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February 2012

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Fun with Colour Exhibition and Water Memory Gallery Exhibition

Until Sunday 19 February 2012

Be prepared for a fun exhibition of abstract artworks direct from the Port Macquarie-Hastings Council Collection, featuring a diverse range of artists, themes and styles. Water Memory celebrates the sublime grandeur of the Australian waterscape. **Venue:** Glasshouse Regional Gallery, Corner of Clarence and Hay Streets, Port Macquarie. **Price:** This is a free event. **Time:** 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM Tuesday to Friday, 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM weekends. **Contact:** Box Office on 6581 8888.

William Kentridge Gallery Exhibition

Until Sunday 12 February 2012

Kentridge is internationally renowned for his animated films, based on charcoal drawings that explore the complex history of South Africa, the legacy of apartheid and the nature of human emotions and memory. **Venue:** Glasshouse Regional Gallery, Corner of Clarence and Hay Street, Port Macquarie. **Price:** This is a free event. **Time:** 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM Tuesday to Friday, 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM weekends. **Contact:** Box Office on 6581 8888.

Celebrity Autobiography

Wednesday 1 February 2012

Laugh non-stop when outrageous celebrity memoirs are presented live on stage. The all-star cast will perform word-for-word extracts from the brilliantly banal, deliciously ridiculous and absurd autobiographical ramblings of the rich and famous. **Venue:** Glasshouse, Corner of Clarence and Hay Streets, Port Macquarie. **Price:** \$49.50 Adult, \$42.50 Concession. **Time:** 8:00 PM.

Contact: Box Office on 6581 8888.

Hastings Birdwatchers

Friday 3 February 2012 and Sunday 19 February 2012

Hastings Birdwatchers Club Inc meet each month for a day identifying and surveying bush and waterbirds. There are two meetings coming up in February, to Saltwater and to Fernbank Creek. Visitors welcome. **Venue:** Saltwater and to Fernbank Creek. **Price:** This is a free event. **Time:** 8:00 AM. **Contact:** Liz Hawkins on 0414 358 255.

Josh Pyke

Friday 3 February 2012

After another sold out run of dates in capital cities last August in support of his third studio album, "Only Sparrows", Josh Pyke is going to hit Port Macquarie! Showcasing his new songs including radio favourite "No One Wants a Lover" and the brand new single "Punch in the Heart". **Venue:** Port Macquarie Panthers, 1 Bay Street, Port Macquarie. **Price:** \$30 presale and \$35 at door.

Time: 8:30 PM – 11:30 PM. **Contact:** Panthers on 6580 2300.

We have 3 double passes to give away - tell us something "Only Sparrows" know to win! Email your response to: tourism.marketing@pmhc.nsw.gov.au or write your answer on our 'Greater Port Macquarie's Facebook page (www.portmacquarieinfo.com.au/facebook).

Yoga in the Rainforest

Saturday 4 February

A refreshing guided meditation walk on Sea Acres Rainforest Boardwalk with Simon Adel, Port Yoga director, walk in the timeless stillness of subtropical rainforest. **Venue:** Sea Acres National Park and Rainforest Centre, Pacific Drive, Port Macquarie. **Price:** \$12 Adult, \$4 Child. **Time:** 8.30 AM - 9.30 AM. **Contact:** Sea Acres Reception on 6582 3355.

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Barefoot Bowls Sunday Sessions

Sunday 5 February 2012

Barefoot Bowls Sunday Sessions are back, it's only \$5 per person to bowl and it's sensational! Sunday sessions are the perfect way to enjoy the summer sunshine, enjoy a refreshing beverage and some greenside tunes from DJ Corza, not to be missed! **Venue:** Port City Bowling Club, Owen Street, Port Macquarie. **Price:** \$5 Adult. **Time:** 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM. **Contact:** Jordan on 6583 1133.

Cardmaking and Scrapbooking Demo

Sunday 5 February 2012

Join us for morning tea and enjoy a demo of card making and scrapbooking techniques and products. Everyone has the opportunity to create a project to take home and learn something new. All welcome. **Venue:** Kaszazz, 7 The Jib, Port Macquarie. **Price:** This is a free event. **Time:** 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM. **Contact:** M Steffen on 6583 3514.

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:** 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM. **Price:** This is a free event. **Contact:** Port Macquarie Astronomical Association Inc. on 0403 683 394.

