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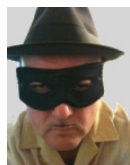
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Jocks' Journal Celebrates 25 Years



As soon as I saw my mate Phil's print out from an Apple Mac computer in 1989 I realised it was now possible to give birth to an 'almanac' trivia publication for radio presenters. For years I had collected 'famous birthdays' and 'on this day' trivia. I suppose the seeds go back to the fact that I kept a daily diary from 1968 - 1977. Now as we were entering a new age in computers and technology it was possible to do 'desk top publishing'. In January 1989 I borrowed my mate's Apple, paid another friend to laser print a master copy, photocopied a sample edition for every commercial radio station and did a test run. On January 25 we signed up our first subscriber from 4ZR (the late Clive Burnell). From then on the subscriptions kept rolling in and we never looked back. The first JJ only included an almanac section but gradually grew to include radio news, radio jobs and other radio-related articles. I thought when the 'internet age' hit in the late 90s we might disappear but thanks to the support of subscribers from commercial and ABC stations, very loyal community stations (without you we couldn't exist), plus individual subscribers (Kevin Hillier has been with us 25 years), and even restaurants (who feature our trivia on their menus) we wouldn't be here in 2014. A VERY BIG thanks to all. (Editor)

Radio News

The new 2Day FM Sydney breakfast lineup has been announced. In 2014 Sydney listeners will wake up to Jules Lund, Merrick Watts and Sophie Monk who will be joined daily by special guest Mel B.



Radio 2UE 954 have announced its line-up for 2014. Monday-Friday: Breakfast 530-830: John Stanley and Garry Linnell, Mornings 830-1130: Angela Catterns, Your Business Day 1130-1200: Stuart Bocking, Afternoons 1200-3pm: Dicko and Sarah, Drive 3-6pm: Justin Smith, Sports Today 6-8pm: John Gibbs and Greg Alexander and Nights 8pm-midnight Clive Robertson.

Simon Baggs, who was anchoring Sami and Yumi's Mix 106.5 breakfast show, will continue on with the station and host the 9-3pm shift when it becomes KIIS 106.5. Lars Peterson is moving from Mix to WSFM to take on the role of drive announcer. Lars has been hosting the 9am-2pm shift on MIX. He joins Richard Mercer aka The Love God who is also moving to WSFM in 2014.

Ryan Rathbone has departed Mix 106.5 in Sydney although he was still contracted for 2014.

Steve Mills will be joined on the 6PR Breakfast program by Seven Network broadcaster Basil Zempilas in 2014. 6PR General Manager Martin Boylen said he was delighted to have Zempilas rejoin 6PR after a stint in FM radio.

Meryl Swanson has resigned from 2HD and The Super Radio Network. 2HD GM Guy Ashford said: "Meryl resigned from 2HD giving 2 weeks notice and was due to finish on December 20. Unfortunately Meryl opened her show today with a statement about her resignation and a programming decision was made to take her off air. Meryl was due to take time off over Christmas and was to return next year but decided to give notice last week, we wish her well for the future."



After more than 10 years as the No 1 Female Breakfast presenter in Newcastle, Kim Bauer will team up with Melanie Sargeant and Steve St John on NEW FM.

The 2014 National Radio Conference will be held in Melbourne - October 17-18.

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- 1 Iron Man 3 (\$409 million)
- 2 Despicable Me 2 (\$367 million)
- 3 The Hunger Games: Catching Fire (\$356 m)
- 4 Man Of Steel (\$291 million)
- 5 Monsters University (\$268million)
- 6 Gravity (\$252 million)
- 7 Fast & Furious 6 (\$238 million)
- 8 Oz TheGreat And Powerful (\$234 million)
- 9 Star Trek Into Darkness (\$228 million)
- 10 World War Z (\$202 million)



MOST PLAYED SONGS ON RADIO – 2013



1. Lanterns (Birds of Tokyo) 17,419
2. Let Her Go (Passenger) 17,376
3. Just Give Me A Reason (Pink feat. Nate Ruess) 16,131
4. Pompeii (Bastille) 15,664
5. Ho Hey (Lumineers) 14,785
6. Get Lucky (Daft Punk: feat. Pharrel Williams) 14,697
7. Wake Me Up (Avicii) 14,639
8. Blurred Lines (Robin Thicke feat. Ti and Pharrell) 14,631
9. When I Was Your Man (Bruno Mars) - 13,582
10. Riptide (Vance Joy) 13,417

Courtesy of AirCheck, the Leader in Local Media Monitoring

MOST GOOGLED TOPICS (Aust) - 2013

1. Paul Walker (Died aged 40 - 2013)
2. Cory Monteith (Died aged 31 - 2013)
3. Royal Baby
4. iphone 5s
5. North Korea
6. RFS
7. AEC
8. The Block
9. My Kitchen Rules
10. House Rules



BRW'S 2013 TOP 10 AUSTRALIAN ENTERTAINERS

1. Hugh Jackman (\$46.8 million)
2. The Wiggles (\$18.2 million) (They earned \$45 million in 2009.)
3. Cate Blanchett (\$17.2 million)
4. Russell Crowe (\$15.1 million) He was No 1 in 2012
5. Simon Baker (\$10.1 million)
6. Nicole Kidman (\$8.6 million)
7. Chris Hemsworth (\$7.5 million)
8. Keith Urban (\$6.8 million)
9. Curtis Stone (\$6.4 million)
10. Miranda Kerr (\$6 million)



MOST READ NEWS STORIES - 2013

1. Actor Paul Walker killed in car crash (1.6 million views)
2. (Miley) Cyrus shocks crowd with raunchy performance at VMAs (548,000 views)
3. We did nothing wrong, says 'formal snub' school (534,000 views)
4. World's first venomous crustacean found in WA (467,000 views)
5. Student finds 'brain' in a KFC meal (448,000 views)

Courtesy of nineMSN

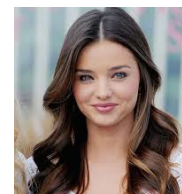
MOST WATCHED NEWS VIDEOS - 2013

1. Snake on car terrifies Queensland passengers (844,000 views)
2. (Miley) Cyrus shocks crowd with raunchy performance at VMAs (615,000 views)
3. Today: Karl (Stefanovic) Pranks Roz (Kelly) (376,000 views)
4. Baby's lucky escape on Russian highway (375,000 views)
5. Witness filmed Boston blasts (351,000 views)

Courtesy of nineMSN

MOST BINGED CELEBRITIES IN AUSTRALIA - 2013

1. Miranda Kerr (third year in a row)
2. Kevin Rudd
3. Tony Abbott
4. Julia Gillard
5. Shane Warne



MOST GOOGLED ATHLETES (Aust) - 2013

1. Sonny Bill Williams
2. Roger Federer
3. LeBron James
4. Rafael Nadal
5. Gareth Bale
6. Messi
7. Adam Scott
8. Luis Suarez
9. Ashton Agar
10. Anthony Mundine



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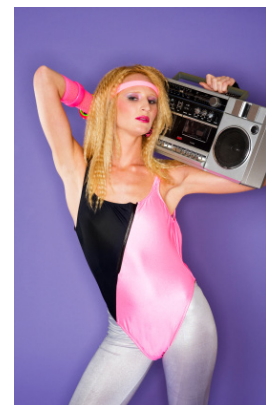
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Jocks' Journal Radio News

News Talk 4BC has revealed its 2014 line up. Headlining the station's shows are Breakfast (5.00am-8.30am) **Ian Skippen** and **Loretta Ryan** (formerly on afternoons) Mornings (8.30am-11.30am) **Patrick Condren**, Afternoons (12pm-3pm) **Michael Price** and **Heather Stott**, Drive (3pm-6pm) **Ben Davis**, Sports Today (6pm-8pm) **Peter Psaltis**, (8pm-12.00am) **Walter Williams**, Weekend Breakfast (5am-8am) **Andre La Porte**, Big Backyard (8am-12pm) **Chris Adams**, Your Home (Saturday, 12pm-2pm) Presenter **Kevin Turner**, Fresh on Sunday (Sunday, 12pm-2pm) Presenter **Dominique Rizzo**, and weekend evenings with **John Scott**.



William Goodings is **FIVEaa's** new afternoon presenter in 2014. Will is a familiar voice with FIVEaa listeners having previously hosted a number of shows across the station including filling in on afternoons. During his time, Will has also produced the FIVEaa breakfast show. **Will** comes from a media family. His father **Graham Goodings** hosts the weekend news on **Channel 7** and has had a long career in radio including recently filling in on FIVEaa's breakfast show.

Max Dudley is working on the **Grill Team** Brisbane in what is a straight swap with **Peta Hayes**. **Claire Murphy** will continue to be the EP of the LSA Show, now with Peta as Producer. **Sue Carter** will continue as EP of the Grill Team and Max will work with her as Producer of the 'Grillers'.



Tanya Wilks will be joined by **Steve Graham** (aka Steve G) in the breakfast on **KOFM** Newcastle. The former drive host will now be Tanya's chosen co-host from 6-9am. **Alex "The Flack" Flack** will be joining the duo as anchor and EP.

Julie Clift has left **2NZ** Inverell to host mornings on **ABC** radio in Broken Hill.



The **Triple M Network** will introduce a new show hosted by **Joe Hildebrand** and **Matt Tilley** in 2014. The former FOX breakfast host will join with Hildebrand who is well known as a political reporter and is currently a newspaper columnist and co-host of Network's Ten's morning show, **Studio 10** each morning at 8.30am.

The **Today Network** has revealed its new national drive show for 2014. **Dan Debuf** and **Maz Compton** will take over the reins, together with their current show anchor **Michael Christian**, in the drive time slot 4-6pm weekdays from January 2014.

Sami Lukis has been axed from **MIX 1065** station - soon to be **Kiis 1065**. Lukis hosted the breakfast slot with **Yumi Stynes**.



Former Canberra FM News Director and Radio Personality **Kristen Henry** will return to **MIX 106.3's** all new breakfast show in January. Kristen was part of the **MIX 106.3** breakfast show up until 2012 when she departed to take up a co-hosting role at **KOFM** Newcastle alongside Steve Graham. Kristen will partner with existing show anchor, **Rod Cuddihy**.

Wayne Clark has taken on the **2NM "Cruz"**. Wayne most recently did breakfast at **Easymix** in Mildura on an 18 month contract while their regular host was away.

Jeremy Cordeaux, Adelaide radio legend, will host mornings on **FIVEaa** over the summer period filling in for **Leon Byner**.

Brad Wood is leaving Ballarat. He was the daytime host on **Power FM** and also weekend **Fox FM** announcer. He begins a new role on-air at **SA FM** in Adelaide.

Mel Greig has quit, parting ways with **Southern Cross Austereo** almost a year after the infamous royal radio prank call which forced her off air. A joint statement says said both parties have "amicably resolved all aspects of their dispute arising from the royal hoax call".



Brisbane's 4BH is set to become **Brisbane's Magic 882** in 2014. The station will feature songs from the 60's, 70's and 80's through to the adult contemporary hits of today. The lineup will include **Moyd Kay** to breakfast (formerly on **4BC** afternoons) and **Ian Keenan** to Mornings in 2014, making the switch from **4KQ**. **4BH** Mornings presenter **Greg Victor** moves to Drive. **Pete Rudder** will not be returning to **4BH** in the new year as a full-time presenter. However, the longtime drive host will be staying on as a casual. **Jo Henderson** has also joined as a casual.

The release of the final radio survey figures for 2014, hails a new beginning for the radio industry with the transition to new audience measurement provider, **GfK** after 66 years with research company **Nielsen**. Survey 1, 2014 results will be released by GfK on 11 March 2014. The research companies approved to conduct the surveys in all regional markets outside of the Gold Coast, Canberra and Newcastle markets are: **Xtra Research**, **DBM Consultants**, **Enterprise Marketing and Research Services** (EMRS) and **IRIS Research**.



After 4 and a half years service, **Mark Collier** has finished up his role as Director Radio at the **Australian Film, Television and Radio School**.

Peter Deppeler is moving to **ARN** Sydney. He'll have a social media role which will involve The **Kyle and Jackie O** show.

Bree Roberts has accepted a position with **2Day FM/Triple M** Sydney as a casual journalist. She'll also continue he roles with **Seven News** and **SBS Radio**.

2013 Nielsen Metro Radio Ratings

SURVEY 8/2013

Overall figures. All people 5.30 - Midnight, Mon-Sun. (Previous 2013 survey results in brackets.)

Sydney

Station	8/2013	7/13	6/13	5/13	4/13	3/13	2/13	1/2013
2GB	13.3	12.1	13.0	13.5	13.0	14.7	13.2	12.0
ABC 702	10.4	8.4	10.1	11.1	10.7	9.5	9.4	10.9
2DAY	8.4	9.5	8.1	7.7	8.7	8.5	8.4	9.3
NOVA 96.9	7.7	7.8	7.6	6.7	6.4	6.9	6.7	6.4
SMOOTH 95.3	6.5	7.5	6.8	5.5	5.7	5.3	5.0	5.6
WSFM	6.4	6.1	6.3	7.3	7.5	7.0	8.5	8.5
2JJJ	6.2	5.6	5.6	5.5	5.3	5.0	6.8	7.1
TRIPLE M	5.5	5.2	5.3	6.3	6.4	6.4	6.4	5.7
MIX 106.5	5.0	5.7	5.1	5.0	5.9	5.7	4.4	4.3
2CH	5.0	4.2	5.0	5.1	4.7	5.1	5.4	5.0
2UE	4.2	4.8	4.6	4.8	4.9	5.3	5.0	4.9
ABC FM	2.8	3.6	3.7	3.3	3.0	3.6	3.4	2.9
2RN	2.6	2.4	2.7	2.9	2.5	1.9	2.6	2.7
NEWS RADIO	1.7	1.8	2.1	1.6	1.6	1.9	1.8	2.0

- 2GB were No 1 in breakfast (Jones), morning (Hadley), evening and weekends. ABC 702 No 1 in drive..
- ABC up in all sessions (+2.6 in breakfast and drive). 2GB up in all sessions. smooth and 2UE -2.6 in evening.

Melbourne

Station	8/2013	7/13	6/13	5/13	4/13	3/13	2/13	1/2013
3AW	13.8	13.2	13.5	13.5	12.8	12.7	12.6	13.7
ABC 774	10.8	11.4	12.2	12.4	12.5	11.4	11.4	12.3
FOX FM	8.6	8.1	8.2	8.9	10.0	9.6	9.2	9.3
NOVA 100	8.2	8.6	7.7	7.5	7.1	7.3	8.0	8.4
TRIPLE M	8.0	7.9	7.3	7.0	8.1	8.3	7.6	6.9
GOLD FM	7.6	8.1	8.2	7.8	7.9	8.6	8.7	7.0
SMOOTH 91.5	5.9	5.8	5.6	5.4	5.5	5.7	5.5	4.7
MIX 101.1	5.8	6.2	6.2	5.7	6.1	6.6	6.2	6.7
3JJJ	5.4	5.4	5.6	6.3	5.4	5.0	5.5	5.4
SEN	4.7	5.4	4.6	4.4	4.9	4.6	4.1	3.9
MAGIC 1278	4.0	3.8	4.6	4.6	4.0	4.1	4.7	5.2
3RN	3.3	2.5	2.1	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.8	2.8
ABCFM	2.8	2.6	2.4	2.7	2.5	3.4	4.0	3.1
NEWS RADIO	1.9	2.1	2.0	1.9	1.5	1.3	1.4	1.5

- 3AW No 1 in breakfast (19.7), morning, evening (15.5) and weekends. Nova No 1 drive. Triple M No 1 in afternoon.
- ABC No 2 in breakfast and morning. Last brekky ratings for Matt & Jo (Fox) - 8.3%, Hughesy & Kate (Nova) - 8.4%.

Brisbane

Station	8/2013	7/13	6/13	5/13	4/13	3/13	2/13	1/2013
NOVA 106.9	13.6	12.5	12.0	12.5	13.3	12.5	11.9	11.9
97.3FM	12.0	13.2	13.3	13.0	12.9	12.9	12.0	13.4
ABC 612	10.9	10.6	10.4	10.1	9.3	9.9	10.6	11.1
4JJJ	10.5	9.7	8.4	7.5	7.4	7.0	7.2	7.6
B105	9.8	10.0	10.5	10.2	9.9	11.5	11.6	9.8
4MMM	8.0	9.0	10.3	9.8	10.3	11.0	9.9	9.7
4KQ	6.9	6.6	7.4	6.7	6.2	6.4	7.3	8.1
4BH	6.0	6.2	6.6	6.8	5.6	4.8	6.0	6.5
4BC	4.9	5.1	5.8	7.3	7.3	6.5	6.8	6.2
4RN	2.4	2.5	1.8	2.7	3.2	2.5	2.2	1.7
ABCFM	1.7	1.7	1.9	2.2	2.1	1.9	2.2	2.7
NEWSRADIO	1.2	1.1	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.2	1.2	1.0

- ABC No 1 in breakfast and evening. Nova No 1 in mornings, afternoon and drive. 97.3 No 1 on weekends.
- Triple M, 97.3 down in all sessions. Nova +3.0 in afternoons. 4BH last survey as BH (6%) - will be Magic 882 in 2014.

2013 Nielsen Metro Radio Ratings

SURVEY 8/13

Overall figures. All people 5.30 - Midnight, Mon-Sun. Previous 2013 survey results in brackets.

Adelaide

STATION	8/2013	7/13	6/13	5/13	4/13	3/13	2/13	1/2013
MIX102.3	15.8	14.7	14.4	15.9	16.8	14.5	14.8	16.8
ABC 891	12.3	12.5	13.0	12.4	12.3	12.3	11.2	11.8
NOVA 91.9	11.1	11.4	11.1	10.6	10.8	10.7	9.4	9.1
FIVE AA	10.5	11.7	12.1	11.7	11.0	10.9	11.9	12.6
CRUISE 1323	8.6	7.6	7.6	8.5	7.5	7.4	7.9	8.0
SAFM	8.5	8.7	8.6	8.0	8.3	9.2	9.1	8.7
TRIPLE M	8.1	8.1	8.3	8.0	8.0	10.0	9.6	8.5
5JJJ	6.9	7.4	7.0	7.0	6.7	6.9	8.7	7.1
ABC FM	3.0	3.0	3.3	2.8	3.1	3.5	3.7	3.5
5RN	2.7	2.2	2.2	2.8	2.4	2.3	2.5	2.1
NEWS RADIO	1.3	1.4	1.6	1.5	1.6	1.9	1.4	1.4

- ABC 891 No 1 in breakfast and evening. MIX No 1 in morning, afternoon, drive and weekends. (Same as last survey.)
- MIX up in all sessions. FIVE aa - 3.0 in morning. MIX +2.5 in evening. SAFM -2.5 in evening. ABC -2.3 in evening.

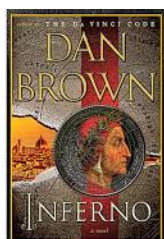
Perth

STATION	8/2013	7/13	6/13	5/13	4/13	3/13	2/13	1/2013
MIX 94.5	14.1	13.5	12.2	12.1	12.3	13.3	13.8	14.3
NOVA 93.7	12.3	12.4	12.1	11.3	12.2	12.3	11.9	11.1
96FM	10.5	11.5	12.5	12.1	13.5	12.7	11.4	12.5
TRIPLE J	10.4	9.0	11.2	13.1	10.8	10.2	10.8	10.2
ABC 720	10.3	10.8	10.7	10.2	10.2	9.6	9.1	9.9
92.9	9.1	9.6	9.3	9.5	9.0	9.4	9.7	10.8
6PR	7.7	7.7	7.3	8.2	8.2	8.3	9.7	8.7
6IX	5.8	5.9	6.2	6.0	5.9	6.5	5.8	4.6
ABC FM	3.2	2.7	2.8	2.8	2.3	2.5	2.8	2.3
6RN	2.2	2.2	1.7	2.1	2.5	2.7	2.1	1.7
NEWS RADIO	1.2	1.5	1.3	0.9	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.2

- ABC No 1 in breakfast and evening. MIX 94.5 No 1 morning, afternoon and weekends. NOVA No 1 in drive.
- triple j up in all sessions. 96FM -2.0 in afternoon. NOVA -9.3 People 10-17. 96 FM + 5.3 People 18-24.

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TOP YOUTUBE TRENDING VIDEOS (Aust) - 2013

1. Ylvis - The Fox (What Does The Fox Say)
2. How Animals Eat Their Food
3. YOLO (feat. Adam Levine and Kendrick Lamar)
4. asdmovie6
5. The Difference Between Wogs and Aussies
6. Harlem Shake (original army edition)
7. NFL: A Bad Lip Reading - A Bad Lip Reading of NFL
8. Sydney Mardi Gras 2013: Police Brutality
9. A Funny Montage
10. Mozart vs Skrillex. Epic Battles of History Season 2

TOP RATING TV SHOWS (Aust) - 2013

1. My Kitchen Rules - 3.27 million viewers
2. The Block: Sky High (Winner) - 3.16 million viewers
3. AFL Grand Final - 2.71 million viewers
4. The Block: Sky High (Auction)
5. State Of Origin: Match 3
6. AFL Grand Final (Presentations)
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J. D. SALINGER (Jerome David Salinger) born in New York, New York - 1920. (Died aged 91 - 2010)

* US author. He wrote the popular 1951 novel *Catcher In The Rye*.

CAROLINE JONES (Caroline Newman) born in - 1938 (76)

* Australian radio and TV presenter. She recently marked her 50 year association with the ABC by winning the Walkley Award for Outstanding Contribution to Journalism for 2013. She has been a film-radio-television writer, producer, director and reporter since 1963. She was the first woman reporter on *This Day Tonight* (1968) and the first woman presenter on *Four Corners* (1972). On ABC radio she hosted *Search For Meaning* ('87-'94).

FRANK LANGELLA born in Bayonne, New Jersey - 1938 (76)

* American actor. Played Perry White in *Superman Returns* (2006). He starred in the 1979 film version of *Dracula* and the 2008 film *Frost/Nixon* (playing Richard Nixon). Also appeared in the *Star Trek* series *Deep Space Nine* in the uncredited role of Minister Jaro.

JUDY STONE born in Sydney, NSW - 1944 (70)

* Australian singer. Her biggest hit was in 1964 with *4,003,221 Tears From Now*. 10 years later she had another big seller with *Would You Lay With Me In A Field Of Stone?*
* Since the '60s she has often teamed up with Col Joye for TV and concert appearances.

F R DAVID (Elli Robert Fitoussi) born in Tunisia - 1947 (67)

* French singer/songwriter. He had his only hit in Australia in 1982 with *Words*.

WAYNE BENNETT born in Queensland - 1950 (64)

* Australian rugby league coach. He is the head coach for the Newcastle Knights of the NRL. He coached the Brisbane Broncos from their formation in 1988 up until the end of season 2008. Under Bennett, they won their first premiership in 1992 and their 6th premiership in 2006 and did not lose a grand final.

* Before coaching the Broncos he briefly coached Canberra. He was also coach of the St George Illawarra Dragons from 2009-2011. He led them to their 2010 NRL premiership win.

* He was a policeman for 18 years and comes from a family of 11 children. He left school at the age of 14.

MARK WINGETT born in Leicestershire, England - 1961 (53)

* English actor. He played James 'Jim' Carver in TV's *The Bill* since its debut episode in 1983 up until 2005.

RICHARD ROXBURGH born in Albury, NSW - 1962 (52)

* Australian actor. Late in 2010, Roxburgh co-created and appeared in the lead role of the eight-episode TV drama series *Rake*. His films include *Mission Impossible II* (2000) and *Moulin Rouge* (2001). He directed his first film, *Romulus, My Father*, released in 2007.

* He played corrupt New South Wales Police detective Roger Rogerson in the television mini-series *Blue Murder*, for which he won an AFI Award and Silver Logie for best actor in a television series.

VERNE TROYER born in Sturgis, Michigan - 1969 (45)

* US actor and stuntman. He is best known for playing Mini-Me in *Austin Powers: The Spy Who Shagged Me* and *Goldmember*.
* He is 81 cms tall (2 feet 8 ins) - and is one of the smallest men in the world.

NICOLLE DICKSON born in Sydney, NSW - 1969 (45)

* Australian actress. She is best known for playing Bobby Simpson from 1988-'93 in the Australian television series *Home And Away* and had a regular role in the 1995 short-lived Australian series *Echo Beach*.

Events

JANUARY 1ST was adopted as beginning of the New Year instead of March 25 - 1622.

AMP (Australian Mutual Provident Society) opened their first office in George St. Sydney - 1845.

A LAWN BOWLS match was first played in Australia at Sandy Bay, Hobart - 1845.

TASMANIA became the new name for Van Diemen's Land - 1856.

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA was established with Edmund Barton as the first Prime Minister - 1901.

COMMONWEALTH BUREAU OF METEOROLOGY was founded - 1907.

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL AIRLINES was founded - 1930.

40 HOUR WORKING WEEK was introduced into Australia - 1948.

HANK WILLIAMS, US country and western singer, died aged 29 of officially heart failure (drug and alcohol overdose) in the back of his Cadillac - 1953.

FIDEL CASTRO seized power in Cuba, ousting President Batista - 1959.

THE BEATLES failed their audition with Decca records - 1962.

* They performed about 15 songs - mostly standards, with only three Lennon-McCartney songs. Decca declined signing the band because they felt that "groups of guitars are on the way out." Instead of the Beatles, the company signed up Brian Poole & The Tremeloes who also auditioned on that same day.

THE BEACH BOYS recorded *Fun, Fun, Fun* - 1964.

* Written by Brian Wilson and Mike Love. It made No 5 on the US charts.

CREEDENCE CLEARWATER REVIVAL became the new band name of the Blue Velvets - 1968.

USE-BY DATE on food products was introduced by Federal legislation - 1979.

CLIFF RICHARD received an MBE - 1980.

HOODOO GURUS performed their first show in Sydney - 1981.

* They split in 1998 but reunited in 2003 to record a new album.

ABBA's last concert was held in Stockholm, Sweden - 1982.

MR BEAN, starring Rowan Atkinson, debuted on UK television - 1990.

BICYCLE HELMETS became compulsory in NSW - 1991.

NANDOS opened their first store in Australia in Tuart Hill, WA - 1991.

OPTUS officially launched in Australia - 1993.

DR QUINN: MEDICINE WOMAN, starring Jane Seymour, began on US TV - 1993.

THE FAR SIDE cartoon strip was published for the final time - 1995.

* Gary Larson began the popular strip in 1980.

Y2K BUG made no impact as the new millennium dawned - 2000.

DIGITAL TV commenced in Australia - 2001.

EURO, the Europe Union's new currency, was adopted by 11 countries - 2002.

World's **FASTEST TRAIN** made its first appearance in China - 2003.

* It can accelerate to 430 kmh.

PETER O'BRIEN married **MIRANDA OTTO** - 2003.

PAUL BETTANY, British actor, married US actress **JENNIFER CONNELLY** - 2003.

* They met while starring together in the film *A Beautiful Mind* and began dating in 2002.

LORD SEBASTIAN COE became a Knight of the British Empire for his chairing the successful bid to host the 2012 Olympics - 2006.

SYDNEY experienced its hottest new year's day on record with 45 degrees C (113 degrees F) - 2011.

PATTI PAGE, US singer, died aged 85 - 2013.

Births

KING GEORGE V born in England - 1865. (Died aged 70 - 1936)

* King of England from 1910 to 1936. He changed the family name from Saxe-Coburg-Gotha to Windsor in 1917.

WARD "PALLY" AUSTIN (Ward Austin Gargan) born in Sydney, NSW - 1935. (Died aged 63 - 1998)

* Sydney radio announcer. He is best remembered for his '60s radio programs on 2UW and the expression "rickapoodie and fandooglie."

ROGER MILLER born in Texas - 1936. (Died aged 56 - 1992)

* US country singer/songwriter. He had his biggest hits in the '60s with *King of the Road*, *England Swings*, *Chug-A-Lug*, *Dang Me* and *Walking In The Sunshine*. He wrote *Swiss Maid* - a hit in 1962 for Del Shannon and *Hitchhiker* - a hit for Bobby & Laurie in 1966.

JIM BAKKER (James Orsen) born in Michigan - 1939 (75)

* US preacher. The former TV evangelist (married to Tammy Bakker) was sentenced in 1989 to 45 years in prison and fined \$A650,000 for a federal fraud and conspiracy conviction. He was released in 1994.

GRANTLEY DEE (Grantley De Zoeta) born in Melbourne, Victoria - 1946. (Died aged 59 - 2005)

* Australian DJ and singer. Despite being blind, he became one of Australia's youngest disc-jockeys and was hired by Melbourne radio station 3AK in 1963. In 1966 he had two hits with *Let The Little Girl Dance* and *Wild One*.

GRAEME 'SHIRLEY' STRACHAN born in East Malvern, Melbourne - 1952. (Died aged 49 - 2001)

* Australian singer and TV presenter. The former Skyhooks vocalist was a presenter on the *Our House* TV program. In the '80s he concentrated on a career in radio and television and for a few years hosted his own children's program *Shirl's Neighbourhood*. He also worked on radio which included a stint on Brisbane's Triple M breakfast program.

* He was killed in a helicopter accident near Kilcoy, northwest of Brisbane.

GABRIELLE CARTERIS born in Phoenix, Arizona - 1961 (53)

* US actress. She played Andrea in TV's *Beverly Hills 90210*.

CUBA GOODING JNR born in The Bronx, New York - 1968 (46)

* US actor. He won an Oscar for best supporting actor in the 1996 film *Jerry Maguire*. His other films include *Pearl Harbor* (2001), *Rat Race* (2001), *As Good As It Gets* ('97) and *Lightning Jack* ('94) - as Paul Hogan's mute side-kick.

CHRISTY TURLINGTON born in California - 1969 (45)

* American model. Married actor Ed Burns in 2003.

ANTHONY STUART born in Newcastle, NSW - 1970 (44)

* Australian cricketer. He's played for Australia, NSW and Canberra and is best known for a hat-trick (against Pakistan at the MCG in 1996-97) in just his third one-day international match.

LUCY DAVIS born in Warwickshire, England - 1973 (41)

* UK actress. She is best known for playing Dawn Tinsley in the BBC comedy *The Office*.

* She is the daughter of comedian Jasper Carrott (real name Robert Davis).

CHRIS CHENEY born in Melbourne, Victoria - 1975 (39)

* Lead singer and guitarist with Melbourne band Living End. They had the biggest selling Australian single in 1998 with *Second Solution/Prisoner of Society*. The Living End released their fifth studio album, *White Noise* in 2008. It made No 2 on the Australian album chart and was awarded the ARIA for Best Rock Album of 2008. The single of the same name was also a hit.

DANNY BHOY born in Scotland - 1976 (38)

* Scottish comedian. He began stand up in 1998 after going to see his first comedy show at the Edinburgh Festival.

KATE BOSWORTH (Catherine Bosworth) born in Los Angeles, California - 1983 (31)

* US actress. Her movies include *The Horse Whisperer*, *Beyond The Sea* (as Sandra Dee) and *Superman Returns*.

Events

BRIGHAM YOUNG, 71-year-old leader of the Mormon church and a husband of 25 wives, was arrested for bigamy - 1872.

First **TELEPHONE SERVICE** in Australia occurred when a store in Spencer St Melbourne spoke to an office in Elizabeth St - 1878.

PAN AMERICAN AIRWAYS became the first airline to use male stewards - 1928.

