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Taiko beats the storm



The power of Byron Taiko's massive drums pumping out thunderous beats appeared to summon Thor, the god of thunder at Saturday's Matsuri Festival held in Denning Park, beside Byron Bay Surf Club. Photo Jeff Dawson

Byron School's P&C raises concerns over Merivale DA

Aslan Shand

The Byron Bay Public School P&C have expressed concern over the proposal to serve liquor to up to 545 customers, with 40 staff, from 10am until 2am as part of development application (DA 10.2025.32.1) by Merivale, run by CEO Justin Hemmes, at 111-115 Jonson Street, Byron Bay. The proposal is for the Hemmes' Totti's and Jimmy's Falafel restaurants.

President of the P&C, Laura Cima, said that the 'proposal raises concerns about the potential safety of our students and families'.

The proposed licensed venue is approximately 70m from the school. Byron Shire Council's policy on 'Liquor Licensing and Approval' 2023 states that, 'Council may not support any application proposing to locate a licensed premise within 100 metres of a school, childcare

facility, place of worship, hospital, aged care facility or residential area.' There are also two churches that are also less than 100m from the site.

An initial DA (10.2023.488.1) was submitted in 2023 for the Cheeky Monkeys site's development at 115 Jonson Street for 180 patrons. This was approved with conditions that included maximum patronage, use of the facility as a restaurant and not as a bar, pub or other entertainment venue, restrictions on trading hours and no use of the outdoor courtyard areas at the back of the premises. Merivale subsequently had these conditions removed in 2024 and then lodged the current DA which seeks to expand the operations across an area from 111 to 115 Jonson Street, all owned by Merivale.

'This is not about opposing development - it is about appropriate development in appropriate

locations and planning for the future use of the facility in the years and decades to come,' explained Ms Cima.

'In our view this proposal to significantly increase size and scope of the development raises concerns,' she told *The Echo*.

Traffic and parking impacts

Another concern raised is the impact on the parking in the area with Ms Cima highlighting how challenging it already is to get a park to collect children from the school when there is no patronage of the site.

'They are not supplying any extra carparking and didn't include any mention of the school in their traffic management plan. None of the DA's supporting documents reference the school's proximity or the potential impacts on more than 400

children attending this school daily.'

However, speaking to *The Echo*, CEO Justin Hemmes said that Merivale was not significantly increasing the number above the previously allowable patrons across the various sites, one of which was a licensed restaurant (Jonsons). He also said that the 111 Jonson Street site would retain its midnight licensing while the former Cheeky Monkeys site would retain its previous 2am licence. 'We're not changing the licence, because it's an existing asset,' Hemmes said.

'We are good neighbours, we are respectful, and we manage our businesses well. We are changing from a nightclub environment to a lovely family-friendly restaurant, and we're keeping the existing buildings and the fabric of the building, and we're going to make them in keeping with the bar, and there's no new

structures or new developments.

'We want to be good neighbours, and we want to be good custodians of the property.'

Hemmes said that their 'original Totti's has a beautiful outdoor courtyard which butts up against a block of apartments and we've had no issues with sound. We've had no complaints and no problems whatsoever.'

Addressing the issue of parking Hemmes said that they are integrating the rear carpark on the block while also seeking to put in place a shuttlebus for the greater Byron area.

The application is currently under assessment by Council staff and 'some works undertaken on the site have been the subject of recent enforcement investigation and action,' said Shannon Burt, Director Sustainable Environment and Economy.

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NPWS say 'no' to Ocean Shores boardwalk

Paul Bibby

The long-discussed plan to build a boardwalk connecting Ocean Shores directly to the beach looks set to be put back in Council's bottom drawer, after NSW National Parks reiterated its firm opposition to the idea.

For decades, locals in Ocean Shores have debated the idea of a pedestrian path connecting the main residential areas of their suburb to the shopping centre and on to New Brighton Beach.

There are those who argue that such a path would provide invaluable access to the beach for Ocean Shores locals, particularly for young people who can't drive themselves to Brunswick Heads or New Brighton.

But others strenuously oppose the plan on the grounds that it would require carving a path through the Marshalls Creek Nature Reserve – a pristine piece of coastal wetland that is home to several threatened ecological communities.

The idea bubbled back to the surface earlier this year during the development of the *Place Plan for New*

Brighton, South Golden Beach and Ocean Shores – a document which sets the vision for this part of the Shire over the next 20 years.

Driven by a vocal section of the community who are in favour of the boardwalk, councillors voted to put it back in the table, instructing staff to engage NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) in discussions to see if the idea might have legs.

But those legs now appear to have been lopped off at the knees by the NPWS.

'Constructing a boardwalk through Marshalls Creek Nature Reserve and Brunswick Heads Nature Reserve is inconsistent with the plans of management for each reserve,' the Acting General Manager of the Tweed-Byron NPWS, Silas Sutherland said in a letter to Council.

'NPWS does not propose or support amending either plan of management. Both Marshalls Creek and Brunswick Heads nature reserves have high conservation values, including numerous flora, fauna and ecological communities, that would be negatively impacted by the proposal.'

'The construction of a boardwalk through Marshalls Creek Nature Reserve would lead to further fragmentation of remnant native vegetation and pose an unacceptable risk to the reserve.'

Given that the NPWS has authority over the nature reserves, its opposition would appear to be fatal to the boardwalk plan.

Meanwhile, another much-discussed aspect of the Place Plan, the transformation of the Tom Kendall Oval into a multi-use village green has been included in the place plan.

Among the features being considered for the redeveloped village green are a playground, a kids' pump-track, seating for recreation and events, and opportunities for public art.

In order to make up for the lost sportsfield, Council would build a new field at Bob Belleair Sports Field on Shara Boulevard.

However, this project comes with some significant complications, including the fact that areas of high-value vegetation would have to be cleared in order for the oval and associated amenities to be constructed.

Questions remain over SEP as vote nears

Aslan Shand

The Byron Shire Council (BSC) vote on whether or not to go ahead with the trial Special Entertainment Precinct (SEP) in Byron's town centre is expected to take place at one of the November Council meetings, yet there are still significant unanswered questions over funding, alcohol licensing, and safety.

Historical issues over alcohol-fuelled violence in the town have created a key sticking point in the community about the potential extension of liquor licence hours under the SEP. Mayor Sarah Ndiaye told *The Echo* that Council are still 'seeking formal clarification' on the right of Council to remove or exclude the right of venues to apply for extended liquor licensing and trading hours from the SEP.

'My current understanding is that late-night venues may apply for extended hours through the state's vibrancy reforms, regardless of whether we participate in a SEP trial,' she said.

As it stands there has been no report to Council

Historical issues over alcohol-fuelled violence in the town have created a key sticking point for the SEP with the community.

on the grant funding or the implementation and potential way the SEP would operate, funding opportunities, and no working group exists to inform the development of the Draft Precinct Plan as Manly Council is doing.

Mayor Ndiaye was clear that the SEP would bring benefits to the town and that it 'offers an opportunity to improve safety, access to late-night services, and overall community wellbeing. There's opportunities for artists and creatives to reignite the flair of town. Benefits can also include better lighting, transport, and support services – not just for venues, but for everyone moving through the precinct.'

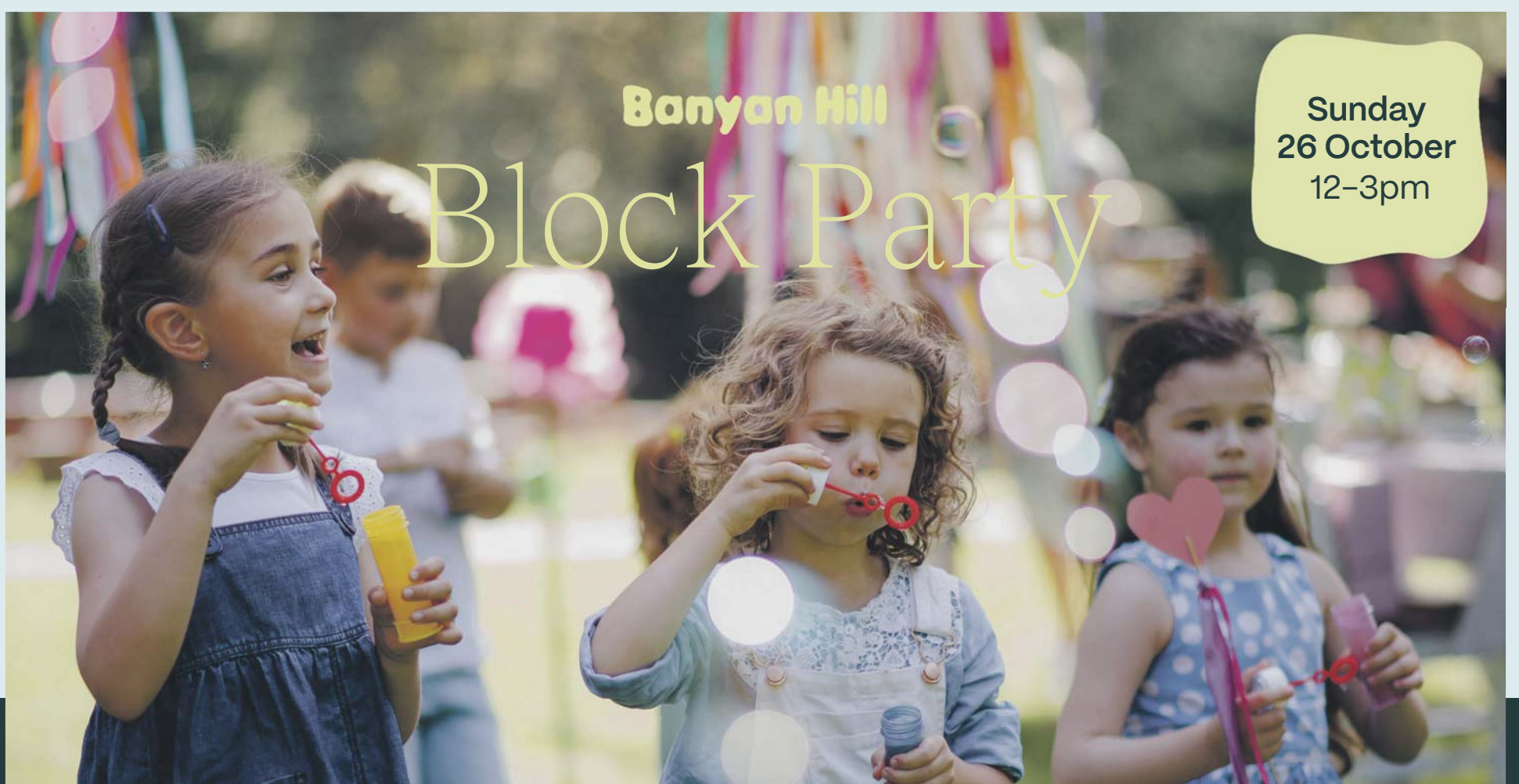
However, it is unclear how any of these initiatives will be funded with the mayor telling *The Echo* that, 'We're waiting on more details around how these initiatives will be funded, especially

for non-venue spaces. The recent safety audit and ongoing community engagement will help guide priorities for investment and ensure funding is directed where it's needed most.'

The mayor highlighted that Federal MP Justine Elliot had committed \$1 million towards improving safety in Byron's night-time precinct during the previous election. However, she made clear that while the Council can advocate for extra funding of emergency services such as police, and Byron Hospital Emergency Department, and NSW Ambulance the final decisions to increase funding are made by the respective agencies.

The SEP specifically encourages live music, and noise regulation will change under the SEP, making it harder for residents to complain and get action if they are impacted. At the October BSC meeting long-term local resident Janet Gay-Jordan raised concerns over the issue and later told *The Echo* that there is already plenty of live music in the town.

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Graeme Dunstan and Sunny his canine companion both live as peace activist gypsies in the Peace Bus, their mobile home and bearer of poles, flags, banners, tools, and gear for occupying public places with protest.

There are horn speakers on the roof racks and slogan art on the side – the Peace Bus likes to be noticed.

In his dotage Graeme has become a master of banner art. Last week Dunstan was in Mullum making banners for last Saturday's big peace rally in Brisbane.

Graeme Dunstan has turned protest banner-making and 3D cardboard model-making into an art form.

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2022 flood recovery needs full funding restored

Pancho Symes

Byron Shire Council (BSC) has submitted a motion to state government expressing disappointment at the lack of consultation regarding its \$100 million reduction in funding for house 'raises' and/or 'retrofits' under the NSW Resilient Homes Program (RHP) as part of the funding originally promised following the 2022 floods.

The motion requested restoration of the original \$1.5 billion commitment to deliver 6,000 house buybacks, raises, and retrofits across the Northern Rivers region, as originally promised in 2022.

The motion further requested immediate transparency from the NSW Reconstruction Authority (NSW RA) on: why certain Shire homes lost eligibility for assistance, clear timelines for program delivery, monthly statistical breakdowns of Byron Shire applications, approvals, and completions across all RHP streams made publicly available, and a case-by-case map for Byron Shire residents informing them

of which priority stream (1, 2, 3, or 4) their home falls into and the anticipated timeframe for delivery.

The motion also called for equitable program delivery, so that raises and retrofits are accessible to all households without socio-economic discrimination. This is in response to the program's requirement that homeowners make co-contributions of \$100,000 and \$50,000 respectively for house raises and retrofits.

Resilient Homes a 'disaster'

In Public Access Statement at the BSC meeting, Dale Emerson of the Community Disaster Action Group (CDAG) said that NSW flood victims have not been looked after by their state government in the same way as their Qld neighbours.

'When disaster funding was first promised, PM Albanese said "it would cost a lot, but it was the right thing to do," Mr Emerson said.

'And yet, four years on, Qld has completed its buy back and retrofit programs. But NSW is still in limbo, and

is now facing a reduction in funding.

'Flood-affected families have been dragged back and forth through the RHP, repeatedly encouraged and then confused,' Mr Emerson said.

Noelle Maxwell, another representative of the CDAG, who was flooded in 2022 and is still not back in her house, has said 'the job is not finished until it is finished.'

'Only one percent of promised house raises and retrofits have been completed in NSW in four years.

'This is damning information,' Mr Emerson said.

\$1.5 billion was promised, despite RA denial

In a 2023 *Echo* article, NSW RA CEO Simon Draper denied commitment to buying back, raising and retrofitting 6,000 homes, which would come in two 'tranches' and amount to a total cost of \$1.5 billion.

In a media briefing, Draper claimed he had looked at the commitments made by the government

at the time and it was only '2,000 buybacks, house raises, and retrofits combined.'

However, internal NSW RA documents confirm that the original program was scoped to deliver roughly 2,000 home buybacks, 2,000 home raising and 2,000 home retrofits each and a budget of \$1.5 billion was requested to deliver this.

'More traumatising than the floods'

One council member described his attempts to secure a Brunswick Heads woman a DA and access funding for a house raise.

'Her whole house had been destroyed. It was a six to eight-month process going through the DA process and getting through Resilient Homes to get the funding.'

'And she said to me at the end, that the whole experience of accessing that funding was more traumatising than the flood.'

'It shows how unnecessarily complex and difficult the process of raising your house is.'

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Is Byron ready to implement a SEP?

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'The SEP has been designed for business but not for the local area that adjoins the precinct. The loud, disturbing noise is already invading our homes, some of which are up to six blocks away. We hear the music clearly, even with

all our doors and windows closed. Even more outdoor amplified music and techno-dooft beat will ruin our health and affect our peace of mind and our local community in the future.'

While the SEP has the potential to bring funding and revitalisation to Byron

Bay many locals are saying that there are so many unanswered questions in relation to funding, management, and impacts on the town. Questions have also been raised in relation to the large area (30ha) the SEP covers and the potential impacts on

adjoining residential areas. They are saying that more work needs to be done, funding secured, a report to Council completed, and a working group established; without these in place they say the town is not ready to go ahead with the SEP in its current format.

Youth Council for Byron Shire back on the table

Paul Bibby

Byron Shire Council will consider paying young people to take part in its new-and-improved Youth Council as a way of encouraging participants to show up and have their say on local issues.

But will funding 'Youth Council 2.0' require a reduction in funding for other youth programs such as the Friday night Street Cruise outreach program?

In the latest effort from Council to engage local youth in the political process, councillors will this week debate and vote on a new Youth Council model that was prepared by Council staff at their request.

Unlike the previous Youth Council which petered out after four years in 2017 due to lack of attendance, the new Byron Youth Council would see participants receive gift cards to attend meetings, as well as cash to pay for travel to and from the Council chambers.

The forum would consist of up to 15 participants aged 12 to 17 and involve a mix of in-person and online participation.

Young people would be given a forum to discuss issues of importance for them and would also provide advice and input to Council on these issues.

This would be done through quarterly presentations and reports to councillors, and a presentation

to local members of state and federal parliament.

'Council has an obligation to ensure the specific needs, aspirations, and challenges of all community groups, including young people, are considered across infrastructure, planning, open spaces, and other service delivery,' Council's Community Project Officer Malcolm Foard said in his report to Council on the matter.

A platform for young people's voices

'Youth councils can provide a platform for young people's voices to be heard.'

Mr Foard noted that there were many benefits of a youth council, particularly the provision of a platform for young people to voice their opinions and to engage in Council policy-making.

But the project would come at a cost, potentially requiring a reduction in funding for existing youth programs such as the long-running Street Cruise outreach program.

The proposed model being debated by councillors would cost \$30,000 a year to run.

In the absence of a dedicated youth officer, the task of running and administering the council would fall to other staff, diminishing their capacity to engage in other activities such as access and

inclusion, oversight of the Disability Inclusion Action Plan, and community safety.

It would also reduce resourcing available for existing youth activities and supports.

This would include termination of the current Youth Say program and a possible reduction in financial resourcing for programs such as Street Cruise – a youth program that connects teenagers with services and information on Friday and Saturday nights.

Several other options for youth participation were put forward by Council staff, including issue-specific youth forums, digital engagement platforms, and involving young people directly in the design of projects that they have a particular interest in.

Byron has previously facilitated a Youth Council, running it from 2013 to 2017.

This was disbanded due to a range of factors, including the difficulties in sustaining ongoing youth participation, ensuring diverse representations and the resource-intensive staffing required.

