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#### AGENDA

#### ORDINARY MEETING OF EUROBODALLA SHIRE COUNCIL TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MORUYA **ON TUESDAY 19 NOVEMBER 2024**

COMMENCING AT 12.30PM

(Proceedings of this meeting will be recorded as per Eurobodalla Shire Council's Code of Meeting Practice)

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17. DEALING WITH MATTERS IN CLOSED SESSION

18. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

#### Council road care cuts bite

By Phil Herrick

Cuts to road maintenance in this year's Eurobodalla Shire Council budget are starting to bite, with around 24 of the shire's unsealed roads about to have maintenance grading halved compared to previous years.

The details of the grading program for the coming year will be tabled at next Tuesday's council meeting. It follows the council decision last June to slash over \$1.1 million from next year's road maintenance program.

The move came as council struggles to make ends. The financial position made worse as council continues to fund annual losses over \$6 million operating the Bay Pavilions.

Unsealed road maintenance grading will be done once a year on most of the 400km on around 115 roads on the council's list. Only 6 roads will be graded twice a year. In 2021 council graded 32 roads twice a year.

Araluen Road, one of the most important unsealed roads in the shire will get only one grading this year.

When council decided to make the cuts last year they dismissed a presentation in the public forum from Araluen Road resident Peter Cormack.

"It's hard to find a better example of false economy," he told councillors, as he pointed out the cost council will face when roads that will see less grading deteriorate rapidly, eventually needing major repairs.

Infrastructure director Graham Attenborough defended the reduced maintenance budget, saying the approach was professional and pragmatic.

"It's a balance," he said. "There's little sense grading a road that's in good condition."

Residents on unsealed roads can console themselves that their sacrifice of safety and comfort is not in vain, knowing money cut from grading their road is subsidising the Bay Pavilions to present gems like "Kath and Kim Drag Bingo" at the Yuin Theatre.

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# Moruya High School Class of 2024



Moruya High School reports: A wonderful night enjoyed by all who attended the Year 12 farewell formal which was held at the Moruya Golf club on Tuesday 12 Nov. Former students and staff, parents/carers mingled in the grounds of the golf club to have photos taken. Current staff members acted as MC and DJ where each student received a beautiful graduation lei and over 20 members of staff and executive attended to farewell the group. A scrumptious cake created by Bodalla Bakery was enjoyed by all. After the Principal's address and speeches by student leaders, all of the guests were invited to do the Group dance of the Two Step led by the King and Queen of the Formal.

# Federal loan to keeping Rex flights operating

The Federal Government recognises the importance of having a strong regional aviation sector to support communities, including on the Far South Coast, to run their businesses, access health and other services, and to keep connected.

The Government has announced it will provide up to \$80 million in loan financing to keep Rex's regional routes running during an extension of the voluntary administration process – through to 30 June 2025.

Administrators will seek this extension from the Federal Court of Australia, with the Government's financing to ensure regional travellers can continue to access these critical aviation services. The Government will continue to guarantee ticket sales made throughout the Voluntary Administration to 30 June 2025, should the Federal Court agree to the extension application.

This will ensure regional people, including on the Far South Coast, can continue to book with confidence, or get their money back if flights do not go ahead – with this guarantee yet to be used, and flight bookings holding up well.

The Government has also agreed to grant former Rex employees early access to the Fair Entitlements Guarantee during the voluntary administration process, which will ensure its extension does not delay access to their entitlements. In addition, Rex's administrators and main secured creditor PAG have advised they will pay the entitlements of former employees of the regional business who have been made redundant during the Voluntary Administration period.

Earlier this year, the Government also suspended the 'use it or lose it' test on Rex's regional NSW slots at Sydney Airport, through to late March 2026 – ensuring a decline in other services does not impact regional flight access.

The Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts will continue to work with Administrators, as they work to implement a turnaround strategy for Rex's regional aviation business.



# Bay Pavilions losses get worse

The community should prepare for more sharp cuts to council services - or a sharp increase in rates - as the losses at the Batemans Bay Pavilions pool, theatre and gym show no sign of decreasing, and instead are accelerating past \$6 million this year, adding to the \$11 million lost on operating the Pavilions since opening in 2022.

The budget review for the first financial year quarter to 30 September to be tabled at next Tuesday's Eurobodalla Shire Council meeting paints a bleak picture of the Pavilions finances.

Income 30% off target

The council is budgeting a loss this year of \$6.2 million, including depreciation, and a cash loss of \$3.7 million. The money to cover the cash loss has to come from the General Fund and council has already raided the road maintenance budget.

But income from the first three months of the financial year failed to meet the budget target. One quarter of the annual expected revenue is \$1,058,911 but only \$751,518 was banked between July to September – 30% off target.

If that trend continues the annual cash loss could grow by over \$1 million, meaning over \$4.5 million will have to be drawn from General Fund cash. To put that in perspective, council will get \$45 million this year in General Fund rates. So, 10% of this money may have to be spent subsidising this one building, instead of other community needs like roads, footpaths, libraries and public toilets.

#### No Action from GM or council

What should worry ratepayers is the lack of drive from the General Manager and his staff to make any radical changes to reverse the losses. They have accepted the Pavilions will continue to suck money away from more essential services and plan for additional losses over \$50 million in the next 10 years.

The Pavilions Sustainability Plan tabled just before the council elections was a waffle-rich, selective compilation of recommendations from consultants delivered to council over a year before. It was able to include the consultant's recommendations because a year of inaction meant they were all still on the table.

Can they build the business?

There are steps that could be taken to increase business and cut losses, but none seem to interest the GM or his staff.

The building sits at the busiest intersection in the shire. Would it not make sense to have an electronic billboard at the traffic lights promoting shows at the theatre, pool activities and gym membership?

The theatre continues to promote acts more at home in a suburban RSL Club, such as upcoming attractions "Kath and Kim Drag Bingo" and tribute shows to Johnny Cash, Roy Orbison and Fleetwood Mac. Better programming may increase revenues.

The Milton Theatre, smaller than the Pavilions Theatre and run by volunteers, is able to present a great list of Australian and international musicians that draw people from across the region. Even the Waterfront Hotel in Moruya can deliver more varied, crowd pleasing and profitable entertainment in their simple tent than the council can in a theatre subsidised by ratepayers.

Consultants KPMG recommended council try and attract other businesses or partners into the Pavilions to generate continuing income. There are a number of options to explore, from a fast food outlet to serve northbound highway traffic to a revived mini golf course. The GM and his staff say this is not an urgent priority.

#### Action from new councillors?

In building the Pavilions council entered an aggressive market for limited recreation and entertainment dollars. The theatre competes with local clubs and theatres, the gym competes with a number of businesses in the Bay. Even the decision to design the pool as an entertainment centre with waterslides and other attractions means higher costs that must be covered by increased patronage that has not materialised.

Council is great at delivering community services like roads, water and sewerage where there is no competition and community needs are understood. The skills of council staff are in delivering these services, not in running an entertainment business.

The resulting financial debacle was an election issue for some of our new councillors. Those seeking re-election kept silent.

It will be interesting to see if the newcomers can light a fire under the General Manager and his staff and get some progress on increasing income and cutting losses, or encouraging a reckoning with the reality that operating the Pavilions in its current form is unsustainable.





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# Lest We Forget" - Remembrance Day in Moruya 2024





Moruya RSL SubBranch reports: Thank you to all involved and wonderful to see our Branch President, Rob Griffith (Army RTD), welcome 2 new Veterans and to pin the Australian Defence Medal on both of them. Thank you to our guest speaker, Lt.Col. Denise Oliver CSM (Rtd) for your inspiring words about Service. Service can impact not only our Veterans, both serving and retired, but also family members. If you need support OpenArms details can be found below: <a href="https://www.openarms.gov.au/get-support">https://www.openarms.gov.au/get-support</a> Photos: Anthony Mayne

# Felt poppy making project at Moruya Library



Vickki Mennie from the RSL Sub Branch has thanked the ladies who have 'Jumped on board' with our 'Thank a 'Digger' with a poppy' Community Project - Lyn, Marilyn, Dawn, Frances, Kim, Margaret, Nerrida, Donna, Sophie, Raylea. "A massive thank you to Sue Hunt who has become my right hand in the project and lead the workshop. Finally, a huge thank you to Moruya Library for partnering with us to ensure a successful project. We are on our way to 3000 poppies.

Everyone is welcome to 'Jump on board."

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Sven and Alexzandra Olsen from Tuross Head teamed up with Judith Blackman to contribute 201 poppies on sticks.

#### New Housing Delivery Authority to boost supply

The Minns Labor Government is today announcing the establishment of a new state-led approval pathway for major residential housing projects, as well as a process for rezonings - neither having to be approved by councils, cutting approval times and speeding up the delivery of new homes.

The Housing Delivery Authority

This reform will come into effect in early 2025 following a short and sharp consultation with stakeholders. This will be available for new housing developments above an estimated development cost of \$60 million (on average 100 or more homes) in Greater Sydney and a cost of approximately \$30 million (on average 40 or more homes) in regional NSW. This pathway will be overseen by the new Housing Delivery Authority (HDA) and will be established within the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI). The HDA will include the Secretary of the Premier's Department Simon Draper, the Secretary of the Department of Planning Kiersten Fishburn and the Chief Executive Officer of Infrastructure NSW, Tom Gellibrand. The Minister for Planning and Public Spaces remains the consent authority for projects through this pathway.

