

"WHAT'S ON"

4th March to 10th March, 2010



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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: Live DJ from 8.30pm at the Post Office Hotel, Grafton. Shaun Kirk at the Pacific Hotel, Yamba.

Friday: *The Good Shirts* at the Maclean Services Club. *Twist* Tops at the Grafton Hotel, 97 Fitzroy Street, Grafton. *The Led Zeppelin* Show from 8.30pm Grafton District Services Club, corner of Mary and Fry Street, Grafton. *Ben Francis Band from 8.30pm* Clocktower Hotel, Cnr Prince & Pound Streets, Grafton. *The Ford Brothers* at the Yamba Bowling Club from 7.15pm. *The Kelly Gang* at the Yamba Shores Tavern, Yamba. *Pink Zinc* at the Pacific Hotel, Yamba. *Friday Nite Jukebox* at the Maclean Bowling Club.

Saturday: *Cougar Night* at the Post Office Hotel, Grafton. *DJ Maxx* from 8.30pm Grafton District Services Club, corner of May & Fry Streets, Grafton. *Homeless Yellow* at the Pacific Hotel, Yamba.

Sunday: *Duellin Pianos* from 1pm Nymboida Coaching Station, Armidale Rd, Nymboida. *Chris Fisher* at the Pacific Hotel, Yamba.

11th & 12th March: *Shez – Gypsy Soul Tour* at the Alchemy Restaurant, South Grafton Emporium, Skinner St, South Grafton. For bookings: (02) 6643 3524.

Coming Soon The *Sunny Cowgirls* will bring their signature Country twang to the Yamba Bowling Club in April.

EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

**Monday 15th February to
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Clarence Valley Council Kerbside Clean up time table - A clean up for Solid Domestic waste items will be provided to every household currently receiving a weekly garbage pick-up through out the Clarence Valley Area. The Collection dates will be staged across the Clarence Valley area as follows and items should be placed on the footpath at the beginning of the relevant Week. I.e. Sunday.

Week 1	15 February	<u>Armisdale Road</u> - Elland, Coutts Crossing, Blaxlands Creek, Nymboida <u>Gwydir Highway</u> - Waterview Heights, Seelands, Eatonsville, Ramornie <u>Orara Way</u> - Braunstone, Levenstrath, Lanitza, Kremnos, Glenreagh <u>Pacific Highway</u> - Cowper, Ulmarra, Swan Creek, Tucabia, Pillar Valley, Wooli, Minnie Water, Diggers Camp, Bom Bom, Glenugie, Wells Crossing, Halfway Creek, Corindi, Red Rock
Week 2	22 February	South Grafton, Clarenza
Week 3	1 March	Grafton, Junction Hill, Mountain View, Southgate and Lower Southgate <u>Clarence Way</u> - The Whiteman, Copmanhurst, Fineflower, Baryulgil <u>Summerland Way</u> - The Pinnacles, Gurrang, Banyabba
Week 4	8 March	Yamba, Palmers Island, Angourie, Wooloweyah, Harwood, Chatsworth, Iluka, Woody Head, Ashby, Woombah, Tullymorgan, Warregah Maclean, Lawrence, Townsend, Gulmarrad, Brooms Head,
Week 5	15 March	South Arm, James Creek, Woodford, Brushgrove, Tyndale

