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Note from the Editor



Welcome to the first edition of our brand new monthly magazine, What's On Fraser Coast.

Over the coming months we aim to bring you the news on Events, Exhibitions, Theatre, Dining and Lifestyle on the Fraser Coast, we may even throw in a Celebrity interview here and there. Like any new project we expect that this magazine will evolve and grow as people send us events to consider for

inclusion, want their community group listed, or have a story to tell.

This publication celebrates everything that we are proud of in the region that allows us as locals to live the great lifestyle we enjoy.

I am very excited to be bringing you this publication, and have a strong team of people in the background putting each edition together, and making sense of my offerings.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish each and every one of you a happy and safe Christmas and New Year, don't forget to check in on your neighbours during this busy time. See you in 2017.

Kim Parnell
Editor

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Rupert McCall

Poetic Inspiration & Ignition



Sitting down with Poet, Rupert McCall I can't help but feel a little in awe. I have followed and listened to his tributes over the years and remember feeling many emotions at those sometimes poignant times that he writes about. As I meet him he looks at you warmly, straight in the eye he has a firm handshake, and a smile to light even the darkest place.

Rupert comes across as confident, witty, humble, and he has a huge vocabulary of words set to entice, bring you to tears, or make you laugh. All of this he achieved as the Special Guest Speaker at the Hervey Bay Chamber of Commerce Long Lunch, held at Kingfisher Bay Resort.

When writing about our conversation, I was unsure on how to deliver it in a meaningful way. But of course Rupert is the only one that can do that so our conversation is in his words, as those that have read his work know that the man himself is a true Modern Day Poet and writer of words.

In 2005 you opened the Prelude to the Dawn Service in Gallipoli, with your tribute 'Ninety Years Ago'. What did it feel like to deliver your tribute in that special place?

"When I opened the Prelude to the Dawn Service in Gallipoli in 2005, with my tribute 'Ninety Years Ago', I was nervous as hell. It was easily my biggest stage and the most special of occasions.

Writing something on that subject and delivering it comes with a great responsibility, you have to get it right.

So I was there, I remember standing just off-stage and it was really cold, as cold as I have ever been, and no amount of layers of clothing could protect you from the wind that was coming of the Aegean Sea and cutting through everything. I was really nervous there was 20,000 people there, it was not only my biggest stage but easily my biggest audience.

So everything goes through your mind, What if I forget something! What if my words get all tangled up!, because you know that this can happen. And so I am standing there, I must have been just about turning blue because my teeth were chattering and somebody asked me if I wanted to borrow their scarf and I went to say yes but I couldn't speak as I was that cold and tense so I thought if I can't say a word, how will I recite five paragraphs of poetry.

In that moment I had one of those great epitome moments, it was all about perspective. I thought about what I was going to pay tribute to, and the fact that I was pretty much standing on the spot where young aussie anzac kids, as that is what they were, just kids, Jumping out of boats in the freezing cold water and then not only having to deal with cold but people trying to kill them, somehow clawing their way up the beach. So I thought I don't really need to be nervous because I am only reciting a poem. That warmed my blood and all of a sudden the adrenaline kicked in and I stood up and everything went smoothly after that".

I read that you have written six anthologies of verse. Which one took the longest to write and why?

"The one that took the longest was my last 'Book Antiqua'. I had written five anthologies year after year, 93,94,96,97 and 2000, then 2013. In that decade I had four children, and inherited another mortgage we also renovated our house, then throw a mid life crisis into the mix. This book pays tribute to those times and events in my life. There is a darkness in the book that had

to be honest, it had to tell the truth about the challenges I faced during this period of my life".

Which role are you most comfortable in, Poet, Guest Speaker, Writer or Media Presenter?

"I started writing poetry in grade six, I feel very comfortable within that space as it was very natural to me. Reciting and performing not so much I had to really work hard at taking that stage and owning it, and then I guess entertaining an audience. That didn't come naturally to be, I was always a little bit shy as a kid.

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Rupert McCall,
Aussie wordsmith

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Rupert McCall

Poetic Inspiration & Ignition

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The media presenting and the Emceeing was hard work to actually be good at it. Once you get through those early chapters and you are a little bit more comfortable in front of a camera or Emceeing, and doing the corporate function thing you start to enjoy it".

In late 2013 you performed a tribute to Roger Federer and Rod Laver just before the 2014 Brisbane International. What was it like standing in front of your subjects, with a roomful of people who shape the tennis world listening in?

"I paid tribute to Roger Federer, and Rod Laver and I inherited a fan on Australian soil named Darren Cahill who played tennis and played it very well for Australia but more importantly he coached Andre Agassi and he coached Andre when he was number 1 they are very close friends so unbeknownst to me he was sending clips of my work but especially the Federer tribute to Andre in America.

So I got a call from a Corporate Tennis Organisation telling me about their special event. First of all they asked if I could write something for their event, and told me that a mutual friend had put my name forward, Andre Agassi which I had no idea about, so when I picked myself up of the floor and composed myself I agreed that I should really embark on this opportunity.

It was so well received, when I landed in their environment they hadn't seen or heard anything like it so I made this big impact and not only Andre and some great tennis personalities were in the room, but the corporate network in this group included Bill Gates. So here was this kid who not too long ago was collecting Aluminium Cans on the Hill at Dolphin Oval in Redcliffe, trying to earn a little bit of pocket money standing on a stage reciting poetry to Andre Agassi, Bill Gates as well as quite a few other people.

I paid tribute to their Rivalry their nicknames their characters everything that was the fabric of their tennis family, and it couldn't have gone any better. Andre gave me a big hug, cause he had sort of put his arse on the line to a certain degree, by saying you gotta get this guy that no one really knew.

I was kinda blessed with this opportunity to write something and present it with him in the audience. Nothing about that night that experience let me down in terms of Roger Federer's humility and his character.

Originally the brief was 'tribute to Roger Federer', and that was going to be another daunting prospect because I knew that I had to be one hundred percent, spot on the mark. But then maybe a few weeks later, when I had already started to think about writing, they said hey listen we have Rod Laver as well and the same function the same occasion in the room. So this is tough because these are two of the greatest tennis players, if not the greatest players ever and now I've got to incorporate another legend into the tribute and make it equal.

Then I came up with the concept of this 'Match Made In Heaven' between Federer and Laver because of course they respect each other so much and their humility was their common denominator. So even though it was daunting, that adjustment felt like wow, this was meant to be, and it was a much better poem because it is Federer and Laver and these guys play each other you know in our wild imagination".

Who do you use as a sounding board for your Poetry, and do you ever feel self doubt?

