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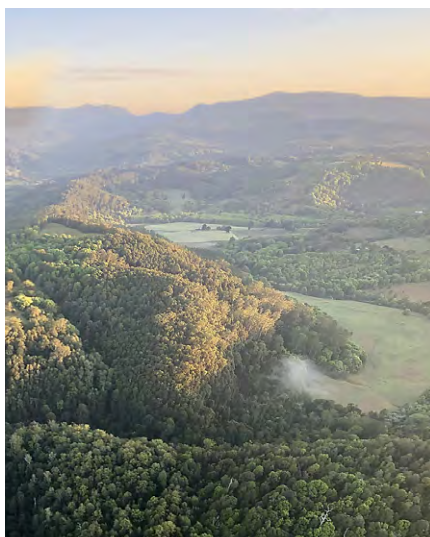
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A FEW WORDS FROM THE EDITOR...

I write this on my first day of self-isolation in Perth after a long day of air travel through multiple states. Oh, the excitement of being able to look through an aeroplane window again!

Western Australia remains one of the safest communities to live in due to their strict controls, but border controls remain a contentious issue throughout Australia. I wholeheartedly support the snap lockdowns and isolation requirements as they work and provide the lowest long-term impact to the economy – but we need to make travel possible and affordable again. I hope that our various Governments can learn from each other about what works best in continuing to keep us safe.

I commend the airlines, airport staff and the WA police for their friendly and efficient implementation of the strict but very workable WA



In flight: view from my plane window.

procedures. And I applaud the efforts of the public to comply without complaint or fuss. Everyone was wearing masks, our temperatures were taken, hands sanitised and we had a short interview with the police. We were given a free COVID test at the airport and already have the results in less than a day – negative, thank

goodness – and we do another test on day 11 of isolation. The G2G Pass and G2G Now apps are easy to use and allow us to self-isolate in “suitable premises” – for example, our own home or in a family member’s home – no expensive hotel required. With our return flights to Queensland still under the shadow of hotel quarantine, here’s hoping other states (and countries) will soon take up some of these common-sense measures.

We continue to remain blessed in our local community with being able to go ahead with sports, church, arts, theatre and music events. Take a look at the many events coming up in this issue of the *Gazette*, support these events and make the most of our freedom that we no longer take for granted. Read a little more about the Dunoon dam, history both near and far, achievements and other local news. Enjoy this edition,

– Bronwen Campbell

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RESPECTING THE WISHES OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS ON DUNOON DAM

WATER Northern Rivers Alliance calls on Rous County Council and state water planners to respect the wishes of Widjabul Wia-bal people who have voiced their opposition to the proposed Dunoon Dam.

The dam would obliterate important cultural heritage ancient burial sites. Yesterday John Roberts, a senior Elder of the Widjabul Wia-bal stated that when he and other traditional custodians were consulted about the dam in 2011 they made it clear that no level of disturbance was acceptable.

“When Aboriginal people have unequivocally stated their objection to the dam, they should be listened to” said Nan Nicholson spokesperson for WATER Northern Rivers Alliance.

“The pattern of trying to wear down Aboriginal people with repeated consultations is unacceptable. Rous did a Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment with a NO DAM answer in 2011. They conducted another report in 2013, and now it looks like they want to subject Widjabul Wia-bal people to yet another



The Channon Gorge, site of the proposed Dunoon Dam wall. Image shows Terania valley on left, Rocky Creek valley centre-right, World Heritage listed Nightcap National Park in distance. Photo credit: Balloon Aloft, Byron Bay.

‘consultation’ process. It’s starting to look like their aim is to keep going until they get the answer they want.

“The bottom line is that this destructive dam is not necessary,” said Annie Kia.

“We have opportunities now that were not present when Rous set the Dunoon dam proposal in motion. The new approach to water is to spread risk across a portfolio of strategies, including some that don’t depend on rain. The change is evident in the NSW Productivity Commission Greenpaper that advises efficiencies and new sources such as purified recycled water.

“The new approach is spelt out in All Options on the Table from the Water Services Association of Australia, in which dams are described as high-risk investments, and the case is made for innovation to ensure supply-demand balance. We encourage interested people to go to the Smart Water Options page on our website.”



John Roberts and niece Cindy Roberts.

BALLINA COUNCIL RESOLVES TO REVIVE DUNOON DAM OPTION

In its first meeting for 2021, Ballina Shire Council has voted to support further investigation into the Dunoon Dam in an effort to revive the proposal and secure the region’s future water supply.

The motion was brought to the meeting on 28 January by Ballina’s Deputy Mayor Cr Sharon Cadwallader, with the support of Crs Eoin Johnston and Stephen McCarthy.

