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Moruya Mail Letters

A Constable Question

I wish to contact a local Constable family member who would have a good knowledge of this family heritage in Moruya.

At present, after 40+ years of my research, with information I have collected plus the excellent service from staff of the Eurobodalla Shire Council, the burial plot of my grandfather Henry Clement (aka Clem) Wilson has been identified with all necessary records amended accordingly. He was a well-known local identity and passed away in Moruya on 15/6/1948, so he has rested in an unmarked plot for the past 77 years, and I wish to arrange a permanent marker/headstone for him.

The problem I have is that I wish to ensure the inscription on this marker is correct when I include the reference Husband of name1 name2 Constable.

His wife, my grandmother, according to her birth certificate was Lilian Margaret (aka Maggie) Constable. However, like many records of that era, so many following records state differently e.g., my Mum was a twin, her twin sister's birth certificate (along with 2 other sisters), agrees their mother's birth certificate, but my Mum is registered as Margaret Lillian N.B., (3 L) which is also what my grandmother provided for my grandfather death registration, and which is also how the family ordered my grandmother headstone when she passed in Wollongong in 1963.

I would very much like to find how any of the local Constable current residents who have researched their family history, have recorded or can provide records to assist me.



> There must be someone local who has some knowledge of how my grandmother was known, as in the 1980s. I placed a wooded cross marker for my grandfather on a burial plot identified as a possibility, identified by a local person I made contact with, and twice that cross was removed and laid down on the plot now officially identified.

Your assistance in this matter would be gratefully received, as personally I think it is important for local members of this Family to be able to identify with exactly the name she was known for, and to!

Many thanks, I look forward to resolving this issue whilst I still take

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Adieu

Adieu, Peter Compton of The River, and thanks to him and his team for so many years of such high level cooking and service. A true treat for us in the region. In gratitude,

Patrick Carrick, Tuross Head

Tip Voucher Confusion: ESC responds

After 3 weeks and a reminder, Council responded re. 'TIP VOUCHER CONFUSION AND INEQUALITY,' Moruya Mail 30th July.

It appears that it wasn't only residents who were confused regarding the conditions of use for these vouchers. but also staff.

The response actually confirms my initial, though tentative, understanding of the explanatory letter. I say tentative, because the actual voucher advises that it is to be used at "Surf Beach or Brou waste management facilities." There is no mention of the Moruya Transfer

Council response states,

"During the development of the program Council determined to expand the program to include domestic waste." "Each voucher can be used to dispose of a medium load of waste (equivalent to a level 6x4 box trailer or ute load) at no charge, this includes domestic waste." However, when my partner and I arrived at the Moruya Transfer Station(MTS) with our domestic waste, we were advised that the vouchers did not apply to domestic waste and that the MTS could not accept the vouchers - they only applied to Surf Beach and Brou. This advice was provided to the MTS employees by a ESC staff member. Consequently, MTS employees had to turn away several very unhappy remote

I have also spoken to residents in the Deua Valley who expressed their disappointment that the vouchers were of no use to them.

I presume council has rectified the situation by informing the MTS employees that they CAN accept vouchers for domestic waste. Perhaps an apology from the staff member who gave them incorrect advice is warranted, as I understand they received some flak when having to turn residents away.

It is hoped that remote residents, who normally utilise the MTS, have not disposed of their vouchers thinking they were of no use.

Patricia Gardiner Deua River Valley





Moruya joined 40 cities and towns across Australia held protest rallies

350 people joined the Moruya March4Palestine rally on Sunday. Marching peacefully from the north across the Moruya Bridge, those attending heard from impassioned speakers at Riverside Park.

National organiser Josh Lees said: "Albanese has attempted to buy off the Palestine movement by recognising the same state his government is helping to destroy. We made history when we marched on the Sydney Harbour Bridge, and we will make history this Sunday by flooding the country with marches for Palestine. If you've watched in horror as mass starvation grips Gaza, and as our government continues to arm Israel, this is the moment to join the movement in the streets."

Another organiser Jasmine Duff said: "We call on those with any ounce of humanity to march on August 24 in every pocket of Australia, from the capital cities to our most isolated towns. History must record that when our government armed a world-historic genocide, Australia said not in our name. We will not condone a single weapons component or scrap of steel provided by our government to arm Israel as it slaughters and starves the people of Gaza."

In the 40 locations across the country, over 310,000 people protested.



Woolworths Moruya Return and Earn machine closing

The Woolworths Moruya Return and Earn machine, located at 61-63 Queen St, Moruya is being removed. The last day of service will be Sunday 31 August 2025 and the machine will close at 10 pm.

A Return and Earn spokesperson said "Network operator TOMRA Cleanaway is looking for a new location for a replacement return point in the local area.

Anyone interested in hosting a return point should reach out to TOMRA Cleanaway Customer Service on 1800 290 691

Alternative return points to return eligible drink containers include:

- Batemans Bay Return and Earn Bulk Centre, 1/70 Cranbrook Rd, Batemans Bay
- Bridge Plaza Batemans Bay Return and Earn machine, 1 Perry St, Batemans Bay
- Shell Coila Return and Earn machine, 3296 Princess Highway, Coila.

Vouchers from the Woolworths Moruya Return and Earn Machine can be redeemed for up to three years at any Woolworths supermarket in NSW.

Eurobodalla Shire Council residents are enthusiastic recyclers, having returned over 96.5 million drink containers through local return points since the scheme began in 2017. For more information about your nearest return point, visit www.returnandearn.org.au





Council to advocate for maintaining ED in Batemans Bay

At Tuesday's Council meeting it was unanimously CARRIED that Council:

- Advocates to the NSW Government to maintain an operational Hospital Emergency Department in Batemans Bay 24/7 after the Eurobodalla Hospital opens in Moruya
- Advocates to the NSW Premier and Minister for Health to ensure health equity for regional communities.

The Motion was brought by Mayor Mat Hatcher, who was attending the meeting online.

The report read "The NSW Government has proposed the closure of Batemans Bay Hospital once the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital is open.

The community of Batemans Bay and surrounds have gathered over 18,000 signatures in an attempt to keep the Batemans Bay Emergency Department operational. With planned growth in Batemans Bay, population doubling in peak holiday season, as well as a delay in the delivery of the Moruya bypass, they believe it could lead to worse health outcomes for those in the north of the shire.

Batemans Bay and the Eurobodalla Shire are experiencing significant population growth, with current master planning underway for increased residential density in the Batemans Bay CBD. The region's health needs are growing, and the absence of a Moruya bypass will mean continued reliance on Batemans Bay's local hospital for timely emergency and acute care

While we welcome the addition of a new Level 4 Regional Hospital in Moruya, we must not go backwards on services to our community. The loss of local emergency services would result in reduced access to critical, life-saving treatment and increased travel times, creating inequities in health outcomes for our community. Regional NSW cannot afford to lose services, particularly as demand is increasing."

Addressing the meeting Cr Hatcher repeatedly said that 'health is not political.'

"Regional communities cannot afford to go backwards" he said. In Public Forum Allan Bright from Batemans Bay spoke against the closure of the Batemans Bay ED.

"Should this closure take place then Batemans Bay will be the largest town in NSW without an Emergency Department with an aged population that is over 30% higher than the national average (51 versus 38), and an obvious greater requirement for health care services whilst supporting five local nursing homes. Now I want to make it abundantly clear – despite comments to the contrary – our committee do support the new Eurobodalla Level 4 hospital currently under construction but not as a trade-off to close the Batemans Bay Emergency Department."

Mr Bright said "There is an expression in medical terms called the "Golden Hour", that briefly states 'this is the period following a traumatic injury, during which prompt medical intervention is crucial for maximizing the chances of patient survival and minimizing long-term complications. This concept is a cornerstone of modern trauma systems."

Mr Bright added "I think it is also very important to not lose

sight of the fact that a considerable number of the presentations to the Bay ED come from nearby communities to the North like Nelligen, North and South Durras, Long Beach and Maloney's Beach. Conscious of time constraints these folk are very anxious to maintain the Bay's present ED."

Mylene Boulting, a Turlinjah resident and one of the cofounders of the ONE New Eurobodalla Level 4 Regional Hospital Advocates group also addressed the meeting.

"Since 2018, ...we've been advocating for a single, unified health facility for Eurobodalla. Currently, our fragmented services put us at a disadvantage compared to other regional hospitals. A consolidated Level 4 delineation facility would help both attract and retain general practitioners, specialist medical services, nursing and allied health staff, ensuring sustainable healthcare for our community.

Our group has focused on the interests of residents from north of Batemans Bay to south of Narooma, all united in support of equitable access to improved Emergency, Critical Care, Surgical, and Obstetric services."

"I also want to remind Council of its unanimous decision (on 20.8.24) to advocate as a matter of priority for the creation of a Local Radiotherapy Services centre (LRS) in Eurobodalla. After five years of campaigning for this service, we know that to function it must be co-located with a Level 4 hospital with a fully operational ICU.

The Southern NSW LHD executive have repeatedly advised that if the Batemans Bay Hospital still needs to be staffed when the new Eurobodalla Hospital opens they will face an almost unsurmountable challenge in recruiting the increased number of skilled staff required. This is due to fierce competition for skilled professionals from other major hospital redevelopments in neighbouring LHDs on the South Coast that are planning to open around the same time. "

Mrs Boulting stressed "The consequence is clear: without an ICU, there can be no Level 4 hospital for Eurobodalla, and without a Level 4 hospital, there will be no LRS for the whole Far South Coast—an outcome that would be devastating not only for Eurobodalla but for the entire region down to the Victorian border."