Housing is the biggest single cost of living pressure people are dealing with right now. And while we have already pushed through the biggest housing reforms in a generation there is still a disconnect between the state's need to support new housing, and our ability to make it happen through the current

Proposals in this pathway will not be required to be considered by councils for development and will benefit from an approval timeline that is potentially

reduced by years.

Proposals will also be selected through an expression of interest (EOI) process with established criteria. They will be assessed on merit with a flexible approach to planning controls, including any incremental zoning changes required to pursue a development application.

**Rezoning process** 

As part of this reform the Minns Labor Government is also introducing a new pathway that will allow selected projects which would deliver significant housing uplift, but require more significant rezonings, to go through a DPHI led fast track rezoning pathway that does not require a council process. These projects will also be selected through an EOI process run by the HDA, where proponents will be able to submit rezoning proposals for consideration. The proposals will be considered against a set of criteria which the HDA will now consult stakeholders on, that are consistent with the state's housing

This approach will have the benefit of allowing new projects to go through rezoning and development assessment at the same time.

These reforms will reduce the number of large complex development applications councils are required to assess each year, freeing up resources for councils to assess less complex development applications before them. These measures build on a series of transformative reforms to simplify the planning system and unlock housing supply after a decade of inaction by the former government, including:

· The largest ever rezoning in NSW history.

· Housing targets for councils to rebalance housing across Greater Sydney.

• \$450 million to build new apartments for essential workers including nurses, paramedics, teachers, allied health care workers, police officers and fire fighters.

A council league table to measure housing delivery.

- · The largest ever investment in the state's history with \$5.1 billion dedicated to delivering social and affordable housing.
- · A land audit of vacant government owned land that will unlock 30,000 homes including 8,400 public homes built by the government.

Premier's new Planning Pathway a Christmas gift for developers

"Today the Premier has handed property developers an early Christmas present at the expense of every community in NSW, by sidelining councils and communities from the planning and assessment process.

The new planning authority announced by the Premier will create a new pathway for property developers to propose their own planning controls on sites of their choosing by going straight to the state-led authority and completely bypassing community-led planning. Under the Premier's proposal, a new three-person state-led planning authority will bypass local councils and will have the ability to approve or reject developments worth more than \$60 million in Sydney and \$30 million in rural and regional areas. The announcement has been strongly condemned by

Cr Darriea Turley AM, the President of Local Government NSW (LGNSW), the peak body for

local government.

"Councils are in shock and are bitterly disappointed," Cr Turley said. "We know full well there is a housing crisis, and we honestly thought we were working with the State Government in good faith to address it. We were working collaboratively to improve the planning processes and ensure the voices of our communities are heard as part of any reform.

"Instead, without any warning, the Premier has moved the goalposts and dropped this bombshell.

'Removing councils from the spot rezoning process means removing the community's voice. It will give developers a clear run to propose their own height limits, density and green space settings – it means developers will now run our communities, not residents.

This is putting our communities in jeopardy – it's not just about amenity, it's about the liveability of our communities – not just for us, but for generations to come. This new pathway will deliver windfall gains for developers and worsen congestion, create overcrowding and remove the safeguards that protect communities from inappropriate and ad hoc development. It also completely undermines

community trust in planning.
"Undermining local planning will put even more pressure on infrastructure and communities, as residential towers rise where the roads, hospitals, schools and open space cannot accommodate them.

"This government is quick to blame delays on councils. Yet it is well established that the overwhelming cause of delays stem from infrastructure delivery issues, cost of materials, labour and financing harming project viability, and other hold-ups from a multitude of government agencies.

The housing crisis is serious and requires genuine, evidence-based solutions, not scapegoating that ignores the broader challenges in housing construction that are beyond the control of the

planning system. "LGNSW calls on the NSW Government to listen to all communities, not just developers, in addressing the housing crisis. Come back to the table and work with local government, not against us.



# \$48 million mobile coverage boost for regional New South Wales

The Australian and the Minns Labor Governments have announced up to \$48 million in joint funding to deliver better mobile coverage along highways and major roads for Australians who live, work or holiday in regional and remote NSW.

The NSW Government is contributing up to \$38 million through the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development.

The Federal Government's national \$50 million Regional Roads Australia Mobile Program will contribute \$9 million towards projects partnering with the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development and a further \$1 million from the NSW Telco Authority.

The work being undertaken is designed to test practical solutions and includes projects like addressing coverage gaps on a key transport corridors by investing in new infrastructure such as small cell sites, macro cell towers and 'cell on wheels' solutions.

The work is expected to improve safety on our roads, strengthen economic growth, improve social connectivity, and support regional development. The program will test new or innovative solutions to improve connectivity and will strongly encourage multi-carrier solutions including operators using the same mobile towers to avoid duplication of infrastructure.

Minister for Communications, the Hon Michelle Rowland MP said "The Australian Government is narrowing the digital divide in rural and regional Australia.

"This important pilot program is just another way we're delivering significant connectivity and safety improvements for communities across New South Wales and nationally as the remainder of the program is rolled out.

'The NSW Government's pilot program will work with industry to identify and test innovative and new technical solutions which, if proven, have the potential to be delivered more broadly.

"The RRAMP pilot programs are being delivered under the Albanese Government's \$1.1 billion Better Connectivity Plan for Regional and Rural Australia, which is funding initiatives to improve connectivity for regional and rural communities right across Australia."

Minister for Regional NSW, The Hon Tara Moriarty MLC said

"We are focused on closing the digital divide in some of the state's most notorious highway black spots, improving safety for road users and ensuring they can easily navigate and stay connected with family and friends while on the move."

NSW Minister for Emergency Services, The Hon Jihad Dib MP

"Mobile coverage blackspots along our highways can be incredibly frustrating and potentially life-threatening for people living and working in or travelling through rural and remote communities. This initiative follows the inaugural Regional Connectivity Ministers Roundtable in August 2023, where states and territories agreed to partner with the Government to deliver improved mobile coverage across regional Australia. The NSW Government is now seeking Expressions of Interest from industry partners to deliver these initiatives.



#### Southern NSW Voluntary Assisted Dying Team recognised for multidisciplinary collaboration in national awards



The Southern NSW Voluntary Assisted Dying Program team were awarded the Rural/Remote Multidisciplinary Collaboration of the Year award at the National Rural and Remote Health Awards this week.

This large multidisciplinary project team were recognised for their collaboration with staff and the community to initiate a new, accessible Voluntary Assisted Dying (VAD) model of care for the dispersed rural population in their region.

COORDINARE's CEO, Prudence Buist, applauds the program team for their award: "This award is well deserved as the team has consistently demonstrated an outstanding commitment to collaboration and consultation with a broad range of professionals and stakeholders, including the many GPs working in Southern NSW.

"At COORDINARE we focus our efforts to achieve a one-system mindset to improve the health and wellbeing of our community. The Southern NSW Voluntary Assisted Dying Program is a wonderful example of how our community benefits when true collaboration is achieved," said Ms Buist.

In receiving the reward, Janice Dalton, Southern NSW Local Health District (SNSWLHD) Community Aged and Disability Program Manager, said a strong relationship with COORDINARE played an important role in establishing the SNSWLHD service. "We worked really closely with the PHN, which was crucial because most of the process steps for VAD are conducted by medical authorised practitioners who have completed the training, and we needed to make sure that we had a wide GP base engaged across our district," said Janice. COORDINARE's medical director Southern NSW, Dr Nabila

The project engaged with multidisciplinary representatives from services such as medical, nursing, allied health, pharmacy, palliative care, medical and cancer services, aboriginal health, medical records, residential care facilities, primary health practitioners, COORDINARE - South Eastern NSW PHN, HealthShare, community consultancy committees, general practitioners and religious groups.

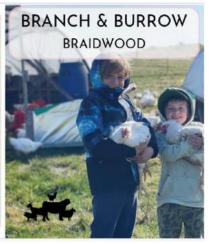
Rajabali is the team's Project Medical Lead.



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#### National anti-vaping program for young Australians

The Australian Government is rolling out a national program to prevent young people from taking up vaping.

The OurFutures vaping program for Year 7 and 8 students will be available to reach more than 3,000 schools across the country. Vaping is endemic in Australian schools, and it has become the number one behavioural issue for many students.

Data shows 1 in 6 high school students have vaped recently. Most concerningly, 12-year-olds who had vaped are 29 times more likely to go on to try smoking than 12-year-olds who had not vaped.

Developed by experts and co-designed with educators and young people, OurFutures puts vaping education and intervention in reach of all students regardless of school resources.

The program, based on the effective OurFutures prevention model, cuts through misinformation, using a comprehensive harm-minimisation and social influence approach to empower young people to avoid vaping.

A current trial of the OurFutures Vaping program – developed and delivered by the University of Sydney's Matilda Centre for Research in Mental Health and Substance Use – is proving to be successful.

Led by Prof Nicola Newton, Dr Lauren Gardner and A/Prof Emily Stockings, this is the first clinical trial of an online vaping prevention program in Australia.

Initial results with over 5,000 students in NSW, Queensland, and WA showed that immediately after receiving the program, students had significantly reduced intentions to vape, as well as improved knowledge about the harms and risks associated with vaping.

Over 8 in 10 students said the skills and information they learnt would help them deal more effectively with vaping situations in the future.