Councillors voted in favour of the revisiting the dam proposal, expressing concerns about the viability of alternative groundwater sources.

The motion passed states: “That Ballina Shire Council send a clear message to Rous County Council that Council has major concerns about a secure water strategy for the region and ask that Rous County Council continue with further investigations as to the viability of the Dunoon Dam proposal. The groundwater on the Alstonville Plateau has many demands on it and should not be relied upon as a major source of supply.”

When Rous voted to shelve the dam proposal in late 2020, Chairperson Keith Williams said the Council would continue to investigate viable

long-term solutions, including Alstonville Plateau groundwater.

“Upgrading the existing Marom Creek Water Treatment Plant to maximise existing groundwater provides the quickest and most cost-effective option for Council to increase the system’s secure yield from 2024,” Mr Williams said.

“The focus is on exploring the viability of using recycled water to meet the needs of a growing population amid a changing climate.

“Long-term water security remains a concern and Council’s decision to revise the long-term strategy has not been taken lightly,” he said.

Rous County Council General Manager Phillip Rudd said ongoing water conservation efforts and further investigation into water reuse will underpin Council’s water management strategy.

“Despite Council’s success in reducing the amount of water used by residents, based on our current demand and future predictions, it is clear that solely relying on reduced water use is not enough to achieve water security in the long-term for our growing population,” Mr Rudd said.

Mr Rudd said Council is taking innovative action to investigate the use of recycled water as an option to increase water supply.

“Council’s position is that recycled

water should one day form part of drinking water supplies in New South Wales. For this reason, Council is investigating the potential of a pilot recycled water scheme to supply Perradenya Estate near Lismore. This will not be without significant challenges though given the regulatory and licensing requirements,” Mr Rudd said.

A rescission motion on the decision to abandon the dam, brought by Rous councillors Sharon Cadwallader, Richmond Valley Council Mayor Robert Mustow and Cr Sandra Humphrys, is likely to be raised at the next Rous County Council meeting, scheduled for 17 February.



Girls Weekend

Friday 19 March – Sunday 28 March

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Friday 19 March (8pm)
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The Australia Day Awards are held annually to recognise people who give back to the community through volunteering or community work, or those who are excelling in sport or other endeavours.

Lismore City Mayor Isaac Smith said this is a chance to recognise our unsung heroes who put in many hours as volunteers to make our community a great place to live and raise a family.

“Australia Day Awards give us a chance every year to honour those passionate people in our community who dedicate a large part of their lives to building a stronger and healthier community with no thought of personal gain,” he said.

Narelle always goes above and beyond the call of duty. She delivers right to your door when the parcel is too heavy for you to carry or pick up from the mailbox. She always knows the names of pets and always has time for a quick two-minute chat.

We are so proud of her and appreciate her, whether or not she wins, she will always be a winner in our books.

– Janice Jansen



Some of the newly reopened CWA group: (l-r) Aliison Kelly, Jenner Jackson, Helen Dargin, Rae Saul (in front), Bev Payne (behind), Margaret Seydel and Robyn Kelly. Photo by Lisa Gough.

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LISMORE COUNTRY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION (CWA) – DAY BRANCH

The Far North Coast Group of NSW CWA were excited to announce late last year that the Lismore Day branch has reopened after being closed for the past year.

President of the Far North Coast branch Narelle Gotting said: “There were a number of issues that took place resulting in the branch being closed. Coronavirus then postponed any reopening ideas floating around in the community, but we now have enough women interested that it is time the branch reopens.”

The reopening was just in time to celebrate 96 years of the Lismore branch.

The new committee is comprised of Aliison Kelly as president, Margaret Seydel as treasurer, and Robyn Kelly as secretary.

They will be supported by two experienced CWA women as vice-Presidents – Helen Dargin and Bev Payne.

Rae Saul, the Branch's long-term Patron, who has been a member for 50+ years and is the oldest member at 94 years, has been meeting with the women encouraging the Lismore branch to reopen.

The branch is now looking for new members interested in learning and supporting other women, social outings, community participation, a love of cooking and craft with a real desire to make a difference to other people's lives.

The Lismore Day Branch plans to start slowly building its capacity as more women join over the next few months.

They meet on the first Thursday of the month at the CWA rooms in Lismore.

DUNOON HALL UPDATE

The contact number for bookings for the Dunoon Hall is Jillian Blake on 6689 5535 (she no longer works at the Post Office and Fiona is no longer a contact point).

Exercise classes are run Mondays and Wednesdays from 9am. Contact Mark Roberts on 0419 831 424.

Christadelphians meet Sundays 9am-1 pm and can be contacted on 6689 5229.