Since 2021 Council has operated the annual YouthSay leadership program, which included a 5-week civic mentoring and consultation program. Council found it hard to secure participation from young people and schools from across the full geographic span of Byron Shire.

Artists' auction supports Federal

The 25th anniversary of the Federal Park Party, on Saturday, 1 November from 12 noon, will feature a special art auction showcasing local artists, with profits reinvested into art and culture in Federal.

'This is an incredible opportunity to acquire a valued piece for your collections, from an impressive list of local artists including Angus McDonald, Emma Walker, John Campbell, Charly Wrencher, Mel Ladkin, Nickolla Clark, Claire Yerbury, Brendan Kelly, Mahala Magins, Gaby Borgardts, Maria Paterson, Marika Bryant and Dale Rhodes,' said organisers.

You can view the artworks from 2pm, Friday, 31 October at the Federal Halls with the official opening at 6pm including a bar and nibbles. The auction will be at 5pm



Nikola Clark with one of her works. Photo Jeff 'Cactus' Dawson

at the Federal Park Party, overseen by local auctioneer James Jackson. For art auction enquiries contact Alan on 0417 211 323.

Join the fun with Music in the Valley

Music in The Valley is the annual grassroots music festival, put on by Upper Main Arm School, this year paying homage to mesmerising female artists from the Main Arm hinterland including ARIA-chart-topper Emily Lubitz and Cassie Douglas From Trouble Of The Good. The free and licensed

family-friendly event, held at Main Arm Upper Public School is on Sunday, 2 November, 11am to 4pm. Festivalgoers who do not wish to drive can catch the Love Bus to the festival. The bus leaves from the Mullum taxi rank on Stuart Street at 11.30am and returns at 4pm for only \$5.

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The inaugural retrospective solo exhibition of Bradley Pike, long-time local resident, award-winning jeweller, and artist, took place in early October at the The Garage Gallery in Mullumbimby. Before Bradley heads to Morocco for an art and writing residence, you can arrange to view his work by appointment on 0418 881 144. Photo Jeff Dawson



Byron's Sunseeker Motel \$2.3 million DA

Paul Bibby

Byron's Sunseeker Motel is set for a \$2.3 million development, including the construction of a new two-storey accommodation block that will provide holiday accommodation for up to 40 additional people.

Located at 96-100 Bangalow Road, the Sunseeker was a classic 1980s brick motel that was turned into a 41-room, nine-cabin hotel by new owners in the early 2020s.

Further changes are now afoot with a development application (DA) recently on public exhibition with Byron Council.

According to the

Statement of Environmental Effects (SEE) accompanying the DA, the project will involve the removal of eight trees (including four natives) to facilitate the construction of the new 8.35-metre-high accommodation block.

The new building will have a gross floor area of 435.8 square metres, including eight new rooms on the ground floor and six rooms on the top floor.

Fourteen new car spaces will be built to service the new building, and the owners will also add outdoor seating, a central courtyard and play equipment.

New 1.8m boundary fences would be added on

Bangalow Road and Oakland Court which exceed the fence height limit for this part of the Shire, though the SEE says this would improve privacy and have no adverse impacts on the surrounding area.

The new addition seeks to 'cultivate a sense of warmth and personality, reinforcing the Sunseeker's distinctive "home-away-from-home" experience.'

'The aim is for this addition to the Sunseeker to become an evolution of an enduring hospitality experience, offering guests a place of comfort, character, and connection within Byron Bay's unique cultural and natural landscape.'

Phelps family reunion celebrates a Byron Bay legacy

Pansy and Keith Phelps spent their lives in Byron Bay, residing for many years at 123 Jonson Street. Keith worked as a slaughterman at Anderson Meat Works and built bicycles in his spare time, often helping locals with odd jobs. Pansy was devoted to raising their ten children: Nola (dec.), David (dec.), Joy, June, Fay, Judith, Warren, Noel, Dawn, and Robert.

Sport was a central part of family life. All ten children were active in various sports, with the four boys heavily involved in the Byron Bay Surf Club. They competed in boat races, beach events, and swimming competitions during the era of Count Haskew and Billy Winter. David, the eldest, was a champion swimmer and beltman, winning multiple NSW country titles. Noel and Robert excelled in rescue and resuscitation, while Warren competed in boat and beach events. Today, several grandchildren and



The Phelps family spread David Phelps' ashes on Sunday, 5 October. Photo supplied

great-grandchildren continue the family's surf club legacy.

On 4 October, the Phelps family reunited in Byron Bay, with 100 relatives attending from across Western Australia, Queensland, the ACT, and towns throughout New South Wales. The afternoon was filled with laughter, stories, and heartfelt memories.

The Phelps family is truly remarkable, with several members having represented Australia, New South Wales, and Queensland

in sports such as softball, cricket, swimming, surf lifesaving, and athletics.

Vale David

On Sunday, 5 October under perfect Byron Bay skies, the family gathered at Main Beach to farewell David. His ashes were scattered into the sea, accompanied by flowers and petals drifting gently with the tide – a serene tribute to a beloved husband, father, brother and sportsman.

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Questions remain over bungled Mullum affordable housing project

Hans Lovejoy

Byron Shire Council staff are refusing to answer questions around the cost to ratepayers around plans to develop, along with government-run developer Landcom, the 57 Station Street carpark into 'affordable housing' units.

It comes as Council staff released the public submissions around the beleaguered project, which will see 'construction of affordable housing comprising shop-top housing with two ground-floor commercial premises and carparking, 28 apartments above, a ground-floor boarding house and demolition of existing public toilet, carpark, and associated services, and tree removal'.

The public subs come in at 1,519 pages and 193.8Mb.

Almost every submission is against the proposal.

Most names were redacted as per Council policy.

The first submission reads, 'I'm 70 years of age, an (uninterrupted!) ratepayer in Byron Shire since 1993. Unfortunately, my spine was damaged during a botched forceps birth, hence I have

some difficulties walking properly. This injury seems to impact my ability to move around freely much more with my advancing age'.

'Your suggested vehicle parking and public facility alternatives will in all likelihood make it impossible for me to perform basic daily tasks in Mullumbimby, once the public toilets and the carpark in Station Street have been removed!'

Another wrote, 'Not in the right carpark. Keep the toilets'.

One of the few in support wrote, 'Shoppers [should] just be prepared to walk a little further and not expect that public land should be used for their lazy convenience. Mullum needs affordable housing more than it needs to protect a few car parks'.

Business impacts

Neighbouring business owner of The Other Joint cafe, Eva, said if approved, it would have a major impact.

She wrote, 'We rely on the rear carpark for access to our grease trap which needs to be pumped out every three months. Our gas bottles

are also delivered through the back, as bringing them through the cafe is not an option. Our cafe has a unique outdoor garden which nobody will want to use during the construction period due to ongoing noise and dust, therefore impacting our trade. We have been trading now just over ten years, having survived Covid, I thought our business was indestructible. However, I do believe that this could bring an end to our family business'.

Another cafe patron wrote, 'It is an aesthetic travesty in the heart of old Mullum town. It fails the pub test of commonsense solutions to low-cost housing options'.

Within the Mullumbimby Residents Association's (MRA) extensive objection, they state, 'Council should advise the developer that there is a sewer line between the two manholes. Likewise, Council should advise that development over the sewer line is prohibited'.

It was admitted by Landcom and Council after the DA submissions closed that the sewer mains exist on

the site, and were not taken into account, despite the project being in an advanced stage.

Questions around accountability for the cost to the public have not been answered by either government agency.

Local community against DA

Yet despite the ongoing bumbles and mismanagement, councillors recently united and backed staff to progress with developing the site, despite more than 2,000 signatures being presented by locals calling for an alternative location. Alternative parking arrangements proposed include a new parking space to the north of the Woolies building, which is hundreds of metres away.

Another aspect to the ongoing saga, which has been brewing for years behind closed doors, is that the project has been unable to attract the interest of a community housing provider (CHP).

The proposal is to sell the land to a CHP and in return,

two units would be retained for Council to house their staff, while the CHP would provide 'affordable housing' in perpetuity.

Councillors have admitted that they were not engaged with the project or Landcom throughout the years the DA was being formulated.

It led to a proposal which Cr Ndiaye said was 'substandard'.

While Cr Ndiaye told *The Echo*, 'We have been following proper process as to not get involved with the developers and the design', it appears at odds with Council's DA policy given Council are the landowners.

Too advanced to stop says Mayor

Council's 'Factsheet - Building in the Vicinity of Underground Infrastructure', says, 'It is the responsibility of the owner to determine the exact location of Council's underground infrastructure which is/ or may be affected by the proposed building/ document'.

Greens Mayor Sarah Ndiaye has said that as the

project is so advanced, it is not possible to consider another location.

This is despite the mayor and other councillors asking residents at a public meeting to wait until the DA was submitted before making comment.

It puts into question whether councillors have exposed themselves and the community to financial liabilities.

As for, 'Why not another site?' Cr Ndiaye said, 'The MRA, who have been the main force driving this campaign, have demonstrated against, and created petitions opposing every affordable housing initiative since I have been on Council. For example, Station Street next to Council, the two on Stuart Street and the [emergency housing] pods. I don't think another site would really make a difference, but it's not feasible anyway'.

So far, no evidence has been provided as to why another site is not feasible by Cr Ndiaye or staff.

The MRA reject claims made by Cr Ndiaye, which

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Aslan Shand

Documentary filmmaker Juliet Lamont was one of 30,000 people who applied to join the Global Sumud Flotilla that aimed 'to deliver humanitarian aid to Gaza' and was one of the 500 selected to join the flotilla from around the world.

The flotilla boats sailed from a range of ports that included Barcelona, Sicily, Tunis, and Greece, coming together in the waters near Crete and sailed as a flotilla.

'It was really empowering and poetic as well as kind of terrifying, because we knew that we were, each day, getting closer to the naval blockade, and we knew we'd be intercepted, and then it was hoped that we would break the blockade.'

During the lead up to the flotilla Juliet said there was a lot of scare tactics used, both through the media, as well as attempts to damage



Juliet Lamont attempting 'to deliver humanitarian aid to Gaza'. Photo supplied

boats and equipment.

'They had drone-bombed some of the bigger boats in Barcelona and we knew that it could be violent, but I actually thought it would be more violent than it was. I thought they'd be fatalities,' she told *The Echo*.

Juliet's boat managed to get about 70 nautical miles from the Gazan coast before they were intercepted.

'We felt excited and joyful and like, maybe they're going to let us go in and deliver the baby food, and the medicine, and the aid,' she said.

But it didn't last long. Initially the flotilla boats experienced drones taking out sails and masts, then the boats were sprayed with high power water cannons.

'They'd spray boats, and people would fall off the boats. The boats would capsize. You'd lose your phones, those sorts of intimidation tactics. Then there were the snipers and they would train the lasers on our foreheads and on our hearts,' she said.

Eventually they were boarded, the people on board cable-tied and taken into custody by the IDF. Juliet said they were denied water, food, and not allowed to go to the toilet on the boats and in the prison.

The Australians were some of the last members of the flotilla to be released and while the experience was traumatic Juliet says it is vital to keep bringing attention to the genocide in Gaza.

The Wake wins at the Byron Bay Film Festival



Tadji Urlich won the 2025 Young Australian Filmmaker of the Year at the Byron Bay International Film Festival for his film *The Wake*. The award was presented at Sunday night's closing event by Paul Wiegard of Madman Entertainment, alongside Mercato on Byron Trustee Jason Meares and Festival Director J'aimee Skippon-Volke. The 19th Byron Bay International Film Festival is running until Sunday, 26 October at cinema venues across the Northern Rivers region. Find out more at bbff.com.au. Photo supplied

57 Station Street affordable housing debacle

► Continued from page 6 are echoed by Cr Jack Dods and Cr Asren Pugh.

FOI requests

A Government Information Public Access (GIPA) request (or freedom of information request) has been lodged by *The Echo* with Council around its costs incurred so far, as well as calling for the contract details between Council and Landcom (two government agencies) to be made public.

The reports comparing the different sites considered for 'affordable housing' by Council and how the current site was selected has also

been requested.

The requests are made in the public interest owing to the proposal's aim to sell public land for the benefit of a private enterprise (CHP), and the secrecy that has surrounded the project.

Current DA's status

There is also conflicting information from Council's General Manager Mark Arnold and the mayor around whether the current DA is relevant.

Mr Arnold told the MRA via email it has not been withdrawn, while Cr Ndiaye told *The Echo*, 'Landcom's DA will need to be resubmitted

and go on public exhibition again'.

Landcom, as the applicant, refused to answer whether its DA has been withdrawn and referred *The Echo's* question to Council. Council have confirmed that the current DA is still active.

A spokesperson for consent authority, the Northern Regional Planning Panel (NRPP), told *The Echo*, 'As Council is undertaking the assessment of this application, all submissions are to be directed to Council'.

■ To read unanswered questions see *The Echo* online: www.echo.net.au.

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Tweed sustainability champions recognised

Nine inspiring individuals, schools, businesses and community groups have been recognised with a 2025 Tweed Sustainability Award for their outstanding efforts to protect and enhance the region's natural environment.

Quinn's giant step to Space Camp USA

Murwillumbah-based school student and lifelong space enthusiast, Quinn Dowling, will soon be jetting off to Space Camp USA with other space enthusiasts thanks to One Giant Leap Australia, and a grant for Student Science Engagement and International Competitions from the Department of Industry, Science and Resources.

Lake Ainsworth a potential health risk

A red alert for Lake Ainsworth near Lennox Head has been issued by Ballina Council. Council staff say, 'People should avoid recreational activities such as swimming, canoeing and any other activity that brings them into contact with this water body.'

Lismore kids theatre calls for help after devastating fire

With Lismore's Masonic Temple being gutted by fire this week (and two men charged), the small theatre company that called it home is seeking help from the community to rebuild. A GoFundMe page has been set up to help Theatre Productions Lismore get back on their feet.

Lismore South Public School rebuild underway

Construction has begun on new permanent buildings for Lismore South Public School and Lismore South Ngulliboo Jarjums Preschool.

Solar farm near Rappville approved

A \$1.2 billion Richmond Valley solar farm near Rappville has been approved by the NSW Labor government, 'which will generate enough clean energy to power around 175,000 homes each year.'

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Richmond RiverFest in final week

As Richmond RiverFest 2025 flows toward its final week, the festival continues to celebrate the people, places and projects restoring the health of the Richmond River catchment – from sea to source.

Presented by Richmond Riverkeeper in partnership with community groups, artists, and landholders, the festival honours the theme 'From the sea to the source – the river connects us all.'

'After a month of connection and care, we'll close RiverFest 2025 by celebrating the community that keeps the river flowing strong,' organisers say.

Wednesday

On Wednesday, 22 October, 'Head upstream to see erosion control and riparian recovery in action for Grady's Creek field day, running 10am–2pm'.

Friday

On Friday, landholders and professionals are invited to join the 'Growing Clean'



River time weaving. Photo supplied

industry bus tour to explore macadamia, cane and cattle landscapes in the Richmond catchment.

Organisers say, 'Departing from Lismore, the tour showcases practical on-ground work improving soil health, water quality, and farm resilience, highlighting collaborations between growers, researchers, and catchment groups.'

Tickets and full itinerary are available at www.events.humanitix.com/growing-clean-exploring-macadamia-cane-and-cattle-landscapes-in-the-richmond-catchment.

Saturday

On Saturday, 25 October, the Bass & Biodiversity event will be held on Rosebank's Boomerang Creek from 10am to 1pm.

'Join local Landcarers and neighbours to plant 1,500 trees and improve fish habitat in this beautiful valley tributary.'

Sunday

Organisers say on Sunday, 'This week's program brings the community together in Lismore for RiverTime, a free family-friendly day by the river, and invites industry

leaders on a behind-the-scenes bus tour exploring how farmers are growing cleaner, greener landscapes across the region.'

'From 10am, the day begins with a Welcome to Country, followed by the Nini Nahri-gali Dancers, weaving circles with Kylie Caldwell and the Healing Hub Weavers, and a solar-powered river stage hosted by Mitch King, featuring performances from Maddy King, Uncle Billy, and Luke Vasella.'

'Families can enjoy kids' art and clay activities, browse community and environmental stalls, visit the Elders Tent, and join in river offerings and cultural ceremonies.'

'Richmond RiverFest 2025 has featured more than 30 events across the catchment this October – from Ballina to Kyogle – celebrating local action to restore river health and build community connection.'

Follow the festival at richmondriverfest.com or on social media: #richmondriverfest.

New state DV services for some of Northern Rivers

The Lismore, Kyogle and Richmond Valley local government areas are included in a list of six NSW regions to benefit from expanded state domestic violence (DV) survivor support services.

On Sunday, the Labor NSW government said more than a thousand extra women and children would have access to case

management, thanks to expansion of the Integrated Domestic and Family Violence Service (IDFVS) to six new locations.

A government media release described the service as using a, 'whole of family case management approach, working with adult and children victim-survivors and the person using violence,'

with a focus on 'maximising family safety'.

'Case managers work with victim-survivors to assess their risk to support them, which can include safety planning, developing a personalised safety plan or connecting them with other services, as well as addressing the children's needs,' the release read.

The service also provided information and referrals to Men's Behaviour Change Programs, or other support services for the person using violence.

An organisation called Rekindling the Spirit was to provide IDFVS to the state's northern region, covering Richmond Valley, Lismore, Kyogle LGAs.

The expanded services were part of \$13.7 million to be invested over four years in 'closing service gaps' in regional and rural NSW.

Other new providers and regions were listed for New England, Hunter, Warrumbungle LGA, Murrumbidgee and Broken Hill and Central Darling LGAs.

Spike in DV arrests, say police

'Sixteen people in seven days': that's how many police said had been charged with domestic violence-related offences across the Tweed Byron district leading up to Friday 17 October.

Police said in a media release last week, 'The figure was more than double the seven reported the previous Friday, and higher than the twelve reported the week before.'

Police said eight of last week's domestic violence offence charges were for assault, seven for contravening Apprehended Violence Orders (AVO), and one for stalking and/or intimidation.

Road raging at 61

Other arrests reported included a 61-year-old

Coopers Shoot man charged with assault occasioning actual bodily harm after 'a road rage related matter involving a neighbour'.

Officers said he will face Byron Bay Local Court on 27 October.

