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# A NOTE FROM THE TEAM

April 2018

**O**h, how time flies when you're having fun! Yes, school holidays are here and in full swing, and there's plenty for the kids to sink their teeth into over the Easter break — and we're not just talking about Easter Eggs! Get the littlies to put down their screens and get out and about to take advantage of the holiday activities on offer throughout the bayside. Check out our list inside.

Now the kids are covered, don't you think it's time to have a cracking night out on the pier? The Long Table Dinner is back at Shorncliffe Pier and the stunning autumn weather has shown up just in time to make the night perfect for a few drinks, some great entertainment and a brilliant evening of food with friends. For more information, turn to page 12.

One of the most solemn yet memorable moments of the year is the Anzac Day Dawn Service in Sandgate. Despite the recent closure of the Sandgate RSL, the community will gather at dawn, as is tradition, paying respect to those who fought and lost their lives so we could live freely in one of the most beautiful places in Australia. There is nothing quite as emotional as hearing the bugle ring out through the darkness and then seeing the sun climb slowly into the bayside sky. It's a moving, special experience.

We'd also like to remind you, our readers, that we're here to serve you the information and stories that you want to read about. So why not get involved! Feel free to send in your story ideas so we can get to the crux of what makes the community tick.

As always, thanks so much for making The Sandgate Guide a part of your month, we appreciate it.

— *The Sandgate Guide team*

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# ANZAC DAY

## A TIME TO REMEMBER **THE FALLEN**

Story *Jacqueline Henry* Photos *Paul Neil*

**O**n April 25, people of all ages will gather in Sandgate to commemorate Anzac Day and remember the great sacrifices made by the countless men and women of the armed forces since World War I.

Members of the Sandgate RSL Sub Branch are busy preparing for Anzac Day services with a change to the starting point of the dawn service march and the 100th anniversary of the signing of the Armistice.

Sub Branch President Peter McNamara said moving the location of the start of the march will make the walk easier for senior veterans.

"The location of the start of the dawn service march has been moved to the corner of Brighton Road and Burnett Lane, Sandgate," Peter said.

**//** We took into consideration our ageing veterans. Starting the march near Sandgate Police Station will make it a shorter, downhill walk for our more senior veterans.

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"The 9am march will start at Keogh Street in front of Sandgate Court House, the same as previous years.

"This year we also commemorate the 100th anniversary of the signing of the Armistice that ended the First World War (1914-18) and remember the significant involvement of the Australian troops on the Western Front. The effort and sacrifice those men made is remembered and recorded and makes the centenary of the signing of the Armistice an important year for us.



"Each year our remembrance services grow in size. We appreciate the increased attendance by younger generations and their wish to commemorate and remember the sacrifices made by the men and woman who came before them," he said.

As newly appointed president of the Sub Branch, Peter has taken the reigns from Ken Mayes.

"I plan to build on Ken's great contribution during his tenure and continue to work for the welfare of veterans and the greater community," Peter said.



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## Sandgate Anzac Day Services On Wednesday, April 25

The Dawn Service March falls in at 5.55am and steps off at 6am from the corner of Brighton Road and Burnett Lane, Sandgate.

The Anzac Day March falls in at 8.45am and steps off at 9am from Keogh Street, in front of Sandgate Court House.

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*Chris Sheen of Sheeno's Tailor Made Coffee is excited to bring the Premium Record Fair to his Braun Street cafe.*

# PREMIUM RECORD FAIR

Story *Christine Chamberlain* Photo *Paul Neil*

**V**inyl buffs and lovers of good coffee won't want to miss the Premium Record Fair at Sheeno's Tailor Made Coffee this month.

Head down to the Deagon coffee shop with a difference on Saturday, April 7th where some of Brisbane's finest record dealers will have their best vinyl discs on offer.

Sheeno's owner Chris Sheen opened his Braun Street coffee shop in May last year and has since turned the relaxed store into a great combination of coffee shop, record shop and more recently a part-time barber shop.

"We had always played music through an MP3 player and listened to the radio, but we wanted more and wanted to offer something different," Chris says.

"I love music, and I just thought vinyl and coffee were a match made in heaven."

This combination has proved popular with customers, and the next step was to host a record fair to attract vinyl buffs and new customers to the shop and other shops in the complex, Chris says.

"I want to be a coffee shop with a difference," he says.

"To me records just have a different feeling to them.

"They feel more real. You tend to listen to the record from start to finish, and you really get to appreciate and understand what the artist was trying to do with his album."

Chris says the record fair will have a focus on quality over quantity featuring music from the '60s to the '80s — everything from ABBA to Zappa.

"I grew up playing guitar, playing in a band but honestly I have a love for all types of music and records just have a sound to them that cannot be matched."

While shopping for records at the fair people can enjoy the delicious Cleanskin Coffee blend Old School, pop in and see the barber, and stay and chat to friends while listening to some chilled music from the record player or local musician Danny Mose.

The record fair will be held at 140 Braun Street, Deagon, 8am-noon on April 7th. Please note record sales will be cash only and there is no ATM on site. Best parking is at the rear of the shop complex.

For more information follow Sheeno's TMC on Facebook or Instagram.



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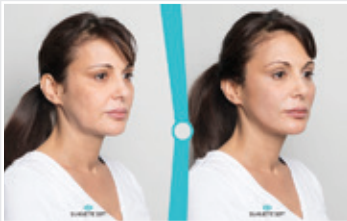
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# SKITCH COMEDY A REAL TEASE

Story *Emma Harley*



*Liz Skitch in her one-woman show, Skitch Tease*

**W**hat do you get when you team a fast-paced accordion, stimulating stories and sensational punchlines? You get *Skitch Tease*, the latest raunchy offering from Sandgate's Elysium Theatre.

Starring Liz Skitch, the one-woman show is a tale of her own life, tackling the topics of ex-boyfriends, parents, teenage girls, tourists, babies and even baboons

A veteran performer of 20 years, Liz entertains audiences with her helium-injected comedy and has performed at festivals, parks, pubs, clubs, and cabaret and comedy venues across Australia and the United Kingdom.

Elysium Theatre's founder, actor, director and writer Sharyn Henry says *Skitch Tease* is a show teeming with double entendre and has a rollicking, old burlesque feel.

"It's naughty but nice — Marilyn Monroe meets Judith Lucy with a pinch of Jerry Lewis," she says.

"Wearing nothing but heels, fishnets and a strategically placed accordion, no one is safe in this tell-all tale of Liz's extraordinary life."

Sharyn says *Skitch Tease* is a unique style of entertaining, engaging and endearing comedy.

**//** Armed with an accordion, her trademark curly locks and a smile, Liz's take on the mundane and the serious will have you in stitches," she says.

