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Flock of Haircuts
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Eurobodalla Mayor calls out fake news



ESC - Mayor Mathew Hatcher says it is not true Eurobodalla Council has cancelled its usual Australia Day citizenship ceremony.

"I'm disappointed that our shire has been listed by click-bait news outlets trying to polarise feelings around Australia Day; particularly given the success of our [inclusive Australia Day citizenship ceremony last year](#)," Mayor Hatcher said.

"What we have done for 2024 is change the timing to Australia Day eve. Not as a political statement but for purely practical reasons."

Mayor Hatcher said the 2023 Australia Day citizenship ceremony brought together existing and new citizens, young and old Indigenous and non-Indigenous residents and performers, federal and state politicians, community groups and even the army cadets in "a wonderful celebration of civic duty".

"But we don't rest on our laurels," he said.

A review of the ceremony highlighted conflicts with other Australia Day events, including Rotary Club's citizen of the year celebrations, and noted hot weather under a mid-day sun was uncomfortable for some attendees.

"So this year we're moving the Australia Day citizenship ceremony to the evening before, so participants can enjoy clement conditions in a beautiful garden setting," Mayor Hatcher said.

"This frees our new Aussies to fully enjoy their Australia Day public holiday with family and friends, and means your elected representatives can get out to attend other Australia Day activities. And we've been contacted by some of the attendees thanking us for the time change."

Eurobodalla residents invited to health planning update

5.00pm 16 January - Batemans Bay Soldiers Club
 Southern NSW Local Health District (SNSWLHD) invites Eurobodalla residents to hear an update about the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital and Batemans Bay Community Health from **5.00pm to 6.30pm on Tuesday 16 January at the Batemans Bay Soldiers Club.**

The event will feature speakers from SNSWLHD, Health Infrastructure and NSW Ambulance.

SNSWLHD Chief Executive, Margaret Bennett, encouraged community members to attend the meeting to hear the latest information about health service planning and delivery in the Eurobodalla.

"SNSWLHD, Health Infrastructure and NSW Ambulance are working hard behind the scenes to ensure that every member of the Eurobodalla community has access to the best health care now, and into the future. We are looking forward to sharing updates and answering questions from attendees," Ms Bennett said.

All welcome. No registration or RSVP required.

Batemans Bay Residents Rally

By **Peter Ryan**
 Saturday 6th January 2024 more than 300 residents conducted a peaceful rally to support Batemans Bay Emergency Department to remain open 24/7 to continue to service the 19,000 plus local residents. The large group of residents assembled in the Beach Road parkland near the Marina to March down the street to Batemans Bay foreshore park in Clyde street.

They were greeted by more concerned residents at the foreshore waiting for the rally to arrive. The message was clear and loud "Don't Close Batemans Bay Emergency Department". The closure is planned when the new Eurobodalla Hospital opens South of Moruya.

The group received an address from the committee chairman and concerned long time resident Peter Ryan plus local State member Dr Michael Holland. The group were reminded by the committee the statistics that support an Emergency Department remaining open 24/7 after the new Hospital is built or people will die. "A common sense approach is needed for the best health outcomes & for people to survive a medical episode an acceptable timeframe" chairman Peter Ryan stated. He went on to confirm that the collection of 10,000 signatures for the Petition to Parliament was well on target with it looking like the required numbers would be attained very soon.

Local MP Dr Michael Holland accepted the invitation to speak and confirmed the process for submission of the signatures. He then went on to promote the Health Forum to update residents on the new Eurobodalla Hospital Tuesday 16th January at Batemans Bay Soldiers Club commencing 5.00pm. To date both sides have agreed to disagree and the campaign will continue."

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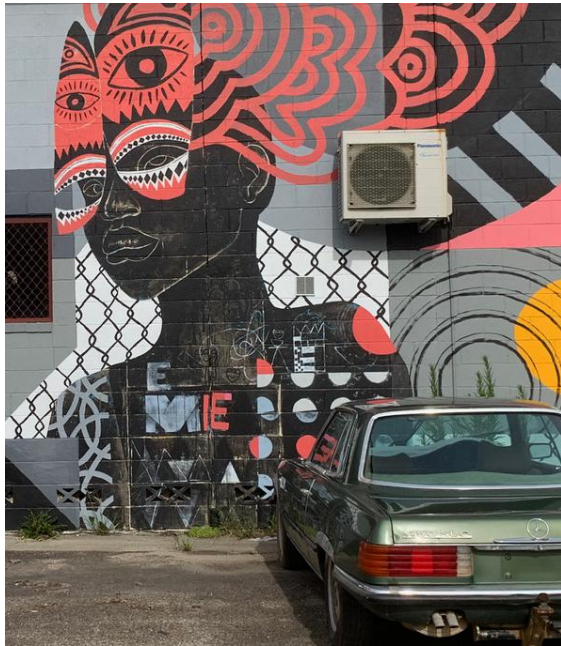
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Forthcoming ESC ordinary Meetings

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- 20 February 2024
- 19 March 2024
- 16 April 2024
- 30 April 2024
- 21 May 2024
- 18 June 2024
- 16 July 2024
- 20 August 2024
- 10 September 2024
- 15 October 2024
- 19 November 2024
- 17 December 2024

Colourful murals transform Church Street



Happy Decay murals in the Laneway off Church St.

By Phil Herrick

Moruya's Church Street is becoming an outdoor gallery with vibrant murals transforming the blocks between Vulcan Street and Riverside Park. From intricate designs celebrating indigenous culture at Art Central to murals by Jill Patrick on private residences and bright, whimsical designs from local artist Happy Decay, each mural tells a story, contributing to Moruya's cultural identity. Walk behind the row of shops along Ford Street and you enter an outdoor gallery, full of fun and colour. Church Street is evolving into more than just a street —it's becoming a destination, inviting everyone to enjoy this mural gallery.



Mural by Claire Foxton from the 2020 River of Art.



Black Swan mural by Jill Patrick where visitors can have their picture taken with wings.

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Marine Rescue Narooma to host Open Day this weekend

Marine Rescue Narooma will display its life-saving operations to the community at Apex Park this Saturday 13 January. 50 members of the community volunteer at the unit to keep boaters safe on local waters.

Marine Rescue Narooma Unit Commander John Lundy said residents and holidaymakers are invited to the Open Day at Apex Park with visitors able to inspect the unit's rescue vessels, see a flare demonstration and enjoy some family friendly fun.

"Our Open Day is the perfect opportunity for locals and visitors to learn more about the live-saving work of Marine Rescue NSW.

"Boating is part of the fabric of the Batemans Coast and safety is crucial for boaters to have an enjoyable day on the water.

"Our highly skilled volunteers are thoroughly trained in boating safety and will be sharing their knowledge on the day," Mr Lundy said.

Visitors to the Open Day will be able to tour the unit's two rescue vessels Narooma 30 (10 metre Naiad) and Narooma 20 (6.3 metre open Naiad).

"People will also be able to learn about knot tying which is a very important skill our crew members need to rescue people in the water or secure a distressed vessel," the Unit Commander said.

Mr Lundy said the Narooma unit is always looking for new members and those thinking about volunteering could use the Open Day to learn more about the variety of roles within the Service.

"Potential members don't need any boating experience to volunteer with Marine Rescue NSW.

"We can train people to crew rescue vessels, assist with fundraising or to become Radio Operators.



"Our Radio Operators are such a critical part of our mission of saving lives on the water.

"They are the connection point between boaters and the shore and are the first to respond to calls for help.

"We encourage all boaters and paddlers to Log On with Marine Rescue NSW either via the free Marine Rescue app or VHF Channel 16. If they don't return from their trip as planned we initiate a search which can save valuable time and potentially save lives," Mr Lundy said.

A fundraising sausage sizzle and raffle will also be held at the Open Day, which runs from 8am to 3pm at Apex Park.

