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Shoalhaven City Council Elections-Meet the Candidates

The Berry Alliance "credo" is **A Better Informed Community Makes Better Decisions.** The Shoalhaven City Council elections are being held on Saturday 8 September and as has been our past practice The Alliance organised a meet the candidates evening at the Berry Courthouse on Thursday 16 August. This was advertised in the last edition of the Berry Town Crier and some 50 interested residents attended. All Mayoral candidates except Greg Watson and Joanna Gash attended and all Ward 1 candidates except for those in the team led by Greg Watson attended.

Each Candidate was given three minutes to introduce themselves and then invited to answer questions from the residents who attended. The questions raised included future maintenance of the Berry School of Arts, the closure of Victoria Street as part of the Upgrade of the Princes Highway, the state of our roads, air transport facilities on rural land, communication from Council to residents and support of Community Consultative Bodies such as the Berry Alliance. One of the more interesting questions asked candidates to express in three words what they stood for. Some candidates found this very difficult.

The Alliance also wrote to all Mayoral candidates and Ward 1 candidates seeking their views on a series of questions relating to issues pertinent to the Berry Community. The responses of candidates to these questions are printed in a special 8 page lift out in this edition. Please take the time to read this lift out as it will help inform you on the opinions of those seeking to represent you.

Voting is compulsory and is Ward based. More information on the elections and your responsibilities are included in the lift out.

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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.

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ACTIVE INVOLVEMENT IN COMMUNITY MATTERS

The Berry Alliance has a number of Committees, Sub-Committees and Working Groups; we felt that there would be benefit in letting the community know what these are, how they were formed and who is on them.

Berry Alliance Management Committee

Elected at an Annual General Meeting, this committee is responsible for the day to day running of the Berry Alliance.

Will Armitage, Geoff Armstrong, Greg Bee, Adrian Bishop, Jenny Clapham, John Cullity, Sharon Dunn, Rick Gainford, Ian Parker, Bill Pigott and Ralph Stadus.

Better Options for Berry (BOBs) Sub-Committee

Formed at a Berry Community Forum, the sub-committee address the issues raised at that Forum concerning the RMS (RTA) and the plans for the Re-alignment of the Princes Highway at Berry.

Will Armitage, Nancy Bevan, John Cullity, Bob Fitzell, Rick Gainford, Jude Radin and John Underwood.

Tracks to the Future / le Tour de Berry Sub-Committee

Formed at a Berry Community Forum to address the footpaths and cycleways around Berry; raises funds, applies for grants and builds paths or "shareways".

Projects are assessed, costed and evaluated then taken to a Community Forum for discussion and endorsement.

Geoff Armstrong, Nana Blade, Rick Gainford, Ken Hutt Chris Jallard, Ian Parker, James Robinson, Megan Scott, Nina Tobin, Paul Traynor and Melissa Wolpert.

Victoria Street Working Group

Formed at a Berry Community Forum, the group examines the impacts of the possible closure of Victoria Street near the Princes Highway intersection as well as other ideas to address the changed traffic conditions as a result of the Highway Re-alignment.

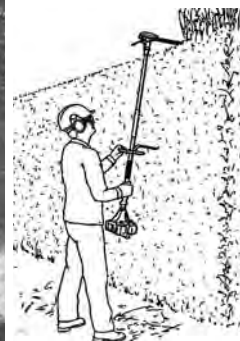
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Le Tour de Berry (a part of the Berry Alliance's Tracks to the Future Sub Committee) has now finished up for 2012 and we are heading toward the 2013 Tour.

The final amount raised through donations and the various events is close to \$17,000 but still not final as we are still selling those fantastic water bottles and French wines which continue to contribute to our funds.

The Committee are currently planning next year's event and we will be getting started very early.

The funds raised are dedicated to the Tracks to the Future and the projects they have planned. The next project is a new footpath next to Berry Public School. There are three stages to this proposed footpath and we are now very hopeful of completing all three stages this year or early next year.

We have received a wonderful boost to our hopes to complete this project with Council voting to grant an amount of up to \$40,000 to the Berry Alliance for our Tracks to the Future ongoing projects and work. We would like to thank all Councillors who voted for this in Council and especially to Councillor and Deputy Mayor Andrew Guile and Councillor Gareth Ward. When Gareth and Andrew attended

the Tour's Finish dinner they were so impressed with the concept of Le Tour de Berry and the way the community and businesses had embraced the event they asked what funds were required for our projects and asked for a brief of what we were planning along with costs. Andrew put in a notice of motion that was seconded by Gareth to support our work and they put the figure of up to \$40,000 on it. This was voted on at the following Council Meeting and we understand that all Councillors present voted in favour of the motion. We thank them for this.

Our thanks also go to the Berry Community Activities Centre who made a donation of \$500 to the fund and to the The Arbour Social Committee who made a donation of \$200 (unfortunately these arrived after the cut-off date for the August Town Crier so were not able to be in the list of sponsors and donors.)



The Committee will now engage with the Berry Public School community and local residents for the final design aspects of the proposed path and this may also require or benefit from, some road works or kerb and guttering.

Rick Gainford
for the Organising Committee



Editor's Note...

The closing date for our
**OCTOBER issue will be
Wednesday 19th SEPTEMBER 2012**

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

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Draft Shoalhaven Growth Management Strategy – Exhibition

Version 1 of the Shoalhaven Growth Management Strategy (the Strategy) will be on public exhibition for comment from **Wednesday 25 July 2012 to Friday 7 September 2012** (inclusive) between 9am and 5pm at the City Administrative Centre, Bridge Road, Nowra.

The final Strategy will set new directions for accommodating growth in Shoalhaven, with particular focus on those settlements which are not currently covered by existing Council land use strategies and plans. The first version of the Strategy is being made available to initiate community discussion and dialogue about growth and where this growth should be located in the future.

The draft Strategy and supporting information will also be available for viewing online at www.shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au and also at the following locations:

- Nowra Library – 10 Berry Street, Nowra
- Ulladulla Administration Building – 14 Deering Street, Ulladulla
- Ulladulla Library – 81B Princes Highway, Ulladulla

Council will also be hosting various public information sessions to enable the community to view the draft Strategy, speak with Council staff and make submissions. For more information on the locations, dates and times of these sessions, please visit Council's website.

Written comments on the draft Strategy are invited and should be made in writing before **5pm on Friday 7 September 2012**.

Submissions can be made in the following ways:

- Online at www.shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au or
- By email to council@shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au, or
- Post to: Draft Growth Management Strategy Submission
Shoalhaven City Council
PO Box 42
Nowra NSW 2541

Please note that correspondence submitted to Council on this matter may be open for public inspection without notifying the correspondent. Pre-printed form letters, which have been individually signed, will be considered but not formally acknowledged.

Submissions may become public documents and may be viewed by other persons on request. All persons who lodge a submission are required to declare any relevant political donations and/or gifts in accordance with Section 147(5) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

Any enquires regarding the draft Strategy can be directed to Council's Strategic Planning and Infrastructure Group on (02) 4429 3228 or via email to:

council@shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au, quoting file number 18107E.



friends of
Berry School of Arts, Inc.

Friends of Berry School of Arts Submits an 'EOI'

The Friends of Berry School of Arts submitted an 'Expression of Interest' in managing the Berry School of Arts to Shoalhaven City Council, on Wednesday 15th August, 2012.

Expertise was gathered from heritage architects, small business/property managers, lawyers, educators, artists, performers and local community members. The document reflects the concerns and ideas of 217 local people. Our membership now represents 12% of the adult population of Berry; we are the largest community group in the area.

Also, 10% of our members have pledged time and/or money in the event of our 'EOI' being successful. How wonderful to be able to unite so many people in restoring and rejuvenating this historical building!

