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ROTARY CLUB PRESENTS

The 8th Annual Berry Celtic Festival

SATURDAY 24 MAY

Featuring the grand street parade down the main street of Berry before the start of the Festival at the Berry Showground. *See Page 7.*



SUN 18 MAY 2014 - 9AM TO 3PM

THE NATIONAL MOTORING HERITAGE DAY AT THE BERRY SHOWGROUND

Car Club Displays, see racing cars, racing mowers, vintage machinery, and a circle of rare cars.

– Best restored – Best Bike



- Be entertained by musicians and bands – Judging Best Period Dress and Vehicle
- Dingos from the Bargo Dingo Sanctuary. *See Page 9 for more details.*

FIRE & RESCUE NSW STATION ARE HAVING AN OPEN DAY

SATURDAY THE 17TH OF MAY 2014



So come along and meet your local Fire Fighters and have a look at the Fire truck and equipment used by Firefighters and get information on a wide range of Fire safety items. *Page 24.*

Community Forum on Application for a Tourism Development

RA14/1001 at 801 Kangaroo Valley Road Bellawongarah.

RA not DA – RA stands for Regional Development – not the usual Development Application because of the size of the development proposal.

“Eco tourist resort and function centre comprising 42 accommodation units, 116 car spaces, associated facilities (restaurant, onsite sewage treatment plant, pool, wildlife centre, etc) and infrastructure (landscaping, creek crossings, etc).
Submitted: 27/03/2014”

This Community Forum is for information and discussion on the Application.

Senior Council staff will be attending and the applicant(s) have been invited to attend as well.

The Application can be viewed on Councils website – click on

“Development Application Tracking”

www.shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au

<http://www3.shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au/masterviewUI/modules/ApplicationMaster/default.aspx?page=wrapper&key=78121&propkey=55456>

**Thursday 8th May 2014
7pm at Berry Courthouse**



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The Town Crier Information

The Town Crier is produced by the Berry Alliance, Inc.

The purpose of this publication is to communicate to the people of Berry about community activities and to generate a small income for the Berry Alliance to cover administrative costs.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership of the Berry Alliance costs \$10 pa. It aims to share information amongst community groups and individuals, and to ensure that Berry continues to be a community we are proud of.

Membership is open to Berry community groups and individuals.

To join the Berry Alliance, write to PO Box 202, Berry NSW 2535

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April Alliance and Community Consultative Meetings

At the April Alliance and the CCB meeting the following issues were discussed and reported on:

CB Executive Meeting with Councillors and Senior staff.

Berry Alliance President Rick attended this annual meeting held recently and amongst other things when the matter of Council Policies was raised for input the Alliance raised the issue concerning the lack of consultation on "the Bum Tree Affair" (widening of Gerroa Road and resulting tree removal).

The General Manager agreed to review their consultation process. Council have also appointed a liaison staff member to address Shoalhaven CCB's correspondence and concerns. A Power Point presentation and the Meeting Notes have now been provided by Council.

Safety Around Schools meeting at Council.

The annual Safety Around Schools Seminar was held in March and the Alliance President attended along with the Berry Public School Principal Bob Willets and many other School Principals and senior staff representatives.

Council Staff, school Principals, RMS representatives and Community Consultative Bodies were there to discuss safety around schools.

Of particular local note was the issue of extending the school bus zone in Clarence Street. (This issue has now been discussed at the April Berry CCB meeting and it was decided to write to Council saying that the CCB had no issues with this proposal as it had been previously advertised and the community consulted and that work should

go ahead without delay but that the immediate neighbours should be approached for final feedback. The work will result in a safer drop off and pick up zone at the school by avoiding the necessity for buses to swing out wide from the kerb to get past cars parked in front of them (right near the Victoria Street intersection).

Seniors Week

A big thank you to all those who contributed to this annual event. It was an overall success. It had made connections with new local senior residents. Walks went well. The Museum had a good number of visits, the lunch was well attended as was the Berry Men's Shed.

The Berry Alliance invites any ideas, involvement or thoughts for future Seniors Weeks including events and promotion.

Development Applications

Background: a list of all DA's are forwarded to the CCB by Council each fortnight.)

It was confirmed that the Secretary will continue to publicise DA's in the local Berry area in each Town Crier and to forward the list of DA's to Alliance Members as they are received as a matter of course.

Community Consultative Body Meetings - Starting times.

It was determined to start Community Consultative Body Forums at 7pm when there is a topic listed for discussion. These will be publicised well in the Town Crier as usual and the monthly, regular CCB Meetings (where there is not a particular Forum topic listed) will continue to commence at 6.30pm.

Berry Alliance and
Berry Alliance CCB.



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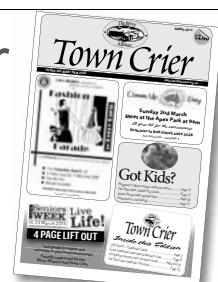
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Jul - 11/6/14

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Sep - 13/8/14

Oct - 10/9/14

Nov - 15/10/14

Dec - 12/11/14

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Beginning...

26/5/14

23/6/14

28/7/14

25/8/14

22/9/14 or 29/9/14

27/10/14

24/11/14

Road Works in the Berry Area



The Berry Alliance has been discussing the recent and future road works in our area with Council.

As a result of those discussions we have asked Ben Stewart, Director of Assets and Works at Shoalhaven City Council to provide us a précis of current and future major works so we could keep the community informed.

We have also discussed future consultation and how to get the best result for our community and also how best to keep Council informed of what our community sees as important and necessary.

We welcome Council's approach on this issue now and this précis (see below) from Ben.

We also welcome the agreement reached that we would sit down with Council staff to explore important road issues so Council can take those issues raised into consideration.

Berry Alliance

LETTER FROM COUNCIL:

Shoalhaven City Council is upgrading roads in the Berry area, including Gerroa Road, Coolangatta Road, Woodhill Mountain Road and Bolong Road over the coming months.

Shoalhaven City Council is reconstructing a 1km section of Coolangatta Road. The full width reconstruction of the road will also involve widening the road from its current width of less than 6 metres to 8 metres. The scope of work in this section has considered existing batters, drainage, vegetation, property boundaries, fencing and the amenity of cyclists with an allowance of 1m shoulders outside the 3m wide travel lanes. The contractor Roadworx are expected to commence after the school holidays, weather

permitting. While the road will remain open, motorists are expected to experience delays when travelling in this area.

Roads and Maritime Services have previously advised they will be completing a speed zone review on Coolangatta Road and Beach Road, Berry following requests from residents.

Council management is looking towards early and ongoing involvement of the Berry Alliance and the community in relation to the future stages of Coolangatta Road to be upgraded. The next section of Coolangatta Road that requires rehabilitation is very complex with drainage, mature trees and property boundaries restricting the project, it is proposed to meet with the Berry Alliance and explore these together. This engagement with the community on major road work is to ensure Council identifies issues that need to be considered.

Shoalhaven City Council is also reconstructing sections of Woodhill Mountain Road, Berry in coming months. Councils work crews are expected to commence in the middle of May, weather permitting. This work involves reconstruction of the pavement in two stages to minimise disruption. The work is to commence in the lower sections. Unfortunately due to the recent extreme wet weather, work in shaded and steep areas will be delayed until drier conditions prevail. While the road will remain open, motorists are expected to experience delays when travelling in this area. These works are part funded through the Roads to Recovery program.

Stage 2, of Bolong Road works is a continuation of road and shoulder widening.

Editor's Note...

The closing date for our JUNE issue will be Wednesday 14th MAY

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Please submit prior to this date if it is your first submission.

Material can be submitted via e-mail to: towncrier@berryalliance.org.au or drop box in the Berry Post Office PO Box 202 Berry 2535, Phone 0428 037 572. For subscriptions contact the Editor or visit <http://www.berryalliance.org.au/subscription.html>

Nancy Davies - BERRY TOWN CRIER

These works are currently underway to improve subsurface drainage, shoulders and bitumen sealing on a stretch south from Coolangatta Estate to the old Coolangatta school. This work is funded by the NSW State Government.

