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Le Tour de Berry is a 3-week long community Festival run at the same time as the famous le Tour de France cycle race. It is run for 3 weeks in July each year. We get together to celebrate cycling, food and wine, culture – with a French and a Berry flavour.

Le Tour de Berry raises funds to help the Berry Alliance “Tracks to the Future” to build footpaths and cycleways in and around Berry.

Over the last few years with assistance from Council and other community groups amongst some other items we organised and built:

- a 2-metre-wide “Shareway” along Clarence Street next to Berry Public School from Victoria Street down to connect to the footpath on Albany Lane,
- a 2-metre-wide “Shareway” along Alexandra Street from the railway station to Victoria Street (next to the Showground),

- a 2-metre-wide “Shareway” along Victoria Street between Alexandra Street and Alexandra Streets (outside the Berry Showground).

Our next projects include supporting the Berry Trails Project; a wonderful concept which will be commencing soon and is gaining more momentum.

PLEASE HELP US AND HAVE A GREAT TIME DOING IT!

Boules or Petanque, French food, Cyclothon at the Showground, Trivia night, Dinners, special guest speaker Peter FitzSimon, Culture, the Republic.

Lots of French-inspired foods available at Participating Businesses – just look for the posters with our logo.

All funds raised go toward building footpaths and tracks, by the Berry Alliance “Tracks to the Future” committee.

THE ANNUAL *Tour de Berry* 2nd July to 23rd July 2017

2017 Le Tour de Berry program inside this edition.

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BERRY ALLIANCE INFORMATION



The Town Crier is produced
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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 and donations.

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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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Nancy Davies - Berry Town Crier

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Berry Community Group Leaders Get-together



June 1st saw approximately 40 community Leaders in the Berry Courthouse talking and listening and all working hard for the Berry community.

Guests were welcomed with a drink and finger food – all done in the spirit of Sustainability - without resorting to plastic or paper cups, glasses, plates or even napkins. Yes, cloth napkins, real glasses, crockery that breaks and delicious local cheeses and meats.

We were richly entertained by eight members of local community acapella choir – Cantares led by Peter this night. They were so good and the Berry Courthouse was a great location for them. Other community groups are no doubt considering how they can use such a talented group for a function or event. Many thanks Cantares and Peter Dalmazzo. Guests mingled, chatted, ate and sipped and, most importantly they networked and got to know others who also contribute to our community.

We then settled down and every group had an opportunity to talk about what their Berry community group was planning, what they may need in terms of assistance, and what they could offer others.

These are always a great night and very productive. Thank you to everyone who attended and to every one of you who are volunteers in our community. If you haven't completed an up to date Community Groups Registration form (available to download on our newly re-vamped web site: www.berryalliance.org.au

Our President, Holly took the opportunity to present our donation of \$1,000 to Jim Jefferis from Berry Landcare to assist them in their Project to produce their "Berry and district register of significant trees".

Here is a copy of the letter of thanks from Berry Landcare which can explain the Project to you.

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Dear Holly,

Re Recent Berry Alliance donations towards the construction of 'Trees We Value' a register of significant trees for Berry and district

On behalf of Berry Landcare, I would like to sincerely thank the Berry Alliance for its recent donations, amounting to \$1500, towards the establishment of a web-based register of significant trees for Berry and district. As you are aware, the register will be known as 'Trees We Value' and is currently being constructed by local company Hand Made Web. The concept breaks new ground in the field of community based heritage and it is hoped that, once established, the register may be adopted by other local communities to form an interlinked regional database.

We are excited about the potential of the register and hope it will form a nucleus for community pride, not only in the tree heritage of Berry, but in a sustainable landscape and its habitat values.

The Berry Alliance will be acknowledged, via its logo, as an important sponsor of the website. It will be a pleasure to keep the Alliance updated of key milestones towards the public launch of the website.