"My Wife Kate is definitely my sounding board when I feel that



I need one. I have self doubt absolutely every time, it is almost part of the equation. I have this pre recital moment of doubt that says this isn't good enough, I don't think I've really got it right. I can remember those moments the Fire-fighter's Dream, Federer, Laver, They are big stages so yes that is quite inherent in my personality being a perfectionist".

Who has inspired you throughout your life?

"I was inspired by mostly Banjo Paterson with his poetry throughout the years, but Bob Dylan has always kind of accompanied me on this ride as well with his stories and great lyrics".

In 2011 you recited your poem, 'A Fire-fighters Dream at Ground Zero for the FDNY, on the 10th Anniversary of 9/11. How did this affect you?

"I remember doing a mental rehearsal that afternoon, I had just met a family who had lost their husband their brother and their father in 9/11 and I hadn't had much sleep, all the ceremonies had taken place that morning.

My recital was at dusk at Ground Zero for the FDNY, there were Bagpipes it was very stirring but when I embarked on that rehearsal just in my own mind I started crying, everything that had happened was swirling around me so again I had that moment of great concern thinking, well I have to hold it together.

When I am asked to take that stage, you go into a zone, maybe a sports person feels it when they have done all the hard yards and they have practised and they have this gift to offer the world, it is like you go into this automatic pilot zone where your body your heart and your soul knows what to do. We all remember where we were every one of us then we witnessed it in real time and watched it unfold it was like the first time in history that something like that had happened".

If you ruled Australia for the day what positive changes would you make?

"I think we should all have a public holiday on Melbourne Cup not just the Vics, lets do it across the board That was just the first thing I could think of, I am sure that I could do a lot more but this is a good start".

What do you think makes you such a great Guest Speaker, or MC?

"If there is one thing that I have come to realise over the years, and maybe the law training helped, I think that I am good at summing up a situation putting the irrelevant stuff to the side. And cutting across the surface and getting to the heart and soul of the matter".

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With Bond Store Museum & Volunteer Mike Leegwater

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Originally a 'Dutchman' Mike came out to Australia with his family in 1952 at the tender age of 5. He lived in Albury, Wodunga for a period of time before moving to Greta in New South Wales. When he was seven years old Mike moved to Scone, in the upper Hunter Valley, and then onto Sydney at the age of thirteen.

For the last Thirty Five years Mike and his wife of Forty years, Irene have called Tinana home. They have three grown children and three much loved Grandchildren.

All throughout his youth Mike hated History, and didn't think it was ever going to be a useful subject to learn in his life, until many years later he read volume I and II of 'River of Dreams', a history of Maryborough. These books were written by acclaimed Author, Dr Tony Matthews in 1995, and proved to be a very interesting read indeed. Now whenever Mike travels or visits other regions he has a love of history and has a need to learn all he can about the places he visits.

The Bond Store Museum is a great place for the whole family to visit all throughout the year, and during the school holidays. Some exciting tours and events take place from within its walls.

On January 7th Tipples and Tales will be offering a tasting experience guaranteed to wake up those taste buds. Why not try some regional ports and liqueurs while nibbling on a tasty testing platter. Time: 2.30pm, Cost: \$25, Bookings are essential.

January 7th, Maryborough Stories by night. This magic night begins at the Bond Store and continues through the historical streets of Maryborough. Listen and be swept away, to stories about the people and events of yesteryear. Time: 6pm, Cost: Adults \$15, Child (6-17) \$5 Bookings essential.

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MARYBOROUGH

Federal Hotel December

Fri 2nd Sam Maddison 8 - midnight
Sat 3rd Luke Karolak 8 - midnight
Fri 9th Till Dawn 8 - midnight
Sat 10th Arvo Session with Kev Gray 12 - 4
Sat 10th Duncan McNeil 8 - midnight
Fri 16th Dave Gray 8 - midnight
Sat 17th Open Mic w Leon Nehow 7:30 - midnight
Fri 23rd Pete Baker 8 - midnight
Sat 24th Kev Gray 8 - midnight
Fri 30th Luke Karolak 8 - midnight
Sat 31st/NYE 2 Shades of Gray 8 – late

Maryborough RSL December

Friday, 2nd, 7pm –Till Dawn
Saturday, 3rd, 7.30pm –Third Time Lucky
Friday, 9th, 7pm – Frank Benn
Saturday, 10th, 7.30pm – Sly Ru
Friday, 16th, 7pm – Dust
Saturday, 17th, 7.30pm – Doug and the Upperhand
Friday, 23rd, 7pm – Rocklords
Saturday, 24th, 7.30pm – Leon Nehow Music
Friday, 30th, 7pm – Red Betty
Saturday, 31st, 7.30pm – We Want More 70's Band

January

Saturday, 7th, 7.30pm – Bobby Barnes
Saturday, 14th, 7.30pm – Nathan Trethewie
Saturday, 21st, 7.30pm – Frank Benn
Saturday, 28th, 7.30pm – Red Betty

Tinana Hotel December

Dec 3: from 7.30pm - Shaun Beckett
Dec 10: from 7.30pm - Bobby Barnes
Dec 17: from 7.30pm - Darryl and the Devil
Dec 24: from 7.30pm - Ricky Manych
Dec 31: from 7.30pm - TBA

January

Jan 7: From 7.30pm - Frank Benn
Jan 14: from 7.30pm - Shaun Beckett
Jan 21: from 7.30pm - Bobby Barnes
Jan 28: from 7.30pm - TBA

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HERVEY BAY Hervey Bay RSL December

Friday 02, from 6pm – Rick Manych
Saturday 03, from 8pm – Shades Trio
Thursday 08, from 11am – John Vea Vea
Friday 09, from 7.30pm – Red Betty
Saturday 10 from 8pm – KISSperience, Fancy dress, wear your Kiss gear.
Friday 16 from 6pm – Jamie Parkinson
Tuesday 20 from 11am in Hervey House – Kenny Rodgers & Don Williams Show
Friday 23 from 6pm – Dust Duo
Friday 30 from 6pm – Bobby Barnes
Saturday 31 from 8.30pm – Doug & The Upperhand, and the American Classic Rock New Years Eve Party, tickets \$30 members, \$35 Non Members..

