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Connecting Communities for National Volunteer Week

National volunteer week is nearly here! This year's theme is 'Connecting Communities' and, to celebrate, we thought what better way to do this than connecting with other volunteer local legends. When: Friday 23rd May 10.30am for morning tea. What: Coffee, cake and celebration! Where: RfR Community Solar Reuse Centre, Moruya Waste Transfer Station, 21 Yarragee Rd Moruya (stop at the green shed and you'll be directed to parking). Come along to Repurposing for Resilience Eurobodalla and relax in their outdoor café or take a squizz at their indoor teaching/gallery space. Steve will be there to make us a fancy coffee or juice from the RfR trailer and Lisa will chat to us about the great repurposing projects that RfR volunteers have been involved with. They've created a fun and funky not for profit community space where we can share some homemade sweet and savoury morning tea, relaxing on their awesome handmade furniture. The whole site is made using repurposed materials and manned by local volunteers, we may even get a chance to try our hand at making something ourselves in between celebrating! Please RSVP to emma.patyus@esc.nsw.gov.au with any dietaries before Wednesday 21st of May – hope to see you there and share this fun site with you.


Backing a wage rise for low-paid workers

The Federal Government is backing another pay rise for low-paid workers to help with the cost of living. "Our economic plan is all about ensuring Australians earn more and keep more of what they earn. After the Australian Labor Party advocated to the Fair Work Commission during the election campaign, today the Government has also made a submission to the FWC recommending they award an economically sustainable real wage increase to Australia's award workers. This will help around three million workers across the country, including cleaners, retail workers and early childhood educators. Boosting wages, cutting taxes for every taxpayer and creating more jobs are central parts of our efforts to help Australians with the cost of living. The Government's previous recommendations that the real wages of low paid workers do not go backwards helped secure an increase of around \$7500 each year in the National Minimum Wage. The minimum wage has already increased by \$143 a week since we came to office, and the median wage has increased by \$206 per week since we came to office. Now, we're recommending they should go further, providing an economically sustainable real wage increase to Australia's award workers. An increase in minimum and award wages is consistent with inflation sustainably remaining within the RBA's target band and will provide further relief to lower income workers who are still doing it tough. Just this week, new ABS data showed that annual real wages have grown for a year and a half under the Albanese Government.



At Probing Our Plans Eurobodalla, we're delving into the Draft Batemans Bay Masterplan and providing you with key findings and reflective questions for genuine conversation.

COME CHECK OUT THE FACEBOOK PAGE FOR MORE INFORMATION!



You are warmly invited to a

Free Community Picnic

Sunday 25th May
12pm to 1:30pm
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Commencing at 10:30 - for a walk across the bridge, cultural ceremony, speeches and a BBQ at the western end of Clyde St (near the southern boat ramp)

Bridging Now to Next

New key health worker accommodation funding for hospital announced

Communities in Eurobodalla, Crookwell and Bega are set to benefit from new Key Worker Accommodation that will help attract, recruit and retain more healthcare workers to the region. The Minns Labor Government will invest \$24 million in health worker housing in the southern NSW region as part of the Key Health Worker Accommodation program.

Regional Health Minister Ryan Park and Member for Bega Dr Michael Holland made the announcement during a tour today of the construction site of the new \$330 million Eurobodalla Regional Hospital.

Since construction started in 2024 on the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital, progress is continuing on site as the new hospital begins to rise from its foundations. The concrete slab and structural columns forming the framework for the ground floor and Level 1 are taking shape, marking another step in bringing the future hospital to life. Construction has also started on a new roundabout on the Princes Highway, to support future access to the new hospital.

The \$200.1 million Key Health Worker Accommodation program supports more than 20 projects across rural, regional and remote NSW. The funding will secure approximately 120 dwellings across regional NSW, which includes the building of new accommodation, refurbishment of existing living quarters and the purchase of suitable properties such as residential units.

The four-year program will support the recruitment and retention of more than 500 health workers and their families by providing a range of accommodation options.

Minister for Regional Health Ryan Park said "The Minns Labor Government is committed to investing in modern, sustainable accommodation options for key health workers who are the backbone of our regional, rural and remote communities.

"Strengthening our regional health workforce is a key priority for our Government and this \$24 million investment in accommodation will support attraction of key healthcare workers to southern NSW.

"The Key Health Worker Accommodation program will support Southern NSW Local Health District in continuing to provide high-quality health services to the community."

Minister Park confirmed that the hospital masterplan included the space for a radiotherapy unit. The tender for the provision of local radiotherapy services has yet to be completed.



SNSWLHD CEO Margaret Bennet with Minister for Health Ryan Park at the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital.

Questioned about securing enough staff for the new facility, Minister Park said he "was confident that specialists will come forward. Part of the solution is having a top rate facility."

Member for Bega, Dr Michael Holland said "This funding is wonderful news for our health services and communities in Bega, Crookwell and Eurobodalla.

"Extra accommodation will ensure we can attract and retain the best and brightest health workers to southern NSW."

The program is one of a number of investments the NSW Government is making to strengthen the regional health workforce and builds on the success of the NSW Government's \$73.2 million investment in key health worker accommodation across five regional local health districts (Far West, Murrumbidgee, Southern NSW, Hunter New England and Western NSW).



Happy Days: Local Radiotherapy campaigners Lou Dampney with Minister Park and Dr Holland MP, Mylene and Fitzroy Boulting, Anne and Peter McCormick

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Major Safety Upgrades for the Princes Highway

\$60 million is being invested to deliver vital safety and congestion upgrades on the Princes Highway, as the Minns Labor Government continues work to build better connected communities while prioritising the safety of drivers, passengers and pedestrians.

The first phase of this program will see \$10.4 million invested this year between Sussex Inlet Road and Moruya.

The work, which begins next month, includes 5.4km of flexible safety barriers between Conjola Creek and Lake Conjola Entrance Road, and wider centrelines near Conjola to better separate opposing lanes of traffic, reducing the risk of head-on crashes.

Later this year, work will kick off to install an additional southbound lane and concrete median on a 750-metre section of the highway at Batemans Bay to improve traffic efficiency and reduce congestion during peak periods.

The 110km stretch of road between Moruya and Sussex Inlet saw 276 crashes in the five years from 2019 to 2023. These safety upgrades are targeted at decreasing the risk of serious injury or death in the event of a crash.

Additionally, Shoulder widening and road resurfacing will be completed on the Princess Highway near Mogo and Bimbimbie. This work is happening in conjunction with major works which are progressing on the Prince Highway upgrade projects including the Jervis Bay intersection upgrade, the Jervis Bay to Hawken Road upgrade and the Milton Ulladulla Bypass.

Future upgrades are in planning for Batemans Bay, Moruya, Bodalla, Narooma, Bega, and Eden. This includes signs, coloured pavement and line marking to encourage safer driving speeds for motorists entering towns by reinforcing a changing speed zone.

This is part of the Minns Labor Government's ongoing work to reduce the New South Wales road toll and deliver the essential infrastructure communities rely on. This has included:

- Investing over \$200 million into the Towards Zero safer roads program:
- Turning on the existing mobile phone camera detection network to detect seatbelt infringements.
- Removing a loophole to force all motorists driving on a foreign licence to convert to a NSW licence within six months.
- Implementing the demerit return trial that rewarded more than 1 million drivers for maintaining a demerit-offence-free driving record during the second year of the trial
- Doubling roadside enforcement sites used for mobile speed cameras, with the addition of 2,700 new locations where a camera can be deployed. Enforcement hours will remain the same
- Signing the National Road Safety Data Agreement with the Commonwealth
- Hosting the state's first Road Safety Forum in 2024 with international experts and a Motorcycle Safety Roundtable in April this year.

Premier of New South Wales, Chris Minns said: "Any life lost on our roads is a tragedy.

"The South Coast is a beautiful place, whether someone lives here or are just visiting for the night, we want to ensure when someone gets in their car, they know they are safe on our state's roads.

"We ask drivers to take every precaution they can on our roads, it's important as a government we also do everything we can.

"Today's announcement is one part of that work."

Minister for Roads and Regional Transport Jenny Aitchison said: "As the Minister for Roads, road safety is my top priority. We know that the road toll in NSW is far too high, and that two thirds of deaths on our roads happen on country roads. These important safety upgrades are crucial in helping us move towards zero road fatalities on our roads.

"The Princes Highway is most important road connection through the South Coast, linking communities from Sydney to the Victorian border. I am pleased that we have been able to provide a further \$60 million towards improvements to the route.

"This project will deliver road safety improvements for the local community and improved connections for locals, tourists and freight operators up and down the south coast."

Member for Bega, Dr. Michael Holland MP said: "Our community has seen far too many fatalities on local roads over the past few weeks. Any death on our roads is one too many. These are important safety upgrades that will ensure a safer trip for Princes Highway users.

"The previous Government completely neglected communities along the South Coast, it's great to see the Minns Labor Government is making real investments to keep road users safe."