ANDREW SISTERS recorded *Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy* - 1941.

AUSTRALIA'S HIGHEST TEMPERATURE of 50.7 C (123.3 F) was recorded in Oodnadatta in South Australia - 1960.

* For many years Cloncurry in Queensland held this honour with 53.1 C. However this unreliable record was amended in 2004.

ROMAN POLANSKI married **SHARON TATE** - 1968.

* In August of the following year, a pregnant Tate and six others were brutally killed by Charles Manson and three of his followers.

TEX RITTER, US actor/singer and father of actor John Ritter, died aged 67 of a heart attack - 1974.

* He appeared in numerous 'B' grade westerns and sang the title song to the movie *High Noon*.

THE SWEENEY began on UK television - 1975.

* The series starred John Thaw and Dennis Waterman. It ended in 1978.

LARRY WILLIAMS, US singer, died aged 44 of a self-inflicted gun wound - 1980.

* He had two hits in 1957 with *Short Fat Fannie* and *Bony Moronie*.

ANNIE, the hit musical, closed on Broadway after 2,377 performances - 1983.

DICK EMERY, British comedian, died aged 64 - 1983.

* He reached his peak in popularity during the early '70s with his own half hour program. The show featured a series of sketches with Emery dressing up as the buck-toothed vicar, the bovver boy, man-crazy Mandy and others.

ENID BLYTON's publishers bowed to pressure groups and agreed to remove the term 'golliwogs' from the series of Noddy books - 1987.

MR BEAN, starring Rowan Atkinson, debuted on Australian television - 1991.

* When he's performing Mr Bean he imagines himself as a nine year old. He created the character in 1978 but it took 10 years before a show was created.

DANNII MINOGUE married **JULIAN McMAHON** at Melbourne's Hyatt Hotel - 1994.

* McMahon married his second wife Brooke Burns (*Baywatch* actress) in 1999.

CYBILL, starring Cybill Shepherd, began on US TV - 1995.

STEVE WAUGH played his 100th Test match for Australia - 1998.

Australia's **STUART MacGILL** took 7 for 92 in the 5th Test against the West Indies at the SCG - 2001.

LYNDA GIBSON, Australian comedienne, died aged 47 of cancer - 2004.

* Her TV credits include: *Frontline* ('95-'97) - playing the publicist, *Kath & Kim*, *Let The Blood Run Free* and a role in the movie *The Castle*.

STEVE IRWIN caused controversy when he brought his 3-month-old son Bob into a crocodile enclosure as part of his act. He held his son about a metre from the mouth of a crocodile at his Sunshine Coast Australia Zoo - 2004.

QUEENSLAND TENNIS CENTRE opened in Brisbane - 2009.

JETT TRAVOLTA, 16 year old son of John Travolta and wife Kelly Preston, was found dead after falling and hitting his head on a bath tub while holidaying in The Bahamas - 2009.

ANNE FRANCIS, US actress, died aged 80 - 2011.

PETER POSTLETHWAITE, UK actor died aged 64 - 2011.

* His films include *The Lost World: Jurassic Park*, *Name Of The Father*, *The Usual Suspects*, *Brassed Off* and *Alien*.

Births

J.R.R. TOLKIEN (John Ronald Reuel Tolkien) born in South Africa - 1892. (Died aged 81 - 1973)

* English author. Sitting at an exam desk marking papers in the 1930s he doodled on a scrap of paper: "In a hole in the ground there lived a hobbit." The doodle became the first paragraph of his book, *The Hobbit* ('38). It was eventually followed by the famous trilogy - *Lord Of The Rings* ('54-'56).

RAY MILLAND (Reginald Truscott-Jones) born in Neath, Wales - 1905. (Died aged 81 - 1986)

* Welsh actor. In 1945 won his only Academy Award for Best Actor in *The Lost Weekend*. His other major movies include *Beau Geste* ('39), *Dial M For Murder* ('54) and *Love Story* ('70).

MAXENE ANDREWS born in Minneapolis, Minnesota - 1916. (Died aged 79 - 1995)

* A member of the vocal trio The Andrews Sisters who were very popular in a number of musical films of the 1940s. They appeared in 17 movies.

* Her sister Laverne died in 1967. Patty died in 2013.

CHARLES 'BUD' TINGWELL born in Coojee, NSW - 1923. (Died aged 86 - 2009)

* Australian actor. Among his many roles he played Det. Inspector Lawson in the *Homicide* television series. In 2000 he starred in the film *Innocence* and also had a major role in the 1997 Australian hit movie *The Castle*.

* 'Bud' was a family nickname.

SIR GEORGE MARTIN born in London, England - 1926 (88)

* British record producer. He was responsible for the production on most of The Beatles hits and prior to that many comedy recordings including The Goons. After the Beatles split he produced several hit singles and albums for the group America.

JOHN THAW born in England - 1942. (Died aged 60 - 2002)

* English actor. He starred in the British TV series' *Inspector Morse*, *The Sweeney* (as Jack Regan) and *Kavanagh QC*.

* He was married to actress Sheila Hancock. They wed in 1973.

STEPHEN STILLS born in Dallas, Texas - 1945 (69)

* American singer. In 1968 he joined with David Crosby and ex-Hollies member Graham Nash to form the trio Crosby, Stills & Nash (with Neil Young joining a short time later). Prior to that he'd been a member of Buffalo Springfield. Stills' biggest solo hit was in 1971 with *Love The One You're With*.

VICTORIA PRINCIPAL born in Tokyo, Japan - 1950 (64)

* American actress. She played Pam Ewing in the TV soap series *Dallas*.

DENIS WALTER born in Geelong, Victoria - 1955 (59)

* Australian radio host, TV newsreader and singer. Began his showbiz career as a singer on the *Young Talent Time* TV program. In November 2008 he replaced Ernie Sigley on 3AW's weekday afternoon program. Due to this appointment he stepped down from his fulltime role presenting WIN news through regional Victoria and southern NSW.

MEL GIBSON born in Peekskill, New York - 1956 (58)

* Australian actor and director. In 2011 he starred in the Jodie Foster directed film *The Beaver*. His films include: *Tim* ('79), *Mad Max* (and sequels), *Lethal Weapon* (and sequels), *The Man Without A Face* ('93) - which he directed, *Braveheart* ('95) - which won him an Oscar for Best Director, *The Patriot* (2000) (also directed) and *Ransom* ('96). He produced and directed the 2004 box-office hit film, *The Passion of Christ*.

* He provided the voice of the rooster Rocky in the animated film *Chicken Run* (2000).

DAVE DOBBYN born in Auckland, NZ - 1957 (57)

* Vocalist with NZ bands The Dudes and DD Smash. His biggest hit in Australia was *Slice of Heaven* ('87) from the *Footrot Flats* soundtrack. It was recorded with The Herbs and made No 1.

MICHAEL SCHUMACHER born in West Germany - 1969 (45)

* German motor racing driver. He retired in 2006 after 92 wins. In season 2004 he had a record 13 wins. He achieved the most pole positions with 68.

JACK JONES (Irwin Thomas) born in New York - 1971 (43)

* Australian vocalist and guitarist. He was with the Southern Sons who had hits with *Heart In Danger* (90), *Always And Ever* ('90), *Hold Me In Your Arms* ('91), *Lead Me To Water* ('92) and *You Were There* ('93). He played guitar for John Farnham on his "I Can't Believe He's 50" 1999 tour.

* He wrote the music for John Farnham's hit *Burn For You*.

DANICA MCKELLAR born in La Jolla, California - 1975 (39)

* US actress. She played Winnie Cooper in the TV series *The Wonder Years* ('88-'93).

* She is a graduate of the University of California with a degree in mathematics. She now writes a maths advice column on a web site.

Events

MARTIN LUTHER, founder of Protestantism, was excommunicated by Pope Leo X because of his refusal to retract any of his views concerning the practices of the Roman Catholic Church - 1521.

First **DRINKING STRAW** (wax) was patented in the US by Marvin C Stone - 1888.

BONDI SURF LIFESAVING CLUB (Australia's first lifesaving club) made its first two rescues, one of whom was famous future aviator **CHARLES KINGSFORD-SMITH** - 1907.

EVELYN WAUGH's novel, *Brideshead Revisited*, was published in New York - 1946.

DRAGNET, which was created, directed and starred Jack Webb as Police Sergeant Joe Friday, began on US television - 1952.

* It was the first TV show to be produced, directed, written, and starred-in by one person.

FATS DOMINO recorded *I'm Walkin'* - 1957.

EDMUND HILARY and his team reached the South Pole - 1958.

ALASKA became the 49th US State of the Union - 1959.

JACK RUBY, who killed President Kennedy's alleged assassin Lee Harvey Oswald, died aged 55 of cancer - 1967.

THE BEATLES recorded *I Me Mine*, their final recording - 1970.

* John Lennon was in Denmark and not present for the recording. The group officially broke up later that year.

JOY ADAMSON, German-born naturalist who wrote *Born Free*, was found murdered at her home in Kenya - 1980.

VICTORIA recorded its hottest day in 51 years with Mildura experiencing a maximum 47.2° C - 1990.

MARG HART, aged 81, became the oldest woman golfer in Australia to hit a hole in one - 1990.

Simple Minds vocalist **JIM KERR**, 30, married British actress **PATSY KENSIT**, 23 - 1992.

* It was the second marriage for both. They divorced in 1996. Kerr was previously married to Chrissie Hynde from the Pretenders.

WILSON PICKETT, US soul singer, began serving a one year jail sentence for drunk driving - 1994.

The final **PEANUTS** comic strip was published - 2000.

STEVE WAUGH made his 29th Test century equalling Sir Donald Bradman's Australian record on Day 2 of the 5th Test against England - 2003.

INDIA made its highest score in Australia when they made 5-650 v Australia at the SCG - 2004.

BRITNEY SPEARS married childhood sweetheart Jason Alexander in Las Vegas - 2004.

* It was done on the spur of the moment and two days later they filed for an annulment.

SHANE WARNE claimed his 1000th international wicket at the SCG - 2007.

BATHURST's METRO CINEMA complex caved in at 12.45pm when four ceilings collapsed due to a severe storm - 2011.

* None of the 36 cinema goers were seriously injured.

Births

SIR ISAAC NEWTON born in England - 1643. (Died aged 84 - 1727)

* English mathematician and natural philosopher (physicist), who is considered by many the greatest scientist that ever lived. He is credited for discovering the calculus and the theory of universal gravitation.

SIR ISAAC PITMAN born in Wiltshire, England - 1813. (Died aged 84 - 1897)

* English teacher who developed the most widely used system of shorthand known now as Pitman Shorthand.

JANE WYMAN (Sarah Jane Fulks) born in Saint Joseph, Missouri - 1914. (Died aged 92 - 2006)

* American actress. She won an Academy Award for Best Actress for her role as a deaf mute in *Johnny Belinda* ('48). Her other major films include *The Lost Weekend* ('45), *Magnificent Obsession* ('54) and *Polyanna* ('60). She also was one of the stars in the US TV series *Falcon Crest*.

* She was once married to Ronald Reagan.

FLOYD PATTERSON born in Waco, North Carolina - 1935. (Died aged 71 - 2006)

* American boxer. He was only 21 when he first won the World Heavyweight title in 1956. He was also the first to regain the heavyweight crown.

SIR WILLIAM DEANE born in Sunbury, Victoria - 1931 (83)

* Australian judge and former Governor-General (1996-2001). On the court he formed part of the majority who recognised native title in the landmark Mabo case of 1992.

DYAN CANNON (Samille Friesen) born in Tacoma, Washington - 1937 (77)

* US actress. She appeared in the movies *Bob and Carol, Ted and Alice* ('69), *Such Good Friends* ('72), *Heaven Can Wait* ('78) and *Death Trap* ('82). She also played Judge Whipper Cone on TV's *Ally McBeal*.

* She was Cary Grant's fourth wife and gave birth to his only child, Jennifer.

RICK STEIN (Christopher Richard Stein) born in England - 1947 (66)

* English chef and TV presenter. He has written and presented a number of cookery series on BBC television including *Rick Stein's Taste of the Sea*, *Fruits of the Sea*, *Seafood Odyssey*, *Fresh Food*, *Seafood Lovers' Guide* and *Food Heroes*.

'DOC' NEESON (Bernard Neeson) born in Belfast, Ireland - 1947 (67)

* Lead singer with The Angels. Their first hit was *Am I Ever Gonna See Your Face Again* ('76). *No Secrets* ('80) and *We Gotta Get Out Of This Place* ('87) were both national top 10 hits.

* In January 2013 he was diagnosed with a brain tumour. A benefit concert was held at Sydney's Enmore Theatre in April 2013. He defied doctors' orders to sing a couple of songs at the 'Rock For Doc' bash.

LES GOCK born in St Leonards, NSW - 1954 (60)

* Australian musician and composer. He played guitar with the '70s rock band Hush. Their biggest hits were in 1975 with revivals of *Glad All Over* and *Bony Moronie*. He's now working in musical production. He has also worked in management and managed the group Scandal'Us.

ALAN CARPENTER born in Albany, WA - 1957 (57)

* Australian politician. On January 25, 2006 he became the 28 Premier of WA following the resignation of Dr Geoff Gallop.

MATT FREW born in Washington DC - 1958 (56)

* American actor. He was the voice of TV's *Max Headroom* and starred in the TV sit-com *Doctor, Doctor*.

MICHAEL STIPE (John Michael Stipe) born in Georgia - 1960 (54)

* Vocalist with US band R.E.M. The group formed in 1980 and announced in 2011 that they were officially splitting up. Their hit singles include *Orange Crush* ('89), *Losing My Religion* ('91), *Shiny Happy People* ('91), *Man On The Moon* ('92), *Everybody Hurts* ('93) and *Imitation of Life* (2001). Their albums include *New Adventures In Hi Fi*, *Automatic For The People* and *Up*.

JULIA ORMOND born in Surrey, England - 1965 (49)

* English actress. Her films include *Legends Of The Fall* ('94), *Sabrina* ('95) and *First Knight* ('95).

Events

First **APPENDIX OPERATION** was performed in Iowa by Dr William West Grant on 22-year-old farm girl, Mary Gartside - 1885.

* She made a complete recovery and lived until 1919.

BILLBOARD magazine in the US published their first pop record chart - 1936.

* No 1 was *Stop! Look! Listen!* by jazz artist Joe Venuti.

HECKLE & JECKLE, the talking magpies, made their cartoon debut - 1946.

ELVIS PRESLEY recorded *I'll Never Stand In Your Way* and *It Wouldn't Be The Same Without You* at Sun Studios - 1954.

GENE McDANIELS recorded *Point Of No Return* - 1962.

STEPTOE AND SON began on UK television - 1962.

* It starred Wilfrid Brambell and Harry H Corbett. Wilfred Brambell was aged 49 when he accepted the role of Albert, only 13 years older than Harry H Corbett. Scripts were written by Galton & Simpson.

DONALD CAMPBELL was killed aged 45 in his Bluebird speedboat at Coniston Water in England - 1967.

* He was attempting to break the world water-speed record and was within a fraction of a second of beating his own record of 276.33 mph when the disaster occurred.

KEITH MOON, drummer with The Who, accidentally ran down and killed his chauffeur - 1970.

* Moon was attempting to move his car from a group of skinheads who were kicking and punching the vehicle. His chauffeur was trying to clear a path when Moon panicked and attempted to shift the car of his own accord.

BELLENDEN KER station in Queensland experienced a then record 1140 mm of rain in 24 hours - 1979.

RICHARD ALLEN (Def Leppard drummer) lost an arm in a car accident - 1985.

PHIL LYNOTT, bass guitarist/vocalist with Thin Lizzy, died aged 34 of heart failure and pneumonia (stemming from drug and alcohol abuse) - 1986.

DENNIS WATERMAN married actress **RULA LENSKA** in Perth, WA - 1987. (Divorced in 1998.)

ONE FOOT IN THE GRAVE, starring Richard Wilson as Victor Meldrew, began on UK television - 1990.
* It ended in 2000.

RUNE SCAPE, an online Java-based PC game, was launched - 2001.

BOB PRATT, South Melbourne VFL footballer, died aged 88 - 2001.

* In 1934 he kicked a record 150 goals (equalled by Peter Hudson in 1971). He kicked 15 goals 3 behinds against Essendon in 1934 and 183 goals for Coburg in 1941.

JEFF FENECH, Australian boxer, was stabbed in the side of the face with a broken bottle outside a restaurant at Brighton-Le-Sands in Sydney - 2004.

RAY DAVIES, leader of the UK band The Kinks, was shot and wounded while chasing a mugger in New Orleans - 2004.

NASA'S SPIRIT ROVER landed on **MARS** - 2004.

Israeli Prime Minister **ARIEL SHARON** suffered a massive stroke - 2006.

SOPHIE HEATHCOTE, Australian actress, died aged 33 of an aneurysm - 2006.

BURJ KHAIFA, world's tallest building, opened in Dubai - 2010.

* It was originally proposed as a virtual clone of the 560 m Grollo Tower proposal for Melbourne, Australia's Docklands waterfront development. The Burj Khaifa is over 828 metres and has more than 160 stories.

GERRY RAFFERTY, UK singer who charted in 1978 with *Baker Street*, died aged 63 of liver failure - 2011.

* He also sang with Stealers Wheel who charted with *Stuck In The Middle With You*.

Births

GEORGE REEVES (George Brewer) born in Woolstock, Iowa - 1914. (Died aged 45 - 1959)

* American actor. He made his film debut in *Gone With The Wind* ('39) but is best known as the star of the TV series *The Adventures Of Superman* (1952-56).

* In June 1959, Reeves was found dead in his bedroom from a gunshot wound to the head. The police ruled his death a suicide, but rumours quickly surfaced that Reeves was murdered. His death remains shrouded in mystery.

SAM PHILLIPS born in Alabama - 1923. (Died aged 80 - 2003)

* US founder of Sun Records. He began the famous Sun recording studio in Memphis where Elvis Presley, Jerry Lee Lewis and Johnny Cash all cut their first records. He sold the studio in 1969.

ROBERT DUVALL born in San Diego, California - 1931 (83)

* American actor. His major film credits include - *The Godfather Part I and II* ('72/'74), *M*A*S*H* ('70), *Apocalypse Now* ('79), *The Great Santini* ('79), *Tender Mercies* ('83) - which won him an Academy Award for Best Actor, *Falling Down* ('93), *Wrestling Ernest Hemingway* ('93) and *The Apostle* ('98) - which won him an Oscar nomination for best actor.

ATHOL GUY born in Colac, Victoria - 1940 (74)

* Double bass player and vocalist with The Seekers. Now that Judith Durham has recovered from her stroke, the group has resumed their 50th anniversary tour. In December 1962 they played their first concert together in Melbourne.

* In 2002 The Seekers sold their catalogue of songs, film footage and their band trademark.

PETER LUCK born in Adelaide, SA - 1944 (70)

* Australian newspaper and TV journalist. He was a member of the original *This Day Tonight* team. He's responsible for the programs *This Fabulous Century*, *The Australians*, *Bicentennial Minutes* and *Where Are They Now?*

* For many years he lived next door to George Negus in Sydney.

DIANE KEATON (Diane Hall) born in California - 1946 (68)

* American actress. The former girlfriend of Woody Allen starred with him in *Annie Hall* (which won her an Academy Award for Best Actress), *Play It Again Sam*, *Manhattan Murder Mystery* and *Hannah And Her Sisters*. Her other films include - *The Godfather Part I, II and III*, *Baby Boom*, *Father Of The Bride* plus sequel, *First Wives Club* and *Marvin's Room* - which won her an Academy nomination. * Keaton is her mother's maiden name.

CHRIS STEIN born in New York City, New York - 1950 (64)

* Guitarist and songwriter with US band Blondie which featured his long-time girlfriend Debbie Harry as lead vocalist. From 1977 to 1982 they had hits including - *Heart Of Glass*, *The Tide Is High*, *Rapture*, *In The Flesh* and *Island Of Lost Souls*.

MIKE RANN born in Kent, England - 1953 (61)

* Premier of SA from 2002-2011. He's the third longest serving SA Premier. He's a former press secretary and speech writer for the late SA Premier Don Dunstan.

PAMELA SUE MARTIN born in Westport, Connecticut - 1954 (60)

* American actress. She played Fallon Carrington in the US TV soap series *Dynasty*.

MARG DOWNEY (Margaret Downey) born in Melbourne, Victoria - 1961 (53)

* Australian comedienne. She was a regular in the comedy programs *D-Generation*, *Fast Forward*, *Full Frontal* and *Something Stupid*.

SUZY AMIS born in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma - 1962 (52)

* US actress. Her second husband is director James Cameron. Her films include: *Twister* ('88), *Titanic* ('97) and *Judgment Day* ('99).

VINNIE JONES born in Watford, England - 1965 (49)

* English actor and former soccer player. His films include: *Swordfish* (2001), *Snatch* (2000) and *Gone In Sixty Seconds* (2000), *The Last Stand* (2006) and *X-Men* (2006).

* In late 2013, it was revealed that both Jones and his wife are being treated for skin cancer.

STUART RAPER born in - 1965 (49)

* Australian rugby league coach and son of rugby league great Johnny Raper. From 2004-2006 'Chook' coached the Cronulla Sharks. He cut his teeth as a coach in the English Super League where he revived the fortunes of Castleford and Wigan. He's now a commentator on Foxtel.

BRADLEY COOPER born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania - 1975 (39)

* US actor. His films include *Silver Linings Playbook*, *The Hangover*, *The A-Team* and *Limitless*.

* In 2011, US People magazine named him Sexiest Man Alive.

JANUARY JONES born in Sioux Falls, South Dakota - 1978 (36)

* US actress. She is best known for playing Betty Draper in the period-drama TV series *Mad Men* (2007-present).

Events

A TOP HAT was worn for the first time by James Heatherington - 1797.

* Apparently when he stepped into the streets of London, children screamed and women hid their faces in their hands and cried. He was arrested, jailed and convicted of wearing something odd that frightened people!

DR. WILHELM ROENTGEN of Germany gave the first demonstration of **X RAYS** - 1896.

FM RADIO was demonstrated for the first time - 1940.

AMY JOHNSON, British aviator, died aged 37, when her plane crashed and she was never found - 1941.

* In 1930 she became the first woman to fly solo from England to Australia.

PEPE LePEW cartoon character made his debut in *Odor-able Kitty* - 1945.

BANKS ceased operating on Saturday morning in Victoria, a year after other States had stopped - 1963.

THE SUPREMES recorded *Stop! In The Name Of Love* - 1965.

First **ONE DAY INTERNATIONAL CRICKET MATCH** was held when Australia played England - 1971.

TASMAN BRIDGE in Hobart, Tasmania collapsed - 1975.

* The disaster occurred when the bulk ore carrier Lake Illawarra collided with a pylon from the mile-long Tasman Bridge. It resulted in the loss of 12 lives.

HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS lost a basketball match (100-99 to NJ Reds) after winning 2,495 games in a row - 1971.

MAL EVANS, former Beatles' road manager/bodyguard, was shot dead by the LA Police department, aged 40 - 1976.

* He had threatened his girlfriend with a gun in their apartment; when the police ordered him to give himself up, he pointed his gun at them - and they fired. It turned out that his gun wasn't even loaded.

SHANE WARNE became the second Australian bowler to take 300 wickets when he took 6-34 against South Africa - 1998.

* He ended the match with 11 for 109. He claimed his 1000th wicket in 2011.

SONNY BONO, US singer/songwriter/politician, died aged 62 in a skiing accident at the Heavenly Ski resort - 1998.

LEROY LOGGINS played his 500th NBL game for the Brisbane Bullets - 2001. (Retired in 2002.)

BRIAN McFADDEN (Westlife) married **KERRY KATONA** (ex-Atomic Kitten) - 2002.

* They divorced and for a number of years he was in a relationship with Delta Goodrem.

AUSTRALIA defeated England 5-0 in the 'Ashes' at the SCG, the first whitewash in 86 years - 2007.

* It was also the last day of Test cricket for Shane Warne, Glenn McGrath and Justin Langer.

MICHAEL CLARKE achieved his highest Test batting score with 329 runs v India - 2012.

* This is the highest batting score at the SCG and the 4th best Test match batting score of all time by an Australian.

Births

DANNY THOMAS (Muzyad Yakhoob) born in Michigan - 1912. (Died aged 79 - 1991)

* American actor and TV producer. *Make Room For Daddy* was the original title of his television series which was re-named *The Danny Thomas Show*. He produced the TV programs - *The Dick Van Dyke Show*, *The Andy Griffith Show*, *The Real McCoys* and *Mod Squad*.

* His daughter Marlo Thomas starred in the '60s TV series *That Girl!* and married TV talk show host Phil Donahue.

HARRY M. MILLER (Harry Maurice Miller) born in New Zealand - 1934 (80)

* Australian promoter and publicist. Head of the talent agency the Harry M Miller Group. His showbiz career began in 1963 when he moved to Australia from New Zealand.

* He's been married three times. (Deborah Hutton was his girlfriend for several years.)

* He has worn hearing aids in both ears for many years. As a teenager he damaged his eardrums when he was clay shooting.

NINO TEMPO (Antonino LoTempio) born in Niagara Falls, New York - 1935 (79)

* American musician and actor. Nino and his singing sister April Stevens had a best seller in 1963 with *Deep Purple*.

IAN MECKIFF born in Mentone, Victoria - 1935 (79)

* Australian cricketer. He represented Australia in Test cricket from 1957-1963. He was no-balled four times for "throwing" in the first cricket Test against South Africa in 1963. He then retired from all forms of cricket immediately after the match.

MURRAY ROSE (Iain Murray Rose) born in Birmingham, England - 1939. (Died aged 73 - 2012)

* Australian swimming champion. Nicknamed the 'Seaweed Streak' because of his unusual diet, he won three gold medals at the 1956 Olympic Games and a fourth gold medal in Rome in 1960. In 1994 he was appointed as a senior management director for Sports Marketing and Management.

VAN MCCOY born in Washington, D.C. - 1944. (Died aged 35 - 1979)
* US writer, producer and arranger. He had his biggest hit in 1975 with the disco instrumental *The Hustle* which made No 1 in the US.

SYD BARRETT (Roger Barrett) born in England - 1946. (Died aged 60 - 2006)

* Founder and original guitarist/vocalist with Pink Floyd. His abuse of drugs (of which he had never fully recovered) resulted in him leaving the group in 1968.

MALCOLM YOUNG born in Glasgow, Scotland - 1953 (61)

* Rhythm guitarist with AC/DC. His younger brother Angus is lead guitarist. Malcolm and Angus are the only two original members in the band. The group played their first concert in December 1973. In 2008 they released *Black Ice*, their first new studio album in 8 years.
* His older brother George played in the '60s band The Easybeats.

ANTHONY MINGHELLA born in Isle of Wight, England - 1954 (60)

* Film director and writer. He directed *The English Patient* ('96) and *The Talented Mr Ripley* ('99).

ROWAN ATKINSON born in Newcastle-Upon-Tyne, England - 1955 (59)

* English actor and comedian. The rubber faced comic was a regular in the television comedy *Not The 9 O'Clock News* ('79) and later starred in his own popular series' *Black Adder* ('83-'89) and *Mr Bean* ('89-'95). His films include: *Johnny English* (2003), *Rat Race* (2001), *Bean: The Movie* (1997) and *Mr Bean's Holiday* (2007). His most recent film was *Johnny English Reborn* - released in 2011.

* He had a minor role in the 1993 film *Hot Shots II* and the James Bond film *Never Say Never Again*.
* He voiced the series of *Mr Bean* cartoons which debuted in 2002.
* He owns several fast cars. Racing cars is his passion.

GRAHAM MURRAY born in Sydney, NSW - 1955 (59)

* Former NRL coach of North Queensland Cowboys NRL team. He relinquished his position with the Cowboys in season 2008. A grand final coach with the Roosters and Leeds, he played for Parramatta and South Sydney.

ANGUS DEAYTON (Gordon Angus Deayton) born in Surrey, England - 1956 (58)

* UK actor and author. He played Patrick in the TV comedy *One Foot In the Grave* and also appeared in several *Mr Bean* programs.

* He was a part of the comedy group the Hee Bee Jeebies - who sent up the Bee Gees.

KAPIL DEV (Kapildev Ramlal Nikhanj) born in India - 1959 (55)

* Indian cricketer and coach. He's considered to be one of India's finest all-rounders. He played from 1978 to 1994 and captained India to its only World Cup win, in 1983. Kapil is the only player to have achieved the all-rounder's double of 4,000 Test runs and 400 Test wickets.

NIGELLA LAWSON born in London, England - 1960 (54)

* UK food writer. She has written several bestselling books and is also the presenter of the television series, *Nigella Bites*.

* Lawson married art collector Charles Saatchi in 2003. In June 2013, photographs were published of Lawson being grabbed around the neck by Saatchi during an argument outside a London restaurant. Their marriage ended a month later. On November 27 the trial began of the former couple's two personal assistants, who were accused of fraudulently using the credit cards of Saatchi's private company

Events

World's first **SURF CARNIVAL** was held at Sydney's Manly Beach - 1912.

DAILY MAIL newspaper began publication in Sydney - 1922.

First **WORSHIP SERVICE** aired on English radio on the BBC - 1924.

LUFTHANSA, German national airline, was founded - 1926.

DON BRADMAN, playing for NSW, scored 452 not out against Queensland in his first innings at the SCG - 1930.

JOSEPH LYONS became Australia's 14th Prime Minister - 1932.
* He died in office in April 1939.

GEORGE BUSH, former US President, married Barbara Pierce - 1945.

* They have five children. His son George W Bush was elected President of the US in 2001.

BATTLE OF THE BULGE ended when the allied powers defeated Germany - 1945.

JOHN FARRAR married **PAT CARROLL** - 1970.

* Pat is a good friend of Olivia-Newton John. Olivia and Pat went over to the UK as a duo in the late '60s. John wrote and produced many of Olivia's hit songs including *Hopelessly Devoted To You*.

JOHNNY FAMECHON retained the world featherweight boxing crown defeating Fighting Harada in Tokyo - 1970.

GREG CHAPPELL and **DENNIS LILLEE** retired after playing in their final test match - 1984.

* Lillee ended up by taking a wicket with his last ball!

INSPECTOR MORSE, starring John Thaw, began on UK television - 1987.

* The final episode was filmed in 2000 and in this program Morse died. (Thaw died aged 60 in 2002.)

SHANE WARNE took 1-150 in his first Test innings - 1992.

STEVE GILPIN, lead singer for NZ band Mi-Sex, died aged 41 - 1992.

* He had been in a coma since a car accident in November 1991. Mi-Sex had a No.1 hit in 1979 with *Computer Games*.

RUDOLF NUREYEV, Russian-born ballet dancer, died aged 54 of AIDS - 1993.

NANCY KERRIGAN, US ice skater, was clubbed on the knee by a metal baton in an attack planned by fellow skater **TONYA HARDING** - 1994.

STEVE WAUGH played his final Test match for Australia after an 18 year career - 2004.

* His final game was played at the SCG and he scored 80 runs.

LOU RAWLS, US singer, died aged 72 of lung and brain cancer - 2006.

Births

W. HUDSON FYSH born in Launceston, Tasmania - 1895. (Died aged 79 - 1974)

* Co-founder of Qantas. He began the Queensland and Northern Territory Aerial Services Ltd in 1920 with P.J. McGuinness. The first service began in November 1922.

