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THIRTEEN THOUSAND VOICES AGAINST RODEOS

Local resident Louise Webb has sent a petition with over 13,000 signatures to the NSW Government, asking that the exemption for rodeos from animal cruelty legislation not be renewed.

"On 1 February this year, a regulation under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act is due to take effect, and, like the regulation it is replacing, it includes protection for rodeo operators from prosecution under the Act," Louise said.

"My Change.org petition, sent to the NSW Minister for Agriculture, the Hon. Tara Moriarty MLC, had 13,134 signatures and thousands of heartfelt comments, calling for an end to rodeos because:

- Multiple scientific studies have shown that rodeo animals suffer fear, distress and possible serious injury and death.
 - Every animal welfare and advocacy organisation opposes rodeos.
 - The relevant code of practice is 37 years old and has never been updated.
 - Rodeo animals lack the protection given to racehorses (at rodeos, there is no mandatory vet presence, and electric prods can be used).
 - There is effectively no scrutiny (one RSPCA NSW inspection in 2022-23).
 - Many jurisdictions around the world and including in Australia ban or partially ban rodeos.
 - RSPCA Australia, following a 2022 scientific study, called calf roping "frightening and cruel".
 - Reputable polling shows a majority of people (67%) are concerned about the welfare of rodeo animals and 60%, including in regional areas, want calf roping banned.
- "We know rodeos are cruel because they need to be exempted from animal welfare laws. So why, in 21st century Australia, are we prepared to ignore such blatant mistreatment of animals for the sake of entertainment?"



Photo courtesy of AnimalKind

"The vast majority of Australians, according to a 2023 study by BehaviourWorks at Monash University, regard companion animals, such as dogs, and farm animals such as horses and cattle, as sentient, that is, able to experience pain, fear, pleasure and joy. Would we subject our pets to tight flank straps, spurs, electric prods, and being chased down and roped by someone on horseback? Yet this is what rodeo animals are faced with time and time again, in noisy and frightening surroundings.

"I am asking the people of Eurobodalla to speak out against rodeos because they fail community expectations of animal care and welfare. I encourage people to contact our local State MP, Dr Michael Holland via email: Dr Michael Holland MP or phone: 6492 2056 and voice your opposition to this outdated cruelty.

"Finally, some words to think about from James Herriot, author of All Creatures Great and Small:

"I hope to make people realize how totally helpless animals are, how dependent on us, trusting as a child must that we will be kind and take care of their needs."

Tender request expected soon for new SES facility

The previous SES facility at Batemans Bay was destroyed by bushfire on 31 December 2019. Eurobodalla Council obtained insurance and grant funding to assist construction of a new facility at 311 George Bass Drive, Surf Beach, near the intersection with Tallgums Way and adjacent to NSW Ambulance.

The NSW Rural Fire Service intends to fund and provide their own facility at the same site.

Eurobodalla Council has drafted an agreement covering the provision of funds for the SES building and the different responsibilities of the RFS and SES in delivering the facilities, and this agreement is being negotiated.

The SES and RFS have engaged NSW Public Works to manage delivery of the facilities.

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Photo of the Week: Summer storm captured from The Punthouse Restaurant, north Batemans Bay by Jacqui Reid on 4th January.

Mayor marks March 4 for ceremony to remember 5th anniversary of Black Summer

Eurobodalla Mayor Mat Hatcher writes : “As we mark the five-year anniversary of the Black Summer bushfires, it is impossible to forget the devastation that swept through Eurobodalla and much of Australia during that time. The fires destroyed homes, livelihoods, and claimed lives, leaving scars that are still healing. However, alongside the memories of destruction and loss, this anniversary also brings an opportunity to honor the resilience of the community and, most importantly, those who stood on the frontlines to protect it: the Rural Fire Service (RFS), first responders, and volunteers. Their selflessness, courage, and dedication were a beacon of hope during one of the darkest times in recent memory.

Local businesses opened their doors to provide shelter and supplies, schools and community halls became makeshift evacuation centers and countless individuals donated food, water and essentials to those affected. The generosity extended far beyond the region. Firefighters from other states and even international crews from countries like Canada and the United States joined the fight. Donations and fundraising campaigns flooded in from across Australia and the globe, highlighting the interconnectedness of humanity in the face of disaster.

The Black Summer bushfires taught us hard lessons about disaster preparedness and recovery. Yet they also highlighted the incredible strength of the human spirit. Five years on, the community has come a long way in rebuilding not only its physical infrastructure but also its emotional and social foundations. As Eurobodalla looks to the future, the need for community collaboration remains paramount. The five-year anniversary of the Black Summer bushfires is a time for reflection, gratitude and renewed commitment. The people of Eurobodalla have shown extraordinary resilience, but this milestone is also a reminder of the debt we owe to the RFS, first responders and volunteers who stood with us during our darkest days. Their courage and compassion saved lives and inspired hope, setting the foundation for recovery. As we honor their legacy, we must also commit to working together as a community to ensure that Eurobodalla continues to thrive.

As Mayor I look forward to marking the 5th Anniversary with you all in the community. We will be marking the day the fires were extinguished with a formal ceremony in the front lawns of council just as we did 5 years ago. Please mark your calendar for the 4th of March and I look forward to hosting first responders, dignitaries, volunteers and community.”

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Los Angeles fire a wake up call for Australia

Friends of the Earth Australia

The fires currently tearing through Los Angeles are a reminder that Australia can no longer rely on northern hemisphere nations for water-bombing aircraft and firefighters during our summer. "During our Black Summer, more than 1,000 people came from North America to assist in firefighting efforts. Australia recently sent multiple teams to assist with the fires in North America. This sharing of resources, including aircraft, firefighters and specialists, is how we fight fires in the 21st century" said Friends of the Earth campaigns co-ordinator Cam Walker. "And the fact that fires are raging in mid winter in the USA highlights that the world has entered a new phase – the era of the pyrocene – and that our old ways of fighting fires needs to change."

Normally Australia leases up to six Large Air Tankers (LATs) which are each allocated to a specific state or territory, but which are shared around the country according to greatest need. While we need up to 7 LATs in a bad fire season, we only own one (which is owned by the NSW Rural Fire Service) and we now lease one year round.

The other planes are leased in after their post season maintenance in the northern hemisphere. They all come from North America and arrive in the country during the traditional 'shoulder' season. This shoulder is rapidly disappearing as planes are needed for larger sections of the year in each hemisphere.

"As fire seasons extend in both hemispheres, we face the risk of being unable to secure leases for LATs in coming years".

There is a clear link between the current fires around LA and climate change. For instance, a 2016 study found climate change enhanced the drying of organic matter and doubled the number of large fires between 1984 and 2015 in the western United States (source: NOAA).

After the Royal Commission into Natural Disaster Arrangements that was held to reflect on the lessons of the 2019-20 Black Summer fire season, the commission recommended (Rec 8.1) that the federal government create 'an Australian-based and registered national aerial firefighting capability, to be tasked according to greatest national need'. In responding to the commission, the federal government decided not pursue the possibility of Australia establishing its own fleet of LATs.

The commission also noted that "extreme weather has already become more frequent and intense because of climate change (and that) further global warming over the next 20 to 30 years is inevitable".

Mr Walker continued: "In light of all the available science about longer and more intense fire seasons in both hemispheres and the increased difficulty of securing LATs on lease from North America, the federal government must commit to establishing an Australian owned fleet of LATs before the 2025/26 budget". The current federal government has taken firefighting capacity seriously and provided significant funding for water-bombing aircraft. With a review of aerial firefighting capability currently underway (expected to report back later this year) now is the right time to acknowledge the reality that we are facing and commit to buying a sovereign fleet of LATs that will be permanently based in Australia.

In addition to buying a fleet of publicly owned LATs, Australia must:

- Stop contributing to even worse global heating, which will continue to lengthen fire seasons and other negative climate change impacts. In the first instance it must stop exporting vast volumes of fossil fuels
- Fast track the development of new technology that will ensure rapid detection of new start fires
- Investigate establishing anational remote area firefighting team which could be deployed as needed to assist state and territory firefighting efforts.

A national remote area firefighting team. As fire threatens World Heritage Areas and national parks across the country, it is time to establish a national remote area firefighting team, which would be funded by the federal government and tasked with supporting existing crews in the states and territories.

Long fire seasons stretch local resources, and sometimes remote areas such as national parks need to be abandoned in order to focus on defending human assets. Having an additional, mobile national team that could be deployed quickly to areas of greatest need would help us protect the wonderful legacy of national parks and World Heritage Areas across the country.

This was recommended by a Senate inquiry after the devastating fires in Tasmania of 2016.

