



PHOTO OF THE WEEK: The Moruya CWA Tearoom was just one venue of many to Wear Purple last week for the Campaign of 16 Days of Activism, dedicated in raising awareness about the scourge of domestic and family violence.

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Former community centre for lease, EOIs sought

Eurobodalla Council is seeking expressions of interest from organisations interested in leasing the former Batemans Bay Community Centre, 3-5 Museum Place, Batemans Bay.

The facility includes a range of rooms – small and large – and toilets, kitchenette and outdoor space. Expressions should include detailed information on expected community benefits from the lease and how its proposed use can generate economic activity.

The full assessment criteria can be found on the [tenders and eoi page on Council's website](#), with the expressions of interest period extended and now closing at 4pm on Thursday 18 December 2025.

Closing: Thursday 18 December 2025, 4.00pm
Reference: EOI 2526-019

Council is seeking expressions of interest (EOI) from organisations interested in obtaining a lease of the former Batemans Bay Community Centre, 3-5 Museum Place, Batemans Bay NSW 2536.

The premises are an area of approximately 620 sqm and contain a range of small and larger rooms, offices as well as toilets, a kitchenette and outdoor space. Also includes open plan hall with operable wall (division of internal space into two separate areas).

Have Your Say on the new Disability Inclusion Action Plan

Eurobodalla Council is inviting residents, businesses, and service providers to have their say on the development of the new Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2026–2029, a key document shaping a more accessible and inclusive future for the shire.

The DIAP is Council's commitment to ensuring every ability is celebrated, every voice is heard, and everyone belongs in our community. It builds on the success of the previous iteration and aligns with the NSW Disability Inclusion Act 2014 by identifying and outlining actions to remove barriers to participation for people with disability. Director of community arts & recreation Kathy Arthur said the DIAP is our roadmap to creating equal opportunities for all residents. "It focuses on tangible actions to help people living with disability fully participate in community life, access services, and find meaningful employment in Eurobodalla."

The DIAP 2026–2029 is underpinned by four key pillars that drive meaningful inclusion across the community:

- Attitudes and Behaviours: Challenging societal attitudes, prejudices, and behaviours to foster an inclusive, welcoming environment.
- Liveable Communities: Ensuring communities are accessible, safe, and adaptable, promoting inclusion in both physical spaces and services.
- Employment: Enhancing opportunities for meaningful employment, fostering inclusive workplaces, and reducing barriers for people with disability in the workforce.

•Systems and Processes: Streamlining processes, systems, and service delivery to ensure accessibility, efficiency, and responsiveness. Consultation on the new DIAP began with the Disability Inclusion Advisory Committee in October 2025, ensuring community engagement and the Plan itself are informed by people with lived experience of disability.

Community consultation is now open and concludes on 15 December 2025. You can provide feedback and contribute to the new Plan by:

- completing the [online survey](#) or picking up a printed version from Eurobodalla libraries, leisure centres, the ESC Customer Service Centre, or the Botanical Gardens Garden Shop.
- attending our ['Speak up for disability inclusion - drop in session'](#) at the Eurobodalla Health and Community Expo on Saturday 22 November, 10am – 2pm.

- attending our ['Speak up for disability inclusion - online event'](#) on Thursday 4 December, 6.30 – 8pm.

- emailing your feedback to diapconsultation@esc.nsw.gov.au, completing Council's generic [online feedback form](#), or writing to: The General Manager, PO Box 99, Moruya NSW 2537.

After the public consultation closes, Council will review all input and share a draft plan for final community feedback in early 2026 before its scheduled adoption by mid-2026.

To learn more about the project, you can visit the [DIAP project page](#) on our website or contact Council on 4474 1270.

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Concerns over proposed closure and sale of Coopers Island Road



Photo of the Causeway from Allhomes in 2017

A Eurobodalla Council proposal to close and sell a public road reserve known as Coopers Island Road, Bodalla, has raised concerned from the community.

Council is proposing to close and sell Coopers Island Road at Trunketabella, following a Crown Lands survey confirming there is no access to public land or water. Upon closure, Eurobodalla Shire Council proposes to negotiate the sale of the land. This proposal reverses a decision made in 2021 to keep the road open to the public.

Coopers Island Road had traditionally been used to access the waterway of Bowns Creek for fishing, kayaking and prawning.

In 2017 the property at Coopers Island changed hands and in 2019 a gate was constructed by the landowner at the entrance from the Princes Highway.

In 2021 a dozen concerned residents (some representing larger groups) presented to council on the closure of the road by a gate, installed in 2019.

In June 2021 a report to Council said:

"Coopers Island Road was converted to a public road in the 1930s and is currently a public road. The road is used by the owners to access their property and has been used by the public to access the Tuross Lake system for recreational fishing. Recreational fishers park near the causeway to fish from the causeway, bank and bridge and to launch kayaks into the waterway. This provides access to a long arm of the Tuross Lake system.

The Department of Primary Industries (Fisheries) has designated the Tuross River and estuary (Lake) as a Recreational Fishing Haven (RFH). The waterway adjacent to Coopers Island Road is part of this designated RFH. RFH, areas largely free of commercial fishing, were created along the NSW coast to provide better angling opportunities for recreational fishers. Money raised from the NSW Recreational Fishing Fee enabled a \$20 million buyout to create the areas. These havens also promote tourism and create employment in the local area. Public access to Crown Waterways over Council owned or Crown Roads

Representation has been received from the Office of the NSW Crown Land Commissioner on 31 May 2021 regarding public access to Crown Waterways over Council owned or Crown Roads which states: 'Please be advised that the Commissioner is of the view that, as a matter of principle, it is of the utmost importance to retain public access to Crown Waterways over Council owned or Crown Roads, and that those roads should not be privatised to exclude that public access'."

Also that "The rural zoning of the farmland does not preclude fishers or other members of the public accessing Bowns Creek via Coopers Island Road."

"The landowner, the fishers and the public alike, must obey the relevant road rules made under the Roads Act and any signs or notices that may be erected by Council with respect to the use of the road.

"These rules make it clear that the users of public roads must behave in a way that accommodates the rights of all other users of the road, subject to any specific requirement to the contrary in the legislation. Hence, the landowner must accommodate the fishers' right to use the road to gain access to, and to stop and fish on or near, the crossing, and, similarly, the fishers and the public must accommodate the landowner's right to pass along the road, move machinery along the road and drive stock along the road.

The public road currently consists of the causeway and the bridge and the road reserves. Maintenance of the road and the bridge over Bowns Creek by Council is approximately \$4000 to \$6000 annually. If the road reserve is sold, maintenance and replacement costs will be borne by the owners. The replacement value of the assets are \$389,000.

A MOTION was carried (Crs Pollock/Mayne) THAT Council:

1. Does not close or sell Coopers Island Road to the property owner of Lot 2 DP 12290 as noted in the confidential attachment.
2. Allocates up to \$40,000 from the 2020-21 budget to realign the road back onto the road reserve and other associated works to improve safety and the operational management of the property to ensure minimising conflict between livestock and road users.

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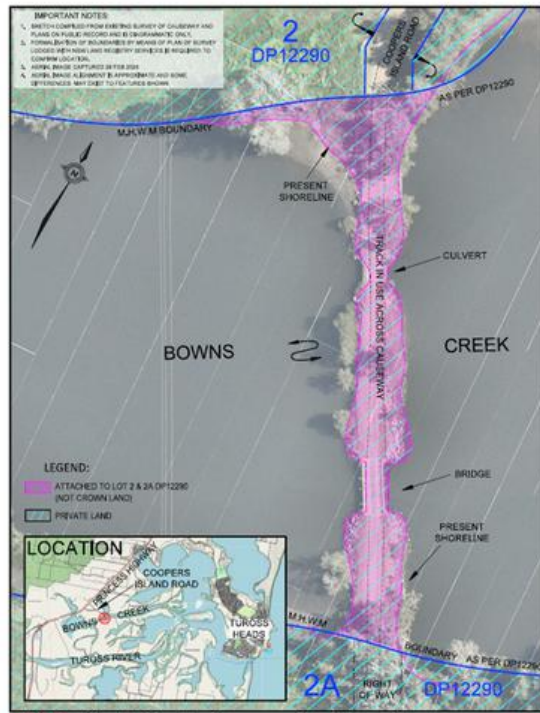


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Concerns over proposed closure and sale of Coopers Island Rd



NSW Crown Land Sketch of the Coopers Island Causeway.

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On 10th November 2025 Council advised “a detailed Crown Solicitors’ investigation has revealed the causeway and adjoining land are privately owned.

Council’s director of finance and corporate services Stephanie Speedy says it makes sense to close the road and transfer ownership to the adjoining property owner.

“Without access to public land and water, there is no community benefit to keeping and maintaining Coopers Island Road,” Ms Speedy says.

After multiple requests from the public, Crown Lands released a map and explanation for their new advice, that the causeway is not Crown Land.

A spokesperson for Crown Lands in the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure said :

• Coopers Island Road is a public council road managed by Eurobodalla Shire Council.

• Crown Lands completed a detailed historical status investigation to establish ownership of the Coopers Island causeway which determined the causeway was not Crown land.

On background

• Crown Lands has advised Council that:

• The causeway is constructed on land forming the bed and banks of Bowns Creek, which separates Lot 2 from Lot 2A DP12290.

• The causeway is categorised as a fixture and is owned by the owner of the land to which it is affixed, being Lots 2 and 2A.

• A survey commissioned by Crown Lands confirmed there is no public access to the causeway or Bowns Creek from the Council managed public road Coopers Island Road.

• For fishers, there is fishing access and facilities around the area of Turross Bridge including a public boat ramp offering access into the river.

• A sketch showing indicative ownership of the Coopers Island Road and causeway site is below: See at left.

Yesterday Crown Lands wrote to a resident saying: “Due to significant public safety concerns at Coopers Island causeway (and bridge), the Department undertook a detailed historical status investigation into ownership of the causeway.”

Council will accept written submissions regarding this proposal until 12 December 2025 at 4pm. Any person is entitled to make submissions to Council with respect to the proposed road closure.

There will be a Public Access forum at Council on Tuesday 9th December and the last Monthly meeting for the year on Tuesday 16th December

Submissions Batemans Bay Masterplan to be released

Council is proposing to put all submissions regarding the Batemans Bay Masterplan on our website. This follows requests from community members to see all the feedback provided to Council about the Masterplan. All personal information (name, contact details and any identifying information) will be redacted to protect your privacy. Councillors have already received a copy of your submission under confidential conditions.

If you have any objection to your submission being put on Council’s website, please contact Council by replying to this email by Wednesday 10 December 2025.

