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## Opinion

### Bay Masterplan Needs a Rethink

By Phil Herrick

Congratulations have been sent to the Eurobodalla Shire Council from all directions for taking up the challenge of developing master plans for the shire's three main towns, starting with Batemans Bay. Giving the community an idea of what the future will bring and then developing the planning schemes to make it happen is a great, if challenging, thing to do.

But the draft plan for Batemans Bay that will go out for public comment next week misses the mark and needs a rethink.

It has been written for another Batemans Bay in a parallel universe, one where the sea level isn't rising, the planet isn't getting hotter and we no longer promote our untouched coastline and natural environment to compete for tourism.

#### A Mini Venice Anyone?

Easily accessible online tools like coastalrisk.com.au show significant parts of Batemans Bay may be flooded by 2100. Push it out to 2150 and, at high tide, nearly all the current business district is likely to be under water.

The draft plan is nearly silent on the threat of sea level rise, with no solutions for protection from flooding.

The experience for residents and visitors in future could be more mini Venice than mini Gold Coast.

#### Adapting to a hotter climate

There's no mention of shade structures in public places, heat refuges or other ways to adapt daily life to increased temperatures.

While the plan mentions the need for more trees to reduce radiant heat, it's silent on how areas with high pedestrian traffic will adapt to a hotter climate.

#### Who Wants a High-Rise City?

The draft masterplan completely ignores decades of tourism marketing that positions the Eurobodalla Shire as the nature coast. We advertise a place to escape the pressures of the city, to find the perfect beach or forest to unwind. A place completely unlike the rat race you just left.

Instead, the plan for the shire's gateway will have visitors arriving to just another city of towering apartment blocks. The idea of two 35 story building flanking either side of the bridge is mind boggling. We would no longer be a place that's different.

Batemans Bay and the shire will continue to provide unique holiday experiences for the 50 million Australians who will be around in 2100. At least 10 million of them will live in Sydney and well over one million in Canberra.

Visitors from the metropolis are looking for something different from their daily lives. It doesn't make sense to offer them another high rise city. Our gateway should reflect our nature coast and promise them something different.

The Gold Coast should not be our model, it should be upmarket, low rise Noosa.

The current apartment developments along Beach Road in the Bay show a path to high density living that is more reflective of our coastal lifestyle than 100 metre towers. It would be wiser to expand the area covered by the masterplan and raise height limits in zones past Batehaven that are safe from flooding to allow more of this lower style of high density to cater for population growth.

#### Get Involved

The draft masterplan for Batemans Bay has already kicked off heated online discussion.

It goes out for comment on 14 April and council has promised to modify the plan based on community feedback.

We should all take a look and offer our opinions to the council.

### Council seeking EOI from home care and NDIS providers

Eurobodalla Council is seeking expressions of interest from providers of home care packages and NDIS services.

Following a review of its community care offerings, Council proposes transitioning out of home care package and NDIS service provision by 31 October 2025.

The EOI process is to assure Council that capacity and capability of service exists and all clients can be supported to transition successfully. It will not select any provider for Council's existing clients – they will retain choice and control of their service provider.

Questions about these EOI should be submitted by email before Friday 11 April. Find more information or submit expressions of interest by 5pm on Friday 18 April 2025 on Council's Transition of Home Care Packages and Transition of NDIS services webpages.



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# Opportunity a plenty at Good Finds by Yumaro



Cutting the ribbon to open Good Finds on Friday

Yumaro's Employment Pathways & Learning team held a grand opening of Good Finds, a new pop-up op shop in Moruya last Friday. The shop is all about second-hand fashion, sustainability, and hands-on retail training for people with disabilities.

Good Finds will offer a range of quality pre-loved clothing, shoes, and accessories at affordable prices. While customers shop, participants will gain valuable workplace skills in customer service, merchandising, and shop operations, all in a fun, inclusive environment.

"This isn't just an op shop – it's an opportunity," said Mark Brantingham, CEO at Yumaro. "We're creating a space where participants can learn, grow, and feel part of something bigger."

The pop-up shop will be open for three months, with the hope of growing Good Finds into a long-term social enterprise, providing meaningful employment opportunities for people with disabilities.

"We can't thank our local community enough for all your support as we move forward on this new adventure. Take a look at all of our different types of stock we have in store which is divided into a variety of range of categories."

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Yumaro CEO Mark Brantingham and shop coordinator Zowie Ratugolea Good Finds.



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Treecycled is redefining sustainability by transforming tree waste into stunning, handcrafted furniture.

Treecycled, a unique recycling woodyard in Moruya, has partnered with Eurobodalla Tree Services to give felled timber a second life.

Now, with the launch of their new showroom, locals can experience the beauty of recycled hardwood furniture first hand.



To celebrate the showroom launch, Treecycled is inviting the community to visit, on the 3rd of May, explore the collection AT 25 Malabar Drive Moruya .





## Let the battle begin! Eurobodalla bands line up



Be part of a local tradition and grab free tickets to Currents Battle of the Bands on Saturday 12 April.

Looking for something fun to do? Currents Battle of the Bands is on Saturday 12 April from 4pm-9pm at the Moruya RSL Hall. This year's lineup is epic, with a mix of returning acts and some new ones on the scene, says **Eurobodalla Council's** youth officer Michael Lawrence-Taylor.

"We can't wait to see them give it their all on stage," Michael said.

"Bands from Moruya High have won the battle the past two years - could 2025 be the year someone else steals the crown?" Selected bands for this year are:

- Dizzy – Batemans Bay and Moruya high schools.
- No Mans Land – Batemans Bay High School
- Train St – St Peter's Anglican College
- Polaroid Band – Carroll College and Moruya high schools
- Seajays – St Peter's Anglican College
- Lennox – Moruya High School

Michael was blown away by the event's history saying it has been running for almost 20 years.

"The event has been running since 2007! Back then I believe it was called Amplify and I would love to know where some of the bands are at now and their success stories," he said.

Michael said winners over the years were awarded prizes like professional recording sessions and opportunities to headline local gigs.

"It's such an awesome event that gives young musicians a chance to step into the spotlight, build confidence and get noticed – opening doors to exciting opportunities," Michael said.

"But what they need is a big crowd to support them! So, if you're school-aged and looking for a fun night out, rally your mates and get yourselves some free tickets.

"With all young people in the crowd, it's like they're performing in front of their mates. It's fun for both the performers and the crowd."

On the night there will also be free pizza, giveaways and a chill-out area. Tickets available through Eventbrite.

Southern NSW Local Health District



## Eurobodalla Health Service Update



THURSDAY  
**10 April**  
5pm to 6.30pm

Bay Pavilions

You are invited to hear the latest updates about the Eurobodalla Health Service, including the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital.

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# High Court says conservationists can take Forestry Corporation to Court

In a landmark judgment, the High Court of Australia has today unanimously dismissed an appeal by the State-owned NSW Forestry Corporation, confirming that conservation groups like South East Forest Rescue can bring legal action to enforce compliance with the logging laws and protect threatened wildlife in native forests.

The historic decision of the High Court ends a protracted legal battle over standing that began in early 2024 when SEFR launched proceedings in the NSW Land and Environment Court which alleged that the Corporation had failed to comply with the logging laws and therefore, failed to properly protect endangered gliders, including the Greater Glider, during native forest logging operations in NSW.

Although the original judgment found that special interest groups had the ability to sue the Corporation, SEFR was not found to have the necessary "special interest" to bring the case. SEFR then appealed, and the full bench of the NSW Court of Appeal unanimously overturned the LEC decision, recognising SEFR's deep and longstanding commitment to protection of native forests. The Corporation then applied to the High Court and special leave was granted in September 2024.

"This judgment confirms that organisations with a deep and ongoing commitment to environmental protection can hold government-owned entities accountable to the law," said Scott Daines, spokesperson for SEFR.

SEFR says the appeal was an attempt to shield the Corporation from public scrutiny, and to avoid answering questions about whether its activities comply with environmental law.

"Forestry Corporation tried to shut down this case before it even began. That strategy has failed," said Mr Daines. "Rather than engaging with the substance of our claims, Forestry Corporation has fought to deny our right to bring them to court. It is disappointing that taxpayer money was spent trying to avoid scrutiny rather than to address the environmental harm in question."

"This judgment recognises the essential role that dedicated special interest litigants play in upholding the law," Ms Natalija Nikolic, lawyer for SEFR, said. "It locks in the ability for environmental groups to take Forestry Corporation to court, especially when regulators fail to do so."



Lisa Stone and Scott Daines from SEFR with the legal team at the High Court today.

The case is expected to return to the Land and Environment Court later this year. SEFR is seeking court orders to restrain the Forestry Corporation from logging in NSW north and south coast State forests unless proper surveys for Greater Gliders, Yellow-bellied Gliders, and Squirrel Gliders are completed, and appropriate protections around their den trees are put in place.

"This decision gives us a measure of hope amid an escalating extinction crisis," said Mr Daines. "It's frustrating that groups like ours have to step in, but it shows that accountability is still possible when organisations are willing to act."

SEFR thanks barristers Jonathan Korman, Jeremy Farrell, Lauren Sims and Thomas Wood for their expert legal representation in the proceedings before the High Court. SEFR is represented by Blair Arthur & Associates.

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# Narooma joins global men's health ride



Checking out the assembled bikes and their riders at Narooma's first ever Distinguished Gentleman's Ride, 2024

Narooma's Distinguished Gentleman's Ride (DGR) for Prostate Cancer and Men's Mental Health on Sunday 18th May is shaping up to be even bigger and better than last year's.