Drink driver pursued

'Members of the public were reported to have followed a 36-year-old Ocean Shores woman after she crashed her vehicle into a parked car in Ocean Shores and then drove off,' they said.

'Attending police said she later returned a high range blood alcohol concentration reading of 0.223.'

'She is due to appear before the Mullumbimby Local Court on 5 November.'

'She was one of seventeen

people charged for road and/or traffic offences, including eleven for drink driving.'

40 charged overall

Police said they charged two people for driving while disqualified and that both were repeat offenders.

'They charged another two people for driving while suspended; one person for driving with an expired licence; and another for driving while never having been licensed.'

'Five people were also charged for the unlawful possession of prohibited drugs.'

Police said they arrested and charged a total of 40 people with a variety of offences at Tweed Heads and Byron Bay police stations over the week.

Lismore gala to raise DV funds

As the Northern Rivers prepares to mark the annual global 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence, the community is invited to come together for a powerful evening of celebration and purpose at the Women Up North Gala, to be held on Saturday, 8 November at the Lismore Workers Club from 6pm.

Hosted by Women Up North Housing Inc. (WUNH), the gala will raise critical funds for women, young people and children experiencing, and at risk of, domestic violence, and the Bugalma Bihyn Aboriginal Women's Refuge, a culturally-safe and trauma-informed space for women and children escaping domestic and family violence.

WUNH executive officer,

Jillian Knight-Smith, says, 'The event comes at a time when domestic violence rates in regional NSW are rising at alarming levels.'

Call to action

She says, 'This is not just a gala – it's a call to action. We are seeing more women and children in crisis than ever before. The community's support is vital to ensure we can continue to provide safe housing and support services.'

She says the gala will feature live entertainment, guest speakers, dinner, raffles, and auctions – all in support of WUNH's mission to provide safety, dignity, and hope to women across the region.'

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World hits first tipping point

As politicians in Australia, and around the world, continue to push back against climate change action we have reached our first climate change tipping point.

According to contributions from 160 scientists, from 87 institutions, in 23 countries, in the 2025 *Global Tipping Points Report* we are experiencing our first tipping point.

'Already at 1.40C of global warming, warm water coral reefs are crossing their thermal tipping point and experiencing unprecedented dieback,' states the *Global Tipping Points Report*.

This point is driven home in *New Scientist* as they emphasise that, 'Record-breaking global temperatures documented since 2023 have pushed ocean heat levels to new highs, triggering a mass bleaching event that has affected more than 80 per cent of all the world's corals.'

According to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), tipping points are 'critical thresholds in a system that, when exceeded, can lead to a significant change in the state of the system, often with an understanding that the change is irreversible.'

According to the *Global Tipping Points Report* there are numerous vital world systems heading towards tipping points at under 2°C rise in global warming. These include the potential collapse of the Atlantic Meridional Overturning Circulation (AMOC) 'that would radically undermine global food and water security and plunge northwest Europe into prolonged severe winter,' and the deforestation of the Amazon rainforest that could cause widespread dieback.'

'Humanity faces a potentially catastrophic, irreversible outcome. If we wait to cross tipping points before we act, it will be too late. The only credible risk management strategy is to act in advance. But the window for preventing damaging tipping points is rapidly closing.'

The frustrating part is that the solutions are there and can be implemented if enough people, at all levels, chose to make this a key issue they are willing to push, because non-binding long-term or Net-Zero targets are not enough.

The report is clear that we need 'unprecedented acceleration in decarbonisation', addressing non-climate drivers including reducing overfishing, deforestation and forest degradation, acceleration of clean energy technologies, and transitioning away from fossil fuel use, regeneration of nature, and enabling finance to facilitate development of new technologies, are just some of the suggestions that the *Global Tipping Points Report* puts forward.

Understanding the science, being able to have the conversations with those around you is the beginning. Everyone can take action both locally and globally to drive the conversation and actions that are needed to make change. Call on your COP30 leaders and your government representatives to make the change we need.

Aslan Shand, editor

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

Barnaby causing more trouble in the barnyard

Tired of being out of the political spotlight, Barnaby Joyce has declared he won't recontest his New England seat at the next election, supposedly due to dissatisfaction with his party's leadership, but he hasn't yet quit the Nationals, or responded definitively to speculation that he's joining Pauline Hanson's One Nation.

The next federal election isn't expected until 2028, which gives Barnaby plenty of time to cause chaos, continuing to be paid very well to do a job which he apparently no longer has much interest in, and without the moderating influence of his own leader David Littleproud or Coalition leader Sussan Ley.

Earlier this year Barnaby Joyce was considered so toxic to the LNP's prospects that he was forbidden to campaign outside his own electorate.

Mysteriously, the good people of New England returned this 'character' to office with a 66 per cent vote after preferences, notwithstanding red-faced rants in Question Time about carp, an extremely messy personal life and that time he fell over a planter box in Braddon and was captured drunkenly swearing on the phone while lying on the street – or his alleged involvement in various rorts relating to water and gas.

Mr Joyce said he believes that making this latest public announcement makes him 'free to now consider all options as to what I do next', regardless of the party machine or policy platform that elected him.

Who will be next in the conga line of noisy malcontents? Matt Canavan? Kevin Hogan?

In his statement to branch members, Joyce said, 'My relationship with the leadership of the Nationals in Canberra has unfortunately, like a sadness in some marriages, irreparably broken down.'

Too nutty for the Nats?

The man with the big hat has always had a problem with science, and renewables, criticising wind energy even as he opened the \$400



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David Lowe

million White Rock wind farm in his own electorate.

In his latest statement, he said, 'Our position in continuing to support Net Zero with the massive schism and hurt to my electorate, to small businesses, to the environment, to the poor, to the defence of Australia and creating hate between lifelong friends in my community makes continuing in the Nationals' Party Room in Canberra under this policy untenable.'

He forgot to mention his good mate Gina Rinehart in that laundry list, but you get the idea.

Back in 2005, when Barnaby Joyce decided bush accountancy was a waste of his talents, he began his political life in the Senate, and that's probably where he will return if he makes good on his threat.

Pauline Hanson seems likely to be the beneficiary of Barnaby's dissatisfaction with the Nationals, if she can manage to restrain his ego more successfully than previous attempted recruits such as Mark Latham and Clive Palmer. There is even some speculation that Joyce has been offered a leadership position.

With new polls suggesting One Nation is now outpolling the Greens federally, and benefiting from the ongoing self-destruction of the LNP, it's understandable that politicians with well-honed survival instincts are looking in that direction as their old ship sinks.

Perhaps we're headed for Nigel Farage territory, where the racist rump becomes the opposition, and threatens to become the government? Anything is possible with the man Tony Abbott once described as 'Australia's best retail politician' in the ranks.

Peace in our time?

Speaking of racist rumps, US President Donald Trump's peace plan for Gaza so far hasn't amounted to much more than a swap of hostages for prisoners, with Israel still killing civilians and Hamas still murdering their opponents, even as the world remains hopeful that something lasting and good might come from America's politically delayed intervention.

At the same time, a new war is brewing against Venezuela, along with attacks from MAGA on more than half of their fellow Americans, and upon the rule of law itself. Over eight million people are estimated to have attended No Kings rallies on the weekend, a global record.

Into this maelstrom has just stepped Anthony Albanese, who remains convinced that Australia's interests are best served by keeping us tightly tethered to this insane, dying elephant of a country. He offered the tyrant in the Oval Office our rare earth minerals and a chance to humiliate Kevin Rudd in exchange for Australia's ongoing 'protection'.

Back in Canberra, loyal lieutenant and Environment Minister Murray Watt is busy carving out a new set of environment laws with the blessing of fossil fuel lobbyists and their friends in the Coalition – anything to avoid talking to the Greens, teals or other independents.

It seems that a climate trigger of any kind is firmly off the minister's agenda, which means Watt can keep approving new coal and gas developments as fast as they hit his desk, regardless of what the science says.

Perhaps Barnaby Joyce should join Labor?



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Historic day for Mullum

October 29 will mark the centenary of the day in 1925, when gangs of local men working from each end of the 107m-long tunnel, hewn through the rock under Montecollum Road, met and shook hands.

Just four weeks later, the waters of Wilsons Creek were let loose from the newly-built Lavertys Gap weir to test the tunnel and pipelines leading to the hydro-turbines on Alidenes Road.

Mullumbimby first received light from the plant on March 1, 1926, with Byron Bay and Bangalow following soon after.

The water treatment plant was built in 1938, making Mullumbimby independent in both power and water.

At Council's next meeting, on October 23, 2025, councillors will be asked to make another courageous decision: should they buy the land on Wilsons Creek Road to enable construction of a future off-stream storage reservoir and a new water treatment plant?

This land is being offered by the Bower family, whose antecedents were themselves involved as councillors in historic decisions in the 1920s and '30s. The reservoir and treatment plant would help maintain Mullumbimby's independent water supply for the next century.

A bold decision is needed to make this investment.

Ben Fawcett
Member of Council's
Water and Sewer Advisory
Committee,
Wilson's Creek

Better solutions needed in Council

After listening to Council consistently assuring the community that 'we have fully investigated all alternatives and there is no other viable or cost-effective solution to a four-month outbound road closure', three days before the start, it turns out there was indeed a better solution.

Suddenly, works can run from 7am to 6pm Monday to Saturday.

Incredibly, The Saddle Road can remain open to one-way traffic.

Impossibly, the project can potentially be finished by Christmas.

This goes to the heart of what Council calls 'community



Gareth Smith from the Palestine Liberation Centre writes, 'The Palestinian flag flies from the Wreck in Belongil Bay, thus asserting the inalienable right of the Global Sumud Flotilla to sail unhindered in international waters. The ocean connects us to the people of Gaza whose surfers and fisherfolk get beaten and shot by the Israeli Navy. Byron Bay is also a surfing community, so we should show solidarity with Gaza by establishing a sister city relationship.' Photo supplied

consultation'. Despite assurances from Mayor Ndiaye about the lack of opposition, it seems when meaningful, open, honest conversations are had with community, changes can be made.

Council may well see this as a public relations 'win' for them. They listened, they made changes.

The reality is they did not listen for months and, finally, at the eleventh hour, solutions that simply were not possible suddenly became possible.

Nothing actually changed apart from community pressure against what I see as the arrogant and self-absorbed attitude of councillors, who were either too lazy or too disinterested to truly do their job, and push the project back to Council staff to properly analyse and recommend alternatives.

We must keep the pressure on councillors to run a better business. Something is wrong here. It looks by any measure a poorly-run business.

And it is overseen by a poorly run Council with a weak mayor, who seems very comfortable head-butting community groups, but reluctant to make her own executive accountable for producing thoroughly-researched recommendations. And where's the challenge from the other apparently sycophantic councillors?

See the Mullum Road backflip for what it is. It is not a win for Council, because they finally listened. This is an indisputable failure by Council to properly engage and seek community views prior

to spruiking their usual 'we've done the work and there is no other option' mantra.

There is still time for 57 Station Street.

Jim Watts
Mullumbimby

Compliance of 57 Station St, Mullum

Is it common practice with building specifications for the *Accessibility Report* to be only 20 per cent compliant before a project is shovel-ready?

After years of preparations, the 80-page report deems the building with 'generally a high level of compliance', yet 80 per cent of its compliance notes indicate that it requires more information.

Is this common practice? Or is Byron Shire Council only 20 per cent ready – so to speak?

Considering that during the initial, and only, official community consultation meeting of nearby affected landowners in 2022, the Landcom pitch was that the building would be completed and 'ready to move in by the end of 2025' – they are already well behind their own predicted schedule.

At this going rate, Mullumbimby's beloved carpark may remain in place until about 2030.

And Council will probably blame the Mullumbimby Residents Association (MRA) for causing the delays, when really they just hadn't got all their information together in time.

Also, the misnomer that the development can't be moved to the other carpark has very little basis in fact.

The library can be very easily extended to the east of the main Council building, the solar panels and car charging station can be easily removed while construction takes place and reinstalled at the end of it.

And any government funding that's been secured can be transferred with a variance in the contract from one Council-owned carpark to the other Council-owned carpark a little further up the same street, from 57 Station Street to 86 Station Street.

Tim Winton-Brown
Mullumbimby

Local leadership vacuum

It seems that this elected Council thinks little of the community and the best interests of business.

We had the renewal of the stormwater system in Lawson Street Byron Bay, no real thought given to those

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Universal Language

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Sat 25 Oct, Palace Byron Bay – 3pm



It Was Just an Accident

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Oscar nominee Raoul Peck (*I Am Not Your Negro*) revisits Orwell's final months and the birth of Big Brother – sharply relevant.

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Thu 23 Oct, Palace Byron Bay – 7pm

John Lilly and the Earth Coincidence Control Office

Isolation tanks, dolphins, LSD and counterculture – neuroscientist John C. Lilly's life was as strange as it was visionary.

Sun 26 Oct, Brunswick Picture House – 4pm

The Heart Revolution

A poetic, science-led look at what the heart does across a lifetime.

Australian Premiere

Sun 26 Oct, Palace Byron Bay – 12:30pm

SURF & ADVENTURE



Deeper

Dr Richard "Harry" Harris undertakes a perilous cave dive – thrilling and awe-inspiring.

Fri 24 Oct, Palace Ballina Fair – 7:20pm

We the Surfers

Liberia's grassroots surf culture and the power of unity, resilience and ocean love. Screens with a selection of global surf shorts.

Fri 24 Oct, Palace Ballina Fair – 7:20pm

Champions of the Golden Valley

An inspiring true-story drama, as a ski coach unites Afghan mountain villages in a race using handmade skis. Byron Premiere

Sat 25 Oct, Palace Byron Bay – 5:15pm

500 Days in the Wild

Dianne Whelan's 24,000km trek across Canada – a journey of resilience, connection and transformation.

Northern Rivers Premiere

Sat 25 Oct, Brunswick Picture House – 4pm

Beyond the Break

Lennox Head's Joel Taylor's comeback from paralysis to para-surfing world champion.

Fri 24 Oct, Palace Byron Bay – 7:30pm (+ Q&A)

Sun 26 Oct, Brunswick Picture House – 6:30pm (+ Q&A)

ENVIRONMENT



Yurlu | Country

A vivid ode to Country and an intimate portrait of a respected Aboriginal Elder striving to heal his Pilbara homeland, scarred by contamination.

Wed 22 Oct, Coorabell Hall – doors 6:30pm, film 7pm (+ Q&A)

Thu 23 Oct, Starcourt Theatre Lismore – 6.30pm (+ Q&A)

Fool's Paradise (Lost?)

A love letter to the wild, and to reconnection in a time of climate stress.

Sat 25 Oct, Palace Byron Bay – 12:30pm

MUSIC & PERFORMANCE

Marlon Williams: Two Worlds – Ngā Ao e Rua

A moving portrait of an artist finding his way home through language, music and whakapapa.

Byron Premiere

Sat 25 Oct, Palace Byron Bay – 7:30pm

Sun 26 Oct, Palace Byron Bay – 8:30pm



Comparsa

Two sisters turn a Guatemalan barrio into a fearless, joyful street performance against gender violence. Australian Premiere

Sat 25 Oct, Brunswick Picture House – 7pm

Followed by panel exploring the realities of women's safety in our region, with Sarah Ndiaye and Mandy Nolan.

ON HOME GROUND

Journey Home: David Gulpilil

Honouring David Gulpilil's wish to return to homeland.

Thu 23 Oct, Palace Ballina Fair – 7pm

Sun 26 Oct, Palace Byron Bay – 3pm

Through the Local Lens

A showcase of the creative and dedicated filmmakers of our region.

Sun 26 Oct, Brunswick Picture House – 1pm

Nansie

A moving reminder that love endures, even when memory does not.

Sun 26 Oct, Palace Ballina Fair – 4:30pm

Birtright

Special Encore screening of our opening night film. A sharp, twisted comedy about family, privilege and overstaying your welcome.

Sun 26 Oct, Palace Byron Bay – 5pm

MUSIC VIDEO SHOWCASE

A magical evening under the stars at the Horizon Rooftop Bar, Hotel Marvell, featuring a handpicked selection of innovative music videos.

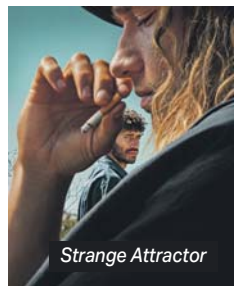
Thu 23 Oct, Hotel Marvell, Byron Bay entry from 6:30pm, films start after dark

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STAY STRANGE

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► Continued from page 11 businesses or the adverse effects this would have on them.

Now we have the closure of the entry and exit to Mullumbimby and the absolute craziness of forcing all traffic leaving Mullumbimby to the north to use Coolamon Scenic Drive (Tunnel Road) which will put the motoring public at risk and more than likely finish up in a serious accident.

Will Council take responsibility for this if it occurs?

Even suggesting that adequate consultation had taken place here is ludicrous, was the transport advisory committee involved in this decision?

I read in *The Echo* that Council staff advised councillors not to discuss the 57 Station St development with the community, is this staff's idea of consultation?

It seems to have been decided on the closure of the roads into Mullumbimby that Council will just do it and then deflect any concerns the community and businesses have.

Where are all of these so called experts employed on Council in this field, did none of these people see the problems this ill-planned road closure could cause both to people's safety and business livelihoods?

Nice one – Cr Asren Pugh took the high ground with his statement 'somewhere in the process, something was broken and didn't work, and we've caused confusion for the staff who are supposed to be implementing, we've potentially caused delays'.

What does Cr Pugh's statement mean, that the elected Council has confused the expert staff employed to deal with these problems?

I thought they were there to advise the elected councillors on issues like this so these sorts of situations don't arise? Guess not.

Alan Dickens
Byron Bay

Mullum Rd upgrade

Last week, I encountered the pothole-truck driver on Coolamon Scenic Drive.

I have the greatest admiration for his efforts. My only question is why wasn't he contracted months ago seeing as councillors knew well in advance of impending traffic redirection? Road works also included side-of-the-road brush cutting. 'Stop Go' signs as well.

No wonder people have little faith.

Larry Hoofs
The Pocket

Septuagenarians

I take great insult with the writer of your article on the 'rise of the right', putting us 'over-70s' in with the Tories.