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FEDERAL MEMBER FOR GILMORE

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Bee keepers alert Varroa reaches Eurobodalla



Damien Louttit – President, Eurobodalla Amateur Beekeepers Club Inc. has notified all Eurobodalla Beekeepers that: “Sadly the inevitable has happened. Multiple Varroa mite detections have been registered with NSW DPI in Eurobodalla shire.

The areas affected cover are from Pebbly Beach to Moruya River. (including Nelligen and Mogo)

<https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/.../varroa-mite-emergency...>

IMPORTANT : It's well accepted and acknowledged by DPI that the heat map is behind the actual invasion.

Whether you are in the zone or not consider any struggling, absconded or dead colonies with extreme suspicion as possibly infested.

What to do ? ENACT YOUR VARROA PLAN NOW !!

Plan should include , but not be limited to:

*Surveillance - Regular and frequent mite washes

*Integrated pest management

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If you're interested Eurobodalla Amateur Beekeepers Club Inc welcome all new members via Amateur Beekeepers Australia.

A new blood test for endometriosis

Australian researchers develop novel test to diagnose debilitating condition affecting one in nine Australian women and girls.

The breakthrough, published in the prestigious international medical journal Human Reproduction, is a significant step toward providing women with a non-invasive test that can detect early stages of the disease.

FAST FACTS

- Endometriosis affects one in nine women and girls in Australia
- Diagnosis typically takes seven years
- The incidence of endometriosis is three-fold higher in women undergoing fertility treatments
- Currently there is no readily available accurate non-invasive test for endometriosis

Endometriosis is a chronic condition affecting approximately 190 million women and teenage girls globally. It can cause severe pelvic pain, painful periods, and infertility. It occurs when tissue similar to the lining of the uterus grows in other parts of the body where it does not belong.

Professor Peter Rogers, Research Director at the Royal Women's Hospital and the Professor of Women's Health Research at the University of Melbourne said, “this breakthrough is an exciting advance in the diagnosis of this debilitating disease.”

“Currently, it takes on average seven years for a woman to receive a diagnosis and during that time she is enduring significant life impacting symptoms, her years of fertility are reducing and the endometriosis is spreading.”

“These results are a significant step towards solving the critical need for a non-invasive, accurate test that can diagnose endometriosis at an early stage as well as when it is more advanced”, he said.

The breakthrough was developed by Perth based medical technology company, Proteomics International.

In collaboration with the Royal Women's Hospital and the University of Melbourne, scientists analysed plasma samples from 805 participants across two independent groups.

Proteomics International's Managing Director Dr Richard Lipscombe said, “we identified 10 protein biomarkers, or ‘fingerprints’ in the blood, that can be found using our test, in women and girls with endometriosis.”

“The blood test, called PromarkerEndo, could significantly reduce the cost and the amount of time typically spent on trying to solve the cause of symptoms suffered by women and girls over years, often from as early as when they start having periods.”

“A blood test is more cost-effective for patients and the health system than the current use of ultrasounds, invasive laparoscopies, MRI's and biopsies to diagnose endometriosis, and work is underway to fortify the robustness and reliability of the new test for clinical use”, Dr Lipscombe said.

It is estimated endometriosis costs Australia \$9.7 billion each year^[1].

The blood test shows excellent results in distinguishing between healthy people and those who are symptomatic for the disease from those who actually have early stages of endometriosis.

Professor Rogers said access to early diagnosis and effective treatment of endometriosis is important. “Detecting endometriosis at an early stage increases treatment options and may improve a patient's response to laser ablation or the medical therapies currently used. Among healthy women undergoing fertility treatments there is a three-fold increased incidence of endometriosis.”

The new results have been published online in the journal Human Reproduction in an advance article of the January Issue, showing the PromarkerEndo test can diagnose all stages of endometriosis with a high degree of accuracy.

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Breaking bad records: 2024 marks world's worst heat, climate pollution

The Climate Council

GLOBAL CLIMATE SCIENTISTS have confirmed 2024 was the world's hottest since records began, eclipsing the previous record set in 2023 and raising alarm that burning fossil fuels has left the planet 'teetering on the brink' of breaking the 1.5°C barrier set by the Paris Agreement.

Coordinated modelling and analysis produced by experts at NASA, European climate service Copernicus the US weather service NOAA, the UK Met Office, Berkeley Earth and the World Meteorological Organisation finds every year in the past decade has been one of the hottest ten on record.

The burning of coal, oil and gas is driving rising temperatures. For the first time in 2024 global average temperature was 1.6°C above the pre-industrial average, breaching the 1.5°C limit identified by scientists as necessary to maintain a safe and liveable climate long-term.

Climate Councillor, Professor David Karoly said: "These are not the records any climate scientist wants to see broken. When it comes to rising temperatures, rising sea levels and rising damage bills from unnatural disasters, every fraction of a degree matters.

Extreme weather events are becoming more frequent and intense. The warmer atmosphere supercharges rain events, like the flooding in Spain that saw cars swept through the streets and, closer to home the flooding from ex-tropical cyclone Kirrily that became a statewide disaster event in Queensland last January.

"The agencies and scientists behind the latest findings remind us that 'the future is in our hands', slashing climate pollution this decade is critical.

"The temperature target in the Paris climate Agreement has not been breached yet because it is based on a temperature average over 20-30 years. The further and faster we're able to cut climate pollution this decade, the better the prospects for our kids future.

"According to the CSIRO and the Bureau of Meteorology's [State of the Climate 2024 Report](#) (pp 6,30), if a global temperature rise of 1.5°C is maintained for 10-20 years, Australia will experience devastating consequences. The continental land masses, like Australia, heat up faster than the oceans, and therefore heat up more than the global average. The climate whiplash we're feeling now – as we're hurled from flooding rains to heatwaves and fierce fires, then back again – that will intensify, creating more disruption, dislocation, devastation and death."

Climate Council CEO Amanda McKenzie said: "People world-wide have suffered through ten years of record-breaking temperatures, driving deadly heatwaves, ferocious fires and record breaking flooding. 2025 must be game on for climate action in Australia.

"When the alarm bells are ringing, you act immediately. Slashing climate pollution this decade is critical to safeguard our children's future. This is the challenge for our political leaders this election year.

"We have started to make real progress: our grid is more renewable than ever, new EVs are hit the market at record rates, and we've just had a bumper year for big clean energy and storage projects. We can clean up our energy system by the 2030s.

"Global climate experts and the residents of Los Angeles have just shown us exactly what's at stake: lives, livelihoods, community safety and our way of life. We need to act before our kids' futures go up in smoke.

"It's time to draw a line in the sand and say 'no more fossil-fuelled temperature records'. Australia has everything we need for this to be the year we set records for all the right reasons: from climate ambition to renewable power, nature restoration to clean transport. So let's get on with it!

Top ten 2024 temperature "highlights":

1. 2024 was the warmest year for global surface air temperature based on records going back to 1850. The global average temperature of 15.10°C was 0.72°C above the 1991-2020 average and 0.12°C above 2023, the previous warmest year on record. This is equivalent to 1.60°C above the pre-industrial level (1850-1900 reference period).
2. A new record high for daily global average temperature was reached on 22 July 2024, at 17.16°C.
3. 2024 was the warmest year for all continental regions, except Antarctica and Australasia (2), as well as for sizeable parts of the ocean, particularly the North Atlantic Ocean, the Indian Ocean, and the western Pacific Ocean.
4. The atmospheric concentrations of carbon dioxide and methane continued to increase and reached record annual levels in 2024, at 422 parts per million (ppm) and 1897 parts per billion (ppb) respectively. Carbon dioxide concentrations in 2024 were 2.9 ppm higher than in 2023, whereas methane concentrations were 3 ppb higher.
5. Each month from January to June 2024 was warmer than the corresponding month in any previous year on record. Each month from July to December, except August, was each the second warmest, after 2023, for the time of year. August 2024 was tied with August 2023 as the warmest on record.
6. The average extra-polar Sea Surface Temperature (SST) was at record high levels for the time of year from January to June 2024, continuing the streak of record months seen in the second half of 2023. From July to December 2024, the SST was the second warmest on record for the time of year, after 2023.
7. The total amount of water vapour in the atmosphere reached a record value in 2024, at about 5% above the 1991-2020 average, according to ERA5, more than 1% higher than in 2016 and 2023, the years with the previous highest and second highest values, respectively.
8. Extreme temperatures and high humidity contribute to increased levels of heat stress. Much of the Northern Hemisphere experienced more days than average with at least 'strong heat stress' during 2024, and some areas saw more days than average with 'extreme heat stress'.
9. Around Antarctica, after reaching record-low values for the time of year during eight months of 2023, the sea ice extent reached record or near-record low values again during a large part of 2024. From June to October, the monthly extent ranked second lowest, behind 2023, and lowest in November.
10. In the Arctic, the sea ice extent was relatively close to its 1991-2020 average until July but fell well below average in the following months.



