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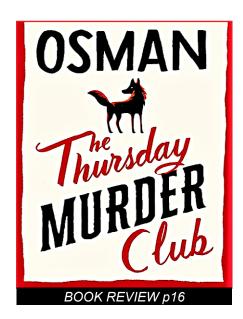
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# A FEW WORDS FROM THE EDITOR...

nother great edition – thanks mostly to my co-editor Mez, since I am away walking the Camino de Santiago and trying to proofread and write my editorial on my phone! Any budding editors out there, please contact us - we need you!

It is great to see that Dunoon United Football Club has achieved an incredible milestone with female participation.

My friend Anitra (who is walking the Camino with me) remembers when there was no female team for her to join in 2005 – where instead she coached the then 5-year-old Claire Farrington, who is now on a football scholarship in the USA – one of a number

of elite female footballers who started their career with DUFC.

The following year in 2006 Anitra joined what she recalls as the inaugural women's team.

My own involvement with football owed a lot to the efforts of Rob Gatt and his committee's strategic plan and their appointment of Ali as female participation officer – clearly their plans and proactive approach have paid off – read more about it on page 17.

Enjoy this edition and if you know of anyone who might like to be the new editor of our local paper, please persuade them to contact us!

- Bronwen Campbell, Editor



Our esteemed editor (front) and friend Anitra out for a bit of a stroll in Spain.

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# **DUNOON PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS WITH GAVIN HENDERSON**

t is our pleasure to share with you some of the highlights from Term 2 at Dunoon Public School.

We enjoyed a lovely Mothers' Day Breakfast earlier in the term, hosted by our wonderful 5/6 students. Mums, nanas and friends spent the morning chatting over a full breakfast spread. Thank you to Jo and Bec, who ran a bustling Mothers' Day Stall.

As we headed into winter, our budding young gardeners in K-2 got stuck into the Kitchen Garden. K/1 planted their seedlings and watched



them grow with anticipation. 1/2 did an amazing job at rebuilding the Bug Hotel and they have also been planting out sections of the gardens. Students are all looking forward to harvesting and cooking their produce. We have snow peas, broccoli, rocket, eggplant and beans growing happily in the garden beds.

Our 1/2 students have been designing and building a model City



for the Future, which aims to reduce light pollution and incorporate environmentally sustainable features. Jasper and Max say that it has been really fun working together and it has been hard work to build the fountain and the doctor's room.

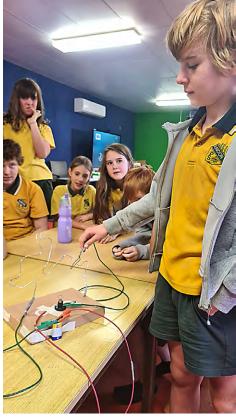
Cross Country was a big success, with excellent weather for our district event at Rocky Creek Dam.





Thirteen students went on to represent Dunoon District at the Zone carnival in Lismore.

All of our students have enjoyed athletics sessions on Mondays with coach David Alley. These sessions have featured a combination of fun movement games and specific athletics skills, which have been really helpful for the students. David



also encouraged the students to approach challenges with a positive mindset- which he has done in achieving some incredible feats (like running around Australia!)

Towards the end of this term, 5/6 head off on a four-day camp to Brisbane with students from Modanville. It will no doubt be a blast!



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# MODANVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS WITH TYE ASHCROFT

reetings from Modanville Public School. I hope you are all enjoying the cooler, sunny weather that our area is currently being blessed with.

There is much to report on from Modanville over the last few months! We finished Term 2 with a reward day at Rocky Creek Dam. This was an excellent opportunity to get out and about in our local area and enjoy each other's company in the great outdoors. We took a short walk around the dam and then broke into groups to do some fun games. It was an enjoyable way to celebrate the end of term.

Our student representative council also held a cake stall at the end of Term 2 and raised some funds. They have decided to put this money towards the purchase of a school mascot for us to take to inter school carnivals. Following that we had our





annual Easter Hat parade and then all enjoyed a well deserved holiday.

We began this term with many of our students attending the Anzac Day March in Lismore. This event is always well represented by our students with many students wearing medals belonging to family members. We are proud of the efforts of our students to acknowledge the contributions and service of others. Our school P&C organised a day of roller skating as a fundraiser for our school. This was a fun way to raise funds and spend a Sunday with our school community.

Term 2 is traditionally a very busy term for sporting and athletics activities. We held our school cross country and this was followed up by one of our favourite days on the school calendar – the District Cross country where we met with our friends from other local schools to take on the challenge of running across the hills of Rocky Creek Dam.

