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Council Rates To Increase 4.1%

By Phil Herrick

Ratepayers in the Eurobodalla Shire will see a 4.1% increase in rates next year. The increase was approved at yesterday's council meeting in Moruya.

The 4.1% increase is well above the current 2.4% inflation rate and is the maximum possible under state government rate pegging rules.

Other increases are in Waste Collection 4.1%, Water Access 3.85%, Water Usage 2.44%, Sewer Access 4.42% and Sewer Usage 4.44%.

The Operational Plan was also approved. It sets out council's workplan for the next 12 months and includes 180 actions for projects and activities.

Catch up with your Shire Councillors

Get to know your councillors at regular stalls at local markets. These monthly sessions are an easy way for community members to have an informal chat with their elected representatives. Saturday 5 July, 8am-12pm Moruya Country Markets at Riverside Park Tuesday 12 August, 3-5pm Sage Farmers Market at Riverside Park

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UPDATE – Eurobodalla Regional Hospital rises as concrete pours continue



Health Infrastructure reports: There's been exciting progress on site and behind the scenes on the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital.

On site, concrete pours continue with the structure now out of the ground, standing at 3 levels high marking a major milestone and giving shape to key clinical and patient areas. Meanwhile, health staff are actively preparing for the transition by working through the final designs of rooms, ensuring the spaces will support safe, efficient, and patient-centred care from day one.

What's next?

Work is ramping up in the second half of the year. Concrete pours for the third level of the hospital will be completed, and the overall hospital form will continue to rise. Over the coming months, the façade will be installed, and the building will reach another major milestone when it is officially topped out by the end of the year. The project remains on track for completion in 2027.

Araluen Road - closures set for next week

While the road remains open this week, moving closures are planned at three locations next week:

- Tuesday, 1 July closed at 9.7km (detour available via Larrys Mountain Road)
- Wednesday and Thursday, 2 and 3 July closed at 32km
- Friday, 4 July closed at 31km

These closures will be in place from 8am to 4pm, outside school bus times. We'll let you know if the schedule changes. <u>Live Traffic NSW</u>

Looking ahead: We're hoping that the last of the closures without a suitable detour will finish up the following week, during the first week of the school holidays. We'll provide expected timeframes and locations for these closures closer to the time. Work is expected to continue through July 2025.



Have your say: draft Batemans Bay Masterplan

Don't forget to make a submission on the draft Batemans Bay Master Plan. The draft plan provided a vision of what Batemans Bay might look like in 2100.

The draft Batemans Bay Masterplan is on exhibition and there are three ways you can give your feedback:

1.Read the <u>Draft Batemans Bay Masterplan</u> and write to Council by Monday 30 June to tell us what you think.

The draft masterplan divides the town into four activity-based quarters – tourism, commercial, residential and industrial – investing in key sites at each to grow amenity and development. See the documents HERE

https://www.esc.nsw.gov.au/council/haveyour-say/public-exhibition/on-

exhibition/draft-batemans-bay-masterplan

New helicopter bases for Moruya, Wagga Wagga and Port Macquarie



The Minns Labor Government will invest a further \$158.8 million to deliver on its election commitment to commence construction of three new NSW Ambulance helicopter bases in regional and rural NSW as part of the 2025-26 Budget. The funding commitment is in addition to the \$126.6 million previously provided by the NSW Government towards the new base and forms part of the Minns Labor Governments plan to build better essential services that people rely on. The new helicopter bases will be built in Port Macquarie, Wagga Wagga and Moruya, and once constructed will optimise ambulance helicopter response performances to ensure timely access to emergency care across these rural and regional communities.

The three new bases will join the existing NSW Ambulance aeromedical network of 12 helicopters and six bases located in Bankstown (Sydney), Wollongong, Orange, Belmont (Newcastle), Lismore and Tamworth.

This is in addition to the NSW Ambulance fixed-wing aircraft fleet which services the entire state and includes two PC-24 jets and four Beechcraft King Air 350C based at Mascot (Sydney Airport).

Minister for Health Ryan Park said "These new NSW Ambulance helicopter bases further improves our response capability right across the state, whether it's a medical emergency, a motor vehicle accident or a natural disaster. "This budget delivers on this challenging but important work to rebuild essential health services and will help drive better health outcomes for patients in regional and rural parts of the state by providing quicker access for NSW Ambulance critical care medical teams to incidents in remote locations. "With over \$285 million now dedicated to this project, we are proud to back in the incredible work of our NSW Ambulance crews with the facilities and resources they need to do their jobs safely and effectively."

Member for Bega Dr Michael Holland said "The expansion of the aeromedical network with three new regional bases is incredibly welcome news, strengthening a critical lifeline for communities across NSW.

"This funding is a direct investment in saving lives in Eurobodalla, Port Macquarie and Wagga Wagga communities.

"More helicopter ambulance bases in regional communities mean NSW Ambulance will continue to deliver the right care, in the right place, at the right time no matter where you live in the state."

Chief Executive NSW Ambulance, Dr Dominic Morgan, said "NSW Ambulance helicopter operations clinicians attend more than 4200 incidents every year.

"The new helicopter bases mean a NSW Ambulance helicopter will be able to fly to the majority of towns across the state within 60 minutes."



Historic name chosen for new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital crane



Name the Crane competition entrants with Dr Michael Holland

The crawler crane supporting the delivery of the new \$330 million Eurobodalla Regional Hospital will officially be known as 'Gooldy' in honour of a trailblazing nurse. Six-year-old Otis from Broulee Public School was announced the winner of the 'Name the Crane' competition at a special presentation attended by the Member for Bega Dr Michael Holland.

The winning name, 'Gooldy', was inspired by Dr Sally Goold OAM, the first registered Aboriginal nurse in New South Wales and a respected leader in Aboriginal health. More than 60 entries were received from local school students in the 'Name the Crane' competition, providing the community's youngest residents with the chance to engage in the new hospital.

The name 'Gooldy' will be prominently displayed on the crane throughout the construction of the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital, which will deliver modern, expanded healthcare services for the region.

The winning name was selected by representatives from Southern NSW Local Health District, project builder Multiplex, Project Managers RP Infrastructure and Health Infrastructure.

With a maximum height of just over 70 metres, the crawler crane can lift up to 110 tonnes and will be used to carry a range of heavy building materials required for construction of the new hospital.

Unlike a traditional tower crane, which is fixed in place, a crawler crane moves on tracks, allowing greater flexibility around the building site.

Construction is progressing on the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital and is expected to be completed in 2027.

Minister for Health, Ryan Park said "I'm thrilled to see so many thoughtful and creative entries from local students in the 'Name the Crane' competition, which is a fantastic way to involve school children in such an exciting project for the community.



Name the Crane winner Otis with Dr Holland

Minister for Health, Ryan Park said "I'm thrilled to see so many thoughtful and creative entries from local students in the 'Name the Crane' competition, which is a fantastic way to involve school children in such an exciting project for the community. "Construction of the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital is on track and will deliver high-quality, contemporary care close to home."

Member for Bega Dr Michael Holland said, "The Eurobodalla Regional Hospital project is a fantastic example of how the NSW government is investing in critical rural and regional health infrastructure to support our growing local community. "I congratulate all the students who submitted a creative entry and look forward to seeing construction continue to progress on site."

For more information about the project visit - <u>eurobodallahs.health.nsw.gov.a</u>





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Have Councillors given up too much power?

By Phil Herrick

In 1988, when I reported council meetings for the Moruya Examiner, I sat at a media table right next the councillors. Eric Wiseman from the Southern Star was always in the room (but he sat in the back corner near the door so he could collar anyone he wanted to speak to as they left). Often the stringer for the Illawarra Mercury and a cameraman from WIN TV were there as well.

It's fair to say the community was well informed on council activities.

The business paper for each council meeting was an inch thick at least, covering all manner of reports from development approvals, statistics on building activity in the shire to detailed reports on proposed works. They also included reports from the very active council committees covering works, planning and community services.

It's fair to say the elected councillors had their hand on the wheel.

How things have changed. Over the last 20 years councillors have passed more and more of their authority to the staff, with most business now done behind closed doors and no annoying media around to pass information to the public.