More information:

<https://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/projects/current-projects/princes-highway-upgrade-program>

Araluen Road – now open for six days

Our contractors have finished work a day ahead of schedule, so the road will remain open for the next six days.

Next closure

Where: 25.4km from Moruya (Princes Highway)

When: 7.30am to 4pm, Tuesday to Saturday, 27 to 31 May, weather permitting

The road will remain open outside these hours.

More info: [Live Traffic NSW](#)

Looking ahead: Following this work, our contractors will move to Larrys Mountain Road for a few days. The road will remain open, with only minor traffic delays expected.

Following closures: Closures will be needed at the 19.7 and 9.6km sites. We'll provide expected timeframes for each location as soon as they are available. Work is expected to continue to June 2025.



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Record number of motions debated at CWA of NSW State Conference in Wagga Wagga

The Country Women's Association (CWA) of NSW held its annual State Conference in Wagga Wagga this week where a record number of motions were debated for inclusion in the Association's policy platform for the next 12 months. More than 600 members from around the state attended, with 36 motions and several urgency motions to be put to delegates.

At this year's Conference, a new president for the Association was elected, following the end of the three-year term by current president Joy Beames. Tanya Jolly from Barellan was elected.

The motions put to delegates over the three days covered education, health, the environment, agriculture, transport and telecommunications. There were two urgency motions for consideration, both aiming to improve health care outcomes for remote, rural and regional NSW communities.

They are:

- That the policy of the CWA of NSW be to advocate for:
 - The NSW Government to urgently review ambulance resourcing in regional, rural, and remote communities to ensure a timely medical response.
 - Improved emergency response protocols to ensure that when an ambulance is unavailable, appropriate alternative medical support is deployed.
 - An end to the inappropriate reliance on Rural Fire Brigades and Fire and Rescue NSW crews for emergency medical care beyond their training and scope.

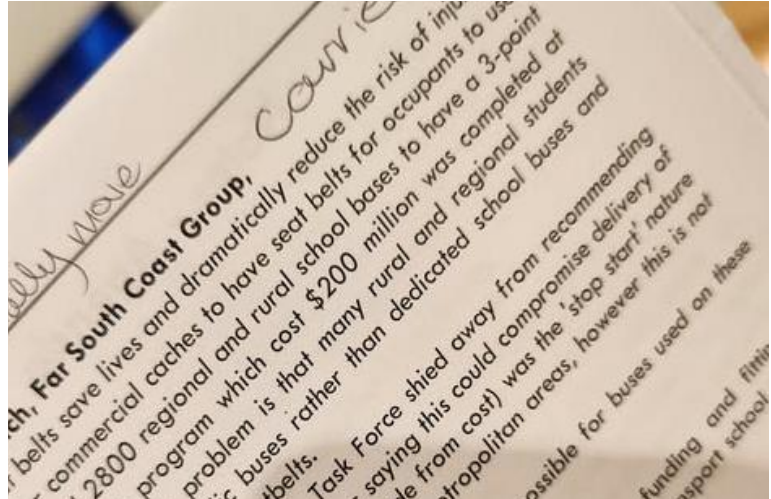
Motion from Myamley Branch

- That the policy of the CWA of NSW be to advocate for:
 - Improvements to emergency call handling protocols to ensure that when a Triple Zero (000) call is successfully connected following previous failed attempts, essential information is retained and transferred efficiently to avoid delays in dispatching emergency services.
 - Increased public awareness and accountability regarding emergency call processes, ensuring that regional, rural, and remote communities have confidence in the emergency response system.

Motion from State Executive Committee

Other motions included:

- Urging the state government to provide vital short-term housing for women and children and women over 55 across NSW and ACT by converting unused buildings into safe accommodation – (put forward by Illabo Evening branch)
- Advocating for a review of the current local council funding model, ensuring that regional, rural, and remote councils are adequately funded through equitable state and federal contributions, minimising reliance on ratepayer increases such as Special Rate Variations – (Tambar Springs branch)
- Advocating for the funding and fitting of seatbelts in public buses on routes where they transport school children in rural, regional and remote areas – (Moruya branch)
- Urging the State Government to cut two months off the daylight saving period – (Eurongilly branch)
- Advocating for the strengthening of penalties for biosecurity border breaches, reflecting the severe risks posed to agricultural products and the industry – (Braidwood branch)
- Support for the work of the NSW Anti-slavery Commissioner, actively opposing all forms of modern slavery and raising community awareness – (Barellan branch)
- Advocating for tax incentives for businesses donating surplus food and associated logistics services, promoting food waste reduction and supporting food relief efforts – (Agricultural and Environmental Committee)
- Calling for financial support for women from rural, regional and remote areas forced to travel to access fertility treatments – (Guyra Evening branch)



Delegates from the Moruya CWA Branch, Far South Coast Group, were delighted to have their Motion Carried:

"That the CWA of NSW advocate for the funding and fitting of seatbelts in public buses on routes where they transport school children in rural, regional and remote areas."

Two Motions from the Braidwood Branch, Southern Tablelands, were:

"That the policy of CWA of NSW be to encourage the ACT Government to revisit their stance on the meaning and classification of wild dog/dingo which would remove the dingo from the current pest order and manage them as protected species."

And "That the policy of CWA of NSW be to urge the Australian Government to review and strengthen penalties for biosecurity border breaches, reflecting the severe risks posed to agricultural products and the industry."

To view the program and full list of motions, go to [CWA of NSW AGM](#)



Delegates for CWA Moruya President Anne Boardman and Secretary Virginia Eddy

Clear skies from cosy fires, here's how ESC

As winter approaches and the chill sets in, woodfires are crackling back to life in homes across Eurobodalla. While many argue there is nothing like the cosy warmth from a wood heater, how you burn makes a difference – not just to your own comfort and health but to that of your neighbours and the environment.

Senior environmental health officer Tim Neenan says Eurobodalla Council receives numerous complaints about smoky fires every winter. "Mostly, it comes down to how a fire is lit and what's being burned. The good news? Just a few small changes can clear the air between disgruntled neighbours," he says.

"Choose small dry logs – unseasoned or wet wood is a major culprit for smoky fires – and go heavy on kindling to start your fire roaring quickly. When you add another log, crank open those air controls to ensure the wood burns cleaner, reducing smoke.

Mr Neenan says another big contributor to smoke pollution is chimney creosote.

"It's the sticky black gunk that blocks airflow and will often cause smoke to puff back into your room. It can even cause dangerous chimney fires, so get it cleaned out each year. Keep your fire burning bright and clean without smoky side effects – your lungs, and your neighbours, will thank you.

Replica firearms seized at Nelligen, man charged

A man was arrested and charged yesterday after police seized a number of replica firearms on the state's South Coast.

In November 2024, officers attached to South Coast Police District commenced an investigation into the alleged possession of firearms by a 69-year-old man.

Following enquires, about 7am today (Tuesday 20 May 2025), police, with the assistance of officers attached to the State Crime Command's Raptor Squad, executed a search warrant at a house on the Kings Highway, Nelligen.

During a search of the house, police allegedly located several replica firearms, a baton and an amount of drugs.



A 69-year-old man was arrested at the scene and was taken to Batemans Bay Police Station.

The man was charged with two counts of acquire etc firearm – subject to prohibition order, possess unauthorised pistol and possess unauthorised firearm. He was refused bail to appear before Bega Local Court Wednesday 21 May 2025.

BOCSAR Custody Statistics Quarterly Update

The latest quarterly custody statistics show a continuation in the upward trend of people behind bars. This continues to be largely driven by an increase in people refused bail. More than half of the additional people on remand are accused of domestic violence. The Government has made it much more difficult for serious domestic violence offenders to get bail to better protect victim-survivors. This is entirely appropriate because the level of domestic violence in our community is unacceptable.

Our tough new bail laws are necessary, and they are working.

The BOCSAR quarterly update shows an increase in the number of Aboriginal people in custody. Most of the increase in Aboriginal people in custody since March 2020 are those on remand for domestic violence-related offences.

We remain committed to working towards our Closing the Gap imprisonment targets. The government is working collaboratively with Aboriginal communities to reduce crime and the drivers of crime.

The NSW Government is also strongly committed to the Closing the Gap target of reducing the rate of family violence and abuse against Indigenous women and children. We are making major investments into domestic violence primary prevention and early intervention to stop this kind of behaviour before it starts.

The NSW Government will continue to look at ways to protect women and children from domestic and family violence.

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Dr Holland reports: "Today in Moruya, I joined Minister for Police and Counter-terrorism Yasmin Catley and local community stakeholders for a productive roundtable discussion on improving community safety. We spoke about the importance of prevention, partnerships, collaboration, and communication — all critical in addressing the challenges facing our region. Thank you to all who contributed their insights. By working together, we can create safer, stronger communities."

Those present included NSW Police, Council, Dept of Communities of Justice, PCYC, Moruya Chamber of Commerce, Mogo Chamber, Dr Michael Holland MP and Pioneer Road Neighbourhood Watch.