Submissions will be available from Friday 12 December - [Batemans Bay Masterplan: shaping a vibrant future | Eurobodalla Council](#)

Free Mobile Vet Clinic comes to Moruya

The AWL NSW Animal Care Truck has been touring regional NSW for nearly three years thanks to support from the NSW Government. The Animal Welfare League NSW are parking their state-of-the-art mobile vet clinic in Moruya this Friday offering free pet vaccinations, health checks and microchipping to local pet owners. Environmental health & regulatory services coordinator Noel Fuller is inviting the community to come along, save money and keep their cats and dogs healthy.

“Rangers are called to collect hundreds of lost and wandering animals every year,” Mr Fuller said. “When a pet is microchipped, we’re able to identify the owner and return their animal quickly and safely.”

In NSW, it’s mandatory to have your pet microchipped by the time they reach 12 weeks of age, with the cost of the procedure ranging between \$60 to \$90.

Mr. Fuller also encouraged local pet owners to take advantage of discount desexing vouchers which will be available on the day.

“Desexing can cost around \$500, depending on the size of the dog. To help with the cost, come and meet the AWL volunteers who’ll be giving out desexing vouchers.”

The AWL NSW Animal Care Truck will be at Gundry Oval, Moruya, on Friday 5 December, from 8am to 11am.

Eurobodalla Preparedness Guide

Delivery Week Success! Pick up an extra copy at Eurobodalla Shire Council or The Repair Cafe - Red Door, Page St Moruya - Fridays 9.30am-12.30pm



Southern Phone penalised \$2.5M for anti-scam breaches

Southern Phone Company Limited has paid a \$2,500,560 penalty for breaching anti-scam laws following an Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA) crackdown on mobile number fraud.

The **ACMA investigation** found Southern Phone breached the rules on 168 occasions over an 8-month period between July 2024 and February 2025, when scammers were able to manipulate the telco's systems to bypass required identity verification processes.

Scammers were able to gain control of consumers' mobile number services and access their bank accounts, with 20 consumers reporting combined losses of at least \$393,000. Authority Member Samantha Yorke said Southern Phone had exposed people to serious financial harm and stress over a long period.

"Many individuals suffered substantial financial losses, and we know that identity fraud can cause lasting emotional distress," Ms Yorke said.

"The vulnerabilities in Southern Phone's systems went undetected for over a year and should have been identified and addressed much earlier to prevent consumers experiencing this harm.

"The penalty paid in this case is the highest imposed by the ACMA for breaches of this kind and reflects the seriousness and scale of Southern Phone's failures."

In addition to the financial penalty, the ACMA has accepted a 36-month court-enforceable undertaking from the business that requires an independent review of its processes, regular security tests of its systems and reporting to the ACMA.

Disrupting mobile number fraud is a current ACMA **compliance priority**. The ACMA is actively monitoring compliance with fraud prevention obligations and will take strong enforcement action if non-compliance is found. Telcos have paid over \$4.6M in penalties under the current crackdown.

"This is the third enforcement action we have taken this year that has involved scammers exploiting a vulnerability in a telco's number porting processes. Telcos need to acknowledge that this is an established technique being used by scammers and harden their defences," Ms Yorke said.

The Telecommunications (Mobile Number Pre-Porting Additional Identity Verification) Industry Standard 2020 sets out rules requiring telcos to verify the identity of people wanting to transfer their numbers to a new provider before a transfer is completed.

Consumers should contact their telco and financial institution immediately if they think they have been a victim of a phone scam. It also helps other Australians by **reporting scams to Scamwatch**.

IDCARE can help people whose identity has been compromised or stolen on 1800 595 160 or at <https://www.idcare.org/>. Support is also available from **Lifeline** (13 11 14) or **Beyond Blue** (1300 224 636).

Salvos Open New Store in Batemans Bay



Welcoming Salvos Batemans Bay (NSW)!

By John Longhurst

The Salvation Army (Salvos) have opened their new store in Batemans Bay.

Long term volunteers officiated at the opening and a sizeable crowd was in attendance.

The new store is located at 34E Orient Street across the road from Dan Murphy's.

The store has three paid employees and over 25 volunteers to meet customer needs.

Bradley Hall is the Manager and has an extensive career in retail with stints at Bunnings and Woolworths.

Brad said "With the closure of stores such as 'Rivers' in Batemans Bay we hope to fill a gap and will specialise in quality fashion, bric-a-brac and manchester. Our new store is centrally located and close to the business district of Batemans Bay.

There is an abundance of parking and with our experienced volunteer workforce, service is prompt and helpful."

The store has a spacious layout.

Brad said "We have deliberately not crowded the store with merchandise. People can move freely and the entrance and aisles are wheelchair accessible. This store is bigger than our old one and we are providing quality second hand items as well as some new stock."

All profits from the store are funnelled back into the community by way of the Salvation Army Church run programs.

Brad said "The Church runs a number of social programs including the weekly Wednesday community kitchen providing meals for those in need. There are a range of other services such as assistance with domestic violence and a referral centre for persons seeking assistance."

The Salvos are always looking for volunteers and people can contact the store directly at the new address.



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South Coast Winners in 2025 NSW Tourism Awards

- **Gold – Festivals & Events – Crank It Up Festival**
- **Gold – Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Tourism Experiences – Eden Local Aboriginal Land Council**
- **Gold – Caravan & Holiday Parks – Tathra Beach Eco Camp**
- **Silver – Festivals & Events – Narooma Oyster Festival**
- **Silver – New Tourism Business – Foxdog Distillery + Brewery**

Batemans Bay's beloved Crank It Up Festival has taken out the top honour at the 2025 NSW Tourism Awards, winning Gold for Best Festival and Event Under 50,000 People. The accolade marks a remarkable milestone for an event that began only four years ago with a simple goal: to bring the community together and help revitalise the region after the devastating 2019/20 bushfires and the challenges of Covid shutdowns. What started as a one-night retro music gathering has grown into a four-day celebration of all things vintage, nostalgic, and custom culture—set along the picturesque Batemans Bay foreshore. Today, Crank It Up attracts more than 8,500 attendees, with 82% travelling from outside the local area, delivering significant economic benefits to the Eurobodalla region.

Created and run by local couple Leisa and Chris Tague, the festival has become a fixture on the NSW events calendar.

"We had been to a few other similar festivals around Australia and could see the happiness in everyone who attended," said Festival Director Chris Tague. "But more importantly, we could see the huge benefit it brings to the local economy from all the visitors to the area."

For those unfamiliar, Crank It Up showcases the very best of 1950s culture with a modern twist:

- 14 bands across 6 stages
- Over 300 pre-1980 show cars including hot rods, classics, and customs
- Vintage-inspired market stalls
- Interactive kids' areas
- And dancing... lots and lots of dancing.

"It's primarily free for the community to come and enjoy," added Chris. "The event is designed for everyone—from young families to long-time rockers. We close Clyde Street and activate the entire foreshore to show off the best the Bay has to offer."

The Crank It Up team says the win came as a genuine surprise, given the high calibre of finalists. They were especially delighted to see the Narooma Oyster Festival take home Silver in the same category—another major win for the region.



"We are continually amazed at the feedback from people who attend our event," said Chris. "They go away as ambassadors—not just for Crank It Up, but for the entire Eurobodalla. Many of them are already planning their return." Although the festival wasn't intended to become Batemans Bay's signature event, Crank It Up has grown into a cultural cornerstone. For one long weekend each year, it transforms the town into a vibrant hub of music, colour, chrome, and community spirit—creating memories that last a lifetime.

Dr Michael Holland MP Member for Bega congratulated the award winners.

Dr Holland said "Crank It Up is a homegrown success story. What began as an idea to lift community spirits after the bushfires has become a dynamic and iconic event. A well-earned accolade at the 2025 NSW Tourism Awards. This award is a testament to the creativity, passion and sheer hard work of Leisa and Chris Tague and their dedicated volunteer team. They've created an event that brings joy to thousands and delivers real economic benefits for the Eurobodalla. It supports our mission to encourage visitors to stay longer and help smooth out the peaks and troughs of seasonal tourism.

I am equally thrilled to see the Narooma Oyster Festival awarded Silver in the same category — two South Coast events taking out the top honours speaks volumes about the strength, resilience and innovation of our region. Our community is incredibly proud. These festivals showcase the very best of who we are."

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Repurposing for Resilience Eurobodalla Inc. reports:

“What an inspiring project to be part of! The RfR team had the privilege of working alongside three talented Year 10 students from St Peter’s Anglican College, Broulee—Hugo, Sam and Ethan, in partnership with Eurobodalla Shire Council’s Sustainability team. Together, they designed, built and installed a small off-grid solar power system to illuminate the display lighting in the ANZAC Remembrance Garden at the School grounds.

From the first design sketches right through to the final installation, the boys were hands-on every step of the way, supported by our crew and the always-helpful Micro Energy Systems team who again volunteered their time and resources. The boys dedication, curiosity and teamwork turned a modest idea into something truly meaningful.

Although it’s a small system, its impact is powerful—honouring our ANZAC legacy with clean, renewable energy and showcasing what can happen when young people step up with passion and purpose.

Projects like this remind us how refreshing and inspiring community collaboration can be. A bright future indeed!”



Southern NSW Local Health District (SNSWLHD) invites Eurobodalla residents to attend an online community forum for an update on their local health services. REMINDER

Join us for updates on:

- the new \$330 million Eurobodalla Regional Hospital and \$20 million Batemans Bay Community Health facility
- Batemans Bay Medicare Urgent Care Clinic
- the growth of Hospital in the Home care
- NSW Ambulance – Preparation for Summer period

The community forum will be held online from 5.30pm to 6.30pm on Thursday 4 December. Panel members will provide Eurobodalla health service updates and answer questions submitted by the community in advance.

Everyone is welcome to attend by registering your attendance [here](#). Community members are encouraged to send questions in before the meeting via the email link below.

Event details:

Eurobodalla health services update
Where: Anyone wishing to attend should register to receive a [Microsoft Teams meeting link](#):

When: 5.30pm to 6.30pm, Thursday 4 December

Register: <https://bit.ly/47Tihbr>

Questions should be submitted by 5.00pm Tuesday 2 December by emailing SNWLHD-YourFeedback@health.nsw.gov.au

For more information on the Eurobodalla Hospital project visit: nsw.gov.au/new-eurobodalla-regional-hospital.

For more information on the Batemans Bay Community Health project visit: nsw.gov.au/new-batemans-bay-community-health.