We are unsure of when Shoalhaven City Council will advise us of the outcome as they are currently gearing up for Council elections. We would like to take the opportunity to thank all those who have supported our cause and got involved. Continue to look for updates on our Facebook page or website

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ROTARY

Field Day to be a Great Day Out for the Whole Family

Big crowds are anticipated at the Berry Showground on the weekend of 8th and 9th September at the Berry Small Farm Field Day.

It's been 5 years since Berry has hosted a Small Farm Field Day and the Rotary Club of Berry-Gerrington decided it was high time to stage another.

Supported by the Southern Rivers Catchment Management Authority, the 2012 Berry Small Farm Field Day will feature the latest farming equipment, machinery and supplies as well as practical demonstrations and everything you could want for your property. With over 60 exhibitors, the Showground will be full of displays. One of the many attractions will be 6 year old 'Burger' the bull, with a competition to guess what he actually weighs, plus have some fun with a 'bull pat' lotto.

However, it's not going to be all just blokey things on display as the ladies are also being catered for with a fashion parade together with fashion wear and jewellery on sale, thanks to the support of local Berry businesses, particularly Bedroom Bliss and The Berry Barn. The Zonta Club will also have their 'Berry famous' scones and Devonshire teas available.

Berry Small Farm Field Day



Rotary Club of Berry-Gerrington

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Sat & Sun
8 & 9 September
8.30am to 4pm
Berry Showground

Around midday on Saturday the event will be officially opened by Hon. Katrina Hodgkinson MP, Minister for Primary Industries and Minister for Small Business.

Andrew Britton, Small Farms Coordinator with the Southern Rivers Catchment Management Authority said they were very pleased to support the Rotary Club in staging the event again. "It provides the opportunity for government agencies, rural suppliers, Landcare and the general community to promote and learn about natural resource management and sustainable and productive agricultural practices," he said.

President of the Rotary Club Narelle King added that it will be a great 'country' day out for the whole family, particularly with the fashion parade for the ladies as well as

fun entertainment for children, including a scarecrow dressing competition. The Field Day will be open 8.30am to 4pm on both days and entry is \$12 for adults with children under 12 free. Adult weekend passes are available for \$20.

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Grant to enhance mainly music

Berry mainly music has been awarded a grant from Veolia Mulwaree Trust. The \$1000 grant will go towards purchasing new musical instruments such as

bells, shakers and clave sticks, as well as further toys and resources for mainly music.

The additional instruments financed by this grant will make a big difference. Musical props such as instruments and visual aids help the children (and adults) express themselves and move to the music.

The music time at mainly music is a big part of the program. The music brings adults and children together and helps carers and children engage with each other through music. Every time we use a musical prop such as the shakers, scarves or lycra the children get excited and want to join in.



Each week the children are becoming more familiar and comfortable with the music. Many of the children have their favourite songs or instruments and we try to cater for particular interests and favourite songs of the children. Thank you to the Veolia Mulwaree Trust for their generosity, the funds will greatly enhance our mainly music group.

Another big part of mainly music is to celebrate the special occasions in family's lives throughout the year. Whether it's a milestone such as a birthday, potty training or graduating to big school, we want to celebrate with families the things that mean a lot to a little person.

Mainly music will be celebrating Father's Day on Tuesday 29 August. Families will receive a present to give to a special man in each child's life. Whether a family has a father, grandfather, uncle or family friend we want to recognise the important role that a significant relationship with a man makes for a young child and encourage and celebrate those relationships in a child's life.

Come along to mainly music Tuesday mornings 10am during school term at Berry Community Church, Alexandra St Berry to be part of the fun.

For more information contact Erica Noonan on 0402699732 or Trish Nicholson on 0401 151 820



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A NATURAL WILDERNESS?

As I am writing this article it is deep into winter. Its publication will be at the height of spring. This is an opportunity to note the marvellous native spring flowering plants around Berry. Some easy to spot climbers to look for: - Travellers Joy (*Clematis aristata*), a white native clematis climber in the road side trees; *Indigofera australis*, 2 m. high 2m. wide, sparsely branched with sprays of purple pea-flowers; False Sarsaparilla (*Hardenbergia violacea*), a well-known ground cover-climber with purple pea-shaped flowers; Yellow Guinea Flower (*Hibbertia scandens*), a climber which seems to like climbing above the Kikuyu on barbwire fences.

This article, like many of the Landcare articles, emphasise native over introduced plants. The exotics are often better known and more popular. Why then the Natives? The temptation is to use the "more natural" tag well loved by the Advertising industry but this is really just a cop out. There is nothing un-natural about any plant or animal. Perhaps it is the 18th Century Romantic ideal of Jean-Jacques Rousseau's "State of Nature" or the 19th Century American writer Henry David Thoreau and his best known book "Walden". This is a reflection upon simple living in natural surroundings. Thoreau wrote "In wilderness is the preservation of the world. We simply need that wild country

available to us, even if we never do more than drive to its edge and look in", an idea that reverberates generations later.

Ecology is the grandchild of these ideals. Homo sapiens are not excluded from this scientific view of the world. We may be the dominant social species of the planet but we are still the product of 4 billion years of evolution. Since we arrived on this continent 50k years ago we have dramatically altered its ecology. The major difference of late is that we know what we have done and have a pretty good idea what will be the result.

So why Natives? Non- natives lead to a decrease in biodiversity. They have not developed alongside the natives. There is no symbiotic relationship to the environment they have landed in. Local native plants are different. They will not dominate but grow along with the other native plants. They will accommodate drought, flood and fire as they have done for thousands of years.

Is a 25 hectare impenetrable thicket of Lantana the wilderness you wish to drive to the edge of to look in? Therefore plant Natives.

Artfest

By the time this Town Crier has been distributed the 7th Annual Berry Landcare Artfest, with more than 60 works submitted, will have been celebrated. An innovation this year is a 'by invitation' "Young Peoples

Day", with children from the Berry Public School and the Berry Preschool visiting the exhibition and participating in various activities, including making 'fence-art', potting seedlings and marking on a map their favourite outdoor location. Engaging the young is an important part of Landcare.

Working Bees for September

Bong Bong Road, 9-11am Sunday 9th September;

Tindalls Lane, 2-4pm Sunday 9th September (Meet at Boundary Road, Broughton Vale);

David Berry Hospital, to be arranged;

Bundewallah, Sunday 2-4 pm 30th September.

Email: berrylandcare@gmail.com

For further information:

Kim Dove (4464 3391) - David Berry Hospital site;

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2. Improve our sub-standard roads and poor traffic conditions
3. Make a real commitment by Council to protect our local environment including support for Landcare and Bushcare
4. Focus on delivering better public housing
5. Encourage the construction of community food gardens and building the local food industry
6. Initiate Council incentives for installation of solar water heating and power generating panels and reinvigorate water tank installation incentives
7. Upgrade and better manage the Berry School of Arts



Terry: 0439 494 402

Shoalhaven City Council Elections are Saturday 8th September 2012

NEW DISPLAY

BERRY BOWLING CLUB THE OLDEST BOWLING CLUB ON THE SOUTH COAST



This new display from the archives of the Berry Museum gives you a chance to learn more of the fascinating history of the town in which you live. It is about the Bowling Club which is celebrating its 100th year. Did you know that the current Country Women's Association Hall in Victoria Street started life as a school in Pulman Street. When the new school in Victoria Street was built the old school was moved to its present site to become the Bowling Club.

The club, which was formed in 1912, has grown from strength to strength increasing in membership from its 12 foundation members to 1293 today, which is made of 68 men and 35 women bowlers, the rest being social members.

It was formed as a result of a public meeting called by a Mr. McNamee a former bowler who was at the time proprietor of the Great Southern Hotel. He was assisted by a prominent citizen of the district Albert Schofield who was also a keen bowler. Mr. Schofield had moved to Berry from Petersham where his brother Charlie was president of the Petersham Bowling Club.

