



Photo of the Week: South Coast Seaweed caught this sensational evening glow at Corrigans Beach last week.

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Millions of Australians helping shape the future through the 2026 Census

As of midnight last night, the ABS had received more than eight million household Census forms - online and paper. This means that well over two thirds of households have already responded.

Households that haven't completed a Census form still have time.

If a household has not yet received their instruction letter or a paper form, they can go to census.abs.gov.au to get a Census number and complete it online.

Households that would prefer a paper form can request one online or by calling the Census Contact Centre on 1800 181 227. There is also help and support available for those who need it, including over the phone and in person at pop-up hubs in locations across the country.

Dr David Gruen, Australian Statistician said "The Census is an incredibly important exercise for our nation.

Last night we saw a strong response from communities across the country. As of midnight, last night (11 August) over two thirds of households had completed a Census form, which is higher than in the 2021 Census.

Thank you to every household that has already completed a Census form.

The data we collect through the Census is used to plan and deliver vital services, help businesses grow, and support local communities.

Each person's response contributes to building a snapshot of modern Australia, who we are and where we are going.

To households that have not yet completed a Census form, I encourage you to do it as soon as you can based on where you stayed on Census night.

In the coming weeks, we will follow up with households that have not completed a Census form and provide them with the help and support they need to do so."

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ABS staff at a pop up info booth at Moruya Woolworths this week.

Council's Community information session

Following Eurobodalla Council's monthly Public Access session yesterday, councillors attended an information session to discuss several matters, including:

- Alcohol Restricted Zones
- DA0410/26 - Telecommunication Facility (20m) - Council Reserve Access Off Negus Drive, Mystery Bay
- DA0435/26 - Telecommunication Facility (10m) - Road Reserve on the corner of Lamont Young Drive and Casey Crescent, Mystery Bay

Community members are now able to attend these sessions in person at the Moruya Administration Building's Council Chamber or online using Council's [webcast service](#) (live for the session). The information session is open for observation only and does not include community participation.

These sessions are now available to view on the [Council's website](#) webcast.

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Deua River RFS to benefit from upgraded station

Deua River Rural Fire Brigade members and the local community will benefit from a significantly upgraded station, with the facility also serving as an official Neighbourhood Safer Place during bush fire emergencies.

Federal Member for Gilmore Fiona Phillips and State Member for Bega Dr Michael Holland joined NSW Rural Fire Service Acting Area Commander South Eastern, Chief Superintendent Matthew Reeves, brigade members, council representatives and community members to officially open the upgraded facility.

Dr Holland said the \$1.1 million station upgrade would not only provide the brigade with modern operational facilities but also offer the community a place of last resort during a bush fire emergency.

"Rural Fire Service volunteers put themselves in harm's way to protect our communities, often under the most challenging conditions. They deserve facilities that match their professionalism and commitment," Dr Holland said.

"This upgraded station is a significant investment in the safety and resilience of the Deua River community. It not only provides our dedicated volunteers with modern facilities to train, prepare and respond to emergencies, but also offers local residents a designated Neighbourhood Safer Place if they are ever faced with an extreme bush fire emergency."

"As someone who lived and worked through the Black Summer bushfires, I know the importance of being prepared. Investments like this strengthen our emergency response capability and help ensure communities are better equipped to face future bush fire seasons."



Celebrating the new upgrades to the Deua River RFS Shed on Saturday. Photo Fiona Phillips.

"I thank the Deua River Rural Fire Brigade volunteers for their extraordinary service and commitment. Their dedication to protecting lives, homes and the environment is deeply appreciated, and this upgraded station is a fitting recognition of the invaluable role they play in our community."

Mrs Phillips said she was proud to support improvements that would strengthen the capacity of local firefighters and community preparedness in the event of future disasters.

"Supported by the Australian Government, the Neighbourhood Safer Places program ensures locations in rural and remote areas, like the Deua River, can be made more resilient so they can be a community gathering point during bush fire events," Mrs Phillips said. "The Black Summer Bush fires really highlighted the need for appropriate community shelters, and I'm really pleased to see the asset protection zones and building works at Deua River completed."

"Our volunteer firefighters are true heroes. We have been through a lot together. They help us, protect us and put their lives on the line for us and we are very grateful for everything they do."

NSW Rural Fire Service Acting Area Commander South Eastern, Chief Superintendent Matthew Reeves, said the upgraded station would significantly enhance the brigade's ability to support the local community during emergencies.

"The upgrade has delivered a modern, fit-for-purpose facility, including a multifunction meeting and training room, kitchen, storeroom, locker rooms with showers and amenities, and improved operational workspaces throughout the station," Chief Superintendent Reeves said.

"This upgrade builds on decades of service by the Deua River Brigade, whose original station was constructed by volunteers after the brigade was established in the early 1980s."

"With the potential for another challenging bush fire season, particularly across the Far South Coast, it is essential that our volunteers have access to the best possible facilities and resources to support the vital work they do protecting the community. "We also acknowledge and thank the National Parks and Wildlife Service and Forestry Corporation of NSW for their support in enabling vegetation management around the station, allowing the facility to meet the requirements to be designated as an official Neighbourhood Safer Place."

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H5 bird flu in wild native birds arrives in the Eurobodalla

Another two cases of H5 avian influenza (bird flu) have been identified in NSW. Samples from two deceased Greater Crested Terns, one found near Narooma on the south coast, and the other near Wentworth in western NSW, tested positive at CSIRO's Australian Centre for Disease Preparedness. Both birds were reported by members of the public to the Emergency Animal Disease Hotline and sampled by the NSW Government's H5 response team.

This is the first time an Australian native bird has tested positive for H5 bird flu in NSW. It means a total of four birds in NSW have returned a positive result for H5 bird flu, with the first two being migratory petrel birds found near Port Stephens in early July. Australia now has 215 confirmed detections of H5 bird flu.

Surveillance work is continuing at Narooma and Wentworth to ensure early detection of any further cases.

These NSW findings follow a significant increase in H5 positive results in South Australia where more than 80 birds, predominately terns, have been identified in a recent short time.

A national surveillance plan has been underway since June and is monitoring for any further detections and enabled to facilitate any required rapid, coordinated response.

The **NSW Government** has been preparing for H5 since 2024 and has specialist teams working with the wildlife sector, and the poultry and egg industry.

In preparation for impacts on native wildlife in NSW the Government has undertaken the following:

- Developed 34 operational preparedness plans for priority sites across NSW
- Plans include important offshore islands, estuaries and wetlands, as well as statewide plans for species of concern including little penguins and fur seals

- Developed species risk assessments, mapping and decision-support tools, targeted surveillance, and improved coordination with wildlife organisations and land managers

- More than 50 briefings, workshops and awareness activities with government agencies, local councils, wildlife rehabilitation groups, First Nations communities and land managers.

Minister for the Environment, Penny Sharpe said "These positive cases are not unexpected. We have been preparing for a situation like this, and we remain well equipped to respond to manage further impacts.

"We are using the best available data and tools to target actions for our most at-risk wildlife species and important natural places.

Minister for Agriculture, Regional and Western NSW, Tara Moriarty said "Governments are working closely with the poultry industry to strengthen biosecurity to mitigate the risk of outbreaks. While there have been no detections in poultry in NSW, the poultry industry has been preparing for this and is across the risks and actions required at this point."

Public reporting is a critical part of the response, with calls to the Emergency Animal Disease Hotline supporting detection efforts, and has received more than 3, 558 calls since the response began in June.

Bird flu has not been detected in commercial poultry flocks or captive birds anywhere in Australia and the risk to human health remains low.

If you encounter a suspected sick bird, or marine mammals, avoid contact and report it immediately to the Emergency Animal Disease Hotline on 1800 675 888.



Advice for Eurobodalla residents

Eurobodalla Council reminds the community to avoid contact with sick or dead birds and other animals as authorities continue to monitor for avian influenza (bird flu). Biosecurity warning signs are being installed at Bar Beach, Narooma, following the detection of H5 bird flu in a single greater crested tern. The area remains open, however people visiting areas where biosecurity warning signs are displayed should keep dogs on a lead and keep children within sight. Additional signs will be installed at other locations if required.

What to know about H5 bird flu:

- Avoid contact with sick or dead wildlife and their environment
- Record the date, time, location and take a photo.
- Report sick or dead birds or other animals to the Emergency Animal Disease Hotline on 1800 675 888.

The NSW Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD) is responsible for surveillance of beaches and other areas. Council is monitoring the situation and staying in contact with relevant agencies. The community is encouraged to stay informed by following current biosecurity advice from the NSW Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD).

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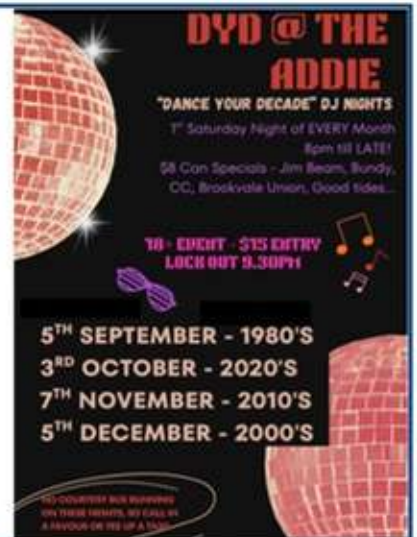
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Holding Space exhibition launches new resident art gallery at IRT Dalmeny

Holding Space - a six-week creative wellbeing program at IRT Dalmeny has culminated in an exhibition of resident artwork and the launch of a new dedicated gallery space within the aged care community.

Holding Space was developed and facilitated by local artist and arts worker Liz McCrystal, drawing on creative programs she first developed while working as a Lifestyle Officer at IRT Crown Gardens, programs including Art Classes, Poetry Club, Women's Circle and Treasure Chest (Storytelling).

The program uses creativity as a way to foster connection, conversation and self-expression, with sessions designed to encourage curiosity and participation regardless of previous artistic experience or ability.

During the Dalmeny trial, residents experimented with accessible painting processes that placed emphasis on exploration rather than producing a predetermined outcome. The resulting works, together with photographs documenting the creative process, now form the first exhibition in a new permanent art display space at IRT Dalmeny.

