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Portrait painting your friends

by Carina and the team at Nimbin Child Care Centre



We have had another busy month at Nimbin Early Learning.

We went on an excursion to the Mobile Library in front of the Community Centre. It was lots of fun, we got to go inside the truck where Greg read us a couple of stories; one of them was about Bees.

We then ventured outside where we did some Bee colouring-in that we got to take home to hang in the garden.

We also have been trying new crafty ideas and one of them was portrait painting where our friends sat on each side of the window and we painted each other's face by looking through the clear window.

Another craft idea was making parrots to hang on our front windows. They look so colourful with their bright feathers.

We hope you all stayed safe over the recent rainy weather.

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.

New Bushfood Garden

by Leanne Logan, Educator

At Cawongla Playhouse, a new bushfood garden has been established this term.

The children identified bushfoods already growing in the yard and in the local community. They participated in designing the garden, planting and caring for the trees.

The children gained a deeper understanding of pre-white settlement and aboriginal culture. They learnt that forest grew where the preschool now stands and there were no stores to buy food and supplies.

Thank you to the parents who helped out at the bee busy - removing and transplanting exotic species in other gardens, removing



Carter showing his friend how to make a digging tool.

weeds and making the meeting mound a larger space.

Making and using traditional digging sticks was found to be hard work, with most children finding it easier to dig with their hands instead. Carter showed his friends how a pointy stick is easier to dig a hole. Fynn

had lots of knowledge on how to garden because he enjoyed helping mum and dad at home.

Charlie the worm detective spent one morning digging and studying earth worms. He handled them with care and buried them again. Working in small groups

with the educators the children planted, watered and mulched the bushfoods, Noah chose to plant the Davidson Plum because he likes the large furry leaves.

To celebrate the new garden the children made wattleseed bread rolls to eat with the Pumpkin and Aniseed Myrtle soup. A selection of locally made bushfood jams and pickles were tasted and then washed down with a Lemon Myrtle drink.

We would like to thank the local elders for visiting us. Thanks also to the Rural and Remote Community Preschool Outreach Grant Program funded by NSW Education. The children look forward to further enriching their local Bungjalung cultural learning next term.

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

Cows Create Careers

Nimbin Central School has been involved in an Australia-wide project called 'Cows Create Careers'.

Dairy Australia's innovative school program, *Cows Create Careers - Farm Module*, is a six-week program that aims to increase the awareness of dairy industry careers in a very hands-on way.

Secondary students are educated by rearing two three-week-old calves at school, and the school is provided with a dairy industry curriculum for Years 7 and 8 and Years 9 to 11, at no cost.

This year, 14 schools in the Northern Rivers region are participating in the program, with Nimbin the only central school.

Since 2006 Dairy Australia has worked with thousands of students, teachers, farmers, industry advocates and communities through its investment into *Cows Create Careers - Farm Module*, and has gained strong support from dairy farmers and advocates across Australia.

The program uses dedicated volunteers who have knowledge of the industry and links to education and employment sectors.

Last year alone, volunteers gave 2,540 hours of their time across 23 Australian dairying regions, to encourage and support students and their career decision-making.

Locally, the project is funded by Subtropical Dairy, and receives additional support across the state from local companies Norco, Peach Teats, Dasco, Daviesway and Skellerup.

Upon completion of the program, students and teachers will be recognised at a Presentation Finale to be held in Lismore on Wednesday 26th July, where prizes will be awarded to outstanding schools and students.

Seeing beyond the portrait

by Diane Wilder

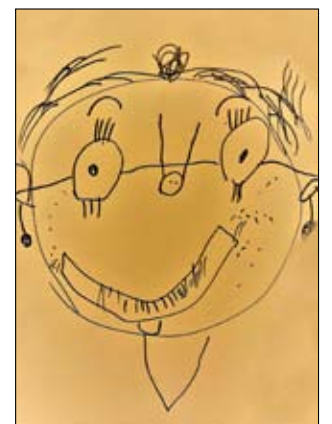
Concentration and focus upon our faces as expressions of who we are and what we are feeling, is an exercise in shaping perception.

The element of this exploration for us at Nimbin Preschool is how others see us. This perception and interpretation is certainly not about discovering who we are, but more of an attempt to refuse who we are: to liberate our own personal subjectivity and self-perception to acknowledge and accept what others see in us.