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Submit your questions by 5pm, Tuesday 2 December
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Moruya Rotary scholarship recipients



Moruya Rotary reports:
What a truly inspiring night at our Rotary Club of Moruya dinner meeting at Moruya Golf Club!
With 38 attendees, including six outstanding scholarship recipients, three from 2025 and three newly awarded for 2026, the room was absolutely buzzing with energy and optimism. We were also delighted to welcome partners Judy, Bron, Jan and Fran.
Shirley shared wonderful feedback about the success of the Wear Purple campaign, noting the professionalism of Director Rhonnie and the powerful conversations that the campaign has sparked. Derek added to this by reflecting on the enthusiasm of stallholders at Moruya Market and the important discussions around domestic violence that unfolded.
Rhonnie proudly introduced our three new scholarship recipients: Jayda, (Nursing), Carla (Science/Veterinary Science) and Grace (Nursing), who each spoke with passion about their studies ahead.
Our returning scholars inspired us with stories from their first year at university.
Olivia (Primary Education) spoke warmly about new friendships, sport, study and balancing work in Moruya.
Abigail (Science, majoring in Molecular Biology) reflected on a hectic but rewarding year and thanked Rotary for helping her purchase the laptop that got her through many assignments.
Goldie (Arts/Heritage & Psychology) impressed us with distinctions across all subjects and her work as a Student Ambassador in Canberra.
A truly uplifting night celebrating education, community and the bright futures ahead!

World-leading NSW Pattern Book puts new mid-rise homes on the fast track

The Minns Labor Government has launch 9 new architect-designed mid-rise apartment building patterns as the next phase of the world leading NSW Housing Pattern Book, which is helping to accelerate the delivery of new homes across the state.

This follows over a decade of inaction to address the lack of housing in NSW under the former Government, which has resulted in Sydney losing twice as many young people as it's gaining according to a recent NSW Productivity Commission report.

The mid-rise apartment designs unveiled today range from 3 to 6 storeys and are in addition to the 8 low-rise home patterns released in July offering a broad suite of new housing options for growing communities. The 9 patterns include 4 designs for small lots, 3 designs for large lots and 2 designs for corner lots.

Designed by leading architectural firms from Australia and New Zealand, the new mid-rise patterns support housing needs at every stage of life.

The patterns will help enable the Minns Labor Government's Low and Mid-rise Housing Policy that is set to deliver 112,000 homes across New South Wales over the next five years, responding to growing demand for terraces, town houses and mid-rise apartment buildings in well-located areas.

The patterns are light-filled and cross-ventilated, maximise solar access and have been designed to Australian Building Codes Board Liveable Housing Design Standard

They have been designed to enable ease of construction, while also offering architect designs that are modern, adaptable, cost effective and energy-efficient.

The mid-rise patterns currently require a DA to be submitted to local councils, however the Government has reduced assessment requirements by providing guidance to councils that will allow them to halve the average DA assessment times for these patterns.

New planning laws just passed by the Parliament will enable an even faster and simpler planning pathway in the new year, with the mid-rise pattern book to be prioritised for access to the Government's newly created targeted assessment pathway.

The patterns will be available at a subsidised introductory price of \$1500 for small lot and corner lot designs and \$2500 for large lot designs for the first 6 months, which is only one per cent of the typical costs for architect designs.

This is all part of the Minns Government's plan to build a better and fairer NSW with more homes and services, so young people, families and downsizers have somewhere to live in the communities they choose.

For more information or to purchase a pattern visit www.planning.nsw.gov.au/government-architect-nsw/housing-design/nsw-housing-pattern-book

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Batemans Bay Rotary Club Pride of Workmanship Awards



Alan Russell

By John Longhurst

Over fifty Rotarians, representatives of local business and invited guests celebrated the 'Batemans Bay Rotary Pride of Workmanship Awards' at a dinner at the Batemans Bay Soldiers Club last Wednesday evening.

Alan Russell who has been the Youth and Vocational Director for Batemans Bay Rotary Club for over six years organised the evening.

Alan said "The evening is all about recognising achievement in the employment sector, shining a light on some outstanding employees and highlighting the contribution of business owners. Award winners have been nominated by members of the community and it is our pleasure to recognise their achievements at work consistent with the motto 'Do it once - do it well'.

Alan's opening comments were followed by an entertaining and informative presentation by President, Neil Simpson, touching on the history of Rotary as an international organisation, tracing its beginnings back to Chicago, USA, in 1905. It now has a membership of over 1.2 million across the world.

Neil said "Rotary has had a presence continuously in Batemans Bay since 1960 and we continue to support a range of community initiatives from running the Sunday Markets, assisting youth from all local schools and holding community events such as Australia Day in the Bay. We also support international projects in East Timor and in Africa. However, tonight is an opportunity to celebrate achievement in our local vocational sector."

Alan and Neil officiated at the awards ceremony.

Deb and Peter Reakes received a Pride in Workmanship award in the voluntary sector for providing outstanding service to the older members of the community who can no longer look after their gardens.

In the outstanding employee awards, Julie Ireland from Batehaven Newsagency was recognised for her efforts towards her customers and a willingness to care and listen. In a nod to old time service, customers often choose to wait to be served by Julie.

Connor Purdom at 26 years of age received his award for his service at BCF Batemans Bay. Conor delights in combining his own extensive knowledge and passion for fishing with his communication skills to meet customers' needs.

Marianne Melrose has been an employee of Go Vita for nearly 30 years. Her dedication, leadership and professionalism has resulted in her promotion to Manager of the store. Her award recognises her dedicated service over many decades.

Jag Singh has very quickly made a name for himself as an outstanding young mechanic at Ultra Tune, Batemans Bay. His attitude and willingness to help others has earned him the respect of fellow employees and his employer.



Marianne Melrose and Neil Simpson

Robyn Brown is another long term employee, clocking up 28 years of service at Batehaven Pharmacy. Robyn has excelled in her role that demands patience, empathy, creative thinking, problem solving and commitment.

Dean Belcher, owner/operator of S.M.S. Service Centre received an award for the entire SMS staff in recognition of outstanding service to the community and all delivered in a polite, friendly and helpful manner.

New cafe owners, Kylie and Mark Smith were awarded for their exceptional dedication, warmth and service at their new venture, 'The Little Wren Cafe' in Batemans Bay.

Marianne Melrose from 'Go Vita' best summed up the feelings of the recipients. Marianne said "A big thank you to Rotary Batemans Bay for organising an evening where Pride in Workmanship is recognised and celebrated. It is fantastic to be reassured that the services we are delivering across various industries are valued by our community. The motto 'Do it once - do it well' unites us all."

Farmers back historic Right to Repair reform

Farmers have thrown their support behind the Federal Albanese Labor Government's decision to extend Right to Repair reforms to agricultural machinery, a practical change that will deliver fairness, competition and productivity gains across the farm sector. For too long, farmers have faced costly delays because critical repair information was locked away by manufacturers. When a tractor breaks down in the middle of harvest, every hour counts. This reform means farmers will have real choice about who repairs their machinery, and independent repairers will have the information they need to compete.

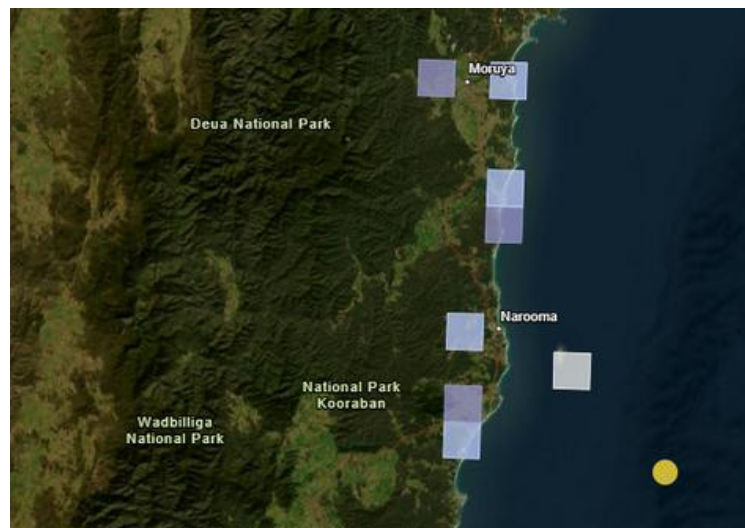
The Productivity Commission estimates that extending Right to Repair to agriculture could lift annual GDP by \$97 million through increased grain outputs alone, simply by reducing downtime during harvest.

This is on top of new figures released this week showing the agriculture industry is on track to reach a record value of almost \$100 billion this financial year under the Albanese Labor Government. Farmers have welcomed the announcement.

National Farmers' Federation President Hamish McIntyre said the reform will deliver "less downtime, lower costs, and more control over their own businesses." GrainGrowers CEO Shona Gowel called the commitment "landmark," while Victorian Farmers' Federation President Brett Hosking described it as "game-changing." NSW Farmers President Xavier Martin said the reform will allow farmers to support qualified local repairers, reducing costs and wait times. Treasury, working with the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, will engage farmers, manufacturers and repairers on expanding Australia's existing Right to Repair framework to agricultural machinery. This collaborative approach mirrors the success of the Motor Vehicle Service and Repair Information Sharing Scheme, which has already boosted productivity for independent mechanics by up to 40 per cent.

Right to Repair is about more than fixing machines. It's about fairness, resilience and sustainability. It reduces waste, keeps valuable equipment in use and strengthens local skills. Every harvest saved from delay, every dollar kept in a regional town, adds up to a stronger economy.

Magnitude 3.5 earthquake strikes near Narooma



On Saturday, Nov 29, 2025 an earthquake of magnitude 3.5 occurred southeast of Narooma.

The quake hit at a shallow depth of 10km at 5:07 pm local time. On social media there were multiple reports of feeling the quake. The above diagram shows where reports were reported to Geoscience Australia.

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A Beer with Bazz #218

With
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Mick gave the table attendant a generous wink as he unloaded the dishes from the Yum Cha trolley.

Before transferring the first of the bamboo steamers onto the Lazy Susan, Mick lifted the lid.

"Ahh ... first up we have Siu Mai. It is a traditional Chinese dumpling meat made of ground pork. In Cantonese cuisine, it is usually served as a dim sum snack. I suggest you serve it with additional soy sauce."

Mick's invited guests' eyes widened and jaws dropped as he opened the second steamer.

"By the way, these bamboo steamers are called zhēnglóng in Mandarin. Now, this second serving is called Har Gow. It is savoury steamed prawns dumplings flavoured with oyster sauce, ginger, pepper, salt, sesame oil and finely chopped water chestnuts. Bouncy to chew but an absolute pleasure to taste."

Mick offered similar explanations for the char siu bao, wu kok, xiao long bao and an in depth explanation and history of chicken feet as a yum cha speciality.

