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# Local Indigenous connections

by Natasha Livock

We currently have no Indigenous children enrolled in our preschool.

Why? Is it our philosophy? Are there barriers preventing inclusion? Is change necessary? Or is it simply due to our location?

Cawongla Playhouse is geographically isolated from Kyogle.

Surrounding towns have their own early childhood services.

In searching for answers I joined the Ngroo project. It enabled us to have an Indigenous Elder visit our service. We were delighted to hear our preschool gardens, resources, natural play spaces and indoor/outdoor learning programs were viewed as culturally competent and identified as being respectful and authentic to Indigenous ways of knowing and understanding.

The question remained, 'how are we able to connect Cawongla Playhouse children with local Indigenous culture?'

The Rural and Remote Community Preschools Outreach Grants were aimed at improving the number of four and five year old children enrolled in quality preschool programs for 600 hours, with a focus on Aboriginal and low income families.

This has supported a collaboration



Wayne Walker, Vera Walker, Natasha Livock, Lethie Walker and Nicola Mercer

between Cawongla Playhouse, Gugin Gudaba Aboriginal lands council and Kyogle Council in a project whereby local Indigenous Elder Wayne (Michael) Walker and his daughter, Lethie Walker will support our community preschool with authentic and local cultural connections.

Weekly participation in our learning program will establish relationships, connections and links in learning.

Uncle Wayne Walker will guide the creation of two murals; establishing our sense of belonging and representing this journey and our local

environment.

We are hoping to foster deep and respectful two-way learning and have local Aboriginal children enrolled in our education and care setting.

A community open day event – welcome to country, smoking ceremony, bush foods, music, dance and mural presentation will be held at Cawongla Playhouse on Saturday 9th September from 10am to 1pm.

Cawongla Playhouse is open Tuesday-Thursday 9am-3pm. For enquiries, phone 6633-7167 or visit our Facebook page.

## Home education workshops – get inspired!

by Susan de Wall

Curious about home education? Want to get started? Been doing it a while and want to get into a better groove? September presents three excellent opportunities for parents to learn more about home education, whether you are considering it, have just started or have been doing it for some time and want to upskill.

First up, we have the Raising Happy Kids Conference on our doorstep at the Gold Coast. On 9th and 10th September at the Southport Community Centre, you'll have the opportunity to hear some great speakers talk about connected parenting and home education. This year, RHK are running two strands – one for those considering or new to home ed, and one for parents who are already in the swing.

I attended this conference last year in my volunteer role with the Home Education Association and loved connecting with so many parents who are



Wet weather sports gathering in Lismore

choosing this path. The highlight was the panel on the Sunday afternoon where the audience was invited to a Q & A session with experienced home educators and their children. All those burning questions answered in a short time! More information can be found at: [raisinghappykidsconf.com.au](http://raisinghappykidsconf.com.au). See you there!

Secondly and much more locally, Tamara Kidd will present two home education

workshops at Birth & Beyond in Nimbin on 13th September from 10am to 2pm. We will have two sessions of 1.5 hours each. BYO lunch as there will be an hour for chatting and connecting with other parents.

Session One will cover 'moving from unsure beginner to confident home educator'. Topics include: registration; getting started; fears and truths. Session Two is very practical

and will give you lots of knowledge and skills in how to follow and support your child's interests naturally and still pass registration without stress. In a nutshell, Tamara will share her wealth of home education experience with you. You will feel wise and ready for anything. All materials supplied. \$10 per session or \$15 for both. Discount for HEA members.

To book, contact us using the email address below. This is a great opportunity for local home educators – Tamara is also speaking at the event on the Gold Coast – we are lucky to have her swinging by Nimbin on her way home.

And finally, there are some talks planned for the Nimbin Show – dates and topics are yet to be determined. Stay tuned!

Home education is on the increase in Australia and worldwide as people recognise the need to nurture a lifelong love of learning. If you'd like to know more, please contact: [rainbowregionhomeschoolers@gmail.com](mailto:rainbowregionhomeschoolers@gmail.com)

## Rainbow Ridge celebrates 21st birthday

From a humble but dedicated, passionate and enthusiastic start in 1996 to enrolments of over 100 students from Kindy to class 8, a playgroup and a private day care centre, all set in a beautiful environment with sustainably-designed timber buildings, we have got a lot of reasons to celebrate this year.

We do exactly that on 16th September, combined with our annual Spring Fair and Open Day.

We warmly invite all current and former students, families, staff and the wider school community and anybody who is interested in visiting our school to this celebration with lots of day and also some evening activities.

