













What's On

Note from the Editor



The Fraser Coast is the place to be in the coming months as there will be lots to try, see, touch and experience. June is shaping up to be a huge month as we have six major events to look forward to.

Tantalise the taste buds at 'The Relish Food and Wine Festival'. Get caught up in the magic of the 'Mary Poppins Festival'. Be bedazzled with the latest fashion and ideas at the 'Formal and Bridal Expo'. Browse the many stalls

and displays at the 'Rotary Living Expo', make a weekend of it at the 'Classic Country Stampede' and Join in the fun at the 'Teebar Rodeo and Campdraft'.

If live music is what you are after there is something to suit everybody. Coming to our region this month are Justice Crew, Shannon Noll, the Ted Mulry Gang, Adam Harvey and Beccy Cole.

Don't forget to check out our Gig Guide in this, and every edition to find out who's playing where, we have so much local talent on the Fraser Coast so make sure that you give them your support.

Each month we also bring you a comprehensive Calendar of Events, so start filling in your diary NOW.

To find out what is coming up in the next few months, and to read previous editions visit our website or find us on Facebook.

Enjoy!

Kim Parnell

Editor

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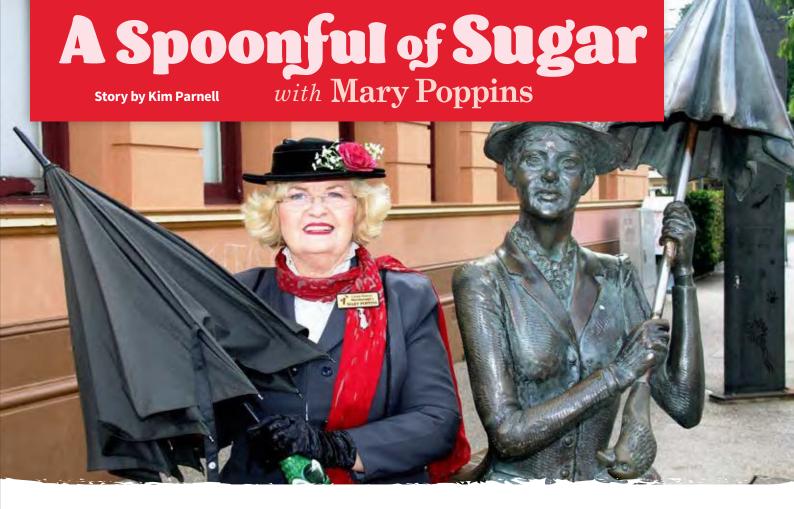
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Mary Poppins is a series of eight children's books that were written by the Author P.L.Travers. For those who have never read them or seen the movie, the books are centred on an English Nanny named Mary Poppins who gets blown in to the Banks establishment and becomes Nanny to the children of the household.

P.L.Travers was born on August 9, 1899 in Maryborough, to parents Margaret Agnes Goff, and Travers Robert Goff. At birth P.L.Travers name was Helen Lyndon Goff, in the 1920's she changed her name to Pamela Lyndon Travers which also became her stage-name. Pamela was well known as a writer, actress and a Journalist. She died in April, 1996 in London.

With the Mary Poppins festival coming up I thought that it was only fitting that I met our very own Maryborough Mary Poppins, Carmel Murdoch, who arrives to our interview in full costume bursting with energy, and with a twinkle in her eye, complete with her Gladstone bag, hat and umbrella.

We start off with a photo shoot in Queens Park, overlooking the Mary River. This is delightfully interrupted by a group of English Tourists who are all wanting to meet Mary Poppins. Without missing a beat Carmel welcomes them all and launches into the history of Mary Poppins to the absolute delight of the tourists. This was then in turn followed by the posing for photos that for these travellers I am sure will be talked about for years to come.

The year was 1999 when it was discovered by the Maryborough and District Family History Society that the Author, P.L. Travers was born in the building down on the corner of Richmond and Kent St. Upon this discovery it was decided that a Mary Morning tea at the Markets would be held, this was one of many. So that was where it all began, with a cup of tea at the markets. Carmel said, " By the time 2005 came and we became a city there were so many people that used to come to Mary Poppins Market Day that we could no longer parade down the street as it was shuffle only, then the planning started to make it into a festival here in the Park in 2007."

Carmel was contacted by the President of the Proud Mary's, Ann Miller who said that the Courier Mail were coming up to do a story on Mary Poppins, Carmel thought that was wonderful and asked Ann who was going to be Mary Poppins only to be told that she was. So there it began. Carmel said, "So I had a white boater hat, we had to be very careful of copy write laws so I couldn't wear a replica of her costume. Instead I wore a black jacket and a navy skirt, white gloves and instead of having a carpet bag I had a gladstone bag, I borrowed my mother in laws brooch and my father in laws black umbrella and I went to work, and I have been Mary Poppins ever since."

Carmel eventually had her costume handmade. In those days nannies used to wear black, but Carmel did not want to wear black, and couldn't go red like Mary Poppins in the movie, so went charcoal grey instead.

Carmel has been Tourism Ambassador at the Fraser Coast Regional Council since 1998 as Mary Heritage, her period costume is based on the 1850's. The character Mary Heritage in fact evolved in 1987, with her first showing at World Expo 88. Carmel is the 5th Mary Heritage.

Other Characters Carmel takes on are 'Mary Christmas', and 'Mary Rivers'. Carmel also became the 'Mary Widow' in 2004 and conducted Ghost Tours for eleven and a half years. These tours are now only run for large groups with a minimum of 46 people and bookings are essential. Carmel's latest character is 'Steam Punk Mary' who is a storyteller on the Maryborough Story Trail.

As we walk past the Mary Poppins Statue Carmel reveals, "When I see that she is a bit dirty I give her a spruce up with warm soapy water and I use boot polish and a brush to make her shiny and sparkling again." Just before our interview ends, with that twinkle in her eye, Mary Poppins breaks into song, and sings, 'A Spoonful Of Sugar' in a soft, sweet, melodic voice and I can't help but to feel some of that fabled Mary Poppins magic embrace me.

For online information on the Mary Poppins Festival go to: www.marypoppinsfestival.com.au









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Maryborough's Story by Nancy E Mary Poppins Festival ignites Imagination

A cascade of imagination-fuelled events in Maryborough's 10th Mary Poppins Festival is an invitation to do what the famous nanny advises:
"Open different doors.
You may find a you there that you never knew was yours."

Story telling in books, songs and art, encouraging children and adults to let their imaginations fly, will be fanned by the West Wind in the 10 days leading to the colourful "Day in the Park" on Saturday, July 1.

Scenes from the Mary Poppins books will come alive for "Day in the Park", with quirky costumed characters wandering around Portside, bubbly performances on stages and hands-on fun activities to spark hidden talents in children.

Poppins characters will march from the pages of books to parade on Cherry Tree Lane leading to Mary Poppins' statue beside the historic building where author PL Travers was born. Cherry Tree Lane will also become a racetrack for pram-pushing nannies and an arena for competing chimney sweeps as balloons, kites and umbrellas float across a day laced with fantasy.

A festival week highlight this year will be storytelling by Mem Fox, Australia's best-selling children's author who became an icon when Possum Magic was published in 1983. Many of her 40 books have been international best sellers.

Mem Fox will entrance children with storytelling for three age groups at the Brolga on Thursday and Friday.

On the same days, varied sessions by multi-faceted entertainer Nadia Sunde will add sparkle to the festival with shows and workshops.

Fraser Coast Mayor Chris Loft said the Mary Poppins Festival was a unique event that celebrated and encouraged creativity in adults and children.

"It's a wonderful event for children and a 'feel good' experience for adults.

"The Fraser Coast Regional Council recognised the popularity of Mary Poppins on the international stage when it bought the heritage bank building where P L Travers was born to develop into a museum."

A concert at the Brolga Theatre by popular Australian country singers Adam Harvey and Beccy Cole will herald the start of the 2017 festival on Friday, June 23. On Wednesday night pop sensation

Justice Crew will change the tempo on the Brolga stage with their chart-topping music.

Festival fun starts on Saturday, June 24, with the Poppins Penthalon, a Great Race-style challenge for teams of five competing in five challenges in five secret locations in the city centre. The \$25 entry fee will go to the Hervey Bay Hospital Children's Ward.

Saturday twilight markets and entertainment on the Brolga Riverside stage will be augmented by Darryl and the Devil at the monthly Gatakers by Night. Sunday in the Park with miniature trains and the Mary Ann will chuff off the next morning, with kite flying at the Brolga in the afternoon.

From Monday, Brisbane-based circus professionals Alex Weckes-Huck and Ellie Cox, will run a five-day morning workshop, "A Spoonful of Circus", teaching children tumbling and acrobatics.

Author Adrienne Bouvier will hold three morning workshops for adults covering writing fiction, memoirs and poetry.

A "Where is the Green Sheep?" party will enchant young children at the Maryborough Library on Monday at 10am; while the Dinosaur Time Machine show will be on stage at the Brolga at 10am and 2pm.