Data from the trial has also revealed a clear association between poor mental health and vaping among Australian students, with those experiencing severe depressive symptoms and/or high levels of stress being more than twice as likely to have vaped. The OurFutures expansion comes as the Australian Government vaping reforms cut off the pipeline of vapes being sold to young people.

Therapeutic vapes are now behind the pharmacy counter, rather than stocked at corner stores and vape shops with flavoured products designed to entice school students.

All these steps are part of the Australian Government's plans to protect young Australians from the harms associated with vaping. Schools can register their interest in the <u>OurFutures vaping program</u>. Young people can get further information about <u>vaping and their mental health</u>.

**Degrowth to Steady State: Empowering Sustainable The Presentation.** "I'd also like to acknowledge the countless generations of life, both human & non-human, who'll follow us, and for whom we today, act as custodians of the land. And I'd like to publicly declare that we have a moral & ethical responsibility- to hand on the land in as good, or better shape than we received it."

This is how Martin Tye of Broulee, will begin his presentation, "Degrowth to Steady State: Empowering Sustainable" at the Red Door, Moruya on **Saturday 23 November at 3 pm.** 

The presentation then goes on to explain why endless growth, as an economic ideology, is no longer fit for purpose in a world now in massive overshoot. It explains why a new ideology, a new system and a new way of thinking is needed and how it can be achieved.

Martin is the Director, Australian Regional Communities Division, for the Center for the Advancement of the Steady State Economy, a USA based organisation promoting a new economic system with deep foundations in the rapidly emerging field of Ecological Economics.

His talk will present you with some interesting concepts to ponder, and will allow plenty of time for Q &A.

A whole new economic system to empower "sustainable"? Is it possible? Why not come along and see what you think? This is a free community event.

## Horizon Bank is Celebrating 60 years of Service to the Illawarra & South Coast

This November, Horizon Bank proudly marks their 60th Anniversary, commemorating six decades of dedicated service as a customerowned financial institution in the Illawarra and South Coast.

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A recent customer survey conducted in April 2024 revealed a remarkable 96% satisfaction rating amongst customers, with 92% of borrowers indicating they would recommend Horizon Bank for their competitive home and car loan interest rates.

Horizon is passionate and take pride in supporting their local communities by regularly engaging in local sponsorships & events, lending a hand with local organisations in their footprint, and in the last 2 years the success of their Horizon Bank Community Grants Program which has seen approximately \$175,000 granted in that time.

60 years on and Horizon remains committed to providing gold star service to their customers and look forward to continuing to make a positive impact in the Illawarra & South Coast regions for decades to come.



#### 100 years ago from the Moruya & District Historical Society

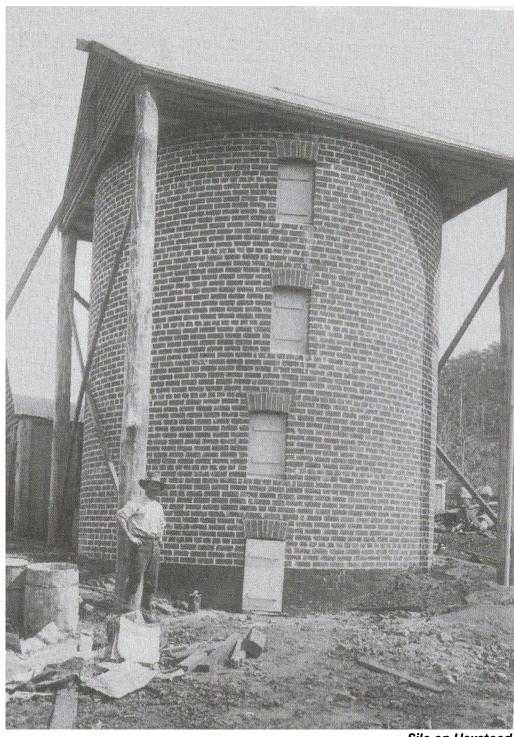
#### 15-11-1924

On Saturday night last the death took place at the local hospital of a little boy aged 4 years, youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. French, of Mogo. The cause of death was gastritis.

Mr. Horex Read, of Haxtead Farm, Central Tilba, passed away at midnight last Thursday at the ripe age of 86 years. Deceased, who was a bachelor, was one of the pioneers of Tilba, having come there just after Mr. S. W. Bate. Mr. Ritchie Read, of Kent Farm, is a nephew, and Mr. Burgess, who it is said, started the first paper in Bega, was a brother-in-law of deceased. The funeral was held on Saturday afternoon, the Rev. Herd, of Moruya, officiating.

Mr. A. W. Constable and others who signed a petition to our Shire Council to have repairs made to Congo Road, are in receipt of the following from Mr. W. Jermyn, Shire Clerk: - "In reply to your petition dated 27th October, re repairs to the above road, I have been instructed by my Council to ask if any of the petitioners will be good enough to give any assistance in carrying out the work. Thanking you in anticipation for an early reply." So far three of the petitioners, Messrs. R. N. Bull, J. Staunton, and A. W. Constable have promised to give assistance by each contributing 10s towards paying for the work.

The directorate of the Moruya Cooperative Dairy Co. has received notice that in accordance with the 1915 Act, the cheese factory at Gundary must be brought up to the standard. The Managing Director, Mr. R. B. Heffernan, informs us that the matter is to be placed before the shareholders for discussion at an early date.



Silo on Haxstead

**Quite a stir** was caused here on Tuesday morning when the 'Advance Guard' of Dorman, Long and Co's employees arrived in three special cars. They were met by the officers of the Eurobodalla Shire at the Council Chambers. With the exception of Mr. Martin, the Company's manager in Sydney, the other gentlemen are only recent arrivals from Scotland. After luncheon had been partaken of an inspection of the granite quarry was made, the officers expressing themselves as highly delighted with appearance of the stone. Messrs. Gilmore, quarry manager, Morrison and Davidson, assistants, with their families, have since been busy ensconcing themselves in the cottages rented to them by Messrs. Preddey and Jenner. Mr. Blake, chief civil engineer, will not reside here, having leased a house at Killara.

Mr. W. Colefax has been appointed by Dorman, Long and Co. as timekeeper and teller at Pompey Point quarry works.

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# Lions Club High Tea in Honour of Lifetime Member the Late Mary Kell



Seventy three people attended the high tea on Saturday.

Moruya Lions Club would like to thank all those that attended our first ever High Tea and Second Hand Fashion Parade held in Honour of the Late Mary Kell, lifetime Lions Club member. The Late Mary Kell, for those that didn't have the privilege of knowing Mary, was posthumously awarded Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) in the General Division for service to the community through a range of volunteer roles including: Lions Australia

- Former Life Member, Moruya Lions Club.
- Lions Lady, Tumut Lions Club 1940s- 1960s.
- Dorrigo Former member, treasurer and Lions Lady.
- Former volunteer Moruya Hospital Auxiliary and Dorrigo Branch.
- Former Committee member, treasurer, artistic director cast member and life member of The Moruya Red Door Theatre.
- Mary was involved in numerous other volunteer groups over the years in her time in Dorrigo and Tumut.

All slices, cakes and scones were homemade by Lions Club members and friends and there were at least a dozen different slices including lemon, peppermint, cherry, and various chocolate ones.

With 73 attendees, the Lion Club raised over \$1000 from the event. It was a great success, and the Club hope to have the opportunity to put on another one next year.

## Narooma Preschool awarded Vocational Excellence Award



At the presentation on Thursday, Narooma Rotary Director Laurelle Pacey, left, Preschool Director Kathy Phipps, Natalie Bateman, and the Preschool Team of Teagan Nicholson, Kate Heffernan, Janet Linee, Lee Collimore, Cheryl Noonan and Talia Morten-Stewart.

Narooma Rotary Club has awarded a Vocational Excellence Award to Narooma Preschool Director Kathy Phipps and her Team recognising their initiative in developing an authentic local indigenous curriculum unit in association with the local Yuin community.

"It's not just about doing a great job... it's for also sharing the impressive teaching kits they created with 20 other early childhood centres in our local area," said Narooma Rotary Director Laurelle Pacey

Mrs Phipps said they are all very proud of what they have achieved.

"It's been a huge undertaking with lots of discussion along the way about how we could best meet the Department of Education's mandatory requirements of an indigenous unit but do it authentically with local relevance," she said.

"Thanks to our staff, particularly Kate Heffernan, we were able to involve wonderful resource people from our local Yuin community, especially Trish Ellis, Natalie Bateman and Eddie Moore.

"The unit tells traditional Yuin stories and incorporates the local Dhurga language, thanks to Trish and her sister Kerry, which our staff have been learning through TAFE.

"Children love beautiful things and the stunning artwork on the storyboards by Natalie and the wonderful artefacts made by Eddie are loved and respected by all our children." About one-third of Narooma Preschool's students are from Aboriginal families.

The team created 20 basket trunks of unique storyboards, books, artefacts and other teaching materials that were then gifted to other early childhood centres around the Eurobodalla. The Preschool is now developing a PowerPoint to suggest to other centres how they might best use the material.

This programme was funded by a \$100,000 grant from the Commonwealth Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts.



Narooma Preschool Director Kathy Phipps explains to Rotarians and guests on Thursday what they have achieved.



A Beer with Bazz #170
With
John
Longhurst

Bazza positioned his schooner, adjusted his glasses and opened the novel to Chapter One.

A chuckle was accompanied by the odd sigh as he turned the pages and the untouched schooner was testimony to the quality of the writing.