Gerroa Road works involves shoulder construction, this will also commence in May. This is a continuation of the work on the shoulders over this 6.5km stretch known colloquially as the "Sandtrack" from the Beach Road intersection south towards Shoalhaven Heads, consideration is being given to the type of bitumen seal on the shoulders based on requests from cyclists and residents. This work is funded under the Nation Building Blackspot Program.

The key benefit of these works is improving road safety. The project teams will ensure that any disruption is kept to a minimum, Council suggests that motorists plan their journey.

Ben Stewart

Shoalhaven City Council
Director of Assets and Works
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South Coast Scoops the Pool

South Coast Dairy Milk virtually scooped the pool at the 2014 Sydney Royal Cheese and Dairy Produce Show winning overall Champion Milk at the Show and receiving 3 Gold Medals and 3 Silver Medals.

Gold Medals were received for whole milk, skim milk and lite milk, and Silver Medals for organic milk, organic lite milk and fresh cream.

Dairy products have a long history with the Royal Agricultural Society of NSW, with a tradition of competitions that stretches back more than 150 years. With around 1,000 entries in various classes, the Sydney Royal Cheese & Dairy Produce Show is one of the most prestigious and competitive events in the dairy industry in Australia. To win a coveted Sydney Royal medal is recognition of excellence in product quality and flavour.

Chairman of South Coast Dairy Paul Timbs was delighted with the results and said that this is the second time that South Coast Dairy has been awarded Champion Milk at the Show, having won it previously in 2007.

"We have won awards nearly every year we have entered the Show, but this year was a great achievement and gives us much confidence for the future in knowing that we have a product that is best in its class."

South Coast Dairy is part of the Berry Rural Co-operative.

A total of 7 farmers are shareholders of the Co-operative and supply their fresh, premium quality milk daily for processing and distribution under the South Coast Dairy banner.

The Cooperative is soon to start construction of a new processing plant adjacent to the Rural Store in Old Creamery Lane, Berry.



Berry Dairy Farmers Paul Timbs and John Miller proudly display the Jim Forsyth Perpetual Trophy for Champion Milk along with the other awards.



BERRY PRESCHOOL

It was certainly a busy end to Term 1 at Berry Community Preschool. In April we welcomed many interesting visitors who entertained and enthralled us with their stories and talents. Lionel Robinson from the Young Australia Workshop delighted the children with his performance entitled "What I did on my holidays", with the children singing and dancing as Lionel took us on a journey around the world. We will be experiencing another show from this performance company entitled "A Samba Experience" in Week 1 of Term 2.

Charlie, our Aboriginal Educator from Noah's Ark, returned again and the children enjoyed listening to the story "You and Me Murrawee" followed by didgeridoo painting in traditional Aboriginal style. Later in the month the Friday children enjoyed a very informative visit from two local lifesavers, Michael and Annika, of Shoalhaven Heads Lifesaving Club. The lifesavers talked about beach safety and demonstrated some rescuing techniques much to the delight of the children.

We even managed to squeeze in some special dress-up days in April with the children dressing in orange for Harmony Week and a week later in purple for Purple Day to raise awareness and money for Nowra Relay for Life. Soon after turning orange and purple, a much-anticipated special dress-up week filled the preschool with a myriad of amazing and interesting characters with everything from a host of mini super heroes and princesses, to an American Indian, a giraffe and even a dinosaur was spotted lurking about!

In the final week of term the Wednesday children headed up the hill to Berry Public School to participate in a Walkathon with the 'big' kids. Not only was this first excursion of the year lots of fun but it was also a very important opportunity for the children to become more familiar and comfortable with the school in readiness for their transition to 'Big' school next year.

We concluded the term with Friday morning spent creating Easter hats and then participating in our very own Easter Hat Parade. What a fabulous end to a wonderful term together!

Whilst on the topic of Easter, we would like to extend an enormous thank you to everyone who generously supported our Annual Easter Cake Stall in Broughton Court on Saturday 5 April. A huge thanks to all involved in baking, setting up and manning the stall, selling raffle tickets, donating Easter eggs, and of course to everyone who supported the preschool by buying the delicious treats and entering the raffle. Together the stall and raffle raised \$2368 - an amazing amount that will certainly

go a long way towards ensuring our specialist art and music lessons continue for 2014.



STOP PRESS: Save the date for our next community fundraising event on the evening of Saturday 14 June at the Berry School of Arts. Stay tuned for further details of this must attend musical and culinary event.

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We are currently looking for: Sponsors: \$1,000, \$500 or \$250 sponsorships. – Many thanks to previous years Sponsors, please consider sponsoring again now, we have achieved so much but there are still projects in the pipeline.

The Berry Alliance has already committed \$5,000 as a sponsorship for 2014.

- Businesses or Community groups who would like to organise or run an event this year.
 - Volunteers to assist the Committee (or join the committee)
 - Volunteers to assist at some of the events.
- Some examples of the types of events we are asking businesses and community groups to run are (from last year):
- The Berry Hotel ran two dinners where a percentage of the dinner cost was donated to the fund. They also created some food items and wine items for the entire period which also attracted a percentage as a donation;
 - Petanque (or Boules) days at Broughton Mill Farm Guesthouse with French influenced local food and wine where all the profits were donated;
 - The Hungry Duck held a special themed dinner "French influence on South East Asian cuisine"

again, a \$ figure for everyone attending was donated.

- Previously some of the cafes and food outlets had a distinct French themed item or two throughout the event and some money was raised in this way. We hope that this can be repeated.

This year we are looking to repeat and extend these events and are looking at other cycling events.

We are also looking to have a raffle, a collection method (bucket or tins on counters) leading up to and during the event.

A prize for the best dressed window or business will also be a feature again this year.

So, get your thinking caps on and let us know what you might want to do or have in mind and we can discuss it with you.

Post script: The road works that Council have promised in Clarence Street outside the school is due shortly – there has been a further delay in the procurement of the machinery needed. This will be a great improvement to the safety of the students, parents and teachers at Berry Public School following the new footpath that we installed.

Tour de Berry - an annual community project helping to raise funds for footpaths and cycleways in and around Berry (and having fun) – www.tourdeberry.com

tourdeberry@berryalliance.org.au

See us on Facebook - Tour de Berry

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135 Queen Street Berry Ph:44643097

www.berryhistory.org.au

Berrymuseum@bigpond.com

OPENING HOURS

Saturday 11am to 2pm Sunday 11am to 3pm

The Museum is also open Mon to Fri in School Holidays from 11am to 2pm.

Have you considered becoming a member of the berry and district historical society to help run the museum, attend talks and lectures on local and family history and assist with displays and research? As a member you would receive the chronograph, the historical society's news and information bulletin.

SPECIAL REQUEST

The historical society will present a special display in April 2015 to mark the centenary of the gallipoli landings of world war 1. We would be very happy to hear from community members who have any world war 1 memorabilia which they would like to lend us for inclusion in this display. We can be contacted by phone or email on the number and email address on this notice.

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ROTARY CLUB PRESENTS

The 8th Annual Berry Celtic Festival on 24th May

The 8th Annual Berry Celtic Festival to be held on Saturday 24 May is once again featuring the grand street parade down the main street of Berry before the start of the Festival at the Berry Showground.

If you have not seen the grand street parade before, with all the distinctive colourful kilts and bagpipes playing, then don't miss it this year. It starts at 9.30am from the top of town near Apex Park and proceeds along Queen Street and down Alexandra Street to the Showground.

The parade offers a fantastic opportunity to get close to the bagpipes and drummers. The pipe bands are joined in the street parade with various Celtic Clans, Scottish Terrier dogs, vintage cars and hot rods. And for the first time, a local craftsman built replica of Chitty Chitty Bang Bang will join the street parade ... this vehicle will astound you.

First off at the Berry Showground comes the marching of the massed bands with the heavenly sound of the bagpipes reverberating around the showground ... you need to be there to feel the thrill of the occasion. Then commences a day full of entertainment with musical items, Celtic fiddlers, highland dancing and singing, lots of stalls to view ... plus the Tartan Warriors. The Tartan Warriors are always a crowd favourite as they compete against each other to determine the strongest man of the Festival. Along with lifting the amazing 'Stones of Manhood' they also attempt to toss the mighty caber. The Stones of Manhood consist of a set of five huge stones ranging in weight from 100kg to 165kg which are laid

out five metres apart, lightest to heaviest with each competitor having to lift all five stones onto wooden barrels. The person who can lift all five stones in the fastest time is declared the champion.

