The concept that underlies current research on Intergenerational Equity (IE) states that all people hold the natural and cultural environment of the Earth in common through the hands of all members of the present generation as well as with all members of past and future generations. But IE must also include economic as well as environmental considerations. Although economist Paul Krugman, Professor at the Graduate School of Economics inNew York, was referring to the US when he wrote about IE, the same issues are applicable in Australia. He noted that by neglecting future generations and failing to create jobs, far more harm was done to future generations than merely passing along debt: “Fiscal policy is, indeed, a moral issue, and we should be ashamed of what we’re doing to the next generation.”

Economists, environmentalists, and others have outlined the economic and environmental consequences of globalization, overconsumption, and economic growth. Workers face high unemployment and studies have shown their income may lag throughout their careers as a result.

A great Senator, Christine Milne, told something very similar in the lead-up to the 2014 Carbon Price and Tax Repeal Bill, naming the Liberal National Party and its minions, as intergenerational thieves. Her statement was based on the coalition’s reversal on carbon tax, tax policy and the impact this would have on the intergenerational equity of future generations.

Unfortunately, our quality of life has slowly but surely been eroded by both globalisation and laws which favour corporations and the wealthy at the expense of the average wage-earner and the future generation.

So while many of us ‘baby-boomers’ turned our eyes to raise our families, we also looked the other way. We ignored the urgent need to graduate from college or university without a crippling debt thanks to Gough Whitlam’s government. And, when we finished our education there were also plenty of trades, jobs and other opportunities for us too including a world class free health-care system.

But somewhere along the way, when we were busy raising our families, and getting on with our lives, all this changed.

While our economy was becoming ‘globalised’ and we had more choice of things to purchase at ever lower prices, we paid for those changes in other ways. Unions no longer protected workers, jobs disappeared overseas and slowly but surely our economy became less equitable. Additionally, our environment has been heavily impacted as Australia’s resource driven economy has turbo-charged our economy and progressive governments were driven by short-term profits at the expense of long-term sustainability.

Instead of creating a Sovereign Wealth Fund (SWF) to benefit future generations of Australians, our government handed out tax cuts. So while the fossil fuel industry created a boom for most of Australia, subsequent governments have allowed most of the profits to head off-shore. (Typically 85% of the profits from this industry have gone off-shore.)

The mining boom has turned into a bust, and our budgetary surpluses have fast become a thing of the past. Unless we can get our economic house in order, our Intergenerational Equity into the economic equation, the future of the next generations of Australians is looking decidedly bleak.

It seems that far too many of us have forgotten that “The future belongs not to us but to our children and grandchildren.”

Intergenerational equity and the environment

by Dr Lynne De Weaver

ASTROFORECASTS

by Tina Mews

WHAT’S HAPPENING IN THE HEAVENS?

Aries

Use the weeks before your birthday for finalising current projects and plans. Then envision future goals without needing to rush and allow them to ripen according to their own timing. The lunar eclipse on March 23rd will hold the theme of issues and involve others. Try to resolve any controversial issues before Mars turns retrograde (April 17).

Taurus

During this month old friendships could fade while new ones will start to grow if they are not present instead allow them to ripen according to their own timing. The lunar eclipse on March 23rd will hold the theme of issues and involve others. Try to resolve any controversial issues before Mars turns retrograde (April 17).

Gemi

At the moment you are challenged to balance your commitment to others with your need for independency. Stay as clear as possible in your responses. In order to keep the emotional positively charged this month avoid intense interactions and relationship. It is essential that you maintain the inner space and freedom to express your own truth and beliefs.

Cancer

You are challenged to believe in your special abilities without needing opposition from others. If you feel unclear about your future direction, relax and take a step by step approach. It is not the time to push ahead with your projects. Daily exercise will keep you strong and do not let frustration get you down.

Leo

This is a time where you feel like getting in more about your creative self-expression, even though this could challenge some of your most cherished values and beliefs. Nevertheless, benefits could follow, especially if you break through old barriers. A joint artistic endeavour may be a possible development, even though it might take an unusual course.

Virgo

This is a time when you have to persevere in searching for the correct information so that you can build the right foundation later on. Nevertheless, do not push yourself or others too hard. You want to grow right now; however, the emphasis is more on ‘inner’ than ‘outer’ growth.
Nimbin Garden Club notes

by Lorraine Keen

We had the pleasure of visiting ‘Ell Rose’ garden, hosted by Janice Rose at Gungas Road, Nimbin.

Janice has spent the last six years creating a garden wonderland for her grandchildren at the rear of their 100-year-old homestead, comprising a fairy garden, native garden, water garden, rose garden and self-designed maze of purple flowering Cuphea shrubs.

