison.

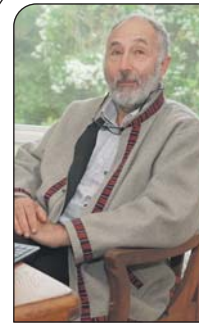
Multiple convictions

I have been convicted on over 14 occasions, and fined hundreds of thousands of dollars over many years, but this has not stopped my offending.

I have committed offences of vandalism on an epic level with illicit and serious destruction of the native environment my speciality.

I have likely committed many offences for which I have never been prosecuted, because I work in remote areas and habitually hide my operations behind no-go zones.

Most recently, I was fined \$360,000 for criminal damage after destroying 53 mature native trees in bushfire-damaged country that were canopy and habitat for endangered wildlife.



'I manage two million hectares of land, and the government gave me \$247 million over the last five years. Sadly, notwithstanding this multi-party largesse, my businesses lost \$28 million last year.'

– David Heilpern

The court found I caused substantial actual harm, and future potential harm.

I pleaded guilty but tried to minimise the harm caused in submissions to the court.

Low prospects of rehabilitation

The court specifically rejected submissions that I had good prospects of rehabilitation, and that there was a low likelihood of reoffending. Which sort of means the court expressed a dim view of my ability to comply with the law in the future.

The judge stated that my expression of remorse was of limited weight, particularly given that I did not accept the extent of the harm caused.

I manage two million hectares of land, and the government gave me \$247 million over the last five years.

Sadly, notwithstanding this multi-party largesse, my businesses lost \$28 million last year.

This means that despite logging the crap out of areas targeted to be a national park it still costs the taxpayers just to have me alive.

Unquestioning support from NSW government

Despite this appalling record of criminal activity and destruction of the environment, the government consistently states that it maintains confidence in me and continues to throw money my way, and ensures that I can continue to operate.

I seem to be untouchable, and reckon that no matter what the fine, I can continue to operate as long as I am alive.

I am meant to protect over a million hectares of conservation areas but environmentalists are suspicious that I have neither the will, nor the expertise, to manage this.

I have no heart, no soul and no brain. I have no conscience, no insight and no regrets.

Greenwash PR

My webpages are full of greenwash bullshit that I habitually don't live up to. I use the words 'sustainable' and 'responsible' a lot.

I hope one day to know what they mean. I also use the word 'jobs' all the time, and on that score, I cannot accurately count. I never ever say the word 'koala' because it is bad luck to speak of the dead.

Paid more than the PM

The average remuneration of my top executives was \$552,000 per year in 2023.

That is about the same as the prime minister of Australia.

And that is just the average, which means my CEO likely earns much more.

The evidence of my personnel in the sentencing hearing was described as vague and unhelpful. Much of their evidence was just not accepted. I have not sacked anyone as a result.

I have not been declared a criminal organisation. But I should be.

No matter who is mayor of Byron Shire, they will want me dead, but I am harder to kill than Rasputin.

I am the Forestry Corporation of NSW.

■ Professor David Heilpern Dean of Law and Chair of Discipline at SCU. He is also a former magistrate and author.

The future of holiday letting

A quiet revolution will take place across the Byron Shire next week.

More than five years after the state government famously promised to give Byron its own cap on short-term rental accommodation (STRA), it's finally happening.

From next Monday (September 23) most of the shire will be subject to a 60-day cap on non-hosted holiday letting.

We will become the only council area in NSW with such restrictions, with much of the state either cap-free or limited to 180 days per year.

Only two small pockets in Byron Bay and Brunswick Heads will be exempted from the new rules.

The 60-day cap applying to the rest of Byron is supposed to encourage the owners of investment properties in the Shire to take their dwellings out of the Airbnb market and turn them into long-term rentals.

But will it work?

The NSW Independent Planning Commission (IPC) certainly thinks so.

It found that a 60-day cap would put the financial returns from non-hosted short-term rental accommodation on a more level playing field with long-term renting.

This creates an incentive for more owners to rent their dwellings out long-term, and discourages new investors from buying houses with the sole intention of renting them out on Airbnb.

Obstacles

However, there are a few potential flies in the aioli.

Firstly, don't expect anything to happen quickly.

The new cap will not apply to existing STRA dwellings until after their next registration renewal.

That means that many owners of non-hosted STRAs will be able to

continue renting them all day every day for up to a year.

Secondly, significant questions remain over whether the new cap can be enforced effectively.

It will be up to Byron Council's already overburdened compliance staff to monitor the STRA register to establish when non-hosted dwellings exceed the annual day limit.

While it should be possible to set up software that automatically flags breaches when they occur, these will still need to be fully investigated before any action can be taken.

It will be interesting to see if our newly sworn-in councillors are willing to allocate precious budget resources to ensure the new cap is properly policed.

If they don't, the new policy won't be worth the paper it's printed on.

Given the price Council had to pay to get the cap in the first place, the pressure for it to succeed, is on.

Promises made

The state government only agreed to sign off on the STRA restrictions after Council promised that it would provide more than 4,500 new homes in the region by 2041.

This was a key part of the genesis of Council's Residential Land Strategy – a policy that is set to fundamentally change the built environment and character of the Shire over the next 17 years.

We will be watching with interest over the next 12 months to see whether our new STRA policy is worth the sacrifices this shire made to get it.

Guest editorial by Paul Bibby,

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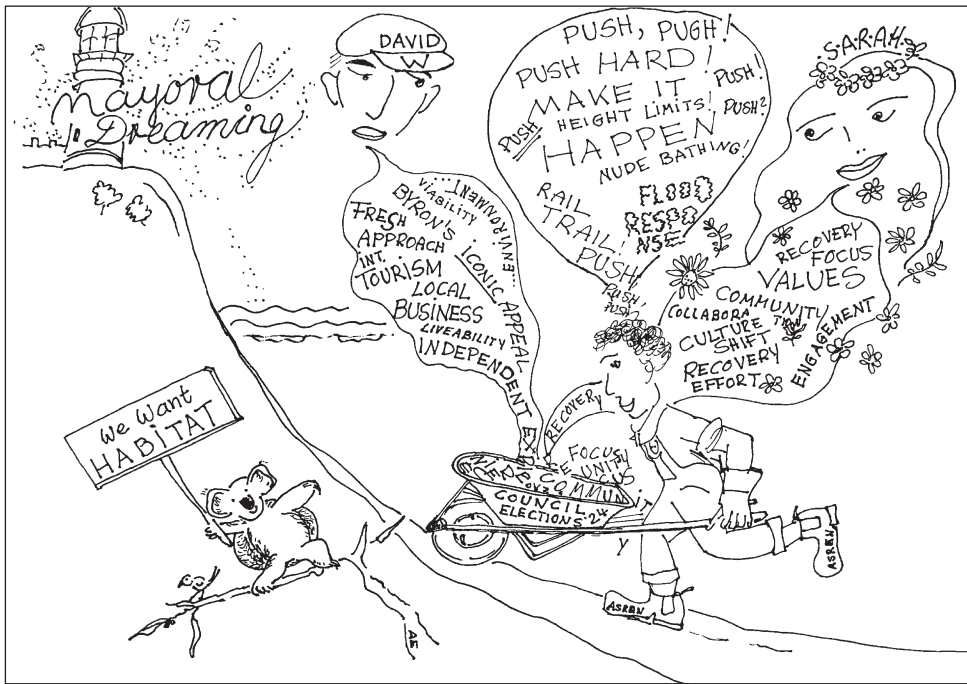
The Echo was set up because the mainstream media at the time refused to report widespread police misbehaviour during

the annual dope raids; we're called *The Echo* because we try to 'echo' what's important to our community, including your opinions.

Many of our best stories start because people approach *The Echo* with

information, but you'll find a great selection of the community's opinions, even those we don't agree with, in the letters section of the paper, and more online, each week.





As *The Echo* goes to print we are still waiting to find out who will be the next mayor of Byron Shire. Cartoon by Antoinette Ensbey

Congrats Wallum

Yes folks, it's been a long time coming but isn't it great that an injunction for a stop-work order was placed on the DA (zombie-like) at Wallum in Brunswick Heads?

Let's hope that a permanent injunction stands come October 2024.

Congratulations to all the protectors who have been there from the start and during the campaign too. I can't be there but I'm with you all in spirit folks.

Let's hope the stop-work

order is a permanent one and Wallum will be protected as long as it can be.

I know in the past legislation is not worth the paper it is written on, when the regimes chop and change anything can happen.

We can't rest on our laurels and we have to be forever watchful, human greed is a disease and multinational corps and developers know how to use the laws to get what they want.

**Paul Brecht
Maclean**

Freedom of choice?

At 35, I've made a conscious decision to live without wi-fi in my home and have swapped my iPhone for a Nokia 3315. My motivation is simple: I wanted to be more present, with more time to enjoy activities like reading and writing – tasks I found increasingly difficult with a smartphone in my pocket, constantly pinging with distractions. I grew tired of being bombarded by advertisements and scrolling through posts from

strangers, consuming things that ultimately didn't matter to me.

While I've had to make some adjustments, like checking my bank balance at work or printing physical tickets for events, the transition has been smoother than expected. In fact, I don't see myself returning to my old ways anytime soon.

However, I am concerned that society seems to expect everyone to own a smartphone. In just the past week, my workplace adopted a two-factor authentication system that only works through a smartphone app, and when I went to the 'Return And Earn' recycling facility at Cavanbah Centre, they wouldn't accept my bottles without their app.

Are we heading toward a future where those who choose not to use smart devices will be left behind, limited in their access to services? It worries me that, despite the growing awareness of technology's impact on mental health and wellbeing, we are creating a system where opting out of constant connectivity may soon mean opting out of essential parts of modern life.

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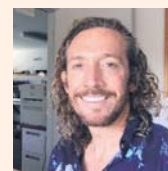
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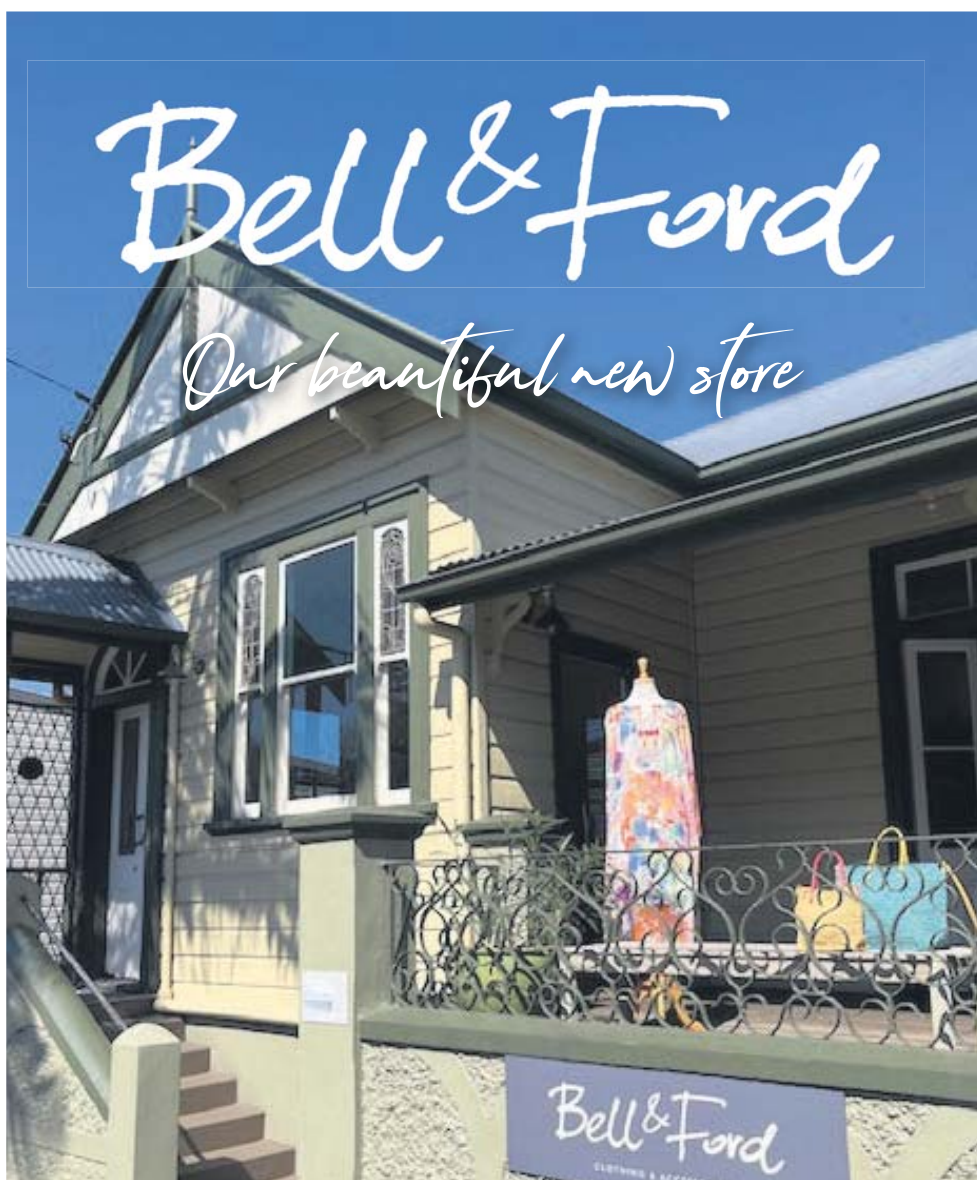
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 I hope we can remain mindful of the different ways people choose to live, and ensure that there is space for those who, like myself, want a simpler, more present life, free from the grip of technology.

Jaemen Jamieson
 Mullumbimby

The MAGA cult joker

Watching the last presidential debate confirmed all my worst fears. Since Kamala Harris came on the scene so strongly, the outcome of the US election should be a 'no-contest' – but sadly it's not.

Trump is a dark MAGICIAN who has over 40 per cent of Americans under his spell.

He says whatever he wants. He lies all he likes and behaves in a crazy and depraved way that would be totally unacceptable from any other presidential candidate. He slanders Kamala, says stupid things, makes the most outrageous policy statements – and the MAGA cult just cannot get enough.

When you see and hear the mesmerising rants of Mussolini and Hitler, you realise Trump is singing from the same songbook. His numbers stay stubbornly high – and with the US's bizarre electoral college gerymander, contestants with

the most votes don't necessarily become president. Al Gore and Hillary Clinton both received millions of votes more than George W Bush and Trump – and both lost. Let's hope sanity prevails.

