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Bright future ahead in Australia Day address

A solar energy project on the scale of the Snowy Mountains Scheme was the big picture vision presented by Iain Finlay in his recent Tweed Shire Australia Day Ambassador's address at Twin Towns.

The full Australia Day address can now be viewed online via:

www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/AustraliaDay (Video credit: *Firedog Productions*)

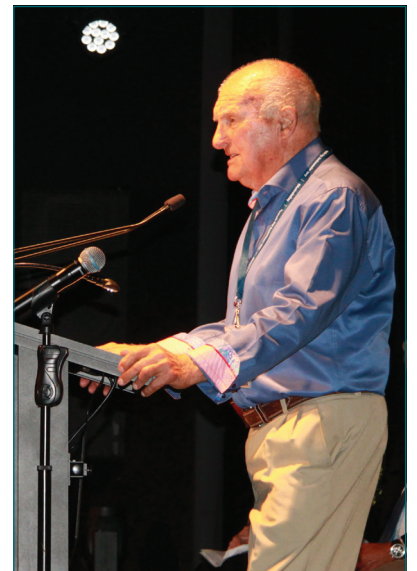
A respected author, journalist and humanitarian, Mr Finlay (pictured right) said such a project could provide vast new energy supplies, hugely expanded infrastructure in the centre of the continent and significant social and economic benefits.

"If we want to survive and prosper as a nation, we've got to think in visionary terms," he said.

"Every single day a kilowatt of energy falls on every square metre of land, and that sort of solar energy is being tapped by countries all around the world on a growing, increasingly economic scale.

"We are the best country in the world to harvest solar energy, so let's get the Snowy Mountains Scheme or bigger underway."

As part of his address the Tumbulgum resident also reflected on the indigenous history of the Tweed.



Council's Tiffany Stodart chats to Robyn Chandler from Kingscliff about 'Living and Loving the Tweed', Council's *Draft Community Strategic Plan 2017-2027* at the Casuarina Shopping Village. To learn more about the plan, come and meet Council's Community Engagement Network on 9 February at Murwillumbah's Sunnyside Mall from 9am to 4pm; and 11 February at Kingscliff Markets from 7am to 1pm. Council representatives will also be attending upcoming resident and ratepayer meetings at Kingscliff and Banora Point, as well as meetings of the Kingscliff Rotary Club and Kingscliff and District Chamber of Commerce.

Clothiers Creek Road blackspot fix

Council began work last week to fix an identified blackspot on Clothiers Creek Road, between the Pacific Motorway and Wallum Court, Clothiers Creek, to improve safety for motorists.

The \$550,000 project is being funded by the Australian Government's Blackspot Program and is the first of two to be undertaken in Tweed Shire this financial year.

The road will be reduced to one-lane flow under the management of stop/slow flagmen for approximately six weeks between 7am and 5pm weekdays while workers excavate the roadsides and realign the curve.

Motorists are advised to expect short delays.

Road safety upgrade set to start 13 February

Council will close Tumbulgum Road, between Sunnyside Lane and Old Ferry Road, Murwillumbah, on Monday 13 February 2017 to allow the cliff face to be stabilised, the road and footpath widened and stormwater drainage to be upgraded.

Detour signage will be erected on a number of feeder roads advising motorists of the alternate routes around the closed road section. Cyclists and pedestrians will still be allowed through the section, with extra care to be taken.

The six-month project to improve safety for both pedestrians and motorists will start with contractors removing vegetation to allow the cliff face on the northern side of the road to be cut away to be almost vertical (in line with the current indent halfway along near the bench seat), before being stabilised and covered with a decorative natural-looking shotcrete finish.

Planter boxes will be built-in at both the toe and top of the cliff to allow vines to be grown on fixed trainer wires both up and down the face to add a green finish over time. A fence will be built at the top of the cliff to block access to the drop.

On completion of the work at the cliff face in May, Council will move in

to upgrade the drainage and stabilise the riverside of the road. It will then reconstruct the roadway and shared user path further north, shifting it at least a metre away from the river.

The riverbank will then be stabilised with either a guardrail or concrete barrier placed on top. The pre-existing riverside footpath will not be reinstated.

The new road will be widened to seven metres wide and the shared user path to 2.5 metres wide. This extra width will significantly reduce the current pinch point in the road, where heavy vehicles often mount the pedestrian kerb to negotiate the bend.

Early last year, the section was placed under both a 14-tonne weight restriction and 40km/h speed limit as the road on the river side was at risk of failing under heavy loads. On the cliff-face side, there has been an ongoing risk of rocks above dislodging and falling, especially during wet weather.

The work will cost about \$1.7 million. Vehicles will be diverted around the worksite via Old Ferry Road and Queen Street. Heavy vehicles travelling to and from Murwillumbah CBD will be encouraged to use Cane Road and Queensland Road, or Tweed Valley Way and Wollumbin Street.