"The response to our inaugural ride last year was awesome," said Narooma Rotary DGR coordinator Françoise Cleret. "We had 73 riders from Batemans Bay to Merimbula, 'dressed dapper', and raised \$10,967 for these great causes.

"Many rode classic or vintage styled motorbikes; they enjoyed the day so much they are coming again this year and bringing their friends. It created a huge amount of interest."

Ms Cleret said Narooma's DGR will be one of over 900 DGRs across 104 countries held that day. "They bring people together to celebrate these bikes and the 'gentlefolk' who ride them, men and women, while celebrating the power of community and making a lasting impact on men's health worldwide.

"So while the cause couldn't be more serious, coming together, dressing dapper and the ride itself does raise funds and awareness by having fun in style," she said.

All riders must register online before 18<sup>th</sup> May to take part and 'dress dapper'.

[www.gentlemansride.com/rides/australia/narooma](http://www.gentlemansride.com/rides/australia/narooma)

Should you wish to donate to the Narooma DGR, please also go online [www.gentlemansride.com/rides/australia/narooma](http://www.gentlemansride.com/rides/australia/narooma) and support one or more registered Narooma riders or pillions. Bikes will assemble on NATA Oval (behind the Visitors' Centre) from 9am.

The ride departs 11am. The Rotary Food Van will serve breakfast and lunch from 9am-2pm. Coffee and other refreshments will be available

All funds raised by the DGR are invested by the official charity partner Movember in both local and global prostate cancer research and men's mental health programmes.

For Narooma DGR inquiries, please phone Françoise Cleret 0402 967 494.

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# Reel fun ahead as youth tackle fishing challenge

Michael Lawrence-Taylor wants more young people to feel the thrill of reeling in a fish.

"Whether it's the allure of the mighty mulloway or the hooking humble mullet, casting your line is great way to get out and experience nature in our beautiful shire," Eurobodalla Council's youth development officer says.

To that end, **Eurobodalla Council** is hosting a free land-based fishing competition at Wagonga Inlet, starting from the Narooma Sport and Game Fishing Club (near the Quarterdeck) on Thursday 17 April from 10am to 2pm. And Council's youth development team have gone to the best for help, with local and national fishing legend Steve 'Starlo' Starling along to lend a hand.

"Starlo is a world-record holder, writer and TV personality and he knows this estuary like the back of his hand. Beginning and seasoned young anglers alike can hit him up for those top tips and secret tricks for reeling in a beauty," Mr Lawrence-Taylor says.

Starlo says Wagonga Inlet is wonderful, vibrant estuary that's chock-full of fish.

"You can hook just about anything that swims in this part of the world from these crystal-clear waters. I reckon we'll see some great catches on the day!" says Starlo.

Mr Lawrence-Taylor says the fishing competition is targeted at people aged 12 to 24 and is one of the Council run, youth-focused events as part of state-wide Youth Week celebrations.



Starlo and Michael at Wagonga Inlet - Photo Credit Jo Starling

"But we really hope families come along too. It's a great chance to tackle a new sport while learning from the best and maybe even hook a prize or two – with some absolute keepers on offer, like a fishing-charter voucher and an estuary-rod-and-reel package," he says.

"All registered competitors receive a free tackle pack plus some bait to get them started. And we'll wrap it up with a free barbecue. This will be such a fun day. You definitely don't want it to be the one that got away!" Registrations by Monday 14 April.

For more information visit [Council's events webpages](#) or contact youth development officer [Michael Lawrence-Taylor](#) on 4474 1276. The Youth Fishing Competition is proudly supported by Narooma Sport and Game Fishing Club, Youth Police Officers, local tackle shops and Shimano.

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"There's another \$150 cash back for washing machines rated 4.5 stars or higher and connected to Eurobodalla's water supply system.

"Apply for your rebate soon – don't leave it until the end of financial year. Complete the rebate application form on Council's website, including the original receipt with brand make and model for any appliances purchased within the last six months."

To find out more on Council's water rebates and other water-saving incentives, or to complete a rebate application, visit [Council's Saving water at home webpage](#).

## Labor to deliver one million energy bill busting batteries

Media Release

A re-elected Albanese Labor Government will make batteries cheaper, slashing energy bills for households, small businesses and community facilities by up to 90 per cent. We will roll out our \$2.3 billion Cheaper Home Batteries Program from 1 July 2025 reducing the cost of a typical installed battery by 30 per cent – with over one million new batteries expected by 2030.

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The battery will be installed at home and store power from solar panels for the household to use when needed.

The discount will be delivered through the existing Small-scale Renewable Energy Scheme – the same program that has successfully and safely been delivering solar subsidies since 2011.

It will help push down peak demand with fewer homes needing to be on the grid at one time, pushing down prices for everyone.

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This is part of Labor's plan for households and businesses to benefit from cheaper, cleaner power:

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## Digital mentor training

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- foundation and essential digital skills
- what it means to be a digital mentor
- intergenerational digital support
- how to inspire others to use technology and the benefits of being online
- overcoming barriers and challenges.

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# Art on the Path links up with What's Under the Wharf

For the first time, Art on the Path is taking place in Narooma! We have combined forces with the Nature Coast Marine Group to run the event alongside the popular What's Under the Wharf - making for a perfect day out for the whole family. Art on the Path showcases art and craftwork by local artists committed to sustainable creativity, while What's under the Wharf gives us all an opportunity to get up close to the mysterious marine life literally at our feet - under the Narooma wharf!

Divers from Nature Coast Marine Group will carefully collect critters such as nudibranchs, seahorses and bubble snails and place them in touch tanks for a short while, where experts are on standby with all the knowledge to enable us to get to know our local sea life. Just a short skip further on, you can get to know our local artists - clothing and jewellery, homewares and artwork will be on display, all against the sparkling blue background of Wagonga Inlet.

Food and drinks stall are tucked into shaded areas and the whole event is organised on principles of sustainability - single use items are not permitted so don't forget your reusable shopping bags, and look out for the wash-up station for cups. The team from Eurobodalla Shire Council invites you to bring pre-loved clothes and toys to swap, and if you bring in environmental weeds from your garden, you get to choose a healthy native plant to take home instead!

**When: Monday 14 April, 10am to 12noon**

**Where: Narooma Town Wharf and along the shared pathway to Wagonga Inlet**

## ART on the Path in Narooma

Local artists, sustainable materials - find us on Narooma shared walkway

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The song 'Beautiful Day' by U2 played in the background as Mick rotated the schooner a number of times and rubbed his chin with his other palm.

He sighed as Bazza joined him at the bar table and took a sip of the offered schooner.

"You look a bit down, Mick... what's up?"

Mick bit his little finger nail and whispered.

"My wife called me a 'tariff' this morning, Bazza. I don't know what to make of it.... maybe it is an insult or maybe it is a compliment. Let's just say the accompanying smile was ambiguous."

Bazza chuckled softly and closed his eyes for a moment.

"She might be saying you are being a bit selfish ... you know ... just thinking about yourself. Or perhaps she finds being with you a bit taxing. Then again ... she maybe hinting you should make things in your back shed as opposed to multiple trips to Bunnings or to the middle aisle of Aldi."

Mick bit his bottom lip.

"None of that is good news, Bazza ... so it's an insult?"

A long pause before Bazza rubbed his neck and leaned in.

"Then again, Mick ... the word 'tariff' is synonymous with the word 'beautiful' in Donald Trump's vocabulary. She may well be complimenting you on those killer good looks."

Mick's face brightened as Bazza paused.

"In a speech back in June 2024, Trump said 'If I took this shirt off, you'd see a beautiful, beautiful person.'\*\* Now ... Mick, she may well of had that in mind when she called you a 'tariff'."

Mick took a long sip, smiled widely and took in the chorus of 'Beautiful Day'.

Bella, the publican, double coughed and caught Bazza's grin.

"You have cheered me up no end, Bazza."

Bazza clicked his tongue.

"But then again, Mick ... he uses 'beautiful' as a very adaptive adjective. Since running for office, he has used it thousands upon thousands of times\*\*\*. He uses it as a compliment, as well as an insult."

The blood drained from Mick's face as Bazza took a measured sip.

"He used it to insult both Hillary Clinton and Kamala Harris. And ... I must say ... it seemed an odd word choice to use 'beautiful' to describe a gorilla, a police raid, a door, coal, soil, sleeping gas, military weapons, tax dollars, White House phones, fighter jets, a note from Chinese President Xi Jinping, letters from North Korean Leader Kim Jong Un and even a football tackle. In fact, he even used 'beautiful' to describe his own sentences\*\*\*."

Mick's shoulders slumped as Bazza gazed wistfully into the distance.

"Just think ... the first line from the Carl Sandburg's poem 'Autumn Movement';

**'I cried over beautiful things knowing no beautiful thing lasts'** will soon become;

**'I cried over tariff things knowing no tariff thing lasts'.**"

\* <https://youtu.be/co6WMzDOh1o?si=Tr1gEzIGbEy89DSU>

\*\* <https://rollcall.com/factbase/trump/transcript/donald-trump-speech-faith-freedom-coalition-conference-june-22-2024/>

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Have a beer with Bazza at  
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## 100 years ago from the Moruya & District Historical Society



*Richard Mossop Bate's Headstone*

11-04-1925

**The Premier has presented to the Eurobodalla Shire Council** a photo of the R.M.A.S. Australia. The teak frame is made from part of the woodwork of the historic flagship.

