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Great ways to celebrate on Grandparents Day

NSW Grandparents Day on 29 October is a great opportunity to celebrate the nonnas and the poppas, grans, nans and grandpas around the state.

Minister for Seniors Jodie Harrison said no matter what names we give our grandparents, they all make a tremendous contribution to family life.

"Grandparents play a special role in many NSW families, supporting busy mums and dads with the family juggle, teaching valuable life lessons to their grandchildren and keeping families connected," Minister Harrison said.

"We should ensure we are celebrating grandparents every day of the year, but Grandparents Day is a particularly great time to acknowledge their past, present and future contribution to their families and communities.

"Others in our families or communities may sometimes also play the role of grandparents in our lives and they too should be celebrated on this day."

This year, with funding provided by the NSW Government, the NSW Public Libraries Association has invited libraries across the state to host events to mark Grandparents Day. "There are many activities on offer this weekend in libraries across the state, or you could simply curl up with a good book together," Minister Harrison added.

"Grandparents hold a unique place in our families so I encourage families to take this opportunity to spend some quality time with your older loved one this Grandparents Day."

For ideas on ways to celebrate and which local library is hosting events for Grandparents Day, visit the <u>NSW</u> <u>Grandparents Day webpage</u>.

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\$5.4 Million to improve mobile coverage

The Federal Government is progressing its commitment to improve mobile coverage across Eden-Monaro, with \$5.4 million in funding rolling out to support new mobile base stations at priority locations, under the Improving Mobile Coverage Round (IMCR).

A new base station will be built at **Dalmeny, Mystery Bay, along the Kings Highway, on the Princes Highway between Batemans Bay and Eden,** and Talbingo – subject to local planning approvals, as part of the Government's co-investment with Telstra.

The new site at Talbingo is also expected to provide coverage improvement along the Snowy Mountains Highway.

The new towers mean local residents and visitors will be able to access more reliable phone coverage, helping them stay connected with family and friends, and run successful local businesses.

The new infrastructure will also ensure motorists travelling through the region have access to essential mobile services in the event of an emergency.

The rollout schedule will be published on the carriers' websites once the contracts have been executed.

While the IMCR did not deliver a solution for Majors Creek and Carwoola at this stage, Minister McBain will lead community-level discussions to explore the viability of alternative sites with mobile carriers.

These local grants form part of \$37.2 million awarded under the IMCR, which attracted \$28.8 million in industry co-investment.

Applications were independently assessed and approved by

Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communication and the Arts, following a competitive grant process to identify a value for money solution in the area.

This dedicated round was funded in the October 2022 Federal Budget and delivers on the Government's election commitments to co-invest Mobile Network Operators and Infrastructure Providers to deploy new mobile infrastructure at target locations across Australia. In addition to this dedicated election commitment round, the Albanese Government is working to improve regional coverage through its \$1.1 billion Better Connectivity Plan.

The Plan commits \$400 million to expanding mobile coverage and improving communications resilience, including investment to fund future rounds of the Mobile Black Spot Program, and \$200 million to fund place-based communications solutions through additional rounds of the Regional Connectivity Program.

Minister for Communications, the Hon Michelle Rowland MP said "The Albanese Government has an ambitious agenda to narrow the digital divide in rural and regional Australia – including by improving mobile coverage.

"The Improving Mobile Coverage Round is a small part of our Government's work to improve regional communications, and comes in addition to our \$1.1 billion Better Connectivity Plan – the most significant investment in regional communications since the inception of the NBN."

Member for Eden-Monaro, the Hon Kristy McBain MP said "Access to reliable connectivity is an absolute must for working remotely, accessing education and government services, and for keeping in touch with family and friends.

"That's why I worked hard with communities across Eden-Monaro to identify where improvements were needed, and why I took these commitments to the 2022 election.

"I'm delighted that we're progressing a number of these mobile base stations with \$5.4 million funding, because this will have a huge impact for residents and businesses in these communities.

"We still need to undertake additional work in some of these priority areas, which is why I'll continue to engage with the community and telcos to identify how we move forward.

For more information, visit www.infrastructure.gov.au/mbsp.

Eating Democracy with Costa at the ASFA Convergence



ASFA Members and friend gathered at SAGE for the launch of the Easting Democracy Book

The Australian Food Sovereignty Alliance (AFA) Convergence was held in Moruya last weekend, with a Saturday evening Book Launch at the Sage Garden and panel discussion with Coast Georgiadis.

The publication Eating Democracy: The True Cost of the Food We Eat, was crowd funded and features stories of diverse growers, gardeners and eaters on their relationship with what they eat through their own cultural perspectives. Six of the contributors were on hand to discuss their chapters and the process of distilling what food means to them.

The convergence was hosted by Eliza Canon from Borrowed Ground (north Moruya). What is FOOD SOVEREIGNTY? AFS says Food sovereignty "asserts the right of peoples to nourishing and culturally appropriate food produced and distributed in ecologically sound and ethical ways, and their right to collectively determine their own food and agriculture systems."

The ASFA vision is "to enable agroecological and regenerative farms to thrive. Australians care now more than ever about the way their food is produced, including its social and environmental impacts. Food produced on smallscale farms is increasingly in demand, and government is bound to heed changing community expectations and facilitate and encourage the growth and viability of agroecology and regenerative agriculture, thereby protecting the environment and human and animal health. Eliza said "the convergence was a massive success." After the booklaunch, "The unconference followed the next day and @thenourishedsovereign caffeinated us. We were smoked and welcomed on country which set a beautiful tone for 60 odd humans to collectively and democratically determine our next moves forward in food sovereignty for the next year. So many productive conversations, rooted in experience, curiosity and passion.

During the smoking ceremony, Jordan sung a healing song and we all clapped to the beat. A timely moment, given last week's devastating referendum and what is happening in wars across

The final day was a wrap up of the actions imagined previously and we set out to prioritise and commit to those we thought of most importance."

Muladha Gamara smoked us all out to close the convergence and we performed the birribanj (emu) dance in unity together. Sandra and Leah from @thesageproject fed us all weekend with delicious meals using a conglomerate of local delights. The food was prepared with pure love and you could taste it. There's new energy on the committee and big plans for the year ahead and I can't thank enough, everyone who was involved."



Costa Georgiadis, with the panel of six of the chapter authors for Eating Democracy. More next page >

Eating Democracy with Costa at the ASFA Convergence



Costa Georgiadis, sang the praises of the Sage Project and especially the pizzas.



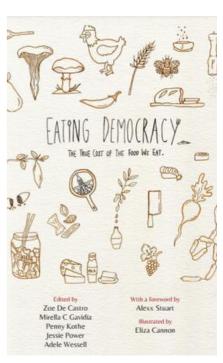
Lucy Ridge from Southern Harvest, Costa Georgiadis, with ASFA General Coordinator Jessie Power.



Costa Georgiadis, ASFA President Tammy Jonas and Joyce Wilkie from Stepping Stone Farm

Eating Democracy

"Eating Democracy is the story of eaters from diverse backgrounds and locations. Some of them are city dwellers, others remote, some on low incomes, single or with large families to feed. Some are students, others work in hospitality or the arts, are academics or have professional careers. Some are couples with more choice, higher incomes, or living in areas where choice is more abundant. They each have different skills, abilities and choices when it comes to food. However, the eaters in this book share a common theme of helping to transform the food system as individuals determined to make a change. These are eaters who care about the food they consume, where they source it from, how it is grown, prepared and eaten. "\$35.00



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It's all electrifying at the Moruya EV Expo Saturday 28th

Moruya EV Expo - an incredible opportunity to talk to local owners of electric vehicles

The Southcoast Health and Sustainability Alliance, in partnership with the Moruya Business Chamber, proudly announces the inaugural Moruya Electric Vehicle Expo on 28 October 10am - 2pm at Russ Martin Park and Adelaide Hotel Car Park, Moruya.

Kathryn Maxwell, SHASA President, said "A big feature of the Expo is the

opportunity to talk to 11 local owners of 11 different models of EVs. Find out why they bought an electric vehicle and what factors led them to the right choice for them."

Models on display include:

- Tesla 3 Tesla 3 LR dual
- BYD Atto 3
- Hyundai Kona
- Hyundai Ioniq
- Nissan Leaf
- Volvo C40 MG ZS EV
- Polestar 2
- Jaguar i-Pace Kia EV6
- Mitsubishi i-Miev
- **GWM Ora**

There will be two second hand electric vehicles for sale - a Nissan Leaf and a MG SUV EV. There will also be a range of new electric cars on display from AMH Moruya, Coastal Motors Batemans Bay and BYD Gungahlin - including the Kia 6 EV, Kia Niro EV, MG ZS EV, MG 4 EV, GWM Ora, BYD Atto 3 and BYD Dolphin.

The Expo is possible thanks to generous sponsorship from Horizon Bank, Tec Exec, Eurobodalla Shire Council, Adelaide Hotel, MESA, Moruya Bicycles, Betta Electrical, Repurposing for Resilience, Moruya Golf Club, ITP Batemans Bay, McAsh Oysters and Mon Financial Services.

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COMING TO MORUYA! SHASA & THE MORUYA BUSINESS CHAMBER PRESENT THE MORUYA ELECTRIC VEHICLE EXPO 2023!

SATURDAY 28 OCTOBER 2023

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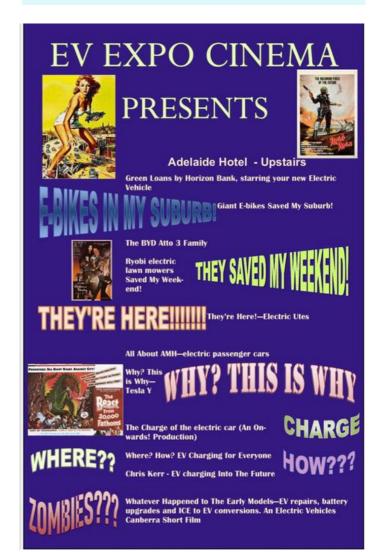
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Come along and chat to local owners of EVs, talk to sellers of EVs and electric bikes and E-scooters, take a test drive in an EV, coffee and juice van kids tent, live music plus more!



Contact MATTHEW THOMAS on 0422542925 for more information.





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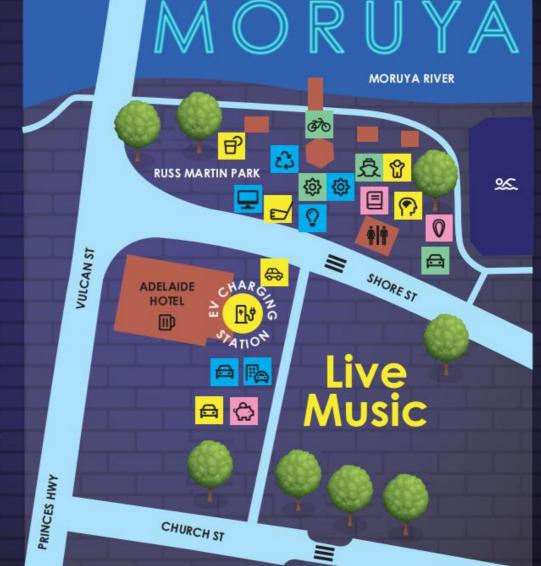
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Local community project allocated funds to showcase Aboriginal Languages

The NSW Government announced grants totalling \$78,620 will go to 16 recipients across NSW to support Aboriginal communities to showcase their languages during the first ever NSW Aboriginal Languages Week taking place between 22-29 October 2023.

Bega is one of the recipient communities to be awarded 1 of 16 grants to Aboriginal organisations and community groups. Member for Bega, Dr Michael Holland MP said \$5000.00 has been allocated to help fund Djinama Yilaga Inc: 'Gambambar Yangga' a one-day festival open to all community involving singing in language classes, song writing workshops and musical performances which showcases the Dhurga language at the Boomerang Meeting Place in Mogo.