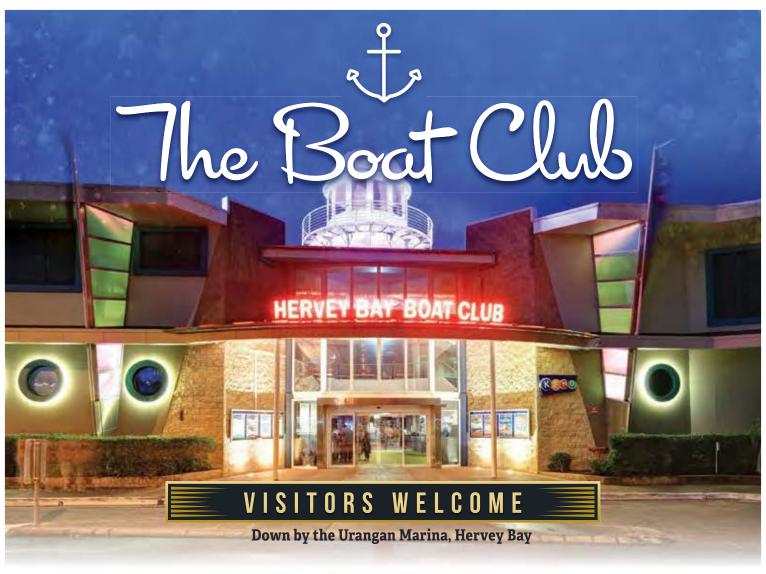
On Wednesday kaleidoscope and nature mobile making will be taught in the Maryborough Library from 2pm. At 5pm "The Surprising Uprising of Arnold Sticks", Rhiannon Pattern's melodramatic tale of drama, intrigue, corruption and love, will unfold at the City Hall.

Thursday has four 45-minute hilarious interactive workshops, Kids Create Theatre, run at the Brolga by Nadia Sunde, acclaimed children's theatre writer, author, singer/songwriter, comedienne and actress.

In the evening she teams with guitarist virtuoso Michael Fix for The Story Tellers Songbook concert.

On Friday morning Michael will run an acoustic guitar workshop. Nadia takes budding songwriters under her wing in the afternoon for "It's All About The Song", giving tips about writing lyrics and stagecraft.

The Poppin Street Party in the CBD on Friday evening will lead in to the big day on Saturday, with a quilt and craft extravaganza at City Hall over the weekend.





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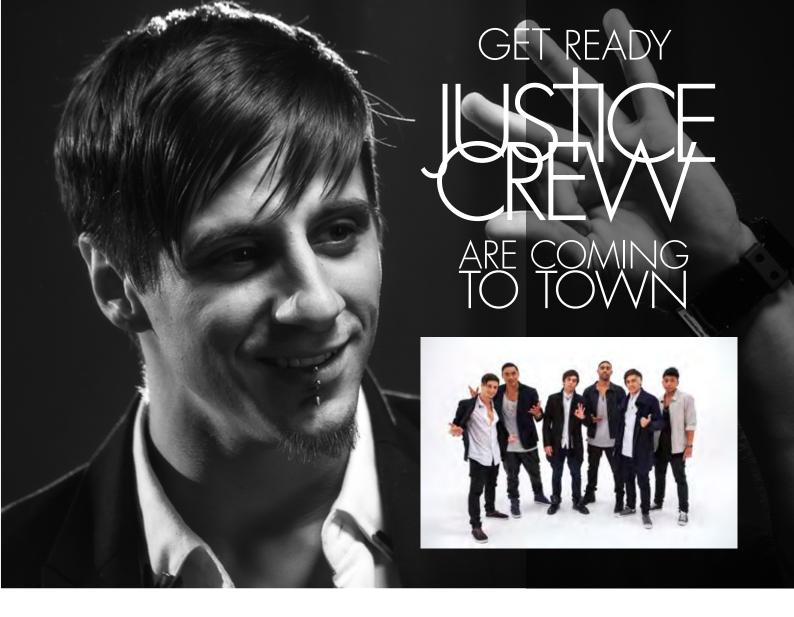






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_ight time ARIA Nominees, □'Justice Crew' who have a string of hit singles under their belt such as, 'Boom Boom', 'Que Sera', 'Everybody' and 'Best Night,' are back on the Fraser Coast later on this month. I caught up with Band Member, 'Lukas Bellesini' to talk about their upcoming tour. Hi Lukas, You have a new single out called, 'Pop Dat Buckle', what is it all about?

It is a dance song that we first caught wind of a year ago, we all liked it, the song definitely gets everyone dancing. It is a gyration song with a bit more of a mature sound as we are getting older and our music evolves.

After Winning Australia's Got Talent in 2010 how has life changed for you all since then?

It has been a whirlwind, we didn't think we would still be around as a boy band after seven years. To be able to still share our craft is amazing.

Which countries have you played in?

We have been lucky enough to play in places like Indonesia, the US, Canada, Mexico, China, Vietnam and New Zealand to name a few.

Who have you played with that has made you Starstruck/nervous?

The biggest was definitely Janet Jackson, we toured with her when she was in Australia. One Direction was pretty special as well. We also did the Pittbull and Kesha Tour in America that was amazing.

How do you stay grounded travelling the world, meeting fans, and living the lifestyle?

We still love to party and have a great time. But we also have to be professionals about it. We never forget that we are in the public eye 24/7.

How many times have you played on the Fraser Coast, and what do you like to do in your down time?

In seven years we have only been to the Fraser Coast maybe a handful of times. One thing I can guarantee is that if we are anywhere near water I will be there with

my hook and my hand-line.

Do you have a special message for your fans on the Fraser Coast?

We have no intention of slowing down any time soon. We would like to say a big thank you to all of the fans for your continued support, keep an eye out as there is plenty more music to come.

Justice Crew

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Wednesday, June 28 - 7pm Concert tickets: \$ 45

Or Sound Check Party, (starts at 5pm) and Concert: \$85

*At the Sound Check Party you will have the opportunity to meet Justice Crew, take photos and ask questions.

Brolga Theatre and Convention Centre, Maryborough



Australian Rules Football Is Alive And Well On The Fraser Coast

Story by Michael Sunderland

Australian Rules Football is alive and well on the Fraser Coast, with two clubs in Hervey Bay and one club in Maryborough. Traditional powerhouse club Hervey Bay Bombers, relative newcomers Bay Power and a resurgent Maryborough Bears make up the local contingent. In an expanded competition in 2017, these three Fraser Coast clubs line up against two Bundaberg clubs and the inclusion this year of Sunshine Coast clubs Pomona, Gympie and Maroochydore.

Every age group is catered for from six-year-old Auskick kids, Under 8's up to Under 16's, then a Senior and Reserves open age competition. Under 8's and under 10's play on a Friday night under lights and all the other age groups play on the Saturday. AFL Queensland work hard to promote the sport in schools, regularly holding clinics across the region. This has flowed on to a growth in junior participation at club level. The continued growth in juniors will ensure the ongoing sustainability of AFL in the Fraser Coast region.

Girls footy has taken off too. Girls can play junior football with the boys up until Under 14's. Then, following on from the success of the AFL women's league, both Bay Power and the Hervey Bay Bombers are fielding a senior women's team in 2017 while Maryborough are also close to having a team, and look set to play under lights each time the two senior men's teams meet. This renewed interest follows a layoff for a couple of years when prior to that both these two teams has a couple of hard fought out women's games with the honours shared. It is going to be interesting to see who can get the best team on the track, with both clubs wanting to have the bragging rights.

And you think you are too old to play Australian Rules Football? Well we even have a Masters team, the Hervey Bay 'Fruitbats' who play against like-minded veterans from the Sunshine Coast to Brisbane. We have players that range from 35 years to well into their mid 60's. The Fruitbats play in the over 45's age group competition, so if you are over 35 and keen for a kick and a social get together come down to training each Monday night at the Bombers ground on Raward Road, Hervey Bay. Training continues twelve months of the year, rain, hail or shine, and club members proudly brag that a training session has taken place every Monday for more than ten tears, including a couple of Christmas Days.

This year, competition in the senior grades is going to be fierce. Bay Power are looking for the club's first Premiership after going down to Bundaberg's 'Across the Waves' in last year's Grand Final. Power Coach Michael Gay has recruited well, with new captain Josh Wheeler moving into town from Newcastle, gun midfielder Michael Walsh recruited from Shepparton and several of the Power's local juniors stepping up and adjusting to the pressure of senior football. Hervey Bay Bombers will still be smarting over the loss in the ANZAC Day blockbuster to Bay Power, and Bomber's captain Lachie Woodhams will have his boys regrouped and ready to redeem themselves. In the Reserves grade, the Maryborough Bears look like the team to beat, posting some impressive wins in the early part of the season, and will be hoping to go all the way.