**A record in silo building on the South Coast** has been established by Mr. Bert Coppin, of Moruya, who completed two large silos at Bodalla in 23 days. One of these necessary adjuncts on a farm was erected on Mr. A. F. Emmott's "Home Farm," and the other on Mr. J. Hansen's "Widget" property. Each measures 27ft x 16ft inside and has a capacity of 120 tons. The buildings which are of re-inforced concrete bricks, do infinite credit to the contractor, Mr. Coppin.

One of the Tilba district's oldest identities in the person of Mr. R. M. Bate passed over the Great Divide on Monday, at the age of 78 years. The deceased was a brother of Messrs. S. W. Bate, of Central Tilba, and John Bate, of Tilba Tilba, and the father of Mr. H. J. Bate, a valued member of the Eurobodalla Shire Council.

**There passed away** at his son's residence, Eurobodalla, on the 30<sup>th</sup> March, Mr. Michael Stormon, Senior, one of the very oldest pioneers of the South Coast District, at the ripe old age of 87 years. He was a native of Tipperary, Ireland, but came to New South Wales when an infant in 1836 with his parents. He lived in his parents home in Mullenderree till 1860 when he decided to explore the country south of Moruya. At this time there were no roads nor bridges only cattle tracks, through dense scrubs, and over ranges. He succeeded in penetrating the district as far as Cobargo. But the beautiful flats he saw on the banks of the Tuross River impressed him, and he finally selected there, and acquired a comfortable home. ... He was a splendid horseman, and his help was always sought when bush stock-keeping had to be done in any part of the district; few riders could keep pace with him in the bush, and few wild horses managed to escape from his chase. In 1864 he married Miss Hanoria Corbett, who predeceased him by four years. He leaves five sons, Bartholomew and William (Sydney), John (Lismore), and Michael and Ignatius, (Eurobodalla), and seven daughters, Mrs. D. J. Coman, (Toowoomba, Queensland), Mesdames Schuback, Latty, and McGrade (Sydney), Mrs. Heartneddy (Braidwood), Mrs. Moffit (Ballarat, Victoria), and Mary, (Hong Kong). One son, Edward, predeceased his father by three years. Mr. Stormon also leaves thirty-five grandchildren, and fourteen great-grandchildren. He was buried in the Catholic Cemetery at Moruya, the Rev. Father Deenihan officiating at the grave.

Extracted from the Moruya Examiner by the Moruya and District Historical Society Inc.

## Federal Labor to help households slash their electricity bills by subsidising home batteries

The Southcoast Health and Sustainability Alliance (SHASA) strongly supports Federal Labor's pledge of \$2.3b for a 30% subsidy for household batteries. Labor expects the discount to help see 1 million new batteries installed by 2030, with the policy to be in place from July 2025. Currently there are four million household roof top solar systems and only 100,000 batteries, due to the upfront cost of batteries. A 30% subsidy (approx \$4000) will assist up to one million households to install batteries. These batteries will save households up to \$1,100 per annum on their electricity bills.

SHASA President Kathryn Maxwell said "this is the smartest and most cost effective way to enable the excess solar generated during the day to be stored and then made available for the peak in consumption in the evening. Importantly it will reduce the amount of peaking gas used in the evenings which is very expensive. Unlike big batteries household batteries do not require extra transmission lines which are also very expensive. And there is little need for extra investment in poles and wires and power stations as the electricity provider and the electricity consumer are co-located so everyone will be better off".

SHASA President Kathryn Maxwell said "I have roof top solar, batteries and an electric vehicle charged by solar, and only draw 1-2kWh of electricity from the grid. I save money and reduce pressure on Essential Energy's poles and wires, its a win for the whole community".



*House battery in Moruya*



## Proposed public service cuts causes concern for locals

By John Longhurst

The Coalition's plan to slash 41,000 public service jobs will lead to longer wait times, reduced access to vital assistance and job losses for Batemans Bay locals, according to the Community and Public Sector Union (CPSU). In the electorate of Gilmore, there are:

- 27,925 Age Pension recipients
- 7,270 Disability Support Pension recipients
- 4,477 NDIS participants
- 5,347 Veterans and their families
- 5,450 JobSeeker recipients

The electorate of Gilmore has the 4th highest number of pensioners in the country and more than 90 people visit the Batemans Bay Services Australia service centre every day, meaning these proposed cuts will impact significantly.

Melissa Donnelly, CPSU National Secretary, said "Gilmore locals deserve better than this. Families deserve to be able to access Medicare, older people in aged care deserve to be protected, Veterans deserve to get the support they need from DVA, and our farmers need to know that biosecurity is well-resourced and effective."

Marilyn Beaumont OAM is a 74 year old Broulee pensioner and is most concerned about the potential loss of services and speaks of personal experience.

Marilyn said "I tried to amend my assets online to continue receiving my pension. I was unsuccessful and phoned Services Australia but they could not fix it over the phone. They made an appointment with Services Australia in Batemans Bay and although there was a long wait I was assisted by a very helpful public servant. In fact, I had to return the next day with more required documentation and the same public servant recognised me, saved me from going through the whole story again, and fixed the problem quickly. The service saved me a trip to either Ulladulla or Canberra to have the matter addressed. This office is always busy so cuts in staff will have a huge impact on delivery of services." She is also concerned about loss of jobs for locals and limiting the capability to respond to natural disasters.

Marilyn said "The public service extends way beyond Canberra. The proposed cuts of over 41,000 employees will have a major impact locally and deny a career path for our young locals. We also need to be able to 'scale up' rapidly to meet local needs in times of need such bushfires or floods. Without doubt the potential loss of over 41,000 leaves us very vulnerable here in Gilmore." The proposed Australian Public Services are already a major election issue.

Fiona Phillips, Federal Member for Gilmore said "Under the Liberals, APS job losses will hit hard right across the south coast. It will hurt families, tradies and workers who travel to Canberra for work, and adversely impact tourism and spending in our region. I'm very concerned about the impact these cuts would have on our local Services Australia call centre at Batemans Bay, emergency response and recovery from natural disasters, and defence locally.

We are creating jobs and fantastic opportunities on the South Coast and Dutton wants to slash them with no regard for local workers or the impact on our region."



Marilyn Beaumont OAM

### Time for Young writers to unleash creativity

Budding authors aged 5-18 are once again invited to enter the 17<sup>th</sup> annual Mayor's Writing Competition.

This year, as is tradition, Eurobodalla Mayor Mathew Hatcher has chosen the theme: 'Friendship'.

"This is a chance for our young people to share their real stories in their own voice," Mayor Hatcher said.

Proudly presented by Eurobodalla Libraries, the Mayor's Writing Competition encourages young residents and school students of the shire to pen a short story, essay, poem, or any style of writing that explores 'Friendship' with imagination and originality. "I think social media can sometimes make young people second guess what they want to say," Mayor Hatcher said.

"We hope our writing competition is a place they feel confident to be themselves".

Thanks to the support of Bendigo Bank Batemans Bay, finalists will receive exciting new prizes this year and the opportunity to see their work published in the annual Mayor's Writing Competition Anthology.

The overall winner will be presented with The Syd Hayes Creative Writing Award and receive a beautiful, handcrafted pen by local artist, Richard Turley. The winner's school will also be given the competition's perpetual shield to display for a whole year!

Eurobodalla Libraries coordinator Samantha Fenton said the competition is a wonderful way to inspire young writers and celebrate their creativity.

"Each year, we're proud to host this competition which is all about inspiring imagination and supporting the next generation of storytellers," Ms Fenton said.

"We're excited to see how young minds explore the theme of Friendship," Ms Fenton said.

Entries are now open and close at midnight on Friday 4 July. Winners will be announced on Wednesday 22 October 2025.

For more information on how to enter, please visit the [Mayor's Writing Competition webpage](#) or call in to one of the Eurobodalla Council's libraries.

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## Kindred Collective Announces April School Holiday Workshops for Young People

**DRAMA EXPLORATION & PERFORMANCE SESSIONS**  
FREE DRAMA WORKSHOPS

WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY  
23<sup>RD</sup> & 24<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

STARTING TIME  
10AM TO 4PM

**JOIN THE TWO DAY WORKSHOP**  
ALL SKILL LEVELS WELCOME

Exploration & Performance workshops bring participants into the potential of creativity where the focus is on having a good time, building confidence, making new connections and upskilling in drama in a supportive and relaxed environment. We will explore improvisation, physical and vocal technique through games and building scenes and characters.



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**Kindred Collective** is proud to announce its upcoming series of FREE creative workshops for young people aged 12 to 17 in the Eurobodalla and Bega Valley regions. This exciting initiative was commenced in July 2023 by The Family Place and is proudly funded by the NSW government Office of Regional Youth. Campbell Page also assist the program by providing Youth Support workers who support the participants.

The program aims to provide local youth with skill-building opportunities in drama, music, dance, filmmaking, and more. With the guidance of industry professionals, participants will have the chance to gain hands-on experience and develop real-world skills in a range of creative fields.

### About Kindred Collective

Kindred Collective is a dynamic project designed to empower young people by offering creative pathways that foster personal growth, skill development, and wellbeing through a series of face-to-face workshops and access to a mentoring program. The Mentoring Program is where young creatives (12 – 24) can be guided by arts professionals who are able to offer career advice and guidance. The Kindred Collective program provides participants with the tools to pursue their passions while honing their talents in a supportive and collaborative environment.