This all became sadly obvious a number of times at this week's council meeting in Moruya. The meeting was done and dusted in an hour, with most of the agenda concerned with nominating various committee representatives.

There was a report on accepting a tender to complete a study at Brou tip that led long-serving councillor Rob Pollock to ask why it was that councillors were so rarely consulted these days on tenders. He should know because he has been at the table for all those years and been part of the decisions that delegated authority away.



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Agent James Hamilton 0408 135 553 Then councillor Colleen Turner asked what was the dollar figure that required tenders to come to council, rather than be approved by staff. In itself the question was startling as it indicated at least some councillors had limited understanding of the powers they have and what they have given up.

General manager Mark Ferguson offered to remind councillors of the authority they had surrendered by giving them a list of delegations and offering a briefing session to remind them of the powers they had passed away. There was some pushback later in the meeting when infrastructure director Graham Attenborough asked to end the practice of having councillors sign off the schedule of rural road grading and leave it to staff to determine and just list on the council's website. To their credit the councillors said no, as it was the only opportunity people on rural roads had to put their case concerning road maintenance.

I'm sure there have been good reasons put forward every time council surrendered power to staff, usually along the lines of speeding up approvals or cutting out unnecessary reports, topped with state government changes, especially on planning issues.

But the performance on Tuesday showed how councillors have been left with an empty cupboard. It's not a trivial matter.The community relies on the councillors

to be their representatives, making sure what council does is what the broader community want, to do that honestly and in full public view.

If the councillors have given away so much authority they are left scratching their heads at a council meeting about what their role is, a reassessment is needed.



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MAJOR JOHN DOUGLAS TILBROOK (RTD)

1945 - 2025

I am very privileged to provide a few words today in honour of John Tilbrook. Personally, and on behalf of the NSW Government, I give John's family our deepest condolences on your loss of a very good man.

The loss is greatest for those who loved him but is shared by the Tuross and wider community.

I have given a few eulogies but this is the first time that I have been able to acknowledge someone before their passing.

I am very pleased that i was able to deliver a community recognition statement on John Tilbrook in NSW Parliament in November 2023. And it was well deserved.

The modern era is one of electronic communication rather than the handwritten letter.

I researched the number of emails which I have received directly or indirectly signed John Tilbrook CSM, RFD, JP.

I gave up after hundreds. I thought that i might still be reading them at the resurrection.

They included john's advocacy on everything Tuross and Eurobodalla. From local GP services, a single level 4 regional hospital, radiation oncology services, the Hector McWilliam Drive intersection, his personal commitment to the Anzac Dawn Service, the heritage grazing lands, bushfire resilience to the flower garden at the village sign.

All reflected his contribution to our community.

I was a bit concerned however with an email from March 2024 entitled "Dr Holland's arrival at the Pearly Gates". Did John know something or was he referencing Mark Twain who declared that the report of his death was an exaggeration?

The true measure of the man was in his email of 31st May 2025 when critically ill in intensive care he still wrote of the need for a single level 4 Eurobodalla Regional Hospital acknowledging that he would not see it completed. John Tilbrook was a military man and a leader

According to the Australian Army, a Major is responsible for the training, welfare, administration, and equipment management of his soldiers.

If Tuross Head was his company and we were his soldiers, John can rest peacefully knowing that he had fulfilled his duties.

Goodbye, John.

We live on when we are still in the memory of those who knew us and loved us.

You will still be around for a long time.

Dr Michael Holland, Member for Bega

OBITUARY

The following is a synopsis of John Tilbrook's Army and Australian Public Service Careers and of his experience in undertaking military historical research and related activities. Military service

As Major J.D. Tilbrook, he served in the Army for more than 51 years (in all ranks from Private soldier to Major). Until his compulsory retirement at the age of 70 years on 30 January 2015 he served in the active Army Reserve as a part-time Research Officer with the Australian Army History Unit on a special age extension to age 70 years. He rendered operational service in Borneo (1965) during the confrontation between Malaysia and Indonesia, and in the Vietnam War (1967/68). He also served in the ANZUK Force in

Singapore/Malaysia (1971/74). **Australian Public Service**

Between 1986 and 1997 John Tilbrook was employed as a Senior Officer in the Capital Equipment Program Division in the Department of Defence, initially as the Assistant Director of the Management, Review and Implementation Section, and then as Director, Project Management Education and Training. In the former position, he was heavily involved in the development of the Capital Equipment Procurement Manual (CEPMAN), and in the latter appointment, he was responsible for the development and delivery of project management-related training for all Service personnel and civilian staff concerned with the procurement of major capital equipment.

Project Management Consultancy

After leaving the Australian Public Service in 1997 John Tilbrook provided consultancy services under contract to the Department of Defence as the Project Manager for PROJECT NINOX, the acquisition of Thermal Imaging night fighting equipment for Army combat units.

Military research

John Tilbrook's military history research background includes the following:

 As an Army Reserve Major, he has held a part-time Research Officer position continuously with the Army History Unit in Canberra from 1990 until 2015, in conducting military research tasks related to WW2 and subsequent wars and United Nations peacekeeping operations.

· One of his ongoing projects has been to assist the Army Historical Records Review Team since 1990 in cataloguing and downgrading all of the Army's operational records from the Confrontation and the Vietnam War. He has also worked closely with the Official History Unit at the Australian War Memorial, providing advice on



Vietnam records.

 He is the author of several military biographies in the Australian Dictionary of Biography and of several military history works.

 His last principal role with the Australian Army History Unit was to research matters referred from the Office of the Chief of Army, and draft ministerial responses.

His contribution to Army history was generally recognised in the Australia Day Honours Military List in 1997 with the award of the Conspicuous Service Medal (CSM) 'for outstanding service in the field of military history'.

He has been an honorary Corps Historian for the Royal Australian Army Ordnance Corp since 1983, he has been a Justice of the Peace in and for the state of NSW since 2007 and continues to work with ex-Service organisations and with Canberra Legacy to assist Veterans, war widows and their dependants.

From 1997 until 2014 John Tilbrook held a Deed of Standing Offer (Commonwealth contract) with the Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA) to provide military research services and historical research reports responding the Veterans' claims for disability compensation benefits aimed at verifying cited events that Veterans' and past members of the Australian Defence Force (ADF) claim to have been experienced during operational service overseas or during ADF military service in Australia. Until his retirement from his Company in 2014 John Tilbrook completed more than 6,000 military research reports for DVA and the Australian Government Solicitor (representing the Repatriation Commission).

R.I.P John Douglas Tilbrook, CSM, RFD, JP 30.1.1945 to 6.6.2025 Dearly beloved husband of Laraine adored father of Darren, Peter and Michael, Father in law of Donna and Molly, Poppy to Jeremy, Christopher, Taesha, Madelyn and Ashleigh. "May we continue to live our lives in a way that honours his memory" Forever in our hearts

NSW Budget investments in Illawarra & South Coast

The Minns Labor Government's state budget continues major investment in the Illawarra and South Coast with a strong focus on health, education and transport.

Hospitals

Wollongong Hospital & Health Precinct -

Residents in the Illawarra will benefit from a \$220 million commitment from the NSW Government to plan for future expansion of the Wollongong Hospital and Health Precinct.

It's the first step in the future redevelopment of the Wollongong Hospital and Health Precinct and includes early and enabling works with site investigation and refurbishment works.

This investment will help Wollongong Hospital meet significant increases in healthcare demands, due to a growing and ageing population, with the Illawarra region expecting 25,000 more admissions and an additional 39,000 emergency department presentations by 2031.

Shellharbour Hospital - Local residents will be able to better access the new Shellharbour Hospital with a provision for transport and road intersection upgrades.

Construction of the \$781.9 million new Shellharbour Hospital is already underway and once complete, the new Shellharbour Hospital will transform access to healthcare for the Shellharbour community, providing a wide range of modern and expanded health services and reducing the need to travel out of the area for a range of treatments.

Moruya ambulance helicopter base

The Minns Labor Government is also committing an additional \$158 million to deliver the NSW Government's election commitment for three new regional helicopter bases including one to be located at Moruya to boost regional healthcare delivery and disaster response.