Taking over the historic Sandgate Town Hall stage on April 11, *Skitch Tease* is one of the many shows Sharyn has brought to the bayside stage since it was established in 1999

Sharyn says she is passionate about making theatre accessible to the whole community.

"I have worked hard to present theatre that showcases local, national and international artists as well as direct and produce theatre in genres of cabaret, drama, comedy, opera and puppetry," she says.

Sharyn says it's productions such as *Skitch Tease* that are helping to establish Elysium Theatre as a community venue that champions small-scale productions.

"We receive no government or philanthropic financial support and all contributions, big and small, make a significant impact on our capacity to present theatre to our community," she says.

"Theatre is a tremendous vehicle with which to reflect on, to question and to comment on the many dimensions of our society and Liz Skitch is an amazing young woman who works to enact social change through comic performance."





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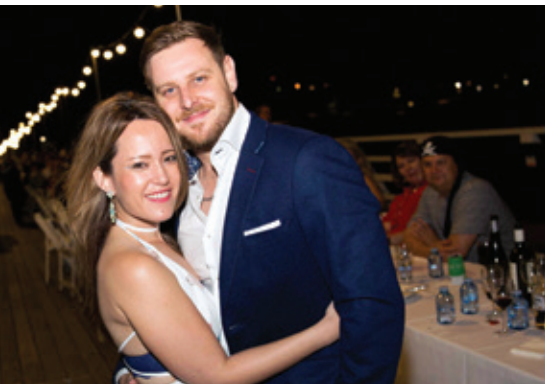
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# LONG TABLE *Dinner*



*When it comes to fine dining events, size matters. And so it will with one of the longest single table events in the world headed for its third successful year right here at Shorncliffe Pier on April 28.*

# The best among its piers.



Story *Emma Harley*

**S**andgate and Districts Chamber of Commerce president Bill Gollan says the bayside's Long Table Dinner is not only a highlight of the year for the local area, but is gaining quite the reputation throughout the greater Brisbane area as a truly unique event.

"This is the third year The Long Table Dinner has been held, and ticket sales are going gangbusters — we are hoping to sell about 700 this year," he says.

"We continue to run the event as they have been so successful, but the main goal is to attract people to the area.

"Of this year's ticket sales to date, only one third have been local, with the remainder hailing from all over Brisbane, some as far as the Glasshouse Mountains, Toowoomba and Ipswich.

"We had a lot of positive comments last year from people who had never been to the area, and they were astonished and incredibly complimentary of the night and the area itself — it is such a great way to celebrate the pier and the community."

Bill says the event will begin at 5pm with pre-dinner drinks, canapes and music on the shore before guests

move on to the pier as the sun goes down.

"On the pier, the dinner will showcase this year's theme of blue, and guests will dine under a full moon to gourmet food and beverages from a brand new catering team," he says.

“ After dinner, the party will continue with a fantastic live party band, The Funky Monkeys, and guests can dance the night away in front of the pier.

"We like to say that strangers sit down together, but they stand up as friends."

Bill says the popularity of the event means The Long Table Dinner is here to stay for years to come. "Where else can you go and eat dinner on one long table lining a beautiful pier?" he says.

"We believe this to be the longest single pier table in the world, and it is right here in our own Bayside backyard."

■ **To book tickets to the event and for more information visit [sandgatechamber.com.au](http://sandgatechamber.com.au)**





# HAWKS SALUTE ANZACS IN NORTHSIDE CLASH

Story *Jacqueline Henry* Photo *Paul Neil*

**T**he Sandgate Hawks will kick off the football season and their 75th anniversary year with the annual Anzac eve game on April 24.

President Aaron Widt said, “We kick start the season with our Anzac eve clash against Wilston Grange in Queensland’s premier competition — QAFL.

“The evening begins with a special Anzac ceremony involving the 2nd/14th Light Horse Regiment (QMI) and past and present service personnel.

“This annual event is a very special occasion for our club and always draws a fabulous crowd,” Aaron said.

Event coordinator Belinda Davis said the Hawks reserves will form a guard of honour at the Anzac ceremony and the juniors will play a match at halftime.

“The Anzac eve match is always great for club spirit; it gets bigger and better every year,” she said.

The April 24 match will also be the first game played on the newly resurfaced main oval.

“The club is looking forward to showcasing the blockbuster match on our newly resurfaced main oval which will equal the best Brisbane has to offer,” Aaron said.

“We have been working closely with the Brisbane City Council, State Government and the AFL to execute upgrades to our community facilities including kicking nets, lighting, retaining walls, widening the driveway on the Lemke Road project, full oval re-turfing, over 20 new TVs, a new menu and change-room upgrades in line with the club’s strategic vision.

“This season Sandgate Hawks will field teams in the QAFL, senior women’s, colts, masters over 45s and over 35s, as well as our junior teams whose numbers have swelled beyond 400 with 25 teams including five all girls teams and the introduction of Kinderkick so that children as young as 3 can start enjoying the great game that is AFL.

“As a proud local, community club, we look forward to welcoming all new, current and former Hawkies to the Anzac eve match and the start of our 75th anniversary year,” Aaron said.

Follow Sandgate Hawks on Facebook for more information about the 75th-anniversary celebrations planned for July.

Sandgate Hawks Sporting Club is located at 120 Lemke Road, Taigum. For more information phone 3363 9666 or email [info@sandgatehawks.com](mailto:info@sandgatehawks.com).

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# DEAGON PICNIC RACEDAY RETURNS

*Story* Emma Harley

**M**ark it in your diaries, bayside. The Deagon Picnic Race Day is on again on July 8, so rein in your friends and families for a day of fun, food and racing frivolities.

A Racing Queensland spokesperson says the Deagon Picnic Race Day is a family-friendly event and the picnic setting will ensure there is something to keep mum, dad and the children entertained.

"Racing has been a part of the fabric of the Deagon and bayside community for almost 120 years," he says.

"The Deagon Picnic Racing Club and the Brisbane Racing Club will facilitate all the fun and festivities on the day, and are working together to finalise a schedule of events."

Racing Minister Sterling Hinchliffe is excited about the upcoming day and says there have only been a handful of race meetings held at the track since 1941.

"More than 720,000 people attended thoroughbred meetings in Queensland last year, which proves there is nothing like the thrill of a Queensland race day," he says.

"The Deagon meeting will allow the bayside community to experience this thrill right on their doorstep."