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

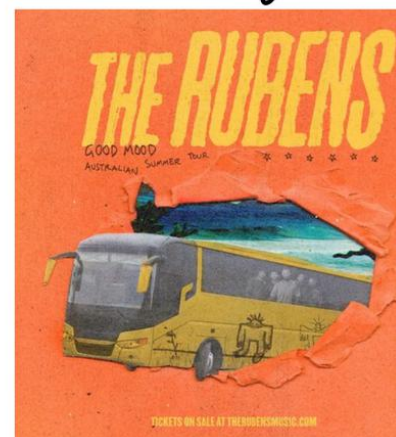


What's on at the Waterfront Hotel Moruya

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- **January 13th** - Book now for Never Ending 80s v 90s Party
- **January 18th** THE RUBENS! with Special Guests Day We Ran & Tiarnie
- **February 3rd** at 2pm SALTY NOISE
- **April 12 - 14** Moruya Blues & Roots Festival 2024



SHASA Resilience Awards

The South Coast Health and Sustainability Alliance (SHASA) has awarded “Resilience Awards” to community groups, organisations, businesses and individuals who have made outstanding efforts to undertake initiatives to achieve a more resilient Eurobodalla.

“The Eurobodalla has experienced a number of extreme weather events including bushfires and floods,” said Kathryn Maxwell. “SHASA is recognising these groups with awards as a small thank you to their efforts.”

1. Shoalhaven City Council.

Community Information Hubs have been installed across the Shoalhaven at twenty-one community halls, all four showgrounds, four Holiday Haven tourist parks and one community-owned facility (Wandandian Progress Hall) as your reliable source of timely, accurate and relevant information for the local area in both emergency and non-emergency situations.

2. Batemans Bay Soldiers Club, The Adelaide Hotel, the Moruya Golf Club, Corrigans Cove Beach Resort, and other accommodation providers who installed electric vehicle destination chargers for their guests.

3. Dr Michelle Hamrosi. Community Engagement Officer for an Australian First Study - the Babies and Young Children in the Black Summer Study (BiBS). This study looked at the impact of the 2019/20 bushfires on pregnant mothers, mothers with babies and young children. It also identified changes that could be made to assist this vulnerable group in disasters.

4. The Late Lei Parker. A posthumous award for his commitment and dedication to the Beagle community electronic newspaper.

5. The Climate Factory. They established a Moruya Micro Forest at the Anglican Parish.

6. Repurposing For Resilience. They collect (Moruya Transfer Station) reuse, repurpose and recycle of solar panels.



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The Climate Factory established a Micro Forest at the Anglican Parish.



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Batemans Bay Probus Club Christmas get together



Enjoying the Batemans Bay Probus Club Christmas party recently are members Cecil and Irene Langdown.



Members enjoying the festivities at the Batemans Bay Probus Club Christmas party - From left to right- Tony Monaghan, David Greenhill, Lynda Clery, Diane Dason and Bob Wright.

Long time member Margaret Cherry (pictured left) with fellow member Jackie Beggs was presented with a bouquet of flowers and good wishes from her fellow members at the recent Christmas party. Margaret has been a member for over 35 yrs and is moving to Sydney. She and her late husband Tom, had been very active members of the club and Margaret will be greatly missed by all.

The Christmas party was attended by 36 members who enjoyed a delicious buffet meal - supplied by the Catering team from Haven Quality Meats and held at the CWA hall in Sunshine Bay. Several lucky prizes and a Christmas quiz were highlights of the afternoon.

The next General Meeting will be on Monday 22nd January 2024 - prospective new members most welcome. Club meets at 10am in the CWA hall on the fourth Monday of each month. Enquiries contact Jan - mobile 0488 727 004.



Good friends Alma Crabb and Ruth McPhee catch up at the Batemans Bay Probus Club Christmas party.

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SPECIAL EXTRA REGISTRATION SESSION at the LIBRARY:

For those people who are unable to attend The Soldiers Club on Wednesday, Joe, Allan and Lyn will be coming to the Moruya Library on the day after, that is Thursday 25th of January.

We'll be there to:

- tell you about U3A
- discuss our courses
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NSW community urged to stay COVID-safe this summer

NSW Health is reminding the community to keep practising COVID-safe behaviours, as COVID-19 remains at high levels across NSW.

The latest NSW Health [Respiratory Surveillance Report](#) for the fortnight ending 6 January 2024 indicates that COVID-19 transmission in NSW is currently at a higher level than during last year’s winter peak, while in the greater Sydney area it is approaching levels not seen since December 2022.

Emergency department presentations for COVID-19 remain high although the proportion of presentations requiring admission to hospital has been declining, suggesting while there has been an increase in cases there has been no increase in the severity of disease.

Chief Health Officer Dr Kerry Chant urged people to the community to keep practising COVID-safe behaviours to keep themselves and their loved ones safe.

“Currently, the Omicron variants EG.5 and JN.1 appear to be driving the majority of transmission in the community, with JN.1 increasing in prevalence, in line what we have seen in other countries,” Dr Chant said.

“While there is no evidence to suggest these variants cause more severe disease the overall increase in case numbers puts more people, especially vulnerable people, at risk from COVID-19.

“No-one wants to see high levels of transmission in the community, but we do know what works to limit transmission in these circumstances and I am calling on the community to do those simple things that will make a big difference.

“If you are experiencing cold or flu symptoms, please stay at home. If you are experiencing symptoms and you do need to go out, please wear a mask.

“Don’t visit high risk settings like hospitals, aged and disability care facilities or people who are at higher risk of severe illness until your symptoms resolve.

“To receive the best protection against serious illness or death from COVID-19, it is important to stay up to date with your recommended COVID-19 vaccinations.”

Dr Chant urged people to have a plan with their doctor if they are at a higher risk of severe illness from COVID-19. This plan may include recommending a PCR test if you get sick or use of antiviral medication, if eligible.

More information on staying COVID-safe is available on the [NSW Government website](#)

WIRES Research Grants Program

The WIRES 2024 Research Grants Program is gearing up to support innovative projects that enhance positive outcomes for native wildlife and their habitats.

Applications open on January 29th and close on March 1st.

Stay tuned for the upcoming release of grant guidelines, providing you with essential details for a successful application.

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We invite proposals with tangible, positive, and ideally, long-term outcomes for wildlife with funding available for projects of up to three years in length.

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Stay tuned for more updates and visit https://bit.ly/WIRES_rgp to learn more.

Eurobodalla Health Update Community meeting

All welcome

TUESDAY 16 JAN 5pm to 6.30pm Batemans Bay Soldiers Club

You are invited to hear the latest updates about the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital and Batemans Bay Community Health

Featuring speakers from Southern NSW Local Health District, Health Infrastructure and NSW Ambulance.

For more information, contact: SNSWLHD-Communications@health.nsw.gov.au

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This is a free workshop thanks to the support of Eurobodalla Shire Council.

If you are unable to attend the workshop please let us know as soon as possible so we can offer the place to someone else. Contact Alexandra.King@esc.nsw.gov.au or Sandra.education@sageproject.org.au

Book into KimChi & Sauerkraut with Alex

Stay safe from mosquitoes this holiday season

NSW Health is reminding people to protect themselves from mosquitoes when they are out and about during the summer holidays.

NSW Health's Acting Director of Environmental Health, Paul Byleveld, said with more people spending time outdoors, it was important to take steps to reduce mosquito bite risk.

"Mosquitoes thrive in wet, warm conditions like those that much of NSW is experiencing," Mr Byleveld said.

"Mosquitoes in NSW can carry viruses such as Japanese encephalitis (JE), Murray Valley encephalitis (MVE), Kunjin, Ross River and Barmah Forest. The viruses may cause serious diseases with symptoms ranging from tiredness, rash, headache and sore and swollen joints to rare but severe symptoms of seizures and loss of consciousness."

"People should take extra care to protect themselves against mosquito bites and mosquito-borne disease, particularly after the detection of JE in a sentinel chicken in Far Western NSW."

The NSW Health sentinel chicken program provides early warning about the presence of serious mosquito borne diseases, like JE. Routine testing in late December revealed a positive result for JE in a sample from Menindee.

