

# WALKS PROGRAMME

After our Xmas break, the Nimbin Bushwalking Club is back into it for another year. Once a month we undertake a day walk and also a camping weekend walk. Visitors are always welcome and we ask for \$10 to help with our insurance costs. Give the walk leader a ring to register your interest.



## Friday 15th to Sunday 17th February Black Rocks campground, Bundjalung National Park

Leader: Megan Myers 0415-063-302

Grade 2-3. Camp for a night or two, day walkers are welcome on both the Saturday and Sunday. Walkers need appropriate footwear, hats and lunch. Visitors welcome – \$10 to help cover insurance. Day walks will start around 8.30am. Lovely camp area under trees on the coast just south of Evans Head. Jerusalem Creek runs to the ocean, and some will be canoeing/kayaking this tree-lined and bird-active estuary. Lovely walk alongside. Beach fishing available. We will be booking some sites near the estuary at the northern end. To share a site, contact Megan or book your own. National Park annual vehicle pass \$8 a day and camping is \$12 per person/night.

## Sunday 3rd March Kingscliff to Fingal lighthouse beach walk

Leader: Bill West 0429-933-544

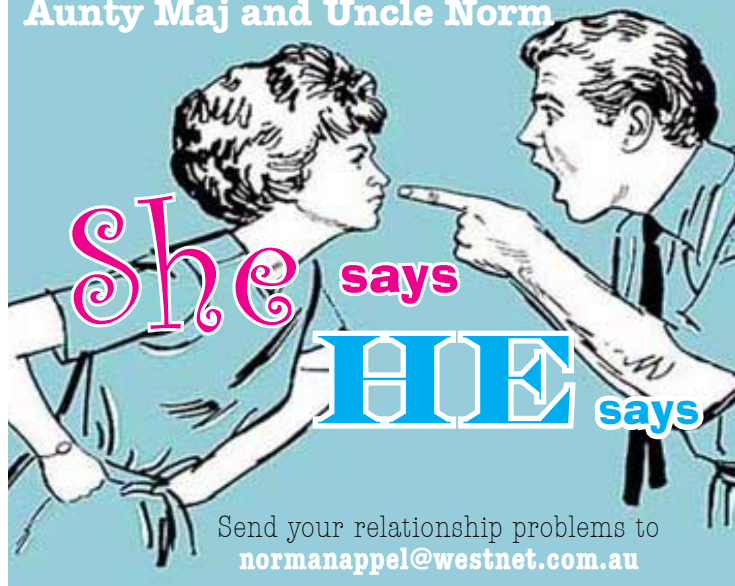
Meet @ 9.30am at the carpark north of the bowling club at Kingscliff. A relaxing walk of 10km along the beach to Fingal lighthouse. Bring swimmers, lunch, hat and water. Coffee afterwards.

## Friday 15th to Sunday 17th March Girraween National Park

Leader: Sue Macklin 0402-220-973

Grade 3-4. Care needed at drop off, slippery after rain and care needed on tracks. Stunning landscapes with huge granite boulders, clear running streams, excellent water holes, some easy and some difficult walking tracks, some steep grades, caution needed at lookouts. Staying at Bald Rock Creek camping area, fees of \$6.55 per person/night include hot showers. Booking online <https://qpws.usedirect.com/qpws/> or by phone: 13 74 68. Bring camping and walking gear, swimmers and firewood. Check out: [www.npsr.qld.gov.au/parks/girraween/](http://www.npsr.qld.gov.au/parks/girraween/)

## Aunty Maj and Uncle Norm



Send your relationship problems to  
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## I like him, butt...

Dear SSHS, I am 36 and wanting to settle down. I have met a wonderful guy who loves me. He is perfect except that he's a cigarette smoker, and I hate smoking. What to do?

– Nicki Tine,  
Woodenbong, NSW

### She says

**D**ear Nicki, smoking is a biggie, and a potential deal-breaker. As we all know, not only is there a massive health risk, but it also costs a bomb. The odd joint, sans tobacco, is OK, but cigarettes are pernicious.