The magic between writer and reader was broken with Mick landing his schooner on the bar table, with a steely glare.

"Ahhh.... sorry about that Mick. I arrived early, after a visit to the library, and thought I would get a chapter or two in before you grace us with your presence. It is one of those novels where the writer has pretty much kidnapped me, taken me to places I can only dream of and is hell bent on introducing me to characters who are going to make me laugh and cry."

Mick's eyes shot skywards.

"If you insist on reading, Bazza... do it at home and why bother with a visit to the library when you can either borrow or buy the book online."

Bazza took a measured sip of his schooner.

"You are dead right, Mick... and as usual you make perfect sense. I could of saved the effort involved with a trip to the library and just downloaded the novel. In fact, with a beer from my fridge, I would probably be up to Chapter Five by now."

Mick smiled and motioned to speak as Bazza raised a finger.

"But Mick.... If I did that, I would not have run into young Johnny Bodalla, who is always good for one of his exaggerated adventures..... those poor bloody teachers. I would also have missed the walk through the park with flowers in full bloom, teasing the eyes and the nose and all accompanied by birdsong. I would not of seen the well dressed woman pleading with the parking inspector outside the supermarket, as well as the young bloke dashing out of the hairdresser checking his appearance in every available reflection. I would of missed the opportunity to observe the minutiae of life around me\*."

"Crikey, Bazza... I think you might be sniffing more than roses... get a grip...you can see all that stuff on television and it is much better quality."

Bazza let out a long sigh and took a decent sip.

Well true, Mick.... but us humans beings are social beings. These days we seem to come up with more and more ways to not be social in a physical sense. There are more and more excuses to stay inside... to not come out of our houses. It seems to me you could just about live your whole life online, from supermarket shopping all the way through to attending a funeral. It would not surprise me if we attend Christmas parties via zoom meetings in years to come."

Bazza leaned in.

"But there is one thing I would not have minded missing if I stayed at home today and downloaded the novel."

Bazza grinned.

"...And that's your poor humour, Mick."

\*Acknowledge: https://www.snopes.com/fact-check/kurt-vonnegut-envelope-quote/

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

#### Road stabilisation works scheduled for Wallaga Lake Road

Bega Valley Shire Council advises road works will commence on Wallaga Lake Road on Monday 25 November and is expected to be completed by Friday 20 December, weather permitting. Council's Civil Construction Team will be carrying out road stabilisation works on Wallaga Lake Road, between the Cobargo Bermagui Road intersection and South Tilba Road, from 7am to 6pm each weekday.

Stabilisation strengthens and repairs existing road structures to extend the asset's lifespan and improve safety for drivers. Changed traffic conditions will be in place for the duration of the works including a reduced speed limit and intermittent lane closures.

Road users should expect delays. Traffic control will be on-site. Council thanks the community for their patience while these important works are undertaken. This project is funded by the Transport for NSW Regional Emergency Road Repair Fund.

Mick shook his head and scowled.

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Author, Journalist and Screenwriter Robert Macklin is a regular contributor to the Moruya Mail. The Gadfly Papers, are a delightful collection of columns he has been writing since 2012.

# Gadfly

Well, that wraps up the year of democracy, so how did we finish up? Oddly enough, at this point I'm tempted to make the Trump victory a plus for the good guys.

Sure, it's early days, but just imagine what we might be doing now if a very close vote had given the electoral college 270 votes to Kamala Harris. America, I suggest, would be on the brink of serious violence powered by the evangelists, the anti-vaxx cranks and the mad conspiracy theorists.

Instead, we have had a sober and dignified concession speech from Ms Harris, a gracious commitment from President Biden to a seamless transition of power, and a fairly restrained (for him) victory speech from a bloodied but unbowed presidentelect Trump. And this after he made history by actually winning the popular vote for the Republican Party.

I'm aware that it's early days yet. And when Trump actually takes the reins in late January, he might well begin knocking down the guidelines of presidential restraint. After all, he already controls the Supreme Court and the Senate while the House of Representatives it also very close to a Republican flip. So the Democrats are doing whatever they can in the interim to appoint judges and pass State laws to protect hard won rights.

Their next task is to appreciate just how far they have strayed from the centre-left to the 'woke' world at the margins. And that's a lesson for Australian extremists who change the names of organisations like our own literary group 'Marion' to rudely empower one segment of a art or craft over another when the truth is we're all in it together.

But that's mere trivia compared to the ordeal that the Trump administration will face when testing their plans against the realities of the economy, the religious wars of the Middle East and the overwhelming consequences of climate change.

It is just possible that the conventional economic theories really are what some call the fairytales that make astrology look respectable. Certainly, economists have proliferated to the point where their messaging has become tiresome at best. But if they've got it all wrong, the Trump threats about less tax and more tariffs will provide a real time experiment. We can all view the results as they happen and Trump exercises 'the art of the deal' with Xi Jinping.

It may well be that he can bring peace to Palestine with a two-state, or even a one-state solution between Israelis and their fellow Semites (but with a different god). If so, that's a win for everyone. Maybe even the Iranians will rise up and kick out the Mullahs.

And if his cry to 'drill, baby, drill' into the fossil fuels reveals the 'climate change hoax' then we'll all breathe a great sigh of relief.

My fear is that in each case the results will not be kind to Trump, or to America, or to the world itself. But they will certainly settle a few arguments.

They might even suggest to the evangelicals that they too need to swap their book of fables for a non-fiction work of history (as best we can view it).

And if all that comes to pass, what a wonderful gift Democracy will have bestowed upon us. robert@robertmacklin.com

# Working together for a cleaner, smarter future for the Eurobodalla









# **Driftwood Shores: A New South Coast Lifestyle Awaits**



#### Media release

Dreaming of the ultimate coastal location for your new home on the South Coast? The award-winning property group, McCloy Group are bringing a boutique residential living opportunity to Tuross Head, with the anticipated launch of Driftwood Shores, this November.

The 10-hectare parcel of land offers an unrivalled location in Tuross Head with the banks of Lake Colia to the North, Bingie Beach to the East and the pristine greens of Club Tuross to the South! A location so unique it is gathering interest both local and out of town from First Home Buyers to holiday makers and those seeking a seaside location to retire to. Future residents can enjoy a short stroll to the water and spacious homesites along with McCloy Group signature style of open space areas incorporating public art and substantial landscape embellishments and streetscapes lined with mature street trees.

As part of the stage 1 development, a striking entry feature will be created, with a nod to the coastal lifestyle.

A eye catching piece fondly know as 'Bleeching' by artist Michael Greve was secured by McCloy Group for the community. The vast timber statue is of a breaching whale, the sculpture was made from a 400 year old fallen red gum and was secured in McCloy Group's hometown of Newcastle before making its 'migration' South to Driftwood Shores. "Incorporating public art themed with the community we are building is something McCloy Group is passionate about. We seek to create communities which families can be proud to call home" commented James Goode, Development Director. Notably Driftwood Shores location holds pride of place within the picturesque town of Tuross Head. Not only is the location renowned for its position but also the proximity it provides to the local hot spots such as The Boat Shed and One Tree Point. Plus, an array of local beaches offering access for and endless assortment of water sports from fishing to surfing, kayaking to paddle boarding and everything in between.

For those seeking connectivity to larger hubs, Tuross Head is under 30 minutes from Moruya, a little over 2 and a half hours from Canberra and there is ample access to health facilities with the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital currently under construction just 15 minutes away, expecting completion in 2025. When complete Driftwood Shores will be home to around 80 new homes and approximately 200 residents. "The first land release this November will see homesites available from 763m2 to over 1087m2 and there is a variety of blocks to suit a range of buyer needs" added Mr Goode.

Those in the real estate market may also be surprised by the affordability with blocks ranging from \$469,000 to \$545,000, each securable with a \$1500 holding deposit. Given the nature of construction, the land will first be securable on 23rd November, with South Coast Agents McGrath at Batemans Bay and Hallmark Real Estate Advisors at Tuross Head able to assist you through the purchase process.

"The McCloy Group has been building masterplanned communities for over 60 years, we're excited to bring our approach to the South Coast. Future residents can expect the level of quality seen at other McCloy Communities across NSW in an area so proudly sought after for its incredible lifestyle offering" added Mr Goode.

Find out more about homesites at Driftwood Shores via <u>driftwoodshores.com.au</u>

First land release and community open day being held onsite Saturday 23rd November from 10am



# 2024 St Cecilia Youth Music Scholarships finalists need an audience!



(L to R) Max De Frenza, Adjudicator Stephen Haldio, Zara Hall, Maxine Wilson, Sakura Tinker and St Cecilia President, Jessica Ferguson at the auditions for \$7,500 in scholarships to be awarded November 24.

Auditions for the prestigious St Cecilia Youth Music Scholarships have been held and finalists have been selected! These talented young musicians will perform for the community on November 24, an opportunity not to be missed by those who love music and want to encourage young classical and contemporary musicians.

The 12 finalists from seven different communities along the south coast (Longbeach to Merimbula) will perform from 2pm at St Bernard's Church, Batehaven – a venue noted for its superb acoustics and outstanding piano.