Local Government Minister drops by



Minister for Local Government Ron Hoenig MP dropped by Eurobodalla Shire Council this week and reported: "A pleasure catching up again with the impressive Mayor of Eurobodalla Shire Council Mathew Hatcher and Deputy Mayor Cr Anthony Mayne alongside the hardworking Dr Michael Holland MP - Member for Bega. Mathew is a fantastic leader working hard for his community. This regional council is a shining example of what's possible in local government. Their success in community consultation and being able to take the community with them even in difficult circumstances is impressive."

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Minns opens world-leading UNSW data lab to tackle housing crisis

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A world-leading housing analytics lab, led by UNSW Sydney researchers, brings together academics, industry, government and not-for-profits in a coordinated effort to tackle Australia's critical housing affordability and supply crisis.

The facility will be launched today at Sydney's Tech Central in Eveleigh. It is equipped with cutting-edge technology, including live dashboards of real-time planning approval data and a generative AI Assistant to help forecast the impact of planning policies.

The Lab centralises housing data from different areas in the sector to find breakthroughs to problems like housing affordability, the shortfall of social homes and the stifled development pipeline. Collaboration is key, and the hub's partners, which include the Commonwealth Bank and Tenants Union of NSW, will also meet at the facility to discuss housing and planning policy issues.

Project lead Professor Chris Pettit, Director of the City Futures Research Centre, said the lab would disseminate real-time evidence to key players to inform future planning and decision-making.

"With the nation facing significant housing challenges, it's vital that researchers, government, and industry work together using the most robust data and analytical tools to inform policy," said Prof. Pettit. "Having the space with the capabilities of the Housing Analytics Lab at our disposal means we can all come together and co-design much-needed solutions backed by data."

NSW Premier Chris Minns and NSW Minister for Housing and Homelessness Rose Jackson will attend the Housing Analytics Lab today and officially open the facility. Premier Minns said establishing this important facility is key to tackling the state's housing crisis.

"This facility brings together the experts and the data, giving us key insights as we address the housing crisis," Premier Minns said. "We need universities that can translate research into real-world solutions — exactly what UNSW is doing here."



A state-of-the-art housing research facility

Through government data-sharing arrangements, Prof. Pettit said the lab would also be able to provide insights into a range of housing problems. These include:

- Housing capacity around train stations
- Requirements for social housing by local government area
- Distribution and turnover of short-term and long-term rental
- Data on housing and apartment development

"We can use real-time housing datasets and the power of machine learning to explore multiple planning scenarios with live feedback," Prof. Pettit said. "This will help provide decision-makers with the ability to assess the impacts of different policy options before implementation."

The Lab is a hub for housing experts to develop and launch products and services addressing housing challenges. Prof. Pettit said the hub will also seek the input of community members to tailor housing solutions. Vice-Chancellor and President of UNSW Sydney, Professor Attila Brungs, said the Housing Analytics Lab demonstrates how the University's world-leading researchers are fostering collaboration to positively impact society. "The housing crisis is a complex policy challenge that can only be addressed through genuine collaboration across sectors," Prof. Brungs said. "By bringing together the deep expertise of UNSW researchers, the decision-making ability of government, the resources and reach of industry and the vital contributions of not-for-profits, the Housing Analytics Lab launched today will help deliver solutions that benefit all Australians." Dr Michael Baumann, CommBank Executive General Manager Home Buying, said helping Australians achieve home ownership ambitions is a top priority.

"Through supporting initiatives like the UNSW Housing Analytics Lab, we are helping to foster cross-industry collaboration to address housing supply and affordability challenges in Australia."



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Narooma's second Distinguished Gentleman's Ride (DGR) for Prostate Cancer Research and Men's Mental Health was a great success on Sunday despite the threat of rain which kept some riders away.

"I'm delighted we had 62 riders this year despite the weather and raised \$9,888 online," said Rotarian DGR coordinator Françoise Cleret.

"More people came to look at the bikes this year which reflects a greater community awareness and vibe which is in itself awesome.

"Some riders came from as far as Merimbula and Batemans Bay, many rode classic or classic style motorbikes."

Narooma's DGR, a Narooma Rotary initiative, is one of over 900 DGRs across the world held in May every year that brings people together to celebrate motorbikes and the 'gentlefolk' who ride them, men and women. At the same time it raises awareness and funds for prostate cancer and men's mental health.

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 programs.

The 20km leisurely ride went past the golf course and the Plaza, along the Highway and over the bridge, Dalmeny Drive, Noble Parade, Mort Ave to the Highway, and back to NATA Oval.

The information session on prostate cancer the night before with Canberra-based pharmacist Brad Butt and physiotherapist Jamie Boulding was also a great success.

"Twenty eight people attended with many productive conversations resulting," Ms Cleret said.



Narooma Rotarians check in riders for the 2025 Narooma Distinguished Gentleman's Ride for Prostate Cancer and Men's Mental Health.



Stephen Loftingham of Bermagui was on his Kawasaki Vulcan VN800 2006.



The assembled throng as Narooma DGR coordinator Françoise Cleret briefs riders about the Ride and the important health reasons behind it.




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A better, fairer system for renters as reforms come into effect

A new era in stability and security for renters starts today with three key changes coming into force as a result of the **Minns Labor's Government's** reforms to make renting fairer in NSW.

Delivering on a key election commitment to the state's 2.3 million renters, from today the following legislation comes into force:

- Ending of no-grounds evictions – owners will now be required to provide a valid reason to end all lease types, set out in legislation, increasing security and transparency for renters. Longer notice periods will apply for some leases, giving renters greater certainty and time to find a new home, while ensuring investors can still effectively manage their properties. Renters who find a new property after receiving an evictions notice will also have improved rights to end a lease early.
- Pets in rentals – tenants will be able to apply to keep a pet in their rental home, with owners only able to refuse for specific reasons, such as the owner living at the property or failure to comply with local council laws. A standard application form and process has been developed to make the system clearer and more efficient for both renters and owners. Approval will be automatic if owners do not respond to pet applications within 21 days.
- Fee-free ways to pay rent – owners and agents must enable renters to pay their rent using certain fee-free rent payment methods such as direct bank transfer, ensuring there are convenient and modern payment methods available without extra cost.

These important changes come alongside other key initiatives from the Minns Labor Government:

- Limiting rent increases to once per year – Rent increases are limited to once per year across all lease types – including fixed-term and periodic leases.
- Ending tenants having to pay for their own background checks – Clarifying that rental applicants can't be charged fees before entering a tenancy, for example costs for background checks.
- Portable Rental Bonds Scheme – The Minns Labor Government is investing \$6.6 million to develop and deliver the nation's first Portable Rental Bonds Scheme. This means eligible renters can move homes and digitally transfer their existing bond with them. The scheme is expected to be up and running by the end of the year.
- Rent Check – A new, free website – Rent Check helps renters to understand how the rent they're being asked to pay compares to other similar homes.

Penalties are now in place for agents or owners who do the wrong thing, with the changes to be enforced by the Minns Labor Government's Rental Taskforce, with inspectors and support teams to help renters and act on serious breaches of rental laws.

The Government has undertaken a comprehensive consultation and engagement process to inform and communicate these new reforms.

These important changes ensure that the rights between renters and owners is balanced, and the rental system in NSW is fairer.

Premier Chris Minns said "Today marks a significant change which brings the rental market into the 21st century and makes renting fairer."

"More people than ever are renting, and they are renting for longer, so these reforms improve security and fairness in the rental market."

"These are sensible reforms and With more than 2 million renters in NSW and over 600,000 investors, we have taken the time to get these major changes right."

Acting Minister for Better Regulation and Fair Trading Paul Scully:

"The implementation of these reforms creates a fairer, more balanced rental market that gives tenants greater security while making sure owners have clear and transparent processes to follow."

"We've listened to renters, owners, and industry experts to shape these changes, and have worked closely with stakeholders to ensure the transition is smooth and well understood."

"Agents and landlords who choose to flout the laws should be aware the Rental Taskforce will act on serious breaches of the new rental laws."

Minister for Housing & Homelessness Rose Jackson said "For too long, renters have lived with the fear of being kicked out for no reason. That ends today. We're delivering the security and stability that 2.3 million renters in NSW deserve."

"These reforms recognise that pets are part of people's families. Renters shouldn't have to choose between a place to live and keeping their companion animal. These changes put common sense into the rental system and end the blanket ban on pets."

"This is the biggest step forward for renters in a generation, we're building a system that's fair, modern and puts people first."

NSW Rental Commissioner Trina Jones said "Our team at Fair Trading has engaged extensively with industry and communities across NSW to make sure these reforms are well understood and practical."

"We have new information and resources on the NSW Government Website providing clear, reliable information to help renters, landlords and agents navigate these changes with confidence."

"Our focus now is on successful implementation and dedicating our efforts to prevent and act on breaches of the law."

