

Premiere to honour Taylors

And tribute planned for Thursday

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THEY could have chosen anywhere in Australia to premiere the "2008 number one documentary in American cinemas" but, as a tribute to Allan and Kari Taylor, it will take place on the Sunshine Coast.

And proceeds raised from the September 23 premiere of Expelled: No Intelligence Allowed at the Sunshine Plaza will also go towards three ministries close to the Taylors' heart - school chaplaincy, Sun-Coast Care missions and Machaneh Christian School of Dance.

The controversial film, which explores the origins of life, has already grossed more than \$7.7 million at the box office, has been listed as the 12th biggest box office documentary in history and even triggered an unsuccessful law suit from Yoko Ono.

Ben Watson-Brown, from Christian film distribution company Con Dias Entertainment, decided to hold the Australian premier on the Coast after hearing about Taylors' deaths in a car accident near Sippy Downs on August 19.

THE FAREWELL

SERVICE: At Suncoast Christian Centre begins 11am on Thursday. It will include speakers from churches, family, soloist Christina Bollendorff, Machaneh Dancers and special video tributes.

PARKING: Suncoast Church Campus, free shuttle buses running from Woombye State School and the Big Pineapple if needed.

"Over the past five years Allan has greatly assisted us in the promotion of our films to local churches and schools, and used them to raise much-needed funds for chaplaincy and missions," he said.

"He was already keen to get behind this release and rally support for the work of chaplains in local schools."

"The news came as Suncoast Church finalised its preparations for the Taylors' Celebration of Life service on Thursday.

An overflow area has been set up in the outside car park complete with large viewing screen.



HELPING HAND: Jayden Van Asten with surfer Mark Visser and surf festival organiser Glenn Corbet. The November 7 festival has pledged \$5000 to help buy a wheelchair lift vehicle for Jayden. PHOTO: WARREN LYNAM/184675

Surfers to give Jayden a lift

LIfe for a single mum and her teenage son, who suffers from muscular dystrophy, will improve significantly as the result of a surfing festival to be held later this year.

Jayden Van Asten weighs 150kg, making it a real struggle for his mother, Tyler, to help him up and down inside the home and to travel further afield.

The Board Meeting corporate teams' surf festival on November 7 has pledged \$5000 to help buy a wheelchair lift vehicle for the family.

Festival organiser Glenn Corbet said the event would do what it could to assist Jayden and Tyler, who is studying to be a paramedic.



The Board Meeting has already provided a wheelchair access vehicle for Caloundra teenager Jose Morales as well as ongoing support.

Nola Wilson, the mother of surfing professional Julian, became involved after reading about Jose's plight in the Daily.

Jose went from being an active teenager riding motorbikes to near

paralysis after suffering a stroke.

Mrs Wilson has formed a close friendship with Jose and his mother, Sue, and said the Board Meeting's support had helped the family turn their lives around.

"It has opened a whole new world for them," Mrs Wilson said.

"There are a lot of generous people on the Coast but it's nice to know that where the money goes has a tangible impact. Community support can help change a life."

Team entries are being sought for the November surf event, which will incorporate a fashion parade, kids' activities and surf memorabilia auction beachside at Kawana Surf Club after the competition.

Carer fly-swatted patient, court told

A BRIBIE Island disability carer used a fly swatter to whip a patient's genitals and used bed sheets to tie another patient to the toilet, Brisbane District Court was told yesterday.

Susan Beryl Lister, 50, also locked a boy with autism in a "cage" and held him down while another woman rubbed chilli in his mouth, the court heard.

Prosecutor David Nardone said Ms Lister assaulted five male patients - aged between five and 48 - while working at Care Independent Living at Bribie Island between 2000 and 2003.

Ms Lister has pleaded not guilty to two counts of deprivation of liberty and seven of common assault.

Two former carers told the court they had seen Ms Lister dish out a variety of punishments to the patients, all of whom had significant intellectual impairments.

Lynelle Wemyss said she saw Ms Lister use a fly swatter to beat a young teenager on his bare genitals, while he cried for her to stop.

"She was telling him that he was

filthy (and) she just kept hitting and hitting him," Ms Wemyss said.

"He had tears running down his face."

Ms Wemyss rejected suggestions from defence barrister Don MacKenzie that the young boy, who was prone to tantrums which could escalate to violence, may have done something to deserve the punishment.

"It's a perfectly rational and logical hypothesis ... to say that he had done something to cause Ms Lister to hit him with a fly swatter," Mr MacKenzie said.

"There was no excuse for that,"

Ms Wemyss said.

"That's your opinion," Mr MacKenzie fired back.

"That's right," she replied.

Ms Wemyss said she had also seen Ms Lister tie a five-year-old autistic boy to the toilet.

Ms Wemyss told the court she had been so horrified by the level of care provided that she and two other staff members reported the centre to Disability Services Queensland.

The trial continues.

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SCANDAL: Setaimata Sa.

Rooster in police row

NRL team Sydney Roosters have another alcohol-related scandal on their hands, with Setaimata Sa reportedly detained by police after an incident at a Sydney hotel.

The Sydney Morning Herald website reports Sa was refused entry to the hotel on Sunday night for being too intoxicated but entered and allegedly resisted police before being taken away.

Roosters chief executive Steve Noyce said the club would launch an investigation.

It is another saga in a sorry season for the Roosters. - AAP



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Where: Maroochydore Surf Club

When: Tuesday, September 8, 2009, 6:30am for at 7am start

Cost: \$35 for members and \$52.50 for non-members.

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