

Little big town

When I joined *Jupiter Magazine* as editor in chief almost five years ago, one of the first people I knew I wanted to grace our cover at some point was Tyler Cameron. He was fresh off *The Bachelorette*, a former star quarterback at Jupiter High, a hometown boy with deep local roots... And, of course, he has a face that's made for magazine covers. But Tyler is a busy man. We talked on and off over the years about doing something, but with all of the projects he's been working on, the timing was never right. But finally, the stars have aligned.

When I interviewed Tyler for this month's cover feature (page 44), he said something that really stuck with me. He referred to Jupiter as a "little big town," explaining: "It's gotten big, but it's still little to the people who grew up here. We take care of each other and help each other out." It's such a true statement, and one of the things I adore about this town. It also says a lot about who Tyler is—he may be a big celebrity now, but what matters most to him is family, friends, and helping others in his little big town. I can't count the number of times I've run into him at various nonprofit events, and he is always down to support local charities in any way he can.

That's why I urge you all to support his charity—the Andrea C. Cameron Foundation—and also to support his career by tuning into his new TV show, *Going Home with Tyler Cameron* (on Amazon Prime Video). The show follows Tyler and his team at Image One construction as they renovate homes in the area. It's cool to see Tyler doing his thing on screen and also getting to see beautiful Jupiter on television!

Also in this issue, we feature the Martin County Police Athletic League, an amazing organization that works with local youths to help them stay out of trouble and develop leadership skills, self-esteem, and self-discipline. I had the chance to sit in on one of PAL's boxing classes and meet the program's founder, Noel DelValle, and it was truly impressive watching these kids so focused and engaged. Read all about it in "A League of Their Own" (page 58), and hats off to Noel for launching such a wonderful organization.

Peace and blessings,

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BEHIND THE SCENES



SCOTT TEITLER



From left: an outtake from our shoot with Tyler Cameron; Tyler and me on location at his home after the shoot.

Wild at heart

If there's one positive I hope many of us have taken from this mad year of mandates and lockdowns, it's this: a reconnection with nature.

I have to say, quarantining hasn't really been much of a bummer for me. That's because I love being in the one place we have been "allowed" to be, safely, throughout this whole thing—and that's the great outdoors. A paddle out on the river, a swim in the ocean, a bike ride at Riverbend Park, a simple walk with the dog...All of it up for grabs, as long as we did it solo (or with not more than a handful of others). Of course, being in Florida has helped too; cold-climate denizens up north likely have felt a lot more "trapped" than we have. But here? Nature is ours for the taking, even in winter.

A few weeks ago, I fed a bear. He ate an apple piece out of the palm of my hand. A big, wondrous, kindhearted black bear. I actually still can't believe it happened, an intimate brush with the wild that I will not soon forget. This was at Busch Wildlife Sanctuary, where we were shooting animal portraits to accompany their rescue stories on page 36. If you haven't been there in a while, I suggest stopping by and paying these creatures a visit. Just being around their energy is a wonderful reminder that there is life way beyond Covid and catastrophe. The world is wild and beautiful and so much bigger than us.

One of our neighbors who certainly values the "call of the wild" is Jupiter Farms resident Jason Gluck. After years spent living a successful but hectic life in the music industry (he worked with Miley Cyrus, among other big names), he decided to get back to the serenity of nature. He purchased a 15-acre ranch and began taking in rescue animals—kangaroos, monkeys, goats, and more—a total of 26 animals living with him on his property today. Read his story and meet some of his roommates on page 58.

You'll find much of the content on these pages is dedicated to honoring nature and the great outdoors. From a guide to local camping (page 46) to art that enhances our natural landscapes while also solving environmental issues (page 26), there is lots to inspire you to get back to nature.

And because we all know I love my literary quotes, I'll leave you with this gem by poet Lord Byron: "There is a pleasure in the pathless woods. There is a rapture on the lonely shore. There is society, where none intrudes. By the deep Sea, and music in its roar: I love not Man the less, but Nature more" (from *Childe Harold's Pilgrimage*, 1812).

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World keeps turning...

As we enter July, many of us have no idea exactly what our summer is going to look like. We've been cooped up for what feels like an eternity. Communities are marching in support of social justice. And while much of our state is inching its way toward getting back to business, COVID-19 remains a very real threat. There is civil unrest across the globe right now for all of these reasons and more.