A vintage caravan has been renovated into a charming cottage-cubby with its own special ‘garden bed’;

Lots of quirky interesting recycled vintage household items collected over many years, along with several bird baths, are hidden and displayed throughout the numerous garden beds. Even the Hills House has been converted, and now provides a shaded seating area. One of the thirty acres of the property is dedicated to growing garlic, which has been recently harvested.

Afternoon tea was served under the much-welcomed shade of the many large trees in the older part of the garden amongst hundreds of potted plants, hanging baskets and bromeliads.

Next meeting will be held on Saturday 19th March, 2pm-4pm at the home of Triny Roe, 399 Gungas Road, Nimbin. All welcome, please bring a chair and plate of food for afternoon tea.

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trivia

Devised by Martin Gill

Questions

1. In which country did a Green Party first rise to prominence?
2. Name the three bands that featured or were led by Janis Joplin during her recording career.
3. What were Archie, Veronica and Gopher in the TV show ‘The Monkees’?
4. Who wrote ‘The Loaded Dog’?
5. What is Craquelure?
6. A short Christmas story?
7. Sterling silver is 92.5% pure. It is often called what?
8. Eight of the best-
9. Where on a horse is the frog?
10. Rabbit skin. Next what?
11. Energy source ?
12. 13th century Persian poet?
13. Games company (The Simpsons, Mass Effect, Crysis...)
14. Legendary vessel?
15. Pokie?
16. Mass of tight curls?
17. Sa int?
18. Crowds?
19. Evil?
20. Drug or element?
21. Two major political parties in the 20th century, the Nazis and?
22. Time?
23. Set to permit passage?
24. East Asian boardgame played on a 19x19 grid?
25. Spheres?
26. ____ or 29 across!
27. Note?
28. Help up?
29. Throwable random thing?
30. Double reed woodwind?
31. Remnants after fire?
32. Automobiles?
33. Base unit of measure (vol)?
34. Bromaze

Across

1. 100 in a pound
2. Flowering trees and shrubs (b Birch family)
3. A short Christmas
4. An active ingredient in cannabis (init.)
5. It’s the fine crazing on ceramic (painting)
6. A short Christmas
7. An active ingredient in cannabis (init.)
8. Drug or element?
9. It’s the soft bit on the underside of the hoof. It’s pure. It is often called what?
10. Liquid impact?
11. Energy source?
12. 13th century Persian poet?
13. Games company (The Simpsons, Mass Effect, Crysis...)
14. Legendary vessel?
15. Pokie?
16. Mass of tight curls?
17. Sa int?
18. Crowds?
19. Evil?
20. Drug or element obtained from a plant – usually by distillation
21. Two major political parties in the 20th century, the Nazis and?
22. Time?
23. Set to permit passage?
24. East Asian boardgame played on a 19x19 grid
25. Spheres?
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27. Note?
28. Help up?

Down

1. Involuntary expat?
2. Took over? Taken for granted?
3. It’s the fine crazing on ceramic (painting)
4. Gigantkiller
5. Injury – discolouration and swelling
6. Pre-knockout rounds?
7. Mass of tight curls (hairstyle)
8. Legendary vessel?
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17. Sa int?
18. Crowds?
19. Evil?
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21. Member of a religious order?
22. Set to permit passage
23. Spheres?
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Solution: Page 25

Nimbin Crossword

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by 5ynic

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What’s On in March?

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On-line dating

It seems the way people try to find love these days is through on-line dating. But you have to be careful not to believe everything you read on these sites, there’s a lot of misrepresentation going on, so I hear from friends who have had disastrous dates where both parties have been disappointed through being misled.

I think it’s marraied as I don’t think I’ll do too well because of my pathological inability to lie. I’d have to tell them my true age is 55, but due to Lyme disease I feel 85.

I’d also have to admit to loving classical music and hating doof, which would cut out most Australian men under 70.

I’d have to mention mood swings, food intolerance, illnesses, my scatological sense of humour and that I hate cooking. I would post a photo of me first thing in the morning so they would get a pleasant surprise if we actually met.

I reckon they should have a dating site called Bad Habits. It’s bad habits that can break people up, particularly if they didn’t know about them in the beginning, but it’s also bad habits that make people attractive to each other and you might as well warn them in advance.

Let’s face it, no-one wants to drink alone, and being stoned with someone else is always more fun. I could brag about being a champion burper – I can do bi-tonal burps. I practised for years, and I certainly want a partner who appreciates such a skill.

Luckily my hubby, who happens to be a champion farter, is in awe of my burps and loves me the way I am, except he wishes my bum was bigger. I can’t help it if all the fat goes to the front.

She says / HE says with Aunty Maj and Uncle Norm

She says

It’s so typical of men – everything of theirs is precious and nothing of yours is, even a beautiful piano.