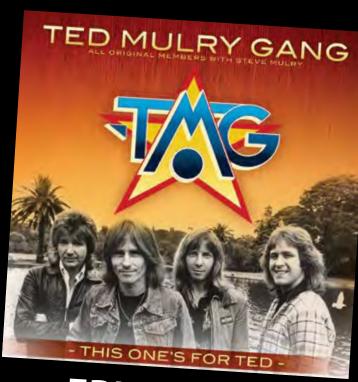
So if you find yourself looking for something to do on a Saturday afternoon, head down to one of the local AFL grounds and enjoy the atmosphere of the game. Food and drinks are available from the canteen and the bar will serve drinks once the senior grades commence. For details on the seasons draw and the location of the grounds search the AFL Wide Bay or Individual club websites.

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During the day, we have live action starting at 6.30 am in the Campdraft Ring. Campdraft is an Australian sport involving a horse and rider to work (cut-out) a beast from the herd, and prove that they both can keep the beast under control, through a course, under a specific time. This takes skill, patience and rider/horse knowledge. At 10am the thrills and spills of the Rodeo Arena commence. Action packed rides and races including Bull Ride, Saddle Bronc, Barrel Racing, Rope & Tie, and many more.

For others we have in the Hall displays, local craft and competitions plus much more. There will be an animal nursery for the youngsters to get up close to lots of different baby animals. You can feed and pat and play with them all. Also for the bigger youngsters there is a side show with rides and games. The Ute Muster attracts vehicles and owners from afar to compete for each category.

Various food stalls and market stalls are on site during the day. The best burgers are sold under the hall. There will be a Licensed bar from 10am. Catch the Lunch time entertainment for the little kids in the rodeo arena featuring the 'Animal Chase'. Live music starts around 4 pm with the fantastic Ali S Country Singer performing. Ali will perform new songs from his first debut album plus many more during the evening and night.

There will be an ATM on the grounds during the day. Camping facilities are available.

The continued support from our sponsors is what truly makes this event, along with the supportive crowd that attends. All committee members and volunteers work tirelessly for months to ensure a fantastic event.

The Showgirls winners were: Show Girl Winner Sam Olsen, Runners Up Chloe Cooper and Breanna Hawken, and Rural Ambassador Randall Wixon. These winners go on to promote our sub-chamber and qualify for the Burnett Sub-Chamber Finals, which is also held at Teebar this year on July 1st.

Saturday, June 17
Gates open from 6.30am
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Before receiving the media call from legendary film and theatre music star Petula Clark, I admit that I was a little nervous after all she is known as the First Lady of British Music, happens to be a two time Grammy Award Winner and has sold nearly 70 million records throughout her career. Petula has danced with Fred Astaire, appeared on American Variety TV programs hosted by the likes of Ed Sullivan and Dean Martin, has had lead roles in musicals, and has been honoured by Queen Elizabeth II by being made a Commander of the Order of the British Empire, and believe me this synopsis doesn't even scratch the surface.

When I nervously answer the phone and the Operator connects us, the first thing that Petula says is, "I am delighted to speak to you Kim." For a moment I am floored and then I regain my composure. Such politeness seems to go by the wayside so often these days. Petula has the art of making each person she talks to feel so important, and also has a great knack of putting people at ease.

Another thing that struck me was her voice, at eighty five years old this year, her voice definitely belies her age she sounds so upbeat, alive and very young. Petula giggles like a schoolgirl several times throughout the conversation, and I don't mind saying that I am in awe. It was a conversation that I did not want to end as I could have asked a thousand questions.

By the time that you all read this article Petula Clark would have performed in her Concert at the Brolga Theatre. Below is our phone conversation recorded a few weeks before her show.

What was it like performing on the Dean Martin Show?

I had a special relationship with Dean, he was very talented but

he was never at rehearsals as he was always off playing golf. He would turn up and have no idea of what was going on. He always had to read the cue cards and be led around. They were wonderful times. All of my clothes were made for me as the seamstress knew all my measurements, it was a lot of fun. I also did shows with Andy Williams, Bob Hope and many others.

Is there anything career wise that you would like to do or that you have always dreamed of?

I have never dreamed or had any ambition about what I do, I just do it. I started singing because I truly enjoyed it. I am very lucky as things just come to me and happen in my life.

Do you still get nervous before a performance?

I am in New York at the moment and will spend a few days in Montreal. The last time I was really nervous, was when I opened in West End in the musical 'Sunset Boulevard', I had stage fright.

A little bit of nervousness is good, I find that it turns into energy, which in turn enhances my performance.

What is the secret to longevity?

I am just lucky, and I love what I do. Singing is a great Joy that I do not class as work. Actually performing is great I am totally energised singing on stage with an audience.

What do you insist on at each Hotel?

Oh, I am not sure.....probably that I must be provided with a steam Iron and an Ironing board at all Hotels. This is even in my contract. I find ironing therapeutic, and it helps to ease the nervousness of going on stage. Besides I would far rather that I burnt a hole in my clothes than someone else.

Do you have a special message to the people of the Fraser Coast?

I am very excited about being back in Australia and on the Fraser Coast. It is always a thrill. I hope that the audience like my music and what I do. It will be offered with love and much Joy.



window brightly coloured rainbow lorikeet's chatter as they feed on nectar, a resident kookaburra's laughter can be heard from high in a gum tree and on a rainy summer night, a choir of frogs burst into song.

I use the tactile nature of sculpture and the wonderful qualities of bronze to bring our delightful wildlife within reach. One of the reasons why I love sculpture is: I'm drawn to form. I find it visually interesting how shapes flow - the way one finishes and another starts - all seamlessly working together to create the beauty of life as we know it.

The bronze are cast using the lost wax method. Each piece is a limited edition of 25, and takes 6 to 8 months to produce a new piece for initial conception through to the finished bronze.

Research is a huge part of the creative process: it builds anticipation, helps an idea fully develop and imparts a deeper understanding of the subject while cultivating feelings. As well as the visible form, I like to study the underlying anatomy and when possible meet my subject, even if it's only from a distance. I carefully consider a composition and pose that capture the subject's natural behaviour and express its unique story. An armature is then constructed which replicates the skeleton and skull, onto which clay is gradually added and subtracted to create those seamless shapes and delightful characteristics. My hope is that the viewer imagines something living, and through my humble efforts to capture the beauty of life, they too enjoy all that nature has to offer.

Born in Australia, Elizabeth grew up in Papua New Guinea and country Victoria before moving to Hervey Bay Queensland in 1990. Her sculptures can be found in private collections and homes across Australia.

Principle Sculptor Elizabeth, in collaboration with Sculptor Marni Koster and workshop participants spent ten months recreating the Stellmach and Sons 1919 Peace Cake. (Celebrating the end of WW1). There are just over 2,060 individually handmade pieces (including the piping replicas) decorating this sculpture. The core structure of the cake is wood and high density extruded foam, with rods that go through each hand turned pillar holding everything together. Modelling paste was used to create the icing and the embellishments were made from polymer clay. Like the original cake, the finished sculpture stands 1.5m high and is 61cms in width.

The sculptured cake now has a permanent home at the Maryborough Town Hall.

Captured in bronze is an up close and intermittent look at the animals that call this region home. I've enjoyed capturing the subtle details and characteristics that make them such a delight to observe.

Exhibition Dates: June 16 - July 23 Hervey Bay Regional Gallery 'Captured in Bronze' www.elizabethhersey.com.au























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I sat down with the beautiful, vibrant and energetic Katie Struick a few weeks ago. Katie is 29 and is an Actor, Singer, Model, Dancer, and Dance Teacher who just so happened to be born in Maryborough. Katie started dancing at the age of three and attended the Jaye Smith Academy of Theatrical Dance. Growing up on the Fraser Coast she remembers being busy all the time. Katie said, "I was really lucky as my parents gave me lots of opportunities so when I was little I also went to swimming training, played tennis, the violin, and I also sung." Katie then attended Pialba State School as her mum taught there, now over 30 years later she still works there. As a senior Katie then went to Fraser Coast Anglican College.

Leaving Hervey Bay at the age of fifteen for a few months, after being accepted into the Queensland Dance School of Excellence which is a high school program based in Brisbane. Katie describes this time period as being, "Pretty intense. It was hard for my parents but they knew that I wanted to do it and they only accepted fifteen people every year. So it was kinda a big deal." while Katie loved it she really wanted to focus on her studies as well as they weren't high on the agenda at the school, so she moved back to finish high school.

While always a lover of dance Katie did not decide to dance professionally until the age of about sixteen or seventeen because she wanted to finish school and go to Uni, it did not take her long to realise that she could always go to uni, whereas as Katie said, "you can't dance forever, you need to do it whilst you can and while your body allows you to." Her parents embraced the idea of their daughter pursuing a dancing career as Katie was always academically inclined.

During her earlier career Katie was a dance entertainer on Carnival Cruise Lines from 2009 to 2012. Her first contract was when she was nineteen, most of her contracts were eight months long. During those years a total of five contracts were completed. Katie said. "It was great, you got paid to travel and do what you love to do, and you meet really wonderful people."