If you have any questions or comments on the register and its development, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely,
Kelvin Officer

Plastic Free July and the war on Waste

BY HOLLY LANDGREN

Many readers will have seen the recent three part documentary series War On Waste that aired in May on ABC television. If you missed it, all three episodes are available for viewing online on ABC iview until January next year. While this is not the place to repeat all the facts and statistics the show presented, a few stood out for me:

- Food waste thrown into landfill is a source of methane, a greenhouse gas far more potent than carbon dioxide.
- We're still buying and disposing of too much cheap fashion, which becomes a major contributor to landfill.
- High-fired glass such as wine glasses and incandescent light bulbs should not go in the recycling bin.
- Take away coffee cups are not disposable. That last fact may surprise you. Many people believe that the paper cup can be recycled. Unfortunately, to make a paper cup impervious to liquid, a fine plastic film must be applied. That means the cup cannot be recycled with other paper and cardboard items, and contaminates recyclable paper and cardboard loads. Further it will not break down in landfill. The plastic lid may be recycled, but to use an item for less than five minutes is hardly environmentally aware. Speaking to café owners around town I got various answers regarding the cost of their take away cups. One café owner told me it costs them 23c per cup. While some cafés offer a discount for customers who bring a reusable cup, it was pointed out that it should not be up to the business to subsidise the choice of the consumer. Instead, adding the real cost of the take away cup, would give

consumers a more informed choice; whether to accept the additional cost, to buy their own reusable cup, or to simply stay put for the couple of minutes it takes to enjoy a coffee. France has banned disposable coffee cups (along with other plastic cups, plates, food boxes and cutlery) with the new law coming into effect in 2020. Australian laws lag behind in this area, and in single-use plastic shopping bags. Communities such as ours are making efforts to cut down on plastic bag use, but until legislation bans these single use items, we will continue to see them clog up our waterways, poison our marine creatures, and add to landfill.

The only way to effect change is to demand it at the highest levels. In 2002, the Bangladesh government imposed a total ban on single use plastic bags, with countries such as Taiwan (2003), Rwanda (2004), Eritrea (2005) and China (2008) following suit. Plastic pollution remains an environmental issue in those countries. Some Australian states have already banned single use plastic bags, but the ABC documentary clearly shows that the legislation is flawed, with loopholes that still allow retailers to give away plastic bags.

While you can like a Facebook post or sign a petition about banning bags, the most effective way for consumers (and voters) to make an impact is write to our relevant policy makers. Politicians will take more seriously those people who take the time to write a letter about particular issues.

Sustainable BERRY



Here are some suggestions:

Mr Gareth Ward MP

Member for Kiama
102 Terralong Street Kiama NSW 2533

Mrs Ann Sudmalis MP

Federal Member for Gilmore
PO Box 1009 Nowra NSW 2541

The Hon Josh Frydenberg MP

Minister for the Environment and Energy
Parliament House Office
M1:17, Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600

The Hon Mark Butler MP

Shadow Minister for Climate
Change and Energy
PO Box 6022
House of Representatives
Parliament House Canberra ACT 2600

The Hon Gladys Berejiklian Mcom MP

Premier of New South Wales
GPO Box 5341 Sydney NSW 2001

Some formal letter writing tips can be found here: www.efa.org.au/Campaigns/lobby.html#tipsletter <http://www.aph.gov.au/Help/Contact> (select "How to address Senators and Members")

Don't forget that Shoalhaven Council is encouraging residents to avoid single-use plastic items for July, as a way of changing our habits. Find out more at: www.shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au/Environment/Waste-and-recycling/Plastic-Free-July

Stop Press

To date, in mid-June, less than 2 weeks after launch of Boomerang Bags, the IGA estimate they have used around 2000 LESS bags for the same time prior to the launch. Result!

Two Years Old and Growing Fast

It's the Forum's second anniversary and the number of residents receiving our regular email updates has grown to 800+. Our bi-monthly public meetings continue to be well attended and generate very positive feedback.

A great outcome was achieved at the June Forum meeting with community endorsement of the new Master Plan for Berry District Park. The project has been a showcase of how the Forum can work productively with Council in bringing community stakeholders together to develop a solution that is acceptable to all parties.

