

"WHAT'S ON"

26th June to 2nd July, 2008



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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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Maclean Phone: 6645 4333
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Thursday: *DJ Bug* at the Post Office Hotel, Grafton. *DJ Jewells and Blakey* at the Jacaranda Hotel, Grafton. *Nikki McGowan* at the Pacific Hotel in Yamba.

Friday: *The Ford Bros.* at the Boardwalk Bar at the Yamba Bowling Club. *Deano* at the Maclean Bowling Club from 7pm. *Hekyl & Jive* at the Maclean Services Club. *The Shady Three's last gig* at the Yamba Shores Tavern from 7.30pm. *Lost in Texas* at the Royal Hotel in South Grafton. *Juke Box John* at the Grafton District Services Club. *Rod Dowsett* at the Grafton Hotel. *Ready or Not* at the Post Office Hotel, Grafton. *BIND* at the Village Green Hotel, Grafton from 8.30pm. *U3GO* at the Pacific Hotel, Yamba.

Saturday: *Disco With DJ Danny* at the Grafton District Services Club. *CC & The Cat* at the Pacific Hotel, Yamba.

Sunday: *Sara Storer* at the Yamba Golf Club, Yamba. Phone: 6646 2104 for tickets.

Coming: **Friday 4th July – Casual Projects** at the Yamba Bowling Club, from 8.00pm at a cost of \$6.00.

EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

<p>Thursday 26th June</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>Fortnightly 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 Market contact the Clarence Business Centre on 6642 9700.</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 \$3 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 Bev for more information on 6642 6929. There are other activities organised regularly.</p>
<p>Friday 27th June to Sunday 29th June</p>	<p>Copmanhurst Campdraft, Copmanhurst. Contact: Katherine Howlett. Phone: 6644 8215.</p> <p>Grafton Eisteddfod – Drama, Grafton. Contact: Diane Welch. Phone: 6643 3384.</p>
<p>Saturday 28th June</p>	<p>The Old Schoolhouse Market will be held at Alamy Creek Reserve, Lawrence Road, Grafton. Starting at 8.00am till 1.00pm. If you would like to have a stall or if you need information on the market contact: Herb Abele. Phone: 6642 1710. This market has lots of local crafts; we have some very talented people in the Clarence Valley. Also Plants, books, bric-a-brac, fresh fruit and vegetables. You can also visit the Old Schoolhouse, which is still as it was when it was established in the 1870’s.</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>Horse Racing, Grafton - 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: CRJA. Phone: 6642 2566.</p>

<p>Saturday 28th June & Sunday 29th June</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>28th JUNE TO 13th JULY – QUEENSLAND SCHOOL HOLIDAYS.</p>
<p>Sunday 29th June</p>	<p>Go-Karts – Inter Club 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.</p>
	<p>Chatsworth Island Public School is holding a charity tennis challenge on Sunday. The family day will feature double tennis, morning tea, a barbeque lunch and prizes, including the best tennis outfit. Registration starts at the school grounds. The P&C event is a fundraiser for school equipment. Contact: Alyssa Lebreton. Phone: 6646 4984.</p>
<p>Thursday 3rd July</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>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 \$3 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 Bev for more information on 6642 6929. There are other activities organised regularly.</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: \$6.00, Pensioners and Children: \$3.00 (each way). Family Pass: 2 Adults / up to 4 Children \$35 return. Children – under 16 years – under 5 years free. (Pensioner discount does not apply to Tour Groups). All prices include GST.

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 \$25 Return. Pensioners \$20. Adults from Iluka \$20 Return. Pensioners \$15. 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 are licenced. 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. Cruise prices start from \$20 per person for adults. Please contact for more details and rates, or visit the Website.

TASTE OF THE CLARENCE CRUISE. Departing the Marina at 9.30am daily, this one 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.

BBQ DOLPHIN CRUISE. 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. While preparing a BBQ lunch for you on board and on the return journey you 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.

WHALE WATCH CRUISE (seasonal) 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. Four hour cruise 11.00am – 3.00pm, maximum 16 people, light lunch and refreshments provided. Not recommended for children under five.

PRIVATE CHARTER. Minimum two hours. Catering can be arranged. Sample menus for functions are available to view on the Website. **Require at least three days 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 Cruis'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 June to 30th June, 2008.

Artists for the Month of June – **Sue Hutchison and Alan Podger.**

Sue was 15 when she started to paint - her own Xmas Cards - this quickly led to sales to family and friends. Everything now takes a back seat while Sue puts everything else on hold to do what she loves best. Sue, over the years has added many other crafts to her vogue the include hand painted directors chairs, not seen outside the big cities, hand painted table cloths, cushions and lamp shades. All in strong bright colours which Sue feels is a most powerful decorating tool.