When children make images of their teachers and friends it is clear that embellishment is attractive, but also pure rawness is present. Such rawness can be uncomfortable. However, it equally presents the viewer with an alternative.

Handing power to children to examine the fine detail, the rawness of character and the unexpected expression of their subject is indeed a movement away from who we know we are.

At Nimbin Preschool our mission is to displace and disrupt what is known to us and what we think we know.



Knowledge controversies lend themselves perfectly to world-making, and portraits of our friends is one such method to examine the controversy of perception.

Nimbin Preschool currently has a limited number of spaces available for children aged 3-6 years. As an act of generosity, our wonderful committee has decided to offer the first two weeks enrolment fees free (up to three days/week) to new children whose family have a health care card, are Aboriginal or for children in their year before school.

These places are limited and filling fast. Please call 6689-1203 if you would like to find out more, or drop in. We are at the Nimbin Showgrounds.

Nimbin Central School sleeps out

by Anthony Neenan

In late May, Nimbin Central School students participated in the Mission Australia Sleepout to support those without the luxury of a bed to call their own.

All who attended had a great night of dancing, trivia and movies but the serious notion of homelessness was not forgotten.

Students were not permitted to bring sleeping mats as that was deemed too much of a luxury but there was the option of making a bid in the cardboard auction.

The auction was well contested, with bids reaching above \$30 for some pieces, and those lucky auction winners had a slightly less uncomfortable sleep than the others bedding down on the cold floor.

Everyone was well fed, thanks to the generous donations of soup from families and teachers, and bread from Nimbin Bakery.

Breakfast included fruit and pancakes cooked to perfection by head grill-man Principal Trevor Hodges.

A fantastic night was had by all and most importantly, over \$500 was raised to support the great work that Mission Australia do to support those at risk of homelessness.



Above: Cardboard luxury
Below: Innovative quarters



SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN

Nimbin's winter Holiday Club for children aged 5-12, still has a few days to run during the school vacation, with these great activities on offer:

- **Tuesday 11th July: PJ Party and plaster art!** We are fundraising for the Pyjama Foundation, so wear your PJs to help kids in care, while we make plaster art and chill out at the Nimbin Community School Room (81 Cullen Street), Peace Park and the Skate Park. Cost \$12.



- **Thursday 13th July: Excursion!** We are off to Banora Point to jump around at Springloaded Trampoline Park. Cost \$25. Meet in the Nimbin Central School car park at 9am.

Days run between 9am and 3pm. Please note that children must be signed in and out each day.

To book in, phone NNIC on 6689-1692 (10am to 4pm) or text Kylie on 0487-576-281 to avoid disappointment, as places are limited, especially on excursions.

Parents are asked to ensure that all children wear appropriate clothing, covered shoes, bring a hat, and have adequate food and drinks for the day.

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A trip to Brisbane

Upper class at the Marvel exhibit in Brisbane.

The Tunttable Falls Community School upper class is back from a fun-filled trip to Brisbane.

Highlights were laser tag and GOMA's Marvel comic exhibit.

The whole school had a lovely, light and laughter-filled Vivid Winter Solstice celebration that merged traditional lanterns with electroluminescence.

Our Garden Celebration rejuvenated our ethnobotanical trail after the recent

floods. Students, parents and staff planted, fertilised and mulched over 150 natives on the day and it looks fantastic!

Five students attended the Science and Engineering Discovery Day at Southern Cross University where they teamed up with students from Vistara Primary to tackle a range of challenges.

And we ended the week with an excursion to Byron Bay to watch the whales migrate north. Icecream may have been eaten...

Nimbin Garden Club notes

by Andrew Barton

Friday morning we awoke to a bright, warm, unfamiliar star rising above the eastern horizon and, on Saturday, it rose again. With that warm sun pouring down and the sodden ground drying underfoot, more than 25 members and guests of the Nimbin Garden Club abandoned their mowers and assembled for the AGM at Mary Moss's garden in Koonorigan.

Thirty years ago Mary and her late husband Byron drove down a dirt road that led nowhere and decided to stay. On that dirt road, at the end of a muddy driveway, Mary had seen a house that looked north along the Nimbin valley and west toward the hills behind which that unfamiliar star would, at day's end, eventually set.

The view north to the Border Ranges had its distractions; the Nimbin Rocks stepped out of the valley, the brooding mass of Blue Knob squatted defiantly and beyond that, the concave scoop of The Pinnacle sat at the Caldera's edge, to the east, the Sphinx lay against the skyline. Mary and Byron thought this five acres of empty grassy paddock would do.