I also have this problem with Norm. When he told me, "You look so good I could roll you up and smoke you", I realised I didn't have a chance. He was in love, committed and addicted – to smoking. I thought if I could get him to be like that with me, then I would have snagged a good husband, except, of course, for the smoking.

Before marriage, he promised he'd give up by the time he was 50. He's over 60 now and still happily puffing away. When I nag him, he says he's cutting down. Liar! I have had to accept that addictions can only be overcome when a person is willing, ready and strong enough to go through the hellish process. They cannot be bullied into it. Believe me, I've tried! Tobacco is one of the most addictive substances on the planet.

At the beginning of your relationship, while all the love hormones are rampant, you may be able to get him to stop, but after they die down, you haven't got a chance unless he has a health scare which may be too late.

But do you want to lose your potential soul mate due to his addiction? Are you so perfect? I know many women who are still alone well into their senior years, having rejected loving men because they smoked cigarettes, cannabis, or both. Write out a list of his pros and cons and work out whether he's worth it. A good compromise is to ask him to smoke organic tobacco and roll his own. That cuts out many toxic chemicals inhaled from tailor-made brands.

Because of his smoking, I said in my wedding speech "Norm was the man who made me lower my bottom line." Sure, one day we will probably have to deal with his smoking related diseases, but that's the price he, and by default, I, will have to pay. After 20 years with my beloved, he's still in love, committed, and addicted to smoking – and also to me.

### He says

**D**ear Nicki, I have to confess that I'm a long-term smoker and in rude health. Matter of fact, I'm having one as I write this. How else would I be able to cope with all the curly questions I receive from the Great Unwashed?

Sir Walter Raleigh is credited (God bless him) with first bringing tobacco back to England from the New World. Legend has it that when his servant brought a carafe of wine to his study and saw smoke billowing from his master's nostrils, he dutifully doused him with the wine. No doubt you would like to do that to every smoker.

I grew up in an age when literally everybody smoked, anywhere, anytime. Those were the days. Even the doctor lit up a fag when you'd sit down to tell him your woes.

Today smokers have been demonized as outcasts and degenerates who should be spurned by the smug, hubristic members of society whose shit don't stink.

Look at all the great contributors to our society over the last 150 years. People like Einstein and Freud, right through to Johnny Rotten. Scientists, physicists, philosophers, writers, artists and musicians, all of whom were smokers. Today they wouldn't get a look in if they were applying for a job or trying to rent a bedsit. Shameful!

So, while I can't defend smoking per se, because I'd be hung, drawn and quartered, I certainly come out in defense of smokers because they are people too. Just because we have a weakness for the dreaded weed doesn't make us any less smart, valuable, or worthy of love.

Surely you can compromise and let him have a quiet fag outside or away from you. As long as he doesn't try to blow it up your arse, you could have many happy years together. Or can you afford to wait another decade or so until Mr Perfect comes along? That is if he, in fact, exists.

"A woman is an occasional pleasure, but a cigar is always a smoke." – Groucho Marx



## See no evil, Hear no evil, Speak no evil

### The world according to Magenta Appel-Pye

**I** thought a good resolution this year would be to employ the old adage my mother taught me, "If you can't say something nice about a person, don't say anything at all."

To further enhance my growth, I'm trying to stop swearing. This means dropping a group of women who sit around drinking and bitching. That's not hard, I don't like them much anyway. Oops!

I see I will have to learn some new skills, and fast. I practise saying nothing when someone asks what I think of their new boyfriend and find it only arouses suspicion and their imagination fills in the blanks.

So, is a white lie the answer? I discover that if you don't say anything bad, they can't use it against you, and it never gets back

to that person, thus saving a lot of drama. I'm finding that peace of mind is the real goal.

I read that if people knew what others really thought about them, there would be but two friends in the whole world. But we all have our harsh judgements of each other. We can't help it, we're human. However, we can learn to keep our mouths shut.

I look at the three brass monkeys on my dressing table reminding me to see no evil, hear no evil and speak no evil. Is it possible?

It would mean turning off the TV and never reading a newspaper again, except the *Nimbin GoodTimes* which has mostly positive content.

I look around and see beauty everywhere. I guess it's a matter of what you focus on. Now if I could just keep my bloody mouth shut... damn, oh fuck it!