Maternity care package - The Government also announced an \$83.8 million boost to maternity care including additional midwives, training towards respectful maternity care, as well as enhanced antenatal education and consumer information. It follows the findings of the NSW Parliament's Birth Trauma Inquiry which received a significant proportion of submissions from the Illawarra region. These investments continue the Minns Labor Government's investment into Illawarra health services and hospitals, including:

\$28.8 million to support the Waminda Birth Centre and Community Hub, the first Aboriginal owned and midwifery-led free standing birth centre in Australia.
Continuation of the \$781.9 million towards Shellharbour Hospital, carpark and Integrated Services, including the new Warrawong Community Health Centre.

• Continuation of the \$330.0 million for the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital.

• Continuation of the \$20.0 million for the Batemans Bay Community Health Facility.

• Continuation of the \$440.4 million Shoalhaven Hospital Redevelopment.

• Continuation of the \$21.9 million Wollongong Hospital package and the \$7.5 million Milton Ulladulla Hospital upgrades.

• \$70 million to expand emergency department short stay units to improve patient flow to reduce ED wait times by nearly 80,000 hours, with six ED Short Stay Unit treatment spaces to be added at Wollongong Hospital.

• \$171.4 million to establish three additional virtual care services through the Single Front Door.

Education

The budget also revealed that the Minns Labor Government will build a new public school for West Dapto to be co-located with a new public pre-school as part of a record \$9 billion for school infrastructure.

This builds on the government's existing investments into education infrastructure in the Illawarra and South Coast, including:

• \$300 million to upgrade schools, including Moruya, Vincentia, Bomaderry and Ulladulla high schools, and Ulladulla and Milton public schools

 \cdot A new preschool and primary school at Calderwood and planning underway for a new high school at Flinders.

 \cdot Announced 100 new public preschools for NSW with ten in the Illawarra and the South Coast

 \cdot 826 teachers and 620 school support staff who were temporary now made permanent across the Illawarra and South Coast

• As at the start of the 2025 school year, teacher vacancies had reduced by an average of 71.0 per cent across the Illawarra-Shoalhaven Local Government Areas, compared to the peak of the teacher shortage crisis in 2022.

Transport & roads

The budget sets aside \$26 million for improved and additional bus services including right here in the Illawarra.

This adds to the Minns Labor Government's investment in road and transport infrastructure in the Illawarra and South Coast including:

 \cdot \$390 million investment to build a new Mount Ousley Interchange in partnership with the Commonwealth Government.

· Continuation of the \$20 million feasibility study for Bulli Bypass.

 \cdot \$164 million for major construction of Jervis Bay Road Intersection (joint federal funding).

• \$10 million for Illawarra Rail Resilience plan to determine options to upgrade and rebuild infrastructure along the South Coast Line.

• \$7.7 million to continue planning for Milton Ulladulla bypass (joint federal funding).

• \$6.5 million to continue planning and assessments to update Picton Road between Nepean River and M1 Princes Motorway (joint federal funding).

• \$20 million additional funding towards delivery of new south-facing ramps on the M1 Princes Motorway at Dapto (joint federal funding).

 \cdot \$2 million to masterplan a 32-hectare site at King Street Warrawong, to create parklands, recreation, culture, arts and heritage, tourism and entertainment facilities for open public space use.

• \$19.9 million to Wollongong Council for the construction of the Cleveland Road upgrade which will support the delivery of 3,000 to 5,000 new homes in the region by connecting the West Dapto Urban Release Area to both the Princes Highway and the M1 Motorway.

 \cdot \$5 million for Landcom to deliver an additional 10 new homes at the South Coast Build to Rent project in Bombaderry, increasing the project to 60 new homes with 20% as affordable housing.

Jobs & Economy

The Minns Labor Government is partnering with coal-producing regions across NSW to deliver on its election commitment to establish the Future Jobs and Investment Authority, backed with \$27.3 million in the budget.

The Authority will develop a framework to allow the funding to be spent on projects like infrastructure and post-mining land use planning, skills mapping, feasibility assessments and training programs.

The Authority will establish a local division right here in the Illawarra to ensure direct representation to the Authority and that all decisions are informed by local needs and priorities.

This local division will include representatives of industry, workers, local government and community groups to ensure local voices are guiding government action.

The Minns Labor Government's 2025-26 Budget will also deliver a record \$3.4 billion investment in TAFE and skills funding, as part of its plan to tackle the housing crisis by building the skilled workforce needed to construct more homes across the state.

The Government is investing \$40.2 million over two years towards fee free apprenticeships and traineeships which will fund an additional 23,000 construction apprenticeships, providing people with access to free training for jobs including plumbing, carpentry and electrotechnology.

This continues the Minns Labor Government's investment in jobs and the economy, including:

• \$47 million to establish the TAFE NSW Centre of Excellence in Wollongong.

• \$5 million for the BlueScope Surplus Land Masterplan, preparing for the creation of a jobs centre for the State within the Illawarra.

 \cdot \$500,000 to investigate the transport infrastructure needed to support the redevelopment of BlueScope's surplus lands.

FEDERAL MEMBER FOR GILMORE

I'm proud to be your local voice in parliament and to continue delivering cost-of-living relief, tax cuts and supporting vital projects like the Batemans Bay Medicare Urgent Care Clinic, Batemans Bay headspace and the Medicare Mental Health Centre at Moruya.

I'm here to help you with issues like Medicare, Centrelink, aged care and pensions, the NDIS, Veterans' Affairs and community grants.

I'm on your side.

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POPU HAVE YOUR SAY FOR THE BAY

reflective questions as you think about the issues in the Bay

- 1. What do you see are the **current issues** in the Bay and do you see it addressed in the plan?
- 2. What do you see are the **future issues** in the Bay and do you see it addressed in the plan?
- 3. What **ideas** do you have that could **alleviate current and future issues**?



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Fungi Feastival Continues: What's on near Moruya this week

The Fungi Feastival launch was a fabulous success and is now flourishing across the region. This week, from 25 June to 2 July, there's a rich variety of events on offer. Whether you're curious about fungi science, love local food, or are itching to get creative, there's something fungi-sprouting near you.

Start your week with a burst of creativity at the Air Raid Tavern in Moruya tonight, Wednesday 25 June from 6.30pm, where fungi artist Emma Anna leads a magical Collage Forage workshop. This relaxed evening of mushroom-inspired collage is perfect for both beginners and experienced makers, with all materials provided. Drinks are available from the bar, making it a fun and social way to dive into the fungi art theme.

Fungi art and photography exhibitions continue throughout the week at several local venues, including Moruya Books and Mossy Point Café. See fungi-inspired artworks by Emma Anna at Moruya Books and stunning photography celebrating the beauty and diversity of our local fungi at Mossy Point Café.

If you're up for a road trip, head to Pambula on Friday 27 June, where two leading fungi scientists—Professor Jeff Powell and Associate Professor Jonathan Plett—are presenting hands-on workshops on fungi in agriculture and forestry. These sessions are ideal for farmers, gardeners, and land managers keen to improve soil health and post-fire land recovery using fungal solutions. Art lovers won't want to miss the book launch of Once, Upon a Mushroom – A Fungitale by Emma Anna at Moruya Books on Saturday morning, 28 June. This enchanting collection of collage art celebrates the fantasy, symbolism and mystery of mushrooms in a unique visual format.

The ever-popular Paint & Sip workshop in Tomakin, scheduled for Saturday 28 June, has sold out. For those who missed out, don't worry—another session is coming up at the Cobargo Hotel on Saturday 12 July. Get in early for tickets to avoid disappointment, as these creative mushroom-themed painting afternoons are in high demand.

Also on Saturday 28 June, join Fungi Feastival's Annette Kennewell at Well Thumbed Books in Cobargo for a Mushroom Soup Lunch. Drop in between 11am and 1pm for a warming bowl of soup, good conversation, and a browse through Cobargo's much-loved community bookshop. While you're in Cobargo, join Fiona Kotvojs for an afternoon Truffle Hunt at Gulaga Gold farm, where you can follow trained dogs among the oak and hazelnut trees, then enjoy a truffle cheese tasting.

To explore the full Fungi Feastival program and book tickets, visit <u>www.fungifeastival.com.au</u>. Events are filling fast—don't miss your chance to be part of this one-of-a-kind winter celebration.