A lot of her contracts were places in the western and eastern Caribbean like Mexico, the Cayman Islands, and Jamaica. On another contract the home port was New York so she went to Canada and Nova Scotia as well which Katie describes as being, "Absolutely amazing."

Having had her fair share of injuries over the years from dancing. Katie tore her calf muscle when she was twelve, which she says for a twelve year old was pretty bad. On another occasion she pulled all the ligaments in her ankle which stopped her from dancing for a few months. Then Katie dislocated her shoulder when she was in the middle of a show on a cruise ship, this injury still gives her grief at times, the injury was nearly five years ago now. Katie works really hard on maintaining her strength and to avoid surgery.

When asked what Katie would like to achieve career wise she responded with, "If I could do anything career wise I would be a back up dancer for Justin Timberlake." Katie thinks that would be the ultimate dream for sure as he is so talented. If she has the chance Katie would also love to be in a musical and auditions for these when she gets the chance.

As an Actor Katie thinks it would be pretty cool to be cast in Australian soapie, Home and Away. Or the Bold and the Beautiful, (we took this moment to practise the look. That long sultry, intense gaze into the camera, then break of into peals of laughter), Katie admits to not watching many soapies due to her busy schedule.

Recently Katie was back on the Fraser Coast to dance in the show, 'Untapped' at the Brolga Theatre. Katie said, "This was amazing as I used to perform at the Brolga. That's where my end of year dance concerts were, so walking back in after twelve years was so weird and awesome." This show was by the RAW Company, with Director, Andrew Fee and Co-Director and Choreographer, Jack Chambers. The group toured around Queensland. They drove from Brisbane all the way up to Cairns stopping along the way then drove all the way back down. During this time they got stuck with Cyclone Debbie and two shows had to be cancelled due to the Cyclone damage in Proserpine. The tour finished with nearly two weeks at the QPAC in Brisbane.

Currently Katie lives in Sydney and teaches at 2Step Dance Studio and Capital Performing Studios. During the day she is at Uni studying a Bachelor of secondary education with a major in maths.

Katie's advice to those interested in the arts is that you would have to really want it. There are some days where you get knocked down. During the audition process you may not have the right look or you are the wrong height or your hair could be the wrong colour. Etc. You have to have thick skin. You also need to get to as many classes as you possibly can because then you are a face, people know who you are, your not just another dancer. Just get out there and be social, be kind, and never burn your bridges.

Movies galore at the Marloo Twin Cinemas

Story by Kim Parnell

walk into the newest addition to the Hervey Bay Boatclub, the Marloo Twin Cinema to take a sneak peak. Of course my first stop is the canteen where I eagerly purchase some popcorn and a cold drink from the smiling attendant. The Cinema is fully licensed, but I restrain myself and settle for a juice instead.

There are two cinemas, one that holds 50 seats, then another slightly bigger that holds 60 seats. As I walk into the theatre they are the first thing that grab my attention as they are deep and plush. I gratefully sink into one as the movie begins. I allow myself one piece of popcorn because I know how annoying it is to finish all of your popcorn before the movie has finished, (there is nothing worse).

Gritty Australian drama 'Jasper Jones' is showing and I get swept away with the characters. All to soon the lights come on and the movie is over. But all is good as I know that next time I will be back with the entire family.

Recently I caught up with CEO Ed Gibson to chat about the cinemas. Ed tells me that the room was built between 1999 and 2000, and was



used for everything from bands to events to functions to indoor bowls, darts, snooker tournaments and conventions. But that It had never really yielded a return on investment for the members. About two years ago during a strategic planning meeting it was decided that the Boat Club needed to keep on diversifying, so the idea was born to build a cinema. It took a year of planning, and then took about four to six months to build, The build cost just over \$200.000, with quite a bit of the work being carried out by experienced staff and local businesses.

In 2002 one of the members obtained the actual name badge from the ship the SS Marloo. He kindly donated it to the club, later on this was then mounted above the doors thus the Cinema became the Marloo Twin Cinemas.

Ed said, "What's exciting is that we can utilise the facility for events other than movies; our first function will be the upcoming State of Origin games. We also hope to show events such as Bathurst, AFL and NRL Grand Finals on the big screens, we are very excited."

To see what's on at the movies go to: www.boatclubcinema.com.au



Calendar of Events

JUNE

JUNE 1-4

GTB Fraser Coast 2017

Hosted by: Get the Beat

The Coolest dance competition in Australia

Brolga Theatre and Convention Centre

Go to: www.getthebeat.com.au for more details

JUNE 2

JAZZ in CHEEK Band

TICKETS are \$20 members/\$25 non members

Hervey Bay Jazz Club/ Hervey Bay

JUNE 2

A Hideaway Show in June

7.30pm-11pm

The Natural Culture returns to The Hideaway Hotel Tiaro to kick of there "Chasing the Sun Tour" in June 2017.

The Hideaway Hotel, Tiaro

JUNE 3

Relish Food & Wine Festival

Time: 10am - 5pm

Tickets: \$10 pre-sale, \$15 on the

gate. Under 18's Free

Where: Portside, Maryborough

A full program of events and a map will be available online at:

JUNE 4

Sunday Riverside with The Bobkatz and the Dennis Sisters

3pm - 6pm

Brolga Theatre and Convention Centre

JUNE 4

Shannon Noll & Band

From 3.30pm

Tickets \$40

18+ Only

Tickets available from the gaming room

The Beach House Hotel

JUNE 4

Ten Pin Bowling Afternoon

4pn

Hervey Bay Tenpin & Zone 3 raising money for Relay for Life! 2 games for adults is \$20ea and kids under 12 will be \$15ea.

Bookings are essential or phone Tammy on 0400 752 852.

JUNE 4

Hervey Bay Animal Refuge Bake Sale

0.00

Hervey Bay Animal Refuge 14 Nikenbah/ Dundowran Rd

JUNE 5

Vinyard Dinner Event – Wines Less Known

Fund-raising Dinner for Multiple System Atrophy

6pm – 11pm

Tickets: \$110

To book call: 4125 6982

JUNE 5-11

Classic Country Music Stampede

Go to: www.

classiccountrymusicstampede. com.au for details

Or call: Lynette on: 0439 897 215

JUNE 9

Biggest Morning Tea Event

9.30am-12.30pm

The Engineers Arms Marketplace 115 March Street, Maryborough

JUNE 9

One Night With Colin Fassnidge

TICKETS SOLD OUT

The Beach House Hotel

JUNE 9

Raw Muscle – Ladies night out

8pm - 11.59pm

Various seating prices

Bookings at Carriers Arms Hotel-Motel - 07 4122 6666

Maryborough

JUNE 10-11

Kickass Obstacle Race, Hervey Bay

Various challenges

Australian Adventure Park, 805 Burrum Heads Rd, Burrum River

For tickets go to: www. kickassobstaclerace.com.au

JUNE 10

Book Launch, local Author

Attack Of The Killer Banana

10am

Maryborough Library – Bookings preferred

Phone: 4190 5788

JUNE 10

Katastrophy Wives High Tea Fund-raiser

2pm-5pm Cost: \$35 a head Includes refreshments, Bar available Waterfront Restaurant, Cnr Pulqul &

Kent Streets, Urangan
To purchase tickets contact Kerry on 0410 664 940 or

Email: katastrophywives@outlook.com

JUNE 10-11

2017 Handy Hire Maryborough BMX Classic

Maryborough

Club Registrar Karen Baker 0409

or Club President Steven Barsby 0400 776 159

JUNE 10

Tombola

Doors open 12pm, start 1.30pm \$2 per ticket, \$1 raffle tickets etc Raising funds for the Jake Garrett Foundation

Maryborough Excelsior Band Hall

JUNE 11-12

Fraser Coast Formal and Bridal Expo

June 11 at 9.30am to June 12 at 1.30pm

Hervey Bay PCYC

JUNE 11

Fraser Coast Baby & Childrens Homemade Market

8am-1pm At the Arts & Crafts on Bideford Street, Torquay Entry is FREE.

JUNE 11 Mid-Winter Festivities in the Village 10am – 3pm Victory Castle at Riverbend Lot 1 Riverbend Drive (Off Glenbar Rd, Tiaro)

JUNE 13

Triple M's GM5FK Maryborough Trivia Night

7pm-10pm \$5 per player, teams of up to 6 email tammy.sloan@sca.com.au, or call 4121 2209. Carriers Arms Hotel in Maryborough.

JUNE 16

Business Hervey Bay

5.30pm 8.30pm Venue to be announced shortly. No need to register. Open to all those in business To find out more go to: www.businessherveybay.com

JUNE 16-17

Retrospect at Hervey Bay Boatclub

JUNE 17

Teebar Rodeo & Campdraft 2017

Come along to a full rodeo with a campdraft,

ute muster, amusement rides, live entertainment, competitions and displays.

Email: slr-05@hotmail.com or phone: 0408 707 297

JUNE 17

The best of Gene Pitney Show

8pm-10pm

Tickets are \$25

See club reception.