The Berry Celtic Festival is a fundraising project of the Rotary Club of Berry and is proud to have the support of many other community groups and service clubs including Zonta Berry, the Berry Showground Trust, Berry Chamber of Commerce and Shoalhaven City Council. Net proceeds from this year's event go toward the activities of Shoalhaven CanAssist, Berry's Paradise Farm, ROMAC (Rotary Oceania Medical Aid for Children) and other Rotary projects.

Entry to the Showground is \$10 adults, \$5 children or \$20 a family.



We Need Your Help!

Raine & Horne Berry has had a very strong start this year with nearly every one of our listings within the village of Berry either sold or under offer. ***This includes a number of properties sold before even being advertised on the net.*** We have a large database of buyers looking to buy in Berry, so if you are considering presenting your home for sale then you should call Raine & Horne Berry on 44 64 1300 for an obligation free property appraisal.



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7 Windsor Drive,
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Major Development !

A massive development has been applied for on the pristine & peaceful Berry Mountain. It will be situated on an existing farm that adjoins the **Cambewarra Nature Reserve**. The development fronts both Kangaroo Valley road and Tourist road at Bellawongarah.

Address: 801 Kangaroo Valley Road, Bellawongarah – Rockfield Park

- **42 accommodation units**
- **90 seat restaurant**
- **150 person conference/function centre, bar and lounge**
- **116 car parking spaces**
- **Covers approximately 50 acres**

Application is lodged with council under reference number RA14/1001. **Note:** this is **RA not DA** as it is so big it must go to Regional Development Panel after SCC runs its normal process.

Berry Community Forum

The Berry Courthouse

Thursday 8th May at 7:00pm

Please mark your diary now.

Following presentations by the applicant to a small group of local residents, we share the following concerns:

Road Safety

- Existing roads between Berry and Kangaroo Valley are dangerous.
- The applicants own traffic study estimates a 75% increase in traffic.
- Unfamiliar drivers, late night departures, alcohol and hostile road conditions means danger for all.

Threats to Wildlife

- Impact on the adjoining Cambewarra Nature Reserve and threatened native animals.
- Impact and injury to native animals due to traffic, noise, and light pollution.

Water use and sewerage into creeks

- The overuse of water from existing springs will have a detrimental effect on local waterways.
- The disposal of waste water on this scale is problematic.

Economic impacts on existing businesses.

- A serious threat to existing businesses due to the scale of the development.
- Economic impact and job creation/destruction needs careful thought.

Precedence

- What next? Near you?

Come along to learn and join the discussion!

The Shoalhaven Historic Vehicle Club Inc.

invites you to a

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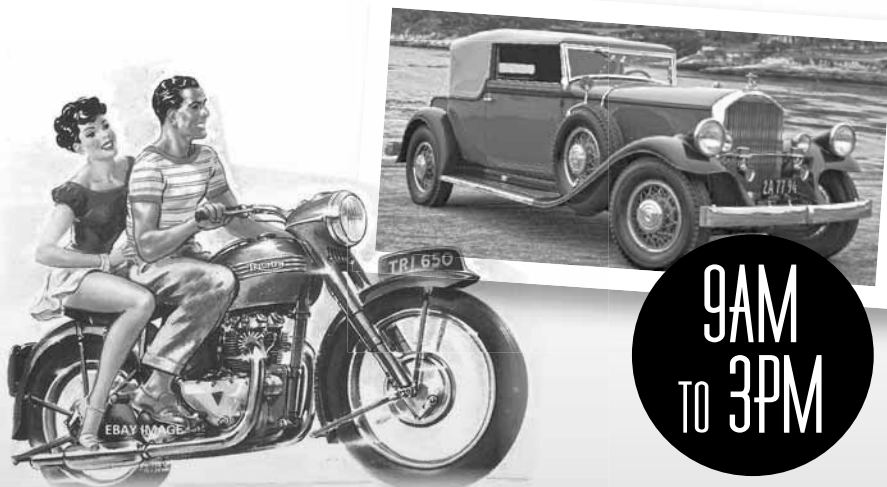
In the Shoalhaven on Sunday 18 May 2014 - 9am to 3pm
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Judging Best Period Dress and Vehicle • Best original, Best restored, Best Bike
Excellence and Merit Awards • Dingos from the Bargo Dingo Sanctuary, Well it's a
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Berry Show Society Inc.

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make sure you send details by email as per instructions for our records.

Last year's Members will be mailed a letter notifying them of Membership and the A.G.M. The Annual General Meeting of the Berry Show Society will be held on Tuesday 27th May 2014. The meeting will take place at the Presbyterian Hall at 7.30pm, all are welcome to attend, and will be followed by supper. President, Mr Peter Hands will give his report on the 2014 Show, followed by the elections of the 2014/15 Committee.

Our 2014 Showgirl, Mikhaela Gray represented our Show at the Zone Finals last month and won. The Society's congratulations and well wishes to Mikhaela as she will now represent at the Sydney Royal Easter Show.



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When: Saturday 3rd May 5.30pm to 7.30pm Where: Berry Uniting Church Bookings essential: Global Contact.

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A Musician, Teacher, Author, Artist;... Alana writes, speaks, sings & channels the many faces of the Divine that choose to serve our collective human evolution, so that each of us may become Free, Fearless & Fully realised embodiments of TRUE PEACE.



Sanctuary of Mother Mary

Whether you are religious, deeply spiritual or new to a path, Mother Mary loves unconditionally bringing you divine guidance & miracles of Grace.

Saturday 17th May 10am - 3pm. Cost \$108 Bookings essential: Global Contact.

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Sacred Sound Soiree

Saturday 17th May 6pm - 8pm. Cost \$25 Prepaid/ \$30 at Door.

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Where: Berry Uniting Church Bookings essential: Global Contact.



Seminar: Son of Man: The Authentic Christ

Thursday 12th June 10am - 1pm Cost \$60.

Venue: Berry Uniting Church Bookings essential: Global Contact.

Seminar: Rumi & Kabir - The Sacred Poets

Friday 13th June 10am - 1pm Cost \$60.

Venue: Berry Uniting Church Bookings essential: Global Contact.

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Fire & LOve Concert - Andrew Harvey & Georgia Carr

Australia's Official Launch of Georgia's New CD In The Garden of Flames

In collaboration with Andrew, Georgia has woven her glorious music from Andrew's illuminating Rumi translations. Andrew & Georgia will share a dazzling selection of mystical poems & songs to ignite your Heart in the Fire of Love. And just like last years Soiree this will be "a night to remember"!

Friday 13th June 7pm-9pm. Cost \$25. Prepaid/ \$30 at door. Venue Berry Uniting Church.

Ask about our Andrew promotion & come to either event for early bird price \$50 **Bookings essential: Global Contact.**



Carlton Tropper will be visiting Berry!

In a Spiritual Counselling style, Carlton is a powerful Healer, Kinesiologist & Teacher. He addresses all dimensions of your being, removes energetic blocks, heals past traumas- childhood, generational, relationship, career & other issues that get in your way of living a full...joyfilled life **Bookings essential: Global Contact.**

**Session 1:
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Memoirs of a Showgirl

The State Final of the The Land Showgirl Competition was held during the Royal Easter Show and once again Mikhaela did us all proud. Here is her account of her amazing week.

Like in previous years, we were assessed in a 20 minute interview, a judging lunch and also public speaking in the Big Top Amphitheatre at the Showground. We were also judged during the week at other social events such as cocktail lunch and dinner functions. Some other activities that we took part in included a Professional Development Seminar with Ann Burbrook and Lynne Strong for Art4Agriculture, a guided tour of the historic Belgenny Farm and Camden Park Estate, a visit to the Westmead Children's Hospital to hand out show bags to the children, and a tour of The Land Newspaper Headquarters.