The ultimate decision will be made by the State Government of the day alongside the Southern NSW Local Health District.



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National Parks Association of NSW Eurobodalla Branch officially launched



On Friday 22nd August the opening of the Eurobodalla branch of the National Parks Association of NSW was celebrated at Batemans Bay.

Taking this step has enabled the local environmental community to be part of a well-resourced statewide network established over 60 years ago.

The event was attended by Gary Dunnett – CEO, NPA NSW, Michael Holland – Member for Bega and Roderick Slockee – Batemans Bay Local Aboriginal Land Council. Roberick Slockee provided an extended Welcome to Country.

The NPA Eurobodalla Branch will focus on two main areas – Conservation Advocacy and Nature Appreciation Walks to connect people to nature. Since formed in September 2024, the branch has held 29 walks with 180 attended.

NPA is committed to protecting, conserving and restoring the integrity and diversity of nature in NSW, its biodiversity, geodiversity, supporting ecological processes and associated cultural values.

Joslyn van der Moolen said "I spend most of my time volunteering to end native forest logging. I established this new branch with other locals, so our environmental work was part of an influential statewide organisation, the NPA NSW. I believe the need for biodiverse carbon storage will prevail – we just need to make this happen while there are still some forests left."

Joslyn added "We know that <u>nature is the number one</u> <u>reason</u> why people want to visit Australia, and nature-based tourism is worth <u>nearly \$20 billion per year</u> to NSW! "

NPA Eurobodalla - Nature Appreciation Walks coming up include:
Thursday 11 September 10am - noon Cullendulla Creek Nature Reserve
(also known as Square Head reserve) walk. Leader to RSVP: Neil Phone:
0412699565 Grade 2: Medium Distance:~ 10 km

This walk will take us along the ridge line maintenance track through a wonderful spotted gum forest, to the point of Square Head, which has a great view across all of the Clyde River estuary to the Toll Gate Islands, and then back along the eastern coast of Cullendulla Creek. This track is usually protected from the southerly winds and is a good spot to stop and look at the bird life, including black swans, on the Cullendulla River flats towards Surfside. If we haven't devoured our rations by the end of the walk we can then drive down to the picnic area in the Sandy Place Reserve where there are tables, a BBQ and toilets. Meet at the Cullendulla Creek Nature Reserve sign next to 50 Blairs Road, Long Beach

Sunday 28 September 9.30 am - 2.30 pm **Guerilla Bay to Barlings Beach and return**

Leader to RSVP: Francie Phone: 0468 608 107 Grade 2/3: Medium Walk Distance: <9 km

Meet at the carpark at Burrewarra Point (toilet at neighbouring caravan park). Walk along Burri Point Road, on a track over the headland, down the hills onto Franks (Rosebys) Beach (access only by walking), Longnose Point to the northern end of Barlings Beach then return. Bring 2 litres water, morning tea, lunch, rain gear if needed.

Sun 19 October 9.30 am - 2.30 Guerilla Bay to Rosedale Leader to RSVP: Francie Phone: 0468 608 107 Grade 2/3: Medium Walk Distance: <9 km Meet at the carpark at Guerilla Bay, turn into GB, turn left and drive to end of small carpark (no toilets along walk). Follow the beach, over the headlands to Tranquil Bay (access only by walking) then to Rosedale. Bring 2 litres water, morning tea, lunch, rain gear if needed.



Climate groups ask Government why the delay in releasing Australia's first national climate risk report?

CLIMATE MEDIA CENTRE - Community based climate organisations from across the country are asking why the Albanese government has repeatedly delayed the release of the <u>National Climate Risk Assessment</u> (NCRA) – a critical report outlining the grim reality communities will face without necessary action to curb climate pollution.

The Albanese government is currently deciding how strong Australia's 2035 Climate Target will be, which will guide Australia's climate action for the next 10 years. Groups warn that further delay to releasing the climate report risks undermining the integrity of Australia's next climate target as it should be used to inform decision making, and that the Australian public have a right to be informed about the true scale and urgency of the climate risks ahead before the target is delivered. The Government is due to submit the new target to the United Nations by the end of September. Kate Wylie, Executive Director Doctors for the Environment said "When will the government tell Australians the truth about climate change and release the National Climate Risk Assessment?

"As someone involved with the consultation process in 2023 and 2024, it is high time that the government lets the rest of the country in on what climate change means for our health, our food supply and our environment. "By delaying it looks like they have something to hide. It makes me worry that they will set a weak emissions reduction target, one that is lower than what is necessary to keep our communities safe and protect our health.

"Anyone with even a passing understanding of climate change knows that we need to reach net zero as soon as possible, and that we need a strong science backed 2035 target to limit warming to 1.5 degrees. If our target falls short it spells disaster for our environment and our health.

"As we seek to host COP31 in partnership with the Pacific it is vital that our target protects these nations, whose very existence is being lost under a rising ocean. "As doctors, we see the terrible burden that climate pollution, extreme heat and severe weather is having on our communities and our work. These events are driving more visits to GP clinics and hospitals, more ambulance call-outs, more demand for health services for both mental and physical illnesses.

"Let's rip off that bandaid and face the truth about climate change. Let's embrace the need to move on from our dependence on coal, oil and gas and quit fossil fuels to protect health."

Tuross celebrates opening of medical centre



Member for Eden Monaro Kristy McBain officially opens the new medical centre with Dr Milan Walia (at right) and her family.

Tuross Head residents crowded the surgery for the opening of the Tuross Medical Centre last Friday morning by Dr Milan Walia.

To the dismay of residents, the centre had closed in April due to unavailability of staff.

Dr Walia has over 9 years of experience in general practice, specializing in women's health, child health, mental health and chronic disease management.

Dr Walia is assisted by Nurses Catherine Maloney and Catherine Walsh and Receptionists Merle Fitzgerald and Nicole Garner.

The fully bulk billing practice is open Monday, Friday, Saturday 8am – 5pm (lunch break 1-1.30pm), Sunday 9am – 2pm

Telehealth appointments available Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 5.30pm-7pm

Tel: 3822 3232 Email reception@turossmedicalcentre.com.au

August 2025 Eurobodalla Regional Hospital construction update

Concrete works continue, window and cladding installation has started, internal stud walls and services are going in and roundabout works are continuing. Construction on the new hospital is moving ahead with exciting progress on site.

Concrete works are continuing and the team is getting ready for the next big pour. Windows are now being installed, starting in the maternity and paediatrics areas. Cladding has also begun, marking the first stage of the building's façade.

The last of the ground preparation has been completed, sealing the exposed area underneath the building and preparing the site for the final wing.

Inside, stud walls and services are now being installed. The final stair and lift core has been poured, and scaffolding and formwork in that area will soon be removed. The concrete structure at the main entrance is also complete and the area is taking shape. At the roundabout, the rock and drainage layers have been installed, providing a solid foundation and ensuring effective water drainage as construction continues. Works will now begin to prepare the area for pavement installation.

There are currently around 250 workers on site, and the project has just reached a major 1 year milestone with over 235,000 hours of work completed so far.



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Windy Sunday Market at Narooma Oval Welcomes ORRCA Volunteers



Volunteers John Vilskerts (a.k.a. "Salty"), Cat Leach (a.k.a. "Catfish") and Trish Joos at the ORRCA stand.

By Cat Leach

Market goers arrived for a blustery Sunday at Narooma Oval, where the coastal winds rattled through rows of canvas tents and sent the smell of coffee swirling across the grounds. Despite the gusts, the community turned out in good spirits, browsing stalls laden with farmfresh produce, homemade treats, colourful crafts, and second-hand treasures.

Adding a new face to the market this month were volunteers from ORRCA (Organisation for the Rescue and Research of Cetaceans in Australia). ORRCA is a not-for-profit organisation dedicated to the protection and welfare of whales, dolphins, seals and dugongs across Australian waters. Their work ranges from emergency response to stranded or entangled animals, through to long-term research and monitoring of whale migrations, all vital to building a clearer understanding of marine life and the challenges it faces. Local volunteers John Vilskerts (a.k.a. "Salty"), Cat Leach (a.k.a. "Catfish") and Trish Joos ran the stand, sharing their passion for marine conservation and inviting others to get involved. They spoke with market visitors about whale and dolphin behaviour, how to recognise when an animal may be in distress, and the process of training as an ORRCA volunteer. Their recruitment drive sparked plenty of interest, as locals learned how they too could join the response network and play an active role in protecting marine wildlife. The stall also handed out kids learning material packs and highlighted ORRCA's annual whale census, where citizen scientists across the country contribute sightings that map the annual migration of humpbacks and other species along the east coast. For many Narooma residents, it was a chance to connect the dots between the whales they see offshore, the seals they see on the sea wall and the broader national picture of conservation.

"We've had lots of interest," Cat explained. "People are curious about what to do if they see an injured seal or spot an entangled dolphin, and the market's been a great way to share that knowledge and sign up more helpers." The volunteers reminded visitors that the first step in any emergency is to call the ORRCA Hotline on 02 9415 3333, which is staffed 24 hours a day to provide expert advice and coordinate response efforts. The morning wrapped up on a positive note, with the volunteers' message ringing clear across the windy oval: "Volunteers aren't free, they are priceless If you are interested to find out more about volunteering, ring 02 9415 3333 or email orrca@orrca.org.au



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Safe Staffing ratios rolling out at South East Regional and Moruya District Hospitals

Recruitment is well underway for additional nurses at South East Regional and Moruya District Hospital as the Minns Labor Government continues delivering on its promise to rollout a major healthcare staffing reform.