January

Sunday 01, from 12.30pm – Super Sunday with Entertainment.
Friday 6th from 6pm in the bistro – Forbidden Road Duo
Saturday 7th from 8.00pm – Shades Trio
Friday 13th from 6pm in the bistro – Derek Smith
Saturday 14th from 8pm – Uncle Arthur
Tuesday 17th – Morning Melodies with Rowland Storm. 11am – 12.30pm. \$5 members, \$7 non members. Bookings recommended.
Friday 20th from 6pm in the bistro – Frank Benn
Saturday 21st from 8pm – Red Betty
Friday 27th from 6pm in the bistro – Rick Manych
Friday 27th – Hervey Bay Jazz Club – 7.00pm in Hervey House. Tickets \$20 Jazz Club members, \$25 non members.
Saturday 28th – INEXCESS – tribute show. 8pm in Hervey House. \$20 RSL members, \$25 non members. Bookings recommended.
Sunday 29th – Sam Maddison from 12.30pm.

The Clubhouse December

All Clubhouse entertainment from 6 – 9pm.
Friday 2nd – Jon Veavea
Saturday 3rd – Vibeke Voller
Friday 9th – Rick Manych
Saturday 10th – Jamie Parkinson
Friday 16th – Keaton McNeil
Saturday 17th – Sam Maddison
Friday 23 – Doug Edwards
Saturday 24th – Frank Benn
Friday 30th – Vibeke Voller
Saturday 31 (NYE) Rick Manych

January

All Clubhouse entertainment from 6 – 9pm.
Friday 6th – Rick Manych
Saturday 7th – Jon Veavea
Friday 13th – Doug Edwards
Saturday 14th – Jamie Parkinson
Friday 20th – Pete Baker
Saturday 21st – Keaton McNeill
Friday 27th – Vibeke Voller
Saturday 28th – Bobby Barnes

The Bayswater Hotel December

3rd , 7.30pm - Arthur Black
4th, 11th & 18th – Quinn
16th , 7.30pm - Sam Maddison
17th , 7.30pm – Shotgun Duo

The Torquay Hotel December

Music starts from 9pm, Friday and Saturday, and 2pm on Sunday
2 Dec -Darren Marlow
3 Dec - Merlin
4 Dec - Merlin
9 Dec - Two Tone
10 Dec - Bed Betty
16 Dec - Matt Phillips
17 Dec - Matt Phillips
23 Dec - Forbidden Road Band
24 Dec - Forbidden Road Band
26 Dec - Uncle Arthur, DJ, Matt Phillips & Darren Marlow
27 Dec - Matt Phillips

28 Dec - Matt Phillips
29 Dec - Darren Marlow
30 Dec - DJ
31 Dec - DJ

January

6 Jan - Rocklords
7 Jan - Red Betty
13 Jan - See You Next Tuesday
14 Jan - Uncle Arthur
20 Jan - DJ
21 Jan - Forbidden Road Band
27 Jan - Hard Cover
28 Jan - Hard Cover

The Beach House Hotel December

Fri 2/12 8pm – Grasscutters
Sat 3/12 8:30pm - Red Betty
Sunday 4/12 2pm – Sam Maddison

Fri 9/12 8pm – Quinn the Radiostar
Sat 10/12 8:30pm – Uncle Arthur
Sun 11/12 4pm (After UFC) – Ian Murray

Fri 16/12 8pm – Harley Meszaros
Sat 17/12 8:30pm - Trainwrecks
Sun 18/12 2pm – Matthew Barker

Fri 23/12 8pm – Mr Blonde
Sat 24/12 8pm – Red Betty
Sun 25/12 – Closed
Mon 26/12 (Times TBA) – Frank Benn
Also will be booking a band for that evening, TBA
Fri 30/12 8pm – HardCover
Sat 31/12 9pm – Uncle Arthur

January

Sun 01/01 2pm – Harley Meszaros
Fri 06/01 8pm – Doug Edwards Duo
Sat 07/01 8:30pm – Uncle Arthur
Sun 08/01 2pm – Matthew Barker
Fri 13/01 8pm – Bobby Barnes
Sat 14/01 8:30pm – Red Betty
Sun 15/01 2pm – Pete Allan
Fri 20/01 8pm – Ian Murray
Sat 21/01 8:30 – Dogwood Crossing
Sun 22/01 3pm (After UFC) – Derek Smith
Fri 27/01 8pm – Mr Blonde
Sat 28/01 8:30pm – Wrecked on Sunday
Sun 29/01 2pm – Frank Benn
Also every Thursday night is still Open Mic night going into next year.

Smokey Joe's Cafe Bar & Grill December

*All Entertainment begins at 6pm
Friday 2nd December Vibeke
Saturday 3rd December Al Davies
Friday 9th December Jim Daniels
Saturday 10th December TBA
Friday 16th December Doug Edwards
Saturday 17th December Vibeke
Friday 23rd December Jim Daniels
Saturday 24th December TBA
Friday 30th December Doug Edwards
Saturday 31st December TBA

The Vinyard December

Friday Windup 7.30pm-10pm Vinyard Bar w cocktails and wine!
2/12 Jim Daniell

9/12 John Corowa
16/12 Vibeke Voller
23/12 Ricky Dean Manych
30/12 SAM Maddison
31/12 NYE dinner till 9pm Party with Dj till 1pm

The Boat Club December

Friday, 09, 5.30pm – Jon Veavea
8.00pm – Hard Cover
Saturday, 10, 5pm – Jon Veavea
8.30pm – UK Bee Geez
Sunday, 11, 1.00pm – Trevor Judge
6.00pm – Neil Wenk
Tuesday, 13, 12pm – Trevor Judge
Thursday, 15, 12pm & 5pm – Neil Wenk
Friday, 16, 6.00pm – Neil Wenk
8.30pm – Paul Terry Trio
Saturday, 17, 8.30pm – Romeos Apprentice
5.00pm – Brian Speirs
Sunday, 18, 1.00pm – Brian Speirs
6.00pm – Neil Wenk
Tuesday, 20, 12pm – Trevor Judge
Thursday, 22, 12pm & 5pm – Neil Wenk
Friday, 23, 5.30pm – Trevor Judge
8.00pm – Gemini
Saturday, 24, 8.00pm – Gemini
5.00pm – Jon Veavea
Tuesday, 27, 12pm – Trevor Judge
Thursday, 29, 12pm & 5pm – Neil Wenk
Friday, 30, 5.30pm – Trevor Judge
8.00pm – Forbidden Road
Saturday, 31, 5.00pm – Brian Speirs
8.00pm – Red Betty