Following the public meeting, an agreement was reached on the formation of the club and land was purchased in Victoria Street, Berry for the construction of a green and clubhouse.

This Display starts on the 8th September and lasts until February 2013.

THE SOCIETY'S LECTURE MEETINGS

Members of the community are more than welcome to attend these lectures organised by the Historical Society for its members.

Entry is free for members of the Historical Society and by donation for others.

The next two lectures given by the Historical Society will be as follows

16th October – 10am

Launch of the Berry Bowling Club Display. To be held at the Museum Morning Tea will be provided

20th November – 2pm

Chris Currey will give a Critique of book 'Opium Wars'

To be held at the Masonic Village Hall in Albany Lane. Afternoon Tea will be provided


For details of the opening hours and current special exhibition see the advertisement on the Calendar of Events Page.

**Jennifer Clapham
44642446**



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Foxground and Berry bypass update



Transport
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Foxground and Berry bypass: an important part of the upgrade of the Princes Highway on the South Coast

Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) upgrade of the Princes Highway between Gerringong and Bomaderry consists of three projects – the Gerringong upgrade which is now under construction, the Foxground and Berry bypass and the Berry to Bomaderry upgrade which are both in the planning stages.

The Foxground and Berry bypass will provide a four lane highway with median separation for approximately 11.6 kilometres on the Princes Highway between Toolijooa Road and Schofields Lane. It will include a bypass of Berry with access ramps north and south of town. The Foxground and Berry bypass, estimated to cost \$550 million to construct, is currently the most significant infrastructure investment on the South Coast.

RMS is now finalising the environmental assessment (EA) for the Foxground and Berry bypass.

The latest concept design which RMS will take forward to the environmental assessment is available on the project website at www.rms.nsw.gov.au/fbb and at the Berry project office. The concept design is the most detailed representation RMS has displayed to date and shows:

- Intersection locations
- Bridge locations
- Local road closures
- Cut and fill requirements
- The location of wildlife crossings

The Foxground and Berry bypass concept design has been developed in consultation with the community and a range of experts, based on project objectives which:

- Improve road safety on the Princes Highway and local road network.
- Improve the efficiency of the Princes Highway.
- Support regional and local economic development.
- Provide value for money.
- Enhance social and environmental opportunities.
- Minimise any potential environmental and social impacts.

The Foxground and Berry bypass will:

- Significantly increase driver safety and reduce the frequency and severity of crashes occurring on the Princes Highway in the project area.
- Reduce the likelihood of future crashes due to significant improvements to road safety, along and adjacent to the project.
- Improve road safety through less interaction between traffic and pedestrians in the town of Berry.
- Improve travel time by an estimated seven minutes
- Improve flood immunity.
- Maintain existing wildlife corridors.
- Generate local employment opportunities.
- Support the local and regional economy both in the short and long term.

These benefits extend beyond Foxground and Berry to residents, businesses and tourists of the South Coast.

For further information on the Foxground and Berry bypass project, please visit the project office at

Shop 3/113 Queen Street Berry between 10am – 5pm on Friday

or, call the project information line (**free call**) **1800 506 976**

email foxgroundandberrybypass@rms.nsw.gov.au or visit www.rms.nsw.gov.au/fbb.



BERRY MEN'S SHED

A PROJECT OF THE BERRY UNITING CHURCH

OLYMPICS COME TO THE SHED



Richard showing members the mechanisms of the torch

When Shed members decided to have a discussion about the Olympics at morning tea recently, we were surprised to see how many of our members were involved in the Sydney event. The discussion open with Richard Wiseman (a torch bearer in Sydney) jogging around the morning tea table dressed in the uniform and carrying his torch. Richard was nominated by his company Shell as they were a major sponsor of the event with the objective of ensuring everything kept moving. From fueling ocean liners in the harbour, 2,500 buses, 400 generators and a large number of support vehicles that travelled 27,000 kilometers around Australia with the torch relay. Richard's opportunity came on day 100 (the final day). A number of other members had stories of being in the opening ceremony or being a volunteer at the Sydney Olympics.

Gareth Ward our local member will be visiting the Shed within the next few weeks to present a cheque for \$20,000 to cover the work which surrounds the old shed area where new paving, ramps and electrics have been installed. After the presentation we will be

giving Gareth an opportunity to revisit the Shed and talk to our members. Gareth will be accompanied by Andrew Guile Deputy Mayor of Shoalhaven Council.

With Council elections being held on 8th September members of the Shed are preparing for a BBQ and sales table after people have voted. This year the only polling booth in Berry is at the Berry Uniting Church Centre and with over 2,000 people voting we are confident of selling lots of items.

The Berry Men's Shed has been asked to participate in new study on Men's Sheds across Australia. The study is being conducted by La Trobe University in Melbourne and will cover all aspects of the Men's Shed movement.

Members of the Shed are getting ready for the Berry Pre School visit in September. This will give us the opportunity to show the students how we operated and what they can do with timber. There will be a few surprises for the children during their visit.

Richard Wiseman
Secretary

Leprosy Mission News

Well Berry you have done it again! Our last street stall held on the 4th August raised an amazing \$1,600.00; we are so appreciative of your ongoing support for the work of the mission. At our August meeting, we had the privilege of being able to present our NSW State Director Ron Dawes with a cheque for \$4,000. This will go towards the work of the mission in areas where it is most needed overseas. As I write this report prior to the meeting I am unable to say exactly which project will receive the funds, although our next report will give you the full information.

Another way we raise money for the work of the mission is through our annual Gift guide. If you wish to receive this catalogue please contact me on 44641693 and I will be happy to forward you one. If you belong to a group and would like to have more than one copy I can also assist you.

We will also be making our Christmas cakes again this year and would appreciate your orders prior to making them, for more information contact trishr.n@optusnet.com.au.

Our next meeting to be held on the 25th October will be our Annual General meeting and we would welcome any new comers to join the group. Look forward to meeting you.

Thank you again for your encouragement and support.

Trish Nicholson
Secretary/Treasurer

New Email Address: trishr.n@optusnet.com.au



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BERRY EVENING VIEW CLUB NEWS

Welcome to Berry Evening VIEW Club news.

A very enjoyable Christmas in July was had by all members and guests at the Berry Hotel. It was a cold night but with the log fire going it was very nice inside. We all enjoyed our Christmas meal and thank you to the Berry Hotel.

During July, we joined with the David Berry Hospital Auxiliary for their mid-winter Madness luncheon. 105 people attended for a very nice meal and the usual entertainment was provided by the members of the Auxiliary. We even won some prizes and the ladies that dressed in their very best 'Royal outfits' really made the day. Congratulations to the Auxiliary for a first class day. Later in the month we joined with the Auxiliary for their Annual General Meeting.

Invitations for October are: (1) Shoalhaven Heads 35th birthday on Monday 8th at the Shoalhaven Head Bowling Club. The party starts at 5.30pm for 6pm and the cost will be \$22. Dress code is purple and green. (2) We have also been invited to the Bomaderry Bowling Club on Thursday 18th October to a Shoalhaven Breast Cancer Support Group function – **A Celebration of Life**. The guest speaker will be Gail O'Brien, a lady I am sure you all know. The function commences at 11am sharp and the cost is \$30.

Don't forget Berry Evening VIEW Club monthly coffee morning held on the first Thursday of each month commencing at 10.30am. So you can join with us, the dates and locations for the coming months are:

- 6th. Sept we will be at The Bookshop;
- 4th. Oct. at Berry Jetz Café;
- 1st. Nov join with us at Laura's Café on Queens;
- The final morning this year will be on 6th. Dec. at Bookshop Coffee Shop.

Please come and join with us for coffee, cake and a chat. Our coffee mornings are not just for VIEW members but for anyone that cares to join with us for coffee, cake and a chat.

You will be most welcome.

Pamela Coles - Publicity Officer.