South East Regional and Moruya District Hospitals are among 27 hospitals across rural and regional NSW introducing Safe Staffing Levels in emergency departments, with a number of facilities already completed recruitment. This brings the total number of hospitals commencing the roll-out of Safe Staffing Levels to more than 40 across the state. The Safe Staffing ratios rollout at South East Regional and Moruya District Hospitals will see more than 14 FTE nurses added to the emergency department. The implementation of the reform aims to support the experience of patients, with over 570 FTE nurses already recruited in Emergency Departments across the state.

The Safe Staffing Levels initiative involves rostering minimum staffing levels on every shift, which will result in more nurses employed in hospitals right across the state.

The staffing boost enables the rostering of a one-to-one nursing care ratio for generally occupied ED resuscitation beds on all shifts, and one nurse to three generally occupied ED treatment spaces and ED short-stay unit beds on all shifts.

The 27 regional and rural hospitals rolling out Safe Staffing Levels in EDs include: Port Macquarie, Lismore, Coffs Harbour, John Hunter, Wollongong, Tamworth, Gosford, Wagga Wagga, Orange, Tweed Valley, Dubbo, Griffith, Manning, Maitland, South East Regional, Shoalhaven, Macksville, Leeton, Young, Bathurst, Ballina, Grafton, Armidale, Cessnock, Moruya, Kempsey, Shellharbour.

The Safe Staffing Levels Taskforce was established to oversee the rollout of the Government's commitment of 2,480 FTE over four years. It includes key leaders from the NSW Nurses and Midwives' Association (NSWNMA), NSW Health, and local health districts.

Phase one of Safe Staffing Levels commenced in the level five and six emergency departments, which treat the most critically ill patients, and is being implemented progressively across other key areas in a phased approach.

Implementing Safe Staffing Levels is just one of a range of measures that the NSW Government is embracing to build a more supported health workforce, including:

- \cdot $\,$ funding the equivalent of 1,112 FTE nurse and midwife positions on an ongoing basis
- abolishing the wages cap and delivering the highest pay increase in over a decade for nurses and other health workers
- 500 additional paramedics in regional, rural and remote communities.
 The Minns Labor Government's introduction of Safe Staffing Levels forms one part of a comprehensive plan to build a better health system across NSW.

Health Minister Ryan Park said "Safe Staffing Levels are about delivering safer, better care for patients, while making sure our nurses have the support they need on every shift.

"For too long, hospitals across regional and rural NSW have been left behind, but this reform is changing that – with hundreds of additional nurses already recruited and more on the way.

"This is about building a stronger health system for patients, families, and staff, no matter where you live."

Dr Michael Holland, Member for Bega said "As a doctor, I know first-hand how critical safe staffing is in delivering timely, quality care. This investment means more nurses on the floor at South East Regional Hospital and Moruya District Hospital supporting both patients and staff. After years of pressure on our local health system, it is reassuring to see the Minns Labor Government delivering the reforms we fought for – reforms that will make a real difference to the people of the South East"

Delivering more Medicare Urgent Care Clinics in South Eastern New South Wales

The Albanese Government is delivering on its commitment for a further 50 Medicare Urgent Care Clinics with tender processes underway to identify providers to operate the Nowra, Shellharbour and Bega clinics. These new clinics will give more Australians access to high quality and free walk-in urgent health care.

The new Nowra, Shellharbour and Bega Medicare Urgent Care Clinics will be open over extended hours, seven days a week, with no appointment needed, and all patients will be fully bulk billed.

These clinics are intended to take pressure off local hospitals, including Shoalhaven District Memorial Hospital, Shellharbour Hospital, South East Regional Hospital and will fill an important gap in services across extended hours and over the weekend.

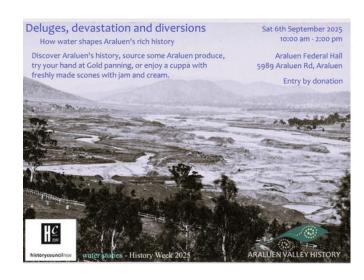
Tender processes led by the South Eastern New South Wales Primary Health Network have commenced to identify providers to operate the new Medicare Urgent Care Clinics in Nowra, Shellharbour and Bega.

The tender processes will be open to general practices, community health centres and Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services.

Ninety Medicare Urgent Care Clinics have opened across Australia, which have already seen more than 1.8 million presentations since the first sites opened in June 2023, including over 355,700 presentations to the 22 existing New South Wales Medicare Urgent Care Clinics as at 4 August 2025.

Over 22 per cent of presentations to Medicare Urgent Care Clinics in New South Wales have been outside standard business hours, which means the clinics are filling an important gap in services across extended hours and over the weekend.

Over one in four visits to Medicare Urgent Care Clinics in New South Wales have taken place on a weekend, while one in five weekday visits took place at 5pm or later. And with one in four visits treating a young person under 15, New South Wales Medicare Urgent Care Clinics are giving families timely health care and peace of mind.



A Taste of Korea at Batemans Bay CWA



On Thursday 21st of August, Batemans Bay CWA hosted a Korean Lunch for 16 members and invited guests from the community. Thanks to the generosity of Batemans Bay Funerals (The ingredients), the expert cooks (Sofia and Eve) and the members (Hall decoration, Korean Trivia, food prep). It was truly a fun feast!

This event was to celebrate CWA NSW's Country of Study, Korea and we have all learned a great deal from our International Officer, Ruth. Unfortunately, Ruth is ill and couldn't join us, but was there in spirit.

Please look out for details of more community events. at CWA Batemans Bay; another film? Melbourne Cup afternoon? Gala Christmas Party?

Glen Tulip, President







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Daffodil Day CWA Fundraiser



CWA Sec. Virginia Eddy and President Anne Boardman. Moruya CWA held a Daffodil Day event on Saturday morning. CWA Secretary Virginia Eddy said "the day was a wonderfully success and we thank the community for their support. " The CWA raised over \$2000 for the Cancer Council.

Prize winners on the day were: Colouring in Maisie & Emma. Raffle winners in order of place are Kim H, Roberto, Caroline P and Helen.

New research calls for lived experiences to improve cancer care and support

All.Can Australia is calling on Australians to back a newly launched national survey to bring the lived experiences of people impacted by cancer to the forefront of national cancer care decision-making.

All.Can Australia is a not-for-profit organisation that is part of a global initiative that exists to mobilise people with cancer, healthcare professionals, industry partners and other key stakeholders across health services and the broader health system to improve outcomes in cancer care.

This new survey, made possible by funding from the Medicines Australia Oncology Industry Taskforce (OIT) seeks to collect perspectives of Australians who have experienced any type and stage of cancer, as well as their caregivers, to identify key gaps in cancer care treatment and support to shape the future of cancer care in Australia.

In line with All. Can Australia's mission to improve the accessibility, delivery, and quality of cancer care for patients, the survey aims to gain insight into:

- the cancer diagnosis process
- treatment experiences and outcomes
- the impact of cancer on daily life (including financial and psychological implications)
- accessibility and awareness of existing resources and services
- experiences of inefficiencies in cancer care and services.

Dr Susannah Morris, Consumer Health Advocate and All.Can Australia Member, emphasised the importance of giving people with lived experience and caregivers a voice to direct industry and government attention to areas that matter the most.

"As someone who has navigated the complexities of cancer care firsthand, I know that the voice of lived experience is crucial in shaping person-centred, value-based health policies that truly address people's needs in ways that help them live well with and beyond their diagnoses. By participating in this survey, patients and caregivers can help ensure that cancer care becomes more compassionate, acacessible, and equitable for all," said Dr Morris. The survey will remain open until Wednesday 17 September 2025 and is

accessible via https://redcap.unimelb.edu.au/surveys/?s=AK3X498RJXNPRX8Y



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Attention: Brides of Batemans Bay!

By John Longhurst

The call has gone out for local women to model bridal gowns for a novel fundraising event for Dementia Australia on Saturday, 8th November, from 2pm at the Malua Bay Surf Life Saving Club.

Long term Eurobodalla resident, Dawn Simpson is organising the event. Dawn lost her husband to dementia 5 years ago after a 10 year battle with the condition.

Dawn said "It promises to be a fun afternoon. I have twenty bridal gowns that have been kindly donated by locals for the afternoon and I am after twenty young models of all shapes and sizes to bring these gowns back to life. The models will be accompanied by the original wearer and I promise a risqué commentary following my extensive research of each

Dawn has managed to secure wedding gowns dating back to the 1950's.

"It will very much be a fun trip down memory lane as each of the models and original brides will parade chronologically through the decades. There will be the odd red face as I recount some of the details of the wedding." She added. A light afternoon tea will be provided as well as a lucky door prize and raffles.

Dawn said "I have been overwhelmed at the generosity of local businesses willing to generously donate prizes for the raffles. My phone has literally not stopped ringing since I put out the call for donations."

Dementia is one of the biggest killers in Australia at the

Dawn said "Every 6 minutes in Australia someone is diagnosed with some form of dementia, whether it be Alzheimer's. Parkinsons or one of the other insidious diseases.

My story is that my husband Bob was diagnosed with 'early onset' dementia in the form of Alzheimer's. He spent 5 ½ years in Catholic Healthcare Maranatha Lodge, Batehaven. I am determined to help in some small way by organising this event. We may not raise a lot of money but every dollar helps to fund research."

Potential models can contact Dawn Simpson at email: rdtsimpson@bigpond.com or message Dawn Simpson via facebook messenger.

