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Visiting the Green School in Bali

by Satya McVeity

Last winter I visited Bali for the first time ever, and stayed most of the time in and around Ubud. It was my intention whilst there to do some study on local herbs and healing plants. Along with my studies about these, I also wanted to learn about bamboo and the curing of it, as we have a lot of bamboo growing around us and I was keen to see how it is used for buildings, furniture etc.

I found out from the net that there was a place about 1-2 hours away from Ubud that had some amazing looking bamboo structures built on it. This was the Green School and the Green Village next to it. I got in contact with the management

and planned to take a tour the next day after I had booked myself a driver of a scooter to get me there and back. This was with Nuri, a woman of about 40 who had two daughters of school age.

We rode out through Ubud to the countryside passing small villages along the way. Lots of rice and other mixed crops were planted in these fertile tropical soils.

Eventually she got me to the Green School where I joined a group of people from all over the world who had come for the tour. We registered with the women who were collecting the funds and sat around for about twenty minutes. Then our tour guide arrived on the scene and handed us all some headsets so we could hear her talking if we were too far from her. She was Portuguese but spoke good English.

Firstly, we went to the kitchen which was near where we had been waiting. It was a large kitchen worked by the locals who make lunches everyday for the kids at the school. This is very much an alternative type of school with a lot of emphasis on clean sustainable living, growing and eating organic produce and taking care of the land. Very similar values as Tuntable School and other alternative schools exhibit. I was a part of Tuntable School for 14 years while my kids were there in preschool and primary. It was an amazing experience to be so much a part of our children's education and to partake with the teachers in their learning in such a relaxed and nurturing environment.

At the time I was here the school was on holidays so we didn't see much of the kids. There was a group that were there on the day that were doing a holiday camp but I'm not sure if it was just for the day or longer.

As the group wound its way past some amazing bamboo structures which were designed and constructed by local bamboo craftsmen, we came to an aviary. The school had a breeding program going on here for the Balinese White Starling birds who were facing extinction. They also had some toucans they were looking after.

We came then to their composting area and worm farms where all the kitchen scraps were brought to. This in turn was used on their veggie gardens and even though they didn't grow all their own produce a certain amount was being used in the kitchen for the lunches. I think there were about 90 to 100 pupils at the school at the time and many of them were international students whose parents were living and often working in Bali. As the school fees were considerable for the local Balinese, not many families could afford to send their children to this school.

The school was started in the late 80's after the Green Village and bamboo factory had been built. Over time more scholarships have been set up by the school for the local Balinese kids to attend this school. These are funded by donations from international visitors and also from their huge recycling program which the kids are also involved in. They sort their rubbish into many different bags for recycling and are paid by people who collect it there at the school. For instance, they had about four or five categories of plastics from hard to soft plastic.

The gardens were on the rich river flats and the fast flowing river had a giant water turbine constructed next to it with a channel that diverted the water from the river to flow through the turbine and thus generate electricity for the school. Along with the solar panels that were set up, the school was mostly running on its own power system except at times when there wasn't a lot of sun.

We came then to a bridge over the river that was just used for pedestrians and motor cycles. It had an amazing bamboo structure over the top of it that was a traditional design from Java, I think (pictured). All I can try to emphasise is the skill of these people in their use of this plant.

On our way around the school grounds we passed many more classrooms two to three stories high, all constructed with bamboo down to the finest details. We saw a guy there making a

desk from bamboo ply. These are used throughout all the classrooms and all the chairs also were from bamboo.

The sports area included a big grassed area and also an undercover area in yet another bamboo structure. They also had a mud wrestling pool with rock work made into three tiered seating surrounding it. It had been their meeting area originally before they built their existing meeting and lecture room.

Our tour finished after our visit to the recycling station with a cool drink and banana bread at the place where we had started. Certainly an inspiration for bamboo craft and building that has been in this culture for a very long time. How amazing for these kids that are being schooled here! What a wonderful way these Westerners can learn from the Balinese and vice versa.

I did another tour after this one, to the bamboo factory. A young guy came and collected me on his scooter and we rode down the road for about ten minutes to the bamboo factory. Unfortunately, they didn't allow me to take photos in the factory itself. They are just protecting their industry and many people's livelihoods, and I could understand that.

I did get to see the whole curing process for the bamboo in troughs with boron added and then heated by fires burning under the huge troughs. After this process the bamboo is washed with high pressure water passing through a machine and then stood to dry before it is then split or used whole in whatever form people are ordering. I also saw the process of making the bamboo ply with the use of glues to form a smooth durable surface.