Now, the house can't be seen from the dirt road. Now you enter through two impressive stone pillars topped with ornamental vases filled with flowers. Now, the muddy driveway is concrete. Now the grassy paddock that once surrounded the house is covered with trees, Golden Penda, Lemon Myrtle,



a Cheese Tree, a Red Flowering Gum and Lilly Pilly. There are fruit trees, Mangoes, Guava, Tropical apple, Longan, a sweet fruit not unlike Lychee, Peach trees and Black Sapotes ripening in the winter sun. There is also a citrus orchard of Oranges, Tangellos, Grapefruit and Limes. At the beginning of the driveway, just beyond the gates, a quiet place known as the Nature Area tends to its own needs with native plants, Christmas bush and Agapanthus amongst others. Mary is thinking she might plant olive trees, but that is for the future.

Mary, a mother of eight, lives on the property with her son Damian and border collie, Frances. Mary said she thought Byron might be pleased a garden club had turned up to see their work but might be surprised Frances now keeps her company inside the house. After days of rain the sun came out to warm the air and dry the ground. It came out again for our visit to light the valley. So I think Byron was very pleased we had come to see their

work and I think Byron was delighted, rather than surprised, that Mary and Damian have such good company in the evenings.

Our thanks go to Mary for opening up her garden and for her warm hospitality. Our thanks also to Damian who helped guide us through the garden.

The Garden Club meeting for July will be held at Ken and Adrian's property at 365 Mountain Top Road, Mountain Top/Georgica on Saturday 15th July from 1pm to 3pm. **Please note the change of time.** There is a square cream letterbox at the front gate with 365 clearly marked. Ken and Adrian advise that if approaching from the north, the driveway is a little difficult to turn into, so it is best to first turn around in the driveway opposite. The emphasis of our visit will very much be on native bush regeneration.

Don't forget your cup, a chair and a plate to share, and any plants, cuttings or seedlings for the plant table. New members are always welcome as are any suggestions for future garden visit venues.

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Goodness gracious

The world according to Magenta Appel-Pye

Last month I wrote about Norm's melodica being stolen and how low it is to steal a musician's instrument. Eventually he'll be able to replace his melodica, but the worst part is the loss of carefree innocence about his friendly country town and its inhabitants. Now he's looking around suspiciously, seeing people differently. Frankly, it's wise to exercise some caution and never leave your instrument in an unlocked car. I know three people who have had their guitars and ukulele stolen from their vehicles, one which was locked. I like to leave my instruments in the boot where they can't be seen, or cover them up and lock the doors if in the car.



There is always a small percentage of the population anywhere who need to steal to supply their needs, so we must accept that, and exercise suitable caution. Much better to be the person being stolen from than the person doing

the stealing, poor souls. This is what we must remember and focus on so that we become the victors rather than the victims.

But look around and you find goodness and graciousness everywhere. Often it is not from those we expect to help us when the need arises, but complete strangers, angels looking for an opportunity to send out love, comfort and support where and when it is needed.

One lady left an anonymous message, though she did declare that she was 83, expressing her condolences and hopes that his instrument be recovered as well as declaring that his band, The Codgers, was her favourite. Not bad for a busking band.

Another man, Tom-Paul from Manly, who reads the *Nimbin GoodTimes* online (you would be surprised how far afield this little newspaper gets), rang and asked if Norm would accept \$50 towards replacing his instrument. The money duly arrived in the mail with a lovely note thanking him for accepting his contribution.

He shared his motto: "Smile, embrace life, have fun, and do a good deed a day." Goodness gracious, what a lovely person.

Dear She Says, He Says, I've been trying for ages to get my husband to come to yoga classes with me, but he refuses. Why is this? Any tips?

— Ingrid Pretzel, Tanglewood NSW

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She says

Dear Ingrid, I'm sure this is one of the main reasons that women live longer than men. We exercise all our lives and yes, that includes stretching. At 60, there's only one part of my husband's body that he likes to stretch regularly, but we won't go there. Uncle Norm thinks any form of stretching, be it yoga, Pilates, or even bending over to pick up his dirty undies off the bathroom floor, is a waste of time and effort.