Sues' range also includes a softer side in irresistible Humpty Dumpty's, embroidered Cushions and her ever popular Appliquéd tea towels. Sues' latest venture has been into crafting exquisite button necklaces only to be seen in Country Galleries. Sue was born in Walgett went to School in Sydney and as been in Grafton for 30 years.

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. He enjoys painting all aspects of our beautiful Valley and you can view his work at the Clarence River Visitor Information Centre.

Wonderful Art and Craftworks by fellow Members will support this Exhibition.

Saturday 5th July

The Clocktower Gallery will be holding an Art & Craft 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.

Contact: Clarence River Tourism. **Phone:** 66424677.

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.**

Exhibition from: 1st June to 30th June 2008.

Featured Artists at the Gallery: Jill Law and Chris Lokes.

Jill and **Chris** are presenting an array of exquisite hand spun, hand-dyed, and hand-woven wearable art not to be matched in the Clarence Valley region.

The Featured Junior Artist at the Gallery: Kalila Bell.

Kalila, with her striking work of black and white drawings. Never too young to start at nearly 5 years old.

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 Di on 6645 8969.

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 6645 8969.

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.

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. **Guided Tours Available for Coach/Tour Groups**

Exhibition from 28th May to 6th July, 2008.

Ken Done: A private collection – (Main Gallery). Patron of the Grafton Regional Gallery and leading Australian artist, Ken Done, has selected works from his private collection, a collection created and acquired over an artistic lifetime. This prestigious exhibition includes work from Ken Done, Arthur Boyd, Sydney Nolan and Tim Storrier.

G Country: Aboriginal ceramic artists: (Loft Gallery). Girrwaawa Ceramics artists, Deborah Taylor, Djarainj, Elizabeth Hegedus, Leanne Hegedus and Jenni McEwen present a selection of works featuring their Indigenous designs and stories.

John and Steven Geise: Brooms Head (Prentice Gallery). The experience of growing up in Brooms Head has influenced that artwork of the artist brothers who continue to live and practice in the Northern Rivers region.

St Joseph's Primary School South Grafton: (Studio Gallery). An exhibition of work from creative local children.

Book now for the **July Kids' Holiday Art Sessions.** Contact the Gallery for more information.

Entries Open for Australia's richest Regional Drawing Award:

On 1st April Grafton Regional Gallery officially opened entries for the 2008 Jacaranda Acquisitive Drawing Award. Entry is open to all artists who are residents of Australia who can submit up to two drawings. Entries can be submitted at the 2008 Jacaranda Acquisitive Drawing Awards.

In 2008 the award celebrates 20 years of promoting innovation and excellence in Australian drawing and has increased to \$30,000 to coincide with this important anniversary. The major award of \$15,000 is acquisitive, along with further acquisitions to the value of \$15,000.

Hendrik Kolenberg, Senior Curator of Australian Prints, Drawings and Watercolours Art Gallery of New South Wales, is the judge for this year's prize. Entries to this prestigious award close at 4.00pm on Friday 1st August, 2008.

arthouse australia

25 Coldstream Street, Yamba. **Phone/Fax:** 6646 1999 Email: melinda@arthouseaustralia.com

Open: Monday to Friday 9.00am to 5.00pm; Saturday: 10.00am to 2.00pm or by appointment.

Exhibition From 26th May to 28th June, 2008 – Graham Mackie "Clarence River Journey" Solo Exhibition.

An excellent collection of Graham's recent work (2000 – 2008) including painting, drawings and infra-red and black & white photography. Graham's work captures the beauty and diversity of the Clarence Valley hinterland and Clarence Gorge area where he lives.

arthouse australia gallery exhibition space – the exhibition dates have been scheduled until January 2009. They are calling for interested artists or groups who would like to showcase their art. You can view their space and layout by visiting their website www.arthouseaustralia.com. If you would like more information please contact them by phone: 6646 1999 or email melinda@arthouseaustralia.com

For bookings, payment or further information, contact Melinda @ Arthouse on 6646 1999 or melinda@arthouseaustralia.com

Yamba Museum

Exhibition From Saturday 7th June to 27th July, 2008 – "1950'S ROCK'N BACK IN TIME EXHIGITION"

The 1950's Rock'n Back In Time Exhibition focuses on the achievements and icons of the time, which has helped to set the platform for life in Australia as we know it today.

Open: *Tuesday and Wednesday 10.00am to 4.30pm.*
Thursday, Saturday and Sunday 2.00pm to 4.00pm.

For more information: 6646 1399.

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.