The whole week was absolutely marvellous, but the stand out moments would have to be attending the Official Opening Dinner of the Royal Easter Show with Her Excellency Marie Bashir, Andrew Scipione and Katrina Hodgkinson in attendance and also attending the Country Reception at Government House in Sydney.

The Showgirl competition has given me so much more than I could have ever expected. Not only was the week in Sydney a great way to observe the show from a different angle,

it has also given me the opportunity to meet and network with people that I would not have had the chance to ordinarily. All the members of the ASC and RAS are incredible people who display such passion and dedication to the show movement and that was extremely beneficial to see and be part of. This made me realise how important it is to sustain these organisations in order to ensure that agricultural shows can continue and how much I want to get involved with this movement.

On top of that, I feel like I have grown as a person - I have become so much more comfortable with myself whether it be in public speaking or simply making my way around a room talking with people. The Showgirl competition gives to all the essential skills for young women who have achieved great things to take their knowledge and strengths and be able to communicate them



with people from all walks of life. I deeply encourage any young woman to be part of the showgirl competition because I had no idea of the impact it would have on me and the future opportunities it is going to create.

Mikaela Gray

On behalf of the Berry Show Society and Showgirl Committee, we would like to congratulate Mikhaela on her success throughout the Showgirl competition and wish her the best of luck in her final year of study.



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July

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Friday

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Saturday

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Sunday

Club Raffle

Tickets on Sale 6.30pm Drawn 7.30

Free Trivia on Sunday

David Berry Hospital Auxiliary

We are really going to be busy for the next few of months our Annual Mother's Day Stall in Broughton Court from 8.30 am on Saturday 10th May with plenty of homemade cakes, slices, pickles, jams, relishes and a lovely raffle just for Mum (and little bits she can share with Family). Then on 24th May the Celtic Festival and we will be there once again with our stall. Come and find us and support us one more time.

July brings us up to our mid-winter luncheon, again at Berry Bowling Club. The entry cost is \$30. We will have our trading table and raffle also lucky door prizes and this year our theme will be a "little bit country". Please join us, more details when we get closer to the date.

Then comes that time of the year again AGM. This year we will be holding it around the 14th August due to commitments.

Soup and sandwiches at the camellia show in early August see you there?

Then in November we are holding a Melbourne Cup Luncheon at the Berry Bowling Club more information later.

Unfortunately for reasons given, members have resigned after many years of service which is hard but these things happen so if you wish to join this great group of people who are raising much needed money to help keep our hospital up to date with necessary equipment, all new members are welcomed. We meet 2nd Monday of each month in the conference room at the hospital, 12.30pm, with a light lunch before meeting.

As you can see we cook a lot, knit, sew and have fun while we earn this money. Our latest purchase was a special trolley bath costing over \$6000.00.

All monies raised stay in David Berry Hospital Auxiliary for this benefit.

We would like to thank all the wonderful friends of David Berry Hospital Auxiliary who knitted chickens and donated eggs for our wonderful chicken Stall.

bke25349@bigpond.net.au

Mainly Music day at Penwood

Well we have had a great time at Penwood as our last day of 1st term on 8th April, all the Mainly Music families and friends came along and had the most amazing time riding trains around the grounds. I am sure all the children and adults will be wanting to return again and again after the experience we had today. What a great bunch of train drivers and helpers out at Penwood. We would be more than happy to recommend this outing for your children's birthday outings or for groups who want to have a great day riding trains. Congratulations to the volunteers who man this place and to the way in which they looked after us today. We will be back! Our 2nd term recommences on Tuesday 29th April. Mainly Music is held each Tuesday at the Berry Community Church at 10.00 am.

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SUCCESS AND APPRECIATION

Zonta's annual pre-loved clothing sale went off with a bang at the April markets. Under the grandstand was bursting with goods and keen shoppers and a wonderful atmosphere prevailed, making for a very successful day. Club members would like to thank everyone for supporting us and enabling us to acquire the funds necessary to hold another Birthing Kit Assembly Day later in the year.

Zonta Berry has assembled, with community help, 12,000 birthing kits in the last few years. These cost \$3 each and are sent to villages and towns on the African continent and in Asia, where they help women have safe, clean births.

More information about the Birthing Kit Foundation can be found at: birthingkitfoundation.org.au

TAFE AWARD WINNERS

We are very pleased to announce that two wonderful women have been awarded Zonta funds to assist with their tuition costs at Nowra TAFE. Kim Kerzinger and Tracey Johnston were presented with their awards by President Jean Dally at the TAFE Award Ceremony on April 8th. It was a really fantastic evening attended by three members of our club. Congratulations to these worthy recipients!

BREAST CUSHION SEWING DAY

Recently a group of members spent a busy, friendly day at Margot's home where we sewed and stuffed breast cushions. These, along with our drainage bag holders, are given to the local hospitals. Women, (and men), who have undergone breast surgery are given a cushion and feel more comfortable as the cushion protects their wound, whilst a drainage bag holder allows them to have both hands free.

MEETING DETAILS

Dinner Meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of the month at Gabby's, Berry, 6.30 for 7. Please call Mary Seelis on 44641191 to book.



TRIVIA, BUT NOT TRIVIAL

Fund raising needs to be ongoing if we are to continue helping improve the status of women in the community.

S0 - Please mark in your diary, Saturday July 19th, for a Trivia Night filled with laughter and friendly competition.

The evening will be held at the Uniting Church Hall, Albert Street, but that's all the information available at this stage. More details will follow in the next Town Crier. Try and organise a table of your cleverest friends and come and help Zonta.

MAY MEETING

At the May dinner meeting we will hold our annual elections and AGM. The dedicated Executive and Committee Chair positions will in some instances change, allowing for different members to gain experience and to share their ideas and knowledge.

We have a very enthusiastic team and all members who are stepping down from positions deserve a great vote of thanks for their work throughout the year.

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BERRY MEN'S SHED

A PROJECT OF THE BERRY UNITING CHURCH

LOTS OF ITEMS FOR SALE

This month the Shed has lots of items for sale. Some have even won prizes at the recent Berry Show. In all we have about 40 items that are available including 2 dolls houses which come fully furnished. Coffee tables, possum boxes and kitchen chairs are just some of the items we have for sale.

This week we had a visit from Ken Hutt from Berry who provided us with a brief description of his proposed trip to Tibet to parachute from the top of Mount Cho Oyu which is only 600 metres short of Mt Everest. It will take him 20 days to get to the top and just 20 minutes to fly down. The Men's Shed is in the process of donating some funds to help his cause and wishes him all the best.

One of our new members is a specialist in restoring and repairing antique furniture. So if any member of the community has a need to have items restored we would be happy to assist.

The Men's Shed has recently purchased a defibrillator for the wellbeing of its members along with other groups who use the premises. Training on how to use the defibrillator is now being undertaken.

A number of people joined us for the Seniors Week celebrations last month and from those attending we have gained some new members. "The idea to open the doors during Seniors Week gives many people the opportunity to come and see what we do", said Chairman Peter Johnstone.

The Shed is open on Tuesday and Thursday between 9.00am and 4.00pm and the phone number is 4464 3956.

Richard Wiseman
Secretary
4464 2619



SHOALHAVEN CITY COUNCIL

News for Berry

COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE BODY - BERRY ALLIANCE

The following Development Applications, Development Determinations and other items have been notified through the month and in accordance with Berry Alliance policy they have been placed on the Berry Alliance Notice Board in the window of the Post Office, posted on our web site www.berryalliance.org.au and printed in the next available issue of the Town Crier. The Berry Alliance is the Community Consultative Body in Berry and we advertise all items that we are advised of by council so community members can have their say. **Please Note:** Council now have DA Tracking available on their web site where all details including submissions are displayed for your information. **Go to:** www.shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au and go to DA Tracking.