The project's momentum has been greatly assisted by the support of Cllr. John Wells, who proposed an amendment to Council's 2017/18 Budget to allocate \$165,000 for detailed design and engineering work, which will make it 'shovel ready' and eligible for State Government grants. Councillors unanimously accepted the amendment.

Gareth Ward has also committed to lobby on our behalf to obtain significant grant funding.

Forum Meeting on 8 June

108 people attended, including State Member Gareth Ward and Councillors John Wells and Patricia White. The presentations included the

The Berry Forum

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revised Master Plan for the Berry District Park, progress on the Bypass, the status of the Green Bronze Plaque project for historic buildings in Berry, and an overview of the background to the increase in land values and Council rates.

Berry District Park

The Park will be a core piece of infrastructure that will play a strategic role for both the town and visitors with the imminent completion of the Berry Bypass.

Recently, the District Park Review Group (DPRG), a joint initiative of the Forum and Council chaired by James Robinson and Cllr Wells, recommended to the Forum Committee that a revised Master Plan for the District Park be put forward to Council for adoption.

The Master Plan was collaboratively developed on 4 April by key stakeholders and users of the Park through a workshop process devised and run by the DPRG. The primary highlight of the workshop was confirmation that the

identified competing uses of the Park can in fact be designed to exist harmoniously together. During the detailed design process the Forum will seek and welcome further community input and comments on individual aspects of the site design. For example the specific siting, architectural and landscaping treatment of components such as public amenities and the proposed fitness stations are expected to undergo more detailed review.

The revised Master Plan was presented to the Berry Forum meeting on June 8, as was the background to why the redesign was needed, and the process used to develop the Master Plan. The meeting endorsed the recommendation that the Master Plan be put to Council for adoption. Both the recommended Master Plan and the background report can be found on the Forum website.

The Forum Committee would like to thank the members of the DPRG for their excellent work, and now looks forward to working closely together with Council, key stakeholders, park users and the Berry community more broadly to progress the Berry District Park project as quickly as possible to being shovel ready.

The next Forum Meeting will be held on Thursday 17 August.

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Berry Courthouse



The gardens at the Courthouse are currently being re-vamped a little and having a whole lot of love and attention showered on them. The Courthouse Committee would like to thank the volunteers from the Berry Garden Club who were at the Courthouse working on the gardens as a new group in the beginning of June. (June 7th).

President of the Garden Club Margaret was there helping and representatives Kim and Rick and Geoff were there with morning tea to talk about our plans for the gardens and to meet and thank the volunteers for their efforts. The Courthouse has some outside employed help coming in to do some major pruning and clearing as well as our long term commitment of someone doing the lawns and hedges and our own Committee with Geoff in particular looking after the fountain doing the fences, gates, steps, lighting and other necessary maintenance. With the garden volunteers (along with our co-ordinators Kim, Rick and Geoff) the daunting job of keeping the gardens and buildings looking good at all times is less daunting, in fact, achievable.

A special thank you for the fun group on June 7, we look forward to a continuing fun and productive effort.

Some of the major works on the list are: pruning of the Port Wine Magnolias; trimming plants as appropriate to allow the lights in the garden to do their job; removal or pruning of a couple of Junipers next to the Statue of Justice so the statue can be seen and the hedge can grow back; pruning and shaping the crab apples in the blossom walk; removal or reduction of the strelitzias which are taking over; some pruning to keep leaves and debris out of the gutters; a gravel top up on the paths; replacement of the back fence and gates; moving some of the seats and trimming plants around them for a better look and quite a lot more.

The roses are to be trimmed by representatives from the Berry Garden Club and this is used as an outing or teaching others in the club how to prune roses. There is also consideration being given to thinning the roses and moving them to allow for sufficient space as they are very crowded which precludes perfect pruning and the finished look.

Following the completion of the painting of the outside of the building last year the gardens being continually looked after is very important.