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8 Months to return 80 Medals - 80th anniversary of VP Day

By Gary Traynor

2025 is a big year on the world-wide calendar in terms of commemoration. Whilst the Second World War was a global conflict, for Australians the war in the Pacific came very close to home.

This August, allied nations will pause to commemorate the 80th Anniversary of VP Day which saw the end of this catastrophic period in human history.

In accordance with this event, the international 'Not for Profit' organisation Medals Gone Missing will endeavour to return 80 (previously missing) war service medals or related objects, back to their rightful families.

This will take place over the next eight months, culminating in a mass return of these valuable awards in the NSW town of Moruya as a part of their 80th Anniversary Commemorative weekend (15 -17 August 2025).

80 years Commemorated over 8 months 80 lucky families, to be reunited with a tangible link to their past.

BACKGROUND

Medals Gone Missing was formed as a not-for-profit organisation in 2008, when social media was still in its infancy.

Its original concept was to provide a platform for the return of countless war service medals which had been subject to theft or were simply lost by veterans in the course of their lives. In some instances, medals were being sold by veterans or their descendants who were facing tough times. Since 2008, countless families have had war service medals or other relics returned to their rightful place - re-establishing a tangible link to their ancestors who answered the call to serve their country.

Notable returns include the stolen medals of Captain Harry Katekar of Kokoda fame; stolen during a theft over 27 years previously in Renmark, South Australia. The medals of 8th Division soldier Gilbert Mant who was a prominent journalist, author and war correspondent until his death during 1997.

And the unique return of a lost Great War medal to a Scottish soldier with ties to the granite of the Sydney Harbour Bridge; this medal returned to his descendants over the grave of this young man, interred in a lonely war cemetery on the Western Front in France.

Medals Gone Missing have returned these valuable relics to descendants at the Australian War Memorial in Canberra, the ANZAC Memorial in Sydney and The Shrine in Melbourne.

The work of Medals Gone Missing has been reported far and wide in various media forums. They travelled with Sir Tony Robinson on his 2014 'Tour of Duty' around Australia in an 'Antiques Roadshow' role, hosted by the History Channel. And featured on Foxtel's "Aussie Inventions That Changed the World" as a historical consultant. Medals Gone Missing featured in the return of a missing photo album from the First World War on Channel 7's program "Today Tonight". And have reported their work on radio and in countless newspapers across the nation.



80th ANNIVERSARY OF VP DAY

Encompassing the weekend of 15-17 August 2025, the largest return of missing war service medals and other relics ever conducted in Australia, will take place.

This mass return of missing war medals will take place in an authentic, wartime bunker which once was home to the No. 11 Operational Base Unit, RAAF from 1942 to 1944. Situated on the south coast of New South Wales near the small town of Moruya, the history of war on the east coast Australia will be brought alive in accordance with the 80th Anniversary of VP Day. According to renowned historian Steven Carruthers, more people were killed along the east coast of Australia as a result of enemy action than were killed in action on the Kokoda Trail between July and November of 1942.

Free guided tours of the wartime bunkers will also be conducted. The commemoration will be supported by 'Living History' enthusiasts and a 1940's charity concert is an event, not to be missed.

Sadly, this event is likely the very last major anniversary of the Second World War where people who lived through this tumultuous time and have a living memory, will be present.

Medals Gone Missing intend to pay homage to "that generation" who fought for a free world.

ABOUT US - All members of the 'MGM Team' are volunteers, and this organisation does not receive benefit or profit in any way. In fact, in many instances, this work incurs personal cost to our delegates. Sandra SMITH is Chief Research Officer for Medals Gone Missing. Her skills are constantly called upon by the Australia War Memorial and she specialises in researching the history of indigenous soldiers for our national institution, commemorating our fallen.

Nathaniel TRAYNOR is an emerging young Military Historian, having trekked the Kokoda Trail a number of times and examined various battlefields around the globe. Recently he attended Normandy in France in accordance with the 80th Anniversary of the D-Day landings. He is currently undertaking a degree at Wollongong University, majoring in History.

Gary TRAYNOR is the founder of Medals Gone Missing. He is a former Assistant Curator at the Australian War Memorial and has facilitated tour groups to numerous battlefields around world, from Gallipoli and the Western Front ... to Kokoda and the Thai Burma Railway.

The Office of Dr Michael Holland MP will be closed from
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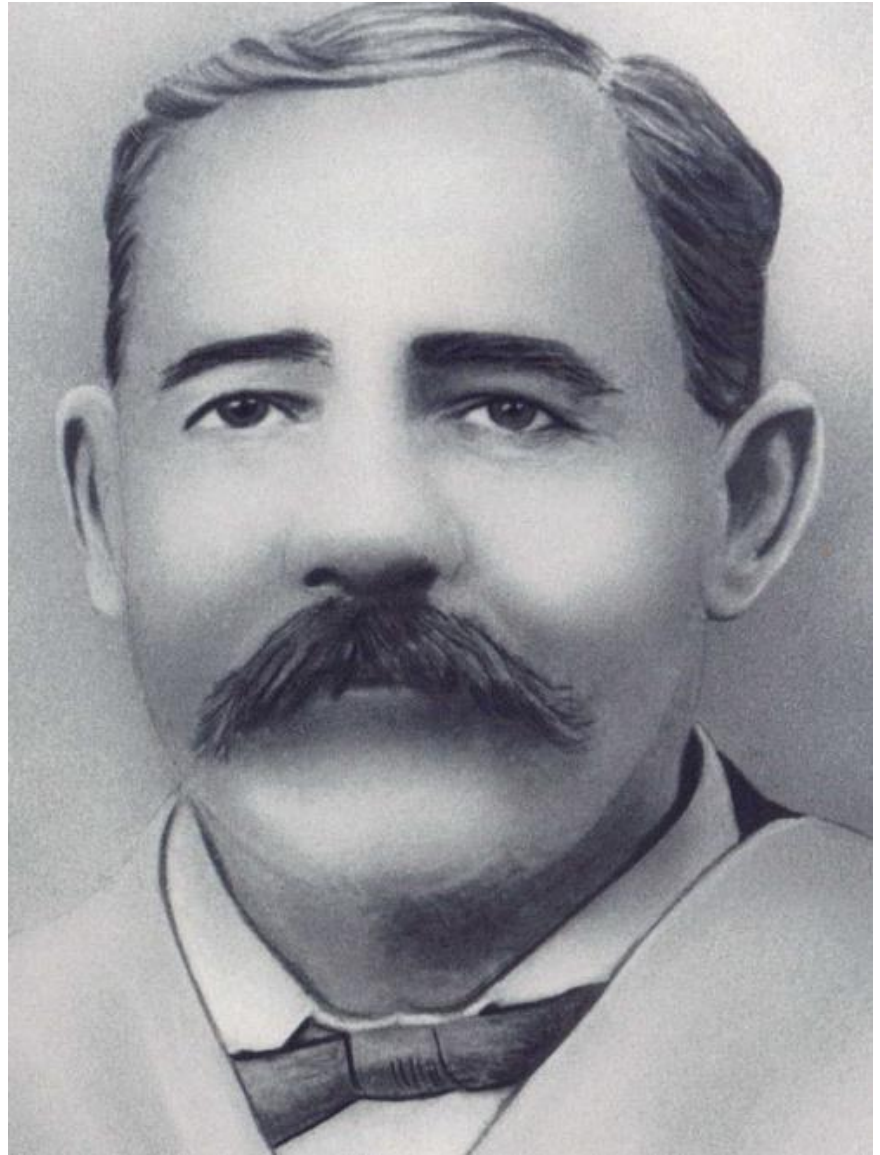
Mr. P. Flynn, secretary of the local branch of the Agricultural Bureau, informs us that a Government veterinary surgeon is expected here shortly to investigate into the cause of bone chewing amongst the cattle in this district.

On Wednesday last **Miss Emily I. Veitch**, of Mogo, was married to Mr. Albert Ingold, of Milton, the ceremony being performed by the Rev. S. A. Pill in the Mogo Methodist Church. A sumptuous wedding breakfast was afterwards partaken of at the residence of the bride's mother.

Campers at Congo during the holidays report excellent fishing results, particularly at night.

A tender has been accepted for the supply of poles for the Northanga-Nelligen telephone line, and the work of construction will be commenced as soon as sufficient poles have been delivered.

Now that we have a roomy and up-to-date office in which postal business can be transacted, the Dept. should throw the old kerosene lamps onto the scrap heap and install a gas lighting system. All our enterprising business, as well as many private people, years ago discarded kerosene for a modern illuminant, so why should our postal officials be compelled to carry old smelly lamps from one table to another. A new clock is also a much needed necessity at the local office. Now, Progress Association, these wants only require to be brought under Sir Austin's notice and the matters would be accomplished.