The funding was announced by the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs and Treaty, the Hon. David Harris, and the Chairperson of the Aboriginal Languages Trust Board, Jason Behrendt. "This month the first ever NSW Aboriginal Languages Week will take place to shine a spotlight on Aboriginal languages across the State, and these grants support Aboriginal communities to join the celebrations and showcase their languages," said Minister Harris.

The projects funded support Aboriginal communities to promote with a broader audience the great work being done to revitalise their languages. The range of local events planned by grant recipients to showcase NSW Aboriginal languages is diverse and includes interactive language learning lessons, a festival involving singing classes, song writing workshops and musical performances, a digital arts exhibition and much more

"There's an exciting range of events planned by local Communities for NSW Aboriginal Languages Week, many of which are open to the wider community, and I encourage everyone to get involved and be part of the celebrations," said Minister Harris.

Executive Director of the Aboriginal Languages Trust, Clare McHugh said the NSW Aboriginal Languages Week grants are a response to calls from Aboriginal Communities for increased opportunities to celebrate and promote their Languages. "We often hear from communities how NSW Aboriginal languages are alive and growing because of the hard work and dedication of people in communities over many decades, and communities want to celebrate these achievements, said Ms McHugh.

NSW remains the only jurisdiction in Australia to enact legislation to recognise the importance of Aboriginal languages.

NSW Aboriginal Languages Week is an annual event that coincides with the passing of the Aboriginal Languages Act into law on 24 October 2017.

The aim of the week is to raise awareness about Aboriginal languages and increase support for languages revitalisation. The NSW Aboriginal Languages Week Grants Program provides open and competitive one-off grants from \$1,000 to \$5,000 for the hosting of activities and events delivered between 22 October and 29 October 2023 to celebrate Aboriginal Languages across NSW.





Eurobodalla Mayor's Writing Competition draws 540 entries

Mayor's Writing Competition winners were announced at an awards presentation at the Moruya RSL Hall on Wednesday 25 October. The Mayor's Writing Competition has run for 15 years, and this year's finalists were selected from 540 entries.

The audience giggled in awe as younger kids ran up to the stage to receive their awards. Eurobodalla Mayor Mathew Hatcher chose this year's theme, Change.

"This annual competition is a highlight of my work as Mayor – encouraging our young talent is so important," Mayor Hatcher said. "Stories were powerful, emotional and thought-provoking. I congratulate students for taking on the challenge and participating." Entries came from students across the shire and were judged on creativity and entertainment to the reader. Judges Eileen Dillon-Smith, Sharon Halliday, Carol Dawson, Lynne Babbage, Toni Cary-Starr and Alice Johnson took on the mammoth task. Long-time judge Ms Dillon-Smith said it was tough competition.

"The whole process is enjoyable but difficult because they are all so delightful," she said.

Eurobodalla Mayor Mathew Hatcher presented winners and runners up with vouchers donated by Moruya Books, Mogo Wildlife Park and Bay Office Supplies.

Each finalist received a hardcopy of their work published in the 2023 Mayor's Writing Competition anthology, which is available to view in the Eurobodalla Libraries online catalogue.

The prestigious Syd Hayes Creative Writing Award went to Moruya High student Ashley Bell. Richard Turley again donated a handcrafted pen to accompany the award.



Ashley Bell with Mayor Matthew Hatcher.

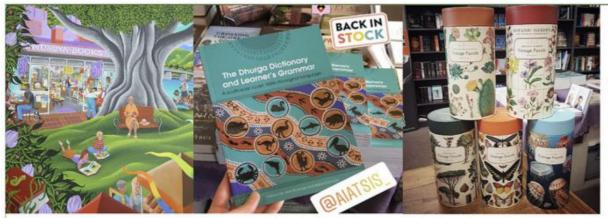
Ashley's story was cleverly narrated from the perspective of a tree and touched the hearts of the judges. Creative writing has been a new challenge for Ashley since attending creative writing classes at school. From reading a novel front to back in four-hours, to now being a published author, Ashley Bell is bound to do great things. "I love murder mysteries and can read a whole book in four hours," Ashley said. "I hope to go to Uni and study English and Theatre when I finish high school."

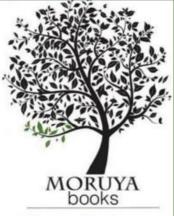
Playdate with Emergency Services at Riverside Park





After events in Long Beach, Broulee and Nelliegn, it was Moruya's kids turn to have a playdate with Emergency Services organised by ESC Children's Services. On Monday evening there were flashing lights and uniforms and big toys to get up close to and lots of fun. Two more events are being held on Monday November 6th at Corrigans Beach Reserve and on Thursday 9th November at Quota Park Narooma. See www.esc.nsw.gov.au/community/community-and-family-services/childrens-services/whats-on-for-kids Photos: ESC





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Marine Rescue Narooma member crowned South Coast winner in NSW

Volunteer of the Year Awards



(LtoR) Marine Rescue Merimbula Unit Commander Bill Blakeman, Marine Rescue Merimbula Deputy Unit Commander Sonia Teston, Gillian Kearney Marine Rescue Narooma and Marine Rescue NSW Southern Zone Commander Mike Hammond.

Marine Rescue Narooma volunteer Gillian Kearney has been named the South Coast Adult winner in the 2023 NSW Volunteer of the Year Awards.

Ms Kearney was presented with the award at the South Coast Regional ceremony in Merimbula last week.

Marine Rescue NSW Southern Zone Commander Mike Hammond said Ms Kearney has been volunteering with the Narooma unit for more than six years where she has held a variety of positions and is a rated Radio Operator and Watch Officer.

"Gilly makes a huge contribution to our Marine Rescue unit at Narooma and to our organisation more broadly helping out with protocol.

"She has been a volunteer not only for our organisation but for other volunteer organisations and has served for a long time. "We're very proud to have her in our unit," Southern Zone Commander Hammond said.

Marine Rescue Eden member Nancy Weatherman (Senior Volunteer of the Year) and the Marine Rescue Merimbula unit (Volunteer Team of the Year) were also recognised today as nominees in their respective categories.

Southern Zone Commander Hammond congratulated Ms Weatherman and the Merimbula unit for their efforts and highlighted the importance of celebrating volunteering. "It was a wonderful day recognising volunteers not only from Marine Rescue NSW but many organisations that are active in our communities and the wonderful people that are serving in all kinds of ways," he said.

Ms Kearney will now attend 2023 NSW Volunteer of the Year Gala Ceremony in Sydney on 7 December.

Marine Rescue NSW is a volunteer based not-for-profit professional organisation dedicated to keeping boaters safe on the water and supporting local communities



Gillian Kearney Marine Rescue Narooma.



Free Bushfire Resilience Rating App to help protect homes

Free Bushfire Resilience Rating App to help protect homes Australians now have access to a free app to better prepare their home from bushfire risk and help put downward pressure on insurance premiums.

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The Albanese Government contributed \$3 million to support the groundbreaking work of the Resilient Building Council (RBC) who launched their free Bushfire Resilience Rating app today. The app enables Australians to assess their site-specific risk and take action to improve their bushfire resilience.

In a world-first, households can now measure the bushfire resilience of their own home through a star-rating system and receive a customised action plan to make practical, evidence-based bushfire safety improvements to their homes.

As tasks are completed, their home becomes safer and the home's Resilience Rating is updated through the app.

The RBC received funding from the Australian Government's Disaster Risk Reduction Package, to develop the app.

Over 1,200 households from bushfire impacted areas helped codesign and trial the app, undertaking actions that resulted in an average 67% reduction in the likelihood of their home igniting in a bushfire.

The Bushfire Resilience Rating is calculated using the Bushfire House Loss Probability Model, bushfire information, and historical house loss data. This is the first scientific model to calculate bushfire building performance.

RBC's Resilience Ratings were developed to improve the resilience and preparedness of households who have identified bushfire risk and plan ways to mitigate the risk.

The app was trialled in a number of different fire-prone locations across the country including in Queensland, New South Wales and

This has been developed in response to a key recommendation of the Royal Commission into National Natural Disaster Arrangements. The next phase of RBC's Resilience Ratings program will be launched by mid-2024, providing expert on-site assessments for integrated bushfire, flood, storm, cyclone, heatwave, and energy efficiency ratings.

On-site assessors will be able to provide a detailed assessment of a home and verify Resilience Ratings to support industry initiatives, grants programs or advertising Resilience Ratings when selling or leasing a property.

This phase is jointly funded by the Australian and NSW Governments.

Minister for Emergency Management, Murray Watt said: "While governments have a role to play in preparing for this peak period for severe weather, it is a collective responsibility households also share.

"As more people use the app and take action - large or small communities around Australia will be better prepared.

"We commend the Resilient Building Council for their innovative and collaborative solutions to help build national resilience and we are encouraged by discussions through the Hazards Insurance Partnership about insurers supporting this initiative with their customers.

"The Australian Government continues to explore and support ways to make Australia more resilient to natural disasters, including through the Disaster Ready Fund, which offers up to \$1 billion over the next five years for projects that support Australians to manage the physical and social impacts of disasters."

Member for Gilmore, Fiona Phillips MP said "795 homes in the Shoalhaven and Eurobodalla were lost in the 2019-2020 bushfires. That's left a massive toll on people both financially and mentally." "This left many people just wanting to know what they can do to better protect their home from bushfires.

"I'm really pleased that this bushfire resilience app was piloted in the Shoalhaven, by people with real lived experiences of bushfires."

It's really given people an important tool to focus on some really practical things that can be done to help improve resilience against bushfires.

RBC's Dr Ian Bennetts – lead project engineer said "Bushfires exploit the weakest link in homes, whether they are old or new. There are often many low-cost actions that will improve the home's resilience immediately, such as draught sealing and moving surf boards and caravans away from the home. "People can get started today. The more homes upgraded in a community, the less risk of house-to-house fire spread, which can lead to the loss of whole townships."

Insurance Council of Australia CEO, Andrew Hall said "The Insurance Council of Australia congratulates the Resilient Building Council for the development of the Bushfire Rating App. "This app is an important tool for homeowners in recognising and reducing bushfire risk.

"It seeks to make it easier for insurers to recognise and make reductions in insurance premiums based on retrofitting to high-risk households, informed by the App's recommendations.

"The ICA is also pleased to have partnered with the Resilient Building Council to deliver the Multi-Hazard Resilience Ratings program, which will help insurers, and other industries, recognise effective actions taken by households." The app is available at rating.rbcouncil.org



Information stalls, children's activities. Meet your local Emergency Services Providers!



Broulee: Monday 16 October 5.30pm - 7.00pm, Captain Oldrey Park, Elizabeth Drive.

Nelligen: Thursday 19 October 5.30pm - 7.00pm, Bushranger Park, Braidwood Street, Nelligen

Moruya: Monday 23 October 5.30pm - 7.00pm, Riverside Park, Ford Street.

Batehaven: Monday 6 November 5.30pm - 7.00pm, Corrigan's Beach Reserve, Beach Road.

Narooma: Thursday 9 November 5.30pm - 7.00pm, Quota Park, Riverside Drive.

For more information contact Council's Children's Services team on 4474 7333.



Kings Highway milestone achieved at Nelligen



Image Transport for NSW

Motorists travelling on the Kings Highway at Nelligen are now enjoying safer, smoother journeys following the opening of the upgraded road alignment between Thule Road and Reid Street.

The Kings Highway and Wharf Street intersection has also been opened into its new arrangement. The exciting milestones were reached as work on the NSW Government's transformative \$148 million Nelligen Bridge Replacement project continues.

Most remaining demolition work will be complete by the end of the year, while work on the Thule Road cul-de-sac and foreshore community spaces will be complete in 2024.