After this I was taken to the shop at the front of the factory where I was allowed to take photos. Here were many samples of their work which ranged from tables to circular hanging chairs to desktop holders for pens etc. and soap made from charcoal.

My host then dropped me back to the Green School where I was picked up once again by Nuri my driver, and taken back to Ubud.

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Karate classes in Nimbin

by Sensei Rachel Whiting

Upon hearing of a need in Nimbin for "something for the teens to do after school" I decided to offer my services to Nimbin. I have been teaching karate to local children, teens and adults in The Channon area where I've lived since 2012. Classes are held on Tuesday afternoons 4-5.30pm during school terms at the Community Centre's Dance Hall. You can walk there from Nimbin school. It is open for 12 years – adults (other ages will be considered based on readiness and maturity). We also train as often as possible amongst the natural environment, in more realistic settings.

I began my training in traditional Okinawan Goju-ryu Karate-do 28 years ago, when I was 14, and achieved my black belt when I was 19. Since then I have trained with many styles but maintained my personal training and love of Goju-ryu. I have instructed karate classes and women's self-defence programs since I was 19, and am an instructor of the 'Rock & Water' youth program. I am also a youth worker outside of teaching karate, as I have a lot of respect for our teens and am passionate about supporting them to be and do their best.

Although this style is not competitive – it is focussed on kinship and respect – when I was 21 I entered a National All Styles martial arts competition and won the women's black belt sparring. This style works if you give it your best. You get out what you put in, that's how life works right? Karate teaches humility, so that you don't have to use it.



There is a saying that goes "the best martial artist is one who has no reason to fight". One is inwardly confident, not boastful, not fearful, stands one's ground assertively but not aggressively, speaks clearly what needs to be said and no more, and has nothing to prove.

I am happy to be offering the Nimbin community the opportunity to learn the skills and values of not only physical self-defence and fitness, but also the qualities of confidence, focus, self-discipline, perseverance, and the development of a strong spirit. 'Go-ju' means 'hard-soft', akin to yin-yang. As such it balances solid physical and mental discipline with creative fluid flowing energy responsive to its environment – considered a good recipe for living well in general.

Karate is not just a sport, it is considered a way of life. I hope you will join our dedicated 'family' of karatekas. May your New Year be blessed with health and joy!

Contact Rachel on 0427-778-837.

NIMBIN FAMILY PLAYGROUP

by Rachel Whiting,
Playgroup Officer

Welcome to the New Year, Nimbin families. I hope your holiday were not too much of a daze, and you managed to slip in some good solid fun family time – and hopefully a good dose of rest and TLC for yourself too.

Playgroup is all cleaned up and ready to go for 2017. We have great plans for fun craft and creative activities that support the overall development of your child/ren this year. This includes activities that develop physical skills and co-ordination, mental/intellectual growth, social and emotional skills as they move from 'observing' their world into interacting



with their little friends for the first time.

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an opportunity for you to socialise and reduce common isolation that can occur in the early years of parenting. We have a few special guests planned for the term to discuss common parenting challenges, books and information sheets for you to peruse and discuss.

A healthy morning tea is always a nice part of the day. I hope to see you here on Tuesdays or Fridays, every week of school term, 10am-1.30pm, free. You can find us on Facebook at "Nimbin Playgroups" or call us on 6689-0523 or 6621-2489.



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Home ed – what happens next?



Text & picture by Susan de Wall

One of the second questions I'm often asked about home education – are homeschooled students disadvantaged?"

The answer to this is a resounding "no". Home educated students face no greater barriers to further education and careers than those enrolled in mainstream or distance education schools. In many ways, homeschoolers have an advantage, in having a variety of pathways, flexible timings and much less stress in accessing further education and work.

Home educated students can access a Certificate of Year 10 Completion from the NSW Educational Standards Authority by showing that they completed the equivalent amount of work as a school student. TAFE can be accessed from the age of 15 with or without a Year 10 Certificate; in fact any Cert II TAFE course is considered the equivalent of Year 10. These can lead into apprenticeships and careers. TAFE Cert IV and Diploma courses provide entry into university (and often credit towards a degree).

Open University courses are easily accessed, with no prerequisites and from an early age, and allow students to gain a University transcript which can be used to apply for on campus degree courses. Short, free courses are available from many universities around the world and allow students a taste of tertiary studies – we already incorporate these into our daily activities for my high school aged son. Close to home, Southern Cross Uni provides excellent programs for high school age students; designed to inspire interest

Home-educated students challenge their design and coding skills at the Southern Cross University Robotics Club.

in tertiary studies. Local homeschoolers regularly attend open days, science workshops and the robotics club; joining in the activities with great enthusiasm.

