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ICONIC HANNAH CABINET TO UNDERGO RESTORATION

International Conservation Services (ICS) has been appointed to restore the iconic Hannah Cabinet, damaged in the 2022 natural disaster.

The much-loved Cabinet was among 1400 artworks damaged by floodwaters. By luck, as the flood waters rose, the Cabinet fell onto its back, with the ornate front face avoiding direct water contact and any major damage.

Master craftsman Geoff Hannah OAM worked on the Cabinet for six-and-a-half years before it was purchased for \$1 million following a community fundraising campaign.

The Cabinet is made in the traditional European style. It comprises 34 solid timbers and veneers, four kinds of rare shells and 17 varieties of precious and semi-precious stones. The main frame is made of mahogany, and the columns are made of ebony.

In the immediate aftermath of the disaster, Patinations Conservation Services worked to stabilise the deterioration of the Cabinet and undertook initial restoration work. Its director, Greg Peters, has a long-standing association with master craftsman Geoff Hannah OAM and is a highly experienced furniture conservationist.

The full cost of the restoration work is covered by insurance.

The initial stabilisation phase included successful cleaning, drying, and repeating remediation treatments. The next phase of this massive restoration task involves almost completely dismantling the cabinet and meticulously re-adhering veneers.

ICS's Julian Bickersteth AO, who will oversee the works, is trained in furniture conservation and has been closely involved in the Gallery's collection recovery.

Geoff Hannah will be directly involved with the restoration by consulting and guiding Colin Fardon, his colleague whom he has mentored for over 18 years. Mr Fardon and Mr Peters will be responsible for the re-French polishing and re-gilding phases of work, including any repairs, the final assembly and adjustments of timber components for proper operation.

Once the Cabinet is fully restored and assembled, it will be returned to the care of Lismore Regional Gallery. This could take up to two-and-a-half years.

In the meantime, the Hannah Cabinet inspires as one of the Gallery's major exhibitions, Hannah Halle, currently on display until 17 November.

The artist duo, The ArtHitects, have created an immersive space with over 4000 sheets of A4 paper. The exhibition symbolically reimagines the Hannah Cabinet, including original drawings by Geoff Hannah and contributions by Lindy Lee AM, Bronwyn Bancroft, Daniel Browning, Aris Prabawa and many more local artists.



2024 ELDERS LISMORE SHOW

The Northern Rivers community and beyond are invited to come along and enjoy this year's Elders North Coast National Lismore Show that will be held on 17, 18 and 19 October.

North Coast National A & I Society President John Gibson said the popular Show would return with all the usual favourites, as well as what are sure to become new favourites, like Pop Zone.

"Every year, the show evolves and this year I am happy to announce we will be hosting Pop Zone, including Cosplay, for the first time. It is where fantasy and imagination rule," he said.

"I am also happy to announce that this year, we will also host prestigious National and State Woodchop titles, attracting the best contestants from across the country and state.

"This year we also have a Chill and Charge zone, which is a quiet zone for people to relax and recharge themselves and their phones."

"It is not long until October so now is the time to get ready for the return of our regular popular competitions and exhibitions. We already have some great attractions booked including the Ashton circus that will perform throughout each day and Monster Trucks.

"The very popular FMX bikes will return, along with a petting zoo, a Lego competition for schools, reptiles, jet packs (front cover photo), fireworks and a community stage with a range of local acts.

"The Show has been at the heart of our community since 1885 and is where memories are made. I invite everyone to come along this year to catch up with old friends and make new ones.

"Once again, I would like to thank our naming rights sponsor, Elders, and all our sponsors. Without them, the Show could not go on."

For more, go to northcoastnational.com.au.

Lismore City Council is a proud sponsor of the 2024 Elders Lismore Show.



LISMORE REGIONAL GALLERY REOPENS

The Lismore Regional Gallery has officially reopened. Thank you to everyone who joined us for the official opening event last week, as well as the events held over the weekend, including the Converge Open Day.

Despite the challenging weather, we were pleased to welcome over 1500 visitors at the official opening, with an additional 700 attending throughout the weekend.

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the NSW and Australian Governments for their generous support in the restoration and rebuilding of the gallery. A special thank you to Council's Flood Restoration team and Bennett Constructions for their outstanding work in completing this project, restoring the space and making it more resilient. We are also incredibly grateful to International Art Services and the many local businesses, artists and creatives who contributed to the success of this event.