Living and loving the library app

Murwillumbah Library will be at the heart of a launch of a new app that will put thousands of eBooks and other online resources at the fingertips of library lovers.

St Valentine's Day, on Tuesday February 14, is also Library Lovers' Day and Richmond Tweed Regional Library is celebrating by launching the app with a special event at Murwillumbah Library from 9.30am.

It will begin with an app downloading class from 9.30am, with participants invited to bring their own mobile phones and tablets.

It will be followed by an official launch ceremony, followed by a film screening at 11am to celebrate Library Lovers' Day and the launch of the new app.

Kingscliff and Tweed Heads libraries will also be celebrating with an app demonstration and cake cutting at 10.30am.

The app gives members easy access to Richmond Tweed Regional Library's online services and resources. It offers a streamlined way to enjoy everything the library has to offer, with more than 50,000 eBooks, eAudiobooks, eMagazines, and films to stream, all accessible for free with a library card.

"The new app is an exciting addition to improve the user experience for library members wishing to use a mobile device, such as a tablet or phone, to access the library online," Regional Library Manager Jo Carmody said.

"With almost 100,000 members across the four local government areas, the Richmond Tweed Regional Library is thrilled to be able to improve access to the library's online collections with this app.

"Library Lover's Day is a chance for everyone to reconnect with the library. Join up for free, download the app and see what you're missing!"

Download the app now from your app store by searching Richmond Tweed.

Further information about the library and its services is available at www.rtrl.nsw.gov.au



TWEED REGIONAL MUSEUM
MURWILLUMBAH

2 Queensland Road, Murwillumbah, 2484
FREE ADMISSION – museum.tweed.nsw.gov.au

February @ the Museum

Village Stories: Uki

Opens Tuesday 7 February

Learn some of the secret stories of Uki and discover a collection of local objects that has never been displayed in public!

Son, Solider, Surgeon

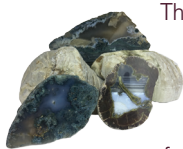


Opens Tuesday 21 February

Our feature acquisition this time is the amputation knives of John Harbison, who served in WWI as a medical student and again in WWII as a medical officer.

Thunder eggs: Tweed's hidden gems

Opens Tuesday 28 February



These spherical wonders are found in the silica-rich volcanic landscape of the Tweed and tell a story of the molten lava that once flowed through the area over 20 million years ago. This exhibition showcases the best specimens from the Museum's collection.

Coming Up: Grandparents Day

Saturday 4 March

As part of Seniors Festival, the Museum will be hosting Grandparents' Day. Together, grandparents and grandchildren can enjoy vintage games and dress-ups in the Museum courtyard.

Free, no bookings necessary, come anytime during the day.

Open Tuesday to Saturday 10am - 4pm
Tweed Regional Museum (02) 6670 2493

Kingscliff Community Hall

A new booking process has been introduced for events and activities at Kingscliff Community Hall.

Bookings for the hall can now be made online:

www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/CommunityBuildings

Alternatively, by phoning (07) 5569 3110 or 1300 292 872 during business hours.

While site preparation has started for the Kingscliff Foreshore Revitalisation, Council's Manager Community and Cultural Services, Robyn Grigg, has reaffirmed the community hall remain open while the revitalisation project gets underway.

Current community hall users have been contacted and advised about the new booking method.

New users can find out more by visiting www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/CommunityBuildings, emailing copemails@tweed.nsw.gov.au or by contacting the above phone numbers.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Murwillumbah Farmers' Market – Every Wednesday 7–11am. All-weather shopping at the Murwillumbah Showground. *Know your farmer, know your food.* Support your local farmers.

Cabarita Beach/Bogangar Residents Association meets Monday 13 February at 7pm at the Cabarita Sports and Bowls Club.

Fingal Head Community Association meets Wednesday 8 February at 7pm at Fingal Head Public School MPU.

Cudgen Progress Association meets Monday 13 February at 7.30pm at Cudgen Public School.

Waste matters

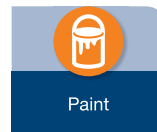
Drop off your household problem waste



Community Recycling Centres

Your local Community Recycling Centre is open. You can drop off:

FREE SERVICE



Paint



Gas bottles and fire extinguishers



Fluoro globes and tubes



Household and car batteries



Smoke detectors



Motor and other oils

Your Community Recycling Centre is located at:
Stotts Creek Resource Recovery Centre
Leddays Creek Road, Stotts Creek

Hours: Monday to Friday: 7am–3.45pm
Weekends and public holidays: 9am–3.45pm
(closed Good Friday and Christmas Day)

For more information call Tweed Shire Council on 02 6670 7400 or visit www.newaste.org.au



Only household quantities accepted
20kg or 20L maximum container size.
This project is a NSW EPA Waste Less, Recycle
More initiative funded from the waste levy.
Visit www.epa.nsw.gov.au



Seniors Festival program: 3–12 March 2017

Please note that while Tweed Shire Council publishes this program for the information of seniors in Tweed Shire, there can be no responsibility taken for the accuracy of information supplied by community groups.

