

WHAT E-NEWS

So this is winter...pretty cool huh!

EDITOR'S NOTE...

Ghoul's night out...

Not only is tonight the opening night of the funny, spooky and intriguing play, **The Spirit of Annie Ross** at the Peninsula Theatre (break a leg, guys!) but it was also meant to be the launch of **Central Coast Theatrefest** weekend of One Act Plays. Unfortunately, Wyong Memorial Hall sustained some flood damage last week, and the festival has been postponed to the weekend of **September 7-9**. If you have any questions, please give festival organiser, Ruth Jordon a call on: 4971 0795 or 0408 810 763.

Community service message: In the decade I've been connected to the internet, I've received a lot of interesting emails which have been forwarded by friends. Some are funny, some are sentimental, some are just plain weird and unfortunately some are also time-wasting and futile. I refer to emails that carry either warnings of virus emails, or charity emails. In a very small proportion of cases, the virus warnings are true, but most are false. The same goes for Charity emails. While some are legitimate (ie: ones with links to the breast cancer awareness site) **most charity emails are bogus**. If an email tells you the plight of some poor sick child and then instructs you to forward it to everyone on your list "because the email is being tracked by the red-cross (or whomever) and they will donate 25c per email" or whatever, it is a hoax. Emails cannot be 'tracked' for this purpose; they can only tag with spy-ware. The perpetrators of these obnoxious ruses seem to take joy out of the fact that we as humans feel powerless and guilty most of the time, and the chance to do good, (by doing something that easy) proves an irresistible lure. Don't fall for it. **Rule of thumb:** never forward an email or click on any link, unless you have checked if the email is a hoax first. Do this by **Googling** the subject of the email or going to <http://hoaxbusters.ciac.org/> Needless to say, emails from banks asking you to verify your details, or emails that inform you of random lottery wins, or people who claim to have millions of dollars in foreign banks that they wish to transfer into your account should be **deleted on sight**. There is no such thing as a free lunch or people who want to throw money at you from the other side of the world. I know you know this, but I figured I'd put it out there anyway, cos you know what they say – there's one born every minute.

Some fantastic touring acts are cruising through Laycock Street next week. **Bell Shakespeare's Macbeth** on Monday and Tuesday, and two legends of the cabaret stage – Judi Connelli and Suzanne Johnston visit next Friday only with their outstanding tribute to the greatest song composers of all time: **Take Two**. For more info, always keep a regular eye on www.laycockstreet.com

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HEADS



UP!

← Don't miss twinkle toes Wil Coleman as Don Lockwood in *Singin' in the Rain*...have you got your tickets yet?

The stage version of a surprise US hit Disney telemovie will make its local debut in January '08

It seemed to come from out of nowhere. *High School Musical* was originally an Emmy award winning telemovie. Released on January 20, 2006. It was one of the most successful Disney Channel Original Movies produced, with a sequel and a spin-off. The soundtrack was the most commercially-successful album of 2006. With a plot described as a

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- HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL -
AUDITIONING SOON!
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modern retelling of *Romeo and Juliet*, *High School Musical* is a story of two high school students from rival cliques: Troy Bolton, captain of the basketball team, and Gabriella Montez, a shy transfer student who excels in math and science. Together, they try out for the lead parts in their high school musical, and as a result, divide the school. Despite other students' attempts to thwart their dreams, Troy and Gabriella resist peer pressure and rivalry, inspiring others along the way not to "stick with the status quo." Sound like fun? It will be GMS juniors first production of 2008 and will be the directorial debut of Juniors 'veteran' Zach Smith. Auditions info is on the classifieds page.

REMEMBER 'THE SEEKERS?'

ENJOY AN EVENING WITH KEITH POTGER

As a founding member of the internationally famous Australian group THE SEEKERS, Keith is already well known to music industry professionals and fans of the group alike. Keith's solo performance will include some beautiful original ballads, a touch of Nashville, some old favourites from The Seekers, amusing anecdotes and plenty to make you want to sing and dance! Laycock Street Theatre: 43233233

ONE NIGHT ONLY - Thursday July 19 at 8pm



Dorian Mode scales up his act for the supper club



The Central Coast's own Dorian Mode, one of Australia's leading jazz performers will lead a quartet of musicians in a slick and sophisticated jazz show on **July 20**. Dorian teaches at the local Conservatorium, has produced a number of CD's, he's a witty and gifted writer, with two successful novels under his belt, numerous articles in national publications and is also budding screen writer. All of which makes him a splendid raconteur as well as consummate musician. At last count, he'd even entered a short play in the upcoming Central Coast chapter of Short & Sweet. With all this talent at his fingertips, there's really only one question about him, that I'm sure women everywhere would like to know....**but can he cook?** Well he and his band certainly do. Don't miss this delicious musical treat in the relaxed, candle-lit atmosphere of Laycock Street Theatre's famous Supper Clubs. First class entertainment AND camembert, all for \$25. Book now: 4323 3233

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SPOTLIGHT ON....