"The focus was never on creating a particular outcome," McCrystal said. "It was about creating an environment where people could experiment, share stories and connect with one another. The exhibition emerged because it became clear that those creative journeys deserved to be shared and celebrated."

The new gallery creates an ongoing space for resident artwork, stories and creative projects to be shared with fellow residents, families, staff and visitors.

Holding Space is now also being trialled at IRT Moruya, with the potential for the program to expand further.

Holding Space Exhibition & The Making Space Art Gallery at IRT Dalmeny

Exhibition: 10 August – 14 September

2026 Open: 9:30am–3:30pm IRT Dalmeny, 4 Ruth Place, Dalmeny.



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L-to-R Margaret Milne and Stella Kubelka.



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Rising tides, rising tensions: new research calls for rethink of coastal law

As sea levels rise and coastlines erode, Australia's legal system is struggling to keep up. Longstanding assumptions about who owns the coast – and who should pay when it disappears – are now at the centre of growing disputes.

Along the east coast, councils have faced backlash from beachfront homeowners resisting managed retreat from the coastal fringes. In the Byron Shire and along the Mid North Coast of NSW, proposals to limit rebuilding or development approvals have triggered legal challenges. Debates over seawalls and sandbagging to mitigate erosion continue to divide communities.

Now, new international research led by coastal management expert Professor Tim Smith of **Southern Cross University** is challenging the legal foundations underpinning these conflicts. The study argues that coastal law, which commonly privileges private ownership in Western legal systems, is increasingly incompatible with a dynamic, climate-affected shoreline.

Professor Smith, who has recently taken up the position of Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research) at Southern Cross University, says the problem is structural.

"In Australia, land below the high-water mark belongs to the Crown and is therefore public land. While this is technically an 'ambulatory' boundary, our common law tradition assumes coastlines are stable and coastal property boundaries can be fixed," he said. "But as the effects of climate change become more dramatic, those assumptions no longer hold."

Entitled Beach law in the anthropocene and published in the journal *Ocean & Coastal Management*, the paper found that coastal governance frameworks globally are dominated by private property rights and short-term economic priorities. This is often at the expense of environmental and Indigenous values, not to mention the universal right to access the beach.

Examples of this tension abound. In one landmark Queensland case cited by the researchers, a court's interpretation of the high-water mark granted private rights that extended into the sea on Great Keppel Island. Legislation was needed to close this loophole – but not before a number of private owners obtained favourable re-surveys of their land.

In another case in California (USA), community groups resorted to litigation to reopen public access to a beach which had been closed by a private road. In Naples (Italy), beach access that had been closed by a gate (erected to manage a bathing concession) had to likewise be restored through a legal challenge.

"As the effects of climate change become more dramatic, assumptions about coastal property boundaries no longer hold."

Co-author Professor Justine Bell-James from the University of Queensland said the imbalance in coastal law was shaping how disputes play out on the ground.

"We are seeing legal frameworks struggle to respond to sea-level rise, erosion and the effects of extreme weather on our beaches, with impacts across public spending, governance, real estate and even insurance," she said.

"Who owns the beach, who can access the beach and who should pay for restoring a beach are questions communities around the world are grappling with."

According to the researchers, incremental policy adjustments will not be enough. Instead, they call for a rethinking of what coastal ownership means and a move towards more flexible, shared, and adaptive legal frameworks.

Professor Smith said future reform must take a broad view. "This might for example include the development of civil codes that prevent private property cutting off access to the beach, or a greater incorporation of alternative world views into the definition of ownership," he said.

Time is ticking. According to NASA data, the sea level surrounding the Australian coastline has risen 13 centimetres since 1993 and is forecast to rise 16 centimetres between the period 2020-2050 if current trends continue. Access the full study here:

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0964569126001225>

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Come and meet The Tuross Head Rural Fire Brigade

Where: Evans Rd playground
(near Ultra Tuross Head)

When: Saturday August 15, 2026

Time: 9:00 – 12:00

The brigade is keen to talk to community members about preparation for the forthcoming fire season.

With the unusually dry conditions, the brigade recommends that preparations for bushfire commence as soon as possible.

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Community spirit takes centre stage at Mayor's Charity Ball



At the 2025 Mayor's Charity Ball Mayor Hatcher and 2025 Local Hero Lorraine Borger.

ESC - Four local heroes. Three charities. One big night out. The Mayor's Charity Ball returns to Bay Pavilions on Saturday 12 September for a black-tie evening of celebration, fundraising and fun. Eurobodalla Mayor Mathew Hatcher says the annual charity ball is all about recognising the people and organisations that make the shire great.

"While many think Council is just roads, rates and rubbish, we also know community is built by people," says the Mayor.

"This is one way we can celebrate some of those people and support organisations doing incredible work. All while enjoying a great night out."

As has become tradition, one highlight will be the announcement of Eurobodalla's Local Hero.

"We have four awesome finalists and each in their own way has gone above and beyond. It's going to be a hard to choose just one."

Charities are the heart of the event. For 2026, Mayor Hatcher has chosen Talk2MeBro, Art Central Moruya and Deadly Runners as recipients for the night's proceeds.

"Talk2MeBro is helping break down the stigma around mental health and suicide by encouraging people to have honest conversations and look out for one another. Art Central Moruya creates opportunities for people to connect, create and improve their wellbeing through art. Deadly Runners is empowering Aboriginal people through fitness, health, culture and community," Mayor Hatcher says.

"They each make a genuine difference in people's lives, and I'm delighted to support their work."

Guests will be welcomed with drinks and canapes before a seated meal and dessert bar. There will be plenty of entertainment through the night alongside the announcement of the 2026 Eurobodalla Local Hero and live and silent fundraising auctions. 2EC's always popular Kimmi Saker will keep proceedings moving before DJ Emmanuel from South Coast DJs rounds out the evening.

"Whether you're supporting a charity, cheer on a hero, or simply looking for a memorable night out - you'll be helping celebrate the best of Eurobodalla. And there's plenty to be proud of," says the Mayor.

Bookings essential with tickets at \$135 per person.

Rare chance to have your say on Australia's marine parks

WWF-Australia

The federal government has opened consultation on the review of management plans for most of the nation's commonwealth marine parks.

"This is a rare, once-in-a-decade opportunity for Australians to have a say on the protection of our unique ocean areas and the turtles, whales and other marine life that live in our waters," said Richard Leck, Head of Oceans, World Wide Fund for Nature Australia.

"Most people are not aware that within our marine park network only a small amount is set aside as marine sanctuaries.

"Industrial scale fishing is allowed in the majority of our marine park area. In mid-July, WWF revealed the longline fishery operating on Australia's east coast has hooked, entangled or struck more than 800 turtles since 2018.

"WWF is calling for at least 30% of Australia's oceans to be protected as marine sanctuaries where mining activity, and commercial or recreational fishing is not allowed.

"It's crucial these sanctuaries cover the many important ecosystems and areas for biodiversity that at the moment have either no protection or are open to fishing.

"Ecosystems within marine sanctuaries are healthier and more resilient to some climate change impacts. They also produce more fish which expand out to waters outside sanctuaries supporting fisheries.

"New or improved sanctuary protections must be co-designed in partnership with First Nations communities and guided by Traditional Owner leadership and knowledge systems.

"The federal government has jumped out of the blocks by proposing expanded Marine Parks for Norfolk and Lord Howe Islands. It's a great start.

"Now the government must finish the job and secure lasting protection for the rest of our marine network," Mr Leck said.

Submissions are now open for a period of 60 days for the first public comment period. This is to consider new information and the latest science.

Based on submissions in the first stage, Parks Australia will prepare draft management plans. There will then be a second period of public consultation for feedback on the draft plans. This is where the boundaries of new or improved marine sanctuaries will be finalised.

WWF-Australia has launched a petition calling on the Australian government to create and strengthen marine sanctuaries to protect at least 30% of Australia's oceans by 2030.

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Frontline connectivity and NSW SES vessel tracking keeping communities safe

New portable connectivity kits, nimble internet-enabled forward command vehicles and satellite vessel tracking are being rolled out by the NSW State Emergency Service (SES) to enhance community response during disasters. This \$7.7 million investment by the NSW Government helps ensure frontline emergency service volunteers remain connected and equipped to assist communities during floods, storms and other incidents.

Portable Internet Connectivity Kits will provide smaller teams in the field with access to internet, phone and radio services, while larger connectivity trailers will support more than 100 users during major incidents and can be shared with partner agencies.

Eight of the portable connectivity kits will be allocated to SES drone operators, allowing them to securely transmit live vision from the scene of an incident directly to Incident Management Teams or the State Control Centre. The kits mean drones can remain onsite delivering vital vision when operating in an area with limited connectivity or where communication infrastructure is impacted.

In order to maintain constant contact between incident controllers and SES field teams, three specialised forward command vehicles are also being delivered to support on scene communications and coordination. The vans are designed to be agile so they can get to restricted locations that larger mobile command centres cannot reach.

SES vehicles will also receive connectivity improved, with Internet connectivity enhanced, in 230 vehicles equipped with faster, high-speed internet to improve access to live information.

Five new internet connectivity trailers will also be deployed to SES zones, providing high-capacity internet access for SES members, partner agencies and communities during major floods, storms and other emergency operations where networks are limited, overloaded or down.

Vessels will be trackable for the first time, with satellite technology installed across the SES fleet to allow real time monitoring during flood rescue response and on-water operations, helping direct resources, monitor teams and make effective decisions during tasking.

The connectivity upgrades include:

- \$1.5 million for Generation 2 internet-enabled Forward Command Vehicles
- \$1.4 million for internet connectivity trailers
- \$1.3 million for Vehicle as a Node (VaaN) 2.0
- \$915,000 for internet connectivity upgrades at SES Units including Starlink
- \$900,000 for internet connectivity kits
- \$500,000 for satellite vessel tracking

This investment builds on the delivery of 10 new High Clearance Vehicles ready for the September to April storm season, when the frequency of storms, strong winds and heavy rain typically increases. Last financial year the SES invested \$17.5 million to deliver 166 fleet assets including 63 vehicles, 30 boats and 73 trailers.



Minister for Emergency Services Jihad Dib take a look at one of the Portable Internet Connectivity Kits.