When guys were young and played competitive sports, coaches made them stretch before the game (remember?), but then they retire and sit back in their comfortable armchairs and become spectator sportsmen for the rest of their shortened lives. The only way you can get them to do any forward bending is to drop the remote control on the floor. Men don't seem to understand, or care, that our bodies are designed to work, including stretching and contracting. In these times where many jobs are sedentary, the onus is on us to give our bodies what they need to stay healthy and flexible.

Do men think we women enjoy going to yoga classes for the sake of it? No, we go because of necessity. However it does become enjoyable because we always feel better afterwards, and can feel and see the health benefits. All yoga classes consist mainly of women, most of them middle-aged and older. These are the people who age well and they know it. Usually the only men there were dragged along, kicking and screaming, by their wives and girlfriends. I know yoga is the antithesis of what men like. It's supposed to be non-competitive, but they still try to outstretch each other and manage to hurt themselves. "I did my hamstring at yoga!" There's no running, fighting, swearing, and no balls, except their own.

I've tried to get Uncle Norm to go to yoga classes with me and failed. But I haven't given up on him completely and try to get him to do a few simple stretches with me at home. Firstly, I have to pick a fight with him. Recalcitrantly, he comes outside and does a few pathetic attempts at raising his arms. I tell him to breathe deeply which results in a long bout of smoker's coughing. Then the dogs come over to see if he's alright, wagging their tails at him, and he runs off with them.

So Ingrid, if you're up for a World Championship match to make him go with you, then put on your gloves and come out fighting. By now you're probably wondering whether he's worth it. I'll have to leave that question up to you.

What's the most romantic kind of yoga position a man can do? Pro-pose

He says

My dear Ingrid, some years back, my little iron woman made me go to yoga classes with her. I actually enjoyed it for a while. I was the only male in the class, so got lots of attention from the teacher and all the other ladies.

Every week I entertained them with my groaning, moaning and farting, happily assuming the role of class clown as I comically attempted to master the discipline. The visuals were also very enjoyable, as my lycra-clad gaggle of lovelies assumed positions they would never attempt in public.

Unfortunately it all came crashing down when another bloke joined the class. He was young, tall, and well-built, and he knew how to do all that shit. From then on it was all business and no pleasure and I immediately lost interest and stopped going.

Of course, she kept going and I copped it every time she came home about how good she felt, blah, blah, blah, but it was well worth it to have some private time at home to be a master of my own domain.

There are many reasons why most men hate yoga classes. First and foremost, it's booooring! Secondly, it's painful! Thirdly, it's pointless. "It improves your flexibility," I hear you say. Well, I'm as flexible as I need to be, thank you very much. I don't see any use in being able to touch my nipsy with my nose.

They also say it helps you lose weight. Well I've read that if there was a famine, the fat people would survive the longest. So stick that up your sports bra.

The biggest problem I have with yoga/pilates classes, is the teachers. Wiry, bossy, viragos, ordering everyone around in their intensely annoying low-tone, modulated voices. They get you tied up in some excruciating knot then tell you "we're going to take it deeper now." Feck off! If I wanted to put up with that, I'd stay home more.

Men have their own way of keeping fit. It's called sport. It always involves a ball and something to whack it with. It's played in a competitive format, so it's enjoyable and has a point. Why bother if there are no winners and losers? Sometimes you can win a beer mug or trophy, or even money. Beats the hell out of yoga.

So Ingrid, you may as well face facts. Few men enjoy yoga, but even those freaks would go down like a sack of spuds if struck in the nuts with a cricket ball fielding at silly point. So let it go. You want to make like a pretzel? Go by yourself and leave hubby be.

"Yoga is not about tightening your ass. It's about getting your head out of it." — Eric Paskel

Unreal estate

by Brendan (Mookx) Hanley

In 1972, my wife Julie Anne and I decided, for all sorts of reasons, to get out of Melbourne... not the least of which was the mounting traffic which was to me, unbearable at the time. Imagine what I'm like in big cities these days! So we got out a roadmap, and having both been born and raised in Melbourne, our eyes immediately went North and we both exclaimed "Cairns"... like somebody discovering gold and crying out "Eureka!"

So Cairns it was... and the need to buy a house and land, prominently placed on the main highway from city to airport, for the establishment of a business that would rely on passing tourist trade for its existence. We cruised up and down Sheridan Street for a while before spying an imposing, big, hi-set Queenslander, halfway out of town, with plenty of room underneath and out the back to run the business we had in mind. It wasn't currently listed for sale.