GERALD DURRELL born in India - 1925. (Died aged 70 - 1995)

* UK naturalist, author and TV presenter. He authored a number of lavishly illustrated children's books in his later years.

BEN CROPP born in - 1936 (78)

* Australian shark hunter and six-time Australian spearfishing champion, having retired from that trade in 1962 to pursue oceanic documentary filmmaking. He is well known for his underwater documentary films. One of his efforts for The Disney Channel, *The Young Adventurers*, was nominated for an Emmy award.

* His home is at Port Douglas and in Cairns he has a Shipwreck Museum. He has discovered over a hundred shipwrecks.

MIKE McGEAR (Mike McCartney) born in Liverpool, England - 1944 (70)

* English singer and step-brother of Paul McCartney. Mike was a member of the '60s trio Scaffold. They had hits with *Lily The Pink* (No 1 in the UK) and *Thank U Very Much*.

KENNY LOGGINS born in Washington - 1948 (66)

* American singer/songwriter. His biggest hit in Australia is *Footloose* ('84) from the film soundtrack. His other hits include - *Whenever I Call You Friend* ('78) and *Danger Zone* ('86).

* During the 1970s he worked with Jim Messina. The duo's two biggest hits were *Your Mama Don't Dance* and *My Music*.

SAMMO HUNG (Samo Hung Kam-Bo) born in Hong Kong - 1952 (62)

* Chinese actor, director and producer. He starred in the TV drama *Martial Law* and has appeared in over 100 kung-fu movies. He's also directed Jackie Chan in several films including 1998's *Mr Nice Guy*.

KATIE COURIC (Katherine Couric) born in Virginia - 1957 (57)

* US TV presenter. From 1991 up until May 2006 she was co-host of *Today*. She became the first female solo anchor of a major television network weekday evening newscast in the United States.

LINDA KOZLOWSKI born in Fairfield, Connecticut - 1958 (56)

* US actress. In 2013 split from husband Paul Hogan. She married Hogan on May 5, 1990 following his divorce from his wife Noelene. They have one child, a boy named Chance. In 2013, Kozlowski filed for divorce from Hogan, citing irreconcilable differences. She appeared with Hogan in all three *Crocodile Dundee* movies as well as *Almost An Angel*.

NICOLAS CAGE (Nicolas Coppola) born in Long Beach, California - 1964 (50)

* US actor and nephew of film director Francis Ford Coppola. His films include - *Peggy Sue Got Married* ('86), *Raising Arizona* ('87), *Moonstruck* ('87), *Honeymoon in Las Vegas* ('92), *The Rock* ('96), *City Of Angels* ('98), *Face/Off* ('97), *Family Man* (2000), *Adaptation* (2002) and *National Treasure Book of Secrets* (2007).

* His former wives include Patricia Arquette and Lisa-Marie Presley. He married again in 2004. In 2005 he and his wife Alice had a son they named- Kal-El - the real name of Superman.

CAROLYN BESSETTE KENNEDY born in New York, New York - 1966. (Died aged 33 - 1999)

* US socialite. She married John Kennedy Jnr. They were both killed along with her sister Lauren in a plane crash in 1999. Her husband John was the pilot.

RICKY STUART born in Queanbeyan, ACT - 1967 (47)

* Australian rugby league player. He played 243 games of first grade rugby league, including 203 with Canberra and 40 with the Bulldogs. He played in three premierships with the Raiders and made 14 State of Origin appearances for NSW.

* Current coach of the Canberra Raiders and the NSW State of Origin team. He's also coached the Cronulla Sharks and Sydney Roosters.

MEGAN WASHINGTON born in Papua New Guinea - 1986 (28)

* Australian singer/songwriter. In 2010 she won two ARIA Music Awards for "Best Female Artist" and "Breakthrough Artist" and received a further three nominations: "Album of the Year", "Best Adult Alternative Album" for *I Believe You Liar* and "Single of the Year" (*How To Tame Lions*).

Events

TYPEWRITER was patented by Englishman Henry Mill - 1714.

"**CQD**", was established as the distress signal - 1904.

* Two years later, it was replaced by "SOS".

BERT HINKLER, Australian aviator, died aged 41 - 1933.

* He was killed when his plane crashed in the Italian Alps. Hinkler became the first man to fly solo from the UK to Australia in 1928. The flight took 15 and a half days.

ARGONAUTS CLUB children's program began on ABC radio - 1941.

FLYING V guitar was patented by the Gibson Guitar Company - 1958.

THE AVENGERS began on UK television - 1961.

* The first series starred not only Patrick Macnee but also Ian Hendry. Hendry left at the end of the first year of production and Honor Blackman joined, becoming the first of John Steed's female assistants.

LONG JOHN BALDRY "discovered" **ROD STEWART** at Twickenham train station - 1964.

* Baldry heard 19-year-old Stewart playing a blues classic on his harmonica and was so impressed that he invited him to play in his band.

Australia's first **HYDROFOIL FERRY** began service to Manly in Sydney - 1965.

NOT ONLY... BUT ALSO, starring Peter Cooke and Dudley Moore, began on UK television - 1965.

LONG HAIR for men was declared legal in USSR - 1971.

EMILIO PALMA of Argentina became the first (and to date) only baby to be born in Antarctica - 1978.

HANS THOLSTRUP began a 20 day journey in a solar-powered machine - 1983.

* He left Perth in the 'Sunshine Chariot' and completed his journey at the Sydney Opera House becoming the first man to have travelled across Australia by means of solar energy.

ROLLO GABB of Shropshire, England did 1,823 push-ups blindfolded and without stopping! - 1983.

MARY HARDY, Melbourne radio and TV personality, died aged 53 - 1985.

* Sister of writer Frank Hardy. She was found dead in her Melbourne home, the result of a self-inflicted gun wound.

LEANING TOWER OF PISA was closed to tourists (because of safety reasons) - 1990.

* It re-opened in 2001. Construction on the tower first began in 1171.

First **VIDEO TELEPHONE** was released by AT & T and sold for \$US1,499 - 1992.

BRIAN LARA made 277 runs during the third Test between Australia and West Indies - 1993.

* This was the highest score by a West Indian against an Australian team. It was also the fourth highest in West Indian history and the second highest score at the SCG.

TAP DOGS, originally produced by Sydney Theatre Company, had its world premiere at the Starfish Club at The Wharf in Sydney - 1995.

HOODOO GURUS played their final show in Perth - 1998.

ABBEY SPEAKMAN of England was born 19 days after her twin sister! - 1996.

SAVAGE GARDEN made No 1 on the US singles chart with *Truly Madly Deeply* - 1998.

* They became the first Australian act since INXS who made No 1 with *Need You Tonight* in 1987.

Births

WILLIAM HARTNELL born in England - 1908. (Died aged 67 - 1975)

* British actor. He was the first of the actors to play *Dr Who* in the BBC television series of the same name that debuted in 1963.

JOSE FERRER born in Puerto Rico - 1912. (Died aged 80 - 1992)

* Puerto Rican actor. He was the first Hispanic actor to win an Academy Award for Best Actor. It was for his starring role in the 1950 movie *Cyrano De Bergerac*. His other major films included *Joan Of Arc* ('48), *Moulin Rouge* (as Toulouse Lautrec) ('53) and *Ship Of Fools* ('65).

* He married four times. His third wife was singer Rosemary Clooney. Their son Miguel Ferrer is an actor and can be seen in the TV series *Crossing Jordan*.

LARRY STORCH born in New York City, New York - 1923 (91)

* American comic actor. He played Corporal Randolph Agarn in the 1960s TV comedy series *F-Troop*.

RON MOODY (Ronald Moodnick) born in England - 1924 (90)

* English actor, singer and cartoonist. He played Fagin in the 1968 Academy Award winning film - *Oliver!*

ELVIS PRESLEY born in Tupelo, Mississippi - 1935. (Died aged 42 - 1977)

* US singer. His first No 1 hit was *Heartbreak Hotel* in 1956. From 1964 to 1968 he had only one top 10 hit in the US. His recording career was resurrected in 1969 with the release of *In The Ghetto*. * His biggest selling single in Australia is *It's Now Or Never* ('60), adapted from an 1899 Italian song *O Sole Mio*.

* He starred in 31 films. *Love Me Tender* and *Jailhouse Rock* were considered to be two of his best.

* He received his first name from his father - 'Elvis' was his Dad's middle name.

* He married his only wife, Priscilla in 1968. They first met in Germany when she was only 14. They divorced in 1973. Their only child, Lisa Marie, was born in 1968.

* He weighed 112 kilos at the time of his death.

DAME SHIRLEY BASSEY born in Cardiff, Wales - 1937 (77)

* Welsh singer. Her hits include *Never, Never, Never* ('73) and the James Bond themes - *Goldfinger* and *Diamonds Are Forever*. After a 24 year absence from the charts, in 1998 she had a hit with the Propeller Heads when she featured on their single *History Repeating Itself*.

GRAHAM CHAPMAN born in Leicester, England - 1941. (Died aged 48 - 1989)

* English comic actor. He was a member of the Monty Python's Flying Circus comedy team that appeared on TV and on film. He played a variety of characters including King Arthur in *Monty Python And The Holy Grail* and Brian in *The Life Of Brian*.

STEPHEN HAWKING born in Oxfordshire, England - 1942 (72)

* English astrophysicist. He has been acclaimed as the world's greatest living scientist. Wrote the best seller *A Brief History Of Time*. Since the age of 21 he's suffered from motor neurone disease. At the time he was told that he only had two and a half years to live.

DAVID BOWIE (David Jones) born in London, England - 1947 (67)

* British singer/songwriter. In 1969 he had his first UK hit with *Space Oddity* - which didn't chart in Australia until it was re-released in 1972. His other hits include *Rebel Rebel* ('74), *Sorrow* ('74), *Heroes* ('77), *Ashes To Ashes* ('80), *Under Pressure* (with Queen) ('81), *Let's Dance* ('83) and *Absolute Beginners* ('86). His only Australian No 1 hit is *Dancing In The Street* ('85) - a duet with Mick Jagger.

* His stage character Ziggy Stardust was inspired by a minor US rock n' roller named Vince Taylor who emigrated to France where he became bigger than Elvis.

ARCHIE ROACH born in Moorooopna, Victoria - 1955 (59)

* Australian Aboriginal singer/songwriter. His debut album *Charcoal Lane* was produced by Paul Kelly. This album includes the song *Took the Children Away* which was awarded two ARIA Awards, as well as an international Human Rights Achievement Award.

* His singer/wife Ruby Hunter died aged 55 in 2010.

PAUL HESTER born in Melbourne, Victoria - 1959. (Died aged 46 - 2005)

* Drummer with Crowded House. Hester, who had a long battle with depression, took his life in March 2005. In his final years he played with Nick Seymour (ex-Crowded House) in the band Tarmac Adam.

STEVEN JACOBS born in Wollongong, NSW - 1967 (47)

* Australian actor and TV host. A weather presenter on the early morning *Today* program and Nine Network. He co-hosted *Just Kidding* and played Thomas Sumner in the TV sit-com *All Together Now*.

R KELLY (Robert S Kelly) born in Chicago, Illinois - 1969 (45)

* US musician and singer. His hits include *I'm Your Angel* ('98) - with Celine Dion and *I Believe I Can Fly* (from *Space Jam*) ('96).

RACHEL FRIEND born in - 1970 (44)

* Australian actress. She played Bronwyn Davies in *Neighbours* and appeared as a regular guest on TV's *Beauty & The Beast*. She was also a presenter on *Mums And Bubs*.

* She was married to Craig McLachlan from 1993 -1994.

* In 2000 she married Australian Test cricketer Stuart MacGill.

SEAN PAUL (Sean Paul Henriques) born in Jamaica - 1973 (41)

* Jamaican singer. Made No 1 in Australia in 2003 with *Baby Boy* - a duet with Beyonce. Also charted in 2003 with *Like Glue*.

JASON STEVENS born in Brighton, NSW - 1973 (41)

* Australian rugby league footballer and writer. He played with the Cronulla Sharks as well as St George. He was a regular on the Sydney edition of *The Footy Show*. * In 2013 Stevens appeared in *The Wiz* as the Lion.

ADAM GOODES born in Wallaroo, South Australia - 1980 (34)

* Australian Rules footballer. He plays with the Sydney Swans AFL club and was a member of their 2005 and 2012 premiership teams. In 2006 he won the Brownlow Medal. In 2003 he was a co-winner of the Brownlow Medal along with Collingwood's Nathan Buckley and Adelaide's Mark Ricciuto.

Events

VICTORIAN POLICE FORCE was formed - 1853.

* In that year 875 protected a population of about 168,000 people. In 2003 there were 12,800 police - 1,800 were female.

CHARLES DE GAULLE became President of France - 1959.

MICHAEL CAINE married model **SHAKIRA** in Las Vegas - 1973.

ALL CREATURES GREAT AND SMALL, starring Christopher Timothy as James Herriot, began on UK television - 1978.

JOHNNY CASH PARKWAY (road) was officially opened in Hendersonville, Tennessee - 1982.

TWO MEN PARACHUTED from the top of the Rialto building (then tallest building in the Southern Hemisphere) in Melbourne - 1985.

RON GRANT completed his record-breaking run across the Simpson Desert, arriving in Birdsville - 1985.

42ND STREET closed on Broadway - 1989.

* The musical based on the 1933 movie, ran for 8 years with 3,486 performances.

SYDNEY HARBOUR was given a community clean-up - 1989.

* Volunteers removed 3000 tonnes of rubbish, including 3000 hypodermic syringes and five cars.

HAYLEY LEWIS became Australia's first world swimming champion since 1978 when she won the 200m freestyle at the World Champion swimming titles in Perth - 1991.

STEVE CLARK, Def Leppard guitarist, died aged 30 of drug related causes - 1991.

Australia's **DARREN BEADMAN** resumed his career as a jockey after a 2 year break - 2000.

SHELVIS, a German Elvis Presley impersonator, sang a record 800 Elvis songs over a 40 hour period - 2004.

* He had a break every 4 hours for 15 minutes.

Births

RICHARD NIXON born in Yorba Linda, California - 1913. (Died aged 81 - 1994)

* 37th US president. He was elected in 1969 but in 1974 became the first American president to resign when he stood down over his role in the Watergate scandal.

CLIVE DUNN born in England - 1920. (Died aged 92 - 2012)

* English actor. He played Lance Corporal Jones in the British TV comedy series *Dad's Army*. In 1971 he had a No 1 pop hit in the UK with *Grandad*.

JUDITH KRANTZ (Judith Tarcher) born in New York - 1928 (86)

* US author. Her books include *Scruples* ('78), *Princess Daisy* ('80) and *Mistral's Daughter* ('82).

WILBUR SMITH born in South Africa - 1933 (81)

* South African author. Most of his stories are based in Africa. He's written over 30 novels.

BOB DENVER born in New York - 1935. (Died aged 70 - 2005)

* American actor. He is famous for playing the beatnik Maynard G. Krebs in the *Dobie Gillis* TV series and then as the star of the '60s comedy series *Gilligan's Island*.

JIMMY PAGE born in Middlesex, England - 1944 (70)

* Guitarist with rock band Led Zeppelin. Page formed Led Zeppelin after the demise of The Yardbirds. Their hit albums include *Led Zeppelin I - IV*, *Houses Of The Holy*, *Physical Graffiti*, *Presence*, *The Song Remains The Same* and *In Through The Out Door* as well as the single *Whole Lotta Love* ('69).
* Led Zeppelin reformed in 2007 for a one off concert. Singer Robert Plant, guitarist Jimmy Page and bassist John Paul Jones played at the show to remember the late Atlantic Records founder Ahmet Ertegun. The one-off concert was the trio's first performance for 19 years. The place of drummer John Bonham, who died in 1980, was taken by his son Jason.

* In the '60s he was a prominent session player and played lead guitar on Normie Rowe's *Ooh La La*, Donovan's *Sunshine Superman*, Them's *Baby Please Don't Go* and various Herman's Hermits hits.

SCOTT WALKER (Scott Engel) born in Ohio - 1944 (70)

* One of the unrelated Walker Brothers who had '60s hits with *The Sun Ain't Gonna Shine Any More* and *Make It Easy On Yourself*. They had a further hit in 1976 when they reunited to record *No Regrets*.

JOHN DERUM born in Melbourne, Victoria - 1946 (68)

* Australian actor of stage, film and TV. He played Narrator Neville in *The Aunty Jack Show*, compered the *Oz Game* and *Australia All Over*. He has also toured Australia with his one-man presentation about C.J. Dennis titled *More Than A Sentimental Bloke*.

BILL COWSILL (William Cowsill) born in Middletown, Rhode Island - 1949. (Died aged 58 - 2006)

* US singer. He was lead singer and guitarist with the family group The Cowsills. He was kicked out of the group in 1969 when his father caught him smoking marijuana. Died in 2006 after a series of health issues.

CRYSTAL GAYLE (Brenda Webb) born in Kentucky - 1951 (63)

* US country singer and younger sister of Loretta Lynn. She had her biggest hit in 1977 with *Don't It Make My Brown Eyes Blue*.

KEITH LAMB born in England - 1952 (62)

* Lead singer for Australian rock band Hush. Their biggest hits were in 1975 with revivals of *Bony Moronie* and *Glad All Over*.

MORRIS GLEITZMAN born in England - 1953 (61)

* Australian children's author. He moved to Australia with his family when he was 16. His books include: *Misery Guts*, *Worry Warts* and *Puppy Fat*.

ADRIANA XENIDES born in Argentina - 1956. (Died aged 54 - 2010)

* Australian TV presenter. She was co-host of the TV game show *Wheel Of Fortune* for 18 years and became the world's longest-running co-host. Up until late 1996 she hadn't missed an episode of the show since it began in 1981. She died aged 54 in June 2010 from a ruptured intestine, after several years of ill health.

PETER ROWSTHORN born in - 1963 (51)

* Australian comedian. Plays Brett (husband of Kim) in the TV comedy series *Kath & Kim* and hosts the ABC TV program *Can We Help?* He's also been a regular on Melbourne radio and appeared in the TV comedy programs *The Comedy Company* and *Let The Blood Run Free*.

JOELY RICHARDSON born in London, England - 1965 (49)

* English actress. She's the daughter of Tony Richardson and Vanessa Redgrave and sister of Natasha. She's had starring roles in the films *101 Dalmatians* ('96) and *Maybe Baby* (2000).

DARREN BENNETT born in Sydney, NSW - 1965 (49)

* Former AFL footballer with Melbourne. He left Australia and in America turned his skills to gridiron and became a successful NFL punter. Joined the San Diego Chargers in 1995.

DAVE MATTHEWS born in South Africa - 1967 (47)

* Vocalist and guitarist with the Dave Matthews Band. His group formed in 1991. Their hit albums include *Under The Table And Dreaming*, *Busted Stuff*, *Everyday* and *Live In Chicago*.

STEVE HARWELL born in Santa Clara, California - 1967 (47)

* Lead vocalist with US band Smash Mouth. Their hits include: a revival of *I'm A Believer* (2001), *All Star* ('99), *Can't Get Enough Of You Baby* ('98) and *Walking On The Sun* ('97).

A. J. McLEAN (Alexander James McLean) born in West Palm Beach, Florida - 1978 (36)

* Vocalist with US group the Backstreet Boys. Their biggest hits include *Incomplete* (2005), *As Long As You Love Me* ('97) and *I Want It That Way* ('99).

CATHERINE ELIZABETH "KATE" MIDDLETON born in Berkshire, England - 1982 (32)

* The Duchess of Cambridge and wife of Prince William, Duke of Cambridge. The couple married on 29 April 2011 at Westminster Abbey. In July 2013 she gave birth to a son Prince George of Cambridge.

Events

First women's **GOLFTOURNAMENT** was held in Scotland between locals in the fishing town of Musselburgh - 1811.

Last transportation of **CONVICTS** to Australia arrived in Fremantle - 1868.

FLIRTING IN PUBLIC was outlawed in New York State - 1902.

PHAR LAP went on display at Melbourne's museum - 1933.

GARY O'CALLAGHAN commenced his radio career as an office boy at 2SM - 1951.

UNITED NATIONS headquarters officially opened in New York City - 1951.

BILL HALEY & THE COMETS' *Rock Around The Clock* became the first rock 'n roll 45 rpm to be released in Australia - 1955.

THE SHADOWS (then called The Drifters) recorded their first single *Feelin' Fine* - 1959.

* It wasn't a hit. Six months later they changed their name to The Shadows.

RAWHIDE, featuring a young Clint Eastwood as Rowdy Yates, began on US television - 1959.

QUEEN ELIZABETH ocean liner caught fire and sank in Hong Kong harbour - 1972.

RON GRANT and **TONY RAFFERTY** completed their 380 kilometres crossing of the Gibson Desert - 1986.

PETER COOK, British comic actor, died aged 57 - 1995.

3RD ROCK FROM THE SUN, US TV sit-com, debuted on Australian television - 1996.

TONY BULLIMORE, English yachtsman, was rescued by HMAS Adelaide after spending 5 days in the upturned hull of his yacht - 1997.

DAVE DEE, UK singer with Dave Dee, Dozy, Beaky, Mick & Tich, died aged 65 after a 3 year battle with cancer - 2009.

Births

JOHNNY RAY born in, Oregon - 1927. (Died aged 63 - 1990)

* American singer. His 1950s include: *Just Walkin' In The Rain*, *The Little White Cloud That Cried*, *Cry* and *Build Your Love*.

BURNUM BURNUM (Harry Penrith) born in Wallaga Lake, NSW - 1936. (Died aged 61 - 1997)

* Australian rugby player, writer and Aboriginal activist. He helped organise the Aboriginal Tent Embassy in Canberra in 1972, and on Australia Day 1988 raised the Aboriginal flag on the coast of Dover, England to symbolically take possession of England on behalf of Australian Aborigines.

SCOTT MCKENZIE (Philip Blondheim) born in Florida - 1939. (Died aged 73 - 2012)

* American singer. His only hit was in 1967 with *San Francisco (Wear Some Flowers In Your Hair)*. It was written by John Phillips from The Mamas & The Papas. (Scott and John were two of the co-writers of the Beach Boys' hit *Kokomo*)

JIM CROCE born in Pennsylvania - 1943. (Died aged 29 - 1973)

* American singer/songwriter. His best known songs are the '70s hits *Operator*, *Time In A Bottle*, *You Don't Mess Around With Jim* and *Big Bad Leroy Brown*. Croce and five others were killed when a privately chartered plane crashed into a tree.

ROD STEWART born in London, England - 1945 (69)

* UK singer. The former Faces lead singer had his first solo success in 1971 with his album *Every Picture Tells A Story*. In 2010 he released his fifth edition of *The Great American Songbook*. The first album, *It Had To Be You*, was released in 2002 and made the top 5 in the US and the top 10 in 14 other countries.

* His last national No 1 hit single in Australia was in 1991 with *Rhythm Of My Heart*.

* He married Penny Lancaster in 2007. Lancaster gave birth to her first child (Stewart's 7th) in 2005.

* In 2005 he won his first Grammy award after 14 nominations. He won the traditional pop vocal album Grammy for *Stardust: The Great American Songbook*.

JOHN FAHEY born in New Zealand - 1945 (69)

* Premier of NSW from June 1992 to March 1995. He moved to Australia from NZ in 1955.

DONALD FAGEN born in Passaic, New Jersey - 1948 (66)

* US musician. He and Walter Becker were the nucleus for the band Steely Dan. Some of their best known songs are - *Do It Again*, *Reeling In The Years*, *Rikki Don't Lose That Number* and *Hey 19*.

* His solo single *I.G.Y.* became a minor hit in Australia in 1982.

GEORGE FOREMAN born in Texas - 1949 (65)

* American boxer. In 1994 he became the oldest ever heavyweight champion of the world when he scored a knockout win over Michael Moorer.

* In 1974 he lost his title to Muhammad Ali - who became the second man in boxing history to regain the world heavyweight championship.

* He has five sons all named George with Roman numerals added to distinguish them from one another. Altogether he has nine children to five wives!

* Name behind the famous 'George Foreman Grill.'

PAT BENATAR (Pat Andrzejewski) born in New York - 1953 (61)

* US singer. Her biggest hits in Australia have been - *Love Is A Battlefield* ('84), *We Belong* ('84), *Invincible* ('85) and *All Fired Up* ('88).

SHAWN COLVIN born in Vermillion, South Dakota - 1958 (56)

* US singer/songwriter. She is best known for her 1997 hit song *Sunny Came Home*. It won Grammys for Song of the Year and Record of the Year.

BRAD ROBERTS born in Winnipeg, Canada - 1964 (50)

* Lead singer for Canadian band Crash Test Dummies. In Australia they had a No 1 hit in 1994 with *Mmm Mmm Mmm*.

JEREMY SIMS born in Perth, WA - 1966 (48)

* Australian actor. His credits include the TV series *Fireflies* and the TV mini series *Day of the Roses* ('98) and *Kangaroo Palace* ('97). He directed the 2006 feature film *Last Train To Freo*.

JEMAIN CLEMENT born in New Zealand - 1974 (40)

* NZ comedian and musician. One half of the comedy team Flight Of The Conchords (with Bret McKenzie).

MATTHEW LE NEVEZ born in Canberra, ACT - 1979 (35)

* Australian actor. He is best known for his role as Dr Patrick Reid in the TV series *Offspring*.

Events

LONDON'S METROPOLITAN, world's first underground passenger railway, opened to the public - 1863.

TINTIN and his dog **SNOWY** made their first comic strip appearance - 1929.

* The comic strips were written and illustrated by Belgian artist Herge (Georges Remi). The hero of the series was Tintin, a young Belgian reporter. He is aided by his faithful fox terrier dog Snowy.

ELVIS PRESLEY, 21, recorded his first big hit *Heartbreak Hotel* - 1956.

* The song was inspired by a front page newspaper story about a suicide victim who left a short note saying - "I walk a lonely street." It was written by Mae Axton and Tommy Durden in just 22 minutes! (Elvis was also credited as a co-writer but it's very doubtful that he contributed anything).

HOSPITAL HALF HOUR, hosted by Garry Ord, began on ABC radio - 1938.

* It finally ended in May 1977.

MICKEY ROONEY, 21, married then little-known actress **AVA GARDNER**, 19, - 1942.

LORETTA LYNN, US country singer, aged only 13, married Oliver 'Doo' Lynn - 1948.

* 'Doo' died in 1996. They remained together up until the time of his death.

THE GREATEST SHOW ON EARTH, directed by Cecil B De Mille, opened in the US - 1952.

* The circus extravaganza which won an Oscar for best picture, starred Betty Hutton, Cornel Wilde, Charlton Heston and Dorothy Lamour.

THE ADVENTURES OF THE TERRIBLE TEN began on Australian television on GTV 9 - 1960.

* When it aired on ABC TV in February 1964 it was known as *Ten Again*.

JOHN GORTON was sworn in as Australia's PM after defeating Paul Hasluck for the leadership of the Liberal Party - 1968.

COCO CHANEL, French fashion designer, died aged 87 - 1971.

RICHARD BOONE, American actor, died aged 63 - 1981.

* He starred in the 1950s television series *Have Gun Will Travel* and *Paladin*.

PAUL LYNDE, American comic actor, died aged 55 - 1982.

* His movie credits include *Bye Bye Birdie* ('63) and *Beach Blanket Bingo* ('65).

PAUL HEWSON, Dragon keyboard player, died aged 32 as a result of drug causes - 1985.

* He had only recently left the group. He wrote Dragon's hits *Are You Old Enough* and *April Sun In Cuba*.

The **SAN JOSE LIBRARY** in California attempted to display a huge banner which was supposed to read: "Welcome" in 27 languages. Unfortunately there was a mistake on the banner and in native Filipino it read: "circumcision" - 1990.

CARLO PONTI, Italian film director and husband of Sophia Loren, died aged 94 - 2007.

VAMPIRA (born Maila Syrjaniemi), Finnish born - US horror movie TV host, died aged 85 - 2008.

* She appeared in a non-speaking role in one of the world's worst movies, *Plan 9 From Outer Space*.

FERGIE (Stacy Ferguson), 33, married **JOHN DUHAMEL** (actor in *Transformers*), 36, - 2009.

* For the occasion they had 350 guests, three marquees and 25,000 flowers.

TOOWOOMBA, in the Darling Downs of Queensland, was hit by flash flooding after more than 160 millimetres of rain fell in 36 hours - 2011.

* This event caused four deaths.

Births

DON CHERRY (Donald Cherry) born in Texas - 1924 (90)

* American singer and golfer. In 1955 he had his biggest pop hit with *Band Of Gold*.

* Cherry was a top ranked amateur golfer, and was in contention to win the 1960 U.S. Open before eventually finishing in the top five, behind winner Arnold Palmer.

ROD TAYLOR (Robert Taylor) born in Sydney, NSW - 1929 (85)

* Australian actor. He moved to Hollywood in 1955. One of his earliest US roles was in *Giant* ('56) (which was James Dean's last film). Some of his major movies include *Time Machine* ('60), *The Birds* ('63) and *Thirty Six Hours* ('64).

* He came out of retirement to play Winston Churchill in the 2009 movie *Inglorious Basterds*.

CLARENCE CLEMONS born in Norfolk, Virginia - 1942. (Died aged 69 - 2011)

* American musician. From 1972 until his death, he was a prominent member of Bruce Springsteen's E Street Band, playing the tenor saxophone. He had a hit single with *You're a Friend of Mine*, a duet with Jackson Browne. He suffered a stroke in June 2011, and died of complications from it on June 18.

NAOMI JUDD (Diana Judd) born in Ashland, Kentucky - 1946 (68)

* US country singer. For many years she sang with her daughter Wynonna as The Judds. *Why Not Me* and *Rockin' With The Rhythm* were two of their best selling albums.

DARYL BRAITHWAITE born in Melbourne, Victoria - 1949 (65)

* Australian singer. The former Sherbet lead vocalist made a chart comeback in 1988 with his solo album *Edge* and had major hits with *As The Days Go By* and *One Summer*. In 1991 he had a national No 1 hit with *The Horses*.

* During the 1970s when he was lead singer with Sherbet they had their biggest seller with *Howzat* which peaked at No 4 in Britain. He also had solo hits with *-You're My World, Love Has No Pride* and *If You Walked Away*.

* He has a twin brother Glenn (who is a pathologist).

BILLE BROWN (William Brown) born in Biloela, Queensland - 1951. (Died aged 62 - 2013)

* Australian film and stage actor. His movies include a supporting role in *Oscar and Lucinda*, *Fierce Creatures*, *The Dish* and *The Chronicles of Narnia*. He died of bowel cancer two days after his 62nd birthday in 2013.

BEN CRENSHAW born in Austin, Texas - 1952 (62)

* American golfer. He won the U.S. Masters golf championship in 1984.

PETER MOORE born in Victoria - 1957 (57)

* VFL footballer. He was a ruckman with Collingwood and later in his career, Melbourne. He won the Brownlow Medal for best and fairest in 1979 and again in 1984.

VICKI PETERSON (Victoria Peterson) born in Los Angeles, California - 1958 (56)

* Guitarist/vocalist with US band The Bangles. Her sister Debbie played drums. Their biggest '80s hits were - *Walk Like An Egyptian* and *Eternal Flame*.

JASON CONNERY born in London, England - 1963 (51)

* English actor/son of Sean Connery and his former wife Diane Cilento. He starred in the 1991 film *The Secret Life of Ian Fleming*. His other films include *Shanghai Noon* (2000), *Macbeth* ('97) and the mini-series *Merlin* ('97).

