

# THE BERRY CUP

Calcutta at Hotel Berry Friday 17th Sept at 7.30pm  
**HAVE A FUN RACING FUNDRAISING DAY**

## KEMBLA GRANGE

SATURDAY

18TH SEPTEMBER 2004



### VIP - PURPLE TICKET

\$75.00 Per Person

Ticket includes:

Coach transport

Entry into Race Course and Members Area

Race Book

Buffet Luncheon in the Bert Lillye Lounge

Five (5) Free drink vouchers

Complimentary ticket in Qantas travel prize

### LIME TICKET

\$20 Per Person

Ticket includes:

Coach transport

Entry to Race Course and Members Area

Coach Transport

### Departures

Berry Showground 10.30am

Gerringong Hotel 10.45am

Details of the day

Enquiries/Bookings Contact

**Mary 4464 2171**

**Kerry 4464 1834**

Other Enquiries

**Col 4464 1011 or 4446 0686**

**Noah's Ark**

For children with special needs

Supporting Noahs Ark Children's Charity

### APPLICATION FORM

Name:		Phone:	
Address:		Mobile:	
No. of Tickets:	Car Passes No. Required:	Table of:	
Coach Transport Yes/No	How many from Berry?	How many from Gerringong?	
Cash \$	Cheque \$	Credit Card \$	

**Cheques payable to: Berry Racing & Turf Association Inc.**

Visa / Master / Amex / Diners / Bankcard

Please Circle

No: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiry Date: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ Signatue \_\_\_\_\_

Return completed application form and payments before 1st Sept 04:

**The Secretary**  
**Berry Racing & Turf Assoc**  
**C/- PO Box 176**  
**BERRY NSW 2535**

# GATEWAY C H U R C H

*My wife Sally and I are relative newcomers into this intriguing community. It is now six months since I became Pastor of the Uniting congregations at Berry and Kangaroo Valley. We settled in very quickly and everything was looking 'rosy' with growing numbers and good relationships. Then at the end of May, a minor troublesome stomach-ache became a major abdominal surgery; and our new comfortable life in Berry became challenged.*

*I suppose it goes without saying that both congregations together with the Uniting Church in general were immediately supportive and caring but it did not stop there. With each day, the number of telephone calls, cards and messages passed on of people upholding us in prayer surprised us. Not just from our local communities or Shoalhaven or Illawarra districts but from across the State and South Australia. We were overwhelmed by the loving support encouraging us.*

*I would take this opportunity to sincerely thank all of you who have been supportive during our time of uncertainty. In particular, the combined churches group in Berry and the ministersí fraternal in Nowra. For our congregation, it was especially touching to learn that the Community church members were praying for my return to good health. It means so much that past differences can be put to one side and fresh outlooks sought to build up the Christian Church as one body of believers.*

*So does this total expression of caring shown within our community for those who struggle in life say anything about Christian values? Does it say anything about the need for active congregations to be more involved in community life? Does it say anything to a generation who claim there is no need for God in their lives?*

*I believe it does say something. I believe it speaks volumes!*

*Since coming to Berry, we have encouraged an expression of openness in our church, and a strong bonding has grown over the past months. At our services, we have a sharing time for people to come forward and be open with their joys or struggles. At the last service before my operation, we formed a prayer chain and covered those in need of prayer.*

*In summary, the more effort we, as Christians, can put into openly expressing our love for one another within our community, the more the community will be able to value the love God through Jesus has for each person within our community.*

**From Pastor Graham Bird,  
 Berry Gateway Uniting Church**