A more detailed program will be provided in the next edition, and look out for posters around the place.

### Sun Sparkle Playgroup

Rainbow Ridge School would like to invite you to join in the Sun Sparkle playgroup.

We gather on Wednesday from 9.15 to 11.30am (during term time) to bake, sing, craft and play. The children enjoy a puppet story and shared morning tea. All a wonderful and gentle introduction to Steiner Education for the early years.

For more information phone the school on 6689-7033.

# Tunable winter: Lushness and sunshine



by Louise Mehta

It's LUSH to be back at Tuntable Falls Community school! The glorious winter sun is shining all around our community school.

I found our gorgeous Kindys in the early morning sun discussing a tale about Mother Earth at our bora ring campfire. They are studying the sun and the wind with help from an Aesop fable.

Deborah, the Kindy teacher, is cleverly weaving English language and maths skills from out of the story – the art of teaching at work!

At age 5, there's still plenty

of focus on fun, games and artwork.

The Lower Primary class is focused on cycles – seasons, water evaporation and rainfall and particularly the moon and its effect on planet Earth through plant growth and tides. Their teacher Ginger is expecting a baby in November – another cycle!

Our Upper Primary are studying 'Our Place In Space'... outer space, geography and displaced peoples on our planet.

Akash is terrific at directing our uppers; he harnesses their wild energy to create an attentive, respectful and warm space with room for his

and their playful spirits.

The garden is looking magnificent. We have a big crop of potatoes that will be ready for the Nimbin Show. Everything looks SO green and blooming. There are winter vegetables, greens and flowers everywhere.

The kids are rugged up in their woolly jumpers and are full of smiles.

We currently have some places available in our Lower and Upper Primary Classes.

We are also beginning our 2018 Kindy transition program. Please phone 6689-1423 if you would like to visit our school or learn more.

# Nimbin Garden Club notes

by Lorraine Keen

On a perfect July afternoon Nimbin Garden Club members visited the 110 acre property at the base of Billen Cliffs owned by Ken and Adrian at Mountain Top Road, Georgica.

Ken preceded the tour with recognition to the traditional owners and a thank you to the organisations that have provided funding to help them to carry out the extensive regeneration.

The property was purchased 30 years ago when Ken and Adrian were residing in Sydney. 15 years ago Ken, a landscaper, 'retired' to the property and Adrian commutes between Sydney and the property and is looking forward to also 'retiring'.

We were guided through the property which was once covered with weeds including lantana, broadleaf paspalum and tobacco bush. Acre after acre has been cleared and regenerated, forming vast rainforests areas with streams and frog ponds. Fast growing pioneer trees were planted first to form the canopies and then other varieties planted in the understory. Lomandra proved valuable at holding back erosion of the creek crossing banks in the recent floods.

Eucalyptus grandis, brush box, forest red gum, hoop pine, yellow caribbean, teak, white beech, tamarind, macleay laurel, blue and hard quandong, cinnamon and aniseed myrtles, rose apple are amongst the 7000 trees and native ginger and palms



Photo: Peter Brooker

planted.

The change to the eco system has seen the number of fauna continue to grow, and recently two pair of regent bower birds were sighted.

A highlight was the koala regeneration area. Funding provided by Lismore City Council helped establish this important area of 500 koala feed trees, which in 13 months are now over 10 feet tall.

Passion and determination are just two words that describe Ken and Adrian's vision for the future of this wonderful property.

Afternoon tea was enjoyed whilst browsing through photos and information booklets on regeneration and weed control.

The next garden visit is the 19th August, 2pm-4pm at

the Jarlanbah garden of Sue and Pauline, Lot 33/78 Cecil Street, Nimbin.

Turn left into Jarlanbah at the corner of Djambung Gardens; just past their driveway on the left is a site map of Jarlanbah clearly showing the lot numbers. Lot 33 is in the north eastern corner, a battleaxe block up the driveway.

This half acre block has been planted with an emphasis on food production. Adjoining the lot is a community cabinet timber woodlot established over 20 years ago, now maintained by Sue and Pauline, a beautiful place for a pleasant stroll.

All welcome. Please bring a chair, cup and a plate of food to share. Some parking is available on the lot, otherwise use Lillypilly Lane.

# Exploring shadows

by Diane Wilder

At Nimbin Preschool several children and teachers have begun to explore the nature and characteristics of shadows.

Why does a shadow move? What makes a shadow move?

M: It's moving! It's the wind!

T: I don't know. Oh, it's moving because we can see it. Something moved it? A person?