The Sporties Showroom, Pier St, Urangan

JUNE 18

Scavenger Hunt Car Run, **Hervey Bay Area**

10am-2pm - For those that have sent an RSVP

Leaving Dayman Park

Proceeds go to Relay for life -Cancer Council

JUNE 18

Hervey Bay-The Australian **Medium Tour 2017**

Hervey Bay RSL

Show starts at 2 PM Matinee' www.charmainewilson.com.au/

and scroll down till you see Hervey Bay then follow prompts

JUNE 18

Maryborough Excelsior City **Band Concert**

1.30pm

Excelsior St, Maryborough

JUNE 20

The Bootleg Beach Boys

8pm-10pm

Brolga Theatre and Convention http://www.ourfrasercoast.com. au/brolga-theatre

JUNE 21

Pauly Fenech's Fat Pizza and **Housos Comedy Spectacular**

8pm-11pm

Tickets \$30

Tickets available from the gaming room

The Beach House Hotel, Scarness

JUNE 22

Autism Sensory Training Hervey Bay

9am-4pm

Early Bird Tickets, (if still available) \$145

JUNE 23

Fraser Coast Mates Annual Golf Day 2017

For enquiries call 0404 467 036 A men's group raising awareness

for men's mental health www.eventbrite.com.au

The Clubhouse, Hervey Bay

JUNE 23

Gatsby, Gangsters and Gambling

Benefit for Rally for a Cause 7pm-10pm - Smart Dress

\$25 - Entry Donation Silent Auctions etc

For tickets call: Kendra -

0438 796 625

JUNE 23 - JULY 2

Mary Poppins Festival

A 10 day program with music, storytelling & performances

Includes a Veteran Car Rally & a day of fun at Mary Poppins in the Park

www.marypoppinsfestival.com.au

JUNE 24-25

Rotary's Living Expo - Combined Rotary Clubs of Hervey Bay June 24 Gates open from 8.30am \$5 per Adult, Children under 12 free

Seafront Oval, Pialba

JUNE 24-25

2 Day Clinic, Hervey Bay

Hosted by Carlos Tabernaberri Contact Karen Muller on: 0418 796 741 email: kazza56@hotmail.

JUNE 24

Fraser Coast Arts Collective Workshop 9am-4pm

Cost \$30, Bookings required. Call: 4197 4206 or melissa. duncan@frasercoast.qld.gov.au

Open to all Artists and community members

Hervey Bay Regional Gallery

JUNE 24

Bayside Transformations Annual Gala

Hosted by: Bayside Transformations

6pm-11pm

Featuring 'Brown Suga' \$100pp or \$900 per table of 10

RSVP to Lisa on: 4194 6621

Hervey Bay RSL

JUNE 28

Chamber Breakfast

Hosted by: Hervey Bay Chamber of Commerce

6.30am-8.15am

Hervey Bay Boat Club

Register online at www.trybooking.com/254331

JUNE 28

Justice Crew

7pm - 10pm

All tickets \$45.00 VIP Sound Check Party \$85.00

Get to meet them and take photos

Brolga Theatre and Convention

JUNE 30

Ted Mulry Gang -Live

Doors open 7.30pm Tickets only \$30 Available from the gaming room The Beach House Hotel

Hervey Bay Regional Gallery

June 16-23 July

Urangan Pier after 100 Years

A photography exhibition to celebrate the Centennial Anniversary of this iconic jetty. Captured in Bronze – Elizabeth Hersey

Hervey Bay Regional Gallery Call: 4197 4206



Gig Guide

Live music and more on the Fraser Coast in June

HERVEY BAY



The Boat Club

Fri 2, 8:00pm, The Darlington Stripes Sat 3, 8:00pm, Doug & The Upper Hand

Fri 9, 8:00pm, Mo Swagger Sat 10, 8:00pm, Mo Swagger Fri 16, 8:00pm, Retrospect Sat 17, 8:00pm, Retrospect Fri 23, 8:00pm, Hard Cover Sat 24, 8:00pm, Doug & The Upper Hand Fri 30, 8:00pm, Uncle Arthur

The Torquay Hotel

Fri 2, 9pm, DJ Simon Sat 3, 9pm, DJ Simon Fri 9, 9pm, DJ Simo Sat 10, 9pm, DJ Simon Fri 16, 9pm, See You Next Tue Sat 17, 9pm, Uncle Arthur Fri 23, 9pm, DJ Simon Sat 24, 9pm, DJ Simon

The Bayswater Hotel

Fri 2, 6.30pm, Mat Phillips Sat 3, 7.30pm, Quinn, The Radio Star Sun, 4, 3pm, Quinn, The Radio Star Fri, 9, 6.30pm, Mat Phillips Sat 10, 7.30pm, Quinn, The Radio Star

Sun 11, 3pm, Tony Fallon Fri 16, 6.30pm, Mat Phillips Sat 17, 7.30pm, Forbidden Road Trio Sun 18, 3pm, Quinn, The Radio Star Fri 23, 6.30pm, Doug Edwards, Sat 24, 7.30pm, Forbidden Road Trio Sun 25, 3pm, Quinn, The Radio Star Fri 30, 6.30pm, Quinn, The Radio Star

The Vinyard

Fri 30, 7.30pm- 10pm, John Corowa

Coast Restaurant

Sun 7, 2pm Sam Maddison Sun 14, 2pm Frank Benn Sun 21, 2pm Sam Maddison Sun 28, 2pm Frank Benn



Hervey Bay RSL

Fri 2, 6.00pm, Doug Edwards Sat 3, 8.00pm, Darlington Stripes Thurs 8, 11.00am for Veterans Day in the Sportsbar, Quinn the radio star Fri 9, 6.00pm, Derek Smith Sat 10, 8.00pm, Shades Band Sat 10, 8.00pm in Hervey House, The Australian Buddy Holly Show. \$20 members / \$25 non members Tue 13, 11.00am, Morning Melody with The Howie Brothers. \$5 members / \$7 non members Fri 16, 6.00pm, Karen Thompson Sat 17, 8.00pm, Red Betty Sat 17, 8.00pm in Hervey House, Akmal comedian. \$42.00 Fri 23, 6.00pm, Dust Duo Sat 24, 8.00pm, Janice and the Violets Sun 25, 12.30pm, Janice J solo Fri 30, 6.00pm, Rick Manych Fri 30, 7.00pm, Jazz Club in Hervey House. \$20 Jazz Club members / \$25

non members. The Clubhouse

Fri 2, 6.00pm, Sam Maddison Sat 3, 6.00pm, Pete Baker Fri 9, 6.00pm, Bobby Barnes Sat 10, 6.00pm, Rick Manych Fri 16, 6.00pm, Doug Edwards Sat 17, 6.00pm, Tony Fallon Fri 30, 6.00pm, Forbidden Road Duo

ABEACHE HOUSE

The Beach House Hotel

Thurs 1, 7:30pm, Open Mic Fri 2, 8pm, Rocklords Sat 3, 8:30pm, Uncle Arthur Sun 4, 2pm, Derek Smith - Upstairs from 3.30pm, Shannon Noll Thurs 8, 7:30pm, Open Mic Fri 9, 8pm, Doug Edwards Sat 10, 8:30pm, Red Betty Sun 11, 2pm, Dave Turner Thurs 15, 7:30pm, Open Mic Fri 16, 8pm, Dogwood Crossing Sat 17, 8:30pm, Doug & The Upper Hand Sun 18, 2pm, Bobby Barnes Wed 21, 8pm, Pauly's Fat Pizza & Thurs 22, 7:30pm, Open Mic

Fri 23, 8pm, See Ya Next Tue Sat 24, 8:30pm, Dogwood Crossing Sun 25, 2pm, Pete Allan Thurs 29, 7:30pm, Open Mic Fri 30, 8pm, Ian Murray Main bar Fri 30, 8pm, Ted Mulry Gang (Upstairs)

Smokey Joe's Cafe Bar and Grill – Ramada Hotel

Fri 2, 6pm Vibeke Sat 3, TBA Fri 9, 6pm Jim Daniels Sat 10, 6pm Al Davies Fri 16, 6pm Sam Sat 17, 6pm Vibeke Fri 23, TBA Sat 24, 6pm Jim Daniels Fri 24, TBA

Bay Central Tavern

Fri 2, 8pm, Sam Maddison
Sat 3, 8pm, Pennies from Heaven
Sun 4, 1pm, Bobby Barnes
Fri 9, 8pm, Frank Benn
Sat 10, 8pm, Dogwood Crossing
Sun 11, 1pm, Doug Edwards
Fri 16, 8pm, Harley Meszaros
Sat 17, 8pm, Wrecked On Sun
Sun 18, 1pm, TBA
Fri 23, 8pm, TBA
Sat 24, 8pm, Doug Edwards Trio
Sun 25, 1pm, Derek Smith
Fri 30, 8pm, Open Mic