And there is a karate group for children using the Hall which meets on Tuesday afternoons (contact Jillian for more information).

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– Mary Carter

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This article dated 17 January 1912 (Northern Star) describes the opening of the Dunoon Presbyterian Church. The centenary of the church is now already a few years ago. We welcome the new owners of the building and their enthusiasm for its history.

– Ian Murray

CHURCH OPENED AT DUNOON

On Wednesday last, January 10th, the new Presbyterian Church at Dunoon was opened by the Rev. M. Henry, B.A. The opening ceremony took place at 11.30, by which time a large number of people had gathered.

The following ministers, wearing gowns and hoods appropriate to their respective universities and degrees, took their stand at the church door, viz., the Revs; R. Miller, B.A., of Bangalow, M. Henry, B.A., of Gulargambone, and Foster H. Bardwell, M.A., of Clunes.

Mrs. Ross, President of 'the Ladies' Guild,' on behalf of the congregation, presented the Rev. M. Henry with a silver key suitably inscribed. The rev. gentleman haying expressed his thanks, declared the church open for the worship and praise of God and for the proclamation of His Word. He then led the way into the church which was speedily filled to overflowing.

The service commenced by the singing of the 100th Psalm. (Scots Version). The Rev. R. McPhee read as a lesson the Sixth Psalm.

The Rev. M. Henry then offered the dedicatory prayer, and after the singing of the hymn "Thou Whose Unmeasured Temple Stands" he pronounced the Benediction.



The former Presbyterian Church in Dunoon, 2021. It has been converted into a residence and has recently been sold to new owners.

Other clergy present were the Rev. F. L. Hackett, Vicar of Dunoon and the Rev. W. D. McIlwraith, B.A., of Sydney. Mr. Calsely ably officiated at the organ at both services. After the morning service lunch was provided in the Dunoon Public Hall.

The afternoon service commenced at 1.30, when, with the Rev. W. D. McIlwraith reading the lesson 1st Kings, chapter 8, the same minister officiated. The sermon was delivered by the Rev. M. Henry, who took as his text: "I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the House of God" (Psalm 122: 1), The Roy. F. H. Bardwell intimated that in future, services would be held at Dunoon on the 1st and 2nd and 5th Sundays of the month at 11, and on the 3rd and 4th Sundays at 7.30.

At 8 o'clock a social was held in the hall, which was well filled. The musical programme arranged by Miss K. Munro was as follows: Overture, Miss Windsor; songs, Mrs. T. Johnson, Misses McLean and Munro, and Messrs. Franklin, Risk, and Raward; recitations, Mr. Caldwell. Mr. Franklin's humorous sketches called forth tumultuous

applause. Apologies for absence were received from the Rev. G. Johnson, of Dunoon, J. Walker, of Alstonville, and A. M. Gauld of Lismore.

Addresses were delivered by the Rev. M. Henry, R. Miller, W. McIlwraith, and Foster H. Bardwell, who presided. A comprehensive vote of thanks was moved by Mr. Munro, seconded by Mr. MacDonald and heartily accorded. The presence of the Rev. M. Henry drew many from all parts of the district. He was for four years minister of the Clunes charge, and under his care it became for the first time self-supporting. At the time of his coming its condition was not hopeful. It was a cause of very great regret when he left to take up mission work at Bourke. He is now minister at Gulargambone, and has come to this district on a holiday. Another former minister of Clunes, when it was part of the Lismore charge, has recently visited the district, viz., the Rev. J. Craigie, well known here about fifteen years ago. He has been for some years in New Zealand, and is now for a while in Brisbane.

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THE NEW CHURCH

The new church stands upon an excellent site in the township of Dunoon which has been purchased from Mr. W. Munro. It has been built and furnished at the cost of £635, and the price of the site was £100. An Estey organ has been provided by Messrs. Paling and Co. at the cost of £35 18s. The total outlay is therefore £770 18s, of which £161 9s has been raised by subscriptions, fairs, etc., so that the debt amounts to £319 9s. Toward defraying this there is £50 of promised subscriptions to come in. The church will hold about 150 persons. It is of a most pleasing and handsome appearance, and is a credit to the architect Mr. A. Jolly, while the quality of the workmanship speaks well for the contractors, Messrs. Gaggin and Co.



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A NEW YEAR, A NEW TWIST TO EDUCATING RITA

Following the postponement of the staging of *Educating Rita* at Rochdale Theatre Goonellabah back in March 2020, there has been a change in the Lismore Theatre Company production that will now open on Friday February 12 for nine shows.

In the intervening 12 months, director David Addenbrooke has had some health challenges so producer Kylie Fuad has stepped into his directing shoes to bring *Educating Rita* to the stage while making some tweaks to stamp her own influence on the show.