Media Release for the NSW Rural Fire Service 14 August 2012

Landowners urged to carefully plan hazard reduction burns

Out of control hazard reduction burns have resulted in a number of fires in the past two weeks in the Shoalhaven area, leaving NSW Rural Fire Service volunteer fire fighters to extinguish the fast moving fires.

NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) Superintendent Ian Stewart is advising landholders and managers to ensure they are well prepared before burning off on their property. "Following a lot of heavy rain in the area we are faced with high fuel loads that present a very real fire risk when hazard reduction burns are not conducted safely.

The Service encourages landholders to be proactive in reducing fuel loads on their property, but more importantly we want people to conduct hazard reduction burns safely and legally," said Superintendent Stewart. "For hazard reduction burning to be safe and effective, residents need to take weather conditions and forecasts into consideration. "Remember to notify your neighbours and local fire authority 24 hours before starting a hazard reduction burn.

"The NSW RFS are happy to help people plan and conduct safe hazard reduction burns ensuring the safety of both landowners' property and the broader community. "Members can also provide advice on fire permits, hazard reduction certificates, environmental approvals and weather forecasts.

"Every landholder has a responsibility to prevent fire spreading to other properties and there can be serious consequences for the person who started the fire. "The first priority should always be safety, so never conduct a burn if conditions are not suitable.

There are alternatives to burning including hand clearing, mowing, or slashing areas around key assets on the property," Superintendent Stewart said.

For more information contact the Shoalhaven Fire Control Centre on 4424 4424 or visit www.rfs.nsw.gov.au.



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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

- CD12/1139** Outbuildings - Alteration & Additions to Barn 314A Tourist Rd, BEAUMONT 12-Jul-12
- DA12/1671** New Attached Garage & minor Dwelling Additions 7 Kentia Cres, BERRY 9-Jul-12
- DA12/1682** Proposed change-of-use of Shop 3 from Commercial Kitchen for making Jams and Preserves to Catering Business and the installation of an exhaust fan and grease trap 78 Queen St, BERRY 10-Jul-12
- CD12/1137** Carport 106 O'Keeffes Lane, JASPERS BRUSH 11-Jul-12
- DA12/1767** Detached Habitable Room 45 Prince Alfred St, BERRY 2-Aug-12
- DA12/1757** Dwelling Additions - replace existing carport & patio 10 Boxsells Lane, MEROO MEADOW 1-Aug-12
- DA12/1780** Single Storey Dwelling Beach Rd, BERRY 6-Aug-12

Applications Determined

- DA10/1755** Proposed Church Auditorium with ground level car park for eleven vehicles and two parking spaces for the disabled and a change of use to the existing dwelling house at No. 36 Alexander Street Berry to Church administration 34-36 Alexandra St BERRY 26-Jul-12 Withdrawn
- DA12/1582** Dwelling Additions - New Carport with side building line variation to 700mm and use of the existing Covered Patio at the rear of the dwelling 110 North St BERRY 26-Jul-12 Approved
- DA12/1601** Dwelling Additions 29 Albert St BERRY 26-Jul-12 Approved
- DA12/1663** Outbuildings - Storage Shed and Two Horse Shelters 28 Broughton Vale Rd BROUGHTON VALE 25-Jul-12 Approved
- DA12/1598** Dwelling Additions 20B Strongs Rd JASPERS BRUSH 26-Jul-12 Approved
- DA12/1530** New Dwelling - Single Storey and Demolition of Existing Dwelling 42 Albany St BERRY 1-Aug-12 Approved
- SF10240** 3 Lot Rural Subdivision under Sepp1.181 Wire Lane BERRY 31-Jul-12 Approved
- DA12/1626** Miscellaneous - Temporary Residential Use of Existing Rural Outbuilding 66 Tullouch Rd BROUGHTON VALE 31-Jul-12 Approved

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.

Enquiries

If an application on this report is of particular interest to your Association, or you would like to enquire if the application has been or will be advertised, please contact Council on: (02) 4429 3111. The development and subdivisions applications may be viewed on Council Website (DA Tracking) www.shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au

Leanne Pugh

Principal / Sales
m: 0409 319 719



What is the Berry real estate market doing ?

Graeme Swan

Sales
m: 0423 622 981



When is the right time to sell ?

Karla Williams

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p: 02 4464 2800



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Vicki Henry

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Major Changes to Berry Silver Band (est.1897)

Berry Silver Band is currently undergoing major changes to our repertoire and personnel. We are going in a new direction.

We are hoping to establish a school programme for local children and we will have some instruments to lend.

Berry Silver Band will soon be available for public performances. We can play traditional brass band music, jazz and contemporary music.

We also wish to attract new members, including woodwind, percussion and brass players who want to **come and play jazz with us** (music sight reading is essential). We can provide some tuition.

Contact us with any requests or ideas you may have. We look forward to playing for you soon. We have only been going 115 years!

President

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email petercarson76@hotmail.com

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Owen Crawford ph 44641250 6 Clarence St,
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Calendar of Events

SEPTEMBER

1st September – Saturday – Villa Music – classical chamber music in Bellawongarah featuring the winner of the Sydney International Piano Competition. All enquiries to Tony on 0418 675 863 www.villamusic.com.au

2nd September – Sunday – Villa Music – classical chamber music in Bellawongarah featuring Baroque lute and Soprano – Sophia Brumfitt & Rosemary Hodgson. All enquiries to Tony on 0418 675 863 www.villamusic.com.au

2nd September – Sunday – Berry Country Fair at the Berry Showgrounds Enquiries to 4464 1476 on Thursdays and Fridays 10am – 3.30pm

6th September – Thursday Berry Alliance Meeting at 6.30 pm No special topic listed this month. All Berry community members are welcome. All enquiries or to list a topic for future Forum discussion, contact Rick Gainford on 0449 569 059 or info@berryalliance.org.au

7th September – Friday - Knit with Love Weekly get-together at St Luke's Anglican Church Hall from 1pm – 3pm. Newcomers welcome (Meets each week at the same time/place). Bring size 4.00mm (no.8) needles and patterns and help will be provided. All knitting goes to cold and needy folk somewhere in the world. We knit squares for rugs, knitted garments and toys. Contact person: Lee 4464 1204

8th September – Saturday - Berry Men's Shed BBQ and sales of items at Council election polling booths at Berry Uniting Church. Contact Richard Wiseman 4464 261

12th September – Wednesday – CWA State Awareness Day Street Stall at Broughton Walk Berry Contact Marcia 44643187 or Marie 44232164

12th September – Wednesday – St Luke's Anglican Church Senior Ministry hosts talks by Professor Ian Webster about pain management in the Anglican Church Hall Princes St Berry at 2pm followed by afternoon tea. Transport available all enquiries to Joan Kaehne 4464 3675

14th September – Friday - CWA monthly meeting from 1pm at the CWA rooms Victoria Street. Enquires Marcia 44643187

15th September – Saturday – Berry Community Church hosts a 'Berry Family Bush Dance' from 6pm to 8.30pm. Adults \$10 Kids \$5 Families \$25. Sausage sizzle and drinks will be on sale. Berry Community Church 34 Alexandra St Berry (opp showground gates) Contact Joel Noonan 0403193945 joel@berrycommunitychurch.org.au - A fundraiser for Berry Community Church Kidz & Youth.

18th September – Tuesday – Berry and District Garden Club Inc. monthly meeting at the Activities Room - Berry Masonic Village in Albany Lane, Berry – 7pm for 7.30pm New members very welcome. Enquiries to Jennifer ph.: 44642563.