...**AMANDA WINTERFORD**



How long have you been a Coastie? 21 years. I was born at Gosford Hospital and have lived at Kanwal ever since.

What is your day-job? I am a student at The University of Newcastle (Ourimbah Campus) where I am studying full time to become a Primary School performing arts teacher.

What did you want to be when you grew up? When I was a little girl I wanted to be an ambulance officer or teacher, although I tended to want to be everything at least once, from a vet, to a coroner, and everything in between.

When did you become involved in theatre? I became involved in musical theatre when I was 11 but stopped after only 2 years to focus on school. I have loved singing and acting since I was a little girl. I have always loved going to the theatre.

Where did you learn your craft? I studied vocal and performance techniques for 10 years with Phil and Suzanne's Music on the Coast. This was a great experience.

What was your first role? My first role was a Wife in WMTC's production of *The King and I*

Favourite play/musical – in which you were involved? *Dames at Sea*, with Wyong Musical Theatre Company in 2004. Playing the lead role Ruby was such a wonderful experience and opened me up to trying new things...I learned to tap! *Oliver!* was another highlight--playing Bet.

Favourite play/musical that you have seen? Disney's *The Lion King*.

What would be/has been your dream part? My dream role would be to play Rizzo in *Grease*

Did a funny thing happen on the way to the theatre? When I was performing in *Dames at Sea*, I was doing a tap routine in one of the scenes that was only supposed to go for a short 30 second stint but one of the other leads forgot to come out to say her lines so I ended up dancing for five minutes repeating the same steps over and over again. When she finally did come out (in her costume for the following scene) we both could not stop laughing! (*I'm hoping for the audience's sake that dance routine didn't include the box step – Ed*)

Best/Worst movies you ever saw? *Dirty Dancing*, *Grease* and *Sound of Music* - nothing beats a classic! Worst movie would have to be the remake of *Dirty Dancing* - you just don't mess with a movie like that - turned it off after 5 minutes!

Favourite TV show? *Home and Away* I am a soap junkie! **Favourite actors?** John Travolta - is there anything that guy can't do? (*I hear he's crap at knock-knock jokes*) **Favourite singers?** Human Nature, Robbie Williams.

Favourite quote - "Dance as though no one is watching, Love like you have never been hurt before, Sing as if no body is listening and live like heaven is on earth!" - William Purky

This talented lady with the lovely smile plays the lead in Wyong Musical Theatre Company's next production - ***Anything Goes*** which features the fabulous standards penned by Cole Porter - from July 13-21 at Wyong Memorial Hall, Anzac Avenue, Wyoming. Next up for WMTC will be *The Wizard of Oz* in September. For more info visit: www.wmtc.com.au and call 1300 366 470 to book tickets.

YOUR SAY...

Have Your Say by reply email. *Letters may be edited for space & clarity.

In lieu of letters this week, here's a little note on tomorrow's Five Lands Walk...

The Five Lands Walk will kick off tomorrow, Saturday 23 June - from dawn to dusk. The walk interweaves through coastal communities from Macmasters Beach to Terrigal. The theme of this year's event is taken from the Aboriginal story of creation. This story, taken from Aboriginal Dreamtime, will constitute the thematic spine linking all events along the day. The walk focussing on the cultural history of MacMasters Beach, Copacabana, Avoca, North Avoca and Terrigal areas is a joint venture of Gosford City Council, local Aboriginal custodians and many social, cultural and sporting organisations. The Five Lands Walk is designed so participants can enjoy the entire nine kilometre route or opt for smaller sections of the course. Taking between four and 6.5 hours to complete, the full walk follows the beach between MacMasters and Copacabana before ascending to Captain Cook Lookout, a favourite whale-watching vantage point with sweeping views of the coastline and Kincumber Mountain. The walk was scheduled for June to coincide with the northern migration of humpback whales. Entertainment and performers will be showcased along the stretch of the walk's route, with ceremonies and celebrations throughout each community as the walk progresses. Park at the finish line at Terrigal for the start of proceedings - shuttle buses will be on hand to ferry participants to the start at MacMasters Beach. For more info, click on this link: <http://www.visitcentralcoast.com.au>

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BLADES OF GLORY (M) Starring Will Ferrell and Jon Heder

Directed by Josh Gordon and Will Speck (debut for both TV actor/directors)

*In many ways doing for professional ice skating what 1999's underrated gem *Drop Dead Gorgeous* did for beauty pageants, *Blades of Glory* is an acerbic, satirical and richly comic escapade—or should that be ice capade?—that garners big laughs right from the start and never, or rarely, eases up. For Will Ferrell, this proudly broad but hardly dumb comedy is exactly what his previous like-minded hits, 2004's *Anchorman: The Legend of Ron Burgundy* and 2006's *Talladega Nights: The Ballad of Ricky Bobby*, wanted so badly to be but failed to attain. For co-star Jon Heder, it is the best he's been since his star-making debut turn in 2004's *Napoleon Dynamite*, making good on the hype that has eluded him in duds like *The Benchwarmers*. Together, these two actors are at the top of their respective games, meshing well together but getting crucial help from a witty, if conventional, script that compliments their strong points.... *Blades of Glory* is a dynamite sports flick that doesn't take itself too seriously, and is all the better for it. **3/5** (*review and rating extracted from themovieboy.com)

