

"WHAT'S ON"

Thursday 17th May to Wednesday 23rd May, 2012



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EVERYDAY ATTRACTIONS

Passenger ferries; River Cruises, Houseboats; Fishing boats; Party boats; Dive & fishing charters; Canoe Hire, 2 person Paddle Bikes, 4 person Paddleboats, 5 Person Paddleboats, Horse riding; Abseiling; Rock Climbing; Kayak tours; Arts & Crafts; Aboriginal Arts & Crafts; Museums; Cinemas; National Parks; White Water Rafting; Bowls; Golf; Tennis; Squash; 10 Pin Bowls; Quad bikes and lots of local sporting facilities.

THE DAILY EXAMINER - GIG GUIDE

Offices: Grafton Phone: 6643 0500
Fax: 6642 7156

Yamba Phone: 6645 8822
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Thursday: *So you think you can DJ (Heat 2)* at Roches Hotel, Grafton from 8pm. *Dan Hannaford (Solo)* at the Pacific Hotel, Yamba from 8:30pm.

Friday: *The McClymonts* at the Grafton Racecourse, Grafton from 6pm. *The Ford Brothers* at the Yamba Bowling Club, Yamba from 8pm. *DJ Grayso* at the Maclean Services Club, Maclean. *Mescalito Blues* at the Pacific Hotel, Yamba from 9:30pm. *Psychedelic Goldfish* at the Harwood Hotel, Harwood Island from 8:30pm. *Secret Squirrel* at the Grafton Hotel, Grafton from 9pm. *Just Friends* at the Grafton District Services Club, Grafton.

Saturday: *Beccy Cole* at the Saraton Theatre, Grafton from 7pm. *DJ Cool Tempose* at the Yamba Shore Tavern from 8:30pm. *Scott Davy* at the Yamba YHA Backpackers, Yamba from 8pm. *The Dirty Channel* at the Pacific Hotel, Yamba from 9:30pm.

Sunday: *Roo* at the Pacific Hotel, Yamba from 2:30pm. *Chris Cook is Dustier than Ever* at the Yamba Bowling Club, Yamba from 2pm.

EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

Museum-Liquor, Iarrikins and the Law. View our amazing Well, 7 meter's deep +, over 100 years old, see the water below! Enjoy the majesty of our magnificent cedar staircase but most interesting is our display of the History of Pub's in Australia. **Opened:** Daily 10am til 8pm. **Where:** Walkers Marina Hotel, 90 Through Street, South Grafton. **Phone:** 0419421066

Thursday 17th May

Glenreagh Mountain Railway Incorporated - Open for Inspection from 7.00am to 4.00pm. Glenreagh Mountain Railway Office, **For more information Phone: 6649 2234.**

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APL Poker at the **Clocktower Hotel**, Prince Street, Grafton. **Registration from 6pm.** Poker kicks off at 7pm. All welcome.

Kids Karate – Beginners Class. **Age:** 8 to 13 years. **Where:** Basmar Hall 21 Pound Street, Grafton. **Time:** 3:45pm. **Enquiries to Instructor:** Anne Trimble. **Phone:** 6644 7391.

<p>Thursday 17th May continued:</p>	<p>Hip Hop Downunder – Hip-Hop, Breakdancing Classes and Workshops. Hip Hop Downunder runs classes each Thursday. Where: The New School of Arts Hall, Spring Street, South Grafton.</p> <p>Senior Breakdance Class – Thursday. Time: 5pm. Ages 13+ Senior Hip-Hop Class – Thursday. Time: 6pm. Ages 13+</p> <p>Cost: \$10 per senior</p> <p>Our classes are intended for anyone and everyone, no matter what your experience in dance is.</p> <p>Contact: 0422 204 870 or Emails: hip-hop_downunder@hotmail.com</p>
<p>Thursday 10th May to Saturday 19th May</p>	<p>Criterion Theatre Production presents “Return to the Forbidden Planet” by Bob Carlton. Show Dates and Times: Thursday 10th, Friday 11th, Saturday 12th and Thursday 17th, Friday 18th and Saturday 19th at 7:30pm. Matinee on Sunday 13th at 2pm. Where: Criterion Theatre, Olivia Street, Grafton. All shows are table seating. BYO nibbles and drinks. Tickets are available from: Collins Booksellers in Grafton Shopping World. Cost: \$20 per person or \$15 for Matinee performance.</p>
<p>Friday 11th May to Saturday 19th May</p>	<p>Lower Clarence Dance Eisteddfod (Dancing, Ballet, Jazz and Tap), Maclean. Contact: Sharon Chandler. Phone: (02) 6645 4179.</p>
<p>Friday 18th May</p>	<p>The McClymonts Concert – Be a part of this Special event as the community comes together to celebrate the release of the McClymont third Album – Two Worlds Collide. Let’s send our girls off on their next USA tour with an unforgettable show of local support. Where: Grafton Racecourse, Powell Street, Grafton. Time: Gates Open at 6pm. Tickets: Family (2 adults & 2 Children) \$101.50, Adults \$40, Child (under 16) \$22.50. Prices include a \$2.50 booking fee. Tickets available from the Saraton Theatre or the Grafton District Services Club.</p>
<p>Friday 18th May & Saturday 19th May</p>	<p>Grafton Speedway – 1st annual Mega Vintage Speedway Spectacular will be held at the Grafton Showground, Prince Street, Grafton. Gates will open at 3.00pm and racing will be from 6.00pm. Contact: Speedway. Phone: 0417 720 952.</p>
<p>Saturday 19th May</p>	<p>Grafton Car Market will be held at Enterprise Park, Armidale Road, South Grafton. (Opposite the Abattoirs). Every Saturday. Contact: Michael Mclvor. Phone: 0429 454 000. This is a Car Market only.</p> <p>The Grafton Showground Markets are to be held at the Grafton Showground, Prince Street, Grafton. Starting at 8am to 1pm. Contact: Suzanne Patricks. Phone: 6642 2240.</p> <p>Beccy Cole Tour – Beccy Cole is bringing her songs and Pictures Tour to Grafton. The 2012 Golden Guitar Award Winner will perform with special guest artist Catherine Britt. A concert not to be missed. Where: Saraton Theatre, Prince Street, Grafton. Tickets available at Saraton Theatre, Prince Street, Grafton or by calling: 66421633.</p>