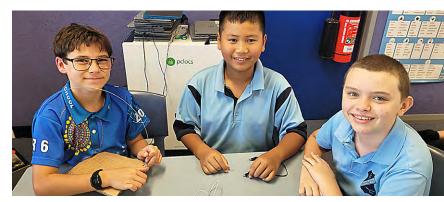
Back at school our kids have been busy and engaged in learning. Our classrooms are excited to implement more opportunities for STEM learning with our teachers receiving extra professional development about integrating STEM across the curriculum. We celebrated our mums and carers with a special breakfast before school. The bacon, eggs, pancakes and coffee were well received!

Our stage 2 and 3 students are currently preparing for end of term camps at Coffs Harbour and our Performing Arts Dance group have begun preparations for the Lismore performing arts festival in term 3. There is certainly never a dull moment at school!

Until next time...







## **DUNOON PRESCHOOL NEWS WITH KATE SCANLAN**

i families and community

— we have had a busy few months since the last article, with lots of building repairs.

Thanks to grants from the Department of Education, FRRR and Northern Rivers Community Foundation and some savings we were able to replace the preschool roof during the holidays. This was a much-needed upgrade as with the big rain last year we had rain coming through the ceiling and walls. Thank you to Bruce Jobson Plumbing for the excellent workmanship and efficiency in this big job!

Due to water getting into our ceiling we also upgraded the preschool playroom lights from fluros to dimmable downlights. It has been lovely to be able to adjust the lighting more readily to the needs and energy levels of the children. Thank you to Shane Quinn Electrical for the flexibility around this job – we love them!

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artist Tracey Piccoli who we commissioned an artwork from. It has now been completed and is just awaiting hanging in the playroom for all to see. The piece represents the children, families, volunteers and educators and non-contact staff who all come to the preschool to work, play, and learn together to make Dunoon Preschool so special.

It was lovely to have Tracey come and visit preschool to chat about the preschool and what makes it a special place and then share the meaning of the painting with the preschoolers. In the coming months we will be looking at ways to learn from the painting with children recreating their own versions of it, using clay to recreate it.

Also in our preschool program, we have been going bird watching and nature scavenger hunting outside, while inside we have been exploring





scales to weigh and to count toys, which then extended to making catapults! Inside has also seen so much play around camping, families and looking after baby dolls (or preschoolers!).

Finally, we have installed a new Community Noticeboard at the front of the preschool. As you are walking past, please take a look – you might find some documentation of the learning we are doing; perhaps a question that the preschoolers are curious about that the community could help us with, or information about upcoming events.

- Thanks all, Kate

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# WIRES NORTHERN RIVERS

# WIRES WELCOMES **NEW EMERGENCY RESPONDER AND NATIVE** WILDLIFE AMBULANCE

TRES Northern Rivers is delighted to welcome newly appointed Emergency Response Team (ERT) member and ambulance driver Tarn Donaldson and the arrival of a dedicated native wildlife rescue ambulance.

Ms Donaldson and the new fully equipped ambulance will be providing local rescue support across WIRES Northern Rivers and Clarence Valley branches and be on-call to attend critical and/ or unresolved rescues reported to WIRES 24/7 Rescue Office.

WIRES ERT currently manages a fleet of eight wildlife ambulances and emergency responders across NSW, Queensland and Tasmania.

Four local WIRES Northern Rivers Executive members and Ms Donaldson were on hand to take delivery of the new ambulance on Friday 28 April after it was driven



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(L - R) Northern Rivers WIRES volunteers Leonie Byron Jackson, Lib Ruytenberg, Marian Van Der Kroon and Sue Ulyatt with new Emergency Response Team (ERT) member Tarn Donaldson and WIRES ERT manager Lucy Clark, in front of the new wildlife rescue ambulance.

from Sydney by WIRES ERT manager Lucy Clark.

Chair of WIRES NR, Annie Crowley, said Ms Donaldson has been warmly welcomed and the new ambulance will make a big difference to local rescue operations.

"We are delighted to have Tarn assist us with this dedicated ambulance on standby to help with the many rescues called in from the Northern Rivers and Clarence Valley areas," Ms Crowley said.

"We are so privileged to live amongst such abundant wildlife and lucky to have so many threatened species call this region home and we need to ensure their survival."

Ms Donaldson has been volunteering as a wildlife carer in NSW and Queensland for more than 14 years and was previously a member of the WIRES Northern Rivers Branch. She has worked as an advanced paramedic for the past 12 years, which perfectly complements the many skills required for this role. She has a strong passion for animal

care and has completed extensive wildlife training courses and professional development training. She is trained to rescue and handle a range of wildife species including flying foxes, venomous snakes, raptors and large mammals.

