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what's on

August 2011

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August @ Port Macquarie Regional Gallery

All month

What's On this August at the Glasshouse Regional Gallery? We're delighted to introduce these exhibitions on display this month at the gallery: People Of The First Sunrise, Cant Chant - Vernon Ah Kee, Reading The Body: Sue Healy (starts 12th), In Memory Of Nature: Janet Laurence (starts 12th), and A Broad Perspective: Arthur McNeil (starts 15th). **Venue:** Regional Gallery, Glasshouse, Corner Clarence and Hay Streets, Port Macquarie. **Time:** 10am-5pm Tuesday to Friday, 10am-4pm weekends. **Price:** This is a free event. **Contact:** Glasshouse Customer Service Team on 6581 8888.

Mother and Daughter's in Lore

Until Friday 5 August 2011

Alpitye at Port Aboriginal Art Gallery is holding an exhibition of fabulous paintings from the eastern desert region of Central Australia. Works from four emerging artists will be on display: Jill Kelly Kemarre, Caroline Petrick Ngwarreye, Selina Teece Pwerl and Natalie Holmes Pwerl. **Venue:** Alpitye at Port, 1/19 Short St, Port Macquarie. **Time:** 5pm. **Price:** This is a free event. **Contact:** Louella Guild 02 6584 4883.

Astronomy Nights

Every Tuesday

Have you ever wondered how big the Universe is or how far away the stars are? All these questions and more are answered by world renowned local Australian astronomer, writer and lecturer. Book ahead and receive a FREE 'Astro/Space Pack' valued at \$25! **Venue:** Village Resort, 288 Hastings River Drive, Port Macquarie. **Time:** 7pm-9pm. **Price:** \$6 per person, \$20 family of four. **Contact:** Dave Reneke on 6585 2260.

Menopause the Musical

Wednesday 3 August 2011

Menopause the Musical returns to Port Macquarie for two performances in the comfort and style of the Glasshouse Theatre. If you happen to have seen the show before or if you missed out last time, you won't want to skip this wonderful opportunity to bring the "M" word out in the open once again. **Venue:** Glasshouse, Corner Clarence and Hay Streets, Port Macquarie. **Time:** 2pm and 8pm. **Price:** \$52.50 Adult, \$47.50 Concession. **Contact:** Glasshouse Box Office 02 6581 8888.

Hastings Family Fun Day and Expo

Thursday 4 August 2011

Free Family Fun day for children 5 and under. Come find out what services there are in the Hastings Community for families. The day will consist of jumping castles, face painting, bush tucker tasting, Traditional Aboriginal games, Kids Zumba, arts and craft. A fun day for all. **Venue:** Birpai Land Council, Aston Street, Port Macquarie. **Time:** 10am – 2pm. **Price:** This is a free event. **Contact:** Natalie Sinclair 0407154210.

Blake Noble - Percussive 12-string Guitarist

Saturday 6 August 2011

Ex local and guitar master 'Blake Noble' will be back in Port Macquarie to put his unique and inspiring guitar skills on display. A must see for all guitarists and acoustic fans. **Venue:** Finnian's Irish Tavern, 97 Gordon Street, Port Macquarie. **Time:** 8.30pm – 11pm. **Price:** This is a free event. **Contact:** Michelle Bounds 0402 648 616.

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Buddy: The Concert - Rave on 2011

Saturday 6 August 2011

Donning his trademark horn-rimmed glasses, Scott Cameron returns to the roll as one of the greatest pioneers of Rock and Roll – Buddy Holly, backed by his band, the 59'ers. Come and re-live Buddy's hits and the songs that shaped the 50's culture from artists including Chuck Berry, Elvis Presley and more. **Venue:** Glasshouse, Corner Clarence and Hay Streets, Port Macquarie. **Time:** 8pm. **Price:** All tickets \$55.00. **Contact:** Glasshouse Box Office 02 6581 8888.

Dog Agility Trial

Saturday 6 August and Sunday 7 August 2011

Port Macquarie-Hastings Kennel and Obedience Club presents Dog Agility Jumping and Games Trial. Loads of fun for competitors and spectators. Spectators wanting to attend this event are requested to leave their dogs at home. **Venue:** Tuffins Lane Sports Field, Tuffins Lane, Port Macquarie. **Time:** 9am– 3pm. **Price:** This is a free event. **Contact:** Frances Lingard on 0466 321 130.