L: It's coming from that one! That line!

M: Maybe the sun moved it?

D: What makes you think that?

M: Because it's small down here and it's smaller up there!

A: When you put the stick here it was pointing in a different direction. That way. And now it points this way. It's straight here, and that's what makes it go in that direction.

What do you think? Can you email your thinking about why shadows move to us?



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The children want to know what you think too!

# Book Parade features rainforest theme

Exquisite rainforest creatures, plants, avatars and fairies danced into the Nimbin Central School Library for the annual Book Parade last week.

Student poets recited well-known rainforest-themed poems as well as creating their own beautiful works that pay tribute to the magnificent rainforests around Nimbin.

Music, books, discovery of global citizenship and the

wider world around us are central sources of knowledge to assist young people to make good choices.

The recent musical Café Central, visits from performers and a Book Fair are a few of the exciting events on offer at Nimbin Central School to support this.

These are important celebrations where we can share our stories and together build the community we want to live in.



Kieran enjoying the recycled car track

by Carina and the team

This month we have been doing a lot of recycling in the Nimbin Child Care Centre. We painted a cardboard box that turned into a little town for us to use with the toy cars.

We also made a pedestrian crossing that goes with our stop sign so when riding the bikes around the track we can stop for our friends to cross the road.

We also made robots, elephants and heaps of other objects out of recycled

containers and cereal boxes donated by the community vacation care group.

Cooking this month, May made Thai fried rice and we got to help mix in all the ingredients and also got to eat for our lunch. "Yum, yum."

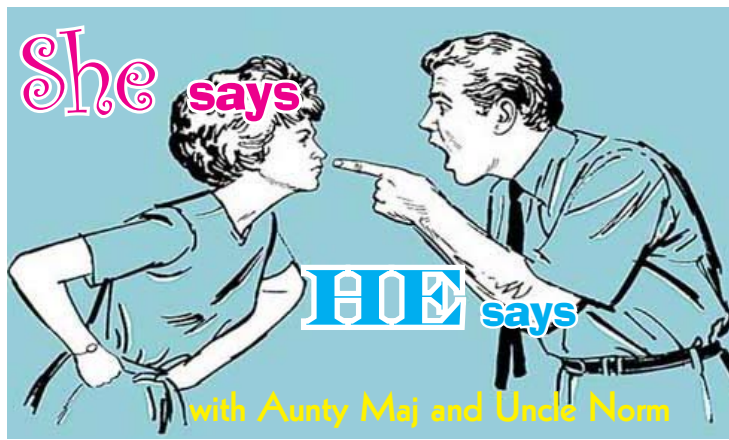
As it's the season of winter we made warm hot chocolates and as they were so tasty we made them more than once.

Please feel free to call the Centre on 6689-0142. You can book in for our Wednesday morning orientations, which is held between 10.30-11.30am.



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*My boyfriend is always pretending to be a pirate. Aaarrhbb.*

– Sylvia Long-Johns

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### She says

Yes, this is a situation that needs to be sorted out before you go any deeper. There are several possibilities. He could be shy and is hiding behind this very masculine persona. Ask him questions about himself and look deeper. He could be masking a sweet, sensitive nature, which can be a lovely quality in a man.

He may be crazy. If he never comes out of character and only uses pirate speak, that's a worry. Ask if he's seeing a psychologist and is on medication.

He could have been a pirate in a past life and finding it hard to shake off. A psychic healer might be helpful, especially to find out where the hidden treasure is!

He could be a fun guy who's into role-playing. A pirate lover could be erotic. Sure beats a missionary! Unless he ties you up and makes you walk the plank. If you're into that sort of thing then it's fine. I always found the wench look suited my voluptuous figure but, unfortunately, is a bit out of fashion these days. Is he willing to let you be a pirate too? This is a good way to check if he's sexist. Believe it or not, but the greatest pirate who ever lived was actually a woman, named Shi Xianggu. She led the largest pirate armada the world has ever seen which included eight hundred ships and 80,000 pirates, commanding the area between Hong Kong and the Vietnamese border on the South China Sea. Shi Xianggu is viewed by many as the most successful, powerful- and certainly the most notorious – pirate of all time.

He might actually be a pirate. The litmus test is his parrot. Is it real or fake? If it's real – run, unless you want to be like Shi Xianggu, in which case you have found your perfect match.

Q: *What do you call a pirate with two eyes, two hands and two legs? A beginner.*

### He says

Many years ago I had a pair of underpants with the Skull and Cross Bones on the front. I used to love those grundys and I wore them for years. Eventually they developed a hole in the front, which inspired a party trick I'd do now and then to make the skull look like it was smoking a cigar. Just thought I'd share that.

