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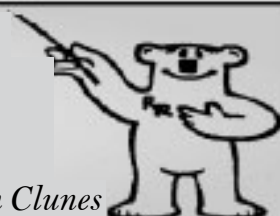
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A FEW WORDS FROM THE EDITOR...

Made it just in time to get this October–November issue out before the end of October!

There are some key events coming up very soon, so please note these dates. The Dorrobbee Grass Event Splendour of the Grasslands is on Saturday November 4th. It is very important to RSVP if you want to go to the workshop as numbers are limited. For the evening event, all are welcome. See pages 8–9 for more details.

The weekend coming up at the end of October is incredibly busy with many different events competing for your attention and your time. The one most local to us is the Dunoon Film Society at the Dunoon Hall, supporting the Whian Whian P&C and Hall

Committee on Saturday 28th October.

We have had some great achievements in our community of late. As Rob Gatt (president of DUFC) says, we can be very proud of our entire community in their support of the recent Grand Finals. Read more about this and other achievements on pages 10–11.

Speaking of achievement, I'd like to take this opportunity to wish the very best of luck to all of the students undertaking their HSC exams at the moment. Please, look after both your physical and mental health, and don't be too hard on yourself if it doesn't quite go to plan – your HSC mark or ATAR does not define you, and there is

always another path if this one doesn't quite work out. Enjoy this and future challenges, and treat them all as experiences and opportunities to grow.

If anyone would like to take on the challenge of doing the Gazette, I am happy to provide lessons in the editing software and process, and perhaps continue in a shared capacity doing every second issue – it's a great way to be involved!

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Another busy term has come to an end at Modanville Public School. Time flies when you're having fun!

Barry Cooper spent his last day as principal of Modanville Public School. His career as a dedicated educator spanned almost forty years and saw him teaching in a diverse range of schools across the state. The community of Modanville and the surrounds celebrated his career with a ceremony of speeches, barbeque and fun. Thank you to everyone who contributed to making this day such a special event for everyone to enjoy. Barry will be greatly missed.

K/1/2 spent a glorious day in Byron Bay participating in the Arakwal National Park's 'Dolphin Dreaming' excursion. The students enjoyed indigenous dance, storytelling, spear throwing, ochre face painting and learning about indigenous artefacts. The students also enjoyed a barbeque lunch, a walk through the rainforest track and a play on the beach. Everyone came back tired but with a big smile on their face. Thank you to our guide, Nigel, for such a fun and informative day.

Our younger students also participated in a Responsible Pets program to ensure that not only their pets looked after, but that students

know how to approach dogs safely.

Creative and performing arts was a big focus at Modanville in term 3 as students from K-6 rehearsed for our 'Modanville Circus' performance at the Lismore Performing Arts Festival. The students worked so hard at perfecting their dance and did a spectacular job at the evening and matinee performance. It was fantastic to see the exhilaration that the students experienced from performing on a big stage with lighting. A big thank you must go to the Lismore Workers Club for providing this venue to the local schools free of charge.

Other matters that have been keeping us busy at Modanville are the Channon Teams Day, learning about cyber safety, burying a time capsule to be opened at Modanville's 100th anniversary and participating in a local gardening competition where we placed 2nd. With so little rain we've had some dedicated students remembering to water the garden each day, and the K/1 class have enjoyed raising seeds on their back verandah. There truly feels like there's never a dull moment at Modanville!

As we look ahead to term 4 we are excited to begin transitioning our new kindergarten students. Our transition program will be running for three consecutive Wednesday mornings beginning on the 25th October. Please contact the school on 66282234 for more information.

Erin Azzopardi



Dunoon Students Awarded the Role of 2018 Ambassadors for the "Tech Girls are Superheroes" Movement

A team of business- and tech-savvy girls from Dunoon Public School have been awarded the heavily contested title of Tech Girls are Superheroes Ambassadors for 2018. To earn this prestigious title, the team competed against 260 other teams of girls from primary and secondary schools across Australia and New Zealand in a 12 week Tech Girl challenge. The challenge was to identify a local issue and create an App to solve that issue. Under the guidance of their teachers, Terry Currie and Heather Laverick, and a business mentor who Skyped each week from Sydney, the team had to address all aspects of creating and marketing an App, including; designing logos, conducting market research, competitor analyses, producing a business plan and marketing pitch, and learning to code the App itself.

Teacher, Terry Currie explained "We worked with 4 teams of 7 to 12 year old girls at our school to give them all an opportunity to learn to code and use technology in new and creative ways. To then be able to compete and have one of our four teams selected as NSW State finalists was an outstanding achievement for the girls."