Maybe a more careful use of language and research, which often Richard seems to lack, would assist in challenging these populist movements from the right and unfortunately left.

Rod Conder
Alstonville

Pokies kill

Inviting 20 poker machines to beautiful Bangalow is just disappointing.

My 29-year-old cousin committed suicide because of an addiction to poker machines. All his money from a full-time job went to these machines. His guilt and shame ended his short life.

I love visiting Bangalow because there is none of this, just beauty all around.

I will not be visiting Bangalow if this pub renovation goes ahead.

I will go elsewhere to listen to live music instead.

Amanda Strotten
Byron Bay

Suffolk Park roundabout

Thanks Lynne Richardson for the thoughtful analysis, rather than catchy slogans, of the 30-year farce that is the ideologically-driven crusade of successive councils for a solution to the Suffolk Park black spot.

There is no ideal solution but it must be the ultimate in poor planning that allowed continued development without solutions. Unfortunately, helpful addendums like Cr Dod's to 'future proof an alternative entry' do not magically procure one, the reality of which was questioned in 2002.

'Expansion is constrained by the design capacity of the Clifford Street intersection and the lack of a second vehicle entrance' while 'opportunities for a second access are diminishing and may no longer be realistic' (BB and SP Settlement Strategy 2002).

With this hindsight, residents might now expect a truly evidence-based discussion of the conflicting merits of various solutions. Thursday's debate centred, not on the funded option before them, but on where funds might be sourced to commission yet more designs... to seek yet more funds for a solution that faces all the same hurdles!

Cr Dods provided the solution in the form of a 'compact roundabout' that will supposedly be sufficient to slow traffic emerging

from a sharp bend.

Pedestrians will be catered for by the addition of four painted crossings around the circle, ignoring the advice of Métis consultants: 'A pedestrian crossing gives right-of-way on a road... drivers are obligated to stop... However, in reality, this doesn't always occur.'

By how much is this intensified by drivers in a roundabout and a blind bend? How does it cater for a Clifford St crossing where two pedestrian collisions have recently occurred?

Will TfNSW approve it? Will a responsible engineer propose it? What the heck? it's only our money and lives at stake.

Surely, most ridiculous though, must be proposing to spend on yet more designs for a conventional roundabout when at least two costly, outdated efforts are gathering dust. Why? Council has never, and likely will never be able to purchase the necessary land, and the necessary destruction of vegetation may be precluded by an EIS. Why does Council persist with this feel-good nonsense? To assuage their 'discomfort' that nothing will happen 'for at least five years' (we wish!) and the next accident there might be a tragedy?

Liz Levy
Suffolk Park

Tennis model

In August 2025, Byron Shire Council announced on its website (see the Council's Tennis page) that it had begun transitioning to the Tennis NSW model for coaching and venue management, with all local tennis facilities expected to operate under this new framework by the end of 2025.

At the time of this announcement, there had been no consultation with community stakeholders.

When Tennis NSW advises Council while promoting its own commercial model, it acts as both consultant and beneficiary. If Council has not sought independent governance advice or considered alternative frameworks, this represents a clear conflict of interest.

On 16 October 2025, as directed by Council, management of the Mullumbimby Tennis Courts (MTC) and facilities was officially handed over to the Northern Rivers Tennis Foundation (NRTF) as part of this roll-out.

This decision ends 30 years of successful, community-led management

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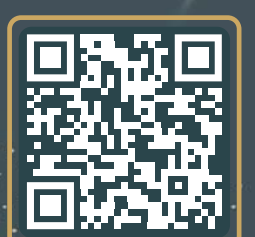


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In my opinion, the new arrangement hands control to an organisation with no direct accountability to the Mullumbimby Club members and the local Mullum community.

This roll-out disregards the proven success of the prior volunteer-driven local tennis club, its committee, and the dedication of the people who built it.

To voice your concerns before the steamroller runs over your tennis courts, please contact: James Newberry, Sports & Recreation Coordinator – jnewberry@byron.nsw.gov.au; Malcolm Robertson, Manager Open Spaces – mrobertson@byron.nsw.gov.au; Council general contact – council@byron.nsw.gov.au; Darren

Simpson, Tennis NSW CEO – Darren.Simpson@Tennis.com.au.

Hugh Morgan
Coorabell

Whale stress

I am deeply concerned about the increasing disturbance to whales caused by tourism boats operating off the coast of Byron Bay. These vessels are frequently getting far too close to the whales, driving at high speeds through their migration paths, and showing little regard for the safety or wellbeing of these whales.

After already enduring the stress and entanglement risks of shark nets further north at Noosa, these whales now face relentless interference from fast-moving tourist boats.

Byron Bay is meant to be a vital area of rest and recovery for them during their long

and exhausting migration – a place where mothers nurture their calves and whales regain their strength before continuing south. Instead, this sanctuary has become a zone of stress and disruption.

The constant intrusion from boats can cause extreme distress, interrupt whale communication, and even separate mothers from their young.

The physical and psychological impacts are profound, and collisions or propeller injuries remain an ever-present danger. Whale watching should never come at the expense of the animals' safety or peace.

The ocean is their home and nursery, and they deserve strict protection and respect.

I strongly urge immediate action to ban tourist boats from approaching whales in the Byron Bay

area. In addition, I recommend the employment of dedicated marine rangers or guards along this stretch of coastline to enforce safe distances, regulate speeds, and protect the whales as they rest and migrate.

These whales are a treasured part of Australia's natural heritage and an essential part of our marine ecosystem. Protecting them is not only an environmental duty but also a moral one.

I urge that action be taken immediately to halt the disturbance and ensure the whales are given the peace and safety they desperately need during their migration. Every day of inaction risks further harm to these vulnerable animals and the delicate balance of our marine environment.

Sage Harmony
Brunswick Heads

Universal human rights

This petition is currently being addressed by Amnesty International (and Greens Newtown MP Jenny Leong).

From Amnesty: 'Our basic Human Rights are universal, they belong to each of us, every person in the world.

Inalienable – they can't be taken away from us.

Indivisible governments shouldn't be able to pick and choose which rights are respected.

Article 1 of the UDHR states that all humans are born free and equal in dignity and rights. They are endowed with reason and conscience and should act towards one another in a spirit of kinship.

Article 2: You should never be discriminated against for any reason, despite our differences. I am aware that many elders are suffering as a result of being targeted as 'old people' by Byron Shire Council.

This is disgusting discrimination and should never be tolerated by any government, institution or community.

Furthermore, many years ago I mounted a successful human rights case (aided by Richard Jones, MP at the time) for councillor Anhudi Wentworth, who was sight-impaired.

This malady was picked on by a right-wing councillor as a reason to dismiss her from public office. What joy it was when a precedent was set by the HRC.

Any disabled person was to be given all assistance equal to that of an able-bodied person when in public office. And so the rest is history, and Anhudi spoke her vision for Byron Shire until she died.

Jo Faith
Newtown

Train service debate lacks accurate info

The lack of accurate information regarding train services on the Casino to Murwillumbah line is not helping the community which has for so long been calling for, and promised, publicly funded government rail services on the line, and the rail connection to the Queensland rail system provided, as promised.

The extraordinary millions of public money being spent destroying this multi-billion-dollar rail line in an area struggling with lack of public transport, traffic gridlock and parking problems, not to mention climate catastrophes, is an absolute disgrace.

It's not 36,000 Byron residents causing traffic gridlock and parking problems in our towns, it's millions of visitors

who could travel by train. Research shows the majority of this traffic comes over the border at Tweed from Qld and the airports.

We know it cost just \$660,000 per kilometre to repair the line in Byron to run a train. So why would our governments and Council think it's ok to ignore the transport needs of the community and spend as much, or possibly more, to destroy the line?

Checking the NSW rail website shows the train fare from Casino to Sydney is \$85.75. A monthly ticket provides unlimited travel. Those travelling to work or university in Lismore can travel for \$8 per day, or \$40 per week-around the cost of half a tank of petrol. Students and pensioners get concessions as well. With so many students and workers struggling in low paid jobs and unable to afford necessities, this train service is urgently needed by locals and visitors to Byron and the north coast.

We have a heavy-duty rail line, which was built and paid for by taxpayers, and, despite criminal neglect, is still in reasonable condition. Taxpayers should not have to repeatedly pay to rebuild necessary public infrastructure destroyed by politicians.

North coast and Byron Shire residents have been campaigning for a socially, environmentally and cost effective train services for over 20 years, not an expensive bike track that is little used, is not public transport, has not taken a single car off the roads, or provided any meaningful economic benefits to anyone.

We pay our elected politicians and councillors to first and foremost spend taxpayers/ratepayers funds efficiently to provide for the needs of the community. It's absolutely appalling the way some politicians and councillors speak to, and treat, residents who have worked unpaid in this community for decades to trying to preserve the idyllic place it once was.

Councillors need to research readily available information before making ignorant decisions which have a profound impact on the community they represent. Perhaps even listen to those who have done decades of research!

To even think of spending tens of millions of public money destroying valuable public rail infrastructure that could provide so much for so many, is beyond the pale and needs to stop.

Louise Doran
Ocean Shores



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Remembering Ariel Kalma (1946–2025)

It is with deep love and sadness that we announce the passing of Ariel Kalma, who crossed over to the other side on 4 June 2025, peacefully in the arms of his beloved son Joël.

Born in Paris in 1947, Ariel Kalma was a pioneer of ambient and new-age music, whose creative spirit touched hearts around the world.

From his early days playing saxophone and flute in France, to his later explorations in tape loops, field recordings and meditation music, Ariel's life was a life-long conversation between sound, silence and the soul.

After settling in the Byron region in 1997, Ariel became part of the local rhythm of life.

For many years, he found great joy in visiting garage sales across the area, hunting for clothing for his family, toys for his adored grandchildren, and curious treasures for the house and garden.

Many also remember him playing saxophone at drum



Ariel Kalma. Photo supplied

circles at the local markets, where his music wove people together in joy and connection.

He and his wife Ama created local independent label Music Mosaic to support independent artists and bring different cultures around the world together.

Despite losing most of his hearing, and much vitality, to cancers in recent years, Ariel continued to create, collaborate and share his music passionately, knowing that

he had very little time left.

His dedication, humour, willingness to be silly, gentle presence, and full smile inspired all who knew him.

Ariel will be deeply missed by the love of his life Ama, his beloved son Joël and very loved daughter-in-law Becca, and his cherished grandchildren Locki and Nico; by his many musical collaborators and listeners around the world; and by all those in the community who felt the warmth, wonder, and

generosity of his presence.

His light and music will continue to resonate in the hearts of all who were touched by his sound and his love.

We feel him with us as we hear him play, in the reflective depths of his love for life and the universe.

He wrote this a few years ago:

*I will miss you
The morning dew,
The song of birds,
The ocean,
I will miss you.
The wind, the trees,
Rose buds and music notes,
I will miss you.
This grand son and brother
And my family so close,
I will miss you.
My companion on the
journey, my friend, my wife.
I will miss the life,
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– Ariel Kalma

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Vale Julianne Newberger

Eric Newberger

Julianne Maree Newberger nee Thurtell passed on 9 October at the age of 64.

It is with profound grief that her husband, Eric, announces his loss.

Julianne will be remembered by friends and family for her flair for fashion, her wonderful sense of humour, her interest in, and kindness to, others and her enormous gift for living joyfully.

Julianne was born on May 22, 1961, on the western shore of Lake Macquarie, in the community of Toronto, NSW. She was the youngest of nine brothers and sisters.

Blessed from the start with an adventurous spirit, she made her way north to the resort of Hamilton Island, where she met her American husband and life partner of 37 years, Eric.

We were both employed showing visitors the wonders of the Great Barrier Reef. Quite simply, we lived for each other.

Super-yachts

After a stint on a large yacht, now commonly referred to as a super-yacht, (Julianne just called them big white boats) Australian sensibility and pragmatism led her to the most



Julianne and Eric. Photo supplied

challenging employment of her life; serving as the personal assistant to a former Minister of Aviation for Saudi Arabia.

Julianne and myself relocated to the Saudi family's summer residence in Pebble Beach, California.

Her duties included hosting many high profile guests, the supervision of a large domestic and ground staff, and the care and maintenance of a grand historical home.

Julianne was also responsible for the family's large collection of art, antiques and vintage wine.

For seven months of the year the extended Saudi family would stay in California, and Julianne joked that it was like a Bedouin circus coming to town.

Her most important role

during this time was bringing structure to what might have seemed to the uninitiated western eye as a fractured family environment.

In moments of stress (and there were many) she would simply say to me, 'What do you expect? We live in a castle!'

After 12 years, Australia and Julianne's family called her home. We moved to Byron Bay in 2007.

Byron Lifeline

Always on the go, Julianne volunteered at the Lifeline shop in Byron, a charity dear to her heart and where she rose to manager.

Such were her management and organisational skills, that for some time, Byron Lifeline generated the largest revenue per square metre of any Lifeline shop in

Australia. Humble and generous by nature, she gave the credit to the volunteers and the community, often referring to Byron as the centre of the universe.

After leaving the Lifeline shop in very capable hands, her adventurous spirit rose again. We bought a small farm in Cygnet, Tasmania where we often hosted dear friends from Byron.

We quietly continued the restoration of an 1890 apple shed into a comfortable home, while maintaining a large cottage garden and growing apples, pears, cherries and Julianne's favourite – greengage plums.

With the advent of Covid, we left Cygnet for a rural property on Norfolk Island. Health issues drew us back to Byron Bay.

I would like to thank all who helped my beloved wife navigate the most arduous challenge of our life together, a four-year battle with cancer.

Many people supported Julianne during this battle. These include, but are not limited to Oncology North Coast, the nurses and support staff at Lismore Base Cancer Centre, and also the nurses and staff at Byron Bay, Dr Blake Eddington, and palliative care specialists. Close friends know who they are. They will always be loved.

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Can the Richmond River be restored?

David Lowe

Since taking their beautifully decorated tinnie up the Richmond River, from Ballina almost to Kyogle, Steve Posselt and Graeme Gibson have appeared at a series of forums to share what they've learned and to continue the community conversation about what needs to happen next.

There was a full house at the Kyogle Bowling Club for their recent forum.

The Echo was there too, for this detailed coverage of an issue which affects the whole of the Northern Rivers.

After an educational welcome from Wayne Walker and his son Kye, Kyogle councillor and MC Brett McNamara introduced the panel, which included Landcare's Emma Stone and Uncle Andrew 'AJ' Johnson along with the intrepid tinnie duo.

Steve Posselt recapped his history as a former engineer and dam enthusiast, who eventually had an epiphany during the fight to save the Mary River, when he discovered how bad dams are for the environment.

'I don't think I'm any less a person for having realised what I was doing or thinking was wrong. So let's just see if we can change some attitudes.'

Mr Posselt said it was untrue that people weren't interested in rivers, giving the example of a New Zealand TV series on the subject which became the most popular documentary ever screened in that country.

How to keep our own rivers top of mind?

'If only there was an answer,' said Graeme Gibson. 'I think there's a problem with the Richmond because, particularly in the upper catchment, it's largely on private land. It's very inaccessible, and when you can get there, it's down a really steep bank.'

'Paying attention and being interested is what we need to do.'

So why go upstream? 'Average people go downstream,' said Steve Posselt.

What would the river say? MC Brett McNamara next turned to Uncle AJ, a man with a long experience of the Richmond. 'If the river had a voice, what do you think the river would say to us today?'

'I'm crook. I'm sick,' he said. 'For Aboriginal people,



Two blokes on a mission to restore the Richmond River. Photo Tony Batchelor

the river was a complete cultural focus. Everything about life was associated with the river. And it wasn't all that long ago when these rivers were pristine and pure.'

Uncle AJ spoke about flood disaster funding, which has been used locally to create awareness of the need to heal the river, and give people a better understanding of its challenges.

Uncle AJ said the Richmond once had one of the largest sets of wetlands of any river in Australia, with the vegetation on the banks acting like a filter, and reducing the amount of mud getting into the river, as well as slowing down the movement of the water.

He said his concerns included the connected systems, and said there has been changes since the '70s, when it was 'full of fish'.

'Now there's no fish in the rivers. That could be to do with water quality.'

Little oxygen

Confirming this, the tinnie travellers measured the suspended oxygen in the river as they went. On their detour up to Lismore, against the tide, they found so little oxygen in the river that most fish would be unable to exist there.

Brett McNamara next invited the audience to imagine the Richmond as it was two centuries ago.

'It's late winter, early spring, the year's 1828, and a chap called Captain Henry Rous sets eyes on the lower reaches of a rather picturesque river.'

'This is what he saw: "The general outline of the neighbouring country appeared to be flat, open forest and thick jungle to the eastward, with fine timber.

And as you ascend the river, the tea tree, mangrove and swamp oak give place to Morton pines, cedar, yellow wood, palms and gum trees on the bank, generally not exceeding ten feet in height, rich alluvial soil.'

'Henry Rous went on to say that nearly all the creek water in the scrub land was so beautiful and clear that it contained "eels, cod, lobsters and perch".'

'Later, in 1847, pioneer James Ainsworth, who pioneered down towards Ballina, described the river that he saw: "It was just as nature had planted it."'

Beyond a drain

Mr McNamara next turned to Landcare's Emma Stone, to talk about the influences on the modern Richmond.

Ms Stone said it wasn't just about the stock or the banks being damaged or the vegetation along the waterways that's been lessened or removed, but about what's happening right across the catchment.

'So, the way our slopes are managed, the inability for soils to soak in the moisture, the run-off, the surface erosion that brings sedimentation; the loss of vegetation on steep slopes, which results in big rain events with big slips that deposit massive amounts of soil into the river, that then makes it really difficult for the little things that live in the river to survive.'

'We have to mention the carp too. They're a really significant problem. I've seen river banks where stable trees are falling in because they've been undercut by the carp.'

'But it's so much more complex than just one issue. Sediment input is one,

nutrient import is another; coming from a range of different sources. It's complex.'

Tinnie trip lessons

Turning to the lessons from the tinnie trip, and their observations of the river's health, Graeme Gibson said straight away how struck he was by the steepness of the banks at the point where they could no longer continue up the river, because of the constant obstacles.

Kayaking veteran Steve Posselt said, 'I've travelled on worse rivers, but they're in western NSW and western Queensland. I haven't travelled on a worse river anywhere else; the Mississippi, the Hudson in New York, the Thames in London, the Seine in Paris. They all shit all over our river.'