WIRES Northern Rivers and Clarence Valley are inviting more volunteers to help with our local wildlife. If you are interested, please book in for the upcoming WIRES Rescue and Immediate Care (RICC) course being held in Lismore on Saturday 3 June and Brushgrove in Clarence Valley on Sunday 4 June.

There is an online component so early registration is recommended. For further details and to book please visit <a href="https://">https://</a> www.wires.org.au/training/rescueand-care

"Rescuing, caring and rehabilitating orphaned and injured native wildife is a truly rewarding experience especially when you get to release them back into the wild where they belong. WIRES is always happy to train and welcome more community members to lend a hand," Ms Crowley said.

# LISAMORE! ITALIAN FESTIVAL

The parkland setting at the Lismore Turf Club is the new home for the popular community celebration with an Italian twist – LisAmore! Formerly known as Piazza in the Park, the new name and the new venue will welcome locals and visitors to the city on Sunday 18 June from 10am to 3pm, for a wide range of outdoor activities and familiar tastes and sounds of Italy.

Spoil yourself with an array of treats from our Italian market stalls pasta, pizza, Prosecco and delicious desserts. There will be dancing, tug-o-war and displays of Italian cars and bikes for all ages. Fifteen Ferraris will be coming down from Queensland to share their passion for the iconic vehicles.



The community has been challenged in the past few years and it is now time to party as we acknowledge the long-standing connection between Lismore and two friendship cities in northern Italy. We recognise the settlers from that area who continue to make a valuable contribution



to the region's cultural diversity and heritage. The return of this popular event is timely and will help lift the city's spirits.

The free family fun day will see a very active Kids Space with lots to do and play, Italian language classes, the popular entertainer Domenico and his Latin Mafia Band for toe tapping good vibes, tarantella dance workshops for young and old led by Serena Joy and fun and games led by Antonio Mazzella and his colourful characters all over the parkland.

Organisers are taking waste management seriously and are encouraging guests to explore Waste World on site to help make our big day out a sustainable adventure. Families and friends are invited to bring their picnic sets and blankets with tables and chairs available too.

While LisAmore!'s main focus is Sunday 18 June, there will be a series of fun activities in the city's CBD on Saturday 17 June.

An accordion master class, led by Domenico, at the Conservatorium will encourage the participants to get out on the streets afterwards and busk. A free Commedia del arte drama workshop for all ages will be held in Spinks Park and John Barnes from New Italy is going to give a presentation on the descendants of New Italy and how they survived a harrowing journey from north Italy to our region in 1880.

This year's Enchanted Windows explores The Gates of Renewal theme and in our cafés, owners will be invited to dress their stores with an Italian theme. Sponsored by the Lismore Friendship Festival and the Lismore Lantern Parade, Enchanted Windows will be window shopping with a twist.



It will be a dynamic week between 17 June and the must-see spectacle of the Lismore Lantern Parade on Saturday 24 June. What a week! The city will come alive for locals and visitors enjoy the creativity for which the region is renowned.

Check out the updated website www.lismorefriendshipfestival.com. au and put the dates in the diary to catch up with family and friends for a week of celebrations in the city.

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You can use the following link to advise the RFS of your planned burn: https://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/fireinformation/BFDP/burn-notifications. Fines or penalties can apply for non-

compliance.

A BFDP is declared based on current fire conditions and whilst they generally apply during the warmer spring and summer months, a BFDP declaration can be made at any time if conditions and fire activity warrant

They are applied across Local Government Areas (LGAs) and may have varied dates across the state based on conditions. For example, a BFDP can be declared across LGAs in the north of the state based on heightened fire conditions and not declared in other parts of the state where fire conditions are not particularly threatening.





The Dunoon brigade members make their film debut in a German documentary.

It is your responsibility to know what conditions apply in your LGA. This information is posted on the RFS website which you can find using the following link: <a href="https://www.rfs.nsw">https://www.rfs.nsw</a>. gov.au/fire-information/BFDP.

The Dunoon RFS held its AGM on Wednesday 17 May 2023, with field officer positions remaining unchanged for the year ahead. They are Mike Berry - captain, Barry Watts - senior deputy captain, and deputy captains Ross McDougall, Ian Juleff and Paul Cox.

It had been another busy year for the brigade responding to 32 fire calls covering a range of incidents that included 12 grass or bush fires, eight vehicle or equipment fires, three structures fires, four motor vehicle accidents, and five others.

This comes on top of meeting every Wednesday night for training, regular maintenance and our monthly meeting, plus the brigade attended six Lismore Speedway meetings to provide fire protection and a number of other community engagement activities. The community can be proud of the commitment our volunteers provide as part of this important emergency service.