A free vaccine to protect against JE infection is available to those at highest risk in NSW and people can check their eligibility at [Japanese encephalitis vaccination](#).

- People are encouraged to take actions to prevent mosquito bites and reduce the risk of acquiring a mosquito-borne virus by:
- Applying repellent to exposed skin. Use repellents that contain DEET, picaridin, or oil of lemon eucalyptus. Check the label for reapplication times.
- Re-applying repellent regularly, particularly after swimming. Be sure to apply sunscreen first and then apply repellent.
- Wearing light, loose-fitting long-sleeve shirts, long pants and covered footwear and socks.
- Avoiding going outdoors during peak mosquito times, especially at dawn and dusk.
- Using insecticide sprays, vapour dispensing units and mosquito coils to repel mosquitoes (mosquito coils should only be used outdoors in well-ventilated areas)
- Covering windows and doors with insect screens and checking there are no gaps.
- Removing items that may collect water such as old tyres and empty pots from around your home to reduce the places where mosquitoes can breed.
- Using repellents that are safe for children. Most skin repellents are safe for use on children aged three months and older. Always check the label for instructions.
- Protecting infants aged less than three months by using an infant carrier draped with mosquito netting, secured along the edges.
- While camping, use a tent that has fly screens to prevent mosquitoes entering or sleep under a mosquito net.

Remember, Spray Up – Cover Up – Screen Up, to protect from mosquito bite. For more information go to: [Mosquito borne diseases](#).



SAGE Farmers Market

Tuesday 3pm Moruya

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growing the community

Narooma Rotary presents 2024 Tertiary Scholarship



Nico Van Delft-Twyford of Narooma High was awarded the 2024 Narooma Rotary Tertiary Scholarship by Narooma Rotary President Lynn Hastings at the Rotary Holiday Markets on Thursday.

The 2024 **Narooma Rotary** Tertiary Scholarship has been awarded to Nico Van Delft-Twyford of Bermagui.

In announcing the Award at Narooma Rotary's bumper holiday markets on Thursday, Club President Lynn Hastings said Narooma Rotary Club awards a three-year scholarship to a student from Narooma High each year, thanks to a bequest and a local benefactor. It currently equates to \$6,000 a year.

"We accepted 13 applicants for the scholarship this year," she said. "I'm very proud to announce that Nico is the 36th student Narooma Rotary has helped pursue their studies and achieve their dreams. With this scholarship, that assistance will now total about \$330,000."

Nico sees huge potential in the cyber security industry in Australia; his studies for the Bachelor of Computer Science (Cyber Security) at the University of Wollongong in association with TAFE and a commercial company should ensure his success in this field.



At Narooma Rotary Holiday Market on Thursday were Narooma Rotary Tertiary Scholarship Coordinator David McInnes, 2023 Scholar Melaina Cafe, 2022 Scholar Raichel Brodie, and 2024 Scholar Nico Van Delft-Twyford with a very proud President Lynn Hastings

Tuross celebrates Charlotte's Spotify success



Charlotte Lock has released a new album on Spotify.

By Phil Herrick

Tuross-raised singer Charlotte Lock has just hit Spotify with a new album of music, with all tracks self-composed.

Called "Tangled in the Wash" the album is getting a solid number of listeners since its release in mid-December. Charlotte explained the title came from the way she was feeling when writing the songs.

"Things seemed all knotted up at the time, they weren't smooth," she said.

"It was a way for me to process some strong feelings. Writing it was very therapeutic."

Charlotte is the daughter of Peter and Di Lock of Tuross. She went to school at Carroll College and credits her music teachers Ros Maher and Danny Freeman with her skill development that led to her career.

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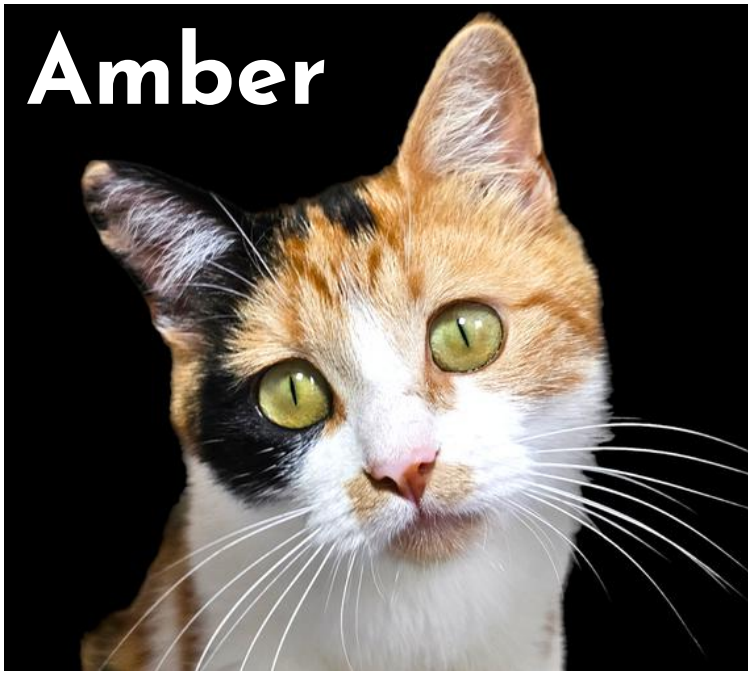
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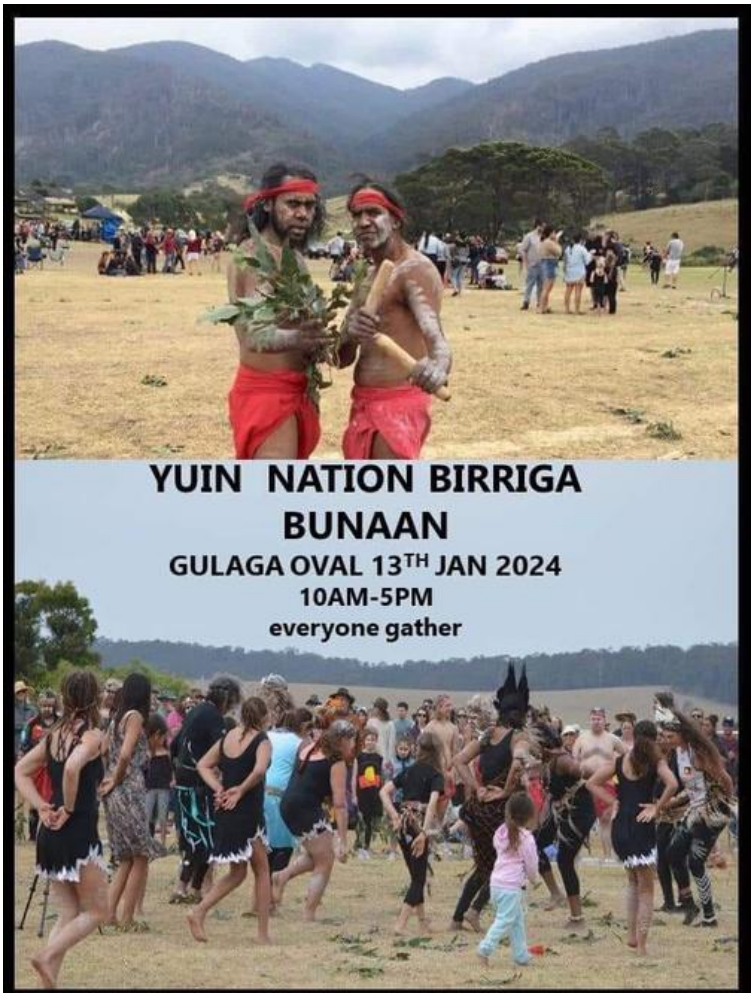
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RDA boundary changes in Southern NSW

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Following a recent decision by the Hon Kristy McBain MP, on RDA boundary changes in NSW, RDA Southern Inland (RDASI) and ACT will merge and include the additional NSW local government areas of Eurobodalla and Bega Valley, to form RDA Southern NSW and ACT (RDASNA) early in the new year.