"The task of designing and creating an App from scratch was really challenging," said Zali. "We all had different roles within the team and mine was to code the App according to the



Left-right: Terry Currie (teacher/coach), Indigo Scanlan, Hope Thompson, Grace French, Zali Pederson, Stevie Mckenzie and Heather Laverick(teacher/coach).

instructions given to me by the designers and creatives in my team."

Last Sunday, the team showcased their App at Queensland University of Technology. They had the opportunity to meet female technology industry-leaders, including the Minister for Innovation, Science and the Digital Economy, Leanne Enoch.

"Our App is called Produce Lane. It is to do with linking local produce to consumers," explained Stevie. "It's a bit of a secret until we get the final App up for sale! But keep your eye out for Produce Lane, it'll be here soon!"

"The great thing about the technology industry is that everyone can be an entrepreneur; a leader; an instigator of change. The technology industry needs people with all kinds of different backgrounds,

with differing knowledge bases and areas of expertise," explained teacher, Heather Laverick. "Every individual has the opportunity to unleash their creativity to change the world in ways we can only imagine. The technology job you may have in ten years' time possibly does not exist yet."

Heather Laverick

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Hello again! Term 3 at Dunoon Preschool has flown by with lots of new enrolments and lots of great learning and maintenance projects getting underway.

We had a lovely visit to Dunoon School late in the term to start the 'Transition to School' process for our Dunoon Kinders. It was great to see our old Preschoolers now in leadership positions, teaching the current Preschoolers about school. Next term we will be visiting Modanville as a Preschool group to start a similar process.

Earlier this term we had 4 sessions with Felicity from the Northern Rivers Conservatorium of Music. These sessions were wonderful for the children (Parents!) and teachers. Through song, games, and instruments we explored pitch, dynamics, tempo, beat and rhythm. We got to perform a couple of the songs for the parents at the end of term working bee and gathering.

This term we have been exploring outer space. So far, we have looked into meteors, asteroids, the moon, some of the planets, and space ships. We have looked up books, look up Wikipedia, looked at YouTube clips, sung songs and rhymes, role played, used drawing and craft to represent knowledge, and found some science experiences to further deepen and explore our knowledge... there is still so much more to investigate next term, I'm sure!

We have continued our weekly cooking sessions harvesting the fruit and vegetables from our garden to cook with or just to try fresh. The children have helped to



make: quiche, chive pikelets, passion-fruit icing, lemonade, mint tea and much more! By doing cooking so regularly we have found the children more eager to try a little bit of each food, sometimes they surprise themselves with a new food!

Next term Dunoon Preschool will have a Children's Craft Corner in the Main Pavilion at the Lismore Show. We expect this to be a nice, relaxing and cheap (!) place for children and their families to relax, create and regroup. Come and say HI!

If you know anyone looking for a playgroup session or looking to enrol for next year, please give them our contact details; 66895396 or info@dunoonpreschool.com. Thanks!

Enjoy the rest of spring and see you in the summer issue!

Regards,

Kate



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Ross McDougall

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LOCAL BAHÁ'Í NEWS WITH BILL HENDERSON

Birth of Bahá'u'lláh Bicentenary Celebrations

In late October it will be 200 years since the Birth in northern Persia (which is now Iran) of the Prophet-Founder of the Bahá'í Faith, Bahá'u'lláh (the Glory of God, in Arabic.) This will be joyously celebrated by Bahá'ís all over the world.

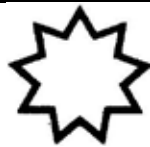
In the Northern Rivers, most of the Bahá'ís live in one of the four main centres: Lismore, Ballina-Lennox, Byron Bay and South Tweed. Each local Bahá'í community hosts local events and activities, and there are also larger events that attract people from all over the Northern Rivers.

The bicentennial activities in each centre will be spread over the last two weekends in October, so that those who want to can go to the activities in the various towns. All people are very welcome to join in any of the festivities. There's no charge or obligation, and refreshments will be served afterwards. This is what's on:

Lismore

Sunday afternoon October 22, between 2.30pm and 5.30pm in the Fountain Room under the City Hall (entrance in Bounty St.)

An Interfaith Celebration of the life and legacy of Bahá'u'lláh, including live and recorded music, a 10-minute video of Bahá'u'lláh's life, and



a series of ten-minute readings and/or songs from a number of God's sequence of religions, focussing on the never-ending universal themes of Love and Unity, as the only path towards an end to wars and suffering.