Tickets to 'Brides of Batemans Bay' can be purchased for \$20.00 from JJJ's Asian Grocery on Orient Street, Batemans Bay.



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Let's do coffee with ... Sean Kinchela

Exposed to domestic violence, witnessing drug addiction, an unstable and dysfunctional childhood through to Indigenous Health Worker and award winning and accomplished artist as an adult, proud Gamilaroi and Wiradjuri man, Sean Kinchela (SK), has packed a lot into his 32 years. The Moruya Mail (MM) spent a most interesting afternoon with Sean this week.

MM: Thanks for joining me Sean. When I look at your timeline, a red flag pops up at fourteen years of age. Please take me up to that point?

SK: I was born in Bowral in 1993. It was a very unstable home-life and we were moving every 3 to 6 months. My mother struggled with drug addiction and we were exposed to domestic violence. I often did not feel safe at home and after my mother left when I was 12 years of age, I would often spend time 'couch surfing', moving from one friend's house to the next, in my early teenage years.

When I was 14 years old, I came to school with bruises and welts, and the Department of Community Services (DoCS) was called. I struggled to attend school and was just living day to day. At that age, I didn't have any vision or goals. I didn't have much guidance. I ended up being expelled from Shoalhaven High School for fighting and stealing in Year 8.

I had pretty much hit rock bottom.

MM: Obviously, you were at a cross road in your life at such a young age. Given your current success, how did you get on track?

SK: What was meant to be a temporary situation turned into years of homelessness. Finally, at the age of 16, I moved in with my grandmother ('nan'). She knew my situation and offered me a place to live, but I was moving around all the time.

I eventually found a good group of friends and wanted to stay in one spot.

After moving in with my 'nan', I tried to get back into school but was not accepted anywhere, even outside my area.

Eventually, my aunt Cheryl helped me find a way to finish school and complete my Higher School Certificate (HSC).

At the time, my aunt worked for Youth Off The Streets (YOTS) and was based in Canyonleigh, where one of YOTS alternative high schools was located at the time.

She spoke with the school and they agreed to take me on and things started looking more positive. It was a small class with about six students. The teachers would counsel me, I opened up and believed they were always there for me.

MM: In fact, you were the first in your class to complete the HSC. How did you end up on the South Coast of NSW?

SK: My 'nan' was part of the 'Stolen Generation' and never had the opportunity to reconnect with family and I was determined to ensure it was not repeated. I spent time in Tamworth working and connecting with family.

In 2017, I started working in Aboriginal health which took me to the South Coast. I completed a Diploma in Audiometry at Macquarie University in 2021 and now work as the Communications Officer for the 'We Breathe' campaign targeting Indigenous smoking, working out of Grand Pacific Health in Batemans Bay.

MM: We could probably call it quits now, Sean, but your notable achievements in art, photography and design warrant a second cup of coffee. Not only have you designed the artwork for the very successful 'We Breathe' campaign, we also see your designs on the Indigenous Round jerseys for various sports along the East Coast.

SK: (Laughs) Yes... for the past four years I have produced the artwork for the Indigenous Round Jerseys for the Parramatta Eels, as well as other sporting teams up the East Coast. At a local level, I have designed the jerseys for the Narooma Lions (AFL), Batemans Bay Sea Hawks, the Batemans Bay Tigers and many others. I also designed the Fédération Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) play station Indigenous Jersey for 2022 and 2023.

Next year, I am planning an exhibition of my art with the medium being acrylics.

MM: And the achievements go on with your photography over the past twelve months.



SK: Thank you ... I have always been interested in art and have been painting from a young age. My uncle Pepsi (he enjoys drinking Pepsi) from Ipswich has been a huge inspiration. I took up photography five years ago specialising in astrophotography, drone, landscape, seascape, wildlife and portraits.

I was successful in the Sony 12 Days of Lenses Competition last December and won a \$2000 lens with my astrophotography entry.

Earlier this year, I secured the 2025 \$10,000 Indigenous Storytellers Scholarship with a mentorship from established Indigenous Photographer, Marley Morgan. It is an initiative from Façon Magazine and is supported by Greater Bank. My winning photograph is a cultural portrait of my partner, Yuin and Gamilroi woman, Nakia Moreton Stewart, and the image was

taken at Hanky Beach in Narooma.

I am using the \$10,000 scholarship to complete a self-published guidebook to the South Coast - spotlighting the region's hidden gems, wildlife, and people from an Indigenous photographic perspective. I have begun creating the book as a guide to the South Coast - its hidden gems, beautiful animals and plants, as well as its people and culture from an Indigenous photographer's perspective. Too often I feel like our Indigenous photographers get overlooked, so I would like to accomplish this to create a platform for my area, people and photographers alike. The guidebook will also act as a tutorial to assist budding photographers develop their skills with background information accompanying the skills behind the photographs.

I submitted the same portrait for the prestigious National Photography Portrait Prize (NPPP) competition with cash prize money of \$30,000 and photographic equipment valued at \$20.000.

The NPPP is an annual event by the National Portrait Gallery celebrating Australia's professional and emerging photographers by showcasing the best of contemporary photographic portraiture.

With 1500 entries, my submission made it through to the finals.

Sean said "You can still vote for my portrait in the people's choice award out of the 48 finalists*. Being a South Coast Photographer, and an Indigenous photographer at that, being made a finalist made me a winner either way."

MM: I must say a life being well lived, Sean. Congratulations on your achievements and you have my vote for the people's choice award at the NPPP competition.

*National Photographic Portrait Prize 2025, National Portrait Gallery https://www.portrait.gov.au/exhibitions/national-photographic-portrait-prize

'LET'S DO COFFEE WITH ...' is a column exploring the interesting personalities of the Eurobodalla Shire. Feel free to nominate a personality by emailing John Longhurst at john.longhurst59@gmail.com



A Beer with Bazz #206
With
John
Longhurst

Mick face reddened as he pulled out his electricity bill and lay it flat on the bar table.

"Not on, Bazza. The winter power bill has come through and it is \$819.65 for three months."

He took a sip of the offered schooner and bit his bottom lip.

"I've been on the blower all morning to Energy Australia, Bazza. They keep telling me my call is important to them. If it was so important to them...why do they keep me on hold. I then get the recorded message saying 'Abuse will not be tolerated' which is fair enough. I am then given more selection options from the automated voice. I put the mobile on speaker and unpack the dishwasher, hang out the washing, mop the floors and water the plants. Losing my spot at number 15 of these calls that are important to them must be avoided at all cost. Anyhow, I seriously think about washing the car when a human comes on the line."

Mick paused and they both took sips.

"You are a patient and versatile man, Mick. Not wasting a moment of time at our age is a worthy pursuit."

Mick leaned in.

"Anyhow, an overly chirpy human finally comes on the line and wishes me a good morning from whatever part of the world they are answering phones. After a chat, I get talked into setting up periodic payments on a fortnightly basis to take out the bill shock."

Bazza rubbed his chin.

"I have been doing that for years, Mick. It does not hurt as much even though I know the electricity company is robbing me blind. I suppose you could say I am partly blind to the shock... provided the bill stays within the fortnightly payments."

Mick took a sip and chuckled.

"Yeah, Yeah... but get this, Bazza. I ask the chirpy human whether I am on the best rate to suits my needs. After a timed pause and some pretend calculator tapping, I am assured I am on the best possible rate to suit my electricity usage and the 15 percent discount is a good deal. I say to my new mate, 'I am still not happy...surely you can do better'. Well ... there is a longer pause and more fake tap, tap, tapping and surprise, surprise the discount ups to 18 percent."

Bazza laughed and took a sip.

"Good on you, Mick...taking on the big corporations once again."

Mick stretched his back and clicked his tongue.

"Well, Bazza...I am not finished. I say 'Maaaaate... I think I will have to look around for other electricity providers, surely you can do better'. The operator says 'Hold the line and I will put you through to one of our consultants'. Anyhow, I am on hold again until my next newest best mate is on the line with sugary pleasantries. The offer is increased to a 20 percent discount. Unbelievable! So in the space of 40 minutes I have gone from a discount of 15 percent to 20 percent and have an empty dishwasher, washing on the line, clean floors and watered plants. I could bargain a bit more but I would no doubt have to go on hold and I draw the line at cleaning the fridge. At the end of the call, I am asked if I am happy. I say how can I be happy when you lied to me and told me the 15 percent discount was the best deal."

Mick picked up the empty schooner glasses.

"Hey, Bella... two schooners please and how about accepting a periodic payment with a discount?"

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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

A review of British-Australian relations this week turned up a Government memorandum that might become a windfall for a deserving cause. I had quite forgotten, but Malcolm Turnbull's Government budgeted \$48 million for another memorial to James Cook in the last year of his occupation of The Lodge.

This, despite the fact that we already have a perfectly adequate one squirting water in Lake Burley Griffin. Unless it be thought that I'm racially (or rather nationally) prejudiced against the English, both my grandmothers were English and I have enjoyed my visits there almost as much as to other foreign climes like Indonesia, China and the Philippines. I often roar with laughter at the brilliant wit of Lee Mack and David Mitchell in 'Would I Lie To You'; and 'Vera' was one of the better police procedurals on television. But over the last six years I have spent countless hours and days researching Australian history for my books on the convict horrors of Norfolk Island (Dark Paradise), colonial exploration (Hamilton HUME), relations with China (Dragon and Kangaroo) the frontier war in Castaway and the forthcoming biography of Charles Weston The Man Who Planted Canberra, an English migrant who contributed more to Canberra than even Walter Burley Griffin. But with that partial exception, it's a chronicle of cruelty actuated by English notions of race and class.