Along with the boundary restructure, the Chair role was openly recruited, and we are very pleased to announce the current RDASI Chair, Mrs Rowena Abbey OAM, has been appointed by Minister McBain as the Chair for both Southern Inland until March 31st and Southern NSW & ACT commencing from April 1st, 2024.

Rowena is a passionate regional advocate and is honoured to take up this opportunity. She is looking forward to continuing to focus the organisation on targeted strategic priorities to build strong, vibrant, regional communities.

With the appointment made official last week, Rowena is now turning her attention to searching for enthusiastic, thought leaders in the region to join her on the RDASI and then RDASNA Board.

She says: "With the boundary expansion we will need dedicated advocates to help drive the economic and social outcomes RDASI has been so successfully delivering in our current region. We are looking for energetic, connected leaders to join our team to expand our work across a much larger footprint."

Gordon Robinson and Chris Denton 'Retrospect' at Gallery Bodalla

Retrospect, an exceptional exhibition by Gordon Robinson and Chris Denton, will feature at Gallery Bodalla commencing 11 January running through to 11 February 2024.

All are welcome to join in opening drinks with Gordon and Chris on Saturday 13 January at 3pm, with the happy musical sounds of the String Chickens - Julie Brooking, Martin Riley and Lou Matheson.

Some of Gordon's paintings are figurative, others are landscape oriented, some are both. They deal with a variety of reflections on nature, impermanence and vulnerability. 'My works in this show are a mixed bag, some recent, some not so, some having evolved over a number of years. I've chosen work that hopefully plots a journey through those years along with my responses to some roller coaster times', Gordon said. He is joined in this show by Chris Denton, a master printer, with a collection of prints and drawings including a body of work titled Mists. Chris explains 'In this age of falsehood, conspiracy, lies and denial, a number of themes are intertwined in this work: the reality of a tree silhouetted against the mists of this confusion; the presence of some simple numerical and geometric symbols as an appeal to rational thought; and the use of the colour red as a warning.'

An interesting, skilful, and beautiful show at Gallery Bodalla, Post Office Bldg, Bodalla. Open 11am to 4pm Thursday to Sunday & by appointment, phone Valerie 0421 238 174 www.gallerybodalla.com.au

GORDON ROBINSON | CHRIS DENTON



Gordon Robinson detail one more beautiful day in paradox acrylic on canvas 154x278cm

RETROSPECT

thurs 11 jan to sun 11 feb 2024
please join us for opening drinks with
the artists saturday 13 january 3pm



Chris Denton background noise 10 drypoint 10x10cm edition of 20

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Moruya Museum presents....

A WOMAN'S LOT - EXHIBITION



Step into the past with A Woman's Lot, an exhibition that offers a captivating peek into the lives of women during the early 1900s. This era marked a fascinating transition from tradition to modernity, as women embraced expanding roles in business and the community while still retaining their traditional duties at home.

Where: Moruya Museum, 85 Campbell St, Moruya

When: Until end April 2024

Open: January: Wed/Fri/Sat.

February - April: Wed/Fri

10 am - 12 noon

Cost: \$5 adults, \$15 families, kids under 12 free.

<https://blog.mdhs.org.au/a-womans-lot/>

Batemans Bay Heritage Museum presents...

Steaming the South Coast

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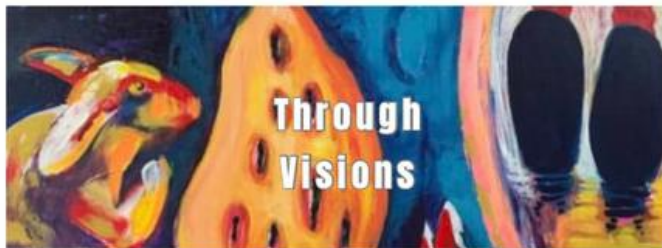
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Forest campaigners vow to fight on as court dismisses historic logging case

A Federal Court judge has dismissed a historic legal challenge to the agreement that allows logging in north-eastern NSW native forests. [1]

The North East NSW Regional Forest Agreement (North East RFA) covers the vast coastal area between Sydney and the Queensland border, and exempts logging from federal environmental assessment under the Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (EPBC Act). [2]

The North East Forest Alliance (NEFA) challenged the agreement in court arguing that when the RFA was renewed in 2018 for another 20 years, the Commonwealth did not assess climate change, endangered species or old-growth forests as it was required to.

Justice Perry dismissed those arguments. She found that such an assessment was not required, and in any event had occurred. Justice Perry did not make any finding in relation to the environmental sustainability of logging operations.

The case, lodged by the **Environmental Defenders Office** (EDO) on behalf of NEFA in August 2021, was the first legal challenge to an RFA in NSW since RFAs were entered into in 2000.

NEFA President Dailan Pugh said: "NEFA objected to the governments extending the North East RFA in 2018 based on 1997 data, without requiring a new assessment.

"It is therefore extremely disappointing that after a five-year legal battle this process of not requiring a contemporaneous assessment has been legally validated.

"The decision to not require a new assessment put at risk the survival of a multitude of species that have rapidly declined since 1997, including many nationally threatened species that are not adequately protected under NSW's logging rules and are being significantly impacted."

NEFA vice-president Susie Russell said "We are in the midst of extinction and climate crises, aggravated by the 2019-20 wildfires, rising temperatures and logging, so it is reprehensible that these species are still not receiving the immediate increase in protection Professor Samuel's review of the RFAs identified as needed back in 2020."

EDO Managing Lawyer Andrew Kwan said "We're disappointed by today's decision. Without law reform, it means that native forest logging in the region will continue to be exempt from Commonwealth environmental assessment for at least another 20 years.

"This could have devastating consequences for wildlife and forests. It is vital that our remaining native forests are properly protected by a reformed federal legal framework that includes strong national oversight.

"We will be closely considering the court's decision and speaking with our clients to discuss next steps. We will also continue our important work on the current reform of the EPBC Act, including a push to overhaul these ineffective native forest management laws."

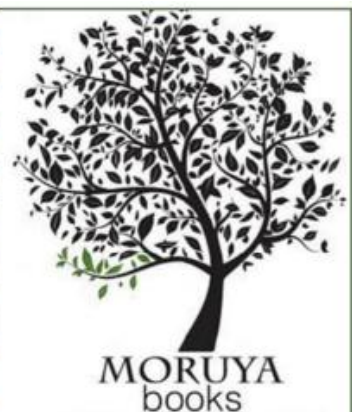
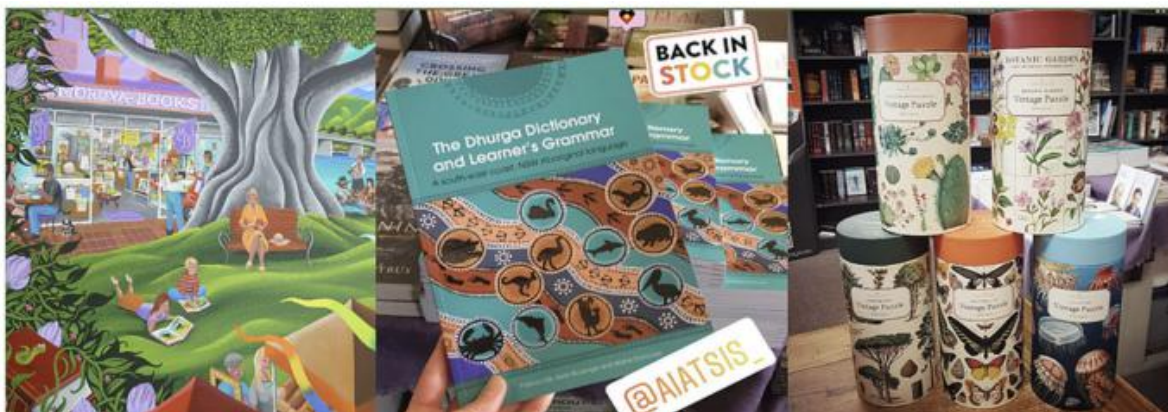
The **Australian Workers' Union** (AWU) has welcomed the Federal Court's rejection of a legal challenge against forestry in NSW.