I'm fascinated here, I must say. Does he have the whole kit? The eye-patch, parrot, the wooden leg? Does he have a ship, and is he looking for crew? If so, I'm in! We'll go out on the Brunswick River, hoist the Jolly Roger and terrify a few weekend party boats and some kayakers. Yippee! Or should that be aarrhbb?

Seriously though, every day we encounter people pretending to be this or that. The whole world is based on pretense. It is a valuable tool. People use it to attain high office, positions of power and authority, and positions of trust with our children. They profess to have our best interests at heart when, in truth, they only serve the interests of themselves and their fellow deceivers who keep them in power.

Then there are the pretenders closer to home. Those who say they are happy when in fact they are desperately sad. Or the people who appear to care, when they don't.

This web of misrepresentation in society is so prevalent it's hard to know who or what is real these days. Which makes your boyfriend's little game refreshingly honest. He's just being a pirate.

OK, he might be a little eccentric and a bit of an idiot. He will probably rack up a bill at the pub in rum, but, shiver me timbers, at least he's not a threat to the future of humanity.

*"Now and then we had the hope that if we lived and were good, God would permit us to be pirates." – Mark Twain*

## Culling the users and losers

The world according to  
Magenta Appel-Pye

This year's theme seems to be about pruning. Culling the so-called 'friends' from my life that do not bear fruit.

It's difficult to let these people go because I don't want to cause them pain, and some have been in my life for a long time, but I have realised that I must look after myself first. If someone is causing me more pain than joy, then they must go. My standards have raised.

I have worked hard to acquire my new sense of self, and demand that only those who come with respect, consideration and a willingness to let go and forgive me when I fuck up, can be in my life.

There's the users. Those who are in it for what they can get, who give nothing or very little back and when they do constantly remind you about it. These tend to turn into instant abusers if you do or say something wrong, even unintentionally. They turn a small slight into World War III.

Often most of it is their own negative perceptions, and they steadfastly refuse to admit their part in the problem, dumping their poisonous toxins over you and hanging on to the issue as if their lives depend on it. Maybe it does, maybe it makes them feel alive, passionate and motivated to move their shit up and out.

Then there's the losers, still crying "poor me" years after the event, allowing another person's actions to define their life. They don't believe in themselves, don't let things go and don't work hard enough to create their own luck. There



is always someone to blame for their lack of success, love, abundance. They blame everyone except themselves.

These people take your energy, love and generosity, and give masses in return – of abuse when things don't go their way.

I have learnt to pay attention to my energy levels. If someone always brings my energy down, then that shows me something. The ones who increase my energy from interacting with them are the ones I want in my life.

I have friends I consider successful not because they are stars, head a company or are millionaires, but because even though they have suffered (and who doesn't suffer?), still manage to have a laugh, lend support to others, and see

the beauty of life.

My mother-in-law was in a Siberian labour camp at 15 but she managed to survive, find a loving husband, a good country, and worked damned hard to have a good, happy life for her family. She holds no grudges which is probably why she is still alive at 93.

My friend, Maree, with a brain damaged child, still manages to count her blessings every day. She lovingly helps others and does not buy into being a victim. She is a victor and an inspiration. These are the sort of people I want in my life.

The good thing about pruning the dead wood is that I have more time for my good friends, and the beautiful new ones budding on my tree of life.

# Have a cuppa

by Brendan (Mookx) Hanley

I'm sitting in the warm, winter-morning sun at a table in the food section of the New Brighton Farmers' Market... looking at all the choices one needs to make to get some tucker or a cuppa these days.

Once upon a time you ordered a black tea or a white coffee. This morning I got so confused and overwhelmed that I ended up ordering a certified organic, activated, paleo, gluten-free, dairy-free, sugar-free, macrobiotic, biodynamic, vegan, decaffeinated, fine-ground, dark-roast soy latte made with freshly-ground, regional coffee beans, organic soy milk and local honey.

"Large or small?"  
"Large please!"  
"Drink here or take away?"  
"Drink here!" says I, handing over my own cup so as to avoid using yet one more of Australia's 10 million daily disposable coffee cups. I'm on the verge of screaming with frustration. All I want is a fucking coffee!

It's a reasonable cup of coffee for all that... but the whole process is indicative of the way the world seems to be heading these days. On the one hand we need to be educated and aware of the healthy alternatives... whilst on the other... Macca's and KFC etc. are making a fortune selling non-food to fooled families all

over the planet.