Our photo shows a whole lot of our members and some special guests at the "Paint Party" following the completion of the painting late last year.

Special guests included Gareth Ward (Member for Kiama) handing President Rick a cheque from a successful grant application to assist in the painting; Cllr John Wells (representing Council who also contributed to the painting). Committee members, garden volunteers, members and friends of the Berry Courthouse Conservation and Museum Committee Inc.

Please consider holding an event here – either a family or personal one or a community group event. The building and the gardens are very special to our town and community.

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Boomerang Bags Berry – we've only just begun

KATRINA UNDERWOOD

Thank you to everyone who participated in the launch of Boomerang Bags on World Environment Day in Berry. It was wonderful to see such a good turnout and we really must thank everyone who came and said hello and took kits to sew or other bits and pieces that will go towards making a Boomerang Bag.

Landcare: Bill and Leslie Piggott, thank you for your support, we know that the care of the environment is close to your hearts and we thank you for helping us to spread the message that our planet is in dire need of TLC.

The King & Queen of Green did a sterling job and visited a number of businesses to say hello and encourage a green approach to retail in Berry.

Rachael Honeysett, our Berry Showgirl winner this year, came along in her capacity as our ambassador, she's a great supporter and believer in all things sustainable. Thank you, Rachael.

It's amazing how many people have seen War on Waste with Craig Reucassel and now want to participate in doing their bit, including using the Keep Cup for their coffee and not the takeaway-chuck-it-into-landfill option. I think we all learned a lot from that amazing programme.

Power FM never missed a beat, the interviews with locals came thick and fast from 10-year-old Alex through the ages to campaign for a plastic bag free town. Thank you to you all!

Well, it's true, "only just begun", because the Boomerang Bags no sooner went into our IGA then they vanished. Some have come back, but keeping up supply is going to be difficult if people don't bring them back and supplement them with their own shopping bags. So please, bring your own bag when you come into town for your shopping!

A number of businesses have asked to join the ranks of Boomerang Bag Supporters and you will find bags to borrow in Flavours of Shoalhaven, the Berry Pharmacy, Sew & Tell, Figbird, the Post Office and of course the IGA. Call us and ask how you can participate.

WE NEED HELPERS!

Because the bags are so popular we urge you to lend a hand and help us with production. The jobs we are looking to fill are cutting the donated fabric into bags, straps and pockets. There is ironing and of course, there is sewing to do. It's OK to do as much or as little as you choose at home or with us at our twice monthly workshops. Don't be shy, lend a hand, this is our town and we have to look after it, spread the word amongst your friends that it is trendy to carry a shopping bag and not cool to be seen carrying the single-use plastic variety!

King and Queen of Green with Rachael Honeysett, Berry Showgirl 2017 and Boomerang Bags Ambassador.



Jack Ardill shopping in the Emporium in Berry the day we launched BB



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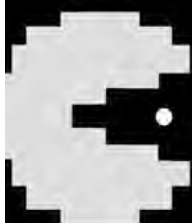
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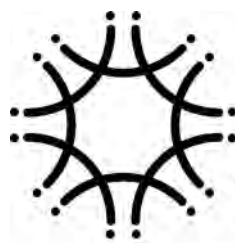
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Attention Business Owners

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view

voice, interests and
education of women

After attending the VIEW Club's Conference recently, one of the suggestions was to bring someone new to one of our meetings which is an excellent way to introduce ladies out there to our interesting nights.

We meet on the third Wednesday of the month at 6.30pm for 7pm start at the Berry Bowling Club. If you wish to come along (or cancel), ring Jan Chambers on 44642181 before 6pm on the Saturday before the Wednesday meeting.

Back in the sixties, George Forbes who was general Secretary of the Smith Family had a thought that there was potential out there to form a Club for Women which would give them a VOICE, INTERESTS AND EDUCATION, which became VIEW.