Here's the bit I'm getting to. We pull up outside the said house, the estate agent gets out from behind the wheel with a "Back in a tick" wave... and heads up the stairs to rap on the front door. Five minutes later he returns with a smile to inform us that for a mere \$40,000 we can be the proud new owners of this prestigious piece of Cairns

real estate.

And for the next few years, this type of real estate mania continued all over Cairns. Digger Street and surrounds were mercilessly plundered... one classic Queenslander after another purchased and demolished. As soon as you get three in a row, you knock them and their magnificent established tropical gardens over and build two and three storey, multi-unit, brick-shithouse complexes for holiday rental... the majority of which are vacant most of the time to this day (except for peak seasons).

Julie Anne and I broke up not long after moving up there, sold the business and property and went our separate ways. The old house is still there, operating as an art gallery... although they have chopped down all the beautiful coconut trees and multi-coloured bouganvillea I planted around the place. Some people have no class!

Closer to home and in 2017, we recently heard of a car pulling up outside a little old fibro beach shack on a ¼-acre block in Brunswick Heads and the house residents being cajoled into selling and moving out for a cash settlement of \$1,500,000 on the spot. Sounds a bit familiar eh? The thought of somebody buying Brunswick Heads from under our noses



Brunswick boat harbour

may seem a little paranoid and far-fetched, but hey it's actually happening... right now... in real time.

There appears to be Government-level hanky-panky going on, in and around the three large Brunz caravan parks, whereby further public lands are to be annexed into the existing infrastructures. Also much "up-marketing" is to take place in the form of new, expensive luxury cabins being built and general upgrades being put in place... driving prices up beyond affordable and into wealthy class categories.

However, the latest blow to Brunz may be the killer punch that takes the wind out of her sails and sets the scene for the demise of the sweet little village we all know and love.

Somehow the Government have been able to bring about the closure of the iconic Fish Co-op, bringing to an end one of the best-ever fish and chips experiences you could find anywhere in the world. Sitting there on the

docks with all the beautiful boats, precious pelicans and scrapping seagulls... eating freshly caught local fish and chatting with people from all over the world who have come to enjoy this unique Aussie experience. It's a hard one to beat!

What next? The little wooden jetty is under threat... to be replaced with concrete docks, more suited to a wealthier clientele with bigger boats? There are rumours about plans for 40 or more up-market condominiums to be built on the North river bank... and, dare I say it, the old co-op building itself is the perfect site for a hotel or even a casino... with your \$20,000,000 yacht parked merely a few metres away, Gold Coast airport just up the road and a Pacific Village with rivers and beaches and old homes everywhere just dying to be pulled down and replaced with who knows what!

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with Bob Tissot

Hello and welcome to On-Air, hard-copy radio you can light your solstice bonfire with. I hope your naked Bacchanalian revels were all you'd hoped for. I know mine were.

And at this juncture I'd like apologise to all our listeners who tune in via the Internet. The last month has been a bit random I must admit, and even though I've been hearing tales all over town of woeful internet service in Nimbin, I believe ours has been more woeful than most.

However, a bevy of Sri Lankan and Pakistani technical-assistant wunderkinder have conferred and advised, equipment has been replaced, and at the time of writing everything was tickety-boo. Fingers crossed.

And now it's time for 'Spotlight', and pinned in the beam like a rabbit in the headlights is Sue Bowman, whose program 'Whole Lotta Love' can be heard every Friday evening from 5pm to 7pm. I caught up with Sue at the Sunday markets.

OA: Sue, thanks for interrupting your lunch for me.



Whole Lotta Love

S: That's OK, no rush.

OA: So Sue, how'd you get involved with Nim-FM? When was that?

S: Hmm. I'm not sure how long ago it was. I asked Elspeth and Simonetta if they'd like to come with me and do a show because ever since I first heard Triple J my dream was to become a DJ.

OA: So you've been waiting for a bit.

S: I didn't think about it all the time... anyway, then I started thinking "two's company, three's a crowd" and we're all pretty dynamic women, so I thought "They can have that show and I'll do one on my own."

OA: And you did.

S: Yes, on Tuesday nights. I had four hours with Ian Wickham doing the news right in the middle. How long ago was that? As I get older, time just seems to... (rapid hand movement portrays the passage of time...) anyway, it was great. I really loved sitting in the studio listening to my favourite music

through headphones and talking to myself about the music.