Minister for Regional Transport and Roads Jenny Aitchison "The Nelligen Bridge Replacement project commenced in 2021, improving safety, reliability and travel times while providing great new community spaces for all to enjoy. "The new alignment we announce today improves safety by providing an improved curve on the eastern side of the bridge, wider lanes and shoulders, and safety barriers between the road and footpath "When the western foreshore community space is completed, residents and visitors will be able to take advantage of newly installed picnic shelters, tables, handrails and interpretative signage.

Dr Michael Holland, Member for Bega and Parliamentary Secretary for Health and Regional Health "As the Nelligen Bridge project nears the final stages of completion the finer details of stitching it seamlessly into the Nelligen landscape have begun with the alignment of existing roads to the approach of the new bridge.

"Motorists and road users are asked to take care and adhere to road signs and speed limits.

"We thank everyone for their patience as this project is developed into a significant asset for the Kings Highway.



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Leaving their mark

Workers who built the 1960s bridge left more than just a legacy. During the demolition of the old bridge, the project team came across a collection of names and dates written in chalk which have miraculously survived to this day.

They were found on the underside of 20 tonne concrete beams, which were protected from the elements by the sealed bridge deck above. The names are of builders who worked for the firm E.S. Clementson during the construction of the original bridge from 1961 to 1964. Do you recognise any of these names?



Benny McGuire 8/8/63 to 24/12/64



J. Fitzgerald, Nelligen, 1/10/61 to 24/12/64



John Shepheard 24/6/63 to 24/12/64



J. Turner, Moruya

Aussie online shoppers urged to download AusPost App

October is Cyber Awareness Month and Australia Post is encouraging customers to download its free AusPost app to better protect themselves and their personal information. Ahead of the year's busiest shopping season, Australia Post is reminding shoppers the AusPost app is the best way to get trusted, accurate and legitimate delivery notifications that protect customer security. All too often customers are targeted with fake scam text messages and emails about parcel deliveries, prompting them to click links in an attempt to gain personal or financial information. The AusPost app provides customers with a secure place to receive updates and tracks parcels along their journey. Recently, Australia Post updated the functionality to include in-app notifications for missed deliveries and parcel collection (which can be accessed once customers enable in-app notifications in their app

Out of the 11 million Australians who have registered MyPost accounts, less than half of these customers (5.1 million) actively use the AusPost app. Customers who have the AusPost app get access to the following features for Australia Post parcels that can be matched to their MyPost Account:

- Estimated delivery timeframe notifications
- Real-time delivery updates and instant push notifications
- Contactless access to Parcel Lockers
- Photos of Safe Drop Images
- Seamless redirects to Parcel Lockers or Post

Michael McNamara, Australia Post Executive General Manager Digital, Technology and Data, said the AusPost app is the most trustworthy way to get Australia Post delivery updates.

"We know the AusPost app is a popular and trusted source of information for users, with customers using it an average of 12 times a month. Users are also more likely to use delivery choices like Parcel Lockers and Safe Drops and less likely to contact the call centre compared to non-app users," Mr. McNamara said.

Professor Monica Whitty, Head of Department Software Systems and Cybersecurity at Monash University said: "Online shopping for Christmas presents has become the norm. However, shoppers need to be mindful of the multitude of online scams; for example, websites created by scammers, many of which look at first glance to be genuine, and scammer texts that appear to come from Australia Post or other couriers which trick consumers who are expecting a delivery.

"I encourage shoppers, who are seeking out the perfect gift for their loved ones, to stop and check the authenticity of the website, even if it is a familiar vendor, consider using apps of well-known vendors, check the source of a text, and never click a link even if it appears to be a genuine source as it will most likely download malware onto your digital device.'

The AusPost app is ranked one of the top business apps in Australia[1], which is regularly upgraded to support and protect customers.

To sign up for a free MyPost account either visit https://auspost.com.au/receiving/mypost or download the AusPost app from the Apple Store or Google Play.

\$6 million awarded to help NSW businesses to reduce waste and cut carbon emissions

Canberra Region Joint Organisation (CRJO) has been awarded \$500,000 as part of the NSW Government's Bin Trim Networks Program helping divert approximately 35,000 tonnes of waste from landfill each year. This is part of a \$6 million commitment helping around 4,000 small to medium NSW businesses support NSW's transition to a circular economy. Bin Trim is Australia's largest business waste program aimed at avoiding, reusing and reducing waste, as well as saving money and cutting carbon emissions. It encourages innovation and collaboration across industry sectors, supply chains and precincts to address problem waste materials. The funding for Canberra Region Joint Organisation's Bin Trim Network Program project will allow them to work with businesses in the Canberra Region to improve waste and resource recovery across their operations. It will identify opportunities to change or improve their business processes towards a more circular use of resources and materials, focusing on food waste and organics, plastics, and textiles.

Once complete, it's expected that the Canberra Region Joint Organisation's Bin Trim Network Program will reduce the amount of waste going to landfill by 7000 tonnes per year.

The NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) has also released the Bin Trim app, a free resource enabling all NSW businesses to conduct their own waste assessment, create an action plan to avoid and reduce waste, and monitor improvements over time.

The EPA's popular Bin Trim Program has already enabled more than 38,000 businesses to help the environment and save money by diverting more than 260,000 tonnes of waste from landfill. The Program is part of the NSW Government's Waste and Sustainable Materials Strategy backed by \$356 million over five years.

Dr. Michael Holland: "It's great to see the Canberra Region Joint Organisation Bin Trim Network Program awarded funding by the NSW EPA under the Bin Trim Networks Program. This will benefit the Eurobodalla and the Bega Valley communities.

"Businesses like Canberra Region Joint Organisation play a vital role in driving our circular economy and can help create a more sustainable future

NSW Minister for the Environment, Penny Sharpe: "The NSW Government is supporting small and medium businesses to innovate to reduce the amount of organic, plastic and other waste that goes to landfill. "From food courts to bike shops and pre-schools, businesses are embracing the circular principles of avoid, reduce, reuse and recycle to both help the environment and effectively mitigate the impacts of rising costs."

NSW Minister for Small Business, Stephen Kamper: "Small businesses have the power to shape our transition to a circular economy. "Their agility, innovation, and commitment to sustainable practices empowers them to lead the way in redefining how we produce, consume, and repurpose resources. "By integrating circularity into their business practices, small businesses not only minimise waste and environmental impact but can unlock new opportunities for growth, job creation, and community resilience."

Businesses who want to get involved with the Bin Trim program can find more information on the EPA website or call the EPA on 131 555.



Eurobodalla Mayor's Charity Ball and Local Hero Award

He's a man known for bringing people together, so a Mayor's Charity Ball seems a logical thing for Mathew Hatcher to organise.

Cr Hatcher is inviting residents to join him for a night of dinner, dancing and good times celebrating the Eurobodalla community on Friday 17 November, at Narooma Golf Club. Eurobodalla's 2023 Local Hero will be announced, and all proceeds from the night will go to the Mayor's chosen charity for this year, Monty's Place in Narooma. Cr Hatcher said tickets are now on sale.

"I'm thrilled we've been able to pull this event together, and that a great local charity like Monty's Place will benefit," he said.

"We're pumped to have 2EC and PowerFM on board as our media partner, and I'll be looking for extra sponsors too. The more funds we raise, the more Monty's Place and the people they support will benefit."

Ticket price is \$115 per person, which includes drinks on arrival, a three-course meal and dancing until late to DJ Matt Brown. Local legend Kimmi Saker will MC the evening.

Mayor Hatcher said a highlight of the night will be the announcement of the Eurobodalla 2023 Local Hero Award. "Narooma's Dr Jenny Munro AM was our 2022 winner and she

"Narooma's Dr Jenny Munro AM was our 2022 winner and she returns this year as a judge. We've got a strong field of nominations already, but more are always welcome." Council's website has details on how to nominate a Local Hero, and nominations close on Wednesday 1 November at 3pm. Get your tickets for the Mayor's Charity Ball at Council's website or Eventbrite.



The Mayor at Monty's Place - Monty's Place at Narooma has been serving free meals to the community for more than ten years. Each week, around 40 volunteers provide nourishing food and company, using donated produce from local supermarkets and other stores. Monty's Place needs a new commercial stove to continue their wonderful work. The Mayor's Charity Ball aims to raise at least enough funds to provide that.

Bringing university closer to home

The Federal Government is making it easier for people living in regional communities across Eden-Monaro to go to university. Applications are now open for 10 new Regional University Study Hubs (stream one) to be established around Australia, giving more students from the bush access to tertiary education.

The Albanese Government is investing \$66.9 million to double the number of University Study Hubs across the country, enabling more students in rural, regional and remote Australia to access and complete higher education without having to leave their communities.

In response to the Universities Accord Interim Report, the Government will establish up to 20 additional Regional University Study Hubs across stream one and two, and up to 14 new Suburban University Study Hubs.

The Regional University Study Hubs will provide spaces to support students, including those from low socio-economic backgrounds, First Nations students and people with disability.

This builds on the success of 34 <u>existing</u> Regional University Study Hubs – including the Country Universities Centre Snowy Monaro in Cooma

Kristy McBain Member for Eden-Monaro said this will make it easier for young people across Eden-Monaro to access tertiary education in their own communities.

"The postcode you live in shouldn't be a barrier to getting a degree, and this opportunity could be lifechanging for regional communities like Eden-Monaro.

"The Hubs will provide support close to home for students that would otherwise need to travel long distances to get to and from an inner-city campus."

Minister for Education, Jason Clare, said these new Study Hubs deliver on the first recommendation of the Australian Universities Accord Interim Report.

"Today, almost one in two young people in their 20s and their 30s have a university degree. But not everywhere. Not in the outer suburbs and not in regional Australia," Mr Clare said.

"The Accord Panel makes it clear that we need more people from the regions and outer suburbs to get a university qualification.

"I want more young people to get a crack at going to university and we know that postcode is a massive barrier for young people getting that chance."

Assistant Minister for Education and Regional Development, Senator Anthony Chisholm, said existing Study Hubs have already supported more than 3,400 rural and regional students.

"This program removes barriers for students in regional and remote areas who want to peruse a tertiary education, while keeping them in the communities they love," Mr Chisholm said.

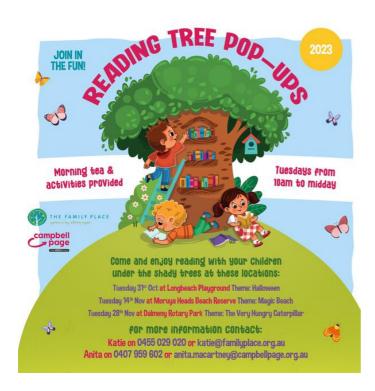
"I encourage eligible organisations to submit applications to establish a Study Hub in their region. These Hubs are a great way for people to access and study a wide range of courses from educational institutions across Australia without having to leave their communities."

This is the first funding round for 10 additional Regional University Study Hubs, a second round for the following 10 will open at a later date.

Eligible organisations in regional and remote Australia are now invited to apply. Applications are due by 5pm AEDT, 15 December 2023.

Applications will be assessed by a panel as part of a competitive process, with the new Hubs expected to be operational from mid-2024.

More information about the Regional University Study Hubs program and how to apply can be found <u>here</u>.





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Aboriginal Business Roundtable goes international to Close the Gap

Aboriginal business leaders have met with their Māori counterparts to better understand and share information about how to grow Indigenous businesses and create new jobs across the Tasman in the fourth Aboriginal Business Roundtable on Closing the Gap. The Looking Abroad: Aboriginal and Māori Businesses Roundtable is the first-time businesses have come together in this way brought together by the NSW Minister for Aboriginal Affairs and Treaty David Harris and NZ Consul General, Bill Dobbie.