People are encouraged to visit the NSW Fair Trading website for clear, up-to-date guidance on the new rental laws and their rights and obligations here: <https://www.nsw.gov.au/housing-and-construction/renting-a-place-to-live>



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

Gadfly

It is painful beyond measure to be confronted every evening by the moving pictures of human beings in Gaza being bombed to death and shockingly maimed by the Israelis dropping American explosives on them.

Their aircraft rule the skies. Their planes deliver death from well cushioned, air-conditioned cockpits. The crews never see the blood spurting from a decapitated child, nor hear the screams of the mother who will carry the image to her grave.

But now in a terrible extension of the horror, the Israelis, with American oversight, are bent on starving the Gazans to death as they scramble ever more weakly for the crumbs that only prolong the suffering.

Now it's face-to-face.

I would like to say it's 'inhuman' but alas, it's what distinguishes us from the other animal life on our lovely blue planet. The law of the jungle is relatively benign by comparison. They kill to eat. We kill because we can. They don't torture their own. We have normalised it.

This is what is particularly hard to understand: it is not like the Jewish holocaust because that was unknown to most of the world. Though many of the European nations invaded by the Germans collaborated in the collection of their neighbours for the death camps, perhaps they didn't know their fate.

In our neck of the woods, the vile cruelty of the Japanese to the millions of Chinese at home and in their southeastern diaspora - as well as the several thousand western POWs - was not widely known until the end of the war.

In each case the unknowing and the fog of war might suffice for an excuse for the lack of action at the time. But that does not apply today to the mass murder of more than 50,000 civilians, from babies to the aged, being perpetrated by the descendants of the tribe of Israel who escaped the holocaust.

I suspect I know part of the reason for the silence. It is certainly why I have been mute until now. It is fear of the consequences, the chief of which is an attack on all sides by a relatively small but very active group of Jewish defenders with the baseball bat called 'antisemitism'.

Semite is an odd word which I learned in first year Arts (Ancient History). It was coined in the 19th century to describe Arabs, Jews, Akkadians and Phoenicians. Since then, it seems to have lost its broad focus and turned its spotlight on the Jews alone. About the same time, I learned that my mother's grandmother was Ruth Silverstein and her Mum was Sophie Goldstein. I guess they were Jewish but I never bothered to take it further because by then I could reason and regarded all religions as dangerous fables...a position I still hold today.

But here's the thing. One of our distinguished soldiers General David Morrison recently said - in a different context - 'the behaviour you walk by is behaviour you accept' and he was named Australian of the Year in 2016. I'm sure he wouldn't mind my adopting it in the cause of truth.

It is simply absurd to imagine that the people who protest the joint American-Israeli atrocities in Gaza are actuated by antisemitism. And if some are, it's only because the Jewish authorities are defending the indefensible.

Much the same applies to the colonial Europeans - mostly British - who ran the slave trade, corrupted and preyed upon India, and South America, and stole an entire Continent from an estimated 800,000 Aboriginal people who had settled every part of it for 65,000 years. And they exploited its treasure house of mineral riches without a hint of guilt or compensation.

Oh dear, wait one minute, is that Anti-Australian?

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A Beer with Bazz #193

With
John
Longhurst

Bazza strolled through the empty front bar of the pub, ran a hand through his thinning hair and rubbed his chin.

Bella, the publican, nodded at the offered schooner as he hauled himself onto the bar stool.

"They have all just adjourned to the lounge bar, Bazza. Mick nominated the pub as neutral territory for the Liberal and National Parties to sort out their differences."

Bazza scanned the front bar. Clipped accents and whispered excitement dominated in an episode of ABC's 'Antique Roadshow' on the television nearest the bar competing in vain with cracking stock-whips, lighting up the screen on 'Landline' playing on the far television.

Bazza took a decent sip and smiled.

"It's not hard to work out where the Libs and Nats were sitting, Bella. It does make you wonder why they are so committed to cutting funding to the ABC."

Bella shared a laugh.

"All good for business, Bazza. I have had to put on extra staff. The drinks out the back are so varied. They range from the old farmers ordering 'ponies' of Reschs all the way through to aged single malt scotch and bottles of Bollinger. I guess the wheels of democracy need all types of lubricants."

The rising tempo from the lounge bar cut off any further banter before a booming voice dominated.

"Well... we can't reach agreement on those three points. The fourth one is nuclear. We have got to stick with nuclear. Yes...of course the start up costs are significant but it is the certainty of the grid that we need to responsibly guarantee. I've prepared this line graph highlighting the point in the future where the costs become less than renewables. coal fired power stations will facilitate the transition."

A temporary quiet before an elongated "Maaaaate.....the bloody graph is upside down."

Audible sighs before the booming voice returned.

"Ok...let's not get too technical. Gina said it is a non negotiable so that means it's a non negotiable. No coal no donations...it's pretty simple mathematics."

A lone voice.

"What about net zero by 2050?"

Bazza could almost hear the gritting of teeth.

"Rupert said...."

The scraping of chairs, raised voices and swearing brought the meeting to a premature conclusion and Bazza's gaze focused on the window as a white RAM ute led a convoy of four wheel drives and other utes in a trail of dust heading west. A parade of Mercedes, BMWs, Volvos and even the odd Tesla left at a more sedate pace on the sealed road heading east.

A beetroot faced Mick joined Bazza in the front bar and took a generous sip of the offered schooner.

"Thanks Bella. We will have to cancel the line dancing... not even Duktape could fix that split between the Libs and the Nats, Bazza. I need a change of topic to enjoy this beer."

Bazza took a measured sip.

"We could talk about the leader of the free world and his; here one day and gone the next tariff policies, the potential occupation of Greenland, nil impact on the wars in Gaza and the Ukraine, cuts to USAID, accepting a luxury Boeing 747 as a gift from Qatar or we can just keep it simple?"

Mick furrowed his brow.

"Or... and I kid you not... The President of the United States of America's comment, 'Has anyone noticed that, since I said 'I HATE TAYLOR SWIFT,' she's no longer 'HOT?'"

Have a beer with Bazza at
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Microforest celebrates 2nd Birthday

Building a microforest is as much about building community connections as planting ecosystems. Volunteers and donors celebrated the Moruya Microforest's 2nd birthday at St John's Commons Moruya with coffee, tunes and a scrumptious cake from the Nourished Sovereign.



RV Friendly Town Moruya

Moruya Business Chamber is proud to announce Moruya has finally met all the criteria for our town to be awarded RV and Caravan friendly status. Lots of hard work has finally paid off and the application form has now been lodged for final approval.



Computers 4 Community Workshop at Repurposing for Resilience

Repurposing for Resilience Eurobodalla Inc. reports "That's a wrap! Saturday just gone RfR held its Computers 4 Community workshop at the Solar Reuse Centre. This project has been a while in the making while we went about raising the funds needed to upgrade a batch of discarded computers destined to spend their remaining existence in e-waste. Keeping goods circulating at their highest value is an approach the RfR applies to everything we do. The opportunity to provide free training, free lunch and free computers to the community was the icing on this cake! Good weather, a great bunch of participants and the skills & expertise of local business legends [Tims Computing](#) & [@thetecexec](#) who definitely got this one over the line. Special thanks to project sponsors [Southcoast Health & Sustainability Alliance](#) and [@gohosting](#) and to our regular RfR volunteers who put so very much into these community gigs .. you are awesome! If you are a community organisation or know of someone in need of a computer please get in touch with our team at rfeurobodalla@gmail.com



Community Lunch

The Red Door Cafe offers freshly prepared meals at no cost or by donation if possible. Everyone is welcome. The Red Door Cafe operates every Tuesday from Midday to 1.30pm. So, pop along and enjoy a delicious home cooked lunch.