We also plan an item from the young people (12–15) who are in our Junior Youth Spiritual Empowerment Programme, and a display of work from the younger children who attend Bahá'í classes in several local state primary schools. Enquiries to Judith Light on 6624 1926.

Ballina

Saturday evening October 21, 6.45 for 7pm sharp in the Richmond Room's Hall 5, at 11 Regatta Ave.

A **Reception** with live music, devotional readings and performances by adults and children who go to Bahá'í classes. Enquiries 6687 4449.

Bangalow (Byron Bahá'ís)

1) **Sunday morning October 15** at 10.30am in the Heritage House in Ashton St. **Soul Food**, a one-hour interfaith devotional session with live music, then morning tea. This month's topic is our Founder Bahá'u'lláh.

2) **Saturday evening October 28**, 7.30 to 9pm in the RSL Hall at 13 Station St: A **live play** about the international adventures of pioneering

Bahá'í travel teacher Martha Root, during the first half of the 20th Century. 3) **Sunday evening October 29**, 6.30-9pm in the RSL Hall at 13 Station St: A **Multicultural Celebration** and concert with music from Samoa and Easter Island, and Bahá'í readings and prayers.

At the same venue a 2-day Bahá'í-inspired **Art Exhibition**, open on the Saturday from 1pm to 9pm and on Sunday from 10am to 9pm. Enquiries 0432 393 443.

South Tweed

Sunday October 22 at 5.30pm in the Banora Point Community Hall: a **Devotional Celebration**. Enquiries 0434 163 555.

New Bahá'í class at Clunes

Two families recently moved their children to Clunes public school and asked for a Bahá'í class in scripture period, as an alternative to Christian lessons. Clunes is on the boundary between Lismore and Byron shires, and the Byron Bahá'ís were able to supply a trained teacher straight away.

Thank you Teachers

At most of the public schools with Bahá'í scripture classes, the main class project at the beginning of this term is making individual Thank You Teacher cards, ready for our Teacher Appreciation Cake Days, later in the term.

Bill Henderson billh6@bigpond.net.au

DORROBBEE GRASS

We have an exciting community event coming up at Dorrobbie Grass. For details have a look at the advertisement on the opposite page. Most importantly, if you want to come to the workshop, **please register by calling Emma on 0429 693 111, as places are limited for the workshop.**

Plenty of room for the evening event from 4:30pm onwards, so bring along a picnic rug, and you may like to bring a picnic as well. Some supper is also provided.

Dorrobbie Grass is on the corner of Fraser Road and Dunoon Road, with the entrance opposite the old church.

Emma Stone

0429 693 111

LISMORE REGIONAL GALLERY

The Lismore community is warmly invited to the grand opening of the new Lismore Regional Gallery on Saturday, 28 October.

The \$5.8 million Lismore Regional Gallery and Quadrangle project at the old Lismore High School site off Keen Street is now complete, and the doors are being thrown open to local residents, VIPs and visitors.

Lismore Regional Gallery Director Brett Adlington said a gallery for Lismore was first mooted as far back as 1901. In 1954, Council opened the previous gallery premises in Molesworth Street as a 'temporary gallery'.

After decades of discussion, funding applications and hard work, Brett said it was an incredible feeling to finally roll out the red carpet and open the doors to a new gallery for Lismore.

"The Lismore Regional Gallery is now a functional, modern and beautiful facility that we can be proud of as a regional city. We have four times the space, a climate controlled, flood-free storage area for our permanent collection of more than 1000 pieces and a friendly and welcoming environment for visitors and locals."

"It's such an exciting day... there has been so much effort from so many individuals to get us to this point. It's overwhelming, it's incredible, it's exciting... it feels a bit surreal to finally be here!"

Brett said it is estimated the new Lismore Regional Gallery will see visitation of 55,000 annually, boosting Lismore's economy by \$1.8 million.

The new gallery was designed by Bangalow-based architect Dominic Finlay-Jones, who also designed the award-winning Lismore City Hall refurbishment.

The Lismore Regional Gallery and Quadrangle project was funded with \$2.85 million from the federal government's Stronger Region's Fund, \$120,000 from the Lismore Quadrangle Pledge Campaign, \$410,000 from the state government, \$126,800 in other public donations, and a \$500,000 donation from the Margaret Olley Arts Trust. Council funded the remainder with borrowings of up to \$1.9 million.