The Roundtable deliberated on how the 'trans-Indigenous' trade had evolved over thousands of years and how this new era of collaboration would unlock new opportunities for indigenous businesses in a global marketplace. Participants used the opportunity to knowledge share and network with Austrade providing practical advice on how to expand businesses for export

The NSW Government recognises a thriving Aboriginal business sector is essential for economic self-determination and Closing the Gap. NSW is the only jurisdiction in Australia that has an additional Priority Reform to Close the Gap on Employment, Business Growth and Economic Prosperity.

A key action to deliver this Priority is the convening of Aboriginal Business Roundtables to hear directly from Aboriginal businesses on what challenges they face to enter, grow and thrive in the NSW business sector.

In 2021, 59.6% of people aged 25 - 64 years who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander were employed, compared to 75.2% of people who identify as non-Indigenous. Over 20 years this has only increased by 14.0% (45.6% in 2001).

Australian Government data shows that between 2006 and 2016, the number of Indigenous businesses has increased to 11,587. However, the rate of business ownership by Indigenous Australians is lower than non-Indigenous Australians. Indigenous businesses only represent between 0.6 - 0.8% of the 2.1 million businesses nationwide.

The NSW Government has established an Aboriginal Business Taskforce to provide independent advice, develop strategic approaches and coordinate and drive initiatives under Priority Reform 5 relating to starting, supporting and growing businesses. Expressions of Interest are now open.

October is Indigenous Business Month, with Australia's First Nations communities being called 'To Gather, together. Minister for Aboriginal Affairs and Treaty, David Harris said "The NSW Government is committed to Closing the Gap. We acknowledge that to close the gap, Aboriginal people must determine, drive and own their own future.

"More than ever, Aboriginal people are seeking to achieve economic independence through business creation.

"Aboriginal businesses want to grow and expand into new markets, and the NSW Government is keen to support these businesses on this journey.

"This Roundtable is an exciting opportunity for Aboriginal and Māori business entrepreneurs to forge connections and create business ties and networks.

"Initiatives such as this are driving change and helping close the gap in real and sustainable ways."

For more information on Closing the Gap and Aboriginal Business

https://www.aboriginalaffairs.nsw.gov.au/closingthegap/how-youcan-be-involved/aboriginal-business-taskforce/





Halloween Adventures: Spooky Pumpkin Hunt Mogo Wildlife Park

Get ready for a spooktacular experience at Mogo Wildlife Park as you search for pumpkins hidden in the shadows. Gather your bravest friends and family for this spine-chilling adventure and don't forget to wear your scariest costume!

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RUBY GILLMAN, TEENAGE KRAKEN PG, 1H 31M, ANIMATED ADVENTURE			3.15pm	3.15pm			
PAW PATROL: THE MIGHTY MOVIE PG, 1H 28M, ANIMATED ADVENTURE			11.50am*	11.50am*			
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What's on at The Pav

Yuin Theatre at Bay Pavilions

Exhibition: Explore the emotive art of Camelle Denny at our gallery. Her solo exhibition runs until October 31st.

David Hobson with Marina Prior

November 3rd at 8pm $\,$ - 'The Two of Us Encore'- An enchanting night of music awaits! Limited Availability

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4th November from 10am Full tour of the Yuin Theatre & behind the scenes. 6 Tours every 45 minutes from 10am. Bookings essential.

'A Salute to Roy Orbison & The Everly Brothers

November 11th at 7:30 PM

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Darren Coggan - The Poems, Prayers & Promises of John Denver."

November 17th at 7:30 PM

Re-live the voice of a generation, remarkably recreated live by Darren Coggan. Get ready to sing along to all the classics, including "Take Me Home, Country Roads," "Rocky Mountain High," "Annie's Song," "Perhaps Love," "Thank God I'm A Country Boy," "Calypso," "Leaving On A Jet Plane," and many more. Don't miss this incredible journey through the timeless songs that have captured the hearts of millions. It's a night of nostalgia and pure musical joy!

The Marais Project!

Saturday, 18 November 7:30 PM

Founded in 2000 by the renowned viola da gambist, Jennifer Eriksson, The Marais Project is a musical journey through the Baroque era and beyond. With a strong emphasis on the works of their namesake, Marin Marais, a legendary viola da gambist and composer at the Court of Louis XIV, the "Sun King," this ensemble promises to enchant your senses.

Featuring the extraordinary talents of Russell Harcourt, Susie Bishop, Tommie Andersson, and Jennifer Eriksson, The Marais Project has expanded its repertoire to include not only the Baroque classics but also music from the Australian colonial era and more recent compositions. Their versatility knows no bounds!

Widely respected as one of Australia's most creative chamber music ensembles, the members of The Marais Project are recognized as leading artists in their respective fields. Their accolades include appearances on ABC Radio National, ABC Radio Sydney, and ABC Fine Music. They even held the prestigious title of Ensemble in Residence for Fine Music 102.5 in 2019/20.

With a discography of TEN mesmerizing albums, The Marais Project is set to captivate your hearts and ears with their melodic magic.

Don't miss this exceptional musical experience! Secure your tickets today and join us for an evening of timeless beauty and harmonious melodies.

Smells Like the 90's - A unique stage show tribute to the music & culture of the 90's

23rd November 7pm

'Smells Like The 90s' is a witty, original concept which digs deep into the underpinnings of the 90's music scene and associated culture. It plays Pop against Rock in a fast-paced comical style, looking closely at the Grunge scene in particular - a genre that really did stand out and make its mark on the music industry forever. This stage show will take you on a nostalgic journey through the 90's and will ask you to consider one simple question: Are you Pop or are you Grunge? We hope you've packed your Tamagotchis and your Discmans. This show will have you blown away by the talents of the students of St. Peter's and will leave you full of great music, reminiscing about the greatest musical decade of all time.

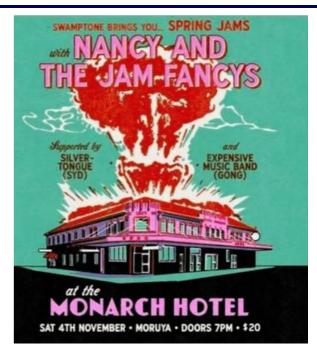
Bite Club

Friday, December 15th at 8 PM

An electrifying fusion of Brisbane's award-winning cult-cabaret mischief-makers, the daring circus stars of Briefs Factory, and the mesmerizing songbird, Sahara Beck. Expect a hedonistic soirée like no other, where you'll witness a shotgun wedding of music, circus, drag, burlesque, theater, and comedy - all under the same roof.

Sahara Beck's soulful and powerful vocals will infuse the night with a fierce female pride, amplifying the incredible talent of the BRIEFS boys you know and love. Their impeccable tomfoolery and heart-stopping hooliganism will groove to suave synth, tantalizing hooks, and sweeping strings, all set to an infectious pop rhythm.

Get ready for a night of pure, unapologetic entertainment. Secure your tickets now and indulge in the seductive world of Bite Club!





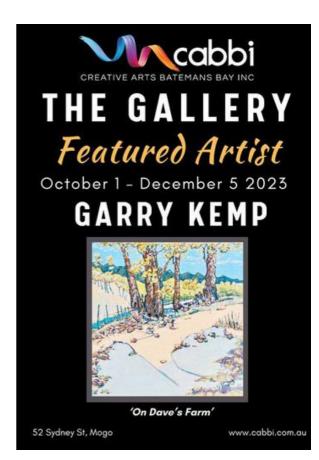
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'Flowers in the Dust' runway launch



Fashion boutique, Saloon Design House launches a new Spring/Summer collection, 'Flowers in the Dust' at their SALOON store on Saturday 4th November.

It is an ode to Braidwood, its connection with flowers, nature and the dry summer landscape. Botanicals and geometrics create a maximalist visual delight. Rich jewel tones of purple, cobalt, tangerine and turquoise, set against bold black and white stripes and florals.

A glorious cocktail of eclectic vintage aesthetics meets contemporary values. Florals and corduroy give a nod to the original, fun loving flower-child. The tailored and relaxed shirtdresses take you from Roman Holiday to the office and back. Saloon embraced dramatic proportions, style with a twist of cowgirl romance with big city charm.

Saloon Design House is committed to local production, collaboration and real slow fashion. Liberty fabrics are mixed with vintage ethical and natural materials. Designed and made in Braidwood.

Saturday 4th November at Saloon HQ, 3pm runway show followed by inOstore festivities and lucky door prizes. www.saloondesignhouse.com





Spindrift Saga at Smokey Dan's

Spindrift Saga's third single 'Thrust' will be penetrating its way into your earholes December 1st with a huge launch planned at Smokey Dan's on Saturday Dec 2nd to set it free. Tickets are on sale now via Humanitix.

events.humanitix.com/the-spindrift-saga-thrust-single-launch-at-smokey-dans Thrust is a certifiable radio banger and it's the first Spindrift song released with Mick on main vocals. This one is an unashamed pop/punk shot at the title. Penned about today's culture of tik-tok trendsetters and narcissistic instafamous fashionistas.

A huge thanks to everyone for the love on the first two singles so far also. We are blown away by the support. If you haven't had a listen yet, make sure you head over to Spotify, iTunes or Youtube and have a listen. 'This Power is Hazardous' is approaching 50,000 views on socials and 'Fight Night' is #1 in Catalina.

Beyond Bingie with Barbara Romalis

November's exhibition at Gallery Bodalla will feature Barbara Romalis with past and recent works entitled Beyond Bingie.

It's been a while since we've been able to visit the wonderful art space created by Barb and Nick at The Priory at Bingie.

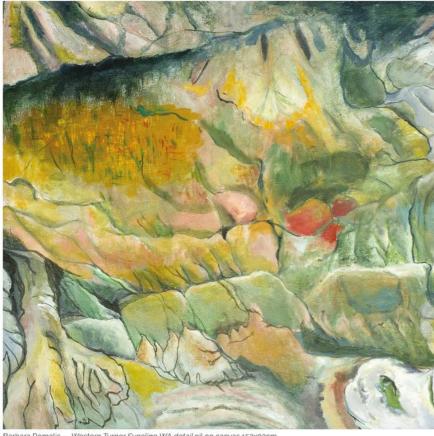
Now Barb is creating again and her colourful works express her vibrant, philanthropic spirit with some memories of Bingie as well.

The show commences on Thursday 2 November and closes on Sunday 26 November. Please join us for opening drinks with Barb & Nick Saturday 4 November at 3pm, with the happy musical sounds of the String Chickens - Julie Brooking, Martin Riley and Lou Matheson. Gallery Bodalla:Post Office bldg, 66a Princes Hwy Bodalla, Phone 0421 238 174 gallerybodalla@gmail.com

Exhibition: Barbara Romalis "Beyond Bingie", past and recent works

Thurs 2 November to Sun 26 November 2023

Opening drinks with Barb Sat 4 November @ 3pm - all welcome



Barbara Romalis — Western Turner Syncline WA detail oil on canvas 152x92cm

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Boundless Indigenous Writer's Mentorship

South East Arts advises: Applications are now open for the 2024 Boundless Indigenous Writer's Mentorship! This initiative provides a year-long structured mentorship to an unpublished Indigenous writer who has made substantial progress on a fiction or nonfiction manuscript. The receipt of the mentorship will be paired with a senior Indigenous writer working in the same genre, providing feedback and professional advice. The successful applicant will also receive professional development from Text Publishing and Writing NSW. Applications close Sunday, 26th November.

Go to writingnsw.org.au for more details

barbara romalis beyond bingie



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Archibald exhibition heralds opening of SECCA gallery



Bega Valley Shire Council is thrilled to announce the prestigious Archibald Prize 2023 exhibition will herald the opening of SECCA – the South East Centre for Contemporary Art – in Bega on the evening of Friday 17 November.