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DISABLED AND ELDERLY RESIDENTS

BRANCH & BURROW BRAIDWOOD



Community Information session for Battery Storage

Repurposing for Resilience is hosting an information session on Unpacking home battery storage and EV charging. The session is being held on Saturday 26 July and provides an ideal opportunity for households, business and community groups to understand what's on offer with the new Federal Government rebate and determine if battery storage is feasible for you.

Participants are encouraged to bring along a recent copy of their energy bill and image of their meter box/switchboard for assistance from an accredited electrical and solar contractor.

The workshop commences 10.30am sharp to 12.30pm at the RfR Solar Reuse Centre with cafe facilities available. Cost \$5 for RfR members and \$10 for non members Registration via email is essential - <u>rfreurobodalla@gmail.com</u>

Is home battery feasible for you? How does EV charging work? Whats on offer with the new Federal Government Battery Incentive? Come along to have all your questions answered

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"We've been running a winter drive for a few years now, we're committed to helping our local community and believe this is a great way to help those in need" said Branch Manager Tina Deacon.

Anyone who wishes to contribute can donate toiletries, nonperishable food items and new blankets.

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Can we reduce roadkill = YES

Cr Anthony Mayne reports on the Virtual Fencing Project after his motion to Council was presented this week.

Thank You Eurobodalla Shire Council for supporting my motion to hold a #virtualfence Road Safety Symposium.

Our Council has 3 virtual fence trials in place, with great results. So great to host a virtual Symposium with community, government and the insurance industry etc. Cheers Dr Michael Holland MP -Member for Bega for your ongoing support. Together let's make our roads safer for all of us! We will explore the use of technology to reduce roadkill and enhance road safety. While I have been advocating for #roadsafety and this project for 8 years, this initiative has only been possible initially due to the great work of Council staff and WIRES South Coast branch and The Coastwatchers Association. Cheers Coral Anderson for sharing the concept initially with Council in 2016. The Eurobodalla Shire Council virtual fence trial at Longbeach is still tracking at approx. 90% road kill reduction over a 24 month plus trial period. More data is required and speed and vehicle numbers need further analysis. A trial near Mogo at Dunns Creek Road is providing similar % improvements, as is a third

trial on Tomakin Road. The virtual fence is only one part of the story in enhancing road safety. There is also a petition now in the ACT Legislative Assembly, initiated by Aisha Botrill in Canberra and sponsored by Jo Clay MLA. Aisha was recently interviewed by ABC radio, in which she spoke about the Eurobodalla trials. For those living in the wider Canberra region and also driving on the Kings Highway, the #roadkill is horrendous. Safety First Together Cr Anthony Mayne





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- Wed 23rd July and Wed 13th August 7.00-8.00pm: join 2 online discussion groups
- Braidwood: Friday 12th September Attend face-to-face workshop 9.30am-1.00pm OR
- Batemans Bay: Saturday 13th Septemb Attend face-to-face workshop 9.00am-12.30pm

Interested? Contact HammondCare Volunteer Coordinator Kathy Jacka kjacka@hammond.com.au 0479 191 370

Established by Health Television Network (HTN) featuring Professor John Swinton facilitated by HammondCare Pastoral Care coordinators.

Big Moruya welcome for 4000km refugee bike ride for education



Muzafar Ali was welcomed into Moruya by the Refugee Action Collective Eurobodalla (RAC) last Wednesday.

Muzafar Ali, a former Hazara refugee from Afghanistan is riding 4000km from Maleny in Queensland to Adelaide.

He's raising money for women's education in Afghanistan and refugee led schools in SE Asia.

At the event RAC screened the film "The Staging Post" by Jolyon Hoff which includes Muzafar and is about the determination and dedication of refugee women in Indonesia.

Despite being stuck in Indonesia without rights to education or work the women were determined that their children would still get an education.

Starting off with only \$200 they set up a school in Cisarua, Indonesia. If you want to donate to help educate women and girls in Afghanistan and refugee children in SE Asia go to

https://rideforeducation.com/donate or search rideforeducation on the instagram and facebook

For further information and interviews:

"The Staging Post" director Jolyon Hoff is travelling with Muzafar, 0476 452 048

Refugee Action Collective Eurobodalla, Allan Rees 0417 400 892



Muzafar and people at St John's photos by Gillianne Tedder.

SAGE Farmers Market Tuesday 3pm Moruya

sagefarmersmarket.org.au growing the community

Improving access to detox services in South Eastern NSW

South Eastern NSW residents wishing to reduce their dependence on alcohol, stimulants or cannabis may be eligible to access an at-home detox and recovery program through a new partnership between COORDINARE - South Eastern NSW PHN and Clean Slate Clinic. By removing one of the most significant barriers to care - affordability, the program funded by COORDINARE enables eligible individuals across South Eastern NSW to access fully funded placements in Clean Slate's at-home detox and recovery program.

Delivered entirely via telehealth, Clean Slate's evidence-based program is designed to support people with alcohol and other drug dependence to safely withdraw, recover and thrive - all from the privacy and comfort of their home.

This approach reflects both organisations' commitment to improving access to care for vulnerable and underserved Australians, particularly in regional and rural areas where alcohol and other drug dependence remains a growing health concern.

"This partnership represents a major step forward in making recovery possible for everyone, everywhere," said Pia Clinton-Tarestad, CEO and Co-founder of Clean Slate Clinic.

"Far too often, individuals who are ready to get help are held back by financial barriers or a lack of local services. Thanks to COORDINARE's support, more people can now get the care they need - when they need it."

Prudence Buist, CEO of COORDINARE said, "We are delighted to be providing funding for this program to Clean Slate, particularly as South Eastern NSW has a high percentage of adults who consume alcohol at levels posing a long-term risk to health. Reducing harm and better supporting people with alcohol and other drug-related issues is a priority for us.

"Due to the vastness of our region, delivery of healthcare services can be challenging, especially when assisting with delicate issues like addiction. Clean Slate's program harnesses the flexibility of telehealth making alcohol withdrawal and recovery services accessible to every Australian who needs them, irrespective of postcode or socio-economic status.'

"Alcohol and other drug use can significantly impact a person's behaviour and harm their physical and mental health, self-esteem, relationships, home and work life. Participation in this program could be life changing," said Ms Buist. Clean Slate Clinic is funded by

COORDINARE - South Eastern NSW PHN through the Australian Government's PHN program.

Emergency Preparedness Tech Skills Training Eurobodalla

Digital Skills for Emergency Preparedness

Building a Digitally Ready Community: How Digital Mentor Training Supports Emergency Preparedness in Eurobodalla

Across the Eurobodalla, local community members came together for Digital Mentor Training—an initiative by Good Things Foundation and The Tec Exec that's not just about improving tech skills but about strengthening community resilience. In a region like Eurobodalla, where bushfires and extreme weather events are all too familiar, this kind of training is more vital than ever.

Why Digital Mentor Training Matters in Times of Crisis

When emergencies strike—whether it's a fire, flood, or storm—the ability to know where to go or to access up-to-date information online can be lifesaving. From checking road closures to finding evacuation centres, Heatwave Havens/Communications Hubs or applying for emergency support payments, digital access is key. But for many, especially older residents or those living in more remote areas, navigating the digital world can be overwhelming. That's where digital mentors come in.

Mentor Training: Empowering People to Help People

Participants in this training learned how to guide others through common digital tasks—from smartphone maintenance, connection types and general use, to searching local and government websites and accessing local alerts. These new digital mentors will go on to support others in the community, ensuring that no one is left behind in times of need.

The Benefits Go Beyond the Everyday

- Emergency Readiness: With the bushfire season never far from mind, being able to get timely updates from sources like the NSW Rural Fire Service, BOM, or local council websites is crucial. Mentors help community members build the skills to access this information confidently.
- Faster Access to Support: From filling out online forms to applying for grants or emergency relief, many services are now online. Digital mentors make sure their neighbours and community organisations know where to go and what to do when they need help the most.
- Community Resilience: In teaching others, digital mentors are creating a ripple effect of capability and confidence. This isn't just about tech-it's about connection, empowerment, communications and care.
- Strengthening Networks: Mentors are also involved in local digital drop-in sessions, supported by the Eurobodalla Shire Council, in places like Bay Pavilions - Batemans Bay, CWA Hall - Moruya and Narooma Golf Club -Narooma-spaces where people over a cuppa can ask questions, get help, and stay connected, especially during emergencies.