It can be tough to put together a monthly magazine during times like these. Since our team works on issues months in advance, it's impossible to properly cover the topics that matter so very much. Who knows what our world is going to be like even a few weeks from now? So we continue on, providing our readers with what is hopefully a little respite and highlighting some of the things we love about our community. Because after all, the world keeps turning....

With that in mind, summer has indeed arrived—and there is no better time to get outside and embrace our hobbies. That's why we've devoted this issue to the sporting life. Starting on page 17, The Local section covers everything from the best spots to snorkel to fishing charters to get your snook on. If golf is your thing, you'll be excited to read pro tips on how to play specific holes at three nearby courses. I know I can't wait to get my mountain bike back out on the trails at Jonathan Dickinson State Park—find out where else to ride inside.

But let's talk about surfing. Did you see the cuties on our cover? They are just two of the many young locals dominating the sport today. On page 32, read the stories of five of these talented athletes, whom you just might spot on the waves at the Jupiter Inlet or Juno Beach Pier this summer.

There are a few other people you'll meet in this issue that I think you'll find interesting. Phil and Rachel West are one of the most adventurous couples I've come across in Jupiter. They moved here a few years ago after spending much of their life in Africa, raising their young kids and running a safari business. Read their story—and see some of Phil's breathtaking wildlife photos—on page 38. We also caught up with newly elected Town Councilman Cameron May and asked him a few of his favorite things about Jupiter (page 20).

As always, our Flavor section (page 81) is dedicated to all things delicious. This month, we offer refreshing recipes from Hog Snappers and Barcello you'll definitely want to try. Plus, check out our dining guide and consider getting out for a meal or a cocktail (when you feel comfortable doing so) at one of the many amazing local establishments whose doors are finally open again. They could sure use our support.

Peace, blessings, and happy summer!



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Happy 2023, everybody! I cannot believe it has been three years already since I became editor in chief of *Jupiter Magazine*. Time truly does fly when you're having fun....

Our first issue of the new year came with a lot of good times behind the scenes, that's for sure. I always say our nature-themed issue (coming in March) is my favorite issue to work on. But our January Arts Issue might give it a run for its money this year.

Let's start with the cover story. The seed for this shoot with Ricky and MC was planted way back in late spring of 2022. I was outside at a private party in town when this incredible, booming voice started filling the air. There was this guy—longish hair, shorts, huge smile on his face—sitting on a stool in the corner playing guitar and just *wailing* country lyrics. I think it was a Hank Williams Jr. song that originally caught my attention. His raspy voice and the charismatic way he had about him up on stage was, in a word, mesmerizing. It was Ricky Young. The country artist had recently moved to Jupiter from Nashville and was playing the local live music circuit just for kicks.

When I introduced myself and we chatted that first time, I knew this guy was going on a cover at some point. Not only was he this amazing musician and super likeable guy, but the story of how he and his wife, MC, wound up living in Jupiter was also so random and cool. And when I later met MC—who used to cohost the number-one show on SiriusXM radio back in Nashville—it was immediately apparent that she had to be a part of this feature too. The couple is expecting their first child this month and have so many great things to look forward to here in their new home. Get to know them in "A Little Bit Country," starting on page 46. (And definitely check out a Ricky show one of these days if you haven't already!)

Now let's talk about Bulks. If you're a fan of street art, you definitely already know who he is—or at least have seen his work. Bulk Styles (who goes by Bulks) has painted so many murals all over South Florida (and beyond), it's hard to keep track. I've always loved graffiti and street art, and I've been a fan of Bulks' work for a while. So when I found out he grew up in Jupiter and still lives here today, I was beyond excited to feature him in the magazine. We spent the day hanging out at his Tequesta studio before driving to one of his many murals for the photo shoot and had a total blast. It's always the best when someone whose work you love turns out to be a really cool person to boot—and that was definitely the case with Bulks. Get to know the man behind the spray paint can in "The Incredible Bulk," beginning on page 54.

There is so much more great arts-related content and more on these pages, and I hope you enjoy reading our 2023 kickoff issue as much as I've enjoyed putting it together. Cheers!

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From left: Taking a spin with Ricky Young in his vintage 1979 Jeep (that's Patsy Cline in the back seat); selfie with the gorgeous MC Callahan-Young; playing it cool with Bulk Styles.