<p>Thursday 4th March</p>	<p>Glenreagh Mountain Railway Incorporated - Open for Inspection from 7.00am to 4.00pm. Glenreagh Mountain Railway Office, Contact: Peter Dickson-Smith, phone: 6649 2234.</p> <p>Weekly Farmers & Growers Markets to be held at Market Square, Prince Street, Grafton. Starting at 7.00am to 12.00 noon. The Farmers Market has a great range of fresh local produce including jams, sauces, honey, bakery items and plenty more. Stroll in the open air, chat with the farmers and producers, and even get advice on best cooking methods.</p> <p>The Grafton Farmers Market provides a great opportunity for Clarence Valley farmers and fresh food producers to sell farm-origin and associated value-added processed food products directly to local customers while giving you an opportunity to talk directly to them about their produce and their farming methods.</p> <p>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 Grafton Farmer's and Grower's Market contact Jeremy Challacombe on 6642 3336.</p> <p>Maclean Hospital Auxiliary "Cash Bingo" will be held at the Maclean Lower Clarence Services Club, 36-38 River Street, Maclean. Starting at 10.00am to Midday. Cash Bingo, Accumulating Jackpot, Undercover Bingo. Free Coffee and Tea.</p> <p>Old Time Dancing for Single men and women. This is held weekly in Grafton. Cost \$5 members, \$5 non-members, – includes door prize, raffle and supper. Starts at 7.30pm. Enjoy the friendship of other singles while having fun and exercising. <i>This Group is for over 45 years.</i> Contact Peter for more information on 6643 4683. There are other activities organised regularly.</p> <p>South Grafton Music Café – South Grafton Emporium Fabulous local Musicians and entertainment – Open Mic (in house amp/mixer). Come and perform Izzy Forreal – the one and only – M.C.'s the evening. Enjoy a delicious meal. It's a Curry Night! Special value on Music nights, entry \$3 goes to a not for profit group – this month it's Red Rock SLSC. Music Starts at 6:30pm. Book a Table on 6643 3524</p>
<p>Thursday 4th March & Friday 5th March</p>	<p>Take your Heart for a Walk! – Do you enjoy Walking? Why not join the Heart foundation Walking Group in Yamba once a week. Time: The Walking Group departs Yamba Marina at 7:30am on Thursday and 7:00am on Fridays. The Walks Last an Hour. Participants are provided with social support, Newsletter and recognition for reaching walking milestones. For more information please Contact: Margaret. Phone: 6646 0099 or 0401 956 543 or visit www.heartfoundation.org.au/walking.</p>
<p>Thursday 4th March, Friday 5th March, Saturday 6th March & 7th March</p>	<p>The National Film and Sounds Archives BIG SCREEN touring Australian Films 2010</p> <p>TIMETABLE FREE SCHOOL SCREENINGS – YAMBA Thursday 4th March 10.00am <i>Napoleon</i> (G), 12.30pm <i>Footy Legends</i> (PG) + <i>Harvie Krumpet</i> (PG) at Coldstream St Cinema, Coldstream Street, Yamba Friday 5th March 10.00am <i>Dex Hamilton</i> (G), Treelands Dr Cinema, Treelands Drive, Yamba Friday 5th March 12.30pm <i>Hey, Hey it's Esther Blueburger</i> (M) + <i>Harvie Krumpet</i> (PG) Coldstream St Cinema, Coldstream Street, Yamba</p> <p>general SCREENINGS – YAMBA Wednesday 3rd March 7.00pm <i>Accidents Happen</i> (u/c 18+) Treelands Dr Cinema, Treelands Drive, Yamba. Thursday 4th March 7.00pm <i>Blessed</i> (MA15+) Treelands Dr Cinema, Treelands Drive, Yamba Friday 5th March 7.00pm <i>Bright Star</i> (PG) Treelands Dr Cinema, Treelands Drive, Yamba</p>