I see people in Woolies and Coles with those wheelie baskets stacked to collapsing point with boxes, cans, plastic bags and containers to take home and feed to the kids. There is no nutrition in any of it... in fact it's a common impression that the packaging has more food value than the shit inside.

Just walking through a supermarket gives me a headache. Fluoro lights flaring up rows and rows of glaringly coloured trash... aisle after aisle of manufactured, gaudily-got-up garbage. How people manage to stay alive and rear a family on such toxic pseudo-food is beyond me.

Add to that the chemicals in our water supply, radio emanations from wi-fi and whatever, car fumes (carbon monoxide is deadly poisonous), cigarette smoke (passive or otherwise), vaccinations, weather modification chemicals, mercury dentistry, medical prescriptions and other pharmacy products... and you have a complicated corporate consumer cocktail...

guaranteed to compromise health and happiness... and launch everybody on the downhill ride to ugly, unhealthy old age, fraught with hospitals, high-cost care and dependence on the drug-pushing medical world... all underwritten, supported and promoted by Big Pharma.



Not all that long ago we ate mostly out of our backyard gardens and from our fruit trees... using old-fashioned kitchen skills and lovingly dealing with a larder where organic was all we knew. In the course of one short lifetime it has all been shifted into a profit-based paradigm... where making money is the motive... and screw the public who financially prop up these monster corporations. It's ignorant loyalty to brands they have been told to trust and believe in for decades.

There are over 50 or 60 "boutique" or "craft" beers in our local bottle shop. A new wine label comes on display practically every day. Buying a bottle of anything these days requires an informed recommendation or an encyclopaedic knowledge of your chosen beverage.

Even booze comes in

"chemical-free" and "organic" categories. Californian wines are reputed to be full of glyphosate from Roundup and other sprays applied to vineyards across the State. I have a friend who worked at the grape harvest down on the Murray a few years ago and who claims he'll never eat another grape... having been appalled at the poison pollution he witnessed whilst he was there.

We are seriously warned against commercial apples and potatoes... along with a huge list of other toxic produce that gleams at us from anywhere cosmetically-enhanced fake-food is sold.

You can't even trust a cup of tea any more. Tea bags are hazardous and the tea is grown with much spraying and all the rest of it. Have a glass of water instead. Oh wait!

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with Bob Tissot

Hello again, and welcome to On-Air, good old-fashioned print radio you can sleep under. It's good to have you listening.

Well, it's been an enormously productive month here in the bowels of the beast we love, with all sorts of problems being brought to heel and rectified. The broadcast desk is repaired, the computer system (including the freshly repaired one) is talking to me again, the office is gleaming and your community radio station is a happier place.

All it needs now to turn happiness into sheer unbridled joy is for YOU to renew your membership! If you're not a member we'd love to sign you up. It's only through community support such as membership and volunteering, that Nim-FM continues to broadcast.

And I think now is a good time to name some of the "back room" people who never get heard on-air, but without whose contributions this community camel would surely wander, ragged and thirsty, in the wilderness. So put your collective hands together for Judy, Ian, Billy, Phil, Jule, Mirko, Chris, Josh, Matthias, Josh and Clay! Great work team.

And this week on Spotlight I'll be chatting with Josh and Clay (pictured), two of our more recent office minions. OA: Gentlemen, thanks for squeezing me into your busy schedule. I thought our listeners might like to meet some of the hamsters keeping the big wheel turnin' and Proud Mary burnin'. So how'd you get involved with Nim-FM? Hamster 1 first.

H1: I'm here as a volunteer... I don't like to say it out loud...

OA: You can say it out loud.

H1: Ah, Government involvement, and certain coercive powers they have, which they enact upon people, forcing them into situations they don't want to do but after all, I am a paid government informer in that I hand in my form and they pay me the dole but that said, now that I'm here you're not going to get rid of me. I love this station.

OA: Hamster 2?

H2: Pretty much as Hamster 1 said... I started here not of my own free will but I've been enjoying working here so much that I expect to be here much longer than my enforced attendance.

OA: Isn't that what the WFD (Work For the Dole) scheme is aiming at? Placing you in industries where you might find gainful employment?

H1: I think so... and helping the community... and getting more votes. No wait I didn't say that. I meant John Howard is a great man. A great man.

Chorus from All: Great Man!

OA: So, how have you found working at a radio station?

H1: I love it. I absolutely love it. It's the people, the atmosphere, the music constantly going and the people in the



community, coming in and sorting things out.