<p>Saturday 19th May and Sunday 20th May</p>	<p>Gliding at Eatonsville will be held at the Air Strip on the Eatonsville Road, Eatonsville. Depending on the Weather as to which day they will fly. You can call Friday night or Saturday morning between 8.00am and 8.30am for information. Contact: Warren Morrow. Phone: 6643 4432 or Graeme Davis 6642 5087 to arrange a flight.</p>
<p>Sunday 20th May</p>	<p>Grafton Rifle Club – National Championships Field & Rimfire Meeting, Grafton. Contact: John Stone. Phone: (02) 6642 4201.</p>
	<p>Art on the Hill – The Gallery foundation invites you to view the wide range of Art and Sculpture on display and for sale at one of the Clarence Valley’s Most Spectacular homesteads. BYO Picnic. Gourmet sausage sizzle available. Beer and wine available for purchase on site only. No BYO. Entry Fee \$35 per person. Under 15 years free. Where: San Ramon, 51 Park Drive, Ashby Heights, Ashby. Bookings preferred to the Grafton Regional Gallery. Phone: 66423177</p>
	<p>South Grafton Ex-Services Motor Cycle Club Inc. – Northern NSW Challenge Interclub Round 1 will be held at Gnudwoc Park, Lillypool Road, South Grafton. Contact: Narelle Rankin. Phone: 6642 5977.</p>
	<p>Ashby Markets to be held at Ashby Community Centre, Lismore Street, Ashby. Follow the sign off the highway for a pleasant 10 minute country drive to Ashby Village. Contact: Jill Lee. Phone: 6645 2512.</p>
	<p>Country Music Muster – Spend a relaxing afternoon with a cuppa and enjoy music by local musicians. Where: Grafton District Services Club, Function Room, Mary Street, Grafton. Time: 1pm til 5pm. Entry is Free and afternoon tea available for a small donation. Everyone welcome.</p>
	<p>Annual Poultry Show – Grafton District Poultry Club Inc. invite you to view their Annual Poultry Show. Where: Grafton Showground, Poultry Pavilion, Prince Street, Grafton. Time: 9am to midday. Enquiries to: The President – 6647 7377 or The Secretary – 6644 9122. Everyone Welcome.</p>
	<p>Ready, Set, Go: Million Paws Walk. RSPCA’s Million Paws walk is here, Round up your family, friends, colleagues and four-legged friends to help raise vital funds for thousands of animals in need. There will be 22 walk locations across NSW and you don’t need to be a dog owner to participate.</p>
<p>Monday 21st May</p>	<p>“Rock n Roll Classes” with the Big River Rockers, Sandy and Dale at the Grafton Golf Club, Bent Street, South Grafton. Starting at 7.00pm with Advanced Classes and 7.45pm with Beginner Classes – Social Dancing from 8.30pm. For more information ring 0421 130 076.</p>
	<p>Grafton School of Yoga with Loni Wilson, accredited Satyananda Yoga Teacher. Classes:- Progressive – 4:30pm to 6pm Intermediate – 6:15pm to 7:45pm Classes held every Monday and are open to all, Casual Attendance welcome. Please phone ahead as spaces could be limited. 20% discount for enrolling in two or more courses per term. Where: 13 Queen Street, Grafton. Phone: 6649 3638 or Mobile: 0439 273 289 Email: graftonschoolofyoga@yahoo.com.au</p>