Perhaps they're not exclusively English, but they are certainly not the hallmarks of the Australian 'fair go'. And they are perpetuated by the Anglo-Australians on the conservative side of politics like Tony Abbott, Scott Morrison and the mysterious Turnbull \$48 million. Moreover, the seemingly endless stream of English migrants means that in some quarters such attitudes have become normalised, even celebrated.

The whole idea of a 'Royal' family is of course anathema to a country that prides itself on its equality of opportunity and the dignity of labour. But that's pretty harmless compared to the Cook memorial. This proposal came just at a time when our First Australians were beginning to find their voice. Writers like Paul Daley, Peter Thompson, Chloe Hooper, Don Watson and many others, myself included, have taking up the cause of Australian history as opposed to the British history of Australia that was taught in our schools.

Cook, didn't 'discover' Australia. The Aboriginal people did that at least 65,000 years before him. He wasn't even the first European to set foot on the continent; that honour fell to another Englishman William Dampier more than a century previously. But Cook – bless his cotton socks – cruised up the East Coast, and after busting his ship on the Barrier Reef repaired it and headed off to an island of no consequence where he 'claimed it' for his king.

His Majesty's Government was so impressed that they packed eleven ships with convicts and their jailers and sent them to rot on the other side of the known world. That began a reign of genocide in Tasmania and mass murder elsewhere that almost destroyed the Aboriginal people. It was a bad beginning. But while no one can deny that since then migrants from England, Ireland, Scotland, other parts of Europe and now Asia have turned the continent into a financial bonanza, we have never accounted for the sins of our fathers (or grandmothers).

Another big memorial to the man who started it all was a foolish slap in the face for real Australians of any stripe or colour. I would be interested to hear from readers what we should do with that \$48 million windfall when we find it.

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Moruya Mail Sport

NSW News in Brief

Minns Labor Government to convene dedicated regional advisory group

Premier Chris Minns and Minister for Regional New South Wales, Tara Moriarty will convene a dedicated regional advisory group to work with the government to better understand and address the unique challenges faced by people living and working in regional, rural and remote areas of New South Wales. Announced at the 2025 Bush Summit, the NSW Premier's Rural Remote & Regional Advisory Council (PRRRAC) will meet twice annually with the Premier and Minister Moriarty.

The first council meeting is set to take place this year and will bring together representatives from across the regions to provide direct advice and insights on issues impacting their communities, from essential services and key infrastructure to biosecurity.

An invitation has been extended to Chair of the NSW Country Mayor's Association, Rick Firman, the Chair of the NSW Regional Cities, and representatives from the Local Land Services, Country Women's Association, regional health and education sectors, Indigenous councils, and business communities, to be part of this important forum.

The development of this advisory panel follows advocacy to the Premier from Chair of the Country Mayor's Association Rick Firman, who the Premier and Minister have invited to act as the groups Secretariat.

\$43.2 million investment to boost drought resilience across regional NSW

The Albanese and Minns Labor Governments will jointly invest \$43.2 million to support farmers to strengthen their drought resilience and climate adaptation, as drought continues to impact regional communities across NSW.

Delivered through Phase 2 of the Farm Business Resilience Program (FBRP), the funding will support farmers to access subsidised learning and development opportunities that will help them to manage risk, build long-term operational resilience, and continue to remain productive.

From personalised coaching, workshops, digital learning, and peer-to-peer case studies, the FBRP equips farmers with practical support to ensure they are better prepared before, during and after these challenging periods.

Since its launch, the FBRP has supported the development of more than 2,500 new farm business plans, engaged nearly 28,000 participants across more than 2,000 events and helped more than 1,600 NSW businesses improve their operations through targeted workshops and events.

Improved drought preparedness is expected to reduce economic losses in the agriculture sector and deliver broader benefits to rural communities, including increased employment and supply chain stability.

The FBRP program is jointly funded by the Australian Government's Future Drought Fund and the NSW Government.

For more information on the Farm Business Resilience Program, please visit – www.droughthub.nsw.gov.au/programs/fbrp

Billion-dollar blitz on regional potholes and road maintenance

The Minns Labor Government has accelerated the delivery of \$155 million to undertake a pothole and road repair blitz across regional New South Wales, as part its ongoing work to build a better New South Wales.

The fast-tracked funding will increase state road maintenance funding in the regions to \$1.25 billion this financial year, with key works already underway. This funding is about making regional roads safer, more reliable and fairer—because every community deserves roads they can depend on to get to work, school and home.

It comes after NSW Government funding saw 184,000 potholes across regional communities filled during 2024/25. This came as part of a record level of investment in maintenance and disaster recovery for regional roads. This investment will deliver safer roads, from Broken Hill to Bega, ensuring that regional communities get their fair share of road maintenance investment. The \$155 million has been brought forward to 2025-26 to prioritise renewal projects, including key corridors that have been under significant pressure due to unprecedented weather. Projects include:

- Pavement renewal and resurfacing on major highways such as the New England Highway and Hume Highway.
- Key bridge maintenance and renewal works across regional NSW.
- Continued slope restorations across a number of our east-west corridors such as Waterfall Way, Oxley Highway, and Victoria Pass.

Under the Liberal-National government regional road investment was an afterthought. The Minns Labor Government understands that regional roads are essential to the connectivity of our state.

Maintenance crews have clocked nearly four million hours of work in the past 12 months undertaking work including:

- Trimming 53,000 trees for improved safety.
- Repairing 35,000 guideposts.
- Refreshing more than 280,000 kilometres of line markings

Some 150 new permanent staff members have been hired, taking Transport for NSW's locally-based regional maintenance team to more than 2,000 workers. Another 75 regionally-based apprentices and trainees will start in 2026. The Minns Labor Government continues investing in regional road

infrastructure to build a stronger, more resilient network for NSW communities. This build on reforms to:

- Put road repair funding in the hands of councils sooner by providing upfront grants – rather than forcing councils to fund the work and then reimburse them. More than one third of regional NSW Councils have already signed up to get funding faster.
- Streamline road recategorisation so councils can apply to transfer roads to state funding responsibility. The previous Liberal-National government promised this reform but failed to deliver it.
- Provide transparent open data on the road network by publishing AusRAP data which gives a condition report for state and regional roads, making NSW the first jurisdiction to do so.

\$9.2 million to accelerate building certification and trades licensing approvals

As part of its commitment to meeting National Housing Accord targets the Minns Labor Government is injecting \$9.2 million across four years into initiatives aimed at increasing the number of building certifiers and speeding up the licensing of building tradespeople.

The critical funding will boost the certifier workforce through reducing red tape and speeding up home building licence application approvals to help fill skills gaps in the building industry.

There are around 1,300 building certifiers across different registration types in NSW working in both private industry and local government, who as public officials play an important role in conducting critical inspections required to finalise residential building approvals.

To ensure the state has enough certifiers to help meet demand as the state pushes towards building 377,000 new homes by 2029, the NSW Government will inject \$4.72 million across four years into measures to make it easier for existing certifiers to stay in, and new certifiers to enter, the industry. Under the changes, new flexible certifier registration options will be introduced, providing pro-rata registration fees for part-time certifiers, and a pause on registration fees for those on extended leave to ensure fees do not disincentivise them from practicing part-time or returning to the profession. Building Commission NSW will also increase its capacity to process new certifier applications and renewals to facilitate faster entry into the sector

100 years ago from the Moruya Examiner



School at Tilba 1905-06

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To augment the funds of the Hospital Ball, a euchre party and dance was held in the Mechanics' Hall last Tuesday. Considering the extreme cold and boisterous wind during the evening, a good number of our charitable friends braved the elements to assist in a good cause. Mr. C. de Saxe had charge of the tournament, the first prize – a cheese – being won by Mrs. A. Ison, and the second – a bottle of perfume – was secured by Miss P. Connell. After a liberal supply of choice refreshments had been served, dancing, under the capable mastership of Mr. C. de Saxe, was indulged in. The music was generously contributed voluntarily by Misses M. Parbery, A. Chewying, R. Allabin, and Messrs. P. Carden and J. Heffernan.

Mr. D. Cameron, headmaster of Tilba Tilba school, and an enthusiast in wireless, is in full sympathy with the idea of radio in schools. While visiting Tilba our representative was informed that a motion had been passed sometime ago by the Parent's and Citizen's Association, "that a receiving set be purchased for the school," but that the matter was allowed to stand over owing to the radio educational sessions being discontinued. As these sessions have now resumed, Tilba Tilba will probably have a set installed at the school.

The basic wage has now been fixed at £4 4s per week for males and £2 2s 6d for females.

Mr. James Turnbull, of the Criterion Hotel, who knows a good animal at sight, intends trying Joylotta on the race-tracks in Sydney. For this purpose the genial "James" is sending the crack South Coast sprinter to Bermagui next week, for shipment to Sydney. As the horse leaves under the care and supervision of that able trainer "Billy" Simon, it is safe to assume that Joylotta will give good performances at Randwick and elsewhere. When he is ready we may look for his name among the big guns in Thursday morning gallops.

A competition to select a "Queen" for Narooma is to be organised shortly. Three well-known ladies have been chosen to represent various sections of the community – and no doubt a fairly large sum of money will result from the carnival and collections.

Nicholas Bastic, better known as "Nicholas the Greek," died on Thursday night at the local hospital, aged 74 years.