FUTURE EVENTS

JULY 2008

- **4th** **Acoustic Cafe at the New School of Arts, South Grafton** – first Friday of each month at 7.00pm
The monthly South Grafton Acoustic Café has kicked off again for 2008. Come along for great local sounds, good food and an enjoyable, welcoming community atmosphere. Check out the Acoustic Cafe at the New School of the Arts in South Grafton, the first Friday of each month from 7.00 pm.
The coordinators are also looking for non-profit or community organisations that might be interested in catering future café nights. The organisation provides catering for the evening as a fundraiser for their own activities and any proceeds from food sales go back to that organisation. Anyone interested or seeking more information can **contact Joe on 0406 731 432.**
- **4th** **Musos Night at Squatters Rest Private Museum, 23 Collett Street, Tucabia.** Come along for a fun night with all kinds of music being played. Entry by gold coin donation. Sausage sizzle, bush stew and damper will be available. **BYO drinks. Contact:** Carol Atkinson. **Phone:** 0428 543 055.
- **5th** **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.**
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- **5th** **Coutts Crossing / Kangaroo Creek Sports Campdraft & Junior Rodeo, Coutts Crossing.** Catch the action as horses and riders have a battle of wits with young steers. **Contact:** Lindy Muldoon. **Phone:** 6642 5555.
- **5th** **International Tartan Day, Maclean (Mini Pipe Band Contest & Highland Dancing)** The Scottish Town is Australia celebrates traditional Scottish events with enthusiasm. **Contact:** Warren Rackham. **Phone:** 6645 4310.
- **5th** **Iluka to Grafton Marathon Row (68kms), Iluka.** Many state, National and World Champion Scullers have been bred along the Clarence River. Rowing has always been a favourite local sport and the Clarence River is a superb venue. **Contact:** Don Noble. **Phone:** 6642 6389. www.graftonrowing.cjb.net
- **5th** **NAIDOC Week Event** – A Commemorative Ceremony honouring the contribution of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander veterans, serving members, ex-servicepersons and their families for their contribution to the defence of Australia. The ceremony will follow a march from the South Grafton Post Office to the Cenotaph at Lane Boulevard in South Grafton. Everyone is invited to assemble at 10.30am beside the School of Arts in Spring Street. The Commemoration Service is to be held at the Cenotaph at 11am. For further

information contact **Dr Margo Weir** on **0407 369 451**

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- **5th & 6th** **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.

5TH JULY TO 20TH JULY – NSW SCHOOL HOLIDAYS.

- **6th** **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.
 - Seafood and Meat Raffles drawn at Midday.
 - Peter's Famous Ice cream.
 - Heaps of local art / craft and produce.
 - Fundraising Sausage Sizzle.
 - Over 30 Stalls of quality and Variety, plus much more.Only 15 minutes off the highway, on the Sports Oval as you come into Iluka. **Contact:** Paul Ryan. **Mobile:** 0422 010 989.
- **9th** **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.
- **10th** **Grafton Cup Prelude Day, Horse Racing, (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.
- **12th** **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:** **Bob Mansfield.** **Phone:** **6645 2170.**
- **12th** **Grafton Animal Rescue** will be holding a fundraising day at the **Hair Off The Dog** Pet Grooming Salon at 45 Queen Street, Grafton. You can help this worthwhile charity by coming along and paying just \$15 to have your dog washed. **Contact:** 6642 3681.
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- **12th & 13th** **Grafton Clay Target Club** will be holding a Shoot at Lawrence Road, Southgate, via Grafton. This Event will be the **July Open Classic. Starting at 9.30am on both days.** **Contact:** **Rus Wesslink.** **Phone:** **6642 4636.**
- **13th** **Squatters Rest Private Museum – Car Boot Markets** will be held at 23 Collett Street, Tucabia. Approximately 9.00am to 2.00pm. Stallholders welcome. **Contact:** Carol Atkinson. **Phone:** 0428 543 055. Enjoy a cuppa and damper and browse the Museum for a low price.
- **13th** **South Grafton Cup (Horse Racing), (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.
- **13th** **Pro Musica Grafton** presents **Seraphim Trio** – Australia's most experienced piano trio consists of Anna Goldsworthy (Piano), Helen Ayres (Violin) and Timothy Nankervis (Cello). Held at the Christ Church Cathedral, Duke Street, Grafton. Starts at 4pm. Tickets: *Non-members* - \$30; *Concession* - \$27; *Members* - \$25; *Members/Concession* - \$22; *Tertiary Students* - \$17; *Children* - \$5. Tickets available at Buckley's Grafton Music Centre, the Clarence Valley Conservatorium or at the door on the night.
- **16th & 17th** **Grafton Races Bus Run!** There will be a Bus departing from the Yamba Golf Club, River Street, Yamba at 10.00am sharp. Departs Grafton Race Course 30 minutes after the last