19th September – Wednesday CWA Branch International Day with Berry Primary School CWA rooms, Victoria Street. Contact Marcia 44643187 or Marie 44232164

20th September – Thursday - Australian Decorative and Fine Arts Society Lecture - REBEL IN GLASS: The Art of Louis Comfort Tiffany. Berry School of Arts from 7.30pm visitors welcome - \$25 per lecture. Light supper included. All enquiries Kay Jarrett @ shoalhavenadfas@bluebottle.com

21st September – Friday - Australian Decorative and Fine Arts Society Special interest day - 3 GREAT GLASSMAKING CENTRES: Venice, Bohemia and Britain. All enquiries Kay Jarrett @ shoalhavenadfas@bluebottle.com

29th September – Saturday - Red Cross annual BigcakeBake - 9am till 12 noon Join with Red Cross to 'bake the world a better place!' Bake a cake for us to sell in Broughton Court, bring it on the day or phone Irene on 44 642 612 to arrange a 'pick up!'. With Thanks! www.bigcakebake.org.au.

OCTOBER

4th October – Thursday Berry Alliance Meeting at 6.30 pm No special topic listed this month. All Berry community members are welcome. All enquiries or to list a topic for future Forum discussion, contact Rick Gainford on 0449 569 059 or info@berryalliance.org.au

5th October – Friday - Knit with Love Weekly get-together at St Luke's Anglican Church Hall from 1pm – 3pm. Newcomers welcome (Meets each week at the same time/place). Bring size 4.00mm (no.8) needles and patterns and help will be provided. All knitting goes to cold and needy folk somewhere in the world. We knit squares for rugs, knitted garments and toys. Contact person: Lee 4464 1204

7th October – Sunday CWA Giant Jumble Sale and Boot Sale CWA rooms, Victoria Street Berry. Contact Marcia 44643187 or Marie 44232164

7th October - Sunday – Berry Country Fair at the Berry Showgrounds Enquiries to 4464 1476 on Thursdays and Fridays 10am – 3.30pm

12th October – Friday - CWA Berry AGM at the CWA rooms Victoria Street. Enquires Marcia 44643187

13th October – Saturday Zonta Club of Berry Birthing Kit Assembly Day at the Uniting Church Berry from 9.30am Enquiries and offers to help to Mary Seelis on 44641191

16th October – Tuesday – Berry & District Historical Society Launch of the Berry Bowling Club Display at 10am. To be held at the Museum. Morning Tea will be provided. All enquiries to Jennifer Clapham 44642446

16th October - Tuesday – Berry and District Garden Club Inc. monthly meeting at the Activities Room Berry Masonic Village in Albany Lane, Berry – 7pm for 7.30pm new members welcome. Enquiries to Jennifer ph.: 44642563.

18th – 21st October - Thursday – Sunday - Berry Garden Clubs Annual Garden festival

25th October - Thursday - Australian Decorative and Fine Arts Society Lecture - THE STORY OF SAIHOJI: Muso Soseki and the Moss Garden at Saihoji, Kyoto. Berry School of Arts from 7.30pm visitors welcome - \$25 per lecture. Light supper included. All enquiries **Kay Jarrett @ shoalhavenadfas@bluebottle.com**

28th October – Sunday - Shoalhaven Poultry Auction at the Berry Poultry Pavilion - Berry Showground All enquiries to Shayne Tiplady 0401548704 or **info@shoalhavenpoultry.com.au** or **www.shoalhavenpoultry.com.au**

NOVEMBER

2nd November – Friday - Knit with Love Weekly get-together at St Luke's Anglican Church Hall from 1pm – 3pm. Newcomers welcome (Meets each week at the same time/place). Bring size 4.00mm (no.8) needles and patterns and help will be provided. All knitting goes to cold and needy folk somewhere in the world. We knit squares for rugs, knitted garments and toys. Contact person: Lee 4464 1204

4th November - Sunday – Berry Country Fair at the Berry Showgrounds Enquiries to 4464 1476 on Thursdays and Fridays 10am – 3.30pm

9th November –Friday - CWA monthly meeting from 1pm at the CWA rooms Victoria Street. Enquires Marcia 44643187

20th November – Tuesday - Berry & District Historical Society hosts Chris Currey who will give a Critique of book 'Opium Wars'. To be held at the Masonic Village Hall in Albany Lane at 2pm. Afternoon Tea will be provided. All enquiries to Jennifer Clapham 44642446

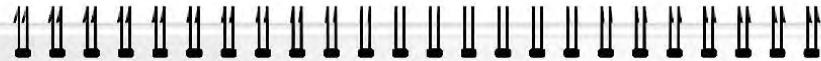
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DECEMBER

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14th December –Friday - CWA monthly meeting from 1pm at the CWA rooms Victoria Street. Enquires Marcia 44643187



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.

- 13 October.....Zonta Club of Berry Birthing Kit Day
- 18/21 October.....Berry Garden Clubs Annual Garden festival
- 2 December.....Red Cross Rock n Roll

Next Year

- 1/2 February.....Berry Show Society Annual Berry Show
- February.....Berry Alliance hosts the Berry Community Group Leaders Get Together
- 3 March.....Red Cross Calling - Courthouse Jazz
- 9/10 March.....David Berry Hospital Auxiliary Annual Book Sale
- March.....Berry Alliance host Seniors Week celebrations – Berry (date TBA)
- May.....Berry Rotary Club presents the Berry Celtic Festival (date TBA)
- August.....Berry Garden Club Annual Camellia Festival (date TBA)
Berry Public School Annual Food & Wine Fair (date TBA)
Berry Landcare Annual Artfest (date TBA)

Fire Permits are now required

The bush fire danger period in the Shoalhaven begins from the 1st of September, 2012.
All fires lit in open areas from this date onwards will require a fire permit.

Permits can be issued by John Milne (Captain) – 0427 641 445, Neil Percival (Senior Deputy Captain) – 0412 352 937, Jeff Fahl (Deputy Captain) – 0419 280 673 and Brian Coulthart (Deputy Captain) – 0417 428 284. Permits and further information can also be obtained from the RFS Fire Control Centre in Nowra – 4424 4424.

Please be aware that even with a permit, the lighting of fires is prohibited (and the permit is automatically suspended) on (1) TOTAL FIRE BAN days, (2) Days of EXTREME fire danger or (3) When the Environment Protection Authority declares a 'NO BURN DAY'. **State Emergency Service Nowra 4424 4472**



BERRY AND DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY'S CURRENT SPECIAL DISPLAY AT THE BERRY MUSEUM IS:

"BERRY BOWLING CLUB CELEBRATES 100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY"

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Berry Community Groups

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2nd Thursday Monthly Community Consultative Business commencing at 6.30pm at the Berry Courthouse unless otherwise advertised in the Town Crier for a Community Forum etc.
info@berryalliance.org.au www.berryalliance.org.au

Berry Alliance Town Crier 0428 037 572
PO Box 202 Berry 2535
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Berry Chamber of Commerce & Tourism Inc. 4464 3122
PO Box 216 Berry 2535
info@berry.org.au www.berry.org.au

Australian Decorative Fine Arts Society 4464 3242
PO Box 269 Berry 25345 shoalhavenadfas@bluebottle.com.au
Monthly, 7.30pm at Berry School of Arts

Australian Red Cross 4464 2612
PO Box 249 Berry 2535
1st Wednesday each month at 2.00pm, Berry School of Arts

Australian Labor Party Berry Shoalhaven Heads Branch 4464 3965
78 Woodhill Mountain Rd Berry 2535 adriandee@bigpond.com
2nd Tuesday Monthly, Hotel Berry, 6.00pm meeting

Berry Alcoholics Anonymous 1300 903 392
Meets every Thursday Night at 7.30pm 34 Alexander Street Berry
www.shoalhavenaa.com.au

Berry Al Anon Family Group Irene 4448 8231
Meet every Monday at 7.30 Uniting Church Centre - Albert Street, Berry

Berry Bridge Club INC 4464 3009
PO Box 366 Berry 2535 mcocoran@shoalhaven.net.au
Meets Saturdays 1pm - 4:30pm at Masonic Lodge Community Hall

Berry Community Activities Centre Inc. 4422 1794
PO Box 244 Berry 2535 berrymarkets@bigpond.com
1st Monday Monthly, 5pm Muir House - 12 Prince Alfred St Berry

Berry Computers for Seniors 4448 6267
PO Box 103 Berry 2535 berrycfs@gmail.com
1st & 3rd Wednesday monthly, 10 - 12noon Uniting Church Hall, 69 Albert Street Berry.