Looking Ahead

As we move towards the warmer months, we should start thinking about preparing for the next fire season, this training couldn't be better timed. A digitally confident community is a safer, more resilient community. These sessions are just the beginning, with another mentors training program scheduled for the new financial year and ongoing support planned throughout the year.

We have partnered with <u>Anglicare to support spontaneous volunteers to</u> improve digital skills in the community. We kick off with a round of tech talks to promote awareness of emergency preparedness tech skills and local Heatwave havens and communications hubs.

Be Ready Eurobodalla - Tech Talks coming up details below: Narooma:

Monday, 21 July 2025 - 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Narooma Golf Club, 1 Ballingalla St, Narooma NSW 2546

Batemans Bay:

Tuesday, 22 July 2025 - 10:00 am - 12:00 pm, Bay Pavilions Batemans Bay, Vesper Street Batemans Bay NSW 2536

Moruya:

Thursday, 24 July 2025 – 10:00 am – 12:00 pm, Moruya Golf Club, 28A Evans Street Moruya NSW 2537

To anyone in the Eurobodalla who's ever struggled with technology or knows someone who does-help is not far away. And thanks to our growing network of digital mentors, it might just be your neighbour who's ready to guide you.

Click here to register your interest

Palestinian Film & Discussion at the Red Door



NO OTHER LAND, a film of occupation, friendship and hope in the Palestinian West Bank will be screened on July 6th, 2025 followed by a discussion about what lies behind the explosion of war in the Middle East

The distinguished former Bishop and past President of the Australian Palestine Advocacy Network, Dr George Browning, will lead the discussion. Dr. Browning has been a frequent visitor to Palestine and has hosted Palestinian leaders in Australia.

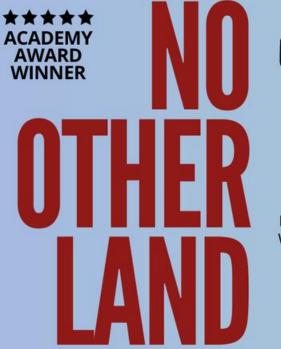
NO OTHER LAND was one of the most important and lauded films of 2024, winning Best Documentary Feature at the 91st Academy Awards to a standing ovation. It reveals the personal realities that lie behind the headlines.

The film is the story of Basel Adra, a young Palestinian activist who, since childhood, has been fighting the mass expulsion of his community by the Israeli occupation.

Basel strikes up an unlikely friendship with an Israeli journalist, Yuval Abraham, and the two commit themselves to documenting and protesting the demolition of West Bank communities. The resulting film is an inspiring testament to difficult friendships and Palestinian resilience.

It is exciting to be able to present this film using the latest technology in the refurbished Red Door Hall. A chance to experience something special. One screening only:July 6th, 2025 • 2:30pm

Cnr Page & Campbell Sts., Moruya Red Door Hall, Anglican Church, Tickets \$10 at the door



PALESTINIAN FILM SCREENING

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With Dr. George Browning in discussion – What lies behind the war in the Middle East

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A Beer with Bazz #196 With John Longhurst

The chill on the headland ignored Bazza's attempts at tightening his collar and he cradled the warmth of his coffee in the predawn blackness.

He distracted the cold by repeating key lines he could remember from Paul Simon's song 'Sounds of Silence'...It lulled his solitude.

Hello darkness, my old friend I've come to talk with you again

A wry smile accompanied the memory of 'Sounds of Silence' being appreciated at full blast in his youth.

Bazza had decided to brave the predawn for the winter solstice, by himself, on this south coast headland.

Welcoming the winter solstice was a ritual Bazza had fallen into as a young man. Back then, it was all about defeating winter and hastening the onset of summer. In his youth, summer was worshipped... to be extended, at every possible opportunity.

He was carefree and...frankly, many times stupid. The ultimate surrender of day to night was resented, but ironically celebrated at its peak, by whatever ritual or celebration was in vogue.

A nude swim in Tasmania one year or an all night party in Bondi another. Always friends, lots of friends. A need to be surrounded by people.

He sipped his coffee; it's warmth reassuring.

In the intervening decades such frivolity was abandoned in the pursuit of the busyness of life. Always busy..... very, very busy. The longest night rejoiced only for a longer sleep.

Summer, autumn, winter and spring became cards in the rapid-fire game of winning in life and had gobbled up the years. A blur of busyness and a shredding of friendships.

He rotated his cup for the remaining warmth. Bazza squinted across the ocean at that proverbial darkness before dawn. The sea and sky merged in an inky caliginosity and an archipelago of black clouds duped his eyes.

He measured his loneliness and fallibility against a vast ocean, with its rhythmic heartbeat of gently crashing waves. The loneliness he detested as a young man was now somewhat soothing.

The coffee cup was cold and he shifted feet and thoughts.

He strained his eyes into the inky blackness and slightly shook at the thought he was the furtherest he could be from the sun, an umbilical cord stretched to the maximum.

He contemplated frailty and vulnerability within this sound of silence and this deepest darkness. He thought of the community behind him, the communities beyond and onto a world racked by conflict. It was presumptuous to think all our human foibles could be played out... under the belief the sun would rise.

Hello darkness, my old friend I've come to talk with you again

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

HAVE YOUR SAY ON THE FUTURE OF THE BAY ! EUROBODALLA SHIRE COUNCIL DRAFT BATEMANS BAY MASTER PLAN SUBMISSIONS CLOSE 30 JUNE 2025

SHASA encourages all Eurobodalla residents and ratepayers to have a say on the EUROBODALLA SHIRE COUNCIL DRAFT BATEMANS BAY MASTER PLAN. Write your submission, it can be any length even just a few sentences. Follow Probing Our Plans Eurobodalla on Facebook to learn more.

There are 3 ways to lodge your submission send an email to the ESC at council@esc.nsw.gov.au send a letter to the GM at PO Box 99, Moruya, NSW, 2537 fill in the online feedback form at the ESC website

Scan the QR Code to SHASA's website to see SHASA's areas of concern.



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

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100 years ago from the Moruya Examiner



27-06-1925

The engagement is announced of Miss Dorothy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Warren, of Cadgee, to Mr. Charles Marsden, jnr., of Bergalia.

Mr. H. J. Bate made a start last week on the installation of an extended water supply from Dromedary Mountain, Tilba. He is laying two-inch piping, which will bring water to the new factory and supply several additional residences. He also proposes installing an electric light plant in the near future, the power to be developed by means of a Penton wheel.

Since the flood, a number of masters of coastal steamers reported having sighted floating objects such as trees, etc., which are a danger to navigation.

Pilot Rose informs us that with a 17ft pole he cannot touch the bottom where the bar used to be. The bar is now between 400 and 500 yds. out abreast of the headland.

The whole of our district has received another drenching, 411 points having fallen from Thursday 18th, to Monday 22nd. Following so soon upon the recent deluge all the low-lying land was quickly flooded and our farmers began to remove their stock. Many Mullenderree residents left their homes for higher resting places. Others had their belongings packed in readiness for the danger signal. On Sunday evening there was every prospect of a repetition of that awful night of the 26th ult., but before 12 o'clock the hearts of those in the danger zone were relieved, as the rain eased off, and on Monday morning the sun shone out for a few hours. ...

The old Tilba Cheese factory about to be replaced

That the people of this district with their **heavy** losses caused by the flood, should have their burden increased through the neglect of those in authority in not having a suitable dredge placed in our river before this, is incomprehensible. It is now a month since the channel became unnavigable, the Bermagui remains in the swimming hole, and the people continue to pay exhorbitant prices for the necessities of life through the extra cost of transport. Our Shire Council has been in communication with the Public Works Department over the matter, and an officer from that Dept. who visited Moruya last week end, informed Mr. Dawson that the pontoon dredge Ballina, which had finished her work of dismantling the old wharf in Port Kembla Harbor, would be sent along here. A week has passed and yet no definite information has been received as to when the dredge will reach here, and while the situation still continues to be unrelieved the extra costs of imports and exports is ruinous to the district.

Building operations have commenced at the new Tilba Tilba cheese factory.