Goody's on the Beach - Toogoom

Sat 3, 12-3pm Sam Maddison Sun 4, 12-3pm Frank Benn Sat 10, 12-3pm Frank Benn Sun 11, 12-3pm Sam Maddison Sat 17, 12-3pm Sam Maddison Sun 18, 12-3pm Derek Smith Sat 24, 12-3pm Sam Maddison Sun 25, 12-3pm Frank Benn

MARYBOROUGH

The Federal Hotel

Fri 2, 8:00pm, Jim Daniell
Sat 3, 8:00pm, Sam Maddison
Fri 9, 8:00pm, Dave Gray
Sat 10, 12:00pm, Luke Karolak
Sat 10, 8:00pm, Duncan McNeil
Fri 16, 8:00pm, Kev Gray
Sat 17, 8:00pm, Pete Baker
Fri 23, 8:00pm, Luke Karolak
Sat 24, 8:00pm, Open Mic with Jon
Vea Vea
Fri 30, 8:00pm, Till Dawn

Maryborough Sports Club

Thurs 1, 6.30pm Quinn The Radio Star Fri 2, 7.30pm Roger Lewis Sat 3, 7.30pm Jumpstart Thurs 8, 6.30pm Glenn Fox Fri 9, 7.30pm Red Betty Sat 10, 7.30pm Black Swamp Blues Thurs 15, 6.30pm Quinn The Radio Star

Fri 16, 7.30pm Forbidden Road Sat 17, 7.30pm Billy Guy Thurs 22, 6.30pm Glenn Fox Fri 23, 7.30pm One For The Road Sat 24, 8.30pm Amber Lawrence / Catherine Britt Love & lies Tour Adult Tickets \$30 Kids Under 14 \$15 Sun 25, 12.30pm Perry O -End Of Month Draws Thurs 29, 6.30pm Quinn The Radio

Thurs 29, 6.30pm Quinn The Radic Star

Fri 30, 7.30pm Barlight

The Royal Hotel

Fri 6, 8pm, See You Next Tue Fri 9, 8pm, Till Dawn Thurs 15, 8pm, Live Band Karaoke Wayne Alexander & Tracie Barnes Fri, 16, 8pm, Dust Duo Fri 23, 8pm, Fixxer Sat 24, 8pm, Frank Benn Fri 30, 8pm, Red Betty

Maryborough RSL

Fri 2, 7:30pm, Karaoke World Championships Heat 3 Sat 3, 7:30pm, Ear Candy Fri 9, 7:30pm, Karaoke World Championships Heat 4 Sat 10, 7:30pm, We want More 70's Fri 16, 7:30pm, Karaoke World Championships Heat 5 Sat 17, 7:30pm, Fiddel Me Please, Fri 23, 7:30pm, Karaoke World Championships Heat 6 Sat 24, 7:30pm, Red Betty Fri 30, 7:30pm Karaoke World Championships Heat 7



Carriers Arms Hotel

Fri 2, 7.30pm, Ricky Manych Sat 3, 7.30pm, Darren Marlow Fri 9, 8.00pm, Raw Muscle Show Fri 9, 7.30pm, Wal Neilsen Saturday 10, 7.30pm, Forbidden Road Fri 16, 7.30pm, Frank Benn Saturday 17, 7.30pm, Fuzzbox Fri 23, 7.30pm, Ian Murray Saturday 24, 7.30pm, Till Dawn Fri 30, 7.30pm, Luke Karolak





There has definitely been a bite in the air over the last few weeks. Yes folks winter has arrived. But one of the things that I love most about living on the Fraser Coast is the fact that throughout winter we still have some beautifully warm days, especially at the beach or on the water. The thought just makes those nights just a little bit more bearable. But it got me wondering about how other people cope in winter! Kim Parnell, Editor

What do you do in winter to warm up?

"Well I drink red wine and sit by the fireplace. Or I travel somewhere warm like North Broome or Port Douglas."

> Craig Rieck, Western Australia





"I slip into my track suit pants and curl up on the couch with a hot chocolate. I still do Park run in the winter as well."

Kaitlyn Nicoletti,

"I go walking three times a week to the Marina and back. Walking is a great way to warm up and get the blood pumping."

> Robyn Allam, River Heads





"I love to snuggle under my doona with my kids or we all go for a fun bike ride to keep warm and catch the sun rays."

Tianna Wellington, Pialba

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The 2017 Fraser Coast Formal and Bridal Expo



With Jacob Kitson-Holebrook

Now guys, we all know that the Fraser Coast Formal and Bridal Expo isn't always seen as the most riveting event for us men. If you are lucky enough to be accompanying your bride to be to this year's expo, you should know that all is not lost and that there is in fact quite a bit that will be of interest to you. You may not be one hundred percent convinced yet but when it comes down to planning a wedding, this event is going to be hopefully a life saver for you and your future bride and it will cut out a lot of that pre-wedding stress that no bloke likes.

Last year the Fraser Coast Formal and Bridal Expo was home to 80 stalls with over 500 people attending over the course of the day. Year on year the expo has grown in popularity as it becomes more well known to the Fraser Coast community and a continuous stream of people come through the doors of the Hervey Bay PCYC to plan their big day, whether it be a formal occasion or the most important day of their lives.

The event allows brides and grooms to take a day out to relax and enjoy the planning of their wedding in a environment packed with people that have years of training in making your big day a perfect day. This expo is the one opportunity where the people of this region get to see all the different possibilities that they could have at their wedding in one central place with all the experts they could ever possibly need at hand.

So come down on Sunday 11 June between 9.30am and 1.30pm to the Hervey Bay PCYC - be brave if you are a bloke - do the right thing and show your future wife that she has made the right choice in you and I am sure you will find more than a few things that make your day special too.







Shannon Noll Returns To The Bay

By Kim Parnell

I still remember sitting on the edge of my seat in 2003 holding my breath as the winner of Australian Idol was announced. Shannon Noll was the runner up that day and has been a steady presence ever since. Since then Shannon has released five top ten albums, and remains the only male Australian artist in recording history to have had ten consecutive top ten singles that is quite an achievement. To top it all off Shannon has received, not one, not two but six ARIA Music Award nominations.

With his boyish charm, laid back attitude and great voice it is not hard to see why Shannon remains so popular to audiences young and old. I caught up with Shannon Noll before his Concert at the Beach House Hotel in Hervey Bay coming up in June.

Shannon, what is the name of your latest Single, and where did the name come from?

My latest Single is called 'Southern Sky'. The meaning for me is ''To live and die under the Southern Sky'. This song comes from my love of Australia and knowing that I am happy to stay in Australia and call this great country home. This song is a celebration of this country, the people and the place's. I came up with the hook and hope that you all like it.

When will your next studio album be out?

I anticipate that my next album will hopefully be out to the public some time later this year, so keep an eye out for it.

Who were your main musical influences in life?

Definitely John Farnham, and Jimmy Barnes. I was lucky enough to tour with John Farnham recently along with Darryl Braithwaite, James Reyne, Reece Mastin and Taxi Ride in the Red Hot Summer Tour Concert earlier this year.

How many times have you performed on the Fraser Coast?

All I can say is quite a few times over the years. Last year I was lucky I actually got to stay for a few days. So I got to go to Fraser Island and have a good look around. I love the Fraser Coast and always look forward to coming back.

What is a common nickname that people call you?

People just call me Nollsie, so much so that now it is the tag on my Instagram and social media.

What is your worst habit?

Definitely biting my nails., it is the one thing that I have never been able to shake.

So tell us, who is Shannon Noll?

I am just a man who is trying to make a go of it in this world like we all are. I am really enjoying life as much as possible with my family and friends. None of us are perfect but we do the best that we can.

What can we expect at your upcoming Gig at the Beach House Hotel?

I will have my whole band with me for this concert. Some of the songs I will be singing will feature on the next Album. There is also a faster tempo and a Harmonica. The songs are more about who I am, and where I came from.

Shannon Noll & Band

Date: June 4

Time: 3.30pm to 6.30pm

Tickets: \$40, and available from the gaming room

Where: Beach House Hotel, Scarness

Rotary Living Expo

24-25 June 2017

tory by Kim Parnell

On the last weekend in June the Combined Rotary Clubs of Hervey Bay will be holding their Living Expo which will once again fill Seafront Oval to capacity.

The Living Expo attracts around 5000 visitors each year and features over 100 stalls and displays including some amazing food from around the world. There will be professional musicians on stage all weekend organised by Robert Mackay as well as roving entertainment featuring Stars Wars characters, and medieval displays including sword fighting. Kids entertainment has been increased this year with Roxi the Dinosaur making appearances both days as well as Pat a Pet Animal Farm, the climbing wall, face painting and the kids train. There will be large areas devoted to caravans, camper trailers, motor homes and boat displays as well as many smaller exhibitors.

There will be great travel deals and everyone attending will be able to enter the major prize draw of 8 days for two people in Fiji simply by answering a few questions.