<p>Tuesday 22nd May</p>	<p>Story Time for Kids - Every Tuesday at Grafton Shoppingworld. Where: Outside Gym Beans thanks to Collin's Booksellers. Time: 10:30am. All are welcome.</p> <p>Yamba Rotary Club meets every week at the Yamba Bowling Club, Wooli Street, and Yamba. Arriving at 6.00pm for a 6.30pm start. Contact: Staff Sheldon. Phone: 6646 2385.</p> <p>Hip Hop Downunder – Hip-Hop, Breakdancing Classes and Workshops. Hip Hop Downunder runs classes each Tuesday. Where: The New School of Arts Hall, Spring Street, South Grafton.</p> <p>Kinder Breakdance Class – Tuesday. Time: 5pm. Ages 8-12years. Kinder Hip-Hop Class – Tuesday. Time: 6pm. Ages 8-12years</p> <p>Cost: \$8 per Junior and a one off registration fee of \$25.</p> <p>Our classes are intended for anyone and everyone, no matter what your experience in dance is.</p> <p>Contact: 0422 204 870 or Emails: hip-hop_downunder@hotmail.com</p> <p>Grafton School of Yoga with Loni Wilson, accredited Satyananda Yoga Teacher.</p> <p>Classes:- Intermediate – 6:30am to 7:30am General – 10:30am to 11:30am (This Class is held at Minnie Water Hall) Beginners – 4:30pm to 6pm Prog. Beginners – 6:15pm to 7.45pm</p> <p>Classes held every Tuesday and are open to all, Casual Attendance welcome. Please phone ahead as spaces could be limited. 20% discount for enrolling in two or more courses per term. Where: 13 Queen Street, Grafton. Phone: 6649 3638 or Mobile: 0439 273 289 Email: graftonschoolofyoga@yahoo.com.au</p> <p>Jacaranda Candidate Ms Jenna Atherton, Proudly sponsored by the Grafton District Services Club will be having a “Dinner in the Treetops” at the Village Green, Pound Street, Grafton. Time: 6pm. Cost: \$25 - two course meal chosen from a select menu at the time of booking. There will be a lucky door prize and plenty of raffles available for you to participate in. Please come along and support Jenna and the 2012 Grafton Jacaranda Festival.</p>
<p>Wednesday 23rd May</p>	<p>Yamba Farmer's and Grower's Market will be held every second Wednesday at Whiting Beach Car Park (Off Harbour Drive), Yamba. Time: 7am til 12noon. All produce sold must be freshly and locally grown. The Market show cases locally grown fruit, vegetables, eggs, fish, flowers etc. plus locally produced cakes, biscuits, jams and gourmet items. For more information about the Yamba Farmer's and Grower's Market contact Jeremy Challacombe on 6642 3336.</p>
<p>Wednesday 23rd May, Thursday 24th May & Friday 25th May</p>	<p>Grafton Lady Golfers May Tournament will be held at the Grafton Golf Club, Bent Street, South Grafton. Contact: Grafton Golf Club. Phone: (02) 6642 2255.</p>

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<p>NEIGHBOURING AREA EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK</p>	
<p>Saturday 2nd June & Sunday 3rd June</p>	<p>LVR Steam Train will be visiting Kyogle. Tickets are available from the Kyogle Visitor Center.</p>

PASSENGER FERRIES, VEHICULAR FERRIES and RIVER CRUISES

CLARENCE RIVER FERRIES – from Yamba and Iluka.

Bookings Phone: [0408 664 556](tel:0408664556) or [6646 6423](tel:66466423).

Everyday: Passenger Services between Yamba & Iluka. Adults: \$6.60, Pensioners and Children: \$3.30 (each way). Family Pass: 2 Adults / up to 4 Children \$39 return. Children – under 16 years – under 5 years free. (Pensioner discount does not apply to Tour Groups). All prices include GST.

Times: Departing Iluka, Boatshed & Marina – 8:45am, 10:15am, (1:00pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday Only), 2:30pm & 4:00pm.

Departing Yamba, End Of River Street – 9:30am, 11:00am, (1:45pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday Only) 3:15pm & 4:45pm Ferry does not return to Yamba.

Harwood Island Cruise: Ferry departs every Wednesday and Friday. Yamba 11am and returns 3.00pm - Iluka 11.45am and returns 2.30pm. Adults from **Yamba** \$20 Return. Pensioners \$17. Adults from **Iluka** \$18 Return. Pensioners \$15. Children ½ Price. Sandwiches, Tea & Coffee, Beer, Wine, Drinks available. **Coaches Catered For.**

Sunday Jazz Cruise: Departing Yamba 11am and returns 3.00pm. Iluka 11.45am and returns 2.30pm. Adults from Yamba \$30 Return. Pensioners \$25. Adults from Iluka \$25 Return. Pensioners \$20. Children ½ Price. Sandwiches, Tea & Coffee, Beer, Wine, Drinks available. **Coaches Catered For. Bookings Essential.**

Email: info@clarencriverferries.com.au **For more information go to:** www.clarencriverferries.com.au

CLARENCE RIVER BOAT HIRE – Yamba Marina, Yamba Road, Yamba.