OA: So what sort of music do you like Sue?

S: I like any kind of music so long as it's good. It has to move you emotionally.

OA: Have you always been into music?

S: Always. My mum and dad used to sing and dance about the house all the time.

OA: I can't imagine that. My parents didn't sing or dance. Staunch, old-school Methodists.

S: We sang all the time. In the car on the way to the beach, things like that. My parents met at a dance. They used to jitterbug together. My dad used to rock up to the dance with 20 mates and get thrown out and my mum was shy but a really good dancer. They got together and jitterbugged.

OA: What do you get up to away from the radio Sue? Obviously gardening. What are you selling here today?

S: Chillies and pumpkins today. I'd like to spend more time in the garden but every time I use the mattock my hip goes out. I really need some slaves.

OA: I'm sure there are many gardeners of our vintage have similar problems. Any plans for the future?

S: Give up smoking again. Get back into meditation and a bit of self-healing. I've got to a point where I'm not really getting high like I used to. I want to just be happy without anything. Now I'm getting all teary. I mean we're so rich, and so many people feel they're not good enough. But they are.

OA: Sue, thank you. I think your lunch is waiting.

Nimbin Headers: the agony and ecstasy of Football



Justin Janezic beats the Lismore Italo Stars keeper to score in 3rd division



1st division on the attack Vs Byron Bay



A Headers shot goes in off the keeper's fingers giving 7th division their first win of the season, 2-1 over LismoreWorkers

The Agony: Headers 1st division side were winning 1-0 against Byron Bay on Saturday 1st July, and with about two minutes to go in the second half, Byron scored the equaliser. If they could have hung on it would have been their first win of the season.

The Ecstasy: Headers 3rd division went a goal down to Italo Stars who did not have a bench, but the lead did not last long as the Headers began to grind them down, eventually running out 6-2 winners. A gallant effort from Stars.

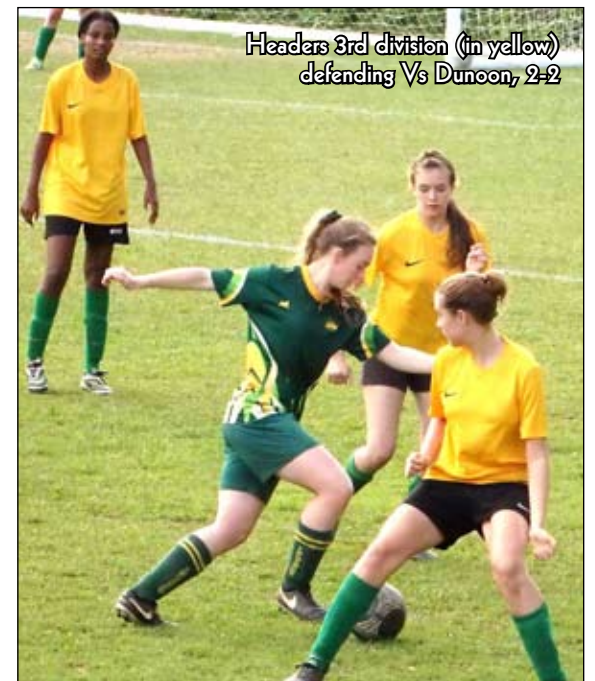
Photos by PAC



A nice save from the Goonellabah keeper in 4th division



Headers throw-in Vs Goonellabah



Headers 3rd division (in yellow) defending Vs Dunoon, 2-2

Bushwalks Galore

Lamington National Park 2nd – 4th June
by Deborah Lilly

Nimbin Bushwalkers took another walk into a Gondwana Rainforest World Heritage area on 2nd-4th June; this time high up on the mountainous relics of the Tweed Shield volcano. Creeks carved the rugged valleys over millions of years, forming an undulating landscape, nurturing magnificent rainforest trees and an eco-system that magically transports us to the age of dinosaurs.

The track through this primeval terrain was called Dave's Creek Circuit. Tall casuarinas competed with the rainforest giants, Bangalow palms added a subtropical ambience and suddenly we were on exposed heath with ragged tea trees. Red sundew flowers polka-dotted the rocks. A fine spray blown upwards by a forceful wind through a dripping stream at Molongolee Cave looked and felt like rain as we walked along the track under blue skies.