“I’m in constant conversation with David to ensure my work continues the vision he had for this production,” Kylie said. “I’m working in a more detailed way with the actors to further bring out their physicality on stage and creating ‘moments’ that will hopefully evoke many emotions for our audiences.

“The excellent script provides comedy and pathos and a heartfelt journey for both Frank and Rita and our two actors are really bringing this to life for an intimate theatre experience,” Kylie said.

Educating Rita is a ‘two hander’ starring experienced LTC actors Elyse Dallinger and Gray Wilson in the roles Rita and Frank.



Elyse Dallinger and Gray Wilson as Rita and Frank in the LTC production of *Educating Rita*.

The plot centres around Rita, a hairdresser who is enthusiastically and newly enrolled in an Open University course in English Literature. Dr Frank Bryant is her jaded tutor whose love of poetry is on a par with his love of the bottle.

The whole play is set in Frank’s office where the dynamic of the teacher-student relationship changes and Rita discovers her own voice.

“Audiences are bound to relate to Rita and Frank,” Kylie said. “And the set is amazing, thanks to so many locals who have helped us

with furniture and other special pieces.”

To ensure audiences are COVIDSafe, LTC is limiting audience numbers, instigating various hygiene measures, only offering on-line ticket sales and complying with regulations including use of the ServiceNSW QR registration.

Bookings can be made at www.Lismoretheatrecompany.org.au for the nine shows over three weekends, including Sunday matinees.

OUR RESCUE HELICOPTER ENGINEERS WELCOME NEW EQUIPMENT

The Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service recently took delivery of two custom-built stands to help its engineers do daily maintenance and pre-flight safety checks of the familiar yellow and red Augusta Westland AW 139 chopper.

State Member for Lismore Janelle Saffin yesterday (Monday, 1 February) visited the Service’s South Lismore Headquarters to see how Senior Base Engineer Darryl Stevens and his team of three engineers are putting the work stands to good use.

Ms Saffin said these stands – one for the helicopter tail platform and another crossover stand for the cockpit area -- were funded by a \$10,249 small grant under the NSW Government’s Community Building Partnership Program 2020, one which she was very pleased to be able to help deliver.

“Darryl tells me that quality control and safety are paramount to keeping the rescue helicopter ready to fly into action 24/7 so he and his team really appreciate the additional equipment,” Ms Saffin said.

“The highly professional Lismore-based team of pilots, crew members, paramedics, doctors, ground crew and support staff clocked up its 10,000th mission just before COVID hit last year.

“This is a remarkable achievement because so many of these call-outs result in local people’s lives being saved across the Northern Rivers and Northern Tablelands.”

Ms Saffin said Regional Marketing Manager Zeke Huish says it costs an estimated \$3.5 million each year in fundraising to keep the service



SAFETY FIRST: Lismore MP Janelle Saffin with Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service Senior Base Engineer Darryl Stevens.

operating. “I encourage everyone to donate generously and to support the Service’s network of op shops. A big thank you to all volunteers who staff them,” Ms Saffin said.

“I continue to lobby in Parliament for the NSW Government to

increase the Community Building Partnership Program allocation for each electorate from \$300,000 to between \$600,000 and \$1 million so more worthwhile projects like this one can be realised.”



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What's On in February

Australian Songwriters Association – Wax Lyrical	Saturday 6th
Trivia	Wednesday 10th Wednesday 24th
Pluckers and Poets	Sunday 14th
Degustation – Peter Pan Wine Dinner	Tuesday 16th
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Meat Raffles	Every Friday

What's On in March

Australian Songwriters Association – Wax Lyrical	Saturday 6th
Trivia	Wednesday 10th Wednesday 24th
Roses to Rembrandt– Life Drawing Workshop	Saturday 13th
Some of you have had a go at painting but now it's time to give life drawing a go. Get a bunch of friends together and come along and laugh together while producing your masterpiece.	\$45 a head Bookings trybooking.com/BOMBX
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Pluckers and Poets	Sunday 14th
Irish Pub Party	Wednesday 17th
Pull on something green and come along to celebrate St Patricks Day at the club. Irish music and dancing to be had, or is that 'to be sure'!	
BBQ, Blues and Beers	Saturday 20th
A BBQ competition event and entertainment by the Open Season Band . Boot stompin' hootin' and hollerin' old-fashioned fun, a mix of traditional and modern country paired best with a spilled beer. "These are the boys your mama warned you about."	
Meat Raffles	Every Friday

DUNOON SPORTS CLUB

An exciting start to the year has already seen several events taking place at the club, but there are a whole lot more coming soon.