Phone: [6645 8525](tel:66458525) or [0401 538 008](tel:0401538008).

Features include: Toilet, Roof, Gas BBQ and Tools, Life Jackets, Wheel Chair Access, Electric Start, Eskey and Fishing Rod Holders. No Boat Licence Required. Great fun for the whole family.

Deluxe 12 Person BBQ Pontoon: \$300.00 **Full Day Hire** from 8.00am to 4.00pm or 9.00am to 5.00pm.

\$200.00 **Half Day Hire** from 8.00am to 12.00 noon or 1.00pm to 5.00pm.

Eight Persons BBQ Pontoon: \$200.00 **Full Day Hire** from 8.00 to 4.00pm or 9.00am to 5.00pm.

\$140.00 **Half Day Hire** from 8.00am to 12.00 noon or 1.00pm to 5.00pm.

12 Person Standard Pontoon: \$260.00 **Full Day Hire** from 8.00am to 4.00pm or 9.00am to 5.00pm.

\$180.00 **Half Day Hire** from 8.00am to 12.00 noon or 1.00pm to 5.00pm.

Twilight Hire - Daylight Savings Only \$100.00 on the 8 and 12 person Standard Pontoon - 5.30pm to 8.00pm.

\$120.00 on the 12 person Deluxe Pontoon – 5:30pm to 8.00pm.

ROCKFISH – Cruise'n Yamba - Yamba Marina, Yamba Road, Yamba.

Phone: [6645 8153](tel:66458153) or [0447 458 153](tel:0447458153).

Email: experience@rockfish.com.au

Website: www.rockfish.com.au

Rockfish is a purpose-built 10.5 sailing catamaran, with a wide stable deck and under cover seating for up to 26 people. Facilities include sound system, toilet, BBQ and we are licensed. There are trampolines on the bow for lazing in the sun, whilst the more adventurous can ride the boom net off the stern for some extreme fun. Catering can be organised for functions such as weddings, birthdays – children's and adults', staff parties, corporate functions, etc. Contact us for more details on our rates, or visit our website www.rockfish.com.au All cruises are by bookings only and weather permitting.

TASTE OF THE CLARENCE CRUISE. This 1½ hour cruise is ideal for those with a limited amount of time, or for the littlies in your life, who require a shorter cruise. Refreshments served. Check for departure times.

BBQ CRUISE. (Seasonal) Sit back and relax, or have lots of fun experiencing Boom netting whilst heading towards one of our river's fine beaches for a snorkel, swim or just laze about. We will prepare a BBQ lunch for you on board and on the return journey we may see one of the many Dolphins or other marine and Bird life. Your cruise includes a BBQ lunch, complimentary drink and snorkelling gear. BBQ Cruise'n daily from 11.30am – 2.30pm. Advance bookings essential.

WHALE WATCH CRUISE. (August to October). The Whale season commences mid-May with the whales heading north to calf and ends mid-November. Come and join us for a cruise to sight these magnificent creatures on their return journey from mid-August to late October. Cruise'n at 9.30am and 1.00pm daily for 2 – 2.5 hours. Maximum 10 people. Not recommended for children under 10.

PRIVATE CHARTER. Minimum two hours. Catering can be arranged. Sample menus for functions are available to view on the Website. We do require at least one weeks notice for any private charter.

CHAMPAGNE SUNSET CRUISE. Come on board and feel the gentle breeze whilst you sip champagne and cruise into a beautiful sunset. On boarding you will receive a complimentary bubbly or beer, and finger food will be served during the cruise. Sit back and relax and enjoy the unique ambience of cruising for 2 hours on the tranquil Clarence River. A perfect way to end the day, a perfect start to a great evening!

3.30pm – 5.30pm (Winter) 5.30pm – 7.30pm (Summer) daily. Check for exact departure times.

Attention Cruisers: Only flat-soled shoes can be worn on Rockfish, and warm clothes are needed for Winter Cruise'n boarding for all Cruises is 15 minutes prior to departure.

LAWRENCE FERRY - 24 hour free service

Coaches with long overhang will have problems at low tide. This ferry link provides a pleasant alternative to the Pacific Highway between Maclean and Grafton. This ferry stops for maintenance each Tuesday from 9.30am to 11.00am.

Phone: 6645 2266. Mobile: 0427 041 261.

ULMARRA FERRY – This ferry is unsuitable for caravans and coaches but is OK for mini-buses.

Operating times: 6.00am - 7.45am; 8.30am - 11.45am; 12.30pm - 5.45pm; 6.30pm - 11.00pm. This ferry stops for maintenance each Sunday 6.00am - 8.00am. **PLUS** the first Wednesday of each month 9.30am - 11.30am.