MARY J BLIGE (Mary Jane Blige) born in New York - 1971 (43)

* US singer. The Queen of Hip-Hop Soul had her first hit in Australia in 2001 with *Family Affair*. She has received over 25 Grammy Award nominations for her works, winning six. In 2004 she won the Grammy for Best Pop Collaboration With Vocals for *Whenever I Say Your Name* - a song she recorded with Sting.

HOLLY BRISLEY born in Adelaide, South Australia - 1978 (36)

* Australian actress and TV presenter. Played Amanda Vale in *Home And Away*. She has been a host on *Good As Gold*, *World's Craziest Videos* and *Agro's Cartoon Connection*. Her films include: *Scooby-Doo* (2002) and *Garage Days* (2002).

NEWTON FAULKNER (Sam Newton Faulkner) born in Surrey, England - 1985 (29)

* UK guitarist and singer. He had his debut hit in 2008 with *Dream Catch Me* (No 5 in Australia). In 2009 had a minor hit with *If This Is It*.

CODY SIMPSON born in Gold Coast, Queensland - 1997 (17)

* Australian singer. He was discovered by Shawn Campbell, a Grammy-nominated record producer, who came across some of Cody's recordings on YouTube. In 2010 he released his debut single, *iYiYi* (which featured American rapper Flo Rida). It has been his biggest hit to date. In 2013 released his second album *Surfers Paradise*.

Events

RHUBARB was introduced to America by Benjamin Franklin - 1770.

* He gave it as a gift from London, to a friend.

PINEAPPLES were planted for the first time in Hawaii - 1813.

MILK in BOTTLES was delivered for the first time in Brooklyn, New York by Alexander Campbell - 1878.

POPULAR MECHANICS magazine was first published - 1902.

INSULIN was first used to treat diabetes - 1922.

SEA HUNT, starring Lloyd Bridges as Mike Nelson, began on US television - 1957.

THE BEATLES released their second single *Please Please Me* in the UK - 1963.

* It was the follow up to *Love Me Do*, which made No 17 (in UK.) *Please Please Me* made it to No 2 but their next 12 single releases all topped the British charts (with the exception of *Ain't She Sweet* - one of their Hamburg recordings which was released in 1964.)

WHISKY AU GO GO, America's first discotheque, opened in Los Angeles - 1963.

US surgeon Luther Terry reported that officially for the first time that **SMOKING** may be hazardous to

health - 1964.

First **"QUICKIE DIVORCE"** was granted in UK - 1971.

MICHAEL JACKSON's *Thriller* album became the best-selling album of all time - 1984.

* On this day Jackson was nominated for twelve Grammy awards.

Tasmania's first **QUADRUPLETS** were born in Hobart - 1981.

GATEWAY BRIDGE opened for traffic in Brisbane - 1986.

* Construction on bridge commenced in June 1980.

25 **MOTORISTS** who staged an unofficial race in the Saudi capital, Jeddah, were lashed in public - 1987.

NATIONAL TENNIS CENTRE opened in Melbourne - 1988.

JEOPARDY, hosted by Tony Barber, began on Ten Network - 1993.

* It ended the same year.

Last **MILK BOTTLE** rolled of the production line in Queensland - 1996.

* (See also trivia above for 1878.)

SURESH JOACHIM of Australia moonwalked 49.2 km over a 24 hour period - 2006.

MARK BOUCHER, South African wicketkeeper, claimed a world record for Test catches when he took his 367th wicket in his 100th Test match - 2007.

* He beat Australian Ian Healy's record.

SIR EDMUND HILLARY, first man to climb Mt Everest (with his guide Tenzing Norgay), died aged 88 - 2008.

MARION JONES, US athlete, was sentenced to 6 months jail for lying about her steroid use before the 2000 Olympic Games - 2008.

BRISBANE RIVER broke its banks leading to evacuations in the Brisbane CBD and the suburbs of Fortitude Valley and West End - 2011.

* Some of the worst suburbs affected by the floods were St Lucia, West End, Rocklea and Graceville. 20,000 houses in

Births

RAY PRICE (Noble Ray Price) born in Perryville, Texas - 1926. (Died aged 87 - 2013)

* US country singer. He had a hit in Australia in 1971 with *For The Good Times*. In the US he had over 80 top 40 hits in the country charts. Died in December 2013.

DES O'CONNOR born in London, England - 1932 (82)

* UK singer. His hit songs include *Don't Let The Good Life Pass You By*, *Remember* and *I Pretend*.

MICHAEL ASPEL born in London, England - 1933 (81)

* English TV compere. He hosted the British TV chat show *Aspel & Company* and from 2000-2007 presented *Antiques Roadshow*.

FRANKIE DAVIDSON born in Black Rock, Melbourne - 1934 (80)

* Australian entertainer. His biggest hits include the novelty songs *Have You Ever Been To King's Cross* ('62), *Gimme Dat Ding* ('70) and *The Ball-Bearing Bird* ('71).

LONG JOHN BALDRY born in London, England - 1941. (Died aged 64 - 2005)

* English singer. He had his biggest seller in Australia with *You've Lost That Lovin' Feelin'* - a duet which he recorded with Kathi McDonald in 1980. In 1968 he also charted with *Let The Heartaches Begin*.

* The 'John' in Elton John's name was inspired by an admiration for Long John Baldry whom he used to play with in the early days of his career.

JOE FRAZIER born in Beauford, South Carolina - 1944. (Died aged 67 - 2011)

* US boxer. 'Smokin' Joe' was world heavyweight champ from 1970-1973 but is best remembered for his famous fight with Muhammad Ali in the 'Thriller In Manila' in 1975. Ali won by a T.K.O.

* His daughter Jacqui Frazier-Lyde is also a boxer. In 2001 she fought Laila Ali, daughter of Muhammad Ali.

ANTHONY ANDREWS born in London, England - 1947 (67)

* British actor. He played Sebastian in the UK TV mini-series *Brideshead Revisited* ('81).

KIRSTIE ALLEY born in Wichita, Kansas - 1951 (63)

* US actress. She played Rebecca Howe in *Cheers* and starred in her own TV comedy, *Veronica's Closet*. She also starred in the films *Look Who's Talking* ('89) and sequels. She returned to prime time in the TV series *Fat Actress*.

JOHN WALKER born in New Zealand - 1952 (62)

* NZ athlete. In 1975, he ran a mile in a record 3 min 50 secs. In 1976 he won gold at the Montreal Olympics. In 1985 he became the first athlete to run 100 sub four-minute miles.

HOWARD STERN born in Jackson Heights, New York - 1954 (60)

* US radio talk host ('shock-jock'). He is heard on the subscription-based SIRIUS Satellite Radio and is the highest paid radio presenter in the US. He is also the most fined personality in radio history.

* Starred in his own autobiographical movie, *Private Parts* ('97).

* In 2013, he bought a beachfront home in Florida, for \$52 million. The home contains 12.5 bathrooms and five bedrooms with over 19,000 square feet of living space.

PER GESSLE born in Sweden - 1959 (55)

* Male half of the Swedish duo Roxette. Their hits from 1989-'92 include *The Look*, *Dangerous*, *Dressed For Success* and *Listen To Your Heart*, *Joyride* (their third No 1 hit in Australia) and *It Must Have Been Love*.

RICHIE RICHARDSON born in West Indies - 1962 (52)

* West Indies cricketer. The former West Indies captain chalked up centuries in his 4th, 5th and 8th Tests - all against Australia. In a Test career spanning 12 years and 86 Test matches he averaged a44 and made 6,248 runs.

CRAIG PARRY born in Sunshine, Victoria - 1966 (48)

* Australian golfer. In December 2007 he won his first Australian Open. His other wins include: the NZ Open and three Australian Masters golf titles. He also won the 1992 Australian PGA championship and the 1995 Greg Norman Classic.

HEATHER MILLS born in Aldershot, England - 1968 (46)

* UK model and charity worker. Former wife of Sir Paul McCartney. They married in 2002 and announced their separation in May 2006, just prior to Sir Paul's 64th birthday.

* In October 2003 she gave birth to a girl, Beatrice Milly McCartney.

MELANIE CHISHOLM born in Liverpool, England - 1974 (40)

* Mel C (Sporty Spice) of Spice Girls fame. The all girl group reunited in 2007 to record a new album and to tour. Their biggest hits include *Wannabe* (No 1 in Australia, UK and US), *Mama/Who Do You Think You Are* and *Stop*. She had a huge solo hit with *Never Be The Same Again* (featuring Lisa 'Left Eye' Lopes) and also sang on Bryan Adams' 1999 hit *When You're Gone*.

PIXIE LOTT (Victoria Lott) born in London, England - 1991 (22)

* UK singer/songwriter. Her No 1 UK hits include *Mama Do (Uh Oh, Uh Oh)*, *Boys and Girls* and *All About Tonight*.

ZAYN MALIK born in WEst Yorkshire, England - 1993 (21)

* Vocalist with UK boy group One Direction. The group recently toured Australia. In 2013 they released a new album *Midnight Memories*. It contains the hits *Story Of My Life* and *Best Song Ever*. Their albums *Up All Night* and *Take Me Home*, released in 2011 and 2012 respectively, generated international chart-topping singles, including *What Makes You Beautiful* and *Live While We're Young*.

Events

A **HEAT WAVE** commenced in Bourke, NSW with a daily average temperature of 47°C - 1896.

* It lasted till January 25. 47 people died.

ADELAIDE recorded a maximum temperature of 46.1° C - 1939.

ELVIS PRESLEY recorded *All Shook Up* - 1957.

DR WHO began on ABC television in Australia - 1965.

* The BBC series first aired in England in November 1963.

BATMAN, starring Adam West as Batman and Burt Ward as Robin, began on US television - 1966.

LED ZEPPELIN'S self titled debut album was released in UK - 1969.

ALL IN THE FAMILY, starring Carroll O'Connor, began on US television - 1971.

DAME AGATHA CHRISTIE, English crime writer, died aged 85 - 1976.

PERTH experienced a maximum temperature of 44.7° C - 1978.

* This record was beaten in February 1991 with 46.2° C.

DYNASTY began on US television - 1981.

* It was set in a 48-room mansion belonging to Blake Carrington who was played by John Forsythe. Joan Collins played his ex-wife Alexis.

AS TIME GOES BY began on UK television - 1992.

* The 9th and final series was shot in 2004.

BRITNEY SPEARS' hit *Baby One More Time* went on sale in America and made No 1 in its first week of release - 1999.

MARGARET COURT ARENA became the new name of Show Court No 1 at Melbourne Park - 2003.

MAURICE GIBB (Bee Gees), twin brother of Robin, died aged 53 - 2003.

* He died of a heart attack just before an operation to remove an intestinal blockage. His twin brother Robin died in 2012.

JESSICA ROWE, 34, (TV presenter) married **PETER OVERTON**, 38, (*60 Minutes*) - 2004.

RANDY VANWARMER, who had a hit with *Just When I Needed You Most*, died aged 48 of leukaemia - 2004.

DRAKE & JOSH began on US television - 2004.

* The TV sit-com stars Drake Bell and Josh Peck.

DUSTY: THE ORIGINAL POP DIVA, starring Tasmin Carroll as Dusty Springfield, opened in Melbourne - 2006.

Births

ROY CAZALY born in South Melbourne, Victoria - 1893. (Died aged 70 - 1963)

* Australian Rules VFL footballer. He was a ruckman with St Kilda and then joined South Melbourne (now the Sydney Swans).

* He inspired the line - "Up There Cazaly" which became the title for the Two Man Band's No 1 hit in 1979.

SIR JOHANNES BJELKE-PETERSEN born in New Zealand - 1911. (Died aged 94 - 2005)

* Premier of Queensland from 1968 to 1987. He is Queensland's longest serving premier.

* His wife Flo (Florence) was also a Senator in the National Party.

ROBERT STACK (Charles Stack) born in Los Angeles, California - 1919. (Died aged 84 - 2003)

* American actor. He starred as Eliot Ness in the television series *The Untouchables* (1959-1962).

RIP TAYLOR (Charles Taylor) born in Washington DC - 1934 (80)

* US comedian. Taylor is known for his high-voiced yells, zany hair (which is a toupée) and bushy handlebar moustache. He always enters a venue tossing handfuls of confetti from a paper bag onto his audience and laughing hysterically.

CAROL CLEVELAND born in London, England - 1943 (71)

* English comic actress. She is best known for playing various female roles in the *Monty Python's Flying Circus* TV series and the movies that followed.

PAUL KELLY born in Adelaide, SA - 1955 (59)

* Australian singer/songwriter. Paul Kelly & The Coloured Girls' biggest hits include - *Before Too Long* ('86), *To Her Door* ('87) and *Dumb Things* ('89). The group's name was inspired by a line in the Lou Reed hit *Walk On The Wild Side*. They were later called Paul Kelly And The Messengers - a name which they adopted while on tour in the US.

* His best selling album is the compilation *Songs From The South* which made No 2 in 1997.

* His first public performance was in 1974 to an audience in Hobart.

SUGGS (Graham McPherson) born in Sussex, England - 1961 (53)

* Lead singer with British band Madness. Their hits include - *It Must Be Love* ('82), *Driving in My Car* ('82) and *Our House* ('83).

JULIA LOUIS-DREYFUS born in New York, New York - 1961 (53)

* US actress. She is best known for playing Elaine in the US sit-com *Seinfeld*. She also starred in the TV series *The New Adventures Of Old Christine*.

* She's the daughter of French billionaire, Gerard Louis-Dreyfus.

BILL BAILEY (Mark Bailey) born in Somerset, England - 1964 (50)

* English stand-up comedian, musician and actor. He played the role of Manny Bianco in the TV comedy *Black Books*. He's also a regular guest on the quiz show *QI*.

PATRICK DEMPSEY born in Lewiston, Maine - 1966 (48)

* US actor. He plays Dr Derek Shepherd in the TV series *Grey's Anatomy*. Appeared in the 2007 film *Enchanted*.

ANNIE JONES (Annika Josko) born in Adelaide, SA - 1967 (47)

* Australian actress. The former *Neighbours* star played Jane Harris who was originally an 'ugly duckling' but turned into one of Ramsay Street's most glamorous ladies. Her other TV credits include the mini-series *The Jackaroo*, *Snowy* and *Newlyweds*.

MARK BOSNICH born in Sydney, NSW - 1972 (42)

* Australian soccer player. He joined Chelsea in 2001 following stints with Manchester United and Aston Villa. However, he was sacked from the club in January 2003 after testing positive for cocaine use. At the time he was earning \$120,000 a week.

* In 2000 he was appointed the Socceroos captain and became the first goalkeeper and only the second overseas based player to get the job.

BIC RUNGA born in Christchurch, New Zealand - 1976 (38)

* New Zealand singer. Biggest selling artist in New Zealand. Her first solo album, *Drive*, debuted at number one in the New Zealand charts. In 1997 she had a top 10 hit in Australia with *Sway*.

ORLANDO BLOOM born in Kent, England - 1977 (37)

* English actor. He played Legolas in the *Lord of the Rings* films. He broke a rib during the making of *Fellowship Of The Ring*. His other movies include: *Black Hawk Down*, *Pirates of The Caribbean: The Curse Of The Black Pearl* (plus sequels), *Kingdom Of Heaven* and the latest *Hobbit* movie.

* He married Australian model Miranda Kerr in 2010. They separated in 2013. They have a son Flynn.

Events

ACCORDION was patented by Anthony Faas of Philadelphia - 1854.

THOMAS CRAPPER pioneered the W.C. (water closet) (now referred to as the toilet) - 1863.

* He created the one-piece flushing toilet and the world's first self-raising seat.

Australia's **FRED SPOFFORTH** claimed the first hat trick in Test cricket taking 3 wickets in consecutive deliveries at the SCG against England - 1979.

ALLAN JONES recorded *The Donkey Serenade* - 1938.

MELBOURNE recorded a maximum temperature of 45.6 °C - 1939.

* However in February 2009 this record was broken when Melbourne recorded a maximum 46.4 C (3.04 pm).

FRISBEE was developed by Wham-O company - 1957.

* Frisbee playing probably dates back to 1920 when US Yale University students were first observed tossing thin metal pie tins back and forth to each other. The tins came from the local Frisbie Bakery of Bridgeport and the students used to yell out "Frisbie!" when they hurled the tins in the air.

LITTLE RICHARD's hit single *Good Golly Miss Molly* was released in the US - 1958.

BOBBY RYDELL and **CHUBBY CHECKER** played their first Australian concerts in Brisbane - 1962.

JOHNNY CASH recorded *Folsom Prison Blues* live at Folsom Prison - 1968.

* The original hit version was released in 1956 on the Sun Record label.

WORLD'S LARGEST AIRPORT opened at Dallas, Texas - 1974.

DONNA GRIFFITHS, an 11 year old English girl, caught a cold and began sneezing and didn't stop until 978 days later! - 1983.

* She sneezed an estimated one million times in the first 365 days.

OTTO BUCHER, aged 99, made a hole-in-one at the La Manga Course in Spain to become the oldest golfer to ace a hole - 1985.

LONE STAR STEAKHOUSE & SALOON opened their first restaurant in Australia at Parramatta in Sydney - 1993.

AMERICA 3 became the first all-female crew to win an America's Cup event by defeating Dennis Connor and the Stars & Stripes team on the first day of the defender's trials - 1995.

US President **GEORGE W BUSH** fainted briefly after choking on a pretzel while watching TV at the White House - 2002.

NAOMI ROBSON commenced hosting the Melbourne edition of *Today Tonight* - 1997.

* She hosted her final program on December 1, 2006.

POSTAGE STAMPS in Australia increased to 50 cents - 2003.

PATRICK McGOOHAN, UK actor best known for playing Number Six in the TV series *Prisoner* and starring in *Danger Man*, died aged 80 - 2009.

NANCY-BIRD WALTON, Australian aviator, died aged 83 in Sydney - 2009.

BRISBANE RIVER peaked at 4.46 metres in Brisbane City, the flood level was about the 10th highest in the city's history - 2011.

* The day prior 45,000 people were evacuated in Brisbane, Ipswich and the Lockyer Valley. 5,200 businesses were affected by the floods.

Births

GUY WILLIAMS (Armando Catalano) born in New York, New York - 1924. (Died aged 65 - 1989)
* American actor. He starred in the *Zorro* TV series and played John Robinson in the popular '60s program *Lost In Space*.

WARREN MITCHELL (Warren Misel) born in London, England - 1926 (88)
* English actor - who became a naturalised Australian. He is best known for playing the bigoted Alf Garnett in the television series *Till Death Us Do Part* ('66-'75).

RICHARD BRIERS born in England - 1934. (Died aged 79 - 2013)
* English actor. He played Tom Good in the British '70s comedy series *The Good Life*.
* He's a cousin of Terry-Thomas.

JACK JONES born in Hollywood, California - 1938 (76)
* US singer and son of Allan Jones. His recording *Wives and Lovers* won the 1964 Grammy Award, Best Pop Male Performance. He actually recorded *Strangers in the Night* before Frank Sinatra did. He also sang TV's *Love Boat* theme.

FAYE DUNAWAY (Dorothy Faye Dunaway) born in Bascom, Florida - 1941 (73)
* American actress. Her first major movie role was in *Bonnie and Clyde* (as Bonnie) in 1967. She won an Academy Award for Best Actress in *Network* ('76). Her other major movies are - *The Thomas Crown Affair* ('68), *Chinatown* ('74), *Mommie Dearest* ('81) and *Don Juan De Marco* ('95).

IAN BRAYSHAW born in South Perth, WA - 1942 (72)
* WA cricketer and Australian Rules footballer. He later worked in the media with the ABC and Channel Ten in WA. He's the father of TV sports presenter James Brayshaw and former Kangaroos player Mark.

GRAHAM MARSH born in Kalgoorlie, WA - 1944 (70)
* Australian golfer. His major golf wins include the World Match Play championship in 1977 and the Australian Masters in 1982.
* He's the brother of cricketer Rodney Marsh.

CARL WEATHERS born in New Orleans, Louisiana - 1948 (66)
* US actor. He is best known for playing Apollo Creed in the first three *Rocky* films.

ANDREW JARMAN born in SA - 1966 (48)
* Former AFL footballer. 'Jars' played with the Adelaide Crows from 1991-1996. He's the older brother of Darren who played with Hawthorn and Adelaide.

EMILY WATSON born in London, England - 1967 (47)
* English actress. She was 25 when she started acting professionally. Played Angela in the movie *Angela's Ashes* (1999).

L.L COOL J (James Todd Smith) born in Long Island, New York - 1968 (46)
* US rap singer and actor. His stage name stands for "Ladies Love Cool James." He is the first rap artist to have six consecutive million-selling albums. In 2003 he had a big hit with *All I Have* - a duet with Jennifer Lopez.

JASON BATEMAN born in Rye, New York - 1969 (45)
* American actor and younger brother of actress Justine Bateman. He was first seen on television in *Little House On The Prairie*. He also played David Hogan in the television series *The Hogan Family*.

DAVE GROHL born in Warren, Ohio - 1969 (45)
* US musician and singer. In 1994 the former Nirvana drummer formed his own band, The Foo Fighters. Their '90s hits include *Big Me*, *Monkey Wrench* and *Learn To Fly*. He's also drummer and co-founder of Them Crooked Vultures.

BEN DARK born in Queensland - 1972 (42)
* Australian TV presenter. Since 1999 he's worked as a reporter on *Getaway*. He began his media career in 1994 at B105 Brisbane and featured on their breakfast program as the 'Bush Pig.'

RICHARD VANDENBERG born in - 1977 (37)
* AFL player. Former Hawthorn player and captain. He retired at end of season 2007.

JAMES MATHISON born in Sydney, NSW - 1978 (36)
* Australian TV and radio presenter. He's a cost of the new Network Ten program *Wake Up* that launched in late 2013. Former co-host of *Australian Idol* with Andrew G (2003-2009).
* Guitarist in the Sydney band The Punisherz.

LENNY HAYES born in NSW - 1980 (34)
* AFL player with St Kilda. A former captain (2004) and in 2007 was one of the team's co-captains. He won the Norm Smith medal in the 2010 drawn Grand Final (Collingwood v St Kilda). He's currently St Kilda's oldest player and will play on in 2014.

CALEB FOLLOWIL (Anthony Caleb Followil) born in Memphis, Tennessee - 1982 (32)
* Lead singer, songwriter and guitarist with US band the Kings Of Leon. His band had the biggest selling album in 2008 with *Only By The Night*. They also had a No 1 single with *Sex On Fire*.

ZAC DRAYSON born in Sydney, NSW - 1983 (31)
* Australian actor. He played Will Smith on TV's *Home and Away*.

Events

KING JAMES I of England ordered a new translation of the Bible. (Later referred to as the King James Version) - 1604.

BRITAIN adopted the Union Jack as its official flag - 1801.
* It was originally created in 1606.

CELLULOID, the 1869 invention of John Hyatt, was given a registered trademark - 1873.
* While waiting for a patent Hyatt used celluloid to wrap Christmas presents before he realised somebody might be able to make motion pictures with it.

PUCCINI's opera *Tosca* had its world premiere in Rome - 1900.

SYDNEY recorded its hottest January day on record with 45.3° C - 1939.
* Eight lives were lost as a result of bushfires which occurred in many parts of NSW.

NBC's **TODAY** show premiered on US television - 1952. (Still running.)

MARILYN MONROE married baseball star **JOE DI MAGGIO** - 1954.
* It was the second wedding for both but it was to last less than a year and they divorced in October.

HUMPHREY BOGART, American actor, died aged 58 of cancer - 1957.

DAVID BOWIE recorded his first single (under that name) *Can't Help Thinking About Me* - 1966.
* It bombed out. It wasn't until three years later that he had his first hit with *Space Oddity*.

ELVIS PRESLEY's world wide TV special *Aloha From Hawaii* was aired live via satellite from Honolulu to 38 countries and an audience of 1.5 billion - 1973.

LILLIAN GASINSKAYA known as 'The Girl In The Red Bikini', jumped from a Russian ship in Sydney, seeking asylum in Australia - 1979.

LONGEST CONGA LINE in Australia was formed by 3,726 people at the 1984 Amway Conference in Haymarket, Sydney - 1984.

THE SIMPSONS TV cartoon show began in US - 1990.
* It's now the longest running animated series in TV history. It broke the record which had been held for many years by *The Flintstones*.

GLENN McGRATH captured four wickets for just 8 runs off 10 overs and entered the record books as the best one-day bowling performance in Australian cricket history - 2000.

LEIF GARRETT, '70s US teen idol, was charged with possessing heroin and fare evasion - 2006.
* In March 2005 he pleaded guilty to possessing cocaine - 2006.

LEYAN LO, a 20 year old San Franciscan student, solved the Rubik's Cube puzzle in a record time of 11.13 seconds - 2006.

PRINCESS MARY (Crown Princess of Denmark) gave birth to twins - Vincent and Josephine - 2011.

Births

MARY MACKILLOP born in Fitzroy, Victoria - 1842. (Died aged 67 - 1909)

* Roman Catholic saint. She is the only Australian to have been beatified (in 1995 by Pope John Paul II). She was officially canonised in 2010 and became known as Saint Mary of the Cross (MacKillop).

LLOYD BRIDGES born in San Leandro, California - 1913. (Died aged 85 - 1998)

* American actor. He starred in 155 underwater stories in the television series *Sea Hunt* which screened from 1958-1961.

* He was married to the same woman for 60 years. Their sons Beau and Jeff are successful actors.

PHYLISS COATES (Gypsie Stell) born in Wichita Falls, Texas - 1927 (87)

* US actress. She played Lois Lane in the first season of the '50s TV series, *Superman* that starred George Reeves. (She was actually given equal billing with George Reeves.) In 1993 she played Lois Lane's mother on an episode of *Lois & Clark: The New Adventures of Superman*.

MARTIN LUTHER KING born in Atlanta, Georgia - 1929. (Died aged 39 - 1968)

* American black civil rights leader and Nobel Peace prize winner ('64). He was assassinated outside his hotel room in 1968.

* His widow, Coretta Scott King, died aged 78 in 2006. She had carried on her husband's work for racial equality after he was assassinated. They had four children.

MARGARET O'BRIEN (Angela O'Brien) born in Los Angeles, California - 1937 (77)

* American actress. In 1944 she received a special Academy Award as 'Outstanding Child Actress'. She retired in 1951 and despite a comeback, her career was never the same.

PRINCESS MICHAEL OF KENT born in Bohemia - 1945 (68)

* Wife of Prince Michael of Kent. She is also an authoress and has published several books on the Royal families of Europe.

PETE WATERMAN born in Coventry, England - 1947 (67)

* English producer and songwriter. He combined with Matt Aitken and Mike Stock to write and produce more than 100 chart hits in the UK for artists such as Kylie Minogue, Jason Donovan, Mel & Kim, Rick Astley and Dead Or Alive.

NEIL BALME born in Perth, WA - 1952 (62)

* Australian Rules footballer. He was recruited from WA and played with Richmond. He went on to coach Melbourne from 1993-1996. Balme is now Geelong's General Manager of football operations.

GARETH HALE born in London, England - 1953 (61)

* One half of the English comedy team Hale & Pace. Their television program debuted in 1986.

JAMES NESBITT born in Northern Ireland, UK - 1965 (49)

* Irish actor. He stars as Tommy Murphy in the TV series *Murphy's Law*. Played Leo McGarvey in *Ballykiss Angel*.

CHAD LOWE born in Dayton, Ohio - 1968 (46)

* US actor. He's the brother of Rob Lowe. From 1996-'97 he played Carter Gallivan in *Melrose Place*.

* He married actress Hilary Swank in 1997. They separated in 2006.

MARY PIERCE born in Montreal, Canada - 1975 (39)

* Canadian tennis player. A citizen of France, she mainly resides in America. In 2000 she won the French Open in Paris. Also won the Australian Open in 1995 and was a finalist in 1997.

GREG INGLIS born in Kempsey, NSW - 1987 (27)

* Australian rugby league player for the South Sydney Rabbitohs. He joined the Rabbitohs in 2011 after much controversy. Between 2007 and 2010 he played for Melbourne Storm.

SKRILLEX (Sonny Moore) born in Los Angeles, California - 1988 (26)

* American electronic musician and singer-songwriter. In 2009 he began performing as began performing under the name Skrillex. His *Bangarang* album peaked at No 4 in Australia in 2012.

Events

ARNOTTS produced their first biscuits in a Sydney factory - 1908.

* After 132 years as an essentially Australian company, they are now a part of a US cookie company.

PENTAGON was completed in America, becoming the world's largest office building - 1943.

TV WEEK AWARDS (Logies) were first presented - 1959.

* It was Graham Kennedy who named the awards the Logies after the middle name of the inventor of television, John Logie Baird.

FB HOLDEN vehicle was released in Australia - 1960.

JOHN MURRAY took 100 minutes to score just three runs for England against Australia in Sydney - 1963.

THE WHO released their first single *I Can't Explain* in the UK - 1965.

First **SUPER BOWL** (involving America's top football/gridiron teams) was played in US - 1967.

THE ROLLING STONES appeared on *The Ed Sullivan Show* and were forced to change the lyrics of *Let's Spend The Night Together* to "let's spend some time together" - 1967.

ELVIS PRESLEY recorded *Don't Cry Daddy* - 1969.

* It was written by Scott Davis - who is actually country singer/songwriter Mac Davis. He also penned *In The Ghetto*.

DIANA ROSS left the Supremes and began a solo career - 1970.

HAPPY DAYS began on US television - 1974.

* The idea for the series was probably inspired by a skit that appeared on the television series *Love American Style* in 1972. It featured two *Happy Days* stars Ron Howard and Anson Williams and was titled *Love And The Happy Day*.

* The Fonz, played by Henry Winkler, became so popular that after the first few seasons the network wanted to rename the show *Fonzie's Happy Days* or just *Fonzie*.

* No 1 program in America during the 1976-1977 season.

KC (K.C. & The Sunshine Band) was injured in a car accident - 1982.

* He was hit head-on by another vehicle. He was confined to a wheelchair and had to learn to walk all over again.

THOM SYLES of California set a world record by keeping a Life Saver lolly intact in his mouth for 7 hours and 10 minutes - 1983.

HARRY NILSSON, US singer/songwriter, died aged 52 - 1994.

* His biggest hit was *Without You* - the best selling single of 1972. His other big hits were *Everybody's Talkin'*, *I Guess The Lord Must Be In New York City* and *Jump Into The Fire*. He also wrote the '60s pop hits - *One* (Johnny Farnham/Three Dog Night) and *Cuddly Toy* (Monkees).

WAYNE NEWTON performed his 25,000th show in Las Vegas - 1996.

* He first performed in Vegas in 1959.

SUNRISE debuted at 6am on Channel 7 - 1996.

IAN THORPE, 15, became Australia's youngest individual world champion in 25 years when he won gold in the 400m freestyle final at the world swimming titles - 1998.

WIKIPEDIA, a free Wiki encyclopaedia, went online - 2001.

ADELAIDE-DARWIN RAILWAY opened when a freight train departed from Adelaide for a 3000 km three-day journey to Darwin - 2004.

A **DRUM ROLL** lasting 12 hr 49 min was played by eight students at Lake Orion High School in Michigan - 2005.

A **US AIRWAYS PLANE** crash landed on New York's Hudson River - 2009.