January

Sunday, 01, 1pm & 6pm – Neil Wenk
Tuesday, 03, 12pm – Trevor Judge
Thursday, 05, 12pm & 5pm – Neil Wenk
Friday, 06, 8.00pm – Soul City
5.30pm – Sam Maddison
Saturday, 07, 8.00pm – Soul City
5.00pm – Radio Star
Sunday, 08, 6pm – Neil Wenk
1.00pm – Graeme Jensen
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Saturday, 14, 8pm – Cover Girl
5.00pm – Brian Speirs
Sunday, 15, 6pm – Neil Wenk
1.00pm – Brian Speirs
Tuesday, 17, 12pm – Trevor Judge
Thursday, 19, 12pm & 5pm – Neil Wenk
Friday, 20, 8pm – Uncle Arthur
5.30pm – Trevor Judge
Saturday, 21, 8pm – The Shoop Shoop Show, Cher & the Divas at the Sporties
8.00pm – Uncle Arthur
5.00pm – Brian Speirs
Sunday, 22, 1pm – Trevor Judge
6pm – Neil Wenk
Tuesday, 24, 12pm – Trevor Judge
Thursday, 26, 12pm & 5pm – Neil Wenk
Friday, 27, 8.30pm – Paul Terry Trio
6pm – Radio Star
Saturday, 28, 5pm – Brian Speirs
8.30pm – Romeos Apprentice
Sunday, 29, 1pm – Brian Speirs
6pm – Neil Wenk
Tuesday, 31, 12pm, Trevor Judge

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School Holiday Ideas

Things to do for FREE

Walk, ride, run, roller-blade along the Hervey Bay Esplanade, go for a dip at one of the many beaches along the way. You will find many Restaurants, Cafe's and Takeaways to grab a bite to eat and recharge your batteries. Let the kids run wild in the many parks dotted along the park. Don't forget to pack your togs, a towel some sunglasses and a hat for what will prove to be a fantastic day.

Take the kids to Wetside-Water Education Park, this is an eco-friendly Water Park sure to entertain kids both big and small. Located at 267a Charlton Esplanade, Pialba. Phone: 1300 808 888, or go to: www.wetside.com.au/ for more details.

Fish from one of the Jetties located at Urangan, Torquay and Scarness, over the years there have been some big catches of Bream, Spanish Mackerel and Trevally amongst many others.

Enjoy the beauty of Queens Park with the stunning view of the Mary River, Sussex St, or go to Anzac Park and Ululah Lagoon, here you can go for a walk or a ride, the kids can use the Skate Bowl, or play in the well equipped playground.

Lake Lenthall Recreation Park is located between Torbonlea and Maryborough. Here you can have a picnic, or fish for Barramundi and Silver Perch from the well stocked lake. Open daily from 6am to 4pm. Reminder: You will need a fishing permit

Just 25km North West of Maryborough are the Wongi Waterholes, here you can have a picnic, or camp overnight for a fee. You can also swim, but kids must be supervised at all times, and no diving or jumping is allowed.

Storytime on the Move-Come and join us for some stories, songs and crafts, Free events for the under 5's. No bookings required. Gatakers Artspace-On the Grassy area, Wednesday, January 11, 9.30am to 10.30am, and Hervey Bay Botanic Gardens-Wednesday, January 18, 9.30am to 10.30am

Things to do for a FEE

Frozen Wonderland-Ice-skating & Tobogganing

Urangan State High School, Hervey Bay

December 10 – December 24

Call: 0437 929 373 for prices and details

Pumped Sport- Massive Inflatable Playground

Hervey Bay High School

December 15

Fully Supervised Sessions, Bookings essential

Phone Wayne on: 0448 228 483 or go to: www.kindysport.com.au to book

Hervey Bay Go Kart Track

245 Scrub Hill, Nikenbah

Phone: 4128 1180 for further information

Jump Trampoline Park-Hervey Bay Trampoline Park

229 Maryborough, Hervey Bay Rd, Uraween

4191 4051

The Fraser Coast Discovery Sphere-Lots to see and do

166 Old Maryborough Rd, Pialba

Phone: 4191 2610

Reefworld Aquarium

Dayman Park, Kent St & Pulgul St, Urangan

4128 9828

Hervey Bay Historical Village & Museum

13 Zepher St, Scarness

Friday & Saturday-1pm to 4.30pm

Sunday-10.30am to 4.30pm

Phone: 4128 4804

School Holiday Workshops and Activities

Across the Fraser Coast Libraries

Various times, Bookings essential

For fee's and times contact your nearest library.

Maryborough Whodunit Interactive Exhibit

Maryborough City Hall, Kent St

December 03 to January 22

Created for ages 7-15 and families

Tickets available online, and at the door, or Phone: 4122 6000

Maryborough Tenpin Bowling

Lot 2, Quarry Ct, Maryborough

4122 3100

Maryborough Aquatic Centre

John St, Maryborough

4121 5185



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OUR Fraser Coast

TOP THINGS TO DO IN JANUARY

Check out our aquatic facilities, Brolga Theatre, libraries, galleries and museums and you'll find there's heaps of things to do in our community.

- 1. Solve a crime at the WhoDunit? exhibition.** Maryborough City Hall. Open daily until 22 January 10am–3pm. Cost: \$10/Child, \$12/Adult, family and concessions available.
- 2. Soak up our history at the Portside Heritage Precinct.** Wharf Street Maryborough. Open daily. Portside Pass Cost: \$8.
- 3. Get drenched at Wetside Water Park.** Open daily until 22 January then Wednesday–Sunday. Cost: Free Entry. FlipSide BoardRider \$6.
- 4. Join the Digitech Chat Group.** Maryborough Library, 18 January 3.45pm. Hervey Bay Library, 6 February 4pm. Cost: Free.
- 5. Cheer on our local legends at the Australia Day Awards presentation.** Brolga Theatre, 26 January 10.30am. Citizenship Ceremony 9am.
- 6. Celebrate Australia Day at our many community events and activities.** From free community breakfasts and lunches in the park to music and games, find out what's on at: www.ourfrasercoast.com.au/australia-day
- 7. Enjoy free live music, art and drinks at Gatakers By Night.** Gatakers Artspace courtyard, Maryborough. 28 January from 5pm. Cost: Free.
- 8. Take the kids on a Children's Art Adventure.** Fraser Coast Cultural Centre. Holiday workshops. 12 & 19 January 10am. Cost: \$11 members, \$15 non-members. Bookings essential, call 4197 4206.
- 9. Learn how to draw cartoons.** Workshop with professional cartoonist illustrator Adam Cashmore Brooke. Gatakers Artspace. 14 & 21 January. Cost: \$15. Group rates available. Bookings essential, call 4190 5723.
- 10. Have a splash at our Inflatable Fun Days.** Hervey Bay Aquatic Centre, 3, 5, 10, 12, 17 & 19 January 11am–2.30pm. Maryborough Aquatic Centre, 3, 13 & 20 January 11am–3pm. Cost \$2 plus usual entry fee.
- 11. Be entertained by Xavier Rudd live at the Brolga.** Charity concert for Wide Bay Women's Health Service. 21 January. Details and tickets www.brolgatheatre.org