How well do home educated students do after finishing? That depends – there is as much variety here as there would be in any given class of school students. There are those who are academically inclined, who go on to tertiary studies. There are those who seek apprenticeships or who start their own businesses. Others may travel for a while or volunteer or may take the first job opportunity that comes along. Still others have disabilities that may dictate some of their choices.

Homeschooling is not a magic solution to poor academic performance; rather it allows each individual to find their particular groove without pressure to achieve a certain score or to perform by a certain point in time. Indeed, what happens after 15 is very much up to the individual, their interests, their passions and their unique abilities. Our aim as educating parents is to keep the love of learning alive as students move into independence, to support them in their next learning journey, whatever it may be.

Home education is on the increase in Australia and worldwide as people recognise the need to nurture a lifelong love of learning. Monthly information sessions are now being held in Nimbin. If you'd like to know more, or would like to join our meet-ups please contact us at: rainbowregionhomeschoolers@gmail.com

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The world according to **Magenta** Appel-Pye

What's in a name? An awful lot. What if you have a disease and it hasn't got a proper name, does it exist? Well it does for those who have it.

This has been the problem for Australians who have tick-borne illnesses, of which there are many. Having medicos think of ticks and then identifying the exact one has been problematic and, for some, tragic. We now know about Tick Typhus or Spotted Fever *rickettsiae*, some people get anaphylaxis from certain infected ticks, but not all tick bites. There are those who develop a red meat allergy which can develop any time in life after the tick bite.

Then there's the 'L' word, one which has caused so much controversy. The problem is that the word "Lyme" disease refers to infection with *Borrelia burgdorferi sensu stricto* bacteria, common in the east coast of USA. What we have in Australia is the relapsing fever *Borrelia*, which is a complex infection with delayed onset and vague symptomatology.



The infection, which can begin with a fever and bullseye-shaped rash

Diagnosis is difficult, as most people do not remember being bitten. A tick bite not only delivers *Borrelia* but also multiple co-infections. These further complicate the diagnosis and treatment. Current Australian tests are based upon the American *Borrelia* and cannot detect relapsing fever *Borrelia*.

Unfortunately there is a lack of training and awareness of *Borreliosis* in Australia, which leaves many who have contracted this disease/s out there on their own. Without proper diagnoses and treatment, *Borrelia* has caused many deaths in Australia. Much needs to be done, now, to stop unnecessary suffering and loss of health.

If you have any questions about tick borne illness, check out Karl McManus Foundation or Lyme Disease Association of Australia websites. The Byron Health Lodge (6685-6445) has tick-borne illness trained doctors and naturopaths.

This photo was taken on Saturday 14th January just before noon as I was on my way to the Showground for the annual BBQ for the volunteers. The temperature was over 39 degrees and he was covered in mud, so he earned his money that day.

Nosin' around with PAC

She says / HE says with Aunty Maj and Uncle Norm

Dear SSHS, My girlfriend always runs late and it drives me crazy. What can I do? – Johnny Come Lately

She says

Time waits for no man, but some people spend half their life waiting around for someone else. It's not right, it's disrespectful of your precious time. However, people's personal clocks are often wired differently. The busiest people I know are always punctual, whereas those who have no children or job are the ones who always keep me waiting.

I have a friend who is always late except, annoyingly, for when I anticipate it and only then does she arrive on time, and whinges about it. If going to an event that starts at a certain time, now I meet her there, rather than pick her up, and I go in on time and save her a seat.

Uncle Norm is a sloth and I'm a jaguar, so, for us, going out together at the same time is something to be handled with patience, tolerance and strategy. Rather than getting upset about the inevitable, I have learned to use the waiting time efficiently. I look around and see what small jobs I can do whilst waiting. There's always something in the kitchen that needs cleaning.

If he's really taking his time, I might even get some music practice in. The only problem is that when he is ready, I'm in the middle of a song and just beginning to enjoy myself. So I make him wait. Then he gets all impatient and says he's always waiting for me. You're right Johnny, it is enough to drive you crazy!

He says

Sorry to tell you this, Johnny my boy, but the truth is you're the one running late, not her. Let me explain.

You're both getting ready to head off for a bash in the hills. You've showered, thrown on some clean undies, shorts, t-shirt and thongs. You've got the beer, pocketed your wallet and stash, you're ready. And she's still flitting about in her knickers!