	<p>Saturday 6th March 2.30pm <i>Disgrace</i> (M) Treelands Dr Cinema, Treelands Drive, Yamba Saturday 6th March 8.15pm <i>Stone Bros.</i> (MA15+) Treelands Dr Cinema, Treelands Drive, Yamba. Sunday 7th March 10.00am</p> <p>FAMILY SCREENING –<i>Skippy & the Intruders</i> (G) Treelands Dr Sunday 7th March 2.00pm <i>Love the Beast</i> (M) Treelands Dr Cinema, Treelands Drive, Yamba Sunday 7th March 5.45pm <i>Wake in Fright</i> (M) Treelands Dr Cinema, Treelands Drive, Yamba.</p> <p>THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS :</p> <p>VENUES & TICKETS Yamba Cinemas TREE LANDS DR CINE MA, YAMBA Tickets: \$7 7–9 Treelands Drive, Yamba (next to Bi-Lo) Ph: 02 6646 9656 \$15 Opening Night \$7 Family Screening (Adults free) \$7 Other sessions Festival Pass Yamba Pre-purchase only \$38 for seven (7) films.</p>
<p>Friday 5th March & Saturday 6th March</p>	<p>Grafton City Rhinos Rugby League Knockout under lights at Rugby Park, \$10.000 prize money, 15 minute halves, Real excitement real footy. Gates open Friday at 6pm and Saturday at 4pm. No BYO.</p>
<p>Saturday 6th March</p>	<p>Grafton Car Market will be held at Enterprise Park, Armidale Road, South Grafton. (Opposite the Abattoirs). Every Saturday. Contact: Michael McIvor. Phone: 0429 454 000. This is a Car Market only.</p> <p>Glenreagh Markets to be held at the Glenreagh Recreational Ground, Glenreagh. Quality Stalls, Fabulous Food, Fantastic Atmosphere. Attractions includes: Over 30 assorted market stalls, Live Entertainment. Harley and Horse Rides, Showbags, Side Show Alley. Plants Galore. Starting at 8.00am to 1.00pm. For further information or to book your stall please contact Melinda Allamby on 6649 2008 or Mobile: 0412 314 502.</p> <p>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 2.00pm. 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.</p> <p>Greyhound Racing (Day Meeting – Non TAB) 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: John Corrigan. Phone: 6642 3713.</p> <p>International Women's Day Brunch. Where: Treelands Drive Community Centre, Yamba. Time: 10am to 11:30am. Guest Speakers – Love Bites Program. Entertainment – Youthful voice and guitar. Raffle for local women's projects – Deborah Novak mounted photos. Donation to UNIFEM. Cost: \$10 per person, concession \$5. Please book by Thursday 4th March, Yamba Community Centre. Phone: 66461478</p> <p>International Women's Day – Drumming workshop for women from 3pm to 5pm. Where: Iluka Scout Hall. Cool drinks and nibbles provided. Bookings Essential by Thursday 4th March. Contact: Susan Howland. Phone: 0427 975 131</p>

<p>Saturday 6th March & Sunday 7th March</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>Big River Junior Open (Squash) Tournament will be held at Grafton. Contact: Tracey Gray. Phone: 6642 6633.</p>
	<p>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 or Lola on 6644 9362.</p>
	<p>Clarence Valley Wires are conducting a two day course in Grafton. To register or for more information please call: WIRES rescue hotline. Phone: 6643 4055.</p>
	<p>Big Shave Fundraiser – A Charity Bowls afternoon will go ahead at the Maclean Bowling Club, Maclean. All money raised will go to the Leukaemia Foundation’s World’s Greatest Shave. The Event will include mixed bowls, a Barbecue, raffles and entertainment by the Ford Brothers. To register for bowls or for more information please Contact: Fatty Ford. Phone: 6645 2274</p>
<p>Sunday 7th March</p>	<p>Grafton Hillclimb - Round 1 - Club Series will be held at the Motor Sports Complex 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: Ken Norton. Phone: 6642 6817.</p>
	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>
	<p>Clean up Australia Day – Yamba Beaches. Site type: Beach/Coastal. Meeting Point: Yamba Bay Launching Ramp. Time: 9:30am – 11:30am</p> <p>Clean up Australia Day – Maclean Rainforest Reserve. Site Type: Park/ Waterfront. Meeting Point: Meet at the Walkway Access Bridge near the High School sports grounds. Time: 8:30am – 10:30am.</p> <p>Clean up Australia Day – Ferry Crossing Park, Iluka. Site Type: Parks/Waterfront. Meeting Point: At Ferry Crossing. Time: 8:00am – 11:30am.</p>
	<p>Cane Toad Round Up – Come along and have some fun at the 12th Annual Cane Toad Round Up. If raining on the night, please call NPWS on 0427 484 336 or 0428 965 525. Time: 6:30pm for registration and free BBQ, Cane Toad catching starts on dark. Where: Yamba Golf and Country Club, River Street, Yamba. Bring: Gloves and a Torch. Wear: Covered footwear.</p>
	<p>Halfway Creek Market is being held on the Corner of The Pacific Highway and Kungala Road, Halfway Creek. Time: Starting at 8am, finishing around 2pm. There will be an array of Plants, Bric-a-brac, fresh food, local produce. Lunch and Morning Tea will be available. For more information and to book at Stall please Contact: Liz or Tony. Phone: 6649 4432</p>