race. Cost is \$11.00 per person, return. **Phone: 6646 2104.**

- **16th** **Black Toyota Ramornie Handicap Cup Race Day, Horse Racing, (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.**
- **16th** **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.**
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- **19th** **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.**
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- **19th & 20th** **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.**
- **20th** **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: Winnie Wilmore. Phone: 6645 2675.**
- 20th** **G-land Jam BMX and Scooter Competition** will be held at Grafton Skate Park, Prince St from 11am. Entry is free with lots of prizes on offer. Entry forms are available from Grafton City Cycles at 105 Pound St, Grafton. **Phone: 6642 7890.**
- **20th** **Macleay Cup - Farewell Day – (Horse Racing), (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.**
- **26th** **The Old Schoolhouse Market** will be held at Alamy Creek Reserve, Lawrence Road, Grafton. **Starting at 8.00am till 1.00pm.** If you would like to have a stall or if you need information on the market **contact: Herb Abele. Phone: 6642 1710.** This market has lots of local crafts; we have some very talented people in the Clarence Valley. Also Plants, books, bric-a-brac, fresh fruit and vegetables. You can also visit the **Old Schoolhouse**, which is still as it was when it was established in the 1870's.
- **27th** **Yamba Community Market** will be held at Ford Park, River Street, Yamba. Commencing at 8.00am. Entertainment and lots of Family Fun. **Contact: Kirra Muegge. Phone: 6646 3889.**
- **27th** *Shannons Insurance* presents **Horses for Courses – Car and Motorcycle Show**, this will be held at the Grafton Racecourse, Powell Street, Grafton. Gates open at 8.00am. Judging starts 9.30am. Trophy Presentations 2.00pm. \$5.00 entry for each car to be judged. Gold Coin donation for spectators. Nett proceeds to local Grafton Charities. Trophies for original and modified vehicles for each era. Win 12 months free Car / Bike Insurance. Just by entering your vehicle into the Show. Enquiries and Entries: **Contact Kellie Pearce on 6648 7000.**
- **27th** **124th Anniversary of the Dedication of Christ Church Cathedral, Grafton. Contact: Parish Office. Phone: 6642 2844.**

Glenreagh Railway: To Resume end of July, 2008: The interruption to public running of passenger services is only temporary and should resume by the end of July, 2008.

Due to the delay in processing our application for renewal of GMR's Accreditation, which expired on 31st January 2008, the GMR Board of Management has reluctantly decided to cancel all running operations until Easter. The GMR Board expresses regret and

apologises to all our patrons for any inconvenience.

The Independent Transport Safety & Reliability Regulator (ITSRR), the Government department responsible for approving the re-accreditation has been unable to complete the approval process in time. The Accreditation process for a public passenger carrying railway is extremely complex and includes many project management and risk assessment procedures to be set up, checked & approved plus a physical audit by ITSRR of GMR. The dedicated Accreditation & Safety Team of volunteers at GMR have spent many hundreds of hours preparing the application, which was lodged late last year.

However it is not all doom & gloom, GMR will still be open to the public. Everyone is invited to come along to inspect our base at Glenreagh West, come and view the restoration works in progress as well the rolling stock on display. It is "Betty's", steam loco 1919's annual medical time this month and our locomotive team will hard at work preparing her for her check-up by the Boiler Inspector.

In other news at GMR we are still awaiting a review by the new Federal Administration of the Government Grant for the reconstruction of Tallawudjah Creek Bridge. We also have had confirmation of the two additional locomotives that have been allocated by the NSW Office of Rail Heritage.

For more information on Glenreagh Mountain Railway call 02 6649 2234.

Glenreagh Mountain Railway Inc. - Steam Train Rides - Glenreagh is 40km from Grafton. Steam Train Trips starting at 10.00am. Every half hour – Last trip leaves at 3.00pm. Fare: Adults \$10.00. Concession \$8.00. Children \$5.00 (5 to 15 years inclusive). Children under five years free. Family \$25.00 each - 2 Adults plus children. Follow the signs at Glenreagh. Glenreagh Mountain Railway Office, **Contact: Peter Dickson-Smith, phone: 6649 2234.** Visit the Website: www.gmr.org.au

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Lawrence Agfair will be held at the Lawrence Golf Club and Sporting Grounds, Lawrence. Starting at 9.00am to 5.00pm. **Contact:** Allan Sams. **Phone:** 6647 7100. Email: ctma@westnet.com.au