He moved comfortably between Mandarin and English as per the menu, to the delight of the wait staff, pausing only for a 'ganbei', as he polished off his Chinese tea.

The Lazy Susan was flat out keeping up with demand and was a whirl between servings.

Mick finally tapped his tea cup for attention.

"Ok ... now the reason I invited you for lunch at my favourite Chinese restaurant is to talk about immigration and an Aussie values test."

Mick held some Siu Mai in his chopsticks and paused.

"If we do not do something about immigration ... well ... Aussie values will be in free fall ... and we will be adopting foreign customs before you know it. What hope has our next generation of Aussies ... if we do not take a stand?"

He air punched the Siu Mai to emphasise his point before consuming it to audible delight.

There were 'Hear hears all round' as the Yum Cha guests continued to feast.

Mick's mouth was half full but he tapped his teacup with a chopstick for silence.

"Ok I have been asked by the leadership."

He exaggerated a wink.

"To come up with some ideas to cut immigration. Now, we want a policy that deals with immigration but keeps it off the front page of the 'Daily Telegraph' ... so to speak. I've invited along Biffo here from 'Aussie Oi Inc. Consulting' to lead the discussion."

Biffo was resplendent in a tight blue singlet that struggled to cover his stomach. He had a tattoo of the Australian Flag all the way across his forehead and one of a boxing kangaroo pummelling the back of his shiny head.

He nodded G'days as he munched on chicken feet.

Young Simon hand shot up and Biffo gave him the nod. "Forget about this Aussie values test, Biffo ... Let's go with shark attacks."

Chopsticks and bowls clattered on the table ... laser stares on Simon.

"Now ... just hang on hear me out. I reckon anyone who survives a shark attack deserves automatic citizenship ... no questions asked. It works on a number of levels. How can the Murdoch Press deny entry to a migrant who has taken on a shark and survived ... 'HERO' on the front page and then denied citizenship on page 4 ... I don't think so!"

A long pause as Biffo rubbed his chin and the Australian Flag on his forehead was contorted at impossible angles as he considered the idea.

"Not a bad idea. It will certainly cut the numbers but I reckon we have to include crocodile attacks as well. However, we have to be mindful of discrimination though."

Raised eyebrows all round.

"No problem granting citizenship for great white and croc survivors ... but I reckon we scale it back a bit for people who have only wrestled a bull shark and as for someone getting a tickle up from a grey nurse ... well."

Simon was emphatic.

"That's where visas come into play. You link survival to the nature of the attack. You have a scale running from say ... funnel web spider bites all the way through to our top venomous snakes and then on to sharks. Obviously, a bite from the world's most toxic venomous snakes, the Inland Taipan, would secure the most sought after visa 189. And then all the way down to say ... an encounter with a red back spider, for a tourist visa 651 and so on."

There were various murmurs of agreement and then sighs as the Lazy Susan refused to spin.

Mick shook his head.

"Well ... hard to enjoy Yum Cha with a very Lazy Susan."

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



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Let's do coffee with ... Rachel McInnes

Newcastle, Alice Springs, Tenant Creek, South East Asia backpacking, London, Scotland, Bournemouth, New York, Canada all over, Alaska, Kambalda, Adelaide, Argentina, crisscross Australia ... and, now ... Potato Point. Rachel McInnes (RM) likes to travel ... a lot. The Moruya Mail (MM) had a coffee with Rachel in Narooma last week.

MM: It's Newcastle 1964. If Rachel McInnes was born a decade or so earlier, she surely would have been an 'Ask the Leyland Sister'* given your penchant for travel and adventure rivalled the famous brothers located in your home town. Take us back to the 1960's in Newcastle, Rachel.

RM: (Smiles ...) Thanks for the coffee ... well ... my dad was a civil draftsman working for the local gas company. He taught himself to draw up house plans and it was a skill he passed on to me. As per the times, mum was 'stay at home' and looked after myself and my younger sister. I do have fond memories of visiting my grandma's every Wednesday evening for dinner and as well as being a passionate gardener, she excelled at crafts, a skill I willingly acquired.

I went to Hillsborough Primary School and onto Cardiff High School. At 15 years and 9 months, I left school in Year 10. My mum would describe me as 'pigheaded' and only agreed I could leave school if I learned how to type. I duly complied and also took up employment with John Lewis & Partners' Department Store selling haberdashery.

By the age of 16 years I was secretary for the Store's management team, given my competency in typing ... thanks mum! I studied drafting at Tighes Hill Technical College at night for 2 years to become a tracer*. At the ripe old age of 18 years I set up my own business as a contractor, skilled in tracing ... thanks dad! In that same year, I had a disagreement with my then boyfriend, saw an advertisement for a 3 months contract as a tracer in Alice Springs, packed my swag and headed to 'Alice'.

It is now 1983, and I am working on a mine site, 600 kms northwest of Alice Springs. I was hired as a draftsman and the money was great. There were 120 people on site, only 5 women and we were accommodated in dongas. We flew back to Alice Springs for weekends.

By 1st January 1988, I was on a plane to Southeast Asia along with every other young person following the 'Lonely Planet' bible all the way to London and even purchased the compulsory Volkswagen Kombi (with obligatory breakdowns) to end up in Scotland. Following that adventure, I took a job as a draftsman working in an architect's office in Bournemouth, 150 kms southwest of London. Now ... my mother observed I use my hands a lot when I speak ... so I also studied 'sign language' at night ... thanks again, mum!

It is now 1990 and I head to the USA by myself to backpack the east coast. Of course, I was in and out of love numerous times, but we won't go into that.

I loved the idea of just backpacking, living simply and soaking up experiences and enjoying new friends. I would write home once a week, squeezing my adventures into tiny paragraphs inside flimsy blue aerograms.

A friend from England met up with me in New York and we headed to Canada and hitch hiked the east and west coasts and then up to Alaska. In hindsight, all so risky ... 2 girls on the road ... but fortunately, we only had one bad experience which we managed to talk our way out of trouble. We were literally travelling on a shoestring and stayed at youth hostels. Instead of paying for accommodation we would volunteer our labour. It was lots of fun. We ended up in Vancouver. My friend went back to England and I secured a job as a draftsman in an architect's office.

1992 rolls around and my sister sorts a job for me at a mine site in Tenant Creek, so I head back to Australia.

MM: If adventure is measured in years, my calculations are you are about 102 years old. It must be time to settle down?

RM: (Laughs ...) Not really ... kind of ... sort of. Anyhow, to Tenant Creek. It was a very social town and buzzing on weekends. I also had a stall at the weekend markets selling my craft ware ... sewing, cards, nicnacs and the like ... thanks grandma!

At the end of 1993 a friend of a neighbour invited me to a party. The friend forewarned me that one of the invited guests, from Alice Springs, was somewhat of a 'charmer' and to be careful.

Six days later, this 24 year old geophysicist charmer proposed and three months later we are married, with all of Tenant Creek attending the wedding. My mum thought I was being my impetuous self up until she met him, and changed her mind rather quickly.

By 1994, I am off to Perth and end up in Kambalda, 60 kms from Kalgoorlie in Western Australia to run the drafting team at a mine.

By 1996 with my husband, David, working as a geophysicist, we are united in Adelaide and buy a home. We soak up the lifestyle with all the delights the Barossa has to offer.

Our line of work allows for a great deal of flexibility in terms of location. From Adelaide there was contract work based in Malaysia, Argentina and all round Australia. We have a business doing contract digital mapping and he does the geophysics and apart from occasional travel obligations, it can all be done remotely.



Jump to 2005 and my aunty invited us to Potato Point for Christmas. It is about a 15 hour drive from Adelaide so we arrived late on the second night. Of course, the house is full of family and we set up our swags in the backyard.

I woke up early and after a walk on the beach, my impetuous self said to David, "We are moving here!"

We found a house in Potato Point and moved here in 2006. 19 years later and we do not regret a moment.

David is doing what he could do from Adelaide with fast speed internet.

I am now heavily involved with Wildlife Information, Rescue and Education Service (WIRES) and am happy to perform rescues 24 hours per day. In fact, I sleep with an earpiece for call-outs.

I also joined the Rural Fire Service (RFS) and am now the Senior Deputy Captain of the Potato Point RFS.

I guess I am your go-to person for WIRES and FIRES!

I also enjoy jewellery making so ... thanks again grandma?

MM: What advice would you give a young Rachel McInnes?

RM: (Laughs ...) there is nothing wrong with being a little bit impetuous ... but seriously, life is easier, if you do the right thing and do not hurt others.

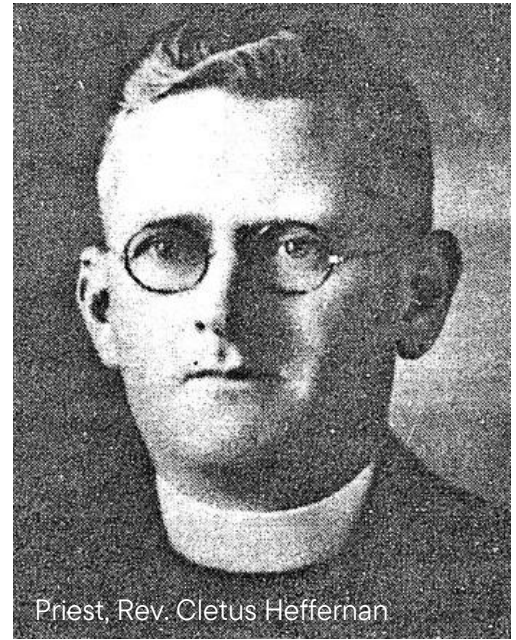
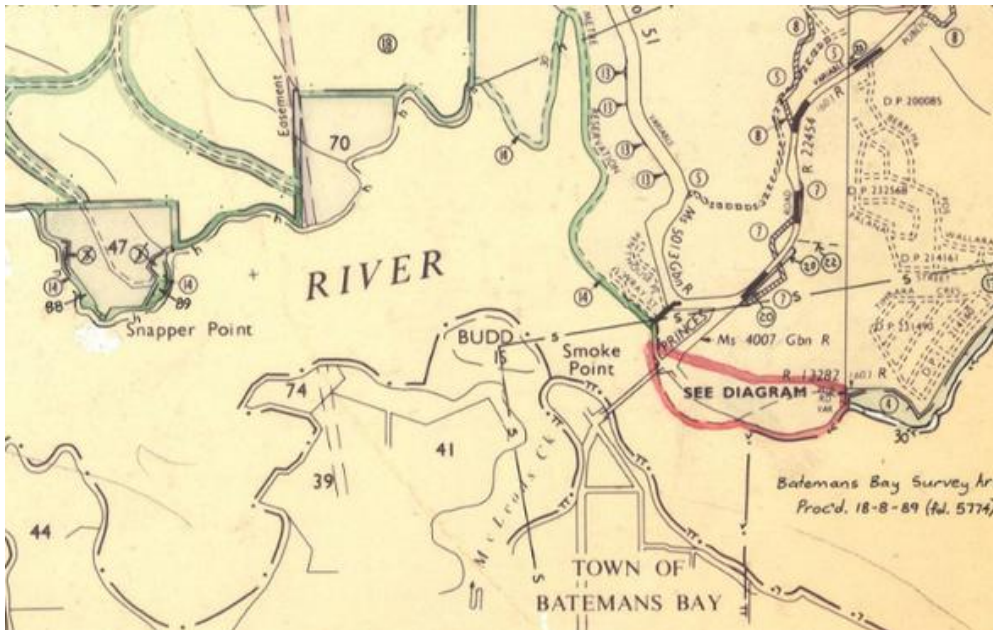
MM: It's been a great chat, Rachel. I am off for a nana nap after that yarn.