<p>Monday 8th March</p>	<p>International Women's Day – Breakfast organised by Clarence Valley Women Inc with Guest speaker, Judy Lewis, General Manager Daily Examiner. Where: Victoria's Restaurant Fitzroy Street, Grafton. Time: 7am to 9am. Cost: \$15.50 per person or \$10 concession. RSVP by Thursday 4th March, Contact: Vicki. Phone: 6644 8450 or victoria@stlawrenceconsulting.com.au</p>
<p>Tuesday 9th March</p>	<p>Yamba Rotary Club meet every week at the Yamba Bowling Club, Wooli Street, Yamba. Arriving at 6.00pm for a 6.30pm start. Contact: Staff Sheldon. Phone: 6646 2385.</p>
<p>Wednesday 10th March</p>	<p>All about Energy and Commitment! Come along and join Clarence Ahead's next event at South Grafton Ex-servicemen's Club, Wharf Street, South Grafton. Guest Speaker: The Creator of the TV series Dirtgirlworld, Cate McQuillen. Time: 6:30pm Admission is \$30 and includes a two course meal, Tea and Coffee. Bar service will be available. Enquiries to Des Plunkett. Phone: 6643 3044</p>
	<p>Historic Maclean DVD Official Launch By Eric Burrows. Where: Maclean Services Club, River Street, Maclean. Time: 5:30pm. Duration of Showtime is 20 minutes. This is a pictorial DVD showcasing Maclean, the DVD was engineered to appeal to the Tourist Market and to local Businesses that have a real need to showcase Maclean. Eric Burrows is a Photographer who has exhibited his work in Victoria, Queensland and NSW. The Official Launch has been organised by Maclean the Scottish Town in Australia Committee. Contact: Bob MacPherson. Phone: 66452 887</p>
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	<p>Shez – Gypsy Soul Tour at the Alchemy Restaurant, South Grafton Emporium, 31 Skinner Street, South Grafton. “</p> <p>It's very rare to experience an artist who writes and performs with raw passion and spirit. Sharing her stories and songs about life, love lost and found and capturing the romance of life with an honesty and vulnerability. Top 5 Finalist of the ABC Radio Acoustica Competition 2008 • Top 12 Finalist of the Gibraltar Song Festival Contest 2008 • Awarded Best International Pop Artist – Toronto Music Magazine Awards 2007 • Winner of the Blue Mountains Acoustic & Roots Competition 2007.</p> <p>Starts 5pm and finishes 8pm. Dinner will be available. BYO alcohol. For bookings and further information: Phone: (02) 6643 3524. www.myspace.com/snezmusic.</p>
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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: \$6.50, Pensioners and Children: \$3.25 (each way). Family Pass: 2 Adults / up to 4 Children \$37 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, Esky and Fishing Rod Holders. No Boat Licence Required. Great fun for the whole family.

Deluxe 12 Person BBQ Pontoon: \$260.00 **Full Day Hire** from 8.00am to 4.00pm.

\$160.00 **Half Day Hire** from 8.00am to 12.00 noon or 1.00pm to 5.00pm.

Eight Persons BBQ Pontoon: \$160.00 **Full Day Hire** from 8.00 to 4.00pm.

\$110.00 **Half Day Hire** from 8.00am to 12.00 noon or 1.00pm to 5.00pm.

Deluxe 12 Person Pontoon: \$220.00 **Full Day Hire** from 8.00am to 4.00pm.

\$110.00 **Half Day Hire** from 8.00am to 12.00 noon or 1.00pm to 5.00pm.

Deluxe Twilight Hire - Daylight Savings Only \$100.00 - 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 boomnet 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 boomnetting 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.

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

Exhibition from: 1st February to 28th February, 2010.

Artists for the Month – Chris Cable and Maureen O'Shea

Chris has only been a member of the Clocktower Gallery since November 2009

Chris has been raised in the country village of Glenreagh where she lived until moving to South Grafton with her family when she was 16 years old.

Chris learnt to sew from her mum and sister-in-law mainly doing dressmaking, making most of her own clothes and later her children's.

It wasn't until about eight years ago that Chris started to get creative with hand appliqué and other types of needlework.