These finalists' concerts have been an important contribution to music appreciation in our community for almost 30 years now. They are also an opportunity for students to hone their performance skills and share their talents with a wide audience. Following the performance, the \$7,500 in scholarships will be presented by the many organisations and individuals who have generously made these awards possible. Adjudicator, Stephen Hladio – former military musician and now Music Director of the Milton District Band – will be present (having already offered his assessment of the musicians) to present awards, alongside Fiona Phillips MP, Eurobodalla Shire Council, CWA and Rotary representatives.

These young musicians have broad community support but, right now, they need an audience! No bookings necessary, tickets available at the door for \$15 (\$10 concession), children free.

## NEW EXHIBITION: Amy Bohlscheid









<u>Bay Pavilions</u> says: We're thrilled to showcase the vibrant works of local artist Amy, whose roots in Batemans Bay inspire her every brushstroke. Growing up surrounded by bushland, beaches, and farmland, Amy captures the essence of Australia through the colours, textures, and spirit of its landscapes.

Her art invites you to feel the connection to nature and life she experienced firsthand—from gumtrees and native wildlife to the sea and sand. Come immerse yourself in her celebration of Australia's beauty and spirit in this unique exhibition!

Artist Statement: As an artist I saw the colours of Australia and wanted to tie that in with the spirit. Some of these paintings change in different lighting from the bold colours used, paintings such as the "space lion" and "sun and fire bird" set.

The lines and patterns are inspired, by being raised in the 90s, with the retro colours and bright, bold statements. I want to be different, be bold, be colourful, be real, be dark and represent what I am and who we are without holding back.

Find my Art and Music, on my social media @illumiducky" - Amy Bohlscheid

Exhibition 4th November - 20th December

To learn more visit <a href="https://baypavilions.com.au/arts/clyde-gallery/">https://baypavilions.com.au/arts/clyde-gallery/</a> When: 4th November – 20th December, 2024

# Make a Difference at the Bas and Become a Volunteer

At the Basil Sellers Exhibition Centre we warmly welcome donations – not just in the form of money, but also through the gift of your time as a volunteer. Volunteering at the Bas goes beyond simply sitting at the gallery door (though welcoming visitors into our art space is a joy). There's a wide range of activities to get involved in, making each experience unique and rewarding:

Secure our exhibitions and elevate the arts experience -

- Help create a welcoming, secure environment for all our visitors.
- Poster Distribution Spread the word about our incredible events throughout the community.
- Event Support Be part of the magic at openings and special events, from greeting guests to serving refreshments and tidying up afterward. Need RSA accreditation? We can help with that.
- Install and Deinstall Support Dive into the behind-thescenes world of exhibitions, assisting with everything from unpacking and wrapping to patching and painting.
- Fundraising Activities Get creative by crafting Bas merchandise, assisting with admin, or supporting our fundraising efforts.

Ready to make a difference and have fun while doing it? Join our vibrant team of volunteers today!

https://thebas.com.au/about/Bas-volunteers

And if you'd like to donate and contribute to the arts sector in Eurobodalla, we'd greatly appreciate it. All donations are tax-deductible, with a minimum donation of just \$5.

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Join us in celebrating 20 years of extraordinary creativity and artistic achievement showcasing the Basil Sellers Art Prize 2024 exhibition.

Enjoy the curated selection of outstanding finalists from Eurobodalla and across Australia, and find out who has won the coveted \$25,000 acquisitive award and \$5,000 Eurobodalla Prize.

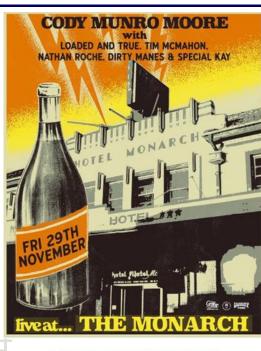
This event is supported by Mr Basil Sellers AM and Eurobodalla Shire Council.

See you at the Bas!













#### The Write Stuff

Do you have a story or memoir you want to write but don't know how to start? Paul Cullen will guide you through the process of in this two-day workshop. Explore why we write as well as an examination of the art and craft involved in this important creative process.

Sundays 1.00pm – 3.00pm 24 November and 1 December 2024. \$50 members/concessions, \$65 non-members, with Paul Cullen.

Please see our website for bookings and more details.



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#### BODALLA POETS' BREAKFAST

Sunday 24th November, 9 am

\*In the Bodalla Memorial Hall\*

Please come and spend a delightful hour or so listening to our talented local poets. We welcome our audience!

Tea, coffee and a biscuit provided at the hall from 8.30

-Donations appreciated-



We welcome participation from poets, experienced and newcomers alike. Present your original poetry in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere in our village community hall.

Poets: Please contact Paddy Naughton 0450742933 wpnaughton@icloud.com or Sue Knight <u>0427007649 aandsknight@bigpond.com</u>



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#### ~ What's On ~

#### Author talks with John Blay

Where: Moruya Library, Vulcan Street, Moruya Thursday 28 November 2024 10:30am - 11:30am Where: Batemans Bay Library, Hanging Rock Place, Batemans Bay, Tuesday 26 November 2024 2pm - 3pm Where: Narooma Library, Field Street, Narooma Wednesday 27 November 2024 2:30pm - 3:30pm Free events - Join local author John Blay for a talk on Writing Landscapes. bringing in themes from all his books and showing some dramatic places from across the region. John says: "Where do we really live? We drive along the highways and only experience a tunnel vision of the countryside in which we live. But there's more to it, lots more". John's books Back Country, On Track and Wild Nature will be available. Enjoy refreshments and book signings.

 Places are limited for this event. To avoid disappointment, please book early online or contact your local library for assistance. T: 4474 1333 E: Moruya Library W: Book

<u>online</u>

Batemans Bay to be entertained by Moruya and Canberra bands - Free Entertainment - 30 November 2024
Batemans Bay residents are in for a treat on Saturday
November 30, with Mogendoura Swing Ensemble (from Moruya) and Ginninderra Wind Orchestra (from Canberra) combining to present hours of musical entertainment.
The bands will jointly present performances in the Park area between the Cenotaph and Innes's Boat Shed on Saturday
November 30. The Wind Orchestra will perform from 11am-12pm and 2-3.30pm, and the Ensemble from 12.15-1pm.
This will be a fantastic opportunity to hear a range of music

performed, ranging from classical and popular to jazz. Ginninderra Wind Orchestra is a community concert band of around 80 members from Canberra and elsewhere. It performs regularly at community events around Canberra, including Floriade, Celebrate Gungahlin and the Australian National Eisteddfod. Debbie Masling is the Wind Orchestra's Musical Director.

A jazz band formed from the group, Twilight Jazz Band, will also perform in the afternoon concert.

Mogendoura Swing Ensemble, led by Peter Poole is an ensemble of around 10 members (all of whom play multiple instruments), entertaining with a variety of swing style music.

#### **CHRISTMAS CONCERT 1 DECEMBER 2024**

This is your chance to get into the swing of Christmas early with an afternoon of live music.

The Tuross Head Anglican War Memorial Church in Craddock Road, Tuross Head, is venue for a concert of Christmas music on Sunday 1 December, at 2pm.

Local Brass Musicians 'The Crowd' and Steve Johnston, well known local tenor, are performing a selection of Christmas Music, Classical, Jazz and 'Bits and Bobs'.

See the Tuba, valve trombone and trumpet in action and feel the energy.

Seating is limited in our small church, so get, or at least reserve, your tickets now. \$10 ticket - limited numbers. Tel: 4473 8703.

# Trees I Have Known at Gallery Bodalla

The sensitive and beautiful works of Frances Luke and Keedah Throssell in 'Trees I have known' feature at Gallery Bodalla opened last weekend and runs through to Sunday 1 December. Expressed with deep affection and appreciation, Frances and Keedah bring you works in various mediums honouring some of the trees they have been moved and inspired by.



"The joy and colour trees bring to our lives cannot be understated. Trees are our silent companions throughout our lives and we take for granted the care and nurturing they give us. This series consists of (some of) the trees that have been a part of my life over the past few decades "says Frances Luke.



Keedah Throssell says: "Trees I've Known is my homage to trees. These works, expressed in various mediums, are all inspired by trees around me, where I live in the bush on the Deua river and my journey home along the Araluen road."

Catalogue of works www.gallerybodalla.com.au



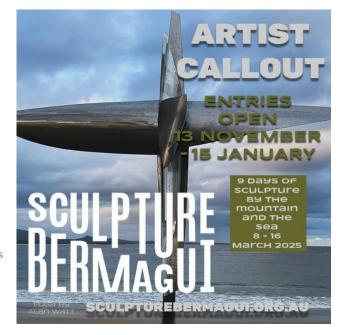
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~trees I have known~

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FOOD SHARES

# Everyone's welcome



#### Food shares provide a space for the community to connect, share their backyard excess, and foster local food resilience.

Food shares are held 4 times a month in Moruya from Spring to the start of Winter. You don't have to be a backyard grower to come along, in fact, coming empty handed is encouraged!

You're welcome to drop off your produce if you can't stay. You might gain variety and inspiration to your diet, backyard growing ideas, and you'll be going green by lowering food miles and reducing plastic waste. And you're likely to pick up food grown without chemicals and that's a win for your health!