The Environmental Defenders Office and North East Forest Alliance on Wednesday lost a legal challenge of a Regional Forest Agreement between the NSW and federal governments.

Thousands of workers' jobs were at risk if the EDO was successful as it could have led to the suspension of forestry in NSW, Victoria, Tasmania and WA.

Justice Melissa Perry found intergovernmental forestry agreements should be matters for elected governments rather than courts to decide.

AWU National Secretary Paul Farrow said the ruling was a major win for workers.



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Vale Jenny Conolly



Tribute to South Coast Citizen Scientist and 'ACT Parks' legend

Moruya Heads local Jenny Conolly (1962-2023) unexpectedly died on Christmas day after a brief illness. She was the iNaturalist moderator for the 'Plants of the Eurobodalla and Plants of the Shoalhaven' projects. Jenny was known to many local botanists as she conducted many iNaturalist citizen science workshops for locals for the Coastwatchers Great Eastern Ranges project in the last eighteen months.

In an active retirement Jenny moved from Canberra five years ago to her dream home in Moruya Heads. She loved both mountain biking and motor cycling on her Kawasaki 900. Jen also worked as an RFS volunteer on the South Coast fires of 2020. Her experience and training gained in the ACT Parks brigade was highly valued.

In her role with 'ACT Parks' she knew the importance of biosecurity before the term was coined. Jenny worked for the ACT Government for nearly 30 years and specialised in Invasive Species, an area in which she excelled. She was responsible for stopping and slowing the spread of numerous invasive plant species including Mexican Feather Grass, African Fountain Grass, and fireweed.

Her skills in spotting invasive plants, like mouse-ear hawkweed, were exceptional, and were recognised by the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service in Kosciuszko National Park. She also was one of the first to alert government to the threat posed by European Wasps both to public safety in recreational areas, and their impact on pollinators.

Jen also worked extensively with Parkcare and Urban Landcare volunteers on programs such as Weed Swap and the Bush Friendly Garden at Floriade. She also contributed to national weeds conference presentations on mapping and environmental weed control techniques.

She was very hard working and dedicated to protecting native vegetation and wildlife. Jen inspired many to work in the field of invasive species management and more recently citizens science using mobile phones to record local biodiversity on iNaturalist. Jen loved local native flowering plants.

Jen's contribution to nature conservation and biosecurity was immense. She will be greatly missed. She will remain with us as her ashes will be scattered off the coast.

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100 years ago from the Moruya & District Historical Society

*Knights Camping at Congo 1924***12-01-1924**

The latest development in connection with broadcasting is what is called television, or seeing by wireless. Master Noel, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Jeffery, accidentally shot himself in the leg on Friday. He was out shooting rabbits when he tripped, and rifle firing, the bullet entered the lad's ankle. Although the bullet has not yet been located, Noel is progressing favorably. After enjoying a fortnight's camping at the Moruya Heads with his wife and family during the holidays, Mr. Frank Knight is now suffering from a poisoned foot. During the past few months, rumours have been in circulation that it had been decided to obtain the granite from Moruya for the North Shore bridge approaches, and that from 500 to 700 men would commence work this month at Pompey Point Quarry. ... The Under-Secretary stated that the decision rests entirely with the successful tenderer as to whether this quarry will be made use of. In the event of it being decided to obtain the granite from Moruya, a considerable number of men will be employed quarrying and dressing the granite, and additional steamers will run between Moruya and Sydney.

On Friday last week the death of Mrs. Ester Constable, relict of the late Charles Constable took place. Deceased had resided in Moruya for the greater part of her life. She was the daughter of the late Mr. William Thomas and was born at Moruya 80 years ago. ... She had devoted her life to her home and the rearing of a large family. She and her sister Mrs. J. Green (who predeceased her eight months ago) were expert horse-women in the hey-day of their youth. Deceased leaves to mourn the loss of a fond and devoted mother four sons, Messrs. James William (Sydney), Charles (Dungog), Jerome (Sydney) and three daughters, Mesdames P. Corrigan, J. Mepstead (Sydney) and Kremmer (Melbourne). When leaving Narooma on Saturday last for Sydney, the coastal steamer Kianga struck the bar, and was slightly damaged. Pumps were put into operation and the steamer returned to the wharf. One of her planks forward was stove in. The hardwood aboard the steamer was unloaded. After a survey had been made temporary repairs were effected and she sailed for Sydney. The Kianga is a wooden twin screw steamer of 338 tons gross, owned by the Sawmillers' Shipping Co. Ltd., and in which Messrs. G. Mitchell (Moruya), C. and H. Mitchell (Narooma), M. Ryan and A. J. Fenning (Bateman's Bay) have an interest. The recent trip of the Kianga was an unlucky one, as while she was at Melbourne her cook fell overboard, but died after being rescued from the water.



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

Gadfly

On Christmas Day I dropped a little present off to the Chinese Ambassador to Australia, Xiao Qian: a copy of my 2017 book, Dragon and Kangaroo – their shared history from the goldfields to the present day. Though we hadn't met, it seemed his brief was to improve people-to-people relations between our two countries, and I figured that's worth a little encouragement.

Published by Hachette, it's a fairly straightforward chronicle of a complicated and uneasy relationship over the 200 years since John Macarthur imported the first Chinese shepherds to tend his growing flocks of Merinos in 1833.

It followed almost a dozen tourist visits to China by my wife Wendy and I from 1999 to 2014; including a lecture tour to three Chinese universities and the translation of several of my Australian history books – including the authorised biography of PM Kevin Rudd. It was greatly assisted by Richard Rigby, then Associate Director of the ANU's China in the World centre established by Rudd, and a list of former Australian ambassadors to China, from Stephen Fitzgerald to Ross Garnaut, Ric Smith, David Irvine and Mike Lightowler.

The text was completed in 2016, shortly after Malcolm Turnbull ousted Prime Minister Tony Abbott who had taken great pleasure in hosting an address to the Parliament by the visiting Chinese leader Xi Jinping. 'Dear friends,' Xi told Parliament, 'we Chinese are striving to achieve the Chinese dream, which is a great renewal of the Chinese nation. [It] is about enhancing the strength and prosperity of the nation and the wellbeing of the Chinese people...China is a large country of 1.3 billion people. It is like the big guy in the crowd. Others naturally wonder how the big guy will move and act.'

Answering his own question, he said, 'In modern times China was ravaged by turmoil and war for more than a century and development and a decent life were beyond the reach of its people. Having gone through this, China will never subject any country or nation to the same ordeal. While China is big in size, our forefathers realised over 2000 years ago that a warlike state. However big it may be, will eventually fall.'

'Nevertheless,' I wrote, 'America's Middle East forays in Afghanistan and Iraq provided China with the chance to bring the return of Taiwan to the People's Republic to the front line of his nation's ambitions.'

Seven years later, that issue is still unresolved and with America facing the opprobrium of chief Israeli apologist for the horrors of Gaza, the stalemate of the Ukraine-Russia war and the prospect of Donald Trump returning to the White House, 2024 could be a watershed year.

But I must confess that my Christmas gesture was powered more by selfish motives. During that relatively friendly period of Australia-China relations I had written two screenplays featuring Australia/China themes – a biopic of the great Australian journalist G.E. Morrison and a saga inspired by Sam Pu, our only Chinese bushranger – as well as a three-generation Treatment of a Chinese family in Australia, a real melodrama. If they reached the silver screen, they might well improve the people-to-people relationship.

At one stage, all looked very promising, and I travelled to Beijing a couple of times in an effort to bring them to the screen. But then came Turnbull and the other Morrison and everything fell apart. They probably won't get made during my lifetime, but I figured if I could make some inroads with the Ambo, my sons – and the estate – would reap the benefits.