The Lismore Regional Gallery is now open to the public:

- Wednesday to Sunday: 10am - 4pm
- Thursday: 10am - 6pm

We look forward to welcoming you to the Lismore Regional Gallery and continuing to support the vibrant creative community of Lismore. For more information about current exhibitions and upcoming events go to www.lismoregallery.org.

The Lismore Quadrangle greenspace will also welcome visitors again, after extensive landscaping and drainage improvements as part of flood restoration works. Check out The Quad's open-air program at www.lismorequad.org.au.



Photo: Rebecca Rushbrook

UPDATE ON THE NIMBIN RAINBOW ROAD WALKING TRACK

The Nimbin Rainbow Road Walking Track is coming along beautifully, despite recent rain which has caused a slight delay. The wet weather means we're expecting a setback of about a week to allow the area to dry out before work continues.

On a positive note, the installation of the bridges is well underway, with galvanised steel girders and balustrades already in place. Over the next two weeks, we anticipate completing the northern bridges, with flooring, timber rails and post in-lays all set to be installed shortly.

We're also excited to share that the concreting of the path and stairs at the southern entry is nearly complete, with just a small 20-metre section left. Once this is finished, the contractor will move on to complete the third and fourth bridges.



Several key landscaping decisions have been made, including the addition of a charming low rural-style fence for the northern entries, a large recycled timber pergola and new wayfinding signage to guide visitors along the walk.

In terms of environmental progress, our bush regeneration team has removed most of the weeds in the northern area, clearing the way for upcoming planting. A dedicated Landcare group has also been established for the site, though the first meeting and planting day has been delayed due to last week's rain.

We look forward to keeping you updated as the Nimbin Rainbow Walk continues to take shape!





DEVELOPMENT CONSENTS ISSUED

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT

In accordance with the provisions of Section 4.59 of the Act and Clause 124 of the EP&A Regulation, notification is given that the undermentioned developments have recently been granted consent.

APPLICATION DETAILS

DA22/256-3 43 McKenzie Street, Lismore - Section 4.55(1A) modification to development consent 5.2022.256.2 to add a covered deck on the western side of the dwelling with car parking underneath.

DA23/252 747 Ballina Road, Goonellabah - To undertake alterations and additions to the Goonellabah Tavern (pub) and Bottle Shop (retail premises) and the associated demolition works, new car parking, signage, landscaping and the removal of five (5) trees.

DA23/272 33 Smith Street, Clunes - Above ground swimming pool.

DA23/298 1158 Pinchin Road, The Channon - Use of existing structure as a dwelling and attached garage.

DA24/117 591 Ballina Road, Goonellabah - To undertake alterations and additions to the existing Carmelite Monastery to create four (4) new offices, two (2) workrooms and an access ramp.

DA24/140 800 Rous Road, Tregear - To undertake a home industry for a purpose of small-scale mead production.

DA24/165 2375 & 2435 Dunoon Road, Rosebank - Dwelling.

DA24/184 104 Brewster Street, East Lismore - Raise dwelling with expansion in area of an existing uncovered deck.

DA24/186 6 Birdwing Place, Modanville - Re-sited dwelling, carport and driveway.

DA24/190 2, 24 & 24A Dunoon Road and 109 Alexandra Parade, North Lismore - National Indigenous Resilience Gathering, 24-26 September 2024 Event and camping associated with Event.

DA24/194 1112 Bruxner Highway, McKees Hill - Shed with awning.

DA24/195 38 Esmonde Street, Girards Hill - Plunge pool with associated decking and fencing.

DA24/196 19 Julieanne Place, Bexhill - Alterations and additions to the existing dwelling including the addition of a deck, sauna and spa.

DA24/199 39 Hidden Valley Circuit, Chilcotts Grass - Dwelling and retaining walls.

DA24/207 55 Federation Drive, Eltham - Demolition of existing carport and shed and the addition of a bedroom, ensuite and walk-in robe to the existing dwelling, alterations to the laundry and construction of a new detached shed and carport.

DA24/226 46 Evergreen Drive, Goonellabah - Dwelling with associated earthworks.

DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT

As the consent authority, Council has received the following development applications for consideration.

DA NUMBER: 24/235

LOCATION AND DP LOT: 408 and 450 Alphadale Road, Tregear (Lot 22 DP 785972, Lot 1 DP 919314).

APPLICANT: Newton Denny Chapelle.

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT: To undertake the use of a former church to enable small scale wedding ceremonies (no receptions) and associated: demolition works, alterations & additions to the existing building; construction of a new amenities building; construction of new driveway access, car parking, and bus bay and construction of new picket fence to property boundary. The proposal is classified as nominated integrated development in accordance with s4.46 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. Approval from NSW DPE (Water) is required in accordance with Water Management Act 2000. The consent authority is the Lismore City Council.

