

Afternoon of music in park

BANDS in the Rotunda will be held in Memorial Park on Sunday, March 20.

In keeping with the spirit of St Patrick's Day held just prior, there will be a couple of members from the traditional Irish group The Famous Jimmies, with Simon Moore on mandolin and guitar and Brendan Weightman on uilleann pipes and whistles.

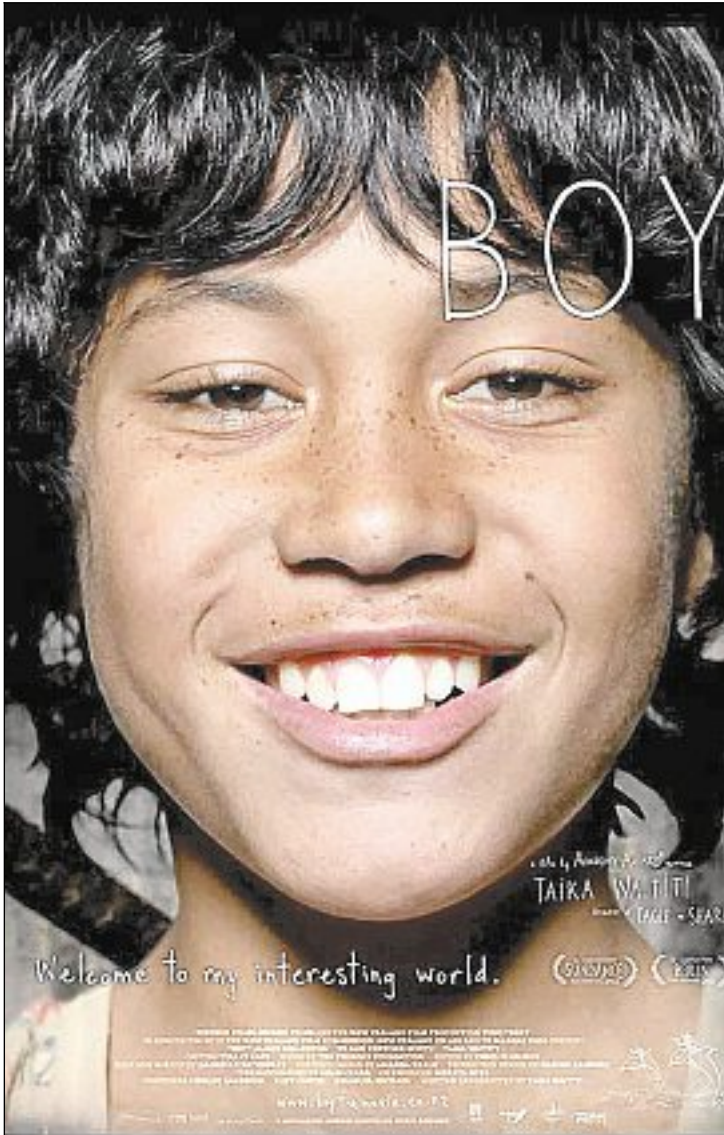
They will be followed by the popular Noosa and District Pipe Band, which will be playing many Celtic tunes, with the Gympie

School of Highland and Irish Dancing accompanying both bands. Each band will play for about three quarters of an hour.

All you have to do is turn up at midday with your chair or blanket and lunch, and sit back and enjoy an afternoon of music in the heritage-listed rotunda among the surrounds of our beautiful Memorial Park.

This is only one of many events the Cooloola Community Arts Council brings to the Gympie region.

It's a Boy's life



HEART of Gold will next Saturday screen the acclaimed feature film, *Boy*, by New Zealand film maker Taika Waititi.

The year is 1984 and, on the rural East Coast of New Zealand, Thriller is changing kids' lives.

Inspired by the Oscar-nominated *Two Cars, One Night*, *Boy* is the hilarious and heartfelt coming-of-age tale about heroes, magic and Michael Jackson.

Boy is a dreamer who loves Michael Jackson.

He lives with his brother Rocky, a tribe of deserted cousins and his Nan.

Boy's other hero, his father, Alamein, is the subject of *Boy's* fantasies and he imagines him as a deep sea diver, war hero and a close relation of Michael Jackson (he can even dance like him).

In reality, Alamein is an inept, wannabe gangster who has been in jail for robbery.

When Alamein returns home after seven years away, *Boy* is forced to confront the man he thought he remembered, find his own potential and learn to get along without the hero he had been hoping for.

Set in a rural Maori community in the Bay of Plenty, *Boy* is an 11-year-old boy's journey to knowing and understanding the adult world of which he will one day become a part.

Boy is a character who invents memories to make sense of his place in the world.

He tries to better his existence vicariously through the made-up exploits of his absent father, Alamein.



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DREAMER: *Boy* will screen as a special event next Saturday at 3pm at the Gympie Civic Centre during the Heart of Gold International Film Festival. Tickets are available now from www.heartofgold.com.au or phone 5483 7000.

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