Alas, when I arrived, mine was the only pressie to be left in its sad little Xmas paper bag. There wasn't even a guard to put it under cover and half an hour later the rain bucketed down...Oh well, maybe he reads CityNews...

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Welcome to 2024

In a recent article from SBS, Corelogic has reported that property prices (nationally) finished the year 8.1% up from the lows of 2022. We all know that regional areas do lag the larger capitals and we certainly didn't see those increases here. We finished the year strongly with a number of excellent sales, good results from our property management portfolio and a number of new strata complexes coming on board, which all bodes well for 2024.

So, if you have made a new year's resolution to sell or buy a property, why not give us a call so we can help you fulfill that goal. It is still the peak holiday period so please stay safe and drive carefully.

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A Beer with Bazz #142

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Longhurst

"It has gone downhill big time, Ron."

Mick took a generous sip, stepped back and sucked in a deep breath.

Ron gritted his teeth and ran his hand across his mouth.

"Mick ... you are not the kind of bloke that watches the ABC."

They paused for a sip and Mick raised an eyebrow.

"Ron, Ron.....Ron. I am parting with ten cents per day to fund the ABC*.... of course I keep an eye on it. However, I want some change back these days. Now... take the axing of The Drum...."

Bazza spluttered his schooner and his eyes widened.

"Now before you start, Bazza, I watched the odd edition of The Drum just to keep a tab on some of your loony left mates. Now, I reckon it would not have been chopped if it was a bit more balanced. You see... I really could not see myself in most of the guests on the program. Now... I am not blowing my own trumpet, but someone like me, as a regular guest, would even things up."

Chuckles all round and Bazza shook his head.

"Bloody hell, Mick, blokes like you are more than over represented in the media. A third of Australians are born overseas and more than half our population are women. I agree some of the guests were a bit out there but it was something different and touched on topics that often fly under the radar. In fact, over the past twelve months I preferred it to the not so cleverly named 7.30 which follows the news."

Mick smiled.

'Crikey, Bazza You're not happy with your ten cents a day either? I actually watched it the other night with my grandson for a good story on mullet haircuts."

Bazza squeezed his eyes.

"All hard hitting stuff, Mick. I mean there is mass killing in Gaza, war continuing to rage in the Ukraine, a climate crisis unfolding daily and the antics of Donald Trump. Nah..... Mick I am not happy with my ten cents a day being spent on stories about mullet haircuts. It's supposed to be the ABC's flagship current affairs program. The ABC has become obsessed with not offending anybody in pursuit of a very tight definition of 'balance'. If one side of the argument refuses to appear on the ABC, the National Broadcaster should have the ticker to run hard on the story regardless, and not be accused of bias."

Know all Ron cleared his throat.

"You want to bring back a bit of political biff, Bazza? You know..... a couple of heavy hits at the start of the interview to soften them up, followed by a few verbal uppercuts and viewers on the edge of their lounges for the knockout question. Ahhhhh.... remember the 1983 'Blood on Your Hands interview the ABC's Richard Carleton conducted with newly elected Labor Party Leader, Bob Hawke?'"**

Know All Ron paused and cracked his knuckles.

"I am with you for once, Bazza. I miss the biff."

Bazza rubbed his forehead as Mick leaned in.

Come on you blokes....lets finish these schooners so Bazza can get home and watch Antiques Roadshow."

*https://about.abc.net.au/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/FINAL_ally_ABC_Efficiency_Paper_A4_Final-Amended.pdf

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Passing of Steve Heffernan



The late Steve Heffernan... a farmer to the core.

By Phil Herrick

Many in the Moruya district were saddened to hear of the death of Mullenderee farmer Steve Heffernan on 2 January. Steve died suddenly at home. He was 70.

One of his family shared a photo of Steve on Facebook, saying "this was shared with me yesterday and it is Dad through and through.

"His cows, his hat, his funny chopped off fingers, the hay string being tied onto the trailer and used for another purpose, the dry land that he was always cursing and praying for rain to get the farm looking good again, someone else whipping out their phone to take a photo because he wouldn't have one....

"He was a farmer to the core and was from a generation before his time."

Earth's hottest year signals urgent need for climate action

Climate Council

Data from the European Union's Copernicus Climate Change Service has overnight confirmed that 2023 was the Earth's hottest year on record by a large margin.

The average global temperatures soared to 1.48°C above the pre-industrial average, surpassing the previous record in 2016 by 0.16°C and exceeding the 1991-2020 average by 0.6°C.

Research Director at the Climate Council Dr Bradshaw said: "It's alarming that 2023 broke heat records by such a considerable margin, with 2024 projected to be even hotter.

"The Copernicus summary reveals just how much hotter and more dangerous today's climate is than the relatively cooler and more stable climate in which human societies developed.

"We're seeing how much more extreme our climate becomes as we approach the 1.5°C warming threshold. This is why we must limit future warming as much as possible by getting our emissions down fast by rapidly phasing out the burning of fossil fuels such as coal, oil and gas. We can't keep stoking the fire if we want the room to cool down."

2023 saw extreme heat waves in southern Europe, North America and China, as well as devastating wildfires in Canada and Hawaii. Scientists also recorded record-breaking sea surface temperatures and record low sea ice extent around Antarctica in 2023.

Australia was the only continent that did not see large areas register record temperatures, but there were still deadly floods, storms and bushfires across the country.

Major General Peter Dunn, member of Emergency Leaders for Climate Action and former Commissioner for the ACT's Emergency Services Authority said: "The kind of extreme heatwaves we're likely to experience in the future, not only intensifies any fires that start, making them hotter and more difficult to control, but it also strains the capabilities of our emergency services to their limits. On the most severe days, the sheer number of fires makes it impossible to combat them all, putting first responders at risk.

"Not everyone has the luxury of a safe, cool home during these extreme conditions. Communities must be prepared with facilities like cool refuges and accessible community halls, ensuring everyone's safety during extreme heat and in preparation for the fire season.

"The impact of climate change on our communities is immediate and devastating. The urgency to stop relying on fossil fuels such as coal, oil and gas, which only worsen this crisis, has never been greater. The time has come for Australia to decisively move away from these harmful pollutants."

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Farmers and families at mercy of retail giants

NSW Farmers is calling for an ACCC inquiry into the supermarket retail sector as fair prices for consumers and farmers remain nowhere in sight.

"With grocery costs surging, consumers and their families are struggling to put food on the table – yet farmers are still receiving the same dysfunctional prices for their produce as they did when input costs were far lower," NSW Farmers President Xavier Martin said.

"It has become increasingly clear that margins are not being passed through the supply chain in a fair and equitable manner, and it is farmers and families who are footing the bill."

Mr Martin said farmers were bearing the brunt of the anti-competitive behavior by supply chain middlemen, with many NSW Farmers members reporting significant abuses of power by the major chains.

"Farmers are being offered increasingly lower prices that often don't cover their cost of production, with little justification and a 'take it or leave it' attitude from supermarkets," Mr Martin said.

"Many farmers have also faced the challenge of being locked into the one buyer due to their unique specifications and requirements, and some have even reported their produce has been rejected when a buyer has discovered they are also supplying other businesses."

According to Mr Martin, consumers were also suffering under the current system, which had seen the average weekly cost of groceries skyrocket.

"Consumer research shows that the average weekly cost of groceries increased by \$37 between February 2022 and February 2023," Mr Martin said.

"Not only are these price increases astonishing, but they are also increasingly unrealistic for consumers and their families in the current economic environment."

However, a review of the food and grocery code of conduct by former competition minister Craig Emerson would likely do little to address the pressures farmers and families face as a result of supermarket power abuses, Mr Martin said.

"As the Food and Grocery Code only covers a small fragment of the supply chain, it will not delve into the core issues that need to be addressed, such as price transparency and the excessive profits gained through price gouging," Mr Martin said.

"The Emerson review of the code will also rely solely on verbal testimony from stakeholders, rather than a rigorous ACCC analysis of the prices being charged to consumers, the prices being paid to suppliers and the costs supermarkets incur – which is what we desperately need.

