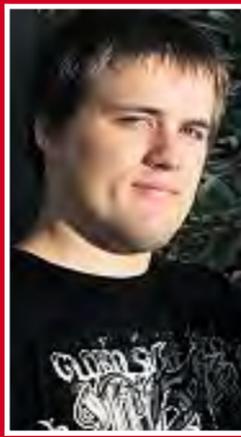




OFFICE CLUTTER

WHAT DOES YOUR DESK SAY ABOUT YOU?: P6



BREAKING DOWN A WALL OF HATRED

MY LIFE AS A FOSTER CHILD: P3



Hair's another great musical

SWEET SHOW: Glenn Beattie (Edna Turnblad) and the two Tracys – Laura Hamlyn (Tracy Turnblad on Thursday and Saturday) and Emma Girle (Tracy Turnblad on Friday and Sunday) – get into character for Hairspray at the Pilbeam Theatre. ■ Report page 2.

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HOW SCOTT SMUGGLED FOUR GUNS ACROSS EUROPE



Scott Keato

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“ They said ‘we can’t believe you managed to carry four guns into the country’

– Scott Keato



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One man's mess is ... a glory to behold – a paean to clutter

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INSPIRING: Bronwyn Fenech from FM Studios loves having knick knacks around in her office to spark her creative juices.
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AT WORK: Bill Byrne chats to a constituent in his elaborately decorated office.
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“I find that having all these odd sorts of things tend to spark creativity



MILITARY PRIDE: One of Bill's military collectables.
PHOTO: SHARYN O'NEILL, ROK231012SOFFICE6

The theory of chaos

By **CHRIS SCHWARTEN**
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ALMOST every day somebody in the office has something to say about the state of my desk, saying it must be impossible to work in such conditions.

I try to explain to them that everybody works in different ways, and I just happen to work in a cluttered environment; as did many great writers, artists and musicians, like Jack Kerouac, Frances Bacon and Beethoven, just to name a few.

The working environment is something that has interested me for a long time because it tells so much about a person – so I set about checking out the work spaces of some of the



COLLECTORS: Some of Bronwyn Fenech's vintage collectables that decorate the FM Studios office.
PHOTO: PICASA

region's most prominent people.

Rockhampton MP Bill Byrne was the first stop, showing off his collection of military memorabilia and sentimental ornaments, which included a mounted boar's head that he rescued from the Great Western during redevelopments.

"I just have all these things for comfort more

than anything," he said. "They sort of make me feel at home and very at ease in my office, and I think that helps me with my work. I get the most done when I'm comfortable and not distracted."

The next stop was Bronwyn Fenech from FM Studios, who is known for her quirky taste in vintage items
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SHAMBLES: The desk of Chris Schwarten at The Morning Bulletin.
PHOTO: SHARYN O'NEILL, ROK231012SOFFICE1



EXTERMINATE: Bill Byrne has a range of interests, although we know about his military passion, we also found he had love for Daleks and Dr Who.
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ENTHUSIAST: Bill's office is decorated with a range of military memorabilia, but he has a particular penchant for WWII fighter planes
PHOTO: SHARYN O'NEILL, ROK231012SOFFICE7



SNEAKY: Michael J Bailey's office, surprisingly clean. We know you better though, Mr Bailey, and we will catch you out.
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TYRE & MECHANICAL

Premier steps up to plate at lunch

By **KARA IRVING**
GLADSTONE OBSERVER

CAN-DO Campbell Newman may have avoided protesters outside the PCYC yesterday, but the Premier couldn't escape questions addressed at the lavish GAPDL luncheon.

During Mr Newman's

20-minute address as guest speaker at the GAPDL October Enterprise Business Lunch, the Premier spoke about the LNP's future plans for Queensland and Gladstone.

He said the debt the Bligh government had incurred was impacting future spending.

"If money was the answer, we would have the best health system in the known-universe. But there's a heck of a lot more we can do," Mr Newman said.

Mr Newman also spoke about the future of Gladstone's port, the state of the region's roads and the reasoning behind the uranium

mining back-flip.

A number of concerned residents asked the Premier about future funding for Gladstone Base Hospital, with Queensland Hospital and Health Board Service Gladstone representative Kurt Heidecker saying the progress for change was slow, but steady.



GUEST SPEAKER: Premier Campbell Newman speaks at the GAPDL October Enterprise Lunch in Gladstone yesterday.

PHOTO: KARA IRVING

His mess is as good as a smile

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and knick knacks.

"I find that having all these odd sorts of things tend to spark creativity, and that's very important for us," she said.

Both of their offices were immaculate, might I add, much to my disappointment.

At Michael J Bailey's office, I knew I could find somebody who would help argue my point. But Mr Bailey was on leave and had cleaned his desk, so, no

help there.

Still one of his co-workers did vouch for me and said that it was out of the ordinary that his office was in such a clean state.

Returning to the office after seeing everybody else's clean work environments, I started to think that maybe I should give my desk a good old spring clean and start afresh.

But I had a couple of other things to chase up, so maybe it'll be something for tomorrow or another time.

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