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Local youth tell UN 'belonging' matters most

ESC - Real connection matters. In this world of chatbots, AI and doom scrolling, the shire's youth have told the United Nations that human-to-human relationships are where it's at.

Australia's 2026 UN Youth Representative Janice Rodrigues recently met with Eurobodalla's Youth Committee as part of her national listening tour, participating in a workshop that tackled some of the big issues facing young people today - technology, mental health, community and opportunity.

Ms Rodrigues said many of the themes she heard were familiar from similar workshops across the country.

"Young people are navigating enormous change - from cost-of-living pressures and housing affordability to AI and social media," Ms Rodrigues said. "What stands out is, that despite all this change, young people consistently want the same thing: to feel connected, heard and able to shape the communities they live in."

Social media and AI featured in the discussions. Far from being overwhelmed by technology the group wrestled with its opportunities and risks, and issues of privacy, misinformation and the challenge of genuine connection in a digital world.



Eurobodalla's Youth Committee met with 2026 UN Youth Representative Janice Rodrigues at the Moruya Library on Thursday 30 July.

However, Eurobodalla Council's coordinator of youth development Rhonnie South points out that while AI featured in the workshop, the strongest message wasn't about technology at all.

"It's people. Our youth committee members were talking about belonging, friendship, loneliness, safe community spaces, better public transport, better mental health and real-life relationships," Ms South said.

"And they weren't simply identifying problems. They were proposing solutions like practical life-skills classes at school, accessible pathways to and through TAFE and higher education, more and flexible transport options, and ways to develop support networks."

Now their ideas are headed to the United Nations General Assembly, along with contributions from almost 5,000 other young Australians who have contributed to Ms Munday's consultation process. Her formal report will be presented in New York, with the consultation process Australia's biggest youth-led listening project.

The workshop sparked more than discussion, with several participants returning to school determined to learn more about the UN Youth program and other youth-advocacy initiatives like Youth Parliament. Ms South said that outcomes like that made the visit all the more rewarding.

"When young people meet someone just that bit older and taking local concerns to the national and international stage, it helps them see what's possible. They see the value in their own voice, they can have a say on the world they are inheriting, and that leadership doesn't just happen somewhere else," she said.

"In fact, it starts in rooms like this."

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A Day in the Life of ... a Brewer

A weekly column exploring the occupations in the Eurobodalla Shire by John Longhurst.

Name: Eric Blue

Wake up time: 7.00am

Beer produced: up to 1,000 litres per day

Beer of choice: Italian Pilsner

There are no sleep-ins or even breakfasts on beer-brewing days for Bodalla brewer Eric Blue.

It is straight to mashing, the foundational step of beer brewing, where Eric adds crushed malted grains to hot water (63°C to 68°C) to steep for an hour. This controlled process activates natural enzymes to convert complex grain starches into simple, fermentable sugars, creating a sweet liquid called 'wort'.

Eric uses the time to set up the Malt Man Brewing* premises. Located on the southern edge of Bodalla, the premises have had a few callings, including being a display home, a real estate agency, a pie shop and a cafe. A spacious outdoor setting invites visitors to spend an afternoon relaxing, taking in the scents of a well-tended edible garden and enjoying a vista of the rolling green hills of the South Coast.

The 'wort' is then transferred to a sanitised kettle, and the creative urges kick in before it is boiled for an hour.

Eric said, "I add hops which I source from as far away as the USA and Europe, as well as locally and I am even growing some these days. Some of the produce from the edible garden can also make it to the taste buds of my inner sanctum of beer tasters before tempting the public."

The 'holy grail' for Eric is the creation of a totally local beer.

Eric said, "I brew a couple of beers every year with the hops I grow in my beer garden. I use rainwater for those brews. I would love to brew one of those beers with a yeast I foraged from my property so as to create a beer about as local as it can be."

From the kettle to the fermenter, the brew is cooled, the yeast is added and it is kept under temperature control for a couple of weeks.



Eric said, "I am a big fan of the slow brewing process. Just as slow cooking brings out the flavours in food, the same applies to beer." Eric tastes the product all the way through and is not shy about discarding a brew that does not meet his high standards ... just ask him about the gifted 30-pack slab at the caravan park whilst travelling through Western Australia that got him into brewing. With formal qualifications from Federation University, Ballarat, and twelve years' brewing experience, Malt Man Brewing* is fast matching Bodalla's famous other reputation as a producer of high-quality milk, cheese, ice cream and chocolate. Malt Man Brewing* beer can be purchased in a cool refillable, custom labelled large stubbies or on tap at the One Tree Inn in Tuross Head or JJ's at the Marina in Batemans Bay.

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'Have A Dollarama shopping experience' - Now Open - In Moruya

By K Dahlweiss

For just weeks, but what seemed like many months, to those addicted to shopping at variety stores, the Reject Shops in Moruya and Bateman's Bay have been empty! Locals and visitors to the region wondered and may have feared, had the Reject Shops closed forever or were they just getting a refurbishment? Had they gone bust like Rivers? Thankfully not. In fact, Dollarama, a Canadian brand, bought out the Australian franchise during 2025, for a mere \$259 million.

Dollarama has done a quick refit of the Reject Shop to a better laid out and inviting discount variety store, still in the same location. There are wider and fewer aisles, four rather than three checkouts and small, almost child size shopping trolleys which are easy to move around. Customers can see things better too with brighter lighting and well sign-posted products.

According to the manager, Rebecca, 'we have been run off our feet since opening.' In the first three days it grossed 40 grand, which is an impressive amount for that store.

Rebecca has been part of the Reject Shop since the beginning when it first opened in Moruya 12 ½ years ago. She took over as manager three years ago and really excels at her job, enjoying the challenge of evolving in a tough business environment. Rebecca said 'People assume that things will stay the same' but that she has seen a lot of changes since becoming store manager, the biggest one being the Dollarama acquisition of the Reject Shop. She is excited about the change because Dollarama 'is a much bigger company and I'm expecting we'll do better.' Also 'Dollarama present their products better.' Her one lament is that 'we don't have space out the back' so what is delivered is immediately put in the store.

Dollarama is international and operates in many countries. The company have bought out all 400 Reject Shop stores around Australia. Officially known as Dollarama Australia Pty Ltd, their goal is to have 700 Dollarama stores in Australia within the next five years and to rival all the large variety discount stores such as Big W, Target and Kmart.



Does Dollarama live up to its name? Truthfully, there are some items for \$1, such as letter embossed mugs (I bought a 'K' mug to prove a point that I could buy something for \$1), but the claim to a dollar for everything has long gone. It was a bit disappointing to see that the \$1 edible chocolate medallion remained priced at \$3!

'We want to keep items under \$10' said Rebecca, 'and in Latin America, Dollarcity (same company but different name), the aim is to keep products priced under \$7. In Canada, the hope but not the promise, is to keep products at under \$5.' Rebecca explained the reason for the higher costs in Australia is because 'we have stricter fair-work regulations and controls on minimum wages in contrast to other countries.'

No one has lost their job in the take-over. The 12 staff: - 6 permanent workers and 6 casual, will remain, with a strong likelihood that more will be required, especially over the Christmas school holiday months and when there could be extended hours shopping. It's also anticipated that there will be more state and regional managers with some states anticipated to split into divisions as the company expands in Australia.

Rebecca believes that Dollarama will shake up the discount variety store industry in Australia as they revamp to offer 'more products at a base point price.' She said 'the intention is to fit out the stores with cheaper products in smaller packets.'

An aisle to look out for will be 'the seasonable products' aisle. It will soon carry 'all new products' for Halloween, Christmas and Easter. Rebecca suggests stocking up but 'Don't buy stuff just for the sake of it.' She can speak from experience because when she first started working at the Reject Shop, only one day a week, her whole pay packet would be spent on items in the store! Rebecca is thrilled that 'We've had people travelling from far away, Ulladulla and the Bateman's Bay customers.' The Bateman's Bay Dollarama is due to open in early September and so she admits that 'it is a bit of a novelty but probably won't last.' She says that 'it has been a big adjustment for some of the team.' But on the upside 'The excitement of it has uplifted everybody.'

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Tuross Head News

I would like to once again thank Alex for producing 'Moruya Mail'. Communication is essential for a number of reasons and more so as no shops in Tuross Head sell newspapers. Apart from a few who drive out to purchase one the rest of us rely on email, television and radio for news. There is a need for 'local news' and this 'Tuross News' is hoping to fill that void of the missing printed news. Club Tuross will print off a copy. \$3 to cover the cost of printing.

While Tuross Head is well provided for especially with a doctor, chemist, IGA and a number of other shops we don't have a mechanic or public transport so unless you have a car you have no way of getting out. We do have two car hire services however all comes down to how do people get to know about things especially as there are a number of residents who do not have email, and they are not obliged to have one.

All comes back to the need for the printed word and it being accessible to all. I would like to include more town news and cannot be everywhere to hear it so I invite Tuross residents to submit news for inclusion in this section.

For thirteen years the caring group has been offering 'free neighbourly help' to residents with transport, minor maintenance, socialising and doing whatever we can to help someone out. Currently our concern is on socialising/communication and the effects of isolation on us. Our on-call volunteers just do what we can do, when we can do it and are happy to help out. Thank you to those sending information about our town to me. Here is another copy of wording from one of the plaques situated around Tuross Head.

PLAQUE: MARITIME HISTORY - SHIPPING.

Transporting the farm produce and timber of the area was vital to the success of the development of Tuross. Like all coastal communities in the 1900's Tuross relied on coastal vessels to get goods to market and to obtain supplies from Sydney.

THE ILLAWARRA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY serviced the south coast of New South Wales from 1858 but only their smaller vessels entered Tuross Lake. In 1863 the company advertised 'Steam to the Tuross River and Gulph Diggings' (Nerrigundah). However, in the smaller print it stated you would travel to Batemans Bay on the large steamer 'Kembla' and then transfer to the shallower draught steamer 'Mynora' destined for Tuross.