Extracted from the Moruya Examiner by the Moruya and District Historical Society Inc. If you are interested in history why not join us and become a volunteer at the Museum or our library. Check us out at <u>https://www.mdhs.org.au</u>



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Ist prize = \$150 2nd prize = \$100 3rd prize = \$50 bar tab 4th prize = 1x ticket to the next gig at the Monarch

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Heide Smith A South Coast Selection

Opening and Book Launch: Saturday 28 June 2025, from 10.30am Meet Heide and purchase your signed copy of the book, FotoHeide - A Photographers Tale Exhibition: Saturday 28 June - Saturday 26 July 2025 Where: The Bas, corner of Vulcan and Murray streets, Moruya NSW 2537



Renowned photographer Heide Smith's lens has captured the soul of people and places for over six decades. This exhibition highlights Heide's deep relationship with the south coast of New South Wales, where she now lives and works. Through her images, viewers are invited to experience the quiet beauty, character, and community of the region. From evocative coastal landscapes to intimate portraits, each photograph reflects Heide's signature clarity and warmth. A South Coast Selection is more than a showcase of images-it's a celebration of place, people, and the enduring power of photography to tell stories that matter.



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Looking at Eurobodalla through Heide Smith's lens



Looking at Eurobodalla through Heide Smith's lens With more than six decades behind the lens, Heide Smith is one of Australia's best known and regarded photographers. For her upcoming exhibition – A South Coast Selection – Heide captures intimate portraits and evocative landscapes, telling stories that matter through a celebration of Eurobodalla's people and the place they live. There will be plenty of familiar faces and places but captured with a light and clarity not often seen.

After moving to Australia from Germany in 1971, Heide rose to prominence in Canberra, operating her own studio from 1978 to 1997 with a large body of portraits and architectural studies, always with a focus on authenticity and human connection. In 1988 Heide settled at Narooma, moving to Tuross Head in 2018. South coast landscapes and communities have become central to her work with each photograph reflecting Heide's signature clarity and warmth. A South Coast Selection also marks the launch of Heide's retrospective FotoHeide – A Photographer's Tale. The book highlights her remarkable career from an apprenticeship in 1950s Germany to the light-filled landscapes and portraits featured in A South Coast Selection. It includes early European street scenes, German photojournalism, and wide representation from the Canberra decades.

Over the years Heide has photographed politicians, public intellectuals, visiting dignitaries, sports stars and countless everyday Australians – always with sensitivity and an eye for honesty. Her lens has lingered on David Attenborough, Mal Maninga, Bob Hawke and the Dalai Lama, capturing them with a presence that belies the usual power poses. More recently there has been a shift from the structured formality of Canberra to the open light and looser rhythms of coastal life, with work that expresses a heartfelt homage to the place she now calls home.

A South Coast Selection runs at **the Bas from Saturday 28 June to Saturday 16 July**. Visitors can meet Heide and purchase a signed copy of FotoHeide – A Photographer's Tale at the exhibition opening on Saturday 28 June from 10.30am. The Basil Sellers Exhibition is open Monday to Saturday from 10am to 4pm.

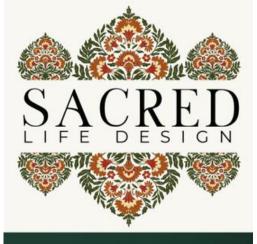


Heide Smith - The late Klaus Moje, glass artist.



Heide Smith - Drifted to One Tree Beach

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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?

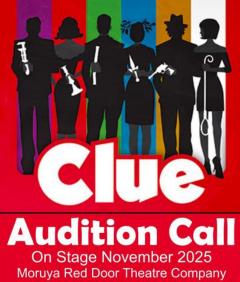
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Eurobodalla Libraries reports: Celebrate NAIDOC Week with a special weaving workshop led by Walbunja artist Toni Hill. Learn simple weaving techniques and create your own basket to take home. Toni will also share her cultural story, family history, and traditional knowledge passed down from Aunty Deidre at Mummaga Lake. Don't miss this hands-on experience! Cost: \$5 per person Narooma Library Wednesday 2 July, 10.30am-12pm Bookings: HERE



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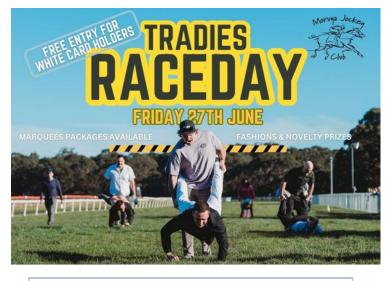
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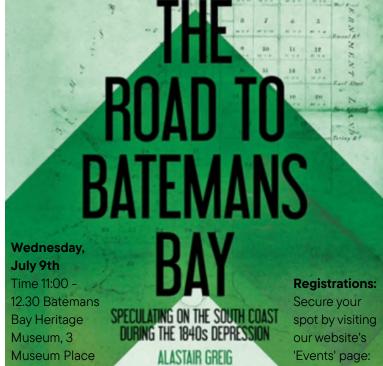


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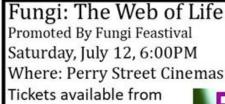


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Animal Welfare League News

Lulu is an 11 month old Staffy x Mastiff looking for a loving home. Lulu is a friendly girl who loves other dogs, children and willingly looks to her humans for guidance. She would love another dog as a companion. Lulu loves to cuddle up close to both people and dogs. Cats are a new commodity in Lulu's life but she has been very gentle if inquisitive and has not taken offence to any hisses or scratches so far. Lulu is a quick learner and she is doing well at basic obedience and lead training. A medium sized dog, Lulu has energy to bounce around, loves a good run but also is happy to kick back and relax.. She would make a great companion for an older dog, a family or someone who can give her plenty of one on one attention.

Comrade and Poppet are pug friends who came into care together. Comrade is a handsome boy with a lovely black coat and is six and a half years old. Poppet is five and a half, and is a pretty sable colour. Both are friendly and housetrained, with Comrade being a little more confident about the world in general. Comrade and Poppet have always had lots of human and/or canine company, so that is what they are looking for in their new home. This gorgeous pair can be rehomed together or separately.

All AWL pets come desexed, microchipped and vaccinated. To meet any of our available animals, please contact Animal Welfare League Eurobodalla on 0410 016 612.





Lulu

And finally, a reminder about our Christmas in July event, on 12 July at Moruya Markets, where Santa will be available for happy snaps with your pet. See you there!





Comrade and Poppet



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2025 Diary Dates

- 20 June to 20 July Fungi Feastival
- Sunday, 22 June SAGE Solstice Dinner. Gates open 3.30pm for 4pm dinner. SAGE Garden 110 Queen Street, Moruya.
- 6th 12th July NAIDOC Week
- Sunday 27 July 2025 10am 2pm National Tree Day: Plant, toy, and clothes swap: Eurobodalla Regional Botanic Garden. Cost: Free
- 15 17 Aug 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
- 7 15 March 2026 Sculpture Bermagui
- 13 March 2027 NSW State Election

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.

Tuross Community Markets

held every 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month.

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).

FREE LEGAL ADVICE APPOINTMENTS

A solicitor from South Coast and Country Community Law will be visiting your area for in person legal appointments. Where: Moruya Library, Vulcan Street

When: Thursday 26th June 2025 10am to 2pm

How: Appointments are required. Call us on 1800 229 529 to make an appointment

Free telephone advice and information is available by appointment only. Appointments can be in person or by phone. To book an appointment, **call 1800 229 529**. Staff will complete an intake, and a solicitor will see you or call you back at your scheduled appointment time.

Return and Earn for CWA Moruya

You can be part of our fundraising for the Carers Accommodation Unit at the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital due to be completed in late 2027.

Either drop your cans and bottles off on Thursday or Saturday mornings or select CWA Moruya as your donation when you return then through the machine at Woolies.



Catch up with your Shire Councillors

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25th June 2025

Get to know your councillors at regular stalls at local markets. These monthly sessions are an easy way for community members to have an informal chat with their elected representatives.