Mike Balson
 Upper Wilsons Creek

Road safety

I want to say to all the new councillors, and the new mayor, please can we make the roads safer for flooding and cyclists at Mullumbimby's Uncle Tom's turnoff? I want you to put in a roundabout and help get us out of this turmoil.

I am also worried about cyclists hitting all the pot-holes, especially at night.

Saffron Shand
 Mullumbimby

Horses don't riot

Images of demonstrators at the Land Forces defence expo in Melbourne throwing rocks and projectiles at police horses are simply an outrage. The perpetrators should be charged with animal cruelty and punished to the full extent of the law.

Of course, the horses shouldn't be in the middle of the chaos to begin with. Horses shouldn't fight our battles for us; they are extremely sensitive animals and need to undergo

rigorous training to decondition themselves not to flee when there is noise and confusion, a natural instinct for a prey species.

Horses don't choose to riot and, unlike humans, they have not volunteered to be placed in violent and stressful situations. Using them poses a danger to both the horses and humans and should be terminated immediately.

Mimi Bekhechi
 PETA

Disaster victims

It is notable that the Minns NSW government is currently addressing the issue of police being the first responders to human distress, when in fact teams of mental health experts are more appropriate to deal with traumatic situations.

This issue has been of vital concern since traumatised victims were shot dead by police and community and activists raised this social concern. Greens MLC Sue Higgison, spoke eloquently and passionately at a Sydney rally. It is heartening to share this news to trauma-affected victims. However, the ABC report noted that whilst this issue is acknowledged by the NSW government it stated 'it is not easy to get mental' ►

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► health teams to do the work'. This statement does not coincide with recent information by trauma experts who have been calling for funding for years. Currently this issue has been discussed by ACON when addressing LGBTQI+ trauma issues. Law and order policies reap the funding.

We are assured by the NSW government that they are currently studying four options and research reveals the UK exercises best practice on this issue addressing ongoing trauma. Thus, for homeless victims, flood-affected victims, mentally-stressed victims, women and children affected by DV and so on it is imperative that action groups, community groups, resilience groups stay informed and persuasive for best practice on mental health issues when addressing NSW government. Byron Shire carries huge trauma as a result of floods/fire, climate change and structural neglect. Activate for best practice and keep over-worked police informed of the NSW government's 'promise' to diligently address best practice when addressing mental trauma. Greens MLC Sue Higginson is to be applauded and trusted.

Jo Fatih
Newtown

Correction

In my letter in last week's *Echo*, I mistakenly said that Cr Pugh didn't support continuing the \$1,000 cap on the minimum rate paid annually by property owners in the Shire. Council voted on 27 June 2024 to scrap the cap, and raise the minimum rate from \$1,000 to \$1,048 for the 2024-25 year.

Cr Pugh did support the cap in an email to councillors but couldn't attend that meeting so didn't vote.

The minimum rate means that where the annual rate calculation for land is below the minimum, rates can be raised artificially to that minimum. Owners of lower-value land are made to pay the same as 'mid-value' landowners. I believe the minimum should be a round number of \$1,000. In June 2025, staff will ask Council to raise the minimum to about \$1,090. Let's reduce it instead, and help keep lower-end housing affordable.

Duncan Dey
Ex-Cr, Byron Shire

Goodbye

I am deeply grateful to the Byron Shire community for their engagement and support throughout my two terms on Council. Voting on

numerous decisions and accessing a broad range of information about the Shire was both a privilege and a challenge.

As I move on to the next phase of my life, I look forward to more creative time. I am heartened by the commitment and insight of youth, individuals, organisations and tribes who inspire optimism for the future, especially with some of the new and younger faces on council. I hope that the GM, directors, and staff, guided by progressive councillors, will embrace a culture of innovation rather than traditional, conservative approaches. The need for new methods and adaptable structures on our planet is clear.

The Gaza motion was a major test for the 2021-24 council, and I appreciated the collaborative effort of Councillors Lyon, Ndaiye, and Pugh, with myself to craft a harmonious rather than divisive outcome.

Thank you to my fellow outgoing councillors for backing the Council's support of the federal government's Nature Repair Market bill. This initiative, starting in 2025, aims to restore and protect the environment and will hopefully aid in rehabilitating the ubiquitous degraded areas of Byron Shire.

I regretted the lack of vision surrounding the rail trail debate and encourage the new Council to reconsider restoring the Byron to Bangalow rail section. I valued the support of Councillors Dey and Coorey on this and other matters.

Our public transport system needs urgent improvement, and I urge youth to advocate for better services. I sincerely thank Cr Michael Lyon for his committed service and achievements as mayor.

I wish the incoming mayor, whether Sarah or Asren, success in their challenging role. I hope the next Council will continue to shape Byron Shire with innovation, tolerance and a spirit of progress.

Peter Westheimer
Myocum

Global Imams

A statement was published on 1 September, 2024 by the Global Imams Council in Iraq, in response to the execution of six Israeli hostages.

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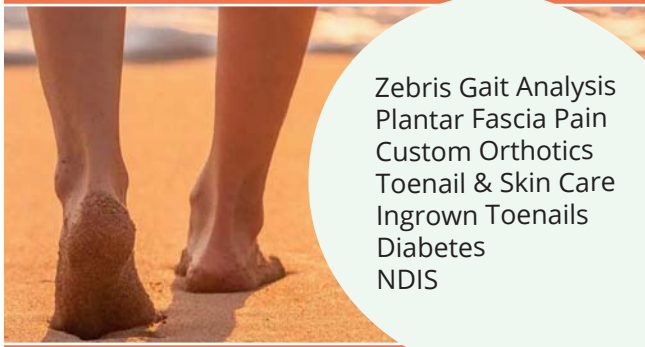
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Growing positive mental health

Jo Young

Every September and October mental health comes into focus. World Suicide Prevention Day was on Tuesday, September 10, R U OK Day on Thursday, September 12 and then October will be Mental Health Month.

Spring is a good time to check in regarding the mental wellbeing of ourselves and those around us. With 45 per cent of Australian's experiencing mental illness at some time in their lives and 22 per cent of us affected at some point each year, it is clear that mental health is not something we can afford to ignore or remain silent about due to stigma.

Loneliness

One of the key issues affecting mental health is loneliness.

In 2023 Australia's first State of the Nation Report on social connection collected responses from over 4,000 people, finding that nearly one in three of us experience moderate loneliness, with more than one in six of us reporting severe loneliness.

Loneliness, in the study was defined as a distressing feeling we get when we feel disconnected from other people and we desire more (or more satisfying) social relationships. Loneliness can be described as a natural hunger, but instead of for food, the hunger is for connection. We can think of loneliness as an inbuilt alarm system that alerts us when we're running low on something we need to sustain us.

Risk factors

Loneliness is a serious risk factor for our health and wellbeing.



GROW community weekend participants in Coffs Harbour last month on a GROW bush walk. Photo supplied

Lonely people are:

- Twice as likely to have chronic disease
 - 4.6 times more likely to have depression
 - 4.1 times more likely to experience social anxiety
- As our wellbeing and psychosocial quality of life is very affected by being lonely, who is more likely to be lonely?

Creating connection

Young people, carers, people with poorly met financial needs, people in rural areas, people who live alone, people who have chronic disease and people who have poor mental health.

But the study also found that community misconceptions and stigma around loneliness prevents people from talking about it, and most importantly stops us from seeking out the connection we need. About a third of us feel ashamed when we feel lonely, almost half of us are too embarrassed to admit it to others so we hide it:

- People who are lonely are often perceived as having negative traits
- 50 per cent of people said they don't want to be friends with a person who is lonely
- 57 per cent said they wouldn't like a person who is lonely
- One in four people think people who are lonely are less worthy

• Almost a third said that being lonely is a sign of weakness

So what can we do?

Well right now we are doing the first step which is talking about it. It seems we need to be talking more about it. It seems like a good idea to bring this national health problem out into the open and start staring down the shame that exists around being lonely.

We often give (and get) well-meaning advice that we should get out more and meet more people, take a class, or join a gym, however, even those who are attending lots of cultural and community events can still experience loneliness. The State of the Nation report on social connection found that while cultural and community engagement activities hold great value, to remedy the loneliness problem we need to focus on nurturing community, where we feel like we can rely on others for support and assistance.

My lived experience certainly lines up with that. It didn't matter how many times I attended my kid's school events, went to the lantern parade, helped out at the swimming carnival, I often felt lonelier at these events surrounded by people than I did at home. The alarm signals of loneliness were squeezing my insides but I had no idea how to break through all that shame and self-stigma and get my hunger for connection met. It felt like a chasm that I did not know how to cross. I needed people to help me learn how to connect and feel like I belonged somewhere.

That's what I found at GROW – people who had also faced a chasm and learned the ropes for crossing it. People who then helped others who came after them by writing down their experience and crafting tools and principles that build an intentional healing community. The GROW program's principle of community says

that decentralisation from self and participation in a healthy community is the very process of recovery and personal growth.

For me, it's a no-brainer – GROW has helped me practise friendship and learn how to connect – with myself, with my family, with friends and with the wider community. This mutual help model, based on the principles of truth, character and friendship, nurtures caring and sharing in the community and has worked for tens of thousands of people since the GROW movement began in Hurstville back in 1957.

Where to connect

There are weekly groups in Tweed Heads, Murwillumbah, Lismore and Nimbin. Now a GROW group has started in Mullumbimby, every Thursday morning at 10am in the cottage at the Mullumbimby Neighbourhood Centre. GROW groups are free, confidential and effective for improving mental wellbeing. GROW is accredited under the National Standards for Mental Health Services and funded by NSW Health. There is no referral needed and no wait list – people can simply show up.

The groups are led by humble people who have experienced mental ill-health and sought help themselves and now have their hands out ready to help others and walk beside them on the road to recovery, connection and community.

eGROW

Groups are also available online under the eGROW program and there is also a free introductory Growing Resilience Program (6 x 1hr sessions per week) which introduces some of the key concepts and tools of the GROW program.

GROW is now also facilitating the Get Growing peer group mental wellbeing programs in schools around the Northern Rivers. By learning how to meet their social and emotional wellbeing needs early in life, our youth will go on to foster mentally healthier communities.

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■ Jo Young is a program worker at GROW NSW/ACT branch based in Ballina.

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‘In the name of God, the Most Compassionate, the Most Merciful.

‘The Global Imams Council condemns in the strongest possible terms the barbaric actions of Hamas, which have resulted in the brutal execution of six innocent hostages, among them a dual American citizen, Hersh Goldberg-Polin, in a tunnel in the Gaza city of Rafah. We are deeply saddened and outraged by these heinous murders, which violate all principles of humanity, religious teachings, and international law.

‘The targeting and brutalisation of civilians, especially those who are defenceless and held against their will, are acts of unmitigated evil. These actions represent a gross violation of the sacred laws of conflict as ordained by all major faith traditions, including Islam, which categorically prohibits the harming of innocents. Furthermore, these atrocities contravene international humanitarian laws, including the Geneva Conventions, which are designed to protect civilians during times of war.

‘We hold Hamas directly responsible for the deaths and suffering of all innocent

lives lost since October 7, as their actions have not only brought death and destruction upon the region but have also led to immense suffering for the Palestinian people. Hamas’s reckless and inhumane tactics, using civilians as shields and exploiting their plight, have only escalated the cycle of violence and undermined the cause of justice and peace.

‘Moreover, we recognize that the regime in Iran shares equal responsibility for these tragedies, as its continued support and endorsement of Hamas’s actions perpetuate violence and instability in the region.

‘We stand with all victims of this conflict, regardless of nationality, ethnicity, or religion, and we extend our deepest condolences to their families. Our prayers are with those who have lost loved ones and with those still living under the shadow of fear and uncertainty. It is our hope and prayer that justice will prevail and that the dignity and sanctity of human life will be upheld above all else.

‘We call upon the international community, all religious leaders, and people of conscience to unite against these acts of terror and to work tirelessly towards a

future where peace, justice, and respect for all human life are the foundations of our shared existence.

‘May God guide us to a path of peace and grant solace to the hearts of the bereaved. The Global Imams Council (GIC). Issued at The Islamic Seminary of Najaf, Iraq.’

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Scholasticide

Professor Karma Nabulsi coined the word ‘scholasticide’ in 2009 to describe the ‘systematic destruction of Palestinian education by Israel’. She noted how incredibly important education is in Palestinian culture and particularly, to a colonised and brutalised people for whom it gives a breath of freedom and enables them to transcend their apartheid shackles, Israeli policymakers, she said, ‘cannot abide it and have to destroy it’.

Israel’s current bloody blitzkrieg on Gaza and the West Bank has already destroyed 66 per cent of public and UNWRA schools leaving 625,000 students stranded; 80 per cent of higher education buildings have been destroyed.