'So I don't know whether actually doing this trip was good for me, because particularly as you travel up the Wilsons River, it's mud, mud, mud, mud, and coral trees and weeds, it's just crap. And it doesn't have to be like that. As Emma, said it's complex, yes. But we don't have to understand a complex system to manage a complex system, and we know what the issues are.'

'There have been, I don't know, over 30 papers since 1980 setting out the issues and no action. So somehow we've just got to act.'

'We saw very few signs of people actively regenerating or revegetating river banks. We saw very few areas where cattle access was restricted. Basically, it was unlimited cattle access over the great majority of the 200-odd



Steve Posselt and Graeme Gibson with their tinnie, painted by Casino High students. Photo David Lowe

The tinnie travellers measured the suspended oxygen in the river as they went... they found so little oxygen in the river that most fish would be unable to exist there.

kilometers we did,' said Mr Gibson.

Steve Posselt next talked about his experiences in southern Queensland.

'The Mary River was headed the same way as the Richmond system, but the people up there decided to do something about it. In the meantime, they fought off five dams, but they are very, very passionate about their river, and the feeling when you go down the Mary River is one of joy.'

Emma Stone said she was all about action, and invited the audience to join her at a 500-tree planting in Ettrick the next day.

CSIRO drain model

Graeme Gibson emphasised that a healthy river is a public good, like schools and hospitals.

I asked Steve Posselt about his reaction to the recent CSIRO session he attended at Broadwater, on mooted mitigation options for the Richmond catchment.

Mr Posselt said the session had made him angry, and more aware than ever of the limitations of the models CSIRO hydrologists are using. In his words, they are 'treating the river as a drain without treating it as a live complex system.'

Mr Posselt went on to say, 'I really hope that none of what the CSIRO are proposing comes to fruition.'

'The other big thing that [local MP] Kevin Hogan and these guys think may work is

flooding massive dams in the upper catchment.

'The size of the dams they're talking about, the smallest is as big as Rocky Creek. The largest is four times the size, and there are to be between six and eight of them.'

'The CSIRO have described these dams as detention basins, which the people at the Broadwater session were told would be regulated by upward opening gates.'

'So imagine huge sluice gates in a huge dam, which would rip the country apart for the years it takes to build it, and a lot of sediment coming down the river during construction,' said Mr Posselt.

'The thing that would worry me most is who's going to control those gates?' As he points out, one recent example of a similar situation is Wivenhoe Dam, in 2011, which resulted in 'a ten year court case, lots of lives destroyed, and that's just one control situation on one river...'

'How much money would these guys like to put away for litigation? I think the whole thing's madness.'

Graeme Gibson said, 'We know that the Richmond is the worst coastal river in NSW, and the government haven't got any money, but it's a matter of values and their priorities. And I think as a community, we need to encourage the government to change their priorities.'

Steve Posselt added, 'What we're after is one authority responsible for the health of the river. I hope everybody agrees with that.'

'Whatever it is, that authority has to have the legislation behind them. They have to have money and they have to have teeth.'

■ The deep river talk and action continues until Sunday 26 October, with events right across the region for Riverfest 2025.

WHAT DOES THE CURRENT FEDERAL BATTERY REBATE MEAN FOR YOU?

New federal battery rebate and solar support for Australian households and businesses

The Australian Government is significantly expanding support for clean energy, with new incentives aimed at making solar and battery storage more accessible for homeowners and small businesses. In addition to the existing **Small-scale Renewable Energy Scheme (SRES)**, which provides upfront discounts for solar systems, the government has now introduced a **federal battery rebate** – a game-changer for households looking to store their solar energy and boost energy independence.

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Introducing the federal battery rebate: \$350 per kilowatt-hour

To further accelerate the transition to renewable energy and energy resilience, the government has now introduced a **federal battery rebate of \$350 per kilowatt-hour (kWh)** of usable battery storage. This means a standard 10kWh home battery could attract up to **\$3,500 in rebates**, significantly lowering the barrier for Australians to adopt battery technology.



Hope and Jesse are considering a 10kW solar system plus a 16kWh battery, supplied and installed by ProSolar for \$25,300. The federal government discount for this system is \$8,782 (at time of publishing). This brings their system cost down to \$17,533, saving them \$6,000 per year, enabling them to pay back their investment in 2.92 years! Alternatively, the same system can be financed for \$90 per week through Brighte Finance.

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Rugby 7s festival in Byron Bay



Junior rugby players enjoy the competition last Sunday. Photo supplied

Ross Kendall

A thousand plus players descended on the Byron Bay Recreation Grounds for the 34th running of the Byron Bay rugby 7s over three days last weekend.

On Friday and Saturday 48 senior teams across different grades competed, while on Sunday, 26 junior boys and girls teams took to the paddock.

The event is hosted by the Byron Shire Rebels Rugby Union Club.

'It was a fantastic weekend,' according to the club's

James Boysons. 'Rugby NSW ran the event the last two years but we took control again this year, with great support right across the rugby community to get the people we needed on the ground.'

'Despite being highly competitive the event was played in the great spirit of rugby 7s, to have fun,' he said.

The three-day event is one of the biggest sporting festivals in the Byron Shire.

There was plenty of side activities that accompanied the rugby and Byron Bay Football Club's new

clubhouse was also in use across the weekend.

All funds will be channelled back into a new initiative of the club which is to introduce a youth rugby development academy in the area, to foster recognition and participation in the game.

This initiative is also being supported by new sponsor Glenn Rohrig.

The event's major sponsor continued to be Stone & Wood.

'The club would like to say a big thank you to everybody who got involved,' James said.

Top flight play at Mullumbimby golf course

Paddy Gardiner

A field of over 100 contested Mullumbimby Golf Club's open championship where four graded events offered \$3,500 in cash prizes.

A grade competed in a stroke event, while women and men's B and C grades battled through a Stableford.

Conditions on the day were perfect with a storm hitting the links just as the last groups finished.

Winners

A grade and open champion was won by Adam Bullock, who is a multiple championship winner, another great effort.

B grade went to Charlie Hogan, who has the potential to be a future A grade winner.

Barry Reid took out C grade. Judy Towner won the women's, followed by Sophie Voss and Gwyn Parson.

A great day was had by all, and a big thanks to all our sponsors, staff and volunteers. And it was a great welcome for the club's new PGA Pro and Pro Shop golfer, Luke Woods.

Medal of medals

Earlier in the month the Mullumbimby Golf Club hosted the Womens Golf Northern Rivers Medal of



Mullumbimby 2025 Championship winner, Adam Bullock. Photo supplied

Medals Finals 2025.

It was also a fantastic day, with ladies from Mullumbimby, Maclean, Grafton, Murwillumbah, Yamba, Banora, Iluka, Ballina, Ocean Shores, Casino, Lismore, Coraki, Kyogle, and Woodburn/Evans Head competing.

The scores were great, and the winners were:

Division 1: Kaye Grayson - Maclean - 68, Sue Hoffman

- Murwillumbah - 69, and Julianne Ross - Mullumbimby - 69.

Division 2: Michelle Stenner - Mullumbimby - 67, Janet Pilgrim - Grafton District - 69, and Helen Graney - Maclean - 73

Division 3: Carol White - Mullumbimby - 68, Terri Collingburn - Yamba - 69, and Joanne Blackburn - Iluka - 70.

Brunswick Heads Bowling Club ladies pairs champions crowned

The club ladies pairs championship final was contested at the Brunswick Heads Bowling Club last Tuesday, 14 October.

Lisa Fitzmaurice and Sharon Allen took on Kristine Prior and Pauline Foster with the former

taking the honours, winning 24 to 10.

Even though the score seems a bit one-sided the game was a good battle with most ends being won by a small margin apart from two ends Lisa and Sharon won by five, which

made the difference.

Kristine and Pauline put up a spirited comeback in the last five ends but it was not to be.

Well done to all though, a good competition. Congratulations ladies for making the finals!



Brunswick Heads Bowling Club ladies pairs champions Lisa and Sharon. Photo supplied

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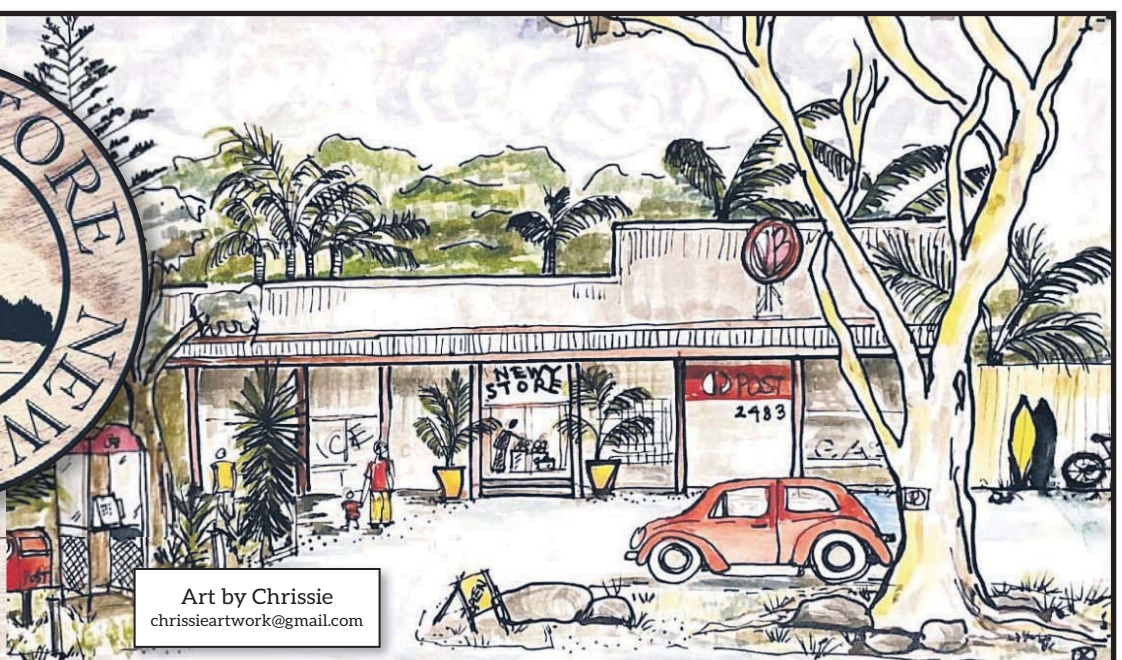
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The hotel will also host a Christmas Bazaar of local delights on Saturday, 13 December with kids' activities, BBQ, gelato, cocktails and live music from midday.



A taste of Rainforest Foods at the local farmers' market

We caught up with John, who runs the Rainforest Foods stall, to find out about a new product they've recently launched. At the top of his display sits a bottle of Davidson's plum vinegar, a striking deep red with a tangy, fruity richness. 'It's perfect for salads, marinades, sauces, or even adding a splash of flavour to meat dishes,' John explained.

While the vinegar is the newcomer, it joins an already wide range of native-inspired produce. The stall offers jams and condiments that celebrate the flavours of the bush: Davidson's plum jam, lemon aspen jelly, riberry jam, finger lime jam, and lemon myrtle honey. Each provides its own twist, from sharp and citrusy to sweet and aromatic, and John says they've become popular with locals and visitors alike.

On the savoury side, the Davidson's plum sweet chilli sauce has been drawing attention. It pairs the heat of chilli with the distinctive tartness of the plum, making it a versatile companion for barbecues and stir-fries.

Macadamias are another cornerstone of the stall. Shoppers can choose from natural and roasted nuts, honey-roasted varieties, and chocolate-coated selections, with trios of dark, milk, and white chocolate also on offer. There are seasoned options with rosemary, turmeric, and chilli for those who like something different. Their famous macadamia spread is another highlight, available in both natural and roasted styles, offering a wholesome alternative to processed spreads.

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■ Find Rainforest Foods every Tuesday at New Brighton Farmers Market from 8am to 11am, and every Friday at Mullum Farmers Market from 7am to 11am.

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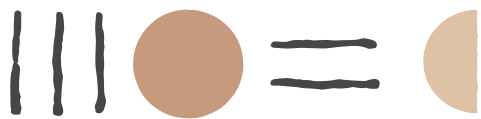
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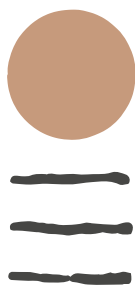


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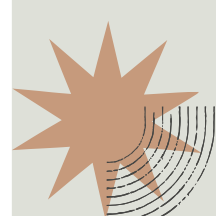


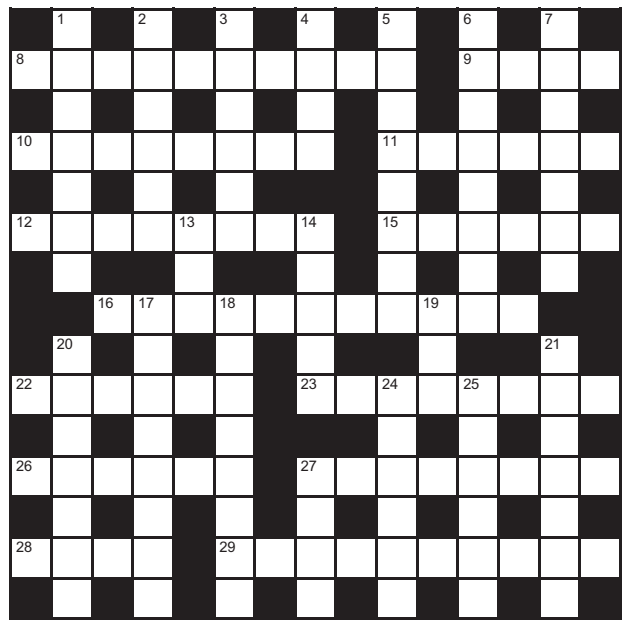
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Cryptic Clues

- ACROSS**
- 8. Alarm harder to hear on Earth (5,5)
 - 9. Not too many, by the sound of it, thank God! (4)
 - 10. Setbacks had by uncles and others, briefly around recess (8)
 - 11. Doctor handles split in club (6)
 - 12. Huge show? Can't be bothered to hold one (8)
 - 15. Cope with model having affair (4,2)
 - 16. Room for a merchant crazy about British Empire (11)
 - 22. Like Achilles, hot but with no time to be amorous (6)
 - 23. Animal noise sounds like expressing dissent! (8)
 - 26. Records in yearbooks uni rejected (6)
 - 27. Singer in boy band mad about overture to *Lohengrin* (3,5)
 - 28. Highlanders eager to embrace Scottish language (4)
 - 29. After Mass, king takes part in exotic Siberian holidays (10)

- DOWN**
- 1. Non-conformist at present moment lacks finish (7)
 - 2. Time to admit informer makes mistakes (6)
 - 3. Compensation frequently involves fee settlement and exclusivity initiatives (6)
 - 4. Unlimited money for supporters (4)
 - 5. Aromatic macro ingredients mother's committed to (8)
 - 6. Dot brewed Pilsner – adding potassium! (8)
 - 7. Superstars have stage deaths (7)
 - 13. Politician gets share of standard returns (3)
 - 14. See 20 down
 - 17. Gas ingested by small youngsters (8)
 - 18. What did you say? Let off by moi? (6,2)
 - 19. Imperfection that may cause illness (3)
 - 20,14. Music legend, fat, keeping time with firm pecker (7,5)
 - 21. Analyses of transgressive punks keeping current (7)
 - 24. Drink, in moderation at first, with good book of no length (6)
 - 25. Tomboy Honey in trouble over Penny (6)
 - 27. Broken cork? (4)

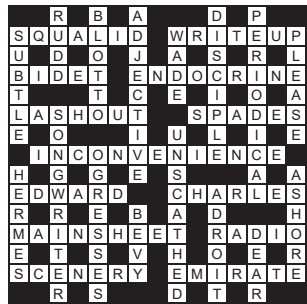
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Quick Clues

- ACROSS**
- 8. Solid ground (5,5)
 - 9. Exclamation of relief (4)
 - 10. Returns to poor health (8)
 - 11. Motor vehicle operator (6)
 - 12. Enormous (8)
 - 15. Improvise with limited resources (4,2)
 - 16. Room leading to a main apartment (11)
 - 22. Showing extraordinary courage (6)
 - 23. Sound a horse makes (8)
 - 26. Historical records (6)
 - 27. Songwriter and winner of the 2016 Nobel Prize in literature (3,5)
 - 28. Old Scottish/Irish language (4)
 - 29. Short vacations (10)

- DOWN**
- 1. Person with contrary religious beliefs (7)
 - 2. List of printing mistakes (6)
 - 3. Counterbalance (6)
 - 4. Undergarment supports (4)
 - 5. Aromatic spice used in curries (8)
 - 6. Light scattered shower (8)
 - 7. Famous mythical tales (7)
 - 13. Jazz pianist and singer, known for 'Unforgettable' (3)
 - 14. See 20 down
 - 17. Newborn infants (8)
 - 18. Words used to initiate a polite interruption (6,2)
 - 19. Annoy or bother someone (3)
 - 20,14. Canadian poet and songwriter (7,5)
 - 21. Removes items from luggage (7)
 - 24. Consume beverages (6)
 - 25. Boisterous girl (6)
 - 27. Bottle stopper (4)

Last week's solution #77



Why she stays

Mandy Nolan

Someone said to me once: 'I can't believe a woman like you would have stayed in domestic violence. I would have left. I wouldn't stand for it.'

Just a heads-up, never say that to a survivor. It's the worst kind of shaming. It suggests that there are two types of women. Strong women who don't get into relationships where they experience violence. And those who do. By the simple binary, it 'others' survivors as weak, and blames them for not leaving. For not being a woman 'like you'. Someone who doesn't accept violence.

Something I know from being on the inside. It doesn't happen like that. Violence generally isn't an explosion, it's a slow, slow implosion, a poisonous erosion.

This statement also suggests that staying in violence is a choice. And that whether or not you are a victim of violence is the choice of the victim. It affords agency to a woman who has had her agency smashed on the floor. Yes you have choice, but you've lost your capacity to make one. It's a kind of madness.