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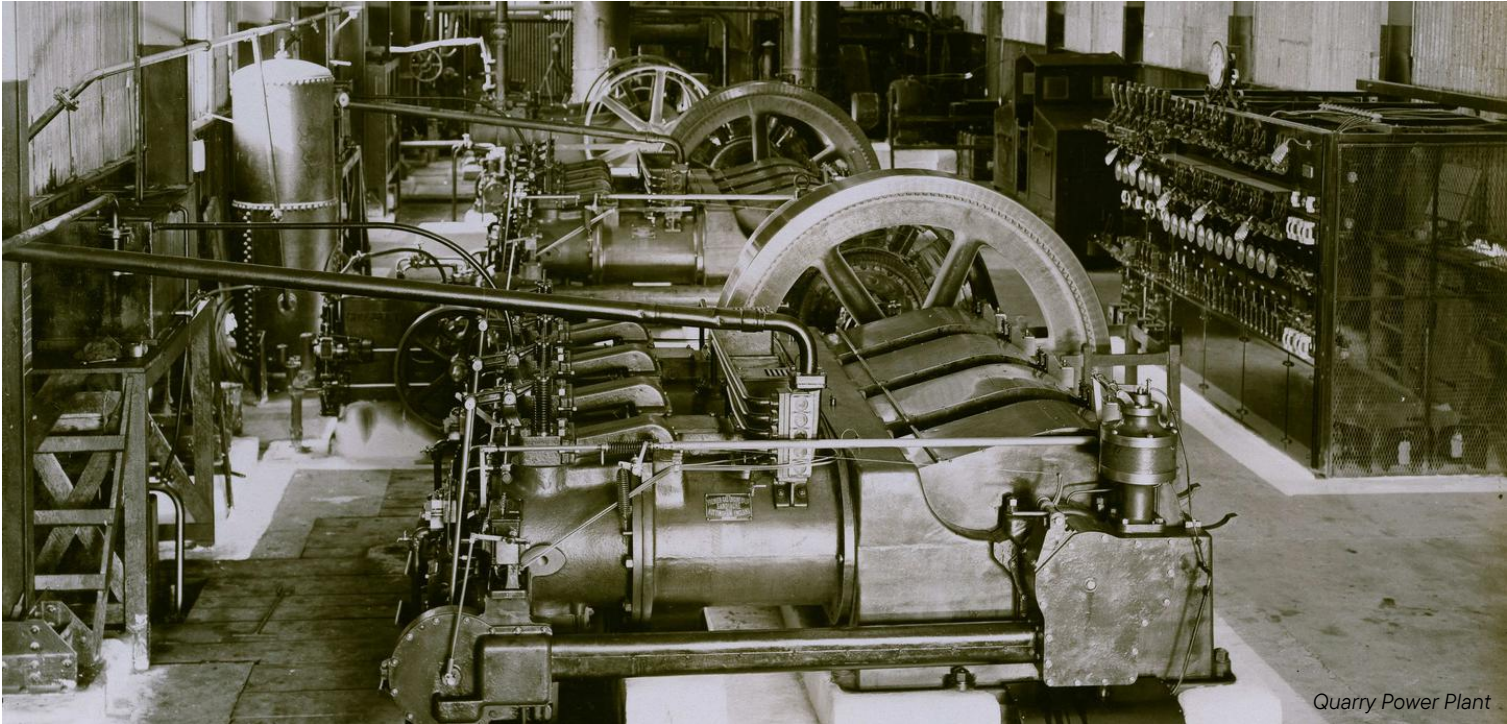


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Dr. Dight, the well-known Macquarie Street X-ray expert, having offered to take **Dr. H. M. Cutler** as his junior partner, our young medico has accepted the position, and has disposed of his practice here to Dr. Harold McCreddie, of Sydney. The departure of Dr. Cutler from this district will be much felt, as by his geniality and kindheartedness he has endeared himself to all with whom he has come in in contact, both in social and professional life.

Great progress has been made within the last few weeks by **Dorman, Long & Co.** at the Pompey granite quarry. Activities have been mainly directed to the construction of the main buildings, and the installation and erection of a large and up-to-date plant. The main buildings consist of the power house and the sheds for dressing the stone used in the bridge abutments. The framework is of steel, the main stanchions being bolted in heavy concrete foundations. High up on these uprights are affixed horizontal girders which carry overhead cranes. The roofing and walls consist of sheet galvanized corrugated iron solidly bolted to the framework. In order, however, to combat the mason's enemy – stone dust – no walls will be affixed on the dressing sheds. In the power house are large concrete foundations for the big power units. These foundations required many tons of cement before being completed. The power will be generated by two huge dynamos of many Kilowatts capacity. Each one being operated by a 350 h.p. four-cylinder Crossley oil engine. One of the latter is now installed, and it is said that it is the first engine of its type to be installed. ... A large travelling steam crane is now in operation in connection with assembling and constructing the main buildings. A start has been made with the erection of employees' cottages and also a big dormitory and dining room for the single men, and before many months quite a fair sized village will have appeared.

Nelligen. (From our Correspondent.) The worst floods for some years were experience here during last week, and 1240 points were recorded. The river came down a banker, doing a large amount of damage, with it came sheds, timber, furniture, and a considerable amount of debris, resulting in the Nelligen punt being broken down. And only for the untiring work of Mr. Sid Harkus, the Council would have no ferry whatever. ...

At Shallow Crossing, several homes had to be evacuated. Mr. A. Veitch suffered the worst of any, flood waters destroyed everything of value in his home, including piano and a beautiful oak suite. Also, a large amount of timber off his wharf at the mill. Corn crops also suffered in this locality.

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



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First Strategy to protect NSW heritage released

Community members and heritage stakeholders are being invited to have their say on the first NSW Heritage strategy. It will seek to update the approach to heritage by recognising, protecting, enhancing and celebrating our state's rich history.

The Minns Labor Government's vision is for a heritage system that recognises the rich places, people and experiences that have shaped NSW.

The draft strategy examines ways to modernise the approach to heritage and at the same time ensuring that housing can be built. The draft strategy has been informed by more than 1,750 submissions from heritage experts, advocacy groups, government bodies and members of the public.

Key questions within the strategy are how to:

- Recognise and protect a broader range of stories and values to represent the diverse history and communities of NSW within the heritage system.
- Improve alignment between the heritage and planning systems including simplifying approval processes.
- Enhance support for heritage owners and custodians.
- Encourage new uses for heritage places, including government-owned heritage.
- Champion activation and adaptive reuse of heritage places and spaces to create significant social and economic benefits.
- Work with Aboriginal communities to better acknowledge, celebrate and protect cultural heritage.
- Promote climate adaptation and sustainability upgrades to heritage places and objects.
- Establish a more robust State Heritage Register and underpinning legislation.

Minister for Heritage, Penny Sharpe said: "Establishing the state's first heritage strategy is a significant step to ensure we protect and celebrate the heritage items that reflect and resonate with all members of our community."

"The strategy reflects the diverse and changing needs of our community. I encourage you to have your say about how NSW can make our heritage system world leading."

Individuals and organisations can provide feedback on the draft NSW heritage strategy and submit ideas online:

www.haveyoursay.nsw.gov.au/nsw-heritage-strategy.

Consultation is open until 13 July, 2025.

Landmark donation powers world-first endometriosis research institute at UNSW

A \$50 million philanthropic contribution will position Australia as a global leader in women's health.

A world-first initiative funded by members of the philanthropic Ainsworth family and led by UNSW Sydney is set to revolutionise endometriosis research, diagnosis, and treatment for millions of people suffering around the world.

Three generations of the Ainsworth family, led by Anna and Lily Ainsworth, have together committed \$50 million over 10 years to establish the Ainsworth Endometriosis Research Institute (AERI) at UNSW. The partnership will position Australia as a global leader in women's health and the fight against endometriosis. Endometriosis is a condition where tissue similar to the lining of the uterus is found outside the uterus, often causing severe pelvic pain, fatigue and in some cases infertility. It is estimated one in seven Australian women will have endometriosis by age 49, impacting their health, fertility, careers, and daily lives. This equates to around 830,000 people in Australia.

Community Connectivity Research Project

NSW Telco Authority is leading the Community Connectivity Research Project to better understand how connectivity loss impacts communities across NSW.

They are seeking community feedback on how digital connections have helped or failed during critical times. If you've experienced internet or mobile disruptions during an emergency, complete the survey by 26 May at <https://www.haveyoursay.nsw.gov.au/community-connectivity-research-project>

Batemans Bay Men's Shed Sale

Super clearance sale on the 7th June 2025.

Between 8.30 am and 12.00 pm.

Heaps of items for sale no reasonable offers will be refused. You can find us at David St Batehaven behind St Bernards church.

Nest Box Workshop

Nest boxes for wildlife can help create habitat in areas where fire has reduced availability of hollows appropriate for nesting. Some well-placed nest boxes can also help attract wildlife to your own backyard. As part of the Batemans Bay Heritage Museum's exhibition Regrowth: Healing Land and Community the Museum is running a nest box building workshop. We provide materials and tools, and participants go home with a brand-new residence for their favourite backyard buddy.

Places are limited, so book yours now via the link below:

<https://www.batemansbayheritagemuseum.com/event-details/nest-box-workshop/form>

Details: Date: May 31 Time: 12pm-2pm

Place: The Batemans Bay Heritage Museum, 3 Museum Place

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By John Longhurst

The Batemans Bay Uniting Church is once again hosting a variety concert this Sunday, 25th May at 2pm at 2-4 Caitlin Avenue, Batemans Bay to raise money for Pivot point, an outreach centre offering assistance for thousands experiencing hardship.

With well known local musicians, 'Blueberry Jam', Roger Cole, 'Tenors Two' and the 'U3A Singers' generously donating their talents, the audience is in for a memorable afternoon.

Kay Killick, master of ceremonies and organiser of the charity concert, has invited the whole community to support the fundraiser.

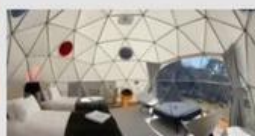
Kay said "It will be a fun afternoon. We have some top local acts with music to suit all ages. Audience participation will be encouraged and a donation at the door much appreciated."