Talking about pride, it was with great pleasure that members of Dunoon RFS inducted Barry Watts as a Life

Member of the brigade at our AGM. Barry is now just 13 months away from completing 50 consecutive years as a member of the RFS, which is an extremely impressive achievement.

Barry's knowledge and experience contributes across all levels of the brigade's activities, whether it be when responding to incidents, training inputs, mechanical issues or practical problem-solving, making him a critical member of the brigade. Barry is not one to seek acknowledgement for his service - in fact he openly shuns it – but if you see him around Dunoon I encourage you to thank him for his impressive service to the community. Great job Barry Watts.

Finally, on Saturday 29 April members of Dunoon RFS spent the day with a film crew from Germany who were in Australia filming a documentary series that we believe will be aired later this year. The crew and their host were in Australia filming a range of environmental topics around the country and our part related to how eucalypts burn across the landscape. This was officially sanctioned by the RFS and we were proud to be asked for our involvement for what was an interesting experience.

- Mike Berry

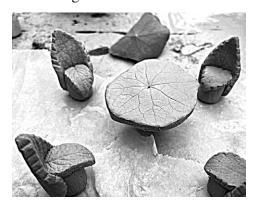
# **DUNOON FAERIE TRAIL AND LITTLE FAIRY DAY**

Lyndell Maree, Rosie,
Katie and I have been busy
making our Dunoon Faerie Trail
installations and through \*faerie
folk fayre\* Facebook page, reaching
out to others who might want to
join in the fun of creating our very
own Dunoon Faerie Trail.

The idea is similar to the Brunswick Heads faerie trail, except our little fairy gardens will be on our properties, rather than out on the footpath. The girls are making a map as part of their schooling project, and it will be launched on \*Little Fairy Day\* at our yearly Faerie Fayre, at \*fairywisecottagegallery\* on James Street, across from the Hall, on Saturday 24 June. The maps will be available there.

If you live in Dunoon, and want to create your own little faerie display, visible, just inside your fence, then please contact Lyndell or myself soon, so you can be part of the local community faerie trail map.

We are happy to help you with ideas and creation. Call Ella Risebrow (Fairy Portraits) on 0419 292 254 or Lyndell Maree (social media mentor) on 0419 040 256 or reach out through Facebook.















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## ART, MUSIC, SPORT, FOOD! IT'S ALL HAPPENING AT THE CLUB THIS MONTH

e have a beautiful art exhibition on show at the moment, with works from local artists Ron Thornhill, Cameron Shippard, Emma Harcourt, Janet Noble and Gloria Stuart.

A portion of the proceeds of all sales of artworks goes to the Club, so not only are you supporting these artists, but by purchasing something to take home, you're

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supporting the Club as well.

There's also a raffle running until Saturday 3 June, and the winner will receive a Ron Thornhill painting of their choice. Tickets are available at the bar.

Coming up soon we'll have a collection of Reg Gregor's paintings available to purchase.

#### **FOOD, GLORIOUS FOOD**

We're excited to announce that Anna's Greek Kitchen is now our permanent Club restaurant, open for dinner every Wednesday to Saturday.

We're working towards having the kitchen open again for Saturday lunches.

Book a table on 6689 5444.

#### **MUSIC COMING UP:**

Saturday 3 June – Karaoke

**Saturday 10 June** – Two Tears in a Bucket

Saturday 1 July – Scott Day-Vee Duo

**Second Sunday of the month** (11 June and 9 July) – Pluckers and Poets from 4pm.

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# PLUCKERS AND POETS

Second Sunday of the month, after The Channon Market.

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Royal Duck on their regional tour. Both bands we loved, with the Club and dance floor full and happy.

Timbuktu had the Club absolutely packed too and we look forward

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to welcoming them back again in September.

Thank you to all of our volunteers

#### THANKS!

A huge thank you to ADP Electrical & Data for their support of the club.

Andy has generously donated his electrical expertise including installing our brand new CO2 beer system, and has kindly offered to continue to do so.

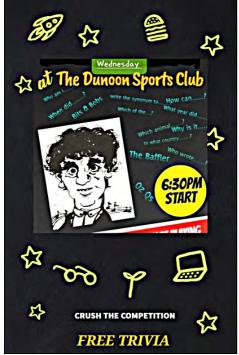
You can find them at: www. adpelectricians.com

#### **OTHER NEWS**

We have some new staff joining our team this month, so please welcome Amy and Andy when you see them.

We also have some exciting new competitions starting including pool comp, ping pong and poker!

Look out for details on the Club Facebook, Instagram and website.





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To confirm details phone **Dunoon Sports Club** 6689 5444

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Information for members and their guests

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# **COMMUNITY HUB / LISMORE QUAD**

# COMMUNITY HUB IN LISMORE REOPENS TO SUPPORT COMMUNITIES IN NORTHERN NSW

fter being closed since
February last year due to
severe flood incursion,
the Northern Rivers Community
Gateway community hub in Lismore
has finally reopened its doors.