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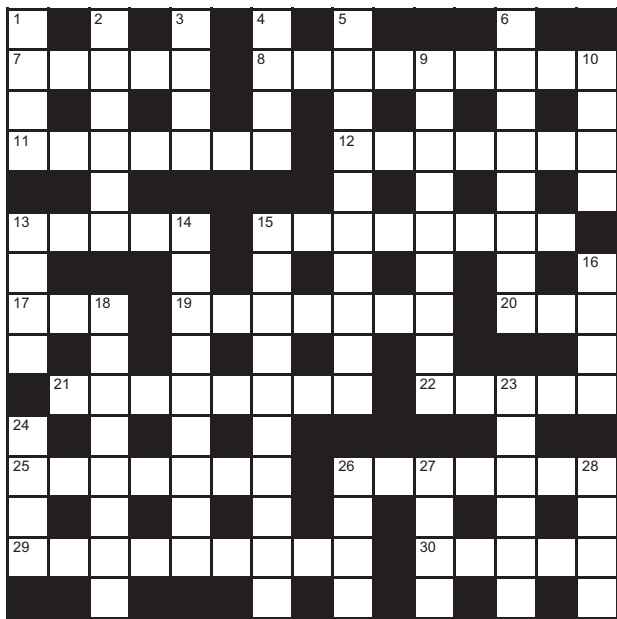


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Cryptic Clues

ACROSS

- 7 Goods Charlie put on legendary ship (5)
- 8 Senior citizen gets mid-range return (9)
- 11 Hot day for skunk! (7)
- 12 Barge we adapted for alcohol production (7)
- 13 Elementary language for geeks (5)
- 15 World-wide chain offers share distribution to knight (8)
- 17 King escapes crook, as quoted (3)
- 19 Friendly face on disfigured Orc (7)
- 20 Noise expected of a donkey but not right for a horse (3)
- 21 Harassed waiters get the point, in a manner of speaking (2,2,4)
- 22 Record makers returning almost all of grant (5)
- 25 Criticise eyewash (7)
- 26 Old queen in shadow of row of houses (7)
- 29 Crash hot weaponry used in early stage of international conflict (6,3)
- 30 French cocktail half-finished at Russian ballet (5)

DOWN

- 1 Top fighter pilots get excellent services (4)
- 2 Lies about Iran broadcast by intellectuals (6)
- 3 Allow bishop to leave man on board (4)
- 4 Super turnip possibly topped (4)
- 5 Impersonator on stage gets augmented wage (6,4)
- 6 Abyssinian perhaps has a thorough search of underground passage (8)
- 9 I cried to be heard with saw (9)
- 10 Corinthian perhaps dumps Roger, a digital native (4)
- 13 Beat cream (4)
- 14 Scar tissue to be initially cauterised if Tom and Eric disfigured (9)
- 15 Bird dog left under loose stones (7,3)
- 16 Underground worker on radio introduced bird (4)
- 18 Spooner's corrupt chef has police record (8)
- 23 Carvers, possibly, of posts at uni (6)
- 24 Get ready for school? (4)
- 26 Informer turns up by night on lake (4)
- 27 Stop bishop leaving with debauchee (4)
- 28 Policemen vying to conceal cardinal vice (4)

Quick Clues

ACROSS

- 7. Baggage; merchandise (5)
- 8. Come home to roost (9)
- 11. A thing of poor quality (7)
- 12. The process of making beer, for example (7)
- 13. A computer processing language (5)
- 15. International string of hotels (8)
- 17. Indicates a quoted item is being represented as per the original (3)
- 19. Fruit base for a soft drink, usually diluted with water (7)
- 20. Expanse of water; a recess (3)
- 21. In a way (2,2,4)
- 22. British record label (5)
- 25. Refuse (7)
- 26. Balcony or patio (7)
- 29. Period of low intensity military action during early WW2 (6,3)
- 30. Class of Soviet-era nuclear-powered battleship (5)

DOWN

- 1. Dice, dominoes or playing cards showing one pip (4)
- 2. Sagacity (6)
- 3. Large corvine bird (4)
- 4. Ride hailing company (4)
- 5. Two beats per bar (6,4)
- 6. Subterranean burial place (8)
- 9. Examined closely; confronted (9)
- 10. Boring social misfit (4)
- 13. Foremost (4)
- 14. Scar over a healed wound (9)
- 15. Small North American bird of prey (7,3)
- 16. Tropical Asian starling (4)
- 18. Repository of legal records (8)
- 23. Items of furniture (6)
- 24. Make a patient ready for a medical procedure (4)
- 26. A small lake in the mountains (4)
- 27. Gardening implement (4)
- 28. Covetousness (4)

Last week's solution #20



Show Us the Money

Right now Australian households are in a cost-of-living crisis. Basically it means that the cost of everyday essentials is rising much faster than the average household income. According to Expatistan, a collaborative cost-of-living database, Australia is the ninth most expensive country to live in out of 66. The lucky country isn't feeling so lucky for a lot of people right now and the pain that people are feeling is a direct result of decisions governments have made over many years.

When all the kids were at home I used to have to shop for seven people a week. It was a two-trolley shop. Just a decade ago I was spending around \$500 per week. I would meal plan every meal, so there was no waste. I accounted for dinners, breakfasts, and school lunches so there were no surprises. I was super efficient and frugal. When I googled how much larger Australian families are spending now, the most recent data told me around \$232 per week. I have no idea how they sourced that data, or if they've been to a supermarket recently, but that's impossible. With four of us at home now, we can't get anywhere near that kind of economy. I'd guess that it costs in excess of \$700 per week to feed a large family right now. Possibly more.

Almost everyone is affected by a cost-of-living crisis, and of course those who were already struggling are doing it even tougher. Many people I have met while volunteering at community food kitchens are living on one meal a day. Mums, dads, grandmas, grandpas, kids. All lining up for a free feed a few times a week so they can stretch their budget and pay their rent or mortgage. They are living week-to-week with no ability to cope with life's little surprises, like car repairs or dental bills.

And if you were just hanging on, now you are possibly facing homelessness. Or you are homeless. Living in your car, or couch surfing, or camping, or sleeping rough. It's impossible right now to get a real number for those who are homeless and at risk of homelessness, but one thing is for sure, the cost-of-living crisis has created the churn.

Right now, older adults are the fastest-growing age group of people experiencing homelessness. With income insecurity and rising interest rates, very often older people are



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having to survive on one, rather than two incomes. Often that income, being a pension or some sort of government support, is clearly not enough.

But don't worry. The super rich continue to get super rich. The wealthiest 200 people have grown their fortunes by 11%. Gina Rinehart has topped the rich list for the fifth consecutive year and managed to pull an extra \$3.2 billion while the rest of the country lines up for bread and soup. Mining giants, corporations and big banks pocketed \$98 billion in 'crisis' profits (Covid, war in Ukraine). BHP benefited the most of any Australian company, accumulating more than \$37 billion in crisis profits in 2022 and 2023.

Oxfam's CEO has said, 'It doesn't make sense to us that Australia would continue to be very low taxing in the face of these very high, excess profits that are being posted by a limited number of companies and ultimately to the benefit of a very small number of individuals.' Yep. What they said. We could change the lives of millions in this country with a simple redistribution of wealth.

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And while we're busy serving up meals at a food kitchen, maybe Gina and her billionaire mates can start a money kitchen - and start redistributing the money that's been sucked from our planet, back into our pockets.

STARS BY LILITH

This week's annual magical full moon in Pisces opens our channels to spiritual guidance that can appear as signs, synchronicities, serendipities, dream messages or inspirations from music, art and poetry...



VIRGO THE VIRGIN

ARIES: You've worked hard and been diligent, Aries - implemented practical applications, crunched numbers, done your best. September 18 full moon is your cosmic reminder to soften that warrior's edge with self-care: to tend your nest, bless the mess and accept that not all blurry lines need sharpening.

TAURUS: This week has tremendous curative potential, so if you've been wanting to heal a relationship, a starting point could be annual full moon on September 18 in the zodiac's sign of compassionate understanding, which offers the possibility of building a bridge to forgiveness via a peacemaking conversation.

GEMINI: Nourish yourself by taking quiet time out to tune in this week, because when your mentor planet Mercury, in the sign of healthy habits, and the zodiac's purists meets this year's most empathetic full moon, you might see a social situation, or a particular person, in a whole new light.

CANCER: This week's partial lunar eclipse in a sensitive fellow water sign is calling your creative spirit to follow where intuition and instincts beckon, to give your imagination free rein and let the muse lead you to people, places and situations that inspire you to think beyond current limitations.

LEO: As this week's full moon illuminates your astrological sector of intimacy and shared resources, sudden revelations about the closest people in your life can occur, with a healing release of emotional tension. This could be situations that are no longer tenable, or your own relationship to an unproductive habit.

VIRGO: In this final week of Virgo's month in the sun, why not surrender to letting September 18 full moon calm your nerves, ease that constitutional tendency to worry, soothe your inner critic and help you celebrate life's glorious disorder: the poetic kaleidoscope of never-ending, ever-evolving process.

LIBRA: Partnerships prosper from September's spring equinox onwards when day and night are equal length, and the sun in your sign celebrates the return of light, the season of warmth, and a new growth cycle - what Libran spiritual writer Thomas Moore describes as the re-enchantment of everyday life.

SCORPIO: Annual full moon in Scorpio's personal zone of creative playfulness calls time to retire the lone-wolf persona and get ready for a solar-powered cycle of joint ventures in business and pleasure. Access this week's most interesting options by keeping an open mind to people outside your usual type.

SAGITTARIUS: This year's only full moon in your sector of home, family and foundations recommends attending to anything that might be wobbly in those areas. An excellent week for sorting unfinished business, during which Mercury suggests tact and diplomacy in preference to a bluntly straightforward approach.

CAPRICORN: If you've been trying to handle something all by yourself, lean in to the collaborative vibes of this week's full moon in your zodiac zone of friends, community and communication, because there's strength in numbers. So reach out and engage. Talk to people and get them on board.

AQUARIUS: Under the abundant vibes of the year's only full moon in your finance and security sector, this is an ideal week to figure out how to plug a leaky cash flow. And even better, to tap into an alternative source of funding by looking in a direction you normally might not consider.

PISCES: If September's precise energy in your opposite zodiac sign has challenged you to state your sources, define your terms, get organised and walk your talk, your reward comes with the lunar love bath of this year's Pisces full moon on September 18, your annual injection of spiritual elixir.

Lennox dancers crowned world champs

Earlier this month, 14 young dancers returned from the World Dance Masters held in Blackpool, UK.

The dancers, aged nine to 26, represented our region and the Lennox Head-based Heart of Dance school.

Heart of Dance's Kerren Kernaghan choreographed every team routine, and says she danced 21 times herself.

Ms Kernaghan said, 'Over three hectic days, the team competed against more than 1,500 dancers from 25 countries. Collectively, the dancers took to the floor 97 times during the heats, quarter, semi and finals in solo, duo and team performances'.

'In all, the Heart of Dance team brought home nine world champion titles for 2024, and a swathe of silver and bronze medals to boot'.

She says the result placed them as the most awarded dance team at the event.

Support appreciated

'We extend our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to all the local businesses and community members who supported us in our fundraising efforts to get to Blackpool', said Ms Kernaghan.



Heart of Dance school dancers at their recent win in the UK. Photo supplied

'And to those who continued to support us through messages while we were overseas'.

Surreal experience

'It truly was a surreal experience to represent Australia and our beautiful town. It's something we will never forget and something we can't wait to do again'.

'This team knows how to raise money!' said Lennox Head resident, Ange Flanagan. 'Every event I went to

was so much fun and some were a little wild'.

Heart of Dance offers both social and competitive classes in jazz, hip hop, acro, ballet, lyrical, tap, musical theatre, cabaret and line dancing.

For those who have not experienced line dancing before, Kerren and Jessie are keen to stress that it has come a long way in recent years.

'Line dancing today incorporates jazz and lyrical dance', said Kerren. 'It's not "Achey Breaky Heart"'

Lisa Parkes wins gold at World OCR Championships in Costa Rica

Local athlete, Lisa Parkes, has proven that age is no barrier to success, winning a gold medal in the 15km race at the World Obstacle Course Racing (OCR) Championships in Costa Rica.

The fitness professional, and athlete over 50, told *The Echo* she represented Australia on the world stage, competing against athletes from 68 countries over four days.

'I participated in all events, finishing second in the 3km race, fifth in the 100m sprint participating in the team race, and securing the gold in the 15km event that was held in Doka,' she said.

'The win in Costa Rica follows a silver medal at the World Ninja Games in the USA, where I competed in the elite category of the 3km OCR race against competitors who were much younger'.

'OCR is a fantastic sport that works on strength, endurance, and mobility. In life, obstacles are always presenting themselves, and it's just a matter of physically and mentally working out how to overcome them, this is why I love this sport - it's like a metaphor for life', says Lisa.

'However, with OCR being a relatively new sport, it faces challenges in securing widespread financial backing. OCR is growing fast, and with its potential inclusion in the Olympics, there's a lot of excitement around it'.

'But as of now, it still lacks the sponsorship and support needed for athletes to pursue it full-time', Lisa explained.

Lisa is seeking sponsors to pursue the ultimate dream of competing on the Olympic stage.



Lisa Parkes at the World Obstacle Course Racing (OCR) Championships in Costa Rica. Photo supplied

'Winning gold in Costa Rica was a huge step, but there's still more to achieve. A sponsor could help me dedicate more time to my training and take my performance to the next level,' Lisa added.

'Despite the challenges of balancing work, parenting, and competing at an elite level, I remain focused on breaking new ground, proving that perseverance and passion can lead to greatness, and age is merely just a number!'

For those interested in connecting with Lisa visit www.lisaparkes.com.au.

O'Connor and Bikoumou win tennis club titles

Mullumbimby Tennis Club Championships results are in, with Amadeus O'Connor winning the open men's singles and Jamilah Bikoumou winning the open ladies singles.

In the B grade, Shareef won the men's singles while Yantra/Richard Whittington won the men's doubles.

Director/head coach of

the Northern Rivers Tennis Academy, Stephen Gort, told *The Echo*, 'Amadeus had made two finals in previous years, so this was third time lucky for him to take out the open men's event'.

National open

He added, 'The tennis club has a historical event

coming up this year, and is hosting its first ever national open and junior ranking event.

'This is a very exciting opportunity for the club to invite the best local players and travelling players to play our event. Entries open September 27 and the event will run November 9, 10, and 11'.

Longboard titles held in Tweed

The Australian Longboard Titles are wrapping up on the Tweed coast. Surfing Australia contest director, Glen Elliott, says, 'The six-day event will take place at some of the region's most renowned surf spots, including Cabarita Beach, Kingscliff

Beach, Fingal Beach, and Durambah Beach'. Finalists have been decided in the Over 40 Women, Over 65 Men, Over 50 Women and Over 45 Men divisions at the 2024 Australian Longboard Titles.

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Rosetta Deli & Bistro is a new gem nestled in the heart of Mullumbimby, offering an inviting escape for those looking to enjoy good food and drinks in a cosy, European-inspired setting. This charming venue blends earthy tones and warm vibes to create a relaxing atmosphere that's perfect for any occasion, whether a casual catch-up with friends or a special celebration.

Guests can choose between the comfortable indoor space and the delightful outdoor area, each designed to enhance their experience. The indoor setting is ideal for a cosy meal, while the outdoor space provides a lovely backdrop for enjoying a drink and taking in the sunset through the venue's picturesque windows. The little bar at Rosetta is a perfect spot for those who are simply popping in for a quick drink and a snack. The bar menu features a selection of enticing options such as the classic cheese, refreshing ceviche, and delectable mushroom arancini, all complemented by a special house-made sauce.

The bar at Rosetta also offers a well-curated selection of cocktails. Guests can enjoy classic cocktails, meticulously crafted to highlight timeless favourites like the martini, old fashioned, and Negroni. These classics are prepared with

precision, ensuring a perfect balance of flavours that pay homage to their storied origins.

For those seeking something more adventurous, Rosetta's innovative cocktails push the boundaries of traditional mixology - the bar staff create inventive concoctions using unique ingredients and modern techniques, resulting in exciting and memorable drinks that are sure to delight.

For a more substantial dining experience, patrons can head over to the bistro section of Rosetta, where the focus is on nostalgic Italian cuisine with a modern twist. Here, the emphasis is on high-quality ingredients and house-made pastas that are both delicious and ideal for sharing. The Bistro's menu offers a range of Italian dishes, prepared with skill and care to ensure that each meal is cooked to perfection.