I hope you know by now that the last thing you do is start harassing her and blustering on about always being late. This will lead to catastrophe. No, you take a deep breath, stay out of her way and read the paper, play the piano, or whatever, and hope she emerges soon looking like a million bucks and declaring herself ready. Which, eventually, she does.

Except she then points out that you haven't locked the house and put the cat out. You haven't any food in the car along with all the other crap she wants to take. Then comes the killer blow: "You're not going out in that filthy t-shirt and daggy shorts. Get them off now!"

So you finally arrive at the party two hours late only to be told by your hosts that they waited for you but decided to eat without you and there's nothing left. No prizes for guessing whose fault this is, you slack bastard.

Take heart in the fact that this scene has played out for millions of couples for thousands of years, and will continue to do so. Remember you are just a passenger on this journey. Learn to relinquish any control of this situation. Hopefully next time you'll at least arrive in time for a few leftovers.

"Patience is not the ability to wait, but the ability to keep a good attitude while waiting." – Joyce Meyer

Send your relationship problems to Norm and Magenta: normanappel@westnet.com.au

Saving the world with a song

by Brendan (Mookx) Hanley

When I was growing up, my Catholic parents always had a priest for a friend. Along with other cops (dad was one) it was pretty much a local Parish priest with whom they drank copious amounts of the sacred sacrament...Victoria Bitter Ale.

They would often have to drive the pissed pastor back to his presbytery. I think they thought it was a ticket to Heaven if a priest was included in their drinking-buddy list!

So imagine the points scored if one of your three sons was a priest! Crikey. That was Heaven Gold Pass for sure. And guess which son they decided to sacrifice and brainwash and groom for such a role? You got it right first go... me! Fortunately, as circumstances would have it, my old man got transferred to Portland where I had to go to a secular high school with no Latin classes and no continual brainwashing about the joys and benefits of Catholic priesthood... and the whole sanctimonious, ridiculous idea went out the window. But somehow not entirely.

The particular incident that put me onto this fact took place at Tuntable Falls Community in 1977/78. General meetings were held in the open, in a circle, tribal, committee-less and chairman-less. They could be wild affairs... basically a bunch of city drop-outs getting together on land they mutually owned... sorting out how best to live together, manage the land and their new "tribal" Community. A brave undertaking... and a sure environment for the odd huge flare-up.

I arrived at one such meeting, dressed in my normal uniform of sarong and five-string banjo (when I wore clothes at all! It was a fairly naked society in those days. Much fewer hang-ups than today's prudish, fearful climate!) Approaching the meeting, I could hear loud, angry

voices, even over my banjo picking... and upon arrival, was greeted with the sight of 40 or 50 people sitting, kneeling, squatting and standing in a circle, shouting, swearing, hurling abuse and being generally most unfriendly to one another.

Stoned of course, I was overcome by a wave of sadness and concern at what I was witnessing. I felt tears in my eyes and the proverbial lump in the throat. Thus affected, but otherwise ego-less and intention-less I slowly walked around the outside of the circle three times picking the banjo... arriving back at where I first started. I stopped playing. My sudden arrival and interruption had had an immediate effect on the level, intensity and tempo of the acrimonious interchange. Things quickly settled down. It grew quieter and more peaceful with each circumnavigation... until it was all calm... with everybody looking at me as I came to rest... looking back at them.

One girl, Ruth, looked at me with such love, it nearly knocked me over. I have never forgotten that look to this day. A prominent tribe member called Dave left the circle and in semi-jest, knelt on the grass at my feet, putting his arms around my legs and hugging me in utter appreciation and on behalf of the whole mob. Ruth and Dave endorsed and proved to me the reality of what I had just witnessed. I had unwittingly performed a "priestly ceremony" if you like... and settled the whole turbulence into loving peace with my music and totally open vibe. By "open" I mean I had no agenda, no thoughts that I was doing anything other than picking some cruisy bluegrass... I wasn't seeking any result... just doing my thing. And look what happened.

Since that amazing day, I have seen my songs' effects on all sorts of people in all sorts of places... anywhere I go. And like it or not, I just happen to be a naive enough hippy to believe that if one song like 'Flying High', 'Peacemakin' Man',



'Keep Sailing On' or 'Peace, Peace, Peace' were to be released on a global level by some high profile artist or band (Like Disturbed's magnificent top-seller cover of Paul Simon's 'Sound of Silence') that perhaps the "Tuntable Effect" might take place on that level as well.