Full program with more details available at www.tweedseniors.com or pick up a more detailed program at Council Offices, Tweed Libraries, Licensed Clubs and Community Centres. **Note:** all times listed are NSW Daylight Savings (Australian Eastern Daylight Time (AEDT)) **unless otherwise noted.**

*Bookings and ticket collection on selected days only – see information at end of program

Friday 3 March

Learn how to play Mahjong: FABS (Fun Activities Banora Seniors), Banora Point Community Centre, Cnr Leisure Drive and Woodlands Drive, Banora Point. 1–4pm. Free. Learn how to play Mahjong – tuition available then continue to learn by joining the Mahjong group each Friday. Bookings essential Lyn Porter on (07) 5523 2030 or lporter@tweed.nsw.gov.au.

Country Music Concert: Murwillumbah Autumn Club, 16 Tumbulgum Road, Murwillumbah. 7–10pm. Free. Enjoy a friendly night with old-time and modern country music, sing-along. Lucky door prizes, raffle, and supper. Bookings essential (02) 6672 2262.

Remember when ... Murwillumbah Library, Civic Centre, Murwillumbah. 10am. Free. Join us for a morning of memorable moments in time with an enjoyable presentation by Library Staff. Morning tea provided. Bookings essential (02) 6670 2427.

Fashion Parade and Friday Forum: University of the Third Age Tweed Coast, Tweed Coast Uniting Church Hall, 24 Kingscliff Street, Kingscliff. 2–3pm. Free. Fashion parade for both men and women followed by home-made afternoon tea. Bookings are not required.

Seniors Technology Help: Wollumbin High School, North Arm Road, Murwillumbah. 9.30am–2.30pm. Free. Students from Wollumbin High School will assist seniors with their technology questions ranging from mobile phones, tablets and laptops. Bookings essential (02) 6672 5121.

Saturday 4 March

Banora Tennis Seniors Festival Program: Banora Tennis Club Club, Banora, Leisure Drive, Banora Point. 2–4pm. Free. An afternoon to observe Tweed District Tennis Competition Division 2. An opportunity to play social tennis with members and other seniors. Afternoon tea and BBQ to follow play. Bookings not required.

Grandparents Day at the Museum: Tweed Regional Museum, 2 Queensland Road, Murwillumbah. 10am–4pm. Free. Grandparents and grandchildren can enjoy vintage games and dress-ups in the Museum Courtyard, and reminisce while exploring historical objects.

The Best of the Bee Gees: Twin Towns Services Club, Showroom, Level 5, Wharf Street, Tweed Heads. 9pm (8pm QLD). \$39. The Best of the Bee Gees is a fully live eight piece band who will take the audience through the many musical styles the Bee Gees were famous for. Bookings essential to 1800 014 014 or email showbookings@twintowns.com.au

Sunday 5 March

Opening Ceremony – Tweed Seniors Festival: Tweed Seniors Committee, Banora Point Community Centre, Cnr Leisure Drive and Woodlands Drive, Banora Point. 11am. Free. Entertainment by Jed Stone, FABS Singing for Fun and Ukulele group. Tweed Seniors Achievement Awards Presentation. Morning tea provided. Bookings preferred for catering purposes – please phone Thursday or Friday on (07) 5523 2030.

Monday 6 March

Celebrating Seniors Morning Tea: Burringbar School of Arts Hall, 1 Old Pacific Highway, Burringbar. 10am. Free. Come and enjoy entertainment, information, home-made morning tea and a chance to catch up with friends and locals. Rosemary (02) 6677 1357.

Bus Tour, Redland Museum Cleveland: J&B Buses. Departs Murwillumbah 7.30am, Tweed 8am. \$60. Bookings Essential. Morning tea at Cleveland, Redland Museum, one of QLD's largest regional Museums, Lunch at RSL. Small amount of walking.*

Solar Power Transition: Tweed Shire Council, Harvard Room, Tweed Heads Administration Office, 21 Brett Street, Tweed Heads. 11am–noon. Free. Are you new to solar and battery technology or want to learn more? Join this information session to find out how to make the most of solar at your place. Catch up on the latest innovations in battery storage. Bookings essential (02) 6670 2400.

Dance for Everybody – Virginia Woods: Cudgen Leagues Club, 3 Wommin Bay Road, Kingscliff. Free. Noon. A fun movement program of dance, exercise, tai chi and yoga designed to enhance co-ordination, health and wellbeing. For people with physical limitations. Can be completed either sitting or standing. Bookings essential Virginia Woods 0409 576 285 or www.virginiawoods@gmail.com

Tuesday 7 March

Seniors Festival Morning Tea: Crabbes Creek Community Hall, 29 Crabbes Creek Road, Crabbes Creek. 10am. \$5 donation appreciated. A morning tea will be provided, with a performance by the students from Crabbes Creek Public School. Reg (02) 6677 1592 or regrobo@yahoo.com.au

Bus and Ferry Tour – Yamba to Iluka: J&B Buses, Departs Murwillumbah 7.30am, Tweed 8am. \$60. Morning tea at Woodburn, Lunch at Yamba Bowls Club, Ferry from Yamba to Iluka and Coach Travel. Small amount of walking involved.*

Family History: Kingscliff Library, Turnock Street, Kingscliff. 9.30am. Free. Interested in Family History? Book in for a one-on one session and discover how the library can help you with researching your family history. Bookings essential (02) 6674 1607.