Don't miss this opportunity to see Chris's work on display and purchase something a little special and unique.

Maureen began her craft at the age of seven years with her grandmother teaching her to knit and crochet. On leaving school and enrolling in various TAFE courses, Maureen concentrated on fashion, including Patchwork, Creative Crafts, Weaving and Spinning. She has been a member of the Grafton Needlecraft Group since 1989 and joined The Clocktower Gallery in 2002.

Maureen has had a quilt published and shown in the Armidale Quilt Symposium in 1988 and also won Champion Prize in Crochet section in the Grafton Show with a supper cloth.

On completing TAFE courses, Maureen studied at Armidale and Newcastle Colleges of Advanced Education for her Teaching Diploma and then taught various classes at Grafton TAFE, Outreach at Copmanhurst, Jackadgerly and Illarwill.

Maureen is also a committee member of The Jacaranda Embroidery Group.

Call into the Clarence River Tourism Centre to view and purchase some of Maureen's beautiful Needlework.

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. We also have a range of silk scarves by Jen and lots more and lots of local Products. **Open 7 days from 9.00am to 5.00pm.**

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

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Featured Artist at the Gallery: Alan Gough and Lynne Mowbray

Lynne Mowbray

Lynne's interest in photography began during her late teens whilst an understudy for a photographer. Since then she has pursued her love of photography, by entering numerous competitions.

Lynne fell in love with the beauty of the Clarence Valley after moving to Maclean 16 years ago.

Over the last 5 years Lynne has been a regular contributor to the local papers and now works as a freelance photographer for them.

Two years ago Lynne's business 'Clarence Images' was born, which now produces brochures, postcards, flyers and web page photography for local businesses.

Allan Gough

Allan's interest in woodwork started about 12 years ago. Inspired by his grandfather, who himself was a keen woodworker; Allan's passion for his craft is reflected throughout his home.

Over the years he has exhibited with local artist Graeme Payne during the Jacaranda Festivals and has won many awards for his work.

Although Allan has been a member at Ferry Park Gallery for the last 19 months, this is the first time his work has been displayed here.

This exhibition focus's mainly on local Clarence Valley timbers (Clarence Valley Cedar and Jacaranda) as well as Tasmanian Huon Pine. These woods have been converted into clocks, tide clocks, carved Red Cedar mirrors and Cedar tables.

Allan is a fine and dedicated woodworker and this is shown in every item he makes.

Do come and see Lynne's and Allan exhibition at Ferry Park Gallery.

Junior Artist of the Month: James Deffholts

Do come along and visit the Ferry Park Gallery which is open every day from 9-5 to see the artistic work of Elijah and our other talented artists during the month of December.

Be inspired by these young artists and catch the Exhibition at the Gallery.

Yamba Potters: *seeking new members:* the Yamba Pottery group is in the process of refocusing its activities and are seeking enquiries from potters or ceramicists interested in being part of their new direction. The group has access to a gas kiln, a uniquely located venue in Yamba and the ongoing support of the aspiring body LCACA. Any interested parties should contact June on **6646 2191**

The LCACA's **Writers Group** has recently been established to provide a further opportunity for budding and aspiring Clarence writers to get together and inspire each other. The Writers Group meets at Ferry Park Gallery, Maclean on the **first Thursday of each month between 10.00am and 12 noon.** For more information, contact Di Wood on

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.

SHIRAZ & BLUE CHEESE ART GALLERY - ULMARRA

14 Coldstream Street, Ulmarra. **Phone:** 6644 5331.

Open: Friday, Saturday and Sunday (inclusive) 10.00 am to 4.00 pm. Monday to Thursday 'Flags' on front of building indicate the gallery is open.

The Gallery hosts some of the best affordable Art that is FOR SALE on the east coast of Australia.

All Artists are dedicated to entertain with their stunning Art. The Artists are local as well as one or two from afar. Buyers may make an appointment by phoning 6644 5331. Where the capital A is put back into Art.

BENTLEG MARKET

36 Skinner Street, South Grafton. **Contact:** Robert Bentley. **Phone:** 6643 2929.

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.