Numinbah Lookout gave expansive views of the valley and Surprise Rock certainly is a surprise if you happen to miss the track and follow the path straight upwards. It is exposed, blowy and requires rock scrambling; not for the faint-hearted and the view is gorgeous.

Staying two nights at Binna Burra campground gave us a leisurely day's hike, hot showers and pizza on Saturday night at the cafe. The campsite on Saturday night felt like an upmarket refugee camp.

With precious little natural environment left in NSW, please write to Premier about Baird's landclearing laws (google it) coming into effect next month; keep up the pressure!

Many thanks to Peter Moyle for his organisation and Michelle Alberth for her overall facilitation.

Walk near Evans Head, 18th June
by Christopher Seabrook

The hiking gods smiled on the Nimbin Bushwalkers on Sunday 18th, the weather breaking for the day and enabling seven keen participants to meet at Evans Head for a pleasant coastal jaunt.

Starting from Chinaman's Beach, the morning gambol proceeded south over sand and coastal heath to the spectacular cliff drops at Goanna Headlands, the heavy swells providing some spectacular sights and sounds.

We returned North via the coastal route, which necessitated some rock scrambles and paddling to avoid an incoming tide, but afforded views of the colourful rock formation exposed by years of water and wind.

We crossed a strongly running tea-coloured creek at the north of Chinaman's to lunch at the point.

Proceeding towards Evans Head took us on an escarpment track with views down to a deserted foam-specked beach and up and down the coast. We then entered a landscape dominated by grass trees, banksias and casuarinas.

There was a wealth of native flora and bird life which were ably identified by Ian, our naturalist - and who could have thought there was so much fun to be had with casuarina pollen.

Returning, we again appreciated the coastline beauty, until reaching the carpark where the metal and tarmac of our other world imposed itself, but did not diminish the cheery goodbyes.

<http://nimbinbushwalkers.com>



Both photos taken near Evans Head
Above: Chinaman's Beach
Below: Goanna Headland



Nimbin Bushwalkers Walks Program

Sunday 23rd July
Christies Creek, Mooball N.P.
(between Mur'bah and Burringbar)

Leader: Bill West 0429-933-544
Grade: 2 An 8km easy grade walk up creek beds. Rescheduled from March.
Meet: 9.30am Tweed Valley Way Picnic shelter, 4km north of Burringbar left hand side of road or coming from Murwillumbah 4km south of Five Ways (Stokers Siding turnoff) on Tweed Valley Way. Shelter is right beside Tweed Valley Way.
Bring: Water, lunch and a hat.

Fri 4th to Sun 6th August
Yuraygir Coastal Walk
(near Brooms Head)

Leader: Peter Moyle 0412-656-498
Grade: 2-3
Meet: We will be leaving from Lake Arragan camping area on the Saturday morning at 9am, some will walk to Angourie along the coast while others will drive to Angourie leaving vehicles for the others to bring back to camp, they will walk back to camp. On the Sunday we will do a similar split, this time to Sandon River leaving at 8am, most will be camping at Lake Arragan on the Friday Saturday nights. \$12 per person per night and a vehicle pass required, \$8 a day or better value with a yearly pass.

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LATEST LISTINGS



Contact Jacqui

228 Stangers Road, Nimbin \$575,000

- UNBEATABLE! Uninterrupted 270 degree views of Border Ranges & Rocks
- Glass & steel designer home perched on the highest point for 8 kilometres
- 12 acres. The air conditioned home is equally as jaw-dropping as the views



Contact Jacqui

28 Lilly Pilly Lane, Barkers Vale \$449,000

- Manageable & pretty 8 acres at foot of the Border Ranges National Park
- Simple well appointed timber-lined home - cosy & inviting w/ huge decks
- North facing for sustainable gardening. Mains and grid interactive solar



Contact Jacqui

Lot 2, Stoney Chute Road, Nimbin \$395,000

- Horse-heaven! Gentle slopes & flats down to dam and creek. Pretty 6 ac
- Original farmhouse overlooks paddocks. Blank canvas for creative buyer
- Infrastructure for horses includes shelter, yards & tall horse-truck shed



Contact Grant

171 Gungas Road, Nimbin \$469,500

- Contemporary well-built home - popular Gungas Rd. 2.5 x beds. Storage galore
- Close to town but totally private 1.75 easily maintained acres. Uninterrupted views
- Wide relaxing deck overlooks extensive plantings. Infrastructure for sustainability