George Edward Hanscom

The death of Mr. G. E. Hanscom, whose illness we reported in our last issue, took place on Tuesday morning. Deceased, who was suffering from bronchial asthma, was admitted to the local hospital only the previous week, his condition then not being considered serious. His demise, therefore, came as a shock to his immediate friends. Mr. Hanscom was born at St. Thomas', West Indies 67 years ago, and has resided in this country for over 30 years. At one time he carried on the business of bootmaking at Cobargo, later moving to Mogo. Finally he settled down in Moruya, where he successfully carried on the same trade. He was a much travelled man, having followed the seafaring life during the early part of his life. He was a very well read man and could converse on almost any subject. ... Deceased was buried on Wednesday with full Masonic honors, the highest service ever held in Moruya. Besides Mr. Godfred Hanscom (the elder son Ollie having predeceased him some years ago), deceased leaves three grown-up daughters to mourn their loss. *Note: According to his naturalization papers he was born in Hjorring, Frederickhaven, Denmark*

PUBLIC NOTICE – The workers interested in the painting of the Centennial Hall are requested to attend a meeting to be held in the hall on TUESDAY NIGHT, 13th January, at 8 p.m. – A. McINTOSH, Caretaker.

'A total waste of money': NSW government should reject ridiculous calls for feral animal bounty

The Invasive Species Council is calling on the NSW government to reject the Shooters Party's latest attempt to undermine effective feral animal control in the state by wasting millions of dollars on bounty payments for some feral animals.

'Bounty hunters might be heroes on the big screen, but in the real world of feral animal control, they're just a waste of taxpayers' money,' Invasive Species Council Acting CEO Jack Gough said.

'For decades the Shooters Party has worked to undermine effective, science-based feral deer and pig control in NSW. So it is unsurprising to hear they are once again pushing for subsidies for recreational hunting at the expense of real action to protect the environment from the impact of feral animals.

'We've seen it time and again across the country – bounties just don't work. Not only do they fail to deliver results, but they actually encourage hunters to spread feral animals further.

'The research is clear and it shows bounties are ineffective because invasive species breed and spread too quickly. The schemes are also riddled with fraud and encourage inhumane and ineffective control methods.

'Bounty hunters naturally focus their effort in areas where hunting is easiest, not most impactful, and tend to preferentially harvest younger animals, leaving the mature animals to breed to ensure future stock.

'I hope that Premier Minns and Agriculture Minister Tara Moriarty will listen to the science and reject this ridiculous demand from the Shooters Party which has nothing to do with effective animal control.

'To truly tackle the problem of feral pigs, deer, foxes and cats, we need to invest in professional, coordinated, long-term, science-backed control methods, such as aerial shooting, baiting, trapping and fencing, which have been proven time and time again to achieve better results.

'Farmers should be deeply concerned if funding for genuine control programs is diverted towards this ridiculous subsidising of recreational hunting.

'If the NSW government is serious about protecting native wildlife and stopping extinctions, it should reject the Shooter's Party's bounty proposal and focus on increased funding for effective, long-term solution.'

St John's farewell to Rector Linda



Linda's last service as Rector.

After 14 years as the Rector of the Parish of Moruya, Linda Chapman's final service as Rector was held on Sunday 5 Jan, followed by a morning tea. There was a full Church to celebrate Linda's time at there and the creation of the St. Johns Commons. When reflecting on The Commons, Linda shared that she has loved being a part of what we have co-created and that she looks forward to the continuing journey.

Over the 14 years we have together:

- painted the hall doors red as a symbol of sanctuary space
- Eurobodalla Refugee Action Collective began in the hall and continue to meet here
- established the Red Door Community Cafe, a weekly lunch and food relief service
- started and sung together as Slightly Bent Choir, now in our 10th year
- made a Labyrinth that is walked often by young and old alike
- held various events including the annual 350.org Bell-Ringing for Climate Action.
- collaborated with SAGE to establish community veggie garden plots
- through SHASA equipped the hall as a Heatwave Haven.
- host the weekly Repair Cafe from the hall
- established the Community Resource Hub through a FRRR grant which offers meeting/office space and formed the Commons Council to support small nfp's in the area.
- with the Moruya Film Club were able to install audio-visual equipment and a new screen for better viewing
- opened up the corner block for the creation of the Moruya Micro-Forest by the Climate Factory and friends
- The Red Door Theatre Company started from the hall and call it home
- regular concerts are also held in the church and hall
- many other groups and activities meet on the Commons regularly including Just Dance, Tai-Chi, Ironic Circus, Eurobodalla Breastfeeding Association and more.
- the hall became an impromptu Evacuation centre during the Black Summer fires

Linda will remain living in the are and engaging in The Commons, however this does mark a significant transition for Linda.

Linda said "In short, we see all of this life as generative of social cohesion, inclusion and renewable living to serve the common good. This is healthy community in action and we are grateful to you for all the ways you serve our wonderful community. Thank you."

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A Beer with Bazz # 176

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John
Longhurst

Bazza counted the New Year's resolutions as they jogged past the front bar window, took out his diary, ran a line through Mick's name and grinned.

He looked up as Mick wended his way through the crowded front bar to deliver a tray of schooners to beaming faces around the table.

"That New Year resolution of joining the Friday afternoon jogging group instead of having a beer did not last long, Mick."

Mick waved off the comment, feigned a limp and sucked in a deep breath before handing out the schooners.

"Ok...you blokes...I've seen off the annual invasion of the relatives and this shout is on me."

Mick eyeballed the group and lowered his voice.

"Now listen up... the Mayor has asked me to set up an innovative, strategic and expert committee to examine underlying impediments preventing the growth of tourism and associated industries within the boundaries of the Eurobodalla Shire. I will chair the committee on an ongoing basis in the medium term, but I thought there might be some room for some ground level up, value added input from the likes of you lot going forward."

Bazza blinked and shook his head.

"You mean a committee to promote tourism, Mick?"

Mick shot a glare at Bazza.

"I just said that, Bazza... now pay more attention. I think the Shire would benefit from a big tourist attraction. Now... Coffs Harbour has the Big Banana even though they grow more blueberries these days, Goulburn has the Big Merino but I sympathise for the family living in the house directly behind it with an unimpeded view of the ram's testicles and the Big Potato at Robertson is...well... better suited to promoting the Malabar Waste Water Treatment Plant. It is important we keep it appropriate."

Timeless Tom took a generous sip and leaned in.

"Well I guess the Big Oyster is a natural fit, Mick. There are oyster farms throughout the shire and it fits with the Oyster Festival at Narooma... or we could go for the Big Whale."

There were nods of agreement around the bar table and Mick jotted down some notes before Bazza let out a sigh.

"Pretty bloody ugly, Tom. Why would tourists come to view the Big Oyster when it is all about eating them? As for the Big Whale... well...they are already pretty big. Are you suggesting the Bigger Whale?... perhaps a monstrosity that stretches for a kilometre along the coast road blocking the view of the ocean. I suggest the natural features of the shire speak for themselves."

Mick folded his arms and glared at Bazza.

"A very negative attitude, Bazza. Big things are great for tourism. Your membership of this committee is at risk if you cannot be more positive. We need to have a Big Think."

Know All Ron cleared his throat and enjoyed the silence as he took a measured sip.

"How about the Big Yoga Teacher? The ratio of yoga teachers per capita of population in this shire surpasses all others. I guarantee each one of you knows at least one yoga teacher."

Nods of agreement all round as Ron took another sip.

"As I thought...I suggest a big statue of a yoga teacher posing a downward facing dog somewhere along the highway."

Mick beamed.

Bazza bit his bottom lip and rubbed his chin.

"Well... the Big Downward Facing Dog could stretch across the Moruya River and be the key design feature of the proposed new bridge. Driving under the Big Downward Facing Dog is sure to be a winner with the tourists."

Mick scribbled furiously into his notebook.

Have a beer with Bazza at
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Working together for a cleaner,
smarter future for the Eurobodalla





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

All kids think they're the good guys. I was an only child with my father off at the war then on the road selling King Tea up the Queensland coast, and in our Brisbane suburban street there were no other kids my age. So when cousin Elwyn came to visit one New Year holiday at last I had a bad guy to play with.

The game we all played then was Cowboys and Indians. I had a little collection of cap guns. We loaded a roll of caps into the innards of the revolvers and when you pulled the trigger the hammer (sometimes) hit the cap, making a very satisfying 'Bang!' while positioning the next cap for the hammer.

I was very excited.

Elwyn was seven or eight like me but was the baby of her family and had never played with her much older brothers. So I explained the rules to her. We both had to run away and hide, then we had to search for each other and shoot our revolvers and when you were hit you had to die for a while as the enemy ran off and hid. Then you went looking for him for revenge.