Both the Tuross sawmills had their own boats for transporting their timber to market. The 'Maid of the Mill' was owned by the Goodin & Hicks Mill and the ketch 'Mary Ann' by the Goodlet and Co. Mill. These were both typical small coastal traders of under 26 tons. The 'Moses Fletcher', a larger vessel of 55 tons and 84 feet in length was then built at the Goodin and Hicks Mill near Turlinjah. However, a deep channel needed to be dug to successfully launch her on the high tide.

Negotiating the Tuross entrance was always difficult. Occasionally the shifting sand of the bar at the entrance to the river closed the lake trapping shipping inside. Another factor was that often heavy seas made it risky to attempt to enter or exit the lake across the sandbar. The entrance sandbar siltation was regularly scoured by River floods such as 1870 which enabled extensive commercial use of the river. However, the growth in agricultural cultivation up river finally increased river siltation. This, together with the effect of the 1891 flood ensured that the commercial community sought alternative shipping facilities and never returned to the Tuross River.

TUROSS BOATSHEDS

The Tuross boatshed era began in 1913 when the Crown gave leases for sheds and jetties to be built. Over the years the boatsheds have evolved from places where boat and fishing gear was stored into various enterprises. Boat hire, supply of fishing needs and in most recent years, waterfront meals and accommodation, have served the recreational needs of locals and visitors to Tuross Head.

Although their scope has changed, two boatsheds have been in operation over the years. These are:

*THE BOATSHED (commonly referred to as Mackenzies' Boatshed) was originally built in 1938 to service fisherman and their boats. Subsequently it became known as O'Brian's Boatshed, now Tuross Boatshed.

*TIEDMANS BOATSHED: which became Laing's Boatshed.

Mr Albert Laing came to Tuross Head on long service leave from the City of Sydney Fire Brigade in the 1940's to fish and prawn for three months at Lavender Point. Over the following years the Laing's enjoyed holidays in Tuross. In circa 1947 the family noticed that Tiedemann's boatshed was being auctioned and subsequently bought it.

In 1959 a new fleet of Laing's rental boats arrived in Tuross Head. These 'putt putt' motor boats were a famous drawcard for Tuross Head and remained in service until the closure of the boatshed in the late 1990's. The out of service boats remained at the wharf until 2008 with the last remaining Laing boat leaving the boatshed November 9, 2010.

This plaque was donated to the Tuross Head Progress Association for the Tuross community by the Laing Estate. Our thanks to the Moruya and District Historical Society for their support.

The Tuross Head Caring Group is a ministry of the Moruya Catholic Parish and we are celebrating 13 years of caring on Thursday 20th August, 2026 in Club Tuross at 12 noon. As usual we all pay for our own meals and drinks. Family and friends are welcome to join us. Paul Cullen will try and keep us organised again and we will have a time to remember our deceased friends and to be entertained. Please let us know if you are able to join us for our seating arrangements.

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The work of re-erecting the crane, which was accidentally destroyed by fire last week at the Breakwater Quarry, has commenced. It is expected that Foreman D. Skehan will shortly be able to resume operations of building the spur and effecting repairs to the main wall.

The Commissioner of Taxation is calling upon all concerned to furnish particulars of their incomes received during the year ended 30th June, 1926. Persons in receipt of income from salary or wages only need furnish returns if such totalled £300 or more during the year mentioned.

The Postal Department has arranged for a Post Office to be opened at Granite Town which will be officially designated the Moruya Quarry Post Office. Dormon Long's popular clerk-in-chief, Mr. Stanton Lizieri, has been appointed officer in charge.

Complaints are rife that no provision has been made at the wharf for the yarding of stock while awaiting shipment. Farmers have come from as far away as Eurobodalla – a distance of 20 miles – with pigs, but if the steamer is not in to schedule time, they have to return with their consignments and make another journey the next day. Through persistent agitation by the shippers, the river's channel has been cleared so that the steamer is now able to reach the town wharf, so surely those whose duty it is should provide accommodation for waiting stock.

Dentist Firth has sub-let his upstairs rooms to Mr. F. Jackson, who, with his wife and little girl, arrived from Sydney on Wednesday. Mr. Jackson is opening a garage next door to the Amusu Theatre.

The engagement is announced of Mr. John Arnold, of Bega, and well-known in Far South Coast musical circles, and Miss Hilda Costin, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Costin, of "Krotona," Narooma.

Her sister, Mrs. Mulroy, having converted her cottage, in a Sydney suburb, into a private hospital, Miss Alice, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bown, of Bergalia, has decided to take up the nursing profession, and will go into training with Mrs. Mulroy in a few months.

An egg day was held at Bateman's Bay Public School last week in aid of the Moruya Hospital. Nine dozen eggs were handed to the Matron.

Forged £5 notes are in circulation and the Commonwealth Bank warns the public to be on its guard. As it is so long since we saw a note of such value, we doubt whether we could detect the genuineness or not of same.

AMUSU THEATRE. Buster Keaton in THE NAVIGATOR. You will laugh yourself sea-sick!!! Also, Corinne Griffith, and an all star cast in DECLASSE, a high-class society drama by Zoe Akins.

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Let's do coffee with ... John!

It was not surprising the award winning autobiography 'A Fortunate Life' by A.B. Facey (published 1981) made its way into the Moruya Mail's (MM) chat with **Narooma identity John Burbidge** (JB) last week.

MM: Thanks for joining me, John. Let's buckle up and kick-start the Time Machine. Sydney had stolen much of our South Coast granite to build and open the Harbour Bridge, the Depression has left a third of the population unemployed and unsurprisingly, the birth rate plummeted to one of the lowest points in the 20th Century ... and yet ... here you are!

JB: (Laughs ...) Yes ... it's 1932. I was born in a Moruya midwife's home and according to the attending Doctor Thomas, "You can put him in football boots already". It's also the year the ABC began broadcasting and country icon, R.M Williams began producing his legendary Australian handcrafted leather boots. For the first twenty years of my life, I grew up in Bodalla on Wiltshire Farm and our home was tucked behind the Bodalla Arms Hotel. My grandfather, Henry James Burbidge, owned the pub from 1928 and he significantly contributed to its current reputation as the 'Best Pub in Bodalla' (smiles ...). It was a leading South Coast pub with three classes of dining rooms, well-equipped stables and even access to horse racing on his nearby farm. Family values, a work ethic, a connection to the local community and an appreciation of the natural environment loomed large in my upbringing. I attended Bodalla Primary School but World War II dominated our lives. Town names were removed, lights were screened, and zig-zag air raid trenches were dug in school grounds. With the loss of labour due to enlistment, we installed milking machines with our very first engine on the farm.

I have vivid memories of family grouped around our 6 volt wireless for scratchy war updates and my parents biting fingernails in those tumultuous years.

I loved village life, roaming unfettered and free as a young boy with a fading sun as the only signal to return home. People watched out for each other and goodwill, generosity and sharing prevailed. A family household could stretch from child to grandparents. There was no television but we had so much to see and watch... whether it be the local blacksmith, Dave Head, shoeing big farm draught horses or Constable Wells, astride his horse, making his regular visit to ensure the 6pm closing at the pub.

Of particular fascination was the travelling hawker, Mr Trad, with his horse pulled silver tinker's wagon full of mystery wares and Gordon Warren selling two kinds of salve to cure 'man and beast', and retailed from his big black Raleigh's van.

A treasured memory is of Giles Wilson camped near Whittaker's Creek with his unyoked bullocks resting, cowbells tinkling in the evening, between daily shifts carting logs to Stony Creek Mill.

Ahhh ... I can still smell the fresh 2-pound loaf of bread direct from the wood fired bakery's oven or the savouring of special treats, penny frogs, boiled lollies and liquorice all sorts.

Going to the pictures at the Amusu Theatre, Moruya, was a fond memory as we got older with milkshakes in steel containers and ice cream sundaes from the Red Rose Cafe. Transport was often in the back of trucks, on stools and under canvas.

I owe my high schooling to the generous citizens of Bega. They funded the establishment of hostels to enable kids from Eden to Batemans Bay and west to Cooma to attend the only secondary school south of Nowra offering education to Leaving Certificate and University Matriculation level.

I finished my schooling in 1949, serving as School Captain, gained my Leaving Certificate and was awarded a teacher training scholarship to Sydney's Teachers' College.

I began my teaching career at Maroubra Junction Junior Tech in 1952. I was 19 and only a few years older than many of the students. I moved to South Sydney Boys High School in 1953 where I taught for the next 5 years. I also attended Sydney University in the evenings and graduated with an Arts Degree in 1957. I also taught English to new Australians in evening classes.

In 1955, I married a Prince Henry Hospital nurse, Elizabeth Bullock. Our son Greg was born a year later and we spent happy times with our extended families. Our move to Goulburn in 1958 gave me the opportunity to teach senior high school students at Goulburn High School. I also gained a Masters Degree of Education as an external student through the University of New England (UNE). Teaching senior English in evening classes at Goulburn Gaol with a couple of 'lifers' passing with honours, gave me immense satisfaction in 1961-62.

MM: Goulburn's temperature was -8°C last week. I am sure Jack Frost farewelled you with the move to Narooma.

JB: (Laughs ...) Yes, the city and surrounds can be quite fairy like with frost, but the cold was not the motivation to move. My grandfather died suddenly in 1962 and my grandmother needed help to run her holiday cabins overlooking Montague Island.

By this stage, we had three children, Greg 6, Libby 4 and Kathlynn 1 year. We packed up and undertook the potential four-five hours journey. The Kings Highway was quite dangerous in those days and we waited for punts for water crossings. The journey takes much less than half the time today and with the road distance the same ... it gives an idea of road conditions 60 years ago.

I transferred to Moruya High School as English Master.

(A thoughtful pause ...)

The move to live in Narooma was very special for my family as it has given us a joyous life in a pristine environment. It is still home to my extended family, 43 years later. What a wonderful gift we now enjoy!

Teaching in Narooma from 1969-1987 gave me enormous pride and satisfaction. Over the years, the school expanded and in 1979 we moved into the new high school and by the time I left it had tripled in student numbers.



My civic service to Narooma began with the opening of the pool in 1967 and my election as foundation president of the Narooma Swimming Club for 6 years. I was subsequently awarded life membership. In 1976 I joined Narooma Lions Club as a foundation member.