Community Gateway hosted a free public open day on Friday 12 May to celebrate its reopening. The event was an opportunity for everyone to come along, connect, inspect the renovated premises, enjoy some great entertainment, get involved in some fun activities and win some prizes.

Later, Janelle Saffin MP, Member for Lismore, formally reopened



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Phone: 6621 3000 Fax: 6621 7773 the centre with a gathering of local dignitaries and Community Gateway's partners in attendance.

Located at 76 Carrington Street, the community hub has undergone significant renovations and upgrades to repair extensive flood damage, provide a better experience for community members, and to safeguard against future flooding.

It is a vital resource for vulnerable people in Lismore and Northern NSW, providing essential support services, programs and activities for disadvantaged people of all ages and backgrounds.

"We are delighted to reopen the community hub after such a long hiatus, and we are thrilled to finally be moving back into our home on this special day," Community Gateway CEO Jenni Beetson-Mortimer said.

"We had a disaster management plan in place, so when the hub flooded, we were able to relocate to temporary premises in Goonellabah and continue uninterrupted service delivery, at a time when more people than ever were in need of support. Even so, many of our staff experienced significant hardships too, and they have all worked so hard to ensure the most vulnerable people in our communities have been supported through the disaster. We cannot wait to showcase the new facilities and services that we are now able to provide.

"In particular, the hub is now hosting Lismore's trusted reproductive and sexual health service, Choices clinic. Choices has many decades of local experience providing specialist health care, and we are proud to include this expertise in our range of support services."

For more information about Community Gateway and their community hub, contact CEO Jenni Beetson-Mortimer via email <a href="mailto:ceo@nrcg.org.au">ceo@nrcg.org.au</a> or phone 0458 675 338.

#### **QUAD SAYS THANK YOU!**

The Lismore Quad wants to say a big thank you to everyone who came out to the launch of the *Our Place Our Species* documentary and the fantastic people involved in making it all happen. It was a beautiful event, thanks to the Lismore community.



Keep up to date with *Our Place*, *Our Species* Collage Club, every Thursday 3-5pm.

The Lismore Quadrangle (The Quad) is an open-air precinct located in Lismore's CBD in the Northern Rivers of NSW. It was transformed from a carpark in 2017 as part of the Lismore Regional Gallery's



redevelopment. The Quad precinct connects the Lismore Regional Gallery, Lismore City Library and the Northern Rivers Conservatorium.

The Quad presents a cross-disciplinary annual program funded by Create NSW and Lismore City Council and is also a community space for hire.

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# **XANTHE DOBBIE - CLOUD COPY, 20 MAY-17 JUNE AT** LISMORE REGIONAL GALLERY — POP-UP SPACE. **46 MAGELLAN STREET**

loud Copy places the viewer inside an alternative universe ✓ in physical and virtual space. It guides us in, 'Welcome to subcultism. Pick a faction. Don't worry you can change stream at any time. Simply navigate to a new tab go deep, deeper. This void is cavernous begging to be filled.'

Xanthe Dobbie is an Australian artist living and working on the unceded lands of Naarm, Melbourne. Dobbie works across on and offline modes of making. Their works are shrines to a post-truth era, drawing on humour, pop, sex, queer theory, history, and iconography.

An Auslan-led tour will be led by Sigrid Macdonald Saturday 3 June from 11am at the pop-up gallery. It is wheelchair accessible. The exhibition is rated 18 + (unclassified).

# **1973 NIMBIN AQUARIUS FESTIVAL - EXHIBITION OF PHOTOS BY PETER DERRETT OAM**

The Nimbin School of Arts recently held an exhibition of photos of the 1973 Nimbin Aquarius Festival by Peter Derrett.

As a young theatre director and teacher Peter Derrett travelled to the 1973 Aquarius Festival with a high school theatre group to perform

'Images of Man', an original experimental theatre production. He took his camera with him and the resulting collection of images provides a comprehensive documentary account of this landmark event in Australian cultural history.







(from top) Dancer, Crystal Healing Ritual, and Cast of 'Images of Man' - 1973 Nimbin Aquarius Festival. Photos by Peter Derrett. Courtesy of the photographer.

The hippie era was at its height, which meant alternative views could not only be expressed, they were lived. The Aquarius Festival was informed by a desire to break away from the perceived shackles of suburban society and the conservative mainstream. It provided a forum to explore radical politics, caring for the environment, relationships with First Nations peoples. alternative lifestyles, music, drugs, spirituality and community.