Bus Tour to Redcliffe: Northern Breeze Tours. 9am. \$40. Tour to Redcliffe, morning tea/lunch Fish 'n Chips included. Pick-up Tweed Civic Centre.*

Creating a Dementia-Friendly Community: St James Anglican Church, St James Anglican Church Hall, 41 Pearl Street, Kingscliff. 10am–12.30pm. Free. Alzheimer's Australia NSW will speak on 'Dementia in our community'. Morning tea will be provided followed by discussions on 'Developing practical skills for our community to support people living with dementia', and a plenary session: "Where to from here?" This is a dementia-friendly event welcoming people living with dementia, carers and family. Bookings are not essential.

Aquatic Fitness: Tweed Regional Aquatic Centre, Murwillumbah, Tumbulgum Road, Murwillumbah. 9.30–10.30am. Free. Fun, energetic and motivating workout in the pool. Suitable for all levels, including non-swimmers. Bring swimmers and a towel. Check with doctor if it is suitable to participate in this exercise program.

Aquatic Fitness: Tweed Regional Aquatic Centre, Kingscliff, Cnr Cudgen Road and McPhail Avenue, Kingscliff. 7.45–8.30am. Free. Fun, energetic and motivating workout in the pool. Suitable for all levels, including non-swimmers. Bring swimmers and a towel. Check with doctor if it is suitable to participate in this exercise program.

Aquatic Fitness: Tweed Regional Aquatic Centre, South Tweed, Heffron Street, South Tweed. 9.15–10.15am. Free. Fun, energetic and motivating workout in the pool. Suitable for all levels, including non-swimmers. Bring swimmers and a towel. Check with doctor if it is suitable to participate in this exercise program.

Rocky Mountain Journey – The Music of John Denver: Twin Towns Services Club, Showroom, Level 5, Wharf Street, Tweed Heads. 11.30am (10.30am QLD). \$5 members, \$10 non-members (Pre-Purchased). \$10 members, \$15 non-members (at the door). This compelling show featuring Col Perkins who has an uncanny resemblance to John Denver, both in voice and looks, performing hits and memories of John Denver's career. Bookings essential to 1800 014 014 or showbookings@twintowns.com.au

Light Exercise and Yoga: U3A Twin Towns Inc., St Cuthbert's Church Hall, Florence St, Tweed Heads. 9.30–11.15am. Free. Observe or join in a light exercise class followed by yoga. Bookings are not required.

Dance for Everybody – Virginia Woods: Autumn Club, 16 Tumbulgum Road, Murwillumbah. 9.30–10.30am. Free. A fun movement program of dance, exercise, tai chi and yoga designed to enhance integration of body and mind based on health science. Participate from seated or standing. Bookings essential 0409 576 285 or www.virginiawoods@gmail.com

Wednesday 8 March

Laughter Class: Murwillumbah Community Centre, Nullum Street, Knox Park, Murwillumbah. 11.45am–1pm. \$3.00. Laughter is great fun and does wonders for your mind, body and spirit. Sandy Hunter is a certified Laughter Yoga teacher and has a passion for laughter exercises for your health and happiness. Come along, have fun and have a laugh. Bookings are not required. Contact Wendy Constantine (02) 6672 3003.

Understanding Retirement Income Streams: Kingscliff Library, Turnock Street, Kingscliff. 2pm. Free. Join Sandra Dowling from the Department of Fair Trading for a talk on understanding retirement income streams. Bookings essential (02) 6674 1607.

Take Control of Your Choices for a Final Resting Place: Tweed Valley Crematorium and Memorial Gardens, Tweed Valley Cemetery Chapel, 813 – 871 Eviron Road, Eviron. 10am–1pm. Free. Tour the cemetery and facilities with question time to follow. Light lunch will be provided. Bookings essential (02) 6670 2435 or cemeteries@tweed.nsw.gov.au

Heritage Trail Walk and Historical Photo Display: Heart Foundation – Tumbulgum Walkers, Meet at Tumbulgum Hall, Cnr Riverside Drive and Government Road, Tumbulgum. 9am. Free. A flat, easy 60 min escorted walk following the Tumbulgum Heritage Trail, suitable for all abilities. Following the walk you are welcome to have a cuppa and view historical photos. Wear walking shoes and bring a water bottle. Sue and Brian 0413 081 974, suebreck@hotmail.com