Model Boat Exhibition

Saturday 6 August and Sunday 7 August 2011

See amazing model boats and replicas on display in the Auditorium and enjoy live shows on the canal. Great family fun. Talk with other modellers and enthusiasts and even see the models on the water. **Venue:** Port Macquarie Panthers, 1 Bay Street, Port Macquarie. **Time:** Saturday 6 August 9am-6pm and Sunday 7 August 9am - 4pm. **Price:** This is a free event. **Contact:** Trudie Franklin 02 6580 2300

Sidewalk Astronomy

Every Sunday

See the night sky in real time... travel to the planets, the stars and beyond using telescopes from the Observatory. We will be looking at the sun, moon and planets in the afternoon sky every Sunday. **Venue:** Town Green, Horton Street, Port Macquarie. **Time:** 3pm-5pm. **Price:** This is a free event. **Contact:** Port Macquarie Astronomical Association Inc. on 0403 683 394.

Australian Chamber Orchestra ACO2

Tuesday 9 August 2011

ACO2 is the Australian Chamber Orchestra's regional touring Orchestra. It combines ACO core players with hot, young, up-and coming Australian musicians. Touring with Guest Director and Lead Violin Thomas Gould from the UK. **Venue:** Glasshouse, Corner Clarence and Hay Streets, Port Macquarie. **Time:** 8pm. **Price:** \$45 Adult, U18 \$20 Child, \$40 Concession. **Contact:** Glasshouse Box Office 02 6581 8888.

Carter Edwards - New Show

Wednesday 10 August 2011

A stand-up comedian with extraordinary ad lib talents. Truly, one of Australia's most successful Club acts. Carter holds his audience with a raucous and typical Australian humour that involves the audience all the way with songs, funny stories and original gimmicks. **Venue:** Port Macquarie Panthers, 1 Bay Street, Port Macquarie. **Time:** 1pm. **Price:** \$17.00 Adult, \$15.00 Members. **Contact:** Trudie Franklin 02 6580 2300.

Don Quixote

Thursday 11th August and Friday 12th August

In 2011 The Dancers Company, the regional touring arm of The Australian Ballet, will present the lively ballet classic Don Quixote. Based on the legendary tale by Spanish author Cervantes, this classic ballet tells the story of the knight Quixote on a quest to find his lost love. **Venue:** Glasshouse, Corner Clarence and Hay Streets, Port Macquarie. **Time:** 7.30pm. **Price :** SOLD OUT. **Contact:** Glasshouse Box Office 02 6581 8888.

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Chuck Hahn and James Squire Beer Tasting

Thursday 11 August 2011

Town Green Inn is Privileged to have the Dr of Beer Dr Charles (Chuck) Hahn appearing for one night only. The night will consist of a taste testing of James Squire beers and some exquisite arrangement of canapés to match this fantastic craft of beer. Chuck himself will be guest speaking on the night to an audience of beer fanatics telling the history behind himself and the beers created. **Venue:** Town Green Inn, Horton Street, Port Macquarie. **Time:** 5.30pm – 7pm. **Price:** This is a free event. **Contact:** Brad Jones by phone on 02 65807899.

Australian Surf Festival

Saturday 13 August 2011 to Saturday 27 August 2011

The Australian Surf Titles have been held since 1964, the longest running surf event in Australia. The Australian Surf Festival combines the Australian Longboard Titles, the Australian Surfmasters Titles and the Australian Stand Up Paddle Titles expanding into a unique celebration of the Australian surf lifestyle. It's a massive celebration of 45 years of surfing tradition. **Venue:** Various Beaches in the Port Macquarie and Camden Haven Region. **Price:** This is a free event. **Contact:** Surfing NSW 02 9349 7055. **For accommodation enquiries and bookings please contact the Greater Port Macquarie Visitor Information Centre on 1300 303 155 or visit www.portmacquarieinfo.com.au.**

Hastings Lights and Sirens Ball

Saturday 13 August 2011

Fundraising for NSW Rural Fire Service raising funds for the purchase of a Cargo Trailer. Ticket includes a three course meal, entertainment by The Flammin BullAntz plus heaps of lucky door prizes, silent auctions and a raffle. Tickets from Port Patios, 191A Lake Road, Port Macquarie. Phone 0408 880 998. **Venue:** The Westport Club, Buller Street, Port Macquarie. **Time:** 6.30pm – 11.30pm. **Prices:** \$70.00 per person. **Contact:** Sharon Downs by phone on 0429 205 126.