# LISMORE THEATRE **OPEN DAY - SATURDAY 3 JUNE, 11AM-3PM**

ismore Theatre Company invites everyone to come **⊿** along and learn all about the theatre, at Rochedale Theatre in Goonellabah on 3 June.

#### 11am MEET AND GREET

Morning tea – meet artistic director Bette Guy and MC for the day.

11.30am Make up demonstration by Lucy Diamond.

**12pm Musical Theatre** – talk by Chrissi Claff.

12.30pm Back stage talk – the inner workings of the theatre, by Jos Wright.

1pm An experienced directors talk - 'Directing', by Kylie Fuad.

**1.30pm Costume room tour** by Sylvia Clarke. Try dressing up and take some pics.

2.30pm A play reading scene read from Dead White Males, our next production. Director Sharon Brodie.

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# **BOOK REVIEW WITH LYN ARMANASCO**

# THE THURSDAY MURDER CLUB

#### BY RICHARD OSMAN

Ifirst discovered Richard Osman several years ago when I started watching Pointless on TV. A rather British quiz show but quite enjoyable. I found him intelligent and amusing, but I never really thought of him as the writer of books I'd be interested in reading.

How wrong I was. I was lent this book and it's two follow-on novels in February and read them all within a week. The next in the series is now out and I'll be heading into The Book Warehouse soon to get a copy.

Published in 2020, the story follows a group of residents at a retirement home called Coopers Chase as they review old, unsolved, murder cases in the area.

The Thursday Murder Club is hosted in the Jigsaw room by Elizabeth, Ron and Ibrahim and new resident, Joyce, who joins the group. Joyce keeps a diary and the novel alternates between first person narrative by Joyce and her diary entries and the third person narrative of the other characters.

Tension at Coopers Chase is rising due to the planned new development, which will demolish the Garden Of Eternal Rest, the cemetery attached to the church.

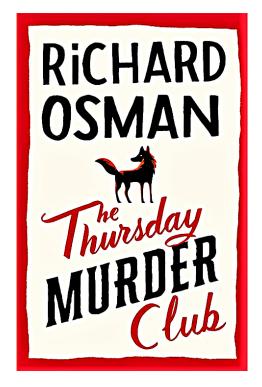
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The development is being planned by Ian Ventham, who is determined to go ahead with the construction, no matter how many of the locals object. He also wants to cut out his business partner, Tony, from the deal and does so within the first few chapters.

Ron, his son Jason, and Joyce witness the disagreement between Ian and Tony in the parking lot. Later Tony is found murdered. A photo of three men is found near the body.

There are many more interesting characters in this book who we get to meet. Penny, one of the group's co-founders, who is now in a coma in the on-site hospital. Her husband, John, is always in attendance.

Elizabeth visits her regularly and we get plenty of background information.

Of course, the police become involved with DCI Chris Hudson leading the investigation. And here develops another story involving newly arrived PC Donna De Freitas from London.

When demolition is about to begin, a protest is formed by the residents of Coopers Chase in front of the gates and Ian Ventham calls Chris and Donna to come and handle the situation.

At this time Bogdan, one of Ian's contractors finds a skeleton that has been placed on top of a coffin in a grave. Ian falls into an argument with Father Matthew and a scuffle begins. Chris tells Ian to leave but as he is getting into his truck, he falls to the ground having been poisoned by a shot of the drug Fentanyl. So we have two definite murders and a possible third with the skeleton found by Bogdan. Both the police and The Thursday Murder Club will be working flat out.

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But I also loved the descriptions of the places travelled around Kent where the book is set. Elizabeth and Joyce do quite a few trips to gather information, Tunbridge Wells being my favourite as it brought back some happy memories of staying there 10 years ago. I think this book may have me planning another visit.

It could be said that this is a fairly simple story with interesting, but easily defined, characters. But it is so much more. A really good storyline that is well written and captivating. I can't wait to get my copy of Book No.4 in the series.

# DUNOON UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB

## **FEMALE FOOTBALLERS HIT** THE TARGET

ore than half of Dunoon United FC's footballers this season are female and it's believed this is first time any club in the region has achieved the feat.

"After years of pushing female participation we've finally broken the 50 per cent barrier," said club president Simon Webster. "It's something that everyone in the club should be proud of."

Football Far North Coast general manager Steve Mackney described it as an outstanding achievement.

"I believe this is the first time ever that a local club has achieved 50 per cent female participation," he said.

"Female participation nationally is about 24 per cent, making the situation at Dunoon even more impressive and one that will inspire even more females to get involved with the game."

Matildas legend Julie Dolan and Football Australia women's technical director Rae Dower had both sent messages of support for DUFC's achievement, Mackney said.