Given this belief as a driving force, I have recorded and attempted many times to get a song "Out There!" as I mentioned this last month... but I'll say it again to those friends of mine who just don't seem to get it! I was NEVER seeking the personal fame and notoriety, lack of privacy and exploitation that usually goes with being the prime focus of such an event ... and I'm still not... more than ever! I've just been hoping to attract the attention of the artist or producer, A & R person or publisher who could bring it all about. Also of course, some big money would be great. Imagine what good things could be done with such a windfall! And the floodgates of all my other creativity would open and be managed in a controlled way that doesn't expose me and my family and friends in a dangerous, invasive or exploitative manner.

A song that says "We are all one" or "Peace for all the Universe" or "Listen to your sister" or good old "Keep Sailing On!" can't be all bad. I'd sure still like to see it happen.

Right now!

Creative spirits of the bush



The first Bonalbo Arts Festival is ready to roll in February, and according to organisers, "will celebrate the creative spirit of the area."

Vilya de Tozser, a volunteer at the Bonalbo and District Hall for three years, applied for a Celebration Grant from Multicultural NSW and received \$4000 to put on the festival.

"I am amazed at the number of creative people here," Ms de Tozser told The Northern Star. She hopes the festival will "bring people out of the woodwork,"

The free festival is billed as a celebration of arts, crafts, music and performance at the Bonalbo Hall, and will take place on the weekend of 11th and 12th February.

Elder Cedric Walker will open the festival on Saturday, February 11 starting at noon and events will run until 10pm, and continue on Sunday from noon until 4pm.

There will be also be market stalls throughout the weekend. On Saturday evening at 6pm, there will be a re-run of *Bonnywood Rising*, the film made by Professor Grayson Cook as part of the 'If These Halls Could Talk' project for Arts Northern Rivers.

A perfect opportunity to re-visit Bonalbo.



with Bob Tissot

Hello and welcome to On Air, Nim-FM's softly, softly radio program that won't disturb your neighbour's meditation.

You may have noticed my absence last month... unfortunately I was on the road like Kerouac and unable to make contact. But one thing I did notice in all the thousands of kilometres I travelled through was a complete lack of anything resembling Nim-FM. As our car radio scanned the airwaves at each new town, the results were uniformly uniform and generally a little bland. Syndicated news, syndicated sport and syndicated music from yesterday.

I can report that the rest of the country is pretty much where we left it, but not in quite such good condition as it was when we left. It was good to get home.

And now it's time for Spotlight and today the rosy glow of fame shines on Colin, who presents and produces *Food For Thought* every Wednesday from 11am 'til 2pm.



Food for thought

OA: So Colin, how did you get involved with Nim-FM?

C: Well, I saw an ad on the notice board for presenters or announcers, not that I do much announcing, I let the music do the talking for me. The show's called *Food for Thought* and I try to pick out music that's relevant to what's going down in Nimbin at the time.

OA: OK, music tailored to the prevailing mood-swings of the village... I like that. So, what colour of music do you use to paint the picture?

C: Oh a wide spectrum. Anything from heavy rock to chill to rap. I'm pretty open about what I play. Anything that the times, and my moods of course, do the thinking for me.

OA: Ever been involved with other radio stations?

C: No. I've got a pretty decent collection of sounds at home and all the music I play comes from there.

OA: You still got vinyl?

C: About 400. I don't play them much right now. I used to have an analogue system but right now I've got a digital system and it doesn't come out all the channels. So until I get an analogue system set up again the vinyl, which is mostly 70s, is gathering dust next to the tapes...

OA: You have tapes?! Do you have anything to play them on?

C: No. Same problem. Waiting for an analogue system. My house right now looks more like a building site because I'm renovating. Old house from the 50s. Some people might think owning their own place would be a cup of tea but it's not all beer and skittles.

OA: How long you been up here, Colin?

C: About 6 years. I came up from the Central Coast in real need of a sea change. Doing the hard yards at a mate's place while I got off methadone. He knew I liked colourful clothes and brought me to Susukka Trading in Nimbin. I felt like a kid in a toy shop. Five minutes later I'm sharing some herb with a bloke I'd just met and the rest is history.

OA: What were you doing before you came here, Colin?

C: I taught kids to swim for 30 years with my father at an Olympic pool. Did a lot of surfing then too. I'm a bit of a water man and that's about the only thing I miss living out here. But just the same I love Nimbin. I'm totally happy that I moved here... I couldn't have made a better move in life. Yeah.