A Committee meeting of the Moruya Poultry Club was held on Monday night last in the Shire Hall at which were present Messrs. R. Whittaker (chair), C. Irwin, W. Simpson, D. Irwin, F. Toose, and Secretary H. P. Jeffery. The object of the meeting was to discuss the advisability of reconstructing the Club. A motion was carried and officers and committee elected. Mr. F. Toose was appointed acting Secretary.

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NSW Government ensures a \$10.2 million boost for the South Coast's economic development

The Minns Labor Government is investing in two projects to boost the South Coast's local economy as part of its plan to drive economic development and support job creation in regional NSW.

The Government's NSW Regional Development Trust program will fund \$5.5 million, and the project's proponents will invest \$4.7 million to deliver much needed training opportunities for groups of vulnerable young people in key growth sectors and upgrading critical infrastructure that will deliver economic benefits

This funding is part of the Minns Government's approach to delivering smart investment, with local partners, to ensure there is a focus on priorities that make a real difference to regional communities.

The two South Coast projects receiving Regional Economic Development and Community Investment Program funds are as follows:

- \$5 million Upgrade the key South Coast aviation hub -Merimbula Airport
 - The runway extension will allow for larger aircraft to operate at the airport, benefiting essential goods and health services, boosting passenger transport opportunities, strengthening capacity for aeromedical and emergency services, and increasing tourism opportunities.
 - The project will extend the Merimbula Airport runway at both ends, increasing take-off length from 1,602 metres to 1,800 metres.
- \$512,000 Training young people in key horticulture and land management growth sectors
 - Deliver training in Bega in partnership with Kiama Community Colleges for 60 participants for the Grow your Future project where youth aged 15–24 years old, who face barriers to training and employment, will get the chance to develop skills in horticulture, ecosystem and conservation management, and business.
 - In addition, the project will also deliver another program for youth aged 12-17 years to encourage disengaged students to engage in outdoor learning across 8 school terms.
 - In total, 160 young people will participate in skills development for the in-demand sector of regenerative land management and sustainable business practices.

Investments from the Regional Development Trust are reviewed by the Regional Development Advisory Council, an independent body appointed by the Minister for Regional NSW to provide advice to government on investments that must aim to meet the interests of regional communities.

Further announcements on successful projects across NSW from the Regional Development Trust will be made in the coming months.

For more information, go to:

nsw.gov.au/regionaldevelopmenttrust

FRRR steps up with more funding for remote, rural and regional communities

More than \$1.2M in grants awarded

Nearly 100 remote, rural and regional communities across Australia are set to benefit from another \$1.2 million in grants, thanks to FRRR's flagship <u>Strengthening Rural Communities</u> (SRC) program.

Ranging from \$1,500 to \$50,000, these grants will empower 99 not-for-profit organisations (NFPs) to implement a wide range of projects that will enable their communities to be more vibrant, resilient and sustainable places to live, work and invest. Eighty communities will share \$688,444 for small and vital projects such as improvements to community infrastructure and landscaping; festivals and events that reduce social isolation, encourage tourism and boost the local economy; workshops that support cultural healing, creative expression, community safety and celebrate diversity; and training and resources to build NFP capacity and support volunteers.

A further \$235,734 will support 12 communities to recover from recent disasters and prepare for future events. Projects include training in preparedness and recovery strategies; improving the accessibility and safety of crisis event infrastructure; and building organisational capacity to address food security. Seven communities are sharing the remaining \$276,348, for Larger Leverage projects that will help narrow the digital divide for adults and older community members through initiatives that offer online health management, improved digital literacy and increased online safety.

Far South Coast grants include:

Far South Film Incorporated

Far South Film - My South East Story

Empower people with disability to share their stories, fostering inclusion and celebrating underrepresented voices. Bega - \$8,000

Open Harts Incorporated

OPEN (H)ARTS Music & Words for Relaxation & Wellbeing Create and share original music and spoken word, as well as live performances, to support mental wellbeing in Eurobodalla. Mogo, Moruya, Narooma and Batemans Bay - \$10,000

Sapphire Neighbourhood Services Inc

Festival of The Dad

Promote men's wellbeing through a free festival that celebrates fathers and connects them to local support services.

Merimbula - \$10,000

Southcoast Health and Sustainability Alliance

Connect Eurobodalla – Embedding Digital Literacy Mentors in Eurobodalla Community Organisations

Deliver digital skills training to older and vulnerable residents while growing a volunteer digital mentoring network. Batemans Bay - \$50,000

Bega Valley Data Collective Incorporated

Measuring What Matters to Live Well in the Bega Valley Inform future community resilience and preparedness planning by gathering and reporting local community wellbeing data. Bega - \$24,576



Phillips invites students to 'bring their voice to the table'



Mrs Phillips is pictured with last year's winner Vihan Patel and his parents. Federal Member for Gilmore Fiona Phillips is providing students in the electorate with an opportunity to have their say in Federal Parliament.

The annual Raise Our Voice in Parliament campaign shines a unique spotlight on the diverse voices, views, and opinions of Australia's young people who possess invaluable insights but are often overlooked in political and policy debates.

Last year's Gilmore winner, Bomaderry High School student Vihan Patel, wrote about flooding issues around his home, and suggested creating rain gardens as a solution to the problem.

Mrs Phillips read Vihan's speech in the Federal Parliament's Federation Chamber in October 2024, and she visited Bomaderry High School on Friday to encourage other students to enter. "I was most impressed with Vihan's mature and inspiring words," she said

"He showed compassion and, as well as raising a problem, he also presented ideas that would benefit and enhance his community as a whole

"It's so great to give young people a chance to amplify their thoughts about issues that are important to them, and I was really pleased to read Vihan's speech in parliament last year.

"I'm looking forward to reading this year's entries from school students right across the Gilmore electorate."

Mrs Phillips said the 90-second speeches gave students an opportunity to share their views, raise their concerns and offer solutions to problems in their local community or across the nation. "This is one way local students, aged five to 25, can have their voices heard on the national stage and to drive action on real issues," she said.

"This is a chance for young people in Gilmore to speak up, spark change, and make their voice heard where it matters most." Students at Bomaderry High are exploring issues such as climate change, mental health, housing and education, and they are excited by the chance to have their speeches read in Federal Parliament. This year, Raise Our Voice is challenging young Australians to tackle the big issues shaping our future with the question: What steps should the government take today to build a better tomorrow for young Australians?

Students can find out more and enter the competition here: <u>Raise</u> <u>Our Voice Australia</u>

New data shows emissions down in year to March 2025

Australia is tracking well to meet its 2030 climate pollution target, with new emissions data showing emissions fell by 1.4% or 6.5 million tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent in the year to March 2025, driven largely by the Albanese Government's policies.

In that period, 440.2 million tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent emissions were recorded, which is 28% below 2005 levels – the base year for Australia's 2030 Paris Agreement target – and well on the way to reaching the 43% goal.

Renewable energy generation continues to drive emissions in the energy sector, while our reformed Safeguard Mechanism is driving investment in industrial decarbonisation and securing steady progress.

Across Australia's two main grids, renewable energy has now reached over 40% of all energy produced in the last financial

reached over 40% of all energy produced in the last financial year, with solar and wind capacity up 45% since we came to Government – more new capacity than four Snowy Hydro schemes.

Emissions in the year to March 2025 fell in the electricity, industrial processes and stationary energy sectors, driven by technology improvements, changes in production, and a decline in residential gas demand.

Emissions from the National Electricity Market (NEM) have fallen 1% on the previous quarter in trend terms, reflecting a return to their long-term declining trend.

However, transport emissions continued their post-COVID rise as the use of road diesel and domestic aviation fuel reached record levels. The New Vehicle Efficiency Standard is projected to reduce transport emissions.

The preliminary data for the financial year ending 30 June shows even greater reductions, with emissions down to 436 million tonnes, which is 2.4% or 10.6 million tonnes less than the previous financial year, to be 29% below 2005 levels. Minister for Climate Change and Energy Chris Bowen said the government's climate and energy policies were working to drive down emissions across the economy.

"Our practical policies, including cheaper home batteries, our reliable renewables plan and the safeguard mechanism, are working to drive down emissions across the economy – and we are making good progress.

"We are on track to achieve our emissions reduction goals if we stay the course and continue to lift our efforts.

"With over 37,000 Cheaper Home Batteries installed with our support since 1 July, our policies are having a real impact on emissions and helping households with their energy bills. That's more household battery capacity in 8 weeks than the Hornsdale Big Battery and Victorian Big Battery combined." The Quarterly Update of Australia's National Greenhouse Gas Inventory March 2025 is available at:





Moruya Mail Arts

'Plate Forward' Initiative

Repurposing for Resilience Eurobodalla Inc asks: "We were aiming to collect 450 mugs for our 'Plate Forward' Initiative: a mobile dishwashing service for local festivals & events that would help stomp out that nasty single use packaging.

450 was certainly a big number, but with community legends like Kylie here from Cooee Brands, who donated well over that number to the RfR on Saturday, we can now tick off that challenge! Thank you to all the legends who donated cups and mugs to our community project over the last few weeks, and to the Repair Cafe and JJJ Oriental Supermarket for helping out with public drop off points.

If you would like to be part of the Plate Forward Initiative going forward, please get in contact with us through socials or rfreurobodalla@gmail.com





Community Solar reuse centre - Moruya Transfer Station:
 Yarragee Rd Moruya on Saturday's 9.30am-2.30pm
 Repair cafe at the Red Door - Page st Moruya

 on Fridays 9.30am-12pm

 JJJ Oriental Supermarket - Orient St Batemans Bay

 10am-5pm 7 days a week!