DUFC puts an emphasis on forming female-only teams from a young age, recently added new female changing rooms to its facilities thanks to a federal government











grant, and hosted an allfemale coaching course, put on by Northern NSW Football.

Webster said the DUFC committee was working on plans to make female football at the club even stronger. "Now more than 50 per cent of our players are female, we'd love to



have 50 per cent female committee members, coaches and referees, too," he said.

## NEWS FROM FEDERAL MP KEVIN HOGAN



Emergency Management Perin Davey

discuss flood mitigation strategies.

# NORTHERN RIVERS 'VISION' MUST INCLUDE ENGINEERING SOLUTIONS FOR FLOOD MITIGATION

ederal Member for Page Kevin Hogan and Shadow Minister for Emergency Management, Senator Perin Davey, have called for a greater focus on engineering solutions to lower the height of future floods across the Northern Rivers.

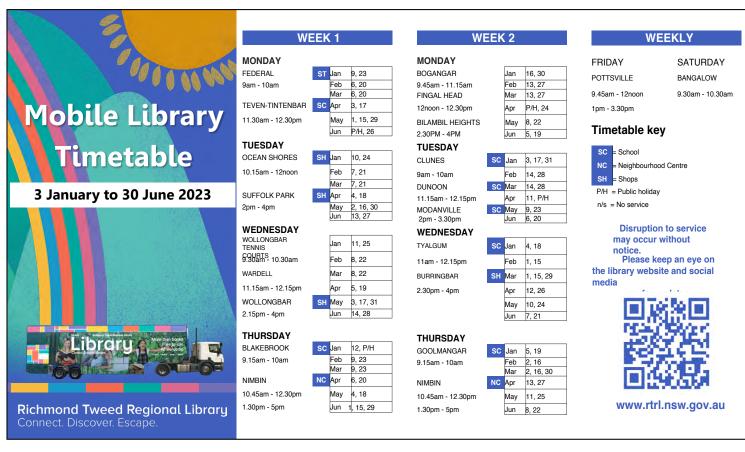
"After the flooding event, I announced \$150 million in funding that was intended to be spent on shovel-ready flood mitigation measures, ahead of the extensive CSIRO study to be released next year," Mr Hogan said.

"The first stream of projects totalling \$50 million has been announced, the remaining \$100 million must focus on flood mitigation and engineering solutions as the funding was originally intended to be.

"Last week's media reports that the cost of the region's rebuild would be in excess of \$8 billion, only reaffirms flood mitigation and engineering solutions must be the number one priority if we want to lower the height of future floods and keep our community safe," Mr Hogan said.

"It is all good and well to be talking about resilience, and resilient communities and resilient housing, our community needs to feel safe. Without flood mitigation and engineering solutions that reduce the height of future floods, our community will not feel safe.

"We will not get insurance or finance to buy houses in parts of



# NEWS FROM FEDERAL MP KEVIN HOGAN continued

our region without flood mitigation. Our community and businesses need to know they can insure their homes and businesses, and access credit to invest locally. There is a very real risk if we do not lower the height of future floods, housing and business insurance, as well as access to credit will be unattainable."

Shadow Minister for Emergency Management, Senator Perin Davey said: "The CSIRO Northern Rivers Resilience Initiative currently underway will provide valuable scientifically based information for priority flood resilience projects in the Northern Rivers region.

"We need to rely on hard data and science to drive mitigation initiatives that will help to future proof the region. CSIRO's consultations with stakeholders is only the first part. The hard work is yet to come in assessing the various hydrological modelling, climate models, historic river and water patterns, combinations of infrastructure and other options in future planning.

"This region has gone through a very long post flood period but we need to insure we can't keep repeating history. The ongoing contribution of the community will be an essential element in deciding the future of the region," Ms Davey said.



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# NEWS FROM STATE MP JANELLE SAFFIN

## CWA SAYS NO TO WASTE-TO-ENERGY INCINERATORS

he NSW Country Women's Association (CWA) has voted at its AGM to oppose waste-to-energy incinerators.

"The CWA has adopted a policy to advocate for the newly elected NSW Government to rescind its decision to establish waste-to-energy incinerators and instead immediately introduce technology and waste reduction programs that use methods that minimise greenhouse gas emissions," Ms Saffin said.

She said the Tabulam branch put the motion, which was one of several successful motions from the North Coast Group at the AGM in Bathurst this month. Other North Coast policy positions adopted included calling for telecommunications providers to maintain coverage to disaster impacted communities, for

stronger legislation to protect koala habitat, and for ongoing resources for weed management plans.

"The CWA also supported the call from the Hume group for stricter regulation and cessation of online betting and mobile phone apps, particularly during TV sports coverage," Ms Saffin said.