Nimbin Crossword Solution

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Nimbin Bushwalkers February Walks Program

Sunday 19th February

Billinudgel Nature Reserve, South Golden Beach

Leader: Peter Moyle (0412-656-498) petermoyle@optusnet.com.au

Grade: 2-3 walking through coastal paperbark forest before finding mountain and coastal views. Return with a short distance on the beach and a swim to finish for those interested.

Meet: 9am at the community hall corner of Pacific Esplanade and Helen Street.

Bring: Water, hat, sunscreen, chair, picnic lunch

3rd/4th/5th March

Cutters Camp, Mebbin National Park

Leader: Peter Moyle (0412-656-498)

Another weekend camp with day walks as well. The camp area has pit toilets, BBQs and shade. Vehicle access fees apply but free camping. Day walks will start at 9am.

Mebbin National Park is between Murwillumbah and Kyogle and under the Border Ranges escarpment.

For more info, see: www.nationalparks.nsw.gov.au/camping-and-accommodation/campgrounds/Cutters-Camp-campground

Demystifying Morgellons illness

by Dr Alexander Leach

Morgellons is the name given to the illness caused by the most unusual, deceptive and deadly complex of so-called creatures to ever strike our planet.

Despite only the worm being clear microscopically, they appear to be a complex of four synthetic creatures; the so-called worm, (cnidarian or wire whipworm), a tiny golden spider-like amphipod (a hyperiid?), a flatworm (avian trematode?) and a longer worm (possibly a terebellidae).

The worm-fibre is extremely deadly, emerging from the skin as very fine crooked hair, and evolving as full body hairs (or elastically changing to mucous or plaques), or joining crookedly, end to end, widening and smoothing out to become the gordius hairworm. Or as a bundle of fine hair fibres floating through the air, or living under the skin. They are photochromic and go invisible in liquid, such as water, soft drinks, beverages, alcohol and petrol, as they do in the eye.

The amphipod spider works closely with it, spitting out stinging mucous worm threads interspersed with larval amphipods. Similar to nasty coral worms.

Numerous other lifeforms are associated. In common with USA researchers, I have found plankton, the geometric shapes of fungi, regular shaped particulate matter and the pink or green (glitter like) flashing or signalling of tiny amphipods. Somehow together, they can replicate nearby fine coloured thread and minute particles.

There are now trillions and trillions of these insidious sticky worms in and on everything, on land and in the sea. Including all foodstuffs, plants, animals and all people. We are inhaling and ingesting them all the time. Have you noticed how quickly

fruit goes bad nowadays?

They appear as innocent bits of fluff, thread or hair. And are anything but! They slowly, but inexorably, can insert themselves into almost every material there is, particularly living and organic matter. Such as blue metal. It is not an innocent or natural phenomena. It's a deliberate process of enter, replicate and devour, and as such, become it, control it or destroy it.

Synthetic creatures with this degree of complexity and malignancy naturally are built with an incredible ability to survive. Especially, as is the way with evil, the ability to deceive in every way conceivable. One of these ways is to access the cerebral cortex, and neurologically and psychologically retard thoughts, beliefs, learning, memory, and visual perception. Predictably, this includes not only blinding researchers and doctors to their presence, but also blinding them to that blinding. The ultimate disguise.

They appear to have the selective, malicious, aspects of many many creatures, particularly marine creatures. And break down to yet more malicious macro and micro organisms. But also have an intelligence or access to intelligence, the ability to robotically replicate, to analyse chemicals and counter them, and the ability to harness energy from their host. They enter computers and electronic equipment, infecting them too. In nature, they are most similar to the strangeness of the prion.

Their real function is as electro-magnetic, bio-robotic implants. Created apparently with 'a force inherent' to protect them. They have incredible programming, but don't have the spiritual force within life. But would have to have communal consciousness. None of this however belies their lethal nature and their



malice.

Morgellons illness is real, despite what any doctor or authority tells you. In truth, most doctors don't know. Unfortunately, morgellons is a step up or more in virulence, than anything the medical world knows about or is prepared for. It has quite specific signs and symptoms, reproducible in thousands of cases around the world. But of course with numerous variants and degrees of infection.

The most telling symptom of Morgellons is the severe intractable exhaustion. Night sweats are a common feature, a known feature of parasitic and some other somatic conditions. Lyme disease is highly associated. ESR or sed rate is raised.

Balance is affected. Massive presence in the bloodstream can lead to hypertension, cardiac hypertrophy



and peripheral oedema.

In time, the creatures eventually create a virtual, but unbreakable, spiders web within and throughout the body. Trackable via the surface double hair

pattern. Their multiple linkages can go either wire hard, or jelly-soft and rejoin instantly.