The Living Expo has been running since 1998. The two Hervey Bay Rotary clubs combine their efforts for this event. Profits from this event for several years were allocated to the construction of Hospital House which is motel style accommodation within the grounds of the Hervey Bay hospital that provides accommodation for families of patients from remote areas. Money raised has also gone to furnishings for the new Community Centre, the Rural Fire Brigade, Care flight, the wig library, the books for babies program, the all-abilities swing park, homelessness, literacy and many others.





In just the last 10 years the Rotary Living Expo has raised over \$300,000 for local Hervey Bay Rotary projects.

Rotary is made up of people from all walks of life, who voluntarily give their time and skills to improve the lives of both their local cities and beyond. It's the largest service organisation in the world. Rotary's largest international project is its 40 year vaccination program to eradicate the disease polio from the world, and we expect to achieve this sometime in the next two years.

More information can be obtained by visiting our website www.livingexpo.com.au or from our Facebook page.

Rotary Living Expo 24-25 June 2017 @ Seafront Oval 8.30am to 4pm each day Entry \$5, with children free.





Bobs Tyre Centres

Hervey Bay - 93 Main St, Pialba - Ph: 4124 1855 Maryborough - 14 Rocky St, Maryborough - Ph: 4121 2288

fishing on the Fraser Coast Photographs on this page provided by www.GuidedFishingDownUnder.com

By John Haenke

he tuna have really been turning on the action over the past month, with some longtails and thumping Mac Tuna in the mix feeding on the schooled-up bait balls.

If you've never experienced this style of fishing, it can be a fast frenetic adrenalin rush. Getting close enough to the feeding schools to get a lure into their midst without making them sound (go down) is an art in itself. Getting a hook-up is not usually too difficult but does require some skill, then it 's just a matter of hanging on while the tuna make their lightning fastruns. It makes even the most experienced anglers come back for more highly addictive and arm stretching!

There are still plenty of Tuna around at the moment, as the water temperatures drop and the weather cools, they will slow down. Then it will be time to start looking for other species like snapper, trevally, permit on the flats - blue salmon are already moving into the straights and estuaries of the bay.

JOHN'S TIPS FOR TUNA

- I find the best lures for tuna in the bay are small metal slices in the 20 gram range, but my personal favourite is a soft plastic: the Z-Man Streakz in a 5" bubblegum colour.
- When fishing with lures for tuna, you can never wind too fast. Make sure your lure gets in front of those feeding fish, and wind as fast as you can.
- For fly anglers, my fly of choice is a surf candy, tuna can't resist them!
- Unlike lures, surf candies can be fished with a slow to medium double hand retrieve, no need to retrieve flat out.
- When approaching a school of feeding fish, try to approach from the upwind side, avoid clunky gear changes that will put the fish down.

We cater to experienced lure and fly anglers, but also to people who have never fished before. It's a great opportunity to try something new. Guests get to see the western side of Fraser Island from the water, and plenty of marine life including turtles, whales in season, and quite often dugong feeding on the sea grass in the clear shallow waters of the bay. The fishing is the reason we're on the water, but it's everything else we see on the day that helps makes it so memorable.

Call John Haenke to chat about charters and what's biting now: 0418 187618, and for more detailed information and fishing reports check out our website: GuidedFishingDownUnder.com





Reilly Fallon · 28 April 2017

Had a beyond excellent time with John and Guided Fishing Down Under. I have fished in many places around the world and I can say, with 100% certainty that the fishing experience on Hervey Bay was one of the best I could have asked for. Looking forward to booking my next day with Guided Fishing Down Under and getting the one that got away!

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TAI CHI

Mon Nights – Beginners, Time: 6pm, Cost \$10.00, Contact Marg to book your spot on 0408 705 140 or Email: marg@margrichters.com Venue: Hervey Bay Community Centre, Charles St, Pialba.

HERVEY BAY

INTEGRATED MARTIAL ARTS TRAINING

Men & Women, Boys & Girls of all ages welcome. Various venues, various nights, Group prices range from \$6 to \$8 per session. Contact: Michael Green on 0402 992 074, or email: integratedacadamy@gmail.com

HERVEY BAY

ZCLUB FITNESS

Join our fitness club offering Zumba, Strong & Piloxing Fitness classes & social events for adults, seniors & kids, Memorial Hall, 7 Main St and the Boat Club, Phone Katie on: 0401 755 666.

HERVEY BAY

REIKI HEALING DAY 9am-1pm, held on the forth Sunday of the month, Cost: Donation, Hervey Bay Community Centre, Charles St, Pialba – Joan: 4124 0360.

HERVEY BAY

WHAT WOMEN WANT Networking for Women of the Fraser Coast. Informal and friendly events bi-monthly at different venues. Email: wwwfrasercoast@gmail.com

HERVEY BAY

WOODCRAFT CLUB Meets Mon, Wed and Fri mornings from 8.30am to 11.30am, \$45 per year to join, \$3 per session, this includes morning tea and Insurance, Phone Jim: 0402 019 281

HERVEY RAY

BAY POTTERS

Feb to Dec we meet every Tues from 9am-1pm and work on Pottery. To join the club there is an annual fee of \$40, and each Tues there is a fee of \$5 for the workshop. Phone Sue on 4125 3638 for details.

HERVEY BAY

Bellydance and Bollywood Dance Class, Friday's, 6pm, (during school term), CWA Hall, 19 Pulgul St, Urangan. Contact Lorna on: 0416 463 686.

HERVEY BAY

HERVEY BAY PARKRUN
- FREE weekly timed 5km
event for runners of all
standards, every Sat at 7am
at Pier Park, Urangan, Hervey
Bay, register and get your
barcode at: www.parkrun.
com.au

HERVEY BAY

YOGA QIGONG
Sat Morning, 7.30am-8.45am,
Deck @ Gatakers Landing
Restaurant, Point Vernon.
Mon: 6.00pm -7.15pm, Hervey
Bay Sailing Club, Torquay, All
welcome, Casual class fee \$15, or
\$12 concession, BYO mats,
Ph Kath on: 0448 663 303.

HERVEY BAY

BURRUM HEADS YOUTH GROUP Every Thurs, (during school term). 3.30pm -5pm, Membership is \$1 per year, afternoon tea is provided, Burrum District Community Centre, 56 Steley St, Howard. Phone: 4129 0996 for details.

MARYBOROUGH

DADS IN DISTRESS (DIDS), Meet Tues Nights, 7pm-9pm, 596 Kent St, Maryborough Call: 0421 808 606

MARYBOROUGH

FRASER COAST RUNNERS
AND WALKERS CLUB
community club with an
emphasis on health and
fitness for Men, Women and
Children who run or walk.
Meet monthly alternating
Hervey Bay & Maryborough.
Call: 4122 2526

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MARY ANN
STEAM TRAIN RIDES
9am-1pm, Thurs at Queens
Park. \$3 adults / \$2 children /
family \$7.
For more info contact the
Maryborough City Whistle
Stop: 4121 0444.

MARYBOROUGH

MARYBOROUGH AMATEUR
ATHLETIC CLUB
& LITTLE ATHLETICS
Meet every Fri at 6pm, Jock
Anderson Oval, Gympie Rd,
Tinana,
Call: 4121 3696 for details.

MARYBOROUGH

MARYBOROUGH CAMERA CLUB Meeting place: St Stephens Uniting Church Hall, Membership is \$35 per year, and there is a \$3 hall fee payable on the night, call: 0408 930 028 for details, or go to: www.maryboroughcameraclub.org.au

MARYBOROUGH

WIDE BAY VOLUNTEERS We refer people to community groups, and provide training Call: 4151 6644.

MARYBOROUGH

MARYBOROUGH PARKRUN FREE weekly timed 5km event for runners of all standards, every Sat at 7am at Anzac Park/Ululah Lagoon, register and get your barcode at: www.parkrun.com.au

MARYBOROUGH

MARYBOROUGH AUSTRALIAN COUNTRY
MUSIC ASSOCIATION INC
Meet every Fri for practice,
Cost \$3, then every 3rd Sat
of the month is our concert
- Call: 4123 4159 for further
details.

MARYBOROUGH

Star Dust Drama Academy classes at 3 locations around Maryborough & Hervey Bay: Excelsior Band Hall, (Tues 3.45pm -7.30pm), Tinana Hall, (Thurs 3.45pm-7.30pm), and Pialba Memorial Hall, (Sat 9am-12.45pm), Call: 0474 098 873.

MARYBOROUGH

Maryborough Creative Fabrics Craft friendship group, not for profit, Tues from 9am to noon. \$6, Woocoo Community Centre, Cnr Maryborough/ Biggenden Rd and Woocoo Dr, Oakhurst. Call: 0408 028 225

MARYBOROUGH

Maryborough Scottish
Country Dancers
Meet from 7pm at
St Stephen's Hall, Sussex St,
All ages, beginners are
welcome
Call: 4123 0663 for details.