Elwyn was a hopeless bad guy. She couldn't manage the cap gun very well and when I shot her she died and just about went to sleep on the soft green couch grass near the tank stand. I had to leave my beaut hideout behind the copper washing tub under the house to bring her back to life.

Then she said Indians had bows and arrows and I knew that, but Mum said they were too dangerous, and after that when I changed my hideout to the fork of the big mango tree, she couldn't find me and started crying.

Absolutely hopeless. Thereafter she mostly helped Mum in the kitchen where she learnt how to make pikelets and Mum's famous 'Lemon Delish' pudding. I spent more time in the mango tree and learned to ride Dad's bicycle through the bars.

All these years later, not a lot has changed. As Australians, we still think we're the good guys who celebrate our victories against the Germans in two world wars and the Japanese in the second one.

Since then, we've lost all the other wars we fought alongside our big powerful cousin, the United States of America -- Vietnam, Afghanistan, Iraq, and the border war between Russia and Ukraine seems hopeless.

In fact, when I think about the Cowboys and Indians, I realise I was no good guy then. As a cowboy, I was a bully and a thief just as I and my compatriots were bullies and thieves in their treatment of the Aboriginal people.

And now that our big, powerful cousin has elected Donald J Trump as their presidential Wizard of Oz, will we ever be on the side of the good guys again?

The answer is not necessarily 'no'. Truth is, we really have no idea how he's going to conduct his presidency. I don't much care if he deports a million or so Central Americans to their home countries or puts his hoods in charge of the Justice Department. And I really don't care if he pulls out of NATO – the Europeans should be perfectly capable of looking after their own security.

Happily, we've signalled a 'pass' on the seemingly endless religious war in the Middle East, so he can play around with that as much as he likes. He has conned his evangelical base into thinking he's a believer, but he will never surrender his authority to their demands for a theocracy.

My only concern is his dealing with China, but even there I think his tariff threats are part of his so-called Art of the Deal. Will he sacrifice American lives to prevent a Chinese takeover of Taiwan? Really?

Looking back from the mango tree heights of age and experience, I just can't see it. Meantime, maybe we should take a leaf from Elwyn's book and take a nap on the soft green couch by the metaphorical tank stand.

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Applications to open for 2025 Tertiary Health Study Subsidies

The Minns Labor Government is encouraging students enrolled in healthcare degrees in NSW to apply for up to \$12,000 in financial support to assist with their studies.

Minister for Health Ryan Park today announced the next round of applications for the Tertiary Health Study Subsidies Program will open on 14 January 2025.

This year support will be available for up to 850 nursing students, 400 medical students and 150 midwifery students.

The Program is designed to create a future pipeline of health workers by supporting students with fees, technology, travel, or other costs related to their degree.

Subsidies are also available for students of paramedicine, Aboriginal health, dentistry and oral health therapy, and various allied health professions including psychology, pharmacy, dietetics, and nuclear medicine.

Students successful in their application and beginning their degrees will receive subsidies of \$4,000 per year over three years. Existing students will receive one-off payments of \$8,000 after acceptance of employment for a position within NSW Health.

Students must be willing to make a five-year commitment to working in the NSW public health system. There are a limited number of subsidies available, and applications will remain open until all subsidies are awarded. The Minns Labor Government is investing \$121.9 million over five years in the Tertiary Health Study Subsidy Program.

The full list of eligible workforce groups and locations are available on the NSW Health website here.

The subsidies form part of a series of measures introduced by the Minns Labor Government to further strengthen the state's health workforce, including:

- Implementing the Safe Staffing Levels initiative in our emergency departments
- Providing permanent funding for 1,112 FTE nurses and midwives on an ongoing basis
- Abolishing the wages cap and delivering the highest pay increase in more than a decade for nurses and other health workers
- Beginning to roll out 500 additional paramedics in regional, rural and remote communities.

Have your say on Far South Coast Bush Fire Risk Management Plan

The draft Far South Coast Bush Fire Risk Management Plan sets out the plan for managing bush fire risk in our area over the next five years.

There are 12 Focus Areas within the Far South Coast BFRMP. These are: · Guerilla Bay · Dalmeny / Kianga · Central Tilba / Tilba Tilba · Bermagui · Tathra / Kalaru · Merimbula / Tura Beach · Pambula / Pambula Beach · Eden · Nungatta Feral Predator Free Area · Mt Imlay · Biamanga and Gulaga Mountains · African Lovegrass. (ie. only three in Eurobodalla).

The communications strategy for the community is focused on social media and online, with no mention of local media.

Your feedback is important, to ensure fire agencies and land managers protect what matters most. Download HERE <https://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/.../bush-fire.../far-south-coast>

Time to trial fire vehicles

Farmers are urged to take part in a trial of Farm Fire Units in NSW as unprecedented bushfires continue to burn in the United States. Under a NSW Government trial in place until 31 March, private farm vehicles used for firefighting purposes known as Farm Fire Units – or Farm Fire Fighting Vehicles (FFFVs) – can be used unregistered under certain conditions.

NSW Farmers Business Economics and Trade Committee Chair John Lowe said the catastrophic damage caused by bushfires overseas was a reminder of the importance of having key firefighting tools available in emergency situations.

“These out of season bushfires are burning out of control in the United States, and they're nothing if not a stark reminder of how fires here in NSW can get out of hand if we don't have the right tools available locally,” Mr Lowe said. “Preventing the devastation we've seen overseas and in our own country, in years not long past, is something we want to avoid at all costs.”

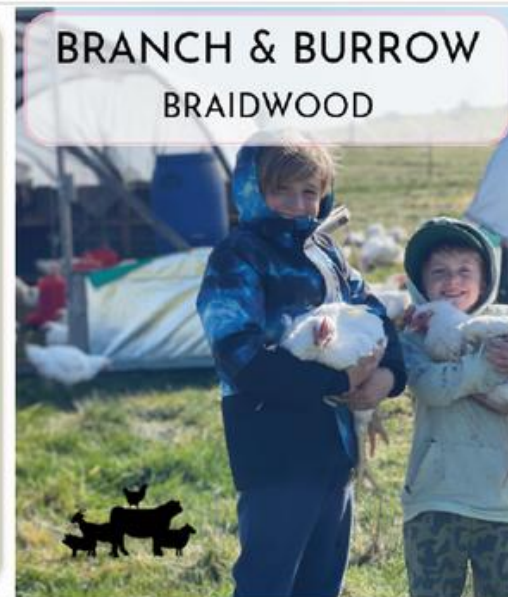
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Chosen poems will be displayed with the artwork during the exhibition in Feb 2025, published by the South Coast Writers Centre and receive \$300.

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Swan Songs Album Launch
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 February 1st 2025 ... \$20 presale.

John the Potter Concert

Sunday 26th January 2025 Out of Abingdon plus solo acts Robyn Martin and Ben Fowler
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Nancy and the Jam Fancys Album Launch
 Sat, 1 Feb, 7pm - 11:30pm

Monarch Motel Hotel Moruya
 Swan songs (released 17/1/25) is the debut album by Moruya rock n roll quintet Nancy and the Jam Fancys. N&TJF are taking over The Monarch hotel Moruya on February 1st for a night of pure debauchery in celebration of the release. They will be joined by Manly's finest The Darrans, Local heartthrob Tim McMahon and Bingis blues icons Red Monarch.
 Tickets <https://events.humanitix.com/swan-songs-album-launch?hxchl=hex-grc&hxref=evt>



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Veronica O'Leary Immersed in the landscape oil on canvas 93x71cm 2024

There's a New Show in Town

Moruya, it's time for a new Red Door Theatre Production! If you enjoyed our production of 'Lend Me a Soprano' in 2023, you are going to love our new show 'Move Over Mrs Markham'.

'Move Over Mrs Markham' is a classic comedy/farce, written by one of Britain's best, Ray Cooney, together with John Chapman. The setting is an upmarket city apartment belonging to Philip and Joanna Markham, in the 1970's. Philip is a straight-laced publisher of children's books, and he shares an office with his business partner, Henry Lodge, on the ground floor. Reluctantly, Philip agrees to let Henry borrow his apartment for the evening to 'entertain' his latest girlfriend. At the same time, Joanna Markham is persuaded by Linda Lodge, Henry's wife, to let her borrow the apartment, so she can entertain her lover. What nobody knows is that the interior designer who had been decorating the apartment for the past three months has decided that this was the night he and the au pair girl would try out the new oval bed!

When all three sets of people converge on the apartment expecting to find it empty, chaos and confusion ensues. Starring many of the faces you know and featuring two new actors to Red Door, you are sure to enjoy this new production. With four night shows on 17, 18 January & 7, 8 February, and two matinees on 18 January & 8 February 2025. Night shows feature seating at tables, great for a group of friends! So, book a single seat or up to eight per table. And remember to bring your nibblys and drinks! Matinees feature theatre style seating. All shows are at the Moruya RSL Hall.