The CWA donated \$500,000 in flood relief last year.

"As a CWA Member myself I am proud to be associated with this organisation of women that has such a strong record of pushing through changes that improve the lives of women and rural communities."

# FUNDING TO RESTORE LOCAL WAR MEMORIALS

ocal communities who need to maintain or repair their war memorials can apply for funding in the latest round of the Community War Memorials Fund for 2023-2024.

"The latest funding round opened on Anzac Day, a time when we gather at our local war memorials to honour those who served in wars and peacekeeping missions," Ms Saffin said.

Community groups can apply for up to \$10,000 to assist with conservation, specialist cleaning and repairs of local memorials including honour rolls. For example, in the previous round Richmond Valley Council was awarded \$10,000 for conservation work to two First World War honour rolls at the Woodburn Memorial Hall, which suffered damaged in the 2022 flood.

To be eligible for funding, the memorial must be listed on the NSW War Memorials Register.

Applications close on 25 July 2023. Details at <a href="https://www.veterans.nsw.gov.au">www.veterans.nsw.gov.au</a>

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# Janelle Saffin MP

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# ST MATTHEW'S ANGLICAN CHURCH NEWS WITH 'GINA MURRAY

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

Tell, Easter and Mother's Day have come and gone and now, suddenly, we are halfway through the year!

Palm Sunday was on 2 April. The Church was elaborately decorated with palms and we had a very meaningful service to celebrate Christ's entry into Jerusalem. The following Sunday was, of course, Easter Sunday. We celebrated that occasion with a fire and candles as part of our service - really very dramatic but also very thoughtprovoking.

It is a long time since we had a wedding in our church, which is such a shame because it is such a magnificent building as well as being a church. On 6 May, we had a great celebration when Heidi Cierpiol married her longtime partner, Adrian Smith. The church was packed to capacity, and everyone celebrated such a great occasion.

Messy Church has been suspended for a while and we missed the interaction of the congregation from a fellowship point of view. A few of our congregation have now decided to have afternoon tea in the church at 4.30pm before the 5pm service. The first one went down very well, and everyone enjoyed the interaction. Let's hope we can continue with this. Why not come along and enjoy afternoon tea

# **NEW MEMBERS! WEDNESDAY COMMUNITY GROUP**

Wednesday morning at 10am for morning tea and craft activities. Call Ron 6689 5018







Heidi Cierpiol married her long-time partner Adrian Smith, with flowergirls Claire and Ellie Cierpiol doing a wonderful job.

followed by our normal church service on a Saturday afternoon.

There was no service at St Matthew's in Dunoon on Saturday 27 May, which would normally be celebrating Pentecost. Instead, there was a combined service at 8.30am in St Andrew's (Lismore), conducted by Bishop Murray.

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

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Memorial Meeting 11am each Sunday Bible Address on occasions 6689 5229

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#### GOOLMANGAR CATHOLIC CHURCH

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1ST SUNDAY	Lismore Car Boot 8am – 2pm Lismore Square Carpark Byron Bay Market
2ND SUNDAY	The Channon Craft Markets http://thechannonmarket.org.au/
3RD SATURDAY	Mullumbimby Market http://www.mullummarkets.com.au/
3RD SUNDAY	Lismore Car Boot
	Lismore Community Garden 9-11am
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Nimbin Markets

4th and 5th Sunday 8am - 4pm

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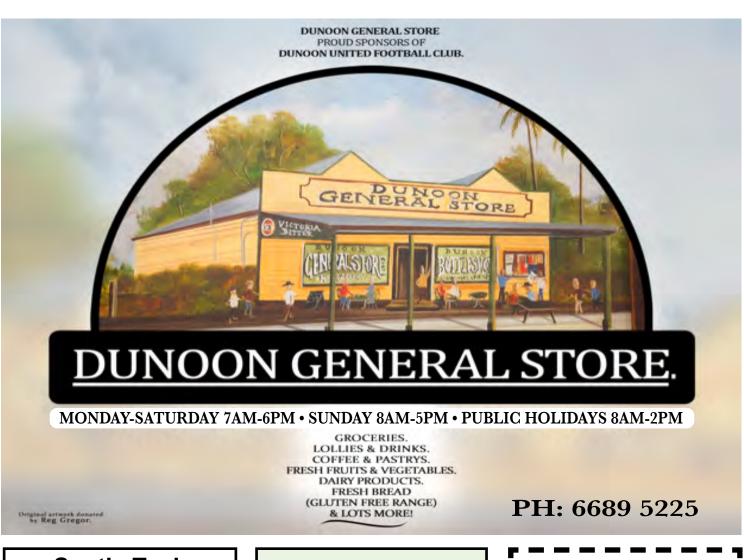


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