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News Summary

Cyclone threat

The destructive core of severe Tropical Cyclone Trevor, packing wind gusts up to 275km/h, is expected to make landfall at **10am** between Borroloola and the NT/QLD border as a Category 4 system.

Emergency services have not ruled out the possibility of the cyclone ratcheting up to a Category 5 system as the cyclone intensifies in the Gulf of Carpentaria.

The eye of the cyclone is estimated between 30-50km wide.

In the West category 4 cyclone Veronica is currently sitting 355km northwest of Port Hedland. Other News

Gladys Berejiklian appears poised to become the first popularly elected female premier in NSW history after the Coalition seized a 51-49 per cent two-party-preferred lead on the eve of Saturday's election in a special NSW Newspoll for The Weekend Australian.

The Australian says Bill Shorten has promised to work co-operatively and constructively with business, pledging that he will not be a "handmaiden" for trade unions if Labor wins the election. The SMH says Josh Frydenberg has vowed to "drive wages higher" using new policy measures to be unveiled in the April 2 budget, tackling concerns over sluggish income growth ahead of an election battle with Labor over the cost of living.

The AFR says the budget will contain large tax cuts expected to be skewed towards those on low and medium incomes and will be on top of tax cuts legislated last year and there is growing speculation about one-off cash handouts for pensioners and other low-income people who don't pay tax.

The SMH says federal regulators will be given a \$585 million boost to investigate corporate crime and fund new lawsuits in a budget package that acts on the royal commission into banking misconduct.

The SMH says community groups are calling on all political leaders to put One Nation last on how-to-vote cards at the federal election as pressure builds on all sides to take a tougher stand against the minor party.

The Herald Sun says far-right extremists using internet chat rooms to call for the New Zealand mosques shooter to be nominated for Australian of the Year have been slammed as abhorrent and an appalling manipulation of the system.

The AGE says Scott Morrison's promise to build 200km/h fast rail services between Melbourne and Geelong will not be possible without new trains according to rail think tank Rail Futures. The SMH says a scandal engulfing industry super funds over excessive pay could prompt a split with Labor after Bill Shorten called for greater transparency on executive bonuses.

The Age says an Australian Government contractor on Manus Island was asked by a senior Papua New Guinea official in 2017 for a multi-million-dollar donation to the ruling party of Prime Minister Peter O'Neill.

The Australian says the agency in charge of the NDIS has been cutting funding for remote

participants who cannot find the care they need, undermining services in disadvantaged areas and pushing the scheme towards collapse, providers say.

The Telegraph says an exotic bird, an LCD TV and a stint at the pokies are among some of the purchases low-income families have been making as a result of a glitch in government child care subsidies.

The glitch is seeing lump sums of up to \$10,000 of back paid taxpayer-funded Additional Child Care Subsidies paid directly into private accounts rather than to providers.

The Australian says a high-calibre advisory council backed by \$10 million in federal funding is leading a four-year effort to develop Australia's new "nation brand" and make the country perform better on the global stage.

The SMH says the novelty cheque handed to a local bowling club by Georgina Downer has prompted the national auditor to review the federal government's entire grants program for community sports infrastructure.

The SMH says a group of prominent Australians including Tom Keneally, Richard Flanagan and Carmen Laurence has united in calling for a stop to the national war memorial's planned expansion, saying the \$498 million project is unjustified.

Comment

Tim Colebatch - Morrison, Shorten will pay heed to close-fought NSW election.

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Chris Kenny - Safety bollards no barrier to ugly vitriol of political Left.

Laura Tingle - Making Australians feel safe doesn't mean all of us.

Peter Van Onselen - Survivor Shorten defies bad press to close in on the Lodge.

Judith Sloan - We're the big losers in this immigration numbers game.

Tom Switzer - A tectonic shift to the left in the Australian political landscape.

Ebony Bennett - The reason women were locked out of the budget.

Editorials

SMH - Morrison has failed to call out Islamophobia.

Australian - Labor leader is winding clock back to the future.

Australian - Defining our national brand.

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