Given our outlook over the Narooma Golf Course, I joined the Club in 1949 and have been a continuous member for 77 years. I served as president for eight years and was awarded life membership after we opened the "second 9" in Easter, 1980.

My civic responsibilities extended to two terms as a Councillor on the Eurobodalla Shire Council. I am proud of my achievements as Shire President from 1985 to 1987, years highlighted with the construction of major sewerage schemes and water extension projects. I am delighted the work was extended to my hometown of Bodalla.

As a family, we have devoted much time and effort to the success of our local businesses. The Amooran Oceanside Apartments and Motel offers visitors all that is majestic about our coastline. We have also been involved in farming since 1981 and have been successful with our Speckle Park Beef Stud established in 2018.

In a very fortunate life, my greatest tragedy has been the untimely death of my wife Bet in 1991. I am so grateful to my family, their support in difficult times always such a blessing.

Since 2002, I have enjoyed extensive Australian and world travel. With camping in the outback and walking English country pathways. I have truly experienced the best of both worlds.

MM: A fortunate life indeed! A great chat, John!

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 # 249

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The television flicked from extended footage of Prime Minister Albanese holding melons to his chest to bombing in the Ukraine followed by drone hits in the Strait of Hormuz and a tiny piece on starving children in Gaza.

Around the bar table the conversation dragged on and the froth on the schooner glasses receded accordingly.

Mick leaned back and folded his arms.

"I am telling you the standard knot is the most effective method to tie your shoelaces. It is technically called the Doubly-Slipped Reef Knot or Square Knot in fact, it is colloquially known as the 'bunny rabbit'. I used this knot for decades on my work boots ... one tie in the morning and still holding strong at the end of the day. It's a no brainer!"

Young Simon shook his head.

"All well and good, Mick if you have time on your hands ... but the Ian Knot is the way to go if you are in a hurry to tie your shoelaces. It serves me well if I am on the phone or caught up with something important."

Know All Ron cleared his throat.

"There are merits either way. You can also go with the Granny Knot but it does tend to come undone too easily. The serious minded may well opt for the Surgeon's Knot as the extra friction makes it less likely to loosen. My preferred one is the Double Knot as the second knot makes it more secure. Of course, there is the Berluti Knot which Bella would probably use on her dress shoes."

Bella, the publican, heaved a RM Williams riding boot covered foot on to the nearby bar stool and glanced up at the television.

"Not likely, Ron. I see we are solving the big issues today ... What's going on?"

Mick puffed his chest ever so slightly.

"Firstly, can we turn the volume of the television down, Bella ... it is a bloody distraction? OK ... we have introduced Artificial Intelligence or AI Fridays. A controversial topic is nominated and we use the week to research it and argue the merits over a beer. We might as well put all this advanced technology to good use and solve some big world problems that have caused arguments forever. This week's topic is the best knot to tie shoelaces."

Bella chuckled and her eyes widened as she flicked open her phone to the AI app.

"Well it is great to see you are at the forefront of solving the world's difficult problems. Now according to AI, there are about half a million other people having a beer at a pub at 6pm on a Friday evening. For simplicity reasons, we shall put to one side all the environmental costs of creating the various AI models. Anyhow, if all those people having a beer at this time were to make just 2 simple AI requests it would require 340kWh of electricity which is enough to power an average Australian home for 22 consecutive days. It would also need 320 litres of water, the equivalent of four full standard bath tubs. In fact, it is estimated up to 100 million simple requests are made to AI in Australia each day so multiple those other numbers by 100 ... a sizeable world problem in itself."

Bazza returned from the toilet.

"Looks like I have missed most of the AI shoelace knot challenge. I nominate the position of the toilet roll for next week. Should the loose end be over or under?"

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Defibrillator grants return for community sport

Community sporting organisations in the Bega electorate can now apply for grants of up to \$3,000 to purchase potentially life-saving defibrillators through the 2026 Local Sport Defibrillator Grant Program.

The NSW Government is investing \$500,000 to help eligible sporting organisations purchase, install and maintain Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs), as well as provide training, improving safety at local sporting facilities across NSW.

Cardiac arrest can happen to anyone at any time, and every minute without defibrillation reduces a person's chance of survival.

Sporting clubs often face financial barriers to purchasing and maintaining an AED and this Program helps more organisations access this essential equipment.

Since the Program's introduction in 2017, more than 2,500 AEDs have been installed at community sport and recreation facilities across NSW, supporting sporting organisations to improve emergency preparedness and participant safety.

To enhance emergency response efforts, support community safety and improve public access to equipment in the event of cardiac emergencies, all devices that receive funding under this year's program will be listed on the GoodSAM AED Registry.

Minister for Sport Steve Kamper said "We know every minute counts when someone suffers a cardiac arrest, and having a defibrillator close by can save lives.

"That's why we're helping more community sporting organisations install this vital equipment and be better prepared if an emergency happens. I encourage eligible organisations to apply for funding."

Professor Jamie Vandenberg, Co-deputy Director of the Victor Chang Cardiac Research Institute, said "Being able to access a defibrillator quickly and easily could be the difference between life and death for someone suffering a sudden cardiac arrest.

"Survival rates can more than double if a defibrillator is used in the first few minutes of a cardiac arrest.

"Currently less than one in 10 people who have a sudden cardiac arrest outside of hospital will survive.

"This is a sobering statistic but it's one we can change for the better by installing more of these lifesaving devices in sports clubs across the State."

Member for Bega Dr Michael Holland said "As a doctor, I know that when someone suffers a sudden cardiac arrest, every second counts. Having a defibrillator close at hand can mean the difference between life and death."

"Our local sporting clubs are at the heart of communities across the Bega electorate. They bring people together, encourage healthy and active lifestyles, and provide opportunities for people of all ages to participate in sport. Ensuring these facilities have access to life-saving equipment is an important investment in community safety."

"I encourage eligible sporting organisations across the Bega electorate to apply for this funding. The grants will help clubs purchase and maintain defibrillators, provide training for volunteers and improve emergency preparedness, giving participants, families and spectators greater peace of mind."

"This program is about supporting the dedicated volunteers who keep our sporting clubs running and ensuring they have the equipment they need to respond quickly should a medical emergency occur. I encourage local clubs not to miss this opportunity."

Applications for the Local Sport Defibrillator Grant Program close 7 October 2026 or earlier if available funding is exhausted. For further information and to apply, visit: <https://bit.ly/45xRUWw>



Go Get Healthy

with Sofia Keady

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Herbal Cough & Cold Support for Children

This week, I wanted to talk about gentle, effective herbs you can safely use to help your little ones bounce back from coughs, colds, sore throats, and stuffy noses or ears.

I recently came across a herbal cough remedy that features some truly fascinating ingredients.

At the top of the list are Mullein and Hyssop, two fantastic expectorant herbs. They work by loosening stubborn mucous and phlegm from the lungs so your body can clear it out naturally. Plus, they're wonderfully soothing for those dry, wracking coughs that seem to be everywhere this winter.

Then there's Thyme. While most of us keep it in the spice rack for roasts and casseroles, it has actually been used for centuries to support chest and respiratory health - making it a power player for bronchitis and lingering coughs.

What ties this formula together is its delicious base: organic New Zealand honey, organic marshmallow extract, apple juice concentrate, apple cider vinegar, and natural orange and lemon oils. The honey and apple juice give it a great taste that's easy to take. And while the marshmallow root isn't the fluffy campfire treat we love, its extract is incredible for easing irritation and clearing mucus along the respiratory tract.

Best of all, this blend helps soothe your cough without suppressing it entirely. Unlike some conventional medicines that trap mucus and infection inside the body, this formula supports your body's natural process to clear everything out so you can heal properly.

For kids struggling with sinusitis, stuffed noses, or blocked ears, I love a blend of herbal decongestion syrup with Elderflower, Ribwort, and Echinacea.

Elderflower thins out heavy mucus to clear upper respiratory congestion, while Ribwort brings antibacterial benefits and relieves catarrh - especially when allergies are at play. Paired with immune-boosting Echinacea, it's a gentle, effective way to help little ones breathe easier.

To ease head and chest congestion, a soothing chest rub can also work wonders to help clear airways. This hugely popular herbal chest rub blend combines six organic essential oils - Thyme, Peppermint, Rosemary, Pine Needle, Eucalyptus, and Lavender - in a nourishing base of organic coconut oil, olive oil, and beeswax.

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Yours in health, Sofia Keady

Nutritionist- Go Vita Batemans Bay



Local Experts Imagine 2040



Last week we introduced this month's sustainability film, Damon Gameau's 2040, which will be playing at the Red Door Hall in Moruya Thursday, August 13, at 6:00pm.

The panel discussion after the film brings together a range of expertise and perspectives on resilience, adaption and response to changing conditions. Panellists are, left to right, Yuin man Riley Nolan, Sustainability Champion Alex King, Local Hero and SHASA president Kathryn Maxwell, and meteorologist and former BOM Senior Climate Researcher, Dr Chris Lucas.

Topics up for discussion will include (but not be limited to), First Nations responses to needs of community and Country, interpretations of climate data, local food security, appropriate technology and technological innovation, as well as an update on the progress of the network of heat havens that have been established within Eurobodalla. Sustainability initiatives will be shared, including those from local groups SHASA, SAGE and 350.Eurobodalla.

As always, we anticipate lively audience participation in the discussion, and hope that inspiration and ideas will be shared around kitchen tables long after the evening is over.

This is not the only exciting film event this week. Earlier in the day on Thursday, August 13, the beautiful wildlife short film Tallaganda, featuring rare and awe-inspiring footage of endangered greater gliders, will be shown at the Bateman's Bay Soldiers Club, with fingerfood from 12:00 to 12:30, followed by the film screening and a Q&A with the filmmaker, David Gallan.



Upcoming Events:

Film Night: Film and panel discussion - 2040 Revisited - Moruya | Eurobodalla Council Thursday August 13, 6:00pm, Red Door Hall, Page St, Moruya

Seasonal Forecasting Sessions: Moruya Library will be hosting Seasonal Forecasting Sessions with meteorologist Dr Chris Lucas on the first Monday of each month at 2:30pm, starting Sept 7.