Rosetta Deli & Bistro is not just a place to eat but a stylish and welcoming spot that embodies the spirit of Mullumbimby's CBD. With its friendly atmosphere and commitment to excellent food and service, it's quickly becoming the go-to destination for those seeking a memorable dining experience.

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The Good Life

Locavore at The Hive: a commitment to regenerative organic meat

Brooklet Springs Farm's move to the Byron Bay Arts and Industry Estate marks a significant milestone in this local family's farming journey. The transition is highlighted by the rebranding of their store to Locavore Regenerative Organic Butchery, reflecting a deeper commitment to organic and regenerative practices.

The new butchery, designed with a purpose-built boning room, cold storage, and online dispatch capabilities, allows Locavore to focus exclusively on a selective range of regeneratively-raised organic proteins, including chicken, beef, pork, lamb, and turkey. All products are sourced from local organic farming families, with Brooklet Springs Farm continuing to feature its own homegrown organic beef, pork, and chicken. The butchery also offers a wide selection of wild game, including rabbit, goat, and other seasonal options.



Brooklet Springs Farmer Morgwn with his two young daughters Edith and Perry feeding their heritage breed pigs.

The name 'Locavore' has its roots in the acclaimed restaurant Fleet, where restaurateurs Astrid McCormack and Josh Lewis were renowned for their exceptional dishes crafted from locally-sourced ingredients. Fleet's menu frequently showcased Brooklet Springs Farm's produce, celebrated for its quality and ethical practices.

Fleet's preferred cuts were all tertiary, including chicken

feet, pork trotters, and various types of offal. Although these cuts might seem unconventional, they provided bold, flavourful experiences that beautifully showcased the potential of these ingredients.

In a glossy magazine article highlighting Fleet's achievements, McCormack and Lewis described their ingredients—including Brooklet Springs Farm's offerings—as



Farmer Morgwn moves animals onto new pastures daily.

ideal for 'locavores.' This term, which denotes a commitment to local and sustainable restaurant practices, perfectly encapsulated their culinary philosophy.

The term 'locavore' resonated deeply with Georgina Goddard and Morgwn Wilkie. When the opportunity arose to open their own store, 'Locavore' emerged as the natural choice, reflecting their dedication to promoting

ethical and sustainable meat consumption.

The new facility at The Hive enhances Locavore's ability to provide high-quality, regenerative organic meats, reflecting their dedication to ethical meat consumption. This move not only allows them to offer a wider range of seasonal and sustainable products but also strengthens their support for local producers with similar values. Locavore's commitment

extends beyond the Northern Rivers area, reaching customers through their thriving online store, where they continue to advocate for a more conscious approach to meat consumption.

By embracing a philosophy rooted in sustainability and ethics, Locavore strives to change the way people think about, and consume meat. They are dedicated to offering ethically-sourced chicken, beef, pork, and game, all while supporting regenerative agricultural practices.

■ For more information about Locavore and their offerings, visit www.locavorebyron.com or contact the store directly on 0400 119 312. They are open from 8:30am to 5:30pm on weekdays and 8:30am to 3:00pm on Saturdays. The store is located at The Hive, 5/88-94 Centennial Circuit, Byron Bay.

Unveiling Elements of Byron's 'Native Menu': a wildly sophisticated dining experience

Elements of Byron, Byron Bay's only luxury beachfront resort, invites locals and guests to embark on a culinary journey like no other with its newly launched 'Native Menu', available at Azure Bar & Grill. Officially launching on September 12 in time for the start of spring, this innovative rainforest-to-table dining experience offers more than just a meal, it provides an exclusive exploration of Australia's rich natural bounty, perfectly blending wild sophistication with the resort's renowned commitment to sustainability and high-end experiences.

For resort guests partaking in the experience, lunch begins with an immersive foraging

tour led by esteemed naturalist and Elements Grounds & Activities Manager, Alistair Oakman. During the tour, guests explore the property's lush setting – which spans 24 hectares of pristine landscapes – unearthing hidden treasures of native ingredients flourishing on-site, such as Davidson plum, saltbush, native thyme and warrigal greens.

Following the tour, guests are treated to a sumptuous two-course lunch crafted by the award-winning Executive Chef Ebony Baker, recently named Chef of the Year at the NSW Accommodation Awards for Excellence. The lunch comprises a mouth-watering entrée and choice between

three main dishes – native blackened fish, venison backstrap, salt baked celeriac – there's a dish for everyone on the menu, as well as a complimentary drink. Adult guests will be treated to a rum and tonic, made from native Bunya Nut by local distillery, Birds of Isle.

Chef Baker's menu is a masterful showcase of the rich tapestry of Australian cuisine, demonstrating how native ingredients can be transformed into extraordinary dishes that are as innovative as they are delicious. 'Our Native Menu is also available to members of the public who wish to dine with us at Azure Bar & Grill, however their experience will solely



be focused on the dining element,' she said.

This unique dining experience transcends a fine-dining experience; it reflects



Elements of Byron's deep respect for the environment. By incorporating foraged ingredients directly from the resort's grounds, the native menu embodies a true land-to-plate philosophy, reducing food miles and highlighting the beauty of local, sustainable produce.

■ There is also a special accommodation offer for locals wishing to experience the Native Menu and stay at the resort. For more information, visit elementsofbyron.com.au or contact reservations@elementsofbyron.com.au.

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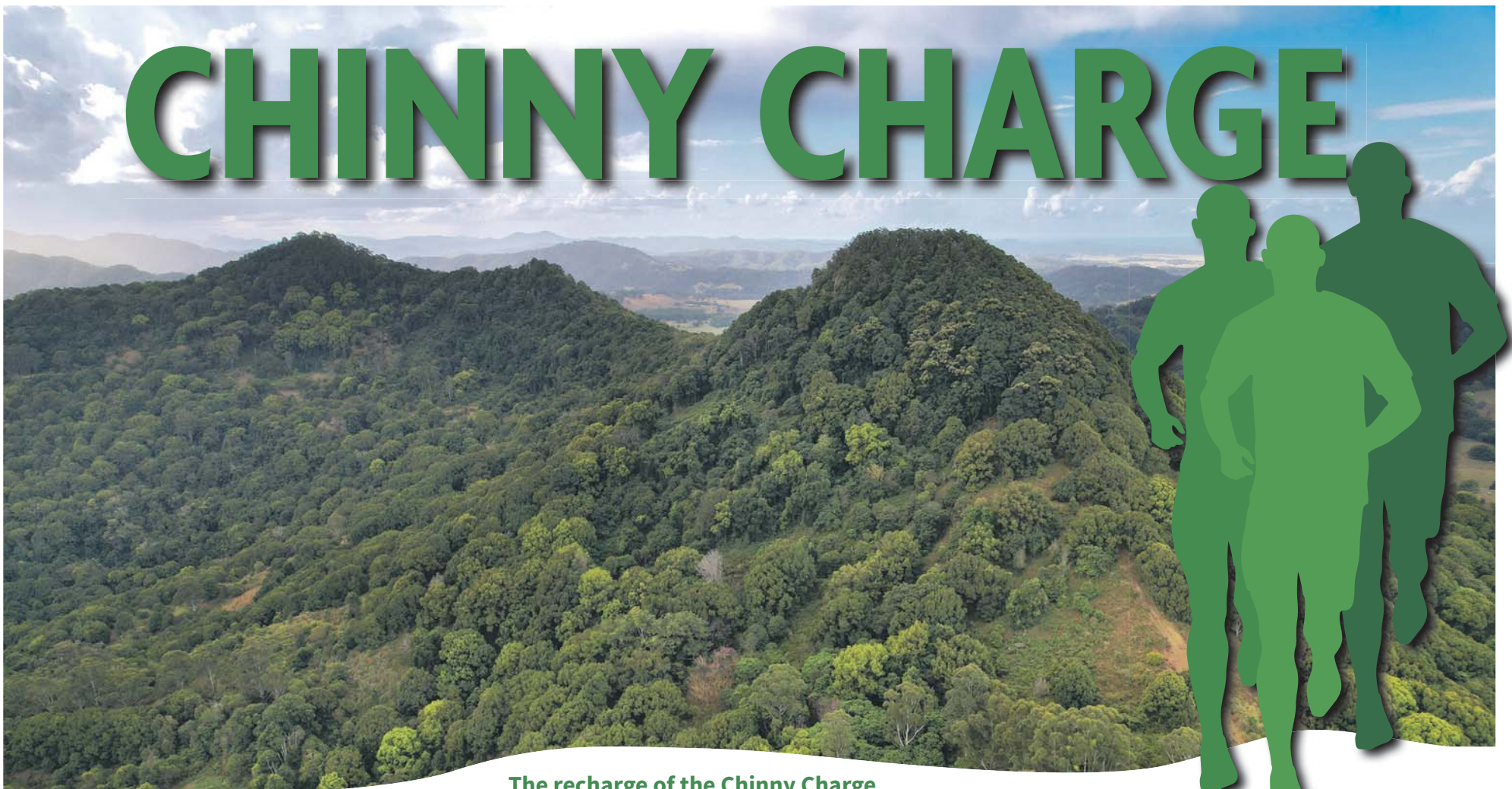
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CHINNY CHARGE



The recharge of the Chinny Charge

This Saturday, September 21, will see long time local Dougal Grayden opening the annual Chinny Charge up Mullumbimby's own Mount Chincogan.

'Dougal was always a big volunteer for the Chincogan Fiesta back in the day when we had the run accompanied by a big street festival with parade,' said organiser and member of the Mullumbimby Chamber of Commerce (MCC), Jenelle Stanford.

The Chincogan running race was started as a fundraiser for the Mullumbimby Swimming Pool and the first race was run in 1960, when local Colin Creighton came in second. He ran again in the second Chinny Charge in 1967 and won.

'The year I won it I was cutting cane at Wooyung,' said Colin. 'I was pretty fit because of the cane cutting, but I had to run barefoot because a few days before I'd cut my foot cutting cane and had four stitches in it.'

In 2023 winner of the race Jack Gill managed to do the return run up the mountain in just 30 minutes and 44 seconds – while much of the rest of the community took the opportunity for a leisurely stroll.

The Chinny Charge was restarted in 2017 after a 16-year hiatus and the previous fastest record for the Charge was 29 minutes and 51 seconds by Matthew Kaluda from Manilla in 1994; that was broken

in 2017 by Benjamin Duffus, who ran the race in a mere 29 minutes and 11 seconds.

The children's race, up to 12 years old, starts at 1.30pm and the main race and walk begins at 2pm.

'Even if you are only registered to walk up the mountain you need to start the walk at 2pm,' Jenelle reminded all participants.

'Everyone, runners and walkers, need to be registered and wearing their bib to walk through the departure arch at the beginning of the event. If you turn up late to the start you will not be allowed up onto the mountain.'

Jenelle has also reminded everyone that the walk is over private property, 'so please treat it with respect so we can continue to enjoy this annual event that is facilitated by MCC and NSW Fire and Rescue Station 388,' she said.

'The local NSW Fire and Rescue in Mullum, (Station 388), police, local businesses and community come together to put this event on. There is a food stall provided by Mullumbimby Primary School, drinks are available at the Ex-Services Club, and locals get a once-a-year opportunity to take a run or walk up their local Mount Chincogan,' said Jenelle.

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'Walkers just need to remember that they need to be off the mountain by 5pm so that emergency services and volunteers can finish cleaning up and also come down off the mountain,' said Jenelle. Everyone is reminded that no dogs are allowed.

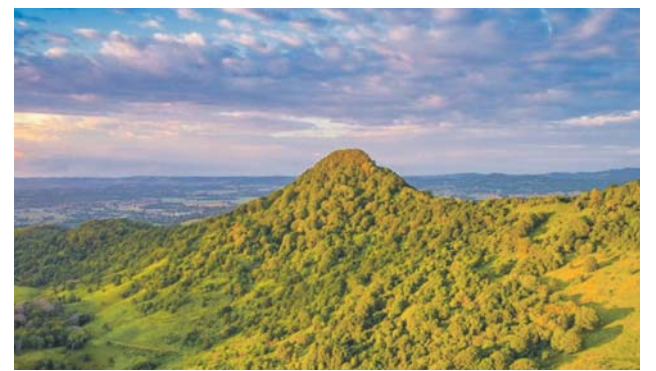
Sustainable event

The Chinny Charge is once again an environmentally sustainable event, all runners and walkers

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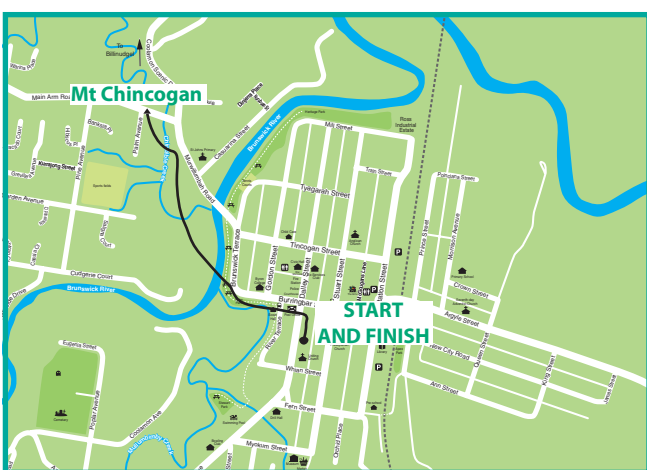
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Chinny winner Jack Gill
30min 44sec

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Your race kit, including your race bib with timing chip attached will be available for pickup at the race start at Civic Hall in Dalley St, Mullumbimby, from 11.30am till 12.45pm. If you don't have a numbered bib on you cannot access the mountain.

Start time and place

Main race: departing from outside the Mullumbimby Fire Station at 2pm. Strict starting time.

Children's challenge: (to the base of the mountain) Only over 12s can access the mountain. Children's race starts at 1.30pm.

Entertainment

While the event is underway, directly in front of the Mullumbimby Ex-Services Club will be family-friendly fun and entertainment, including food and drinks.

Mullumbimby Public School P&C are having a bbq, selling refreshments.

Please be courteous to the amazing vollies!

A message from NSW Fire and Rescue

It's great to see the Chinny Charge back again. Our off-duty fire fighters will be back up on the mountain volunteering their time as first-aiders for those participating in the 2024 charge.