Sound Healing Playshop

Sunday 5 February 2012

Expand your understanding and experience of sound, using medicine drums, singing bowls, harmonic whistles, Tibetan Bells, toning and chanting. Learn how to use sound to enrich your soul. Enjoy a day filled with beautiful sound. Bookings Essential. **Venue:** Mac Adams Music Centre, Gordon Street, Port Macquarie. **Price:** \$50 Adult, \$40 Concession. **Time:** 10:30 AM – 4:30 PM. **Contact:** Ruth Shepherd on 6567 8131.

Ian Stenlake

Monday 6 February 2012

Don't miss this star of Australian musical theatre performing live on stage at the Glasshouse as Ian pays tribute to the great, joyous musical theatre songs of our time. **Venue:** Glasshouse, Corner of Clarence and Hay Streets, Port Macquarie. **Price:** \$49.50 Adult, \$42.50 Concession. **Time:** 11:00 AM. **Contact:** Box Office on 6581 8888.

Astronomy Nights

Every Tuesday

Have you ever wondered how big the Universe is? All these questions and more are answered by a world renowned local Australian astronomer, writer and lecturer. Book ahead and receive a FREE 'Astro Pack' valued at \$25. **Venue:** Village Resort, 288 Hastings River Drive, Port Macquarie. **Time:** 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM. **Price:** \$8 per person, \$25 family of four. **Contact:** Dave Reneke on 6585 2260.

For TIBET with Love Tour

Wednesday 8 February 2012 to Saturday 11 February 2012

Port Macquarie Library is very excited to be hosting a visit from the Monks of Tibet and Tibetan Musician Tenzin Choegyal. A time to share some of the most distinctive aspects of Tibetan culture with our local community and to promote the common human values of kindness and compassion through cross cultural connections. **Venue:** Port Macquarie Library, Corner of Gordon & Grant Streets, Port Macquarie. **Price:** Donations can be made at this event. **Time:** Various. **Contact:** Virginia Cox on 6581 8755.

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Gina Jeffreys and Beccy Cole

Thursday 9 February 2012

Two of Australia's favourite songbirds back together. Supported by Georgia White. It is 20 years since Gina burst into stardom with her breakout hit 'Girls Night Out', followed by a Platinum selling album – and since then Beccy has followed through the door to mainstream acceptance which Gina knocked down, to become one of the most dynamic stage performers in the country.

Venue: Port Macquarie Panthers, 1 Bay Street, Port Macquarie. **Price:** \$42.30 Adult, \$15 Child, \$39.30 Members. **Time:** 8:30 PM – 11:30 PM. **Contact:** Panthers on 6580 2300.

A Night with Super Coaches

Friday 10 February 2012

Are you ready? Join Phil Gould and Ivan Cleary, Penrith Panthers and Wayne Bennett and Rick Stone, Newcastle Knights for an evening of passion, inspiration and leadership. Hosted by Darryl Brohman from 2GB's Continuous Call Team and NBN's Footy Show. **Venue:** Port Macquarie Panthers, 1 Bay Street, Port Macquarie. **Price:** \$100 Adult, Table of 10 \$900. **Time:** 7:00 PM.

Contact: Panthers on 6580 2300.

Dress Sense

Friday 10 February 2012 to Saturday 31 March 2012

A temporary exhibition of Australian fashions from the 1950s to 1980s. A fun look at fashion from our contemporary past with a local focus, featuring items from the Port Macquarie Historical Society's collection, including Australian made women's and men's wear, designer label garments and Australian designed and made accessories. **Venue:** Port Macquarie Historical Museum, 22 Clarence Street, Port Macquarie. **Price:** \$5.00 Adult, \$2.00 Child, \$3.50 Concession. **Time:** 9:30 AM – 4:30 PM.

Contact: Leonie Laws on 6583 1108.

Essential Energy Kidspot

Saturday 11 February 2012

Kidspot provides free art activities in the gallery for our Glasshouse 'sprouts' – helping them grow their creativity, learn new skills and make new friends! **Venue:** Glasshouse, Corner of Clarence and Hay Streets, Port Macquarie. **Price:** This is a free event. **Time:** 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM.

Contact: Box Office on 6581 8888.