Rock 'n' Roll and Ballroom Dancing Exhibition: Twin Towns Friends Association Inc., South Tweed Community Hall, Heffron Street, Tweed Heads South. 11am for noon start. \$10. A Rock 'n' Roll and ballroom dancing exhibition. Light luncheon. Bookings essential to Doreen Welsh (07) 5524 1841, mobile 0409 720 130 or doreenfriends1@bigpond.com

Tyalgum Seniors Concert and Sing-Along: Tyalgum Community Hall Inc., 1 Cudrigan Street, Tyalgum. 10.30am. Free. Morning tea followed by free concert and sing-along with local Tweed and Tweed Coast artists. Bookings essential 0439 722 851 or tyalgumcommunityhall1908@gmail.com. *Free bus to this event from Tweed and Murwillumbah. For bus pick up point and times, phone Auriel Bartrim (02) 6679 3569.*

Thursday 9 March

Memory Lane Morning Tea: Australian Red Cross, HACC Activities Room, Heffron Street, South Tweed. 10am–noon. Free. Share your story with students from North Coast TAFE and enjoy morning tea with Red Cross. Bring a photo to tell about your life and times. Bookings appreciated but not essential to Jane Wells (07) 5524 5799 or jwells@redcross.org.au

Bus Tour to North Stradbroke Island: J&B Buses, Departs Murwillumbah 7am, Tweed City 7.30am. \$60. Bookings Essential. Morning tea at Cleveland, Ferry Transfer, Island Tour, Lunch, Coach Travel. There will be minimal walking, though a large walk is optional.*

Bus Tour to Ballina: Northern Breeze Tours, 9am. \$25. Tour to Ballina, Thursday Tea Tree, House with No Steps, Tweed Coast, morning tea included. Pick-up Tweed Civic Centre.*

Creating a Dementia-Friendly Community: Twin Towns Uniting Church, Cnr Lanham and Maclean Streets, Coolangatta. 9.30–noon (QLD), 10.30am (NSW). Free. Donations appreciated. Alzheimer's Australia NSW will speak on 'Dementia in our community'. Morning tea will be provided followed by discussions on 'Developing practical skills for our community to support people living with dementia', and a plenary session: "Where to from here?" This is a dementia-friendly event welcoming people living with dementia, carers and family. Bookings are preferred to 0432 140 005 or debra.pinkerton@gmail.com

Friday 10 March

Bus Tour to Byron Bay Lighthouse, Coast drive to Ballina/Ballina Sea Bird Rescue, Summerland Nursery and Antiques: J&B Buses, Departs Murwillumbah 8am, Tweed City 8.30am. \$60. Bookings Essential. Morning tea at Byron Light House, Sea Bird Rescue Tour, Lunch at Ballina RSL. There will be minimal walking.*

Tweed Regional Gallery, Free Workshops, 2 Mistral Road, Murwillumbah

Artist Talk – Sharing Memories in a Digital World: 10.30am. With photographer Damien O'Mara.

Photography Workshop – Sharing Memories in a Digital World: 11.15am. A practical session using your camera or smartphone to take memorable images around the Gallery.

Social Media Workshop – Sharing Memories in a Digital World: 1pm. Learn more about ways in which you can easily share images from your phone or camera and stay connected in today's digital world. Facilitator: Ellie Beck, Social Media Influencer. Bookings essential (02) 6670 2790 (Wed to Sun 10am–5pm) or tweedart@tweed.nsw.gov.au. This is a Dementia-Friendly event, supported by Alzheimers Australia NSW. Care partners are encouraged to attend the workshops solo or with a person living with dementia.

Solar Power Transition: Tweed Shire Council, Canvas and Kettle Meeting Room, Murwillumbah Civic Centre, 10–14 Tumbulgum Road, Murwillumbah. 11am–noon. Free. Are you new to solar and battery technology or want to learn more? Join this information session to find out how to make the most of solar at your place. Catch up on the latest innovations in battery storage. Bookings essential (02) 6670 2400.

Saturday 11 March

Australian Hearing Bus: Coolangatta Senior Citizens Centre 2 Gerrard Street, Coolangatta. 8am–noon (QLD time). Free hearing tests. No appointment necessary, just jump on board. www.hearing.com.au

Coolangatta Seniors 40th Birthday Celebrations, Sausage Sizzle and Car Boot Sale: Coolangatta Senior Citizens. 2 Gerrard Street, Coolangatta. 8am–2pm (QLD time). Entry Free. Celebrating 40 years as a not-for profit charity providing social and recreational activities for senior citizens. Car Boot Sale spaces \$10–\$20. Insurance cover for stallholders required. Bookings for Car Boot Sale Spaces essential to Renae Barron (07) 5536 4050.