Phone: 6644 5224.

LOCAL COACH DAYTOURS from Grafton and from Yamba

- Busways North Coast Pty Ltd - offers regular circuits of Grafton – Monday to Saturday. **Phone:** 6642 2954.
- 4WD Tours are available from Grafton to The Gorge, mountains or beaches. **Phone:** 6644 9381.

SERVICE	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
GRAFTON <i>HILLDROP HOLIDAYS</i> Phone: 6644 9220	South Grafton, Yamba, Iluka, Ferry Park	Tour Grafton, Maclean & Lawrence	Glen Innes	Woolgoolga, Coffs Harbour, Nana Glen Glenreagh	No tour. NOTE: We service direct to Grafton.

ART GALLERY EXHIBITIONS.

CLOCKTOWER GALLERY

Clarence River Visitor Information Centre, Cnr Spring Street and Pacific Highway, South Grafton. **Phone:** 6642 4677.

Featured Artists for the month of May – Alan Podger and Darlene Searle-Podger

Alan started painting in Oils in 2005 after caring for an Artist friend who was disabled. With his years of experience he taught him the techniques and various ideas for Oil Painting.

Whilst living on Norfolk Island he was successful in winning 1st and 2nd Prize at the local Show, this gave him the enthusiasm to enter our local Show and join the Clocktower Gallery.

Alan has entered his Paintings at the Grafton Show and has done very well in previous years.

He has also created some very lovely Souvenir pieces Fridge Magnets, Small Paintings – Framed, Paper Weights and lots more.

He enjoys to paint all aspects of our beautiful Valley and you can view his work at the Clarence River Tourism Centre.

Darlene has a fine selection of Crochet Work and it is beautifully presented, she does double Hand Towels, Face Washers, Tea Towels, Baby Blankets, Coat Hangers and lots more.

Open: 7 days a week from 9.00am to 5.00pm. **Closed Christmas Day & Good Friday.**

The **Clarence River Visitor Information Centre** is an outlet for the beautiful works produced by members of the Clocktower Gallery. Many pieces of skilled woodwork, leatherwork, knit ware, pottery, cushions and much more are for sale. Also available is Indigenous Pottery from Girrwaawa Designs, Local Wombah Coffee from Woombah, Local Jams and Chutneys and lots more. **Open 7 days from 9.00am to 5.00pm. Closed Christmas Day and Good Friday.**

Friday.

FERRY PARK GALLERY

Ferry Park, Pacific Highway, Maclean. **Contact:** Allan King (President). **Phone:** 6645 3700.

Open: 7 days a week from 9.00am to 5.00pm. **Closed Christmas Day.**

Website: www.ferryparkgallery.org.au

Email: ferryparkgallery@westnet.com.au

Exhibition from: 1st May to 31st May

Gloria Lee and Pam Newman – Gloria Lee and Pam Newman congratulations to both Ladies'. As you will imagine both have been busy sewing and embroidering to get everything ready for their display. There'll be a treasure trove of gift items available for purchase. You don't get to miss out either, with face washers, towels, colourful wall hangings just to name a few of the beautiful items which will be available

New Junior Art Space - As a community gallery Ferry Park Gallery has always supported Junior Arts and Crafts by featuring the work of one junior artist monthly. A recent initiative of the Gallery has been to invite local schools and junior artists to exhibit as a group. The gallery has purchased a new hanging system and created a larger space for junior artists to fill the walls with colourful creations. The first group of junior artists to exhibit participated in a Holiday Workshop at the Gallery during April facilitated by artist Kerrie Howland. Eight participants spent two days learning new techniques with watercolour paints and created mixed media masks of all shapes and sizes. The next group on show will be Yamba Primary school exhibiting their students work in June. The Small Schools Exhibit will be touring up to the gallery after showing at the Grafton Regional Gallery in August.

If you are interested in exhibiting work in Ferry Park Galleries New Junior Art Space please contact our junior artist coordinator Kerrie Howland on 66459088 or email kerrie.howland@det.nsw.edu.au. Junior artists must be aged 5 – 17yrs.

The LCACA 47th Annual Open Competitive Arts and Crafts Exhibition is on in July and Junior Artists are encouraged to enter their art work. Visit www.ferryparkgallery.org.au to download an entry form, entries close the 29th June. Also visit our website to find out about the galleries upcoming events.

Anyone who would like to become a Friend would be most welcome. Full training is given to our Friends so they feel completely at home at Ferry Park. It is a great way to meet visitors from all over the world and to make new friends in the local area while volunteering amid the inspiring work of our members. If this is something you would like to do, please call in at Ferry Park Gallery or telephone 66453700.