Lucie Thorn and Hamish Stewart

Saturday 11 February 2012

Acclaimed Australian song smith Lucie Thorne returns to Wauchope, this time with her sensational duet show with drummer Hamish Stuart, as part of an extended national tour to celebrate the release of her new album, Bonfires in Silver City. **Venue:** Wauchope Community Arts Centre, Oxley Lane, Wauchope. **Price:** \$25 Adult. **Time:** 8:00 PM. **Contact:** Krissa Wilkinson on 0429 854 733.

Panthers Vs Knights Pre-Season Game

Saturday 11 February 2012

NRL teams Penrith Panthers and Newcastle Knights will descend on Port Macquarie's Regional Stadium for a pre-season trial Game match not to be missed. Gates open at 3.30pm and the action starts from 4pm with CRL U/18's game. The main game kicks off at 7.30pm. **Venue:** Port Macquarie Regional Sports Stadium, Boundary Street, Port Macquarie. **Price:** Grandstand \$27.50, General Admission \$17.50. **Time:** 4:00 PM. **Contact:** Tickets from Port Macquarie Panthers on 6580 2300.

Simon Tedeschi and Ian Cooper

Saturday 11 February 2012

Performing everything from Bach to the coolest, swingin' jazz, these two masters will take the Glasshouse by storm with their consummate skill and love of performing. **Venue:** Glasshouse, Corner of Clarence and Hay Streets, Port Macquarie. **Price:** \$34.50 Adult, \$30.50 Concession. **Time:** 8:00 PM.

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Annual Grape Stomping Championships with Jazz in the Vineyards

Sunday 12 February 2012

The 14th Annual Grape Stomping Championships combined with the monthly Bago Vineyards "Jazz in the Vineyards", featuring entertainment by the "Reds" jazz quintet. This is a fun day for all the family plus "The Annual Open Grape Stomping Championships" and the "Media" Grape Stomping Challenge. Hot and cold food will be available along with wine tasting and cellar door sales.

Venue: Bago Vineyards, Milligans Road (Off Bago Road), Wauchope. **Price:** \$5.00 Adult.

Time: 11:00 AM – 3:30 PM. **Contact:** Ian Adams on 6585 7099.

Takes 2 ... Afternoon Tea with a Twist

Tuesday 14 February 2012

Bring your best friend, husband or partner and join us the 2nd Tuesday of every 2nd month from 2pm for a fun afternoon of tea and dancing featuring Three's Company! **Venue:** Port Macquarie Panthers, 1 Bay Street, Port Macquarie. **Price:** \$7 Adult, \$5 Members. **Time:** 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM.

Contact: Panthers on 6580 2300.

Ladies in Red

Thursday 16 February 2012

A fundraising fashion event celebrating everything red! Featuring fashion, jewellery, make-up and hair art from across the Hastings. Red carpet, ruby red cocktail on arrival, private DJ, fashion show and luscious canapés. Wear something red and raise the roof! **Venue:** Rydges Port Macquarie, 2 Hay Street, Port Macquarie. **Price:** \$35 Adult. **Time:** 6:30 PM – 9:00 PM. **Contact:** Rydges on 6589 2811.

BRAVISSIMO - A HSC Music Showcase

Friday 17 February 2012

The Bravissimo concert provides an opportunity for mid north coast music students who excelled in their recent 2011 Higher School Certificate Music exams. **Venue:** Glasshouse, Corner of Clarence and Hay Streets, Port Macquarie. **Price:** \$22.00 Adult, Under 18 \$14.00. **Time:** 12:30 PM.

Contact: Box Office on 6581 8888.

Frock Stars Gallery Exhibition

Saturday 18 February 2012 to Tuesday 24 April 2012

Created by the Powerhouse Museum in collaboration with IMG Fashion, Frock Stars is a captivating behind-the-scenes look at the history, highlights, glamour, controversies and achievements of Australian Fashion Week. Frock Stars Coffee Morning with Glynis Jones on Friday 24 February, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM. **Venue:** Glasshouse Regional Gallery, Corner of Clarence and Hay Street, Port Macquarie. **Price:** This is a free event. **Time:** 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM Tuesday to Friday, 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM weekends. **Contact:** Box Office on 6581 8888.