Croquet – Come and Try Day: Murwillumbah Croquet Club, Brisbane Street, Knox Park, (behind Tennis Courts), Murwillumbah. 1–5pm. Free. Come along to try croquet. Mallets can be provided. Afternoon tea provided. Bookings are essential to Jan Neely 0407 723 087 or jangorneely@yahoo.com.au

Family History Open Week: Tweed Gold Coast Family History & Heritage Association Inc., Family History Research Room, South Tweed Sports Club, 4 Minjungbal Drive, Tweed Heads South. 10am–3pm daily. Free. Discover how to research your family tree. Discussions with experienced family historians. Special membership offer during Seniors Festival. Marion (07) 5524 8531.

Sunday 12 March

Senior Citizens Day Chocolate Bingo: Burringbar District Sports Club, Fourth Avenue, Burringbar. 2.30pm. Free. Bingo with chocolate prizes following by afternoon tea.

Multiple Days

Seniors Festival Lunches: Banora Point Community Baptist Church, Monday 6, Wednesday 8 and Friday 10 March. 19-21 Corporation Circuit, Banora Point. Noon–2pm. Free. A three course meal with entertainment. Bookings essential John (07) 5523 1122 or jb@optusnet.com.au

Open Day, FABS (Fun Activities Banora Seniors): Tuesday 7 March, 1–3pm and Friday 10 March, 9.30am–2pm. Banora Point Community Centre, Cnr Leisure Drive and Woodlands Drive, Banora Point. 9.30am–2pm. Come along to the centre to see what the FABS program has to offer – varied interest groups: exercise; Qi Gong; Stretch Your Mind; Scrabble; Scrapbooking; Mosaics; Mahjong; card playing; AA; Jewellery; Singing for Fun; plus more. Contact Lyn Porter on (07) 5523 2030 or lporter@tweed.nsw.gov.au

Family History: Murwillumbah Library, Civic Centre, Murwillumbah. Tuesday 7 and Thursday 9 March. 9.30am. Free. Interested in Family History? Book in for a one-on-one session and discover how the library can help you with researching your family history. Bookings essential (02) 6670 2427.

Safe Social Networking Using Facebook: Pottsville Beach Neighbourhood Centre (PBNC) Tuesday 7 and Thursday 9 March. 12A Elizabeth Street, Pottsville. 9.30–11.30am. Free. Workshops are designed to educate participants on using Facebook safely, focusing on understanding and maintaining individual privacy settings. With companies devising new ways to harvest personal information there is a need for consumers to take control and make informed choices about what information is collected. Bookings essential (02) 6676 4555 or info@pbnc.org.au

Technology Assistance: Seniors Information Hub, Banora Point Community Centre. Wednesday 8, Thursday 9 and Friday 10 March. Banora Point Community Centre, Cnr Leisure Drive and Woodlands Drive, Banora Point. 10am–1pm. Free. Learn to use technology – computer, tablet, mobile phone – more effectively. Sessions are one hour duration, however, ongoing lessons can be requested. Bookings are essential to Lyn Porter on (07) 5523 2030 or lporter@tweed.nsw.gov.au

Information for Seniors: Seniors Information Hub, Banora Point Community Centre. Tuesday 7 March. 1–4pm. Friday 10 March. 9am–noon. Banora Point Community Centre, Cnr Leisure Drive and Woodlands Drive, Banora Point. Free. Visit the Hub to access information on what is available for Seniors in the local area. There will be a Home Support Assessor from the Regional Assessment Service from Community Options Australia on site to answer any questions you may have about getting help at home through the Commonwealth Home Support Program. Bookings are not required. Contact Lyn Porter on (07) 5523 2030 or lporter@tweed.nsw.gov.au

Nia Dance: Kingscliff Community Hall, Marine Parade, Kingscliff. Friday 3, Monday 6, Friday 10 March. 9–10am. \$5. A fun and easy to do movement practice for all body types. Moves all the joints of the body in a healthy and sustainable way. Draws simple steps from dance, martial arts and yoga. Great cardio, flexibility, strength, balance, agility and mobility. One hour of movement to soulful music, done in bare feet. Taryn 0410 960 806 or taryn111@hotmail.com

Family History Open Week: Tweed Gold Coast Family History & Heritage Association Inc., Family History Research Room, South Tweed Sports Club, 4 Minjungbal Drive, Tweed Heads South. Monday 6 through to Saturday 11 March. 10am–3pm daily. Free. Discover how to research your family tree. Discussions with experienced family historians. Special membership offer during Seniors Festival. Marion (07) 5524 8531.

Seniors Tech Skills: Uki Community Technology Centre, The Buttery, 1454 Kyogle Road, Uki. Monday 6 through to Friday 10 March. 10am–4pm. Free. One on one tuition: computer basics; internet searching and security; file management; ancestor research; mobile phone use; photo fun – enhancing images; using a USB; create a website; using YouTube; calendar making; word tips and tricks; scam awareness; social networking online – email, Twitter, facebook, Skype, Instagram. Printing available at 50% discount during Seniors Festival. Bookings essential 0475 333 168 or ctc.uki.nsw@gmail.com



Motorcyclists – Survive the Ride

Motorcyclists are encouraged to head to Chillingham next Sunday (19 February 2017) for their weekend ride and get some tips from the best on how to become safer riders.

