

'What's so Special about The Berry Show'

Wonderful news; The Berry Show Society has announced the 2005 Berry Show will host THE FIRST BOER GOAT SHOW on the South Coast. This is particularly exciting as Berry Rural is the premier Agricultural/Horticultural show in the Shoalhaven (at least we think so!)

Berry Bore show will not only cater for the stud exhibitors but will also give commercial breeders the opportunity to display their stock. There will be eighteen classes, something for everyone.

Stud animals shall be judged on commercial value only. The judging classes are liveweight categories similar to those reported by the National Livestock Reporting Service.

The goat section of the show has recently been redeveloped to cater for the growing popularity of all breeds of goat. 2004 Berry Show displayed both Angora and Dairy goats, but with the inclusion of the Boer goats the 2005 Berry Show the picture is complete.

From the Pavilion; In order to celebrate the unique quality of Berry life and its inhabitants, we have decided to introduce:

the DAVID BERRY PHOTOGRAPHIC PORTRAIT PRIZE.

As the Archibald prize celebrates those who have succeeded in life of the arts,

the David Berry Portrait Prize will celebrate those whose life is lived in an area of pure artistry.

The prize will be awarded to a photographic portrait of a Berry person - be they young or old - an original Berry person or a newcomer. Have a good hard look at your family, friends or neighbours. Do they have what it takes - perhaps find a new friend - **-RECORD THAT FACE!**

For those not lucky enough to live in this area, Berry Show is a friendly rural show with great country charm. The town and surrounding areas provide restful accommodation and excellent restaurants and, of course pubs. Berry has long been sort after as a holiday destination by young and not so young, alike.

So tell your friends they deserve a holiday, make plans to come to our 2005 BERRY SHOW on 4th & 5th February, we look forward to seeing you there.

Jim Bieler, Hon Secretary
For information; the office is opened on Mondays 10am to 4pm or phone 44641567.

Berry Red Cross

Berry Red Cross celebrated its 90th birthday with a party lunch at Berry Bowling Club and the capacity crowd really enjoyed the special occasion.

Shoalhaven Mayor Greg Watson opened proceedings with a generous tribute to the valuable work of the Red Cross at home and abroad since its inception. This was the theme followed by Mr. R. Dunn, Chairman of NSW Division of Red Cross when he spoke to a very interested audience.

One of the highlights of the day was the beautiful singing of the popular Vincentia Red Cross singers who delighted everyone with their music. An enjoyable meal brought a very happy occasion to a close.

The AGM was held on 4th August in Berry R.S.L. Rooms and members were given a beautifully presented account of the history of the Red Cross. Thanks go to Jeanette and Lydia Galbraith for the many hours spent organizing this and especially to Dallas Rodgers of Berry and District Historical Society for putting her knowledge and expertise at their disposal and producing the beautifully written and comprehensive account. The Museum was most helpful in mounting a display on Red Cross and its members since 1914 and their gesture was greatly appreciated and created a lot of interest.

The A.G.M. was interested to hear guest speaker Diana Bernardi, Regional Manager give an update on the different services offered by Red Cross and progress in local areas.

Election of officers saw Jeanette Galbraith returned as President and Marilyn Kellet as Treasurer. Margaret Mathers stepped down as Secretary and Sandra Eldridge consented to take on that role. Margaret was thanked for her years of service and the Berry Branch will continue on with the new team to support the valuable work of Australian Red Cross.

New members would be most welcome - meeting day is the first Wednesday of each month at 1.30pm in the Berry School of Arts.

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Shoalhaven Mayor Clr. Greg Watson is available for interview at the City Administrative Centre, Bridge Road Nowra.

Anyone wishing to make an appointment to see Clr. Watson should contact his Nowra Office on telephone: 4429 3251 or email: watsong@shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au