Find out more at
ourfrasercoast.com.au

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now is the time



Fraser Coast
REGIONAL COUNCIL

Sometimes changes occur. For the latest event details visit www.ourfrasercoast.com.au

Calendar of Events

**December 3 -
January 22**

**WhoDunit? &
Maryborough City Hall**

Open 7 days-10am to 3pm (closed December 26 to January 2)
Created for children aged 7-15 and their families
Tickets available online, at the door or call: 07 4122 6000

**December 10 &
December 16**

**The Big Aussie
Christmas Bash**

From 6pm, \$79 per person - Bookings essential
Aquavue, Torquay
Phone: 07 4125 5528

**December 10 -
December 24**

**Frozen Wonderland,
Iceskating & Tobogganing**

Urangan State High School
Phone: 0437 929 373 for cost and more info

December 15

**Mary Christmas
in the CBD
Street Party**

5.30 - 8pm
Maryborough CBD

December 16-18

**1001 Arabian Nights
Pantomime**

Z-Pac Theatre, Zephyr St, Scarness
Z-Pac Production
Book online at: www.zpactheatre.com

December 16

Christmas with Macarbre

6.30pm-8.30pm
Free show
The Great Hall, Beach Rd, Hervey Bay

December 16

**The Backyard Collective
Launch Night**

Exchange: \$50 all inclusive | Nibbles, cocktails, workshops etc
Hastings St & Cunningham St
RSVP to: Kat or Hannah on: 0415 412291 or 041 0978 932

December 17

**Hervey Bay RSL
Carols by Candlelight**

From 5.30pm, with Santa visit, main program starts at 7pm
Fireworks
Seafront Oval, Pialba | Phone: 0411 833 980

December 17
runs for three weeks

**Hervey Bay
Ambulance Committee
Annual Goods Wheel**

Nightly from 7pm, (excluding Christmas Day).
Scarness Park Stage
Tickets 50c 0428 255 532

December 18

**Christmas in
the Park**

10am-3pm, children of all ages
Scarness Park
Go to: <http://frasercoaststartslink.com.au/events>

December 25

CHRISTMAS DAY

December 25

Picnic in the Gardens

12pm-3pm, for all those who are lonely at Christmas
The Grounds of the Urangan Community Centre, Elizabeth St, Urangan
Phone: HBNC on: 4194 3000

December 26-27

Summerfest 2016

From 4pm
Criterion Hotel
98 Wharf St, Maryborough

December 26

BOXING DAY

December 31

NEW YEAR'S EVE

December 31

**Fraser Coast
New Years Eve
Celebration**

4pm-8pm, fireworks from 8pm | Family Friendly Event
Bill Fraser Park & Ernie Organ Park, Torquay
Phone: 07 41 969 600

December 31

**New Year's
& The Brolga**

From 6pm-Midnight Fireworks
Licensed Bar
On the Brolga Theatre's Lawn, Maryborough

December 31

**New Years Eve
Lip Synch Battle
Competition**

7.30pm-10.30pm
The Old Sydney Hotel
Cnr Ellena St & Richmond St, Maryborough

Art Gallery Exhibitions

Gatakers Artspace

A Mother, A Daughter & A Camera-Kym Thomson –
28/11/16 to 24/12/16
Citter Tales and Inner Landscapes-Adam Chashmore Brooke –
28/11/16 to 24/12/16
Flotsam-Jo Williams-28/11/16 to 24/12/16

Hervey Bay Regional Gallery

Welcome Aboard the SS Maheno –
20/09/16 to 31/12/16
Botanica-Hervey Bay Spinners Weavers and Fibre Artists Inc-
02/12/16 to 29/01/17
Three Foot Six-The Sunlander-09/12/16 to 05/02/17

Upcoming Events

February 24
The Screaming Jets
Beach House Hotel

18 February
The Kings of Country Rock Tour - Eagles vs Creedence
Brolga Theatre

22 February
Oh What A Night !
A tribute to Frankie Valli & The Four Seasons
Brolga Theatre

December 31

**Midnight Fireworks,
Uncle Arthur and DJ**

Beach House Hotel

December 31

**2017, The Great American
Classic Rock Show**

\$30 for members, \$35 non-members
18+ Show - Book at the Hervey Bay RSL

December 31

Red Betty

Dress up as your favourite rock star
The Boat Club

December 31

New Years Eve 70's Disco

6pm til late | 2 course meal, entertainment
For cost call: 07 4123 1499
Maryborough Sports Club

January 1

NEW YEAR'S DAY

January 1

**Scarness Sand Sculpting
Competition
\$ for Cancer Council**

8am-11am, (Registration from 8am)
Free Entry
Scarness Beach

January 12

**Holiday Art Adventure
Workshop**

10am-12pm | Textile Activities
\$15 non members, \$11 members
Hervey Bay Regional Gallery | Bookings essential, call 4197 4206

January 19

**Holiday Art Adventure
Workshop**

10am-12pm | Create Necklaces and Earrings
\$15 non members, \$11 members
Hervey Bay Regional Gallery | Bookings essential, call 4197 4206

January 21

**The Shoop Shoop Show
Cher and the 60's Divas**

8pm, \$25
Sporties Showroom
Tickets at the Boat Club, Hervey Bay

January 21

Xavier Rudd Live

Charity concert for Wide Bay Women's health services
Details and tickets www.brolgatheatre.org

January 21

**Heath Franklin's Chopper
Chopper's Republic of
Anzakistan**

18+ event, tickets online at: www.moshtix.com
Kondari Hotel, Urangan

January 22

**Fraser Coast Baby
& Childrens Handmade
Market**

8am-1pm
Arts & Crafts Village, 187 Bideford St, Hervey Bay
Phone: 0412 780 758

January 26

**Celebrate Australia Day
with Community Events**

Free community breakfasts and lunches in the park to music and games
Find out what's on at: www.ourfrasercoast.com.au

January 28

**INEXCESS SHOW
INXS tribute show**

From 7pm
Hervey Bay RSL

January 23

School resumes in QLD

Vox Pop

Question: If money was no object, what event would you like to see on the Fraser Coast and why?



We are so lucky here on the Fraser Coast as we have so many events to entertain, educate and inspire us. From food festivals, to craft shows, concerts, expos, and everything in between.

We thought that we would take to the streets and ask the public what events that they may have seen elsewhere, but would absolutely love to see here.