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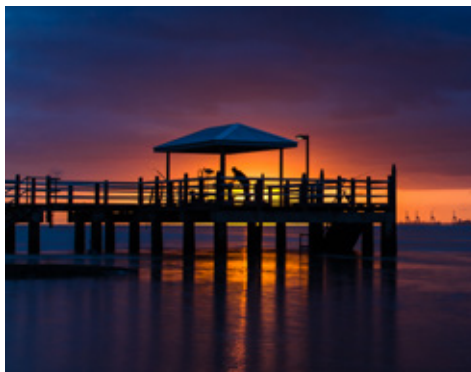




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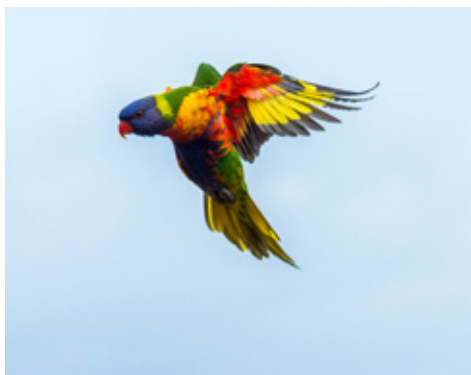
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# Easter

## School Holiday Fun!

**H**appy Easter! More importantly, happy holidays!! It's time for a well-earned break for students and many parents too. In the Sandgate area there are lots of things to keep your crew busy over the break — here's just a few ideas to consider as you plan your Easter calendar!

### Woodcraft Fun

Sandbag Community Centre will be presenting a Woodcraft Fun session for 6-14-year-olds at the Bracken Ridge Library Hall on 12th April. In this class kids can learn basic woodworking skills from trained facilitators, and every child gets to take home their creation! Limited places are available so contact Daniel on 3869 3244 or [ddesnousse@sandbag.org.au](mailto:ddesnousse@sandbag.org.au) to book.

### Sandgate Foreshore

For some free fun, try taking the kids for a bike ride along the beautiful Sandgate foreshore. The easy six-kilometre track goes from Brighton to Shorncliffe and passes Arthur Davis Park at Sandgate which has some of the best climbing trees for kids around Brisbane. There are plenty of fish and chips shops along the way, as well as the iconic Shorncliffe Pier.

### Sandgate PCYC

Sandgate PCYC has a great selection of fun activities these school holidays, including a Recreational Sports Activity Camp. The centre will also be offering activities including gymnastics, art and crafts, cooking and team games, so don't let your kids get bored, send them down to the PCYC for some holiday fun! Check out [www.facebook.com/sandgatepcyc](https://www.facebook.com/sandgatepcyc) or call 3269 5358 to find out more.

### Pelican Park Easter Fair

Pelican Park, Clontarf will be host to an Easter Fair from Friday 30 March to Saturday 7 April. Fun for the whole family with show rides, games, market and food stalls. Fair is open from 12pm over the Easter long weekend, and from 6pm the following week.

### Sandgate Library

Sandgate Library will be offering various activities for kids over the school holidays. Book your 5-12-year-olds in for some craft activities at Maker Space on the 7th April, or create a diorama while exploring the hilarity of the much loved Sporty Kids books on 5th April (6-10-year-olds). Call 3667 6022 to book.

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Compiled by *Jacqueline Henry*



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Amy and Jason

**LOCATION:**

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**QUOTE:** Parking is okay in Sandgate, not as bad as some places.



**NAME:** Ian

**LOCATION:**

Eatons Hill

**QUOTE:**

Sometimes it can get really busy here and hard to find a parking space, but we didn't have any trouble today.

**NAME:** Sarah

**LOCATION:**

Southport

**QUOTE:** I'm lucky, I always find a good parking space.



**NAME:** Lauretta

**LOCATION:**

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**QUOTE:** I just park in the big car park around the back, you can usually find a space there.



**NAME:** Wendy

**LOCATION:**

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**QUOTE:** I come to Sandgate twice a week and I never have any trouble finding a space because I park in the back car park.




**NAME:** Robin


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## A GUT FEELING

Story *Philip Woods* Photo *Paul Neil*

**D**id you know that an average person carries around 1.5kg of living microbes in their gut? Or that scientists recently estimated that there are around 39 trillion bacteria cells living in each and every human body?

It's a subject that once would stir feelings of unease among us, but in recent years the increase in our understanding of the various and numerous bacteria that live within our bodies has proven to be a great advantage to our health.

Alison Jones, a digestive health specialist living in Sandgate, spends her time helping people to improve their overall health and wellbeing through improving the health of their gut.

"We aim to heal the body through getting the body to heal itself, and one of the fundamental parts of that is gut health," Alison said.

"We look at the interaction between the microbiome, which is the balance of bacteria in the gut, and how it affects your health generally. Also, interestingly, how it affects your brain."

"I focus on digestive health, and with my clients I find that nine times out of ten there is a direct correlation between their mental health and their physical state."

What we eat is important, and according to Alison our commonly consumed western diet, which is high in processed food and sugar, is not doing us any favours. If we choose to eat whole, seasonal food, we offer our bodies a diversity that is reflected in the healthy balance of our microbiome and our overall health.

# ...A better you, **TODAY!**

Alison has chosen to use her experience to educate the community and will be holding a 'Healthy Gut, Healthy Mind, Healthy Body' event on 15th April in Sandgate to do just that. The workshop will include information on making your own kombucha.

"Kombucha is simple to make, and it's incredibly good for you; it's packed with probiotics, and it's a wonderful drink to have every day," Alison said.

"Unfortunately when the supermarkets get hold of a popular thing like this you often end up with an inferior

product. We've got to take back the power and make these things ourselves, as our grandmothers and mothers would have done, and it's so easy."

Alison is a passionate and informed specialist on how to achieve better health through changing how we fuel our bodies and the microbiome that lives within us. Don't miss the chance to hear her speak.

■ For more details email [info@indulgentwellbeing.com](mailto:info@indulgentwellbeing.com) or call Alison on ph 3040 5933.



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**Saturday, April 7**

**7:30pm, Sandgate Town Hall**

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**Adult \$30 - Concession \$25**

## ► April: Ensemble Trivium

Ensemble Trivium will perform a refreshing new style of chamber music that mixes classical, contemporary and jazz elements. Five different composers have penned 'art music' for the show called *Locally Sourced*, a project supported by the Queensland Government.



# A NIGHT OF CLASSICAL INDIAN MUSIC

## ► May: Sounds of India with Vinod Prasanna (bansuri) and Bobby Singh (tabla)

**S**ounds of India offers an unforgettable evening of improvised musical conversation between the Indian flute and Tabla, like the call and response between a lover and the beloved - gathering momentum until sparks fly.

Vinod Prasanna and Bobby Singh explore the artful and sensitive resonance between the raag and taal, the basis of melody and rhythm of this ancient system, inviting emotional and psychological response from the listener.

The positive effects of this genre of South Asian music on both mind and body — including the production of Serotonin, a neurotransmitter that maintains joyous feelings — has been well documented.