Contact Grant

240 Stangers Road, Stony Chute \$550,000

- Pristine Permaculture Paradise best describes this outstanding 7 acre Eco farm
- Designed for easy maintenance; very productive with high level of infrastructure
- Story book appeal, this aesthetic 3 x bed home is a credit to the current owners



Contact John

103 Falls Road, Nimbin \$520,000

- Amazing gardens around 6 huge fig trees are a feature of this gentle 18 acres
- Grazing paddocks and gardens serviced by a lake-sized "bottomless" dam
- Neat 3 x bed home is move-in ready. Private country living walkable to town



Contact John

4336 Kyogle Road, Wadeville \$555,000

- Immaculate family home on picture-perfect 20 acres. Perfect privacy. Fauna
- Delightful expansive outlook gently down to flowing creek & bordering tall forest
- Outbuildings including a fantastic chicken setup for ready-made extra income



Contact John

26 Nimbin Street, The Channon \$424,900

- Surprisingly spacious 2-level, 4 x bedroom home in iconic pretty village
- Private outlook from deck/balcony. Lush & large self-maintaining gardens
- Well presented w/ total internal refurbishment. Clever & artistic features



Contact Jacqui

31/94 Symonds Road, Nimbin \$145,000

- Chance to start new life in a friendly community just 7 minutes from Nimbin
- Enormous shed w/ tons of potential. 3 bedroom divisions; huge living space
- Opens out to 2 acres forest views, shower & 2 flush loos. Wired and plumbed!

FEATURE PROPERTIES



Contact John

3931 Kyogle Road, Lillian Rock \$1,250,000

- Simply stunning home of pure luxury and opulence with a price-tag to meet market. Picturesque entertainer with self/cont guesthouse



Contact John

132 Nightcap Road, Doon Doon \$649,000

- The most dramatic of views - 87ac at foot of the National Park. Two creeks & huge dam. 100yo homestead. Unlimited potential



Contact Jacqui

1157 Stony Chute Road, 'Avalon' Share 7 \$295,000

- 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

For more information, see **"Head For The hills"** or visit our friendly staff at
www.nimbinhills.com.au **66 891 498** 74a Cullen St, Nimbin



145 GUNGAS ROAD, NIMBIN

\$ 525,000

- 4 carpeted bedrooms, and parents retreat or rumpus with direct access outside.
- A separate toilet with built-in hand basin AND a toilet in the bathroom.
- The large eat-in kitchen is bright and functional with electric oven and gas stove.
- Outside, a fabulous 5.3 x 20m carport offers all-weather entertaining/living/car space.
- The rear of the home also has a sunny verandah overlooking the backyard.



154 GUNGAS ROAD, NIMBIN

\$ 300,000

- 2801m² corner residential block with front row northerly views to Blue Knob.
- Established gardens and mature trees set the scene to build your own home.
- The property has three beautifully constructed small buildings and 3 x 1500ltr water tanks.
- Carport, secure storage, temporary accommodation whilst you build, and potential bathhouse.
- Established orchard of citrus and native fruits and privacy hedging is well underway.



8 SIBLEY STREET, NIMBIN

\$ 375,000

- Sitting high up in the treetops is this lovely cottage with the convenience of Nimbin Village.
- 1000m² block with rural views, offering 4 bedrooms, 1 bathroom, large kitchen.
- Under the house offers generous undercover storage.
- Balconies to 3 sides, town water and mains power.
- Close to Bowling Club and community pool.



6/1157 STONY CHUTE ROAD, WADEVILLE

\$ 169,000

- 1/40 share of 200 acres common land. \$400 per annum community rates.
- 3 room cabin with covered front outdoor area, semi enclosed bathroom
- Mains power WITH 2.5 acres of exclusive land.
- 43,500 litres of tank water storage.
- Three 4metre x 4metre x 2metre high fenced in garden beds.



23/265 MARTIN ROAD, LARNOOK

\$ 325,000

- Very well built council-approved 3 BDR double-brick home in the Billen Cliffs Community.
- The property boasts being fully off the grid with a 1.2 kw solar system.
- A very decent-sized deck at the rear and a smaller breakfast verandah at the entrance.
- Upstairs you have a spacious sun room/study to walk through.
- The water supply consists of a 3,000-gallon spring-fed tank.



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.
- 12 panel solar system with excellent battery bank, solar/gas hot water, abundant water tanks.

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