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.**

GRAFTON REGIONAL GALLERY

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

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

Guided Tours Available for Coach/Tour Groups

Exhibition from 3rd February to 14th March, 2010

My Favourite Australian - (Main Gallery). The National Portrait Gallery and the ABC called on the Australian people in early 2008 to vote for their favourite Australians and from this the top ten favourites and twenty unsung heroes were selected.

The Ken Done Print Collection – The printing career of this iconic Australian artist can be viewed from early works to recent prints. The Prints are drawn from the Ken Done Print Collection donated to the Gallery in 2008 by the artist.

Phil Greed and Ray Rixon: Pandanus Tectorius - (Loft Gallery). Phil Greed and Ray Rixon are artists and educators who use the Pandanus tree to create paintings and ceramic forms reflecting their lives in this coastal region.

Katka Adams: It is not common for hens to have pillows – (Prentice Gallery). Inspired by the beauty and unique qualities of poultry found at the local agricultural shows of the North Coast Region, Katka has created a sense of

displacement through locating the roosters and hens in different environments.

Ulmarra Public School: A Bend in the River - (Studio Gallery).

Argyle Artspace

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

Email: jenni.peardon@hotmail.com

Open: Monday to Saturday.

Argyle Artspace opened in 2008 to 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

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.

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.

Glenreagh Railway: For more information on Glenreagh Mountain Railway. **Contact: Peter Dickson-Smith, phone: 6649 2234.** Visit the Website: www.gmr.org.au

FEBRUARY 2010

February

Harwood Bridge Lift Span – Lift Span Closure. The roads and Traffic Authority is currently undertaking essential maintenance on the Harwood Bridge over the Clarence River at Harwood. This essential work is to ensure the continued safe and efficient operation of the Bridge lift span into the future as well as improve safety for the lift span operator. In order to undertake this work the RTA will need to close the lift span for approximately 6 months. **This is maintenance work requires the total closure of the Harwood Bridge Lift Span from 1st February 2010 until mid 2010.**

As a result of this planned closure, all vessels that normally require the bridge's lift span to be raised during the mentioned closure period will be affected. The Harwood Bridge height, with the lift span in the closed position is 8.5 metres above the mean high water springs (MHWS).

If you have any further questions in relation to this closure you may contact, Mr James O'Connor the Project Manager responsible for this work on (02) 6640 1033 or 131782.

MARCH 2010

12th

Shez – Gypsy Soul Tour at the Alchemy Restaurant, South Grafton Emporium, 31 Skinner Street, South Grafton. “

It's very rare to experience an artist who writes and performs with raw passion and spirit. Sharing her stories and songs about life, love lost and found and capturing the romance of life with an honesty and vulnerability. Top 5 Finalist of the ABC Radio Acoustica Competition 2008 • Top 12 Finalist of the Gibraltar Song Festival Contest 2008 • Awarded Best International Pop Artist – Toronto Music Magazine Awards 2007 • Winner of the Blue Mountains Acoustic & Roots Competition 2007.

Starts 5pm and finishes 8pm. Dinner will be available. BYO alcohol. For bookings and further information: **Phone:** (02) 6643 3524. www.myspace.com/snezmusc.