Born into one of India's greatest flute-playing families, award-winning bansuri virtuoso Vinod shines as an outstanding performer of authentic traditional and contemporary Indian music.

With 250 years of family tradition and knowledge to draw from he claims that Sanskrit verse suits the

sacred woody-alto tone and history of the bansuri as the source of 'Sawarajana' or 'knowledge of music'.

Also an Australian resident, Bobby Singh is considered one of the most experienced and respected tabla players in Australia's world music scene.

While born and raised in England, Bobby spent a great deal of his childhood in Mumbai studying at Sangeet Mahabharati, an institute of music started by the great tabla maestro Pandit Nikhil Ghosh.

Today, his mastery of the tabla's earthy-tribal beats also places him on the world stage performing traditional Indian classical music and also cross-cultural genre, acts that straddle the divide between tradition and modernity.

So, if you'd like to give your limbic system a tune-up or your hormones a balance while listening to the sound of the universe in musical notes, put this one in your diary.

**Saturday, May 5**

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*Tim & Sam Aitken will perform at the Cardigan Bar with their band Sametime on May 5.*

# SOUL BROTHERS

*Story* Emma Harley

**F**or Tim and Sam Aitken, music was not so much a calling but more a hereditary condition. And now the brothers from the Sunshine Coast, after years of honing their craft, are making all the right noises.

The pair is among the youngest in the world to be signed by Sony Music, and Sandgate crowds have the chance to say they caught them before they were famous when they play at the Cardigan Bar on 5th May.

Tim, 18, says he doesn't remember a time when music wasn't floating through the Aitken household.

"Music was always a big part of our younger years growing up," he says.

"There's not many weekend mornings we woke up, and there wasn't music playing through the house."

Sam, 15, adds, "Our Dad was also a musician so it was no surprise to see a musical instrument under the Christmas tree from time to time."

Tim says the crowd at the Cardigan Bar will get a concentrated dose of the brothers' original tracks, with a few covers thrown in for good measure. And their extensive influences will be on show.

"Early on, we were mainly influenced by just songs that would draw a crowd when we busked so we weren't that particular," he says.

"If it was a song that would make people stop and listen, then we'd learn it. But if I had to narrow it down to artists, then definitely Ed Sheeran, Oasis, Coldplay and a splash of a few others have influenced the way I write songs.

"We will be playing about 70% original songs and the rest covers, but with our twist. We'll be playing with our band so it will be a good, fun night."


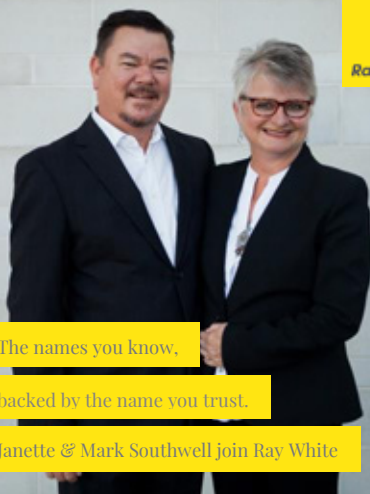
The brothers are no strangers to pushing their music out into the world, with the pair devising some fairly audacious promotional plugs.

Among them getting the king of busking himself, Ed Sheeran, to let them play to the crowds outside his sold-out Brisbane show.

"We've also played Suncorp Stadium!" Sam says. "Well actually, we contacted Ed Sheeran's people to ask if we could busk outside before his concert, and he approved it."

These brothers will play with their band, Sametime at the Cardigan Bar on 5th May. See the bar's Facebook page for more details.



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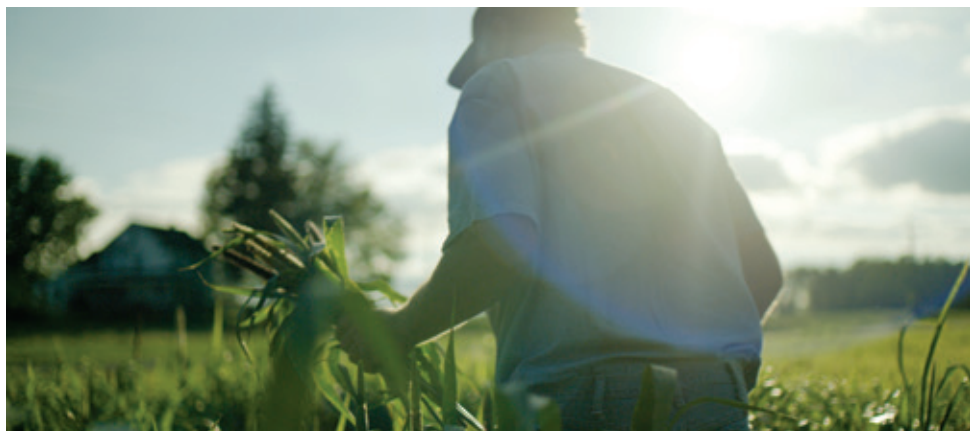
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# DOCO HIGHLIGHTS FOOD WASTE

Story *Christine Chamberlain*

**A** Thought-provoking documentary about food waste will be screened in Sandgate this month.

The first Australian public screening of Anthony Bourdain's documentary 'Wasted! The Story of Food Waste' will be aired at SANDBAG on Saturday, 7th April.

SANDBAG community partnership worker Keira Brett says the community centre is very excited to be showing the feature-length documentary that will change how people buy, cook and eat food.

"Over the past 12 months we have noticed a marked interest in the local area in sustainability, and have been planning projects to respond to this need in the community and help the local population take steps to become more sustainable," Keira says.

"This documentary is a great starting point as it will be quite eye-opening for a lot of people about the levels at which food waste occurs and addressing some steps we as a community can take to lessen our carbon footprint."

Audiences will see how the world's most influential chefs make the most of every kind of food, turning what most people consider scraps into dishes that feed more people and create a more sustainable food system.

Keira says 35% of the average household bin is food waste, with on average one in five shopping bags ending up in the bin.

"Taking steps to reduce food waste is something every household may be able to do, which will not only help the environment but also their hip pocket," she says.

SANDBAG has a long history of developing projects that meet the needs of the 4017 community.

One of these projects is The Green P Farm, which is a community farm based at Deagon Racecourse. The farm supports recent migrants and anyone wanting to reduce their carbon footprint and cut down on food miles.

"The farm has a number of projects on the horizon that we would love to see the local community get involved with," Keira says.

"We always welcome new farm participants and have working bees on a Thursday and Friday morning in the market garden area."

Anyone interested in getting involved in the farm can phone 3869 3244.

'Wasted! The Story of Food Waste' will screen at 4pm on 7th April at SANDBAG, 153 Rainbow Street, Sandgate.

Free tickets to the event are available at SANDBAG or Eventbrite. Gold coin donations on the day will be reinvested into Green P Farm projects. Viewers are warned the documentary contains strong language.