Speaking on behalf of Council and the community, Mayor Russell Fitzpatrick said he was honoured to re-introduce this wonderful cultural asset to the south east region.

"It's a tremendous achievement that we now have a firm opening date for the gallery as well as Australia's foremost portraiture prize for its inaugural exhibition," Mayor Fitzpatrick said.

"At the beginning of April we were well into preparations for the opening at the end of that month, until the contractor entered voluntary administration. A significant blow, but not a barrier as far as we were concerned.

"Every Councillor expressed commitment to seeing the gallery upgrade project delivered while also ensuring best value for money, so Council resolved to take on the role of Principal Contractor. Staff were then able to source the right specialist contractors and existing local sub-contractors to finish the project, at an acceptable cost

"Now, thanks to a lot of hard work from staff and contractors, SECCA is ready to open its doors to the community and broader cultural world as a beacon of creativity and connection."

Federal Member for Eden Monaro and Minister for Regional Development, Local Government and Territories, Kristy McBain said as a resident and former Bega Valley Shire Mayor, it was personally gratifying to see the gallery upgrade completed.

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"The major redevelopment of this 30-year-old gallery is a sight to behold, with increased exhibition space, storage, workshop capacity and a retail shop," Ms McBain said.

"SECCA truly is a fit-for-purpose art centre that will deliver a world class artistic program, host important touring exhibitions and become a centrepiece for a strong cultural tourism economy. "The Australian Government is proud to be associated with such an amazing project, which was co-funded under its Building Better

Regions Fund to the tune of \$1.67 million.

"The Australian Government values regional cultural institutions and the role they play in our communities in attracting visitors to the

NSW Member for Bega, Dr Michael Holland said SECCA will no doubt be the cultural hub for the region, now and in the years to

"The gallery is a key component of culture-led recovery from the difficult years we've faced and places the shire on the map as a key tourist destination for Australian and international visitors," Dr

"Create NSW provided \$250,000 towards a new collection and storage system, expanded exhibition space, workshop and project space, as well as the purchase of new projection and AV equipment."

SECCA Director, Iain Dawson said it was an honour for SECCA to be one of just six galleries selected within NSW and Victoria to exhibit the Archibald Prize 2023.

"Art Gallery of NSW Director, Dr Michael Brand will officially open the exhibition at a VIP launch on the evening of 17 November, where guests will enjoy the ambiance of our much anticipated and impressive gallery, displaying 57 portraits of public figures and cultural identities from all walks of life," Mr Dawson said.

"We have been looking forward to launch day for months and it's very exciting it's nearly here.

"As well as the launch and exhibition, we'll be holding a community weekend on 9 and 10 December so the whole community can check out the new gallery. There'll be events and programs on the Saturday and free entry to the exhibition all weekend."

Tickets to the Archibald Prize 2023, which runs from 18 November 2023 to 7 January 2024, are in line with the other venues on the touring schedule.

Adults \$20. Concession/Seniors/Student \$15

(concession/seniors/student card required on entry). Youth \$10 (7-14 years). Family \$50 (2 adults & up to 3 youth). Free for children 6 and under. Plus booking fee.

Entry will be timed on the hour from 10am with last entry at 4pm daily, except Christmas Day when we will be closed. Bookings are absolutely essential and can be made <u>online on the SECCA website</u>.





Author, Journalist and Screenwriter Robert Macklin has been writing THE GADFLY PAPERS since 2012.

Gadfly

'Yuma Robert'.

This intriguing greeting arrived at the head of half a dozen emails in the last several weeks as the referendum approached. They were sent by two pleasant and highly intelligent women from two very different social circles.

At first, I thought it was a joke I'd missed and was too embarrassed to question them. Finally, when another arrived yesterday, I did the sensible thing and consulted Dr Google.

The answer changed my whole appreciation of the referendum and the consequences of its loss. Perhaps you know it already, but if not, 'Yuma' is simply the Ngunnawal word for 'Hello'. And I'm told its use as an opening to emails and other messages is catching on with Canberrans (and others) for reasons that go beyond supporting the 'Yes' case.

Even without its Aboriginal source, I think it's a great compromise between the formal 'Dear Someone' and the awkward transition to 'Hi Someone'. And it's so much nicer than the English 'Hello Someone,' which totally lacks friendly nature of the 'Yu-ma' syllables.

It's an area where change is the rule rather than the exception. 'Mr', 'Mrs' 'Ms' and 'Miss' have virtually disappeared from the introductory address; and whether it's email, the phone or the electricity bill, first names seem to have become the custom...just when I was starting to be comfortable as 'Mr Macklin'. But obviously, the Aboriginal origin is an opportunity to incorporate something special into the Australian lexicon; and clearly, it's a spin-off from the great exposure we've had to the Aboriginal world throughout the campaign.

It might not be the most significant one. Better evidence for that is the bloodbath of the savage religious violence in the Middle East; or the vile nationalist ravages of the Ukraine-Russia artillery barrages. The comparison with the Australian reaction to our disagreement could hardly be more striking. It was a wise decision by the Aboriginal leadership to take a week of silent mourning and deliberation before returning to their quest for the equality that is their due. And I can guarantee the new strategy will not involve the violent shedding of Australian blood in massacres and kidnappings.

Indeed, it looks like the leadership will do what should have been done in the first place: a well-planned and managed truth-telling process. It must expose the horrors visited upon them by the settlers and their British guns; but it can't stop there. White oppression didn't end with Federation. The White Australia policy included the Aboriginal people and their progeny. The 20th century was no Dreamtime; it was their living nightmare. Only when the truth is known to the entire nation can we take that vital step to draw a line under the colonial mindset and celebrate the unique wonders of our country and its native creatures – our Aboriginal inheritance.

Most States are continuing their steady progress on Treaties. Peter Dutton's people in the LNP have missed the bus to the future but he'll be off at the next political stop. The rest of us will toddle along each side of the centre line, rising to the pleasures of the rough mateship that unites us. Along the way, we will pick up the identities of the language groups, and their tribal names as our cars pass through their ancient borders.

Gradually, I suspect, we'll adopt the Aboriginal words that fit neatly into the polyglot 'English' we inherited from the 1788 mob. 'Yuma Robert', I reckon, fits that particular bill. And I do get a chuckle from the Aboriginal word for 'goodbye' to end our messages to our Victorian friends.

It's 'Yarra'.

robert@robertmacklin.com

GET THE FACTS ON CHEAPER MEDICINES

The Albanese Government is working to reduce medicine costs and free up local GPs:

- Slashing the cost of the maximum PBS co-payment from \$42.50 to \$30.
- Introducing 60-day prescribing two months' worth of medication for the price of a single script – meaning fewer GP visits.
- Tripling the bulk-billing incentive for the most common consultations – supporting local families and pensioners.
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- Reinvesting the government's savings back into community pharmacy.
- Allowing pharmacists to administer vaccinations at no cost to patients.
- Doubling the Rural Pharmacy Maintenance Allowance.
- Investing \$350 million to support community pharmacy outreach into aged care facilities.





A Beer with Bazz #138
With
John
Longhurst

Mick typed at a furious pace on his laptop. In between chuckles, he wiped away beads of perspiration from his forehead.

After landing the schooners Bazza rubbed his chin a number of times and raised both eyebrows.

Mick looked up, nodded to Bazza and took a long sip before again attacking the keyboard.

A long 'Ahhhhhh' from Mick and a click of the tongue.

"That should do it, Bazza.....have a read."

Mick turned the laptop around, as Bazza adjusted his reading glasses.

Dear Manager,

I have been shopping at your store for a number of years and have noticed a sharp decline in customer service and a major uptick in my responsibilities whilst shopping. In fact, at times I need a telescope and a loud howler to get attention. It won't surprise me if David Attenborough puts out a documentary on the near extinct shop assistant. He could be on hands and knees with a torch trying to coax out a shop assistant with 'What aisle is the Vegemite in?"

I have no problems bringing my own shopping bags to the store, but I take objection to weighing, scanning and packing my purchases. The deliberate policy to corral customers to the self serve checkout by understaffing the regular checkouts would bring a smile to a cattle farmer.

Bazza paused for a chuckle and a sip.

Over the past month, I have had to help half a dozen old people.....

Bazza eyeballed Mick.

"Well..... older than me, Bazza."

...to work their way through the self serve checkout. I would like to nominate myself for Employee of the Month. Also find attached my bill of \$49.46 for two hours work as a Retail Employee Level 1 under the General Retail Industry Award. I also include my measurements for a staff uniform.

Finally, given my ongoing employment contribution to your excessive profits, please ensure I am invited to the staff Christmas Party.

Kind regards Mick

Bazza ran his hand across his mouth and smiled widely.

"All very militant of you, Mick. Crikey.... you might have to start up your very own shoppers' trade union. You know..... I did read somewhere the average supermarket sells twice as many carrots than they stock.... go figure that one."

Mick grinned and took a long sip.

"Well.... It is easy to mistake a mango for a carrot, Bazza."

A long pause and Bazza surveyed the bar.

"I guess it won't be long before the pub becomes self service, Mick. No doubt some kind of machine that pours a beer and.....in time, with artificial intelligence people will sit round and chat to their laptops rather than engage in conversations."

Mick grinned.

"Thats not all bad news, Bazza. You might be able to reach agreement in a conversation for a change."

Have a beer with Bazza at john.longhurst59@gmail.com



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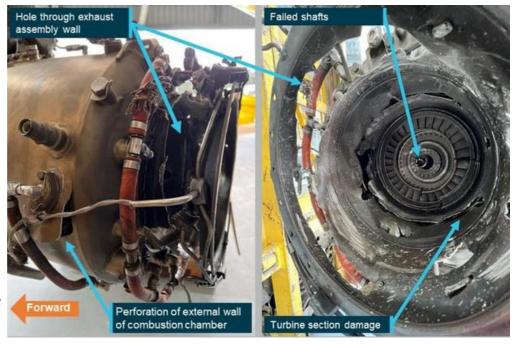
Skydiving aircraft TPE331 engine failure due to component life-limit unintentionally exceeded

A turboprop-powered DHC-2 Beaver sustained an engine failure soon after parachutists had exited the aircraft above a drop zone at Moruya Airport on the New South Wales south coast, an ATSB report which was released last week details. The aircraft was conducting skydiving drops overhead Moruya on 4 April 2022 when, on the second flight of the day, and soon after the parachutists had exited, the pilot heard a loud bang and briefly experienced vibrations. Believing the aircraft had experienced an engine failure, the pilot pulled the fuel emergency shut-off lever, feathered the propeller, assessed the position of the parachutists, and conducted a forced landing at Moruya Airport.

"A post-flight examination of the aircraft identified holes in the cowling above the engine compartment, perforation of the external wall of the engine combustion chamber, holes through the exhaust assembly, and significant damage to the turbine section," said ATSB Director Transport Safety Kerri Hughes.

"A low-cycle fatigue crack had initiated in the 3rd-stage turbine wheel of the Honeywell International TPE331 engine and grown to failure."

The ATSB investigation established that errors by a previous maintainer of the aircraft when determining the engine operating cycles and engine component total equivalent cycles meant that the 3rd-stage turbine wheel remained in-service beyond the component life-limit.



"This incident highlights the critical importance of accurate records of equivalent cycles accrued by an engine and engine components," said Ms Hughes.

"Cycles should be diligently recorded, calculated, and checked to ensure the equivalent cycles accrued by a component is known with confidence.

"This means that components can be replaced prior to the published in-service life-limit being reached."