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- Mr Jinx - this six month old boy has a purr machine which revs up as soon as he feels comfortable with new people - which doesn't take long! Then he will shower you with affection.
- Ripley is four months old, a tabby girl who is a little shy at first. Ripley was two weeks old when she was found with a sibling and her homeless mother, so life has been a bit tough so far for this girl. She will do well in a home where she can grow in confidence, possibly with another cat, as she loves playing with other kittens and is comfortable around adult cats and dogs.

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The draw date for our raffle has been put back to coincide with the Oyster Festival, which means more time to grab a ticket or ten and be in the running for the three fabulous prizes. Tickets are available from veterinary clinics throughout the shire, and all proceeds go towards AWL's work in Eurobodalla. Finally, don't forget to protect your precious pet from deadly ticks. We're in the middle of tick season, so ensure your dog or cat is up to date with tick prevention medication, and check them regularly. It could save their life.

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Actually, we're having two release functions:

- On MONDAY 20th JANUARY at TURA MARRANG LIBRARY AND COMMUNITY CENTRE at 10.30am. Our special guest will be KRISTY McBAIN, the Member for Eden Monaro; and
- On THURSDAY 23rd JANUARY at ULLADULLA CIVIC CENTRE at 10.30am. Our special guest will be FIONA PHILLIPS, the Member for Gilmore.

A special 32-page, 50th-issue of 'Recollections' will be released at these functions. It includes the stories of 50 'memorable moments' from the South Coast's very colourful past. It's definitely well worth the read. Naturally, we'll also have a few words to say about South Coast history, and we'll be serving morning tea.

Seating at both functions is limited, so it's ESSENTIAL THAT YOU BOOK your seat. Simply email us at southcoasthistory@yahoo.com (but please tell us how many others will be joining you) or call 0448 160 852 to do so.

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Richard Lawson Quantum Brewery

Sunday, 12 Jan:
Steve Martin Tomakin Club (noon)
Rick Bamford Club Tuross (3pm)
Tony Jagers Foxxdog Distillery
Benji Fowler Tilba Valley Winery and Alehouse
Soul Stories The Romedary Hotel
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NEW DATE

Saturday, 11 January 2025

10.00am to 2.00pm

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Entry & Refreshments are by gold coin donation
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EVERYONE WELCOME!
Annual Australia Day
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SUNDAY, 26 JANUARY
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One Tree Lookout Picnic Area,
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-MAGIC BEACH
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| CONCLAVE PG, 2H, MYSTERY/THRILLER | 12.40pm* 8.05pm | 12.40pm* 8.05pm | 12.40pm* 8.05pm | 12.40pm* 8.05pm | 12.40pm* 8.05pm | 12.40pm* 8.05pm | 12.40pm* 8.05pm |
| NOSFERATU M, 2H 12M, HORROR/DRAMA | 3pm* | 3pm* | 3pm* | 3pm* | 3pm* | 3pm* | 3pm* |
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| MUFASA PG, 1H 58M, ADVENTURE/MUSICAL | 10.20am* | 10.20am* | 10.20am* | 10.20am* | 10.20am* | 10.20am* | 10.20am* |
| SONIC THE HEDGEHOG 3 PH, 1H 50M, ACTION/ADVENTURE | 12.05pm 7.35pm* | 12.05pm 7.35pm* | 12.05pm 7.35pm* | 12.05pm 7.35pm* | 12.05pm 7.35pm* | 12.05pm 7.35pm* | 12.05pm 7.35pm* |
| MOANA 2 PG, 1H 40M, FAMILY/ADVENTURE | 2.35pm | 2.35pm | 2.35pm | 2.35pm | 2.35pm | 2.35pm | 2.35pm |
| WICKED PG, 2H 40M, FANTASY/MUSICAL | 4.55pm | 4.55pm | 4.55pm | 4.55pm | 4.55pm | 4.55pm | 4.55pm |



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PADDINGTON IN PERU
PG | 1hr 46min
~ Family ~ Adventure ~
Hugh Bonneville, Julie Walters & Jim Broadbent
Paddington and the Brown family visit Aunt Lucy in Peru, but a mystery sends them to the Amazon rainforest and up Peruvian mountains.




SONIC 3
PG | 1hr 50min
~ Family ~ Animation ~
Jim Carey, Keanu Reeves & Idris Elba
Sonic, Knuckles, and Tails reunite against a powerful new adversary, Shadow, a mysterious villain with powers unlike anything they have faced before.


ALSO SCREENING



NOSFERATU
M | 2hrs 12min
HORROR
FANTASY
DRAMA



MUFASA PG | 2hrs
~ Family ~ Animation ~
Seth Rogan, Lennie James & Keith David
Mufasa an orphaned cub, lost and alone until he meets Taka - the heir to a royal bloodline. Their meeting sets in motion a journey of misfits who will be tested as they evade a threatening and deadly foe



MOANA 2 PG | 1hr 40min
~ Family ~ Animation ~
DWAYNE JOHNSON
After receiving an unexpected call from her way-finding ancestors, Moana must journey to the far seas of Oceania and into dangerous, long-lost waters for an adventure.



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MONSTER SUMMER PG | 1hr 37m
~ Adventure ~ Mystery ~
Mel Gibson & Lorraine Bracco
When a mysterious force begins to disrupt their big summer fun, Noah and his friends team up with a retired police detective to embark on a monstrous adventure.



CONCLAVE PG | 2hrs
~ Thriller ~ Stanley Tucci & Ralph Fiennes
Set in the secretive Vatican meeting of Catholic cardinals who gather in Rome to pick a new Pope.

ALSO SCREENING - BETTER MAN & WICKED
NEXT WEEK - MAGIC BEACH/DEN OF THIEVES & WOLFMAN

23rd JANUARY - A COMPLETE UNKNOWN

Expressions of Interest Shuttle operations Mogo Trails

Eurobodalla Council is inviting Expressions of Interest (EOI) from operators to run a mountain bike shuttle service on Mogo Trails.

The successful applicant will be supported in applying for a permit from Forestry Corporation of NSW.

How to apply:

- Request an info pack: 0436 924 976
- Submit a written summary addressing four key criteria.

Submissions are due by 5pm, 21 January 2025 via email to council@esc.nsw.gov.au



PUBLIC HOLIDAYS 2025

| Public holiday | 2025 date |
|-----------------|----------------------|
| Australia Day | Monday 27 January |
| Good Friday | Friday 18 April |
| Easter Saturday | Saturday 19 April |
| Easter Sunday | Sunday 20 April |
| Easter Monday | Monday 21 April |
| Anzac Day | Friday 25 April |
| King's Birthday | Monday 9 June |
| Labour Day | Monday 6 October |
| Christmas Day | Thursday 25 December |
| Boxing Day | Friday 26 December |

HELLO EV OWNER AND WELCOME TO EuroBEV!



SHASA's
Eurobodalla Battery Electric Vehicles Group
EuroBEV is an informal group.
We have luncheons every 6- 8 weeks at chosen venues across our beautiful Eurobodalla Shire.
The aim is to meet with fellow EV drivers and those interested in purchasing an EV.

Our next luncheon will be held at
THE MOSSY CAFE
31 Pacific St Mossy Point
SUNDAY 9 FEBRUARY 2025
12 noon

If you are thinking of coming along or just have a question to ask about owning or driving an EV please contact
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The University of the Third Age is a volunteer organisation dedicated to keeping seniors healthy, active and stimulated in a supportive social setting. You'll be blown away by the number of courses that U3A Batemans Bay offers! All courses for the entire year are covered by our fee of \$50 (with a once-only \$10 joining fee).

WOULD YOU LIKE TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT US?
Come along to our Registration Day on Wednesday 24th of January at The Soldiers Club from 10:30 to 12:30
Or visit our website at u3abatemansbay.org.au
Or Phone us on 0474 483 678.

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
- help you to join us or to renew your membership, and
- help you to enrol in classes

Where and When: In the Gubar Baran room from 11:30 to 12:30

So don't sit at home come and join us today!



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2024 Diary Dates

- 25-26 January - **Eurobodalla Agricultural Show**
- 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**
- 26 Sept - 6 Oct 2025 - **River of Art Festival**
- 22-26 October 2025 - **Sea Otter Australia MTB Event**

Bush Fire Risk Management Plan

Fire agencies and land managers have been working to develop a new Bush Fire Risk Management Plan for the Far South Coast, to assist in the protection of the community, property and the environment. You can review the plan and provide feedback here <https://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/plan-and-prepare/managing-bush-fire-risk/bush-fire-management-committees/far-south-coast> or visit the below libraries and Bega Valley Shire Council or Eurobodalla Shire Council building.