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Cooper arrives home from school to help Mum, Cat at her home shop Indulgence at Shorncliffe.



Happy birthday Christine! Christine and Cliff celebrated with a great party with friends and family at Deagon.



Everyone was stopping to say hello to Henry the therapy dog at Lauren Gordon's Animal Assisted Therapy stall at Sandgate's Wellness Expo in Sandgate Town Hall.



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# BIG THINKING NEEDED TO DEFEAT RETAIL WOES

**E**mpy shops, disgruntled retailers, high rents — Sandgate's retail precinct is doing it tough, but what can be done in this era of online shopping and a competitive retail environment?

It's a challenging situation, and Deagon Councillor Jared Cassidy says there are many current issues facing local businesses.

"I get the feedback that high rents are a persistent problem in Sandgate and this comes up as the number one problem or barrier to new businesses," he says.

"In a shopping area like Sandgate, some businesses can rely on a normal Monday-to-Friday trade, but some need the large weekend crowds to carry them through the week.

"We have a lot of visitors to the area on weekends, but converting them to customers can be difficult for some businesses. Retail trade is a struggle everywhere at the moment."

But what can be done? Cr Cassidy says there are programs and workshops available through Brisbane City Council, but a more macro, region-wide approach could be an answer to the shopping strip's problems.

"When businesses work together and present a united message and strategy, I think they can collectively make a difference," he says.

"Selling ourselves as a unique urban village, on the train line with unique natural and commercial aspects

is the key to getting more than the usual local foot traffic."

But not all retailers are convinced. Norton Seron, of Brisbane Computer Solutions, says the region's retailers need to practise what they preach.

"Some local businesses continually promote 'buy local', but they don't support local themselves," he says.

"They want local people to buy from them, but they don't re-invest in other local businesses."

Norton agrees that the answer is in some macroeconomic thinking, like some of the more popular suburbs closer to the city.

"We should be trying to make a new New Farm, or Teneriffe, or Bulimba," he says. "Bring [an event like] Eat Street here.

"There are too many of the same shops and no diversity."

There are a lot of opportunities for economic stimulation, Cr Cassidy says, but ultimately the market needs to ensure there is demand for its wares.

"People make the comparison to Sandgate and other areas [such as inner-city suburbs], and we need to take these things into account, we can't be the same," he says.

"Businesses need to work out what works here, how they can be sustainable and unique."



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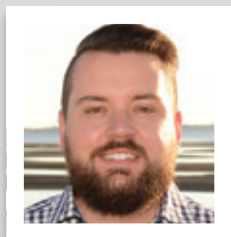
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# A WORD FROM OUR REPRESENTATIVES

## Cr Jared Cassidy



Planning is well underway for the 27th Einbunpin Festival. The Festival theme, "Celebrating our Community" sums up this iconic community celebration as it for the community and about the community. The focus will be on local stalls,

entertainment and activities by local community groups, schools, businesses and individuals.

If you are interested in becoming a stallholder or part of the entertainment line-up, the applications are now available on the Einbunpin Festival website [www.einbunpinfestival.org.au](http://www.einbunpinfestival.org.au) or from my office at 61 Cliff Street, Sandgate, phone 3667 6011 or email [deagon.ward@bcc.qld.gov.au](mailto:deagon.ward@bcc.qld.gov.au)

If art is your thing, why not enter one of our annual Festival competitions. The Poster design competition is open to high school students, the Colouring in competition is aimed at primary school aged students, and the Magic Canvas competition is for artists of all ages.

Events like the Einbunpin Festival would not be possible without the generous support of sponsors. If you or someone you know would be interested in supporting this year's Festival, please contact my office. Any support, however big or small, would be very much appreciated.

## Stirling Hinchliffe MP



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## Cr Amanda Cooper



This year on Sunday, 27th May, McPherson Park will play host to another fantastic Backyard Bonanza (aka BYB18).

The event will be staged once again by the local communities within Bracken Ridge Ward in conjunction with Bracken

Ridge Ward Office and the Bracken Ridge Central Lions Train Day.

This event, firmly rooted in our local community, presents an ideal opportunity for clubs, community groups and other organisations within the Bracken Ridge Ward to get involved, whether through fundraising or promotional activities, staging displays to increase awareness and membership, or provision of a performance group to entertain the crowds.

For those who would like to be involved in BYB18, please contact my office on ph 3667 6000. In the meantime, keep an eye out for updates on all things BYB18 at [Facebook.com/bybevent](https://www.facebook.com/bybevent)



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## AROUND TOWN



*Vanessa and Highway 65 will play at Sandgate Bowls Club on April 21.*

*Story Emma Harley*

**K**icking off a jam-packed month for the Sandgate community is Sunshine Coast singer-songwriter Andrea Kirwin, who will put her own sweet slant on classic songs at The Full Moon Hotel on Sunday April 8.

Full moon owner Lucinda Black says Andrea's smooth, bluesy sound is the perfect match to autumn sunshine, bay breezes and beers on the deck.

"We heard her play at a pub in the Sunshine Coast hinterland and had to bring her to Sandgate to share the love," she says.

Meanwhile, over at the **Sandgate Bowls Club**, locals can hit the dance floor with the popular monthly dinner dance.

Headlined by the rock'n'rollin' band Vanessa and Highway 65, the Saturday, April 21 evening titled 'A Band Called Twang' will include a two-course meal, hot beverages, and raffles.

Singer Vanessa Sanger says the band is looking forward to an evening of food, fun and dancing.

"This is only the second dinner dance, but the feedback has been great and it is a rockin' event for the local community," she says.

"It is a great way to support local businesses, bring new people to the area to enjoy our great venues and

entertainment." Visit [vanessaandhighway65.com](http://vanessaandhighway65.com) to purchase tickets.

It's a more relaxed vibe over at **Sandgate Town Hall** on Sunday April 29 however, with the classical baroque performance of the Arioso Chamber Ensemble, who will perform pieces for voice, strings, and harpsichord.

Including compositions by Monteverdi, JS Bach and Couperin, the afternoon performance will begin at 2.30pm and feature songs using original historical instruments.

"For many audience members it is their first opportunity to hear and see a harpsichord close up or even a baroque violin and cello," musician Janet Brewer says.

"We strive to present chamber music in an engaging manner, introducing the music as we go.

"We are returning to Sandgate in appreciation of the strong community support we received last year.