* Thanks to pilot Chesley Sullenberger all 155 aboard were saved. It's believed a flock of birds caused the engine failure.

CLIVE SHAKESPEARE, Sherbet lead guitarist, died aged 62 - 2012.

* He co-wrote *Cassandra*, *You've Got The Gun* and *Silvery Moon*. He was replaced by Harvey James in 1975.

Births

ERIC LIDDELL born in China - 1902. (Died aged 43 - 1945)

* Scottish athlete and missionary. He was the winner of the Men's 400 metres at the Olympic Games of 1924. His story was told in the 1981 film *Chariots of Fire*.

ETHEL MERMAN (Ethel Zimmerman) born in Astoria, New York - 1909. (Died aged 75 - 1984)
* American entertainer. She is remembered for her powerful, untrained singing voice. Ethel appeared in *Anything Goes* ('36), *Alexander's Ragtime Band* ('38), *Call Me Madam* ('53), *It's A Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad World* ('63) and *Flying High* ('80).

DIAN FOSSEY born in California - 1932. (Died aged 53 - 1985)

* US naturalist. She studied gorillas in the wild and inspired the movie *Gorillas In The Mist* ('88). She was killed (hacked to death) at a research station in Rwanda.

A J FOYT (Anthony Joseph Foyt) born in Houston, Texas - 1935 (79)

* US racing driver. He won the Indianapolis 500 on four occasions. He's also the only driver in history to win the Indy 500, Daytona 500 and 24 Hours of LeMans.

LORRAINE BAYLY born in Bateman's Bay, New South Wales - 1944 (70)

* Australian actress. She starred in the '80s TV series *Carson's Law* and for three years played Grace Sullivan in *The Sullivans*. Also had a five year stint on *Playschool*.

JIM STAFFORD born in Eloise, Florida - 1944 (70)

* US singer/songwriter. Two of his best known songs are the novelty '70s hits - *Spiders And Snakes* and *My Girl Bill*. He also co-produced Lobo's hits *I'd Love You To Want Me* and *Don't Expect Me To Be Your Friend*.

* In 1978 he married country singer Bobbie Gentry. They separated a year later.

RONNIE MILSAP born in North Carolina - 1946 (68)

* Blind US country singer. He had minor hits in Australia with *(There's No) Gettin' Over Me* and *Lost In The '50s Tonight*.

JOHN CARPENTER born in Carthage, New York - 1948 (66)

* US film director, producer and actor. Best known for the series of *Halloween* movies. His other pictures include *Escape From New York* ('81), *Starman* ('84) and *Big Trouble In Little China* ('86).

GREEDY SMITH (Andrew Smith) born in Sydney, NSW - 1956 (58)

* Vocalist/keyboard player with Mental As Anything. The group began in 1977. The only two original members are now Greedy and Martin Plaza. The Mentals now hold the record for being the Australian rock band with the greatest number of top 40 hits. Their hits include *Live It Up*, *If You Leave Me Can I Come Too*, *Too Many Times*, *Spirit Got Lost*, *He's Just No Good For You* and *Rock And Roll Music*.

SADE ADU (Helen Folasade Adu) born in Nigeria - 1959 (55)

* Nigerian singer. Lead vocalist for her band Sade who had their biggest hit with *Smooth Operator* in 1984.

TREVOR BARSBY born in Herston, Brisbane - 1964 (50)

* Australian cricketer. "The Tank" played in the 1994-'95 and 1996-'97 Queensland Bulls Shield win.

CHRIS DITTMAR born in Adelaide, SA - 1964 (50)

* Australian sports commentator and formerly the World No. 1-ranked men's squash player. He finished runner-up at the World Open five times and was runner-up at the British Open twice. Since retiring as a squash player, he has worked as a TV sports commentator on Seven. He and currently hosts 'The Rush Hour' on Triple M with Mark Ricciuto.

GREG PAGE born in Sydney, NSW - 1972 (42)

* Australian singer. He was the original lead vocalist with The Wiggles. In 2006 he left the group because of a debilitating illness. However he rejoined the group in 2012 and in December 2012 they played their final shows together with the group's original line up of Page on lead vocals along with Jeff Fatt, Anthony Field (both ex-Cockroaches) plus Murray Cook. Only Anthony Field is now in the new lineup.

KATE MOSS (Katherine Moss) born in London, England - 1974 (40)

* English model. Moss rose to fame in the early-1990s. In 2012, she came 2nd on the Forbes top-earning models list, estimated to have earned \$9.2 million in one year.

AALIYAH (Aaliyah Houghton) born in Brooklyn, New York - 1979. (Died aged 22 - 2001)

* US singer and actress. Aaliyah co-starred in the films *Romeo Must Die* (2000) and *Queen of The Damned* (2001). In 2001, she was killed when several of her entourage took off in a small Cessna plane en route to Florida. A few minutes after takeoff, the plane crashed.

* She married US singer R Kelly but the marriage was annulled because she was only 15.

YVONNE ZIMA born in Phillipsburg, New Jersey - 1989 (25)

* US actress and sister of actresses Madeline and Vanessa. At the age of 5 she played Rachel Green in the TV series *ER*.

Events

AUSTRALIA's first three settlers arrived in Sydney on the 'Bellona' - 1793.

PROHIBITION was introduced in America, making the sale of alcoholic beverages illegal - 1920.

* It was repealed in 1933.

CAROLE LOMBARD, US actress, died aged 34 in a plane crash - 1942.

* She was married to Clark Gable at the time of her death. They were wed in 1939.

LITTLE RICHARD recorded *Lucille* - 1957.

CAVERN CLUB in Liverpool opened - 1957.

* The Beatles made numerous appearances there and this was where their future manager Brian Epstein first saw them. The club went into debt and closed in 1966.

HELLO DOLLY, starring Carol Channing, opened on Broadway - 1964.

BONANZA ended on US television after 14 years - 1973.

CHER and **GREGG ALLMAN** were legally divorced - 1979.

* They had been married since 1974 even though they got off to a stormy start when Cher said she wanted a divorce nine days after the wedding.

TED CASSIDY, American actor, died aged 46 of a heart attack - 1979.

* The 6'9" (206cm) actor played Lurch in the '60s television series *The Addams Family*.

PAUL McCARTNEY went to prison in Tokyo for 10 days on a charge of possessing marijuana - 1980.

* On this same date 1984, he was busted again, this time in Barbados. He and his wife Linda pleaded guilty to the possession of marijuana.

MOTHER AND SON, starring Ruth Cracknell and Garry MacDonald, debuted on ABC TV - 1984.

* 42 episodes were made. The final series was made in 1994.

TINA TURNER set a solo concert attendance record of 180,000 at the Americana Stadium in Rio - 1988.

BALLARD BERKELEY, UK actor who played Major Gowen in the comedy *Fawlty Towers*, died aged 83 - 1988.

HOME AND AWAY began on Australian television - 1988.

* The pilot went to air in 1987. Kate Ritchie (Sally Fletcher) who was then 8, was in the first episode. In 2007 she announced that she was finally leaving the series. Up until 2002 the three original cast members were Norman Coburn (Donald Fisher), Ray Meagher (Alf Stewart) and Ritchie. Meagher is now the only surviving cast member.

GULF WAR officially began - 1991.

* USA-led international coalition launched an air offensive against Iraq. By March 3rd, Iraq agreed to Allied ceasefire terms.

BRYAN ADAMS became the first western rock star to play in Vietnam since the end of the Vietnam War - 1994.

MARTIN CROWE, New Zealand cricket captain, retired due to injury problems - 1996.

Births

CAROL RAYE (Kathleen Corkery) born in England - 1923 (91)
* Australian entertainer. She was a co-host of the '60s television comedy program *The Mavis Bramston Show*.

BETTY WHITE born in Oak Park, Illinois - 1922 (92)
* US actress. She played Rose Nyland in the US comedy series *The Golden Girls* ('85-92). She now can be seen in the new TV series *Hot In Cleveland* playing Elka.
* In the '70s she played Sue Anne in *The Mary Tyler Moore Show*.
* In 2012, White won her first Grammy, aged 90 for the audio version of her best selling book.

VIDAL SASSOON born in England - 1928. (Died aged 84 - 2012)
* English hair-stylist. In 1954 he opened his first salon and put down his clippers in 1974. He established his business in the US in 1965.

JAMES EARL JONES born in Arkabutla, Mississippi - 1931 (83)
* US actor. His movies include - *The Hunt For Red October* ('90), *Field Of Dreams* ('89) and *Clear And Present Danger* ('94). He provided the voice of Darth Vader in the *Star Wars* films and the voice of Mufasa in *The Lion King*.

MUHAMMAD ALI (Cassius Clay) born in Louisville, Kentucky - 1942 (72)
* American boxer. The former world heavyweight champion fought 228 bouts and won 217. His catch cry was "*I am the greatest*". His last fight was in 1981 after he came out of retirement for the second time.
* In 1985 he was diagnosed with Parkinson's Syndrome. Doctors are unsure whether the symptoms are caused by Parkinson's itself or by a trauma to the brain.

ITA BUTTROSE born in Mittagong, NSW - 1942 (72)
* Australian magazine editor and TV presenter. She was named the 2013 Australian of the Year. Also in 2013 she fronted a new program *Studio 10* on Network Ten. In 1972 she created Cleo magazine. She is a former editor for The Australian Women's Weekly. In 1989 she launched Ita magazine.

CHRIS MONTEZ (Christopher Montanez) born in Los Angeles, California - 1943 (71)
* American singer. His biggest hits were *Let's Dance* ('62) and *The More I See You* ('66).

FRANCOISE HARDY born in Paris, France - 1944 (70)
* French singer. She had her biggest pop hit in Australia in 1966 with *Only You Can Do It*.

MICK TAYLOR born in Hertfordshire, England - 1948 (66)
* UK guitarist. He replaced Brian Jones in the Rolling Stones and wqs with the band from 1969-1974.

STEVE EARLE born in Fort Monroe, Virginia - 1955 (59)
* US singer/songwriter, poet and author. His biggest hit was in 1988 with *Copperhead Road*.

PAUL YOUNG born in Bedfordshire, England - 1956 (58)
* English singer. His '80s hits include *Wherever I Lay My Hat*, *Love Of The Common People*, *Come Back And Stay* and *Everytime You Go Away* (written by Daryl Hall).

DAVID CARUSO born in Queens, New York - 1956 (58)
* US actor. Stars as Horatio 'H' Caine in the TV drama *CSI: Miami*. From 1993-'94 was in the TV series *NYPD Blue*. He is best known film role was in *An Officer And A Gentleman* ('82).

SUSANNA HOFFS born in Los Angeles, California - 1959 (55)
* US vocalist/guitarist with the all-girl group The Bangles. Their hit *Eternal Flame* was the biggest selling single in Australia in 1989. Their other '80s hits include *Walk Like An Egyptian*, *Manic Monday* and *Hazy Shade of Winter*.

JIM CARREY (James Carrey) born in Toronto, Canada - 1962 (52)
* Canadian comic actor. Starred in the '90s comedy films *The Mask*, *Ace Ventura: Pet Detective* and sequel, *Dumb And Dumber*, *Batman Forever*, *Liar Liar*, *Man On The Moon* and *The Truman Show*. In more recent years he's been in *How The Grinch Stole Christmas*, *Bruce Almighty*, *Lemony Snicket's A Series Of Unfortunate Events*, *The Yes Man* and *Mr Popper's Penguins*.

MICHELLE OBAMA (Michelle Robinson) born in Chicago, Illinois - 1964 (50)
* Wife of US President Barack Obama (who took office on January 20, 2009) and America's First Lady.

MARGARET URLICH born in Auckland, New Zealand - 1965 (49)
* NZ born singer. She had her debut hit in Australia in 1990 with *Escaping*. Her other '90s hits include *Number One*, *Boy In the Moon* and *Gonna Make You Mine*.
* She helped out vocally on Daryl Braithwaite's No 1 1991 hit *The Horses*.

KID ROCK (Robert Ritchie) born in Romeo, Michigan - 1971 (33)
* US singer and musician. In 2008 he had a No 1 hit in Australia with *All Summer Long*.
* He married actress Pamela Anderson in July 2006 after it was reported Anderson was pregnant. They divorced 5 months later after Anderson reportedly had a miscarriage.

LIZ ELLIS (Elizabeth Ellis) born in Windsor, NSW - 1973 (41)
* Australian netball player. She was captain of the Australian netball team from 1992 until her retirement from the sport in 2007.
* She won Netball Australia's Most Valued Player Award, four times.

ZOEY DESCHANEL born in Los Angeles, California - 1980 (34)
* US actress and singer. Star of the TV sit-com *New Girl*. She can be seen in the films *Elf*, *The Hitchhiker's Guide To The Galaxy*, *Yes Man* and *(500) Days Of Summer*.
* Her older sister Emily Deschanel stars in the TV series *Bones*.

Events

CAPTAIN COOK became the first explorer to cross the **ANTARCTIC CIRCLE** - 1773.

First **AUSTRALASIAN TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP** was held in Melbourne - 1905.

PROFESSIONAL GOLFERS ASSOCIATION was formed in America - 1916.

POPEYE THE SAILOR MAN made his comic strip debut - 1929.

GEORGE BURNS married **GRACIE ALLEN** - 1926.
* Gracie died of a heart attack in 1964. George never remarried and lived to be 100.

'**BODYLINE BOWLING**' was considered a menace by the Australian Cricket Board - 1933.
* On this day, a telegram was received by the MCC at Lords Cricket Ground from the Australian Board objecting to "*bodyline bowling*" stating: "*In our opinion it is unsportsmanlike*" and "*unless it is stopped .. it is likely to upset the friendly relations existing between Australia and England.*" - 1933.

ROLLING STONES recorded *The Last Time* - 1965.

JOHN LENNON wrote the lyrics to *A Day In The Life* (featured on *Sgt Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band* album) - 1967.

ELTON JOHN released *Lady Samantha*, one of his first recordings, on Philips Records in England. It bombed - 1969.

Highway 51 South in Memphis was renamed **ELVIS PRESLEY BOULEVARD** - 1972.

JOHN FARNHAM'S wife **JILL** gave birth to their second son James Michael - 1988.

SIR FRANK RENOUF married his third wife Countess Michelle Griazhoff - 1991.
* They separated less than three months later.

RICHARD BRANSON (founder of Virgin record company) and his Swedish co-pilot Per Lindstrand became the first pair to cross the Pacific in a hot air balloon - 1991.

SOMETHING IN THE AIR TV series began on ABC television - 2000.
* Ended in 2002 after 320 episodes.

UNDERWATER WORLD opened in Melbourne - 2000.

DON KIRSHNER, US record producer and song publisher known as "*The Man With the Golden Ear*", who is best known for managing pop groups such as The Monkees, Kansas and The Archies, died aged 76 - 2011.

Births

SIR EDMUND BARTON born in Glebe, Sydney - 1849. (Died aged 70 - 1920)
* Australia's first Prime Minister. He was in office from 1901 to 1903.

A. A. MILNE (Alan Alexander Milne) born in London, England - 1882. (Died aged 74 - 1956)
* English author. He is the creator of Winnie the Pooh - who was originally called Edward Bear.

OLIVER HARDY (Norvell Oliver Hardy) born in Atlanta, Georgia - 1892. (Died aged 65 - 1957)
* US comedian. One half of the famous Laurel & Hardy comedy team who began in 1926.

CARY GRANT (Archibald Leach) born in Bristol, England - 1904. (Died aged 82 - 1986)
* English-born Hollywood actor. Some of his major films include - *She Done Him Wrong* ('33) - which starred Mae West, *Arsenic And Old Lace* ('44), *To Catch a Thief* ('55), *An Affair To Remember* ('57), *North By Northwest* ('59) and *Charade* ('63). He retired in 1966 after making his final film *Walk Don't Run*.

DANNY KAYE (David Kaminsky) born New York, New York - 1913. (Died aged 84 - 1987)
* American actor/comedian. Some of his most successful films include *The Secret Life Of Walter Mitty* ('47), *Hans Christian Andersen* ('52) and *White Christmas* ('54).

DAVID BELLAMY born in London, England - 1933 (81)
* English environmentalist, botanist, ecologist, author and broadcaster. He is one of the most widely recognised and respected naturalists in the world. He is a Founder Director of the Conservation Foundation and is also well known for his television programs on botany, ecology and the natural world.

JOHN JAMES born in - 1934. (Died aged 76 - 2011)
* VFL player with Carlton. James played for the Carlton Football Club from 1953 to 1963, playing 195 games. He finished second in the 1957 Brownlow Medal count and won the award in 1961.

BOBBY GOLDSBORO born in Marianna, Florida - 1941 (73)
* American singer/songwriter. He had his biggest seller in 1968 with the tear-jerker *Honey*. His other hits include - *Little Things* ('65), *Watching Scotty Grow* ('71) and *Summer (The First Time)* ('73).

PAUL KEATING born in Bankstown, NSW - 1944 (70)
* Australian Prime Minister from 1991 to 1996 and Federal Treasurer from 1983-1991. He entered Parliament in 1969 and resigned as the Member for Blaxland in 1996.
* In 1998 he separated from his wife Anita. They have four children.
* A lover of classical music, he managed the Australian rock 'n' roll '60s band The Ramrods.

PETER MOON born in Melbourne, Victoria - 1953 (61)
* Australian TV and radio comedian. He appeared on *Fast Forward* and *Full Frontal* and was also a regular on *The Gillies Report*. At the end of 2002 he quit his role on 2DAY FM's breakfast show. He was also a part of a short-lived 2005 comedy show *Let Loose Live*.

KEVIN COSTNER born in Lynwood, California - 1955 (59)
* US actor and director. His recent films include *Jack Ryan: Shadow Recruit* and *Man Of Steel*. His other films include - *The Untouchables* ('87), *Field Of Dreams* ('89), *Dances With Wolves* ('90), *Robin Hood: Prince Of Thieves* ('91), *J.F.K* ('91), *The Bodyguard* ('92), *Perfect World* ('93) and *Thirteen Days* (2000). *Dances With Wolves* - which he directed and starred in, won the Academy Award for Best Picture of 1990 with Costner taking out the Best Actor award. It was also the highest grossing film in Australia in 1991.

TOM BAILEY born in Yorkshire, England - 1956 (58)
* Vocalist/keyboard player with the UK band the Thompson Twins. They were named after the detective characters featured in the European comic strip Tin Tin. The nucleus for the group was Bailey and Alannah Curry (whom he married in 1991). Their hits include - *Hold Me Now* ('83), *Doctor Doctor* ('84) and *King For A Day* ('86).

JANE HORROCKS born in Lancashire, England - 1964 (50)
* English actress. She played Bubbles in the UK TV comedy *Absolutely Fabulous* and starred in the 1999 film *Little Voice*.

ANTHONY KOUTOUFIDES born in Victoria - 1973 (41)
* AFL footballer. A former captain of the Carlton football club, he made his debut in 1992 and was a part of Carlton's 1995 premiership team. Retired at end of season 2007.

MICHAEL TUNN born in McLaren Vale, South Australia - 1974 (40)
* Australian radio and TV presenter. A host of the ABC children's TV program *The Afternoon Show*, he became the youngest national presenter on a major Australian radio station when he joined Triple J in 1990 at the age of 17. He left the station in late 1999.

DAMIEN LEITH born in Dublin, Republic of Ireland - 1976 (38)
* Australian singer. Winner of *Australian Idol* in 2006. His debut single *Night Of My Life* made No 1 in its first week of release. His first studio album *Where We Land* also made No 1. In 2011 he recorded his fifth studio album in the US. It was an album of Roy Orbison covers, entitled *Roy*, and was released to coincide with what would have been Orbison's 75th birthday.
* At the age of 30 he became the oldest winner out of any *Idol* series in the world.

MIKE TIERNEY born in Sydney, NSW - 1977 (37)
* Vocalist with Australian group Human Nature. His brother Andrew is also a member. In November 2013, they released *The Christmas Album* and in December performed a 10-date Australian tour.
* Human Nature are continuing to perform their Motown music show in Las Vegas where they have been based since 2008.

Events

US pilot **EUGENE B ELY** became the first person to land an aircraft on the deck of a warship - 1911.

First **VALIANT** car was released by Chrysler in Adelaide - 1962.

PETE BEST won a defamation suit against the **BEATLES** but was awarded less than the \$8 million that he sought - 1969.

PINK FLOYD began recording their top selling album *Dark Side Of The Moon* - 1973.

BAD COMPANY was formed - 1974.
* The group comprised of Paul Rodgers, Simon Kirke (both ex-Free), Mick Ralphs and Boz Burrell.

SIX MILLION DOLLAR MAN began on US television - 1974.
* The series ran until 1978 and starred Lee Majors as Col. Steve Austin. His love interest was Jaime Sommers (Lindsay Wagner) who later starred in the spin-off series *The Bionic Woman*.

GRANVILLE TRAIN DISASTER occurred - 1977.
* The early morning Sydney train crashed into the Bold Street bridge in Granville claiming 83 lives and injuring more than 200 passengers.

SONS AND DAUGHTERS began on Australian television - 1982.
OLIVIA NEWTON-JOHN, 37, gave birth to a daughter **CHLOE** - 1986.

MEL APPLEBY (Mel & Kim) died aged 23 of cancer - 1990.
* Mel and her sister Kim had hits with *Showing Out (Get Fresh At The Weekend)* ('86) and *Respectable* ('87) - both Stock/Aitken/Waterman productions.

BLUE HEELERS debuted on Channel 7 - 1994.
* The series was filmed for the final time in 2005. The only original star to remain throughout the series was John Wood.

CANBERRA experienced their worst bushfires. 491 houses were destroyed and four people were killed - 2003.

MARK LATHAM quit his role as ALP leader, citing illness - 2005.

SYDNEY recorded its hottest day on record with 45.7 degrees recorded in the city at 2.54pm - 2013.
* The previous record of 45.3 degrees was recorded in January 1939 at Observatory Hill.

Births

JEAN STAPLETON (Jeanne Murray) born in New York - 1923. (Died aged 90 - 2013)

* US actress. She played Edith - Archie Bunker's wife in the '70s TV comedy series *All In the Family*.

TIPPI HEDREN (Nathalie Hedren) born in Minnesota - 1931 (83)

* US actress and mother of Melanie Griffith. She starred in the Alfred Hitchcock '60s films *The Birds* and *Marnie*.

RICHARD LESTER born in Pennsylvania - 1932 (82)

* American director and producer. He is best known for his British productions including *A Hard Day's Night* ('64), *The Knack and How To Get It* ('65) and *Help* ('65). He also directed the '80s movies *Superman II* and *III*.

JOHNNY O'KEEFE born in Sydney, NSW - 1935. (Died aged 43 - 1978)

* Australian singer. The 'Wild One' had 29 local hits from 1958-1974. They include *She's My Baby*, *Shout*, *She Wears My Ring*, *So Tough* and *I'm Counting On You*.

* Andrew O'Keefe, host of the TV game show *Deal Or No Deal*, is his nephew.

PHIL EVERLY born in Chicago, Illinois - 1939 (75)

* One half of the Everly Brothers. Phil and his older brother Don had a string of hits beginning with *Bye Bye Love* in 1957. Their other big sellers include - *Crying In The Rain*, *Cathy's Clown*, *All I Have To Do Is Dream* and *Wake Up Little Susie*.

* The Everly Brothers split up in 1973 and didn't talk to one another for 10 years.

MICHAEL CRAWFORD (Michael Dumblesmith) born in Salisbury, England - 1942 (72)

* English singer and comic actor. He starred as the bumbling Frank Spencer in the '70s comedy program *Some Mothers Do 'Ave 'Em*. He's also won praise for his starring roles in the stage musicals *Barnum* and *Phantom Of The Opera*. His albums *A Touch Of Music In The Night* and *The Disney Album* both made No 1 in Australia.

JANIS JOPLIN born in Port Arthur, Texas - 1943. (Died aged 37 - 1970)

* US singer. Her most successful album was her last release *Pearl* which contained *Me And Bobby McGee* (written by Kris Kristofferson) which went to No 1 in Australia and the US in 1971. She died of a heroin overdose.

ANNE CHARLESTON born in Melbourne, Victoria - 1943 (71)

* Australian actress. Her 30 year career in theatre and television includes the role of Madge Ramsay/Mitchell/Bishop in *Neighbours*. She left the series in 1992 but rejoined in 1997 and left in 2001. From 2006 -2009 she was in the UK TV series *Emmerdale*.

SHELLEY FABARES (Michelle Fabares) born in Santa Monica, California - 1944 (70)

* US actress. She was one of the stars of the US TV series *Coach* and played Mary Stone in the TV series *The Donna Reed Show*. Shelley was also in the Elvis' films *Girl Happy*, *Spinout* and *Clambake*. * In 1966 she had a No 1 pop hit with *Johnny Angel*.

LAURIE LONDON born in London, England - 1944 (70)

* English singer. Aged 12, he had his only hit in 1957 with *He's Got The Whole World In His Hands*. It made No.1 in America.

DOLLY PARTON born in Sevierville, Tennessee - 1946 (68)

* US country singer, songwriter and actress. The 152 cm buxom, blonde has had hit success in Australia with *Here You Come Again*, *Nine To Five*, *Real Love* and *Islands In The Stream* - a duet with Kenny Rogers.

* She wrote *I Will Always Love You* - which became a hit for Whitney Houston. Her song *Jolene* was a hit for Olivia Newton-John in 1978. * Her films include *Nine To Five*, *Rhinestone*, *Steel Magnolias* and *Straight Talk*.

ROBERT PALMER born in Yorkshire, England - 1949. (Died aged 54 - 2003)

* English singer. He had two No 1 hits in Australia with *Addicted To Love* and *Simply Irresistible*. His other hits include *Looking For Clues*, *She Makes My Day* and *I'll Be Your Baby Tonight* (recorded with UB40).

MARTHA DAVIS born in Berkeley, California - 1951 (63)

* US vocalist for The Motels. They had hits with *Total Control* ('80) and *Suddenly Last Summer* ('83). After overcoming cancer she returned with a solo hit *Don't Tell Me The Time* ('87).

DEWEY BUNNELL born in Yorkshire, England - 1951 (63)

* One of the original members of the group America. Their biggest hit is *Horse With No Name*.

DESI ARNAZ JNR born in Los Angeles, California - 1953 (61)

* American actor. Son of Desi Arnaz and Lucille Ball. He appeared with his mother in the television sit-com *I Love Lucy*.

KATEY SAGAL (Catherine Sagal) born in California - 1954 (60)

* US actress. She played Peg Bundy in the '80s TV comedy *Married... With Children*. Also appeared in the series *8 Simple Rules For Dating My Teenage Daughter* and voiced Leela in the Matt Groening cartoon comedy *Futurama*.

STEFAN EDBERG born in Sweden - 1966 (48)

* Swedish tennis player. His major wins include - men's singles championship at Wimbledon (1988, 1990), Australian Open (1985,1987) and US Open (1991 and 1992).

DAVID BARTLETT born in Hobart, Tasmania - 1968 (46)

* Former Premier of Tasmania. He was in power from 2004-2011. He resigned in January 2011 citing family reasons.

LUC LONGLEY born in Melbourne, Victoria - 1969 (45)

* Australian basketball player. He was the first Australian to play in the NBA. He played with the clubs Perth Wildcats, Minnesota Timberwolves, Chicago Bulls, Phoenix Suns and New York Knicks.

LINDA HALFWEEG born in Goulburn, NSW - 1981 (33)

* Australian ironwoman. Her credits include; Australian Under 16 Ironwoman champion ('96), 1st place in Under 18 Ironwoman at Queensland Surf Lifesaving championships and Gold medallist at the World Surf Life Saving Championships (1998).

Events

ELECTRIC NEON SIGN was patented - 1915.

Y-FRONTS (or briefs) went on sale for the first time in Chicago - 1935. * 30,000 pairs were sold within three months.

The **US PRESIDENT'S SALARY** was increased from \$75,000 to \$100,000 - 1949.

* In 2011, President Obama had an annual salary of \$400,000.

CURLY (Three Stooges) died aged 45 at the Baldy View Sanatorium following a long illness. - 1952.

2JJ opened in Sydney - 1975.

* It also closed on this day 1981 and later resurfaced as FM station Triple J.

VOLKSWAGEN BEETLES rolled off the production line for the final time - 1978.

APPLE LISA computer was released by Apple, first commercial PC to have graphical laser interface and a computer mouse - 1983.

MARY MACKILLOP was beatified by Pope John Paul II during a ceremony in Sydney - 1995.

DAVID HOOKES, Australian Test cricketer and 3AW *Sports Today* co-host, died aged 48 - 2004.

WILSON PICKETT, US soul singer, died aged 64 of a heart attack - 2006.

DENNY DOHERTY, Canadian singer with The Mamas & Papas, died aged 66 - 2007.

MICHAEL PARKINSON's final TV chat show went to air in Australia - 2008.

* He hosted more than 600 shows from 1971-2008.

JOHN STEWART, singer with Kingston Trio, died aged 68 after suffering a stroke - 2008.

* He wrote the Monkees' hit *Daydream Believer*. His biggest solo hit was *Gold*.

The first of six **BATMOBILES** produced for the 1960s *Batman* TV series sold at auction for \$4.6 million - 2012.

Births

GEORGE BURNS (Nathan Birnbaum) born in New York - 1896. (Died aged 100 - 1996)

* US comedian. In the early days of his showbiz career he used to perform the straight role in a comedy act with his wife Gracie Allen. He married Gracie in 1925. She died of a heart attack in 1964. He later starred in the '60s TV series *Wendy & Me* and picked up a Best Supporting Actor Oscar for his role in *The Sunshine Boys* ('75).

DE FOREST KELLEY born in Georgia - 1920. (Died aged 79 - 1999)

* American actor. He played Dr. Leonard 'Bones' McCoy in the *Star Trek* television series and the feature films that followed.

SLIM WHITMAN (Otis Whitman) born in Tampa, Florida - 1924 (89)

* US singer. He had three of his biggest hits in 1955 with *Rose Marie*, *Indian Love Call* and *China Doll*.

PATRICIA NEAL born in Kentucky - 1926. (Died aged 84 - 2010)

* American actress. In 1963 she won an Academy Award for Best Actress in *Hud*.

* From 1953-1983 she was married to author Roald Dahl.

DAWN LAKE born in Sydney - 1927. (Died aged 78 - 2006)

* Australian comedienne and wife of Bobby Limb (who died in 1999). They were wed in 1953. She appeared with her husband on the television programs *The Sound Of Music*, *The Mobil-Limb Show* and also starred in her own program *Dawn*. She died on new year's day 2006.

ESTELLE PARSONS born in Massachusetts - 1927 (87)

* American character actress. Her films include *Bonnie and Clyde* ('67), *Rachel Rachel* ('68) and *Dick Tracy* ('92). She also played Roseanne's mother on the TV sitcom *Roseanne*.

EDWIN 'BUZZ' ALDRIN born in Montclair, New Jersey - 1930 (84)

* American astronaut. He was the second man to walk on the moon during the historic landing in 1969. * He got the nickname "Buzz" because, as a kid, his sister called him "Buzzer" instead of "brother."

ARTE JOHNSON born in Benton Harbour, Michigan - 1933 (81)

* American comedian. He appeared as a regular in the '60s *Laugh-In* television program.

TOM BAKER born in Liverpool, England - 1934 (80)

* English actor. In the mid-'70s he took over the title role in the *Dr Who* series and played the role for 7 years. His trademark was his long flowing scarves. He played Rasputin in *Nicholas & Alexandra* ('71) and is the narrator of the UK comedy program *Little Britain*.