JAPANESE TAIKO DRUMMING WORKSHOP TUROSS HEAD - SUN 7 SEP





2EARFM / Moruya Mail GIG GUIDE "Live & Local"

Friday 29th Aug

Val Moogz Legends Fundraiser Roddy Reason

Lynchs Hotel Waterfront Hotel Poolbar @ Bannisters

Saturday, 30 Aug: Joe Quennell T

Allan Watts
Driving Sideways
Mojo
Live Music
Usual Suspects
Harrison Clynes
Reece Kaiyies
Steve Dai

Tura Beach Club (6.30pm)
Club Malua (7pm)
Club Catalina (7.30pm)
Merimbula RSL Club (8pm)
Foxdog Distillery
Lynchs Hotel
Broulee Brewhouse
One Tree Inn
Narooma Hotel

Sunday 31st

Tony Jaggers Live Music Benji Fowler Steampacket Hotel 12,30 Foxdog Distillery 12.30 Browlee Brewhouse

Want to be listed in the Gig Guide? Email tj@tonyjaggers.com



BRAIDWOOD CONCERT SERIES

2025 Spring Program

September Sunday 7th

Jazmourian Ensemble

Braidwood Uniting Church

October Saturday 11th

Llewellyn Choir perform 'Duruffle's Requiem'

St Andrew's Anglican Church

November Sunday 2nd

Super Rats Romanian Gypsy Band

St Andrew's Anglican Church

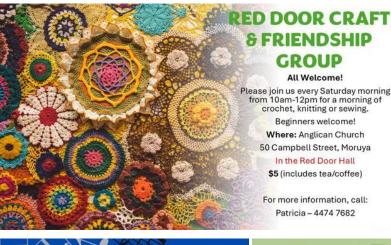
November Sunday 30th

Polifemy Vocal Ensemble

St Andrew's Anglican Church

Contact: artwork123@icloud.com







THIS MONTH'S FILM LEE

SCREENING ON SATURDAY 30TH AUGUST AT 7PM FOR A 7,30PM SHOWTIME

Synopsis - Lee is a 2023 British biographical war drama film directed by Ellen Kuras and starring Kate Winslet. In 1937, Lee was a former New York City fashion model and aspiring photographer living a bohemian lifestyle in France when she met and fell in love with Roland Penrose. She later moves with Roland to London, and gains employment with Vogue magazine during World War II, photographing Britons during The Blitz. However, after the United States entered the war in late 1941, Lee was assigned as a war correspondent alongside photojournalist David Scherman. Following the Normandy landings in June 1944, Lee photographed combat during the Battle of Saint-Malo and during the Liberation of Paris, members of the French Resistance publicly shaming French women who collaborated with the Germans. Lee and Roland married in 1947; their son Antony was born soon after.



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



Follow us on Facebook at Moruya Community Film Group.

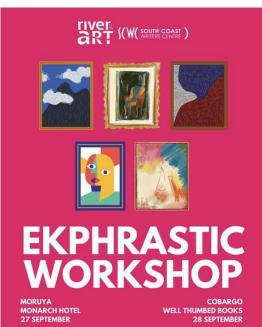


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FREAKIER FRIDAY PG 111 MIN	1:40 PM 3:50 PM	1:40 PM 3:50 PM	1:25 PM 6:00 PM	11:15 AM 3:50 PM	CLOSED	1:40 PM 3:50 PM	1:40 PM 3:50 PM
JURASSIC WORLD: REBIRTH M 133 MIN	3:45 PM		3:30 PM	11:10 AM			3:45 PM
KANGAROO ISLAND M 110 MIN	11:25 AM 6:00 PM	11:25 AM 6:00 PM	11:05 AM 6:00 PM	1:40 PM		11:25 AM 6:00 PM	11:25 AM 6:00 PM
MR BURTON M 124 MIN	11:10 AM	11:10 AM	11:00 AM	11:10 AM		11:10 AM	11:10 AM
NOBODY 2 MA15+ 89 MIN	11:15 AM 2:45 PM 6:15 PM	11:15 AM 2:45 PM 6:15 PM	4:30 PM 8:10 PM	4:20 PM		11:15 AM 2:45 PM 6:15 PM	11:15 AM 2:45 PM 6:15 PM
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THE FRIEND M 120 MIN	1:30 PM	1:30 PM	1:20 PM			1:30 PM	1:30 PM
THE LIFE OF CHUCK M 111 MIN			6:00 PM	1:25 PM			
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KANGAROO ISLAND

M | 1hr 51min ~ Comedy/Drama ~ When Lou returns home to rugged beautiful Kangaroo Island, years of family secrets resurface in this beautiful, rewarding film.



RELAY

M | 1hr 52min ~ Thriller ~ A corrupt corporate broker of lucrative payoffs breaks his own rules when a new client seeks his protection to stay alive

IER FRIDAY



PG | 1hr 51min ~ Family ~ Jamie Lee Curtis & Lindsay Lohan are in another predicament when they swap bodies.



NOBODY 2

MA | 1hr 29min ~ Action ~ Bob Odenhirk, a former lethal assassin, is pulled back into his violent past after thwarting a home invasion, setting off a chain of

4TH SEPTEMBER - THE ROSES

THE NAKED GUN



M | 1hr 25min ~ Comedy ~ Liam Neeson & Pamela Anderson Only one man has the particular set of skills... to lead Police Squad and save the world! Lt. Frank Drebin Jr. follows in his father's footsteps.



WEAPONS

MA | 2hrs 8min ~ Horror ~ Josh Brolin & Julia Garner An interrelated, multistory horror epic about the disappearance of high school students in a small town.



M | 2hrs 4min ~ Drama ~ The extraordinary true story of a working-class boy destined for greatness and the teacher who saw it first.



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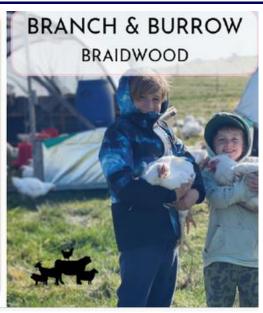




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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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

Interested?

Please contact Kathryn Maxwell on 0467558645 or email contact.shasa@gmail.com



We have luncheons every 6-8 weeks at chosen venues across our beautiful Eurobodalla Shire. The aim is to meet with fellow EV drivers and those interested in purchasing an EV.

Our next luncheon will be held at the TUROSS BOATSHED & CAFE 93 TRAFALGAR RD **TUROSS HEAD** SUNDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 12 noon

If you are thinking of coming along or have a question about owning or driving an EV please contact Andrew Evr andrew.john.everard⊛gmail.com Scan the QR Code for more information on SHASA.

HOPE YOU CAN JOIN US!





Kathryn Maxwell 0467558645

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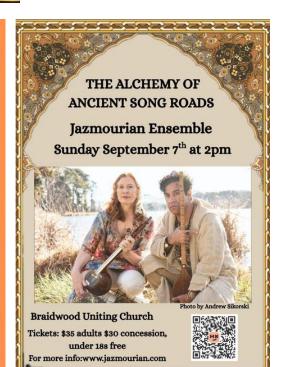
Got a topic your local community, club or neighbourhood group wants to explore?

We'd love to help!

Let us know and we can support you in organising a workshop, training or community gathering

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Animal Welfare League News

happy 19 month old brown Kelpie x Ridgeback. Wally is a little reserved at first when meeting new people, but soon warms up and shows his loving personality and enjoyment at meeting new friends. Wally loves to laze around and you will often find him soaking up the sun in a quiet spot. Wally is great with people and other dogs. Sometimes he forgets his size and gets a little jumpy but never aggressive. He has not spent much time around young children (under 10). Wally is house trained and knows basic commands. He is smart, and will benefit from ongoing training, to bring out his full potential. In keeping with his breeding, Wally is an energetic boy, and an active home where he will have lots of opportunity for exercise and play (tug of war is a favourite) will suit him best. Like all AWL pets, Wally comes desexed, microchipped and vaccinated. Call AWL on 0410 016 612 to arrange a meeting.





Our work here in Eurobodalla relies on donations, and you can help AWL and the environment at the same time, through the Return and Earn program. Take your eligible containers to any Return and Earn collection point in NSW and use the Return and Earn app to direct your donation to our campaign Every Dog, Every Cat Deserves a Loving Home. All funds raised are used locally to help animals.







Working together for a cleaner, smarter future for the Eurobodalla









2025 Diary Dates

- 26 Sept 6 Oct 2025 River of Art Festival
- 4-5 Oct Wanderer Festival Pambula
- 22-26 Oct 2025 Sea Otter Australia MTB Event
- 31 Oct 2 Nov -Narooma Boats Afloat Festival
- 14-16 Nov Crank it Up Batemans Bay
- 22 Nov Giiyong Festival
- 27 Feb 1 Mar 2026 Cobargo Folk Festival
- 7 15 March 2026 Sculpture Bermagui
- 13 March 2027 NSW State Election
- May June 2026 Sculpture for Clyde

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

Tuross Community Markets

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

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.

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.

Eurobodalla Health and Community Expo 2025 Saturday, November 22, 2025 Batemans Bay Soldiers Club Auditorium, 10AM – 2PM Contact Brad Rossiter OAM at eurobodallaexpo@gmail.com or

phone 0458 534 470.
Register here: Click the URL, copy and paste into your browser, https://forms.office.com/r/Ouctmc9Mxk

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE is hereby given that at the Annual General Meeting of SAGE NSW Incorporated is to be held at: SAGE Garden at 110 Queen St Moruya NSW 2537 on Saturday 13 September 2025 at 11am.