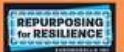
Film Screening with Film Maker Q&A: David Gallan's Tallaganda, Bateman's Bay Soldiers Club, Thursday August 13, 12:00pm.



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15 Aug	Laz n Caz
22 Aug	Jakob Poyner
28 Aug	Trivia Night
29 Aug	Moondog
5 Sep	Quantum Art Prize Deadline
5 Sep	Greg Byng
11 Sep	Murder Mystery Night
12 Sep	Mick Fernandez
19 Sep	Mac n Glenda
25 Sep	Trivia Night
26 Sep	Sarah Soukieh
3 Oct	Tony Jagers
10 Oct	Chris O'Connor

OPEN: Fri & Sat 12 - 9pm : Thu & Sun 12 - 6pm
Check Quantum Brewery Moruya website-Events

MORUYA MAIL Eurobodalla Gig Guide



August

Fri 14 Aug DJ Matt Brown Bay Soldiers Club 7.30 - 10.30pm
Sat 15 Aug Laz n Caz Quantum Brewery 4.30-7.30pm
Sat 15 Aug Blue Mallee Broulee Brewhouse 2-5pm
Sat 15 Aug Southern Impact Bay Soldiers Club 7.30 - 10.30pm
Sat 15 Aug Ian Birdwheel - Club Malua 6pm
Sat 15 Aug Smoke and Mirrors - Catalina Club 7.30pm
Sun 16 Aug Tony Jagers Foxdog Distillery 12 Noon
Sun 16 Aug Darcy Broulee Brewhouse 2-5pm
Fri 21 Aug Mick Fernandez Bay Soldiers Club 7.30 - 10.30pm
Sat 22 Aug Howlin Mitch Bay Soldiers Club 7.30 - 10.30pm
Sat 22 Aug Jakob Poyner Quantum Brewery 4.30-7.30pm
Sat 22 Aug Casey Donovan 'THIS IS ME' Bay Pavilions 7:30pm
Sat 22 Aug TBC Broulee Brewhouse 2-5pm
Sun 23 Aug Ron Callaghan & band Broulee Brewhouse 2-5pm
Fri 28 Aug Liam Coor's King of the Keys Bay Pavilions 7:30pm
Fri 28 Aug Backlash Bay Soldiers Club 7.30 - 10.30pm
Sat 29 Aug Backlash Bay Soldiers Club 7.30 - 10.30pm
Sat 29 Aug Mic McGrath Broulee Brewhouse 2-5pm
Sat 29 Aug Flavuh Starfish Deli
Sun 30 Aug Mac & Glenda Broulee Brewhouse 2-5pm
Sun 30 Aug Mick McGrath Foxdog Distillery 12.30-3.30pm

September

Fri Sept 4 Driving Sideways Bay Soldiers Club 7.30 - 10.30pm
Sat 5 Sept MTV Unplugged Live Bay Pavilions 7:30pm
Sat Sept 5 Driving Sideways Bay Soldiers Club 7.30 - 10.30pm
Sat 5 Sept Greg Byng Quantum Brewery 4.30-7.30pm
Sat 5 Sept Dear Seattle at Smokey Dan's, 5pm - 10:30pm
Sat 5 Sept Dance Your Decade (1980s) Adelaide Hotel 8pm

Sat 5 Sept The Grunge Show, Bay Pavilions at Bay Pavilions
Sun 6 Sept Tony Jagers Waterfront Hotel (Fathers Day) 3pm
Sun 6 Sept Michael Bray Foxdog Distillery 12.30-3.30pm
Fri 11 Sept Riff Bay Soldiers Club 7.30 - 10.30pm
Sat 12 Sept Riff Bay Soldiers Club 7.30 - 10.30pm
Sat 12 Sept Mick Fernandez Quantum Brewery 4.30-7.30pm
Fri 18 Sept Tommy Novak's show Starfish
Fri 18 Sept DJ Matt Brown Bay Soldiers Club 7.30 - 10.30pm
Sat 19 Sept Edan Foxdog Distillery & Brewery 12.30-3.30pm
Sat 19 Sept Mick Fernandez Bay Soldiers Club 7.30 - 10.30pm
Sat 19 Sept Mac n Glenda Quantum Brewery 4.30-7.30pm
Sun 20 Sept Dane Kennedy Foxdog Distillery 12.30-3.30pm
Fri 25 Sept One Louder Bay Soldiers Club 7.30 - 10.30pm
Sat 26 Sept Howlin Mitch Bay Soldiers Club 7.30 - 10.30pm

October

Sat 3 Oct Tony Jagers Quantum Brewery 4.30pm
Sun 18 Oct Tony Jagers Waterfront Hotel (with Mark Easton)
Sat 3 Oct WAAX Smokey Dan's Tomakin
Sat 3 Oct Dean Abbott Foxdog Distillery 12.30-3.30pm
Sun 4 Oct Tony Jagers Foxdog Distillery 12.30-3.30pm
Sun 25 Oct Mick McGrath Foxdog Distillery 12.30-3.30pm
Sat 31 Oct Totum Foxdog Distillery 12.30-3.30pm

November

Sun 15 Nov KENNY ROGERS & Friends Bay Pavilions 2:00pm
Sun 22 Nov Tony Jagers Tilba Valley Winery 11am
Sat 19 Dec Tony Jagers Quantum 4.30pm

ONGOING

Every Friday Night Open Mic Broulee Brewhouse from 5.30pm
Every Thursday Night Open Mic Moruya Waterfront from 5.30pm

For weekly listings email by 5pm Tuesday to hello@moruyamail.com.au

Book launch 'Mogo's ANZACS'

13 August 2026, 2:00 – 3:00pm

The museum's latest publication explores the Mogos Anzacs, emphasising their history and contributions. Key highlights include: The book examines the origins of the Mogos Anzacs with personal stories and includes photos and documents of the Mogos Anzacs.

Batemans Bay Museum, 3 Museum Pl, Batemans Bay



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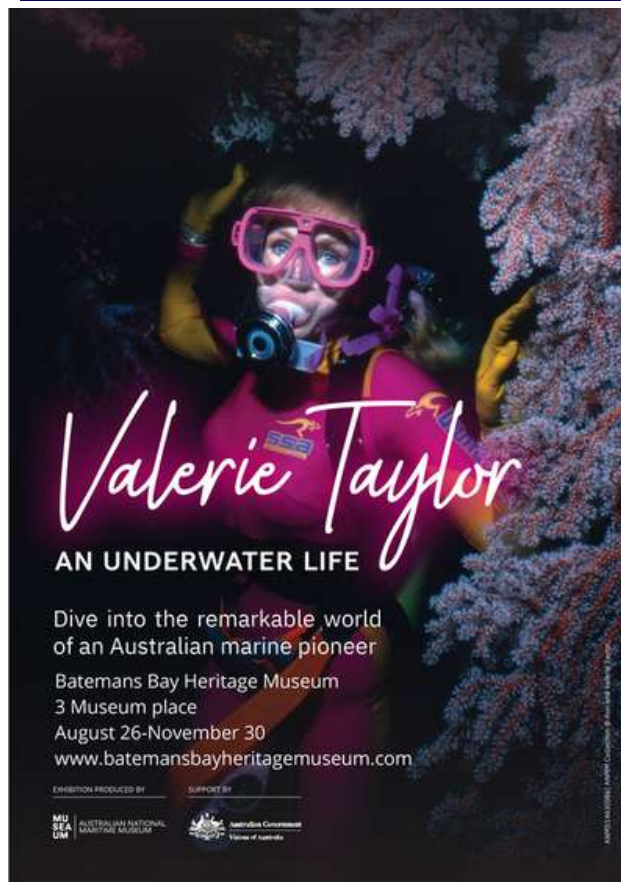
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The 'Valerie Taylor – An Underwater Life' exhibition is coming to Batemans Bay Heritage Museum from August 26–November 30.

Discover the legacy of a global pioneer in underwater storytelling, shark research, and marine conservation. This inspiring exhibition showcases Valerie Taylor's life and achievements through the Australian National Maritime Museum's collection images, text, and 3D scans.

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For Valerie Taylor, it was a lifetime of diving into the unknown, changing our relationship with sharks, and fighting for our oceans.

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Montague Visiting Artists 2026



Apeiron Baroque: Treasure Hunt
A Magical Mystery Tour of Baroque Marvels with John Ma, violin & Marie Searles, harpsichord

2:30 pm Saturday September 12
St Paul's Anglican Church, Narooma

Inaugural Quantum Art Prize for Eurobodalla Artists

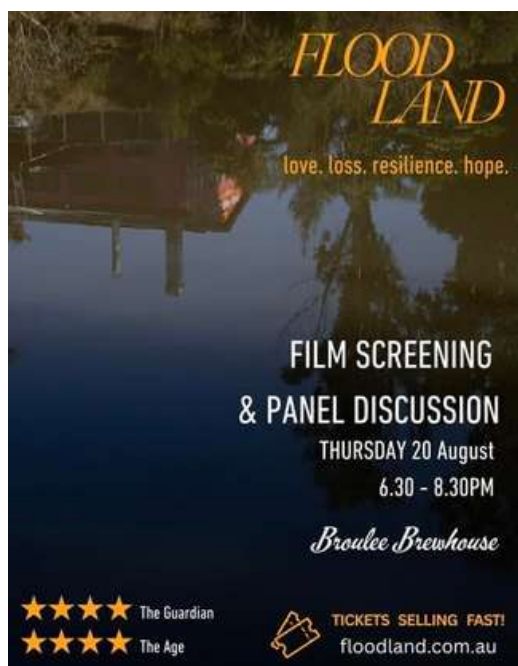
Celebrating Creativity Across the Eurobodalla – The inaugural Quantum Art Prize is a new opportunity for local artists to showcase their work, connect with the community, and compete for cash prizes in a professionally curated exhibition.