ALSO SHOWING:

SHREK THE THIRD (PG) Shrek has been inherited the throne to the kingdom of Far Far Away, due to the demise of Fiona's dad. Shrek's not in love with the idea of being king, so sets out to find the only other heir, a cousin in far away Worcestershire. The introduction of Eric Idle into the stellar voice cast is an extra bonus. Good, almost-clean fun...it's perfect family fodder. **3/5**

PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN III (M)*FINAL WEEK!

Jack got killed in the second one so...wait, hang on a minute...he's still alive? Strap yourself in for almost three hours of Captain Jack and co, as they swashbuckle their way through time, space, sea and one-liners to defeat the creepy villains and make another truck load of loot in merchandising. To think it all started as a Disneyland ride. (What's next the *Cup & Saucer* movie?)

BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA (PG) In giving this movie four stars, themovieboy.com rounded off it's glowing review with this inspiring titbit of extra info: "Screenwriter David Paterson is not only the son of the source material's author, but shares another personal attachment to the story—while he was still a child, mother Katherine wrote the book as a way to help him cope with something that he was experiencing. In adapting the work for the big screen, and doing it with such a pure heart and hand, David has been able to contribute back to his mom a staggering cinematic effort that will continue her celebrated literary legacy. Enchanting, transcendent and profoundly moving, this is a new family classic; that rarefied breed of masterpiece with a shelf life destined to span many generations as it entertains and educates the young, the old, and everyone in between."

COMING SOON: TRANSFORMERS (PG) Yes, the snazzy cartoon series is making it's inevitable transition to the big screen; **DRIVING LESSONS (M)** Classy, bittersweet UK comedy with Julie Walters and *Harry Potter's* Rupert Grint; **ROMULUS, MY FATHER (M)** Eric Bana has garnered rave reviews for his gritty portrayal of the life of an immigrant in 1950s rural Victoria; **HARRY POTTER and the ORDER OF THE PHOENIX (M)** Woo hoo, the wait is nearly over; **MY BEST FRIEND (M)** Delightful French comedy about old friends and antiques; **THE HISTORY BOYS (M)** *Ed's tip for parents of teens:* A coming of age (via higher education) tale, along the lines of *Dead Poet's Society*, this adaptation of the Alan Bennet's acclaimed stage play is well acted and features a fab 80s soundtrack, but allusions to teacher/student 'fraternisation' at this all-boys' school tends to push moral boundaries.

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WWLT PRESENTS: MR BAILEY'S MINDER

Auditions Tue and Thur 26 & 28 June @ 7.30pm at Woy Woy Public School. Required two women aged, mid 20's and late 30's and three men, late 60s, and early to late 30s X 2. Please call director Brenda Logan 4343 1027 for reading copy. Rehearsals commence Tues & Thurs nights starting 5th July, for a three week season Oct 19–Nov 4.

WYONG DRAMA GROUP PRESENTS: PASS THE BUTLER, BY ERIC IDLE

Directed by Peter Deane. November season. Auditions Tues 26 & Thurs 28 June, Green Room, rear of Wyong Memorial Hall, Anzac Ave, Wyong. Six males, three females needed (30s-50s).

GMS JUNIORS PRESENT: HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL FOR JANUARY 2008

To be directed by Zachary Smith, Choreography by Marni Webb. Information night on Friday June 29 @ 7.30 at the GMS Shed, behind Laycock St Theatre. Auditions, July 14-15.

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June 23 – Supper Club; Francine Bell, 'Music and Memories'; **June 24** – CC Symphony Orchestra, 'A Taste of Russia' (2.30pm); **June 25-26** – Bell Shakespeare's Macbeth; **June 29** – Take Two, featuring Judi Connelli and Suzanne Johnston; **July 3-7** – GMS Jnrs present: The NEW Jungle Book (includes 10.30am performances); **July 4** – Debbie Newsome (11am) **July 11-14** – CC Gang Show; **July 14-15** – Colette's Feast (Don Craig Room); **July 15** – Gosford City Brass Band "Brass on Broadway" (2pm); **July 19** – An Evening with Keith Potger; **July 20** – Supper Club, Dorian Mode.

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TOTALLY RANDOM QUOTES #34

"A man should not strive to eliminate his complexes but to get into accord with them: they are legitimately what directs his conduct in the world. ..."

...Sigmund Freud

Do you have a favourite quote? Send it in and I'll publish it here with your name.

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