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## SUNDAY 01

Robbie James & JJ Harris  
Phoenix Bar & Lounge 2pm

West Texas Crude  
Full Moon Hotel 2pm

The Upenders  
Cardigan Bar 7:30pm

## MONDAY 02

Noah Fonoti  
Full Moon Hotel 2pm

## THURSDAY 05

Open Mic  
Cardigan Bar 7pm

## FRIDAY 06

DJ Tyrone  
Phoenix Bar & Lounge 6pm

Night Shift  
Brighton Bowls Club 6:30pm

Caleb Hart  
Cardigan Bar 7pm

Unplugged Cafe - Sandgate  
Community Centre 7pm

Leena Salim  
Sandgate PO Hotel 7:30pm

Peko  
Full Moon Hotel 8pm

## SATURDAY 07

Soul Cutz  
Phoenix Bar & Lounge 7pm

Steve Payne  
Sandgate PO Hotel 7:30pm

Music By The Sea  
Sandgate Town Hall 7:30pm

Steve Hargreaves  
Full Moon Hotel 8pm

## SUNDAY 08

Andrea Kirwin  
Full Moon Hotel 2pm

Fabio Tolti  
Phoenix Bar & Lounge 2pm

## THURSDAY 12

Open Mic  
Cardigan Bar 7pm

## FRIDAY 13

DJ Galvanism  
Phoenix Bar & Lounge 6pm

PINK Inc.  
Brighton Bowls Club 6:30pm

Mojo Webb  
Cardigan Bar 7pm

Chris Stevenson  
Full Moon Hotel 8pm

## SATURDAY 14

Irish Sessions  
Cardigan Bar 3pm

Tyrone Noonan Duo  
Phoenix Bar & Lounge 7pm

Scarlett Gunner  
Sandgate PO Hotel 7:30pm

Sound of Soul  
Cardigan Bar 7:30pm

Ben Stewart  
Full Moon Hotel 8pm

## SUNDAY 15

Deon Powter  
Phoenix Bar & Lounge 2pm

Pub Piano Singalong  
Full Moon Hotel 2pm

Alexander Mills  
Cardigan Bar 4pm

## THURSDAY 19

Open Mic  
Cardigan Bar 7pm

## FRIDAY 20

Dj Tyrone  
Phoenix Bar & Lounge 6pm

Darren J. Ray  
Brighton Bowls Club 6:30pm

Steve Payne  
Sandgate PO Hotel 7:30pm

## FRIDAY 20

Steve Hargreaves  
Full Moon Hotel 8pm

## SATURDAY 21

BERT  
Cardigan Bar 7:30pm

Off da Cuff  
Sandgate PO Hotel 7:30pm

Jimmy D  
Full Moon Hotel 8pm

## SUNDAY 22

Children's Magician  
Full Moon Hotel 11:30am

Kel Harper  
Full Moon Hotel 2pm

Tim Lollback  
Phoenix Bar & Lounge 2pm

## TUESDAY 24

Two Smooth  
Phoenix Bar & Lounge 7pm

## THURSDAY 26

Open Mic  
Cardigan Bar 7pm

## FRIDAY 27

Dj Tyrone  
Phoenix Bar & Lounge 6pm

Triple Shot Rockers  
Brighton Bowls Club 6:30pm

Guthrie - Reggae / Roots  
Cardigan Bar 7:30pm

Philip John  
Sandgate PO Hotel 7:30pm

Marco  
Full Moon Hotel 8pm

## SATURDAY 28

Body and Soul  
Sandgate PO Hotel 7:30am

Dan England Duo  
Phoenix Bar & Lounge 7pm

Mark Chomyn  
Full Moon Hotel 8pm

## SUNDAY 29

The Love Cats  
Full Moon Hotel 2pm

Fabio Tolli  
Phoenix Bar & Lounge 2pm

Vinyl Club @ Cardigan Bar  
Cardigan Bar 6:30pm

## FRIDAY 06

Caleb Hart  
Cardigan Bar 7pm





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*Local*

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**CHARLIE'S BISTRO**



Gus, Peta, Kylie, Rob / photo by Paul Neil



# TOW IT TO CHARLIE'S BIG BIRTHDAY BASH

**A**ttention all food lovers — this is the ‘wheel’ deal. Charlie’s Bistro at The Brighton Hotel is celebrating its second birthday with a celebration fit for a road warrior.

Manager Rob Kerridge says the local Brighton establishment will toast the milestone with a week of special events and promotions.

“We have lots of things happening at Charlie’s for the entire week of April 9-14 including guest giveaways, promotions and trivia nights to name a few,” he says.

“There are also some great surprises for the kids including birthday cake, lolly bags, balloons and party games.”

Rob says the restaurant has enjoyed a successful two years with much of its success attributed to the rapport the staff hold with patrons, and the quality food available.

“We are a small venue with amazing staff, which suits the small local community we have here in Brighton,” he says.

“The customers really relate to our staff as there is always consistency, from the friendly faces to the food.

“This, in turn, generates a lot of repeat business for Charlie’s as people come back for that supportive, friendly atmosphere.”

Rob says the restaurant is proud of its nostalgic caravaning theme, a unique element of the bayside favourite.

“The caravan theme is a throwback to the days when families would grab a caravan, pull up at a local diner and have a great meal,” he says.

“ Before cheap airfares, mobile phones and digital communication, caravan holidays were when the family came together in close quarters.

“It was about the simple joys in life, and the memories are priceless.”

Rob says the caravan theme is evident throughout the whole restaurant, from the menu to the decor and prices.

“We have caravans prominently displayed throughout the restaurant, as well as a variety of old namesake food which provides great memories of times gone by including creamy prawns, lamb shanks and of course everyone’s favourite, the roast,” he says.

■ **For more info on Charlie’s second birthday celebrations or to make a booking at the restaurant visit [www.ourhotels.com.au/brightonhotelmotel](http://www.ourhotels.com.au/brightonhotelmotel)**



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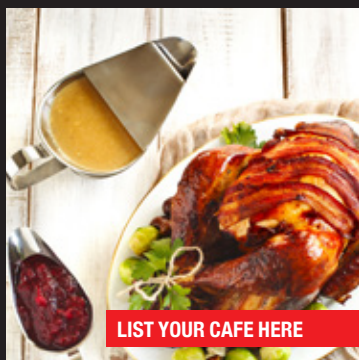
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Emma Malthouse  
/ photo by Paul Neil

# CRAFTY CREATORS DO THE HARD YARDS

**W**omenspace Sandgate is bringing craft into Sandgate backyards every Monday with the recent launch of the creative garden group, Craft By The Sea.

Designed for adults living with a disability, the group encourages the exploration of art and craft using materials found in our own backyard.

Event organiser Emma Malthouse says the event is a different way to make connections in the community while engaging in a fulfilling activity.

"Some of the activities that we have incorporated into the classes include art, craft, recipes and many more creative ideas, all using materials found in the garden or even the kitchen cupboard," she says.