Berry Community Pre-school 4464 1764
PO Box 143 Berry 2535 berrypreschool@bigpond.com www.berrypreschool.org.au

Berry Courthouse Conservation Committee 0458 369 266
PO Box 218 Berry 2535
2nd Monday Bi-monthly at 5.30pm at the Berry Courthouse

Berry Crafters & Quilters 4464 3788
Meets each Wednesday 10am - 4pm at Muir Cottage, Prince Alfred St
mford.646@gmail.com

Berry & District Garden Club 4464 2563
PO Box 122 Berry 2535
3rd Tuesday Monthly, 7.30pm Masonic Village Community Room
leith@shoal.net.au www.berrygardens.org.au

Berry Drama group 4464 2700
PO Box 423 Berry 2535 hugsfromrosie@shoal.net.au
1st Wednesday monthly - 7.00pm Berry School of Arts (except Jan & Dec)

Berry & District Historical Society Inc. 4464 3097
PO Box 153 Berry 2535 berrymuseum@bigpond.com
3rd Monday Monthly, 1pm at the Berry Museum

Berry Evening View Club 4464 1032
PO Box 76 Berry 2535 pamcoles@optusnet.com.au
3rd Wednesday monthly, 7pm Berry Bowling Club

Berry-Gerrington Rotary Club 4464 3636
PO Box 81 Berry 2535 smithgf@bigpond.com
Every Thursday 6pm for 6.30pm at Bowling Club

Berry Landcare 4464 3241
c/- 35 Houston Place Berry 2535 berrylandcare@gmail.com.
3rd Saturday monthly and last Sunday monthly (Bundewallah)

Berry Leprosy Mission Auxiliary 4464 1693
17 Gwenda Avenue Berry 2535 trish.n@optusnet.com.au
3rd Thursday Bi-Monthly (June, Aug etc.) 1.30pm above address.

Berry Masonic Village Auxiliary Inc. 4464 3457
PO Box 435 Berry 2535
3rd Wednesday monthly, 9:30am Activities Room Berry Masonic Village

Berry Meals on Wheels 4464 1604
PO Box 221 Berry NSW 2535 3rd Monday monthly at 9am CWA Hall Berry

Berry Men's Shed 4464 3956 / 4464 2619 A.H
PO Box 103 Berry 2535
Tuesdays and Thursdays 10am- 4pm North Street Berry
www.berrymensshed.com.au e: richardcwiseman@hotmail.com

Berry Playgroup 0415 519 262
PO Box 279 Berry NSW berryplaygroup@yahoo.com.au
Friday mornings at St Luke's Hall, via Victoria St
Facebook: Berry PlayGroup

Berry Public School P&C Association 4464 1158
PO Box 222 Berry 2535 berry_p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Berry RSL Sub Branch 4423 1960
PO Box 3307 North Nowra 2541 stuart.christmas@defence.gov.au
1st Tuesday Monthly at 10.30am Sub Branch Hall-26 Alexandra St Berry

Berry School of Arts 4464 1476
Office open Thurs and Fri 10am till 3pm.

Berry Show Society Inc. 4464 1567
PO Box 173 Berry 2535
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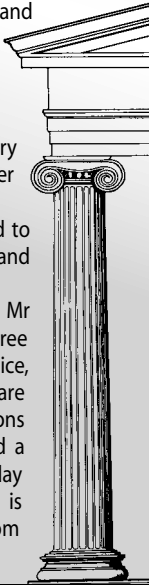
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This fascinating lecture is at the Berry School of Arts - Thursday September 20 at 7.30 PM.

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THE FATHERS STRENGTH

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The boy dug around the rock, managing to dislodge it from the sand. With no little bit of struggle, he pushed and nudged the rock across the sandbox by using his feet [he was a very small boy and the rock was huge]. When the boy got the rock to the edge of the sandbox, however, he found that he couldn't roll it up and over the little wall. Determined, the little boy shoved, pushed, and pried, but every time he had made some progress, the rock tipped and then fell back into the sand box.

The little boy grunted, struggled, pushed, and shoved; but his only reward was to have the rock roll back, smashing his chubby fingers. Finally he burst into tears of frustration. All this time the boy's father watched from his living room window. The moment the tears fell, a large shadow fell across the boy and the sandbox. It was the boy's father. Gently, but firmly, he said, "Son, why didn't you use all the strength that you had available?" Defeated, the boy sobbed back, "But I did, Daddy, I did! I did use all the strength that I had!"

"No, son, you didn't use all the strength you had," corrected the father kindly. "You didn't ask me." With that the father reached down, picked up the rock, and removed it from the sandbox.

May this month as we celebrate Fathers Day we remember our Heavenly Father who is all good, and very strong. As Jesus reminds us - "Don't bargain with God. Be direct. Ask for what you need. This isn't a cat-and-mouse, hide-and-seek game we're in. If your child asks for bread, do you trick him with sawdust? If he asks for fish, do you scare him with a live snake on his plate you wouldn't think of such a thing. You're at least decent to your own children. So don't you think the God who conceived you in love will be even better? (Mt 7:7-11 [TM])

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Please note: All paperwork and vouchers must be received by the 19th September to starting advertising in the October 2012 Town Crier.

DAVID BERRY HOSPITAL AUXILIARY

Our Annual General Meeting was held at the St. Patricks Hall, on Thursday August 9th and was well attended by our own committee as well as other visiting committees.

The Guest speaker was Maureen Davis from the Nowra Neighbour Aid, a service assisting older people in the community with care and support.

It is with pleasure that we welcome Moira Harris back as our dedicated president again this year. Certificates were given to Annette, Paul and Hazel for their recognition for work that they have done during the year. Also, thank you to all those who were responsible for the catering at the Camellia show in the Berry School of Arts in early August. Owen Paton was the winner of the raffle.

Dates to remember;

The Spring/ Father's day stall will be held outside the Pharmacy in Broughton Mall on the Saturday of September 10th.

Our next meeting will be held on the 2nd Monday of the month at the David Berry Hospital and new members are most welcome.

Please ring Moira Harris on 44642776 if more information is required.

DAVID BERRY HOSPITAL AUX

Berry Garden Club

The 50th Berry Camellia & Floral Show was held on the first weekend in August. I quote Camellia Show Convenor Lorraine Heath 'It was a great success, a display of over 1,500 Camellia blooms. Many more visitors than previous years, wonderful compliments received. Berry School of Arts looked absolutely lovely!' The Show was opened by Jim Powell, President, Camellia Society of Australia. Blooms were entered by growers from Sydney, Wollongong, Southern Highlands and, of course, Nowra and Berry areas. Three blooms won prizes for Evelyn Utick of Sydney, a lady 98 years old. The cut flower display also attracted a lot of attention. Daffodils and Jonquils were much admired, a good year for these bulbs - they have liked the cold weather. Magnolias, Rhododendrons, Azaleas, Grevilleas, Banksias, Lavenders, Violets, Gerberas, Scabiosa, Hellebores all looked in peak condition. Also attracting attention were vases of variegated/ coloured foliage.

A few days prior to the Show Club members paid a visit to the EG Waterhouse Gardens at Caringbah. Named for world Camellia authority Professor EG Waterhouse the gardens were first planted in 1969 and opened in 1970 to mark the Bi-Centenary of Captain Cook's landing at nearby Kurnell. The garden is, of course, planted with a large collection of Camellias; however it is worth visiting at any time of the year. A creek runs through the Gardens then flows into the adjoining park which runs down to Yowie Bay.