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Art exhibition: Slow Hope by Greta Cooper



Slow Hope is a site-specific installation and audio tour created by emerging artist Greta Cooper, that explores ecological grief in the aftermath of the 2019/2020 Black Summer bushfires. Until 25 May at Mechanics Institute, 13 Page Street, Moruya. Opening hours: Thursday to Sunday, 10am – 3pm Cost: free

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- Winners announced: 8 September 2025
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'What's Past is Prologue' now showing at the Bas



Corin Rossouw with her artwork.

'What's Past is Prologue' opened at the Basil Sellers Exhibition Centre last Saturday 17 May. Inspired by Shakespeare's The Tempest, the theme 'What's Past is Prologue' suggests that everything preceding this moment has set the stage for what is yet to come. Ten well-respected, south coast artists delve into personal, cultural, and historical narratives, examining how memories, traditions, and inherited legacies intersect with evolving identities, environments, and social dynamics.

Artists: Catherine Speed, Corin Rossouw, Daniel Allam, Di Jay, Fiona Ryan, Kristen Arrayet, Naomi Crowther, Purusha, Sid Palazzi and Stuart Whitelaw. Run until June 21st.

ESC Creative Arts Director Indira Carmichael said of the title "What's past is prologue":

"It's a phrase that feels especially relevant to where we are in history – both locally and globally. I recently learned that it's engraved on the National Archives building in Washington, D.C."

"The phrase comes from the play The Tempest, where it's used in a moment of persuasion – even manipulation – but outside the play, it has taken on broader meanings. We chose it for this exhibition as an invitation to reflect on how our histories, personal and collective, shape what comes next.

The past is not a closed book – it's a starting point. It sets the stage, but it doesn't dictate the script. That's something artists know instinctively. "

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This workshop will help people improve their skills and enjoyment of making art.

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Tathra Beach Bowlo (7.30pm)
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Tilba valley Winery
Steampacket Hotel
Quantum Brewery
Broulee Brewhouse
Bay Soldiers Club
Narooma Hotel
One Tree Inn

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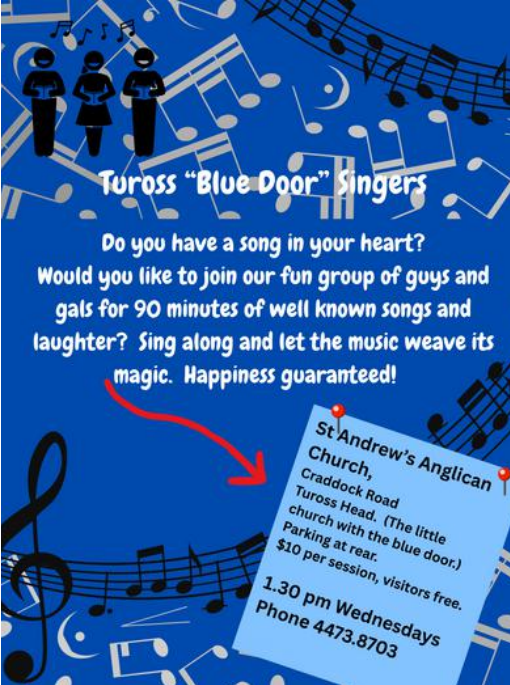
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Annual humpback whale migration starts in New South W(h)ales

The much-anticipated whale watching season has officially begun in NSW, marking the start of a spectacular natural event that brings joy and wonder to residents and visitors. Avid whale watchers recently spotted the first handful of whales at locations including Shellharbour, Port Macquarie and Manly.

Around 40,000 humpback whales, known for their acrobatic breaches and enchanting songs, will leave the krill-rich waters of Antarctica in autumn, swimming north to warmer waters off Queensland and NSW to find mates, calve after 11 months gestation, or simply socialise before returning. This journey spans approximately 10,000 kilometres and is one of the longest migrations of any mammal.

These gentle giants, which can grow up to 17 metres in length and weigh as much as 40 metric tonnes captivate onlookers with their playful behaviour and sheer size. For some whales, the annual migration along the NSW coast can lead to entanglement in fishing gear and marine debris. When this occurs, the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) Large Whale Disentanglement Team is called into action. Operating only when conditions are safe, this highly trained team works from small boats in open seas to undertake the complex and dangerous task of rescuing 25–40 tonne wild animals from tangles of ropes and floats. Ongoing scientific research is helping to shed light on whale migration patterns and the factors that increase entanglement risk. NPWS is collaborating with the University of NSW, DPIRD Fisheries, Sea World Foundation, Wild Sydney Harbour, and OceanWatch Australia to better understand how oceanographic conditions and migration routes intersect with human activity.

Funding through the NSW Marine Estate Management Strategy has positioned NSW as a national leader in whale disentanglement response and research.

While the sight of these magnificent creatures is awe-inspiring, it is important to observe them from a safe distance to ensure their well-being and your safety. NPWS reminds everyone that drones and watercraft, including surf craft, kayaks and boats, must stay at least 100m from a whale, or 300m if watching from a jetski or there is a calf present, to help protect these species.

For those keen to witness the humpback whale migration, some of the best viewing spots in national parks can be found here: [Top whale watching spots | NSW National Parks](#). These locations offer excellent vantage points to see the whales as they travel close to the coast during their migration.

If you see a distressed or entangled whale, please contact the NPWS on 13000PARKS (1300 072 757) or ORRCA on 02 9415 3333 immediately.



Humpback whale tail lob credit J.Liebschner

Australia's first Wildlife Specialist Teaching Hospital at Taronga

Construction has now started on Australia's first ever wildlife specialist teaching veterinary hospital, at Taronga Zoo in Sydney.

This \$80 million state-of-the-art facility will replace the current hospital, which has played a critical role in wildlife care since the 1970's.

The new Taronga Wildlife Hospital will expand the zoo's critical rescue and rehabilitation work by delivering new surgical, rehabilitation and recovery facilities to cater for hundreds of animals per year.

As a dedicated specialist teaching hospital, it will also enable widespread training and upskilling of wildlife carers, students and veterinary practitioners – further protecting Australia's unique biodiversity against ever increasing natural disasters. The 2019–2020 Black Summer bushfires affected billions of animals, including koalas, wallabies, platypus and critically endangered amphibians which Taronga's hospital team was instrumental in treating. The devastation of these fires demonstrated a national need for a new, state-of-the-art wildlife hospital.

Taronga's new multipurpose facility will feature:

- Modern surgical facilities and specialised rehabilitation and recovery spaces for species such as marine turtles, reptiles and amphibians before they return to the wild.
- Increased quarantine facilities for animals confiscated in illegal wildlife trade seizures and for those transferred from other zoos as part of global conservation breeding programs.
- Australia's first Zoo Nutrition Centre dedicated to managing the diets of the zoo's animals.
- A pathology lab for onsite analysis and testing.
- Public viewing galleries through which zoo guests can safely watch animal health checks and veterinary procedures.

The new Taronga Wildlife Hospital is funded by the NSW Government through an investment of \$40.7 million. A further \$40 million is being raised through philanthropic donations. This facility will support the important role of volunteer wildlife carers, by educating and sharing knowledge with volunteers. This will improve the state's capacity to respond to wildlife crises through wildlife first aid.

The NSW Government is undergoing state-wide consultation on the wildlife rehabilitation sector to gain a detailed understanding of how NSW can improve the way we care for our native animals.



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Animal Welfare League News

BRINDIE, an 11 month old Mastiff cross Staffie, with a sweet and gentle nature. Brindie loves to loll around inside the house and enjoys cuddles, but gets the zoomies a couple of times a day, when he rushes outside, runs around, and jumps on the trampoline. He loves to play football and would likely do well in a home with older children. He's a bit of a clown, and one of his favourite tricks is to fall off the couch on purpose. Brindie came to Animal Welfare League Eurobodalla from the local council pound, and he appears to have had a bit of a rough time in his young life. He's a sensitive boy, and is fearful of loud noises. Brindie has been fine with the chickens he's met but he is not suitable for living with cats. Brindie's ideal home will be one where he can have gentle introductions to new people and experiences. He has so much to offer a loving person or family.

NINA is ten months of age, a Bull Arab / English Pointer cross, with a gorgeous brindle and white coat. Nina shows all the characteristics typical of both of these breeds: she's gentle, laid back and obedient, and is ready to make someone a perfect pet. Nina came into care because her family were finding the cost of feeding a large dog a bit too much. They were sad to lose her and are hoping her new family will appreciate what a lovely girl she is. Nina is calm and gentle, but as a puppy, she is a bit too bouncy for small children. She gets on well with people and other dogs, but has a little trouble understanding when older dogs don't want to play. Nina is smart and is going well with training. She walks well on a leash and sits and waits for her food. Her foster mum describes her as a beautiful girl with a calm and happy personality.