Read the report: <u>Engine failure involving de Havilland Canada DHC-2 Beaver, VH-AAX, overhead Moruya Airport, New South Wales, on 4 April 2022</u>



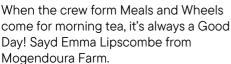


\$150)

4th prize: \$50 book voucher from Moruya Books

Meals on Wheels visits to Mogendoura Farm





"Orlando the farms miniature horse is always so gentle and calm as he goes around the group to say hello, gather some pats and just check if there's any fruit cake on offer. Farm dogs, Gryphon and Zeus also take it very seriously, making sure everyone is comfortable. An opportunity for me to show and tell. From holding up a Belted Galloway hide for fingers to run thru the lush hair or close up inspection of a bird's nest recently found following the winds. Delighted by its weaving prowess and the horse moo hair lined bedding. I also love the stories they tell me relating to many of the bits and bobs in The Loft. They inspire memories for them, and I always learn more than a thing or two. Valued members indeed of our community, with dedicated staff and their are so many supporting local small businesses that throw open their doors to make sure they enjoy their Golden Years. Great to be part of it!"













Red Dust Healing Workshop Narooma

Facilitator - Barry Fernando



"When the dust has settled on our lives, all we get to keep and take with us is our dignity, our integrity and the love and respect we shared with people" - Tom Powell (Founder).

Red Dust Healing is holding a one-day workshop in Narooma, facilitated by Barry Fernando. Open to community members and service providers the workshop is a self-evaluating awareness program, designed to help people deal with hurt and anger in

Designed from an Aboriginal perspective, Red Dust Healing provides powerful healing tools for all and is based on a cultural belief that we are one people, one mob, who do not own but belong to this land.

> Scan the **QR** code to learn more and register before the 30 October.



Date November

> Time 9:30 am -3 pm

Venue Club Narooma

Morning tea and lunch will be provided. For more information contact ewooldridge@coordinare.org.au or call 0439 388 828.

100 years ago from the Moruya & District Historical Society

27th October 1923

Mr. J. A. Perkins, M.L.A., forwards the following from the Public Works Dept.:- "Following on my letter of 20th September, I am directed by the Minister to inform you that an officer of this Department visited Narooma on the 27th September and examined the source of the proposed water supply for that village from Dromedary Creek on the northern slope of Mount Dromedary. It is reported that the cost of a water supply for the village of Narooma from this source would be far beyond the financial resources of that village with its present population."

A return trip to Nowra in Harrison's car, a pig and a cake are the valuable prizes to be competed for at the euchre party on 13th prox. in aid of the Convent Ball.

The Bachelors' Ball held at Turlinjah on 19th inst. was only fairly well patronized, but those who did attend had a thoroughly enjoyable time. Mr. J. Donnelly officiated as M.C. and Messrs. Rolenze (piano) and R. Hawdon (clarionet) supplied music. During the evening songs were rendered by Messrs. Taylor (Bodalla), J. Honan (Mullenderree), and Davis (Turlinjah). ...

A meeting of golf enthusiasts was held on Tuesday night and it was resolved to form the **Bateman's Bay Golf Club**. The following office bearers were elected for the ensuing year: - President, Mr. D. Forbes Mackay; Vice Presidents, Messrs. Laver, Lunn and Fenning; Treasurer, Mr. Spooner; Secretary, Mr. E. S. Niel Olsson; Committee, Messrs. Bill Linkenbagh, Annetts and Mrs. Ryan. ...

Drowning Fatality at Mogo. On Sunday afternoon the usual tranquility of Mogo was greatly disturbed when the news was circulated that Henry Herbert Thornton, a bright little lad in the employ of Mr. and Mrs. H. Molloy, of Bimbimbie, had been drowned in a dam. Two sisters of the deceased were present at the time of the sad occurrence. Following are the particulars of the accident as adduced at the inquest held before the District Coroner, Mr. R. J. Anderson:- ...

Janet Molloy, sworn, deposed: I reside at Wattle Hill, Bimbimbie. The deceased, Henry Herbert Thornton, was a State child and boarded out to me for the past seven years by the State Children's Department, for which I receive 10 shillings per week. I last saw him alive about ten minutes past 3 p.m. on the 21st inst. He was in the company of his two sisters, one about twelve years, the other nine years. I also saw three other children going down to the creek, they were going to fish. Shortly afterwards I heard the children screaming. ... The boy was well conducted and did not give me any trouble. ...

The Coroner found that Henry had died from asphyxia from drowning by accidentally falling into a waterhole.

The following cricketers will represent Moruya against Bodalla on the local ground today (Saturday), play to commence at 2 p.m. – C. Carter, C. Selden, P. J. Feneley, F. Hutchings, W. Brierley, S. Shumack, O. J. Armstrong, F. Knight, B. Coppin, V. McCarthy, D. Rose. Emergencies – J. Nicholson and J. Cunningham.

On Tuesday morning, 30th inst., a pretty wedding took place at the Sacred Heart Church, Moruya, when Miss May, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Donnelly, of Bergalia, was married to Mr. Sylvester, fourth son of Mrs. P. Honan, of Mullenderree. The Rev. Father McCormack officiated. The bride, who entered the church on the arm of her father, was frocked in an ivory georgette over silk with bugle trimmings. She also wore the customary wreath and veil and gold necklet (the gift of the bridegroom), and carried a bouquet of mauve sweet peas, presented by Mrs. A. F. Emmott.



A group of Lady Golfers

On Saturday last there died at her home in Bingie Mrs. Isabel Greig, at the age of 82 years. The deceased was the last surviving member of the Waddell family, being a daughter of the late Mr. John Waddell, who, in the early days, resided at Glenduart, of which he held a lease. It was Mr. Waddell and the late Mr. T. T. Gannon's father who first moved in the matter of having the town of Moruya surveyed. After a number of years successful search for gold on many rich fields of the State, including Forbes and Araluen, Mrs. Greig's husband, the late Mr. James Greig, selected land at Bingie where he finally settled down. It was here that Mrs. Greig spent the greater part of her life, and reared a highly respected family. ... Her husband and two daughters, Miss Isabel and Mrs. McGregor (Brogo), predeceased her. She is survived by five sons, Messrs. George (Moss Vale), John and James (Bingie), Ranken (Coff's Harbor), David (Sydney), and two daughters, Mesdames R. Vagg (Brogo), and McTavish (Inverell). ...

There was some mild excitement in town last week when it became known that Messrs. **Thomas Henry and Frank Ling** had discovered a very rich gold reef at stony creek, about six miles south of Moruya. We have been shown some of the specimens found, in which gold as large as grains of wheat can be seen.

In honor of their daughter Marie's twelfth birthday, Mr. and Mrs. A. Preddey gave a children's party in the commodious Amusu Theatre on Thursday afternoon. Sixty juvenile guests were present. Assisted by several friends Mr. Preddey gave the happy youngsters several hours of the keenest delight by means of games, dancing and music. Needless to say the exquisite birthday cake and the other dainties were thoroughly enjoyed by the young people. ...



Sun, sand, and surf accessible to all on South Coast beaches



People living with disability or limited mobility can now enjoy the pristine beaches of the South Coast with a new floating wheelchair, beach mobility mats, and accessibility upgrades at seven of Eurobodalla Shire Council's patrolled beaches.

The upgrades include new pathways, line marking, and signage for new wheelchair accessible parking spaces at beach carparks, and a new access ramp at Narooma Bar Beach South.

In addition to the physical upgrades, a floating beach wheelchair is now available for free to the public from the Narooma Surf Life Saving Club.

Mobility mats have been rolled out across seven of the area's beaches, providing access to people who use wheelchairs, walkers, mobility scooters, and parents with prams, meaning they can now reach the water's edge with comfort and dignity. Made from a durable recycled plastic the connectable mats are designed to last 40 years without corroding from saltwater, providing a safe, level, and stable path over the sand to improve visitor access.

The mats will be rolled out when lifeguards are on duty at Surf Beach, Malua Bay Beach, South Broulee Beach, Moruya South Head Beach, Tuross Head Main Beach, Dalmeny Beach and Narooma Surf Beach.

Member for Bega Dr Michael Holland said "I'm thrilled the Eurobodalla can now lay claim to having the highest number of accessible beaches in the state.

"Our community has always been welcoming to visitors, so it's really wonderful we can extend this inclusivity through these upgrades."

Minister for the Illawarra and the South Coast Ryan Park said "Everyone has a right to enjoy the beautiful beaches of the South Coast, and these accessibility upgrades form part of a range of works being undertaken by the NSW Government to promote and drive inclusion.

"The beaches in the Eurobodalla are already a key attraction for residents and visitors and this upgrade will only enhance their

"The roll out of the mobility mats and upgrades to beaches in the Eurobodalla Shire are being complimented by further accessibility upgrades like additional wheelchair accessible parking spaces." Minister for Regional NSW Tara Moriarty said: "Accessibility upgrades like this remove barriers that prevent locals, families, and visitors living with disability from enjoying the pristine beaches the South Coast is known for.

"Not only do these upgrades benefit locals, but it will also be a huge draw card for visitors from Sydney, Canberra, regional NSW, and interstate during the busy summer months.

"These wheelchair accessible mobility mats will assist those living with disability or limited mobility experience the sand and surf, which at times proves difficult given the terrain of our beaches."



We are a volunteer run museum funded by grants, donations and entry/membership fees.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Events Coordinators Collection Management and Carers IT Specialists Researchers and Cataloguers Maintenance and Building Receptionists **Assistant Curator** Exhibition install and deinstallers



We accept cash and eftpos in reception, along with paypal/direct debit. Or become an active/non active member of our historical society.



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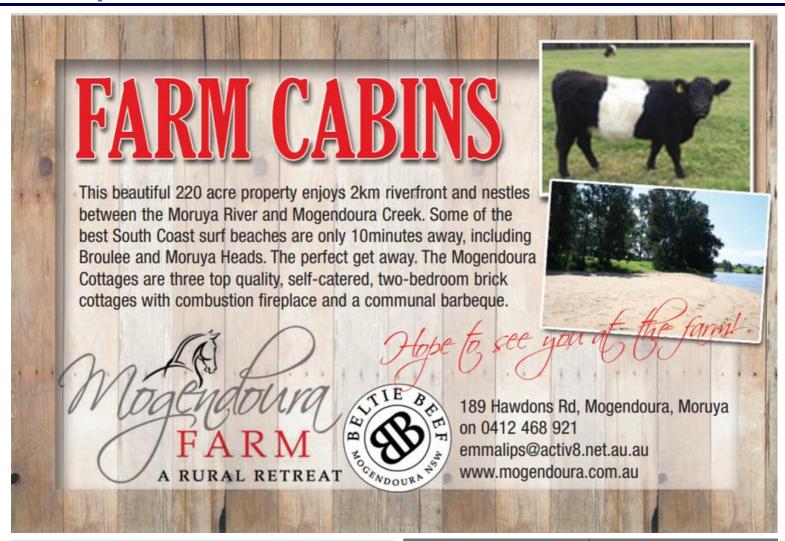


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Moruya Showground 28th of October 2023



- Eurobodalla Canine Club
- Moruya District Poultry Club
- Eurobodalla District **Show Society** (Eurobodalla Ag Show)



Entering in the Ag Show - then talk to the stewards that help with the Pavilion entries at the local Ag Show. Come and talk about how to entry.

Learn how to help at the local Ag Show, how to be a steward or judge at our local Ag Show.

All are welcome - three events in the one place



Starting at 9am

PAVILION INFO DAY

Saturday 28th of Oct 2023

Moruya Showground

Have you ever wanted to enter something in the show but didn't know how ..? Come and learn from the stewards and judges this Saturday at the Moruya Showground Pavilion

information day



Got an event coming up? Let the Moruya Mail know mail@moruyamail.com.au



EUROBODALLA AGRICULTURAL SHOW COMBINED WITH MORUYA DISTRICT POULTRY CLUB

SPRING SHOW, SALE, AND OPEN DAY!