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MULLUM ON THE MAP



A WORD FROM THE CHAMBER

Mullumbimby Chamber of Commerce is a community-involved chamber, from helping out schools to connecting with festivals, and our own products like The Chinny Charge (which is this week), and the Carols by Candlelight (held at the showground).

We pride ourselves on doing everything Mullum but are happy to get on board if we are invited by other groups as well. We hold monthly meetings, and collectives, where we visit different places, we just had one at Spaghetti Circus last week. We all love our town.

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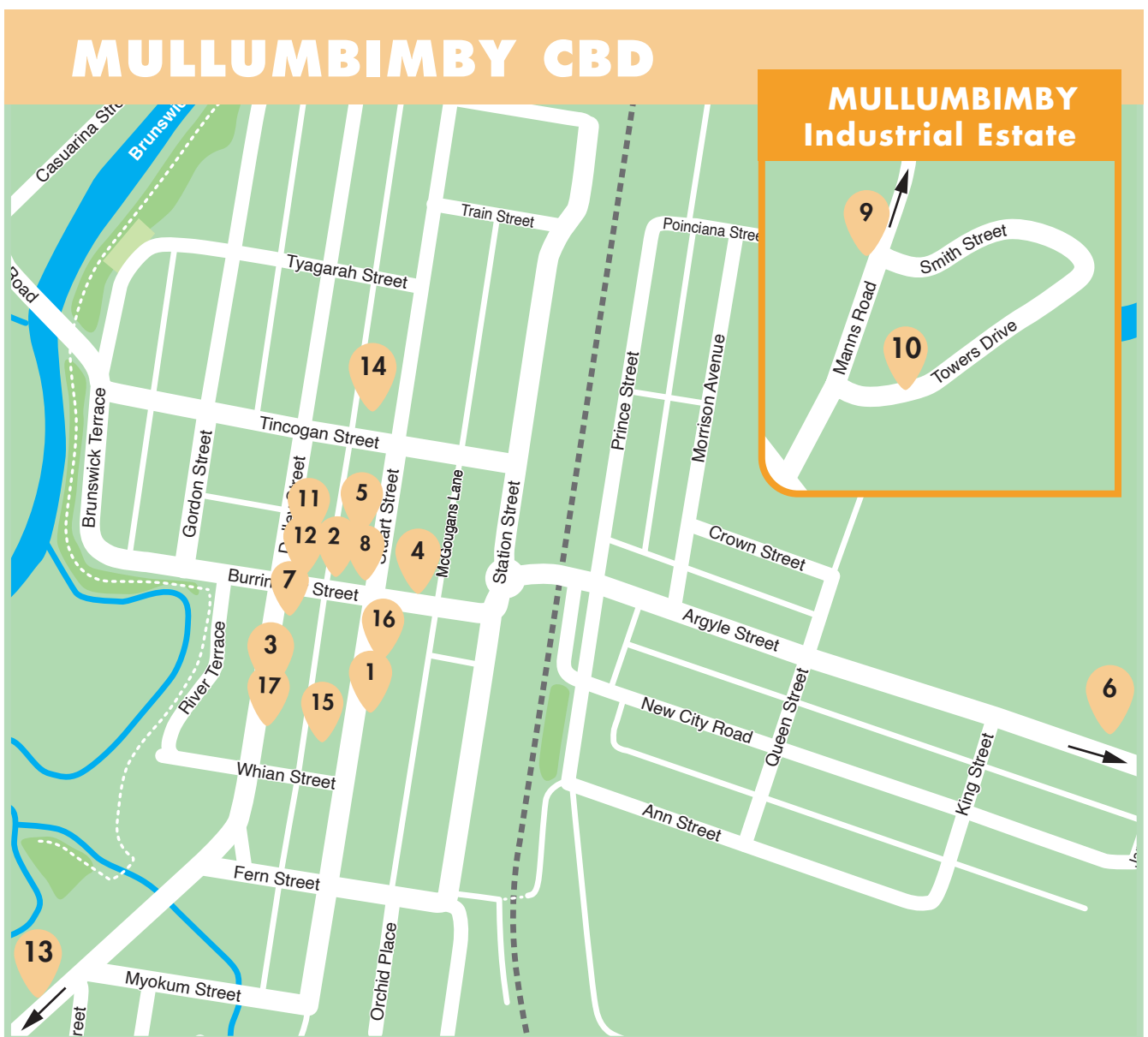
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www.byronbaydentureclinic.com.au
 02 6685 8744



Bower Camp Co.

The folk at Bower Camp Co know the value of real time spent in nature. They also know how good it feels to sleep well in a comfortable bed after a day outdoors. Bower Camp Co do comfortable camping, in quality tents with real mattresses, real sheets and really great food. Let them tailor a comfortable camp for your group or event, at one of their stunning sites or at a location of your choice. Enjoy onsite catering, with delicious meals, made with local produce. Experience wild swimming, walks and creative activities, or simply take some time for rest and connection. Connect to nature. Connect to your people. Connect to yourself. Check out their upcoming camps or let Bower Camp Co design a camp for you.

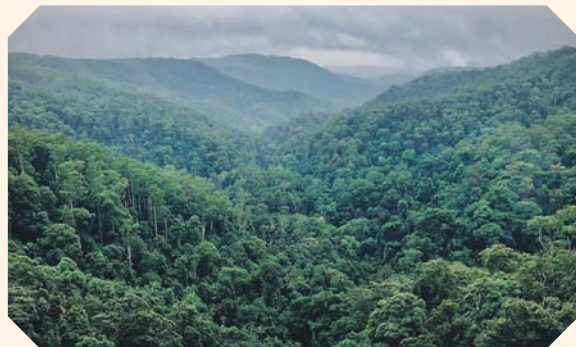
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Northern Rivers Podiatry

Northern Rivers Podiatry offers exceptional foot and ankle care across the Northern Rivers region. With a commitment to holistic and personalised treatment, their services include comprehensive assessments, expert management of injuries and chronic foot pain. They provide advanced treatments such as 3D printed custom orthotics and pressure plate gait analysis, ensuring patients receive the most effective and up-to-date solutions. The newly opened Byron Bay location expands their footprint, bringing their renowned expertise to a new community. This modern facility continues the practice's tradition of combining clinical excellence with a friendly, patient-centred approach, making it easier for residents to access top-tier podiatric care right in their own neighbourhood.

10/6 Marvell St, Byron Bay
Northernriverpodiatry.com.au
 02 6619 2939



Hippocrates Health Centre of Australia

Hippocrates Health Centre of Australia offers a transformative wellness retreat to help guests rediscover vitality. The weekly program nourishes the body with 100% raw organic vegetables, fruits, nuts and sprouts to reduce inflammation and promote healing. Guests stay in private ensuite rooms, detox with a liquid fast and enjoy raw organic vegan meals. The spa and steam room offer relaxation, while classes cover detoxification, vegan cooking, gentle yoga, meditation, sound healing and more. This retreat provides the tools to take control of health and well-being—\$1,995 per person per week. For those feeling drained, overwhelmed, or seeking a fresh start, this is the path to a healthier, happier self.

6 Julie Way, Mudgeeraba QLD 4213
www.hippocrates.com.au
 07 5530 2860 (8am - 2pm) or 0417 702 130 (8am - 6pm)



Paperbark DeathCare

Restoring the rites of deathcare to people and communities. Paperbark Deathcare is a holistic funeral service that has served over 300 families Australia-wide. The tender-hearted team offers gentle guidance and a unique personalised approach. Paperbark invites a reclaiming and deeper connection to community deathcare, love and grief. Starting in October, Paperbark will be opening their doors every Wednesday evening. How Grief Moves offers a safe space for the community to connect, listen and share; participate in preparing your end of life documents, tend grief through movement, language and creative sessions. All welcome.

1st Wed - Grief Speaks
 2nd Wed - Death Preparedness
 3rd Wed - Grief Dances
 4th Wed - Grief Makes - Shroud Making

paperbarkdeathcare.com.au
howgriefmoves.com.au

Bangalow & Ballina Remedial Massage

Remedial massage is safe and effective for everybody and has many benefits for the body, mind and emotional states. It promotes health and physical wellbeing; relieves stress and tension; strengthens immune system and circulation; manages muscular pain; improves flexibility, range of movement and rehabilitation after injury; improves emotional states; relieves neck and back pain and other musculoskeletal dysfunctions; and much more! Bangalow and Ballina Remedial Massage therapists are committed to the highest standard of care in all of their treatments. Treatments are reasonably priced as they believe massage should be part of everyone's lifestyle.



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The Byron Bathhouse

Opening this October, The Byron Bathhouse redefines the bathhouse experience with a new standard of care and purity. They've eliminated chemical hazards and enhanced their water therapy to provide 'medical grade' water suitable for medicinal use. Their approach amplifies your contrast bathing experience by integrating true wellness principles into the design and complimentary extras—those thoughtful before and after steps that ensure you get the most out of each session.

Don't miss The Byron Bathhouse October promotions!

@thebyronbathhouse



health & healing

Byron Community College

New wellbeing workshops and courses are happening at Byron Community College.

Their Term 4 brochure goes up online next week, so get ready to jump on and enrol.

Provide First Aid: Mon 23 Sep – Nationally accredited 1-day training.

Reiki Level 2: Fri 20 – Sun 22 Sep – Explore the ancient gentle Japanese method of hands-on energy healing.

New in Term 4

Golf for Beginners: 5-session course starting 4 Nov, with Luke Woods at Mullum Golf Course.

Death Defying Law: not as gloomy as it sounds! Get informed with Mark Swivel, workshops on Mon 11 & Sat 30 Nov.

Reflexology: Sat 6 & 23 Nov. You'll learn about the pressure points of the feet, and practise acupressure techniques.

Learn more at www.byroncollege.org.au or call 02 6684 3374



O'Meara Dental

'A healthy mouth is vital to a healthy body, and a happy life!'

As the gateway to the rest of your body, issues in your mouth can affect your overall systemic health.

Protecting and rejuvenating your mouth can promote overall health and prevent disease.

At O'Meara Dental they use technology to improve treatment and patient outcomes, making the process more comfortable while lessening the impact on the environment. They use the best and most bio-compatible material appropriate for your teeth and gums.

An air filtration unit filters the air in the surgery 12 times an hour, ensuring the air you breathe is clean and pure.

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60 Stuart St, Mullumbimby
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byron healing

www.byronhealing.com.au

Free guide
out now.
See website
for details.

Byron Healing is a go-to website featuring informative and entertaining articles on health and wellbeing. It features a host of practitioners and businesses in the industry, offering a range of modalities and services across the Northern Rivers.



UPCOMING BYRON HEALING CLIENT EVENTS

Provide First Aid

Held by: Byron Community College

Date: Mon 23 September

Time: 9:30am – 3:30pm

Address: Byron Community College - Byron Campus

Contact: byroncollege.org.au or 02 6684 3374

Reiki Level 2

Held by: Byron Community College

Date: Fri 20 – Sun 22 September (3-day course)

Time: 10am – 5pm daily

Address: Byron Community College – Mullum Campus

Contact: byroncollege.org.au or 02 6684 3374

Claim Embody Radiate Series

Held by: Vicki Veranesse

Date: Sat 21 September

Time: 10.30am

Address: CasaVeras Myocum

Booking contact: www.i-of-ra.com/claim-embody-radiate / Vicki 04 1240 0085 / connecting@I-of-RA.com

Embodied Wisdom and Compassion Retreat

Held by: Shirsha Marie & Subhana Barzaghi

Date: Sat 5 – Fri 11 October

Time: 6-night residential retreat

Address: 95 Old Bangalow Rd, Byron Bay

Booking contact: trybooking.com / Ph: 0400 558 181

Hypnosis Training - Certification Course

Held by: Judith Asal

Date: Mon 18 November – Sat 7 December

Time: See website for times

Address: Online via Zoom

Booking contact: info@judith-asal.com / judith-asal.de/en/hypnosis-training

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Booking contact: info@judith-asal.com / judith-asal.de/en/hypnosis-training

Sweet Retreats

Held by: Sugar Beach Ranch

Date: Fri 25 – Sun 27 October

Time: 10am

Address: 259 Keith Hall Lane, South Ballina

Booking contact: sugarbeachranch.com/sweet-retreats or info@sugarbeachranch.com

Equine Therapy School Holiday Camps

Held by: Maxime Willems Therapy & Training

Dates: Tue 8 October and Thu 10 October

Time: 9am – 1pm

Address: 259 Keith Hall Lane, South Ballina

Booking contact: mwtherapyandtraining.com.au/kids-programs or info@mwtherapyandtraining.com.au



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Mania in Bruns

Brunswick Heads Public School presents **Escape from Movie Mania** – a whole school production! It is an homage to Network Video, the Brunswick Heads institution that closed its doors on 10 March, 2023.

Every student from every class is involved, and every student has a role to play on stage, in all four shows at the amazing Picture House. The show has been written by Ms Verity Bee and is directed by Mr Paul Cecil. Every class is featured with their own song performance, in addition to 25 speaking parts, 12 featured dancers and the whole school choir.

Bring your voices and your dancing shoes, as everyone will be encouraged to join in the fun!

Get your tickets: brunswickpicturehouse.com

Get down with some of BayFM's finest DJs for a night of deep dancing and good vibes October 19, 6pm - midnight.

Seven outstanding BayFM DJs at the Byron Theatre for six hours of fun for the frequency.

Support Byron's own and only independent radio station as you boogie to Pob, Si Clone, Gez, Rahel, Lustr, Spacie and Naked Ninja.

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 Naked Ninja
 Pob
 Si Clone 626 Gez
 Rahel 626 Lustr

BYRON BayFM 99.9 FM

Eclectic Selection

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK



✳ Best known as frontman and songwriter for hard-travelling band The Re-mains – after more than 20 years on the road through Australia, Canada and Europe, **Mick Daley** has taken a turn for the verse as a solo troubadour.

Mick's new solo work, which returns to his folksy, hitching-around-Australia-thinking-he-was-Bob-Dylan roots, showcases his fondness for stark tales from the interesting times we live in. As well as rock and roll.

Thursday 5pm at The Levee, Lismore. Free show.



✳ In the vibrant world of music, where genres are often narrowly defined, **Poly & Co** stands as a testament to the power of eclecticism and creative exploration. Formed on the beautiful North Coast, this group of three musical gypsies set out on a sonic journey to break down boundaries and redefine the very essence of music.

Fronted by the youthful **Poly** and her velvety vocals, with **Lachlan Jones's** infectious energy and soaring intricate solos plus **Jed Williams** expressive rhythms and harmonious – Poly & Co's music is a melting pot of influences, transcending genres and blurring the lines between funk, jazz, rock, and pop.

