



# Diamonds 'n Denim Linedancers

Port Macquarie and Camden Haven NSW



Happy  
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Missing you all!

I'm trying to make the most of lockdown and finally the garden is taking shape, with much help from Jim. We've cleaned out the garden sheds, pressure-cleaned, painted, removed rubbish, downsized garden beds, built new ones, moved shrubs and added a grassed walkway. We all have our own way of coping with lockdown and gardening is good exercise until we can get back to some REAL exercise, ie dancing.



Spring is in the air; unfortunately so is Covid19 and the new Delta strain is much more contagious. We haven't danced together since 22 June. Cities are in lockdown and state borders are constantly opening and closing as Covid rears its ugly head. We are accepting and becoming familiar with new everyday changes, like signing in with the QR code before we enter shops and medical centres. Those in regional areas must stay home and move within our **LGA** only for essential travel/exercise.

Be honest, when you first saw **LGA** written, did you wonder what it meant? I did. Many must have, as the media resorted to clarifying by writing 'LGA (Local Government Area)'. There are so many acronyms being tossed around now that it's hard to keep up when reading and often you have no idea what they mean. Younger people, even TV presenters, don't realise that initials like BHP have only one meaning to older people.

We (and by 'we' I mean 'me') get it that our language is constantly changing as fast as our world. Education is changing, not always for the better. Our dictionaries are being updated at an alarming rate with the addition of tech terminology, movie jargon and what we call slang. We occasionally grumble but mostly take it all in our stride. We can be proud that we have adjusted to the onslaught of change in recent years. As for *understanding* the media and modern jargon, much of the time we think the world has gone mad and some of the time, we just DGAS.



We'll be back! Our hall bookings are being held for us and at first opportunity we'll be on the dancefloor. All our legals are in place and paid up, music licencing, insurance, etc so there'll be no hold up there. We think we won't remember anything but linedancing is like riding a bike, you don't forget. We see so many people returning after many, many years and they themselves are amazed at how much they remember. We're in for heaps of revision. Choreographers are using Covid down-time to work on dances and there's a lot of new ones coming through. Most are excellent, but so too are our old favourites and we (again, read me!) will need revision.

Take care, stay well and most importantly happy with your lot!

Di xx 1 Sep 2021



**NO NEW DANCES**



**"Believe you can and you're halfway there."**

THEODORE ROOSEVELT

I'm getting totally fed up with people whining about the price of things - \$2.50 for iced tea, \$3.50 for coffee, \$4 for a slice of cake, \$5 to park the car. Any more complaining and I'm going to stop inviting people over.

After having dug to a depth of 10 feet last year, British scientists found traces of copper wire dating back 200 years & came to the conclusion that their ancestors already had a telephone network more than 150 years ago.

Not to be outdone by the British, in the weeks that followed, an American archaeologist dug to a depth of 20 feet & shortly after, a story was published in the New York Times: "American archaeologists, finding traces of 250-year-old copper wire, have concluded that their ancestors already had an advanced high-tech communications network 50 years earlier than the British".

One week later, Australia's Northern Territory Times, reported the following: "After digging as deep as 30 feet in his backyard in Tennant Creek, Northern Territory, aboriginal Billi Bunji, a self-taught archaeologist, reported that he found absolutely bugger-all.

Billi has therefore concluded that 250 years ago, Australia had already gone to wireless."

Makes me feel bloody proud to be Australian!

Kids returning to school after Corona.



AUG		
Jill G	21	>
SEPT		
Yvonne P	14	
Hilary S	3	
OCT		
Sue Moore	3	
Kenneth S	5	
Carolyn R	10	
Susan W	10	
Jim A	11	
Dale G	15	
Joanne R	18	
Sue L	24	



Happy Birthday

We'll be back soon



### MONDAY

**Kendall hall**.. (19 Comboyne St) except 3rd Mon \*

1. Beginners 11 - 12 pm
2. Intermediate 12.15 - 1.30 pm

Classes & socials \$10

NB \*3rd Mon only is at Club North Haven at old time of 1-3 pm

### TUESDAY

**Port Macquarie Rotary Hall**.. (198 Hastings River Dr)

1. Beginners 11.30 - 12.30 pm
2. Intermediate 12.45 - 2.00 pm



To access your YOUTUBE channel, search Diamonds 'n Denim Linedancers. To open, find and click on this, my profile photo.



Eagles may soar, but weasels don't get sucked into jet engines.



The early bird may get the worm, but the second one gets the cheese.

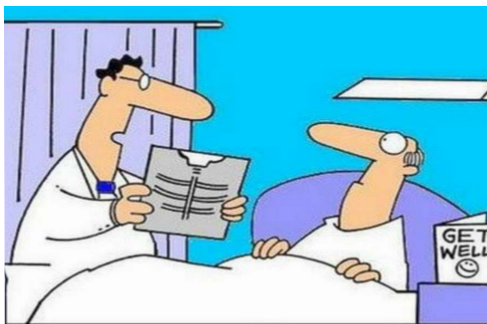
**Best Joke**

An old nun, who was living next to a construction site, noticed the course language of the workers and decided to spend some time with them to correct their ways.

She decided to pack her lunch and sit with the workers. Sporting a big smile, she walked up to the group and asked, "And, do you men know Jesus Christ?" They shook their heads and looked at each other, very confused.