"In the last couple of weeks, we have made things such as recycled paper with seeds in it to plant, as well as learning how to grow succulents, which we have planted in old teacups and teapots.

"We have also created dream catchers, pressed flowers in frames and a variety of rock art - it's always something different each week."

Emma says they have many plans for the future including learning how to propagate and grow plants to sell.

"I would like to create a sensory garden that locals in the Sandgate community can come and sit and enjoy," she says.

"And our long-term goal is to have a pop-up market at the end of the month, with some of the things we have created.

"We have had such positive feedback from those already coming who intend to continue this as their weekly activity."

With a background as a disability support worker and counsellor for over 15 years, Emma says she recognised a need for this kind of activity within the community.

"The therapy class provides to the community an opportunity to create, grow and develop new skills in a friendly, supportive environment," she says.

"It is unique in that it offers an activity for people living with a disability to attend where they can be supported to create and learn new skills."

For more information on the weekly class or to book a place, contact Emma at [emmamalty@outlook.com](mailto:emmamalty@outlook.com) or phone 0435 243 226.



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# HISTORY AT THE COTTAGE DOOR

Story *Pam Verney and Philip Woods*

**T**here's so much history, so close to home. Most Sandgate residents would be familiar with Ironwood Cottage in Hancock Street. It's been lovingly occupied by Karen Martheze's Organic Whole Foods business for the past 14 years, and while Karen's business has now moved to Fourth Avenue, the building and its history remain in place.

During the Second World War, the building was located at the US Army camp at Young's Crossing, Strathpine, and functioned as a camp kitchen. When the Yanks moved out in 1942, they left everything.

The whole camp was sold by tender and auction after the war, and Cyril Verney bought the building, dismantled it and moved it to Sandgate in 1946.

So commenced the next stage in the life of the building once known simply as 'The Shed'.

It was built on a concrete slab that was mixed by hand at the back of the Verney property; on a site that Adrian Verney says lies above an air-raid shelter built by Cyril Verney before he went to serve in the Air Force during the war.

Adrian says, "I can remember Mum and I having chocolate pudding in the shelter when we had practice air raid warnings. A siren on the Town Hall signalled this."

Cyril Verney commenced business at 'The Shed' after the war, repairing wood and gas stoves, making and selling fishing and crabbing gear, and dealing in scrap metal and other odds-and-ends.

In early 1960, Cyril ceased trading; the modern world had little use for wood stove repair by now. The Shed was briefly rented, then in 1963 Adrian Verney and Don Cluff commenced trading as Sandgate Hire Service, and continued until 1981 when the property was sold.

In the following years, the cottage housed several businesses, including financial services, power tool and appliance repair, and the bread-making shop that evolved into what we now know as Ironwood Cottage.

A building whose story began as an army kitchen, and most recently has returned to offering us foods; who knows what the future could hold?



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# TINCHI TAMBA WETLANDS

**T**ucked away on the south bank of the Pine River, adjoining Brighton and Bracken Ridge, is 380 hectares of wetlands known as Tinchí Tamba. Most of the reserve is mangrove forests, intertidal flats, saltmarshes, open woodlands and pastures of low grass or sedge.

The park, including the area at Deep Water Bend, is popular for recreational users and naturalists alike. Fisherman can dangle a line or launch a boat. Raised boardwalks extend into the mangroves with information boards shedding light on the plants, animals, ecosystems and processes likely to be encountered. Kayaking is another great way to take in the sights.

Mangroves are now recognized for their crucial role in improving water quality, preventing coastal erosion and as fisheries. But not so long ago, the important role they play in coastal well-being wasn't widely understood. Planning measures often saw these tracts of lowland filled for development. At one stage a residential canal estate was on the drawing board for this site!

With increasing awareness, the efforts of locals, and funding from the Bushland Preservation Levy,

the area was purchased by the Brisbane City Council in 1991.

Around the same time, these wetlands were recognised as having international significance, listed by the Ramsar Convention, forming part of the Moreton Bay site.

For thousands of years, Aboriginal clans fished, hunted and camped here, drawn by the rich marine food sources.

The diversity of birdlife is extraordinary; the total species count of 229 is second only to one other locality in SE Queensland. Many migratory birds, including travellers from the northern hemisphere, rest and feed here from September to April.

A mob of Eastern Grey Kangaroos resides here too, including a formidably large male, nicknamed 'Arnie'.

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*Janet Hansen,  
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Jared Cassidy leading  
the 'War on Waste 4017'*

# WAR ON WASTE

*Story Christine Chamberlain Photo Paul Neil*

**A** passionate team of locals has started their own War on Waste. Deagon resident Morag Shealy wanted to make a difference to the environment locally, so she started up the Facebook group 'War on Waste 4017'. This month, the group hold their first beach clean-up morning.

"I watched the War on Waste program on ABC, and it got me thinking," Morag says.

"I think if everyone in the 4017 area can make even one small change, attend one beach clean, think twice about the plastic straw they are using or whether they can use a reusable coffee cup. This will ensure our beautiful suburb will remain so into the future."

Since starting the online community in January, Morag has been surprised with the large number of others keen to get involved.

"I would really like to have regular beach clean-ups, as well as trying to promote awareness of the need for everyone to make an effort to keep the area waste-free, no matter how big or small."

Local Councillor Jared Cassidy and Brisbane City Council have jumped on board the initiative and are supporting the beach clean-up, providing sunscreen, water, rubbish bags and pickers for the volunteers.

"It's great to see the local community so keen to roll up their sleeves and do their bit for the environment," Cr Cassidy says.

"I've invited Council's Pop Up Litter team to come along and take part, and I encourage people to grab their hat and gloves and come on down to the foreshore and lend a helping hand."

The first 'War on Waste 4017' beach clean-up will be on Sunday, April 8. Helpers can meet along the foreshore, across from 3rd Avenue, Sandgate, at 8am. The event will run until 11am.

"Come along on the day and bring your community spirit and willingness to get involved, while hopefully having a good time along the way," Morag says.

If the morning is successful, Morag hopes to coordinate future clean-ups in Shorncliffe, Brighton, the Deagon wetlands and around the local lagoons.

The online group also aims to focus on a number of other community projects such as encouraging local businesses to go plastic straw and single-use coffee cup free, setting up a community composting site and organising education evenings. If you would like to get involved, visit the group's Facebook page.

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# WE LOVE AN EASTER FAIR!

Story *Philip Woods*

**T**he joy to be found in the fun of a fair has spanned generations; many of our grandparents experienced it and our children still do! During these Easter holidays, residents of Redcliffe and Sandgate can get a taste of this timeless tradition (and maybe a Dagwood Dog too) at the Pelican Park Easter Fair!