CLOSING DATE: 11 November 2024.

If you wish, you may make a submission to the Council in relation to the Development Application. Any submission must specify the grounds of objection (if any).

The above Development Application(s) and accompanying documents may be inspected at Council's Corporate Centre, 43 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah, during ordinary office hours or via DA Tracking at www.lismore.nsw.gov.au.

Further information relating to written submissions is available on Council's website. There are laws regarding the mandatory disclosure of political donations in relation to planning matters. Political donations disclosure reporting forms are available from the Department of Planning at www.planning.nsw.gov.au.

OUR NEW COUNCIL TEAM

Our new Council team met for the first-time last Tuesday evening for a welcome and introduction at the Council Chambers.

Congratulations to all new and returning Councillors.

Councillors for the next term of Council are:

- Mayor Steve Krieg
- Cr Gianpiero Battista
- Cr Andrew Bing
- Cr Harper Dalton-Earls
- Cr Andrew Gordon
- Cr Adam Guise
- Cr Jeri Hall
- Cr Electra Jensen
- Cr Jasmine Knight-Smith
- Cr Big Rob
- Cr Virginia Waters

WHAT'S ON AT THE LIBRARY?

Author Talk with Steve Wyatt

Rainforest Warriors: The fight for Terania Creek and Mt Nardi

Stephen Wyatt's new book, Rainforest Warriors, tells the story of extraordinary cultural change in the Northern Rivers in the 1970s and how that led to Australia's first ever fight against environmental destruction – a fight that resulted in undreamt success – the creation of national parks down the spine of the state. It set the scene for environmental action for decades thereafter: at the Franklin in Tasmania, in the Daintree, coal seam gas blockades and internationally.

- Sunday, 20 October from 3pm-4pm
- Goonellabah Library

To book call the library on 6625 1235 or scan QR code below.



ROUS ROAD AND OLIVER AVENUE ROUNABOUT UPGRADE

Under the 2023/24 Australian Government Black Spot Program, Lismore City Council will upgrade the existing roundabout at the intersection of Rous Road and Oliver Avenue, as well as undertake ancillary safety works.

The planned roadworks is proudly funded by Transport for NSW under the Australian Government Black Spot Program.

The Intersection has experienced six accidents between 2018 and 2023, all resulting in injuries to vehicle occupants.

The proposed upgrade will improve the driving environment and reduce the risk of future accidents.

The proposed works include:

- **Installation of pedestrian refuges with fencing:** To provide additional and safer crossing locations
- **Remove sight distance restrictions at the Intersection:** Several large trees create sight distance issues at the Caroon Marima Care Facility. The proposed roundabout will be further away from the existing exit location
- **Signs and line marking:** Install advisory signage, relevant roundabout signage, line marking and guideposts
- **Street lighting:** Improved lighting at the roundabout for motorists and pedestrians
- **Vegetation management:** The proposed roundabout will be located away of koala food trees and outside the biodiversity zone. There are three three small trees that will be removed/relocated as they are within the construction footprint. The size of the roundabout is determined by relevant Australian Roads Standards
- Installation of a mini roundabout at the intersection of Rous Road and Reserve Street (Pending Funding)



SMALL BUSINESS MONTH

Council is hosting a series of business education workshops in celebration of Small Business Month.

These workshops are designed to empower local businesses with practical tools and strategies.

Visa Options for Employing Overseas Workers

Wednesday, 16 October from 11am-12pm

Gordon Pavilion, Oakes Oval

A free information session on visa options for employing overseas workers. This session is crucial for businesses facing skills shortages and will cover various visa categories, eligibility criteria and application processes. Learn how international talent can support your business and contribute to the regional economy.

For more information and bookings, scan QR code.



Marketing Masterclass

Wednesday, 23 October from 9.30am – 3pm

Gordon Pavilion, Oakes Oval

The Marketing Masterclass is designed to help you develop a marketing strategy that truly connects with your ideal customers. Learn how to understand your market, focus on the right strategies, and price your products or services effectively.

For more information and bookings, scan QR code.



Other Small Business Month events to look out for

- Northern Rivers Small Business Month Expo: Tuesday, 15 October from 9am - 4pm at Twin Towns Clubs and Resorts, Coolangatta.
- Nimbin Small Business Month Event: Wednesday, 30 October from 9.30am - 3pm at the Nimbin Bush Theatre Café.



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