The Lasiandra Swing Supper Dance

Saturday 18 February 2012

The Rotary Club of Wauchope presents The Lasiandra Swing Supper Dance. A great night to dance or to just socialise! Dance to the swing tunes of the Black Magic Big Band. Doors open 6.30pm music from 8.00pm. **Venue:** Wauchope Showground, High Street, Wauchope. **Price:** \$25 Adult.

Time: 8:00 PM – 12:00 PM. **Contact:** Marie Winter on 6585 1535 or 0409 156 333.

Jazz Cruise on Port Venture

Sunday 19 February 2012

A fantastic way to while away and relax on a Sunday afternoon. Take the opportunity to listen to Jazz, whilst cruising the Hastings River. Book your tickets before she sails without you! \$20 per head BYO drinks and nibbles. **Venue:** Cruise Terminal, Town Wharf, Clarence Street, Port Macquarie.

Price: \$20 Adult. **Time:** 2:30 PM – 5:00 PM. **Contact:** Alison on 6583 3058.

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Parkway Drive

Wednesday 22 February 2012

The Sick Summer II Tour will visit towns along the East Coast before it's last stop at Melbourne's Push Over Fest. The major cities have had their chance so it's time to bring the show back to regional Australia, and let's see how crazy the small towns can get. These tours always end up some of the funniest shows. Sweaty venues, stage dives, sing alongs, beach hang outs. Sick Summer indeed. Grab a board and be part of the mayhem. **Venue:** Port Macquarie Panthers, 1 Bay Street, Port Macquarie. **Price:** \$25 presale. **Time:** 8:00 PM – 10:30 PM. **Contact:** Panthers on 6580 2300.

Ed Duncan Gallery Exhibition

Friday 24 February 2012 to Tuesday 24 April 2012

Metropolis is an exhibition of new artwork by mid north coast artist Edward Duncan. Duncan's raw and colourful works are filled with confrontational imagery inspired by issues and stories in the daily news, forgotten history, human evolution, environmental problems. **Venue:** Glasshouse Regional Gallery, Corner of Clarence and Hay Street, Port Macquarie. **Price:** This is a free event. **Time:** 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM Tuesday to Friday, 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM weekends. **Contact:** Box Office on 6581 8888.

Graduates Gallery Exhibition

Friday 24 February 2012 to Tuesday 24 April 2012

Port Macquarie High School has been an integral part of the creative and academic development of countless students during its 50 years. As part of the 50th anniversary of Port Macquarie High School, this exhibition aims to showcase the work of previous students and teachers who have gone on to achieve excellence in visual arts. **Venue:** Glasshouse Regional Gallery, Corner of Clarence and Hay Street, Port Macquarie. **Price:** This is a free event. **Time:** 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM Tuesday to Friday, 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM weekends. **Contact:** Box Office on 6581 8888.

Tom Burlinson

Friday 24 February 2012

Presenting Australian star of screen and stage, Tom Burlinson, in his latest musical production, NOW WE'RE SWINGIN' - a sensational, swinging salute to the masters of the genre.

Venue: Port Macquarie Panthers, 1 Bay Street, Port Macquarie. **Price:** \$40 Adult. **Time:** 8:00 PM. **Contact:** Panthers on 6580 2300.

2012 Mastercraft-Headzone Australian Open Waterski Titles

Saturday 25 February 2012 to Sunday 26 February 2012

Australia's "cream of the crop" slalom, trick and jump skiers are vying for the title as well as competitors from around the world including Japan, USA, England and New Zealand. Gates open 7am with the tournament start at 8am on the Saturday, all set to wrap up Sunday afternoon.

Venue: Stoney Park, 16 Hacks Ferry Rd, Telegraph Point. **Price:** gold coin donation. **Time:** all weekend. **Contact:** Kim Kinnear on 6585 0080.

Camden Haven 64th Annual Show

Saturday 25 February 2012 to Sunday 26 February 2012

The Camden Haven Annual show looks to be a great one in 2012. Highlights include a Toyota V6 Hilux precision driving team display, grand parade, show girl announcement, magic show, bands, showbags and so much more. **Venue:** Kendall Showground, Batar Creek Road, Kendall.

Price: \$10 Adult, \$5 Pensioners and children. **Time:** all weekend. **Contact:** secretary - Mavis Barnes on 6553 4339 or showground on 6559 4463.