Come and have a drink on us! This year the club would like to invite all members to come and have a drink on us during the month of their birthday. Just show your current membership card and ID to the bar staff during your birth month for a free drink*. It's OK, if you celebrated your birthday in January, we won't let you miss out, come along in February and party again!

(* Drinks are limited to beer, wine and soft drinks.)

Have you renewed your membership for 2021? You have until the end of February to renew your existing membership otherwise you will have to go through the renewal process again.

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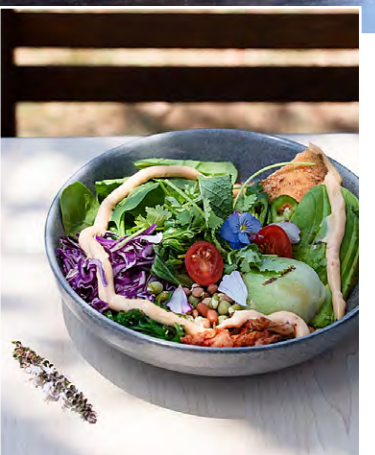
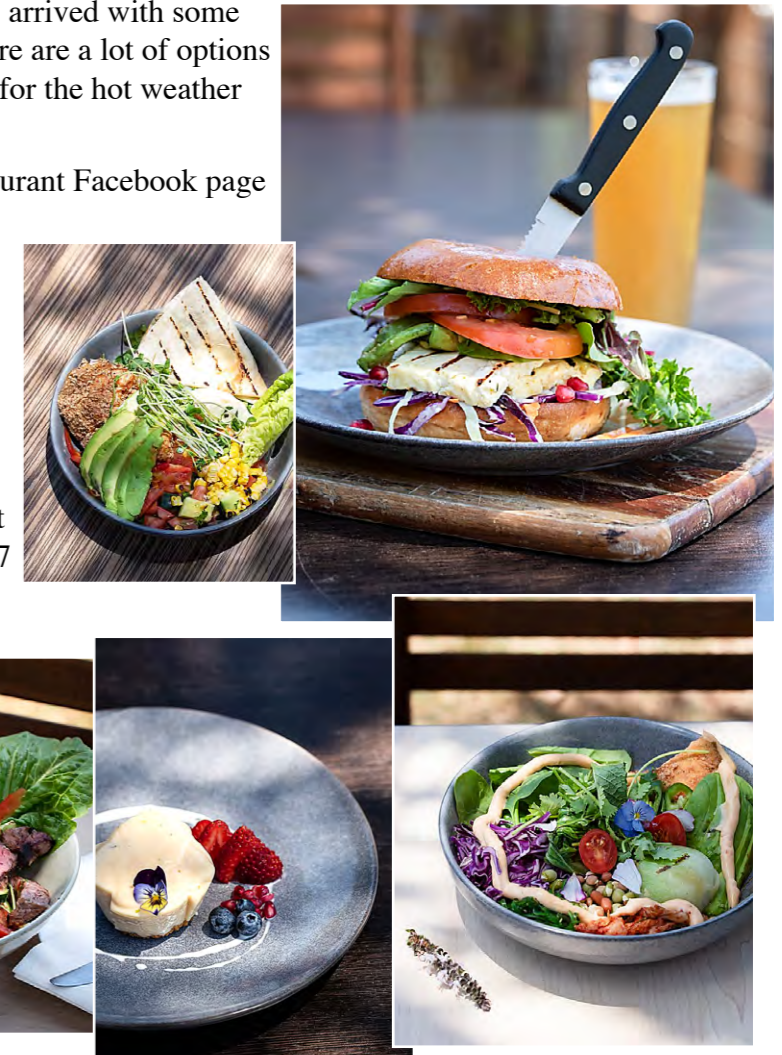
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Check out the new menu on the club website and restaurant Facebook page and plan your dinner visit today.

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STRONG COMMUNITY SUPPORT FOR LOCAL ARTIST

Leisa Russell, sculptor, bonsaist and director of Leisa Russell Artisan looked forward to early December when her studio was opened to the public as part of the Ballina, Byron and Beyond Art Trail.

“I love interacting with the public,” she says. “The energy. The excitement.”

Leisa is probably best known for her ‘11 shades of blue’ exhibit, the recipient of a Gold Coast International Ceramic Art Award that subsequently entered the Gold Coast City Gallery Collection.

In 2016, The SWELL Sculpture Festival collaborated with the Gold Coast Film Festival to revive the prestigious Chauvel Award with the newly sculptured award designed by Leisa. Like Charles Chauvel, Leisa was educated in Southport, but after several decades of working on the Gold Coast relocated to Lismore in the Northern Rivers.