#### WEEKLY FOOD SHARE DATES

- SPRING 2024 TO WINTER 2025

#### 1st Sunday of the month 10-11am

Next to the Nourished Sovereign coffee and food van at Riverside Park Moruya

#### 2nd Tuesday of the month 11.45am-12.45pm

Outside the Red Door Hall. St Johns Parish, Page Street Moruya at the weekly Community Lunch

#### 3rd Saturday of the month 9-10am

SAGE Garden, Queen Street Moruya

#### 4th Friday of the month

9-10am

Repair Café, Red Door Hall, St Johns Parish, Page Street Moruya

#### Please check

ww.sageproject.org.au for specific dates and cancellation notices



#### \$12.5 million funding to continue building stronger animal welfare enforcement across NSW

The NSW Government has announced two of the state's key animal welfare organisations, the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals NSW (RSPCA) and the Animal Welfare League NSW (AWL), will receive \$12.5 million towards their enforcement and compliance activities that provide protection for NSW cats, dogs, livestock and other animals.

The funding is part of the NSW Government's election commitments to establish a modern, fit for purpose animal welfare framework. As part of the enforcement grants announced today, the RSPCA NSW will receive \$11.3 million, and the AWL NSW will receive \$1.17 million.

The funding is substantially higher than any other state or territory has allocated to charitable animal welfare organisations to undertake their compliance and enforcement work.

The funding will be used to:

- Fund animal welfare inspectors who play a crucial role in enforcing NSW animal welfare laws
- · Investigate animal cruelty complaints, protecting vulnerable animals from harm or distress
- · Carry out enforcement action on those people doing animals' harm
- · Provide a one-off upgrade to AWL operating systems for streamlined compliance data and reporting.
- Cover vehicle operating and legal expenses.

The announcement follows recent Government animal welfare initiatives including introducing new 'fit and proper' laws preventing people who have been convicted of repeat animal cruelty offences from keeping or breeding animals and introducing into Parliament last month a Bill to ban the appalling practice of puppy farming.

#### **BBHS CAPA** STUDENTS GO TO PARIS

- APRIL 2026 -

This carefully curated excursion aims to immerse our students in the rich cultural and artistic heritage of France.

The itinerary includes visits to world-class museums, historic art galleries, and iconic theatres, as well as workshops and masterclasses with renowned local artists and performers over 10 days in the Term 1/Term 2 April school holidays in 2026.



We are fundraising to help support those students in our community who would struggle to find funds to enable them to participate in this life-changing journey.

Donations can be made via:

#### General Public:

- BBHS P & C GoFundMe Page (QR Code to the right)
- · Cash or credit card payment to the administration office at Batemans Bay HS

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Eurobodalla Health & Community Expo 2024

Saturday 23 November 10am to 2pm Batemans Bay Soldiers Club

With thanks to







# Animal Welfare League Eurobodalla

Gorgeous Jimmy the two-year-old Maremma is still available. He's very handsome as well as being good with children and other dogs. Maremmas are loyal, protective and gentle, and do best in active homes where they can join in all the family's activities.

Ten-month-old Mr Tee is also available; he's a Maremma crossed with a German Shorthaired Pointer. He'll be a big boy when fully grown, and also energetic. Mr Tee is a real sweetie, affectionate and great with other dogs.

Both these lovely canines come desexed, wormed, vaccinated, microchipped and flea and tick treated. You can meet either of these dogs by calling Animal Welfare League Eurobodalla on 0410 016 612.

With Christmas fast approaching, we'll be giving your pet a chance to have their photo taken with Santa (and maybe whisper in his ear what treats they would like him to deliver). It will all be happening at the Moruya Markets on 7 December, so bring your phone and a gold coin donation to create a lovely Christmas photo.

And finally – FOSTER CARERS NEEDED – for cats, dogs and kittens. Can you, or friends, neighbours or relatives help us in our vital work of rehoming animals? There is no cost involved, no long-term commitment, and full support provided.

Please contact AWL on 0410 016 612 if you can help or would like further information.







Mr Tee

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Tom Hardy

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# Moruya Mail Notices

#### 2024 Diary Dates

- 15 November Crank It Up Batemans Bay
- Saturday 16 November 11am 350Eurobodalla's Ringing of Bell for Climate Action, St Johns Moruya
- 23 November Eurobodalla Health & Community Expo
- 23rd November Moruya Colour Run
- 23rd November Braidwood Quilt Event
- Sunday 24 November Tomakin Community Day
- 22 December Carols by Candlelight Moruya
- 15th February Rock On For Climate Action
- 28th Feb 2 March 2025 Cobargo Folk Festival
- 8 16 March Sculpture Bermagui
- 2 3 May 2025 Narooma Oyster Festival
- 1 8 June 2025 Sculpture for Clyde
- 15 17 Aug 2025 80th Anniversary VP Day in Moruya
- 22-26 October 2025 Sea Otter Australia MTB Event



#### Moruya Community Workshed

New members are always welcome. We are located in the grounds of the Moruya High School operating two days per week. For inquiries please contact Wayne on 0488 743 788.

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Narooma VIEW Club welcomes new members
Narooma VIEW Club meets on the fourth Friday of each month
at Narooma Golf Club Seahorse Room at 11.30 for lunch & a guest speaker. (Except October will be Friday 18th).



#### Moruya District Hospital Auxiliary

If you would like to join the Hospital Auxiliary and help raise funds for your local 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 email mdha@7mail.com or PO Box 469 Moruya 2537



Moruya RSL Sub Branch would like to thank the Community for their support for the sale of poppy badges and for the Remembrance Day Service attendance.

It was with great pleasure visitors from Belgium were welcomed. The next general meeting is on Tuesday 19th November being the third Tuesday of the month, at 2pm at the RSL Memorial Hall 11 Page St Moruya.

There is much to be discussed at this meeting so do come & participate as a member. We also welcome any Veterans and active ADF Personnel who are in Moruya or visiting & would like to meet with the Moruya RSL Sub Branch Executive & members.

#### CHEMICAL CLEANOUT

Eurobodalla Shire Council says: Keep your conscience clear by ridding yourself of unwanted chemicals without harming your family or the environment.

At our annual Household Chemical Cleanout you can drop unwanted pesticides, gas bottles, paints and varnishes, lightbulbs, oil, pool chemicals and lots of other nasties that can hurt people and hurt the environment if not disposed of safely.

The drop-offs run from 9am-4pm. This year's locations and dates

- ~ Narooma Library car park, Graham Street, Narooma, Saturday 23 November
- ~ Gundary Oval car park, Campbell Street, Moruya, Saturday 23 November
- ~ Hanging Rock boat ramp, Batemans Bay Sunday 24 November. For all the details, including what is and isn't accepted > https://www.esc.nsw.gov.au/.../Annual-chemical-cleanout

#### Food share, working bee and cake

Saturday 16 November at 9am - SAGE Garden Moruya Everyone is welcome and no experience is necessary! Newcomers are encouraged to give it a try, and you will be introduced to the regular crew and shown the ropes. Bring some gardening tools if you have them, for a few hours of rewarding gardening, sharing backyard produce and gardening chat, and a social morning tea.



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THIS MONTH'S FILM **BIG NIGHT** 

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Moruya Community Film Group is a social club for film lovers. month to enjoy wine, nibbles, film quiz and of course, a great film! Join us at the RED DOOR, rear of St John's Anglican Church, Page Street, Moruya. Membership available at the door \$65 for 12 months/\$40 for 6 months. Guests are welcome.



#### Free caravan weigh and safety check

South Coast Police District says "Caravan owners on the South Coast are being invited to sign-up for an upcoming free weigh and safety check across two days this month.

Transport for NSW will host the safety information days to educate caravanners about calculating their caravan's weight, loading their caravan for even weight distribution, safe driving tips while towing and ways to reduce the risk of being involved in a crash.

A Transport for NSW spokesperson said the South Coast of NSW is a

popular spot for caravanners exploring the region. "The purpose of these events is to address caravan safety, particularly as we get closer to the holiday season and see an increase in caravans travelling the Princes Highway," the spokesperson said.

"Owners of registered caravans are encouraged to come along to learn more about their caravan and more about safe towing and driving

The spokesperson said driving while towing a caravan is a different experience to normal driving and requires a higher level of knowledge and skill, a need for greater stopping distances, and consideration of environmental factors such as high winds, wet roads and uneven surfaces. "Simple things like adding a toolbox to the back of the van, popping a kayak on the roof or travelling with full water tanks can cause the caravan, tow vehicle or combination to become overweight or non-compliant and may increase the risk of a crash," the spokesperson said.

"An incorrectly loaded caravan can lead to snaking, swaying or loss of control of your caravan and vehicle.

"As part of our free weighing days, owners can learn the actual aggregate trailer mass (ATM) of their caravan, actual gross trailer mass (GTM), actual gross vehicle mass (GVM), actual ball weight and actual gross combination mass (GCM) of their caravan and vehicle.

The event includes an informal education session before each loaded vehicle and caravan is placed on portable scales to confirm weight and a detailed report is provided to participants.

The caravan weighing days will be from 8.30am to 4.30pm at: Ulladulla Sportsground, Ulladulla on Saturday 16 November. Hanging Road Sportsground, Batemans Bay on Sunday 17 November.



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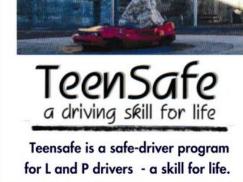
The courses are in school holidays at Moruya Speedway using a fleet of cars garaged there. Teensafe is a volunteer community group and a committee of Moruya Motor Sport Club Inc. Gary Smith has been the manager of Teensafe for 20 years and is keen to hand over the keys. There is a competent support group of volunteers to assist at each course. The position is on a volunteer basis with reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses. This job is ideally suited to community minded people with organisational skills.