Line Dance Longest Line at Camden Haven Show

Saturday 25 February 2012

Line Dance Longest Line "The Jan Monkley Memorial". A fun annual attempt to hold the record against the Maitland Muster. **Venue:** Kendall Showground, Batar Creek Road, Kendall.

Time: 12:00 PM. **Price:** \$2 donation. **Contact:** Di Andrews on 0418 636 278.

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Journey of Flavour Car Trail and Markets

Sunday 26 February 2012

Rally your friends, family and work colleagues and join us for the Journey of Flavour Car Trail and Markets. Enjoy a fun filled day visiting local businesses, completing activities and answering questions along the way. **Venue:** The car trail will commence at 10am from the Settlement City Shopping Centre Car Park, heading out to Laurieton, Wauchope and back to the finish line at the Town Green in Port Macquarie by 2.45pm. The winners will be announced at 3pm with over \$3,000 worth of prizes to be won! **Price:** \$20 Family Car, \$50 Corporate Car. **Time:** 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM.

Contact: Wendy Beverley on 6581 8221.

Sizzling Gypsy Swing

Sunday 26 February 2012

Bago Vineyards Presents "Sizzling Gypsy Swing" featuring "Feel The Manouche" with the electrifying George Washingmachine plus friends. Enjoy two hours of world music gypsy jazz.

Venue: Bago Vineyards, Milligans Road (Off Bago Road), Wauchope. **Price:** \$5.00 Adult.

Time: 2:00 PM – 4:30 PM. **Contact:** Ian Adams on 6585 7099.

The Searchers

Sunday 26 February 2012

This two hour stage show will have you on your feet celebrating fifty glorious years of musical history. This legendary British group had a massive impact on the record charts starting with the 1963 hit Sweets For My Sweet. **Venue:** Glasshouse, Corner of Clarence and Hay Streets, Port Macquarie.

Price: \$59.00 Adult, \$54.00 Concession. **Time:** 4:00 PM. **Contact:** Box Office on 6581 8888.

Piano Recital

Sunday 26 February 2012

Former local piano scholarship winner Leonie Thompson returns from Melbourne to give a recital after gaining her music degree and being awarded a prestigious scholarship to continue further study. Leonie Thompson and fellow graduate Nick Slaney play a program of traditional classical favourites including Liszt, Chopin, Bach and Beethoven. Drinks and refreshments served after the concert. **Venue:** Kendall School of Arts, 19 Comboyne Street, Kendall. **Price:** \$20 Adult, \$10 Child.

Time: 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM. **Contact:** Chrystine Bouffler on 6584 8434.

Elixir with Katie Noonan

Wednesday 29 February 2012

Experience Katie Noonan and Elixir as they perform their ARIA award winning album First Seed Ripening in the Glasshouse Theatre. **Venue:** Glasshouse, Corner of Clarence and Hay Streets, Port Macquarie. **Price:** \$39.90 Adult, \$36.90 Concession. **Time:** 8:00 PM. **Contact:** Box Office on 6581 8888.

What's On is available to download on www.gpmevents.com.au and featured on the Greater Port Macquarie website: www.portmacquarieinfo.com.au. To submit an event, please go to www.gpmevents.com.au and click on 'Submit an Event' and follow the prompts . All submissions must be received by the 20th of the month to be included in the following month's What's On.

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February Markets

First Saturday – 4th February
Uniting Church Markets – 8:00am to 11:00am 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.
Mums and Bubs Market – 8:00am to 12:00pm midday St Paul's High School, Ocean Drive, Port Macquarie. Enquiries: Marilyn 0435 935416
First Sunday – 5th February
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 – 11th February
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
The Foreshore Market (Port Macquarie Hastings Farmers & Artists) – 8:00am to 1:00pm Westport Park, Corner Buller and Park Streets, Port Macquarie. Enquiries: Farmers - Sonia 0414 376 868 Artists – Necia 0401 526 936
Second Sunday – 12th February
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 – 18th February
St James Cottage Crafts – 9:30am to 2:00pm Opposite the Blue Poles Café and Gallery, Byabarra. Enquiries: 6585 2019
Third Sunday – 19th February
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 - 25th February
Wauchope Hastings Farmers' Markets – 8:00am to 12:00pm midday Wauchope Showground, High Street, Wauchope. Enquiries: Elly Franchimont 0424 220 937
Fourth Sunday - 26th February
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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