- Saturday 5 July, 8am-12pm Moruya Country Markets at Riverside Park
- Tuesday 12 August, 3-5pm Sage Farmers Market at Riverside Park

Death Notice

Ettie Turner

97 Years Beloved Wife of Roy (Bill) Turner (deceased) and Mother to William (Bill) Turner (deceased). Passed peacefully on Monday 16th June 2025. Ettie will be deeply missed by her 3 Grandchildren, 8 Great Grandchildren and 4 Great Great

Grandchildren. Ettie touched the lives of many people in the Moruya district, where she worked and lived her entire life.



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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. For inquiries please contact Wayne on 0488 743 788.



Moruya District Hospital Auxiliary

If you would like to join the Hospital Auxiliary and help raise funds for your local Hospital, you would be most welcome. Meetings are held at the Moruya Golf Club on the 1st Monday of every month at 2pm To find out more email mdha@y7mail.com or PO Box 469 Moruya 2537

Next Teensafe course Thursday 10 July



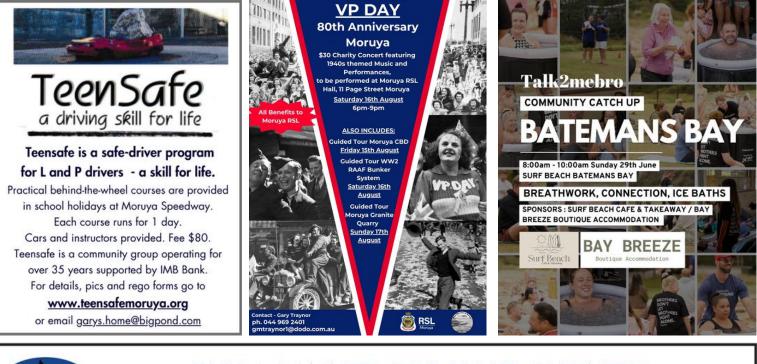
Next Teensafe course is being planned for the school holidays on Thursday 10 July at Moruya Speedway. Teensafe is a practical behind-the-wheel course for L and P licenced drivers to provide safe driver skills. This one day course costs \$80, cars and instructors provided. For more info and a rego form please contact Teensafe manager Gary Smith, email garys.home@bigpond.com Safe driving is the aim.

Community Information session for Battery Storage

RfR is hosting an information session on Unpacking home battery storage and EV charging. The session is being held on **Saturday 26 July** and provides an ideal opportunity for households, business and community groups to understand what's on offer with the new Federal Government rebate and determine if battery storage is feasible for you.

Participants are encouraged to bring along a recent copy of their energy bill and image of their meter box/switchboard for assistance from an accredited electrical and solar contractor.

The workshop commences 10.30am sharp to 12.30pm at the RfR Solar Reuse Centre with cafe facilities available. Cost \$5 for RfR members and \$10 for non members Registration via email is essential -<u>rfreurobodalla@gmail.com</u>



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Moruya Mail Sport Moruya Women's Golf Malua Bay Stingrays Women's Bowls

Moruya lady golfers ventured out on Wednesday 18th June to play on what was a sunny. but very cold day. The event was a Stableford round and also incorporated the annual Captains versus Presidents team event. The Presidents team were the lucky ones this year beating the Captains team 273 to 240. The winner of the daily event was Christine Quick with 36 pts c/b with Val Moore the runner up, also with 36 pts. Balls went to Noelene Cowdroy, Angie McMillan, Robyn Hawkins, Margaret Douglas and Barbara Roberts. Nearest the pin was won by Barbara Kennedy.



Christine Quick

Tomakin Twist Tops Bowls Report



Another sunny Winter's day with lots of wind to keep us on our toes! Birthday wishes to Judy Davis, Wendy Geary & Carmel Price.Hope to see Carmel back with us soon. Welcome to new bowler Rhonda Adler also 12 year old Taylar Wotherspoon grand daughter of Di. Thanks as always to our bowls coach Sue Morgan for a great job. Winter Carnival commences next Tuesday 1st July so no social bowls until following week. Winners Rink 1, Michelle Adler, Patricia Weekes & Yvonne Huddleston. (Photo) Runners-up Rink 5, Rhonda Adler, Sue Morgan & Olga Geshwend.

Lucky Losers Rink 3, Tricia Wheeler, Judy Davis & Pat Bill. Money Club, 32 Michelle Ádler, 12 Yvonne Huddleston.



There were 30 bowlers on the Green on a lovely warm Winter's day. Welcome to Brian Bacon and his mates from Cobram in Victoria, Dave Stock and Michael Stephens. Don't forget Twisties AGM Sunday 6th July @ 10.30am after a couple of hours of bowls. Winners on Lowest Losing Margin -1, Whizza and McGooley. (photo)

Runners-up-2, Stocky and Pedro. No Jackpot this week. Lucky number,10 Robbo,12 Smiley Winning teams , Ruthless & Brooke R and R with Chocolate. Robbo and Smiley. Hot Lips, Scottie & The Friendly Fin. Chanty & Moby Dick. Steps & Smoothie. Bob the Builder and Megoo.





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Tackle World Moruya Fishing Report 20.6.25

Moruya River.

How short are the days getting? The sun is setting before I close the shop, and is only just up when I open it! I guess that the winter solstice is tomorrow!! Shortest day of the year. We can start to see longer days from tomorrow on, not that it is going to make a great deal of Improvement on the current fishing.

Water temps are frigid at the moment, with 13-14deg water temps the current norm.

This cold water does offer some insight into what is going on under the water however. Cold waters are crystal clear, making snag or structure identification a lot easier.

I quite often like to scout different section of the river banks this time of year to see where the major snags are and how they sit. It's good knowledge for next summer.

While the river temps are frigid, the ocean temps are still sitting at around 18-19 degs. Making the incoming tide the best time to fish the river. Concentrate on the lower sections of the river, with the airport flats, hole in the wall and quarry wharf areas all offering good close areas to the warmer waters of the incoming tide.

Tuross river.

The same conditions in Tuross this week as Moruya. Cold river temps with a warmer incoming tide will make the lower sections of the Tuross system the best place to look this weekend.

Fish the deeper holes this time of year, with bladed style lures and small soft plastics good options for those that like to throw artificial lures. For the bait guys, a live nipper is always a good option, as is the use of burley. This can be a specific burley pellet, small bits of cut up bait or even a bit of soaked bread. Any burley is better than none. Give your burley trail at least 30minutes to attract fish, if after that amount of time no fish have appeared, try another spot.

Rock and Beach.

Drummer off the stones are readily available this time of year, as are the ever present salmon from the beach. The humble salmon really is the saviour for the beach anglers this time of year, as they are all year round. Find a good looking gutter along your preferred section of beach, setup a rod with a ganged hook, pilchard bait and wait for the fish to come to you. I often have a 2nd rod set up with a metal lure if a school happens to come through also. Watching some big salmon fight for your lure is a visually exciting way to fish.

While they are not the best eating fish in the ocean, if bled and looked after, they aren't too bad on the tooth.

Offshore.

Snapper are starting to appear in close this week. Sam, one of our store casuals picked up a nice 50cm model on soft plastics from his kayak this week. Showing that you don't need a boat to get amongst them.

Start looking in as little as 10m of water this time of year, and out to 30-40m for a feed of winter reds. Pilchards, squid or soft plastic presentations all work this time of year.

We are between bait truck visits this week, but the bait freezer is pretty well stocked.

This weeks deal of the week, is 20% off RRP on all hard body lures. So if you need to stock up your tackle box for next summer, come in and see what we have in store.

Birthday preparations are starting to really cement themselves this week. We are starting to acquire all our prizes from our suppliers and we are looking forward to seeing you all next month, July 12th for our in store celebrations. Stay tuned for more details.

Junior anglers, don't forget to submit a pic of you and your fish for a chance to win our monthly gift voucher valued at \$50! Just submit your picture to the pinned post on our FB page for your chance to win. Good luck.

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





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Winner: Jim Wade with Vice President Paul Ferguson

Tuross Head Golf Results Thursday 19th June 2025

A field of 37 players, including a visitor from Tasmania, registered for a Stableford Medley event today. The day was cold but sunny and there were some fantastic scores.