One of the workers looked up into the steelworks and yelled out, 'Anybody up there know Jesus Christ?'

One of the scaffolders yelled down 'Why?'. The worker yelled back 'Cause his mum's here with his lunch.'



"Your x-ray showed a broken rib, but we fixed it with Photoshop."



**Lost Words From Our Childhood**

**Mergatroyd!** Do you remember that word? Would you believe the spell-checker did not recognize the word Mergatroyd? Heavens to Mergatroyd!

The other day a lady said something to her son about driving a **Jalopy**; and he looked at her quizzically and said, "What the heck is a Jalopy?" He had never heard of the word jalopy! She knew she was old ... But not that old.

Well, I hope you are **Hunky Dory** after you read this and chuckle.

About a month ago, I illuminated some old expressions that have become obsolete because of the inexorable march of technology. These phrases included: **Don't touch that dial**, **Carbon copy**, **You sound like a broken record**, and **Hung out to dry**.

Back in the olden days we put on **our best bib and tucker**.

**Heavens to Betsy!** **Gee whillikers!** **Jumping Jehoshaphat!** **Holy Moley!**

We were **in like Flynn** and **living the life of Riley**; and even a regular guy couldn't accuse us of being a **knucklehead**, a **nincompoop** or a **pill**. **Not for all the tea in China!**

We wake up from a short nap, and before we can say, **"Well, I'll be a monkey's uncle!"** Or, **"This is a fine kettle of fish!"**

**Poof**, go the words of our youth, the words we've left behind. Where have all those great phrases gone?

Long gone: **Pshaw**, **The milkman did it**. Don't forget to pull the chain. **Knee high to a grasshopper**. Well, **Fiddlesticks!** **I'll see you in the funny farm**. **Wake up and smell the roses**.



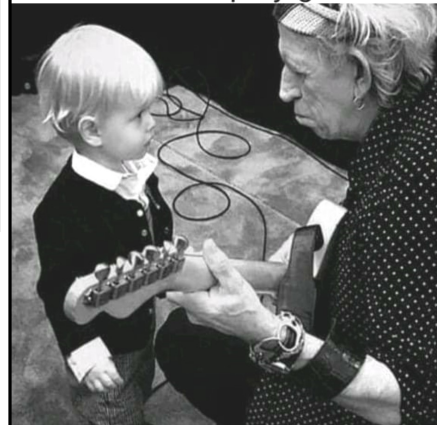
**See ya later, alligator!** **Okidoki** **Great Scott!**



A husband and wife were grocery shopping. He picks up a case of beer and puts it in the cart. "What are you doing?" asks the wife. "They're on sale, only \$10 for 24 cans" he replies. "Put them back, we can't afford them", demands the wife. They continue shopping. Later on, she puts a \$20 jar of face cream in the basket. "What are you doing?" asks the husband. "It's my face cream. It makes me look beautiful," replies the wife. He said, "So does 24 cans of beer and it's half the price."

From the boys..

Keith Richards teaching Willie Nelson how to play guitar



**I helped my neighbour out with something this morning and she said to me, "I could marry you".**

**I couldn't believe it,...  
You do something nice for someone and they threaten to ruin your life in return.**



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People who ask me what I'm doing tomorrow probably assume that I even know what day of the week it is.



**Do you ever have one of those days when it's rrrreally hard to get out of bed?**

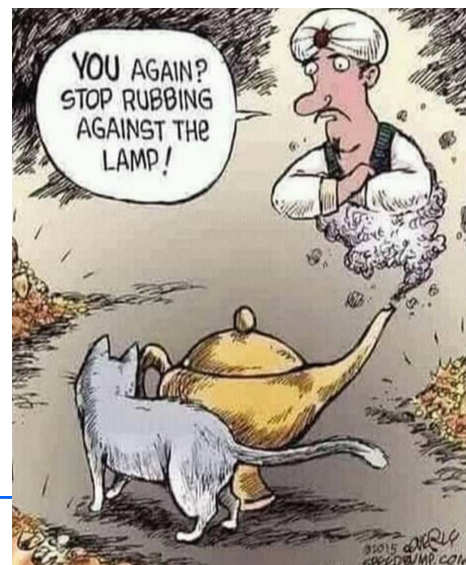
Use caution when ordering online.



**Man disappointed after ordering 34 year old escort online**

Remember when you were little and all your underwear had the days of the week on them. Those would be helpful right now.

Little Johny came home from Bible class his Dad asked what he learned. Johny said he learned Moses helped the Israelites escape the Egyptians by calling in Corps of Engineers to build a pontoon bridge across the sea and then called the Air Force to bomb the bridge so Egyptians couldnt follow. His Dad said he didn't believe that. Johny said well you wont believe the real story they told us either.



**2021  
UPcoming  
EVENTS**



Two old men are drinking in a bar. One says, "Did you know that Lions have sex 10 to 15 times a day?" "Aww, darn!" says his friend, "and I just joined Rotary!"

**Possibly..**

OCT 30 **Maitland Muster** at Telarah Bowling Club. Rooms are booked at Maitland City Motel for Sat night. Payable on arrival. We have until a week before to cancel if necessary.

NOV 12/13 **Sawtell RSL** with Holiday Coast Bootscooters and Wayne Beazley.

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