In January 1960, it was advertised in the Manly Daily; inviting housewives to leave their daily chores, develop fresh interests and meet new people by forming a VIEW CLUB. By mid-September 1960; 6 months after the first VIEW Club was formed, 21 clubs had been established across Sydney. There are now more than 300 clubs throughout Australia. Each club Supports 1 or more Learning For Life students, so as you can see, all clubs do their little bit to help disadvantaged children.

We have Christmas in July and our 36th Birthday is coming up. Our National Convention in Tamworth is on during 15-17th September – a bus is being made available.

Winter is here so keep warm and keep away from the flu bug and see you at the next meeting.

Yolande, Publicity



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Berry & District Garden Club News



SECRETARY - GAIL PATON ON 0413 893 508 OR VISIT US ON www.berrygardens.org.au

We were a little worried. The Club's 2016 excursion to Sydney VIVID had been preceded by fierce thunderstorms that uprooted trees and took out some lighting installations in the Botanic Garden. It was windy and cold. This year the forecast was for the heaviest June rainfall in years. It rained during our cruise and on the coach trip home but unbelievably it eased for our time in the Garden and there was little need of umbrellas. All admired the giant sunflowers, their heads following an imaginary sun, and the unmissable rosy waratah but, for the tree lovers amongst us, the highlight was the beauty of trunks and branching illuminated with glowing colour.

The vestiges of Autumn have almost disappeared from our deciduous trees here in Berry. Winter is the season to admire bare trunks and the tracery of branches but those who are still craving colour need look no further than the attention-seeking Camellia. It is almost time for the 2017 Berry Camellia and Floral Show. Filling the School of Arts with rows of blooms, the Show enables us to fully appreciate the variety of colour and form of this rewarding genus. Save the date now, 5-6 August. Better still, go to our web page and click on Camellia Show to find our schedule of entries. Your own camellia bloom could be a winner.

The Berry & District Garden Club celebrates its 40th Anniversary in July. A presentation of the club's history will be launched on the side veranda of the Museum at 11am on 13 July, and will remain on show in the Museum's Display Room until December. The community and, in particular, past and present members of the Club are invited to join us for this opening followed by morning tea. Past and present members are also invited to the Anniversary Dinner in the School of Arts, 7pm Saturday 22 July, \$35 a head. Payment is being taken now.



Our July Guest Speaker is an old friend of the B&DGC. Head Teacher Horticulture, TAFE NSW Yallah Campus, John Gabriele (pictured) is familiar to all as the "gardening guru" on the ABC's The Compost Heap and as a great supporter of the Berry Gardens Festival. Fresh from a trip to China, John will speak on Chinese Horticulture Take Away – A feast for the senses.

Visitors are most welcome to join us for this informative address.

The next meeting will be held in St Luke's Church Hall in Princess St on Tuesday, 18 July at 7.30pm.

To find out more about our club, please contact our secretary, Gail Paton on 0413 893 508 or visit us on www.berrygardens.org.au

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PLANT PROPAGATION NURSERY

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Square tubes have internal ridges which encourage roots to grow vertically. Any roots that have a tendency to grow horizontally will be redirected downwards.

Round pots allow horizontal roots to develop and unless plants are regularly repotted, the roots will grow in a spiral form and will never straighten, even when planted in the ground. The plant will become pot bound and never develop to its full potential.

After native seedlings are planted into tubes, they are placed in a crate which allows free drainage and air movement and space for the roots to grow and to be air pruned when they emerge from the base.

The best stage for planting tube stock is when the plant is growing strongly and when the roots are emerging from the base and when the soil temperature is above 15 degrees in autumn or spring.

Native tube stock planted in a well prepared hole will grow vigorously and will often 'catch up' to a plant that is larger and considered to be more advanced.

Tube stock plants are less likely to suffer from transplant shock if the root system is more developed than the foliage.

Optimum root development at an early stage, rather than attractive foliage development, is the key to success.

When planted correctly, the plant will send roots deep into the subsoil to access deep moisture, rather than rely on surface moisture. This helps the plant to endure times of drought.