Tony Marcovich was born into the business; his father started Coney Fair in 1953, and it's been a big part of his life ever since. In years gone by, Tony's taken the fair up and down the east coast of Australia; these days most of his events are around the Gold Coast and South East Queensland.

"We used to go from Melbourne to Cairns, but we've scaled back the travel these days, now we mainly run around this part of the world," he says.

Tony tells us that the Pelican Park Easter Fair will have something for kids of all ages, and grown-ups too!

"We'll have market stalls, and people always love them. There'll be rides including The Round Up,

The Rock 'n Roll, The Dodgem Cars, The Swinger; then we also have the ones that kids always love; The Slides and The Tea Cups, Water Balls and The Inflatables. It will be amazing."

It's hard to believe that Tony has been around the fair for his whole life — he's seventy years old now — and he still has the passion.

Pelican Park, on the water at Clontarf, is the perfect venue for a fair, and Tony is hoping for a fine spell during the eight days between Good Friday and the 7th April while they are there.

"We pray for fine weather, but we take it as it comes," Tony said. "We just aim for a successful event for everyone who comes to join in. It's something different for a lot of kids today; they don't get to have this sort of experience too often."

■ ***The Easter Fair will be open from noon all over the Easter Weekend, and from 6pm the following week, so come on down and join in the fun!***  
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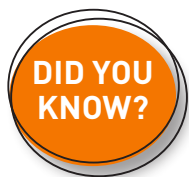
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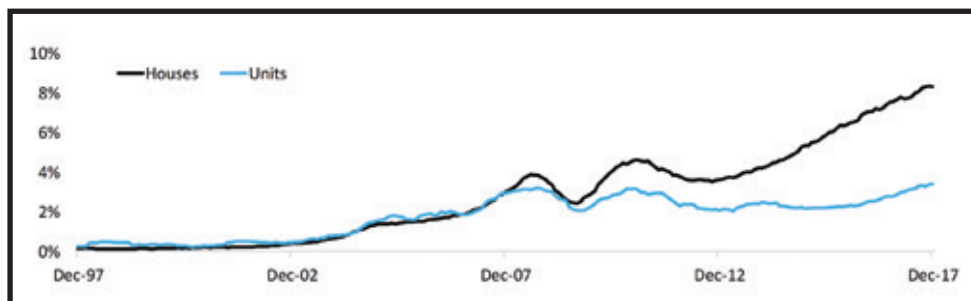
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# MARKETREVIEW



*Annual Share Of Total Sales  
In Excess of \$1 Million, Brisbane*

## MORE PROPERTY MILLIONAIRES THAN EVER BEFORE

*The share of residential property sales over \$1 million continued to climb last year across most of the capitals. What will 2018 bring to sales of \$1 million property?*

**A**cross the combined capital cities, 23.8% of all houses sold over the year sold for more than \$1 million. The number sold for more than \$1 million was up from 21.7% a year earlier. Five years ago just 9.8% of all houses sold for more than \$1 million. A greater number of houses sold for more than \$1 million over the past year than sold for under \$400,000.

Analyst Cameron Kusher, CoreLogic RP Data said, "Although value growth has been fairly moderate in Brisbane over recent years, the share of \$1 million sales has continued to climb. Throughout 2017, 8.3% of all houses sold for at least \$1 million. A year earlier, 7.5% of all houses sold for at least \$1 million and five years earlier just 3.6%"

The latest data is showing that a number of capital cities have now recorded falls in values, in particular, the most expensive city, Sydney. Additional data also indicates that values are falling by the greatest amount across the premium sector of the housing market. Should these declines continue, it may result in a decline in the share of sales of properties at or in excess of \$1 million.



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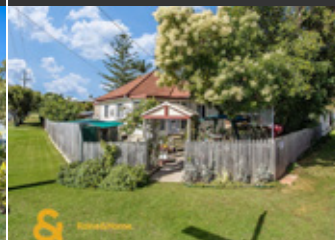
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Story *Brooke Jacobson* Photo *Paul Neil*

**E**verything old is new again and that's certainly the case when it comes to furniture. More and more bayside residents are choosing to "upcycle" their old furniture, either restoring it or giving it a coat of paint.

Owner of Reloved Relics in Deagon, Rachel Trevorrow has been at the forefront of the trend, opening her business three and a half years ago.

"Upcycling furniture has definitely become more popular," she said.

"People want to keep things from going into landfill, and everyone is on a budget — it's more economical to do up your furniture than to buy new stuff.

"Plus people like to keep furniture that belonged to their parents or grandparents, but they want to give it their own style."

There are a number of different ways to change the look of your furniture, including painting, polishing, decoupage or sanding the piece back before applying a coat of wax.

Bracken Ridge childcare educator Jesse Brindley took part in a furniture restoration workshop with Rachel 12 months ago and said it appealed to her creative spark.

"I brought in a small bookshelf from my son's room that was in need of a bit of love," she said.

"I learnt all about the preparation, techniques and the use of different materials and the maintenance of the furniture as well.

"I've always enjoyed being creative, and this was a different way for me to be creative that I hadn't explored before. It's ignited a new passion for me."

Jesse added upcycling furniture had become a family activity.

"My husband is great at creating with timber, and it's nice to have a few technical skills to help with the dressing of furniture and props that we now make," she said.

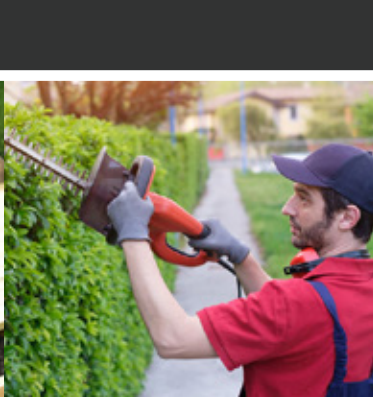
"I've brought new life to our once mix-matched dressers and bedside tables, with my 8-year-old helping. It has become a real family affair."

Rachel added it was a fun and cost-effective past time. "At the end of the process you have a piece of furniture with its own character," she said.

Since a change in business location, Rachel is not currently offering workshops but hopes to do so in the new financial year. See her Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/relovedrelics](http://www.facebook.com/relovedrelics)

In the meantime, anyone looking for a furniture upcycling workshop should contact Rachel McGregor at Old Favourites in Sandgate. For more details: [www.facebook.com/oldfavourites](http://www.facebook.com/oldfavourites)





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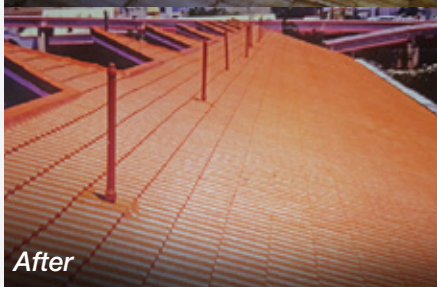
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