Kim Parnel, Editor



"Definitely the V8 Supercars for sure. Think of all of the people it would bring, and how much fun it would be. It would be great along the Esplanade". **Deb Marxson, Craignish**



"I would like to see Bon Jovi in Concert, along with the Hilltop Hoods and Bliss n Eso, something like the Big Day Out. This would attract many people from the Fraser Coast". **Keryn Meyer, Craignish**



"I would love to see the V8 Supercars come to the Fraser Coast. I have been to them in the past and believe that it would be good for tourism, and attract big sponsorship". **Alex Vanbaars, Urangan**

FUN WITH OF FRASER COAST

jetskis | stand up paddle boards | sailing catamarans
kayaks | cruiser bikes | café and food



aquavue

Beachside 415a The Esplanade, Hervey Bay
4125 5528 | aquavue.com.au



Singer Lauren Dolman sung 'All I want for Christmas' to the delight of the crowd



Brendan Phillips with his son Jude, 6 take a ride on a miniature train at Queens Park



Brendan Phillips with his son Jude, 6 take a ride on a miniature train at Queens Park



Historical Village Volunteers Doreen Wright and Helen Murray



Frank Benn plays to the crowd at the Presentation Dinner at the Beach House Hotel



Dad Enzo Scire, with children Gloria, 7 and Henry, 5 the kids were the first to raise the alarm about the fire



Dawn Chapman with her excited grand daughter Josie Drake, 2



Our much loved charecter man, Ian Dinte, being an Elf for the night



Rex has a birds eye view from above



6 year old Maddie Leman loves the taste of her perfectly blended Slushie



The Conjar's, Jenaee, Maureen, Jessica, Mila, 9 Auntie Carol, Veronica, and Kurt Conjar, 5 get ready for some serious singing



Sharyn celebrates her Birthday with a cuddle from a miniature horse at the 'A Day in the Bay'



Enjoying 'A Day in the Bay' is Marnie Miles, 7



Aiden Connor from Hervey Bay Special School has the biggest, brightest smile



The battle for the Championship begins



A front seat to all the action



The race to the finish line

Social Snaps

FRASER COAST



Vianney Debost, Karine Messelod and Cattille Debost from France take a break from sightseeing



Aboriginal Artist, Robin 'Tallman' Wakkajinda shows his incredible Artwork on the streets of Maryborough



Toowoomba Photographer, Garry Wilkinson



Sisters, Emma, 10 and Laura Stack, 8



Stacey Watson enjoys the day out with Fiance Joep Dekker



Tammy Serdiuk enjoys the breeze



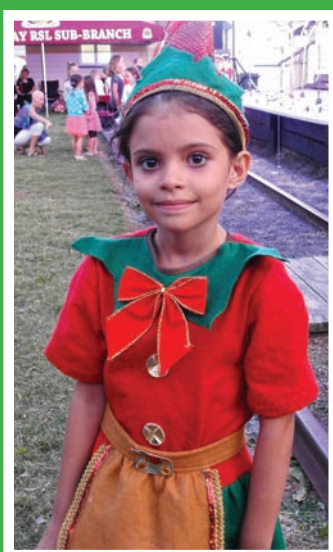
The Hartwell Brothers, Cruz, 6, Reef, 7 and Rory, 10



Flaming Sands Dancer, Debra Anthony with the Running Man



Best friends Nick McDonald and Dylan Mynott



Sienna O'Brien, 8 showed us how well she sings



Brother and sister Fletcher, 5 and Amaya Oliver, 3



Grace, 5, Hannah, 1, with mum Jo Batkin



Race Winner, Maritimo 11 does their victory lap

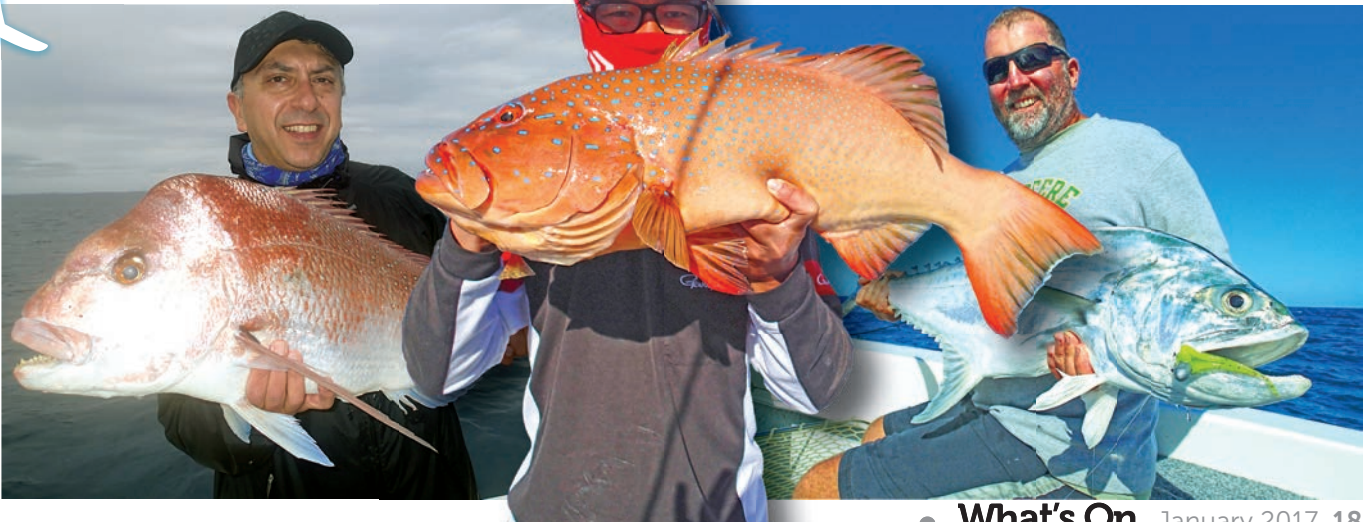


Championship Winners, Maritimo 11 Drivers



Heidi Krause, 9 with sister Abby, 7 were busy making decorations

Fishing Hervey Bay



Fishing Hervey Bay

Story by Bev Cornwell

I remember so clearly as a child living at Point Vernon and how much my father, Bill Drury loved fishing. Back then net fishing was legal and when my dad came home from work along the Esplanade, at the high point of Point Vernon, and he saw a dark shadow in the water at full tide it usually meant a shoal of fish and it was all hands on deck for dad.

At that stage dad only had daughters so the older two had to help launch the boat with net on board, and he rowed around to where he had seen the shoal and net off a gutter to catch the fish as the tide went out. I remember one night after getting home we had pulled a stone fish aboard with the net, and were very lucky not to have made contact with its poisonous spines.