The program for the grand opening on Saturday, 28 October is as follows:

- From 4pm: 100 Wonderplace's 'Art-keepers' project in the Quadrangle
- 5.30pm: Welcome to Country and smoking ceremony in the Lismore Quadrangle

- 5.45pm: Speeches and official opening
- 6.30pm: Gallery open to public visitors
- 6.30pm: Tralala Blip will play in the Quadrangle

After the grand opening, Lismore Regional Gallery opening hours will be:

- Tuesday and Wednesday 10am to 4pm,
- Thursday 10am to 6pm, and
- Friday/Saturday/Sunday 10am to 4pm.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY'S ORAL HISTORY PROJECT

Do you or a member of your family have stories on an important part of our region's past? If you do, Richmond River Historical Society would like to invite you to contribute to their oral history collection.

The "Putting Your Voice On the Record" Oral History Project is aimed at building up the Society's archival collections by using a piece of modern technology that most people have access to: the smartphone.

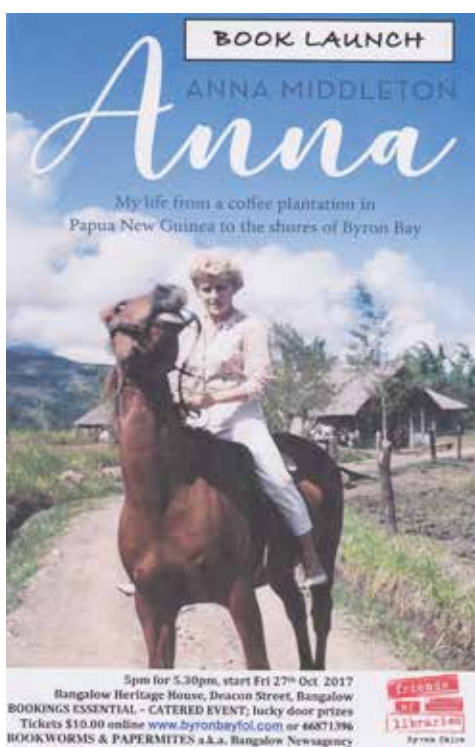
If you are interested, you can check out the relevant page on the Society's website:

<https://richhistory.org.au/richmond-river-historical-society/archival-collections/>

At the bottom of the website page at the link above is a brief description of the project and a link to the relevant form, which provides more information on what to do and how to get involved. It details the project requirements and requests submission details and permissions. One of the most important things for participants is to ensure each recording is about one particular topic.

All recordings that are accepted into the Society's collections will be made available for future researchers. Some may even be utilised in future exhibitions via listening posts in the Museum. The Society recently received a community grant from Lismore City Council to construct and set up the listening posts.

Robbie Braithwaite



Splendour of the Grasslands

A community event November 4th



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This event is coordinated by the Dorrobbee Grass Reserve Trust
with the support of funding from Lismore City Council



Little club achieving big things

Just when you thought our little local club couldn't do any more in what has already been an outstanding year, Dunoon United Football Club has just been announced as the Northern NSW Football Club of the Year for 2017. Dunoon United FC was selected from 235 clubs across the 7 regions in Northern NSW. Our Vice President Scott McNeill attended the Northern NSW Football Awards to receive the award on our behalf.

The club has been acknowledged for its efforts to value and grow community football in our area and, in particular, to continue to encourage female participation. Also recognised was the achievement of Level 2 Football Federation National Club Accreditation during the year and the remarkable job we did as a community to host the Football Far North Coast Grand Final Series in what has been described as arguably the most successful Grand Final series to be conducted in the zone. Our coach development and the initiative to stop sideline pressures on children playing the game through our "let the children play" policy were also part of the recognition associated with this award.

As club president, I would like to say: "This is an award that belongs to our community. Whilst the club committee has done an outstanding job to make

these programs and events happen, the recognition wouldn't be there if we, as an entire club, didn't embrace the direction, values and policies of the club. I think the entire community should be very proud of our little football club."

Of course, this is also the time of year we celebrate our on-field achievements during 2017 with our presentation days being held recently. Whilst as a club our focus is on participation, there were several teams that made it to the finals with our 3rd Division men's team going the step further and bringing home the trophy with the support of an outstanding home crowd. Many of you may have seen the team wandering the village in the following days still wearing their match tops!

Several of our players also got to represent the zone, state and their school in representative competitions and we congratulate them on their commitment. DUFC had great representation at Oceania Cup and Lismore Masters Games as well.



Scott McNeill, Vice-President DUFC (right) accepting the award

The Social 6s season has now kicked off and there will be 16 teams down at the park every Thursday evening, having a bit of fun and keeping fit until the games kick off again in 2018. Feel free to come down and watch, let the kids have a play, and perhaps have a drink and meal up on the deck.

On behalf of the committee I would like to thank the community for your support during 2017; without you we couldn't make these great things happen. The committee has a lot of things planned for this 'little' club for the future so watch this space, it isn't over yet!