Artists and craft persons from the Clarence Valley are reminded that LCACA will be holding its 47th Annual Exhibition from 6th - 8th July 2012 at Gulmarrad Public School. Members are busy organising the exhibition which will again feature all displays at one venue. Patchwork & Quilts, Fine Arts, Jewellery, Craft, Photography, Creative Needlework, Wearable Art and Student Art will all be on show. There are plenty of opportunities to enter and lots of prizes to be won. Entry forms will be available for all sections from the beginning of March. These will be obtainable from Ferry Park Gallery or by emailing ferryparkgallery@westnet.com.au

The exhibition is held in the July school holidays so put it in your diary as it is great day out.

Visit Ferry Park Gallery's Website: www.ferryparkgallery.org.au

The Pottery Group: The Pottery group meet on the **2nd and 4th Wednesday** of each month. They meet at the Fine Art Pavilion at the Maclean Showground, Cameron Street, Maclean. Any interested parties should contact Debbie Barnes on 6645 9053.

COLDSTREAM GALLERY - ULMARRA

5 Coldstream Street, Ulmarra. **Contact:** Dorothy Scutt. **Phone:** 6644 5757.

Open: Friday, Saturday and Sunday (inclusive) 10.00 am to 4.00 pm.

Coldstream Gallery has its usual range of paintings by both local and state-wide artists, pottery both functional and decorative, silk scarves, wooden bowls and boxes and a wide of range of the popular glass plates, bowls, perfume bottles and vases. Come out for a browse and delight your senses.

ULMARRA CRAFT AND COLLECTABLES

5 Coldstream Street, Ulmarra. **Contact:** Pam Newman. **Phone:** [0439447412](tel:0439447412). A/H [66445888](tel:66445888)

Open: 10am to 4pm, 7 days.

Local Craft including Linen/ towels, Jewellery, Bags, Cards, Scarves and Hats and much much more.

BENTLEG MARKET

36 Skinner Street, South Grafton. **Contact:** Robert Bentley. **Phone:** [6643 2929](tel:66432929).

Open: Monday to Friday 9.00 am to 5.00 pm, Saturday 9.00 am to 12 noon.

For the month there will be an Exhibition of new Arts from the Students.

GRAFTON HANDICRAFT MINIMART

133 Prince Street, Grafton. **Contact:** Ann Marsh. **Phone:** [6644 9417](tel:66449417).

Open: Monday to Friday 9.00am to 4.00pm, Saturday 9.00am to 11.45am.

This shop has been run by volunteers for 34 years. Quality hand made goods sold at reasonable prices: includes Crochet, Knitted goods, Dolls Clothes, Leatherwork, Baby Wear, including Premmy and many other useful and novel articles. **Orders taken.**

ART of the CLARENCE GALLERY

19 Skinner Street, South Grafton. **Contact:** Anne Faulkner. **Phone:** [6643 4443](tel:66434443) or [0432 476 869](tel:0432476869)

Open: Tuesday to Friday from 10.00am to 3.00pm and Saturday from 10am to 12pm

Features group exhibitions featuring many Artists' works.

MODEL TRAIN EXHIBITION

Crn of River Street and Church Street, Harwood. **Contact:** David Lorenzo. **Phone:** [0435 841 581](tel:0435841581)

Opening Times: 2pm til 5pm daily. Closed Thursday

Mr Lorenzo has incorporated several different themes into his exhibition, which includes British and Australian themes, including some Clarence Valley scenes. Some of the many scenes Mr Lorenzo has hand made include emergency service scenes, carnival scenes, farming and agriculture scenes, mining and transport scenes; even airports. He even has a helicopter which takes off and flies around the room.

GRAFTON REGIONAL GALLERY

158 Fitzroy Street, Grafton. **Contact:** Jude McBean (Director). **Phone:** [6642 3177](tel:66423177).

Open Tuesday to Sunday 10.00am to 4.00pm. **Admission by Donation.**

Guided Tours Available for Coach/Tour Group

Exhibition from 28th March to 20th May, 2012

Prentice East – John Giese: Life of the River. John grew up with the Clarence River. This Maclean based artist explores the relationship of the big river with all of those who live and have lived in the valley.

Main Gallery – Shell Shocked: Australia after Armistice. Explores the personal impact of war on Australian men, women and children, and the nation's attempts to recover from the loss injury of almost three-quarters of its soldiers

serving overseas. Features photographs, personal letters, service files and memorabilia from the national archives collection.

Exhibition from 24th April to 20th May, 2012

Studio Gallery – Clarence River U3A

Exhibition from 15th April to 20th May, 2012

Loft Gallery – Tinker, Tailor, Solider, Sailor. 100 Stories of great Australian Women who broke barriers in Arts, Science, Humanities and Sport. 100 brooches made in response to these stories by 100 of Australia's most talented Jewellers. A Brilliant collection of contemporary Jewellery to inspire pride for the milestone set by the women of the past and provide inspiration for the future.