Throughout the numerous channels made, the creatures move as a larva migrans, emerging to spit and create specific, incurable, lesions. The distribution of these lesions is midline or bilateral with one side being more prominent than the other. These lesions are also found in identical areas of the body, in relatively superficial muscle tissue. They are classically found on the face, in teeth, head, neck, the forearm,

the back of the wrist, the hands and fingers, genitals, knees and shins.

They also spit into eyes eventually causing blindness. Some fine worm tangles produced nearby, just happen to meander in to the eye, maintaining the pretence of being inert threads.

These malicious worms can also live in plastic, wood, all cloth and synthetic fibres, They like electrostatic materials, such as thin plastic, plastic coating, power points etc. They are extraordinarily attracted to blood, coffee, alcohol, very sweet or very tasty products. And are more evident in dark blue or black products.

Eucalyptus appears to break up their stickiness, causing some release in layers from the body. Melaleuca (tea tree oil) causes the hairs to 'melt' at least temporarily. They abhor turpentine. Anti-oxidants are stated to be of value and clearly powerful magnetism or electro-magnetism.

Being in advance of us in ways, some of the original people have claimed a cure. The little I know of this treatment has been very accurate. However, in our medical system, the truth is that morgellons sufferers are still left on their own and will be offered little or no medical help at all. Despite this world epidemic, they will continue to be invalidated, misdiagnosed and subtly derided. Until some intelligent authorities finally wake up.

Dr Leach graduated in medicine at UNSW, and became Director of the Drug and Alcohol Service, Illawarra. He was awarded honours in coursework of an MPH at Sydney Uni, and admitted into the College of Physicians as an Addiction Medical Specialist (FACHAM) in 2003. He contracted Morgellons in 2002, after a white-tailed spider bite, and being unable to work, has studied and investigated Morgellons intensively since.



2 ZOUCH ROAD, STONY CHUTE

\$ 570,000

- 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms and a massive open plan living, dining and kitchen area.
- Perfect family home, or opportunity for a home business separate from living areas.
- Downstairs, the layout potential is 3 bedrooms and a study or 2 bedrooms and a lounge room, with its own kitchen, bathroom and laundry.
- Balconies to 3 sides of the home, 3 massive water tanks, solar hot water.



704 BLUE KNOB ROAD, BLUE KNOB

\$ 720,000

- A park-like property, the incredible view of Blue Knob delights the senses.
- A study and 2 bedrooms are located in the main section of the house with a 3rd bedroom and the bathroom/laundry across a breezeway.
- A generous timber verandah wraps around 3 sides of the home
- Set on approx 50 acres, the property is a combination of rich pasture and old forest.



48 HUTCHINSON ROAD, NIMBIN

\$ 1,395,000

- The land size is approx 143 fenced acres and combines paddocks (5), timbered areas, a creek and dams, and 3 water tanks totaling 66,000 litres of storage.
- Home features 4 super-sized carpeted bedrooms with built-in wardrobes, and a study.
- Main bedroom features a spacious walk through robe, parent's retreat, and ensuite.
- Impressive 1km driveway, back-to-grid 10kw solar system out of sight from the home.



BENTLEY

\$ 570,000

- The home was built on this 57 acre block (approx) in 1984 with a hardwood structure and western red cedar for the external boarding.
- The property has a 4 hectare eucalyptus hardwood timber plantation, fully accredited.
- Home comprises 3 bedrooms with built-in robes, plus study area.
- 3.7 KW Solar System feeding back to the grid consisting 16 panels.



76/265 MARTIN ROAD, LARNOOK

\$ 250,000

- This wonderful yurt sits on its own 2 acre strata title share within the Billen Cliffs Village.
- The yurt is council approved, with no rear neighbours and 2 wheel drive access.
- Functional kitchen with gas oven and cooktop, potbelly stove and central skylight.
- French doors open out onto the verandah overlooking the gardens and fruit trees.
- Separate laundry, tool shed and storage space which could be utilised as a bedroom.



15 BELLERIDGE ROAD, NIMBIN

\$ 695,000

- Elevated 2.4 acres with breathtaking views and an absolute statement of a home.
- Split-level living at its finest with a central, light-filled living, kitchen & dining area.
- The kitchen features gas cooking, dishwasher, bar, and lots of bench/cupboard space.
- Master bedroom has access to its own verandah, walk-in wardrobe and luxury ensuite.
- Private, yet only a minute to the Nimbin Village.