H2: Probably the best group of people I've come across and with people like that involved you can't go wrong. It's probably the best Wednesday / Thursday I've experienced.

H1: We're still getting our \$20 after this aren't we?

OA: Of course you are... between you. After all, you're only hamsters.

H2: I thought we were a brains trust. Is it the cheese crumbs?

H1: We're sorry about that.

OA: So... what are you working on now, gentlemen?

H1: Well, right now we're trying to move house...

OA: Wait. You misunderstand. I meant here at the station.

H1: Oh, well we're working on a competition for some listeners to win a free double pass to the opera Aida, which is being performed on the beach at the Gold Coast in September. Watch this space.

OA: Thanks gentlemen.

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Our editorial team are always going walkabout - you'll be writing stories and taking photos for us, so if you enjoy being out in community and can snap a good pic, that's a bonus!  
You will need a current driver's licence, and the position will be based in Lismore, NSW, on Bundjalung country. The position will be for three months, starting on Monday, August 28, until Friday, December 8, with the possibility of ongoing casual work.  
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**School Holidays**

Leaving	Arriving	Leaving	Arriving
Nimbin - Main St. (Park)	Lismore Transit Centre	Nimbin - Main St. (Park)	Lismore Transit Centre
9.00am	9.35am	9.00am	9.35am
12.45pm	1.15pm *	3.25pm	4.10pm
3.25pm	4.10pm	6.05pm	6.35pm

**No Public Holiday Service**  
Wheelchair access available  
Some buses connect in Nimbin for operators to Murwillumbah  
\* Mondays & Thursdays Only

# Nimbin Headers July resurgence for some senior teams



Grade 14 action taking on the top team Casino and making a good fist of it, but letting in two late goals to go down 4-1.



The second goal that beats Eureka 2-0 in 7th division



Women's 4th division battling hard for their 10th win of the season, beating Suffork Park 5-1



1st division had been unlucky not winning a few games before they beat Rovers at home with a well taken shot from Ruben Mack after a nice cross from the player jumping highest above.



Women's 3rd division keeper Arki about to save a penalty to keep a clean sheet with a 3-0 win over Casino



Photos by PAC  
Women's 3rd division beat the top team Lennox Head 4-1



Men's 3rd division scoring one of their 5 goals against Eureka

A month of some great wins for the Nimbin Headers teams:

- Women's 4th div have had 4 wins in July.
- Women's 3rd div have had 2 wins, 1 loss and a bye.
- Men's 1st div have had 1

win, 1 draw and 2 losses.

- Men's 3rd div have had 2 wins, 1 draw and 3 losses.
- Men's 7th div have had 2 wins and 3 losses.

And three wins on the last Sunday of the month at home was special.

## Bushwalkers step out

**Flat Rock camping weekend – 1st-2nd July**  
by Megan Myers

Another great camping weekend for the Nimbin Walkers. Flat Rock Tent Park is a lovely spot on the beach in Ballina. Quite protected and the amenities are good.

On the Saturday we set off at 9am for a leisurely six kilometre walk north along the coast to Lennox Head. The weather was fine and the whales were jumping.

We started our walk on the newly constructed coastal walking track which was very well used by locals and visitors. From Sharpe's Beach the track reverted back to grass for the walk up over the first headland down to Boulder Beach.

We had a slightly tricky walk over the boulders to the next headland and up to Lennox Point Lookout. There were spectacular views both north to Byron and south to the Ballina break-wall with lots of whale spotting.

After a leisurely lunch in Lennox we headed back to Ballina for a lovely afternoon of chatting and walking on the beach.

Sunday morning we headed south for a shorter walk to the north wall in Ballina. Again lots of whale spotting – it almost seemed that they were putting on a show for us.

The walk through the coastal forest was wonderful and the Indigenous history of the area was very interesting. Lots of new signage telling the sad stories of our history in the area. There were lots of people walking on the break-wall, lots of families, which were nice to see.

We found some interesting driftwood huts constructed on the beach at the break-wall.

Someone had put in lots of effort to collect and build these small cubby houses.

We stopped at the surf club café for a quick coffee before the lovely walk back to Flat Rock, walking in style.

**Mooball National Park – 23rd July**  
by Bill West

Stemming from below Mount Burringbar, Christies Creek flows through rainforest in a north-east direction towards the coast. Its broad, pebbly bed makes for pleasant hiking, and is a favourite with National Park Rangers.