Uncle Norm thinks every ash tray (overflowing) he’s ever collected is precious, and don’t even think about donating his. Everything is aesthetically perfect, even a beautiful piano.

He says

“Piano: a parlor utensil for subduing the impenitent visitor. It is operated by depressing the keys of the machine and the spirits of the audience.”

Dear SSHS, I have recently moved into my lover man’s unit where everything is aesthetically perfect, though space is tight. I want to move my upright piano in, which means a prized sideboard must go. Help! – Mary Q. Contrary

Besides, if it is so prized, he can probably pocket a few bob for it on eBay. Yes, one should make a stand right from the get-go or you’ll be taken advantage of. You could have turned up with a violin, an ‘instrument’ that at best sounds like a rat caught in a trap, and at worst a braying donkey. Or perhaps a trumpet which imitates the sound of a left cheek sneak on a leather couch. Indeed, I think lover man should be most grateful to forgo his sideboard for a champion burper – I can do bi-tonal burps.

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Hello, and welcome to On-Air. Nim-FM’s monthly hard-copy radio program with your hosts: Bob Bentley and myself. But then with Mercury in your ascendant, I know you’d tune in.

This month is a bit of a break for me, as I’m taking a break to go on holiday. However, I appreciate the support and encouragement from all of you and I will be back next month. In the meantime, enjoy this month’s program and stay tuned for more.

First up, I went to visit my dear friend Hans Poulsen in an old folks home in the suburb of Box Hill. He is an amazing soul… always was… always will keep on a positive tack anyway. He is an old native! (or needing to ask someone if you speak English or didn’t want to. Or more around me were Asian and either didn’t speak English or didn’t want to. Or more likely… people of any race or colour didn’t want to. Or was afraid to. Or was worried that they would get overcharged. Or was worried that they would be cheated out of their money whilst maintaining life somehow.)

I saw that debilitated him all those years ago, and I’m glad he had a great reunion. Way overdue… I had to go in and open the door to Hans’s room to find him propped up against the wall, listening to music. I opened the door and he said “I saw you listening and I’ll see you all next month, Ciao.”

I recently flew down to my old hometown of Melbourne to visit friends and relatives. Leaving Nimbin, flying out of fairly user-friendly Ballina and arriving at Tullamarine is a visceral, existential oxymoron. From laid-back seaside “place where old people go to die” to cosmopolitan city where living means spending money whilst maintaining life somehow in a largely carbon monoxide atmosphere. Eating non-food and drinking sugary stuff from cans instead of water. Too many cars, roads, freeways, not-so-freeways (clicking the tiny doorbell on your windsound couple of k’s), too many people, dogs, cats, elephants in the road…

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One day I took my friend Megan (painted above) on a lightning tour which covered the art gallery, picnic at Alexander Gardens, walk by the Yarra, Young & Jackson’s (visit Chloe), check our The Black and other famous arcades (including a visit to Gog & Magog), the Bourke St. West police station where I lived circa 1996 (now a hotel/restaurant) and the historic Queen Anne cell-block still intact. St. Augustine’s, St. Patrick’s, the Museum (fantastic Aboriginal section) and finally I went to St. Kilda and a sunset gelat in the sea beneath the Luna Park roller coaster. What a day! Another day I hung with some of Melbourne’s top New Orleans Jazz players and dropped in on a Melbourne Ukelele Collective rehearsal. Awesome times! Getting lost in Melbourne (yes… even an old native!) and needing to ask someone how to operate the tram ticket machine is no fun at all. On the two or three occasions I needed directions or help, I came to realise that most of the people around me were Asians and either didn’t speak English or didn’t want to. Or more likely… people of any race or colour didn’t want to. Or was afraid to. Or was worried that they would get overcharged. Or was worried that they would be cheated out of their money whilst maintaining life somehow.)

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March Walks Programe
11th-12th March Weekend Camp
Clarrie Hall Dam
Leader: Carol Evans (0481-344-723)
Grade 1: A weekend private property camp, walking, swimming, boating and fishing in pristine section of the dam. Option to camp one or two nights.
Meet: Friday at 5pm or Saturday 10am at the locked gates at start of McDoNALd Rd.
Being: Swimmers, non-powered water craft, fishing tackle and camping gear. A fee of $3 per person per night applies.