*https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leyland_brothers

** Tracing is a drafting technique where a drawing is copied by tracing over its lines on a transparent overlay, like tracing paper or a digital layer.

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

100 years ago from the Moruya Examiner



Priest, Rev. Cletus Heffernan

05-12-1925

For the month of November the Eurobodalla Shire Council will distribute £1,119 in wages alone. Sixty-six workmen will share in the distribution at an average of £16 19s 1d per man. Liberality of the newly constructed Main Roads Board in giving grants for repairs to flood damages, and maintenance of main roads, is chiefly responsible for the Shire Council to employ so many men on necessary works.

The Master, Mr. Lee, informs us that the dredge Ballina has not to go into dock, but is now doing excellent work in the channel near Mynora. [Moruya] The Crown Land sale of 40 acres of land at Schnapper Point, Bateman's Bay, was held on Wednesday last, the property being purchased by Mr. J. B. Farley, of Sydney.

Moruya's newly ordained Priest, Rev. Cletus Heffernan, will celebrate both Masses at the Sacred Heart Church tomorrow.

On Monday last **one of Nerrigundah's oldest inhabitants** passed away after a short illness, in the person of Daniel McVeity. Dan was the last of the McVeity brothers who came in the early days of the Gulph Diggings. They were well and favourably known throughout the district. Dan had complained of not feeling well, and on Friday his feet began to swell. He walked down to town on Saturday and went to church on Sunday. He then decided to consult the doctor in Moruya. After seeing the doctor he returned to O'Toole's home, where he was attended to by Nerrigundah's "Florence Nightingale," Mrs. O'Toole, until he passed peacefully away on Monday evening. The funeral was largely attended.

A sad burning fatality occurred at Mogo on Thursday, when an old age pensioner named Christie Yanner, aged 88, met his death. The District Coroner, Mr. R. J. Anderson, held an inquest. Several people were called to give statements. Neighbour Harold John Hawke deposed: Deceased was an invalid and I have frequently seen him smoking in bed. He was in the habit of reading whilst in bed by the light of a kerosene lamp set on a box close to the bed. About six weeks ago I was attracted by a fire in the bedroom. I ran from my place about 100 yards distant and found the building on fire, which I extinguished with water. Had I not noticed the fire on this occasion I am of the opinion the building would have been burnt. After hearing the evidence the Coroner found that the deceased had died through being burned in a fire which took place at his residence situated in Ison St., Mogo, on the 1st December, 1925, but whether the fire originated accidentally or otherwise, the evidence did not enable him to say.

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Dog days of summer, drama free

Nobody wants their trip to the beach ruined by a dog running over towels, knocking over children, stealing fishing bait or – maybe worst of all – by stepping in dog poop.

That's the message from **Council's coordinator of environmental health and compliance Noel Fuller**. And he wants dog owners to act, particularly with the busy summer season in sight.

"The majority of dog owners do the right thing but a small percentage continue to turn a blind eye to wayward hounds, particularly at popular off-leash beaches. There a balance between the needs of dogs, their owners and other beach goers, and responsibility lies with the dog owners," Mr Fuller says.

"Except at signposted areas, dogs must always be leashed in public – that includes walking to any designated off-leash beaches and parks. Off leash is a privilege not a right, and if a dog won't reliably come when called, it shouldn't be off leash."

Until Thursday 30 April 2026 dogs are only allowed at timeshare beaches – whether on or off leash – before 9am or after 5pm. From Friday 1 May to Saturday 31 October 2026, timeshare areas revert to 24-hour dog access. Council's [website has an interactive map](#) listing locations for 24-hour off leash, time share, and dogs-prohibited beaches and parks.

Mr Fuller says dog owners should take other steps to ensure all beach users can enjoy a safe summer holiday.

"Off leash and dog walking etiquette keeps public areas harmonious. Do the right thing so everyone can enjoy their time outdoors."

Responsible dog walkers understand:

- Just because your dog is friendly, doesn't mean other dogs are. Some dogs can be anxious and easily overwhelmed.
- Never let your dog run up to another dog. Check with its owner first to see if your dog can say hello.
- Respect others' space and always put your dog on a leash when arriving and leaving the beach.
- Observe your dog's behaviour and keep them in sight. Owners often confuse dominant behaviours with play behaviours. Behaviours like inappropriate mounting and excessive barking is not acceptable.
- Take a bag and pick up your dog's poo.
- Avoid taking your dog to crowded areas and keep them away from children and people fishing.
- If a beach or area is not signposted, it means dogs are required to be on a leash.

For more information visit Council's [pets webpage](#) or contact Council's [rangers](#) on 4474 1019.

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Go Get Healthy with Sofia



Christmas is almost here, and with all the amazing food and festivities, it's pretty easy to go a little overboard. Before you know it, you're dealing with some extra wind or a bit of festive-season bloating and believe it or not, charcoal can actually help! Yes, charcoal... and no, I haven't completely lost it! Don't go raiding the BBQ and scraping off the leftovers from Uncle Dave's famously overcooked sausages, that's definitely not the kind of charcoal I mean. I'm talking about activated charcoal, which has been used for generations as a natural way to ease excess stomach and intestinal gas. This refined, purified form is activated at very high temperatures to make it safe, gentle, and effective. It works by drawing in excess gas from the stomach and bowel. The gas binds to the charcoal and is then carried out of the body, helping relieve indigestion, heartburn, flatulence, and general digestive discomfort. Activated charcoal also binds to chemicals and toxins in the gut, supporting gentle detoxification. This process, known as adsorption, means toxins stick to the surface of the charcoal rather than being absorbed into the body.

As charcoal travels through the digestive tract, it gathers toxins along the way from food, environmental exposure, and daily living. To help your body flush everything out effectively, be sure to drink plenty of water and include some soluble fibre to keep things moving smoothly. Because of its impressive ability to bind toxins, activated charcoal is even used in emergency rooms for certain types of poisoning, though in far larger doses than you'd ever use at home. One blend I particularly love combines activated charcoal with ginger and peppermint. Ginger helps ease bloating, flatulence, IBS, colic, and sluggish digestion, while peppermint relaxes the gut and soothes digestive spasms. Together, they create a wonderfully supportive formula for easing tummy troubles.

For more information about activated charcoal or any other health concerns, come and see the team at Go Vita, North St, Batemans Bay, or give us a call on 02 4472 9737. Tune in to our weekly 2EC radio segment, where Marianne and I chat about health and wellness with Kimmi Saker every Wednesday after 12.30pm.

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Early flying fox influx sees WIRES rescues surge in Eurobodalla

Flying foxes returned to Eurobodalla weeks ahead of their usual schedule this year.

Eurobodalla Council's natural resources officer India Howlett says that may be due to many reasons, including dry spring conditions along much of the coast.

"With less forest flowers currently blooming, we expect more of the bats to follow their nose into gardens seeking food. For residents protecting their fruit trees, it's essential they use wildlife-friendly netting," Ms Howlett says.

"Standard household nets easily entangle flying foxes, as well as birds and other wildlife. If you can push your finger through the holes, the net's not safe for wildlife."

Flying foxes are key to forest health, pollinating eucalypt species and spreading native seeds across large distances to keep ecosystems functioning. Grey-headed flying foxes – the species found in Eurobodalla – are listed as threatened and are fully protected.

"It's wrong, and illegal, to harass flying foxes. And if you come across a flying fox in trouble do not touch it as special handling is needed and appropriate vaccinations essential – for the bat's health and for yours," Ms Howlett says.

"This applies if you see a flying fox that is alone hanging low to or on the the ground, caught on powerlines or fences, or is a pup without its mother. In these cases, call WIRES so trained experts can rescue and rehabilitate the troubled bat. There's also the IFAW Wildlife Rescue app for our phone that lists your options based on your location."

The local WIRES branch has already juggled a bumper season of flying fox rescues, with their first call-out on Friday 17 October for a powerline electrocution, though calls for help have now stabilised. Many rescues involved females carrying babies and powerline incidents remain the most common.

WIRES Mid-South Coast flying fox coordinator Shelley Clarke says the pattern is consistent across rescue groups along the coast.

"Dry conditions and scarce food are pushing flying foxes into riskier spots, and volunteers are seeing more babies coming into care as a result," Ms Clarke says.

"Barbed wire, particularly on farms, is another hazard for flying foxes, especially during lean times when they are travelling further for food. Smooth wire or removing the top strand entirely can save the lives of flying foxes and other wildlife like gliders and raptors."

Ms Howlett says Eurobodalla has nine flying fox camps at Batemans Bay water gardens, the Catalina golf club, Moruya Heads, Moruya's Riverside Park, Moruya central (by the golf course), Moruya east (near the Princes Highway and South Head Road intersection), Tuross Head, Potato Point and Narooma.



Young flying foxes in WIRES care. The organisations qualified rescuers had a bumper crop this year, with bats arriving early than usual to Eurobodalla.

Currently there are 250 flying foxes at Catalina and 500 at Riverside Park. While numbers can fluctuate Council keeps up-to-date estimates of local populations, which generally visit the shire from early summer to mid-winter.

"People interested in the numbers can visit the [flying foxes page](#) on Council's website," says Ms Howlett.

"Those numbers are accurate and updated frequently while the bats visit our region. There is also the [Australian Flying Fox Monitor](#) site that keeps track of numbers nationally, but keep in mind it is not always timely."

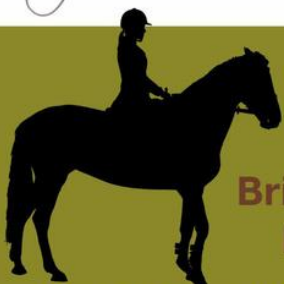
Ms Howlett reminds residents that Council is not able to move flying foxes on from their camps but can help minimise their impact on residents.