"If you can't say something nice, say it to your husband... he's not listening anyway."





# NIMBIN LIFESTYLE

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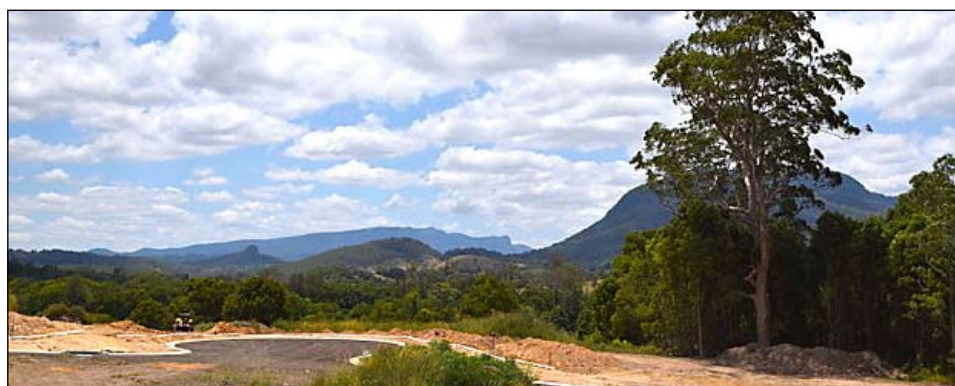


**LOT 7, 365 LINDSAY ROAD,  
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**5 TAREEDA WAY, NIMBIN  
CONTACT PETER FOR DETAILS**

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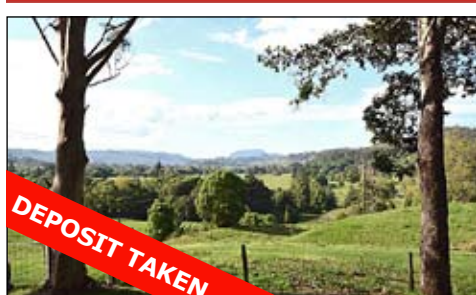


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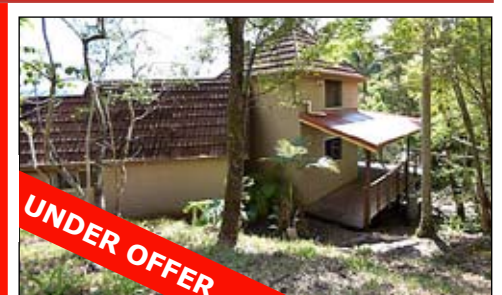
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## NEW LISTINGS



Contact John

**34 Tulsi Lane, Nimbin \$275,000**  
• Panoramic views from level building site  
• Container home, landscaping, tanks, power



Contact Yvonne

**258 Smiths Creek Road, Kyogle \$469,000**  
• Totally off-grid country haven. Water galore  
• 3 x bed, 2-way bath, 2 x toilets. Huge garage



Contact Jacqui

**16/1157 Stony Chute Rd, Nimbin \$325,000**  
• Gorgeous leafy share on 'Avalon'. Private  
• Contemporary dwelling, studio & shedding



Contact Jacqui

**12/265 Martin Road, Larnook \$130,000**  
• 2 developed house sites, one level w/ tank  
• Cement drive to part-dwelling. Great starter



Contact Grant or Samara

**17 Cooloon Street, Kunghur \$449,500**  
• Churches are rarely offered, & this is a beauty  
• Lovely home conversion w/ original features



Contact Grant

**Lot 24 Perkins Bridge Rd, Greenridge \$375k**  
• Flat, rich, mostly cleared mixed farming land  
• Header tank and two water troughs. Bore

## FEATURE PROPERTIES



Contact Yvonne

**9 Tulsi Lane, Nimbin \$215,000**  
• Large elevated open block w/ country views  
• Rainforest creek to rear. Current home DA



Contact John

**371 Billen Road, Georgica \$259,000**  
• Mostly cleared, studded with mature trees  
• Gentle saddle w/ great building site. Springs



Contact Samara

**227 Billen Road, Georgica \$495,000**  
• Pristine secluded enclave with 1/2km creek  
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Contact Yvonne

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