With her work featured across state-wide galleries, Leisa is used to sparkling at opening nights and meeting with artists and collectors, but in what has been an unprecedented year it is her local community who have come out in force to support her.

In the third National Arts Participation Survey released by The Australia Council for the Arts, findings confirm the significant and increasing personal value Australians place on the impact of the arts, and the ways in which they make our communities stronger and more cohesive. And in new research released this year, we also know that arts experiences are a key driver for tourism,



particularly to regional Australia. Unfortunately, the arts was the first and possibly the worse hit industry during the pandemic.

Leisa has experienced a significant increase in the amount of people gravitating towards her art this year.

“I think during times of crisis, or isolation, people move inward to discover their creative energy, which has perhaps been neglected in the daily hustle and bustle of their daily lives,” she said.

During the art trail, Leisa saw a significant shift in the amount of people wanting to buy bonsais and statement pieces of outdoor art.

“Bonsai is almost a spiritual practise were nature and humankind are linked to each other. You have to work with nature, not against it, which to a bonsaist is basic common-sense,” Leisa said.

“The people who visit my gallery come back time and time again without really recognising how deeply the bonsais are affecting them,” she said.

When asked about the criticism some artists had received over funding, she said: “Art helps people to cope in dark times, especially



public art.

“We talk a lot about cultivating social unity today, dialogue that can be reinforced through art.”

To learn more about the Ballina, Byron and Beyond Art Trail visit <https://www.os-bbb.com>.

Contact Leisa Russell, Leisa Russell Artisan – phone 0409 058 716, info@leisarussell.com.au



With only 4 weeks of the Social 6s competition to go, registration has now opened for the 2021 football season.

Please register as early as possible to help us work out our teams for this season. It’s an easy, two-part process:

Firstly (for players aged 18 or under), get your Active Kids voucher, at: <https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/apply-active-kids-voucher>

Then register at: <https://www.playfootball.com.au>

If you aren’t quite sure or want to get an early start on the season you can also come along to our Pre-season friendly kickabouts. The kickabouts will take place at Balzer Park, Dunoon, for three consecutive Sundays from Sunday February 7,

and are open to anyone interested in playing football for DUFC this year. No experience necessary, but you do need to wear shinpads.

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Want to become a referee? Football Far North Coast is running a refs’ course at Goonellabah on Sunday February 21. Please note that registrations close on Sunday February 14. More info here: <https://footballfarnorthcoast.com.au/level-4-new-referees-course/>

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NORTH COAST LOCAL LAND SERVICES

PESKY BUFFALO FLY SWARMS NORTH COAST

Recent warm and clammy weather has seen a spike in buffalo fly numbers infesting cattle across the North Coast, experts warn.

The buffalo fly, *Haematobia irritans exigua*, is a small biting fly, about 4mm long in size. It feeds off cattle and buffalo and causes irritation which can result in significant weight loss and a decline in milk production.

North Coast Local Land Services District Veterinarian Liz Bolin said some cattle are allergic to the buffalo flies and are intensely irritated by as few as four or five flies.

"These cattle scratch and rub themselves constantly which results in large sores on their necks and sides," Liz said.

"Many infested cattle also develop sores in the inner corners of their eyes."

Liz said newly emerged flies will fly for up to 10 km in search of a host and the movement of infested animals can also spread the fly to new sites.

To hinder cattle infection, North Coast Local Land Service recommends producers apply an integrated management program for the control of buffalo flies.



Producers in the North Coast have seen a spike in buffalo fly numbers infesting cattle – photo supplied.

Chemical control options include synthetic pyrethroids (SPs), organophosphates (OPs), and macrocyclic lactones (MLs).

These chemicals can be applied via impregnated plastic ear tags, sprays, pour-ons, plunge dips or back rubbers.

Liz warned producers to follow the label instructions carefully as there has been several reports of cattle becoming intoxicated and even dying due to the mixing of topical preparations at the wrong concentration.

"Chemical resistance can also occur when chemicals are mixed or applied at lower than recommended

concentrations or dose rates, or when insecticidal ear tags are not removed at recommended times," she said.

Non-chemical control options available include buffalo fly traps, culling allergic cattle and dung beetles.

North Coast Local Land Services General Manager Louise Orr said the aim of an integrated program for the control of this parasite was to enable producers to reduce fly numbers to acceptable levels for efficient production without compromising on animal welfare, chemical residues and chemical resistance.

LOCAL LAND SERVICES *continued*

BE ALERT FOR TICK FEVER

North Coast Local Land Services and NSW Department of Primary Industries (DPI) reminds producers to be alert to tick fever and practice good farm biosecurity, following the confirmation of tick fever in cattle on two properties in the region.