Rob Gatt

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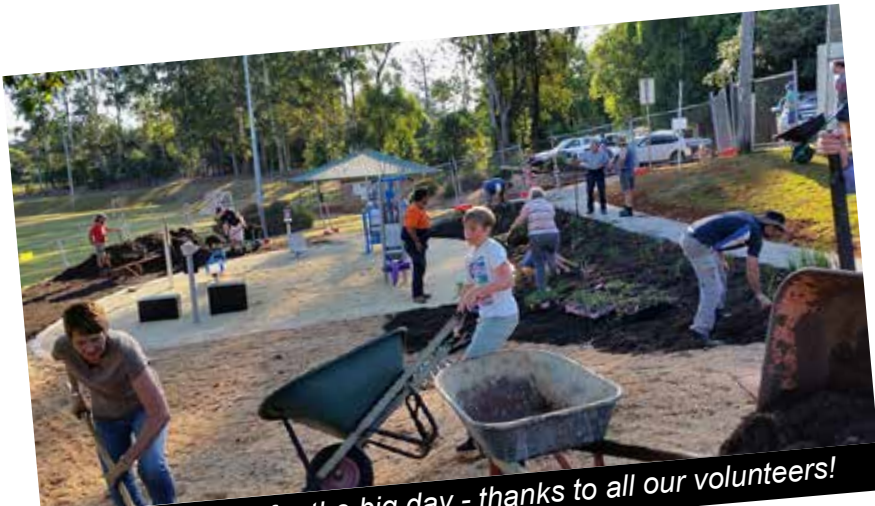
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DUFC Men's 3rd Division Grand Final Winners



*Lismore Master's 5-a-side Team
Pete, Matt, Matt, Max, Gary, Eamon*



Getting ready for the big day - thanks to all our volunteers!



A bird's eye view of DUFC at Grand Final



Oceania Cup Women's and Girls' Teams

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Notice of 2017
AGM

Monday 6th November 7pm

* The Board of Directors have proposed that Andrew (Andy) Bain be made a Life Member of the Dunoon Sports Club. Notice is hereby provided of a special resolution that is to be put to members at the AGM seeking approval for Andrew Bain to be granted Life Membership of the Dunoon Sports Club.

* At last year's AGM the Board of Directors were granted approval by members for the proposed sale of 3 Poker Machines in order to raise additional capital. Notice is hereby provided of a special resolution that is to be put to members at the AGM re-confirming member approval for the sale of 3 of the Dunoon Sports Club's Poker Machines if in the opinion of Directors it becomes necessary.

* Our 2017 AGM is to be held at the Dunoon Sports Club on Monday 6th November 2017 commencing at 7pm. A copy of the 2016/2017 Financial Report is attached and can also be viewed on the club's website at <http://www.dunoonclub.org.au/>. Please

make every effort to attend this important meeting for your club. We have sometimes had a problem making the numbers needed to start the meeting so please attend for the good of your club.

* Nominations for the position of Directors on the Dunoon Sports Club's Board of Management for the year ahead are currently open. Nominations will close at 7pm on Monday 30th October 2017. A Nomination form is available at the club, simply ask at the bar. If you can help out by nominating for this important role that would be most appreciated.

Dunoon Sports Club – Board of Management

NOTICE OF AGM

*Monday 6th November 2017
7pm - For all members*

Important information for all Members

Dear Members,

Please take note of the following important notices relating to our 2017 AGM, Two Special Resolutions to be put to members at the AGM and Nominations for Directors on the 2017/2018 Board of Management.

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**The Battle of Milne Bay,
Papua New Guinea, August/
September, 1942.**

For those of you who read the story in the Weekend Star newspaper of the 9th September recently in which a veteran of this battle, Mr. Richard McKenna, was interviewed by Ally Martell, it made very interesting reading indeed.

During my time in Papua New Guinea I travelled to Milne Bay in December 1998 on business for Ela Motors and I had time to visit the places where some of the battles between Australian and Japanese forces took place between 26th August to September 7th, 1942, and it was this significant battle that changed the course of the 2nd World War in the Pacific region when the Japanese retreated with great loss of life back towards Buna.

Using copies of WW2 maps, I actually trod on the very grounds where



Gurney Airport Terminal near Alotau, Milne Bay. 1998

this battle took place, but back in 1942 it was a hell-hole of rain, muddy grounds all over the place and the other “enemy” was the mosquitoes by the hundreds all around you. There were three airstrips being built by United States engineers at the time and it was a strategic forward airbase for advances on Japanese held territory. Only one airstrip remains at Gurney now which is about 12 kilometres from the small township of Alotau in Milne Bay.