Dad caught some wonderful fish, salmon, big diamond scale mullet, and tailor and on many nights the kitchen table was piled high with fish. Dad often sold those lovely fresh fish by going door to door, and they were soon sold.

Lenny Rose had a boat hiring business at Gataker's Bay where the Restaurant is today, and people from far and wide hired a dingy from him for a day's fishing. If you did not own your own boat it was made from heavy bond-wood which weren't easy to launch or retrieve, plus the weight of the wet net and fish. Eventually the old bond-wood boats were replaced with the modern fibreglass tinnies or aluminium, and moulded plastic luxurious boats of today.

Dad made most of his nets by using a bodkin and thread, and would sit for hours meticulously working to make the metres of netting required, and he even taught us girls the art of net making and we were allocated a length to complete each day after school, but we had to be careful to avoid any slip knots. Regular daily fishing in those early days before onboard motors required rowing the boat with oars to get to your favourite

fishing spots, and if the weather or a northerly suddenly sprung up it could take hours and a lot of painful muscles to get back to shore.

When the winter whiting came into the bay numerous boats hit the water and if you happen to find where they are biting, in no time the boats were so thick around you that casting out was difficult to avoid hitting other boats. So thick were the whiting you had several hooks on the line, and pulled them in two at a time. We caught 400 one day then had to go home and scale and fillet them.

Hand Lines were used and some with the line wound around a drink bottle, so very basic compared with today's fancy fishing rods, numerous lures, depth sounders and GPS systems, and the poor fish don't stand much of a chance. Also the most common bait used to catch whiting were yabbies and a common sight was people with their yabby pumps out on the sand flats at Gataker's Bay. Today there are so many fancy lures of all shapes, sizes and colours that it isn't even necessary to use bait.

Prominent land marks along the bay coastline were used by fisherman to find a favourite fishing spot and the Radio Towers were the most used and the most popular.

Yes there are sharks in Hervey Bay, but there has only ever been one fatality back in the early 1900's. They usually stay out in the deep channel and island waters. My dad inherited his love of fishing from his mother, my brother and son are fishing fanatics, and many of the fifth generation of great, great grandchildren also follow the fishing tradition.

I sincerely hope Hervey Bay continues to give joy and fun to many families through fishing, camping and holidaying in this piece of paradise many of us call home.



My Dad, Bill, in the navy singlet with my family and a big Tiger Shark in 1980



My son Ivan with a 20kg Cod



Mum with my sister & I at Gataker's Bay. The Restaurant would be behind us now

Weekly Activities 2017

HERVEY BAY

CONRODDERS HOT ROD AND CUSTOMS INC

We meet the first Wednesday of the month. Time: 7pm, Venue: Kondari Hotel, Please phone: 0418 265 222, or email: info@conroddersherveybay.org.au.

HERVEY BAY

TAI CHI

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

HERVEY BAY

INTEGRATED MARTIAL ARTS TRAINING

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

HERVEY BAY

ZCLUB FITNESS

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

HERVEY BAY

INTEGRAL HEALTH AND HARMONY

Revitalising Health and Wellbeing. Phone: Maridol Torres on: 040 479 7222, or email: maridol.torres@yahoo.com.au for more information.

HERVEY BAY

WHAT WOMAN WANT

Networking for Women of the Fraser Coast. Informal and friendly events bi-monthly at different venues. Email: www.frasercoast@gmail.com

HERVEY BAY

HERVEY BAY WOODCRAFT CLUB

Meets Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings from 8.30am to 11.30am, \$45 per year to join, \$3 per session, this includes morning tea and Insurance, Phone Jim: 0402 019 281 for all enquiries.

HERVEY BAY

BAY POTTERS

from February to December we meet every Tuesday night and work on Pottery. To join the club there is an annual fee of \$40, and each Tuesday there is a fee of \$5 for the workshop. Phone Sue on: 4125 3638 for further details.

HERVEY BAY

BELLYDANCE AND BOLLYWOOD DANCE CLASS
6pm, CWA Hall, 19 Pulgul St, Urangan. Contact Lorna on: 0416 463 686.

HERVEY BAY

HERVEY BAY PARKRUN

- FREE weekly timed 5km event for runners of all standards, every Saturday at 7am at Pier Park, Urangan, Hervey Bay, register and get your barcode at: <http://www.parkrun.com.au/>

HERVEY BAY

YOGA QIGONG

7.30am-8.45am, on the deck at Gatakers Landing Restaurant, Point Vernon. All welcome, Casual class fee \$15, or \$12 concession, BYO mats, Phone Kath on: 0448 663 303.

HERVEY BAY

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

MARYBOROUGH

DADS IN DISTRESS (DIDS), Meet Tuesday Nights, 7pm 9pm, 596 Kent St, Maryborough – Call: 0421 808 606 for details.

MARYBOROUGH

FRASER COAST RUNNERS AND WALKERS CLUB
community club with an emphasis on health and fitness for Men, Women and Children who run or walk. We meet once a month alternating between Hervey Bay and Maryborough. Contact: 4122 2526

MARYBOROUGH

MARY ANN STEAM TRAIN RIDES
9am-1pm, Maryborough City Whistle Stop Inc. operate the train rides each Thursday at Queens Park. Cost: \$3 for adults and \$2 for children, while for a family \$7. For more information contact the Maryborough City Whistle Stop: 4121 0444.

MARYBOROUGH

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

MARYBOROUGH

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

MARYBOROUGH

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

MARYBOROUGH

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

Fraser Coast Markets

MARYBOROUGH

FRASER COAST WILDLIFE SANCTUARY MARKETS

79 Mungar Road, Maryborough
(Donation gets you free entry to the
Sanctuary)
3rd Sunday of the Month
7am - 12pm
info@frasercoastwildlifesanctuary.org.au

MARYBOROUGH

MARYBOROUGH CITY HEARTS MARKETS

Adelaide & Ellena St, Maryborough
Every Thursday 8am - 1pm
markets@frasercoastopportunities.com.au

HERVEY BAY

KOALA MARKETS

Kruger Court, Booral Rd, Urangan
2nd and 4th Sunday
6am - 12noon
koalamarkets@yahoo.com.au
(back on 2nd weekend of February)

HERVEY BAY

NIKENBAH MARKETS

Hervey Bay Animal Refuge
Nikenbah-Dundowran Rd, Nikenbah
1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday of the month
6am - 12noon
hbanimalrefuge@gmail.com