The statement also forgets about perpetrator responsibility. It negates the context of coercion. It disappears the bigger story of violence, which weirdly has very little to do with the outbursts of actual violence and more to do with the invisible hand that sits at your throat. It does not acknowledge the unspoken destruction. The erosion of your own self love. The fear and adrenaline that pulses under your skin. The sense of dread. The mistrust of your intuition. The missing future. The lack of options. And the hope. Fuck the terrible, abysmal, festering abscess of hope.

The hope that the person you love will change. That the nightmare will finish, and you will wake up and things will be different. Violence isn't a straight line. It's tricky. That's why it's so dangerous. Often we love our perpetrators. That makes it even more confusing. I loved my father. He was an alcoholic. His violence was part of his disease. It was the trauma of his father living in my father. Sometimes the hands that hurt



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you are generations old. The person can be kind, and loving, and sorry. So very, very sorry. For a person living in violence, this is confusing. As a victim of violence you often become a counsellor to your perpetrator. Their sorry feels like love.

And in the long weeks of them being sorry, you forgive, and you let them back. The door of your heart swings open and they're in. They're back on the comfy chair with their shadow on the wall. A giant, lingering darkness. And when that man becomes a monster, reunited with his shadow self, as you should have known he would, as your friends said he would, as he promised he wouldn't, you live with the shame that it's not just him who can't be trusted. It's you.

And you didn't leave. You stayed. And the people who love you are getting impatient and annoyed you can't see

what they see. So when it happens, the violence, the circle of people you can reach to for help gets smaller, because the stain of shame gets bigger.

It takes so much courage to leave. Because we all know that's the most dangerous time. When we are most likely to die. So living through this, it's extraordinary. It's a fucking miracle.

There aren't two types of women. There's just us. It has been me. It could be you.

This Wednesday is the Reclaim the Night march in Lismore, at the QUAD, at 6pm. Be part of a new narrative to end violence.

All welcome.

■ *The Echo's* coverage of political issues will remain as comprehensive and fair as it has ever been, outside this opinion column which, as always, contains Mandy's personal opinions only.

STARS BY LILITH

With the sun joining Mercury and Mars in the sign of the scorpion, it's time to lose Libra's rose-tinted specs and take an eyes wide open look at the bigger picture ...

Libra

ARIES: A triplicity of planets amping up the heat in your emotionally-charged intimacy zone could intensify passions around shared resources this week. Fortunately Neptune, retrograde in Aries since July, takes a back step for further reflection, allowing you to put the graceful lessons of recent months into practise.

TAURUS: This week's solar transit into your opposite and complementary sign on the zodiac wheel puts partnerships firmly on the agenda. Three planets in this determined sector don't muck about, so it's your job to direct this energy constructively. Don't be slow to try a new approach if the old one's not cutting it.

GEMINI: Three planets in your sector of daily organisation sharpen your focus and boost stamina, so use this cycle to establish supportive habits and strategies that will carry you with confidence through the rest of the year. Can you streamline your workflow and fine-tune routines without cutting corners?

CANCER: As Neptune's retrograde retreat makes a total of six planets in water signs, emotions are likely to run high this week. Best coping mechanism? Channelling all the generosity Jupiter is currently lavishing on your sign to nourish and uplift others with your thoughtful care and support.

LEO: The trio of passionate planets in your domestic sector activating all things home-related could turn chez Leo into the buzzing vortex of your social circle this week. It can also stir up agitating energy, so best downplay drama and diva behaviour, yours or anyone else's.

VIRGO: This week's solar energy joining passionate Mars and expressive Mercury in your communication corner might ignite a strong urge to tell it like it is, but beware of burning bridges. As a Virgo you already know how to balance inspiration with practicality – now temper directness with empathy.

LIBRA: This week's stubborn and unbudging energetics are likely to require all your reserves of flexibility and elasticity. But Librans are the sign who best know how to make interpersonal give-and-take into a dance rather than a tug-of-war, because if not you, then who?

SCORPIO: This year's sun powering into Scorpio to join Mars and Mercury for your birthday transit triples your normal intensity, purpose and flair. And Saturn in your astrological house of fun definitely calls for a sense of humour, so practise joyful lightening up at least once a day. Seriously ...

SAGITTARIUS: A sun/Mercury/Mars alignment in your sector of winding up cycles is your call for reflection. Don't ignore this week's urges to rest and nest, relish its pull towards private, replenishing solo time. In this important pause before your birthday season, intuitive downloads are likely to arrive during quiet moments.

CAPRICORN: Capricorns tend to feel most effective flying solo, but three planets in your teamwork sector suggest that collaboration is where this week's magic happens. If group dynamics feel challenging, check your mindset: is it time for a reframe? Might the results of partnering be more rewarding than going it alone?

AQUARIUS: The planetary trinity in your astro-zone of future planning invites you to check whether any outdated beliefs might be keeping you from casting a wider net. Stay curious and open this week: the more room you make for possibility, the more what you're looking for is likely to find you.

PISCES: With Neptune executing its final backspin into Pisces to join Saturn, already there in retrograde resting mode, hold off on making hasty decisions. If you're feeling uncertain about someone or something, this cosmic climate offers the perfect chance to step back, reflect and reassess before any important moves.

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WET FISH

Four days of food, fun and festivities

Ballina's biggest weekend of the year is back, and it's about to get seriously spooky (and a little spicy). From **Thursday, October 30 to Sunday, November 2, The Australian Hotel** transforms into a fiesta of colour, culture, music, and mayhem for the annual **Day of the Dead Festival**.

Kicking off the celebrations is **Halloween Musical Bingo on Thursday night** – expect a high-energy mash-up of spooky tunes, prizes, and plenty of laughs and singalongs to get you in the spirit, fun for all-ages. Then on **Friday night**, it's all about the **Halloween Dress-Up Party**, featuring live music from the **Versace Boys (8pm to 10pm)**, spooky raffles, and a prize for the best Halloween getup, so dress in your spooky best! It doesn't stop there – **DJ Rebeka Rabota** takes over **till 1am** with dance-floor anthems and a few frightfully good beats.

Saturday keeps the energy high with **DJ Femme** spinning from **9pm till late** on The Aussie's all-new open-air stage, and just when you think you can't party anymore, **Sunday** brings it home family-style. **Kids eat free from 12 to 4pm**, there's free face-painting, a craft station for decorating masks and skulls in true **Dia De Los Muertos** fashion, a live flamenco guitarist from **12pm**, and **The Wet Fish** taking the stage from **3pm**. Enjoy Stone & Wood pints for the price of schooners all day long.

It's a four-day fiesta of food, music, and good times – where everyone's invited, costumes are encouraged, and memories guaranteed.

Don't miss the Day of the Dead Festival – October 30 to November 2 at The Australian Hotel Ballina. Free entry all weekend.



Bringing you a 'Star Child' from Melbourne

Melburnians **The Smith Street Band** have released five EPs and six studio albums, *No One Gets Lost Anymore* (2011), *Sunshine and Technology* (2012), *Throw Me in the River* (2014), *More Scared of You than You Are of Me* (2017), *Don't Waste Your Anger* (2020) and *Life After Football* (2022), and they are back today with 'Star Child' – the second single from their upcoming seventh album, of the same name!

This will be the third studio album recorded at the band's off-the-grid recording studio in regional Victoria, following on from *Life After Football* and the #1 ARIA charting album, *Don't Waste Your Anger*.

Known for their cathartic, high-energy live shows and raw, emotionally-driven songwriting, The Smith Street Band blend punk spirit with indie rock heart. Their music

is equal parts raucous and reflective, striking a powerful balance between political commentary, personal confession, and anthemic hooks that have earned them a devoted following across Australia.

The Smith Street Band have announced a mammoth 24-date east coast regional tour, with shows from Traralgon to Cairns, and nearly everywhere in between. The tour will include their first-ever trip to Mildura, and finally returning to places they haven't been in nearly a decade; Port Macquarie, Coffs Harbour, Rockhampton and Mackay.

On Friday they will make a stop-over at The Northern in Byron Bay for a show with support, Screamer. For more information and tickets, visit thenorthern.com.au.

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Seven

Eclectic Selection

What's on this week



After his historic January 2023 Memphis International Blues Challenge win, **Frank Sultana**, the globe-trotting Australian bluesman continues to build his reputation as a powerful, authentic blues singer, multi-instrumentalist and songwriter.

Friday at The Rails, Byron Bay. Free show.



A fusion of the funky rhythms of his native South America and the coastal-indie-folk of Australian shores, **Animal Ventura** transports listeners around the globe. He's known for his rich tone and timeless vocals, served with a tasty side of new-wave live looping and strong songwriting skills.

Friday from 8pm at the Australian Hotel, Ballina. Free show.



Federal Blues Inc. (FBI) was formed by a group of residents from the village of Federal who had a shared love of the blues. With members including ex-pat Canadian Tommy Cuyler on guitar and vocals, Soren Carlbergg, Steve Foster, Martin Muller and Derek Armistead, they play a mixture of originals and blues classics

Sunday from 2.30pm at the Ballina Blues Club, Ballina RSL Boardwalk. Free show.



After an epic season of festivals across Europe and the UK – 30 high-energy performances in six countries – genre-bending, spellbinding **Loonaloop** have become festival favourites worldwide. Now they return to home shores, brimming with inspiration and eager to share the good vibes with Australian audiences, leaving a lasting imprint on the senses, and sweat on the dancefloor

Sunday 4.30pm at The Beachy, Byron Bay. Free show.



Melia Naughton presents her one-woman show, **Amalfi Roast**, a fast-paced musical comedy. Rapid-fire monumental misadventures set to song, offering up the juicy and often messy moments of a well-squeezed life.

Friday 7.30pm at Byron Theatre. Tickets \$42.20 from byroncentre.com.au.

In 1995 **Rick Price** released *Tamborine Mountain* named after the rain forest in the Gold Coast Hinterland – the songs remain in Rick's setlist to this day alongside his mega hits. Rick celebrates the 30th anniversary of the record, alongside some of his other great hits.

Saturday 8pm at the Ballina RSL, Level One. Tickets pre-sale \$37 from ballinarsl.com.au, or on the door \$47.

The Record Breakers enjoy playing music from all eras, but especially enjoy putting their own spin on classics from the '60s, '70s and '80s, and are most at home with close vocal harmonies and percussive rhythms.

Saturday from 8pm at the Hotel Illawong, Evans Head. Free show.



JoJo's unforgettable night

After a sold-out performance last November, legendary soul singer **JoJo Smith** returns to the **Mullumbimby Ex-Services Club** for another unforgettable night of live music. Known for her electrifying stage presence, deep connection to the Mullumbimby community, and an unstoppable voice, JoJo is set to bring the house down once again.

This time, she's backed by an all-star band featuring **Greg Lyon** on bass, **Aaron West** on guitar, **Brendan St Ledger** on keys, **Dave Sanders** on drums, **Geoff Wright** on guitar and **Laura Nobel** on vocals.

Whether she's delivering her own powerhouse originals or reimagining soulful classics, JoJo's performances are more than music – they're an experience. A former member of Greg Lyon's Hip Pocket and a long-time Mullum local, JoJo continues to channel the vibrant spirit of the town, even in the wake of the beloved Mullum Music Festival.

With a career spanning decades and collaborations with icons like Marcia Hines, Olivia Newton-John, and Renee Geyer, JoJo Smith is not just a singer – she's a living legend. Her voice is a force of nature, and her shows are a celebration of soul, funk, blues, jazz, and raw musical passion.

Don't miss this rare chance to see one of Australia's most treasured performers in her element.

Mullumbimby Ex-Services Club, Friday, October 31. Doors 7pm, show 8pm. Tickets on sale now – secure your spot before it's too late! Book now – the last show sold out – mullumexservices.com.au/event/jojo-smith.

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INTERVIEW

MATTHEW RANKIN

SPEAKS THE UNIVERSAL LANGUAGE

Matthew Rankin's genre-defying, absurdist comedy, *Universal Language* co-written by Pirouz Nemati and Ila Firouzabadi, is set in a dream-like Winnipeg that feels as much like Tehran as it does Canada. In this surreal triptych, kids discover a banknote frozen in ice and embark on a wintry quest. Elsewhere, a disillusioned tour guide leads befuddled visitors through peculiar cityscapes, and Rankin himself portrays a government worker returning to care for his ageing mother ...

Last week *Seven* spoke to Matthew from his home in Montreal.

Read full interview online www.echo.net.au/entertainment



Matthew, the film vacillates between French and Farsi, how's your Farsi?

I do speak it. I understand it better. I mean, in sort of unscripted, spontaneous, improvised situations, I certainly understand more than I'm able to speak. I can read it, I can write it, I can have basic conversations in Farsi. I can't have an interesting, intense, abstract conversation on poetry and philosophy in Farsi, but I have more than a rudimentary knowledge of the language and I've been trying for many years to return to Iran, to really, really, really get good at it and immerse myself.

Are there a lot of Iranian people in Canada?

Yes, there are some important Iranian communities, particularly in Toronto, Vancouver and also in Montreal, but my own connection began when I went to Iran as a young man – when I decided that I wanted to be a filmmaker. I really loved Iranian cinema, and I had this ambition to study filmmaking in Iran with Mohsen Makhmalbaf.

Where was it shot and did you scout the locations yourself?

It was filmed overwhelmingly in Winnipeg, and in Montreal, sort of both of those, but also there was

some sound recording in Iran. Our sound recordist did some of the voice of my mother in the film for the actor, we don't see her, and she is my friend's grandma. She lives in Tehran. I did it [the scouting] myself.

Where did you find your cast?

I've known Pirouz for many years. He's one of my closest friends. Ila also, who wrote the script with us, was also the casting director, but most of the cast came from people that we knew. We wrote each part for people that we knew very well. Most of the people are my friends and then the kids, we found them in a local Farsi language school, yep, and it's sort of, it's kind of a school. All the kids were in the classroom, like 'Groucho', for example, yeah, but Rojina Esmaeili who plays Negin and Saba Vahedyousefi as Nazgol – we really liked those two a lot. They both have a very developed sense of irony, which is unusual for 10-year-olds.

Is the story autobiographical? Is this your life?

Yeah, it all comes from my family. There's basically three stories in the film, the story of the two sisters that comes from my grandmother's childhood, and then the story that Pirouz incarnates, the tour guide, that's sort of inspired from my

father's life, and then the third story is from when Pirouz and I started working on it a long time ago, we figured that whatever would be going on in my life at the moment in which the movie was going to be filmed, that's my story, and then we'd figure out how to kind of connect them.

You've won so many awards. That must be gratifying, I suppose – but, are you having enough fun?

Well, you can always have more fun, I suppose. But I love to work – the most fun for me is to work. When the film goes off into the world, for me, that's a whole different animal, but what I love is filmmaking – that is the most fun for me. And so I'm very thankful that I get to keep doing that. And insofar as the film wins awards – that's really nice. And, you know I can pin those to my chest like some war veteran shaking this margarine tub full of coins asking for money from people and stuff. And that's helpful ...

You can read the rest of this interview and a review of *Universal Language* online in the entertainment section – the film screens at the Palace Cinema, Byron Bay, on Saturday at 3pm. Tickets: bbff.com.au.

The race, the food, the fun

Get ready to celebrate **Cup Day** at Ballina's home of good times, **The Australian Hotel**.

On **Tuesday, November 4**, the race that stops the nation takes over everyone's favourite local, bringing the kind of energy only Cup Day can deliver, with a fresh twist on the classic race-day celebration.

Rally the office crew for the ultimate Cup Day experience, featuring a two-course menu and a glass of bubbles, or a cold one, on arrival.

The menu, crafted by Australian Hotel Ballina's expert chefs, blends modern pub favourites with coastal flair: a mouthwatering prawn cocktail with Bloody Mary dressing to start, followed by your choice of flank steak or grilled barramundi, each served with creamy mash and crisp garden salad. It's the kind of lunch worth celebrating and toasting to – all for just \$55 per person.

For the first time ever, punters can catch every stride of the big race on a giant outdoor projector in the beer garden – no squinting at tiny screens, no missing a moment. Just you, the roar of the crowd, and that electric Cup Day energy that takes over the whole venue.

From the first pour to the final photo finish, expect sweeps, lucky door prizes, TAB facilities, and live coverage across five big screens (plus the new giant one, of course).

There'll also be prizes for best dressed and a cocktail happy hour from 4pm to 6pm, because it wouldn't be Cup Day without a few celebratory drinks (hello margaritas!)

Whether you're here for the fashion, the food, or the photo finish, Cup Day at The Australian is your ticket to the ultimate coastal race-day celebration.

Bookings essential, lunch sitting from 12pm – reserve your table now at bit.ly/AHBMelbCup25.

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Planting seeds

Join in the fun at **Seed Northern Rivers' Wild Imaginings**, a gathering of artists, activists, and changemakers sharing bold ideas for the future of the Northern Rivers – through story, music, and collective dreaming.

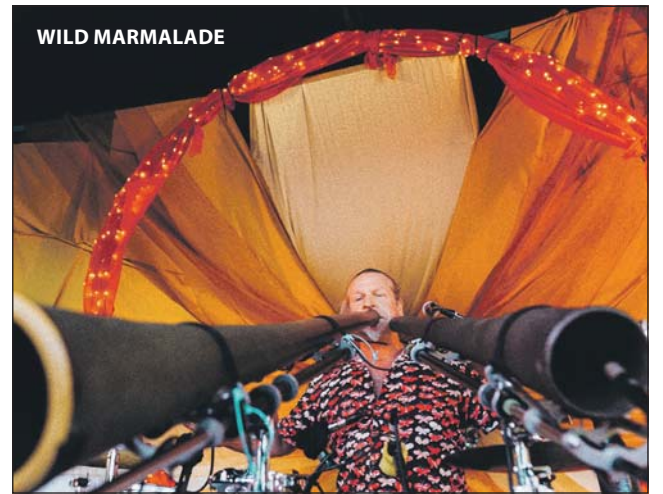
As part of the event there will be a celebration of the growth of the Seed Giving Circle – a new, community-led way to fund bold, grassroots projects across our region.

Together, we'll imagine a thriving, just, and regenerative future for the Northern Rivers – and take the first steps to bring it into being.