### 2025 Workshops – What's on Offer

The Kindred Collective are excited to announce the following School Holiday workshops for the 12 – 17 year old cohort:

#### Drama Exploration & Performance

Facilitator: Alice Ansara  
Location: Bodalla  
Dates: 23 – 24 April  
Dive into the world of drama with this hands-on workshop where participants will explore performance techniques and work towards a final performance.

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Facilitator: FLING

Location: Bega

Dates: 12 – 13 April

Experience the magic of movement and projection with FLING's innovative workshop, where light, dance, and technology come together to create a unique creative experience.

### BBT Film Foundations – Short Film Making

Facilitator: BBT

Location: Moruya

Dates: 21 – 24 April

Aspiring filmmakers can learn the fundamentals of short film production, from scriptwriting to shooting and editing, in this immersive workshop.

### BTP Keeping it Real - Believable Acting

Facilitator: Bay Theatre Players

Location: Sunshine Bay

Dates: 26 – 27 April

Join Bay Theatre Players in this practical workshop focused on creating authentic, believable performances through acting techniques and exercises.

### How to Register

If you're aged 12 – 17 and live in the Eurobodalla or Bega Valley, Kindred Collective invites you to express your interest in the upcoming workshops. Participants can sign up for one or more workshops. Spots are limited so please register early so you don't miss out.

To register or for more information, visit:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/kin-dred-collective-workshops-2025>



**NLA Community Heritage Grants**  
The NLA Community Heritage Grants 2025 Round is now open. The Community Heritage Grants (CHG) program supports community organisations to care for Australian moveable, cultural heritage collections. All applications should be made via the SmartyGrants online platform. Further details about eligible projects are available in the <https://www.library.gov.au/services/grants/community-heritage-grants>



## Farmers welcome write-off clarity

**NSW Farmers** has welcomed the Prime Minister's announcement that the \$20,000 instant asset write-off will be extended, if re-elected.

Introduced in 2015, the instant asset write-off allowed businesses to claim a deduction for the cost of an asset up to a prescribed value and had been widely used for the purchase of tools, IT equipment and even small vehicles.

While the commitment to extend the scheme for another 12 months was welcome, NSW Farmers President Xavier Martin said, farm businesses wanted to see a permanent, practical solution to support a stronger farming future.

"It's great that it's been extended but farming businesses need more certainty going forward," Mr Martin said.

"When it was \$150,000 during COVID businesses used this scheme to buy utes or side-by-sides, it was a practical business support both for the buyer and the seller.

"The instant asset write-off is an important tool for managing cost of business pressures and making it \$30,000 or \$50,000 as some suggest would give us better certainty for those larger, more strategic purchases."

According to the Prime Minister, the threshold applied per asset – meaning businesses could claim multiple purchases from tools to computers and tablets, office equipment to kitchen equipment and coffee machines for cafes.

Mr Martin urged all sides of politics to talk to farmers about how the instant asset write-off scheme could support strategic investment, and take the opportunity of the election campaign to support a stronger farming future.

"Espresso machines and iPads are great, but you can't get a new ute for under \$30,000, let alone \$20,000," Mr Martin said. "Opening it up a bit will provide more certainty and ease the decision-making process.

"This could be a real driver for rural and regional communities where agriculture underpins the whole economy."

## Calling all tittle-tats, dob in a dumper

Eurobodalla Council is encouraging locals to 'dob in a dumper'.

Following on from Clean Up Australia Day early in March, Council is putting renewed focus on illegal dumping, which appears to be on the increase. In addition to 152 'clean up' bags of rubbish collected by volunteers and school children for the event, an additional 32 cubic metres of bulky dumped items were dragged out of bush and parkland.

These items included furniture and bathroom utilities, foam and building materials, shopping trolleys, bicycle frames and car tyres. The largest amount of dumped waste was collected from Tuross Head, and estimated at 20 cubic metres.

Council has a ranger dedicated to monitoring illegal dumping of materials ranging from small bits of litter, to hazardous waste, to burnt-out cars. With an average 200 tonnes of illegally dumped material across Eurobodalla each year, the cost to ratepayers is significant.

Residents can report illegal dumping by using the Snap Send Solve app, the Environmental Protection Agency's [Report Illegal Dumping website](#), or directly to [Council](#) on 4474 1000. Visit Council's [Illegal dumping and littering webpage](#) for more information.

## Tuross Head Easter Sunday Market 9.00am -1.00pm

Tuross Head Bowling Club

The Tuross Head Bowling Club will be holding their annual Easter Market on **Sunday 20th April**, on the green, at the Tuross Head Country Club. Funds raised from the day go towards assistance for green maintenance and surrounds, to support members by providing funds towards travel and accommodation at Regional and State events, and to promote bowls within our community.

The market has now been running for 10 years and has grown into a wonderful community event. So far this year we have over 30 stalls booked, including Bric-a-Brac, woodwork, jams, plants, fresh produce, home-made cakes, handcrafts, jewellery, hand-painted art work, 3D printing, photography and so much more. The market is open from 9.00am to 1.00pm.

Whilst meandering through the stalls, you will be entertained with music on the Green, supplied by our local popular guitarist and singer, Rick Bamford. For those looking for something to fill their empty stomachs, the barbecue will be sizzling with hamburgers and sausages, there will be spring rolls from Charlie's Kitchen or you can partake in a Devonshire Tea with freshly baked scones.

Leading up to the day, a mega Easter Raffle, with 8 prize bundles, including an inflatable stand-up paddle board, complete with pump and paddle, will be displayed at Club Tuross. Tickets will be sold in the weeks prior to the market, at Club Tuross. The raffle will be drawn at the Easter Market at 12.30pm

The market is always a fun day, and we would encourage everyone to come along and join in the day. Whatever the weather the market will still go ahead. We have a wet weather plan, and while we might have to compromise on some space, we will still have a fun day.

If anyone would like a stall, we have limited spaces left – please contact Rose Farrington 0488 043 994. (\$20.00 for a 3m x 3m site).



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# David Ramsland exhibition 'An Artist's Reverie'



An exhibition of paintings by Malua Bay artist David Ramsland opened to an appreciative crowd on Saturday morning at The Bas.

David Ramsland has been painting since childhood, with a deep passion that was further ignited by artist Bela Ivanyi, whose influence helped him connect with his artistic self. David primarily prefers oils but has also worked with acrylics, watercolours, pen and ink, and mixed media, among other mediums. His subject matter often centres around traditional seascapes and landscapes, which he finds plentiful in the natural beauty of the South Coast of NSW, where he has lived since 1986.

David said "This exhibition comprises paintings I have created over the recent past, both as studio pieces and as plein air compositions. It is a collection of landscapes and seascapes, the inspiration for which is deeply rooted in my connection with the natural environment of our local area and my love of the changing vistas this country has to offer, as well as still life and abstract works."

"Many of my natural vistas are often originally created as smaller plein air works, which enable me to capture more accurately the mood, tone and light of a particular view, integral to the atmospheric perspective playing out at a particular moment in time. It is later at home, in the quiet of my studio, that these smaller works are sometimes translated into larger pieces. In much of my work, there is an emphasis on gum trees which are such a loved feature of our local environment. Beach and river scenes also dominate my work. "No matter what the subject, I attempt to instil in the viewer, a sense of reverie and presence in my more contemporary pieces, that indeed sometimes cascade into the area of abstract, but still maintaining that connection to nature" said David.

David has long been a well-respected friend of the Bas, having held a solo exhibition at the Mechanics Institute, been part of the 'A Homage to Home and Place' group exhibition and in 2022, was selected as a Basil Sellers Art Prize finalist. Until 10 May

Where: Basil Sellers Exhibition Centre, corner Vulcan Street and Murray Street, Moruya

Opening hours: Monday to Saturday, 10am – 4pm. Access from Murray Street after 12.30pm on Saturdays.



*Eurobodalla Botanic Gardens Garden Manager Michael Anlezark officially opened the exhibition with artist David Ramsland.*



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## Screening of FRIED GREEN TOMATOES **Moruya Community Film Group**

Join us for our next film screening - Fried Green Tomatoes - at 7pm for 7.30pm showtime on Saturday 26th April @The Red Door, Page St Moruya.

Synopsis - Fried Green Tomatoes - 1991 American comedy-drama film directed by Jon Avnet and based on Fannie Flagg's 1987 novel Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistle Stop Cafe. Written by Flagg and Carol Sobieski, and starring Kathy Bates, Jessica Tandy, Mary Stuart Masterson, Mary-Louise Parker and Cicely Tyson. The film tells the story of a overweight, repressed housewife Evelyn Couch befriended by quirky octogenarian Ninny Threadgoode while visiting a cantankerous aunt in an convalescent home in Birmingham, Alabama and listening to Ninny's tales about her nearby home town, Whistle Stop.

Membership available at the door \$65 for 12 months / \$40 for 6 months - Guests welcome.