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).



South Coast & Country Community Law

(formerly Shoalcoast Community Legal Centre,) is coming to Moruya to provide in person legal appointments for clients. Where: Moruya Library, Vulcan Street

Where: Moruya Library, Vulcan Street

When: Thursday 28th August 2025 10am to 2pm

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

make an appointment.

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SEPTEMBER 2025 Tuesday 16th September



OCTOBER 2025 Friday 3rd October - SCB Distributors Legend Of The South



Moruya District Hospital Auxiliary

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



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Buy Me A Coffee





SHASA's

Moruya Food Run delivers a bag of meat and veggies to families every Monday. SHASA are currently accepting referrals from welfare agencies for new clients.





For more information email SHASA at contact.shasa@gmail.com

DONATIONS OF FOOD ARE ALWAYS WELCOME

2025 Hard Waste Collection dates

- 1 September Denhams Beach (from Burkes) Way), Sunshine Bay, Batehaven
- 8 September Catalina, Silverdell PI through to Batemans Bay (including Crosby Dr and Glenella Rd)
- 15 September North Batemans Bay (including) Peninsula Dr, Nelligen, Surfside, Bay Ridge, Clyde Rd, Cors Pde)
- 22 September Long Beach, Maloneys Beach, South Durras

Find more details about what will and won't be collected and check pick-up location dates on Council's hard waste collection webpage.





Guest Speakers

SAGE Farmers Market Tuesday 3pm Moruya

Light Lunch

sagefarmersmarket.org.au growing the community

HOME AUTOMATION WORKSHOP

Join Nick Buckmaster on Saturday 06 September to learn how to automate your home and control your smart devices from a locally hosted server!

Get the most out of your home, office, campervan or even boat. The workshop will introduce you to the key concepts of home automation using "Home Assistant". \$50 per person or \$45 for valid concession card holders or RfR members.

9.30am - 1.30pm at the RfR Solar Reuse Centre. Morning tea on the house!

Email <u>rfreurobodalla@gmail.com</u> to get in touch with Nick for more information.

Want to exhibit your work?

Repurposing for Resilience Eurobodalla Inc is seeking expressions of interest from artists for exhibitions in Container One, our purpose-built gallery celebrating art made from waste.

We are looking for innovative works created from at least 80% reclaimed materials, available for sale during the exhibition period. Both solo exhibitions and group exhibitions are available.

Submissions should include a brief bio or CV, images of your work, and preferred dates.

RfR retains a 20% commission on sales to support our reuse initiatives.

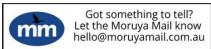
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When Tuesday 9th September 2025 9.30 am -12 noon

Where Malua Bay Community Hall

George Bass Drive, Malua Bay

\$5.00 entry

(Please note: there are no eftpos facilities - cash only please)

Come along and join in the fun!

Yummy Morning Tea, Trading Table, Quilt Display, Show and Tell, Lucky Door Prize, Raffle Quilt







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

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

Each course runs for 1 day.

Cars and instructors provided. Fee \$80.

Teensafe is a community group operating for over 35 years supported by IMB Bank. For details, pics and rego forms go to

www.teensafemoruya.org

or email garys.home@bigpond.com

Tackle World Moruya Fishing report

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Moruya River.

Looks like we might be starting to see the back of the rain, for this weekend. Lord knows we have had enough! With all the rain we have had, the river isn't going to be in the cleanest state this weekend however.

The best chance of finding a flathead or bream this weekend, is going to be towards the front of the system, along the deeper holes in the system. I would be looking towards the Preddy's wharf area, on an incoming tide for the best chance at finding active fish. Expect to see the odd winter visitor of a salmon or two around this area, and the odd sleepy flathead or bream holding deep under the layer of fresh that will be in the system at the moment. Oily baits of mullet or tuna fillet will be the best option, along with slowly worked soft or metal vibe style lures. A bit of scent can also make a difference when the bite is tough.

Tuross River.

Coila lake should have a few nice black bream, that are post spawn, working the weed bed edges and drop offs this weekend. Soft plastics and vibe style lures, along with hard body lures will be the best option this weekend. The Tuross system itself will be facing the same challenges as Moruya this weekend, so the lower reaches that hold some depth of water will be the best areas to start searching for a flathead, bream or mulloway. Winter in the estuaries is always a hard proposition, with cold water and sleepy fish, making finding fish a difficult activity.

As we move into late august and September however, the shallow back lake areas will start to wake up with early season flathead searching out water that is half a degree warmer than the deeper sections. The switched on angler will know this and start looking towards these areas coming into spring.

Brou lake, along with most of the local ICOLLS will be getting a post spawn rise in black bream activity this time of year. I managed a very healthy 40cm specimen only last weekend, and have had reports of some very solid XOS bream coming from the weed bed edges and flats areas in this system. We are blessed with many such bodies of water all along the coast, so get into them and start exploring.

Rock and beach.

Options here this weekend will be difficult this weekend, with 3-4m southerly swells forecast for Saturday afternoon onwards. But if you manage to find a sheltered spot, there will be good numbers of drummer and salmon available to those looking to fish the stones. The beaches and breakwalls will also be an option,particularly once that swells turns southerly. Good luck.

Offshore.

Snapper have been readily available to those who have got out for an offshore session. The seas this weekend are not looking the best for those wanting to get out however. Please check the conditions forecast and the actual sea state before heading out.

The bait freezer had a restock this week, and the shop is looking full and ready for your visit. We still have a couple of \$5 gift bags if you are looking an inexpensive Father's Day gift idea.

We are clearing out our range of Kings draw systems, with the 900mm single and double draws still available at cost price, if you are in the market for a compact draw system for the back of your vehicle, then come in and check out what we have.

We would like to welcome Noah to the team, he has started with us, and you will start to see him on the weekends as we move into the busier times of the year.

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

Team Tackle World Moruya.



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2025



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Tuross Head Golf



Winning Team: Leonie Snodgrass, Marie Muriwai, Maree Coffey and Pam Alexander

Tuross Head Ladies Golf Results -Tuesday 26th August 2025

A field of 16 ladies signed up for a 4 Person Ambrose event today. The event was sponsored by Jenny Reilly. The brave ladies headed out in the changeable weather conditions and onto the soggy course and some fantastic scores were achieved. The Winning Teams were: 1st: Pam Alexander, Maree Coffey, Leonie Snodgrass and Marie Muriwai with 64.5 nett

2nd: Jane Eglitis, Pauline Nash, Dorothy Madden and Marilyn Bingham with 64.625 nett Hole Prize:

7th Jane Eglitis Golden Shot B Nearest to the Pin:

Leonie Snodgrass 15th Marilyn Bingham

Moruya Ladies Golf



Colette Blacklock

With overnight rain, once again making the conditions difficult, the Moruya lady golfers ventured out to play a Stroke round on Wednesday 20th August. Colette Blacklock was the eventual winner with a round of 73nett. Balls went to Margaret Douglas, Christine Quick, Robyn Hawkins, Jan Lumsden and Lyn Gibbs.'

Tomakin Twist Tops



President Peter Edwards welcomed 24 Twisties before letting us know that Dick Morley will be retiring from committee. Dick was also on previous committee and was warmly thanked by everyone for the great job he has done in this position. Peter presented the Weekly Award to Bob the Builder who put Lozza's bowl in with his own bowls last week! Robbo announced that Spike is now home from Hospital and doing well. Don't forget our Charity Fund-raiser, cans and bottles collected each week by Breadroll.

Winners with Least Winning Ends. Lois "Lane" and Smoothie (photo) Runners-up, Clark "Kent & Whizza. Smoothie selected Rink 2 to try for Jackpot . Kaz cut cards but no luck finding Joker just 2 of Spades. The High/Low Scores competition was not won so will Jackpot to next week, President Pedro closest. Lucky numbers, 12 Scottie, 7 Doc. Winning teams, Sandy &Chanty 19/10. Ruthless & Robbo 18/11. Bob the Builder & Foxy 16/15 Doc & Moby 17/11. Pattycake & McGooley 22/11. Trish the Dish & Witto 24/8.

Club Malua Stingrays Women's Bowls

Robyn Butcher welcomed everyone on a lovely warm sunny day. After an Umpire's meeting it was announced that proper bowls shoes must be worn especially with Pennant season coming up. Raija, Peter and family are in our thoughts after the recent passing of daughter Soraya. Cards were called by Pat Bill, all teams bowling in Pennant format as teams will soon be chosen for this season. Winners Rink 10, 'Tricia Wheeler, Anna Stewart, Yvonne Huddleston and Sue Beavan. (Photo) Runners-up Rink 9, Gai Gibson,

Noleen Taylor, Lyn Hardy and Margaret Bridges.

Money Club, 48 Nancy White, 31 Joan Rimmer.

Great to have Jan Shalders back on the Green after her time up north. Happy Birthday to Raels hope you are having a fabulous day.



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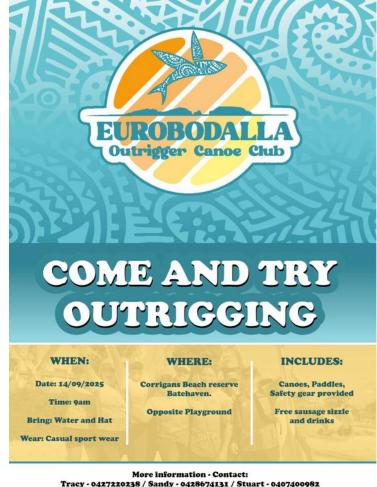
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