MC'd by **Mandy Nolan**, comedian, author, and political commentator, speakers include: **Emily Lubitz**, acclaimed songwriter and #1 ARIA country chart artist; **Sarah Ndiaye**, Mayor of Byron Shire; **Damon Gameau**, award-winning filmmaker (*2040, That Sugar Film, Regenerating Australia*) and co-founder of Regenerators; **Simon Richardson**, CEO at Plan C; **Elle Davidson**, Balangarra woman and Director of Zion Engagement & Planning; **Michelle Williams**, founder of The Remix; **Alison Drover**, environmental strategist and change agent; **Techa Beaumont** and **Simon Jankelson**, Seed Northern Rivers; and more to be announced soon.

Food and drink are kindly sponsored by Ingrained Foundation and Stone & Wood. Enjoy a complimentary drink on arrival and shared charcuterie boards. Additional drinks available for purchase from Stone & Wood.

DJ RaKuu from SunDance will be spinning some fresh tunes – **tickets are free, but RSVP is essential** – events.humanitix.com/wild-imaginings-2.



The last blast

The **Nimbin Roots Festival**, a vibrant celebration of original music and artistic expression, is building up for its last blast in Nimbin from **Friday to Sunday**.

The festival is held in various venues throughout the village of Nimbin. Patrons enjoy wandering around the village and experiencing Nimbin, instead of being in one big paddock. The set-up also ensures the comfort and convenience of an all-weather event!

Founded by ARIA finalist and renowned singer-songwriter **Lou Bradley**, the festival enters its ninth year with a lineup that promises to blend well-loved Australian acts with the spirited ethos of Nimbin.

Nimbin Roots Festival is not just about music; it's a cultural experience. Alongside the musical performances, attendees can enjoy vibrant markets, engaging workshops, and street performers, enriching their festival journey. The festival's setting in Nimbin adds to its allure, known for its rich history in the arts and a community that champions an alternative, environmentally conscious lifestyle.

With an awesome line-up including: **Dog Trumpet, Hussy Hicks, Wild Marmalade, Emily Lubitz, The Audreys, Kingfisha, Paul Greene, Mack and Cook, Mungo Fungo, Calico, Jimmy Dowling, Allison Forbes, Dan Hanrahan, Joshua Lee Wright, The, Golden**

Gaytimes, Mitch King, Sunday Lemonade, Thirst Trap, Lou, Bradley, Steve Miller, The Appointments, Toni Janke, Two Tears In A Bucket, Tripsitta, Miss Eileen & King Lear, The Mudflowers, David Davies & The SKPs, Matt Rogers, Rogue Elements, The Hoochers, Hannah Pearl, Sneaker Thief, Yazmindi, 4 Eyed Water Boy, Missus Hippy And The Love Handles, Andrea Soler & Tim Tonkin, as well as **Nimbin poets, songwriters in the round, buskers, workshops, markets, and the Peace & Love Parade**, this festival is definitely going out with a bang!

With its heartfelt approach to music and community, Nimbin Roots Festival invites music lovers to immerse themselves in a weekend of genuine sounds and stories. Tickets are available now, offering a gateway to experience the soul of Nimbin and its artistic heritage.

For more information and tickets, visit nimbinrootsfest.com.

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Celebrate 20 years of the Byron Latin Fiesta

The **Byron Latin Fiesta** is turning 20, and this year's celebrations promise more excitement than ever! **From 30 October to 2 November**, Byron Bay will once again come alive with the rhythm and joy of Latin dance. Indulge your Latin passion over four vibrant nights and three exciting days at Australia's longest-running Latin dance festival! Founded in 2006, the Byron Latin Fiesta has blossomed into a world-class event, born from a deep love for Latin American music, dance, and culture, and set against the backdrop of Byron Bay.

The Fiesta brings together a stellar line-up of local, national, and international artists. Take workshops with inspiring instructors, enjoy their spectacular shows at night, and social dance to the awesome DJs at the parties. New to Latin dance? The Beginners Hub makes it easy to jump in and try styles like Salsa, Bachata, Zouk, and Kizomba. More experienced dancers can explore the full spectrum of Latin rhythms including Tango, Afro, Reggaeton, and more. At night, the festival truly comes alive with two party spaces – the theatre and the upstairs rooms – which will light up with professional and student performances, DJ sets, live band **Chukale** on Saturday night, and plenty of social dancing to keep the energy flowing until late. Food stalls and a courtyard bar will round out the experience with the perfect vibe for celebrating! The milestone event is taking place at the **Byron Theatre and Community Centre**. Byron Latin Fiesta takes over the entire venue as it bursts with energy, connection and fun!

Ticket options are available to suit all budgets. Full Passes and Beginner Passes are the best value, Day Passes and Party Passes are also on offer. Numbers are capped, so secure your tickets now and be part of the 20-year celebration event!

For more information and tickets, visit byronlatinfiesta.com.au, Instagram: [@byronlatinfiesta](https://www.instagram.com/byronlatinfiesta), or Facebook: www.facebook.com/ByronLatinFiesta.

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WEDNESDAY 22

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **MATEO**
- THE NORTHERN, BYRON BAY, 6PM **OLE FALCOR**, 9PM **DUELING PIANOS: BODHI ACTON & MITCHELL DORMER**
- THE PADDOCK PROJECT, MULLUMBIMBY, 4PM **CURRY JAM**

THURSDAY 23

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **GEE BEES**
- BYRON THEATRE 7.30PM **JOHN SCHUMANN & THE VAGABOND CREW**
- THE NORTHERN, BYRON BAY, 5PM **SARAH GRANT DUO + DJ DAVI BANGMA**, 9PM **DUELING PIANOS: BODHI ACTON & SAM WHEAT**
- HOTEL BRUNSWICK 6PM **MATT BUGGY**
- SAINT MARIES, BRUNSWICK HEADS, 6PM **MONDO HUM**
- LENNOX HOTEL 8PM **JAM NIGHT**
- KELP, BALLINA, **INO PIO**
- LISMORE CITY BOWLO 7PM **THE SUPPER CLUB SOUL BAND**
- PEARCES CREEK HALL, PIERCES CREEK, 6.30PM **MINOR GOLD**

FRIDAY 24

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **FRANK SULTANA**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 5PM **CHRISTIAN PATEY + POLY & CO + MY HAPPY PLACE**
- BYRON THEATRE 7.30PM **MELIA NAUGHTON – AMALFI ROAST**
- ELEMENTS OF BYRON 5PM **OLE FALCOR**
- THE NORTHERN, BYRON BAY, 7PM **VERSACE BOYS + DJ YAZMIN**, 7.30PM **THE SMITH STREET BAND + SCREAMFEEDER**, 8PM **DUELING PIANOS: JOHN HILL & BODHI ACTON + SAM WHEAT & JAKE BRISTOW**
- HOTEL BRUNSWICK 6PM **THE RUBENS**
- BRUNSWICK HEADS PICTURE HOUSE 7PM **EMILY WURRAMARA**
- WANDANA BREWING CO., MULLUMBIMBY, 4PM **DJ SALVE JORGE**
- ST JOHN'S SCHOOL HALL, MULLUMBIMBY, 7.30PM **ECSTATIC DANCE MULLUM WITH DJ WILD HONEY**
- MIDDLE PUB, MULLUMBIMBY, 8PM **KRAPPYOKEE WITH JESS**

LENNOX HOTEL 5PM MESSY FUZZ

- CHERRY STREET SPORTS CLUB, BALLINA, 7PM **THE DIRTY CHANNEL DUO**
- AUSTRALIAN HOTEL, BALLINA, 8PM **ANIMAL VENTURA**
- NORTHERN RIVERS CONSERVATORIUM, LISMORE, **THE LISTENING SESSIONS**
- LISMORE CITY BOWLO 7PM **PARTYCLES**
- THE LEVEE, LISMORE, 8PM **HARLZ**
- VARIOUS VENUES NIMBIN **NIMBIN ROOTS FESTIVAL**
- MURWILLUMBAH SERVICES CLUB 6.30PM **LEIGH JAMES**
- KINGSCLIFF BEACH BOWLS 6PM **ROCKIN' RON**
- SALTBAR, KINGSCLIFF, 6PM **ERIN SHAY**
- TWIN TOWNS, TWEED HEADS, THE SHOWROOM 8PM **EARTH, WIND & FIRE EXPERIENCE**
- SOUNDLOUNGE, CURRUMBIN, 7.30PM **'STARSHINE' TRIBUTE TO STEVIE NICKS & FLEETWOOD MAC**

SATURDAY 25

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **SAM BUCKLEY**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 3PM **MICKA SCENE + ERIN SHAY DUO**
- BYRON THEATRE 8PM **LAWRENCE MOONEY**
- NORTH BYRON HOTEL 5PM **DJ KATE ELSWORTH**
- THE NORTHERN, BYRON BAY, 7PM **DONNY SHADES DUO + MATTY ROGERS BAND**, 8PM **DUELING PIANOS: SAM WHEAT & BRAD MACGAW + SHANE PARRY & BODHI ACTON**
- HOTEL BRUNSWICK 12PM **ALLY PALMER, THE BONES, GINGER LANE, VINTED VINEER, HAYLEY GRACE, BUTTER MELLO, TODD KEM, BIG WHEELS**
- BRUNSWICK HEADS PICTURE HOUSE 4PM **BBFF2025: 500 DAYS IN THE WILD**, 7PM **BBFF2025: COMPARSA**
- WANDANA BREWING CO., MULLUMBIMBY, 4PM **DJ SIMEON**
- MULLUMBIMBY EX-SERVICES CLUB 6PM **PENNY'S GROOVE**
- BILLINUDGEL HOTEL 6.30PM **THE DUSTIES**
- LENNOX HOTEL 9PM **THE TYLER DURDENS**

CHERRY STREET SPORTS CLUB, BALLINA, 7PM STATIC FEEDBACK + SPANGLED DRONGO, 8PM POLY & CO

- BALLINA RSL LEVEL ONE 8PM **RICK PRICE**
- AUSTRALIAN HOTEL, BALLINA, 9PM **DJ DEEP FRYER**
- HOTEL ILLAWONG, EVANS HEAD, 8PM **THE RECORD BREAKERS**
- ELTHAM HOTEL 4PM **SYLVIE + LEAH SENIOR**
- THE LEVEE, LISMORE, 8PM **LILLI ROSE SHEEN**
- CORAKAI MEMORIAL BOWLS CLUB 7PM **SONIC FX**
- VARIOUS VENUES NIMBIN **NIMBIN ROOTS FESTIVAL**
- MURWILLUMBAH SERVICES CLUB 6PM **DAVE CAVANAGH**
- CABARITA SURF CLUB 4.30PM **ROD MURRAY**
- SALTBAR, KINGSCLIFF, 6PM **ISAAC FRANKHAM**
- KINGSCLIFF BEACH BOWLS 6PM **ADAM BROWN**
- CLUB TWEED 7.30PM **DANNY FAI FAI TRIO**
- SEAGULLS, TWEED HEADS, 7.30PM **BARNES STORM**

SUNDAY 26

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **KATRINA HARRIS**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 4.30PM **LOONALOOP**
- THE NORTHERN, BYRON BAY, 9PM **DUELING PIANOS: JOHN HILL & SHANE PARRY**
- HOTEL BRUNSWICK 4PM **ALLY PALMER, THE BONES, GINGER LANE, VINTED VINEER, HAYLEY GRACE, BUTTER MELLO, TODD KEM, BIG WHEELS**
- BRUNSWICK HEADS PICTURE HOUSE 1PM **BBFF2025: THROUGH THE LOCAL LENS**, 4PM **BBFF2025: JOHN LILLY AND THE EARTH COINCIDENCE CONTROL OFFICE**, 6.30PM **BBFF2025: BEYOND THE BREAK (WITH Q&A)**
- OCEAN SHORES COUNTRY CLUB 3PM **OPEN MIC**
- WANDANA BREWING CO., MULLUMBIMBY, 3.30PM **DJ PAPA BITCHO**
- BILLINUDGEL HOTEL 1PM **WET BANDITS**
- BALLINA RSL BOARDWALK 2.30PM **BALLINA BLUES CLUB FEAT FBI**, 6PM **LUKE BENNETT**
- AUSTRALIAN HOTEL, BALLINA, 3PM **WEAR THE FOX HAT**
- LENNOX PIZZA 5PM **HILLBILLY SKANK DUO**

LENNOX HOTEL 4PM ALLY PALMER

- SHAW'S BAY HOTEL, BALLINA, 3PM **BILLY GUDGEON BAND**
- CHERRY STREET SPORTS CLUB, BALLINA, 4PM **ALMA PROJECT**
- ELTHAM HOTEL 4PM **AZO BELL & THE NEIGHBOURS**
- VARIOUS VENUES NIMBIN **NIMBIN ROOTS FESTIVAL**
- SALTBAR, KINGSCLIFF, 2.30PM **FAT ALBERT**
- TWIN TOWNS, TWEED HEADS, THE SHOWROOM 3PM **HANS YOUNG, FUN & 21**
- CLUB TWEED 7.30PM **OFF THE GRID**

MONDAY 27

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **FELICITY LAWLESS**
- THE NORTHERN, BYRON BAY, 6PM **JESA + JEROME WILLIAMS**, 9PM **DUELING PIANOS: MITCHELL DORMER & JAKE BRISTOW**
- KINGSCLIFF BEACH BOWLS 12PM **TOMMY MEMPHIS & GEORGE HARVEY**
- CLUB TWEED 1PM **LAURA DOOLAN + MONO**

TUESDAY 28

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **OOZ**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 6PM **LUKE YEAMAN**
- BYRON THEATRE 6PM **SOUNDS OF PEACE CONCERT**
- THE NORTHERN, BYRON BAY, 6PM **MARSHALL OKELL**, 9PM **DUELING PIANOS: BODHI ACTON & MITCHELL DORMER**

WEDNESDAY 29

- RAILWAY HOTEL, BYRON BAY, **JASON DELPHIN**
- BEACH HOTEL, BYRON BAY, 6PM **DEVU**
- BRUNSWICK HEADS PICTURE HOUSE 10.30AM & 7PM **SPAGHETTI WESTERN**
- THE NORTHERN, BYRON BAY, 6PM **LUKE PAULEY**, 9PM **DUELING PIANOS: MITCHELL DORMER & SHANE PARRY**
- THE PADDOCK PROJECT, MULLUMBIMBY, 4PM **CURRY JAM**
- TINTENBAR HALL 7.30PM **PORCH COUCH**
- KINGSCLIFF BEACH BOWLS 6.30PM **KINGY COMEDY – FEAT KEL BALNAVES WITH MC: ELLEN BRIGGS AND DENZO**

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Fri: 6:00PM
- NT LIVE: MRS. WARREN'S PROFESSION** (CTC)
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Mon: 6:00PM

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Thurs, Fri, Tues, Wed: 11:00AM, Sat, Mon: 11:00AM, Sun: 10:45AM
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Thurs, Sun, Mon: 11:00AM, 5:45PM. Fri: 11:00AM, Sat: 10:50AM, 5:45PM. Tues, Wed: 10:45AM, 5:45PM
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Thurs, Fri, Tues, Wed: 1:30PM, 3:30PM, 8:30PM. Sat, Sun: 3:30PM, 8:30PM, Mon: 1:20PM, 3:30PM, 8:30PM
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- ONE BATTLE AFTER ANOTHER** (M)
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- KANGAROO** (PG)
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Daily: 2:45PM
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- THE BAD GUYS 2** (PG)
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- THE TRAVELLERS** (M)
Daily: 9:45AM
- TRON: ARES** (M)
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DATE (Oct/Nov)	DAY, MOON PHASE	SUN RISE / SET	MOON RISE / SET	HIGH TIDES, height (m)	LOW TIDES, height (m)
22	W	6:02 18:58	6:02 19:41	0938 1.57; 2134 1.29	0257 0.19; 1545 0.34
23	TH	6:01 18:59	6:34 20:37	1011 1.59; 2205 1.21	0323 0.21; 1625 0.37
24	F	6:00 19:00	7:10 21:33	1044 1.59; 2239 1.14	0349 0.24; 1704 0.40
25	SA	5:59 19:00	7:50 22:29	1119 1.56; 2315 1.06	0418 0.28; 1747 0.44
26	SU	5:58 19:01	8:36 23:23	1159 1.52; 2354 0.99	0449 0.34; 1835 0.49
27	M	5:57 19:02	9:28	1243 1.46	0526 0.41; 1931 0.53
28	TU	5:56 19:03	10:24 0:13	0044 0.93; 1334 1.41	0611 0.48; 2037 0.54
29	W	5:55 19:03	11:23 0:58	0152 0.90; 1438 1.39	0714 0.54; 2145 0.52
30	TH	5:54 19:04	12:24 1:39	0319 0.93; 1545 1.40	0837 0.57; 2245 0.45
31	F	5:54 19:05	13:25 2:16	0436 1.02; 1648 1.44	0959 0.54; 2333 0.36
1	SA	5:53 19:05	14:27 2:49	0535 1.15; 1744 1.49	1109 0.47
2	SU	5:52 19:06	15:29 3:21	0627 1.31; 1834 1.52	0015 0.26; 1210 0.39
3	M	5:51 19:07	16:34 3:54	0715 1.47; 1922 1.52	0053 0.17; 1307 0.30
4	TU	5:50 19:08	17:42 4:27	0801 1.63; 2009 1.48	0130 0.09; 1401 0.24
5	W	5:50 19:08	18:54 5:04	0848 1.76; 2055 1.41	0208 0.04; 1456 0.20

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On The Horizon

DEADLINE NOON FRIDAY

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Remembrance Day

The Mullumbimby RSL Sub-Branch would like to advise that a Remembrance Day Service will be held at the Mullumbimby Cenotaph commencing at 10.50am on 11 November. For further inquiries please contact the Mullumbimby RSL Sub-Branch at MullumbimbySB@rsl.nsw.org.au.

Landcare working bee

Organic Landcare Incorporated next working bee will be Saturday, 25 October, from 8am until 12:30pm, at Saltwater Creek. Meet at Mullumbimby Community Garden carpark. Tasks will be to follow up green cestrum saplings, tradescantia fluminensis ground cover, and remove ringbark camphor suckers. Please wear a long-sleeved shirt and pants for sun protection and to avoid scratches. Also a hat, gloves, and bring water and some morning tea for a 10.30am break. First-aid kit, tree poppers, loppers and weeding tools provided. If you have bush regeneration tools, please bring them.