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

- DA14/1283 3 Rainwater Tanks - 22,500ltr, 10,000ltr & 3,000ltr
4 Raffia Cl, BERRY - 19-Mar-14
- DA14/1285 Single Storey Dwelling - Lot 45 of Approved SF 9320
Huntingdale Park Rd, BERRY - 20-Mar-14
- DA14/1286 Single Storey Dwelling - Lot 46 of Approved SF 9320
Huntingdale Park Rd, BERRY - 20-Mar-14
- DA14/1299 New Single Storey Dwelling & Demolition of Existing Dwelling
4 Windsor Dr, BERRY - 21-Mar-14
- DA14/1279 Single Storey Dwelling
14 St Andrews Way, COOLANGATTA - 19-Mar-14
- DA14/1315 Detached Garage 70 Victoria St, BERRY - 25-Mar-14
- DA14/1313 Alterations & Additions to Dwelling including First Floor Deck
plus a Detached Studio
77 Northview Cl, COOLANGATTA - 25-Mar-14
- DA14/1348 Reposition Existing Workshop & New Ensuite
42 Albany St, BERRY - 1-Apr-14
- DA14/1351 Farm Shed 20 Houstens Pl, BERRY - 1-Apr-14
- DA14/1363 Detached Metal Garage/Workshop measuring 9m x 7m
in area & standing 17m from the Western Side Boundary 417A
Back Forest Rd, FAR MEADOW - 3-Apr-14

APPLICATIONS DETERMINED

- DA14/1142 Demolition of Existing Garage & Construction of a
Detached Metal Garage 265 Brogers Creek Rd
BROGERS CREEK - Approved - 26-Mar-14
- DA14/1224 Detached Garage with Carport
59 Tindalls Lane BROUGHTON
Approved - 1-Apr-14
- DA14/1050 Permission to Use Existing Inground Swimming Pool 65B
Kangaroo Valley Rd BERRY Approved - 2-Apr-14
- DA14/1131 Dwelling Additions 54 Albert St BERRY - Approved - 2-Apr-14
- DA13/2244 Proposed construction of a new rural dwelling and the
re-use of the existing dual-occupancy for tourist
accommodation over two stages.
82D Jorgenson Lane BELLAWONGARAH - Approved - 3-Apr-14
- DA14/1209 Extensions to Existing Deck & Verandah Roof
290 Woodhill Mountain Rd BROUGHTON VALE
Approved - 3-Apr-14
- DA13/1631 Proposed new dwelling guesthouse equine dressage arena
and stables including associated driveway and rural dam
to be constructed over three stages
225 Bong Bong Rd BROUGHTON VALE - Approved - 4-Apr-14

Applications are advertised in accordance with Council's Community Consultation Policy for Subdivision and Development Applications and the Formulation of Development Guidelines and Policies.

Please note, however, that not all applications on this list will be advertised and that advertising may not commence immediately, particularly if important documentation has been omitted from the application. If an application is required to be advertised, the relevant community associations will be separately notified of the advertising period and the closing date for receipt of submissions.



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1/187a Jacobs Drive, Sussex Inlet
120 Cedarvale Lane, Jaspers Brush

400 F Coolangatta Road, Berry
138 Terralong Street, Kiama
14 Huntingdale Park Road, Berry
2/67 Page Avenue, North Nowra
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450 Agars Lane, Berry
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Calendar of

MAY

- 4th May - Sunday** - Berry Markets, 8am-2.30pm Berry Showground - Enq 4464 1476
- 7th May - Wednesday** - Berry Computes for Seniors - contact Kevin Watson 4448 6267
- 8th May - Thursday** - CCB Meeting, 7pm, Berry Courthouse. Forum: proposed development RA14/1001.
- 10th May - Sunday** - Berry Produce Market held 8am to 2pm in Andrew Place Park, 102 Queen Street. Providing fresh produce every second Saturday and fourth Sunday of the month. Enquires: contact Tricia on 0425 842 909.
- 11th May - Sunday** - CWA Monthly meeting 1pm, CWA rooms Victoria Street, Berry. Contact Marie De La Torre: 4423 2164
- 18th May - Sunday** - National Motoring Heritage Weekend, Berry Showground, 9am – 3pm. Coordinator: Pat Marshall-Cormack 0412 862 460
- 18th - 22nd May - Sunday to Thursday** - CWA State Conference Griffith. Marie De La Torre 4423 2164
- 20th May - Tuesday** - Berry & District Garden Club, St Luke's Hall, Princess St, Berry. Adrian Bishop 4464 3965
- 21st May - Wednesday** - Berry Computes for Seniors - contact Kevin Watson 4448 6267
- 25th May - Sunday** - Muir House Art Gallery Artists in Action Day 10am-3.30pm 10 Prince Alfred St Berry-Enq 44 641 476
- 25th May - Sunday** - Berry Produce Market held 8am to 2pm in Andrew Place Park, 102 Queen Street. Providing fresh produce every second Saturday and fourth Sunday of the month. Enquires: contact Tricia on 0425 842 909.
- 27th May - Tuesday** - Zonta Club of Berry Dinner Meeting @ Gabby's 6.30 for 7. Bookings, Mary on 44641191
- 29th May - Thursday** - The Australian Decorative and Fine Arts Society Lectures for 2014, at the Berry School of Arts at 7:30 PM, They Make No Noise – what is it that conductors do?
- 30th May - Friday** - The Australian Decorative and Fine Arts Society Lectures for 2014, at the Berry School of Arts at 7:30 PM, The Royal Opera House Covent Garden (half focus day)

FUTURE DATES

- 1st June - Sunday** - Berry Markets, 8am-2.30pm Berry Showground - Enq 4464 1476
- 4th June - Wednesday** - Wollondilly Group International Day Berry Presbyterian Church Hall. Marie De La Torre 4423 2164
- 4th June - Wednesday** - Berry Computes for Seniors - contact Kevin Watson 4448 6267
- 12 June - Thursday** - The Australian Decorative and Fine Arts Society Lectures for 2014, at the Berry School of Arts at 7:30 PM, Australian Film – images and ideas
- 13th June - Friday** - CWA Monthly meeting 1pm, CWA rooms Victoria Street, Berry. Contact Marie De La Torre: 4423 2164
- 14th June - Sunday** - Berry Produce Market held 8am to 2pm in Andrew Place Park, 102 Queen Street. Providing fresh produce every second Saturday and fourth Sunday of the month. Enquires: contact Tricia on 0425 842 909.
- 17th June - Tuesday** - Berry & District Garden Club, St Luke's Hall, Princess St, Berry. Adrian Bishop 4464 3965
- 18th June - Wednesday** - Berry Computes for Seniors - contact Kevin Watson 4448 6267
- 22nd June - Sunday** - Music Shoalhaven Concert. Ensemble Studies Unit, Sydney Conservatorium of Music. Led by David Miller. Nowra School of Arts 2pm.
- 22nd June - Sunday** - Muir House Art Gallery Artists in Action Day 10am-3.30pm 10 Prince Alfred St Berry - Enq 4464 1476
- 22nd June - Sunday** - Berry Produce Market held 8am to 2pm in Andrew Place Park, 102 Queen Street. Providing fresh produce every second Saturday and fourth Sunday of the month. Enquires: contact Tricia on 0425 842 909.
- 24th June - Tuesday** - Zonta Club of Berry Dinner Meeting @ Gabby's 6.30 for 7. Bookings, Mary on 44641191
- 2nd July - Wednesday** - Berry Computes for Seniors - contact Kevin Watson 4448 6267
- 6th July - Sunday** - Berry Markets, 8am-2.30pm Berry Showground - Enq 4464 1476
- 12th July - Sunday** - Berry Produce Market held 8am to 2pm in Andrew Place Park, 102 Queen Street. Providing fresh produce every second Saturday and fourth Sunday of the month. Enquires: contact Tricia on 0425 842 909.

Events

15th July - Tuesday - Berry & District Garden Club, St Luke's Hall, Princess St, Berry.

Adrian Bishop 4464 3965

16th July - Wednesday - Berry Computes for Seniors - contact Kevin Watson 4448 6267

19th July - Saturday - Zonta Club of Berry Trivia Night @ Uniting Church Hall

22nd July - Tuesday - Zonta Club of Berry Dinner Meeting @ Gabby's 6.30 for 7.