Or an opportunity for a group to combine skills to manage Teensafe into the future.

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Thank you and safe driving, Gary Smith.

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Practical behind-the-wheel courses are provided in school holidays at Moruya Speedway. Each course runs for 1 day.

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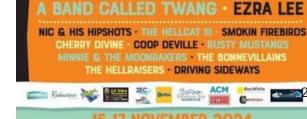
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# Moruya Mail Sport

## MORUYA WOMEN'S GOLF RESULTS

# Marie Muruwai

#### Wednesday13th November 2024

A field of 19 players participated in the fifth Hamper round this week with some great scores being recorded.

The winners were:

1st Place: Marie Muriwai with 39 points 2nd Place: Jan Lumsden with 35 C/B

Balls went to: J Hebbard (35), V Nixon (34C/B), B Roberts (34C/B), M. Douglas (34), Č Becker (33C/B), J Ellis (33) Nearest the Pins: Div. 15th Hole Jenny Ellis

#### Tomakin Twist Tops Bowls Report



President Steve Hogan welcomed 31 Twisties on a lovely warm morning.

The weekly and monthly Awards went to Karen and Peter Crowe, one had put names down on list and forgot to tell the other hence names down twice!

Winners on Least Winning Ends 7/11, Vince Bruno & Roland Krikowa

Runners-up 8/10, Karen Crowe and Tony Dobson. Roland selected Rink 13 to try for Jackpot of \$ 450, Rob Ireland cut cards but no luck finding Joker.

Other winning teams with great scores, Leonie Cornelly, Ruth Ebsworth and Dick Morley 18/17. Jennie Hogan and Brian Wheeler 22/17. Anthony Robinson and Pat Jones 19/18. Peter Crowe and Karen Signor 13/12. Tricia Wheeler and Milka Starkovski 23/19.

Lucky number winners, 19 Karen James, 10 Pat Jones.

## Club Malua Stingrays Women's Bowls



There were 40 ladies on the Green on a warm windy day to keep us

Congratulations to Gloria Harper and Jenny Blyth Runners-up in Senior District Pairs held at Tuross Head on weekend. Well done to all teams in this event.

Stingrays Christmas Party will be held on Tuesday 10th December

Birthday Greetings to Gay Biggs.
Winners on Rink 14, Tricia Wheeler and Gay Biggs.
Runners-up Rink11, Bev Keatley, Anna Stewart, Gwen Ware. Lucky
Losers Rink 13, Julie Quinlivin, Colleen Ashby and Nancy White. Money Club, 29 Wendy Geary, 38 Anne O'Dwyer. Last Jackpot to be Drawn, lucky number 17 for Carol Dutkiewicz, Carol pressed button and got 17 so two happy teams to share winnings.

#### **DID YOU KNOW** YOU CAN ASSIST CAN ASSIST?

Did you know that bins located in Woolworths car park behind Batemans Bay Locksmiths is ready to take any cans and bottles to retrieve 10 cents to go towards helping those going through cancer financially? What money raised here in the Eurobodalla is used to help those living in the Eurobodalla.



# Tuross Head Golf Results



Sponsor Paul Scholze with Winner Tim Watson



Winner: Kevin Reilly with sponsor Rick Brake

#### **Tuross Head Golf Results** Saturday 9th November 2024

A larger field of 60 players registered for a Stableford Medley event today. The event was sponsored by Paul Scholze. There was fierce competition on the course and some fantastic scores. Tim Watson Pared the course playing off a handicap of 4. Well done Tim.

The Winners were:

Tim Watson (4) with 40 points John Eglitis (11) with 38 points 2nd: 3rd: William Steenbergen (13) with 37 points

4th: Paul Scholze (15) with 36

points (countback)

5th: John Phyland (20) with 36

points

Nearest to the Pins

Simon French 1.18 A Grade 4th: 4th: David Gray 2.05 B Grade Anthony Mellick 4.78 C 4th: Grade

Colin Houghton 0.49 A 6th:

Grade Matthew Kennedy 1.95 B 6th:

Grade Paul Medwin 1.62 C Grade 6th: 7th: Tim Watson 4.39 A Grade Mark Forrest 10.1 B Grade 7th· 7th: Mark Jackson 6.10

Grade

Balls went to: Ian Kingston 35, Steve Collins 34, Ian Manton 34, Peter Garn 34, David Gray 33, Mark Jackson 33, Lars Gaupset 33, Matthew Kennedy 33, Steven O'Shea 33, Ian McManus 32, Colin Houghton 32, Greg Maloney 32, Ian Miller 32, Allan Langford 32 and Frank Pomfret 32.

#### **Tuross Head Golf Results** Thursday 7th November 2024

A field of 42 players registered for a Stableford Medley Combined event. The sponsor of the event was Rick Brake. The weather was lovely and great scores achieved.

The Winners were:

1st: Kevin Reilly (19) with 39 points

2nd: lan Manton (21) with 38

points 3rd: Allan Langford (15) with 37

points (countback)

4th: Greg Maloney (17) with 37 points (countback)

Nearest to the Pins

Ray Bollard 1.47 A Grade 4th: Allan Langford 5.52 B 4th: Grade

6th: Nick Brice 3.32 A Grade 6th: Peter Hogan 1.46 B Grade Brad Doolan 4.46 A 7th:

Grade

7th: Allan Langford 3.71 B Grade

Balls went to:

Rob Green 37, Ray Bollard 36, Terry Milliken 36, Brad Doolan 35, Peter Hogan 34, Peter Coffey 34, David Schmid 34, Graeme Sindel 33, Colin Houghton 33 and Bruce Lidbury 32.



Winners: Maree Coffey, Gail Page and Jeanette Miller.

#### **Tuross Head Ladies Golf Results** - Tuesday 12th November 2024

A field of 20 ladies signed up for a Stableford event today which was the 4th Christmas Countdown. The event was sponsored by Julie Barningham. The day was sunny with some great results.

A Grade Winners were: 1st: Gail Page (23) with 36 points 2nd: Annette Manton (24) with 32

B Grade Winners were: 1st: Maree Coffey (34) with 35 points

2nd: Gail Rogers (34) with 34 points

C Grade Winners were:

Jeanette Miller (42) with 38 1st: points

2nd: Margaret Downey (45) with 36 points

Golden Hole winner:

7th: Dorothy Madden 0-38

Nearest to the Pins: 6th: Chris Wratten 15th: Jane Eglitis

Place Getters:

Shirley Quinlan 33, Dianne Brown 32, Jane Eglitis 30 and Dorothy Madden with 30.

# THE FINAL SHOW

#### CHRIS PARRELLO

Born in Sydney and growing up on the Eastern Beaches, Chris learnt guitar from his older cousin (Louise, who coincidentally lived next door) at around age 4. Losing his father early on in 1968, at the (more than tender) age of 2 to a rocket blast, whilst attempting to save the life of a US CIA Operative, in the southern town of Baria, Vietnam, Chris became very independent at an early age. Trying to be a father

to his even younger brother and a friend to his mother, things didn't always work out for the best. Chris sought solace in music, poetry and performing. Chris was members of several bands in high school and throughout the 80's & 90's working in Sydney's east and in Regional NSW.

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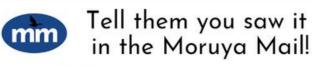
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# Further success for Tuross Bowlers in State Championships



Open Reserve Pairs Regional Finalists - Col Fletcher and Marcel Kors

A further two Tuross Head Bowling Club teams have qualified for the 2024/25 State Championship Regional Finals following play in the pairs championship. At Tuross Rita Downie and Sue Fahey competed in the Senior Women's Pairs Championship and after two days of some very tense moments emerged as winners of this division. In their first game they played very well and proved too strong for Malua Bay players Pat Weekes and Kim Giannasca.

Then followed the first of two very tight matches. They started very well against Jenny Hogan and Karen James from Tomakin and were well placed leading 11 – 5 at the half way mark. Tomakin fought back well to take the lead after 18 ends at 15 - 12. The last three ends were very tight but Sue Fahey led her team well to win the three ends and grab a 16 - 15 win.

On Sunday morning they played Gloria Harper and Jenny Blyth from Malua Bay. They started very slowly in this game losing the first four ends and trailed 11 - 2 after 6 ends. They gradually worked their way back into the match and drew level at 15 all after 16 ends. From this point they grew in confidence and won the four remaining ends to win 23 - 15.

Jenny Marks and Stephanie Dennett also entered this section but they found Tomakin's Hogan and James too experienced for them despite putting in a creditable effort.

In Braidwood Col Fletcher and Marcel Kors played in the Open Reserve Pairs – a competition aimed at players who compete in Pennants 5 and below. They had a very tough first match against Barry Osmond and Tom Watson from Braidwood. The locals had the better of the start and after 7 of the 18 ends had a 9 - 2 advantage.



Women's Senior Pairs Regional Finalists - Sue Fahey and Rita Downie

Fletcher and Kors fought back well from this point drawing level at 10 all after 12 ends and pulling away to win 20 - 11. In the final they played Steve Beroukas and Gary Johnson from Malua Bay. They played well in this match to lead 11 – 3 after 7 ends. Despite losing their way for a couple of ends, where their opponents narrowed the score to 11 - 7, they proved too good to take the match 22 -12. They become the fifth Tuross side to qualify for the Regional Finals in November and December that will be played in Merimbula.