"Just get in touch and we can offer advice and assistance on managing noise and odour if they are a problem. Council also has its [Flying Fox Management Plan](#), which is worth a look for people wanting to know more about living with this keystone species," she says.

"Just use common sense. If you are walking near a flying fox camp, stick to the tracks where the bats are used to seeing people – that helps reduce their stress. Get your washing off the line before dark if you are under a flight path."

"Flying foxes have been part of Eurobodalla's landscape for thousands of years. The key is balance – supporting a critical species that is struggling while keeping people safe and residents living comfortably alongside these great nocturnal gardeners."

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Wild about Eurobodalla - Gillie and Marc sculpture donations



The Splendid Fairywren Loved Adventure with Rabbitwoman and Dogman' installation in Narooma.

No, you're not seeing things. Council is installing 22 large bronze sculptures around the shire (as reported in the MM in May). This week a 3.5m high, 1.2 tonne Gorilla called Mina was installed at Batehaven and another 'The Splendid Fairywren Loved Adventure with Rabbitwoman and Dogman' in Narooma.

These are part of 22 sculptures by Gillie and Marc donated to Eurobodalla Shire Council under the Cultural Gifts program which provides a tax break for the artists. Valued at \$1.6m the installation budget is \$27,000 for the Shire.

Part of the 'Wild About Babies' collection, these sculptures are found all around the world.

Wild About Babies celebrates endangered species and raises awareness of their plight, highlighting the importance of wildlife conservation in a way that's accessible and fun.

The sculptures from this series include: Wild Mother Eastern Lowland Gorilla, Wild Baby Sumatran Orangutan, Wild Baby Leopard, Wild Baby Giraffe, Wild Baby Bengal Tiger, Wild Baby Grevy's Zebra, Wild Baby Giant Panda, Wild Baby Cheetah, Wild Baby White Rhino, Wild Baby Marsican Brown Bear, Wild Baby Chimpanzee, Wild Baby Polar Bear, Wild Baby Lion, Wild Baby Arctic Fox, Wild Baby Indian Elephant, Wild Baby Western Lowland, Wild Baby African Elephant, Wild Baby Giant Tortoise, Wild Baby Rock Wallaby, Wild Baby Javan Rhino, and Wild Baby Hippo.

The sculptures are proposed for sites across Eurobodalla, stretching from Nelligen to Narooma. Locations have been carefully selected to align with existing amenities and natural foot traffic—places where people already gather for recreation and connection.

Moruya is set to see an arctic fox and rock wallaby near the Council chambers and bear and a tortoise at Riverside Park.

Southern Annular Mode in most positive state in 1,000 years, review finds

Monash University

A new scientific review has revealed that the Southern Annular Mode (SAM), the Southern Hemisphere's most influential climate driver, is now in its most positive state in over 1,000 years. If greenhouse gas emissions continue to rise, this positive state is projected to persist throughout the 21st Century, with long-term implications for Antarctica and the Southern Ocean.

Published yesterday in Nature Reviews Earth and Environment, the review was led by Monash University researcher, Dr Ariaan Purich, from Securing Antarctica's Environmental Future (SAEF), in collaboration with scientists from across the Australian climate and Antarctic science communities. The paper synthesises the current knowledge on the dynamics and projections of the SAM, and its impacts on Antarctica and the Southern Ocean.

Dr Purich said understanding how the SAM will change is essential to inform climate projections over the 21st Century and beyond.

"The SAM influences temperature, rainfall, ocean circulation and Antarctic ice. Because it affects so many parts of the climate system, we need to know how it will change so we can better anticipate the challenges facing Antarctica and the Southern Hemisphere in the decades ahead," Dr Purich said.

The SAM's three phases, neutral, positive and negative, describe the shifts in atmospheric pressure between Antarctica and the mid-latitudes, which influence the strength and position of the westerly winds that circle the Southern Ocean. When the SAM enters a positive phase, the westerly winds tighten and move towards Antarctica. When it moves into a negative phase, these winds expand back towards Australia.

SAM's influence can be significant. In the spring of 2022, a positive SAM contributed to the unusually high rainfall across southeastern Australia, leading to flooding across Victoria and the Melbourne region.

"Our review shows that since the mid-20th Century, the SAM has trended towards more frequent positive phases due to both ozone depletion and increasing greenhouse gas concentrations," Dr Purich said.

"With ozone levels now stabilising and projected to recover due to the success of the Montreal Protocol, greenhouse gases are becoming the dominant driver of the SAM's ongoing positive trend." Modelling assessed in the review shows that under high emission pathways, SAM is likely to continue trending towards its positive phase over the coming century. However, under low emissions pathways, the SAM could stabilise by 2050 and begin returning to its historical range by 2100.

A persistent positive SAM is expected to reduce the Southern Ocean's ability to absorb excess carbon dioxide, causing our climate to become warmer. This is because stronger, southward-shifted winds bring more warm, nutrient-rich water to the surface, releasing more carbon from deep in the ocean into the atmosphere, in turn reducing the ocean's capacity as a net carbon sink.

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Bay Theatre Players Celebrate 50 Years of Community and Creativity



By Tay Mugridge

The Bay Theatre Players community marked a golden milestone last weekend, celebrating 50 years of performance, friendship, and local artistry with a fabulous anniversary gala that drew supporters from across the country.

Guests travelled from near and far to reconnect with old cast-mates, reminisce about past productions, and cheer on today's performers who continue to carry the company's creative legacy. Among the attendees were representatives of the inaugural 1975 membership, as well as many of the dedicated volunteers who helped relocate the theatre to the old hall at Observation Point, Batehaven, and later took on the monumental fundraising and negotiations that secured its current home in Gregory Street.

One builder who worked on transforming the old warehouse premises into the beloved Playhouse even made the journey from Victoria to join the celebration—just one of many reminders of the deep, long-lasting connections forged through the theatre community.

The gala itself was brought to life through the hard work of Tay and Lyn, whose coordination and thoughtful decorations created a vibrant tribute to five decades of shows. Cathy's expertly organised silent auction proved a hit with guests, while Mel's colourful balloon garland at the entrance set the scene with a perfect photo backdrop.

The evening's entertainment was equally memorable. MCs Viv, Steve, and Daisy guided the night with warmth and humour, while performances by Paige and her team, Charlotte, and Ethan provided both a heartfelt opening and a lively finale. A rolling photo display curated by Sam showcased a rich tapestry of people, productions, and moments spanning half a century of community theatre.

The Batemans Bay Soldiers Club, a steadfast supporter of The Bay Theatre Players since its earliest days, hosted the milestone event. With excellent food, a friendly team, and a beautifully presented venue, the Club ensured everything ran seamlessly.

As the night drew to a close, one message resonated throughout the room: gratitude for the past and excitement for the future. With 50 years already behind them, this community theatre looks ahead with renewed energy and a deep appreciation for everyone who has contributed to its story.

Dr Michael Holland MP Member for Bega congratulated Bay Theatre Players on its milestone.

Dr Holland said "The Bay Theatre Players are a shining example of what community spirit, creativity and dedication can achieve. For 50 years, this remarkable group has brought joy, connection and culture to Batemans Bay. This has not only been delivered through their performances, but also through their shared friendships, unwavering perseverance and dedicated hard work."

I congratulate everyone involved — from the founding members to the volunteers, performers and supporters who continue to carry the legacy forward. Here's to the next 50 years of local talent, storytelling and shared celebration."



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Musical Romance



It seems a sweet romance is blossoming on the local musical scene between a well-established singing group and a somewhat younger orchestra. You can judge for yourself if there is more to it than a friendship, when they present their Carols on the Beach concert at the Broulee Surf Club on Thursday, 11th December.

The Eurobodalla Chamber Orchestra and Sing Australia Batemans Bay were first seen together at their well-attended Winterlude concert at the Moruya High School earlier this year and most recently entertained an appreciative audience at Maranatha Lodge.

Instrumental in bringing both groups together and singing the praises of both, vivacious conductor Kath Harris is expected to entertain again with her ability to inspire her performers and engage her audience.

Sing Australia Batemans Bay is part of a nationwide organisation and has promoted audition-free singing for pleasure locally for the last 23 years, while the ECO presented its first public performance in 2023.

Carols on the Beach is an informal, non-ticketed community event, beginning at 5pm with a sausage sizzle before the music starts at 6pm. There is seating for up to 100, so bring the family early, settle in for some fine Christmas themed music, and join in the carol singing.

Graeme Kennedy

Tis the Season... 3 sea turtles in 3 days



Photo: Belinda at Mudgeroo Wombat & Wildlife Refuge / WRSC Location Found: Tomakin, NSW



Photo Member of Public Location found: Broulee Beach, NSW

Conservation of Australian Seabirds and Turtles Incorporated reports: As the weather warms and ocean conditions shift, we're entering the time of year when distressed sea turtles are more frequently washed ashore. These turtles may be exhausted, injured, sick, entangled, or suffering from buoyancy issues — and they urgently need help.

If you spot a sea turtle on the beach, whether it appears alive, weak, or unresponsive, please report it immediately. Early intervention is often the difference between life and death.

Contact Conservation of Australian Seabirds and Turtles Incorporated (COAST) 24/7 Hotline: 0431 282 238

or

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These cases are then transferred to Wildlife Rescue South Coast (WRSC) – the licensed rehabilitation organisation for sea turtles in our region. Belinda, in particular, is the dedicated rehabilitator who received the three turtles featured in the photos shared.

Even turtles that look “just resting” may be in serious trouble. Never attempt to push them back into the water. Your call ensures they get the proper veterinary and rehabilitation support.

What to do if you find a turtle:

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- Take a photo from each side of the animal if it is safe to do so
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The MUVE-ment!

Live Music on the South Coast

By Alex Clark, MUVE Management

If there's one thing I've learnt from working in the live music space across the South Coast, it's that we're sitting on an absolute gem of a community. Our venues, from bustling pubs to tucked-away wineries, cosy cafés and seaside clubs, are the heartbeat of a scene built on passion, grit, and genuine connection. And the musicians who fill these spaces? They're some of the most hardworking, creative, and wildly talented humans you'll ever meet. Through MUVE Management, I work with both! Linking these worlds together, helping venues build strong, consistent live music programs while supporting artists who have refined their craft to make our region a better, more vibrant place to live. Live music isn't just entertainment; it creates atmosphere, builds community, and gives people a reason to come together. It's something worth supporting, protecting, and celebrating. Each month in The MUVE-ment, I'll be shining a spotlight on one of our local artists or venues who help keep this scene alive. This month, we're kicking things off with someone who has captured the hearts of locals up and down the coast: Jakob Poyner.