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Dave Berry	Tathra Bowlo (7.30pm)
Men and Monkeys	Merimbula RSL (8pm)
Hayley Jensen	Tilba Valley Winery 5pm
Mark Howard	Steampacket Hotel

### Saturday 13th April

Phil Coleman	Quantum Brewery 430pm
Klaus Tietz	Foxdog Distillery
First Light	Tilba Valley Winery 11am
Alex Clarke	Steampacket Hotel
Soul Survival	Broulee Brewery

### Sunday, 13 Apr April

Roddy Reason	Bermagui Club (2pm)
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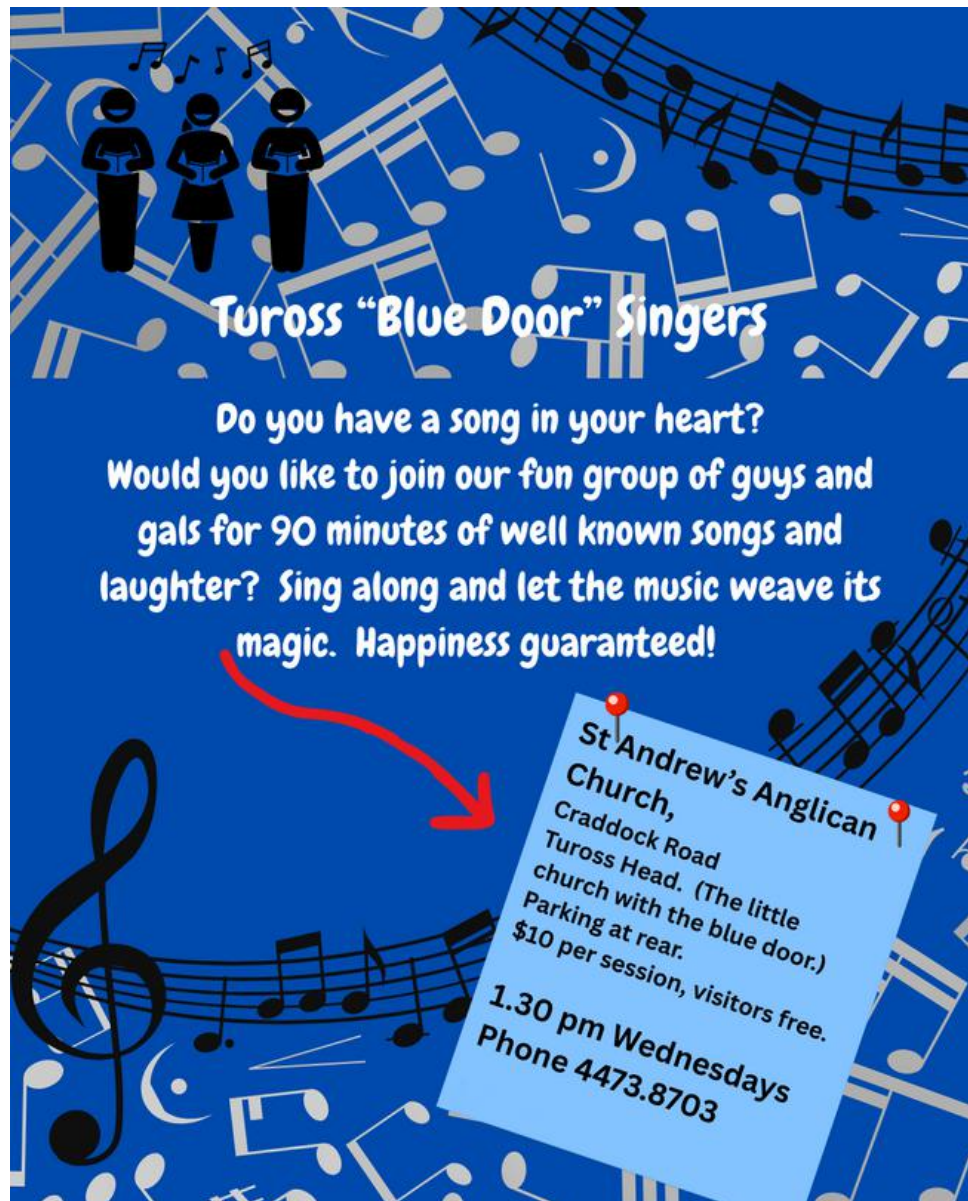
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<b>TUESDAY 15</b>	<b>ULLADULLA</b> 10AM & 12:30PM	<b>WEDNESDAY 23</b>	<b>SOUTH DURRAS</b> 10AM
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Raffle drawn 9th May 2025 at Woolworths Moruya

1st prize	WATERCOLOUR "MORNING MAGNOLIA"	Artist Karrin Lesley	Value \$350.00
2nd PRIZE	NECKLACE & EARRINGS "IBIS BEADS"	Artist Virginia Aland	Value \$120.00
3rd PRIZE	"RAW BEAUTY MORUYA"	Deluxe Pedicure	Value \$75.00

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All funds raised by this Raffle will be used to purchase equipment for patient comfort and care at Moruya District Hospital CFN 121058



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or email [garys.home@bigpond.com](mailto:garys.home@bigpond.com)



## REPAIR CAFE

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

SHASA is looking for helpers at the Repair Cafe which is held every Friday from 9.30am-12.30pm at the Red Door Hall, St John's Commons, Moruya.

### HELP IS NEEDED WITH

- fixing electrical goods (SHASA will cover the cost of volunteers to undertake tag and test training)
- organise and serve morning tea for the repairers

**Interested?**

Please contact Kathryn Maxwell on 0467558645 or email [contact.shasa@gmail.com](mailto:contact.shasa@gmail.com)



# Animal Welfare League News

Brutus, a gorgeous six-month old black and white Mastiff mix, is available for adoption. He is going to be a large dog, and he's already shown he has the makings of a lovely pet. Brutus is calm, friendly and obedient. Still being a pup, Brutus can be a little excitable around children, but he's a quick learner, and will appreciate some ongoing training. He's already doing well at walking on a lead. Brutus is great with other dogs, and loves playing with a ball. He has lived on a property and is house-trained. Brutus hasn't met any cats, chickens or pocket pets. Because Brutus is too young for desexing, he is available on a foster-to-adopt basis, whereby he goes to his new home vaccinated and microchipped, and AWL covers the cost of his desexing at a later date. You can arrange a meeting with any of our available pets by completing the form on the AWL NSW website, or by calling AWL Eurobodalla on 0410016612.

April is PET DESEXING MONTH. We are offering all Eurobodalla residents the chance to have their pet desexed at a discounted rate. Just book your dog or cat into the vet of your choice and call us on 0436816718 to arrange your discount voucher.

Our RETURN AND EARN promotion is still going strong. Donate to the work of Animal Welfare League Eurobodalla by taking recyclable containers to any Return and Earn collection point in NSW, and use the app to direct your refund to us via the Every Dog, Every Cat Deserves a Loving Home charity. All funds are used locally to help rehome animals and support the community, so every donation is valuable.

Finally – FOSTER CARERS. We are in urgent need of foster carers to give loving temporary homes to animals waiting for their forever families to find them. Please consider if you, or a neighbour or friend can help. No cost is involved, and full support is provided. Call AWL on 0410016612 to volunteer or for more information.



Brutus

## THE KINEMA

### WEEKLY FILM PROGRAM

NAROOMA

### ONLINE TICKETS AVAILABLE

**\*ALL FILMS WITH AN ASTERISK (\*) ARE IN OUR SMALLER CINEMA. WE HIGHLY RECOMMEND BOOKING IN ADVANCE FOR ANY FILMS IN THIS CINEMA. BOOKINGS CAN BE MADE ONLINE OR OVER THE PHONE.**

10TH APRIL – 16TH APRIL	THURS 10TH	FRI 11TH	SAT 12TH	SUN 13TH	MON 14TH	TUES 15TH	WED 16TH
THE AMATEUR M, 2H 3M, SPY THRILLER/ACTION	2.30pm 7.35pm*	2.30pm 7.35pm*	2.30pm 7.35pm*	2.30pm 7.35pm*	2.30pm 7.35pm*	2.30pm 7.35pm*	2.30pm 7.35pm*
DEATH OF A UNICORN MA15+, 1H 47M, DARK COMEDY/FANTASY	5.25pm*	1.15pm* 5.30pm*	5.30pm*	1.15pm* 5.30pm*	1.15pm* 5.30pm*	1.15pm* 5.30pm*	1.15pm* 5.30pm*
DOG MAN G, 1H 35M, ANIMATION	5pm	10.15am	10.15am	10.15am	10.15am	10.15am	10.15am
A MINECRAFT MOVIE PG, 1H 41M, ACTION/ADVENTURE	7.15pm	12.20pm 4.55pm 7.15pm	12.20pm 4.55pm 7.15pm	12.20pm 4.55pm 7.15pm	12.20pm 4.55pm 7.15pm	12.20pm 4.55pm 7.15pm	12.20pm 4.55pm 7.15pm
I'M STILL HERE (LAST WEEK) M, 2H 16M, BRAZILIAN DRAMA ACADEMY AWARD WINNING	2.50pm*	10.40am*	12.45pm*	10.40am*	10.40am*	10.40am*	10.40am*
DISNEY'S SNOW WHITE (LAST WEEK) PG, 1H 49M, FANTASY		3.20pm*	3.20pm*	3.20pm*	3.20pm*	3.20pm*	3.20pm*

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APRIL	THU 10	FRI 11	SAT 12	SUN 13	MON 14	TUE 15	WED 16
<b>A MINECRAFT MOVIE</b> PG 101 MIN	10:00 AM 11:50 AM 1:50 PM 4:00 PM 6:05 PM 7:50 PM	10:00 AM 12:20 PM 1:50 PM 6:05 PM 7:50 PM	10:00 AM 11:50 AM 1:50 PM 4:00 PM 6:05 PM 7:50 PM	10:00 AM 11:50 AM 1:50 PM 4:00 PM	10:00 AM 11:50 AM 1:50 PM 4:00 PM 6:05 PM 7:50 PM	10:00 AM 12:20 PM 1:50 PM 6:05 PM 7:50 PM	10:00 AM 11:50 AM 1:50 PM 4:00 PM 6:05 PM 7:50 PM
<b>A WORKING MAN</b> MA15+ 116 MIN	3:55 PM	3:50 PM	3:55 PM	3:50 PM	3:55 PM	3:50 PM	3:55 PM
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<b>DOG MAN</b> G 95 MIN	10:00 AM 12:00 PM 6:00 PM	12:00 PM 2:20 PM 4:10 PM 6:00 PM	10:00 AM 12:00 PM 6:00 PM	10:00 AM 12:00 PM	10:00 AM 12:00 PM 6:00 PM	12:00 PM 2:20 PM 4:10 PM 6:00 PM	10:00 AM 12:00 PM 6:00 PM
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<b>THE LOST TIGER</b> G 82 MIN	2:15 PM	2:25 PM	2:15 PM	2:25 PM	2:15 PM	2:25 PM	2:15 PM



**A MINECRAFT MOVIE** PG | 1hr 41min  
~ Family ~ Adventure ~  
Four misfits are suddenly pulled through a mysterious portal into a bizarre, cubic wonderland that thrives on imagination. To get back home, they'll have to master this world while embarking on a quest with an unexpected, expert crafter.