- 12th **The Australian Youth Orchestra Brass Quintet** is performing at the Moran Auditorium, Clarence Valley Conservatorium, Villiers Street, Grafton. **Tickets** will be available at the door, Adults - \$10, concession/Student \$5. For further Information please **Phone:** 6643 3555.
- 12th **International Women's Day** – Clarence Valley View Clubs invite you to Morning Tea, Light Lunch, Entertainment, Guest speakers, lucky door prizes and raffles. **Venue:** Yamba Bowling Club, Wooli Street, Yamba. **Time:** 9:30am for 10am Morning Tea. \$10 per person. Bookings must be made by Friday 5th March. **Contact:** Joy Lauder. **Phone:** 6646 1124.
- 13th **Will you be a Big Loser?** Grafton Midday Rotary Club is running its third Clarence Valley Biggest Loser Weight Loss competition, which aims to promote weight control as a part of a healthy lifestyle of exercise and sensible eating. Grafton Midday Rotary is inviting, indeed encouraging, individuals and teams to join in the 2010 Clarence Valley Biggest Loser Competition by filling out an application form **by Monday 8th March**. All contestants receive a starter kit and will be weighed in between 9am and 1pm today. **Where:** Grafton Community Centre, 59 Duke Street, Grafton. There will be monthly weigh ins during the competition and Clarence Valley Council's Healthy and Active Program will support the event by providing all interested parties with free training sessions on Wednesdays at 5:30pm and Fridays at 6:30pm at fisher Park. The Final Celebratory weigh-ins will be on June 5th 2010.
- 13th **International Women's Day** – Lower Clarence Aboriginal Women's Group invites everyone to join them for an Exhibition of arts and crafts by local Aboriginal Women at Annie's Place, Hillcrest, Maclean. **Time:** 3pm to 5pm. Afternoon Tea provided. **Contact:** Nakeeta McLeay. **Phone:** 6645 3468/ 0418 425 637.
- 13th **Maclean Community Market** will be held in the Main Car Park, Centenary Drive, and Maclean. Follow the signs. Starting at 7.00am to 12.00pm. **Contact:** Daniel Gray. **Phone:** 0422 593 706.
- 13th **Greyhound Racing (Day Meeting – Non TAB)** 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:** John Corrigan. **Phone:** 6642 3713.
- 13th **Grafton Speedway** 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 Office. **Phone:** 6643 4848.
- 13th & 14th **North Coast Stock Horse Show** will be held at Hawthorne Park, South Grafton. Visitors from the city love to see a showcase of our rural lifestyle. **Contact:** Maxine Brooks. **Phone:** 6642 4372.
- 13th & 14th **Grafton Clay Target Club** will be holding their **Northern Zone Trap Carnival** on Saturday starting at 9.00am and Sunday starting at 8.30am. This Event will be held at 604 Lawrence Road, Southgate, via Grafton. **Contact:** Rus Wesslink. **Phone:** 6642 4636.
- 14th **South Grafton Ex-Services Motor Cycle Club Inc. – Club Championship Round 2** will be held at the Motor Cycle Club at Lillypool Road, South Grafton. **Contact:** Sharon Mitchell. **Phone:** 6646 0464.
- 14th **South Grafton High Rowing Regatta** will be held on the Clarence River, Grafton. **Contact:** Terry Verco. **Phone:** 6642 1466.
- 14th **Trash and Treasure Markets** will be held at Squatters Rest Private Museum, 23 Collett Street, Tucabia. Approximately 9.00am to 2.00pm. Stallholders welcome. Home made Cakes, Fruit and Veg, Trash and Treasures Phone for more information on **6642 6689**. Enjoy a cuppa and damper and browse the Museum for a low price.
- 15th **Horse Racing, Grafton – Ulmarra Race Day - Clarence River Jockey Club** - 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.
- 15th **Cologne New Philharmonic Chamber Orchestra (Germany) – Vivaldi**. The four Seasons, 4 concertos for Violin, Strings and Basso Continuo. J.S Bach, Concerto in D minor for 2 Violins and Orchestra BWV 1043. TCHAIKOVSKI, Nocturne for Violoncello and strings (1884). Mozart, Concerto in G Major for Flute and Orchestra KV 313. Pachelbel, Canon for 3 Violins and Basso Continuo. Sergei Didorenko, Pawel Zuzanski, Violin* Lydia Sharrad, Flute. **Where:** Grafton Christ Church Cathedral, Duke Street, Grafton. **Time:** 8:00pm. **Tickets are available at:** Christ Church Cathedral Parish Office, Duke Street, Grafton. **Phone:** 6642 2844. **Website:** www.graftoncathedral.org.au. Please be at the Christ Church Cathedral one hour prior to the

concert at 7pm.