ERIC STEWART born in Manchester, England - 1945 (69)

* Vocalist and guitarist with the British band 10CC. Their biggest hits were *I'm Not In Love*, *The Things We Do For Love*, *Rubber Bullets* and *Dreadlock Holiday*.

DAVID LYNCH born in Missoula, Montana - 1946 (68)

* US film and TV director. His credits include - *The Elephant Man* ('80), *Dune* ('84), *Blue Velvet* ('86) and the TV series *Twin Peaks*.

LIZA GODDARD born in Smethwick, England - 1950 (64)

* English actress. She played Clancy in the original '60s *Skippy* TV series.

* Goddard was formerly married to pop singer Alvin Stardust.

PAUL STANLEY (Stanley Eisen) born in New York - 1952 (62)

* Rhythm guitarist and vocalist with US rock band Kiss. He dresses as the 'Starchild'. He and Gene Simmons formed Kiss after being in a band together called Wicked Lester. Their biggest hits include *I Was Made For Lovin' You*, *Rock And Roll All Nite* and *Beth*.

BILLY FIELD born in Wagga, Wagga, NSW - 1953 (61)

* Australian singer/songwriter and producer. He had two big hits in 1981 with *Bad Habits* and *You Weren't In Love With Me*.

SOPHIE RHYS-JONES born in Oxford, England - 1965 (49)

* Wife of Prince Edward and the Countess of Wessex. They met at a charity event in 1993 and wed in June 1999. Their first child, Louise Alice Elizabeth Mary Mountbatten-Windsor, was born in November 2003.

JANE HALL born in Melbourne, Victoria - 1971 (43)

* Australian actress. She played Anna Jacobs in the '90s TV comedy series *All Together Now* and compered *Weddings*.

GARY BARLOW born in Cheshire, England - 1971 (43)

* Vocalist with popular British band Take That. Their hits include *Back For Good*, *Pray* and *How Deep Is Your Love*. In 1996 he had his first solo hit with *Forever Love*.

JODIE DRY born in Sydney, NSW - 1974 (40)

* Australian actress. Appeared in local TV series' *White Collar Blue* (as Nicole Brown) and *All Saints*.

LIOR (Lior Attar) born in Israel - 1977 (37)

* Israeli born Australian singer/songwriter. In 2005 he released his debut album *Autumn Flow*. It was certified gold by ARIA.

BRENDAN FEVOLA born in - 1981 (33)

* AFL player. The former Carlton full forward won the Coleman Medal in 2006 (99 goals) and again in 2009. He also played one season with the Brisbane Lions.

* He was made bankrupt in October 2013 and he now attests to having \$5000 in a bank account. Much of his fortune was gambled away. He admitted to losing about \$1 million while punting including one day-long losing spree tallying \$365,000.

Events

ROLLER COASTER was patented by L.A. Thompson of Coney Island - 1885.

First official game of **BASKETBALL** was played in US - 1892.

KING GEORGE V, English monarch, died aged 71 - 1936.

FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT was inaugurated to his record fourth term in office as president of the United States - 1945.

BULLWINKLE made his cartoon debut on television - 1959.

MARILYN MONROE divorced playwright **ARTHUR MILLER** - 1961. (They married in 1956.)

JOHN F KENNEDY, 43, was sworn in as America's youngest President - 1961.

THE BYRDS recorded Bob Dylan's song *Mr Tambourine Man* - 1965.

ALAN FREED, US disc-jockey, died aged 43 - 1965.

* He popularised the term 'rock 'n roll.'

RONALD REAGAN, 69, became the oldest US President to take office - 1981.

IRAN freed 52 US hostages after 444 days in captivity - 1981.

OZZY OSBOURNE was hospitalised and treated for rabies after he bit the head off a bat that was tossed on stage by a fan - 1982.

JACKIE WILSON, US soul singer, died aged 49 (after several years in a coma following a heart attack) - 1984.

Australia held what is supposedly its first real **BULLFIGHT** at Dapto, NSW. Unfortunately one bull fell asleep and the other bull could not be stirred into action! - 1984.

ALAN BOND bought the Channel 9 television network from Kerry Packer for \$1 billion - 1987.

* He sold it back to Kerry Packer's PBL in 1990 for \$250 million.

A former Australian hockey official admitted that he, not **DAWN FRASER** who took the blame, stole a Japanese flag during the 1964 Tokyo Olympics - 1988.

First issue of **JOCKS' JOURNAL** was posted in Brisbane - 1989.

AUDREY HEPBURN, Hollywood actress, died aged 63 of colon cancer (weighing just 34kg) - 1993.

JO BAILEY married Carlton footballer **STEPHEN SILVAGNI** in Camberwell, Victoria - 1996.

BARACK OBAMA was sworn in as the 44th President of the US - 2009.

ETTA JAMES (born Jamesetta Hawkins), US singer, died aged 72 - 2012.

* Her signature song was *At Last* (1961). She also had a major hit with *Dance With Me Henry*.

Births

TELLY SAVALAS (Aristotle Savalas) born in Garden City, New York - 1924. (Died aged 70 - 1994)
* Bald headed American actor. His most famous role was starring as *Kojak* in the '70s TV series.

BENNY HILL (Alfred Hill) born in Southampton, England - 1925. (Died aged 67 - 1992)
* British comedian. He starred as a variety of characters in his own TV comedy, *The Benny Hill Show*.
* In 1971 he had a hit with *Ernie* (*The Fastest Milkman In The West*).

BRIAN NAYLOR born in Camberwell, Victoria - 1931. (Died aged 78 - 2009)
* Victorian TV newsreader and presenter. He was on television for 41 years, 21 of those years with Channel 7 in Melbourne. After leaving 7 he joined Channel 9 and remained with them as their week-night newsreader up until November 1998.
* In February 2009, Naylor and his wife, Moiree, were confirmed dead after one of the Black Saturday bushfires destroyed their property in Kinglake West.

WOLFMAN JACK (Bob Smith) born in New York - 1938. (Died aged 57 - 1995)
* US disc-jockey. He appeared in the film *American Graffiti* ('72) and in the '70s hosted his own TV music show.

JACK NICKLAUS born in Columbus, Ohio - 1940 (74)
* American golfer and golf course designer. The 'Golden Bear' is considered to be the world's greatest golfer of all time. He's won the US Open (4 times), US Masters (6), PGA (5), British Open (3) and Australian Open (6). In 2005 he played in his 162nd and last major at the British Open.

PLACIDO DOMINGO born in Madrid, Spain - 1941 (73)
* Spanish tenor. The album *In Concert* which he recorded with Jose Carreras and Luciano Pavarotti was one of the best selling albums of 1990. In that same year he made No 2 in Australia with his album *Be My Love*.
* In 1982 he had a hit single *Perhaps Love* which he recorded as a duet with John Denver.

MAC DAVIS (Scott Davis) born in Lubbock, Texas - 1942 (72)
* US singer/songwriter. He had his biggest hit in 1972 with *Baby Don't Get Hooked On Me*. The Elvis Presley hits *In The Ghetto*, *Memories* and *Don't Cry Daddy* were all written by him under his real name of Scott Davis.

MARTIN SHAW born in Birmingham, England - 1945 (69)
* English actor. He played Doyle in the UK TV detective series *The Professionals* ('77-'83).

JILL EIKENBERRY born in New Haven, Connecticut - 1947 (67)
* American actress. She played Ann Kelsey in the TV drama *L.A. Law*. Her real life husband Michael Tucker also starred in the series.

BILLY OCEAN (Leslie Charles) born in Trinidad - 1950 (64)
* British vocalist. He had his first hit in 1976 with *Love Really Hurts Without You*. After eight years absence he returned to the charts with *Caribbean Queen*.

ANGELA PUNCH MCGREGOR born in Sydney, NSW - 1953 (61)
* Australian actress. Her films include *The Chant of Jimmie Blacksmith* ('78), *Newsfront* ('78), *We Of The Never Never* ('82) and *Annie's Coming Out* ('84).

ROBBY BENSON (Robin Segal) born in Dallas, Texas - 1955 (59)
* American actor. His major films include *Ode to Billy Joe* ('76), *One On One* ('77) and *Ice Castles* ('79).
* He provided the voice of The Beast in the 1991 Disney film *Beauty And The Beast*.

GEENA DAVIS (Virginia Davis) born in Minnesota - 1957 (57)
* US actress. Star of the TV series *Commander In Chief* that debuted in 2005. She can also be seen in the movies - *The Fly* ('86), *Beetlejuice* ('88), *The Accidental Tourist* ('88), *Thelma And Louise* ('91), *Stuart Little* ('99) and sequel.
* She's been married four times. Her former husbands include Jeff Goldblum and film director Renny Harlin.

VIC REEVES (Jim Moir) born in Leeds, England - 1959 (55)
* British comedian. He had a top 40 hit in 1992 with a revival of *Dizzy*.

JENNIFER KEYTE born in Melbourne, Victoria - 1960 (54)
* Melbourne TV host and newsreader. In 2003 she returned to Channel 7 Melbourne to read its weekend news. In 1990 she became Australia's first anchor woman on a commercial news program and was then reportedly earning over \$500,000 a year.

JIM CASSIDY born in New Zealand - 1963 (51)
* New Zealand jockey. "The Pumper" rode Kiwi from last into the straight to win the 1983 Melbourne Cup. He won the Cup again in 1997 riding *Might And Power*.

SONIA KRUGER born in Melbourne, Victoria - 1965 (49)
* Australian TV presenter and actress. She is the host of the Nine Network's revamp of *Big Brother Australia* and co-hosts *Mornings* with David Campbell that airs weekdays.
* Played the role of Tina Sparkle in the movie *Strictly Ballroom*.

ROVE McMANUS (John McManus) born in WA - 1974 (40)
* Australian comedian, TV and radio presenter. In 2011 he relocated to Los Angeles and in that same year his program *Rove LA* debuted on FOX8. For 10 years he hosted the Network Ten program *Rove* (formerly *Rove Live*). It went to air for the final time in November 2009. He has also hosted *Are You Smarter Than A 5th Grader*.
* He provides voices for five characters in the Australian animated tele-movie *Exchange Student Zero*.
* Married actress Belinda Emmett in 2005. She died in November 2006 aged 32 after a long battle with cancer. He married actress Tasma Walton in 2007.
* Fremantle footballer Shaun McManus is his cousin.

EMMA BUNTON born in Hertfordshire, England - 1976 (38)
* Vocalist with the UK group the Spice Girls - known as Baby Spice. Their hits include *Wannabe*, *Mama/Who Do You Think You Are*, *Stop and Viva Forever*. They had six straight No 1 hits in the UK. In 1999 she had her first solo hit with *What I Am*. In 2001 she had a hit with *What Took You So Long?*

Events

First **MONTE CARLO** motor-car rally took place - 1911.

ROLLING STONES commenced their first tour of Australia - 1965.

GEORGE HARRISON married **PATTI BOYD** - 1966.
* They met during the filming of *A Hard Days Night*. Patti later married Eric Clapton but they also divorced.

JOHNNY FAMECHON won the world featherweight boxing crown defeating Spain's Jose Legra in London - 1969.

NANNY & THE PROFESSOR, starring Juliet Mills, began on US television - 1970.

ALIAS SMITH & JONES premiered on US TV - 1971.

REGENT HOTEL opened in Sydney - 1983.

B B KING donated his collection of 7,000 records to the University of Mississippi - 1987.

COLONEL TOM PARKER (born Dries Van Krujik), Elvis Presley's manager, died aged 87 - 1997.

JOHN McENROE became the first ever player to be expelled from the Australian Open when he threw a tantrum and swore at an official - 1990.

MELBOURNE had a maximum night temperature of 39.7°C, their hottest night since 1902 - 1997.
* Bushfires destroyed 44 homes. One person died.

TSS FAIRSTAR left on her final voyage from Sydney Harbour after 23 years of sailing - 1997.

GEOFFREY BOYCOTT, former England Test captain, was sentenced to three months jail for assaulting his former girlfriend Margaret Moore - 1998.

JACK LORD, star of the TV series *Hawaii-Five O*, died aged 77 of heart failure - 1998.

PEGGY LEE, US singer who sang the hit *Fever*, died aged 81 - 2002.

Births

PIPER LAURIE (Rosetta Jacobs) born in Michigan - 1932 (82)

* US actress. One of her major acting roles was opposite Paul Newman in *The Hustler* ('61) and then a year later she retired. However, she made an impressive comeback in 1976 in *Carrie*, starred with Mel Gibson in the 1978 Australian movie *Tim* and appeared in David Lynch's TV series *Twin Peaks*.

BILL BIXBY born in California - 1934. (Died aged 59 - 1993)

* American actor. He starred in the popular TV series' *My Favourite Martian*, *The Courtship Of Eddie's Father*, *The Magician* and *The Incredible Hulk*.

GRAHAM KERR born in London, England - 1934 (80)

* UK host of the cooking program *The Galloping Gourmet* (1969-1971).

SAM COOKE born in Illinois - 1935. (Died aged 29 - 1964)

* US singer. Many of his songs have become hits again by other artists such as *Only 16* (Dr. Hook), *Twisting the Night Away* (Rod Stewart), *You Send Me* (Nicolette Larson), *Cupid* (Johnny Rivers/Spinners), *Another Saturday Night* (Cat Stevens) and *Wonderful World* (Herman's Hermits).

JOHN HURT born in Derbyshire, England - 1940 (74)

* British character actor. He often plays neurotics and eccentrics. He played John Merrick in the 1980 black and white movie *Elephant Man*. His other memorable roles have been in *Alien*, *1984*, *Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy* and the TV series *I Claudius*.

ARTHUR BEETSON born in Roma, Queensland - 1945. (Died aged 66 - 2011)

* Queensland rugby league player. He played with the Balmain Tigers from 1966 to 1970, and later joined the Eastern Suburbs club from 1972 to 1978. After two years with Parramatta in 1979 and 1980, he returned to Queensland for one final year and re-joined Redcliffe in 1981. He was captain for Queensland in the inaugural State of Origin game in 1980.

MALCOLM McLAREN born in London, England - 1946. (Died aged 64 - 2010)

* English vocalist and one time manager for the Sex Pistols. He had hits of his own with unusual songs like *Buffalo Gals* ('83), *Double Dutch* ('83) and *Madame Butterfly* ('84).

STEVE PERRY born in Hanford, California - 1953 (61)

* Lead vocalist for US rock band Journey. Their best selling albums are *Escape* ('81) and *Frontiers* ('83). He had a solo hit in 1984 with *Oh Sherrie*.

LINDA BLAIR born in Westport, Connecticut - 1959 (55)

* US actress. Despite several movie roles she is still best known as the 14-year-old girl who starred in the 1973 movie *The Exorcist*. She also co-starred with Leslie Nielsen in *Repossessed* - a spoof of *The Exorcist*.

MICHAEL HUTCHENCE born in Sydney, NSW - 1960. (Died aged 37 - 1997)

* Lead singer for Australian rock band INXS. INXS became only the second Australian rock band (after Men At Work) to make No 1 in the US in 1988 with *Need You Tonight*. * In 1997 he was found dead at Sydney's Ritz Carlton hotel. An autopsy confirmed that he had died from hanging after using a belt as a noose. INXS were about to commence a tour of Australia. In 2000, Paula Yates, his former girlfriend and mother of his daughter Tiger Lily, died from a drug overdose.

* From 1995 up until the time of his death he had been constantly in the gossip columns due to his relationship with Paula Yates, wife of Bob Geldof. In 1996 police raided the Chelsea home of the pair and found a quantity of opium and pornographic photos.

* In 1989 he combined with Ollie Olsen and together they recorded as Max Q. They had a top 10 hit with *Way Of The World*.

DIANE LANE born in New York, New York - 1965 (49)

* US actress. Her films include *The Perfect Storm*, *My Dog Skip*, *Judge Dredd* and *The Cotton Club*.

* Former wife of actor Christopher Lambert. Married Josh Brolin in 2004.

OLIVIA D'ABO born in London, England - 1967 (47)

* English-born actress. The daughter of Manfred Mann vocalist Mike D'Abo played Karen Arnold in the US TV series *Wonder Years*.

BRIAN GASKILL born in Honolulu, Hawaii - 1970 (44)

* US actor. He played David in the short lived *Melrose Place* spin-off *Models Inc.*

ABI TUCKER (Abigail Tucker) born in Australia - 1973 (41)

* Australian actress and singer. She played Grace in the TV drama *McLeod's Daughters*. Also appeared in the TV series *The Secret Life Of Us* and *Heartbreak High*.

* As an aspiring rock singer, she won the 1992 final of the TV talent show *New Faces*. She's released two albums.

DAVID NEITZ born in Ulverstone, Tasmania - 1975 (39)

* AFL player with Melbourne. He was appointed their captain in 2000 and became the first Melbourne player to reach 300 games. In 2002 he finished the home and away season with 75 goals and won the Coleman Medal. Retired in 2008.

SAMANTHA McClymont born in Grafton, NSW - 1986 (28)

* Australian country singer. She sings with her sisters Brooke and Mollie in The McClymonts. The band's first release *The McClymonts* EP was released in 2006 and peaked at No 40 on the Australian ARIA Singles Chart. Their first studio album *Chaos and Bright Lights* was recorded in Nashville and peaked at No 37 on the Australian ARIA Albums Chart.

Events

GLADYS MONCRIEF made her first appearance in *Maid Of The Mountains* at Melbourne's Theatre Royal - 1921.

OUR TOWN, written by Thornton Wilder, was performed for the first time in New Jersey - 1938.

SPEARFISH in South Dakota experienced a temperature increase of 27°C in just two minutes! - 1943.

THE CRUCIBLE premiered on Broadway - 1953.

* The play was written by Arthur Miller.

BUDDY HOLLY recorded for the final time - 1959.

* Alone in his New York apartment he recorded *Peggy Sue Got Married*, *Slippin' & Slidin'* and *Crying, Waiting, Hoping*.

THE DRIFTERS recorded *On Broadway* and **LITTLE PEGGY MARCH** recorded *I Will Follow Him* - 1963.

LAUGH-IN began on US television - 1968.

* The comedy program was hosted by Dick Martin and Dan Rowan. Regular performers included - Goldie Hawn, Arte Johnson, Ruth Buzzi and Henry Gibson.

JOE COCKER's concert movie *Mad Dogs And Englishmen* premiered in London - 1971.

GEORGE FOREMAN beat Joe Frazier for the world heavyweight boxing title - 1973.

DEBBIE WARDLEY became Ansett Airline's first female commercial pilot - 1980.

ALL TOGETHER NOW began on Australian television - 1991.

* It starred Jon English and Rebecca Gibney.

TELLY SAVALAS, American actor, died aged 70 of prostate cancer (the day after his birthday) - 1994.

ROSE KENNEDY died aged 104 - 1995.

* She's the mother of nine children including the famous Kennedy brothers - John, Robert, Joseph and Edward (all deceased).

KOBE BRYANT, US basketball player, scored 81 points, the second most in NBA history, in the LA Lakers win against the Toronto Raptors - 2006.

JEAN SIMMONS, UK actress, died aged 80 - 2010.

NEW GIRL, starring Zoey Deschanel, debuted on Australian television - 2012.

HOMELAND debuted on Australian television - 2012.

Births

RANDOLPH SCOTT born in Virginia - 1903. (Died aged 84 - 1987)

* American actor. He starred in numerous 'B' grade westerns from 1929-1962. He invested his money wisely and when he retired in the early '60s was reportedly one of the wealthiest men in Hollywood.

JEANNE MOREAU born in Paris, France - 1928 (86)

* French actress and singer. She has appeared in over 100 films including - *Frantic* ('57), *The Covers* ('58), *Jules And Jim* ('68) and *The Bride Wore Black* ('71).

BILL HAYDEN born in Brisbane, Queensland - 1933 (81)

* Former ALP leader and Foreign Minister with the Hawke Labor Government. He became Australia's Governor-General in 1989 and retired in 1996.

GIL GERARD born in Little Rock, Arkansas - 1943 (71)

* American actor. He starred in the television series *Buck Rogers In The 25th Century* ('79).

RUTGER HAUER born in Netherlands - 1944 (70)

* Dutch actor. In one of his early Hollywood roles he was cast as one of the evil androids in the 1982 sci-fi flick *Blade Runner*. His other films include - *Ladyhawke* ('85), *Blind Fury* ('90), *Buffy The Vampire Slayer* ('92), *Mr Stitch* ('95) and *Batman Begins* (2005).

GLENN WHEATLEY born in Nambour, Queensland - 1949 (65)

* Australian businessman and former bass guitarist with the Masters Apprentices. After the group broke up he became involved behind the scenes in the music industry and began Wheatley Brothers management. He was instrumental in re-launching John Farnham's career in the late '80s and also managed the Little River Band. Also managed Delta Goodrem for 3 ½ years.

* In 2007, he was found guilty of channelling more than \$650,000 through tax fraud schemes. In May 2008 he was released from prison to serve out the remainder of his sentence at home. Wheatley served ten months of a two-year sentence, after he pleaded guilty to avoiding \$318,000 in taxes.

RICHARD DEAN ANDERSON born in Minnesota - 1950 (64)

* US actor. He starred in the television series *MacGyver* ('95-'92). Prior to that he had spent five years playing Dr Webber in *General Hospital*.

PATRICK SIMMONS born in San Jose, California - 1950 (64)

* Guitarist/vocalist with US band the Doobie Brothers. He wrote their 1975 hit *Black Water*.

ROBIN ZANDER born in Rockford, Illinois - 1953 (61)

* Lead vocalist with US band Cheap Trick. Their first Australian hit was *Dream Police* (1979). After several years chart absence they came back in 1988 with their biggest hit to date - *The Flame* followed by a revival of *Don't Be Cruel*.

TREVOR HOHNS born in Nundah, Brisbane - 1954 (60)

* Australian cricketer. He made his first class debut in 1972 and spent two summers with Kim Hughes 'rebel' Australian side in South Africa.

PRINCESS CAROLINE (Caroline Grimaldi) born in Monaco - 1957 (57)

* First daughter of the late Grace Kelly and Prince Rainier III of Monaco. She married Prince Ernst August of Hanover on her 42nd birthday in 1999. It's her third marriage.

GREG RITCHIE born in Stanthorpe, Queensland - 1960 (54)

* Australian cricketer. A former captain of the Queensland cricket team, 'Fat Cat' retired from first class cricket in 1990. He also had a stint on Brisbane radio and for a few years he headed Brisbane Triple M's breakfast program.

MARISKA HARGITAY born in Los Angeles, California - 1964 (50)

* US actress and daughter of Jayne Mansfield and her 2nd husband Mickey Hargitay. She plays Det. Olivia Benson in the TV series *Law And Order*. Also played Cynthia Hooper in *ER*.

* In 1967 Mariska and her two brothers were in the back seat of a car when her mother (Jayne Mansfield) smashed into the back of a trailer truck. Her mother was killed but the three children escaped with minor bruises.

'CRAZY' JOHN ILMAN (Mustafa Ilman) born in Turkey - 1965. (Died aged 42 - 2007)

* Australian businessman. Founder of Crazy John's mobile phone retail chain and the richest Australian under 40 years of age (2003). He died of a suspected heart attack while taking his morning walk. He left behind a wife, four children and a fortune estimated at \$310 million.

DAMIEN HARDMAN born in Sydney, NSW - 1966 (48)

* Australian surfer. He was world champion in 1987 and 1991.

PETR KORDA born in Czechoslovakia - 1968 (46)

* Czech Republic tennis player. Won his first Grand Slam title in 1998 when he took out the Australian Open.

REBEKAH ELMALOGLOU born in - 1974 (40)

* Australian actress. She played Sophie Simpson in the local TV soapie *Home And Away* (1989-1993) and appeared in the short-lived series *Paradise Beach* ('93). * Her brother Sebastian also appeared *Home And Away*.

TIFFANI-AMBER THIESEN born in Long Beach, California - 1974 (40)

* US actress. She played Valerie in the TV series *Beverly Hills 90210*.

Events

PETULA CLARK'S single *Downtown* made No 1 in the US and she became the first UK female singer to have a No. 1 US hit since Vera Lynn in 1952 - 1965.

MAGIC CIRCLE CLUB debuted on Australian television - 1965.

ELVIS PRESLEY recorded *Suspicious Minds* - 1969.

* Made No 1 in America and Australia. No 2 in UK.

PROSPECT CREEK CAMP in Alaska recorded minus 80 degrees Fahrenheit, the lowest temperature ever recorded in the US - 1971.

ALVIN STARDUST made his first appearance (since changing his name from Shane Fenton) at a concert in France - 1974.

BARNEY MILLER, starring Hal Linden, premiered on US TV - 1975.

THEATRE ROYAL opened in King Street, Sydney - 1976.

CAROLE KING'S album, *Tapestry*, became the longest-running album to hit the charts, as it reached its 302nd week on the US album list - 1977.

THE A-TEAM, starring George Peppard, Mr T, Dirk Benedict and Dwight Schultz, premiered on US TV - 1983.

TOWER OF TERROR ride opened at Dreamworld on the Gold Coast - 1997.

* It's the world's 4th fastest roller coaster. It travels at a top speed of 161 km per hour and peaks at 38 storeys high from ground level.

US singer **TONI BRAXTON** filed for bankruptcy - 1998.

* According to her lawyer she was receiving an average royalty of only 35 cents an album.

Australian Christian missionary **GRAHAM STAINES** and his two sons were burned alive by radical Hindus while sleeping in their car in Hindu - 1999.

QUEENSLAND recorded its 22nd heat-related death when a further eight people died as a result of Brisbane's sweltering weather conditions - 2000.

FRIENDS final episode was taped - 2004.

* Last program aired on Australian television in November 2004.

JOHNNY CARSON, US *Tonight* show host, died aged 79 of emphysema - 2005.

ANSSI VANHALA broke the Unofficial World Record for solving the Rubik's Cube puzzle with his feet, with a new average record of 1 minute 8.78 seconds - 2006.

After 128 years, **THE BULLETIN** was published in Australia for the final time - 2008.

ADELE'S album *21* spent its 26th week at No 1 on the Australian album chart - 2012.

* It spent 32 weeks at No 1.

Births

ERNEST BORGNINE (Ernes Borgnino) born in Connecticut - 1917. (Died aged 95 - 2012)

* American actor. He starred as McHale in the '60s TV comedy series *McHales Navy*. Played 'The Doorman' in the '90s series *The Single Guy*. Up until his final years he was still acting and appeared in four movies released in 2010.

* Provides the voice of Mermaid Man in the TV cartoon *Spongebob Square Pants*.

* He won an Academy Award in 1955 for Best Actor in *Marty*.

ORAL ROBERTS born in Oklahoma, USA - 1918. (Died aged 91 - 2009)

* US TV evangelist and author. Founder of the Oral Roberts University which opened in 1963.

* He'd been married to his wife Evelyn since Christmas Day 1938. Their son Richard is also an evangelist.

TRENT NATHAN born in Leichhardt, Sydney - 1940 (74)

* Australian fashion designer. He retired in 1997. In 2003 it was announced that after 43 years as one of Australia's best-known fashion labels, Trent Nathan was up for sale. Shane Barr, chief executive of the company, and nephew of the designer, said he had lost his passion for the business.

NEIL DIAMOND (Neil Leslie Diamond) born in Brooklyn, New York - 1941 (73)

* American singer/songwriter. His best selling album is the 1972 double live LP *Hot August Night*. Some of his biggest hits include *Sweet Caroline*, *Cracklin' Rosie*, *Solitary Man*, *Shilo*, *Holly Holy*, *Song Sung Blue* and *I Am I Said*.

* Starred in the 1980 film remake of *The Jazz Singer*.

* On April 21, 2012, Diamond married 41 year old Katie McNeil. She is his manager and was the producer of the documentary *Neil Diamond: Hot August Nights NYC*.

* He was forced to pay \$US150,000,000 to former wife Marcia in their divorce settlement. This holds the record as the most expensive divorce in history.

* He wrote the Monkees' hits - *I'm A Believer* and *Little Bit Me, Little Bit You*. Lulu also charted with his song *The Boat That I Row*.

AARON NEVILLE born in New Orleans, Louisiana - 1941 (73)

* Vocalist with the Neville Brothers and a solo performer. He's had hits with *Don't Know Much* ('89) - a duet with Linda Ronstadt and *Everybody Plays The Fool* ('91).

RAY STEVENS (Ray Ragsdale) born in Clarksdale, Georgia - 1941 (73)

* US singer/songwriter. He is best known for novelty hits like *Ahab The Arab* ('62), *Gitarzan* ('69), *Along Came Jones* ('69) and *The Streak* ('74). His other hits include *Mr Businessman*, *Everything's Beautiful* and *Sunday Morning Coming Down*.

* He wrote *Funny Man* which was a hit in Australia for Ross D Wylie.

SHARON TATE born in Dallas, Texas - 1943. (Died aged 26 - 1969)

* American actress. The late wife of film director Roman Polanski was one of the stars of the 1967 film *Valley Of The Dolls*.

JENNY KEE (Jennifer Kee) born in Bondi Beach, Sydney - 1947 (67)

* Australian fashion designer and artist. She pioneered local fashion design using the vibrant colours and designs of the Australian bush.

HELEN MORSE born in London, England - 1947 (67)

* Australian actress. Her movie credits include - *Picnic At Hanging Rock* ('75), *Caddie* ('76), *Far East* ('82) and the US film *Agatha* ('79).

WARREN ZEVON born in Illinois - 1947. (Died aged 56 - 2003)

* US singer/songwriter. He had his biggest hit with *Werewolves Of London* in 1978 and wrote *Poor, Poor Pitiful Me* ('77) which was recorded by Linda Ronstadt.

JOHN BELUSHI born in Illinois - 1949. (Died aged 33 - 1982)

* US comic actor. He is best remembered for starring with Dan Aykroyd in *The Blues Brothers* (1980). His brother is actor James Belushi. He died of a drug overdose.

ADRIAN EDMONDSON born in Yorkshire, England - 1957 (57)

* English comedian. Played Vyvyan in the comedy series *The Young Ones*. Also starred with his *Young Ones* co-star Rik Mayall in *Filthy Rich And Catflap* and *Bottom*.

* Married UK comedienne Jennifer Saunders in 1985.

NASTASSJA KINSKI born in Berlin, Germany - 1960 (54)

* German actress. She came to prominence in the 1980s after starring in the films - *Tess* ('79), *Cat People* ('82) and *Paris, Texas* ('84).

JIMEOIN (James Owen) born in London, England - 1966 (48)

* Irish comedian (now a naturalised Australian). He wrote and starred in the films *The Extra* (2005) and *The Craic* ('99). Also starred in his own TV comedy program *Jimeoin* (1994-1995).

MELISSA TKAUTZ born in Sydney, NSW - 1974 (40)

* Australian actress. She played Nikki Spencer in *E Street* and also appeared in *Echo Point*, *Paradise Beach*, *Pacific Drive* and *Medivac*.

* In 1992 she had chart success with a couple of dance hit singles.

NIK WALLEND born in Sarasota, Florida - 1979 (35)

* US tightrope walker. On June 15 2012 he became the first person to walk a tightrope directly over Niagara Falls.

TATYANA ALI born in Long Island, New York - 1979 (35)

* US actress. Played Ashley Banks in the '90s TV series *The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air*.

MISCHA BARTON born in London, England - 1986 (28)

* English actress. She played Marissa Cooper in the TV series *The OC* from 2003-2006. Her films include *The Sixth Sense* and *Notting Hill*.