Tweed Shire Council is sponsoring a Survive the Ride workshop to help riders improve their roadcraft skills and riding techniques and how to make better decisions to stay safe. The two-hour workshop, with a free lunch provided, will be led by former riding instructors and motorcycle highway patrol officers.

“Motorcycling is more popular than ever and this is sadly reflected in an increase in motorcycle fatalities in our region,” said Council Road Safety Officer Alana Brooks.

Motorbikes make up just 4 per cent of vehicles registered in New South Wales yet, over the past five years in northern New South Wales, motorcyclists have accounted for 18 per cent of road fatalities. And, in the past 12 months, that statistic was 23 per cent.

Council is sponsoring the Survive the Ride Association of NSW (STRA) Riders workshop as part of the Local Government Road Safety Program, which aims to reduce deaths and injuries from road trauma.

The workshop starts at noon and riders are encouraged to book by phoning (02) 6670 2400 to assist with catering.

Awareness Event: U3A Twin Towns Inc., 2 Tweed Mall, Wharf Street, Tweed Heads. Monday 6 through to Sunday 12 March. 9am–1pm. Free. Discuss our classes: art; pen and ink; current affairs topical discussion; or languages including French, Spanish, Italian and more; geography with travel and book club; tea and talk literature; poetry and plays.

Events prior to Seniors Festival

Wednesday 1 March – Far North Coast Carers Conference – Commonwealth Respite and Carelink Centre: RSL Club, River Street, Ballina. 9.30am–4pm. Free. The conference is offering range of keynote speakers, workshops and activities related to the many reforms and programs underway in our region. Topics to be covered such as: Aged Care reforms; Information on the NDIS and carer wellbeing. Respite and transport support is available. Bookings essential. Amanda Sulter 1800 052 222 or amandas@crccfnc.org

Coming up

Wednesday 29 March – Senior Citizens Concert and Morning Tea: Murwillumbah Public School, Riverview Street, Murwillumbah. 10am. Free. An enjoyable morning of entertainment by our gorgeous students followed by scrumptious morning tea. Bookings are not essential.

Friday 31 March – Senior Citizens Morning Concert and Morning Tea: Uki Public School, Kyogle Road, Uki. 10am. Free. An exciting morning of entertainment followed by the famous Uki hospitality at morning tea.

Seniors Festival – bookings and ticket collection

J&B Bus Tours – Advance telephone bookings essential on Monday 13 and Tuesday 14 February only from 8am. Phone 0429 812 765 or 0427 453 091. **Ticket payment and collection on Monday 27 February only.** 9–11am, Autumn Club (adjacent to Murwillumbah Library) Tumbulgum Road, Murwillumbah or noon–2pm Banora Point Community Centre, Cnr Leisure Drive and Woodlands Drive, Banora Point.

Northern Breeze Tours – Advance telephone bookings can be made by contacting Rob Courtney. Mobile 0417 248 205, phone (07) 5524 2264 or email rob.northernbreeze@gmail.com. **Ticket payment and collection on Thursday 2 March.** 10am–noon, Banora Point Community Centre, Cnr Leisure Drive and Woodlands Drive, Banora Point.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Kingscliff Lions Beachside Markets – Always 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month – next market 12 February. For enquiries and bookings phone 0406 724 323.

Tweed Theatre Company Inc. – Auditions for April production of ‘BROADWAY BLOCKBUSTERS in Concert’ directed by Tracey Kriz. **Singers, dancers and actors** – Sunday 12 February, 2pm. Saint Monica’s Church Hall, Golden Four Drive, Tugun. Enquiries: (07) 5536 2556.



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DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION DETERMINATIONS

Notification of Development Application Determinations for the purposes of Section 101 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979* (as amended).

APPLICATION DETAILS

APPROVED

DA16/0752 – Barbeque shelter

Lot 46 DP 1202426, No. 4 Tunnel Road, Stokers Siding

DA16/0753 – Use of part of existing premises as veterinary hospital and associated signage

Lot 2145 DP 879149, No. 13-17 Corporation Circuit, Tweed Heads South

DA16/0783 – Memorial wall at Murwillumbah Services Club

Lot 1 DP 598795, No. 10 Wollumbin Street, Murwillumbah

CDC16/0169.01 – Amendment to Complying Development Consent

CDC16/0169 for a pool house, in-ground swimming pool and gazebo

Lot 32 DP 812816, No. 38 Ti Tree Avenue, Bogangar

CDC16/0183 – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling

Lot 375 DP 241369, No. 14 Oleander Avenue, Bogangar

DA16/0717 – Dwelling with attached carport

Lot 10 DP 246052, No. 23 Green Valley Way, Piggabeen

DA16/0851 – Dwelling additions and alterations and in-ground swimming pool

Lot 77 DP 246488, No. 26 Meridian Way, Tweed Heads

The above development determinations are available for public inspection free of charge at the Planning and Regulation Division, Murwillumbah Civic Centre, during ordinary office hours OR viewed on Council's DA Tracking site located at www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/datracking