**DISNEY'S SNOW WHITE**  
PG | 1hr 49min ~ Family ~  
A live-action musical reimagining of the classic 1937 film. The magical music adventure journeys back to the timeless story.



**DEATH OF A UNICORN**  
MA | 1hr 47min *Horror* Jenna Ortega  
Father-Daughter duo, Riley and Elliot, hit a unicorn with their car and bring it to the wilderness retreat of a mega-wealthy pharmaceutical CEO.



**DOG MAN** G | 1hr 35min  
~ Animation ~ Comedy ~  
Injured together on the job, a harebrained surgery fuses the a policeman and his dog together and Dog Man is born. Sworn to protect and serve and sit and rollover.



**THE AMATEUR** *Rami Malek*  
M | 2hrs 3min ~ Action ~  
Charlie Heller (Malek) is a brilliant, but deeply introverted decoder for the CIA working out of a basement office at headquarters in Langley.



**BAD GENIUS** M | 1hr 37min  
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**THE LOST TIGER**  
G - Family  
Animation  
Australian

1hr 22m

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**NEXT WEEK - THE CORRESPONDENT - SINNERS & KING OF KINGS**



## 2025 Diary Dates

- 7 - 12 April 2025 **Australian Skydiving Championships**, Moruya Airport
- 1th - 21st - Apr **Youth Week**
- 19th April Races **Moruya Races**
- 20<sup>th</sup> April - **Easter Day**
- 29th April - **Earth Day**
- 3<sup>RD</sup> May - **Federal Election**
- 2 - 3 May 2025 **Narooma Oyster Festival**
- 26th May - **Sorry Day**
- 27th May - **3rd June - Reconciliation Week**
- 16th - 22nd June - **Refugee Week**
- 20 June to 20 July **Fungi Festival**
- 6th - 12th July - **NAIDOC Week**
- 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**
- 22 Nov - **Giiyong Festival**
- 13 March 2027 **NSW State Election**

## ART on the Path in Narooma

Local artists, sustainable materials – find us on Narooma shared walkway

From 10am to 12noon, Monday 14 April

## NSW school holidays for 2025:

Autumn Holidays: Monday, April 14 to Thursday, April 24

Note: Friday, April 25 is ANZAC Day, a public holiday

Winter Holidays: Monday, July 7 to Friday, July 18

Spring Holidays: Monday, September 29 to Fri, October 10

Summer Holidays: Monday, December 22 to Monday, January 26, 2026

## Red Door Hall Garage Sale

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> April

## Tuross Community Markets

From 13th of April, will be held every 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month.

## Meet 'n Greet Candidate Meeting Batemans Bay

'Our Council Our Say' is holding a Federal Election Candidate Meet & Greet on Sunday 27th April 2025 from 2pm to 4pm at the Batemans Bay Soldiers Club. The MC will be my son Shannon Ashton who is not a member of, nor affiliated with, any political party or group. The event will be live streamed.

## MORUYA RSL - ANNUAL GRAVESIDE VIGIL -

MORUYA CEMETERY - Saturday 12 April 2025 2.45pm

For a number of years now, the Moruya RSL Sub Branch has been conducting a graveside vigil at the Moruya Cemetery, for all of those veterans who have passed on. This is conducted in the lead up to ANZAC Day.

The Australian National Flag is placed by volunteers, at EACH and EVERY grave of a serviceman or woman who lies buried at Moruya Cemetery.

We believe that just because a veteran has left our ranks, that does not mean that their service is forgotten. Each year, we select three graves of our past veterans and invite their family to join us, as the Australian National Flag is planted in their memory and their service is commemorated. The Moruya RSL Sub-Branch would like to invite any interested persons to join us for this very solemn event.

## RED DOOR CRAFT AND FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Held at: Anglican Church Moruya 50 Campbell St  
In the Red Door Hall On Saturdays From 10am to 12

If you're lonely and would like to meet some lovely ladies or you would like to learn or you need help with a pattern for crochet, knitting or sewing, we would like to meet you. We have a cuppa at half time and it cost \$5.

If you want to know more ring me: Ph no 4474 4682 (If I don't answer please leave a message and I will get back to you.)

## 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@y7mail.com  
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## Moruya Community Workshed

New members are always welcome. We are located in the grounds of the Moruya High School operating two days per week.  
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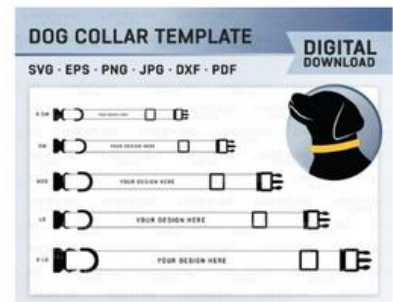
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## Malua Bay Stingrays Women's Bowls



Great day for social bowls on Tuesday with Robyn Butcher starting off proceedings. Single Gender Pennants will start on 8th October, sheet will be up soon for names. Our team who are contesting State Senior Four's Finals have had a loss in their first two games but no results as yet for third. Y7th O Bowls coordinator Ian Whybrow called cards for two bowl Triples and 25 Ends. Winners Rink 11, Judy Armstrong, Michelle Adler and Olga Geshwend. (Photo) Runners-up Rink 9, Tricia Wheeler, Marlou Rollinson and Michelle Weekes. 3rd Place Rink 8, Carmel Price, Patricia Weekes and Gwen Ware. Lucky Losers Rink 10, Margaret Bridges, Noleen Taylor and Colleen Ashby. Money Club, 42 Judy Davis. 32 Rae Fayle.

## Tomakin Twist Tops Bowls



Terry Montgomerie vice-President took over proceedings welcoming 30 Twisties including Suzanne and Lee from Braidwood Club also Logan Millard son of Geoff & Pat. Congratulations to Jennie Hogan, Karen James and Milka Starkovski who reached semi-final in State Senior Triples in Ballina. Winners on Highest Winning Margin +15, Sadie and HotLips with Lozza and Smoothie. (photo) Runners-up +11, Sandy and Allen Chard. Smoothie selected Rink 9 to try for Jackpot of \$155. Winning Skip Pattycake cut cards but no Joker, only 3 of Spades. Other winning teams, Foxy and Whizza. Suzy and Pattycake. Bert and Noisy. Bob the Builder and Parko. Lucky number 21 Dobbo, 28 Foxy. Great bowling to Logan Millard who joined us for morning, nice to meet Tina McDonald

## Moruya Ladies Golf



"Moruya Ladies Golf this week played their April Monthly Medal and 2<sup>nd</sup> Round of GNSW Medal event. The recent rain event made the going tough as the heavy ground conditions made for a real challenge of strength and patience. The eventual winner was Jenny Ellis with a Nett 80 OCB from Jan Lumsden. Balls went to Arthean McBride, Noelene Cowdroy, Lyn Gibbs and Robyn Hawkins. Nearest the pin was won by Phyllis Reid".

# NETBALL

Captain oldrey park, Broulee.

**NEW SEASON STARTS SATURDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> MAY**

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**Club Registration Ages 8+**

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**AGES 5 - 99+**

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### Black Flat Medieval Skill at Arms & Horseback Archery Clinic

Looking for something a little bit different then come & join us for a weekend of medieval fun. New skills to be learnt and new friendships to be made. Novice to advance riders welcome. Horse yards & camping on site available.

Where: Kings Highway Nelligen. NSW. 2536  
When: Saturday 26th & Sunday 27th April 2025.

Contact: Ph: 44781000 Mob: 0458531909  
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# Register Now!

**SEAHAWKS AUSKICK BATEMANS & MORUYA**

IF YOUR BOY or GIRL IS TURNING 5 TO 8 THIS YEAR

It's time to register with the Batemans Bay Seahawks Auskick!

Did you know that Batemans Bay Seahawks offer the AFL Auskick program focusing on fun, participation, basic skill development in a safe & friendly environment?

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WHERE: Captain Oldrey Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May  
AGE: Boys & Girls Turning 5 to 8 Years  
TIME: 4pm to 5pm  
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## Tuross Head Golf Results



Winner: Colin Houghton with Committee member John Eglitis

### Tuross Head Golf Results Thursday 3rd April 2025

A field of 49 players registered for a Stableford Medley event today. There were some excellent scores, particularly the Winner Colin Houghton who finished 4 under par off the stick!