CALLAN MCAULIFFE born in Sydney, NSW - 1995 (19)

* Australian actor. His US films include *Flipped*, *I Am Number Four* and he played a young Gatsby in the 2013 film *The Great Gatsby*, directed by Baz Luhrmann.

* He appeared in the TV series *Packed to Rafters* as well as *Comedy Inc*.

Events

CALIFORNIA GOLD RUSH

began when James W Marshall accidentally discovered gold while building a sawmill - 1848.

TYPEWRITER RIBBON

was patented by Jacob L Wortman of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania - 1888.

RUBBER HEEL was patented by Humphrey O'Sullivan - 1899.

ESKIMO PIE was patented by Christian Nelson of Iowa (who wasn't an eskimo!) - 1922.

CANNED BEER (Krueger Cream Ale) went on sale for the first time in America in Virginia - 1935.

RONALD REAGAN married **JANE WYMAN** - 1940.

* They divorced in 1948.

AUSTRALIA'S CRICKET TEAM

recorded their highest score against India - 1948.

* Australia made 674 runs - Donald Bradman made a total of 201.

THE CAINE MUTINY, starring Humphrey Bogart and Fred MacMurray, premiered in America - 1954.

ELVIS PRESLEY recorded *Teddy Bear* - 1957.

MINI-MOOG SYNTHESIZER was introduced by the Moog company - 1970.

LARRY FINE, Three Stooges fame, died aged 73 - 1975.

CARSON'S LAW began on Australian television - 1983.

* 184 one hour episodes were made with Lorraine Bayly in the starring role.

MACINTOSH personal computer was introduced by Apple - 1984.

* Revolutionary Macintosh 128k features included a "mouse" for navigating on-screen cursors and small pictures clicked to trigger applications or open files. It was called "graphical user interface" because it let people interact with computers by using images instead of typing software commands.

ANDREW GAZE (Melbourne Tigers) achieved an NBL games record by playing his 568th game - 2004.

* Previous record was held by Leroy Loggins (567).

An **AUSTRALIAN 1913 STAMP** was sold at auction to Hugh Morgan, a Melbourne businessman, for a record \$86,000 - 2004.

JAMES FARENTINO, US actor, died aged 74 - 2012.

Births

ROBBIE BURNS born in Alloway, Scotland - 1759. (Died aged 36 - 1796)

* Scottish poet. He also wrote about 300 songs and he's believed to have penned some of the words to *Auld Lang Syne*.

EWAN MacCOLL born in Scotland - 1915. (Died aged 75 - 1990)

* Scottish singer/songwriter. His best known composition *The First Time Ever I Saw Your Face* was Roberta Flack's first hit in 1972.

* His daughter Kirsty MacColl was also a successful singer/songwriter. She died in an accident in 2000.

DEAN JONES born in Morgan County, Alabama - 1931 (83)

* American actor. Most of his movie roles have been in Walt Disney productions such as - *That Darn Cat* ('65), *The Ugly Dachshund* ('66), *The Love Bug* ('69) and *Herbie Goes To Monte Carlo* ('77). In 1978 he played convicted Watergate trickster Charles Colson in *Born Again*.

CORAZON 'CORY' AQUINO born in the Philippine Islands - 1933. (Died aged 76 - 2009)

* Former President of the Philippines. In 1986 she came to power succeeding Ferdinand Marcos who had ruled with increasing authoritarian control for 20 years.

* In 2008 she was diagnosed with colon cancer and after a one year battle with the disease, she died in August 2009.

ETTA JAMES (Jamesetta Hawkins) born in Los Angeles, California - 1938. (Died aged 72 - 2012)

* US singer. Her signature song was *At Last* (1961). She also had a major hit with *Dance With Me Henry*.

ANITA PALLENBURG born in Germany - 1943 (71)

* German actress/model. She was a long time girlfriend of Rolling Stone Keith Richards and prior to him Brian Jones. She also appeared with Mick Jagger in his unsuccessful 1970 film *Performance* and was one of the stars of the 1968 cult sci-fi spoof *Barbarella*.

LEIGH TAYLOR-YOUNG born in Washington, DC - 1945 (69)

* US actress. Her films include *Jagged Edge* and *I Love You Alice B Toklas*. She's also appeared in the TV series *Peyton Place*, *Picket Fences* and *Passions*.

* Former wife of Ryan O'Neal. They had a son Patrick.

ROS KELLY (Roslyn Raw) born in Sydney, NSW - 1948 (66)

* Former Minister for the Arts, Sport, Environment and Territories.

* Married CEO of Westpac David Margan.

KAY COTTEE born in Sydney, NSW - 1954 (60)

* Australian sailor. She won the Australian of the Year Award for 1989 for her achievement on becoming the first woman to sail solo around the world - that is alone, non-stop and without assistance.

SCOTT WATTERS born in - 1969 (45)

* Former AFL player and former coach of St Kilda. Coached St Kilda from 2012-2013 but was axed by the club in November 2013. He had one year left on his contract. He played 109 AFL games for West Coast, Sydney and Fremantle. Before being appointed as St Kilda's coach in 2011 he was an assistant coach with Collingwood.

SCOTT WYND born in Jacana, Victoria - 1970 (44)

* Australian Rules footballer. The former Western Bulldogs ruckman won the Brownlow Medal in 1992. He was their captain from 1994-2000.

ALICIA KEYS (Alicia Augello-Cook) born in Manhattan, New York - 1981 (33)

* US singer and classically trained pianist. Her 2012 album *Girl On Fire* became her 5th consecutive No 1 album in the US. Her 2007 release *As I Am* was her 4th. She had one of the biggest hit singles of 2001 with *Fallin'*. It was featured on her debut album *Songs In A Minor*. In 2004 she made No 1 in the US with *My Boo* and in 2007 with *No One*.

* She collaborated with Jack White on the *James Bond* theme song *Another Way To Die* (from *Quantum of Solace*.)

Events

WEDDING MARCH (composed by Mendelssohn) was first played at the wedding of Queen Victoria's daughter to the crown prince of Prussia - 1858.

First **WINTER OLYMPICS** were held in France - 1924.

DON BRADMAN made 340 runs in 488 minutes for NSW vs Victoria - 1929.

Australia's **RICHIE BENAUD** made his Test debut vs West Indies at the SCG - 1952.

ELVIS PRESLEY's *Jailhouse Rock* became the first single to enter the British charts at No 1 - 1958.

* The song was written by Jerry Leiber and Mike Stoller. In the film *Jailhouse Rock* - Stoller has a cameo role as a piano player in Elvis' band.

Walt Disney's **101 DALMATIANS** was released in US cinemas - 1961.

* It took an animation staff of 300 to complete the film in three years, at a cost of \$4 million.

* The 1996 film starred Glenn Close and Jeff Daniels. *102 Dalmatians* was released in 2000.

CREEDENCE CLEARWATER REVIVAL's hit single *Proud Mary* was released in America - 1969.

* It was their first top 10 hit. Their first chart entry in America was *Suzie Q (Part One)* ('68).

AUSTRALIA's OLDEST HORSE - Monty, a draught horse, died aged 52 in Albury - 1970.

JOHN LENNON and **YOKO ONO** shaved their heads and declared it to be Year 1 - 1970.

ABC FM radio commenced in Adelaide, Canberra, Melbourne and Sydney - 1976.

OLDEST RECORDED RACEHORSE - Tango Duke, died aged 42 - 1978.

* The chestnut gelding was owned by Carmen Koper of Victoria.

JOHN CLEESE won libel damages at the High Court over an article in *The Daily Mirror* that claimed he had become like Basil Fawlty! - 1989.

JOCKS' JOURNAL's first subscriber was Clive Burnell (4ZR Roma) who signed up on this day - 1989.

MICHAEL JACKSON agreed to pay out \$25 million to a young boy (regarding an alleged sexual abuse offence) and also the boy's father - 1994.

* The sum was to be paid over a 40 year period.

Tasmanian cricketer **DAVID BOON** played in his final Test match - 1996.

American tourists **TOM** and **EILEEN LONERGAN** disappeared 38 nautical miles northeast of Port Douglas, on a diving expedition - 1999.

TWO US OFFICE WORKERS survived when a lift in the Empire State Building dropped 40 floors (121 m) in 4 seconds after a lift cable failed - 2000.

* It stopped just 4 floors from the ground. Both suffered only minor bruising.

GARY PARSONS, 50, achieved man's longest continuous run when he arrived in Brisbane after a trek of 19,030 km - 2000.

* He started out on Anzac Day 1999 and ended this day. He ran anti-clockwise around Highway One.

MELBOURNE recorded 44.1 C - the highest recorded temperature since the Black Friday catastrophe in 1939 when 21 Victorians died in bushfires - 2003.

A **1960s TIMBER SHACK BEACH HOUSE** located at Main Beach on the Gold Coast sold at auction for a record \$13 million - 2004.

SERENA WILLIAMS defeated her older sister Venus in the Australian Open to win her 4th straight title in the tennis world's four Grand Slam tournaments - 2004.

EGYPT experienced a series of street demonstrations, marches, riots and violent clashes - 2011.

* Millions of protesters demanded the overthrow of the regime of Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak. On 11 February, following weeks of determined popular protest and pressure, Mubarak resigned from office.

Births

PAUL NEWMAN born in Cleveland, Ohio - 1925. (Died aged 83 - 2008)
* US actor. In the '60s he starred in a string of movies starting with 'H' such as - *(The Hustler* ('61), *Hud* ('63), *Harper* ('66) and *Hombre* ('67). His other films include *Cat On A Hot Tin Roof* ('58), *Cool Hand Luke* ('67), *Butch Cassidy & The Sundance Kid* ('69), *The Sting* ('73) and *The Color Of Money* ('86).
* Paul and his wife Joanna Woodward starred in 10 films together.

EARTHA KITT (Eartha Mae Keith) born in North, South Carolina - 1927. (Died aged 81 - 2008)
* American singer and actress. She had one of her biggest hit singles in Australia in 1963 with *Just An Old Fashioned Girl*. From 1952-'54 she also had hits with *C'est Si Bon*, *Under the Bridges of Paris* and *Santa Baby*.

MURRAY BALL born in Feilding, New Zealand - 1939 (75)
* Creator of the comic strip *Footrot Flats*. In 1995 after 20 years of writing, he put the comic strip to rest. Finn, the dog who inspired the character of The Dog in *Footrot Flats*, died in 1998.

SCOTT GLENN born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania - 1942 (72)
* US actor. His films include *The Right Stuff*, *Hunt For Red October*, *Silence Of The Lambs*, *Backdraft* and *Courage Under Fire*.

LUCINDA WILLIAMS born in Lake Charles, Louisiana - 1953 (61)
* US country singer/songwriter. In 1979 she released her debut album *Ramblin' On My Mind*. Her 1998 album *Car Wheels On A Gravel Road*, netted Williams an award in the Best Contemporary Folk Album category at the 41st Annual Grammys.

KIM HUGHES (Kimberley Hughes) born in Margaret River, Western Australia - 1954 (60)
* Australian cricketer. The former Test captain stood down in 1984 and captained a rebel tour to South Africa 1985-86.
* At the 1980 Centenary Test at Lord's, where he scored 117 (14 fours, 3 sixes) in the first innings and 84 (11 fours, 2 sixes) in the second.

SHANE HOWARD born in Dennington, Victoria - 1955 (59)
* Vocalist with Australian band Goanna. The group started out in Geelong in 1977 and broke up in 1986. Goanna had a huge hit in 1982 with *Solid Rock*. Shane also sang on the 1983 hit *Let The Franklin Flow*.

EDDIE VAN HALEN born in The Netherlands - 1957 (57)
* Guitarist for rock band Van Halen. His brother Alex is their drummer. One of their best selling singles was in 1985 with *Jump*.

ELLEN DEGENERES born in New Orleans, Louisiana - 1958 (56)
* US comedienne. She starred in her own TV series' *Ellen* (1994-'98) and *The Ellen Show* (2001) and since 2003 she has hosted her own TV talk-show. She visited Australia in 2013.

TIM MAY born in North Adelaide, South Australia - 1962 (52)
* Australian cricketer. He is rated as one of our best offspinners. He took 75 wickets in 24 Tests and in 1996 retired from all levels of cricket to become a player manager.

ANDREW RIDGLEY born in Surrey, England - 1963 (51)
* One half of the UK duo Wham! They broke up in 1987 when his partner George Michael decided to pursue a solo career.

SIMON O'DONNELL born in Deniliquin, NSW - 1963 (51)
* Former Australian Test cricketer and St Kilda footballer. He works for Channel 9 as a sports reporter and presenter and hosts *The Cricket Show*.

KIRK FRANKLIN born in Forth Worth, Texas - 1970 (44)
* US gospel singer. In 1999 Franklin became the first gospel artist to receive a Grammy Award nomination for Song of the Year for *Lean On Me*.

REBECCA RITTERS born in - 1984 (30)
* Australian actress. She played Hannah Martin in TV's *Neighbours*. Her other TV roles include Amelia Porter in *Blue Heelers* and in 2002 she had a brief role in the UK soap opera *Coronation Street*, playing an Australian back-packer.

Events

FIRST FLEET arrived at Port Jackson, NSW - 1788.
* In 1931 the day was given its name. Prior to the first Fleet arrival, Aboriginal Australians had inhabited the land and today, Australia Day is used to celebrate unity and expand national pride for all Australians.

3AR (now Radio National) became the first ABC station to broadcast in Melbourne - 1924.

2UE, Australia's oldest commercial radio station, opened - 1925.
* It was originally called 2EU (electrical utilities).

BRISBANE recorded a temperature of 43.2 degrees Celsius - 1940.

INDIA become an independent nation, as the British relinquished control - 1950.

DARWIN was proclaimed a city - 1959.
* It was named in honour of Charles Darwin. Prior to that it was called Palmerston.

FOUR SEASONS' hit *Walk Like A Man* was released in US - 1963.
* It was their third US No. 1 hit.

THE BEAUMONT CHILDREN - Jane (aged 9), Arnna (aged 7), and Grant (aged 4) disappeared without a trace from a beach near Adelaide, South Australia - 1966.
* It remains Australia's most infamous unsolved cold case.

JOHN LENNON and **PHIL SPECTOR** wrote, recorded and mixed John's hit *Instant Karma* - 1970.

OURIMBAH FESTIVAL, Australia's first rock music festival, attracted 11,000 fans - 1970.

First **COUNTRY MUSIC FESTIVAL** was held at Tamworth - 1973.

FLOODS in Brisbane reached their peak as thousands of families were forced to evacuate their homes - 1974.

PETER GREEN (ex-Fleetwood Mac guitarist and founder) was committed to a mental health asylum after threatening his accountant with a rifle - 1977.

ELVIS PRESLEY proposed to his 20 year old girlfriend Ginger Arden at his home in Graceland - 1977.
* Alden first met Presley in 1961 (aged 5) through her father who had been Presley's induction officer when he joined the United States military in 1958.

THE DUKES OF HAZZARD premiered on US TV - 1979.

GUITAR SYNTHESIZER was first demonstrated - 1979.

FRANK SINATRA attracted the largest live audience for a solo artist, with an audience of 175,000 in Rio - 1980. (This record was broken by Tina Turner in 1988.)

America's **MARY DECKER** became the first woman to run a mile in under 4 minutes - 1980.

INSTITUTE OF SPORT complex opened at Bruce, ACT - 1981.

PHANTOM OF THE OPERA opened on Broadway - 1988.

STEVIE PLUNDER (born Anthony Hayes) guitarist/singer with The Whitlams, committed suicide aged 33 - 1996.

Sydney's **DAVID JONES** store opened for an extra 3 hours so the third wife of the **SULTAN OF BRUNEI** could "pick up a few things" - 1997.
* She spent \$25,000 in the children's department alone.

A US investigation revealed that **JOHN DENVER** died because the singer's plane was low on fuel and he was unfamiliar with the cockpit when he lost control and was killed in October, 1997 - 1999.

MARTINA NAVRATILOVA, 46, became the oldest person to win a Grand Slam event (her 57th title) when she won the mixed doubles event with partner Leander Paes - 2003.

LEO SAYER, UK born singer/songwriter, became an Australian citizen - 2009.

PATRICIA LOVELL, Australian film producer and TV host of *Mr Squiggle*, died aged 83 - 2013.
* Produced the films *Picnic At Hanging Rock* and *Gallipoli*.

Births

WOLFGANG AMADEUS MOZART born in Austria - 1756. (Died aged 35 - 1791)

* Austrian composer. He began writing at the age of 5 and in his short lifetime wrote more than 600 works including *The Marriage of Figaro*.

LEWIS CARROLL (Charles Dodgson) born in England - 1832. (Died aged 65 - 1898)

* English author. He wrote the popular children's book *Alice's Adventures In Wonderland*.

DAVID SEVILLE (Ross Bagdasarian) born in Fresno, California - 1919. (Died aged 52 - 1972)

* American singer. He provided the voices of the cartoon characters in *Alvin And The Chipmunks*. He had a novelty hit in 1958 with *Witch Doctor* as well as several Alvin & The Chipmunks recordings.

MICHAEL CRAIG (Michael Gregson) born in India - 1928 (86)

* English born Australian actor. He starred as Dr William Sharp in the ABC television series *G.P.* ('89-'96).

TROY DONAHUE (Merle Johnson) born in New York City, New York - 1936. (Died aged 65 - 2001)

* American actor. He was a television idol of the early 1960s and starred in the programs *Hawaiian Eye* and *Surfside Six*. He played Sandra Dee's boyfriend in the 1959 film *A Summer Place*.

NEIL HAWKE born in Cheltenham, SA - 1939. (Died aged 61 - 2000)

* Australian Test cricketer and footballer. He played cricket for WA, SA and Tasmania and Australian Rules football for SA and WA.

* He died on Christmas Day 2000 after surviving over 20 years of life threatening illnesses and dozens of operations.

JAMES CROMWELL born in Los Angeles, California - 1940 (74)

* US actor. The 201 cm (6 feet 7 in) tall actor played Farmer Hoggett in *Babe* ('95) and the sequel. His other films include *The Queen* (2006), *The Green Mile*, *The Artist* and a major role in *Star Trek: First Contact*. He also appeared in the TV series *Six Feet Under*.

NICK MASON born in Birmingham, England - 1945 (69)

* Drummer with UK rock band Pink Floyd. He's the only member of the band who's been with them since their beginning in 1967. Pink Floyd's album *The Wall* is one of the top 3 best selling albums. Their other best selling albums include: *Dark Side Of The Moon* and *P.U.L.S.E.*

MIKHAIL BARYSHNIKOV born in Latvia - 1948 (66)

* Ballet dancer and actor. He defected to the US and performed in the American Ballet Theatre from 1980-1990. His films include *The Turning Point* ('77) and *White Nights* ('85).

DR LYNN ARNOLD born in South Africa - 1949 (65)

* South Australian Premier (1992-1993). He served concurrently as Minister for Economic Development and Minister for Multicultural and Ethnic Affairs. After leaving politics, he worked for World Vision and Anglicare SA.

MIMI ROGERS (Miriam Spickler) born in Florida - 1955 (59)

* US actress. Her television credits include a regular spot on *Hill St Blues* as Renko's girlfriend.
* She was married to Tom Cruise from 1987-1990.

GREG CHAMPION born in Benalla, Victoria - 1955 (59)

* Australian singer/songwriter. He is best known for his satirical songs and as being a part of the Coodabeen Champions radio team (heard weekly on ABC radio). He had his biggest pop hit in 1994 with *That's What I Like About Football* (backed by The Music Men).

* He's recorded a couple of Christmas CDs with Colin Buchanan as "Bucko & Champs."

BRUNO LUCIA (Mario Lucia) born in Adelaide, SA - 1960 (54)

* Australian comedian and actor. He played Wayne Lovett in the '90s TV sit-com *All Together Now*.

BRIDGET FONDA born in Los Angeles, California - 1964 (50)

* US actress. Daughter of actor Peter Fonda. Her films include *Doc Hollywood* ('91), *Single White Female* ('92) and *The Road To Wexville* ('94).

MICHAEL PATTON born in Eureka, California - 1968 (46)

* Lead singer for band Faith No More. They made No 1 in Australia in 1990 with the single *Epic* and again in 1993 with a re-make of the Commodores' hit *Easy*.

NIC TESTONI born in Wollongong, NSW - 1972 (42)

* Australian actor. He played Travis Nash in *Home And Away* (1995-1999).

MARK OWEN born in Oldham, England - 1974 (40)

* Singer with Take That. The group had 8 No 1 hits in the UK from 1990-1996. Biggest hit in Australia was *Back For Good* ('95).

MARAT SAFIN born in Moscow, Russia - 1980 (34)

* Russian tennis player. Winner of the US Open in 2000 and Australian Open in 2005.

ALICIA MOLIK born in Adelaide, SA - 1981 (33)

* Australian tennis player. She won her first grand slam doubles title at the 2005 Australian Open with partner Svetlana Kuznetsova.

KATY ROSE (Kathryn Bullard) born in California - 1987 (27)

* US singer/songwriter. Her chart career launched in 2004 with the release of her debut album *Because I Can* and hit single *Overdrive*.

Events

THOMAS EDISON received a patent for the **ELECTRIC INCANDESCENT LAMP** - 1880.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SOCIETY was formed in Washington, D.C. - 1888.

JOHN LOGIE BAIRD displayed the first **TELEVISION** images - 1926.

First **MAGNETIC TAPE RECORDER** was sold in America - 1948.

SIZZLER opened their first restaurant in California - 1958.

* It was started by Del Johnson and his wife Helen. They used \$50 borrowed from friends as a float for the till. The first Australian restaurant opened in Brisbane in 1985.

SING ALONG WITH MITCH (Miller) premiered on US TV - 1961.

BEE GEES made their US live concert debut in Anaheim, California (earning \$50,000) - 1968.

BRISBANE was swamped when the Brisbane River broke its banks after a month of rain - 1974.

* The heavy rain commenced on January 25. Almost three-quarters of Queensland (Brisbane) was under water. Sixteen people lost their lives and about 8,500 houses were flooded in Brisbane and Ipswich.

LAVERNE & SHIRLEY began on US television - 1976.

* Penny Marshall (Laverne) and Cindy Williams (Shirley) were first seen together in an episode of *Happy Days* and a short time later they found themselves starring in their own TV series.

MICHAEL JACKSON's hair caught fire while filming a Pepsi-Cola commercial - 1984.

* It was caused by a smoke bomb. Apparently the audience cheered because they thought it was part of the act!

AUSTRALIAN CRAWL made their last Australian concert appearance in Melbourne - 1986.

MARK TAYLOR played his first Test game for Australia at the SCG against the West Indies - 1989. (Retired in 1999.)

About 10,000 friends and fans of **DAVID HOOKES** gathered at a special funeral service at Adelaide Oval - 2004.

QUEEN MARY 2, the world's largest and most expensive passenger ship, completed its maiden trans-Atlantic voyage when it arrived in Florida - 2004.

JERRY LEE LEWIS was divorced from his 6th wife Kerrie McCarver Lewis - 2004.

* His seventh marriage, to Judith Brown, began March 9, 2012.

J D SALINGER, US author of *Catcher In The Rye* (published in 1951), died aged 91 of natural causes - 2010.

Births

JOHN BANNER born in Vienna - 1910. (Died aged 63 - 1973)

* American actor. He played Sergeant Schultz in the '60s comedy series *Hogan's Heroes*.

JACKSON POLLOCK born in Wyoming - 1912. (Died aged 44 - 1956)

* American painter. His painting *Blue Poles* caused a lot of controversy when it was purchased by the Whitlam Government for \$1.2 million in 1974.

* He was killed in 1956 when his car hit a tree.

ACKER BILK (Bernard Bilk) born in Somerset, England - 1929 (85)

* British musician. The clarinettist had a worldwide No 1 hit in 1962 with *Stranger On The Shore*.

ALAN ALDA (Alan D'Alphonso) born in New York - 1936 (78)

* American actor, writer and director. He's the son of actor Robert Alda. For 10 years he played Captain Benjamin "Hawkeye" Pierce in the popular *M*A*S*H* television series.

SUSAN HOWARD (Jeri Lynn Mooney) born in Marshall, Texas - 1946 (68)

* US actress. She is best known for playing Donna Krebsbs for 9 years in the TV soap series *Dallas*. In the '70s series *Petrocelli* she played Petrocelli's wife Maggie.

MIKE FITZPATRICK born in Western Australia - 1953 (61)

* Australian Rules footballer. A Rhodes scholar, he captained the Carlton football club from 1980-1983. Played 150 games and kicked 150 goals.

NICK PRICE born in Zimbabwe - 1957 (57)

* South African golfer. He won the British Open in 1994 and PGA Championships in 1992 and 1994.

DARREN JARMAN born in South Australia - 1967 (47)

* Australian Rules footballer. At the end of 1995 he left Hawthorn and joined his brother Andrew to play for the Adelaide Crows. He was one of Adelaide's key players in their 1997 and 1998 premiership wins. He retired at the end of 2000.

BILLY BROWNLESS born in Jerilderie, NSW - 1967 (47)

* Australian Rules footballer. He played 198 games with Geelong Football Club from 1986-1997. He is a regular on Channel 9's AFL *Foody Show*. He was heard on the SEN 1116 breakfast show (left in 2008) but is now heard with James Brayshaw on the Triple M drive program *The Rush Hour*.

SARAH McLACHLAN born in Nova Scotia, Canada - 1968 (46)

* Canadian singer/songwriter. One of her best known songs is *Angel* ('99) which featured in the movie *City Of Angels* ('98). She had another big hit in 1999 with *I Will Be There For You*. Her hit albums include *Touch* (her first release in 1988), *Fumbling Towards Ecstasy*, *Solace*, *Surfacing* and *Afterglow*.

KATHRYN MORRIS born in Cincinnati, Ohio - 1969 (45)

* US actress. Stars as Lilly Rush in the TV series *Cold Case*.

JOEY FATONE born in Brooklyn, New York - 1977 (37)

* US singer and TV presenter. He was a part of the boy band 'N Sync. Now hosts the American and Australian versions of the TV show *The Singing Bee*.

NICK CARTER born in Jamestown, New York - 1980 (34)

* Vocalist with US group the Backstreet Boys. Their hits include *Everybody* (*Backstreet's Back*), *Larger Than Life*, *Shape of My Heart* and *Incomplete*. They had one of the biggest selling albums in 1999 with *Millennium*.

ELIJAH WOOD born in Cedar Rapids, Indiana - 1981 (33)

* American actor. He starred as Frodo Baggins in the three *Lord Of The Rings* films. He also had a small role in the first *Hobbit* movie. * He provides the voice of Mumble in *Happy Feet*. His other movies include *The War* (opposite Kevin Costner) ('94), *Forever Young* ('92) and *Flipper* ('96).

LIBBY TRICKETT (Lizbeth Lenton) born in Townsville, Queensland - 1985 (29)

* Australian swimmer. She won gold as part of the 2008 Australian Olympic team, and was also a gold medallist at the 2004 Summer Olympics. She achieved five World Records, two in long course (50m).

Events

The first **TELEPHONE SWITCHBOARD** was installed in New Haven, Connecticut - 1878.

* The phone company owning the switchboard had 21 subscribers.

ENGLAND scored only 45 runs v Australia at the SCG, their lowest total ever - 1887.

DISNEYLAND program began on Australian television - 1957.

LEGO brick was patented by Ole Kirk Christiansen, founder of the LEGO Group, in Copenhagen - 1958.

* With six 2 x 4 bricks there are more than 915 million combinations possible. Lego produces 306 million wheels a year. 36,000 LEGO elements are produced every minute. 4 billion LEGO minifigures inhabit the world, which makes them the largest population group on earth.

GOON SHOW went to air on BBC radio for the final time - 1960.

* The radio comedy began in 1950 and starred Spike Milligan (who wrote most of the scripts), Harry Secombe, Peter Sellers and (originally) Michael Bentine.

JOHANNES RELLEKE of Zimbabwe survived 2,443 bee stings - 1962.

BRIAN POOLE left The Tremeloes - 1967.

* The UK group continued and had even greater success without Poole as the lead singer.

VIETNAM WAR officially ended 8am (Saigon time) - 1973.

* It was the longest war in US history with more than one million combat deaths.

BARNABY JONES, starring Buddy Ebsen, premiered on US TV - 1973.

FANTASY ISLAND premiered on US TV - 1978.

* The series starred Ricardo Montalban, Herve Villechaize and a cast of celebrity guest stars.

BILLY FURY, English singer, died aged 41 of a heart attack - 1983.

* He had 11 Top 10 hits in England between 1959-1965 but failed to make an impression on the US or Australian charts.

FRANK FORDE, Australian Prime Minister, died aged 92 - 1983.

A record 295,000 **DOMINOES** toppled in West Germany - 1984.

FRANK HARDY, Australian writer, died aged 76 - 1994.

* He stirred controversy through his book *Power Without Glory*, published in 1950.

WE ARE THE WORLD was recorded by USA For Africa - 1985.

* The recording began at 10 pm and by 8 am the next day the vocals were completed. The reason why so many artists could be assembled together at the one time was because they were in Hollywood the night before for the American Music awards. As each artist entered the studio door, they saw a hand-lettered sign, by Lionel Richie, stating, "*Check your ego at the door.*"

US SPACE SHUTTLE Challenger blew up 72 seconds after lift-off, killing all crew members (five men and two women) - 1986.

KIRK DOUGLAS, US actor, suffered a stroke - 1996.

JERRY SIEGEL, co-creator of *Superman* comic strip, died aged 81 - 1996.

JENNIFER CAPRIATI defeated Martina Hingis at the Australian Open - 2001.

JOHN PHILLIP THOMPSON, founder of 7-Eleven, died aged 77 - 2003.

BECKER, starring Ted Danson, ended after a six year run on US television - 2004.

RAY PETERSON, US singer, died aged 65 - 2005.

* His biggest hits were in 1960 with *Tell Laura I Love Her* and *Corrina, Corrina*.

JIM CAPALDI, UK singer/musician, died aged 60 of stomach cancer - 2005.

* His biggest solo hit was in 1975 with *Love Hurts*. He wrote the Eagles' hit *Love Will Keep Us Alive*.

ROGER FEDERER won his 10th grand slam title and his 3rd Australian Open tennis title - 2007.

Births

JOHN FORSYTHE born in New Jersey - 1918. (Died aged 92 - 2010)

* American actor. He starred in the television series *Bachelor Father* and also played Blake Carrington in the soap series *Dynasty*. He provided the voice of Charlie in the '70s series *Charlie's Angels*.

NOEL HARRISON born in England - 1936. (Died aged 77 - 2013)

* English actor and son of the late Rex Harrison. He was in the short-lived TV series *The Girl From Uncle*. * His biggest hit was in 1969 with *Windmills Of Your Mind* from the film *The Thomas Crown Affair*.

GERMAINE GREER born in Melbourne, Victoria - 1939 (75)

* Australian feminist and author. Her books include *The Female Eunuch*, *The Change* - a 470 page study on menopause and *Daddy We Hardly Knew You*. In recent years she's appeared on the TV program "The Grumpy Guide To .."

MAGGIE KIRKPATRICK (Margaret Downs) born in Albury, NSW - 1941 (73)

* Australian actress. She is best known for playing the prison officer Joan Ferguson aka "The Freak" in the television soap opera, *Prisoner*.