Macquarie Hotel presents Fat As Butter Launch Party

Saturday 13 August 2011

Port Macquarie Hotel will present for the very first time Fat As Butter launch party with Australia's favourite DJ, DJ Tenzin for one night only. **Venue:** Port Macquarie Hotel, 4 Horton St, Port Macquarie. **Time:** 9pm – 12.30am. **Price:** This is a free event. **Contact:** Rebecca Gorham on 02 65807888

The Ten Tenors Double Platinum World Tour

Saturday 13 August 2011

After finishing recording their brand new album – their tenth studio album – The Ten Tenors are on the road again to share it with you! They have embarked on their Double Platinum World Tour. Come and see how Classical + Rock = Rock Opera. Be prepared to be a tenor fan! **Venue:** Port Macquarie Panthers, 1 Bay Street, Port Macquarie. **Time:** 8pm. **Price:** \$63 Adult, \$60 Members. **Contact:** Trudie Franklin 02 6580 2300.

Black and White Charity Concert

Sunday 14 August 2011

Come and support local musicians in this year's Black and White Charity Concert. All proceeds raised go directly to Rotary Lodge at Port Macquarie Base Hospital to support families affected by cancer. **Venue:** Port Macquarie Panthers, 1 Bay Street, Port Macquarie. **Time:** 2pm. **Price:** \$5.00 Adult. **Contact:** Trudie Franklin 02 6580 2300.

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Jazz in the Vineyards

Sunday 14 August 2011

Monthly 'Jazz in the Vineyards' at the picturesque Bago Vineyards Wauchope. August feature band is Guest Band 'Bob Berrigan Trio. Wine tasting and cellar door sales. BagoJazz Café will be open. Boutique beer on tap. Bring along fold up chair/picnic rug! **Venue:** Bago Vineyard, Milligans Road (off Bago Road), Wauchope. **Time:** 11am-3.30pm. **Price:** Adult \$5, free for child. **Contact:** Ian Adams on 6585 7099.

Ladies Only Paintball Afternoon

Sunday 14 August 2011

After the huge success of ladies day last month, Skirmish Down Under have decided to make this a bi-monthly event. Admission and all equipment hire is free of charge however the paintballs are \$22 per 100. **Venue:** Skirmish Down Under, Pacific Highway, Blackmans Point, 2444. **Time:** 1pm – 4.30pm. **Contact:** Trevor Long by phone on 0408 873 122.

The Music Makers

Sunday 14 August 2011

Come along and hear senior undergraduate students of the Sydney Conservatorium of Music on their 2011 North Coast Tour. This annual concert tour has proven to be one of the area's highlights of fine music....don't miss it! **Venue:** Kendall School of Arts, 19 Comboyne Street, Kendall. **Time:** 2.30pm – 4.30pm. **Prices:** \$25 Adult, \$10 Child, \$20 Members. **Contact:** Alvena Ferguson on 02 6559 6874.

Winter Concert

Sunday 14 August 2011

To warm your heart, a fresh and vibrant concert of the Performing Arts featuring the Port Macquarie Hastings Municipal Band and guests. Enjoy a wonderful afternoon of talented entertainment. Come and warm up from top to toes! **Venue:** Glasshouse, Corner Clarence and Hay Streets, Port Macquarie. **Time:** 2pm. **Price:** \$23 Adult, \$12 Child, \$18 Concession. **Contact:** Glasshouse Box Office 02 6581 8888.

Ballet Revolucion

Wednesday 17 August 2011

World Premiere Tours. Direct from Cuba. An explosive cocktail of unbridled passion and physicality. Ballet unleashed as only the Cubans know how! **Venue:** Glasshouse, Corner Clarence and Hay Streets, Port Macquarie. **Time:** 7.30pm. **Price:** \$69.90 Adult, \$59.90 Child, \$65.90 Concession. **Contact:** Glasshouse Box Office 02 6581 8888.

deepblue

Thursday 18 August 2011

If you haven't seen deepblue before, you had better strap yourself in for a totally new experience. This is entertainment like you have never seen, felt or heard before. They look like an orchestra, act like a band and the performance feels like you're watching theatre or a live movie. **Time:** 8pm. **Venue:** Glasshouse, Corner Clarence and Hay Streets, Port Macquarie. **Price:** \$38 adult, \$32 concession. **Contact:** Glasshouse Box Office 02 6581 8888.