The Winners were:

1st: Colin Houghton (1) with 41 points  
2nd: Peter Garn (20) with 36 points (countback)  
3rd: Nick Brice (9) with 36 points (countback)  
4th: Ray Bollard (5) with 36 points  
5th: Jim Wade (14) with 35 points (countback)

Nearest to the Pins

4th: Ray Bollard	10.0	A Grade
4th: Teri Swanbury	1.62	B Grade
6th: Ray Bollard	0.32	A Grade
6th: Michael Coloe	2.29	B Grade
6th: Anthony Mellick	3.36	C Grade
7th: John Eglitis	6.93	A Grade
7th: Stephen Gardner	2.64	B Grade

Balls went to: Michael Coloe 35, Ian Kingston 34, Ruth Gschwend 34, Tony Brown 34, Peter Nikolic 34, Dorothy Madden 33, Ian McManus 33, Dianne Brown 33, Grant Kiely 33, Cate O'Brien 31, Leonie Doolan 31, Steve Johnston 31, Graeme Sindel 31, Mark Jackson 31 and Stephen Swanbury 31.

### Tuross Head Vets Golf Results Wednesday 9th April 2025

A field of 43 players registered for a Stableford event today. The weather was sunny and some fantastic results were achieved.

The winners were:

1st: Warren Hodder with 18 points  
2nd: Paul Pereira with 17 points  
3rd: Sandra Hanlon with 16 points (countback)  
4th: Greg Bush with 16 points  
5th: Julie Barningham with 15 points  
6th: Gail Rogers with 15 points  
7th: Peter Coffey with 15 points  
8th: Peter McRae with 15 points  
9th: Len Rogers with 15 points  
10th: Leonie Snodgrass with 15 points  
11th: Ron Hanlon with 14 points  
12th: Paul Green with 14 points (countback)



Winners: Ron Rogers (B), Daniel Nickson (C) William Steenbergen (A)

### Tuross Head Golf Results Saturday 5th April 2025

A field of 55 players registered for the Men's Stroke Monthly Medal event today. The event was sponsored by John Eglitis and some excellent scores were achieved.

The Winners were:

A Grade:

1st: William Steenbergen (10) with 70 nett (medal)  
2nd: Brad Doolan (6 with 71 nett

B Grade:

1st: Ron Rogers (19) with 71 nett (medal)  
2nd: John Phyland (18) with 72 nett

C Grade:

1st: Daniel Nickson (27) with 77 nett (medal)  
2nd: Tony Brown (22) with 78 nett

Nearest to the Pins

4th: Mark Forrest B Grade  
4th: Michael Hogan C Grade  
6th: Brad Doolan A Grade  
6th: Grant Kiely B Grade  
6th: Terry Milliken C Grade  
7th: Ray Bollard A Grade  
7th: Darren Willmouth C Grade

Hole Prize: Malcolm Gilbertson 2/11 Hole 3.00

Golden Shot Moruya

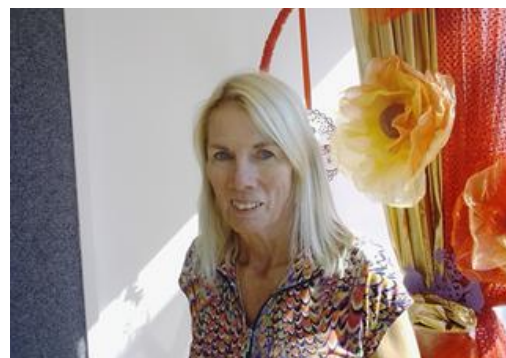
Putting Comp: William Steenbergen

Balls went to: Colin Houghton 72, Peter Hogan 73, Ken Hush 73, Shane Gschwend 73, Mark Forrest 74, Ian Manton 74, Kevin Reilly 74, Malcolm Gilbertson 74, Frank Pomfret 75, Allan Langford 77, Paul Medwin 77, Troy Kingdom 77, Paul Ferguson 77, Nick Brice 78 and Steve Collins 78.

Nearest to the Pins

4th: Rob Nash (2<sup>nd</sup> Shot)  
6th: Peter Coffey (1<sup>st</sup> shot)  
7th: Ladies: Leonie Snodgrass (2<sup>nd</sup> shot)  
Mens: Steve Collins (2<sup>nd</sup> shot)

Accuracy: Jeanette Miller (5<sup>th</sup> hole)  
Bradman's: Barry Hoban



Medal Winner: Jenny Reilly

### Tuross Head Ladies Golf Results - Tuesday 8th April 2025

A field of 22 ladies signed up for the 1<sup>st</sup> Medal Round Stroke & Putt event today. The event was sponsored by Gail Page. It was a beautiful Autumn day and a challenging game.

Overall Winner:

Jenny Reilly (45) with 70 nett

Grade A Winners:

1<sup>st</sup>: Marie Muriwai (21) with 77 nett  
2<sup>nd</sup>: Pauline Nash (27) with 78 nett

Grade B Winners:

1<sup>st</sup>: Dianne Brown (40) with 72 nett  
2<sup>nd</sup>: Marilyn Bingham (34) with 78 nett (countback)

Grade C Winners:

1<sup>st</sup>: Jenny Reilly (45) with 70 nett  
2<sup>nd</sup>: Margaret Downey (45) with 85 nett

Place Getters:

Chelsea Mayes 78, Ruth Gschwend 79 and Leonie Doolan 82.

Hole Prize:

7<sup>th</sup> Marilyn Bingham 2.60 Golden Shot  
7<sup>th</sup> Jeanette Miller 2.75 Golden Shot

Nearest to the Pin:

6<sup>th</sup> Paula Coffey 1.25  
15<sup>th</sup> Jeanette Miller 3.95

Putting Comp:

Marie Muriwai Lowest Putts 27



Winner: Warren Hodder



## Tackle World Moruya Fishing Report

### Moruya River.

The weekend is certainly looking better than the one just gone. We did receive a good drop of rain last weekend, and as such the river was looking a little on the murky side. Fortunately, this has cleared up with the influence of some clean tides this week.

The lower sections of the river will be fishing alot better than the upper sections this weekend.

Prospect the airport flats area, up to the quarry wharf and the Preddy's wharf and back of the hole in the wall area if you are chasing flathead, bream, whiting and trevally. There have been a few small tailor around the spur wall and the Preddy's wharf area as well.

The town bridge will start to see estuary perch's school's build up as we move into the cooler seasons. The southern bank of the river over the weed beds are my favourite areas to throw small soft plastics after dark for these hard pulling species.

The middle of the river under the bridge, is still holding good numbers of bream and whiting, with the flathead being a little less obvious. I would pump some nippers on a low tide and come back on the full tide to try and tempt a bream or whiting over the flats this weekend.

### Tuross River.

Coila has good numbers of bream available this weekend that have been hitting soft plastics, hard body lures and baits.

The Tuross system itself is still producing good numbers of flathead, bream and whiting, with the sand flats and adjacent drop off areas holding good numbers of all these species. The deeper holes in this system will also hold the mighty mullet, for those wanting target something a bit bigger.

The lower areas of the system will have the higher concentrations of fish this weekend after last weekends rainfall, so I would be concentrating my efforts here.

### Rock and beach.

Now that the huge seas have abated, the local beaches will again be a fishable option for those that enjoy the sand between their toes. The salmon, bream and whiting will be available along the coastal beaches, with the Moruya breakwall having flathead, bream, trevally along with salmon and tailor. Get out and chase a few fish this weekend.

### Offshore.

I don't have much in the way of offshore reports to go on for this weekend, as no one was getting out this week.

One can only assume that the snapper, who enjoy a bit of a turn over, will be feeding again on the deeper reefs in and around the 40-50m marks. While the flathead will be readily available in closer. With the water temps still up, Mahi Mahi should be around the local fads along with bonito.

Lets us know how you go this weekend if you do manage to get offshore this weekend.

The bait freezer is between bait trucks visit this weekend, so there are a few items missing, tuna fillet, worms, mullet fillet are all absent this weekend. But there should be enough for you to find something the fish will bite on.

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**Team Tackle World Moruya.**

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# Rocky Trail announces Sea Otter Australia Festival Schedule

The first week of April 2025 marks a significant moment for local mountain bike event promoter **Rocky Trail Entertainment**, as CEO Juliane Wisata, Head of Events Jo Parker, and Head of Summit Joe Mullan travel to California to attend the renowned Sea Otter Classic, the world's largest cycling festival. This strategic journey follows Rocky Trail's significant achievement in securing a 10-year contract to bring this premier mountain bike festival brand, Sea Otter, to Australia. The inaugural Sea Otter Australia Festival is set to launch in Batemans Bay and on the Mogo Trails in October 2025. After COO Martin Wisata and the Mogo Trails construction team attended the festival in Monterey in 2024, this year's trip to the original event underscores Rocky Trail's dedication to ensuring a successful debut for Sea Otter Australia and further solidifying the NSW South Coast as a leading global cycling destination.

The Sea Otter Australia team's journey to the global stage comes at a time when Rocky Trail's South Coast racing season is already demonstrating significant momentum. In March, the promoter held a record-breaking Narooma Fox Superflow@ weekend in March, which included the inaugural Rocky Trail Academy schools competition and saw a 40% youth rider participation. The local Batemans Bay High School racers took home the infamous Rocky Trail Academy Schools Champion Title.