CLAUDINE LONGET born in France - 1942 (72)

* French actress and the former wife of singer Andy Williams (1961-'75). She was Peter Sellers leading lady in his 1968 comedy film *The Party*.

PETER SUMNER born in Sydney, NSW - 1942 (72)

* Australian actor. He was one of the stars of the '70s TV series *Spyforce* as well as the ABC drama *Certain Women*. His films include - *Ned Kelly*, *The Chant Of Jimmie Blacksmith* and *Emerald City*.

KATHARINE ROSS born in Los Angeles, California - 1943 (71)

* US actress and author. Her movie credits include *The Graduate* ('67), *Butch Cassidy And The Sundance Kid* ('69) and *The Betsy* ('78).

* She married actor Sam Elliott in 1984. They have appeared in several movies together.

IAN 'MOLLY' MELDRUM born in Orbost, Victoria - 1943 (71)

* Australian pop music 'guru' and journalist. 'Molly' was the brainchild behind ABC TV's *Countdown* music program and a regular guest on the long running *Hey Hey It's Saturday* program.

* On 15 December 2011, he had a life-threatening fall from a ladder in the backyard of his Melbourne home. At the time he was putting up Christmas decorations. He was placed under intensive care in a critical condition at the Alfred Hospital and had surgery for his head and spinal injuries. In April 2012, he gave his first public interview since the accident.

* Since the 1980s he is always seen in public wearing a Stetson hat.

* He's produced six No 1 hits including Russell Morris' hit *The Real Thing* and The Ferrets' *Don't Fall In Love*.

TOM SELLECK born in Detroit, Michigan - 1945 (69)

* American actor. He was the star of the long running '80s series *Magnum P.I.* His film roles include *Three Men And A Baby* ('87), *Three Men And A Little Lady* ('90), *Her Alibi* ('89), *Mr Baseball* ('92) and *Christopher Columbus* ('92).

RODNEY RUDE (Rodney Keft) born in Nowra, NSW - 1947 (67)

* Australian stand-up comedian. The 'rude' comic has also worked as a boxing manager.

LYNNE McGRANGER born in Paddington, Sydney - 1953 (61)

* Australian actress. Since 1992 she's played Irene Roberts in TV's *Home and Away*. Prior to her acting career she worked as a primary school teacher.

OPRAH WINFREY born in Kosciusko, Mississippi - 1954 (60)

* US TV host and actress. Host of the TV talk show, *The Oprah Winfrey Show* which debuted in 1986 and finally ended in 2011. She has a starring role in the 2013 film *The Butler*. She was also one of the stars of the 1985 film *Color Purple* and the 1999 film *Beloved*.

* In 2011 she visited Australia bringing 300 members of her audience. John Travolta flew the entourage in for the 8 day trip where Oprah recorded one of her programs at the Sydney Opera House.

PAUL McGANN born in Liverpool, England - 1959 (55)

* English actor. He was the 8th actor to star in the *Dr Who* TV series in the 1996 season.

PAULINE HENRY born in Jamaica - 1961 (53)

* Former lead vocalist for The Chimes. The Chimes had a hit in 1990 with their version of the U2 song *I Still Haven't Found What I'm Looking For*.

ED BURNS (Edward J Burns Jnr) born in New York - 1968 (46)

* US actor and director. He was one of the stars of the 1998 hit film *Saving Private Ryan*.

HEATHER GRAHAM born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin - 1970 (44)

* US actress. Her popular '90s films include: *Austin Powers: The Spy Who Shagged Me*, *The Guru*, *Bowfinger* and *Lost In Space*.

ELIZA SZONERT born in Melbourne, Victoria - 1974 (40)

* Australian actress. She played the role of Janine in the 2000 hit movie *The Dish* and played Danni Starke in *Neighbours*.

SARA GILBERT born in Santa Monica, California - 1975 (39)

* US actress and sister of Melissa Gilbert. She played Darlene Conner in the TV sit com *Roseanne*.

BRYNNE EDELSTEN (Brynne Gordon) born in Shawnee, Oklahoma - 1983 (31)

* Wife of Dr Geoffrey Edelsten. She appeared in Series 11 of *Dancing With The Stars* and in 2012 hosted her own reality TV show called *Brynne: My Bedazzled Life*.

JESSICA MARAIS born in South Africa - 1985 (29)

* South African born Australian actress. She appears in *Packed To The Rafters* as Rachel Rafter.

ISABEL LUCAS born in Melbourne, Victoria - 1985 (29)

* Australian actress. She played Tasha Andrews in *Home And Away*. Now based in Los Angeles.

STEPHANIE GILMOUR born in Murwillumbah, NSW - 1988 (26)

* Australian surfer. In 2007 she became the first rookie to win the world surfing title. Won eight of 15 events in her two years on tour.

Events

DESERT ISLAND DISCS was first broadcast on BBC Radio - 1942.

* It holds the record for the longest-running factual program in the history of radio.

ELIZABETH TAYLOR was divorced from her first husband Conrad Hilton Jr - 1951.

PAUL NEWMAN married **JOANNA WOODWARD** - 1958.

* They stayed together up until Newman's death in 2009. They were in 10 films together.

ALAN LADD, US actor, committed suicide at age 50 with alcohol combined with sleeping pills and three medicines - 1964.

THE BEATLES recorded German versions of *I Want To Hold Your Hand* (*Komm Gib Mir Deine Hand*) and *She Loves You* (*Sie Liebt Dich*) - 1964.

SUNBURY POP FESTIVAL opened in Victoria - 1972.

* It opened on Friday night with a four hour jam and was the most successful local festival of the '70s with Billy Thorpe & The Aztecs proving to be the main attraction.

FREDDIE PRINZE, American actor and comedian, died (apparently suicide) aged 22 - 1976.

MEN AT WORK topped the UK and US charts with the single *Down Under* - 1982.

CLIFF RICHARD and **THE YOUNG ONES** recorded *Living Doll* - 1986.

TONIGHT LIVE, hosted by **STEVE VIZARD**, made its debut on Australian television - 1990.

CATS became the longest running Broadway musical - 1996.

PAUL SIMON's musical *The Capeman* opened on Broadway - 1998.

* It closed after 68 regular season performances. It ranks as one of the biggest flops on Broadway.

PETER GARRETT reunited with Midnight Oil members to perform a one-off concert to raise funds for the Tsunami victims - 2005.

Births

DOROTHY MALONE born in Chicago, Illinois - 1925 (89)

* American actress. In the 1960s series *Peyton Place* she received top billing playing the role of Constance Mackenzie. In feature films she starred with Humphrey Bogart and Lauren Bacall in *The Big Sleep* ('46) and won an Oscar for Best Supporting Actress in *Written On The Wind* ('56).

MAGGIE FITZGIBBON born in Melbourne, Victoria - 1929 (85)

* Australian actress and singer. Sister of musician Smacka Fitzgibbon. Appeared in numerous cabarets, stage musicals and plays.

GENE HACKMAN born in San Bernadino, California - 1930 (84)

* US actor. He didn't begin acting until he was in his 30s and had his first major role in *Bonnie And Clyde* ('67). He won an Academy Award for Best Actor in *The French Connection* ('71) and a Best Supporting Oscar for his role in the 1992 film *Unforgiven*.

VANESSA REDGRAVE born in London, England - 1937 (77)

* British actress. She's the daughter of actor Sir Michael and sister of actress Lynn Redgrave. Her actress daughter Natasha Richardson married Liam Neeson. * She won an Academy Award for Best Actress in 1977 for *Julia*. In 1992 she was a star in the box-office hit *Howard's End*.

BORIS SPASSKY born in Leningrad, USSR - 1937 (77)

* Russian chess champion. He held the World Chess championship title for three years until he lost to Bobby Fischer in 1972.

ROBYN WILLIAMS born in High Wycombe, England - 1944 (70)

* Australian radio broadcaster. He's hosted *The Science Show* since 1975.

STEVE MARRIOTT born in England - 1947. (Died aged 44 - 1991)

* Lead singer with '60s UK mod band the Small Faces. Their biggest hits were *Lazy Sunday*, *Tin Soldier* and *Itchycoo Park*. In 1969 he formed Humble Pie. They had a top 10 hit with *Natural Born Bugie*. * He died in 1991 in a house fire at his home in England.

JACK NEWTON born in Warners Bay, NSW - 1950 (64)

* Australian golfer and commentator. He won the Australian Open in 1979 and was runner up in the British Open in 1975 and US Masters in 1980.

* In 1983 he was boarding a single-engine Cessna 210 when he walked into the plane's propeller. His right arm was amputated and he lost the sight in his right eye.

PHIL COLLINS born in Chiswick, England - 1951 (63)

* English singer and former drummer/vocalist with Genesis. His '80s solo hits include *In The Air Tonight*, *Against All Odds*, *Two Hearts*, *Sussudio*, *Easy Lover* (with Philip Bailey) and *Groovy Kind Of Love*. He also had a huge hit in 1999 with *You'll Be In My Heart* from the *Tarzan* soundtrack. Genesis had their biggest hit single in 1986 with *Invisible Touch*.

* His album *...But Seriously* was the biggest selling album in Australia in 1990. ts.

* He starred in the UK film *Buster*, appeared in the Australian film *Frauds* and also had a role in Steven Spielberg's *Hook*.

CURTIS STRANGE born in Virginia - 1955 (59)

* American golfer. He won the US Open in 1988.

PAYNE STEWART born in Missouri - 1957. (Died aged 42 - 1999)

* US golfer. He won the US Open in 1991 and 1999. Died in a plane accident.

BRETT BUTLER born in Montgomery, Alabama - 1958 (56)

* American comedienne. She starred in the TV comedy series *Grace Under Fire* as Grace Kelly.

EDDIE JONES born in Burnie, Tasmania - 1960 (54)

* Australian rugby player and coach. Former coach of the Wallabies (2001-2005). He took Australia to the final of the 2003 Rugby World Cup.

CHRISTIAN BALE born in Pembrokeshire, Wales - 1974 (40)

* Welsh actor. Star of the Batman movies *Batman Begins*, *The Dark Knight* and *The Dark Knight Rises*. His other movies include *The Prestige*, *3.10 To Yuma*, *Public Enemies* and *The Fighter*.

JEMIMA GOLDSMITH born in London, England - 1974 (40)

* Former wife of Pakistani cricketer Imran Khan and the daughter of English billionaire Sir James Goldsmith. After moving to Pakistan with her husband she embarked on a series of business ventures, including her own brand of tomato sauce and the "Jemima Khan" fashion label.

REBECCA SMART born in Sydney, NSW - 1976 (38)

* Australian actress. She played young 'Buster' in the TV mini-series *The Shiralee* (1988), Elly in *Elly & Jools* (1988), Melanie Black in *Heartbreak High* and Donna in *Water Rats*.

ELLA HOOPER born in Violet Town, Victoria - 1983 (31)

* Lead singer with Killing Heidi. Her brother Jesse is the guitarist in the band. Their hit singles include *Mascara* (#1) and *Weir* taken from their No 1 album *Reflector* (2000).

LANCE 'BUDDY' FRANKLIN born in Perth, WA - 1987 (27)

* AFL player. The ex-Hawthorn premiership player signed a 9 year contract with the Sydney Swans in October 2013. (He was expected to sign with the Western Sydney Giants.) He played nine seasons with Hawthorn and kicked 580 goals.

Events

THE LONE RANGER debuted on US radio - 1933.

* The series ran for over 20 years and ended in 1954. The popular TV series began in 1949.

MOHANDAS GANDHI, Indian pacifist, was assassinated aged 78 - 1948.

ELVIS PRESLEY recorded the Carl Perkins song *Blue Suede Shoes* - 1956.

PRINCE CHARLES arrived in Australia to attend Geelong Grammar School - 1966.

THE BEATLES shot the promotional clip for *Strawberry Fields Forever* - 1967.

BOBBY GOLDSBORO recorded the Bobby Russell composition *Honey* - 1968.

THE BEATLES played together live for the last time - 1969.

* The free concert took place on the roof of their Apple headquarters in London.

KISS played their first concert in New York - 1973.

* It was to an audience of just three at the Popcorn Club in Queens.

KINGSWOOD COUNTRY began on Australian television - 1980.

* The sit-com starred Ross Higgins (as Ted Bullpitt), Judi Farr, Peter Fisher and Lex Marinos.

TAMWORTH in NSW was struck with its worst flooding since 1955 - 1984.

"AVAGOODWEEGEND" Australian trademark was registered - 1986.

INXS made No 1 in the US with the single *Need You Tonight* - 1988.

* It also peaked at No 2 in the UK.

MONICA SELES won her third consecutive Australian Open tennis championship - 1993.

West Indies cricketer **CURTLY AMBROSE** took 7 wickets for one run against Australia in the 5th Test at the WACA - 1993.

ALAN JONES LIVE began on Network Ten - 1994.

* After three months the program ceased production. Ten's General Manager cited poor ratings for the axing.

Queensland cricketer **IAN HEALY** played in his 100th Test match - 1998.

MARTINA HINGIS won her 3rd consecutive Australian Open tennis final - 1999.

ALLISON DURBIN, 54 year old former Australian Queen Of Pop, was charged with trafficking, cultivating and possessing cannabis - 2006.

9AM WITH DAVID AND KIM debuted on Network Ten - 2006.

* It was hosted by David Reyne and Kim Watkins. Ended December 2009.

PATTY ANDREWS, the surviving member of the Andrews Sisters, died aged 94 - 2013.

Births

SUZANNE PLESHETTE born in New York City, New York - 1937. (Died aged 70 - 2008)

* American actress. She played Bob Newhart's wife in the '70s series *The Bob Newhart Show* and mainly played minor roles in films such as *The Birds* ('63), *Return Of The Pink Panther* ('75) and a variety of Disney movies.

ANNE HAWKER (Anne Hathaway) born in Victoria - 1941 (73)

* Australian singer. Along with her husband Johnny they made the local charts in 1968 with *Cinderella Rockafella* a cover of the No 1 hit by husband and wife duo Esther & Abi Ofarim. Their other hits include *Dear World* and *Real True Lovin'*. She also had a solo hit with *Timothy*.

MIKE CARLTON born in - 1946 (68)

* Sydney radio presenter and newspaper columnist. Former 2UE breakfast announcer. He left the station in late 2009. For several years he'd worked with 2UE and in 2003 moved from the drive program to breakfast.

* In the early 90's he hosted a breakfast newstalk show on London radio which won major awards in the UK and at the New York Radio Festival.

* His satirical novel *Off The Air*, made the Australian best-seller lists in 1998.

ROBERT GRUBB born in Hobart, Tasmania - 1950 (64)

* Australian actor and singer. He is best known for playing Dr Geoff Standish in *The Flying Doctors* TV series. In recent years he's been performing in stage musicals playing Pop in *We Will Rock You* and Alfred Doolittle in *My Fair Lady*.

K C (Harry Casey) born in Hialeah, Florida - 1951 (63)

* American singer/songwriter. His group K.C. & The Sunshine Band had a string of disco hits during the '70s including *That's The Way I Like It*. They had their biggest seller in Australia with *Please Don't Go* ('79).

* He was badly injured in a car accident in 1982 and had to learn to walk again.

* He co-wrote *Rock Your Baby*, a hit for George McRae in 1974.

JOHNNY ROTTEN (John Lydon) born in England - 1956 (58)

* Lead singer for British punk band the Sex Pistols and after their demise P.I.L. (Public Image Limited).

ANTHONY LaPAGLIA born in Adelaide, SA - 1959 (55)

* Australian actor and husband of actress Gia Carides. He grew up in Adelaide but left Australia for Hollywood in the '80s. Stars in the US TV series *Without A Trace*. He also was in *Murder One* ('96-'97) and the US films including *Betsy's Wedding* ('90) and *So I Married An Axe Murderer* ('93). His Australian films include *Lantana* and playing opposite his wife Gia Carides in *Brilliant Lies*.

KELLY LYNCH born in Minneapolis, Minnesota - 1959 (55)

* US actress. Her films include: *Bright Lights, Big City* ('88), *Cocktail* ('88), *Desperate Hours* ('90), *Curly Sue* ('91) and *Charlie's Angels* (2000),

CHRISTOPHER TRUSWELL born in - 1966 (48)

* Australian actor. He played Nudge in the Australian TV comedy series *Hey Dad*.

MINNIE DRIVER (Amelia Driver) born in England - 1971 (43)

* English actress. Her films include *Good Will Hunting* ('97), *Circle Of Friends* ('95), *GoldenEye* ('95), *Phantom Of The Opera* (2004) and *Barneys Version* (2010).

* She provided the voice of Jane in the 1999 animated movie *Tarzan*.

PORTIA DE ROSSI (Amanda Rodgers) born in Melbourne, Victoria - 1973 (41)

* Australian actress. She played Nelle Porter in the US TV series *Ally McBeal*.

* At 15, she changed her name to Portia, saying that it was the most daring thing she had ever done.

WIL ANDERSON (William Anderson) born in Heyfield, Victoria - 1974 (40)

* Australian comedian and TV presenter. Host of ABC TV's *The Gruen Transfer*. He also hosted *The Glass House* (ended in 2006). A former Triple J announcer he also co-hosted the weekday drive program 'Wil And Lehmo' on Triple M radio. The show ended in 2008.

JACKIE O (Jackie Last) born in Adelaide, SA - 1975 (39)

* Australian radio and TV presenter. She co-hosts the *Kyle & Jackie O* radio show which is heard on ARN station KiiS 106.5 (formerly Mix 106.5). For 9 years the pair were heard on Southern Cross Austereo's 2DAY FM breakfast show.

* Formerly married to radio presenter Phil 'Ugly' O'Neil (hence the 'O'). Married second husband Lee Henderson in 2003.

JUSTIN TIMBERLAKE born in Memphis Tennessee - 1982 (32)

* US singer. Former member of band 'N Sync. He launched his solo career in 2003 with *Cry Me A River*. Provided the voice of Prince Artie Pendragon in the animated film *Shrek the Third* and has acted in films including *Social Network* and *In Time*.

MARCUS MUMFORD born in Yorba Linda, California - 1987 (27)

* English musician, best known as the lead singer of the band Mumford And Sons. He plays many instruments with the group, including guitar, drums and mandolin. Their debut album, *Sigh No More*, was released in October 2009 and reached No 1 in Australia and New Zealand. The band's second studio album *Babel* was released in September 2012. It became the fastest selling album of 2012 in the UK, and the biggest selling debut in 2012 in the US.

Events

THE BULLETIN magazine started publication in Sydney - 1880.

* Due to a large drop in sales the final issue was published in January 2008.

MORTEIN insect spray trademark was registered - 1907.

SCOTCH TAPE was first marketed by 3M company - 1928.

CANADA recorded a temperature of - 62°F at Whitehorse in the Yukon Territory - 1947.

RCA demonstrated the first **MUSICAL SYNTHESIZER** - 1955.

A. A. MILNE, children's author of the Winnie The Pooh children's stories, died aged 74 - 1956.

ELIZABETH TAYLOR was divorced from her second husband Michael Wilding - 1957.

THE WINSTON CHARLES, (55 Toorak Rd South Yarra) became Melbourne's first licenced discotheque - 1967.

NAURU, jointly administered by Britain, Australia and New Zealand since World War I, became independent - 1968.

TONY RAFFERTY, 32, broke the world non-stop running record when he completed a run lasting 26 hours and 40 minutes - 1972.

* He covered 197 kilometres, departing from Melbourne and finishing at the Moonee Valley racecourse.

ALAS SMITH AND JONES, starring Griff Rhys-Jones and Mel Smith (who died in 2013), began on UK television - 1984.

TALK TO THE ANIMALS, hosted by Dr Harry Cooper, began on Australian television - 1993.

MORSE CODE officially ended - 1999.

* The new method is called the Global Maritime Distress and Safety System. Morse code was used for 160 years.

DAVE GROHL (Foo Fighters) was fined \$400 and disqualified from holding a licence for 3 months after he was found guilty of driving a moped and registering a reading of .095 on the Gold Coast - 2000.

MICHEL NAVRATIL, the last male survivor of the Titanic, died aged 92 in France - 2001.

Australia's **WORST TRAIN CRASH** in 26 years occurred on the outskirts of Sydney when a four-car double decker commuter train derailed and smashed into a cliff killing 8 people and injuring 45 - 2003.

DESPERATE HOUSEWIVES, starring Teri Hatcher and Marcia Cross, began on Australian television - 2005.

CROWDED HOUSE played their first concert in a decade when they played a surprise appearance at a Los Angeles benefit concert - 2007.

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Radio News from 10 Years Ago



Austereo is adding a new drive show to its line-up for the **2Day** Network in 2004. The show will be an energetic music and chat based format hosted by **Kyle Sandilands** and **Jackie O**. It will air in Sydney on **2Day FM** and in Melbourne on **Fox FM** from 12th January 2004.

The **3AK** licence is being leased for 3 years to **SEN** - Sports Entertainment Network Pty Ltd. The new 24 hour sports format is due to commence in early 2004.

SDN Adelaide has appointed **Anne 'Willisy' Wills** to join **Jeff 'Sundo' Sunderland** as the newest voice on **SDN's** breakfast team. **Rob Popplestone**, **Sundo's** current on-air partner, has moved to the other end of the day, where he works on the **SDN Sports Show** (7-8pm).

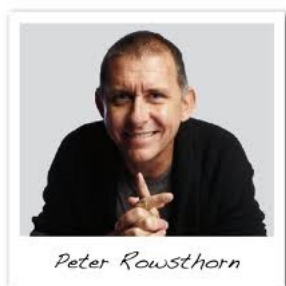
James Brayshaw & The Cage will head the **Triple M** Adelaide breakfast show in 2004.

Nova 100 Melbourne has changed their night lineup. It will be headed by local comedienne **Michelle Anderson** and **Mark Arnold**. **Arnold** was previously host of the **Hot 30** on **FM104.7** Canberra. **Corey Layton** moves to late nights.

Siobhan Gleeson has left **3AW** to take up a producers job at **Today Tonight** in Melbourne. She was with **AW** for about 18 months as a producer for **Stan Zemanek** and **Derryn Hinch**. **Nicole Bland** who has been producing **Neil Mitchell** on **3AW**, will replace her.

Simon Baggott, former drive jock/music director at **94.3 Sea FM** Gippsland, has transferred to **91.9 Sea FM** on the Sunshine Coast as Assistant Music director/drive jock.

DMG 104.5 soon to launch on the Central Coast, has announced its senior executive line up. General Manager will be **Tony Nielsen**, Program Director: **Alex Dean** (DMG), Promotions Manager: **Nicky Ford** and General Sales Manager: **Charmaine Smith**.



Peter Rowsthorn

Aussie comedian **Peter Rowsthorn** ('Brett' in *Kath & Kim*) will be a part of **Triple M's** drive program 'The Whole Shebang' in 2004. **Mikey Robbins** will leave **Triple M** at the end of his contract which was not renewed.

Triple M has axed **Phil O'Neill's** late night talk show.

Sea FM Cairns breakfast host **Todd Widdicombe** is moving to the rival **DMG** network.

Voice over specialist **Steve Andrews** has resigned from his radio commitments with **4BC** Brisbane. He previously hosted their weekend night programs.

Dave Carlson has left the **Nine Network**. He is currently working at **Legends Genuine Memorabilia**.

Scott Levi has been appointed as an announcer for the new **ABC 92.5** radio studio at Erina Fair on the Central Coast of NSW.

Scott Lanzon is the new brekky announcer at **4HI** Emerald.

After just 12 weeks, the Gold Coast's newest commercial radio station **102.9 Hot Tomato** has taken the Number 1 position for 'At Work Listening' for the 16 to 34 year old age demographic and the Number 2 position for all people 18 to 34 years. **102.9 Hot Tomato** is also Number 1 for Time Spent Listening for females 18 - 34. **Neilson Media Research** conducted the survey on behalf of **102.9 Hot Tomato** and the **ABC**. It's the first ever capital city sized survey conducted on the Gold Coast with 1750 respondents and the first radio survey conducted on the Gold Coast since 2000.

ABC 702 Sydney breakfast announcer **Angela Catterns**, has beaten **2GB's Alan Jones** in the final radio ratings survey of 2003. This was one of Jones rare ratings defeats. She also beat **2UE's Mike Carlton**, who came third.



Jared Sheldon, ex-**Mixx Fm/3HA** Hamilton, has joined **NOW FM** Moree as their new breakfast announcer.

Radio National staff resumed work following a 24 hour strike on Wednesday December 10.

Geraldine Doogue will host the **Sunday Profile** program on **702 ABC** Sydney radio in 2004. She replaces **Monica Attard**.

Lyall Clewer, former No. 2 tech with **Nova 100** is now their Chief Tech. He began his radio career **North West FM** (3NOW) - Community Radio in the northern suburbs of Melbourne. This led him to part time work at **3MMM** and then **Nova**.



David Rymer, ex-**92.9FM** Perth, (pictured on left with **DAve Wright** at **Mix 106.5**) has been appointed as the new PD of **2Day FM** Sydney. He replaces **Rob Logan** who left earlier this year. **Guy Dobson** had been filling in at **2Day**. **Jason Walkerden** from **FOX FM** in Melbourne will take David's place.

Elissa Macneall, **NX FM** Newcastle's MD and afternoon host is joining **92.9** Perth as Assistant Music Director and morning host. Her **NX FM** partner "**Crew Danger Boy**" **Billy** is also on the move. **Daniel Cassin** has been appointed as the **NX FM** Music Director. **Joel Smith**, ex-**Power Fm** Ballarat, has been appointed as **NX FM's** new late night host. The new **NX FM** afternoon announcer is **Chris Page** ex-**91.9 Sea FM** Sunshine Coast.

John Cahill has announced that he won't be renewing his contract to call **AFL** football next year on **Triple M** Adelaide. Citing increasing time demands on his successful business, **John Cahill Motors**.

Ian Wallace (sales) and **Rick Wayde** (announcer) have both departed **Radio Two**.

Radio Anniversaries



SEN now TEN

10 years ago **1116 SEN** (ex-3AK) launched in Melbourne on January 19, 2004. The first breakfast show on the 'Sports Entertainment Network' was headed by ex-Melbourne AFL footballers **Garry Lyon, Bill Brownless** and **Tim Watson**. All three have now left the station with Tim departing in late 2013. When 3AK closed it had a 1.2% rating and negative cash flow. At the launch Managing Director Danny Staffieri told The Age newspaper: *"We're planning to do a lot better than 1.2 per cent of the available audience... SEN is planned to be the local authority on all things sport."*

The current station line up is:

6am-9am Morning Glory: **Andrew Maher**
 9am-12pm Hungry For Sport: **Kevin Bartlett** (pictured)
 12pm-4pm Harf Time: **Daniel Harford**
 4pm-7pm The Run Home: **David Schwarz and Mark Allen**
 7pm-12pm Evenings with Finey: **Mark Fine**
 12pm-6am The All Night Appetite
 Station PD : **Mark Johnson**.

Jan 1 **2NX** opened in Newcastle - 1954. (now NXFM).
2NM opened in Muswellbrook - 1954.

In Memoriam



Former Canberra jock **Dave 'Dr Dave' Gosper** has died. He passed away on Friday December 13 after a battle with cancer. He is best known for his on air work in the 1970s at **2CA** and **2CC**. He also had on air stints at **5RM** and **4RO**. Dave was also well known as a voice over artist and as a creative writer.

TOP 10 BABY NAMES 2013 (USA)

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| 1. | Liam | Emma | Interesting to note that seven of the girls names all ended in the letter 'a'. |
| 2. | Noah | Olivia | |
| 3. | Ethan | Sophia | |
| 4. | Mason | Ava | |
| 5. | Jacob | Isabella | |
| 6. | Jack | Mia | |
| 7. | Lucas | Emily | |
| 8. | Jackson | Charlotte (new) | |
| 9. | Logan | Amelia | |
| 10. | Aiden (new) | Abigail | |



Courtesy of babycenter.com

Radio Birthdays

- Jan 1** Tony Delroy (ABC radio 'Nightlife') born in - 1951.
Peter Burgham (ex- Cruise FM) born in - NZ - 1946.
- Jan 2** Nathan Hardy born in Sydney, NSW - 1977.
- Jan 4** Eoin Cameron (ABC Perth) born in Mt. Gambier, SA, - 1951.
Giano Ciarlo (2QN/Classic Rock) born in Victoria - 1970.
Andrew Dunkerley (ABC) born in Hobart, Tasmania - 1984.
- Jan 5** Adam Pacan born in Pacan, WA - 1988.
Andy Wells born in Canberra - 1974.
- Jan 7** Don Dawkins (2CC/2CA) born in - 1958.
- Jan 8** Mardi Cole (2CH) born in Geelong, Victoria - 1964.
Mark Spencer (Rhema FM Wingham) born in NSW - 1960.
- Jan 10** Frank Clark (3BAFM) born in Queensland - 1946.
- Jan 11** Phil Gray (consultant) born in Brisbane - 1965.
Bill Kinnane (7THE FM) born in Perth, WA - 1948.
Andy Sichter (SCA Perth) born in Brisbane - 1964.
- Jan 12** Ian Wright (5MU Murray Bridge) born in - 1954.
- Jan 13** Anthony Frangi (4BC/4BH GM) born in - 1966.
Des Deighton (Sunshine FM) born in - 1959
Cal Phillips (Power FM Bega) born in - 1990.
- Jan 14** Peter Rowe (Sonshine FM, 6IX) born in Perth, WA - 1957
- Jan 15** Desiree Savage (SCA journalist) born in - 1981.
Jodie Blewett born in Canberra - 1976.
- Jan 16** Mark Edwards (Sea FM/Hot FM Central Queensland) - 1982.
Chris "Matho" Matheson (2DU/Zoo FM) born.
Paul Hardy born in NSW - 1952. (Died November 2008).
Chris Dittmar (5MMM) born in Adelaide - 1964.
- Jan 18** Peter O'Callaghan born in Coburg, Melbourne - 1949.
Adrian Parry born in Armidale, NSW - 1980.
Rob Duckworth (WS FM Sydney) born
- Jan 19** Mike O'Loughlin (SEA FM Cairns) born in - 1954.
- Jan 20** Jason Wolfram (7HOFM Hobart) born in - 1979.
Ian Blackley (96FM Perth) born in Newcastle, NSW - 1958.
- Jan 21** Guy Ashford (2HD/NEW FM) born in Sydney, NSW - 1962.
Bridget Daley (Gold FM brekky) born in Brisbane - 1976.
Adrian Renzi (ex-8HA) born in Mt Gambier, SA - 1971.
- Jan 22** Greg Allen (ACE radio) born in Warragul, Victoria - 1958.
Ray Bean (retired) born in - 1935.
Sam Thompson (mcm) born on Gold Coast - 1970.
- Jan 24** Dani Torresan born in Frankston, Victoria - 1973.
Darren Kerwin born in - 1967.
- Jan 26** Mike Cameron born in - 1971.
- Jan 27** Bernie Brittain (retired in USA) born in Melbourne - 1964.
Paul James (ex-4KZ) born in Bendigo, Victoria - 1965.
Grant Johnstone (MIXX FM Colac) born in Victoria.
- Jan 28** Kristy Warner (Nova Sydney) born in Sydney - 1980.
- Jan 31** Peter Mobbs (ex-K Rock Geelong) born in - 1965.



Happy 50th Birthday to **Andy Sichter** (Mix 94.5 Perth)
 Anyone got any ideas what to buy him on January 11 ...
 Maybe this pic from the 1980s might help.