District Veterinarian with North Coast Local Land Services Dr Phil Kemsley said producers should contact a vet immediately if cattle have high fevers and behaviour changes. If treatment is delayed, tick fever can spread quickly in a herd and kill large numbers of cattle.

"We have seen cases of tick fever recently in the Tweed area during investigations on two neighbouring properties with cattle tick infestations and cattle deaths," Dr Kemsley said.

"Tick fever is spread only by cattle

ticks. It appears animals with cattle tick strayed between the two properties, spreading cattle tick and with it tick fever.

"Last year saw a record number of new cattle tick infestations in NSW, and in most cases straying was the source of the cattle tick."

Stock-proof boundary fences are critical to keeping cattle tick out, and producers should examine any strays before sending them home.

DPI senior veterinary officer Paul Freeman said tick fever in cattle is a devastating condition that can cause fever, jaundice, anaemia, miscarriage, red urine and a range of nervous signs, including change in temperament, lethargy, muscle tremors and difficulty walking.

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ART/SCIENCE COLLABORATION WINS NATIONAL ART PRIZE

The multimedia work ‘Open Air’ has won collaborating artists Grayson Cooke of Southern Cross University and Emma Walker the 2020 Waterhouse Natural Science Art Prize.

This visual music project set to the 2013 album ‘Open’ by Australian cult band The Necks combines time-lapse Landsat satellite imagery of Australia from Geoscience Australia’s Digital Earth Australia project and videography by Grayson Cooke together with aerial macro-photography of paintings by Emma Walker. The resulting work encapsulates the vastly different forms of aerial earth imaging to produce a complex picture of a changing planet.



The Waterhouse Natural Science Art Prize is Australia’s premier biennial natural science art prize. The judges said of Grayson and Emma’s work:

“The work is a synthesis of the Australian landscape and artistic practice. Both are examined individually and then woven together in such a skillful way as to make it challenging to distinguish which is landscape and which is art. The images are then bound further together by a mesmerizing soundtrack. By bringing natural science and art together so seamlessly makes this a worthy

winner of the Waterhouse Natural Science Art Prize 2020.”

Associate Professor of Media at Southern Cross University Grayson Cooke reflected on the two-part inspiration behind the work.

“Firstly, the project had a chance to do this intricate and close-up examination of Emma Walker’s amazing paintings and processes, and the idea of exploring them as topographies that reflect the Australian landscape at micro-scale. This then merged into the idea of time lapsing the Australian continent on a very large-scale using satellite imagery. Bringing these strands together and seeing their remarkable commonality was the huge joy of this project,” he said.

Grayson Cooke and Emma Walker will take home a \$30,000 cash prize.

[Watch the Open Air trailer.](#)

During my 40 years up in PNG I came across so many unusual things, from some of the most beautiful beaches and high mountains, local natives and their huts, beautiful birds and animals and so the list goes on, but the one thing that stands out the most is the remains of the invasion by Japanese forces between 1942 and 1945 in New Guinea.

Even to this day you can still find remains of WW2 items and this includes mountain guns, wrecked aircraft and landing barges, Jeeps, trucks and heavy machine guns and many other items from WW2.

When my wife and I were stationed in Wewak for five years I managed to discover a Second World War collector who over the many years collected a lot of WW2 items left behind.

This included Jeeps, weapons of all



My WW2 Jeep in Mt Hagen, January 1980.

kinds, wrecked aircraft, heavy duty trucks and many other items to do with WW2. In amongst his WW2 collections were two Willys Jeeps.

I got to know the owner of these items and the first thing I asked this collector was how much for one of his Jeeps. He said to me he will give one to me for free plus a .30 calibre machine gun (all in working condition) for the help I had given him to sort out lots of WW2 items for him. So here I was with a Willys Jeep plus a .30 caliber machine gun and even some live ammunition.

I kept the Jeep for around eight years and the guns and ammunition too. Naturally the local natives were very interested in the Jeep, especially when I had to transfer to other branches of Ela Motors who I worked for. I kept the machine gun on the Willys Jeep. I had set the machine gun on my Willys Jeep so that I could swing it the full 360 degrees in any direction.

Word certainly spread amongst the local natives and they were very interested in the machine gun but they all knew that they could look but not touch.

The photo attached was taken by me while up in Mount Hagen in the 1980s. The Jeep is in our driveway just behind Ela Motors branch itself

and my local staff soon passed the word around “Do not touch”. As it was, the Mount Hagen Police Division is right next to Ela Motors so that was helpful for the extra security. I always kept the live ammunition secretly inside our house.