- **16th** **PAN Performing Arts Night** at the Clarence Valley Conservatorium, Villiers Street, Grafton. In the Moran Auditorium. **Time:** 7:15pm start. For more information please Phone: 6643 3555
- **20th** **Maclean Dirt Bike Club – REC** will be racing at Gardiners Road, Townsend. **Contact:** Colin James. **Phone:** 0402 203 482.
- **20th** **Greyhound Racing (Day Meeting – Non TAB)** 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:** John Corrigan. **Phone:** 6642 3713.
- **20th** **The Grafton Showground Markets** to be held at the Grafton Showground, Prince Street, Grafton. Starting at 8.00am to 1.00pm. **Contact:** Valma Ryan. **Phone:** 6643 5556.
- **20th & 21st** **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 or Lola on 6644 9362.
- **21st** **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:** John Harvey. **Phone:** 6645 2313.
- **21st & 22nd** **Art Show and Sale – Junction Hill Nursery** - Thursday Oil Painters present “**Autumn Art**” mixing paints, plants and pleasure. **Where:** Junction Hill Nursery, 31 Trenayr Road, Junction Hill Via Grafton. **Open:** 10am to 4pm. Nothing over \$65.
- **26th** **Maclean Highland Gathering, Maclean. (Scottish Festival).** An Evening of Piping. Hear top class pipers at their best. A piping night of Piobaireachds, March Strathspey and Reels, Hornpipe and Jigs. **Contact:** Bob MacPherson. **Phone:** 6645 2887. **Email:** bobmac@tadaust.org.com.au
Website: www.macleanhIGHLANDgathering.com.au
- **27th** **Earth Hour – 8:30pm.** Businesses, organisations and community groups in the valley are being encouraged to sign up and switch off. To find out ways to get involved, visit www.earthhour.org.au
- **27th** **Maclean Highland Gathering, Maclean. (Scottish Festival).** A street parade starting at 8.30am and massed bands display are highlights of this gathering, which features contests in music, dancing and sport etc. at Maclean “the Scottish Town in Australia”. **Contact:** Bob MacPherson. **Phone:** 6645 2887. **Email:** bobmac@tadaust.org.com.au **Website:** www.macleanhIGHLANDgathering.com.au
- **27th** **Practice Go-Karts** will be held at the **Mountain Sports Complex, Mountain View** The Mountainview track is a great venue for competitors and spectators. The action is fast and furious. www.aka.asn.au **Contact:** Don Whitton. **Phone:** 6642 3660.
- **27th** **Greyhound Racing (Day Meeting – Non TAB)** 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:** John Corrigan. **Phone:** 6642 3713.
- **27th & 28th** **The Annual Relay for Life –** The overnight Community Event is a fund-raiser for those who are battling or who have suffered with Cancer. Teams of 10 to 15 people are being urged to participate to help raise money for this important cause. **Where:** McKittrick Park, Ryan Street, South Grafton. **To Register,** go on-line to www.relayforlife.org.au or phone the Cancer Council on 1300 656 585. **Contact:** Rory Janssens on 6627 0300.
- **28th** **Yamba River Market** will be held at Ford Park, River Street, Yamba. Commencing at 8.00am. Entertainment and lots of Family Fun. **Contact:** Debrah Novak. **Phone:** 0419 272 621 or 6646 1174.
- **28th** “**Kirkin o’ the Tartan**” (**Scottish Event**), **Maclean.** The blessing of the Tartan is a Scottish tradition and Maclean is the Scottish Town in Australia. **Contact:** Bob MacPherson. **Phone:** 6645 2887.

APRIL 2010

- **11th** **The McClymonts Wrapped up good Tour** with Special Guest Harmony James. **Where:** Grafton District Services Club, Grafton. **Time:** Show starts at 8pm sharp, doors open at 6pm. Tickets on Sale Now. **Tickets:** Reserved seating adult (Theatre Style) \$28.00each, Reserved seating Children (theatre Style) \$20.00each. Standing Tickets adults only (no children) \$25.00each. **Contact:** Grafton District Services Club. **Phone:** 6642 2066



24th

Grafton Cathedral Parish Autumn Fair – The Cathedral fundraising group is looking forward to presenting to the community an event that reignites the Fairs of the past and creates an excitement that sets the pace for future events. The usual Craft, White elephant, fresh Fruit and Veggies, Jams, pickles, cakes, woodwork, second-hand books, Children's activities, Trash and treasures. There will be a fancy apron competition. **Where:** Christ Church Cathedral, Duke Street, Grafton. **Time:** 8am til 12noon. A full program will be announced later. For more information **Contact:** The Parish Office. **Phone:** 06642 2844.