To look at Milne Bay when I was there in 1998 and compare it to how it was during the wartime era of 1942 is stunning indeed. There are hardly any indications to say that fierce battles took place at all as the jungle has certainly

taken over every piece of land where once death and destruction took place. The Battle of Milne Bay was costly and according to the Australian War Memorial website of the 2,800 Japanese who landed at Milne Bay only 1,318 survived. Allied deaths were 167 Australians and 14 Americans.

Alotau is situated on the far south-east corner of mainland Papua New Guinea and it is a most picturesque place indeed with two beautiful harbors, small isolated islands and mountain regions to the north and some of the most crystal clear waters I’ve ever seen.

Today, there is absolute peace and quiet in the township of Alotau in Milne Bay. It has only about 800 local Papua New Guineans and a few expatriates. They have a fibre glass small ships building industry within the township – all set up by Ela Motors in 1980, and a good fishing industry.

Charles Betteridge.



Fishing boats at 'Wagga Wagga' in Milne Bay Harbour. 1998



Yamaha fibreglass fishing boats under construction at Alotau, Milne Bay. 1998

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The North East Community Panel continues to produce some great results, with the recent opening of the Banzer Park playground and fitness park, lots of work at the Whian Whian Hall, an event at Dorrobbie Grass, and a sign for Tamarind Park in development.

The panel meetings are currently attended by a fairly small team, but all from the community are welcome to join the group and come along to the meetings. Please take a look at the facebook group and join the group to be kept up to date with what is happening, and to get involved in areas that you are interested in. Go to Facebook and search on North East Area Community Group to join.

Here is what one of our panel members has to say about the Community Panel, and on the next page we see some pictures of what the Whian Whian community have achieved.



Left-right: The Hon. Thomas George (Member for Lismore), Ross McDougall, Cr. Isaac Smith (Mayor of Lismore) ready to cut the ribbon



Left-right: Bronwen Campbell, Denis Matthews, Ross McDougall, The Hon. Thomas George (Member for Lismore), Cr. Isaac Smith (Mayor), Trevor Tuckey, Cr. Darlene Cook, Catherine Rosenbaum

Letter to the editor

Sometimes one wonders how effective are the various community panels set up by LCC, but the wonderful playground and outdoor Gym recently opened at Balzer Park is evidence that the idea is sound. Maybe the arrangement is not perfect but it is a good start.

I was so pleased to see that the official guests invited Ross McDougall to join them in cutting that ribbon on 8 September. After all it was Ross who addressed a formal meeting of Council and persuaded them to sell the pocket park in Cedar Drive and to spend the proceeds of the sale in improving other parks in Dunoon. That is now a reality.

We had hoped that we could see some improvements to Tamarind Park too but that is still a work in progress. I was anxious to see a sign erected in Tamarind Park to welcome visitors and

to serve as a community notice board. We have a grant for the sign but it seems that we still need a board that the community can use for messages.

I am now considering applying for a grant to erect a public notice board near the hall but we have yet to agree on the design of the welcome to visitors. Of course I want to flog my hobby horse on the extraordinary history of our village and district others will have input too.

It is not too late to share in the decision-making both for that sign in Tamarind Park and for the proposed Community notice board.

Denis Matthews 0431223 340

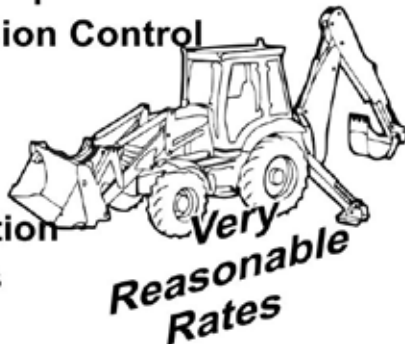
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What is happening at the Anglican Church of St. Matthew's

Sunday, 24th September was **BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY**, or as we have re-named it, **'COME TO CHURCH SUNDAY'**, and we had a wonderful day.

Back to Church Sunday began in one Anglican diocese in the United Kingdom in 2005 and since then has spread to all 44 dioceses in Britain and also across other denominations. Back to Church Sunday was launched in Australia on 13th September 2009. 600 churches across 19 Anglican dioceses took part (including St. Matthew's, Dunoon). This year over 31,000 churches worldwide took part in the initiative, including our little Church of St Matthew's Dunoon. When the first visitor arrived (Kelly Everingham from Modanville – first one there four years in a row) we declared the day an unmitigated success and from there on in it just got better and better.