Entries: close 5pm Monday 7 September 2026 Cost: \$20 per entry

Where: The Cool Room at the Quantum Brewery, 57 Hawdon St, Moruya

Exhibition dates: Friday 25/9 – Sunday 4/10

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- 21st–25th October – **Sea Otter Australia**
- 31st Oct – **Eurobodalla Health & Community Expo**
- 22 Nov – **Tomakin Community Day 12–4pm**
- 5 Dec –30 Jan – **Basil Sellers Art Prize 2026**
- 6–20 Dec – **Congo Crafts 41st Exhibition.**
- 19th Dec – **Carols By Candlelight**
- 13 March 2027 – **NSW State Election**
- 7–9 May – 2027 **Narooma Oyster Festival**

NEXT ESC Council Meeting 25 August
NEXT ESC Public Access 11 August 2026

Release of 'Mogo's ANZACS, at Batemans Bay Museum

13 August 2026, 2:00 – 3:00pm
Please register in the Events section of the website
www.batemansbayheritagemuseum.com

Free Legal Advice

South Coast & Country Community Law is coming to Batemans Bay to provide in person legal appointments for clients.

When: Thursday 27th August 2026 10am to 1:30pm

Where: Moruya Medicare Mental Health Centre, Mirrabooka Avenue Moruya 2537 (Building address: 73 Vulcan Street, parking and entry at rear, off Mirrabooka Avenue).

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

Narooma VIEW Club welcomes new members

Narooma VIEW Club meets on the fourth Friday of each month at Narooma Golf Club Seahorse Room at 11.30 for lunch & a guest speaker. (Except October will be Friday 18th).

Moruya 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.

Batemans Bay Community Centre

Community groups, organisations and individuals are invited to help shape the future of the Batemans Bay Community Centre, with Eurobodalla Council calling for expressions of interest. The centre includes a range of small and large rooms, toilets, kitchenette facilities and outdoor space. **Interested community members can also visit the building at an open day on Wednesday 12 August from 10am to 1pm.** Expressions of interest can be submitted through Council's website until Friday 14 August. Community feedback will help shape recommendations presented back to Council later this year. Draft fees and charges for future use of the centre are also currently on public exhibition, with community feedback invited before they are finalised.

Southern Mobile Service NSW Centre visits -

Tuross Head Tuesday 15 September Club Tuross,
Wallaga Lake Tuesday 15 September Basketball car park, 13 Umbarra Rd

BAY REUNION

A **Batemans Bay reunion** will be held at the Batemans Bay Soldiers club on the 7 Nov. 2026. A chance to catch up with those old friends we love but rarely see. Have a chat about the Bay that was. Share your memories of our town and our area. Our school days, workdays and sports days. Enjoy a popular Chinese Banquet. Doors will open a 4pm. Tickets \$44 per person will be available online. Just search STICKY TICKETS and Batemans Bay Reunion. here you can choose your table and seats. If your not able to access the internet the Soldiers Club will take bookings at the desk workdays Mon-Fri between 10.00am to 4pm.

Councillor Catch Up

Moruya Ice Cream Café on Wednesday 19 August, 10.30am-12pm. For residents to drop-in for a casual chat with their elected representatives.

Moruya RSL Sub Branch

Moruya RSL Sub Branch would like to notify all members & visiting ADF personnel that the general meeting for the third Tuesday of the month, which would normally be held on Tuesday 18th August at 2p.m, has been cancelled. This is to give all the opportunity to attend the Vietnam Veterans' Association commemorations which are being held locally.

CWA Batemans Bay

Showing 'MAMMA MIA' 20 August 10 am at our Hall, Edward Rd. Batehaven. Entrance: A small plate to share. Prizes for best ABBA/Greek Island costumes. Book by text to 0422227437 with names & numbers.

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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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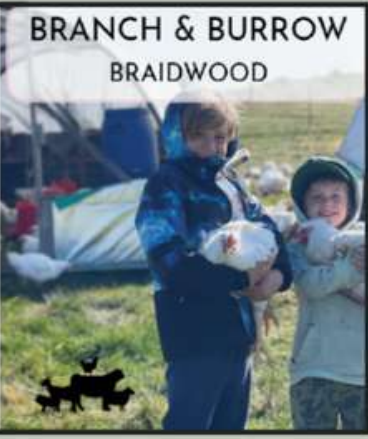


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Saturday 15 Aug 2026
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Sunday 16 Aug 2026 - Airfield Re-enactment, Donnelly Drive
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Tuesday 18 Aug 2026 - Vietnam Veterans Day Commemoration Service,
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When us dogs turn into furry statues at the door or on the pavement, we're not just being stubborn - we're sending an SOS signal!

We're usually caught in a spiral of overthinking and sensory overwhelm, feeling like we have to manage every threat and opportunity in the outside world. The secret to helping us through the panic is turning our walk into a focused job. We need you to take the lead, get us out of our overthinking heads and into 'job' mode.

This starts with making the doorway a positive and structured space. Before we step outside, enforce a calm sit-and-wait protocol so we have to ask for permission to cross. This helps strip away any stressful perception that we're in charge of what we do on the outside.

If you can't get a full sit after a minute, aim for a gentle wait before moving through. Always try to end training moments on a win rather than forcing perfection.

Once we hit the pavement, keep our walk focused by calmly correcting lead pulling and rewarding us when we walk on a loose lead or offer eye contact back to you. This helps remind us that you're in charge - which is a load off our shoulders!

If we freeze mid-walk, skip the urge to drag us down the street and turn this speed-bump into a training opportunity instead. Ask us for a simple sit and wait, followed by a purposeful, upbeat "ok let's go!" to give us a clear instruction.

When we're really stuck, high-value treats like cheese or roast chicken will snap most of us back into the moment. But don't just throw the food at us; let us catch the scent by bringing it to our noses, then issue a clear instruction, and reward us when we follow through.

Us dogs love jobs everywhere we go. It gives us certainty and purpose. By channeling our energy into following your clear instructions, that overwhelming list of outdoor jobs reduce to one manageable task: enjoying a smooth stroll by your side. Say hi to your dogs for me!

Got a question for Big Head? You can email bigheaddogtraining@gmail.com

2026 hard waste collection schedule

- Monday 17 August: Bimbimbie, Mogo, Broulee, Mossy Point, Tomakin, Woodlands, Dunns Creek Road, Guerilla Bay, North Rosedale, South Rosedale and West Rosedale
- Monday 24 August: Malua Bay, Lilli Pilli, Surf Beach including The Ridge Road, Kauzal Crescent and Towrang Avenue, and Denhams Beach including Burkes Way
- Monday 31 August: Denhams Beach from Burkes Way, Sunshine Bay and Batehaven
- Monday 7 September: Catalina, Silverdell Place through to Batemans Bay including Crosby Drive and Glenella Road
- Monday 14 September: North Batemans Bay including Peninsula Drive, Nelligen, Surfside, Bay Ridge, Clyde Road and Cors Parade
- Monday 21 September: Long Beach, Maloneys Beach and South Durras

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Or any CAERH Member please refer to www.caerh.org for information



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A great moving meditation practice. This pose helps to remove stiffness in the shoulders and upper back, improves posture and blood circulation and encourages more oxygen into the system. By synchronising the movement with the breath we help to increase the lung capacity and enhance the awareness.

To practice - Stand with the feet together and arms beside you. Cross the wrists in front of the pelvis. As you inhale, slowly raise the arms above the head, keeping the wrists crossed. Simultaneously, raise the head to gaze at the hands. As you exhale spread the arms out to the sides at shoulder height. Hold for a few seconds then inhale re-raise the arms crossing at the wrists and exhale lowering the arms back in front of the pelvis. Practice up to 10 times slowing the movement down to lengthen the breath.



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10:30	U12's
11:30	9's
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9:25 - U8's	10:10 - U12's LT
	11:00 - U12's
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	12:40 - U14's LT
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Tackle World Moruya Fishing Report 7.8.26

Moruya River.

Yet again, I don't have that much to report on the state of fishing in the Moruya river. With a quiet shop front, cold water and a lack of any real, meaningful customer feedback to go on, there isn't much I can say. Until water temps off shore increase, and start the slow process of warming up the lethargic inhabitants of the local system, reports will be light on. Apart from the short lived visits from cruising salmon, the river has been quiet.

Tuross River.

The visiting salmon, are still making the occasional visit into the system this week. There are many local anglers hoping that the Luderick bite will be starting to kick into action also. They are normally around this time of year, so fingers crossed, they start soon.

Rock and Beach.

Salmon have been the main stay along the entire coast this week, with fish up to the 60cm mark being reported. They can at times however be a bit overbearing in their presence, but at least they are realisable this time of year.

One local angler managed some very good sized silver drummer from the stones last week, while out chasing black drummer. One fish went over 60cm, if you have ever fished for drummer from the stones, then you know that landing a fish of this size is no small feat. Congrats Andre, that was a true pig of a fish!

Offshore.

The YFT are still around for the game crews looking to get out this weekend, inside the shelf is where you should start looking for the bait schools.

The snapper and flathead have also been available for the inshore crews this week also, although the big seas last weekend, has kept the reports to a minimum. Try around the 10-15m mark for the reds this weekend. The bait freezer has been restocked this week, so I have all the good stuff available, USA squid included. Stay safe everyone and remember, "Everyday is a good day for fishing..."

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Tuross Head Golf



Winner: Steve Swanbury with President Bruce Harding.

Tuross Head Golf Results Thursday 6th August 2026

A field of 33 players competed in a Medley Stableford event today. The day was cool and sunny and some excellent and close scores were achieved.

The Winners were:

- 1st: Stephen Swanbury (19) with 39 points
- 2nd: Colin Houghton (3) with 38 points (countback)
- 3rd: Robert McDonnell (22) with 38 points (countback)
- 4th: Troy Kingdom (10) with 38 points

Nearest to the Pins

- 4th: Colin Houghton 2.39 A Grade
- 4th: Paul Scholze 1.19 B Grade
- 4th: Peter Garn 1.80 C Grade
- 6th: Ruth Gschwend 2.47 A Grade
- 6th: Mark Haberkorn 4.81 B Grade
- 6th: Terry Milliken 5.17 C Grade
- 7th: Ruth Gschwend 2.70 A Grade
- 7th: Chelsea Mayes 9.24 B Grade
- 7th: Stephen Gardner 5.42 C Grade

Balls went to: Lars Gaupset 37, Darrell Kildey 36, Anthony Mellick 34, Peter Garn 33, Chelsea Mayes 32, Bruce Harding 30, Mark Haberkorn 30, Ruth Gschwend 30, Peter Coffey 29 and Shane Gschwend 29.