The Winners were: 1st: Jim Wade (15) with 39 points 2nd: Elsa Shearer (41) with 37 points 3rd: Kerrie Sands (38) with 35 points (countback) 4th: Rob Green (4) with 35 points (countback)

Nearest to the Pins 4th: Colin Houghton 2.88 A Grade 4th: Paul Scholze 3.68 B Grade 4th: Bruce Lidbury 5.88 C Grade 6th: Ray Bollard 0.41 A Grade 6th: Ian McManus 4.54 B Grade 6th: Peter Garn 1.14 C Grade 7th: Ian McManus 4.90 B Grade

Balls went to: Ian Manton 35, Sandra D'Onofrio 35, Dianne Brown 34, Stephen Swanbury 34, Colin Houghton 34, Robert McDonell 33, Paul Scholze 33, Allen Gannon 33, Ray Bollard 33 and Ruth Gschwend 32.



Tuross Head Golf Results

Winner: Nic Boom with Vice President Paul Scholze

Tuross Head Golf Results Saturday 21st June 2025

A field of 50 players registered for a Stableford Medley event today. The day was cool but sunny and there were some fantastic scores achieved.

The Winners were: 1st: Nic Boom (15) with 38 points (countback) 2nd: Colin Houghton (3) with 38 points 3rd: James Paton (19) with 36 points 4th: Troy Kingdom (9) with 35 points 5th: Darrell Kildey (16) with 34 points (countback) Nearest to the Pins

4th: John Eglitis 2.20 A Grade 4th: Ian Manton 1.43 B Grade 6th: Colin Houghton 2.65 A Grade 6th: Peter Engelbrecht 4.05 B Grade 7th: Peter Engelbrecht 0.08 B Grade

Balls went to: Jim Wade 34, Ian Lawson 34, William Steenbergen 33, Gavan Wheelahan 33, Greg Booth 33, Stephen Swanbury 32, Jim Madden 32, Steve Johnston 32, Frank Pomfret 32, Ian McManus 32, Peter Engelbrecht 32, Paul Ferguson 31, Simon French 31, Shane Gschwend 31 and Craig Duncan 31.



Winners: Margaret Downey, Elsa Shearer and Chris Wratten

Tuross Head Ladies Golf Results - Tuesday 24th June 2025

A field of 24 ladies signed up for a Single Stableford event today. The event was sponsored by Jeanette Miller. The event was challenging with strong winds and at times sprinkles of rain, but the ladies continued to play with some fabulous results.

The Winners were:

Grade A Winners: 1st: Chris Wratten (32) with 32 points (countback) 2nd: Leonie Snodgrass (18) with 32 points

Grade B Winners: 1st: Elsa Shearer (40) with 30 points 2nd: Chelsea Mayes (36) with 28 points

Grade C Winners: 1st: Margaret Downey (45) with 26 points 2nd: Jane Eglitis (41) with 23 points

Place Getters: Annette Manton 31, Teri Swanbury 30, Pauline Nash 29, Pam Alexander 29, Dorothy Madden 28 and Leonie Doolan 27.

Hole Prize: 7th Pam AlexanderGolden Shot A 7th Odette Goodwin Golden Shot B

Nearest to the Pin: 6th Leonie Snodgrass 15th Teri Swanbury



Winner: Ron Hanlon

Tuross Head Vets Golf Results Wednesday 25th June 2025

A larger field of 42 players signed up for a Stableford Mulligan event today. The morning was chilly but the brave souls set out to play and some wonderful scores were achieved, perhaps with the assistance of the Mulligan system of replaying some shots.

The Winners were: 1st: Ron Hanlon with 25 points 2nd: Warren Hodder with 19 points 3rd: Jane Eglitis with 18 points (countback) 4th: Shirley Quinlan with 18 points (countback)

Balls or Chocolates: Don Russell 17 points Paula Coffey 17 points Des Jackson 16 points Rob Nash 16 points Frank Pomfret 16 points Sandra Hanlon 15 points Julie Barningham 15 points

Nearest to the Pins: 4th: Frank Pomfret (2nd Shot) 6th: No winner (1st Shot) 7th: Ladies: Leonie Snodgrass (2nd Shot) Mens: Steve Johnston (2nd Shot)

Accuracy: Shirley Quinlan (5th hole) Bradmans: Neal Watson





Exciting Finals Bowls at Tuross Head

The finalists in the 2024/25 Mixed Pairs Championship have been decided after two excellent days of bowls with the playing of the quarter finals and semi-finals. Cheryl McRae and Johnathan Green played Mick and Di Challice in a very close affair that was not decided until the very last end. The Challices had the better of the early ends and by the 8th end they had an 8 -2 advantage. McRae and Green started to eat away at the difference but four shots to the Challices on the 13th end widened the gap to 13 – 8. Green replied quickly picking up 6 shots in two ends to reduce the margin to just 2 shots at 13 – 11 after 15 ends. With just 3 ends to play the Challices were hanging on to a 15 – 12 lead. McRae

With just 3 ends to play the Challices were hanging on to a 15 - 12 lead. McRae and Green took the lead for the first time when they scored 4 shots on the 19^{th} end to make the score 16 - 15 in their favour. The Challices hit straight back to again lead 17 - 16 when they picked up 2 shots on the 20^{th} end. For the second game in a row McRae and Green were able to pick up the shots needed – here 3 shots – to win the game on the last end!

Marg and Ray Downey started well in their match with past Champions Denise and Bruce Lidbury to lead 7 - 1 after 5 ends. However, the 6th end changed things when the Lidburys were able to pick up 5 shots to cut the margin to just 7 - 6. They consolidated their position by winning the next 3 ends by single shots to lead 9 -7 after 9 ends. Though the Downeys competed well over the next period of the game, another score of 3 shots on the 13th end opened up the biggest margin of the day with the Lidburys in front by 14 - 9.

The final 8 ends of the game were very tight with both sides playing well. The Downey's managed to win 5 of these 8 ends but could not pick the big score they needed to grab the lead. The Lidburys held on to win the game 17 – 15. Phil Welsh and Lorrie Bird had a good win in their game with Di Newell and Chris Bright dominating the game to win 32 – 13.Lorraine Johnston and Bruce Magilton also proved to be too strong in their game with Mike Bromfield and Stephanie Dennett winning 27 – 12.

The successful teams returned on Saturday to play the semi-finals. Johnston and Magilton were drawn to play McRae and Green and they put on a show for the spectators. Johnston and Magilton had a good start but were quickly caught as McRae and Green hit their straps. By the 7th end Green had a narrow lead of 5 - 4. Magilton then won the next 4 ends, including 2 ends of 3 shots, that had them at a comfortable lead of 13 - 5 after 11 ends.

It was then Green's turn to have the better of play winning 5 of the next 7 ends to narrow the deficit to just one shot at 15 - 14 after 18 ends. Magilton moved to 17 - 14 in front with just an end to play – Green needed 3 shots to force the game into an extra end or four shots to win!! In a very exciting end all four players played excellent bowls. With his last bowl in his hand Green looked to have two shots but he was able to disturb the head and score 3 shots! The game would go to an extra end to determine who would be playing in the final.

Green won the toss for the mat and he and McRae decided to play a long end – the distance that they had played well throughout the game.However, as the end played out Lorraine Johnston proved to be the difference! She had 3 of her four bowls within 30 cms of the jack and the fourth not far off. While McRae and Green tried their hardest to combat these bowls, they were unable to navigate the bowls in the head to get the result they needed! Johnston and Magilton won the end and the match 19 -17!

Denise and Bruce Lidbury played Phil Welsh and Lorrie Bird and, as has become their habit, they had another slow start. Welsh and Bird continued with their great play from Wednesday and set up a 7 – 0 scoreline after 4 ends. The Lidburys fought back and seemed to be back in the match as they narrowed the deficit to 8 - 6 after 9 ends.

With both Welsh and Bird handling the tricky conditions much better they moved to 16 - 6 lead after 12 ends. The 12^{th} end was a crucial end as Lidbury held several shots only to see their opponents play some great bowls to turn the deficit into 4 shots in their favour.



Phil Welsh teamed very effectively with Lorrie Bird



Not to be this year for Bruce and Denise Lidbury

The Lidburys tried their hardest to reduce the margin but they where not able to score the multiples they needed. It seemed every chance they had to get a big score Welsh and Bird were able to deny them with some great bowls that turned the end into their favour. Welsh and Bird ended with a well-deserved win of 21 – 12. The scene is now set for a great final that is programmed for Tuesday July 1.