Bookings, Mary on 4464 1191

24th July - Thursday - The Australian Decorative and Fine Arts Society Lectures for 2014, at the Berry School of Arts at 7:30 PM, Judgement, Respectability and Comfort – getting it right at the Georgian dinner table

27th July - Sunday - Muir House Art Gallery Artists in Action Day 10am-3.30pm

10 Prince Alfred St Berry - Enq 4464 1476

27th July - Sunday - Berry Produce Market held 8am to 2pm in Andrew Place Park, 102 Queen Street. Providing fresh produce every second Saturday and fourth Sunday of the month. Enquires: contact Tricia on 0425 842 909.

2 - 3 August - Saturday and Sunday - Camellia and Floral Show, School of Arts, Alexandra Street, Berry. Lorraine Heath 4464 2061

3rd August - Sunday - Berry Markets, 8am-2.30pm Berry Showground - Enq 4464 1476



Mary's Book

Events and major attractions around Berry - For further information regarding each event please refer to community group listing on the next page.

31st Jan/1st Feb Berry Show Society Annual Berry Show

MAY 17th-24th Berry Alliance host Seniors Week celebrations – Berry

May 24th Berry Rotary Club presents the

Berry Celtic Festival

July Each Year Berry Alliance presents a three week event:

July 5th-27th Le Tour de Berry

For more information, Contact:

tourdeberry@berryalliance.org.au (m) 0449 569 059

or writing to P O Box 202 Berry 2535.

August 2nd & 3rd Berry Garden Club Annual Camellia Festival

September 5th-6th Berry Small Farm Field Days

September 11th-14th Berry Garden Clubs Annual Garden festival

Fire Permit Update (19)

Please be advised that as of 1200 Hours Sunday 10 November 2013, the current fire permit suspension has been lifted for the Shoalhaven Rural fire District.

Residents may now commence burning once again providing they follow all conditions set down by the issued permit. This includes having an in date permit and notifying the Shoalhaven Fire Control Centre and neighbours 24 hours prior to burning.

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Berry Community Groups

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Berry Alliance Town Crier PO Box 202 Berry 2535 towncrier@berryalliance.org.au	0428 037 572 www.berryalliance.org.au
Berry Chamber of Commerce & Tourism Inc. PO Box 216 Berry 2535 info@berry.org.au	4464 3122 www.berry.org.au
Australian Decorative Fine Arts Society - Shoalhaven PO Box 269 Berry NSW 2535 Monthly, 7.30pm at Berry School of Arts	4423 5588 shoalhavenadfas@bluebottle.com
Australian Red Cross PO Box 249 Berry 2535 1st Wednesday each month at 2.00pm, Berry Uniting Church	4464 2612
Australian Labor Party Berry Shoalhaven Heads Branch 78 Woodhill Mountain Rd Berry 2535 2nd Wednesday Monthly, Hotel Berry, 6.30pm meeting	4464 3965 adriandee@bigpond.com
Berry Alcoholics Anonymous Meets every Thursday Night at 7.30pm 34 Alexander Street Berry www.shoalhavenaa.com.au	1300 903 392
Berry Al Anon Family Group For family & friends of problem drinkers Meet every Tuesday at 7pm Berry Uniting Church Hall, Albert Street, Berry	4448 8231
Berry Bridge Club INC PO Box 366 Berry 2535 Meets Saturdays @ 12.45pm-4.30pm at the Masonic Lodge Community Hall	4422 3343 mareaaalen1@bigpond.com
Berry Community Activities Centre Inc. Berry Community Craft Cottage 12 Prince Alfred St Berry 2535 1st Monday Monthly, 5pm @ Muir House - berrymarkets@bigpond.com	4464 1476
Berry Computers for Seniors PO Box 103 Berry 2535 1st & 3rd Wednesday monthly, 10 – 12noon Uniting Church Hall, 69 Albert Street Berry.	4448 6267 berrycfs@gmail.com
Berry Community Pre-school PO Box 143 Berry 2535 berrypreschool@bigpond.com	4464 1764 www.berrypreschool.org.au
Berry Courthouse Conservation Committee PO Box 218 Berry 2535 2nd Monday Bi-monthly at 5.30pm at the Berry Courthouse	0458 369 266
Berry Crafters & Quilters Meets each Wednesday 10am – 4pm at Muir Cottage, Prince Alfred Street mford.646@gmail.com	4464 3788
Berry & District Garden Club PO Box 122 Berry 2535 3rd Tuesday Monthly, 7.30pm St Luke's Church Hall, Princess Street adriananddee@bigpond.com	4464 3965 www.berrygardens.org.au
Berry Drama group Lesley Carter Facebook: Berry Drama Group	4421 6565 berrydramagroup1@gmail.com
Berry & District Historical Society Inc. PO Box 153 Berry 2535 3rd Monday Monthly, 1pm at the Berry Museum	4464 3097 berrymuseum@bigpond.com
Berry Ethics Society PO Box 363 Berry Meets 1st Monday of each month at the Berry Hotel	0451 153 332 berry.ethics@gmail.com
Berry Evening View Club PO Box 76 Berry 2535 3rd Wednesday monthly, 7pm Berry Bowling Club	4464 1032 pamcoles@optusnet.com.au
Berry Rotary Club PO Box 81 Berry 2535 Every Thursday 6pm for 6.30pm at Bowling Club	4464 3636 smithgfbigpond.com www.berryrotary.org.au
Berry Landcare PO Box 422 Berry NSW 2535 See monthly article for working bees.	4464 2198 berrylandcare@gmail.com.
Berry Leprosy Mission Auxiliary 17 Gwenda Avenue Berry 2535 3rd Thursday Bi-Monthly (June, Aug etc.) 1.30pm above address.	4464 1693 trish.n@optusnet.com.au
Berry Masonic Village Auxiliary Inc. PO Box 435 Berry 2535 3rd Wednesday monthly, 9.30am Activities Room Berry Masonic Village	4464 1774
Berry Meals on Wheels PO Box 221 Berry NSW 2535	4464 1604 3rd Monday monthly at 9am RSL Hall Berry
Berry Men's Shed PO Box 103 Berry 2535 Tuesdays and Thursdays 10am- 4pm North Street Berry	4464 3956 / 4464 2619 A.H e: richardcwiseman@hotmail.com www.berrymensshed.com.au
Berry Playgroup PO Box 279 Berry NSW Friday mornings at St Luke's Hall, via Victoria St	0415 519 262 berryplaygroup@yahoo.com.au Facebook: Berry PlayGroup
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Berry RSL Sub Branch PO Box 3307 North Nowra 2541 1st Tuesday Monthly at 9.30am Sub Branch Hall-26 Alexandra St Berry	4423 1960 stuart.christmas@defence.gov.au
Berry School of Arts Office open Thurs and Fri 10am till 3pm.	4464 1476
Berry Show Society Inc. PO Box 173 Berry 2535 Meet 1st Tuesday monthly at Committee Rooms at the Showground berryshow@virtualcity.com.au	4464 1567 www.berryshow.org.au
Berry Showground Management Committee PO Box 443 Berry NSW 2535 Meet 2nd Monday Bi-monthly 7.30pm Old Council Chambers 24 hour caretakers / bookings Tony & Vicki Pye	4448 6093 0427 605 200

Berry Silver Band (est. 1897) 6 Clarence Street Berry 2535 Meet Monday evenings 7.30-9.30pm, Agricultural Hall, Berry Showground	Owen 4464 1250 / Kaye 44651240 kayecj@westnet.com.au
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The wonderful rains have meant the pastures all around town are great but our grounds have flooded and while the riding area drains well, it is impossible to park big trucks and floats so we have had to cancel our first Show jumping and Dressage comps of the year.

Training days continue and we have Carolyn James again providing skill training and local rider George Sheridan helping the beginner show jumpers on our

10 -11th May Skills weekend. Working equitation continues to attract more and more interest and we have meets monthly. These days together with the GGs day's midweek mean we are attracting a large number of new members interested in social riding with a lot of fun.