MINN, the beautiful 5-month-old grey tortoiseshell kitten, is still available. She may be petite in size, but her personality is absolutely huge-a perfect mix of sweetness, playfulness, and just a touch of sass. This gorgeous girl gets on well with both cats and dogs, making her a delightful addition to any family. She's super affectionate, and always up for a good cuddle after her zoomies and play sessions.

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FINAL DESTINATION: BLOODLINES MA15+, 1H 50M, HORROR	6.25pm*	4.10pm*	4.40pm*	4.10pm*		4.10pm*	4.10pm*
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- 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?

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All Abilities Dinner Dance

Adults living with disability in Eurobodalla are invited to a free dinner dance at Moruya in June. It's a community celebration where music and movement bring us together in friendship and connection.

We'd love to see you bring along a family member or your support person. Dinner, music and a photo booth are included in your free ticket. Drinks can be purchased separately at the bar.

Event details

When	Wednesday 4 June 2025 5.30 to 8.30pm
Where	Moruya Golf Club, Evans Street Moruya (Chinese cuisine)
Cost	Free with a confirmed booking
RSVP	Bookings essential for all guests and support people. (Limited tickets available).

For bookings please contact:
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- 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**

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Varroa mite has spread across the whole Eurobodalla Shire — and our bees URGENTLY need your help! This tiny parasite is deadly to honey bees and has now been detected in every part of our shire. Without urgent action, local hives will suffer — and with them, our environment and backyard gardens.

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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).

Turoos Community Markets

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Winterlude

The Eurobodalla Chamber Orchestra (ECO) presents a winter's afternoon of fine community music. They will be joined by The Sing Australia Choir, the Mogendoura Swing Ensemble and Eurosax and will present a varied program to delight the audience. Sunday June 1 at 2pm in the Moruya High School Hall Tickets at the door – Adults \$10, Students \$5

Have you received your Fire to Flourish Eurobodalla household survey?

Come along to one of our upcoming community survey days to complete the survey, with support available if needed:

Thursday 29 May (10am – 1pm) – Moruya Library

Thursday 29 May (2–5pm) – Narooma Library

Friday 30 May (10am–1pm) – Batemans Bay Library

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Narooma Community Survey Day: <https://fb.me/e/2Y60pcTz5>

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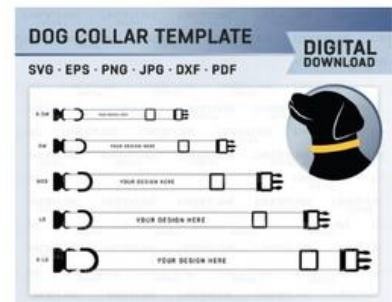
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Moruya Women's Golf

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Pic: Winner Lyn Gibbs



Malua Bay Stingrays Women's Bowls.

Tuesday we bowled in Versatility Triples format with 8 Ends bowled in each position. We were lucky to finish before the rain came. Winners Rink 3, Judy Armstrong, Janet McKay, Gayl Vidgen. (Photo) Runners-up Rink 5, Connie Anderson as Swinging Lead, Noleen Taylor and Jenny Blyth. Third, Rink 4, Michelle Adler, Patricia Weekes and Pat Bill. Lucky Losers Rink 4, Robyn Butcher Judy Davis, Sue Beavan. Money Club, 34 Lynn Gowans, 1 Michelle Adler. Well done to Sue Beavan and Jenny Blyth Runners-up in "Kitty Pairs" last weekend in Merimbula. Birthday Greetings to Joan Rimmer.



Judy Armstrong, Janet McKay, Gayl Vidgen.

Tomakin Twist Tops Bowls Report.

There were 28 Twisties on the Green on a cold and windy morning that almost felt like Winter. President Steve Hogan welcomed everyone also Lisa from Maitland. Thinking of Spike whom we hope feels better soon and will be back on the Green. Sincere condolences to Henry Butler and family on the recent passing of his Mum. Winners with Highest Losing Margin, Scottie and Kaz. (Photo) Runners-up Robbo and J.H. Kaz selected Rink 12 to try for Jackpot. Losing Skip Jamesy cut cards but no luck finding Joker. Winning teams, Trish the Dish with The Friendly Finn. Mad Max and Breadroll. Clive and Dobbo. Sandy and Smoothie. Chocolate and Irish. Lucky numbers, 2 Kaz. 15 Griff.



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Tuross Head Golf Results



Winner: Peter Nikolic with Vice President Paul Scholze

Tuross Head Golf Results Thursday 15th May 2025

A field of 42 players registered for a Stableford Medley event today. The weather was lovely and there were some excellent scores.

The Winners were:

- 1st: - Peter Nikolic (28) with 39 points
2nd: - Rob Green (4) with 38 points
3rd: - Graeme Sindel (26) with 36 points (countback)
4th: - Mark Jackson (25) with 36 points

Nearest to the Pins

- 4th: - Malcolm Gilbertson - 0.39 - A Grade
4th: - David Schmid - 1.44 - B Grade
4th: - Beverley Theobald - 3.38 - C Grade
6th: - Colin Houghton - 4.40 - A Grade
6th: - Allan Langford - 2.38 - B Grade
6th: - Ricky Hayes - 6.24 - C Grade
7th: - Jim Wade - 6.80 - A Grade
7th: - Dianne Brown - 6.79 - C Grade

Balls went to: Peter McRae 34, Stephen Swanbury 33, Colin Houghton 32, Ricky Hayes 32, Ian Manton 32, Bruce Lidbury 31, David Schmid 31, Leonie Doolan 31, Terry Milliken 31 and Ray Bollard 30.



Winner: William Steenbergen

Tuross Head Golf Results Saturday 17th May 2025

A field of 51 players registered for a Stableford Medley event today. The weather was fine and there were some fantastic scores achieved. Congratulations to Will Steenbergen who has been making excellent progress, lowering his handicap and winning regularly!

The Winners were:

- 1st: - William Steenbergen (9) with 41 points
2nd: - Michael Walsh (12) with 40 points
3rd: - Ian Miller (21) with 37 points
4th: - Troy Kingdom (10) with 36 points (countback)
5th: - Anthony Mellick (28) with 36 points

Nearest to the Pins

- 4th: - Brad Doolan - 1.80 - A Grade
4th: - Peter McRae - 1.84 - B Grade
4th: - Greg Smith - 4.85 - C Grade
6th: - William Steenbergen - 2.56 - A Grade
6th: - Michael Coloe - 2.77 - B Grade
7th: - Troy Kingdom - 8.70 - A Grade

Balls went to: Ray Bollard 35, Steve Pritchett 35, Peter Coffey 33, Steve Johnston 32, Mark Haberkorn 32, Stephen Gardner 32, Grant Kiely 32, Stephen Swanbury 32, Paul Ferguson 32, Allan Langford 32, Nick Brice 31, David Schmid 31, Steve Collins 31, Paul Scholze 31 and Ken Hush 31.



Winners: Chelsea Mayes, Sandra D'Onofrio and Jeanette Miller

Tuross Head Ladies Golf Results - Tuesday 20th May 2025

A field of 17 ladies signed up for a Stableford event today. The event was sponsored by Paula Coffey. The course was soggy in places after recent rain but some good scores were achieved.

Grade A Winners:

- 1st: - Sandra D'Onofrio (33) with 33 points
2nd: - Leonie Snodgrass (17) with 27 points (countback)

Grade B Winners:

- 1st: - Chelsea Mayes (38) with 37 points
2nd: - Dianne Brown (37) with 30 points (countback)

Grade C Winners:

- 1st: - Jeanette Miller (41) with 30 points
2nd: - Jenny Reilly (44) with 26 points

Place Getters:

Kerrie Sands 30, Leonie Doolan 27 and Teri Swanbury 27.

Hole Prize:

7th - Leonie Snodgrass - Golden Shot A
7th - Kerrie Sands - Golden Shot B

Nearest the Pins:

- 6th: - Paula Coffey
15th: - Dianne Brown

Drones provide eyes in the sky for Fisheries Officers

The NSW Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD) is harnessing the power of drones to enhance fisheries compliance operations. DPIRD Director Fisheries Compliance Mika Malkki said fisheries officers are responsible for monitoring the vast coastline and inland lakes and rivers across NSW and unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) are proving to be a game changer, providing real-time monitoring and surveillance capabilities from distant vantage points.

"The drones can effortlessly reach remote areas, capturing vital images and data more efficiently, by not having to deploy major assets like vessels or physically covering ground," said Mr Malkki.

"Equipped with cameras and sensors, these drones deliver real-time information on illegal fishing activities and environmental damage.

"Drones also play a crucial role in regulating commercial fishing providing increased monitoring capacity of remote activities."

Mr Malkki said that UAV's are able to provide Fisheries Officers with critical and timely evidence in many cases compared to traditional methodologies, which is essential for compliance operations and investigations.

"This rapidly evolving technology provided Fisheries Officers with the enhanced ability to undertake surveillance from a safe distance and determine a strategic compliance approach prior to apprehension.