Sunday at The Rails, Byron Bay. Free show.



✳ Come on a wild ride of storytelling, physical theatre, laughter and song with NORPA's wondrous epic **Wildskin**.

This isn't your traditional theatre experience. Inside an industrial warehouse, your journey will take you inside the performance as the outrageous, and unpredictable world of **Wildskin** unfolds before you.

Thursday to Tuesday, Lismore Showground. Tickets norpa.org.au.

✳ Get ready for an electrifying night as the legendary Killer Queen Experience makes its much-anticipated return to Ballina RSL.

This tribute band has graced the RSL's stage multiple times, delivering a high-energy performance that never fails to leave the crowd chanting for more.

Don't miss out on this spectacular tribute to one of the greatest bands of all time. Come for the music, stay for the experience.

Friday 8pm at the Ballina RSL. Tickets \$40 from ballinarsl.com.au or call (02) 6681 9500.

✳ Through emotionally raw soundscapes, ZÖJ share their lives, and reactions to the world around them. Where borders blur, cultures intertwine, and the complexities of belonging and origin sit alongside those of the present and future. Are we defined by where we're from, where we are, or where we're headed?

ZÖJ's music invites audiences to challenge the notion of a singular identity, question whether we truly belong to just one place, and ponder what it means to belong. Do our differences define us, or does our shared humanity transcend geographical boundaries?

Sunday 4pm at the Northern Rivers Conservatorium, Lismore. Tickets from events.humanitix.com/zoj.





It's the third Thursday!

Yes it's the third Thursday and like every month, the **North Byron Hotel** is calling all aspiring musicians to the SAE Audio & Music students', hosted **Open Mic Night**.

Whether you're a boot scootin' cowboy, soulful serenade or rock 'n' roll sensation, the stage is set and waiting.

Register before 5pm on the day. There are prizes to be won, and a whole heap of punters to entertain. We can't wait to see you there.

Look for the What's On page at the North Byron Hotel website to register: northbyronhotel.com.au.

Be there for the fun from 5.30pm until late.



DJ Yazmin

The music and sunsets are free

The **Sunset Sessions** at the **North Byron Hotel** have a stellar line-up this weekend starting with **Zac of Zac & Joe** on Friday from 4pm-8pm and **Nat White** for a pre-pre-pre sunset session on Saturday at 1.30pm – the 'real' sunset will be heralded in by **DJ Yazmin** at 5pm and **DJ JR Dynamite** will begin the early sunset at 2pm on Sunday.

Entry to all of the sessions is a free as the sunset.



They're not drunk (it's not midnight)

Beginning his Australian music career as a solo artist in 2018, Irish born artist/singer/songwriter **Richard Neill** merged his talents with Gold Coast veterans **Josh Paish** and **Ryan Grantham** in 2021 to form **Richard Neill & The Drunken Midnight Choir**.

With a love for folk and roots artists such as Damien Rice, Glen Hansard, Mumford & Sons, Ben Howard and John Butler, Neill combines these influences with his love for rock bands such as Foo Fighters, Pearl Jam and Biffy Clyro to create a folk/rock sound unique to him.

Going from gentle, melodic, folk vibe, storytelling, to intense rhythms, belting vocals and thundering drums, The Drunken Midnight Choir (DMC) are vastly becoming a force to be reckoned with, as they continue their relentless push for ever greater success.

With the release of their latest single 'Sweet Little Lies', The DMC are taking their sound to the next level in this, sombre, somewhat eerily melodic song that builds in intensity, eventually reaching its climax with an outpouring of emotion and pain.

Saturday at The Rails.

So much fun to be had at St John's Spring Fair



St John's School in Mullumbimby is very excited to be hosting a Spring Fair at the school next week.

There will be a great disco with **DJ Shorty Brown** – Shorty's world-famous kids' disco boasts hot tunes, prizes and surprises. Shorty Brown events are all about making the children feel great, magical and happy. It's about connection and the best time ever. It's interactive fun!

For animal lovers, the **Wildlife Twins**, Bridget and Sophie Thomson, are bringing their Wildlife Show to St John's to introduce everyone to some of their animal friends. They will showcase some of Australia's awesome wildlife and highlight the amazing abilities these animals have developed to enable them to survive in Australia's harsh environments. Some may even refer to these abilities as superpowers – think of that. Can you hold your breath like a sea turtle? Or sleep for 16-18 hours a day, while being called adorable?

From lizards to snakes, magpies, dingoes and now a wombat, the Wildlife Twins have an amazing group of iconic species for your entertainment and more importantly, your education.

As well as this awesome entertainment, the Spring Fair will also have face painting and an awesome sideshow alley as well as a jumping castle and ninja course with a swing ride. There will, of course, be yummy things to eat and drink with a great selection including sausage sizzle, nachos and Wandana beer. You can also try your luck with the fair's raffles, with \$2,000 worth of prizes up for grabs.

The St John's School Spring Fair is on Friday next week, September 27, from 3pm until 7pm at St John's School, 11 Murwillumbah Road, Mullumbimby.



CINEMA



Harold and the Purple Crayon

Inside of his book, adventurous Harold (Zachary Levi) can make anything come to life simply by drawing it with the help of a magic purple crayon, such as his two friends Moose and Porcupine.

When Harold grows up, the narrator, whom he refers to as 'old man', mysteriously disappears one day. Harold decides to draw a door into the real world to go and look for him. Moose follows, with Porcupine getting left behind for a short while before being separated from the other two in the real world.

After he draws himself off the book's pages and into the physical world, Harold finds he has a lot to learn about real life – and that his trusty purple crayon may set off more hilarious hijinks than he thought possible.

When the power of unlimited imagination falls into the wrong hands, it will take all of Harold and his friends' creativity to save both the real world and his own.

Harold and the Purple Crayon is the first film adaptation of the beloved children's classic that has captivated young readers for decades.

***Harold and the Purple Crayon* is screening at Palace Cinemas in Byron Bay this week.**

GIG GUIDE

It's **FREE** to list your gigs in the gig guide.
gigs@echo.net.au w: echo.net.au/gig-guide



WEDNESDAY 18

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **JON J BRADLEY**
- THE NORTHERN, BYRON BAY, 6PM **INO PIO**
- BRUNSWICK HEADS PICTURE HOUSE 12.30PM & 5.30PM **BRUNSWICK HEADS PUBLIC SCHOOL MUSICAL – ESCAPE FROM MOVIE MANIA**
- BANGALOW BOWLO 7.30PM **BANGALOW BRACKETS OPEN MIC**
- LISMORE SHOWGROUND 7.30PM **NORPA PRESENTS WILDSKIN**
- NORTH BYRON HOTEL 4PM **ZAC OF ZAC & JOE**
- GITANA SPANISH BAR, BYRON BAY, 5PM **SALTY SWING**
- THE NORTHERN, BYRON BAY, 6.30PM **JASON DELPHIN + DJ DANNY B**, 8PM **POTENTIA + FRAKTAL FAERIE + ERGOFLUX + MINKY**
- OTHERWORLD, BYRON BAY, 8PM **JUNGLE MONGRELS**
- HOTEL BRUNSWICK 6PM **AMBER ROSE AND JACK REEVES**
- BRUNSWICK HEADS PICTURE HOUSE 7PM **CHEEKY CABARET**

THURSDAY 19

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 8PM **MAJESTIC KNIGHTS**
- NORTH BYRON HOTEL 5.30PM **OPEN MIC**
- THE NORTHERN, BYRON BAY, 6PM **OLE FALCOR**
- HOTEL BRUNSWICK 6PM **MATT BUGGY**
- BRUNSWICK HEADS PICTURE HOUSE 12.30PM & 5.30PM **BRUNSWICK HEADS PUBLIC SCHOOL MUSICAL – ESCAPE FROM MOVIE MANIA**
- LENNOX HOTEL 8PM **THURSDAY JAM NIGHT**
- THE LEVEE, LISMORE, 5PM **MICK DALEY**
- THE SUPPER CLUB AT THE BOWLO, LISMORE, 7PM **THE SUPPER CLUB SOUL BAND**
- LISMORE SHOWGROUND 7.30PM **NORPA PRESENTS WILDSKIN**
- SALTBAR, KINGSCLIFF, 7PM **SIT DOWN COMEDY CLUB**
- OCEAN SHORES TAVERN 8PM **TURN UP THE TAV: TECHNO NIGHT FEAT. DJS SI CLONE & GEZ, AND IAIN YES**
- WANDANA BREWING CO., MULLUMBIMBY, 4PM **DJ XUJA**
- ST JOHN'S SCHOOL HALL, MULLUMBIMBY, 7.30PM **ECSTATIC DANCE MULLUMBIMBY WITH DJ PUMAH**
- MIDDLE PUB, MULLUMBIMBY, 8PM **KRAPPYOKEE WITH JESS**
- CLUB LENNOX 7PM **TWO TEARS IN A BUCKET**
- LENNOX HOTEL 9PM **TUBED RADIO**
- BALLINA RSL LEVEL ONE 10AM **THE KILLER QUEEN EXPERIENCE**
- CHERRY STREET SPORTS CLUB, BALLINA, 7PM **TIM STOKES**
- THE LEVEE, LISMORE, 7.30PM **DJ NAT WHITE**
- LISMORE SHOWGROUND 7.30PM **NORPA PRESENTS WILDSKIN**
- THE CHANNON TAVERN 7PM **LINELOCKERS**
- MURWILLUMBAH SERVICES CLUB 6.30PM **MR TROY**
- KINGSCLIFF BEACH BOWLS 5PM **JON J BRADLEY**
- SALTBAR, KINGSCLIFF, 6PM **ANIMAL VENTURA**

FRIDAY 20

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **THE WHISKEYS**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 6PM **KANE MUIR & THE HOWLERS + HYPE MUZIK**
- NORTH BYRON HOTEL 4PM **ZAC OF ZAC & JOE**
- GITANA SPANISH BAR, BYRON BAY, 5PM **SALTY SWING**
- THE NORTHERN, BYRON BAY, 6.30PM **JASON DELPHIN + DJ DANNY B**, 8PM **POTENTIA + FRAKTAL FAERIE + ERGOFLUX + MINKY**
- OTHERWORLD, BYRON BAY, 8PM **JUNGLE MONGRELS**
- HOTEL BRUNSWICK 6PM **AMBER ROSE AND JACK REEVES**
- BRUNSWICK HEADS PICTURE HOUSE 7PM **CHEEKY CABARET**
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- LISMORE SHOWGROUND 7.30PM **NORPA PRESENTS WILDSKIN**
- THE CHANNON TAVERN 7PM **LINELOCKERS**
- MURWILLUMBAH SERVICES CLUB 6.30PM **MR TROY**
- KINGSCLIFF BEACH BOWLS 5PM **JON J BRADLEY**
- SALTBAR, KINGSCLIFF, 6PM **ANIMAL VENTURA**

SATURDAY 21

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **RICHARD NEILL & THE DRUNKEN MIDNIGHT CHOIR**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 5PM **THE VYBEZ BAND + MOOD SWING & CHEVY BASS + RUMPUS + MR HA YES!**
- BYRON THEATRE 5PM & 7.30PM **SYDNEY COMEDY FESTIVAL SHOWCASE**
- NORTH BYRON HOTEL 1.30PM **DJ NAT WHITE**, 5PM **DJ YAZMIN**
- THE NORTHERN, BYRON BAY, 6.30PM **HARRY NICHOLS + KANE MUIR**, 8PM **BARRY MCLAY**
- BANGALOW HOTEL 2PM **PHANTOM LIMBZ**, 4PM **LEIGH JAMES**
- HOTEL BRUNSWICK 4.30PM **THE LYRICAL + CALLUM CREELMAN**
- BRUNSWICK HEADS PICTURE HOUSE 4PM & 7PM **CHEEKY CABARET**
- WANDANA BREWING CO., MULLUMBIMBY, 4PM **DJ PUMAH**
- MISSINGHAM SKATE PARK, BALLINA, 2AM **FOLDED FEST FEAT. DROP LEGS + GODS OF ROCK, HARMONIC TENSION, THE MAGGOTS, TC/3**
- CLUB LENNOX 7PM **MILO GREEN TRIO**
- LENNOX HOTEL 9PM **DJ SLIM RUSTY**
- BALLINA RSL BOARDWALK 6PM **DAN HANNAFORD**
- CHERRY STREET SPORTS CLUB, BALLINA, 8PM **JB'S BLUES BREAKERS**
- THE LEVEE, LISMORE, 7.30PM **DRAG WITH 'RU BELLA'**
- LISMORE SHOWGROUND 7.30PM **NORPA PRESENTS WILDSKIN**
- THE CHANNON TAVERN 6.30PM **KARAOKE**
- MURWILLUMBAH SERVICES CLUB 6PM **MERLIN**
- KINGSCLIFF BEACH BOWLS 5PM **TAHLIA MATHESON**
- SALTBAR, KINGSCLIFF, 6PM **BURNING HANDS**
- SEAGULLS, TWEED HEADS, **GUNNERS**
- TWIN TOWNS, TWEED HEADS, THE SHOWROOM 8PM **MICHAEL JACKSON – THE LEGACY TOUR**
- THREE BLUE DUCKS, EWINGSDALE, 12.30PM **THE VERSACE BOYS**, 4.30PM **INO PIO**
- HOTEL BRUNSWICK 4PM **BRAZILIAN TROPICALIA**
- BRUNSWICK HEADS PICTURE HOUSE 2PM **LIL' CHEEKY**, 6PM **CHEEKY CABARET**
- MIDDLE PUB, MULLUMBIMBY, 3PM **OPEN MIC WITH THE SWAMP CATS**
- BALLINA RSL BOARDWALK 2.30PM **SUNDAY BLUES CLUB SESSIONS FEAT. GREG LYONS HIP OPERATION**
- WHARF BAR, BALLINA, 3PM **ANIMAL VENTURA**
- ELTHAM HOTEL 2PM **BILL JACOBI**
- NORTHERN RIVERS CONSERVATORIUM, LISMORE, 4PM **ZÖJ**
- THE CHANNON TAVERN 2PM **OPEN MIC**
- THE CITADEL, MURWILLUMBAH, 3PM **ILSE DE ZIAH & IAN DATE**
- IMPERIAL HOTEL, MURWILLUMBAH, 3PM **PHANTOM LIMBZ**
- SALTBAR, KINGSCLIFF, 3PM **GUY KACHEL**