Access to Christies Creek is difficult because of dense scrub, so it was with pleasure that I introduced eleven bush-walkers to a way in down a tributary creek-bed, then up and down the main creek, with a final circuitous way out via a long ridge-line.

Members appreciated that the experience and tracking knowledge so gained now gives them the chance to revisit Christies Creek.

Ah, National Parks! Places to get away from the madding crowd. May they be enjoyed forever by bushwalkers, photographers, and wild things. And eradicated be the noise pollution and trail erosion caused by illegal trail-bikers!

Thanks to our forefathers whose foresight preserved these as special places. Thanks also to Park Rangers for maintaining them. And thanks, of course, to Aboriginal Australians, the ultimate environmentalists, for whom all of country is sacred, so was maintained in pristine health for millennia.

<http://nimbinbushwalkers.com>



On the trail to Evans Head (above)



## Nimbin Bushwalkers Walks Program

**Sunday 20th August**  
38/38 and the Hidden Valley

Leader: Bill West 0429-933-544

Grade: 4-5 16 km walking on formed tracks before off track and some steep grades

Meet: 9.30am Rummery Park camp area near Minyon Falls in the Whian Whian SCA. We were out this way earlier in the year and have decided to return to these beautiful valleys. There will be some scrambling over rocks and some steep climbs up and down, suitable for experienced walkers only. If in doubt, ring Bill for advice.

Bring: Water, lunch and a hat.

**Sunday 3rd September**  
Tweed Coast Walk

Leader: David Holston 0452-471-327

Grade: 2 8 km coastal walk, easy grade walking behind the dunes. Beach, heath areas and hopefully some spring flowers and frolicking whales.

Meet: 9.45am for a 10am start at Norris Head carpark at Bogangar.

Bring: Water, lunch and a hat.



**11 SILKY OAK DRIVE, NIMBIN**

**\$ 459,000**

- The home has high ceilings throughout, timber flooring to the living areas and study.
- 3 carpeted bedrooms and an enclosed verandah that could be a 4th bedroom or office/studio.
- The kitchen has been updated, is spacious and functional with gas stove top/oven.
- An undercover rear deck with direct access from a double carport.
- With a block this size there's opportunity to build a 2nd structure.



**74 FALLS ROAD, NIMBIN**

**\$ 799,000**

- Fully fenced and with ample water supply via 4 dams and 2 creeks.
- The house is over 100 years old and maintains most of its original features.
- The home runs on both electricity and gas and has fantastic views.
- Garage, multiple sheds, water tanks, stockyards, mature fruit & nut trees in abundance.
- Don't delay your inspection, it's the first time this property has been for sale in over 50 years.



**55/265 MARTIN RD,  
LARNOOK**

**\$ 318,000**

- Set high up on a north end ridge of "The Billen" is this 2 acre eco-friendly family home.
- 2 ground floor bedrooms, bathroom, kitchen and lounge plus a big deck.
- Main bedroom plus ensuite and its very own balconies upstairs.
- Polished timber floors, old pub doors, leadlight windows, wood heater, fitted gas kitchen with gas cooking.
- 12 panel solar system with excellent battery bank, solar/gas hot water, abundant water.

**JUST LISTED**



**5 TAREEDA WAY,  
NIMBIN**

**\$ 449,000**

- Built in late 2011, this property still presents as if it was built just yesterday.
- Sitting on a good size block of approx. 641m2 at the high end of the street
- The backyard is pleasant to just sit and enjoy, fully fenced with low maintenance gardens and gorgeous location views.
- The home provides 3 bedrooms, the main with ensuite and walk-in robe.



**3 TAREEDA WAY,  
NIMBIN**

**\$ 385,000**

- The block is approx. 782m2 and fully fenced so the kids and pets can enjoy the freedom.
- Central location with services including sewer, water and garbage collection.
- The house has been renovated from original and presents beautifully.
- There are 3 huge bedrooms, lounge with front verandah access and a separate dining room from kitchen.

**SOLD**



**28a CULLEN STREET,  
NIMBIN**

**SOLD BY LIS MILLER!!**

- Barely a 2 minute walk into Nimbin Village with a pretty rural outlook.
- It offers 2 bedrooms and a sleepout.
- A lovely modern family sized kitchen with gas cooking, newly renovated bathroom, laundry and workshop/studio area.
- A wrap-around verandah large enough for entertaining friends, or just to enjoy, sits along two sides of the home.



**FAT FREDDY'S ROUS ROAD, GOONELLABAH**

**\$ 80,000**

- Busy business located on Rous Road, high and dry from any weather event.
- The business is going very strong and has plenty of room for potential.
- Room for a coffee machine, fresh fish, longer hours, hot bain marie and much more.
- Open for Dinner Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday. Open for Lunch Thursday & Friday.
- Please contact Uri today for more information.