A Grand Euchre Tournament

Saturday 20 August and Sunday 21 August 2011

The Westport Euchre Club presents a Grand Euchre Tournament. Fantastic prize money. Queen Slipper playing cards will be used. The tournament is open to all euchre players but there is limited seating available. **Venue:** The Westport Club, Buller Street, Port Macquarie. **Time:** Saturday 1pm, Sunday 10am. **Price:** \$5 Saturday, \$25 Sunday. **Contact:** Bill Kemsley on 02 6583 1333.

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Black and Purple Ball

Saturday 20 August 2011

The Port Macquarie Senior Citizens presents a Black and Purple Ball to raise funds for the Msaranga Child Development Centre, Tanzania. A silent auction will be held with a beautiful supper at 8.30pm. **Venue:** Senior Citizens Centre, Munster Street, Port Macquarie. **Time:** 7pm – 10pm. **Price:** \$10.00 Adult. **Contact:** Rhonda Searle by phone on 02 6586 0005

Community Dance Night

Saturday 20 August 2011

Nostalgia all dance night with Eric Styles band. All proceeds to Hastings Cancer Trust. There will be something for everyone. Continuous dancing: 50/50 dancing to band with rock 'n roll and linedance during breaks. Excellent raffles and lucky door prizes. **Venue:** North Haven Bowling and Recreation Club, 1 Woodford Road, North Haven. **Time:** 7pm–11pm. **Price:** \$10. **Contact:** Di Andrews on 02 6581 0898.

Masquerade Charity Dinner

Saturday 20 August 2011

Rydges Port Macquarie will be holding a Masquerade Charity Ball in August for the Mid Coast Care. Complimentary Champagne on arrival. Scrumptious canapés, main and dessert will also be served on the night. Live Band Funky Do Das will be the night's entertainment. **Venue:** Rydges Port Macquarie, 2 Hay Street, Port Macquarie. **Time:** 7pm. **Price:** \$80. **Contact:** Jackie Lawlor on 02 6589 2819.

Variety Show

Saturday 20 August 2011

If you like an evening full of intrigue, this is it! Murder Mystery with audience participation. Irish dancers and the Wauchope Youth theatre singers. Three shows in one. Book a table of eight. **Venue:** Port Macquarie Panthers, 1 Bay Street, Port Macquarie. **Time:** 6-9pm. **Price:** \$20 Adult. **Contact:** Port Panthers reception on 02 6580 2300.

Eric Bogle's Small POT.

Sunday 21 August 2011

Eric heads to Port Macquarie on a mission. His "Small POT" tour or "Pension Optimisation Tour" will include all of his iconic tunes, the Band Played Waltzing Matilda, No Man's Land, Leaving Nancy and much more. A compulsive, almost obsessive songwriter for most of his adult life, Eric has written songs that have pretty much become Australian classics. **Venue:** Port Macquarie Panthers, 1 Bay Street, Port Macquarie. **Time:** 8pm. **Price:** \$37 Adult, \$34 Members. **Contact:** Trudie Franklin 02 6580 2300.

Jazz Cruise on Port Venture

Sunday 21 August 2011

A lazy Sunday afternoon on the Port Venture. Two and a half hours of calm water cruising whilst listening to Jazz by Geoff Speed and Ken McArthur. Bookings essential. **Venue:** Cruise Terminal, Town Wharf, Clarence Street, Port Macquarie. **Time:** 1.30pm – 4pm. **Price:** \$15 per head up until the Friday before or \$20 per person. BYO. **Contact:** Alison by phone on 02 6583 3058.

Coffee Morning with Sue Healy

Friday 26 August 2011

In association with the exhibition Reading the Body, well known Australian choreographer and artist Sue Healy will provide an insightful talk into the unique digital artworks that incorporate contemporary dance with digital media. **Venue:** Regional Gallery, Glasshouse, Corner Clarence and Hay Streets, Port Macquarie. **Time:** 10am. **Price:** \$5 Adults, \$3 Members. **Contact:** Glasshouse Customer Service Team on 6581 8888.

