

Bit players

Minister Lucas's media release regarding the Iconic Panel was notable for its silliness. Try as I might, I can find no record of Peter Bycroft having been mayor of Noosa. This leaves me thinking that perhaps Lucas was befuddled and actually meant to appoint Noel Playford and not Bycroft? After all, Noel was the mayor when the planning scheme was being developed, and he could fairly be described as one of the "fathers of Noosa as we know it today".

The minister's claim that Bycroft and John Mainwaring are fathers of Noosa renders us all illegitimate. Compared with the likes of Playford, Paul Summers, Michael Gloster, Dr Arthur Harrold. al., Bycroft and Mainwaring were just bit players in the tragicomedy of Noosa's history. Victors will always attempt to rewrite history to further their own glory.

Thankfully there are a few of us serfs with long memories.

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