Sunday 27th March Nightcap N. P.
Leader: Judy Hales (6089-1477)
Grade 6: Full-day walk through wild rugged rainforest. Climb the spire for a view from above the tree canopy around the basin (weather permitting), or second option.
Grade 2: Walk to Protestors Falls. Easy walk, 1.4km return; well sign-posted, some slippery rocks.
Meet: 9.30am at the information board in the picnic grounds at the end of Terania Creek Road.
Bring: Food, water, swimmers.

by Peter Moyle

Another Nimbin Bushwalker’s camp-over walks weekend, this time at the beautiful Flat Rock Tent Park near Ballina – a concerting river with first class amenities, but with the feel of a bush retreat. Some arrived Friday afternoon and the rest Saturday and all up we had nine walkers. It can be uncomfortable weather wise this time of year but we enjoyed mild temperatures and some isolated showers all weekend and all up it was almost perfect walking conditions.

Trip leaders Leonie and Kathy know this area well as it is in their backyard and had arranged a walk north on the Saturday to Lennox Head. This took us over a few different headlands and along some lovely beaches and the variety of terrain made it most enjoyable walking, on the steeper sections formed paths had been constructed making for safe walking in the otherwise slippery conditions.

Once over the Lennox Head and we followed the coast past the township before an enjoyable rest at a casual coffee house just off the beach. Returning to camp all up we covered about 6km in 5 hours and as we had left early we then spent a lazy afternoon socialising-playing cards wandering on the local beach and swimming.

Sunday had us out early for the walk south to the mouth of the Richmond River. The showers were a little more persistent but not annoying and still very good walking conditions with the low temperatures. The first part of the walk was through a significant stand of littoral rainforest some natural and the rest due to a concerted reforestation project. The significant birdlife with their constant chatter had us all glancing about trying to identify them.

As well as a few diversionary lookout views, we eventually made it back onto the beach before meeting the imposing Richmond River. Backtracking on different tracks after another coffee stop gave us more of a perspective of the lush rainforest.

Even though the walking was close to civilisation the natural beauty of the coastline gave the weekend a rewarding experience and some regular members being joined by three enthusiastic newcomers highlighted the advantages of being members of the friendly Nimbin Bushwalkers Club.

I thoroughly enjoyed the companionship and a big thank you to Leonie and Kathy for their effort in organising the weekend and I hope to catch up soon with members and prospective members on the trail.

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Janet Robinson is our property manager she is lovely to deal with. If at anytime I have any issues, I call her and she is straight onto it. I would recommend her to everyone she is the best property manager I have had so far. Thanks, Stacey

Nimbin Lifestyle did a great job managing our property at Barkers Vale. They were very easy to deal with, we had no issues relating to any aspect of the arrangement. I can recommend them as reliable and diligent property managers. Melinda

Nimbin Lifestyle is a great Real Estate and Janet thank you for all the great years so far, I highly recommend Janet Robinson and her team of friendly staff, Janet Robinson is an amazing sweet, kind lady with a big heart and she does amazing work as a property manager. Tania Lee

Thank you Janet Robinson for the experience you have given myself and my housemate, you worked wonders and it has been a pleasure dealing with you. Highly recommended. Phil

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$700,000
- 35 acres situated 20 minutes from Lismore, with some stunning views
- 2 bedrooms with a study also two more bedrooms in the shed
- This has been an established family fruit farm for decades
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- Elegant, colonial 3 bedroom home, waterfall, creek + waterhole
- North East views situated on approx 100 acres of undulating land
- Insulated roof, solar system and solar hot water
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357 STONY CHUTE ROAD
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- Relocated approx 10 years ago, with new wiring and plumbing
- Large verandah overlooking the front paddock and dam.
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- Variety of fruit trees, maintained gardens and access to a lovely dam
- Breathtaking views of Blue Knob, Lillian Rock and the Border Ranges
- Massive double-bay lock-up garage with good height for 4WDs

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- 2 dams (3.5 & 3 megalitres), 3 X 5,000 gallon tanks

315 SARGENTS ROAD
$649,000
- Elegant, colonial 3 bedroom home, waterfall, creek + waterhole
- North East views situated on approx 100 acres of undulating land
- Insulated roof, solar system and solar hot water
- Manicured gardens, established fruit trees, abundance of water
- Modern country kitchen with double fireplace and skylight
- This property has been maintained meticulously

61 CULLEN ROAD
$469,000
- 4 bedroom, beautiful, colonial style home situated on 44 acres
- Huge, open-plan living area with sliding door onto verandah
- Wood-heater, ceiling fans and polished timber flooring
- Large fenced yard and enclosed, lock-up shed
- Water is supplied from a dam, spring and a running creek
- All paddocks are able to be accessed by four-wheel drive

69 HIDDEN VALLEY ROAD
$575,000
- Split-level 2 bedroom cottage situated on approx 300 acres
- Cottage has mains power and a solar hot water system.
- Satellite broadband & phone reception.
- Composting toilet, creek and spring-fed dams
- Absolute seclusion and privacy at the end of no through road.
- Acreage boasts cleared areas, heavily timbered sections and rainforest

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