Artist Spotlight: Jakob Poyner

Moruya's own Jakob Poyner is one of the South Coast's most exciting young musicians — a singer-songwriter and guitarist who has quickly built a loyal following from Eden to Tumut and everywhere in between. At just eight years old, Jakob bought his first guitar after years of soaking up the music played around the family home. That early spark has grown into a full-blown career, shaped by determination, natural talent, and a deep love for storytelling through song.

Jakob's voice has been described as soulful, earthy, and rich with a warm timbre that cuts straight through the noise. His sets blend older classics, modern favourites, country influences, indie-pop tones and that breezy, beach-woven feel that pairs perfectly with a South Coast afternoon. He reads a room beautifully and adapts his set to match the moment — a skill that keeps venues re-booking him time and time again.

Over the years, Jakob has shared the stage with some of Australia's finest, including Caravana Sun, Ash Grunwald, and Richard Clapton. More recently, he completed a tour performing original works with two other emerging artists, and he's currently in the process of getting his own songs recorded and released on streaming platforms.

For now, you'll find him at local pubs, clubs, weddings, parties and anywhere the road takes him. To book Jakob, reach out via Instagram (Jakob Poyner Guitar) or Facebook (Jakob Poyner).

Check out the MUVE gig guide and put some dates in your calendar! Reach out via @muve management to share anything music. Thanks for supporting live music.



Jakob Poyner



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For more information contact Community Development Officer Michael Lawrence-Taylor on 4474 1276 or email michael.lawrence-taylor@esc.nsw.gov.au



 DECEMBER MUVE-ment GIG GUIDE	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
	 4	 Steampacket Hotel - Nelligen Alex Clark 5-8pm	 Steampacket Hotel - Nelligen Inner West Reggae Machine 5-8pm	 Steampacket Hotel - Nelligen JJ Spence 1-4pm  Swordfish- Sussex Tim Thomson 1-4pm
	11	 Steampacket Hotel - Nelligen Jakob Poyner 5-8pm  FAB Markey - Burrill Milton Uiladulla String Orch. 4-6pm	 Steampacket Hotel - Nelligen Amber Kenny 5-8pm	 Steampacket Hotel - Nelligen Dean Hatten 1-4pm  Swordfish- Sussex Roddy Reason 1-4pm  Saltwood - Kioloa Amber Kenny 3-6pm
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	25	 Steampacket Hotel - Nelligen Tim Thomson 5-8pm	 Steampacket Hotel - Nelligen Moondog 5-8pm  Willings Park - Bawley Point Glenn Whitehall 12:30-3:30pm	 Steampacket Hotel - Nelligen Bill & Bird 1-4pm  Swordfish- Sussex JJ Spence 1-4pm

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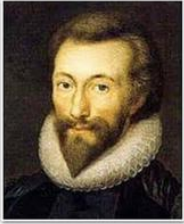
"No man is an island entire of itself; every man is a piece of the continent, a part of the main; if a clod be washed away by the sea, Europe is the less, as well as if a promontory were, as well as any manner of thy friends or of thine own were, any man's death diminishes me, because I am involved in mankind. And therefore never send to know for whom the bell tolls; it tolls for thee."

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Saturday, 6 Dec:

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Drive Time
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Soldiers Club (7.30pm)
Smokey Duns 12pm
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Sunday, 7 Dec

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17TH DECEMBER— AVATAR FIRE AND ASH

Animal Welfare League News



Pearl and Crystal

Pearl and her sister Crystal are a sweet pair of white, 7-month-old kittens looking for a home together. After a rough start in life left them both a bit unsure about dealing with people and other cats, they have thrived in foster care and are now ready for the right forever home. These two lovelies do everything together, with Pearl looking to Crystal to take the lead in games, taking treats and meeting new people. When they've finally run out of energy, they sit in their bed, purring contentedly. Pearl and Crystal's ideal home will be quiet one, where they can take their time to adjust to new surroundings. Whoever adopts them will be richly rewarded with feline love.

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- 14th December – **Art on the Path Broulee**
- 14 December – **Long Beach Christmas Markets**
- Sat 20th December – **Carols by Candlelight. Riverside Park, Moruya**
- Sunday 21st Dec – **Narooma Cup 2025**
- 22 Dec-4 Jan **41st Annual Art and Craft Exhibition**
- 28 December – **Narooma Rotary Summer Markets**
- 25 Jan – **Narooma Rotary Summer Markets**
- 26 Jan – **Narooma's Great Australia Day Duck Race**
- 27 Feb – 1 Mar 2026 **Cobargo Folk Festival**
- 8 March 2026 **Broulee Bay to Breakers Ocean Swim**
- 7 – 15 March 2026 – **Sculpture Bermagui**
- 13 March 2027 **NSW State Election**
- May – June – **2026 Sculpture for Clyde**
- 21st-25th October 2026 – **Sea Otter Australia**

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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.

Tuross Community Markets

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

Soul Tribe Studio 7th birthday

Saturday 6 December in Soul Tribe Courtyard 6pm – 10pm, all proceeds to Open Harts Charity.

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

is coming to Batemans Bay to provide in person legal appointments for clients. Where: Moruya Library, Vulcan Street
When: Thursday 4th December 2025 10am to 2pm
Where: Mackillop Family Services, 5/1 Clyde Street Batemans Bay
When: Tuesday 9 December 2025 9:30am to 2pm
How: Appointments are required. Call us on 1800 229 529 to make an appointment

Moruya Business Chamber AGM

The Annual General Meeting for Moruya Business Chamber is on Thursday 4 December at 6pm at Moruya Golf Club. All welcome – bring your ideas along.

Santa will be visiting Moruya CWA Hall

Sat 13th December, grab your children and your camera and come join in the fun of kids activities and our Christmas Craft Stall. Open 9.30 till 1.30

River of Art NOTICE OF AGM + CALL FOR COMMITTEE MEMBERS!

17 December 5pm Board Room, Moruya Golf Club
Join us for our 2025 AGM as we celebrate the year, plan for 2026, welcome new Office Bearers, and unveil our fresh portfolio structure to help spread the load and boost how we support our artists and community.
We're also on the lookout for creative, capable humans to join the Committee or volunteer across key portfolio areas.

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Students should travel to and from the school by bus or with parents/carers and meet on the front oval.

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Friday 5th December 7pm

Disaster Preparedness Presentations

SHASA is working with other organisations to present to community group meetings on how to be better prepared for future emergencies/disasters.

So far, we have presented to CWA Tilba, the Labor Party local branches, Rotary Moruya, Mogo Village Business Chamber, Tuross Head Community Garden, Narooma Community Men's Shed, Tuross Head Progress Association, Durras Progress Association and RFS, Tuross Head Men's Shed, Lions Moruya/Lions Batemans Bay and CWA Moruya.

Presentations have been scheduled for Congo Community Association, Quota Narooma, Rotary Batemans Bay, and CWA Narooma.

If you would like SHASA to give this presentation to an organisation, please contact Kathryn Maxwell, SHASA President, on 0467 558 645 or email contact.shasa@gmail.com



Carols in the Church 2025

The Churches of Narooma invite you to an Ecumenical celebration of Christ's birth.

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Tackle World Moruya Fishing report 28.11.25

Moruya River.

We are officially in the Black Friday Sale weekend, and fingers crossed the weather brings a few people into town this weekend to make the most of the store wide savings we have until Monday afternoon. 20-50% off RRP storewide, some exceptions do apply.

The river has been fishing well, with flathead, bream, trevally, whiting and Luderick all being reported throughout the system. The whiting have been readily taking live nippers or squirt worms, with the surface bite really only a degree or two of water temp increase away. Back of the hole in the wall, the airport flats, quarry wharf and the flats under the town bridge are good places to start looking, with Preddy's wharf and the town wharf also well worth a look.

Further upstream, the flats and holes around the hospital are always worth a look, and up in the fresh the bass are plentiful.

Tuross River.

I have had reports that the Pros did reasonably well on the prawns this dark in Coila lake. While the dark has passed, there should still be a few prawns around.

The Tuross system itself, yet again, tops the local fishing activity, with bream, flathead, whiting, mulloway and Luderick all being reported.

We really are spoilt for choice in the Tuross system, as it offers excellent lure and bait fishing for a myriad of species. If you have an itch for something, Tuross more than likely can help you scratch that itch.

Rock and Beach.

The wind the last few days, has made fishing the exposed beaches very difficult. For those that have managed to get out, salmon, bream and whiting have all been options along the coast this past week.

Paternoster rigged pilchards on gang hooks for the salmon, and worms or pipis on either running sinker or light paternoster rigs have bought a bream or whiting undone.

As the water temps continue to warm, expect to start seeing kings or Bonito from the stones on either lures or live baits.

Offshore.

There has been reports from much further north, that the first Marlin of the season have been caught, tagged and released, which can only mean that it won't be too long now before those northern fish find their way down south.

Snapper continue to be available in slightly deeper water now that the temps are coming up. Try in and around the 30-50m marks for a red or two, while flathead are readily available in waters as shallow as 10m.

Keep an eye on the weather conditions, as the wind are still predicted for the weekend along with seas to 2m.

The bait freezer has been restocked again this week, with a good supply of worms acquired, and hawksbury prawns still available, along with it's all the usual baits required to find a fish or two this weekend.

Black Friday deals continue until close of business on Monday, so come in and make the most of the savings, 20-50% off, store wide. As usual, some exceptions apply.

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

Team Tackle World Moruya.