HERVEY BAY

MARINA TWILIGHT MARKETS

Hervey Bay Marina,
Buccaneer Dr, Urangan
Every Friday 2.30pm to 7.30pm
marinamarkets@hotmail.com

HERVEY BAY

URANGAN PIER PARK COMMUNITY MARKETS

Pier Park, Urangan
(in front of Jetty)
Every Saturday 7am to 1pm
pierparkcommunitymarkets@gmail.com

HERVEY BAY

TORQUAY BEACHSIDE MARKETS

Outside Aquaview, Torquay
2nd & 4th Saturday 8am to 1pm
info@torquaymarkets.com.au

HERVEY BAY

HERVEY BAY BOAT CLUB ART & CRAFT MARKET

Buccaneer Dr, Urangan
3rd Wednesday of the month
9am to 2pm
info@boatclub.com.au

BAUPLE

BAUPLE MARKETS (free for stallholders)

Band Hall, Band Hall Rd, Bauple
4th Saturday of the month
7am to 12noon
www.facebook.com/bauplemarkets



HOWARD

HOWARD COMMUNITY CENTRE

Steley St, Howard
1st Saturday of the month
7am to 12noon
info@howardcommunitycentre.org.au

BURRUM HEADS

BURRUM HEADS MARKETS

Community Hall, Main Rd & Howard St
Burum Heads
2nd Saturday of the Month
7am to 11am

TIARO

TIARO MARKETS

Memorial Hall, Main St, Tiaro
2nd Saturday of the month
7am to 12noon

DISCLAIMER:

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

In the Kitchen with

Nick Street-Brown

Head Chef at Coast

Tell us a bit about your childhood?

"I was born in Manchester England. From the age of about nine years I would help my mum in the kitchen making simple kids dishes like pasta and pancakes. I lived in Manchester until I was Eighteen years of age, then I moved to Cornwall, England to begin working in a Seafood Restaurant".

Which talent would you most like to have that you don't possess?

"I like Soccer and can play ok. But I always wanted to be a professional Soccer player as a kid. I wanted to play in my favourite team Manchester United".

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

"At that stage in my life all I wanted to do was work for a famous Seafood Chef in Cornwall, England named Rick Stein. Back then we served one hundred percent seafood at the restaurant and nothing else. It was a great place to learn from, and Rick was my Inspiration".

What do you love most about the Fraser Coast?

"The best asset is definitely the weather. It is also easier to get things done as the lifestyle is at a slower pace. We spend a lot of time outdoors in the parks and on the beaches. One of my favourite things to do on Sunday evenings is to take my wife and children for dinner at Paolos Pizza Bar, We love the atmosphere, and the pizzas".

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

"In 1999, I worked in a restaurant in New York, and who should walk in but David Beckham, and his wife Victoria. That was huge for me at the time as I was fairly young and he was my biggest Idol".

What is the most popular dish on the 'Coast' menu?

"Definitely either the Ribs or the Lamb Shoulder. Customers order these again and again so these dishes are never taken off the menu".

What is the newest trend you see emerging?

"I look up to Chefs that stick to the food that they believe in. I myself am not really a trend follower as trends are out of fashion within a week. I am true to myself and what I believe in when it comes to my flavours and produce".

Do you use many local suppliers?

"As many as we are able. Our prawns are caught on the

other side of Fraser Island by Ocean King Prawns. We also are supplied with fresh Scallops and local Cuttlefish. A local Commercial Fisherman line catches us some nice Mackerel, and other varieties of fish".

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

"I always tell them that it is a lot of hard work if you want to do well at it. It is long hours and while everyone else is having fun you will be working. Its a job, but like any job there are levels, it all depends how far you want to go and the passion you feel".

What are your favourite foods to cook with?

"I love cooking with seafood and cooking with good produce. My favourite herb is coriander, and my go to spice is smoky paprika".

What do you love most about your Job?

"I love seeing people coming out and having a great time and enjoying the experience. I enjoy seeing the expression's on their faces after a night well spent. I also enjoy working as part of a team and watching the young Chefs grow and prosper and become better Chefs".



"it all depends
how far you want
to go and the
passion you feel"

Nick Street-Brown
Coast - Head Chef



Lychee Divine, where flavour is everything!

Tickle your taste-buds at Lychee Divine with some award winning products, from Liqueurs, Balsamic Vinegars, Condiments and preservative and gluten free conserves.

Before you leave try a delicious Lychee Ice Cream, these come in a variety of flavours and are simply divine. Or sit back and enjoy a Devonshire Tea.

The Lychee Divine Retail Outlet is open 7 days a week, from 8am to 5pm

and is located at 22473 Bruce Highway, South Tinana, 4650

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Why not try this great recipe from Lychee Divine over the Christmas Holidays?

Lychee Chilli Noodle Cakes with Prawns

150g packet Hokkien Noodles
1 sweet corn cob – blanched Kernel removed
(Optionally use ½ cup of corn kernels)
2 green shallots, thinly sliced
2 tbsp Plain Flour
3 eggs lightly whisked
½ cup fresh coriander chopped
55g (1 cup) bean sprouts
50g snow pea sprouts halved
60ml (¼ cup) Tomarata Lychee Chilli Sauce
2 tbsp lime juice
Grapeseed oil to shallow fry
400g peeled green prawns, tails on

Method

Place noodles in a heatproof bowl. Cover with boiling water. Stand for 4 minutes. Separate noodles with a fork. Drain well. Place noodles, corn, shallots, flour, egg and half the coriander in a bowl. Season – mix well to combine.

Combine bean sprouts, snow pea sprouts and remaining coriander in a bowl. Combine Lychee Sweet Chilli Sauce and lime juice in a small bowl.

Line a baking tray with paper towel. Heat 2cm of the oil in a frying pan over medium heat. Spoon two ½ cupful's noodle mixture into pan. Spread slightly with a spatula. Cook, carefully turning for 3 minutes until golden brown. Transfer to prepared tray. Keep warm in oven.

Heat a non-stick frying pan over medium heat. Spray with oil. Season Prawns. Cook stirring for 3 minutes until prawns change colour. Add 1 tbsp of the Lychee Chilli Sauce mixture and cook stirring for 30 seconds or until prawns are coated.

Place a noodle cake on each plate. Top each with a quarter of the sprout mixture. Divide prawns among the noodle cakes and drizzle with remaining Lychee chilli sauce mixture.

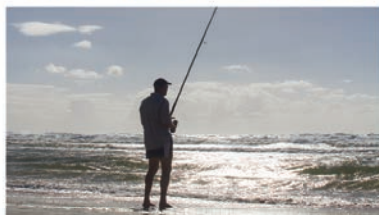




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