Saturday 28th of October 2023 Moruya Showground, Albert Street, Moruya

MDPC- Sam and Boc Strachan 0432265921 EMAIL- blacksamboc@hotmail.com Eurobodalla Agricultural Show- 02 44743980 EMAIL- <u>eurobodallashow@live.com.au</u>

ENTRY FORM CLOSING DATE (including sale entries):

FRIDAY 20" OCTOBER 2023

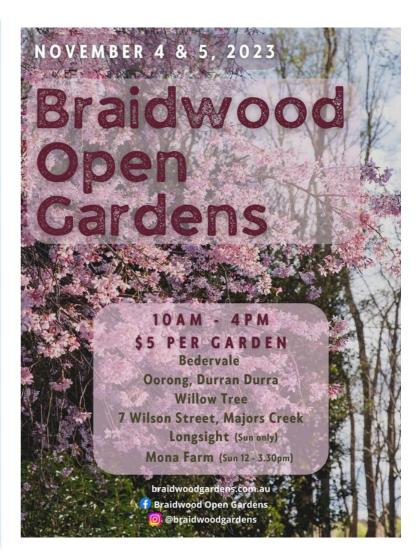
ENTRY FEE:

\$3.00 per entry / \$2.50 MDPC Members/ Juniors \$1.00 per entry Sale pen fee information attached.

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY:

All birds are to be penned by NO LATER 9 am Saturday 28th October 2023 Judging is to commence at 9.30 am Saturday 28th October 2023

JUDGE: TBA









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Tap into your inner artist and join Art Classes for Beginners.

South Coast Community College is offering a 3 week workshop in Batemans Bay, perfect for beginners and those with some experience who want to hone their skills.

You'll have fun discovering just how talented you are and meet new likeminded creative people! Enjoy friendly and engaging introductory art classes where you all participants will be given individual guidance and support across different mediums. Take home the beginning of a new hobby in your first art portfolio journal.

Course Dates:

- Friday November 3 10am 1pm
- Friday November 10 10am 1pm
- Friday November 17 10am 1pm

Register now and for full course details visit our website

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Wesley LifeForce Suicide Prevention Training

We deliver a robust and evidence based program which focuses upon educating people about suicide challenging attitudes and teaching basic engagement and suicide intervention skills.

Participants will have increased confidence in their ability to identify people who may be at risk of suicide, communicate appropriately with a suicidal person, ask a person if they are considering suicide and conduct a suicide intervention.

Participants will learn:

- Awareness of the requirements for classification of a death as suicide
- Knowledge of the occurrence and demographics of suicide in Australia
- · Be able to identify risk and protective factors
- Differentiate between risk factors and
- warning signs Capability to be able to implement the SALT suicide intervention strategy
- Identify national and local suicide prevention

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Date & Time: Wednesday, 22 November 2023, 09:00 am - 1:30 pm AEDT

Location: Batemans Bay Soldiers Club 6 Beach Road, Batemans Bay NSW 2536

Register with this link: Wesley LifeForce Suicide Prevention Half Day Workshop - Batemans Bay, NSW Tickets, Wed 22/11/2023 at 9:00 am | Eventbrite

Email LifeForce@wesleymission.org.au or call 1800 100 024 for more information

This program is accredited with Quality Innovation Performance Limited (QIP), assessed against the Suicide Prevention Australia Standards for Quality Improvement.



Wesley LifeForce Suicide Prevention Program gratefully acknowledges the funding provided by the Australian Govern







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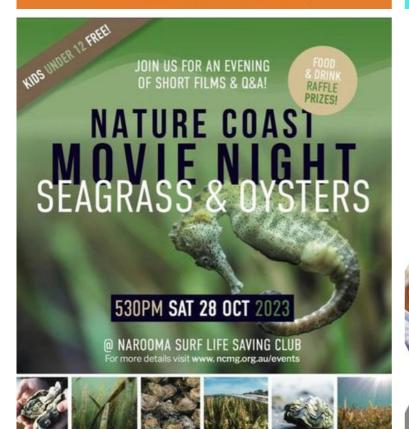














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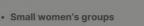
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Log Jam 2023 - Timber Milling Demonstration Day

9.30am-2pm, Sun 12 Nov, Cobargo

Come and see a range of small scale timber mills in action at the inaugural Log Jam.

Speak to mill operators & compare mills - portable mills, band saw mills, chainsaw jigs, freehand and more.

FREE EVENT 9.30am-2pm Sunday November 12

10457 Princes Highway, Cobargo

Morning tea provided, BYO picnic lunch, hat, water and ear protection. Enquiries to Scott Herring - 0422 548 156 Event co-ordinated by South East Agroforestry Network (SEAN)

Volunteer to have fun and make new friends!

Creative Arts Batemans Bay Inc. (CABBI) is a not for profit art and craft association which has been established for 24 years. Our flagship is The Gallery, at Mogo. All members are volunteers. We're looking for people who would like to volunteer some time towards helping to make our association even better. Volunteers don't have to be interested in art, but are just looking to be involved within the community, keep mentally active, learn new skills, attend social events, workshops and make new friends. The areas of expertise which we are mainly focussing on include: Coordinating events and activities e.g. fundraising, exhibitions, and community events. Organising membership drives and helping with membership administration.

Helping to source, write and submit grants. Media liaison e.g. creating and submitting editorials. General administration. Volunteers need to have basic/intermediate computer skills, access to a computer, good literacy skills and the ability to contribute as part of a team and remotely Training and guidance will be provided. If you feel that you have skills which you would like to use or further develop, please send an email to president@cabbi.com.au with any questions.

We look forward to welcoming you! Current members are encouraged to apply. <u>www.cabbi.com.au</u>

Save the date "Diversity Night 2023" by Eurobodalla Multicultural Group

Saturday 18 November 2023 at Greek Church Hall, North Batemans Bay. Multicultural Food and performances.

If you would like to showcase performances from your culture, please contact us by email to "efscmg@gmail.com"



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Moruya Film Group

Enjoy a film, some wine and nibbles. Join us for our next film screening - Diana & Me - at 7pm for 7.30pm showtime on Saturday 28th of October @The Red Door, Moruya. Synopsis: Diana & Me is a 1997 Australian romantic comedy film directed by David Parker. Australian Diana Spencer wins a competition in a women's magazine, and as a prize gets a trip for two to London, where she wants to meet her idol and namesake, Princess Diana. She goes there with her fiancé, Mark, but during the garden party Princess plans to attend, things get mixed up and Aussie Diana gets arrested with Paparazzi photographer Rob. Diana really wants to meet Princess and follows Rob as he searches for Princess Di to take some photos. Membership available at the door \$65 for 12 months / \$40 for 6 months - Guests welcome.

Moruya Speedway

Season Opener 18th November 2023 Aussies vs Kiwis Street Stock Test Match for the Rapid Race Wear cup with a great line up of support races

Production Sedans, Southern Fast 4s, Super Production, Vintage, Demolition Derby.

Pit gate opens at 12pm. Spectator gates open at 3pm don't miss this will be a massive night. Racing starts at 5pm. Text nominations to Kay on 0423 836 851



This powerful and practical training for Eurobodalla community groups, initiatives and organisations seeking ways to bring the 'community' back into governance, organising and culture to support your good work. Explore shared leadership as a way to build resilience in our communities - better decision making and meetings, confidence working with conflict, higher engagement and much more. Come along with your team!

WHAT: Going Horizontal: Community Governance training WHEN: 22-24 November South Durras

DETAILS: https://www.campfire.coop/gohoeurobodalla

A community project funded by Fire to Flourish Eurobodalla, with greatly reduced fees for locals groups.





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Australian Lifeguard Service coming to Eurobodalla



The Australian Lifeguard Service will keep watch over locals and visitors on eight Eurobodalla beaches.

Eurobodalla Council welcomes a new contractor to operate its professional beach patrol service for the next two summer seasons. The Australian Lifeguard Service (ALS) will run the service from Wednesday 20 December 2023 until Monday 29 January 2024, and the call is out for locals keen to be part of the team.

Eurobodalla Mayor Mathew Hatcher said professional lifeguards will be back at eight beaches, but looking a little different this summer. "Lifeguards won't be in blue uniforms, but instead red and yellow – similar to volunteer lifesavers' uniforms," Mayor Hatcher said.

"Eurobodalla's beaches get quite busy as they're a popular destination for tourists and locals; I always appreciate knowing when and where it's safe to swim.

"I hope everyone does the right thing, following advice from lifeguards and lifesavers – because we all know how quickly conditions can change along our coastline."

Surf club volunteers continue to patrol their beaches as usual on weekends and public holidays, while ALS lifeguards cover the days in between from 9am-5pm.

On popular beaches without surf clubs, like North Head, Tuross and Dalmeny, ALS lifeguards will be on duty seven days a week. Surf Life Saving NSW (SLSNSW) CEO Steven Pearce said ALS works closely with surf clubs and their members.

"The ALS will seamlessly integrate with Surf Life Saving volunteers and our SLSNSW State Operations Centre, providing greater coverage and response across the coastline," Mr Pearce said. "The ALS will be deploying a crew of fully trained lifeguards, supervisors and equipment, including four jet skis to cover the large stretch of this spectacular coastline."

ALS is offering training for locals keen to be part of the lifeguard team this summer.

To find out more about becoming a lifeguard, check out the <u>ALS</u> website.

Beachgoers can check for their nearest patrolled location and patrol times through the Beachsafe App or <u>beachsafe.org.au</u> For more information on Eurobodalla's beaches, visit <u>council's beaches web page</u>.

Applications Open for Crown Reserves Grants

The NSW Government has opened applications for \$16 million in funding through the Crown Reserves Improvement Fund to maintain and upgrade public reserves, and eligible Bega Electorate organisations are encouraged to apply.

Dr. Michael Holland, Member for Bega said Crown Lands in the Department of Planning and Environment has opened applications until 17 November 2023.

"The Crown Reserves Improvement Fund maintains and upgrades reserves and community facilities on Crown land across NSW," Dr. Holland said.

"This year the NSW Government will invest \$16 million across the state including \$14 million in grants and up to \$2 million in loans to benefit Crown land reserves and the community, recreational and tourism facilities on them.

"Grant applications are open to Crown land reserve managers including local councils, community groups and licensed users of Crown land as well as all showgrounds, so I strongly encourage eligible local organisations to apply. The fund will support improvements to community, recreational and tourism facilities on Crown reserves while also supporting local businesses and economies. It also funds weed and pest control to protect our environment and native plants and animals."

The 2023-24 CRIF round is focusing on projects that will have positive community impacts by:

- Maintaining or increasing public access, amenity and use of a reserve.
- Supporting social cohesion and participation in community life.
- Enabling people with accessibility requirements or living with a disability to be included.
- Delivering a service or infrastructure to enable Aboriginal people to access, care for or protect and manage land.
- Conserving heritage values and/or natural values of a reserve.
- Creating employment or business opportunities.

Minister for Lands and Property Steve Kamper said the grants will help ensure local community land continues to prosper into the future. "Crown reserves support communities by protecting the environment and providing open spaces and facilities for parks, ovals, walking, cycling, camping and other sports and recreation, keeping communities healthy and happy.

"Crown reserves also provide land for community organisations and assets like showgrounds, public halls, scouts and girl guide groups, surf life saving clubs, racecourses and more," Mr Kamper said. For further information and to apply for a grant or loan visit https://reservemanager.crownland.nsw.gov.au/funding/crif



Jeanette Miller, Annette Manton and Wendy Schmid.

Tuross Head Ladies Golf Results

On Tuesday 24th October 2023, 24 ladies competed in a Stableford event, which was the

2nd Christmas Run, sponsored by Beverley Theobald. Results were:

A Grade Winner was Annette Manton (26) with a score of 34 points. A Grade Runner-up was Leonie Doolan (25) with a score of 34 points.