Many local native plants will develop roots that are 4 times as long as the stem before they will develop more foliage

Check out Facebook to see the photos in colour.

During the school holidays, volunteers will be busy selecting plants that the children have grown for Planet Ark's National Tree Planting Days.

National Tree Planting Day for Schools will be held on Friday 28th July and National Tree Planting Day for the community will be held on Sunday 30th July



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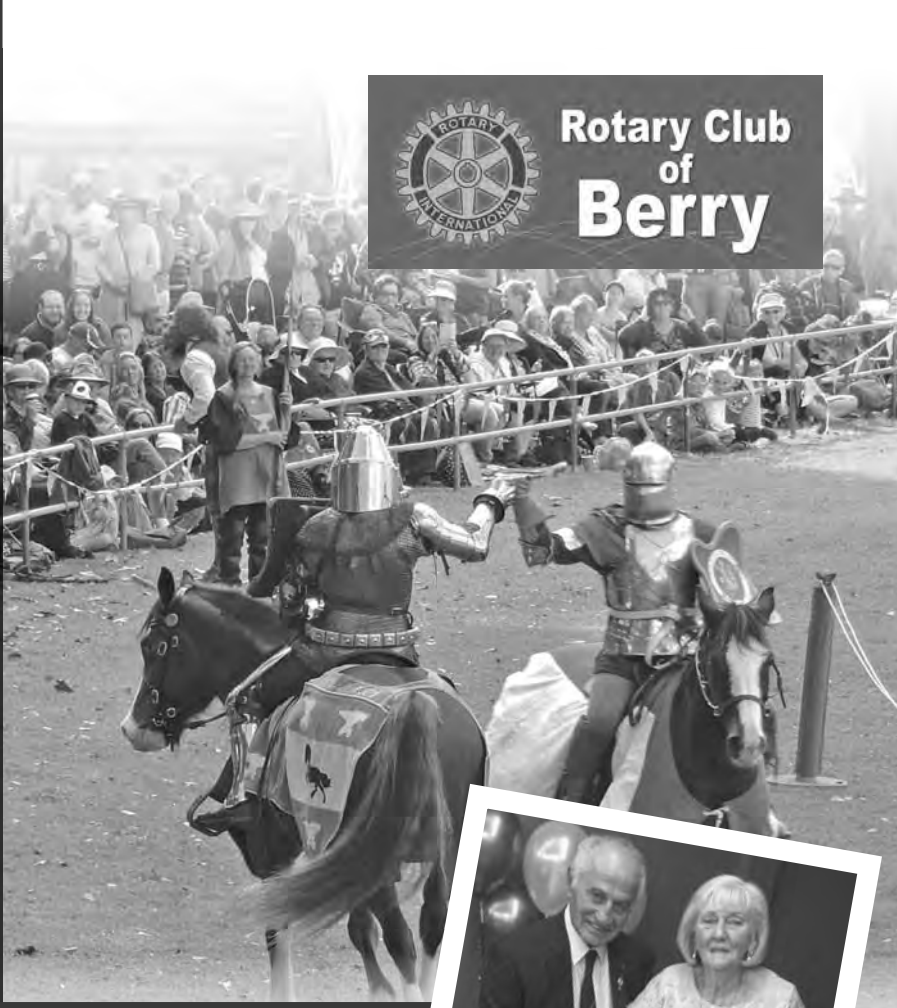
Jousting Knights a Real Hit at the Berry Celtic Festival

It was standing room only when the medieval knights resplendent in shining armour mounted on their trusty steeds took centre stage at the recently held 11th annual Berry Celtic Festival.

The display of horsemanship and gallantry was on full display as the heavily-armoured noble knights galloped at each other on horseback with lances poised, aiming to target their opponent. The thunder of hooves and the clashing of lances could be heard, as the crowd held their breath on each occasion they faced off.