I should like to thank everyone for coming. I hope you all enjoyed



the whole experience – not only the scrumptious morning tea that we all enjoyed after the service.

Our next special event will be Remembrance Sunday Service on 12th November when we shall gather to remember those who served as well as those who

died in the major conflicts that our soldiers have been involved in over the years. This is now an annual event on our calendar and is always a very beautiful and touching service. I hope to see you all there.

Remember that we have Sunday services every Sunday morning (except during January) at 10.00am

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LOCAL ARTS AND EVENTS *continued*

BALLINA PLAYERS
Mary pops back Down Under

That magical nanny with the umbrella flies home to Australia this November in Ballina Players production of the hit musical, Mary Poppins.

Based on the Australian P.L. Travers' beloved book series of the same name, Mary Poppins became a hit as a movie musical in 1964, followed forty years later as an enchanting and popular Broadway musical.

In this Ballina production, spectacular costumes and scenery recreate the London of 1910, providing the backdrop to life on the streets and rooftops and within the Banks family home. It is into this busy world that the magical Mary Poppins and her broolly descend.

Audiences can look forward to catchy songs mixed with visually stunning dancing, the choreography reflecting both the fantasy of the story and the traditions of the Broadway stage.



Musically, more than 20 songs keep the toes tapping, including Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious, A Spoonful of Sugar, Chim Chim Cher-ee, Practically Perfect and Let's Go Fly a Kite. There are also laughs aplenty and lots of jaw-dropping surprises – Practically Perfect!

Opening night, Friday 17th November is a special event with complimentary glass of champagne and canapes before the show. The season runs until Sunday 10th December. Tickets are available either online at www.ballinaplayers.com.au or from Just Funkin Music in River Street, Ballina, Tel: 6686 2440.

STAR COURT THEATRE

Curtain Call is a Performing Arts festival featuring many talented students from public schools in the North Coast.

This year's Curtain Call Festival will take place at the Starcourt Theatre, Lismore, on Tuesday 31st October (Infants/Primary – 6-7:30PM) and Wednesday 1st November, (Secondary – from 7:00–9:30PM.

Tickets available online at tickethost.com.au or at the door

DUNOON HALL

We are so pleased to report that the Dunoon Hall is back in action, after what seems like a very long time (nearly 6 months!). As you may remember it was damaged as a result of vandalism during a private function. The Hall Committee and volunteers have put in a huge amount of work to organise the repairs and get it all cleaned up and ready for use again. A big thank you to Jillian, Ian, Glenda, Pauline and Debbie, and to all the others who have contributed to getting it functioning again.

DUNOON FILM SOCIETY

The first event in the Hall after all the repairs is the film society's "Jasper Jones" on Saturday October 28th. Come along and support the event including dinner by the Whian Whian P&C / Hall Crew.

FESTIVAL OF SMALL HALLS

Produced by Woodfordia Inc. in partnership with the Woodford Folk Festival and Mullum Music Festival, the Festival of Small Halls is a locally driven music tour bringing high-quality live original music to small towns across Australia.

Now in its fifth year, the Festival of Small Halls tour includes Mullumbimby (St Martin's Hall) Nov 17-19 and The Channon Hall on Thursday November 23rd

Both Mullumbimby and The Channon welcome American folk raconteur Vance Gilbert and Australian singer-songwriter Liz Stringer. For Melbourne-based musician Liz Stringer, this tour is all about the inspiration she finds on the road.

"Folk music is all about telling stories about culture, about life, about each other. It's about making sense of being a human and, because of that, it has the ability to connect humans to each other," she says.

Tickets for the Mullumbimby event at <http://www.mullummusicfestival.com/>

The Channon Event

"The Channon Public Hall and The Channon community are looking forward to participating in the Festival of Small Halls 2017", said event organiser Beth Wallach.

"To have acclaimed performers visiting us and playing in our own backyard is a very special thing. Our small but diverse community is full of artists and musicians in their own right and The Channon Hall often plays host to these bright characters."

"The Channon Hall has been used for great social gatherings of The Channon community for 110 years, and the local community are looking forward to coming together once again, to celebrate 110 years of The Channon Hall with the Festival of Small Halls."

Festival of Small Halls arrives in The Channon at The Channon Public Hall for

one night only on **Thursday, November 23rd 2017. Doors open at 6:30 pm.**

A bar and a delicious home cooked supper will be available, with all proceeds going to The Channon Public Hall Trust to ensure this iconic building will see another 110 years.