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NEW LISTINGS



Contact Jacqui

697 Mountain Top Rd, Nimbin \$455,000
 • Over 7 gentle acres with endless northerly views to Blue Knob and Mt Warning
 • One bedroom + attic, open plan kitchen and spacious living. Wide, open deck
 • Sheds and carport give storage, with bonus tractor and ride-on. Birdlife galore



Contact Chris

15 Belleridge Rd, Nimbin \$695,000
 • Prestige & architectural excellence. Designer masterpiece. 180 degree panorama
 • 2.4 acres of manicured privacy yet only minutes to town. Large picturesque dam
 • 3 x bed, 2 x bath all elegant. Master crafted kitchen. Double high garage workshop



Contact Nikki

125 Cecil Street, Nimbin \$415,000
 • Enveloped by tropical native gardens; 2.4 acres w/ flowing creek & waterfalls
 • 2 x beds on lower level, 3rd on upper plus attic. Private. End of no-through road
 • Huge open plan, lounge kitchen dining, massive covered decks with NE aspect



LAND

Contact Grant

6 Tareeda Way, Nimbin \$175,000
 • Great rural views of Nimbin Rocks & Blue Knob as well as the Nimbin Showground
 • Elevated 671 sqm breeze-catching Eco block in 'Alternative Way Village'. Value
 • Within walking distance to colourful Nimbin. All town services. Build the dream



Contact Nikki

26 Cullen Street, Nimbin \$390,000
 • Excellent craftsmanship for its time; original casement windows, ornate 10ft ceilings
 • 2 x bed + sun-room/sleep-out, newly renovated bath & kitchen. Formal lounge, VJ walls
 • Concrete driveway w/ carport & laundry under. Huge backyard. Views. Town block



LAND

Contact Jacqui

70/265 Martin Road, Larnook \$90,000
 • Block in strata community with great building site & wonderful mountain scenery
 • Great aspect for solar power. Balance of open and forested areas. Short drive to town
 • Rich soil for fruit trees or a top veggie garden. Self-sufficient lifestyle awaits

FEATURE LISTINGS



Contact John or Nikki

3935 Kyogle Road, Nimbin \$625,000
 • 10 acres of 'WOW'; intriguing 'Bauhaus' inspired abode w/ glorious mountain views
 • 3 x bed, designer bathroom plus ensuite, sunken lounge/dining & quality fittings
 • Low maintenance Botanical gardens. Separate double lock-up garage w/ mezzanine



BLUE RIBBON SPECIAL

Contact Nikki

★ **200 Oxbow Road, Cawongla \$595,000** ★

• Queenslander style home, lush & colourful sub-tropical setting. 10 acres a mix of rich pasture, forest, deep creek for swimming
 • Recent extensions are sympathetic to the elegant original dwelling. 4 x beds, open plan kitchen / ding / living opens to verandahs
 • Bi-fold doors, kitchen servery, classic fretwork, 6" floorboards, 10ft ceilings + music studio + 3 x bay workshop. Simply stunning!



SOLD PROPERTIES

- * 35/78 Cecil Street, Nimbin **SOLD**
- * 76 Anderson Road, Nimbin **SOLD**
- * Lot 5, Oxbow Road, Cawongla **SOLD**
- * 41 Basil Road, Nimbin **SOLD**
- * 225 Warby Road, Jiggi **SOLD**
- * 442 Blue Knob Road, Blue Knob **SOLD**
- * 164 Lillian Rock Road, Lillian Rock **SOLD**
- * 21 Cullen Street, Nimbin **SOLD**
- * 1157 'Avalon' Stony Chute Road, Nimbin **SOLD**
- * 533 Blue Knob Road, Blue Knob **SOLD**
- * 327 Crofton Road, Nimbin **SOLD**
- * 472 Homeleigh Road, Homeleigh **SOLD**
- * 265 Martin Road, Larnook **SOLD**
- * 100 Mt Burrell Road, Mt Burrell **SOLD**
- * 19/265 Martin Road, Larnook **SOLD**
- * 193 Billen Road, Georgica **SOLD**

AUCTION 11th February at 11a.m. at our office 74a Cullen St, Nimbin



Contact John



483 Davis Road, Jiggi

- Your own kingdom! 102 acres beautiful high plateau of flat to gentle slopes. Solar power & hot water
- Regenerated rainforest areas. 5 acres cleared for horticulture. 4 generous dams. Big shed & studio
- Five bedroom home almost complete; open plan living areas, back and front verandahs. Private oasis

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