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Aloha Effie!

BIG-haired Greek-Australian comedy icon **Effie** said the only thing she didn't love about Darwin was our fondness for Hawaiian shirts. "There's way too many Hawaiian shirts," Effie said on Thursday. On Friday she was surrounded by them - on the cover of the *NT News*, worn by the Rotary volunteers at the event she flew to the Top End to speak at. The fashionista better adapt before she's back in June for her one-woman show.

Mushrooms in the dark

LEGENDARY rocker **Jon Stevens** is coming to Darwin in July fresh from the release of his new album *Starlight*. Although Skycity Darwin appeared not to be aware of the former INXS frontman's plans to perform there until reading it in the *NT News*. The casino did not appear to have a record of Stevens' appearance and was dutifully told the information had been provided by Stevens' label, **Mushroom Records**. Luckily, it was all cleared up and Territorians will get the chance to see the rock icon at the casino on July 28. #Darwinning.

More than meets the eye

WE already know the Territory has crocs and aliens, but now it apparently has evil robots too. The Territory's **Police Media team** made the public aware of the new threat this week after some armed robberies left the boys in blue hunting for a "hostile vehicle". Believed to be a robot in disguise, the *NT News* has kept its eye out for any Transformers roaming the streets.

Young and armed

ON a visit to **Parap Primary School** recently, one of Bushie's spies found a table display of student-made indigenous hunting weapons in the school reception. The blurb stated that students had been learning about indigenous history in class. Bushie can't help but wonder if it was the smartest idea to leave the well-crafted axes and

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Parking fail

This 4WD driver thought he had found the perfect park to watch a rugby league game at **Fred's Pass on Friday night**. But when stall owners found the car there yesterday morning, they just set up around it, forcing the driver to wait several hours to retrieve his vehicle.

spears within reach of possibly disgruntled parents, teachers and students.

Confused?

WE'RE still scratching our heads. Last week Bushie revealed how the thought police in the **Department of the Chief Minister** issued an edict that all government workers must no longer use the word "indigenous" to refer to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. "Aboriginal" is now the chosen word.

People at a Chamber of Commerce NT breakfast were left scratching their heads when a public servant giving an address used the word "indigenous" and then immediately apologised and said "sorry, I meant Aboriginal". For the sake of us all, can the Government please explain: why the change?

Heard it all before

THE Gunner Labor Government drew a number of comparisons this week to the for-

mer CLP government, but none were better illustrated than a press release from Education Minister **Eva Lawler** on the new Dawurr boarding facility at Nhulunbuy high school. *Bushranger* thought he had read it before. Turns out, former CLP education minister **Peter Chandler** used almost the exact same phrases in his release on the same issue in 2015. A very poor rewrite by Ms Lawler's media man **Jake Hauritz**, who should have found some fresh lines.

WORST PERFORMANCE OF THE WEEK: In news this week, the night parrot may have been spotted after a long absence in the NT. However, another elusive creature has also been spotted, albeit on *Sky News*. Maybe Nigel "Scullywag" Scullion isn't that elusive after all - just with passionate Territorian journos?



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