Weekly Activities
& Fraser Coast Markets
Submissions or corrections:

Please contact What's On Fraser Coast on 0408 987 860 or kim.parnell@whatsonfrasercoast.com.au

Fraser Coast Markets

MARYBOROUGH

FRASER COAST

WILDLIFE SANCTUARY MARKETS

79 Mungar Road, Maryborough (Donation gets you free entry to the Sanctuary)

> 3rd Sun of the Month 7am - 12pm

info@frasercoastwildlifesanctuary.org.au

MARYBOROUGH

CITY HEARTS MARKETS

Adelaide & Ellena St. Maryborough

Every Thurs 8am - 1pm

markets@fcte.com.au

HERVEY BAY

KOALA MARKETS

Kruger Court, Booral Rd, Urangan

2nd and 4th Sun

6am - 12noon

koalamarkets@yahoo.com.au

(back on 2nd weekend of February)

HERVEY BAY

NIKENBAH MARKETS

Hervey Bay Animal Refuge

Nikenbah-Dundowran Rd, Nikenbah

1st. 3rd & 5th Sun of the month

6am - 12noon

hbanimalrefuge@gmail.com

HERVEY BAY

FRASER COAST MONTHLY COUNTRY MARKETS **Burrum River,**

Australia Adventure Park, 805 Burrum Heads Rd, Burrum River

2nd or 3rd Saturday of the month, subject to change at anytime.

Please go to the Australia Adventure Park Face-book page for updates, and times.

HERVEY BAY

URANGAN PIER PARK COMMUNITY MARKETS

> Pier Park, Urangan (in front of Jetty)

Every Sat 7am to 1pm & Every Wed 7am - 1pm

pierparkcommunitymarkets@gmail.com

TORQUAY BEACHSIDE

MARKETS

Outside AQUAVUE, Torquay

2nd & 4th Sat 8am to 1pm

info@torquaymarkets.com.au

BURRUM HEADS

BURRUM HEADS MARKETS

Community Hall, Main Rd & **Howard St**

Burum Heads

2nd Sat of the Month

7am to 11am

HERVEY BAY BOAT CLUB

ART & CRAFT MARKET

Buccaneer Dr, Urangan

3rd Wed of the month

9am to 2pm

info@boatclub.com.au

BAUPLE

BAUPLE MARKETS

(free for stallholders)

Band Hall, Band Hall Rd, Bauple

4th Sat of the month

7am to 12noon

www.facebook.com/bauplemarketS

TIARO

TIARO MARKETS

Memorial Hall, Main St. Tiaro

2nd Sat of the month

7am to 12noon

HOWARD

HOWARD COMMUNITY CENTRE

Steley St, Howard

1st Sat of the month

7am to 12noon

info@howardcommunitycentre.org.au

DISCLAIMER: Markets subject to change due to School Holidays, Public Holidays and weather conditions.

RocKwiz Live! 2017 July 17

The RocKwiz Gang are hitting the road in 2017 for our next national tour. Coming to the Brolga Theatre and Convention Centre, Maryborough. Free from the constraints of the small screen and revelling in the freedom, anarchy and sheer joy of performing live with a rotating cast of legends and up and coming young stars ... join Julia, Brian, Dugald and the RocKwiz OrKestra. Tickets prices: Adults \$89.00, Concession \$79.00. Call: 07 4122 6060 or go to:

www.ourfrasercoast.com.au to book.

Burrum Coal Discovery Festival July 15-16

The discovery of coal in 1863 in the Burrum region is where this popular Festival stems from. Why not make a weekend of the celebrations. There will be a street parade, market stalls, buskers, an art exhibition, and so much more. Chad Morgan will be returning for a 'one off' appearance on Coalfest Saturday. There will also be an Antique style road show, or you can build your own scarecrow or paint some fence art, there will also be a Quilt show, and for the kids, Old McDonald's Travelling Farm. For more information call: 0484 552 995 or go to the Burrum Coal Discovery Face-book page.

NAIDOC Week July 2-9

NAIDOC Week celebrates the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander people. The theme for 2017 is – Our Languages Matter. The theme aims to emphasise and celebrate the unique and essential role that Indigenous languages play in cultural identity, linking people to their land and water and in the transmission of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history, spirituality and rites, through story and song.

For more information, visit www.naidoc.org.au

Colourburst Challenge Against Cancer July 8

A little bit Colour Run, a little bit Boot Camp, a little bit Dance Party a whole lot of fun.

2pm Colourburst Challenge Against Cancer.(Open to ALL ages. Children up to 14 years must be supervised by an also registered adult. We encourage family groups to participate together)

11am.Colourburst Junior (open only to children up to 12 years old). Each child must bring one adult carer to supervise and throw coloured holi powder. One adult may supervise multiple children. Extra adults may spectate from outside the participant area). For further details go to Tea & Toasters Hervey Bay Relay for Life team on Face book, email: ColourburstChallenge@outlook.com or call: Charmaine 0431299286.







Social Snaps Out and about on the Fraser Coast







Social Snaps





Out and about on the Fraser Coast



In the Kitchen with Michael Cox

Head Chef @ Muddy Waters Cafe, Maryborough



How long have you been a Chef /Owner?

I have been a Chef for over twenty years now, and a Cafe Owner for about seven years, with three years being at the Marina and experiencing a number of floods. We then moved to our current location which we have now been in for about four years.

Where did the name Muddy Waters Cafe come from?

It was the name the original owners called the cafe, and was based on the Blues singer, 'Muddy Waters'. Later on going through the floods next to the Mary River the name became quite apt.

Who was your biggest inspiration when you were training to be a Chef, and why?

I started way before, 'Celebrity Chef" was at its peak. My inspiration came much later, I find that you are learning all the time. I get a lot of inspiration from books and admire Peter Kuravita, and Christine Mansfield and have been lucky enough to work with both during TAFE teaching.

Tell us one of your more memorable moments in your Career?

The best thing I have done would definitely be my Chef Scholarship in NSW with the celebrity chefs at Nowra TAFE as a teacher. It was a great incentive for the whole region, as everyone benefited. The program has now been going for twelve years this year.

How would you sum up your menu?

We buy local produce. Our menu is more fresh and a little bit more upmarket, It is not steak and three vege. We use different cookery techniques, glazing, roasting, stewing and frying as we try to cover all bases. We create fresh simple flavours.

What is the most popular dish on the 'Muddy Waters' menu?

At night time our most popular dish is our Beef Cheeks. They are braised for four and a half hours and melt in the mouth. We make everything here and don't buy anything in. We know exactly what is going into our food, it is a big thing with dietary requirements these days. There are so many food intolerances, and food allergies. We make our own bread, cakes and muffins and we don't use packet sauces we make all of our own like hollandaise, mayonnaise etc. We make our own stocks and then reduce them down whether it be chicken stock for risotto or your jus for over the top of a steak. There are no thickening agents added.

What is the newest trend you see emerging?

I see a lot of black Brioche used as buns for burgers. I do not like this trend at all, it doesn't look very nice, there is a time and a place for everything, but not those, they belong in the bin. I also find that more and more people are looking at what they eat, and certain trends are developing around this.

Do you use many local suppliers?

We use many local suppliers, our dry goods come from Fraser Coast Food Services. We use Granville Butcher's for our meat and Sugar Coast Seafood. These are our main suppliers. I enjoy going to the small local markets for fresh fruit and vegetables.

What advice would you give a novice just getting into the business?

It is a hard industry. As a Chef you have to have a certain makeup about you. It is like anything, you have to start with the basics you can't just walk into a kitchen and create a dish. Food is very much a science. Especially with pastry work and and desserts you have to have the right measurements, but you also have to know what to do with the ingredients and how they all react together. How protein structure's work, you have to understand all of this to get the best out of your cooking. You are learning all the time, you never stop.

What do you most like to cook?

Creating Desserts is satisfying as you get to be as creative as you like. We are known for our desserts here at Muddy Waters Cafe. In 2016 we won Death by Chocolate's, 'Most Unique Ingredient Combination. Then this year we won, 'The People's Choice Award' at the same event.

HERVEY BAY NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE

lopa Veija

Ropa vieja, or "old clothes," describes the shreds of meat, peppers, and onions resembling a mess of colourful rags. Robust stews such as this Cuban speciality are at the heart of West Indian cuisine.



INGREDIENTS

- 1 x 425g can crushed tomatoes
- 3 tablespoons ketchup
- 1 tablespoon apple cider vinegar
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 ½ teaspoons ground cumin
- 1 jalapeno chilli, thinly sliced (with seeds)

Salt

- 680g skirt steak or flank steak (stir fry beef can be used)
- 2 capsicums (1 red, 1 green), ½ inch pieces
- 1 small onion, thinly sliced
- 3 tablespoons chopped stuffed green olives
- 1 tablespoon of olive brine from olives

Cooked white rice, for serving

METHOD

- 1) Combine tomatoes, ketchup, vinegar, garlic, cumin, jalapeño and 3/4 teaspoon salt in a 4-5 litre slow cooker.
- 2) Add the steak, capsicums and onions and toss to coat. Cover and cook on low, undisturbed for 8 hours.
- 3) Uncover and skim off any excess fat. Coarsely shred the meat with 2 forks, then stir in olives and olive brine. Serve over white rice.



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