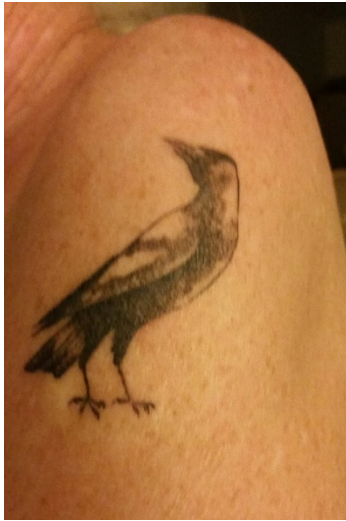


The Tattooed Lady

I walked into the True Love Tattoo Parlour last week to “make enquiries” about having a magpie tattooed on my arm. I had been at a gathering of 75 Squadron personnel and friends at Anzac time in Sydney where two of them (who shall remain forever nameless) revealed their magpie tats. I couldn't wait to get home and have one myself. With no bikies in sight, I talked to Sean. He looked about 15 and had tats all over his arms. We discussed magpies on the 75 Squadron site and Collingwood FC (it has its head turned the other way and is a very scrawny beast). I hanky stuffed into pain. Sean crafted a magpie on my upper left arm. It fly away. I was so pleased I wanted to show it to everyone. Mistake! Some of my stuffier family members and friends would have disowned me if they dared. The Boys in Blue have given me the thumbs up so that is all that matters to me. I feel very proud to carry this symbol of 75 on my arm as a mark of my great affection and respect for those who served and now serve in 75 to make it the great squadron it is. I may have the Top Hat and Cane across my back next. The True Love Tattoo Parlour is on the direct route between my place and Amberley.



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