The next big event in the Club's calendar is Berry Gardens Festival, Thursday 18th to Sunday 21st October. Eight gardens will be opened 10.00 am

to 4.00 pm. Tickets will be on sale at each garden and also at Apex Park. Some of the gardens will feature extra events. At Garden No. 4 Berry Garden Club will sell plants grown by Club members, Garden No. 5 the Growing Friends Nurseries, The Royal Botanic Gardens Sydney will have plants for sale propagated from plants growing in the Botanic Gardens, Garden No. 8 'Raybrook' The Australian Plant Society will sell Australian native plants, also at this garden will be Paddock Pieces Wire Sculpture.

At Muir Cottage in Prince Alfred Street a group of talented botanic artists are holding an exhibition 'Botanical Inspiration'. This exhibition will be held on each day of the Gardens Festival and at the same opening hours. Entrance is free, all works for sale.

Information regarding the Festival, contact Club Secretary Jennifer Swan 4464 2563.

Information regarding the Muir Cottage exhibition, contact Mary Williamson 4464 1417.

The David Jones Flower Show will be held in the Elizabeth Street Store, Sydney from August 30th to September 8th. This year the title is 'Fleurescence' a celebration of fragrance. Information website davidjones.com.au.

Spring is in the air, as I write this article I notice new leaves appearing on deciduous trees and shrubs. A wonderful time to visit open gardens, also to work in your own garden.

Hazel King.



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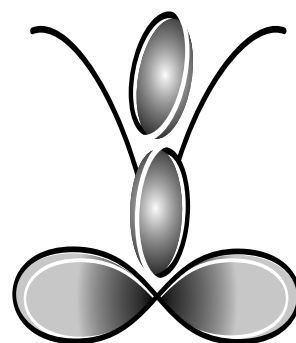
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BERRY PRESCHOOL

Olympic fever has hit the Preschool this week as we celebrate our very own Mini Olympics! The children have enjoyed dressing up in sports outfits, cultural outfits or colours from the Olympic rings. The Monday group was lucky enough to have the Olympic rings painted on their faces in celebration of the occasion. We have set up a tabloid of activities in an obstacle course to cover the sports from the Olympics - basketball, boxing, rowing on our exercise mats, archery with beanbag throwing through the target, horse jumping, sack racing, long jump in the sandpit, hurdling, soccer and relay racing. We have also had a lot of discussion about the countries that take part in the Olympics and have enjoyed finding and flagging them on our world map.

The children will be attending the Berry Landcare Artfest being held at the Berry School of Arts. The Preschool has submitted our "Preschool Tree of Life" artwork to display at the Art exhibition and will be taking part in a Berry Landcare activity as well.

We also have a special trip planned with our Thursday group to attend the Shoalhaven Library for a Reader's Theatre with the theme "Champions Read". The visit will coincide with Children's Book Week and activities at the preschool will also be focused on literacy and the shortlisted books for book week.

At the beginning of term, the children focused on activities based around NAIDOC week (which occurred during the school holidays). We enjoyed a fantastic performance from a very talented storyteller and dramatist who captivated the children with her stories from Africa, India and Australia.

We have become more hands-on in our music sessions recently, with the children trying out playing ukuleles, violins, drums and xylophones. We even got so good on the tuned bells; we were able to play "The Sound of Music"!

Berry Community Pre-School values the ongoing support we receive from our local community.



Berry Masonic Village Auxiliary

Another year over, and our AGM has been held. Una Graaf was once more elected as President (even though she was absent) with Marilyn and Jeanette staying on for another great year ahead of us all.

We had a wonderful guest speaker who talked about clutter which made us all sit up and take notice, as we age we all need to make sure that our homes are safe and secure with easy access in and out of our homes.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support during the past year and hope that you will support us as we move into our new year. Items off our Wish List will mean more comfort for our lovely residents.

New Members are always welcome. We meet the 3rd Wednesday of each month in the Activity Hall in Albany Lane at 9.30am for more information please ring President Una 44 641713.



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A special dinner is to be held at the Bomaderry Bowling Club that evening, with guests invited from our sponsoring Rotary Club, other Probus clubs, local dignitaries and a visit from the Probus District Chairman, Mr Tony Howkins.

Based upon the original minutes of the inaugural meeting, it is rewarding to observe the continued membership of at least three members from that meeting, still actively involved in the club's affairs. These founding members will be recognised during the festivities for their contribution to the club.

It is a testament to the friendly atmosphere engendered within the membership that has contributed to the success of the club, and we continue to grow in numbers based upon "word of mouth" support from all current active members.

Probus is an organisation designed to offer social, cultural and intellectual stimulation to active retirees, with over 1750 clubs in Australia, 132 000 members, a national magazine and activities which cover a wide range of interests. Special travel insurance for members provides peace of mind for both national and overseas travel with premium rates more than competitive.

Berry Probus Club is a male club, but some of our neighbouring clubs are combined with both male and female members following the same activities as ours. Further detail is available from President, Denny Lynch on 4422 9303 or Secretary, Hugh McCowatt on 4448 6053.



Zonta

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Berry Small Farm Field Day

People will flock to the showground on the weekend of September 8th & 9th to learn everything related to hobby and small acreage farming by speaking with experts and making observations. The needs of all will be catered for and whilst women are just as involved as men in running farms, we all require practical and appealing clothes. During the weekend Rotary will run fashion parades featuring both men's and women's clothing and nearby, **Zontians** will be serving delicious scones and slices to weary visitors. Don't forget to come over, take a break and help raise money for our **local projects**.

Monthly Speakers and Happy Birthday

Our thanks go to Dr Tabitha Hartwell for a very interesting presentation in August and we look forward to hearing Marilyn O'Dowd this month. Marilyn, a well-known Naturopath and Slow Food advocate, will discuss **Healthy Lifestyle Choices**. Anyone interested in attending our meeting on Tuesday Sept 25th to hear this talk can book with Pat Collins on 44461001. September is also **Zonta's 11th Birthday**, so come along and join us in the celebration.

Birthing Kit Assembly Day Registration

Each year since Berry Zonta began assembling Birthing Kits for distribution in developing countries we have had phenomenal support from the community. **Saturday October 13th** is the assembly date this year, and we are asking for volunteers to register by calling **Mary Seelis on 44641191**. Assembly Day is in the **Uniting Church Hall in Albert Street, from 9.30am**.

Our Assembly Day this year will be a time to acknowledge and celebrate the fact that, throughout Australia, **one million birthing kits** have been prepared and distributed over 13 years, potentially saving the lives of one million mothers and their babies. All those in attendance in October and in previous years can be justly proud of the contribution they have made. Zontians will travel to Parliament House in September to attend a luncheon and address by Dr Luc Mulimbalimba Masururu who is the key person for the Birthing Kit Foundation in Kenya, DR Congo and Burundi.

Facebook

The Zonta Club of Berry now has a Facebook Page! This is updated regularly with news and photos and can be found under the club's name. All are welcome to check it out and 'like' us.

Z Club Project

Our new Z Club at Shoalhaven High School is raising funds by collecting old mobile phones for recycling. If you have any mobiles cluttering up your drawers they can be dropped in to Knickerboxers in Kinghorne Street, Nowra, for collection.

Dinner Meetings

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BERRY CWA NEWS



*"- as long as I have music,
as long as there's a song for me to sing,
I can find my way; I can see a brighter day.
The music will set my spirit free!"*

Music Don Besig
Words Nancy Price and Don Besig

It seems that while the Combined CWA choir sings they will have many bright days. They were successful at the recent City of Shoalhaven Eisteddfod and they performed at the CWA "The Biggest Brunch" held at The Grange in Berry. In addition, they have been invited to be guest choir to sing on August 19, along with the Wollongong Welsh Choir. There will always be a song for them to sing whether it is at nursing homes or as guests at a social function.