B Grade Winner was Jeanette Miller (40) with a score of 39 points. B Grade Runner-up was Shirley Quinlan (34) with a score of 35 points.

C Grade Winner was Wendy Schmid (45) with a score of 38 points. C Grade Runner-up was Dianne Brown (45) with a score of 36 points.

Balls went to Beverley Theobald 35, Marilyn Bingham 34, Christine Wratten 33,

Gail Rogers 33, Jenny Reilly 32, Maree Coffey 31, Samantha Dryden 31 and Gail Page 31.

Nearest the pin on the 6th was Leonie Doolan.

Brown.

Nearest the pin on the 7th was Marilyn Bingham. Nearest the pins on the 15th were Elsa Shearer and Di



Sandra and Ron Hanlon

Tuross Vets Golf Results

25th October 2023 -

A field of 48 players registered for a 4 Ball Best Ball event on the 25th October 2023.

The Winning teams today were:

1st: Sandra and Ron Hanlon with a score of 23 (count back) 2nd: Peter and Paula Coffey with a score of 23 (count back)

3rd: Greg Smith and John Cox with a score of 23

4th: Ross Richardson and Ross Hendy with a score of 22 (count back)

5th: Mike Birks and Herb Muriwai with a score of 22 6th: Annette and Ian Manton with a score of 22

7th: Greg Thornton and Henry Anderson with a score of 21

Julie Barningham and Chris Wratten with a score of 20 8th:

Nearest to the Pins:

Warren Hodder 4th: 6th: Greg Heywood

7th· Ladies: Annette Manton

Mens: Ross Hendy Accuracy: Bruce Harding

Bradmans: Steve Gardner and Warren Hodder





Fishing report from Tackle World Moruya.

Moruya River.

Who invited winter back!!! Damn that wind has been cold. Despite this the water temps are still on the rise, and the fishing continues to

The flathead, bream, trevally and now even whiting have been available, mostly in the lower reaches of the river. The airport flats and Preddy's wharf have seen good numbers of fish being taken, with the hole in the wall showing some good numbers of fish, particularly when the use of live nippers has been employed.

Early mornings at the moment both co-inside with a full tide and lower winds that make the fishing more productive and pleasant. Around the town bridge after dark, has seen continued estuary perch, bream and flathead activity on both live nippers and soft plastics. While further upstream, the holes around the hospital are also seeing some nice bream, flathead and estuary perch come to the bank on both baits and lures.

Tuross River.

The flathead have been dominating the captures this week, with fish over 60cm being very regular. Both bait and lure fisherman having good success. Lure fishing allows for the opportunity to prospect more water, as you are not generally anchored up like boat fisherman are.

The lower potato point flats side of Tuross has been seeing good fish, with the area around four ways also showing lots of activity. Further upstream, the metal bridge just before Bodalla, is also providing

bream, flathead and estuary perch for anglers.

There have been reports on large schools of mullet throughout the system, these provide a good source of food for both big flathead and mulloway. So it is always worth sending a lure or two underneath these schools to see what is lurking below.

Rock and beach.

Good numbers of big salmon continue to entertain beach and rock anglers this week. The winds however have made the fishing difficult, and at times unpleasant, if you were unable to find somewhere out of the wind. North facing locations have offered the most shelter from the

The Moruya breakwall, while openly exposed to the wind, has had good numbers of fish on the beach side, with salmon, flathead, trevally and bream all regular captures.

Offshore.

Snapper have been readily available for those that have ventured out this last week. With the 20m mark holding good numbers of fish. The swells this weekend, may make fishing offshore, a little bumpy. So do your due diligence as skipper, and check the weather reports before heading out.

The bait freezer is well stocked again for the weekend, salted pilchards are back in the freezer, along with all the other staples.

We have a new range of fishing shirts on the wall and a new range of LED lighting in the upstairs camping area.

Kings was restocked this week also, so if you are planning a camping trip this summer, come and see what we have to offer.

Stay safe everyone and remember, "every days a good day for fishing..."

Team Tackle World Moruya.





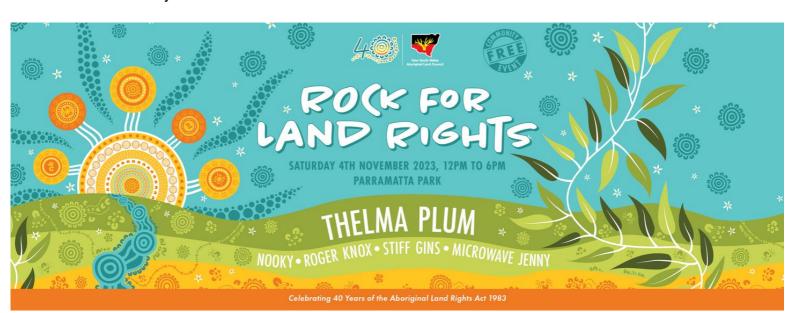
Trash & Treasure Stalls available!

Sunday 12 November at the Dalmeny Community Hall 8am-12pm

Huge range of stall holders, hand made goodies, plants and produce, jewellery, toys, artworks, coffee, fresh baked scones and the Lions Club BBQ.

To organise your stall contact 0414419986

A Narooma and Districts Lions Club Project



Royal Life Saving NSW releases simple, summer-ready checklist

AreYouSummerReady? Four tips to staying safe - before you head out to the water

As another scorching summer approaches, Royal Life Saving NSW is preparing communities to avoid the alarming spike in drowning incidents witnessed last year. The leading organisation for drowning prevention, RLS NSW has issued a simple, Summer-Ready Checklist of tips for a safer summer.

The Summer-Ready Checklist is released ahead of the long weekend provides four crucial tips for Spring - whether people plan travel to an inland waterway, to the coast, enjoy a backyard or community pool. Craig Roberts, RLS NSW ACT TAS General Manager of Drowning Prevention said "Preparation can help us avoid another tragic summer. "Our Summer-Ready Checklist is a simple reminder of what to do before heading to the beach, coast, pool, or inland waterway. "In the lead-up to summer, checklists with advice for pool owners, families, regional communities and over-65s will be appearing at councils and community organisations around the state and online." "No matter where you go to enjoy the water, now is the time to...

· Learn to swim · Get active, and check in with your health · Learn CPR Check around your home and pool.

"The latest <u>National Drowning Report</u> found 57% of drowning fatalities last year occurred in people over 45 years old. The second highest cause of drowning fatalities was slips and falls. These tragedies are powerful reminders that even if you don't intend to swim, learning or brushing up on swimming and lifesaving skills at any age can keep you and your family safe."

"While national drowning rates decreased in 22-23 from the 10-year average, NSW still suffers almost double the number of drownings than QLD and VIC, and triple the rate of WA, with 107 lives lost in 22-23. "We want people of all ages and from all regions, to be ready and able to enjoy the water safely, and that starts now. Check in with your family, friends, sporting and school groups to get your community Summer-Ready."

The summer-ready checklist will be released online from Friday 29 September at www.drowningprevention.org.au/are-you-summer-



Bay Pavilions scoops Aquatics Award

Last night at the NSW Aquatic Recreation Institute Awards, the Bay Pavilions won Facility of the Year!

This is the highest recognition within the industry, and a significant part of the reason for winning the award has been the amazing responses from the community and the social impact of the Bay Pavilions in the local area.

Team members also nominated for awards were, Katie Stammers for the prestigious title of Duty Captain of the Year and Lachlan Knight for Emerging Leader of the Year.

The Pav team said: "Thank you to all our members and patrons who have visited over the last 12 months, and to all the team members who give the Bay Pavilions its life!"

"And we really must thank the tireless team at the Aquatic & Recreation Institute NSW - ARI NSW and the sponsors of the main award last night, International Quadratics & Pierce Pool Supplies."



Nature Coast Dragon Boat Club are hosting a FREE Come and Try day on Saturday 28 October 2023

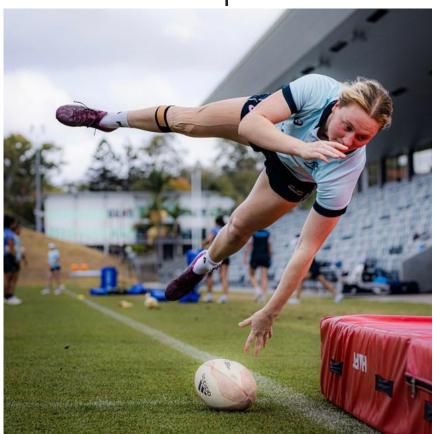
Dragon Boating is a unique and ultimate team orientated sport, designed for the whole community. It offers opportunities for Fitness and Friendship

Meet us at our shed next to the swimming pool in Moruya just near the markets from 8:15 onwards. We will provide training and all equipment, no special clothing is required but you should wear shoes that can get

Nature Coast Dragon Boat Club (NCDBC) is an inclusive sporting club with a friendly and enjoyable environment. We are especially fortunate to be able to use the beautiful Moruya River on which to do our training and we welcome everyone to come and have a try.

Register your interest on our Facebook page or for more information please email naturecoastdbc@gmail.com

Ashlea Bishop selected in national side



By John Longhurst

Batemans Bay local Ashlea Bishop has been selected in the Australian Women's' Rugby Union Team Squad (Wallaroos).

The 25 year old was born in Batemans Bay and currently resides in

Her passion for Rugby developed at a young age and began as a junior with the Broulee Dolphins.

Ashlea said "I played a year above my age grouping to be with my elder brother's rugby team as the Dolphins did not have a girls' team. My Mother did not want the boys taking it easy on me so tucked my hair up in my headgear."

Ashlea also excelled at both tennis and soccer, before dedicating herself to rugby.

She said "I played competitive tennis in the Under 12's at the Australian School Championships and then made the transition to soccer with the Southern Branch Team in Nowra for two years when I was sixteen years of age."

Aslea's move to Canberra to study Physiotherapy sparked her return to rugby and she played with the Canberra Royals for five years.

She said "I was on the fringes of playing for the Brumbies but I was not getting much game time so I decided to move to Spain where I had a very good season."

In 2023, Ashlea is now the regular fullback in the Brumbies lineup and travels to Canberra three times a week for training.

She works as a physiotherapist with Physio Pal, a mobile physiotherapy company servicing the Eurobodalla Shire.

Ashlea said "My employer has been very supportive in both allowing me to attend training as well as the travel commitments involved in playing with the Brumbies and now at the national level."

In the meantime, Ashlea continues to train with the Wallaroos and is currently playing rugby 7s with the university of Canberra in the Queensland Premier Rugby 7s Tournament over the next three weekends.



Got an event coming up? Let the Moruya Mail know mail@moruyamail.com.au



Funding increased for **Community Sport**

In a massive boost for community sport, the NSW Government has today announced that sport clubs across NSW can now apply for more funding under the Local Sport Grant Program. The Program provides \$4.65 million funding to NSW sporting organisations with \$50,000 available per electorate and grants up to \$20,000 available to individual clubs. In 2022/23 \$3.5 million was awarded for 592 projects, including development clinics, uniforms and sporting equipment. NSW Minister for Sport Steve Kamper said "The NSW Government understands the vital role community sport plays in keeping people healthy, active and socially connected. "Never was this more evident than during recent natural disasters and the pandemic. "This Program will provide vital funds to community sport groups to purchase new equipment, improve facilities and deliver programs that enable people of all ages and abilities to participate and enjoy the benefits of

"So, if there is a project or program your club has been wanting to deliver, I encourage you apply for a grant and take advantage of this fantastic opportunity."

sport and active recreation.

Applications in the 2023/24 Local Sport Grant Program close 27 November 2023. For further information visit:

www.sport.nsw.gov.au/local-sport-grantprogram