Following the Narooma races, Rocky Trail held the successful Willo Marathon at Nowra's Coondoo State Forest on the weekend. As one of the major mountain bike marathons in Australia, the race attracted 320 competitors and a strong contingent of junior riders: one fifth of the racing field were under 19 years old. The start-line was stacked with high-profile marathon racers: Canberra's former National Marathon Champion Em Viotto took out the women's classification in 3h37.19 and Wollongong's Nationally acclaimed endurance racer Kyle Ward won in the men's by just over a minute ahead of current National Marathon Champion, Jon Odams from South Sydney.

## Local team with a global vision

Rocky Trail Entertainment's commitment is not merely organisational; it's deeply personal and local. The principals relocated their family and businesses to Batemans Bay, underscoring their dedication to the region's success. The company's efforts are focused on activating the region's exceptional trail assets, including the Narooma MTB Trails and the soon-to-be fully opened massive Mogo Trails network. Juliane and Martin Wisata have managed the detailed design and construction of Mogo Trails since late 2021 and securing the Sea Otter brand for Mogo Trails was a strategic move to ensure the trail network had a world-class event to maximise its potential from day one.

"At Rocky Trail Entertainment, our commitment to the NSW South Coast goes beyond simply organising events; we are dedicated to creating premier mountain bike experiences that deliver demonstrable and measurable returns on the significant investments made by both the NSW and Federal Governments in our region's trail-based economy," said Juliane Wisata, Sea Otter Australia CEO and one of the Founders of Rocky Trail Entertainment.

In 2024 alone, Rocky Trail's South Coast events, including the inaugural competition on Mogo Trails, had over 1,000 athletes at the start line and generated over \$650,000 for the Eurobodalla and Shoalhaven regions. Looking ahead, Rocky Trail is gearing up for the inaugural Sea Otter Australia Festival, taking place in Batemans Bay and on the Mogo Trails from October 24-26, 2025. Having secured a 10-year license for this prestigious global event, Rocky Trail aims to establish it as a flagship event not only for NSW and Australia, but as a key part of the international Sea Otter brand network.

## Sea Otter Festival Line-Up Live

Sea Otter Australia aims to foster the growth of mountain biking across all demographics, attracting professional athletes, recreational riders, and the general public. **The inaugural Sea Otter Australia anticipates attracting over 2,000 athletes and 3,500-4,000 visitors in its first year, drawn from Australia and key international markets North America, Europe, South East Asia and New Zealand. Rocky Trail is estimated to generate an estimated \$3-\$3.5 million economic boost for the NSW South Coast.**

"Our presence at the Sea Otter Classic in California this week is a vital step in ensuring the successful launch of Sea Otter Australia and further showcasing the incredible potential of the NSW South Coast as a world-class mountain biking destination," said Juliane Wisata. "We are a local team with a global vision, and we are passionate about driving positive economic and tourism outcomes for our region by activating our stunning trail networks and creating unforgettable cycling experiences."

She said that Rocky Trail Entertainment has dedicated over 18 months to create this premier event and announced a major milestone for the event: the launch of the Festival line-up and event schedule. Unlike spectator-focused events and just like the original overseas festival, SOA actively encourages riders of all levels and ages, aiming to foster the growth of MTB across all demographics, skills and ambitions, she added.

"Like the original in Monterey, Sea Otter Australia features a huge range of disciplines for all skill levels. It's not just for racers; it's a multi-day immersive mountain biking experience attracting pro and amateur athletes and cycling enthusiasts from Australia and key international markets like North America, Europe, South East Asia, and New Zealand. With the inclusion of speciality junior racing for riders 10 years and up and a dedicated Kids Zone we want to ensure appeal across even the youngest demographics", Wisata confirmed.

The festival's heart is a dynamic Event Hub at Hanging Rock Sports Precinct at Corrigans Beach, showcasing over 150+ leading international and Australian cycling brands showcasing the latest gear, demo rides, exclusive deals, and chances to meet their cycling heroes. This hub will also serve as a space to highlight local businesses, the region's culture, and destination information, offering a true festival atmosphere. Wisata announced that the event hub will feature a brand-new e-bike moto cross race and for the first time, a cyclo-cross race on the adjoining Corrigans Beach.

In summary the schedule includes three main festival days (October 24th-26th), packed with over eight official racing events like Gravity Enduro, Superflow®, and Marathon, alongside guided rides and bike demos on the renowned Mogo Trails. Junior riders will compete in the Rocky Trail Academy Junior Race for primary (Y5+6) and highschool juniors on October 23rd with further junior activities planned for the 24th.

This event is literally gearing up to become the premier cycling destination in the Southern Hemisphere, offering an immersive and engaging experience for all attendees. The festival is anticipated to provide a multi-million dollar economic boost to the NSW South Coast region through increased visitor spending, job creation, and industry engagement.

In July, a Mogo Mania event will return to Mogo Trails with the Mogo Mania 2-day stage race format as the final race to get ready for Sea Otter Australia. Until then, Rocky Trail Entertainment remains committed to working with local stakeholders, sponsors, and residents to build a sustainable and thriving mountain biking community on the NSW South Coast.

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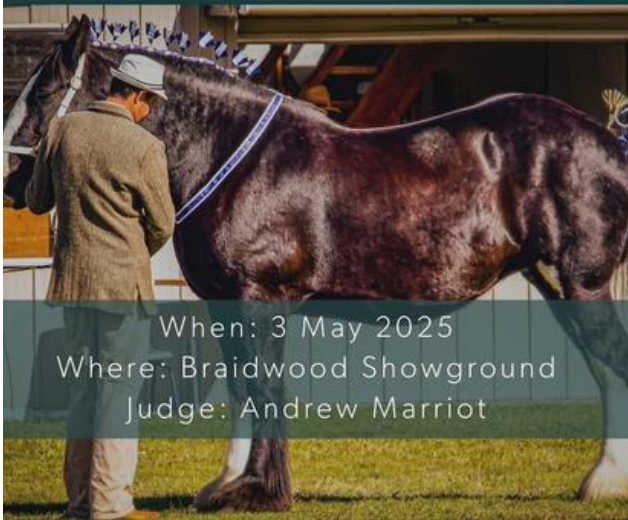
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Carroll College - 16<sup>th</sup> May  
St Peters Catholic College - 23<sup>rd</sup> May  
Narooma High School - 30<sup>th</sup> May  
Batemans Bay High School - 6<sup>th</sup> June  
9am - 2pm (please arrive at 8:50am)

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#### EVENT

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## Tuross Head Bowls Up Date

After the heavy rain on the last weekend of March prevented any bowls being played action is back underway as the 2024/25 Pennant season draws to an end. At the same time Rose Farrington travelled to Ballina to play in the State Finals of the Women's Singles on April 5 and 6.

Conditions in Ballina have also been affected by the rain but they were able to play the finals of the Women's Singles. The winners of the 16 regions were drawn in 4 sections of 4 players. They then played a sectional round robin with the winning player from each section to move into the semi-finals and final.

Unfortunately, Rose was drawn in a very difficult section with two of her three opponents being international players. In her first game she played Anne Johns from Engadine who has represented Australia on many occasions and is a multiple Australian Champion! The step up in class was very hard for Rose and she went down 25 – 4. Her second game was against Fay Moran from Figtree who is a Scottish International. She also proved to good and won 25 – 4. Rose's final game was against Jane Gibson from Harbord and this was a much closer encounter. In a very tight game Gibson was able to finish strongly to take the match 25 – 19. Despite losing all games, Rose enjoyed her experience playing at the top level!

In Pennant the Grade 6 side all but cemented their place in the Regional play-offs with a strong win against Tomakin in the game deferred from the rain affected weekend. All 3 games started tightly before the Tuross teams finished strongly to win well. Jim Macklan, Doreen Monks, Ben Hewison and Alan Etheredge battled earlier but the 9th end proved critical with Tuross being able to pick up 5 shots giving them a 11 – 6 lead. From this point they controlled the game and won 22 – 12. Phil Welsh, Bruce Magilton, Sue Fahey and Marcel Kors started well in their game and lead 7 – 1 after 5 ends before the Tomakin players fought back strongly. Tomakin grabbed the lead at 13 – 11 after 15 ends. From here the Tuross players lifted their play to win 5 of the remaining 6 ends to win 23 – 15.

Lori Bird Peter Macdonald, Denise Lidbury and Bruce Lidbury had a see-sawing match on their rink where both sides were able to pick up big scores to quickly change the state of the game. Tomakin had a 10 – 5 lead before Tuross picked up 6 shots on the 8th end followed by 3 shots on the 9th end to move to a 14 – 10 lead. Tomakin replied quickly to draw level at 14 all after 11 ends. Tuross was able to win 8 of the final 10 ends – including 5 shots on the 20th end – to give them a 29 – 17 win.

Overall Tuross recorded a 74 – 44 shots win and won the encounter 10 – 0 – their 5th clean sweep out of six games! With two rounds to go they seem to have the points to hold off their opponents.

The Grade 7 side travelled to Bermagui for their round 7 encounter and found the locals too skilled on their synthetic surface. Ray Brown, Graeme Garner, Neil Mather and Colin Fletcher managed to be the one bright light for Tuross when they finished strongly to win 26 – 14. Bermagui won 9 – 1 to keep them in the running for the Regional finals.

Next week both sides will play at home with Grade 6 playing Dalmeny and Grade 7 playing Moruya. The Grade 7 washed out game from March 29 against Malua Bay has been rescheduled for April 27.



Skips Allan Etheredge Marcel Kors with Tomakin's Dick Pooley concentrating very hard!




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