The Koalas Film at The Kinema

Thursday 20 February 2025 at 17:00
A special screening of The Koalas Film at Huskisson Picture Theatre on January 21st and Narooma Kinema on February 20th!

2025 Eurobodalla Agricultural Show

Fri 24th Jan 2025 - Sun 26th Jan 2025
Horse Events: Hacks and ASH Fri 24th
: Showjumping Sat/Sun 25/26th
: Pony Club Sun 26th
Entries open 8am 20/12/24
Enter via GLOBALONLINE for all horse events and booking stables and yards.
Entries are \$5 each class so come along and have some fun with your horse.

Teensafe Driving Course

The next Teensafe course for young L and P drivers is in the school holidays on Thursday 23 January at Moruya Speedway. The program specialises in practical behind-the-wheel safe driver training for teens in the secure environment of the speedway.
Cars and instructors provided, fee \$80.
For info and rego form go to www.teensafemoruya.org or email garys.home@bigpond.com
Safe Driver Tip - When waiting on the highway to make a right hand turn into a side road, keep your foot on the brake to illuminate your brake lights as warning to drivers following AND keep your steering wheel straight so the front wheels are not turned right - because if a car hits you in the rear the impact may push your car into oncoming traffic.
This has happened and highway speeds can be up to 100 km/hr.
Safe driving,
Gary Smith. Teensafe manager.

MORUYA DISTRICT HOSPITAL AUXILIARY



TUROSS SUMMER STALL

At the Presbyterian Church Hall
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Tuross Head



Cakes Plants Craft Books Bric a Brac

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Saturday 11th January 2025
8.00am to 2.00pm

Raising Funds to purchase Hospital Equipment for Moruya Hospital
Registered Charity CFN 11058



LIVESTOCK TRANSPORT

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SAGE Food Share

18th Jan at the SAGE Garden (9am)

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).

Rally for Recovery

Ainslie Parade Tomakin

Mega Garage Sale
Every Wed and Sat
8.30 - 12.00

Small bric-a-brac to furniture
Crocery, and glassware
Tools and electrical equipment
Books and puzzles
Manchester and haberdashery
Toys and baby items
Paintings and artwork
Plants and garden tools.
Beds and bedding
.....the list is endless.



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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@y7mail.com or PO Box 469 Moruya 2537





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CONGO PLAYGROUND

12 Jan

7:30am-10:30am

CUT AND RUN PIZZA

CONGO PLAYGROUND

18 Jan

5-7pm

THE NOURISHED
SOVEREIGN COFFEE VAN *

CONGO PLAYGROUND

25 Jan

7:30am-10:30am

WHOPPA ICE CREAM

CONGO PLAYGROUND

26 Jan

10 am - 12 pm

CCA FUNDRAISER

BREKKIE FOOD STALLS

HELD ON THE MORNINGS OF THE 2 COFFEE VANS *

12 & 25

Jan

7:30am-10:30am

* There will be a call out for volunteers to make cakes and baked goods for these events. PLEASE BRING CASH TO PAY ALL VENDORS!

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**SHASA'S REPAIR CAFE
IS HAVING A HOLIDAY !**

The Repair Cafe Moruya will be taking a well earned summer holiday break !

Our final day for 2024 will be

Friday December 13 and we will return in 2025 on Friday 31 January.

LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU IN 2025.

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Teensafe is a safe-driver program for L and P drivers - a skill for life.

Practical behind-the-wheel courses are provided in school holidays at Moruya Speedway.

Each course runs for 1 day.

Cars and instructors provided. Fee \$80.

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For details, pics and rego forms go to

www.teensafemoruya.org

or email garys.home@bigpond.com

BAY POOL SERVICES

Phone: (02) 8529 8974

A new Pool and Brew shop has opened at 4/7 Cranbrook Road Batemans Bay (next to 3d shade sails). We are your exclusive dealers for Dolphin pool cleaners. Stockists of pool and spa chemicals and Coopers and Morgans HOME BREW supplies. We also service swimming pools from North Durras to Moruya from \$65 a service plus chemicals.

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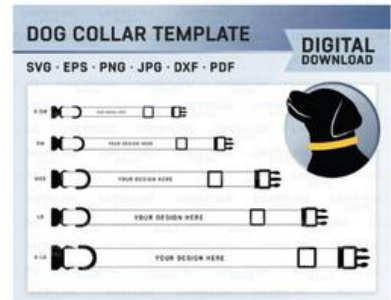
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10/65 QUEEN ST MORUYA



Narooma Rotary

Rotary Club of Narooma Inc

Australia Day Holiday

Duck Race

Monday 27 January

Time from Narooma Bridge TBC

TICKETS ON SALE

Friday 3 January 10-12

at Narooma Plaza

(in front of Aldi)



Proceeds to Eurobodalla Regional Hospital Carers' Accommodation and other community projects



Tuross Head Golf Results



Winner Terry Milliken with sponsor David Schmid.



Winner: Gail Rogers

Tuross Head Golf Results Saturday 4th January 2025

A large field of 69 players, including a number of visitors, registered for a Stableford Medley event today. The event was sponsored by David Schmid. The weather was changeable but some great results were achieved.

The Winners were:

- 1st: Terry Milliken (23) with 40 points
- 2nd: Brad Doolan (8) with 39 points (countback)
- 3rd: Martin Booth (12) with 39 points
- 4th: Leonie Doolan (27) with 38 points
- 5th: Peter Garn (21) with 37 points (countback)

Nearest to the Pins

- 4th: Eric Koetz 1.84 A Grade
- 4th: Joseph Kerin 1.26 B Grade
- 4th: Ethan Wong 1.62 C Grade
- 6th: Jesse French 2.92 A Grade
- 6th: Lars Gaupset 2.53 B Grade
- 6th: Casey Jackson 4.77 C Grade
- 7th: Mark Forrest 10.8 A Grade
- 7th: Leonie Doolan 4.08 B Grade
- 7th: Anthony Mellick 4.54 C Grade

Balls went to: Ian Lawson 37, Matthew Kennedy 37, Jim Madden 36, Steve Collins 35, Kevin Reilly 34, Ron Rogers 34, Colin Houghton 34, David Schmid 33, Bruce Lidbury 33, Jonathan Coffey 33, Eric Koetz 33, Shane Gschwend 33, Mark Forrest 32, Paul Scholze 32 and Paul Medwin 32.

Tuross Head Vets Golf Results Wednesday 8th January 2025

A field of 42 players registered for a Single Stableford event today. The weather was overcast but some great results achieved on our first day back in the New Year.

The winners were:

- 1st: Gail Rogers with 19 points
- 2nd: John Cox with 18 points (countback)
- 3rd: Rick Brake with 18 points
- 4th: Paul Pereira with 16 points (countback)
- 5th: Stephen Gardner with 16 points
- 6th: Dorothy Madden with 16 points
- 7th: Pauline Nash with 16 points
- 8th: Herb Muriwai with 15 points
- 9th: Graham Moore with 14 points
- 10th: Steve Collins with 14 points
- 11th: Greg Thornton with 13 points
- 12th: Sandra Hanlon with 12 points (countback)

Nearest to the Pins

- 4th: Mike Birks (2nd shot)
- 6th: Pauline Nash (1st shot)
- 7th: Ladies: Cathy Milliken (2nd shot)
- Mens: Paul Pereira (2nd shot)

Accuracy: Steve Collins (5th hole)
Bradman: Neal Watson

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Monday, 27th of January
10am to 2pm

Araluen federal Hall
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'Saucy Ladies of Araluen' - Jams, preserves, cordial & sauces

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Connie's Veggies and Metal Works

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Activities include:

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- DANCE GAMES
- ARTS AND CRAFTS
- DANCE MOVIE

What to bring:

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What to wear:

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Saturday 18th January 2025
9am - Midday

Free tea & coffee PLUS meet the staff & other members

- Full Centre Tours
- Behind the scenes theatre Tours
- Pavvy The Dolphin is making an appearance
- Free evolt scans
- Free Slushies

CHOOSE YOUR FOOTY ADVENTURE

2025 BATEMANS BAY AUSKICK (5-8) Holiday Program

When: Friday 24th January - 9:00am to 3:00pm (6 hrs)
Where: Batemans Bay Hanging Rock
Age: Turning 5 years to 8 years old
Cost: \$55 per participant (includes a footy)
Note: BYO food and drinks

SCAN THIS BARCODE TO REGISTER NOW ON PLAYHQ & COME ALONG FOR SOME FUN!