Meanwhile at the local level the early rounds of the Club Triples for both Men and Women have started. In the Women's Championship Di Newell, Lorraine Johnston and Sue Fahey caused somewhat of a surprise when they where able to get the better of Regional Finalists Rose Farrington, Irene Macdonald and Denise Lidbury. Fahey led early but by the 11th end Lidbury had hit the lead at 12 - 10. Fahey then won 6 of the next 7 ends to move to 20 - 15 in front. Her team was able to hold onto the lead to take the game 28 - 20.

Jenny Marks, Dagmar Voges (sub) and Jenny Madden had too much experience for Louise Garner, Kathy Gallacher and Fran O'Connell in their encounter.

Two games have been completed in the Men's Championship. In a game that was affected by rain on Wednesdy Jim Macklan, Bruce Lidbury and John Fahey had to hold off a great fightback by Chris Coddington, Noel Downie and Marcel Kors.



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By the 12th end Fahey had a commanding 18 – 8 lead but by the 21st of 25 ends Kors had reduced the margin to 23 - 19. In this period Kors won six of the nine ends and really put the pressure on! In steady, but not totally unwelcome, rain the last three ends where very tight. Fahey managed 3 shots on the 22 end to increase his margin to 7 shots and with both teams sharing the last two ends Fahey finished ahead 27 -

In the second game played on Tuesday Neil Mather, Ray Downey and Peter Macdonald proved to be too consistent for Graeme Garner, Peter Christie and Tony Glanville on a very fast green. Both sides struggled with the speed of the green and the strong breeze. Macdonald started well and was able to dominate the middle of the game winning 10 ends in a row. His team won the match 25 - 11.





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## Tackle World Moruya Fishing Report

#### Moruya River.

The weather, yet again, is going to be a major factor as to where and what you get up to this weekend. Looking at the winds that are forecast for the weekend, isn't instilling any confidence for an afternoon session. Both Saturday and Sunday afternoons are not looking the best, with winds up to 55kph on the cards. Morning sessions will be the go this weekend. With morning high tides both Saturday and Sunday, the flats around the spur wall, hole in the wall and the airport will be good options to try and find a flathead, bream or maybe even a whiting this weekend. The northern banks of the river are going to be easier to fish, with the wind coming from the NE allowing for wind assisted casts.

Further up stream in the fresh, the river is in need of rain, as levels have dropped quite a lot over the last month or so. Rapids I could paddle up in the kayak at the start of the season, are now 2' out of the water and physical barriers to fish moving up stream. The bass are there, they are just sticking the pools they are till we get rain. Our newest store junior, Baxter, picked up a 50cm bass on a surface presentation. I may follow suit on Sunday, wind depending.

#### **Tuross River.**

Good numbers of flathead are still the major attraction in Tuross this week. Tuross being Tuross, and having lots of areas where you can get out of the wind, will be a great system to fish with this weekend forecast winds. The shallow back bays will be good areas to explore, as they are still degrees warmer than the main channels. The oysters racks have been producing good bream, for those that like to drift along the edges and cast back into this super productive structure.

The upper fresh reaches of the Tuross system, are in the same place as the Duea, low water levels are making fish migration a non event till we get some rain and an increase in river flows. The fish are up there, they are just stuck in the pools where they are, this can make them easy to find, but also puts increased pressure on them. Heavily pressured fish can be difficult to catch, as they have seen the same stuff repeatedly.

#### Rock and beach.

Salmon continue to be the main source of captures this past week, with a few more bream starting to show up, and a smattering of whiting. Live worms or fresh pipi's will be your best baits for both the whiting and the bream. You won't need to cast far, as they tend to be in the gutters in close, and at times will be around your feet when casting.

The headlands and Moruya breakwall have also been productive this week. With the weekend winds, the breakwall will be a less than ideal platform to fish however. Fish early, and get home as the wind starts to pick up.

#### Offshore.

Snapper and flathead have all been available this week for boaties getting out. Keep a close eye on the forecast this weekend in you are planning a trip out. The flathead are generally in shallower, while the snapper will be starting to move into their deeper summer holding pattern. Try looking in 50m of water.

The shop is starting to look full, I have had another 8 boxes of stock from Shimano delivered today, and it will be hitting the shelves this weekend. Rapala Crush City plastics were put on the wall this week, and I am waiting on a delivery from Zman and Tackle Tactics also.

Don't forget the TT Zman competition that we are running at the moment for your chance to win a \$35k boat trailer and gear package. Ask in store for details.

The bait freezer has been restocked, with Hawksbury prawns still a non starter.

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

Team Tackle World Moruya.





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# Sailing report Saturday 9th November



Batemans Bay Cup start taken. Photo: Terry Paton.

"It was a great day for sailing on Saturday when Batemans Bay Sailing Club held the first of the lady skipper/crew skipper series as well as the fourth Bay Cup race of the season. The lady skippers' race was not as well supported as usual, the only female skipper being Michelle Grybaitis aboard her Cav 26 "Horizon". Regular crew members Tony Bonouvrie and Tony Hamilton skippered "Accolade" and "Moonmist" respectively. "Accolade" powered past "Moonmist" under spinnaker to win the one lap crew race. "Horizon" scored a DNF and headed in as the seabreeze built up to 15 to 20 knots between races.

"Cool Change" (Richard Dunne) and "Sail La Vie" (John Drummond) came out for the Bay Cup race. Most of the boats put a reef in the mainsail while "Accolade" changed from a #1 to a #3 headsail. There was only a short break between races. The "Moonmist" crew were still trying to reef the mainsail well into the Bay Cup start sequence and ended up being late at the start. The course consisted of a work to the Yellow Rock mark, a tight reach to the Toll Gates mark followed by a broad reach to the leeward mark at Caseys Beach then a windward and return leg followed by a short fetch to the finish line near Snapper Island. "Accolade" led from start to finish hitting speeds of up to 11 knots under spinnaker in an ideal sailing breeze.

The only troublesome moments for both "Accolade" and "Moonmist" were when despite sailing well outside the Acheron Ledge cardinal marks, both crews sailed directly over the reef. Fortunately it was at high tide. BBSC will be alerting NSW Maritime to the fact that the outer cardinal mark has moved and is at least 100m out of position. In the meantime all Batemans Bay mariners need to be aware that the outer cardinal mark may have moved but the well known Acheron Ledge reef has not.

Full results are up on the BBSC website www.bbsc.org.au "

**Lachlan Brown** 



Tony Bonouvrie getting ready to take the helm of "Accolade" for the crew skipper race. Photo Lachlan Brown



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# Catalina Club Director of Golf Rodney Booth named PGA NSW/ACT

## Club Professional of the Year at 2024 NSW Golf Industry Awards

Catalina Club's Director of Golf and PGA Professional Rodney Booth has received the accolades and congratulations of golf professionals and industry partners after winning the 2024 PGA NSW/ACT Club Professional of the Year Award at the NSW Golf Industry Awards at Crown Barangaroo in Sydney on Monday, November 11.

After being named a finalist for the same award for a third consecutive year in 2024 by PGA Australia, Rodney brought home the prestigious prize with the support of Catalina Club's General Manager Guy Chapman and Assistant General Manager Mitchel Judd. As Director of Golf, Rodney is responsible for the organisation and delivery of key golf tournaments at Catalina Club, while also offering one-on-one lessons, golf clinics and professional support and guidance to golf members and visiting players. Rodney began his golfing career over 20 years ago at Club Tocumwal in the New South Wales Riverina. He was led towards the sport after a chance encounter with a golf professional at the club.

"Twelve months later, I started my traineeship and 20 years after beginning this journey I moved to Catalina," says Rodney. PGA Australia recently marked Rodney's 20-year career as a golf professional with a renowned PGA pin. In early 2021, Rodney joined the Catalina Club's Golf Shop team as Director of Golf, where he has been passionately inviting and encouraging people of any ability or skill level to play golf. "[I most enjoy] the challenge and variety of the game. Every game and course offer a different challenge," says Rodney. At Catalina Club, there is no shortage of variety in golf, with a championship 27-hole course which is expertly maintained by Course Superintendent Darcy Jones.

"In the early professional days, [my biggest achievement] was earning the title of Australian PGA Trainee of the Year in 2003. More recently, I am most proud of the ability to manage golf operations in two very different golf clubs and growing the game and business models across each Club. Building relationships with members and the management of Catalina has certainly been a highlight since moving to the South Coast."

Assistant General Manager Mitchel Judd has shared his appreciation for Rodney's steadfast and committed role within the industry: "The role of a Club Professional is a challenging one; often they are left being a duck on water, looking calm above the surface as a first touch point to our members and community whilst feverishly scratching away below the surface to ensure that the experience is all as it should be."

"Rodney is the epitome of what all Club Professionals should aspire to be; he is selfless and doesn't seek the limelight. He is diligent in his approach and respectful of his peers. We congratulate Rodney on such a fantastic career to date." With his 2024 win secured, Rodney is now in the running to be named the PGA of Australia National Club Professional of the Year.

This winner of this prestigious award will be announced at the BMW Australian PGA Championship in Brisbane between November 21-24. At the 2023 NSW Golf Industry Awards, Catalina Club was recognised as the Jack Newton Junior Golf (JNJG) Junior Club of the Year.



Rodney Booth at the South Coast Open in September 2024 at Catalina Club





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