Argyle Artspace

205 River Street, Maclean. **Phone: 6645 2015**

Email: jenni.peardon@hotmail.com

Open: 7 days a week and they provide local artist's space to exhibit what they love to do. By providing the venue, The Argyle Hotel Restaurant offers artists recognition and support in exhibiting their work for sale to the public. Another facet of this project, are the benefits to the Maclean Lower Clarence Hospital Auxiliary. All local artists can book their space through jenni.peardon@hotmail.com

Yamba Museum – The Story House

The Port of Yamba Historical Society and Museum.

River Street, Yamba. **Phone 6646 1399.** Email: pyhs@ceinternet.com.au Website: www.pyhsmuseum.com.au

Open: Tuesday and Wednesday 10.00am to 4.30pm. Thursday, Saturday and Sunday 2.00pm to 4.30pm.
Adults \$5.00, Children Free.

Ghosts of WWI – 101 Local Heroes which opens on March 31st for a six week showing until 13th May 2012.

The Photographic Display will be complimented by war time memorabilia, mannequins dressed in authentic WWI uniforms, Six Lighthorse costumes from The Outback Australia show, a moving DVD showing actual photos from the war zone and other items of interest. After the official opening ceremony at 9am, with invited dignitaries and guests an amazing Country Fair will follow beginning at 11am.

The Country Fare will feature Replica Battleship Displays, Arnold Duckett's horses which are a direct bloodline to The Lighthorse Brigade of WWI. Bush poets, a U3A Choir performing songs of the era. Performances by local band Rob Imerson and Paul Commerford will play tunes throughout the day, as well as plenty of children's activities and food throughout the Fair.

BOWLS NEWS

If you require an information sheet on the Weekly Bowls please get in contact with the Clarence River Tourism, phone: 6642 4677 or Clarence Coast Visitor Information Centre, phone: 6645 4121.

May 2012

- **25th** **Jacaranda Candidate Miss Sharni Rouse would like to invite you to "A Night in Greece".** **Venue:** Roches Family Hotel, Grafton. **Time:** 7pm. **Cost:** \$30 per head. **Dress:** Theme dress is optional. **Tickets:** Roches Family Hotel 6642 2866 or Serenity Beaute 6642 6828. Facebook: www.Sharni-Rouse-2012-Jacaranda-Queen-Candidate
If Greece is the place you would like to be; You don't need to fly or cruise the sea. Come join us at Roches, the food will be GREAT. Try the flavours of Greece, forget the veggies and steak. Come dressed in Toga, let's set the theme.
Please come along and support Sharni and the 2012 Grafton Jacaranda Festival.

- **26th** **Grafton Speedway – Rain date** will be held at the Grafton Showground, Prince Street, Grafton. Gates will open at 3.00pm and racing will be from 6.00pm. **Contact:** Speedway. **Phone:** 0417 720 952.
- **26th** **Grafton District Services Club Market** to be held in the Grafton District Services Club Car Park, Fry Street, Grafton. **Time:** 8am - 12noon. A variety of stalls and great food make this market a must to browse. All enquiries Contact: Rebecca Hay. **Phone:** 6640 3200.
- **26th** **Clarence Valley Roller Derby League and The North Coast Derby Coalition present A Roller Derby Double Headed “It’s a CANE’.....ing Time”.** **Where:** Raymond Laurie Sports Centre, 78 Angourie Road, Yamba. **Time:** Doors open at 5:00pm. Alcohol Free Venue – Cash only event. **Tickets:** \$12, under 12’s Free. Tickets available from Raymond Laurie Sports Centre, Yamba. **Phone:** 6646 8822. After Party at the Yamba Shores Tavern, Yamba.
- **26th** **Grafton Mixed Golf May Tournament** will be held at the Grafton Golf Club, Bent Street, South Grafton. **Contact:** Grafton Golf Club. **Phone:** (02) 6642 2255.
- **26th & 27th** **Mish Mash Carrs Creek Mart** will be held at 204 Back Lane, Carrs Creek. Open Saturday from 9.00am to 1.00pm and Sunday from 10.00am to 4.00pm. Variety of Bags and Handicrafts, Handcrafted Soaps, Pot Purri and Pomanders, Folk-art, Jewellery, Magnets and Mobiles. Jams, Relishes, Pickles and Chutneys. Bric-a-Brac, Pot Plants and more! Refreshments available. **Contact: Marilyn on 6644 7236.**
- **27th** **Karts** will be held at the **Mountain Sports Complex, Mountain View** The Mountain View track is a great venue for competitors and spectators. The action is fast and furious. **Contact:** Don Whitton. **Phone:** 6642 3660.
- **27th** **Yamba Community Market** will be held at Ford Park, River Street, Yamba. **Commencing at 9.00am.** Entertainment and lots of Family Fun. **Market Coordinator. Phone:** 0422 420 159.
- **27th** **53rd Annual Bird Show** – The Clarence River District Caged Bird Club in holding its 53rd Annual Bird show. Birds to be benched at 8am. Local members 7:30am. **Judging begins at 9am sharp. Where:** Grafton showgrounds, Main Pavilion, Prince Street, Grafton. BBQ Breakfast, Lunch and soft drinks will be available. Birds may be brought to the show to be sold. **Entry is Free.** All are Welcome
- **27th** **Lanbruk’s Gunyah**, 423 Carrs Peninsula Road, Junction Hill will be holding an Open Day to their Farm, Museum and Olive Tasting from 10.00am to 3.00pm. \$5.00 each under 12 years free. The Gift Shop will be open with local Arts and Crafts and Olive Products. Cold Drink, Tea, Cappuccino Coffee with Homemade Sponge Cake, Jam and Cream available at \$5.00. **For more information phone:** 6642 6640. www.lanbruk.com.au
- **29th** **Clarence River Jockey Club, TAB Meeting** will be held at the Race Course, Powell Street, Grafton. Grafton is a major regional centre for horse racing. The Grafton racetrack has excellent facilities and visitors are very welcome. **Contact:** CRJC. **Phone:** 6642 2566.
- **29th** **Tchaikovsky at the Ballet** – The Sydney Symphony will be performing at the Saraton Theatre, Prince Street, Grafton.
- **29th** **The Sydney Symphony and Sinfonia performs Dvorak’s New World Symphony.** Australia’s most popular Symphony as voted by ABC, classic FM listeners plus Sibelius iconic Finlandia. **Where:** Saraton Theatre, Prince Street, Grafton. **Time:** 7:30pm. **Book Now – In Person:** 99 Prince Street, Grafton. NSW, 2460. **By Phone:** (02) 6642 1633. **Online:** www.saraton.com
- **29th – 31st** **Grafton Eisteddfod - Infants & Primary Schools Day** will be held at the South Grafton High School, South Grafton. **Contact:** Robert Schwarz. **Phone:** 0427 140 658.