For more information about Berry Riding Club, a riding club for everyone, visit our website www.berryridingclub.com or contact

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4464 1143

Berry & District Garden Club News



It's just as well the Berry & District Garden Club recently moved to a larger venue. Our membership has now reached 191 – and continues to grow. We are delighted to have so many active and interesting people in our club, all of whom bring knowledge, enthusiasm and a love of gardens with them each month to create a lively atmosphere at our meetings. The Club meets every 3rd Tuesday of the month at St Luke's Church Hall in Princess Street, Berry at 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome and Club Secretary, Adrian Bishop will be pleased to tell you more about the Club on 4464 3965.

Garden Club members and visitors to our meetings continue to be inspired by our line-up of guest speakers organised by Hazel King. This month will be no exception as we welcome one of our favourite gardeners, John Gabriele as our guest. John has worked to promote gardening to the community as a life skill for many years as host of Compost Heap and through teaching a new generation of gardeners at TAFE. At our May meeting, John will focus on Sustainable Pest and Disease Control in the Garden – a subject vital

to every gardener for the creation of beautiful and rewarding gardens into the future.

Another of our favourites is the group of volunteers who work tirelessly to ensure the gardens of the David Berry Hospital are always at their best. For one hour on the 3rd Tuesday of each month, some rather jolly Garden Club members, under the friendly guidance of fellow gardener Richard Wiseman, prune, weed, dig and mulch the hospital gardens that give pleasure to patients, staff and visitors. Richard is always happy for extra helpers so, if you would like to join in, call him on 4464 2619.

There is a flurry of gardening and flower grooming in Berry at present in preparation for our two major gardening events; the Camellia & Floral Show on 2nd and 3rd August with its remarkable display of blooms; and the 25th Anniversary Berry Gardens Festival from Thursday 11th to Sunday 14th September when the general public are invited into eight beautiful gardens around Berry. Mark the dates on your calendar as must-do activities.

Jennifer Mors

Hazel King's Gardening News

Recently, a group of club members visited Melbourne's Dandenong Ranges. This beautiful part of Melbourne is home to the famous Mountain Ash, *Eucalyptus regnans* which, at 90 metres, is the tallest hardwood tree in the world. It is also native to Tasmania. The famous Australian botanist Ferdinand von Mueller measured some of these trees in the 19th century recording a height of 300 feet (100m) making them taller than *Sequoiadendron gigantea*, the famous USA conifer, the tallest soft wood tree. Australia also boasts the second tallest hardwood tree in the world, the Karri *Eucalyptus diversicolor*, native only to south-west Western Australia. Literature quotes 'these Australian Eucalypts are not suitable for the home garden'.



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Berry Men's Bowling Club

At the half way mark of the District Pennant Competition which involves Clubs from Gerringong down to Ulladulla the Berry sides are performing well.

The grade 3 side is leading their grade with Mollymook in second place. The grade 6 side after early victories have over recent matches lost by small margins to find themselves in 3rd place behind the strong Shoalhaven Ex-services Club.

The Berry grade 6 side will be playing Gerringong on 26th April and Culburra on 3rd May with both matches being played on the Saturday at 1.30 pm on the Berry greens. Membership of the Bowling Club is available as a bowling member or as a social member. Application forms that cover both forms of membership which provides access to the many advantages offered at both Berry and Bomaderry Clubs are available from both Clubs. Membership fees paid by 30th June provide 12 months membership and at a reduced price membership can be taken out to cover 3 years.

Additional information regarding lawn bowls and/or taking out membership is available from the Club or by phone from 0488729229 (Harry Harrop) or 44641543

David Armstrong

OPEN DAY

Fire & Rescue NSW Berry Station



Fire & Rescue NSW Station 224 Berry at 26 Prince Alfred Street Berry will be open to the public on Saturday the 17th of May 2014 between the hours of 10am -2pm so come along and meet your local Fire Fighters and have a look at the Fire truck and equipment used by Firefighters and get information on a wide range of Fire safety items.

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Retained Firefighters are paid an hourly rate for attending incidents, training and drills at the station and a fortnightly 'Retainer'.

The Successful applicant would preferably live in the Berry area and be able to respond to incidents during daytime working hours. For more information go to <http://www.fire.nsw.gov.au> or call into the Berry Station at 26 Prince Alfred Street Berry on the first and third Tuesday of each month between 6pm and 8pm and have a talk to the Brigade members or call Captain Jim Abbott on 0428263816 or Deputy Captain Rick Guinery on 0405498974.



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LANDCARE BERRY

At the time of "the Bum Tree Affair" and removal of trees along Gerroa Rd, Berry Landcare wrote two letters to SCC, one expressing concern about the extent of the clearing and the other on "The need to mitigate the impact of the current program of vegetation clearance within the easements of Gerroa and Crooked River Roads, and a call for the installation of fauna over and underpasses and arboreal nest boxes."

The letter made the following points:

- Berry Landcarers are local residents and Shoalhaven ratepayers;
- Our main goal is the effective conservation management of ecological and habitat values within the Berry Wildlife Corridor between Barren Grounds Nature Reserve with Seven Mile Beach National Park, with remnant vegetation connectivity having a vital habitat role in the future viability of flora and fauna populations;
- The Berry Wildlife Corridor recognised in the South Coast Regional Conservation Plan and the Southern Rivers Catchment Action Plan, and forms part of the South Coast Regional Strategy; one of ten biodiversity corridors identified in the Shoalhaven to Illawarra sector of the Great Eastern Ranges Initiative.
- The Gerroa and Broken River Road easements occur within this Corridor provides an important contribution to the viability and connectivity of the corridor through Seven Mile Beach National Park and nearby wetlands and littoral rainforest communities on adjacent freehold lands.
- Seven Mile Beach National Park is notable for its high density of arboreal mammals and large number of reptile and frog species, including a resident population of Greater Gliders (*Petauroides volans*)
- Shoalhaven City Council supports the conservation management of habitat values across its jurisdiction, having made a variety of positive policy statements and resolutions in its State of the Environment Report 2008/12 and its Roadside Environment Management Plan 2000.
- The issue of roadside vegetation is a complex one in which multiple and sometimes conflicting factors must be evaluated, including those of functionality and public safety.
- Concern that ecological and habitat values are not effectively represented in the evaluation process, and that broad scale policy objectives are neither given necessary emphasis or the resources to result in on-ground action and positive outcomes.
- A Review of Environmental Factors was produced for the Gerroa and Broken River Road easement clearing works, but was not made publically available, nor subject to a period of public comment or review.
- This alienated residents, landowners and road users from the decision process, severing Council's decision from its justifying analysis.
- Without a transparent process, or public exhibition of the REF, there was no assurance that the impact on habitat was necessary, properly evaluated or will be effectively mitigated.
- Future instances will occur in the Shoalhaven where the management of road side vegetation will require evaluation in a context of conflicting issues and interests, including the conservation management of ecological and habitat values, and wildlife corridor interconnectivity, which are now mainstream issues of interest to the general community.
- That Council instigate a transparent assessment process for future decisions on the clearance of significant native roadside vegetation, in which all issues are evaluated and presented in a document subject to public comment, prior to Council approval and the commencement of any works;
- That policy commits to the conservation management of natural heritage, ecological and habitat values are given due consideration; and effective actions are followed through to mitigate identified impacts on ecological and habitat values.
- The removal of a number of old growth trees from the road easement has reduced the number and distribution of tree hollows suitable for the habitation and nesting of arboreal wildlife, such as birds, possums and gliders, and has increased the distance between the edges of the remaining forest canopy on either side of the road easement. This has significantly compromised the ability of both terrestrial and arboreal fauna, and notably gliders, to pass between the forest habitats except via a hazardous on-ground traverse across the roadway. The latter, exposes animals to impact from cars, and predation by carnivores.
- These consequences will pose a significant risk to the long term viability of the glider colony, the glider population becoming more isolated, or split, in a territory too small and homogenous, and at risk from car impacts and animal predation.
- To mitigate the ecological impacts of the clearing program, and fulfil existing policy objectives and commitments made by Council regarding the conservation management of habitat and wildlife corridor values across the Shoalhaven, Berry Landcare recommends wildlife hazard advisory signage at regular intervals along the road where it parallels native vegetation; installation of nest boxes, especially those suitable for gliders, arboreal fauna overpasses and terrestrial fauna underpasses.
- Wherever the Berry Wildlife Corridor is

traversed by public roads, signage should be erected at either end of the Corridor, which identifies the Corridor and warns of the potential for encountering wildlife;

- Berry Landcare remains dedicated to achieving positive outcomes for both the community and its environment and looks forward to learning of the Council's response to our recommendations and future liaison on the important issue of maintaining the viability of wildlife corridors across the Shoalhaven.