As a memorial to our previous pianist, Mary Clarke, a trophy was presented by her son to the choir who had not won in the last two years at the Eisteddfod. Congratulations to Nowra East Public School!

It was a great morning at "The Biggest Brunch" and the monies raised will go to the Jean Colvin Cancer Centre. Thank you to Betty Edean and her willing helpers for a wonderful spread. A good time was had by all, with much happy chatter and plenty of cuppas!

Once again CWA appeared on "Channel 10's Master Chef All Stars". Contestants pitted their skill in cake making against the executive standards of the CWA, NSW. What a challenge! This has come at an appropriate time as we are ready for our "bake off" using these recipes in our next branch competition. Berry CWA is ready!

90 years young! Happy birthday CWA. Numbers are still growing, and Berry CWA has welcomed new members this past year. Our Awareness Day Street Stall will be held on 12th September. Please stop by and talk to us. You may get enthused to see what "goes on" at one of our monthly meetings, a craft morning, or choir on Friday mornings.

On October 7 there will be a Giant Jumble Sale and Boot Sale, and our famous Berry Devonshire teas will be available. Many treasures will be there just for you!

As you know, during this past year we have studied East Timor, and on the 19th September Berry Public School will be meeting with us to demonstrate their skills and knowledge of this country. The children are delightful and their projects are of a very high calibre. We look forward to and what they will bring. The next Country of Study for us will be Burma (Myanmar) and many insights await us. It is always exciting to understand another culture in addition to our own.

Thank you to all the readers who support us in our work.

For further information contact Marcia on 44643187, Marie on 44232164, or visit the CWA web site at www.cwaofnsw.org.au, or write to Secretary, PO Box 321, Berry 2535.

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The Berry Drama Group had their AGM on the 15th August.

This AGM was a bit of a special one, as we said good-bye to a number of BDG committee stalwarts, and welcomed a bunch of fresh, keen and energetic new committee members. We would like to congratulate the new committee, and look forward to seeing their plans for the next 12 months come to life.

The new committee are:
President & Treasurer: Feargus Manning,
Secretary: Lesley Carter, Committee Members: Fiona Piggot, Nana Blade, Kristen Jones, Ash Broadbridge and Crystal Scocco.

In the last 12 months the BDG has put on 3 full productions for the first time. First there was the 1947 classic of American theatre "A Streetcar Named Desire" by Tennessee Williams. Directed by Karen Illesca, this show was put together in a very short period, featured amazing performances and transformed the Berry School of Arts into a neighbourhood of New Orleans.

Next off the block was "The Scarlet Rose", written and directed by South Coast local Lisa Perritt. Lisa did a reworking of the classic Beauty and the Beast tale, setting her story in 18th century Bulgaria. The clean set design allowed the performances of the large, young cast to really shine. We had great audiences for the full two week run. Most recently we staged the new Australian work "When the Rain Stops Falling" by Andrew Bovell. This ambitious and very beautiful script was brought to life by the director Deb Davies and the sterling work of the entire cast. All in all, it was a wonderful 12 months of theatre.

The BDG has been very blessed to be served so well by the previous committee. Mark Flugler has been a great secretary for the last 3 years, tirelessly completing all the work that goes along with this busy position. Maurice Pepper has been our treasurer for the last 5 years, and has served in that role with all the commitment needed, and more, that a community group needs when it come to the finances. Susan McMurdo, a committee member for many years, has provided solid support and wise counsel. Deb Davies came on board at short notice and has been another source of support and wisdom. David Rawson has been a welcome addition to the BDG family, and helped set up new fundraising structures that will serve the BDG into the future. The BDG committee

is lucky to be holding onto Lesley Carter, who is taking over the role of secretary, and who will provide continuity to the new committee. Every member of the BDG thanks these people for their efforts.

There is one more person who needs to be thanked, and that is Rosie Smith, our outgoing president. Rosie was one of the original members of the BDG, and has served in the roles of President, Vice-president, Treasurer, and Secretary. As an actor she has delivered many wonderful performances to Berry audiences over the years. She has also directed, stage-managed, produced, made costumes, sourced props, and given a friendly, welcoming face to the front-of-house. Basically if there has been a job that needed doing over the last 12 years, Rosie has always been there to do it. The BDG is the wonderful, lively, creative, welcoming space largely thanks to the leadership efforts and blood, sweat and tears of Rosie. She will be sorely missed, and we all wish her the best in whatever adventures she decides to take on next.

Please visit the Berry Drama Group page on Facebook, and like it so you will receive updates of our activities. I look forward to seeing you at our shows and fundraisers over the next 12 months. If you have any questions about the BDG, or would like to find out more about becoming a member, please feel free to email me:

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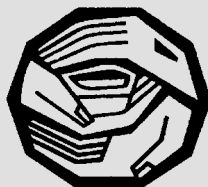
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Seems we have been quiet for a while. Still here, our July Street Stall plus donations raised \$700 for the Red Cross winter 'Doing it Tough Appeal'. Members have also been involved in our Branch AGM, thank you to Jo and residents of The Grange for the use of their wonderful facility. Judy Harper our Regional Manager and Siobhan Howard the Community Engagement Officer provided an update on the new Nowra Office and the rapidly expanding local services. Executive members Irene Birks was returned as President, Sheila Keats as Treasurer and Sandra Eldridge Secretary. Also During July our Zone Conference was held with quest speakers Di Jay Executive Director of NSW, David Madden a member of the NSW Advisor Board and Lesley Prior from the Migrant Support Program - a very interesting and informative day out.

The Branch will be involved in our **2012 BigcakeBake.....bake the world a better place!**

All members of the Berry Community are invited to join in our **Cake Stall** on

29th September in Broughton Court. If you would like to Bake us a Cake please ring Irene on phone: 44 64 2612 to arrange a pick up or just turn up on the day, we won't say no! Baking a cake will **Help** Red Cross raise funds to provide every day services in Australia and the Asia Pacific Region. Services such as Breakfast Clubs to help children start their learning day, Telcross to check on the welfare of our elderly or isolated and the Young Parents Program that gives vital support and skills so these parents can provide their children with the best start in life. The **BigcakeBake** is being supported by ambassadors Chris Bath, Kate Ritchie, Marion Grasby and Adrian Richardson www.bigcakebake.org.au.

If you are unable to bake a cake in September, you may like to join us on Fair Day, Sunday December 2 for live 50's, 60's and 70's music, 10am to 2pm, bring a picnic blanket and basket, enjoy the sun or come along to rock to your heart's content! For a gold coin donation we will see you there!



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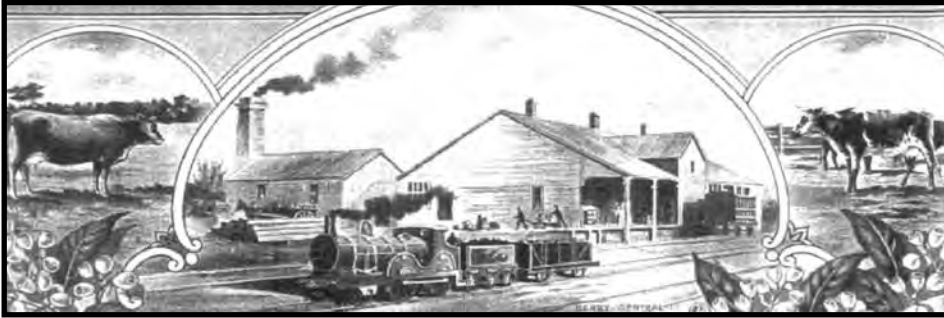
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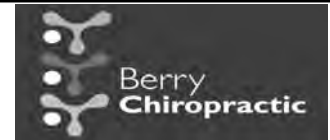
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