2025 BATEMANS BAY SUPERKICK (8-12) Holiday Program

When: Friday 24th January - 9:00am to 3:00pm (6 hrs)
Where: Batemans Bay Hanging Rock Oval
Age: 8 years to 12 years old
Cost: \$55 per participant (includes a footy)
Note: BYO food and drinks

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TWILIGHT SOUTH COAST TRI TAG 7S

7TH, 14TH, 21ST, & 28TH FEBRUARY

LOCATION: HANGING ROCK, BATEMANS BAY

TIME: 5:00-8:00PM

MIXED GRADES: U12S, U14S, U16S, OPEN SOCIAL

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Tackle World Moruya Fishing Report

Moruya River.

With holiday crowds now easing off from the manic levels of 2 weeks ago, there is a semi lull over our little town. There are still plenty of people in town, just look for a car park at any of the supermarkets at the moment to work that out. This does make finding a quiet spot to fish a bit easier than what it was before. The fish haven't spooked too much as a result of the increased angling pressure, and there are good numbers of happy anglers reporting some good fish this week.

Bream, whiting, flathead, trevally and Luderick have all been available throughout the system this week. The lower reaches, around the spur wall, airport flats, Garlandtown flats and the Preddy's wharf area, have all been producing some nice fish on a mixture of techniques. Soft plastics, hardbody lures and good ole bait have all been producing this week. So what ever your chosen preference is, there are fish to be found. Up in the fresh reaches of the river, the smaller bass have very much made themselves at home in all of the pools up the Duea river. Finding those bigger specimens is requiring a lot more work than it was earlier in the season. This is usually the way it goes for bass fishing, with the early season having big bass concentrated all together, then as the summer progresses, the big fish move throughout an extensive system and are harder to find.

Tuross River.

The prawns in Coila are still available, but with the current weather conditions, they are a little harder to find. The boss did manage 1 nice large mud crab while out prawning last night however, so dropping a pot or two could also be an option to supplement your prawn catch.

The main Tuross system, has been fishing incredibly well this past week, but it does suffer from slightly more boat pressure this time of year.

The flathead, bream, whiting, trevally and Luderick have all been available throughout this system. The whiting are definitely looking towards the surface, as the prawns are very much on their menu at the moment. Pygmy poppers, Bassday suga pens or any other surface style lure has been accounting for some nice sized whiting this past week.

Mulloway are still a very viable option, with the tides and moon phase all looking good for a silver ghost in the Tuross system.

Up in the fresh the big bass are also a bit harder to find now, as they have also spread out throughout even more water. Time will be required and a lot of casts to find that magic 50cm+ fish.

Rock and beach.

Salmon up to 70cm continue to make their up and down the coastal beach's and headlands, giving local and visiting anglers a heap of fun even on medium to heavy gear. The bream and whiting are also readily available at your feet in the close gutters, taking a liking to live worms, pipis or nipper baits. Please remember that you are able to fish all stretches of the coastline with rod and reel, but you are not permitted to catch live bait in some areas of coastline that are still marine park. It is your responsibility to know where you are fishing, and what you area allowed to do in that area. We do have the Batemans Bay Marine park map in store, and it will help you figure out what is permitted and where.

Keep an out for bonito off the stone, as they have arrived with the warm currents. They make a great feed if bled straight away, as well as an awesome Kingfish bait put out under a ballon on heavier tackle.

Offshore.

Montague island has had good number of kingfish this week, the size however hasn't been overly impressive with a lot of rat kings being reported. The big models can turn on at any time, so being out there is the best way to know if they are on or not.

Snapper are mostly out deep at the moment, with 50m+ of water the best starting point. Flathead are readily available over the summer season, and they are confidently located a lot shallower, with 15m+ a good starting point to try.

The tuna and Marlin should be there, as the water temps are up and the temperature break is very pronounced. Bait fishlike to sit on the temp breaks between warm and cooler water, which is why you will find the predators along these edges.

The shop is looking a little battle worn from Xmas, and we are out of some of the more popular items, but we are restocking at the moment, some of which has arrived today, other items my suppliers are out of stock of, and as such will be a bit before we can be resupplied with these items.

The bait freezer is fully restocked for the weekend, with hawksbury prawns and blue bait both unavailable at the moment.

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

Team Tackle World Moruya.

Product Safety Recall

3F Single Point Manual Inflator (Model No: V96000) in Life Jacket Solutions and Marlin life jackets

These inflators are installed in the following life jacket brands:

- Life Jacket Solutions (LJS) – Model numbers T150M, G150M, B150M, WB100, PR150M, SRSS150.
- Marlin – Model number MK150.

Check the grey plastic part of the inflator to find out if you have a recalled product.

Recalled inflators are marked "V96000 Halkey Roberts®" and have a manufacture date between 4 June 2021 and 15 April 2024 (this will be laser printed in the format MM/DD/YY).

Dates the affected life jackets were sold:
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Outback Jack's Stockman Show, Irene Cartoons, Fizzics Science Show, showbags, sheep shearing demo, duck racing, chicken poo lotto, photo booth, arts & crafts pavilion, flowers & vegetable pavilion, photography, stall holders, bar, food & drinks, novelty events, music, horse ring events and much more!

KIDS ZONE

Fairy La La, face painting, jumping castles, prize wheel, hop scotch, basketball hoops, soft ball targets

SATURDAY

Animal nursery, Young Woman of the Year Competition (aka Miss Showgirl), Grand Opening, showjumping, novelty events, Mick McGrath live music, pet show, dog ball catch, dog high jump, wife carrying, pony rides, 6 bar jumping, rodeo in evening and the Poddy Dodgers live music

SUNDAY

Feature limousine cattle show, poultry pavilion, show jumping, Pony Club sporting, ute competition, pet show, lawn mower racing, Gerry Bussa Memorial Motorbike Obstacle Course



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8th February 2025

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1st Batemans Bay Scouts Embark on the Adventure of a Lifetime at AJ2025



Esky Racing



Nine Scouts from 1st Batemans Bay Scout Group, aged 11 to 16, have embarked on an extraordinary journey to Maryborough, Queensland, for the 26th Australian Jamboree (AJ2025). The group travelled an impressive 22 hours by bus to join over 10,000 Scouts, Venturers, and adult volunteers from across Australia and around the world for this once-in-a-lifetime, ten-day Scouting adventure.

Held every four years, the Australian Jamboree is the ultimate Scouting experience, offering participants a chance to enjoy the very best Scouting has to offer. This year's Jamboree, hosted by Scouts Queensland from 6-15 January 2025 at Maryborough Showgrounds and Equestrian Park, promises an action-packed program filled with activities, challenges, and opportunities to forge lifelong friendships.

The Jamboree site is transformed into a bustling city with everything Scouts could need: an outdoor concert arena, activity zones, a marketplace, campsites, retail outlets, live entertainment, a medical centre, and a media hub. Scouts will participate in thrilling activities such as abseiling, scavenger hunts, and even esky racing. Opening night kicked off with incredible performances from Amy Shark and Aria award-winning and number one Australian Gamilaraay artist Mitch Tambo, who belted out Aussie rock classics, including his bilingual cover of "You're the Voice", while Comedians Dave Hughes and Mel Buttle performed on night 2 (the evening of 7 Jan) setting the tone for what is shaping up to be a memorable event.

Parents Ed and Taryn Tillotson have said "In the last 12 months, under the guidance of the wonderful scout leaders, our son, who is one of the younger scouts, has had to gain the relevant skills and experience, to qualify to be able to attend. During this time he has also helped pay his way by making loom bands and selling them at local venues and events. It has been a wonderful learning opportunity for him and he has achieved much growth. He was also very excited knowing the big adventure ahead." The purpose of AJ2025 goes beyond fun and adventure. It's a culmination of all the skills Scouts have developed over their years of participation. Scouts work in patrols to prepare, cook, and clean up after their meals and manage their own campsites, fostering independence, teamwork, and leadership.

1st Batemans Bay Scouts have spent the past two years preparing for this event, including a three-day camp in June where they practiced packing, organizing, and managing their own food. The dedication of both Scouts and leaders has made this opportunity possible.

Parent Melissa Franzen expressed her gratitude, saying, "This opportunity would not be possible without the local Scout leaders who have taken weeks off work to travel and support the kids, as well as those who have supported the Scouts over the past years to work toward attending this amazing event."

The adventure of AJ2025 also highlights the long-standing legacy of 1st Batemans Bay Scout Group, which will celebrate its centenary in 2026. Some current Scouts are proudly continuing the tradition as children of 1st Batemans Bay Scouts Group alumni.

For more information about 1st Batemans Bay Scouts Group and to follow their AJ2025 journey, visit their Facebook page.



Ben and Charlotte

Volunteers Needed

Join us at Same Wave Moruya (formerly Special Nippers) to assist kids and young adults with diverse needs to enjoy and experience the beach. We need you! Starting Saturday February 1st 2025



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