Winner: Teri Swanbury with President Bruce Harding

Tuross Head Golf Results Saturday 8th August 2026

A field of 58 players took to the course to compete in a Medley Stableford event. The weather was sunny and there were some amazing scores. The winner set the pace and maintained the lead until the end!

The Winners were:

- 1st: Teri Swanbury (29) with 42 points
- 2nd: Ian Kingston (26) with 39 points (countback)
- 3rd: Peter Coffey (23) with 39 points
- 4th: Stephen Swanbury (18) with 38 points
- 5th: Tim Watson (3) with 37 points (countback)

Nearest to the Pins

- 4th: Tim Watson 4.60 A Grade
- 4th: Kevin Reilly 6.30 B Grade
- 6th: Colin Houghton 1.40 A Grade
- 6th: Stephen Swanbury 4.75 B Grade
- 7th: Martin Booth 3.60 A Grade
- 7th: Chelsea Mayes 2.07 B Grade
- 7th: Robert McDonnell 3.95 C Grade

Place Getters: Cathy Milliken 37, Ian McManus 37, Dianne Brown 36, Martin Booth 36, Peter Hogan 36, Lars Gaupset 35, Colin Houghton 34, Troy Kingdom 34, Brad Doolan 34, Anthony Mellick 34, Darrell Kildey 33, Michael Coloe 32, Ian Manton 32, Ian Lawson 32 and John Harb 32.



Club Champion: Ruth Gschwend Winners: Dorothy Madden, Samantha Dryden and Kerrie Sands.

Tuross Head Ladies Golf Results - Tuesday 11th August 2026

A field of 21 ladies competed in Round 3 of the Ladies Championship event and daily Stroke event. The event was sponsored by Leonie Snodgrass and some amazing scores were achieved.

The Overall Club Champion for 2026 after 3 rounds was Ruth Gschwend!

Gross B Grade Champion was Maree Coffey. Nett A Grade Champion was Sandra D'Onofrio and Pam Alexander was Nett B Grade Champion.

The Daily Winners were:

A Grade:

- 1st: Dorothy Madden (23) with 67 nett
- 2nd: Ruth Gschwend (17) with 73 nett

B Grade:

- 1st: Kerrie Sands (38) with 74 nett
- 2nd: Chris Wratten (36) with 76 nett

C Grade:

- 1st: Samantha Dryden (41) with 83 nett
- 2nd: Jennifer Gray (45) with 84 nett

Hole Prize:

- 7th: Teri Swanbury Golden Shot A 0.13
- 7th: Stacey Davidson Golden Shot B 3.70

Nearest to the Pins: 2nd Shot

- 6th Kerrie Sands Distance 0.40
- 15th Chris Wratten Distance 2.10

Place Getters: Sandra D'Onofrio 74, Annette Manton 76, Teri Swanbury 78, Dianne Brown 79, Maree Coffey 80 and Marie Muriwai 80.

Tuross Head Vets Golf Results Wednesday 12th August 2026

34 players braved the cool morning to compete in a Single Stableford event today and some brilliant scores were achieved.

The Winners today were:

- 1st: Linda Puglisi with 25 points (countback)
- 2nd: Rob Nash with 25 points
- 3rd: Ian Miller with 24 points

Balls or Chocolates:

Chris Wratten 19, Gai Forrest 19, Shirley Quinlan 19, Herb Muriwai 19 and Sandra Hanlon 18.

Nearest to the Pins:

- 4th: Peter McRae (2nd Shot)
- 7th: Ladies: Leonie Snodgrass (2nd Shot)
- Mens: Bruce Harding (2nd Shot)

Accuracy: Peter McRae (5th hole)

Bradman's: Jennifer Gray



Winner: Linda Puglisi



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Club Malua Stingrays Women's Bowls



Social bowls was enjoyed on another beautiful Winter's day . Birthday Greetings to Lyn Hardy and a special 80th to Sue Palmer. Thanks to Lyn and the two Di's who visited Sue in hospital yesterday also the wonderful messages on Facebook, Sue will be thrilled to bits . (Photo)

Winners, Michelle Adler, Jean Head and Lisa Grice not in photo. Runners-up, Pat Bill and Nancy White sharing half a game each with Sue Morgan and Wendy Geary. Great that Pat is back on the Green. Jackpot card selected by Patricia Weekes, but no luck finding Joker. Money Club, Jenny Blyth and Michelle Adler. Lucky numbers, Gay Biggs, Raija Johnston and Sonia Frey.

Coastrek legend hits \$70K Fundraising milestone and marks 24 Coastreks at inaugural South Coast Coastrek.

Coastrek is Australia's iconic team hiking and fundraising challenge, raising vital funds for Beyond Blue while encouraging Australians to improve their mental wellbeing through hiking in nature. This year being held in the Eurobodalla, the walks start on Friday 14th August at 7:00am Corrigans Beach and finishing at Batemans Bay (30km) and then start 11:30am, Malua Bay and finishing at Batemans Bay (20km).

Coastrek legend Ann Jenkins will complete her 24th Coastrek at the inaugural Coastrek South Coast, after raising more than \$70,000 for charity and inspiring countless women to take on the challenge. Ann didn't discover hiking until her 40s after seeing her daughter return from a Duke of Edinburgh expedition. She signed up for Coastrek thinking she'd do it once. Twenty-four events later, she's become one of Coastrek's longest-serving Community Ambassadors and one of its most passionate advocates.

Today, Ann says Coastrek gave her the confidence to discover she was "strong, gutsy and capable of far more than I ever imagined."

Her journey continues on the South Coast this August. Now a grandmother, Ann will join hundreds of trekkers exploring hidden bays, rugged headlands and cultural landmarks on Walbunja Yin Country.

The South Coast event supports mental health charity Beyond Blue, reinforcing Coastrek's mission to promote wellbeing through movement, nature and connection

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Driftwood Shores Mixed 3-Bowl Pairs Tournament

Tuross Head Bowling Club

On Wednesday 5th August, in perfect weather albeit a little cold first up, and excellent bowling conditions, Tuross Head Bowling Club held its inaugural Mixed 3-Bowl Pairs Tournament.

It was a fantastic day with 26 teams playing 4 games of 10 ends. There were some close matches and very tight competition on many rinks. Teams from Merimbula, Moruya, Tomakin, Picton, Figtree, Yass, Braidwood and Malua Bay as well as quite a few Tuross bowlers filled both greens.

Results were as follows:

Best Game Winners/Biggest Margin-

Round 1 Peter Harris and Beth Whittingdon from Tomakin

Round 2 Jeff Rankin and Margaret Flynn from Moruya

Round 3 Neil and Sandra Mather from Tuross Head

Round 4 Rose Farrington and Jonathan Green from Tuross Head

Overall Placegetters

First Place Lorrie Bird & Phil Welsh from Tuross Head

Second Place Tom Watson and Cara Patton from Braidwood

Third Place Doug and Dale Sheridan from Figtree

Thank you to our generous sponsors McCloy Group - Driftwood Shores Tuross Head, Coastal Auto Group Moruya and Batemans Bay, Hallmark Real Estate Tuross Head, Travel Team Batemans Bay, Platinum Blinds and Awnings Moruya, Kyro Property Maintenance, Tuross Pharmacy and Jimmy's Passenger Service Tuross Head.

We are very grateful for the ongoing support from these local businesses and for the ground work our committee member and resident photographer, Mike Bromfield puts in to cementing these wonderful partnerships.

Successful carnivals such as this take a large amount of time and effort in the organising lead up and on the day itself. Thank you to our Bowls Organisers, Neil and Sandy Mather, along with Marcel, for your tireless work. Thank you also to our members volunteering in the lead up to freshen up the greens and volunteers on the day assisting with a range of duties, including the delicious morning tea, raffle ticket sales, lunch organisation etc and the responsibility of keeping the leaderboard up to date. It was great to see so many of our members that weren't bowling present and involved. What a wonderful community we have in a bowling club.

To the bowlers who filled teams after last minute cancellations, to ensure we had full greens, well done.

Finally, to Club Tuross and their talented Green Staff, thank you for maintaining our greens to such a high standard and for being such strong supporters of our Bowling Club carnivals.



Tuross Head Driftwood Shores Mixed Pairs Winners Lorrie Bird and Phil Welsh



Tuross Head Driftwood Shores Mixed Pairs Third Place Doug and Dale Sheridan Figtree



Tuross Head Driftwood Shores Mixed Pairs Runners Up Tom Watson and Cara Patton Braidwood



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Broulee Ocean Swimmers Take on Fiji — One Splash at a Time



Nine Broulee locals swapped Shark Bay for the South Pacific this month, taking their love of open water swimming all the way to Fiji. Eight women and one very good sport, Neil, made the trip — ranging in age from 57 to 87 — and by all reports put Broulee well and truly on the map, resplendent in their branded Surf Club swimwear.

The tour, organised by Ocean Swim Fiji, saw the group tackle swims ranging from 1km to 3km in Fiji's warm waters — a fitting reward for months of hard work back home. Regular training at Shark Bay, along with the local Sunday swims, meant every single one of them completed their distance — no small feat, and a great example of what a bit of consistency (and a supportive swim crew) can achieve.

But it wasn't all serious training talk. Between swims there were slippery dips, plenty of laughing, and even some dancing — proof that this crew knows how to celebrate as hard as they train.

What really stands out, though, is what this trip says about the power of the group itself. For these swimmers, the ocean has always been more than exercise — it's a shared love that's kept them coming back to Shark Bay, day after day, year after year.



Add in that regular Sunday swim and you understand that swimming is about far more than laps: it's a tight-knit community that shows up for each other, cheers each other on, and makes growing older feel like something to look forward to rather than something to fight. That sense of belonging is, by their own account, a big part of what's kept them so active well into their seventies and eighties — proof that connection and consistency go hand in hand with longevity.

Congratulations to all nine swimmers for representing Broulee so brilliantly, and thanks to Ocean Swim Fiji for a well-run and memorable tour. If this doesn't inspire a few more of us to turn up for the next Sunday swim, nothing will!

Contributed by Gill Stapleton

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