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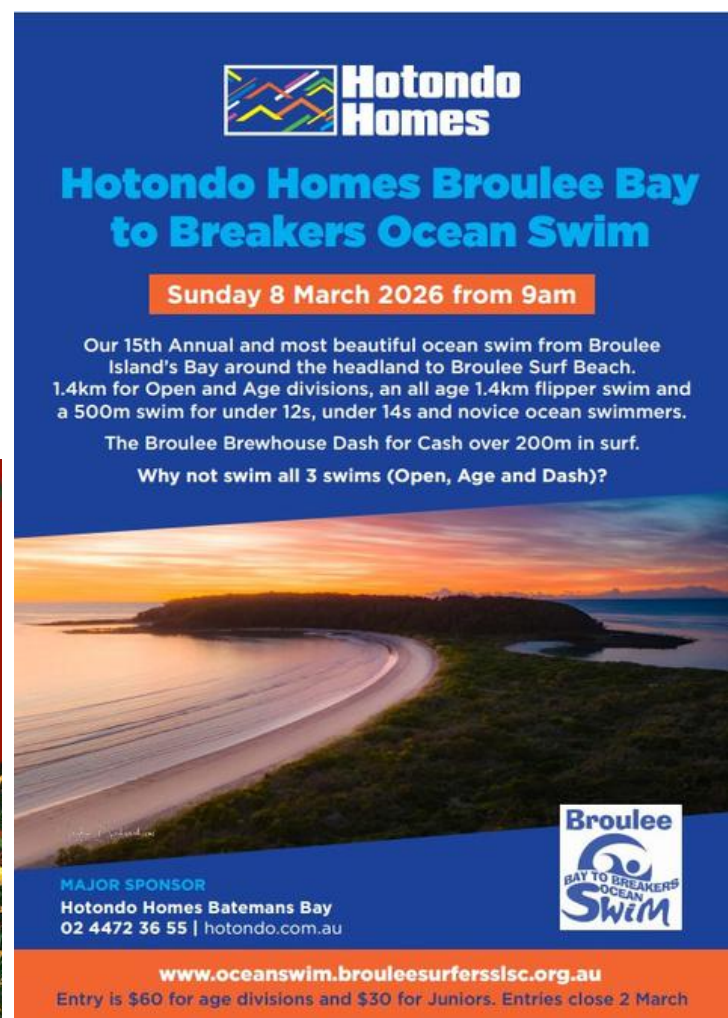


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Moruya Ladies Golf

Moruya Lady golfers gathered to play a Stableford round on Wednesday 26th November with a Yellow ball team event thrown in. It was a fun day out on the fairways with only 1 team unlucky to lose their yellow ball in the dam and therefore knock themselves out of the team event. The individual winner on the day was Nicola Gallon with 35 points ocb from Cindy Becker on 35 points. Balls went to Sharon Knight, Margaret Flynn, Val Moore, Lyn Gibbs, Leonie Doolan, Shirley Noy, Robyn Hawkins and Judi Hebbard. Nearest the pin was Jenny Ellis. The winning team in the Yellow ball game with 27 points ocb was Angie McMillan, Shirley Noy, Christine Quick and Noelene Cowdroy."

Tomakin Twist Tops Bowls

President Pedro welcomed 28 Twisties on a warm and windy morning which kept us on our toes. Welcome to visitor Peter Trahair from Queanbeyan. Thinking of Sandy who recently had a nasty fall, take care and take it easy. Congratulations to Tomakin Suns who won their Grade in Pennants. Well done to Laurie whose team in Basketball won Gold in Sydney. It was a shame it rained last Sunday for Community Day but Pedro was pleased with the interest for Club Tomakin Bowls. Winners, Highest Winni ng Margin, Kaz and "Bert" (Photo) > Runners-up, Trish the Dish & Robbo. Kaz selected Rink 4 to try for Jackpot. Winning Skip Smoothie cut cards but no luck finding Joker. Other winning teams, Sumpy & Witto. K.C. and Smoothie. R&R and Ute with Doc & Dobbo. Peter & Chanty. High/Low Scores 29/6 not won. Lucky numbers, 11 Lois "Lane". 25 Ruthless.



Club Malua Stingrays Women's Bowls

Di Mac welcomed everyone before wishing Gai Gibson a Happy Birthday. Welcome to new bowler Jean Head on her first day at Social Bowls. Thanks to resident coach Sue Morgan on a great job always. Before calling cards Bowls Organiser Jay Breust congratulated Brooke Wilson on becoming Open Women's Singles Champion a fantastic effort, now off to State. Great work Peter Keatley in Senior Men's Singles Final losing by 1 shot. Open men's Four's team of Peter Keatley, James Curtis, Tim Kovacs and Adam Moffitt also lost but great bowling by everyone. Peter Keatley and Vic Patrikka won the monthly Pairs tournament in Ulladulla, well done boys. A terrific morning of bowls was enjoyed by all present, bowling two games of 8 Ends. The only team to win both games, Carol Harris, Olga Geshwend, Karen Signor and Colleen Ashby. (Photo) Runners-up winning 1 game plus a Draw, Di Mac, Tricia Wheeler, Tania Calder and Jenny Blyth.



Money Club, 4 Lyn Hardy, 26 Tricia Wheeler. After bowls we all enjoyed lunch together before Santa aka John the bus driver and his helper Sue Palmer arrived to give out our Christmas Kris Kringle presents. Olga Geshwend won best dressed. Thanks to the two Di's for the beautifully decorated tables, a lovely gift each and yummy Christmas treats very much appreciated.

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Tuross Head Golf



Winner: Shirley Quinlan with Captain Lars Gaupset



Winner: Ross Hendy with President Bruce Harding



Winners: Julie Barningham, Annette Manton and Judy Apps



Winner: Greg Geelan

Tuross Head Golf Results Thursday 27th November 2025

31 players competed in a Medley Stableford event today. There were some high scores today with the winner maintaining the lead until the end of the game.

The Winners were:

1st: Shirley Quinlan (38) with 43 points
2nd: Ron Rogers (17) with 38 points
3rd: Paul Scholze (15) with 37 points (countback)
Nearest to the Pins

4th: Brad Doolan 2.70 A Grade
4th: Ron Rogers 2.16 B Grade
4th: Wayne Fullerton 5.00 C Grade
6th: Dennis Bingley 3.30 A Grade
6th: Lars Gaupset 9.03 B grade
7th: Brad Doolan 3.50 A Grade
7th: Ian McManus 15.00 B Grade

Balls went to: Robert McDonell 37, Kerrie Sands 37, Paula Coffey 36, Rob Green 36, Jenny Reilly 35, Kevin Reilly 34, Lynette McDonell 34, Dianne Brown 33, Brad Doolan 33 and Ruth Gschwend 33.

Tuross Head Golf Results Saturday 29th November 2025

A larger field of 62 players, including some visitors, registered for a Stableford Medley event today. The weather was overcast and some heavy rain fell but some wonderful scores were achieved.

The Winners were:

1st: Ross Hendy (31) with 43 points (countback)
2nd: Grant Kiely (16) with 43 points
3rd: Ian Lawson (16) with 39 points
4th: John Harb (16) with 38 points
5th: Greg Smith (27) with 37 points (countback)

Hole Prize: 6th hole Grant Kiely
Jackpot Prize: 0.86

Nearest to the Pins
4th: Michael Coloe 3.14 A Grade
4th: Ian McManus 1.87 B Grade
4th: Ross Hendy 2.27 C Grade
6th: Shane Gschwend 3.70 A Grade
6th: Ian McManus 1.04 B Grade
7th: Ruth Gschwend 2.33 A Grade
7th: Steve Collins 3.92 B Grade

Balls went to: David Schmid 37, Michael Walsh 37, Bruce Handley 37, John Eglitis 37, Mark Cutmore 37, Paul Medwin 36, Steve Pritchett 36, Steve Johnston 36, Shane Gschwend 36, Matthew Kennedy 35, Paul Scholze 35, Peter Nikolic 35, Brad Doolan 35, Brad Reid 34 and Tony Brown 34.

Tuross Head Ladies Golf Results - Tuesday 2nd December 2025

A field of 29 ladies played in the Ladies Christmas Party Stableford event today. The event was sponsored by Cate O'Brien. It was a fun day with a delicious lunch and party following the game with lots of prizes and games. Many thanks go to all involved with making it a great success!

The Winners were:

Grade A:
1st: Annette Manton (28) with 40 points
2nd: Leonie Doolan (30) with 37 points

Grade B:
1st: Julie Barningham (39) with 41 points
2nd: Chelsea Mayes (37) with 37 points (countback)

C Grade:
1st: Judy Apps (45) with 48 points
2nd: Jeanette Miller (42) with 45 points

Place Getters: Cate O'Brien 37, Sandra D'Onofrio 37, Dorothy Madden 36, Marilyn Bingham 36, Maree Coffey 35, Ruth Gschwend 34, Dianne Brown 34, Shirley Quinlan 34 and Pauline Nash 34.

Hole Prize: 2nd Shot
7th Gail Page Golden Shot A
7th Samantha Dryden Golden Shot B

Tuross Head Vets Golf Results Wednesday 3rd December 2025

A field of 36 players signed up for a Stableford event today. The weather was fine and some fantastic scores were achieved.

The Winners were:

1st: Greg Geelan with 20 points
2nd: Henry Anderson with 19 points
3rd: Greg Smith with 19 points

Balls or Chocolates went to: Paul Green 18, Len Rogers 18, Derek Hoare 18, Ross Davidson 17 and Graham Moore 17.

Nearest to the Pins:

4th: Ross Davidson (2nd Shot)
6th: Jane Eglitis (1st Shot)
7th: Ladies: Gail Rogers (2nd Shot)
Mens: Ian Manton (2nd Shot)

Accuracy: Chris Wratten (5th hole)

Bradman's: Mike Birks

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Sailing report Saturday Nov 29



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Wishful thinking

Photos : Terry Paton.

"It was another great day for sailing when Batemans Bay SC held the fourth Bay Cup race of the 2025/26 season. The forecast promised a bit of everything and so it turned out. Three boats ventured forth along with race officer Terry Paton and his trusty sidekicks Andrew Bain and Jim Anderson aboard the committee boat "Dave Magill".

Paton set the familiar boat end favoured start in what was, initially, a light ESE breeze. "Moonmist" (Tony Sutton) had to slow down dramatically to avoid being over at the boat end. "Wishful Thinking" (Simon Dunlop) was slightly to leeward but carrying better speed at the start. All three boats headed out to the left of the course on the work to the Marine Park middle mark. "Moonmist" led narrowly around the middle mark from "Wishful". "Accolade" (Lachlan Brown) was slightly behind after overstanding the port tack layline. Then, the absence of a regular bowperson on "Accolade" became apparent with a comprehensive spinnaker snafu.

Meanwhile, "Moonmist" and "Wishful" set off under spinnaker to the Caseys Beach mark. The fleet headed into a zone of doldrums between the weak sea breeze and the gradient westerly. "Moonmist" negotiated her way through successfully creating a handy lead. Eventually the westerly prevailed and built to over 20 knots. "Accolade" nearly caught up to "Wishful" on what was now a run back to the middle mark but another spinnaker snarl proved costly.

"Moonmist" sailed on to a comfortable win. "Wishful" kept a close cover on "Accolade" all the way up the work to the finish line near Snapper Island, finishing 35 seconds ahead. Crews celebrated afterwards at the BBSC Christmas Party. Accolade's bowperson was in an acting role so attended the Bay Theatre Players gala dinner instead.

The next BBSC keelboat event will be a coastal race on December 13th."

Lachlan Brown

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