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Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf

Friday 26 August and Saturday 27 August 2011

Martha and George invite Nick and his wife Honey home for a nightcap. One of the stage's most dysfunctional couples is brought to life in White Box Theatre's beautiful production of Edward Albee's hilarious and harrowing masterpiece. **Venue:** Glasshouse, Corner Clarence and Hay Streets, Port Macquarie. **Time:** 8pm. **Price:** Premium: \$66 Adult, \$61 Concession. **Contact:** Glasshouse Box Office 02 6581 8888.

Feel the Manouche - Featuring George Washingmachine

Wednesday 31 August 2011

For the first time in Port Macquarie! Feel the Manouche has a 'world music' feel. Through its use of double bass, guitar, accordion & fiddle, the band achieves a strong melodic groove that can take on gypsy waltzes, swing jazz, choro and many other flavours of music from our diverse planet.

Venue: The Westport Club, Buller Street, Port Macquarie. **Time:** 7pm. **Price:** \$15 Adult. **Contact:** Joy Risbey on 6583 1499.

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August Markets

First Saturday – 6th August
Uniting Church Markets – 8:00am to 11:30am Uniting Church, Corner Oxley Highway and Sherwood Rd, Port Macquarie. Enquiries: Ken Elvy 6581 2414
Wauchope Community Markets and Arts Bazaar – 8:00am to 1:00pm Uniting Church, Hastings Street, Wauchope. Enquiries: Robin Starr 6585 1766.
First Sunday – 7th August
Kendall Showground Markets – 8:00am to 1:00pm Kendall Showground, Batar Creek Road, Kendall. Enquiries: Pam McLeod 6559 4313
Port Macquarie Art Society Market Bazaar (every Sunday) – 8:00am to 1:00pm Hamilton House, 198 Hastings River Drive, Port Macquarie. Enquiries: Maureen Cooke 0409 820 694
Second Saturday – 13th August
John's River Country Markets – 9:00am to 1:30pm Johns River Community Hall and Recreation Reserve, Johns River Rd. Enquiries: Wendy Bawn 6556 5466
Mums and Bubs Market – 8:00am to 12:00pm midday St Paul's High School, Ocean Drive, Port Macquarie. Enquiries: Marilyn 0435 935416
The Foreshore Market (Port Macquarie Hastings Farmers & Artists) – 8:00am to 4:00pm Westport Park, Corner Buller and Park Streets, Port Macquarie. Enquiries: Farmers - Sonia 0414 376 868 Artists – Necia 0401 526 936
Second Sunday – 14th August
Port Macquarie Sunday Markets – 8:00am to 1:00pm Westport High School, Findlay Ave, Port Macquarie. Enquiries: Pat & Greg Clark (3pm-5pm) 0418 654 401
Port Macquarie Art Society Market Bazaar (every Sunday) – 8:00am to 1:00pm Hamilton House, 198 Hastings River Drive, Port Macquarie. Enquiries: Maureen Cooke 0409 820 694
Third Saturday – 20th August
St James Cottage Crafts – 9:30am to 2:00pm Opposite the Blue Poles Café and Gallery, Byabarra. Enquiries: 6585 2019
Third Sunday – 21st August
Port Macquarie Art Society Market Bazaar (every Sunday) – 8:00am to 1:00pm Hamilton House, 198 Hastings River Drive, Port Macquarie. Enquiries: Maureen Cooke 0409 820 694
Laurieton Riverwalk Market – 8:00am to 1:00pm Corner Tunis and Short Streets, Laurieton. Enquiries Wayne 0428 695 084
Fourth Saturday – 27th August
Wauchope Hastings Farmers' Markets – 8:00am to 12:00pm midday Wauchope Showground, High Street, Wauchope. Enquiries: Sonia Fingleton 0414 376 868
Fourth Sunday – 28th August
Port Macquarie Sunday Markets – 8:00am to 1:00pm Westport High School, Findlay Ave, Port Macquarie. Enquiries: Pat & Greg Clark (3pm-5pm) 0418 654 401
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