Liberation Larder AGM

Our annual general meeting will be held on Tuesday, 28 October from 11am, at Byron Community Centre, (Wategos 2 room). All, and new, financial members' attendance and input are highly valued. Please confirm your attendance by 24 October so that we can make the necessary arrangements for the refreshment after the AGM.

Bruns U3A (third age)

Bruns U3A is lifelong learning for retired folk in their third age. Rod Preston will speak on the Mysteries in the Mail on 28 October. Our interest groups are ongoing and flourishing. More info, contact Denise 0423778573 or info@brun3a.org.

Tech-savvy Seniors

Free, fun tech lessons are on at Byron Bay Library. Join our friendly training sessions where library staff help you to get online and build your digital skills. The 40-minute Friday sessions offer a broad range of topics to choose from that will help you gain confidence and stay connected. Bookings essential at: www.rtrl.nsw.gov.au or phone the Byron Bay branch 6685 8540.

Useful plants walk in Lismore, October 26

Sunday 26 October, there will be a Useful Plants Walk with Andreas from 9.30 am till 10.30am. This walk is designed to show visitors the local dry rainforest plants used by Aboriginal people for over 40,000 years, for medicine, tools, food and shelter. It is a shady, unpaved walk, with one small incline. Adults \$5, children free (cash or card) Meet at 9.45 am at the Visitor's Centre at the Gardens 313 Wyrallah Road East Lismore. Bookings essential. Email publicity@friendslrbg.com.au Wear sturdy shoes, long-sleeves and pants and a hat. Join us for morning tea in the Visitors Centre after the walk (gold coin donation appreciated). Friends LRBG is a not for profit volunteer organisation which founded, manages and maintains the Gardens.

Together She Thrives

Together She Thrives is a local NFP in the Byron Shire helping women and teen girls connect, grow and thrive. They will be holding a free fascia release workshop undercover at Mullum Netball Courts on Wednesday, 22 October from 8.15am to 9.30am. A free crochet and knitting workshop in Mullumbimby will be held on 31 October from 1.30pm to 3.30pm. A free guided bushwalk in the Byron Shire will be held Sunday, 9 November from 9am to 12pm. Also our free five-week teen girls program will run every Saturday in November from 10am till 12pm, with the aim to build confidence, creativity, wellbeing and connection while engaging, hands-on activities and supportive community experiences. For more info email togethershethrives@outlook.com or call 0427 026 935.

Death conversations

As Day of the Dead, All Souls, and Halloween approach, cultures around the world prepare to honour their ancestors, building altars, lighting candles, and offering flowers, food, and memory. These rituals remind us that death is not an ending, but a continuation, a conversation between worlds. In this special Day of the Dead edition of Death Conversations, hosted by local Deathwalker Chi Chi Menendez, community are invited to come together to explore and discuss ritual, home funerals and ceremony as meaningful ways to remember and honour the dead. This free community event is part of an ongoing local project by 'The Dying Well' cultivating death literacy and reimagining how we meet death with presence and creativity. Reservations essential info@thedyingwell.com.au The event will be held at The Paddock Project, Mullumbimby, on Saturday November 1, from 10am-12pm. It is a free community event. For more, visit www.thedyingwell.com.au.

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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.

Free baby clothes

Free baby clothes are available each Friday morning (during school terms) from 10-12am at Mullumbimby CWA Hall, corner of Tincogan and Gordon sts. And if you like hanging out with mums and bubs and have a penchant for folding tiny clothes, we're always keen for more volunteers to join our happy team! More info: www.pbbmedia.org/outreachhub. Contact: hello@pbbmedia.org.

To enquire about accessing any of these services call reception 6684 1286, check our website www.mdnc.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 enjoy practical relief opportunities, find connections and access broader support. **Fletcher Street Cottage services** are open Tuesday-Friday; breakfast 7am-9am; showers and laundry 7am-12pm; office support 9am-12pm. Individual support appointments with community workers and specialist services available please book on (02) 6685 7830. Fletcher Street Cottage, 18 Fletcher St, Byron Bay. More info: www.fletcherstreetcottage.com.au. **Byron Seniors Club:** www.byronseniors.com.au. More info on **Community Services:** www.byroncentre.com.au Phone: (02) 6685 6807.

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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.

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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 Cutthbert'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.

Volunteer call out

Support for New Mums Inc. a Northern NSW community program are recruiting volunteers in the Byron Shire. We offer a free of charge, home visiting program for mothers with babies. For more information email Deb: newmums8@gmail.com.

The Echo's Market Guide

Find it online: www.echo.net.au/market-guide

MONTHLY MARKETS:

- 1st SAT: **Brunswick Heads Markets** - 8am-2pm
- 1st SUN: **Byron Community Market** - 8am-3pm
Pottsville Beach Markets - 7am-1pm
- 2nd SUN: **The Channon Craft Market** - 9am-3pm
Chillingham Markets - 8am-1pm
Coolangatta Arts & Craft Markets - 8am-2pm
Tabulam Community Market - 9am-1pm
- 3rd SAT: **Mullumbimby Community Market** - 8am-2pm
Murwillumbah Makers & Finders Market - 9am-2pm
Salt Beach Markets, South Kingscliff/Casuarina - 8am-1pm
- 3rd SUN: **Federal Village Market** - 8am-2pm
Uki Buttery Bazaar Market - 8am-2pm
Pottsville Beach Markets - 7am-1pm
Lismore City Bowlo Markets - 9am-1pm
- 4th SAT: **Kyogle Bazaar** - 9am-2pm
Last SAT: **Evans Head Rotary Market** - 8am-1pm
- 4th SUN: **Bangalow Market** - 8am-2.30pm
Nimbin Markets - 9am-3pm
Murwillumbah Showground Market - 8am-1pm
- 4th SUN (in a 5-Sunday month): **Coolangatta Arts & Crafts** - 8am-2pm
- 5th SUN: **Nimbin Markets** - 8.30am-3pm

Quarterly: **Byron Beachside Market** - four Saturdays in Jan, Easter, July and Sept

FARMERS/WEEKLY MARKETS:

- Each TUE: **New Brighton Farmers Market** - 8am-11am
Lismore Organic Market - 7.30am-10.30am
- Each WED: **Murwillumbah Farmers Market** - 7am-11am
Nimbin Farmers Market - 3pm-6pm
Newrybar Hall Twilight Market - 3pm-7.30pm
- Each THU: **Byron Bay Farmers Market** - 7am-11am
Lismore Produce Market - 3pm-6pm
- Each FRI: **Mullumbimby Farmers Market** - 7am-11am
Evans Head Farmers Market - 2.30pm-6.30pm
- Each SAT: **Bangalow Farmers Market** - 7am-11am
Duranbah Road Farmers Market (Tropical Fruit World) 8am-11am
Uki Farmers Market - 8am-1pm
Lismore Farmers Market - 7.30am-11.30am
Byron Twilight Market (October to April) 4pm-9pm
- Each SUN: **Ballina Farmers & Producers Market** - 7am-11am

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.

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- 12 Natan Court, Ocean Shores. Tues 2.30-3pm
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- 22 Royal Avenue, South Golden Beach. Wed 1-1.30pm
- 15 Muli Muli Avenue, Ocean Shores. Wed 3.30-4pm
- 22-24 River Street, Brushgrove. Thurs 12-12.30pm
- 4/19 Oceanside Place, Suffolk Park. Thurs 12.30-1.30pm
- 6 Royal Avenue, South Golden Beach. Sat 9-9.30am
- 1/21A Balemo Drive, Ocean Shores. Sat 9-9.30am
- 12 Natan Court, Ocean Shores. Sat 9-9.30am
- 16 Berrimbillah Court, Ocean Shores. Sat 10-10.30am
- 22 Royal Avenue, South Golden Beach. Sat 10-10.30am
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- 4 Gara Court. Ocean Shores. Sat 11-11.30am
- 1/44 Helen Street, South Golden Beach. Sat 11-11.30am
- 16B Palmer Avenue, Ocean Shores. Sat 11-11.30am
- 15 Muli Muli Avenue, Ocean Shores. Sat 12-12.30pm
- 15 Kallaroo Circuit, Ocean Shores. Sat 12-12.30pm
- 23 Matong Drive, Ocean Shores. Sat 12-12.30pm
- 132 Middle Pocket Road, Middle Pocket. Sat 1-1.30pm
- 4/19 Oceanside Place, Suffolk Park. 2.30-3.30pm

Harcourts Northern Rivers

- 3/20 The Terrace, East Ballina. Sat 9.30-10am
- 1/16 Hackett Lane, Ballina. Sat 9.30-10am
- 19 Leeson Avenue, Ballina. Sat 10-10.30am
- 47 Bath Street, Wardell. Sat 10.30-11am
- 66 Riverside Drive, West Ballina. Sat 10.30-11am
- 412 Bagotville Road, Meershaum Vale. Sat 11.15-11.45am
- 101 Riverside Drive, West Ballina. Sat 11.15-11.45am

First National Byron Bay

- 15a Rush Court, Mullumbimby. Wed 11-11.30am
- 5/1 Henry Philp Avenue, Ballina. Wed 12-12.30pm
- 18 Wareham Street, Suffolk Park. Wed 1-1.30pm
- 1/68 Centennial Circuit, Byron Bay. Wed 4.30-5pm
- 160 Reardons Lane, Swan Bay. Thurs 11-11.30am
- 1161 Bruxner Highway, Goonellabah. Thurs 12.30-1pm
- 1 Warina Place, Mullumbimby. Fri 9-9.30am
- 134 Dalley Street, Mullumbimby. Fri 9.30-10am
- 103 Paterson Street, Byron Bay. Fri 11-11.30am
- 5/7 Cooper Street, Byron Bay. Fri 12-12.30pm
- 480 Left Bank Road, Mullumbimby Creek. Fri 3-3.30pm
- 12a Coolamon Avenue, Mullumbimby. Fri 3.45-4.15pm
- 14 Rush Court, Mullumbimby. Fri 5-5.30pm
- 5/7 Cooper Street, Byron Bay. Sat 9-9.30am
- 9b Byron Street, Mullumbimby. Sat 9-9.30am
- 1 Warina Place, Mullumbimby. Sat 9-9.30am
- 11 Willow Place, Mullumbimby. Sat 9-9.30am
- 16 Short Street, Brunswick Heads. Sat 9-9.30am
- 2/122 Lighthouse Road, Byron Bay. Sat 9.30-10am
- 125 Alcorn Street, Suffolk Park. Sat 9.30-10am
- 14 Rush Court, Mullumbimby. Sat 9.45-10.15am

- 4 Seaview Street, Byron Bay. Sat 10-10.30am
- 12 Smith Street, Clunes. Sat 10-10.30am
- 40 Booyun Street, Brunswick Heads. Sat 10-10.30am
- 5/1 Henry Philp Avenue, Ballina. Sat 10-10.30am
- 21 Excelsior Circuit, Brunswick Heads. Sat 10-10.30am
- 1 Possum Wood Place, Mullumbimby. Sat 10-10.30am
- 69 Paterson Street, Byron Bay. Sat 10.30-11am
- 25 Byrne Road, Rosebank. Sat 10.30-11am
- 7 Hayter Street, Suffolk Park. Sat 11-11.30am
- 134 Dalley Street, Mullumbimby. Sat 11-11.30am
- 15a Rush Court, Mullumbimby. Sat 11-11.30am
- 16 Coral Court, Byron Bay. Sat 11.30am-12pm
- 18 Wareham Street, Suffolk Park. Sat 11.30am-12pm
- 87 Massinger Street, Byron Bay. Sat 11.30am-12pm
- 18 Corkwood Crescent, Suffolk Park. Sat 11.30am-12pm
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- 9 Natan Court, Ocean Shores. Sat 12-12.30pm
- 5 Deacon Street, Bangalow. Sat 12.30-1pm
- 12/146 Old Bangalow Road, Byron Bay. Sat 12.30-1pm
- 47 Kingsley Street, Byron Bay. Sat 12.30-1pm
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- 1161 Bruxner Highway, Goonellabah. Sat 2-2.30pm
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- 56 Ruskin Lane, Byron Bay. Sat 2.30-3pm
- 325 Riverbank Road, Pimlico. Sat 3-3.30pm

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- 6181 Tweed Valley Way, Burringbar. Sat 10-10.30am
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- 48 Tinderbox Rd, Talofa. Sat 2.30-3pm

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- 2032/14-18 Stuart St, Tweed Heads. Sat 10-10.30am
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- 5 & 6/2 Surf St, Tugun. Sat 11-11.30am
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- 6/3 Carmichael Close, Coolangatta. Sat 12-12.30pm
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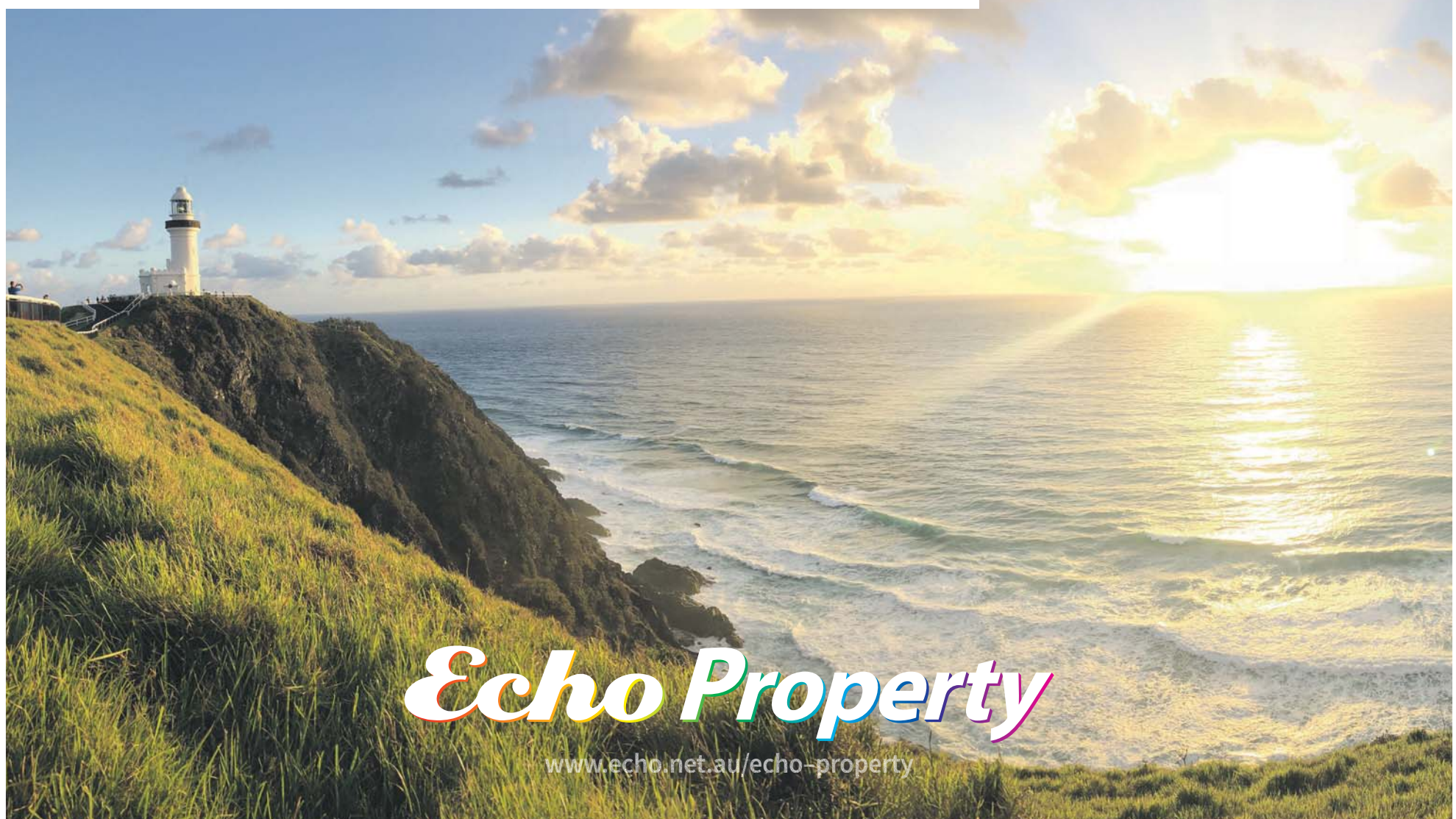
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According to *BBC Science Focus*, 'Snails have teeth. Between 1,000 and 12,000 teeth, to be precise. They aren't like ours, though, so don't be thinking about snails with ridiculous toothy grins. You'll find the snail's tiny "teeth" all over its file-like tongue.'

Two sections of the Hannah Cabinet have returned to Lismore for the next stage of restoration, signalling an important step in its preservation following damage in the 2022 floods. Created by master craftsman Geoff Hannah over six-and-a-half-years and completed in 2008, the Hannah Cabinet is regarded as one of Australia's most intricate and celebrated pieces of furniture. The ongoing restoration is expected to take a further two-and-a-half-years, with completion anticipated in mid-to-late 2028. The process will involve structural repairs, marquetry restoration, and fine finishing.

Congrats and best of luck to Bay FM, finalists in five categories for the 2025 CBAA awards including: Excellence in Multicultural Engagement; Aus Music Contribution; Best New Program – Rasela Torise; Outstanding Leadership – former station president Ange Kent; Best News and CAF Presenter – *The Echo's* own Mia Armitage. Winners announced this Saturday in Hobart, may the Mullum manifest vibes keep you ON FIRE!

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Kinksters drawn to drawing



Kinky Drawers again got the chance to combine cabaret and charcoal, or pen, pencil or brush, for some truly lively life drawing at the Bruns Picture House last week. Photo Jeff 'Drawing out the Irony' Dawson

that is consumed shortly after harvest? You can sign a petition supporting the mandatory labelling of chemically treated produce here: <https://tinyurl.com/2vtru7nz>.

Northern Rivers residents will take their adaptation stories to the big screen this week as part of the Adaptation Stories short films initiative. The Adaptation Stories films capture eight Northern Rivers locals as they respond to the changing climate. Each film captures personal journeys of resilience and creativity about what adaptation can mean for themselves and their communities. For more details on screenings and locations visit <https://events.humanitix.com/host/living-lab-northern-rivers>.

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