I kept the Jeep and machine gun with me down in Lae for several years later and it was then that I discovered its

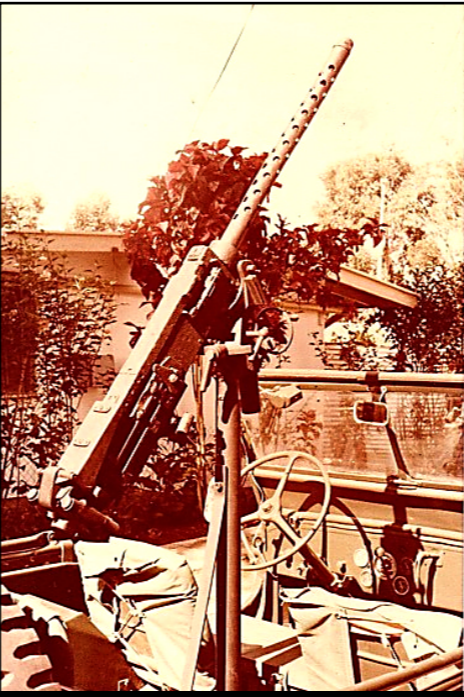
identification plate one day while cleaning the underneath of the left front chassis rail of the Jeep. It was manufactured by Willys in Toledo, Ohio, in 1944. I sent a letter off to Toledo describing the Jeep and its chassis number and where it was found and I had a quick response from them wondering why that particular Jeep was in Lae whereas it should have been in the Philippines!

Whenever I drove the Jeep it certainly attracted a lot of interest. It was in Lae when I finally decided to return to Australia and I sold my Jeep to the owners of the main hotel in Lae and it is still there to this day. The machine gun on the back of the Willys Jeep always attracted lots of attention wherever I went.

– Charles Betteridge.

Editor’s note: According to Wikipedia, the 1945 Willys Jeep was the world’s first mass-produced civilian four-wheel drive car. The success of the jeep inspired both an entire category of recreational 4WDs and SUVs, making “four-wheel drive” a household term, and numerous incarnations of military light utility vehicles.

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The .30 caliber machine gun given to me for free with the Jeep.

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We are looking forward to the first Mass to be celebrated in nearly 12 months. During 2020, we travelled into St Carthages each Sunday or we could live stream the service from the Carmelite Monastery.

The rosary is prayed every Wednesday afternoon in Dunoon at 5pm.



St Dymphna's Catholic Church in James St, Dunoon.



Father Bing in the Dunoon Catholic Church.

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WHAT IS HAPPENING AT THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF ST MATTHEW'S

I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and could I please wish you all the best for 2021. Let us hope it is an improvement on 2020. Who could have imagined, this time last year, how 2020 would be so different from any year that any of us can remember?

On 6 February we intend beginning 'Messy Church'.

Messy Church is church for families who may not find other forms of church appealing and who do not yet belong to a church. It will be held once a month, and it includes hands-on creative experiences, a celebration, and a meal. It does not prioritise either the needs of children or adults but intentionally welcomes and provides for all ages.

There will be craft, games, music,

bible stories and FOOD! I hope you will all give it a go.

We did not manage our normal Guild Christmas Dinner this year before Christmas, but we held it with the ladies of the St Dymphna's during January.

The forthcoming World Day of Prayer will, this year, be hosted by the congregation of the Catholic Church of St Dymphna on Friday 5 March at 7.30pm. This is an ecumenical service held every year all over the world on the same date. The service this year has been prepared by the World Day of Prayer Committee of Vanuatu and the theme will be 'Build on a Strong Foundation'. I look forward to seeing you there – everyone will be welcome, and we shall have a good supper afterwards!

– Gina Murray, Anglican Women's Guild of St Matthew's, Dunoon

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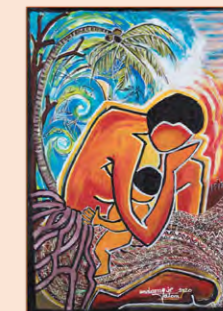
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2ND SUNDAY	The Channon Craft Markets http://thechannonmarket.org.au/
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3RD SUNDAY	Lismore Car Boot Lismore Community Garden 9-11am
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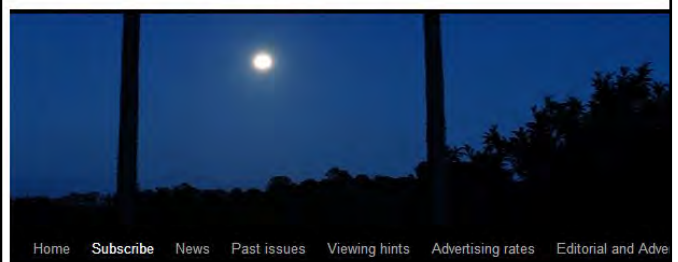
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