MONDAY 23

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **DAMIEN COOPER**
- THE NORTHERN, BYRON BAY, 7PM **MARK USHER**

TUESDAY 24

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **DONNY SHADES**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 6PM **ALISHA TODD**
- THE NORTHERN, BYRON BAY, 6.30PM **MARSHALL OKELL**
- LISMORE SHOWGROUND 7.30PM **NORPA PRESENTS WILDSKIN**
- TWIN TOWNS, TWEED HEADS, THE SHOWROOM 11AM **BEST OF BRITISH**

WEDNESDAY 25

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **ANIMAL VENTURA**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 6PM **INO PIO**
- BYRON THEATRE 6PM **THE POINT!**
- BRUNSWICK HEADS PICTURE HOUSE 7PM **CHEEKY CABARET**
- THE NORTHERN, BYRON BAY, 6PM **DAN HANNAFORD**
- BANGALOW BOWLO 7.30PM **BANGALOW BRACKETS OPEN MIC**
- LISMORE SHOWGROUND 7.30PM **NORPA PRESENTS WILDSKIN**
- KINGSCLIFF BEACH BOWLS 6.30PM **KINGY COMEDY – MARK MCCONVILLE**

SUNDAY 22

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **POLY & CO**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 4.30PM **EPIC**
- NORTH BYRON HOTEL 2PM **DJ JR.DYNAMITE**
- YULLI'S, BYRON BAY, 3PM **YULLI'S OPEN MIC**
- THE NORTHERN, BYRON BAY, 7PM **NATHAN KAYE**

Session Times

Thurs, Sept 19 – Wed, Sept 25

PALACE CINEMAS
108 Jonson St, Byron Bay

SPECIAL SCREENINGS

A DIFFICULT YEAR (PG)
SNEAK PREVIEW
Fri, Sat, Sun: 4:10PM

JUNG KOOK: I AM STILL (PG)
Sat: 3:45PM, Sun: 4:15PM

LA SCALA BALLET: L'HISTOIRE DE MANON (PG)
Sun: 1:00PM, Wed: 11:00AM

MISS SAIGON (25TH ANNIVERSARY SHOW) (PG)
Sat, Sun: 1:00PM

NT LIVE: PRIMA FACIE (PG)
ENCORE SESSION
Fri: 1:40PM, 6:00PM, Sat: 10:50AM, 6:10PM, Sun: 3:30PM, Mon: 10:45AM, 6:15PM, Tues: 3:30PM, 6:50PM, Wed: 2:10PM, 7:15PM

FAMILY FILMS
HAROLD AND THE PURPLE CRAYON (PG)
Daily except Sat, Sun: 10:50AM, 12:50PM, Sat: 10:50AM, Sun: 10:50AM, 5:50PM

RUNT (PG)
Thurs, Fri, Wed: 10:45AM, 1:10PM, 4:00PM, 6:30PM, Sat: 10:45AM, 1:10PM, 4:10PM, 6:30PM, Sun: 10:45AM, 1:10PM, 3:40PM, 5:40PM, Mon: 10:45AM, 3:30PM, 4:00PM, 6:30PM, Tues: 10:45AM, 1:10PM, 3:50PM, 6:30PM

THE WILD ROBOT (PG)
Daily except Sat, Sun: 11:00AM, 1:00PM, 2:15PM, 3:15PM, 5:30PM, Sat, Sun: 11:00AM, 1:00PM, 2:00PM, 3:15PM, 5:30PM

TRANSFORMERS ONE (PG)
Thurs, Sun, Tues, Wed: 10:45AM, 12:45PM, 3:00PM, 5:15PM, 7:30PM, Fri, Sat, Mon: 10:45AM, 12:45PM, 3:00PM, 5:15PM, 7:30PM, 8:30PM

ALL FILMS
ALIEN: ROMULUS (MA15+)
Thurs: 1:40PM, Fri: 8:20PM, Sat: 8:30PM, Sun: 7:45PM, Mon: 1:40PM, 8:30PM, Tues: 1:00PM

BEEETLEJUICE (MA15+)
Thurs, Fri, Sat, Wed: 11:00AM, 3:10PM, 5:30PM, 7:45PM, Sun: 10:40AM, 3:10PM, 5:30PM, 7:45PM, Mon: 11:00AM, 5:30PM, 7:45PM, Tues: 10:45AM, 3:10PM, 5:30PM, 7:45PM

BUNK TWICE (MA15+)
Thurs, Wed: 4:00PM, Fri, Mon: 3:40PM, Sat: 1:30PM

BONNARD, PIERRE & MARTHE (MA15+)
Thurs, Tues, Wed: 11:00AM, 6:10PM, Fri, Mon: 11:00AM, 5:40PM, Sat: 11:00AM, 6:00PM, Sun: 10:30AM, 6:30PM

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Thurs, Fri, Mon: 10:45AM, 1:20PM, 6:50PM, Sat: 10:45AM, 5:50PM, Sun: 10:30AM, 6:20PM, Tues: 10:45AM, 1:30PM, Wed: 1:20PM, 6:50PM

IT ENDS WITH US (PG)
Daily except Sun, Wed: 1:00PM, 3:45PM, 6:50PM, Sun: 1:00PM, 3:45PM

SLINGSHOT (PG)
Thurs, Tues, Wed: 4:30PM, 6:10PM, Fri, Mon: 4:30PM, 8:30PM, Sat: 3:40PM, 8:30PM, Sun: 4:10PM, 7:40PM

SPEAK NO EVIL (MA15+)
Thurs, Tues: 1:30PM, 7:40PM, Fri, Sat, Mon: 1:20PM, 7:40PM, Sun: 1:00PM, 7:40PM, Wed: 1:40PM, 7:40PM

THE SUBSTANCE (R18+)
Thurs, Tues: 11:20AM, 2:50PM, 5:40PM, Fri, Mon: 11:20AM, 2:50PM, 8:10PM, Sat: 10:45AM, 1:15PM, 7:20PM, Sun: 10:40AM, 1:15PM, 7:15PM, Wed: 10:45AM, 2:50PM, 5:40PM

THELMA (PG)
Daily except Sat, Mon: 10:50AM

TOUCH (PG)
Thurs, Tues: 4:15PM, Fri: 5:50PM, Sat, Sun, Wed: 4:40PM, Mon: 4:15PM, 6:00PM

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MULLUMBIMBY COMMUNITY MARKET & MUSEUM OPEN

THIS SATURDAY
8am - 2pm
Swampcats

www.mullumbimbycommunitymarket.com.au
Cnr Stuart and Myokum St Mullum
No dogs please

AGM'S



The Mullumbimby Rural Co-Op wishes to advise its members that the AGM will be held at 6.00pm on Wednesday 13th November 2024 at the Co-Op.

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Bangalow Hotel Public Notice: Pre DA Community Consultation

The Mooney family, owners of the Bangalow Hotel, are preparing to lodge a Development Application (DA) for the refurbishment and additions and alterations to the hotel.

Byron Shire Council has required that a process of community consultation take place prior to the DA been lodged with it. Following lodgement of the DA Council will publicly notify and exhibit the DA and supporting specialist studies and reports.

Further information including a summary document and copies of the proposed plans and specialist studies and reports can be found on the following link:

<http://www.fabricarchitecture.com.au/bangalow-hotel>.

A workshop / question and answer session is proposed to be conducted at the hotel on Wednesday 25 September 2024 from 4.30pm to 6.00pm.

A copy of the proposed plans and the specialist studies and reports will be available for viewing at the hotel from 25 September 2024 to 11 October 2024.

Comments are welcome and can be made in writing and left at the hotel or emailed via the above link.

Classifieds

BIRTHDAYS



DORA
Dora is a glossy black 2 year old with beautiful green eyes who was surrendered because her owner had a terminal illness and who has since passed away. She is playful and affectionate and doesn't mind other cats or small dogs.

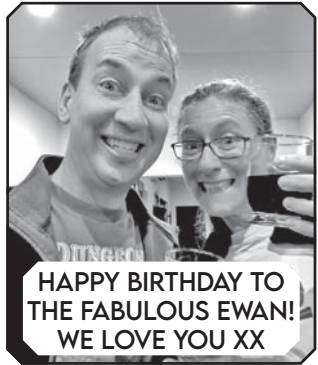
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Byron Dog Rescue (CAWI)



LOLA
Lola is a desexed female 8.8-year-old Staffy x in excellent health and condition. She is very loving & loyal, adores humans of the big and little kind, loves cuddles and being included in family life.
Lola is fine with other dogs if introduced correctly but doesn't really want or need doggy friends. She is best suited to walks on a (long) lead.
Please contact Shell on 0458461935.
MC: 953010001248784



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THE FABULOUS EWAN! WE LOVE YOU XX

DEATH NOTICES

Jean Mary Sorsby

Late of Ocean Shores

Passed away peacefully on Saturday 14th September 2024, surrounded with love.

96 years young.

Dearly loved wife of William (dec'd)

'Shine bright my beautiful friend,

I will miss you forever'

Love always, Angela xx.



Murwillumbah (02) 6672 2144

IN MEMORIAM

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To our beautiful Mother

It seems only like yesterday that we lost you. But every day we are surrounded by your thoughts and deeds, which time cannot erase.

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With much love, your family.

PETS



CALEB
Caleb is an 11 month old, Kelpie X. He has been excelling in his training program. Caleb's energy and quick learning ability, typical of working breeds, make him perfect for a family that can provide lots of space and activities.

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- TIMES FOR NEXT 2 WEEKS

DATE (Sept/Oct)	DAY, MOON PHASE	SUN RISE / SET	MOON RISE / SET	HIGH TIDES, height (m)	LOW TIDES, height (m)
18	W	5:40 17:40	17:50 5:36	0815 1.49 2036 1.81	0209 0.08 1400 0.07
19	TH	5:38 17:40	18:59 6:11	0900 1.59 2117 1.71	0245 0.04 1450 0.08
20	F	5:37 17:41	20:09 6:46	0945 1.65 2158 1.56	0322 0.05 1542 0.16
21	SA	5:36 17:41	21:19 7:23	1033 1.67 2240 1.37	0400 0.09 1637 0.27
22	SU	5:35 17:42	22:29 8:05	1123 1.65 2325 1.18	0437 0.17 1741 0.39
23	M	5:34 17:42	23:37 8:52	1218 1.59	0518 0.28 1857 0.50
24	TU	5:32 17:43	9:45	0019 1.01 1325 1.52	0607 0.39 2026 0.55
25	W	5:31 17:43	10:43	0140 0.90 1442 1.47	0714 0.48 2154 0.53
26	TH	5:30 17:44	11:43	0323 0.89 1558 1.46	0842 0.52 2302 0.48
27	F	5:29 17:44	12:44	0441 0.97 1700 1.48	1003 0.50 2348 0.42
28	SA	5:28 17:45	13:43	0534 1.07 1749 1.51	1107 0.45
29	SU	5:27 17:45	14:40	0617 1.17 1830 1.53	0023 0.36 1156 0.38
30	M	5:25 17:46	15:35	0654 1.25 1904 1.54	0053 0.32 1238 0.34
1	TU	5:24 17:46	16:27	0728 1.33 1936 1.53	0121 0.28 1315 0.31
2	W	5:23 17:47	17:19	0800 1.39 2006 1.50	0146 0.24 1350 0.29

Data sourced from Bureau of Meteorology. Times adjusted for Daylight Savings when applicable.

MONTHLY MARKETS

1st SAT Brunswick Heads	0418 400 415	5th SUN Nimbin	0475 135 764
1st SUN Byron Bay	02 6685 6807	5th SUN Lennox Head	02 6685 6807
FARMERS/WEEKLY MARKETS			
2nd SUN The Channon	02 6688 6433	Each TUE New Brighton	0424 168 672
2nd SUN Lennox Head	02 6685 6807	Each TUE Organic Lismore	
2nd SUN Chillingham	0428 793 141	Each WED Murwillumbah	7-11 0415 328 672
2nd SUN Coolangatta		Each WED Nimbin 3-6pm	0418 940 653
2nd SUN Tabulam		Each WED Newrybar Hall 4-7pm	
3rd SAT Mullumbimby	02 6684 3370	Each THU Byron 8-11am	0414 595 169
3rd SAT Murwillumbah	0415 328 672	Each THU Lismore 2.30-6.30pm	0459 309 223
3rd SAT Salt Village Market, Casuarina		Each FRI Mullum 7-11am	0424 168 672
3rd SUN Federal	0433 002 757	Each FRI Evans Head 2.30-6.30	0428 291 068
3rd SUN Uki	0487 329 150	Each SAT Bangalow 8-11am	0414 595 169
3rd SUN Ballina	0422 094 338	Each SAT Duranbah Rd 8-11am (Tropical Fruit World)	
4th SAT Evans Head	0432 275 765	Each SAT Uki 8am-1pm	02 6679 5438
4th SAT Kyogle Bazaar	kyoglebazaar.com.au	Each SAT Lismore 8.30-11am	
4th SUN Bangalow	02 6687 1911	Each SAT Wadeville 8am-12pm	
4th SUN Nimbin	0475 135 764	Each SAT Byron Twilight Market 4pm Oct-Apr	
4th SUN Murwillumbah	0415 328 672	Each SUN Ballina 7-11am	
4th SUN Coolangatta (in a 5 Sunday month)			

The Echo updates this guide regularly, however sometimes markets change their routine without letting us know. Please get in touch if you want to advise us of a change.

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Please stick this by your phone

AMBULANCE, FIRE, POLICE	000
AMBULANCE Mullumbimby & Byron Bay	131 233
POLICE Brunswick Heads	6629 7510
Mullumbimby	6629 7570
Byron Bay	6685 9499
Bangalow	6629 7500
STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE Storm & tempest damage, flooding...	132 500
BRUNSWICK VALLEY RESCUE Primary rescue...	6685 1999
BRUNSWICK MARINE RADIO TOWER	6685 0148
BYRON CENTRAL HOSPITAL	6639 9400
BYRON COUNCIL: EMERGENCY AFTER HOURS	6622 7022
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MENSLINE	1300 789 978
ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS 24 hours	1800 423 431
AL-ANON Help for family and friends of alcoholics	1300 252 666
NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS Meets daily	6680 7280
NORTHERN RIVERS GAMBLING SERVICE	6687 2520
HIV/AIDS - ACON Confidential testing & information	6622 1555
ANIMAL RESCUE (DOGS & CATS)	6622 1881
NORTHERN RIVERS WILDLIFE CARERS	6628 1866
KOALA HOTLINE	6622 1233
WIRES - NSW Wildlife Information & Rescue Service	6628 1898

Community at Work



On The Horizon

DEADLINE NOON FRIDAY

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

First Fleeters

Anyone interested in their convict family history from any of the many fleets who journeyed here are very welcome to join our group Fellowship of First Fleeters - Northern Rivers Chapter. This includes spouses and friends of any descendants interested in history.