"Failure to properly review these issues via the ACCC will likely force more farmers to exit the industry and lead to a reduction in food and fibre supply, further magnifying the rising food costs we are seeing today."

Mobile seafood vendor caught red handed selling recreationally caught Mud Crabs!

NSW DPI Fisheries

Fisheries Officers from Inverell conducted a routine post-harvest inspection on a mobile seafood vendor targeting the supply and sale of black-market seafood.

NSW DPI Fisheries Officers conducted a quality inspection of the vendor and reviewed prescribed records concerning the lawful seafood. As a result of the inspection Fisheries Officers found 4 cooked Mudcrabs located in a tub. The vendor failed to produce prescribed records concerning the Mud Crabs.

Fisheries Officers investigated the matter further and established that the Mud Crab in question was caught by the vendor using recreational methods. The Mud Crab was then sold by the vendor to members of the public.

The vendor did not hold a commercial fishing license or other authority that permitted the take of Mud Crab for sale in NSW.

A person must not take fish for sale unless authorised to do so by a commercial fishing license.

During the Christmas/New Year period there is an increase in demand for fresh seafood products. Fisheries Officers across the state conduct routine inspections on all seafood vendors with a focus on the take and sale of all seafood products including Mud Crab, Lobster, Abalone, Oysters and other fin fish species.

The vendor was issued with penalty infringement notices in relation to the matter.

NSW DPI Fisheries remind fishers that selling recreational caught seafood in New South Wales can result in heavy penalties.

If you see illegal fishing activities please report it to the Fishers Watch Hotline on 1800 043 536 or online at <https://bit.ly/38IU4OB>

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MEAN GIRLS
CTC | 1hr 52min ~ *Comedy ~ Musical* ~
Angourie Rice, Renee Rapp & Tina Fey
New student Cady Heron (Angourie Rice) is welcomed into the top of the social food chain by the elite group of popular girls called "The Plastics."




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MA | 1hr 45min ~ *Action ~ Thriller* ~
Jason Statham & Josh Hutcherson
The fast-paced action-thriller, which is steeped in the mythology of beekeeping, follows a man's personal journey of vengeance which takes on national stakes.




AQUAMAN AND THE LOST KINGDOM
M | 2hrs 4min ~ *Action ~ Adventure* ~
Jason Momoa
Aquaman balances his duties as king and the Justice League, while planning a wedding. Black Manta is on the hunt for Atlantean tech and Orm plots to escape his prison.



WONKA PG | 1hr 56min
~ *Family ~ Adventure* ~
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PG | 1hr 35min ~ *Animation ~ Comedy* ~
Ariana DeBose & Chris Pine
A young girl named Asha wishes on a star and gets a more direct answer than she bargained for when a trouble-making star comes down from the sky to join her.



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G | 1hr 31min ~ *Animation ~ Adventure* ~
Elizabeth Banks & Danny DeVito
A family of ducks try to convince their overprotective father to go on the vacation of a lifetime.



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PG | 1hr 28min ~ *Animation ~ Family* ~
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Volunteer mentors needed

CareSouth needs volunteer mentors for local kids in the Moruya / Batemans Bay / Narooma areas, as part of CareSouth's Aunties and Uncles program. Including male mentors! If you'd like to know more please contact us on 1300 554 260, email info@caresouth.org.au or visit [HERE](#)

Long Beach Community Association AGM

Members of the LBCA are invited to attend the 2024 Annual General Meeting.

Time: 12:30pm Date: Saturday, 27 January

Location: The Long Beach Fire Shed

If you're not a member it's easy to join - find out more at <https://www.longbeach.org.au>, and get along to the AGM!

Join the Global Day of Action

Ring the bell for Palestine, for solidarity & for peace. The 13 Jan is an International Day of Action for Palestine/Gaza. Join us at 3pm Saturday 13 Jan at St John's Commons Moruya, corner Page & Campbell St, Moruya. We will gather to ring the bell for peace. Late notice, pop up action; hope you can make it. The Day of Action is calling for a permanent ceasefire & peace and justice for all.

Thrift Alley Sunday - Sunday 14th January

2/45 Vulcan Street, MORUYA

Felt and Stone in Moruya is hosting an event for all the thrift lovers and op shop pirates.

Come from 10am to 2pm to shop a range of second hand, pre loved and vintage items from an array of stall holders. The alley way beside the shop will be lined with mini market stalls and a DJ will be on from 12pm onwards in the shop. Everyone is also welcome to head to the Monarch afterwards for some beers and music in the sun. Let's say F*** it to fast fashion and have a lush day of community and connection. We can't wait to see you! Free entry. All Welcome.

Tilba Markets this weekend

Great weekend for markets in Central Tilba! The Tilba Market on Saturday will have a great range of local arts and crafts, homewares, health and well being products, wood work, baked goods, fresh produce including delicious Araluen peaches, local honey and preserves.

On Sunday the monthly Trash n Treasure is on where you are certain to find a treasure.




Save the date!

OPEN DAY - BREAKFAST

Visit the campus, grab some breakfast, and explore local learning opportunities for 2024!



Date: Wednesday, 31 January
Time: 8am to 9:30am
Place: Moruya Campus
2857 Princes Hwy,
Moruya NSW 2537



MORUYA DISTRICT HOSPITAL AUXILIARY

If you would like to join the Hospital Auxiliary and help to raise funds for your Hospital you would be most welcome.

Meetings are held at the Moruya Golf Club on the 1st Monday of every month at 2pm. To find out more information...

Email: mdha@y7mail.com or POBox 469 Moruya 2537



Its Show Time!

27th & 28th of Jan 2024

Moruya Showground

Have you picked up this years show schedule? Copies are available at Bishops + Turnbills produce stores, Moruya vets and Moruya news agency.

The show schedule is accessible online at eurobodallashow.org.au/show-details/main-schedule

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Friday 19th January 2024

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 Gates open 12.30pm, First Race 1.35pm; Last Race 17.50pm

On course facilities include Bar, TAB, Bookies, ATM, Eftpos facilities as well as food inclusive the Moruya Ice Cream Café (Members), The Kiosk, Capriz Pizza Van as well as The Caffeissimo Coffee Van, D'Lish D'Lite Donut Van and Reggies Ice Cream Van

The day will feature:
 Kids Jumping Castle, Kids Face Painting, Entertainment by Party Mode DJ's.

Bus Services - Cost \$10 Return
 Club Narooma departing 12pm, for bookings please contact Club Narooma on (02) 44762135.
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SATURDAY

Animal nursery, Young Woman of the Year
 Competition (aka Miss Showgirl), Grand Opening,
 novelty events, Graham Brown Dog High Jump,
 wife carrying, rodeo in evening, Poddy Dodgers
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SUNDAY

Poultry pavilion, ute competition, novelty events,
 pet show, lawn mower racing, Gerry Bussa
 Memorial Motorbike Obstacle Course

Main schedule can be found on our website
<https://eurobodallashow.org.au/>
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Fishing report from Tackle World Moruya Moruya River.

The river is still suffering from the rains we are experiencing at present, with only short periods of respite between top falls, the river continues to run fresh albeit clearing.

As previously stated, this is pushing the majority of the fish towards the front of the system or onto the beaches.

There are still some good flathead being taken around the airports flats, Preddy's warrant the hole in the wall, but anglers are having to be persistent to find where the fish are holding.

Soft and hard vibes are working well, as the cast well, allow you to fish deep and create noise or vibrations through the water that help fish to find your presentation. Try the Nomad Squidtrex or the TT SwitchPrawns and SwitchBlades, both of which

Hi h we have in stock. For the bait fishos, look towards live baits of paddy mullet or nippers, or something with a high oil content like tuna fillet.

Further upstream, around Kiara bridge, there is a good chance of finding an afternoon bass holding around the bridge pylons, with the ever present hum of cicadas, surface lures and poppers have been working well.

Tuross River.