DA16/0905 – Verandah addition to existing dwelling

Lot 7 Section 5DP 4043, No. 31 Beryl Street, Tweed Heads

DA16/0911 – Retaining wall

Lot 477 DP 1210991, No. 34 Talganda Terrace, Murwillumbah

DA16/0912 – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling

Lot 4 DP 604748, No. 412 Wooyung Road, Wooyung

DA16/0914 – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling

Lot 12 DP 23576, No. 21 Elanora Avenue, Pottsville

DA16/0918 – In-ground swimming pool

Lot 1 DP 1142917, No. 191 Botanical Circuit, Banora Point

DA16/0931 – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling

Lot 2 DP 776307, No. 889 Uriup Road, Uriup

DA16/0934 – In-ground swimming pool

Lot 585 DP 1076975, No. 22 Lomandra Avenue, Pottsville

DA16/0940 – Dwelling

Lot 71 DP 858534, No. 150 Braeside Drive, Uki

DA17/0010 – Dwelling with attached garage

Lot 1719 DP 1215252, No. 8 Woolgoolga Court, Pottsville

ROAD WRAP

Road closure: Major upgrade of Tumbulgum Road, between Sunnyside Lane and Old Ferry Road, Murwillumbah, from Monday 13 February for six months. Pedestrians and cyclists can still pass through section with care but all vehicular traffic will be diverted around the site. Racecourse Road, Murwillumbah, near Tumbulgum Road, for Mayal Creek revetment works.

Temporary traffic lights: Henry Lawson Drive, between Coach Road and the Tennis Courts, Terranora.

One-lane flows: Blackspot programme to realign curve Clothiers Creek Road, Clothiers Creek, between the Pacific Motorway and Wallum Court.

Stop/slow flagmen, expect delays: Limited delays roadworks associated with two sub-developments on Fraser Drive, between Vintage Lakes Drive and Acacia Street, Tweed Heads South; also limited delays between Parkes Lane and Glen Ayr Drive, Banora Point. Road reconstruction Moolau Avenue, Tweed Heads, and Tyalgum Road, near Tyalgum. Stormwater and road upgrade Chinderah Road, between Naru and Terrace streets, Chinderah. Footpath construction Pioneer Parade, Banora Point. Fraser Drive cycleway construction, Dry Dock Road to Harrier Street, stop/slow on concrete delivery. Footpath replacement, Francis Street, Tweed Heads between Wharf Street and Beryl Street; footpath construction Pioneer Parade, Banora Point, stop/slow on concrete delivery. Culvert replacement, Booka Road, Upper Crystal Creek. Culvert reconstruction Palmvale Road, Palmvale. Shoulder closure for telecom installations in road reserve Ducat Street, Tweed Heads.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Pottsville Triathlon – Saturday 25 February 2017.

Race starts: 7am – last competitor finishes 3pm.

Swim course: Mooball Creek (closed 7am to 9am).

Cycle course: Tweed Coast Rd/Wooyung Rd (closed 6am to noon).

Run course: Phillip St/Overall Dr (closed 9am to 3pm, local resident access only via Anne St). Please visit www.tweedenduro.com.au or contact Kevin on 0411 757 577.

PUBLIC EXHIBITION

Public exhibition of draft document – Far North Coast Bush Fire Risk Management Plan

The Far North Coast Bush Fire Management Committee is currently seeking comments on its recently-prepared draft Bush Fire Risk Management Plan (BFRMP).

The draft BFRMP covers the Ballina, Byron and Tweed local government areas. It includes information about bush fire risk and threat to local areas and specifies works to be done to manage bush fire risk in these areas.

The draft BFRMP applies to all land in the Ballina, Byron and Tweed areas including private land.

The draft BFRMP will be on exhibition for a period of 42 days from Tuesday 31 January 2017 until Monday the 13 March 2017.

The Draft BFRMP is on display at the following locations:

- Ballina Shire Council: 40 Cherry St, Ballina
- Byron Shire Council: 70–90 Station St, Mullumbimby
- Tweed Shire Council: 10–14 Tumbulgum Rd, Murwillumbah
- Tweed Shire Council: 21 Brett St, Tweed Heads
- National Parks and Wildlife Service offices in Alstonville, Byron Bay and Murwillumbah
- NSW Rural Fire Service: 92 Lundberg Dr, Murwillumbah

Copies of the draft BFRMP may be obtained by contacting (02) 6671 5500 during office hours.

Written submissions on the Draft BFRMP can be sent to the BFMC by email to farnorthcoast.zone@rfs.nsw.gov.au or by post to the Executive Officer, Far North Coast BFMC, P.O. Box 816 Murwillumbah NSW 2484.

The closing date for submissions is Monday the 13 March 2017.

For further enquires, contact NSW Rural Fire Service on (02) 6671 5500.



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