Working Bees for May:

Bong Bong Road: Sunday 11 May, 9 - 11 am (Julia Woinarski 4464 2084); **Tindalls Lane - Boundary Road link:** Sunday 11 May, 2 - 4 pm - (Harvey Blue 4464 1880); **Moeyan Hill:** Saturday 17 May, 2 - 4 pm Bill Pigott (4464 3241 or wpigott@bigpond.net.au); **Princess Street Park:** Sunday 18 May, 2 - 4 pm Diana Coxhead (0433 213 219); **Bundewallah:** Sunday 25 May, 2 - 4 pm Will Armitage (4464 2241); **Mark Radium Park:** Friday 30 May, 9.0 - 10.00 am Rodney Cole (4464 1475)

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BERRY CWA 2014 *News*



April conspired to bring showers, heavy dumps of rain, thunder and lightning, but this has given way to the "fall of the leaves" with a beautiful kaleidoscope of colour and crunchiness under foot. Cooler nights will make sipping hot chocolate before a fire, and the savouring of an equally hot crumpet laden with CWA preserve an event to remember. The nimble fingers of the handicraft ladies are picking up speed so that their next stall will be well stocked with scarves, beanies, knitted goodies for both young and old, and the famous preserve.

There has been a busy start to the year. Handicraft items were presented for judging at our local branch and the Wollondilly Group in preparation for judging at the State Conference to be held in May at Griffith. One's mind is "blown away" at the exquisite work that the members of CWA ladies presented for judging. Congratulations go to one of our members, Judy, for notching up 68 years of Charity work that include such areas as the Red Cross and The Leprosy Mission. Well done Judy!

Recently we held the Fashion Parade fund raiser for Crohn's disease at the St. Patrick's Church Hall. David Jones will need to look no further than Berry CWA for models to present their garments. The fashions were delightful, colourful and shown to their best advantage by the "girls" of Berry CWA. Thank you to the Berry Barn folk for allowing Berry CWA to show their autumn stock of clothing using fine cotton fabrics, the latest in jeans, knitted items and much more. Congratulations to Janet Priddle for first prize in the raffle and Lillian Wilkinson as second prize winner. Thank you to all who supported this function. There are some interesting outings planned



CWA Models

for the ladies -a picnic with alpacas, a visit to the Robotic Dairy Interpretive Centre followed by lunch at Greenwell Point, and a progressive lunch planned for the near future. BUT all these events will follow involvement with their handwork at the Wednesday morning Craft. Can't have all work and no play!

We were treated to another snippet from Botswana. In June 1964 Britain accepted proposals for a democratic self-government, which led to the first elections in September 1966. It is a multi-party democracy. The Executive President is elected every 5 years. Setswana is the national language while English is the official language. It is a land-locked country in the centre of southern Africa. There is much more wonderful information to be gathered but we are going to have to wait for the next juicy snippets.

Jean Stanfield
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Members of the Berry Spinners and Weavers will be demonstrating their crafts including hand spinning and hand weaving at the Celtic Festival at Berry Showground on 24 May. Join us in the Hall just inside the Albany Street Gate for a display of our creations. You will be welcome to try your hand at weaving a tartan patterned cloth and to marvel at the amazing 'sock machine' in action.

For those who usually visit our regular "Fibre Muster and Sale" – this year it will be held on 2 and 3 August at Gerringong Town Hall. The hosts this year will be the Illawarra Feltmakers and the Berry Spinners and Weavers will be taking part in demonstrations and sales as usual.

Two of our talented members have had huge successes at the Sydney Royal Show, gaining a First Prize, two Seconds and one Third Prize for spinning and knitting, and a First Prize and two Highly Commended Prizes for knitting and spinning. Another member gained top honours for her home-grown alpaca fleece with a Supreme Fleece Award.

We can't all be high achievers like these, but we can all get satisfaction and enjoyment from our various fibre crafts, whether it is hand spinning using fleece, weaving with commercial yarn, felting, rug making or knitting and crocheting. We are always welcoming to anyone interested in working with fibre. You're pretty sure to find at least one of our members are adept at whatever you want to try and are more than willing to help you. We are always looking for new members to join our group, as they bring new ideas that stimulate inspiration in us all. Above all, we are a friendly bunch of people. Subs are only \$30 pa. Enquiries: Christine (Secretary) 4448 7575.



"As advised previously, Council declined FOBSA's offer to be the adviser group for the Berry School of Arts and so FOBSA has been wound-up and this is their final communication."

On the evening of 8th of April, the inaugural meeting of the Berry School of Arts User Advisory Committee took place at the BSA, chaired by Donna Sullivan of the Shoalhaven City Council.

The role of the committee is to advise council on how to increase the usage of the BSA as well as assist in locating ongoing funding.

We were advised that from the grant of \$300,000 secured by Ann Sudmalis for the BSA, Shoalhaven City Council is presently making submissions on that grant specifically for the ongoing historical upgrade as well as the installation of a commercial kitchen.

In the respect of increasing usage, we are asking all the people of Berry the following question.

What services or activities would you like to access here in Berry that you are presently leaving town for?

Please submit answers before 6th May, either in the box provided at the checkout area in the Berry IGA, or email directly to bbsausergroupcommittee@gmail.com



Berry Evening V.I.E.W. Club meetings are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at Berry Bowling Club, 6.30 for 7pm. Bookings can be made by ringing Kath Bowley on 44641032 before 5.00pm on the Saturday previous to the meeting.

Our next Coffee Morning will be a fund raiser for our Learning for Life student. It will be at The Grange, on May 1st at 10.30 am. The cost will be \$10. Raising this money is a very important part of our work, so please bring a friend, to help swell the funds. Please ring Betty Endean on 4464 3298, no later than April 28th to be sure of a place. We are not quite sure who our guest speaker will be for May, but as it is a Mother's Day theme, it will be someone interesting.

In June, the guest speaker is Glen Isemonger, and the subject is A.I.M.E. Australian Indigenous Mentoring Experience. As very few people know anything about A.I.M.E. It could be a very informative evening, so why not join us? You will be most welcome.

Jean Rolfe

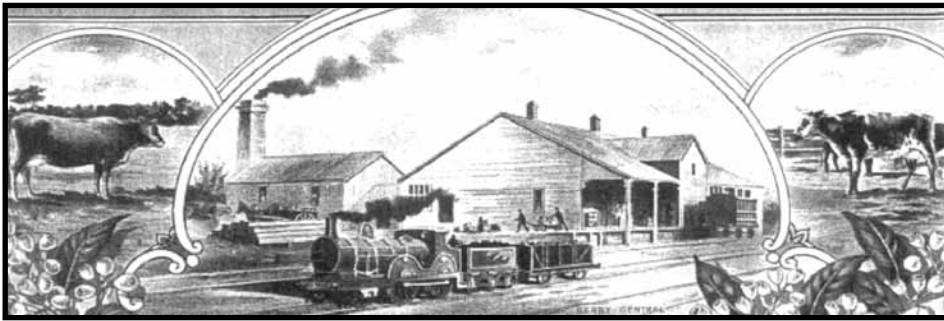
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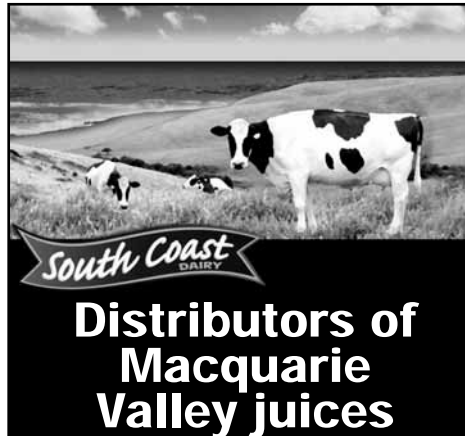


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