- **31st** **Greyhound Racing - Day TAB Meeting - TAB C** will be held at the Greyhound Track, Cranworth Street, Grafton. This is one of the fastest ways to win or lose a bet and it's an exciting sport to boot. **Contact:** Brad Ellis. **Phone:** 6642 3713.

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- **2nd** **Arts, Crafts Market and Demonstrations.** The Clocktower Gallery will be holding an Arts, Crafts Market and Demonstration Day at the Clarence River Visitor Information Centre, Corner Spring Street and Pacific Highway, South Grafton. This will be held on the Veranda at the Information Centre. **Starting** at 9.00am and going to around 1.00pm. There will be lots of Arts and Crafts, Wood Work, Leather Work and Home made goodies. There will also be a Special Table for you to choose from. You will be able to enjoy demonstrations from the talented Craftsperson's. Hope to see you there. **For further information please call 6642 4677.**
- **2nd** **The Village Market Place - Glenreagh** Markets to be held at the Glenreagh Hall, Glenreagh. **Starting at 9.00am to 1.00pm.** For further information please call **6649 2001.** **The Museum is opened from 9.00am on Market Day.**
- **2nd & 3rd** **Ulmarra Campdraft** will be held at the Ulmarra Showground, Coldstream Street, Ulmarra. **Contact:** Allan Watkins. **Phone:** 6642 5317.
- **3rd** **Iluka Markets** – will be held at the Iluka Sports Oval on the corner of Owen and Spenser Streets, Iluka. **Starting at 8.00am to 12.30pm.**
Variety of Stalls. Only 15 minutes off the highway, on the Sports Oval as you come into Iluka. **Contact:** Paul Ryan. **Mobile:** 0422 010 989.
- **9th** **Cathedral Car Boot Markets** will be held at the Christ Church Cathedral car park, Fitzroy Street, Grafton. **Time:** 8am. The Fun Stuff – Craft, Fruit, Vegetables, Plants, Trash and Treasures. **Enquiries:** Cathedral Parish Office. **Phone:** 6642 2844.
- **9th** **Maclean Community Market** will be held in the Main Car Park, Centenary Drive, Maclean. Follow the signs. Starting at 7.00am to 12.00pm. **Contact:** Daniel Gray. **Phone:** 0413 166 876 or **Bob Mansfield** on 0423 333 458.
- **9th & 10th** **Mish Mash Carrs Creek Mart** will be held at 204 Back Lane, Carrs Creek. Open Saturday from 9.00am to 1.00pm and Sunday from 10.00am to 4.00pm. Variety of Bags and Handicrafts, Handcrafted Soaps, Pot Purri and Pomanders, Folk-art, Jewellery, Magnets and Mobiles. Jams, Relishes, Pickles and Chutneys. Bric-a-Brac, Pot Plants and more! Refreshments available. **Contact: Marilyn on 6644 7236.**
- **10th** **Trash and Treasure Markets** will be held at 23 Collett Street, Tucabia. Approximately 9.00am to 2.00pm. Stallholders welcome. Phone for more information on **6644 8076 or 0428 543 055.** Enjoy a cuppa and damper and browse the Museum for a low price.