Cakes, coffee and tea will be available for purchase from the dedicated parents of The Channon Childrens' Centre, with proceeds providing much needed funds to assist in the education of our small children in their pre-school years.

Limited tickets available at the door.

Tickets can be purchased at The Channon Teahouse on Standing St, The Channon or online at festivalofsmallhalls.com.



Dunoon Film Society
PRESENTS

Rated (M)
A small town, a dead body, so many secrets...

From the acclaimed novel comes a classic Australian coming-of-age story.

Dinner by the Whian Whian P&C / Hall crew from 6.30pm. Films starts at 7.30pm

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Entry (as always) is \$10 for members, kids under 16 are free and new members are always welcome to join for \$5.

SHOWING AT DUNOON HALL
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The Dunoon Film Society is a fundraising initiative for the Dunoon Hall.



AFTER THE FLOOD COMMUNITY HEALTH AND WELLBEING

In April, the Northern Rivers was devastated by Cyclone Debbie and the floods, and the recovery process is still continuing.

The University Centre for Rural Health is running a major survey to find out the impact of this natural disaster on community wellbeing.

Speaking at the launch at the Lismore Quadrangle, James Bennett-Levy, Professor of Mental Health and Psychological Wellbeing at UCRH, said we have seen a lot of distress and amazing resilience over these last months.

“All of us across the Northern Rivers have been affected in some way. This survey is about finding out how we are doing. Are we OK?”

“Just as its important for business to document the impact of floods on their livelihoods, so it is important to get a snapshot of the mental health and wellbeing of our communities for future planning and to advocate for resources,” Professor Bennett-Levy said.

UCRH Director Professor Ross Bailie said the health priorities of the region are the core business of the UCRH.

“We’re working in partnership with a large range of community and business organisations, local and state government agencies to ensure this research is relevant to the needs of the community.”

“This is an opportunity to turn our flood stories into the evidence we need, to help policy makers understand where the gaps in services are, and what works best for community recovery,” Professor Bailie said.

This survey is for EVERYONE 16 years and over, whether your home, business or property was flooded or not, across the Lismore, Richmond Valley, Tweed, Ballina, Byron and Kyogle local government areas.

Please make sure that you get your survey filled in by **November 6th**. The

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AFTER THE FLOOD
Community recovery in the northern rivers

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Questionnaire closes Monday 6th November 2017

The award of being nominated for the Northern Rivers is a Local Health & Community Wellbeing award nomination. Organisations and individuals are invited to nominate.

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LISMORE COUNCIL FLOOD REPAIRS UPDATE: WHEN WHY & HOW

TIMING OF FLOOD REPAIRS

The simple message is: flood repairs are commencing soon, but they will still take several months if not years to complete.

Council has applied for more than \$30 million in natural disaster funding for urgent repairs such as landslips and culvert washouts as well as widespread but more minor repairs.

Under the Commonwealth-State National Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements (NDRRA), Council is not allowed to use its own staff to undertake flood repairs, but must employ contractors. This is actually positive in the long run, as it means our regular roads schedule can continue and is not delayed by the flood repairs. However, the downside is that we have to call tenders for the work and this takes time. Council has focused on doing emergency repairs and heavy patching since the flood to provide some relief on the worst-affected roads, but the job is enormous.

Once we have finished the tenders over the next few months, residents will see a hive of activity across the LGA as contractors get to work. Some repairs will happen immediately, but some of the more complicated repairs could take up to 12 months or more to complete.

Here is the latest update:

General road repairs

This includes heavy patching and resealing across the whole LGA where there has been extensive flood damage. Tenders for these works are in the process of being reviewed. Work will commence by October.

Gravel maintenance

This includes gravel sheeting, re-grading and clearing remaining roadside slip debris across the whole LGA. Tenders for these works closed on 21 September. Work will commence by November.

Major landslip/culvert repairs

There are eight priority roads that still

have major landslips or culvert collapses. Geotechnical investigations and designs have now been completed and tenders for these works will be released in the next few weeks, with the tender report expected to be reviewed by Council at its 14 November meeting. Repairs are planned to commence by December and work will take place on the following roads:

- Boatharbour Road
- Keerrong Road (x2)
- Koonorigan Road (x2)
- Oakey Creek Road
- Caniaba Road
- Terania Creek Road (x4)
- Mountain Top Road (x2)
- Tuntable Creek Road

We have more than 1200km of roads to look after and the flood repairs required are very extensive across the LGA. We aim to have all flood repairs complete by the end of 2018. We will update our roadworks section on the website when we have a full list of roads that will undergo flood repair works. Keep an eye on our website at www.lismore.nsw.gov.au.



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