"They also assist in the assessment of the health of marine ecosystems by enabling our teams to survey mangroves and salt marshes, allowing us to better understand the impacts of harmful activities like clearing and dredging of key fish habitats.

"Recent drone flights uncovered illegal seawall constructions and damage to seagrass habitats, identifying unauthorized work not approved by Fisheries or the council".

The public are encouraged to report suspected illegal fishing activity to the Fishers Watch line on 1800 043 536 or online at: bit.ly/38IU40B.

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Tackle World Moruya Fishing Report

16.5.25

Moruya River.

The river has been fishing pretty well this past week, with the water temps still on the warmer side, the fish activity has been good. Looking at the sea temperature charts however, this is about to change. There is a definite drop on ocean temperatures about to hit us, as the warmer northern currents are turned over by the cooler southern currents we experience over winter.

The lower sections of the river will be your best chance of finding active fish this weekend. Look at the following areas for the best chance of success, airport flats, the spur wall, quarry wharf, Freddy's wharf and the back of the hole in the wall. Baits or lures will all work in these areas. Expect to see numbers of tailor around, as they have made their way into the system, and can be a lot of on light gear. Small metal lures will be the best option if you are trying to reduce the chances of being bitten off by the razor gang.

Around the flats areas, live nippers are a great option for the local Bream, whiting and flathead population. Garlandtown flats is the best place to look for nippers, but any sand flat that is exposed at low tide can be a great place to pump this prime estuary bait.

Tuross River.

The lower section of the river are by far warmer than the upper reaches this week, and as such they have seen more fish activity. The humble flathead is the king of this system, and some excellent can be caught here year round. As the water temps drop, slow moving, small presentations will be more likely to find fish than big faster moving options.

2.5" soft plastics or any smaller sized hard body lure that is fish slowly, tend to be the best option as the waters cool. Bladed lures also start to come into their own over the cooler months. The bream in particular head for the deeper section of the river for both the cover they provide, but also the temperature differential that the have over the shallow quick cooling flats areas.

As the temps drop, slow you approach to targeting fish, both with baits and lures.

Rock and Beach.

The tailor have started to make themselves know along the local beach's, headlands and breakwalls this week, with the low light periods the preferred time to encounter the razor gang. Gang hooks offer the best form of bite protection with whole pilchards the best performing bait. Strip baits of either mullet, salmon or even tailor also work a treat.

Expect the bream and whiting to start thinning down as the waters temps turn from warm to cold as the season progresses.

From the stones or local ledges, the drummer are already starting to turn on. I managed a very nice 40cm fish last weekend, but have had reports of bigger fish being both landed and lost this past week.

Offshore.

The snapper have been happy to play with local boaters this past week, and will become even more ready to play as the water temps continue to fall. The flathead while still around will become a little more lethargic in their activities, and as such capture rates will most likely drop abit.

The bait freezer was restocked this week, with hawksbury prawns, white bait and mullet fillet being the missing items. Everything else is in good supply however. For our Junior anglers, don't forget to post a picture of your captures to go onto the Molly draw for a \$50 gift voucher. Just add your photo to the pinned comment at the top of our FaceBook page. Good luck.

Our deal of the week, this week is 20% off all clothing in store. Sorry guys, no rain checks, the deal will run until thursday next.

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

Team Tackle World Moruya.

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Backing Bold Social Innovators: Applications Open for Snow Entrepreneur Fellowships

The Snow Foundation is calling on early-stage social entrepreneurs to apply for the next round of its 'Snow Entrepreneurs – Fellowships for Social Change' program, which offers funding and comprehensive, tailored wrap-around support to help build and scale social impact organisations. Now recruiting the third cohort, the program backs visionary leaders who are creating practical solutions to entrenched disadvantage, offering them the holistic support they need to grow, adapt, and thrive.

Snow Foundation are on the search for passionate entrepreneurs building innovative, early-stage initiatives – ideally with some self-generated revenue – that address a clear community need and have a sustainable growth plan.

Projects should align with their themes (Gender, First Nations, Youth, LGBTIQ+) and focus on areas such as domestic and sexual violence, economic empowerment, healthy masculinity, First Nations cultural understanding, rheumatic heart disease prevention, education outcomes, mental health prevention, digital or alcohol addiction, disability employment, or civil society and democracy. To date, 17 Snow Entrepreneurs have received fellowships, with the Foundation committing over \$8.5 million to the program. Each 'Snowie' is supported with a mix of funding (ranging from \$200,000 to \$500,000) over two years (with the possibility of a third year), mentoring, leadership development, and access to expert advice and peer learning opportunities.

"These Fellowships honour the entrepreneurial spirit of our late founder, Terry Snow, and reflect our deep commitment to supporting change-makers with bold ambitions. They often face significant challenges — from limited resources and small teams to a lack of peer support and connections," Snow Foundation CEO Georgina Byron AM said.

"That's where our Snow Entrepreneurs program comes in. We channel their passion and help them transform and accelerate their initiatives into sustainable impact through funding and holistic support. What makes this program truly special is the sense of community among the Snowies — they build deep, trusting partnerships and support each other through shared challenges. Our first two cohorts consistently talk about how invaluable it has been to connect with like-minded leaders who genuinely understand the journey." Snow Foundation are calling on the next wave of social changemakers to step forward. If you're tackling disadvantage in a new and innovative way and need support to amplify your impact, they want to hear from you.

Applications for the 2025 Snow Entrepreneurs – fellowships for social change close at 8am on Monday, 16 June 2025. More information and the Expression of Interest form are available at: www.snowfoundation.org.au/snow-partners/snow-entrepreneurs

Deadly Runner Georgia receives Snow Entrepreneur Fellowship



Photo Deadly Runners

Snow Entrepreneur Georgia Weir is from the NSW South Coast and has gone from running with a few mates to leading one of the most inspiring local health programs in the region; Deadly Runners.

Deadly Runners is a grassroots running club for First Nations people, working in collaboration with local community leaders and Aboriginal Health Organisations to improve physical and mental health outcomes and enable people to make life changes. Her vision is to grow the network of local running clubs by upskilling and employing local community leaders.

With a focus on community, connection, and confidence, Georgia's work is helping First Nations families build healthy habits, gain qualifications, and grow into leadership roles. She's now been recognised nationally as a Westpac Social Change Fellow and last year as a 2024 NAIDOC Person of the Year finalist.

Her journey was supported by the Snow Entrepreneurs program, which is now open for applications and calling for more women with big ideas from regional Australia.

Georgia says "Running has had a profound impact on me. I have battled with mental health and addiction my whole life and in 2012 I tried running as I was desperately looking for something that would help me cope and manage... and that's exactly what running did!

In 2013, I ran the New York Marathon after 6 months of training. This was a life-changing experience. At this point, running had such a positive impact on my mental health that I obtained my Cert IV in Fitness and Athletics Coaching."



Snow Entrepreneur Georgia Weir running in Chicago and Sydney.

World Championship Bronze to local rider Melanie Gibson



By John Longhurst

A local mountain biking legend has further boosted the Eurobodalla Shire's reputation as a world class locality for the sport. Batemans Bay Mountain Bike Club member and Sanctuary Point resident, Melanie Gibson, secured third place in the 2025 Union Cyclists Internationale (UCI) Masters Downhill Mountain Bike World Championships held in Cairns last Saturday.

Melanie, racing in the women's 45-49 year old category, battled the world's best riders on one of the toughest downhill tracks in the country to emerge with a hard earned bronze medal.

"It's surreal," she said. "To be on that podium representing Australia and Batemans Bay Mountain Bike Club is just an incredible feeling. I'm so proud."

A lifelong competitor on two wheels, Melanie started racing BMX at just 8 years old, alongside her entire family; including her mum, dad, brothers and sister.

Her early achievements were indicators of her potential, securing Australian National BMX champion as well as 2nd in the World in 2018.

In recent years, she shifted focus to downhill mountain biking, where her thrill seeking and determination has continued to earn accolades.

She was crowned Australian National champion in 2023, and her latest result in Cairns cements her place among the sport's global veterans.

As a proud member of the Batemans Bay Mountain Bike Club, she trains regularly at the new Mogo Trail network, a facility she says has been vital in her development.

"I'm so excited the new Mogo trails have opened. It gives me somewhere local to train and push myself," she said. "While I've been away in Cairns, the new Burnaaga Trail from Mt Wandera opened, and I can't wait to get home and ride it!"

Batemans Bay Mountain Bike Club President Jamie Clout congratulated Melanie.



Photo : PBH Studio

Jamie said "The club is hoping there are many more successes like Melanie's in years to come."

Melanie also credits Angus at the Ride Mogo bike shop for keeping her bikes in peak condition.

Next up for the decorated rider is the Sea Otter Festival in Mogo this October, a major international event that will bring world-class riders and vendors to the region.

"It's going to be massive for our community," she said. "I can't wait to race on home soil and show the world what our trails—and our riders—are made of."



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