The concentrating affect of the rain pushing fish into the lower sections of the river, unfortunately also concentrates the anglers, with the lower section of Tuross looking a lot like pit street, as anglers line the banks or jostle for position mid river in boats hoping to find a few fish. A bit patience is required at this time of the year, while demand on the rivers is high. If crowds aren't your thing, maybe trying another area is the best option.

There are still some nice fish being found, time and persistence are required to find the fish at this time of year in these conditions.

Even though we are in the a dark phase of the moon, prawning has really taken a big hit from the rains. Until Coila lake opens and flushes out, prawning efforts here are going largely unrewarded at the moment.

Rock and Beach.

Again the beaches are offering the most reliable and consistent catches this week. With good numbers of salmon, bream, whiting, flahead, tailor and the odd mulloway or shark being encountered. Pipis, worms or live nippers are working well for the flathead, bream and whiting in the close gutters or areas of mixed ground, while metals lures cast and retrieved or pilchards on gang hooks are working for the bigger predators.

No particular beach is fishing better than any other, it just a matter of finding a good gutter, and trying your luck. If holiday crowds aren't your thing, then a bit of travel to less populated beaches can yield both the peace and quiet, and the fish you are after.

The rocks have been holding a few drummer this week also, just keep an eye on the sea conditions and swell direction and size, and remember, no fish is worth dying for.

Offshore.

There are still good reports from the guys liking a trip over the bar this week, with snapper being taken from depths as shallow as 10m all the way out to the 50-60m mark.

Flathead have also been on the cards over sand areas between drifts as well.

With the moon phase as it is this weekend, keep a close eye on the bar at low tide!! There is not going to be very much water under your boat at dead low tide, and the Moruya bar is probably best avoided at this stage of the tide.

A lot will depend on prevailing winds and swell size and direction, but my best bit of advice is to sit and watch for as long as you need to make an informed decision. The Moruya bar cam is an excellent tool to use before you even hitch the boat up to the car. It provides an excellent view of what is happening swell and tide wise on the bar itself.

The bait freezer is missing a few items this week, with Whitebait still a no show, along with Hawksbury prawns, mullet fillet, 400gm bags of salted pilles and 1lb boxes of squid. I have upped the stock of other baits to cover the short fall we have, so there should be enough for everyone.

The soft plastics wall is looking very depleted along with some sizes of hooks, as is the norm post Xmas. We have orders in the system to replenish these stocks, but it does take time this time of year to get stuff.

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

Team Tackle World Moruya.

Hotondo Homes Broulee Bay to Breakers Ocean Swim

Sunday 10 March 2024 from 9am

An ocean swim from Broulee Island's Bay around the headland to Broulee Surf Beach. 1.4km for Open and Age divisions, an all age 1.4km flipper swim and a 500m swim for under 12, under 14s and Novice ocean swimmers.
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Tuross Head Vets Golf Results Wednesday 10th January 2024.

A field of 49 players registered for a Special Par event today. The weather was perfect and the course in great condition.

The Winners today were:

- 1st: Gail Rogers +7
- 2nd: Ken Hush +7
- 3rd: Shirley Quinlan +7
- 4th: Greg Bush +3
- 5th: John Cox +2
- 6th: Annette Manton +1
- 7th: Graham Moore +1
- 8th: Frank Pomfret +1
- 9th: Maree Coffey +1
- 10th: Paul Coffey +1
- 11th: Warren Hodder 0 (countback)
- 12th: Ian Manton 0 (countback)
- 13th: Rob Nash 0 (countback)

Nearest to the Pins:

- 4th: Rob Nash
- 6th: Nil
- 7th: Ladies: Gail Rogers
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Accuracy: Mike Birks

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Winner: Gail Rogers

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When: Saturday 13th & Sunday 14th
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A SAFE DRIVING TIP from Teensafe to all drivers - kangaroos and wallabies are regular casualties on our regional roads, mainly between dusk and dawn. To avoid serious injury to you, we recommend that if a roo suddenly appears in front of your car, try to avoid the reflex impulse to quickly swerve as you may lose control of the car, hit a tree or oncoming vehicle or roll, not a good outcome.

Safer to brake steadily and hold your steering line, you will have more control of the car, especially at highway speeds. You cannot predict which way a roo will run if startled, sometimes at you, sometimes not. It's sad if you hit a roo but better than serious damage to you or your car if you lose control.

Rather than a potentially dangerous impulse swerve, by reading this, the memory will store in your brain and is likely to speed up your driver reaction a vital fraction of a second quicker when confronted suddenly with a roo on the road in front of you one dark night.

This is one of many safe driver tips to young drivers at a Teensafe course.

Safe driving,

Gary Smith, Teensafe manager

Sharks PRE SEASON TRAINING ALERT

The first pre season training session for first grade, reserve grade, leaguetag and u18s is next Tuesday 16th of Jan starting at 6pm sharp at Ack Weyman Oval. All players past and present are encouraged to join. The next session will be Friday 19th of Jan at 6pm.

At the conclusion of training a BBQ will be provided. We look forward to seeing you there.

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Batemans Bay Sailing Club report January 6th and 7th



Horizon and Sail La Vie. Photos Terry Paton.

"It was a great weekend for sailing when Batemans Bay Sailing Club held the annual South Coaster Regatta on January 6th and 7th. On Saturday afternoon the race was over BBSC's challenging Pentastar course, which features return legs going out to the corners of Batemans Bay from the Marine Park mark in the middle of the Bay. One point of the star was absent after the Wimbie Beach mark went missing.

Eight yachts were entered with seven showing up on Saturday. An even start line was set by Race Officer Terry Paton and his trusty sidekick Andrew Bain aboard the committee vessel "Shlaam". In a 15 to 20 knot seabreeze most of the boats were carrying full mainsails and number 3 headsails. "Wishful Thinking" (John Tracey) grabbed the boat end starting position and led around the first rounding of the Middle mark from "Accolade" (Lachlan Brown) and "Moonmist" (Tony Sutton).

There followed a fetch to the Chain Bay mark before a broad reach back to the Middle mark and a work to the Yellow Rock mark. On this leg "Wishful" overstood the mark on the starboard tack layline and handed the lead to "Accolade". "Attitude" (Simon Byrne) got past "Moonmist" into third place. "Sail La Vie" (John Drummond) was positioned further back but going well on PHS.

After the spinnaker run back to the Middle mark it was a fetch, this time on port tack, out to the Tollgates mark and a broad reach back to the Middle mark. Rounding this most of the yachts set spinnakers for the run to the Caseys Beach mark. At this stage "Accolade" still had a handy lead but "Wishful" was able to get into another wind lane on the work back to the Middle mark and caught right up again.

On the final run back to the finish "Accolade" had an untimely roundup while setting the spinnaker, allowing "Wishful" to sail past to leeward and win by 28 seconds over the line after nearly 2 hours of racing. On PHS "Wishful" just held out "Attitude" with "Sail La Vie" third. "Avior" (Peter Paterson) did not finish. "Horizon" (Michelle Grybaitis) scored a convincing win in Division 2.

On Sunday only "Accolade" and "Moonmist" started the race, the 20 to 30 knot forecast discouraging some of the other skippers. Both yachts set number 4 headsails and double reefed mainsails. It was a handicap start with "Moonmist" starting 7 minutes ahead of "Accolade". Conditions favoured the more powerful Adams 10.6 "Accolade" over the Farr 1020 "Moonmist". The "Moonmist" crew didn't do themselves any favours by sailing right over the top of the windward mark at Chain Bay. They subsequently did a 720 degree turn to exonerate the rules breach. "Accolade" got past on the next work to win by 50 seconds.

Full results are up on the BBSC website www.bbsc.org.au. The next BBSC keelboat race will be the Bengello Property Services Two Bays Classic on Australia Day.

UPCOMING RACE MEETINGS

- Sunday 17th December - Narooma Cup
- Monday 8th January - Moruya Cup
- Friday 19th January - Afflick Race Day
- Sunday 3rd March - SERA CHAMPIONSHIPS QUALIFIER
- Saturday 30th March - Rotary Easter Charity Raceday
- Friday 26th April
- Sunday 26th May
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