**2/5 HENSEN ROAD, NIMBIN**

**\$ 350 PER WEEK**

- 5 minute drive to Nimbin.
- 3 Bedrooms with built-in-robos.
- Main bedroom opens onto verandah
- Large yard with lush gardens and fruit trees.
- Please contact Janet today for more information.

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## GRANT'S LATEST LISTINGS



**NEW**

Contact Grant

3 Tareeda Way, Nimbin \$385,000

- Original homestead on the land now known as Alternative Way. Big block
- Modest 'Queenslander'. Original features - leadlight windows, high ceilings
- Low maintenance, lovely views, convenient proximity to Nimbin Village



**NEW**

Contact Grant

345 Blade Road West, Nimbin \$749,000

- Beautifully renovated timber country home with stunning outdoors / pool
- Magical panoramic views of Border Ranges from much of the 90 acres
- Undulating hills. Mix of native bush and open grassy paddocks. Wildlife



**NEW**

Contact Grant

839 Blue Knob Road, Nimbin \$599,000

- 40 acres of gentle slopes with 15 acres of these frost free. Lime orchard
- Beautiful fertile soils, views of the ranges and plenty of water - 2 x dams
- Old dwelling in need of much love and renovation, w/ power connected

## JOHN'S LATEST LISTINGS



**NEW**

Contact John

1245 Jiggi Road, Jiggi \$369,000

- 15 acres fertile land in the lovely Jiggi valley, only 20 minutes to Lismore
- Quaint 2 x bedroom loft-style cottage with deck. Lovely mature gardens
- Large shed, dam, poultry setup. A little TLC would quickly restore ambience



**NEW**

Contact John

170 Oxbow Road, Cawongla \$485,000

- Exceptional 12 acres of flat flood-free land beside the prettiest of wide creeks
- Park-like grounds of bountiful and ornamental gardens with many out-buildings
- Modest 3 x bed home well maintained. Huge verandah / deck. Lagoon & views



**NEW**

Contact John

176 Gungas Road, Nimbin \$485,000

- Beautifully presented character home with stunning views to the North
- 1.5 acres close to Nimbin Village w/ mature gardens, tall trees & walkways
- 3 x bed home, separate studio. You'll fall on love with this ambient property!

## JACQUI'S LATEST LISTINGS



**NEW**

Contact Jacqui

'Avalon' 23/1157 Stony Chute Rd, Nimbin \$315,000

- Sounds of the falling creek are everpresent from this lovely older home
- 3 x good-sized bedrooms, study, large lounge/kitchen with a dining area
- Private 3 acres w/ numerous fruit trees and a well built vegetable garden



**NEW**

Contact Jacqui

Terania Creek Road, The Channon \$575,000

- The quintessential cool summer home in the warmth of the subtropics
- Private outlook from huge deck/balcony. Lush self-maintaining gardens
- 20 acres mostly rainforest. 4 bedroom home + self-cont second dwelling



**PRICED FOR QUICK SALE**

**NEW**

'Avalon' 7/1157 Stony Chute Rd, Nimbin \$270,000

- Council approved well-built 2 bed dwelling with all services on pretty 'Avalon'
- 6 acre forested community share enjoyed from wide verandahs on two sides
- Infrastructure includes 2 x big water tanks & huge shed. Wallabies & birds

## AND INTRODUCING THE NEW 'NIGHTCAP VISTA ESTATES'

**LOT 1**  
 \* Approx 1.15 acres  
 \* Distant Creek Sounds  
 \* Panoramic Views  
 \* Walk to the Village  
 \* Town Water, Phone, Power, Internet, NBN  
 \* Closest in Stage 1 to Gungas Road  
 \* Delayed Settlement available

**\$220k**

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**LOT 2**  
 \* Approx 1.11 acres  
 \* Distant Creek Sounds  
 \* Panoramic Views  
 \* Walk to Nimbin  
 \* Town Water, Phone, Power, Internet, NBN  
 \* Dual Sealed Road Access  
 \* Delayed Settlement Available

**\$240k**

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**LOT 3**  
 \* Approx 3.71 acres  
 \* Largest in Stage 1  
 \* Spectacular Valley & Mountain Views  
 \* Walk to Nimbin  
 \* Town Water piping  
 \* Phone, Power, Internet & NBN  
 \* Delayed Settlement Available

**\$275k**

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