We meet every two months and our next meeting is on Sunday, 22 September at the Cherry Street Sports Club, Ballina at 10.30am. If you are interested please contact Roddy Jordan on 6687 5339 or via email hollysbuddy1@bigpond.com.

AGM Business Murwillumbah

The Annual General Meeting of Business Murwillumbah will be held on Thursday, 24 October at the Murwillumbah Services Club, 5.30pm to 7pm Inquiries: info@businessmurwillumbah.com.au.

Frog friendly gardens workshop

Richmond Landcare is running a 'frog friendly gardens' workshop on Thursday, 19 September from 5 to 8pm at Lismore Rainforest Botanic Garden Education Centre. Register at <https://events.humanitix.com/frog-friendly-gardens-workshop>.

Bruns CWA Market Day

Come along to the Bruns CWA Market Day on Saturday September 14 between 8am and 1pm. Craft work, cakes, biscuits, jams and pickles, plants and Devonshire teas at the corner of Park and Booyun Steets Brunswick Heads. Cash only, please.

End-of-Life Choices

Voluntary Euthanasia End-of-Life Choices are discussed at Exit International meetings held quarterly. Meetings are held at Robina, South Tweed and Ballina. Attendees must be Exit Members. For further Information www.exitinternational.net or phone Catherine 0435 228 443 (Robina & South Tweed) or Peter 0429 950 352 (Ballina).

Dying at home

Last Aid, care for the dying at home will be presented by Amitayus Home Hospice Service September 12 and 21, 6.30 to 8.30pm info@amitayus.org.au or register with Byron Community College.

Byron seniors program

Connect with your community at Byron Community Centre through the Byron Community Centre Seniors Program. It now offers African dance, drama and a computer club. Find out more by calling: 6685 6807 or look at: www.byroncommunitycentre.com.au.

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

Mullumbimby & District Neighbourhood Centre is open Monday-Friday 9am-4pm (closed 12.30-1.30pm for lunch). We offer a variety of services. Everyone is welcome. Call reception on 6684 1286. Some of our services include:

Flood recovery support service: personalised, long-term support for those impacted by the floods.

Community support: food parcels, meals, showers, assistance with electricity bills. Work Development Orders.

Listening Space: free counselling. **More Than A Meal:** free community lunch Tuesday-Thursday 12.30-1.30pm.

Financial counselling Staying Home, Leaving Violence program: Information, referral, and advocacy.

Gulgani affordable pantry shop: located at 3 Bridgeland Lane.

Orange Sky: free laundry service Mon morning & Wed afternoon.

To enquire about accessing any of these services call reception 6684 1286, check our website www.mdn.org.au, or follow us on Facebook or Instagram. @mullumbimbyneighbourhoodcentre.

Byron Community

The Byron Community Centre provides community services and programs including meals, advocacy and counselling for locals in need. **Fletcher Street Cottage:** A welcoming, safe and respectful space where people who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness can come to get practical relief opportunities, find connections and access broader support. Fletcher Street Cottage services are open Tuesday-Friday. **Breakfast:** Tuesday-Friday, 7-9am. **Showers and laundry:** Tuesday-Friday, 7am-12pm. **Office support:** Tuesday-Friday, 9am-12pm. **Support appointments:** Individual support appointments with community

workers or specialist services. For bookings please call 6685 6807.

Fletcher Street Cottage, 18 Fletcher St, Byron Bay. More info: www.fletcherstreetcottage.com.au.

Byron Community Cabin: Seniors Computer Club (school term only), 9-11am, Friday, Carlyle Steet. More info: www.byroncentre.com.au Phone: 6685 6807.

Low-cost or free food

Food Box Thursdays 9.30-11.30am at Uniting Church, Mullumbimby. You may purchase cheap food, obtain free veges, and enjoy a cuppa. **The Hub Baptist Church** in Ocean Shores has food relief available for anyone doing it tough, please contact us on 0434 677747 if you find yourself doing it tough. No ID or Concession Card required. NILs referral service also available. Check Facebook page The Hub Baptist Ocean Shores for details. **Liberation Larder** Takeaway lunches and groceries Monday and Thursday 12 till 1pm. Fletcher Street end of the Byron Community Centre.

Respite Service

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

Alateen meeting

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

ACA

Adult Children of Alcoholic Parents and/or Dysfunctional Families (ACA) help & recovery group meets in

Tough Guys book club

The Tough Guy book club for the thinking man. You don't need to be tough. Meets at Ballina Sports Club, 7pm on the first Wednesday of every month. Completely free: <https://www.toughguybookclub.com/>.

Bruns crafty women

The CWA Brunswick Heads crafty women meet each Friday between 10am and 2pm, corner of Park and Booyun Street, Brunswick Heads. Join us for a chat, a cuppa and bring along your craft projects including sewing, knitting, crocheting, memory books or quilting. Women are always welcome, please bring a gold coin donation. If you would like more information please email: brunscwa@gmail.com. Our members meeting takes place the first Friday of the month at 9am.

Bangalow Historical Society

If you're interested in making new friends, supporting your local Museum and Historical Society through volunteering, think about joining Heritage House team. We are open Wednesday to Saturday so come along anytime and meet the volunteers, there is lots to do from cataloging, exhibits, meet and greet visitors and if you have a particular skill that you think will be used here then please call in or phone Trisha on 0429 882 525. Find us on Facebook or contact us bangalowhistorical2479@gmail.com.



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Award-winning agent, and Byron local, Will Phillips has recently taken the helm of the local branch, envisioning a distinct point of difference for the Sotheby's brand. 'I took over the licence for Sotheby's International Realty Byron Bay as we recognised a clear opportunity in the existing market. Our agents understand the real estate experience should be client-centric, not agent-centric, and have a responsibility to know the market intimately and offer a superior client journey unmatched in the area. As asset prices have changed in the area, buyers and sellers expect a certain level of service which we aim to exceed.'

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Will explained that it was, 'an amazing offer to show that the best outcomes for sellers are achieved by a team-wide, client-centric approach. We don't work in silos for the advantage of the individual agent, we work collaboratively to achieve exceptional results for our Sotheby's clients.'

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Will Phillips, Brad Rogan, Georgie Grover, Georgia Clark-Smith, Peter Randall.

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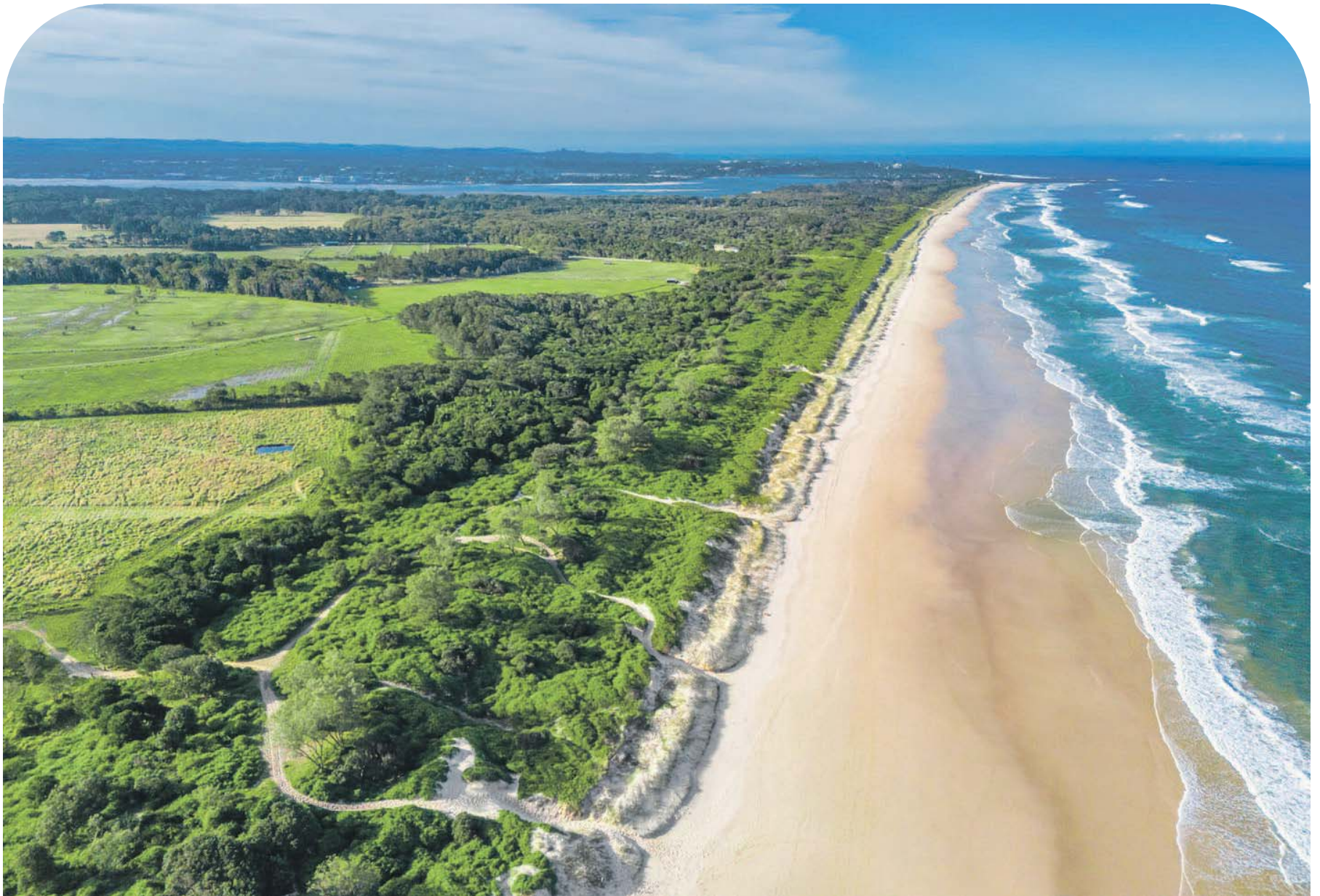


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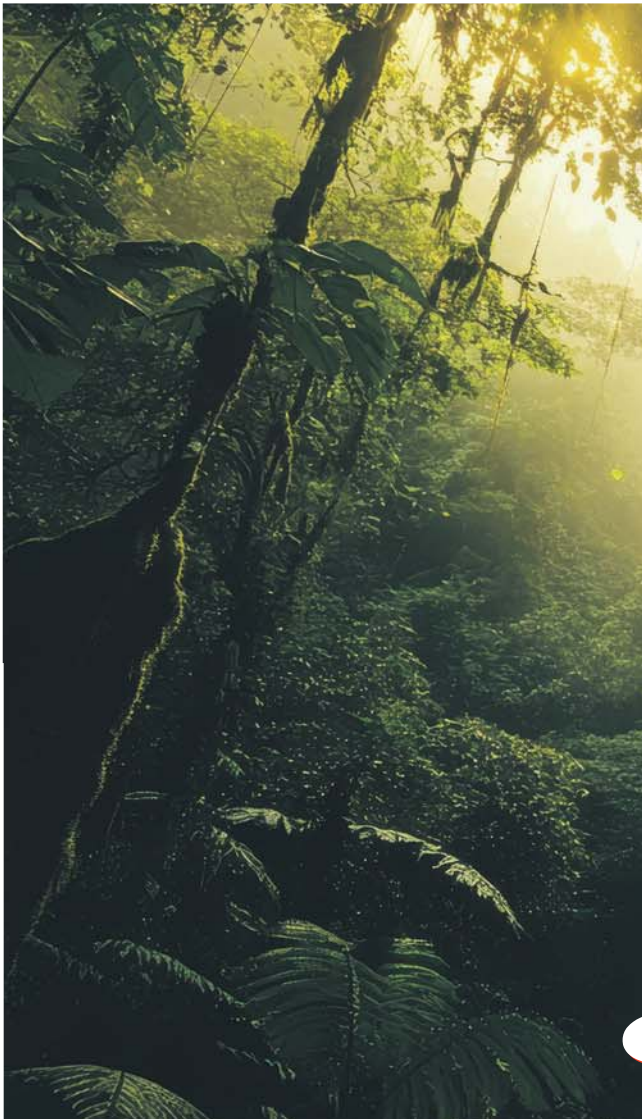
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Surely federal Labor are not serious about their Misinformation & Disinformation (MAD) Bill?

While it may not be May, the Mullum Museum will be erecting a maypole for the Mullum Markets this Saturday for anyone that wants to have a go. The tradition of maypoles goes back to various European folk festivals, around which a maypole dance often takes place. The markets are held every third Saturday of the month, on the corner of Stuart and Myokum Streets.

Are you storm ready? Between September and April storms, strong winds and heavy rain tend to be more frequent on the north coast. The Bureau of Meteorology says there is an increased risk of extreme storms, at least for the start of the season.

Further to last week's page 12 photo of NORPA's new production *Wildskin*, it is not an outdoor performance as stated. It is performed inside one of the pavilion/warehouses at Lismore Showgrounds. For more visit www.norpa.org.au.

Labor's Mark Swivel told his social media followers that he was locked out from US tech behemoth Facebook, 72 hours before polling day. It surely must have been a mistake? All those wistful and verbose posts with pictures of empty beaches – they can't be a threat to Facebook's 'community standards' – can they?

After a sell-out event in 2022, the National Circus Festival will return October



Soli Sea's attraction to tractors gained traction on the sands of Currumbin Beach last week as he examined the engineering intricacies of this piece. Swell Sculpture show is an annual treasure trove of wonderful ideas and flights of fantasy brought to three-dimensional life. Photo Jeff 'Small Boy, Big Joy' Dawson

4 - 6 at the Mullumbimby Showground. Get ya tickets while you still can – www.nationalcircusfestival.com

Pssst: there's a protection racket going in government! *The Guardian* reports 'Twelve officials, including former department heads Kathryn Campbell and Renée Leon, breached the public service code of conduct 97 times during their involvement in Robodebt, an Australian Public Service Commission taskforce found'. As they face no consequences, it shows both Labor and the Coalition are prepared to cover up illegal activity at the expense of people's lives.

'I want to share a message with my powerful Afghan sisters. You are fighting back against the Taliban's crimes, as they ban you from going to school and try to erase you from public life. You continue resisting. Your courage is a source of inspiration' – Malala Yousafzai.

While the Melbourne Land Forces [weapons] Expo attracted protests, it also drew in politicians looking

for their next job, showed off weapons tested in Gaza, and flaunted public money going to foreign arms companies.



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