In the background, other knights staged battles in hand to hand combat demonstrating their skillful swordplay and the weapons of conflict that were used in medieval times. And, as in past years, the pipe bands and Celtic Clans marched in all of their distinctive kilts, to the sound of bagpipes and drums reverberating around Berry Showground. The large crowd enjoyed a day full of entertainment with musical items, highland dancing, enchanted singing, Celtic fiddlers, pipe bands, and of course, the battle of the medieval knights.

The Berry Celtic Festival is one of the major fundraising events staged by the Rotary Club of Berry with proceeds going to the Club's many community activities. Thanks go to the support of the Shoalhaven City Council, major sponsors Berry IGA and Raine and Horne, Berry.



40 Years in Rotary – Service above Self

The Club recently celebrated Mick Vassallo's 40 years as a member of the Rotary Club of Berry (pictured). Mick is involved in virtually every activity conducted by the Club and was President of the Club in 1982-83. Mick was joined by many of his family and friends on the night and is pictured cutting his 40 Years Celebratory Cake together with his loving wife Pat.

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THE GREEN PLAQUES PROJECT

The Berry & District Historical Society is very glad to report that the bronze circular plaques are now in place on the selected historical buildings in Berry. The Project has proved to be very successful and we have already noticed visitors pausing to read the plaques and to take pictures of them.

The plaques have been installed on:

- The Museum, Post & Telegraph Office, Berry Hotel & Wilson's Store in Queen Street
- The Uniting Church's former Wesleyan Chapel in Albert Street
- The Anglican Church in Princess Street
- The CWA Building, Agricultural Pavilion and the Old Presbyterian Manse in Victoria Street
- The Old Council Chambers in Alexandra Street
- The Railway Station

The site for the last plaque, which will be on the School of Arts is being prepared by Council.

The project will be officially launched by the Shoalhaven Mayor, Amanda Findley, on June 29 at the Museum and the Society would like to thank once more Shoalhaven Council for its Tourism Grant and also our own local Berry Community Activities Centre for its generous donation towards the plaques.

SPECIAL EXHIBITION OF THE HISTORY OF BERRY GARDEN CLUB

Berry garden club is celebrating its 40th anniversary this year.

As part of the celebrations there will be a display, in the Museum, of photographs portraying 40 years of the Club's activities.

The launch of this historic display will take place at the Museum on Thursday, July 13th at 11am and will be followed by morning tea.



The well-known RAHS Historian Bruce Baskerville has been following the project and has asked for feedback for his future plaques article and a few days ago we were visited by a representative of the National Museum of Australia who is working on a scoping study for the National Museum, examining local plaques and historic marker projects in communities.

Whilst preparing the Museum for the installation of its plaque, the strip of white lead paint was removed from the front of the building, revealing the original lettering - E.S. & A. C Bank.



NEWS FROM BERRY MUSEUM

BERRY MUSEUM IS RUN BY THE BERRY AND DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC.

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"Kindness is the language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see." – Mark Twain

At our June meeting Kathy and Bo spent some time with us, Kathy keeping us up to date with "Paws Pet Therapy" in which dogs are helping people; Bo was a well-behaved guest showing us the gentleness of the type of dog needed for this type of therapy. Pet therapy uses the special human-animal bond to increase health, happiness and wellbeing in people. So, it is basically pets helping people. People of all ages and needs can benefit from this type of therapy. It is a worldwide organisation and there is documented proof that animals have a unique ability to understand a person's need. Kathy had many stories to share especially about being in class rooms and the Nowra Library. Volunteers are needed for one hour per day; and to be involved in hospital visitation a one day course is needed. Kindness is the language that pets understand.

Our delegates have returned from the State Conference bringing us all the news of the State. The Lyme Disease Association of Australia Foundation, our medical research fund raiser, was presented with a cheque for thirty-eight thousand dollars. This will also be the category for medical research this year. Policies, motions of a wide variety were debated and voted on. All in all, the Conference was considered to be worthwhile, enjoyable, offering lots of time to catch up with other Branches and to hear their news. Our Branch did well in the different State competitions, Marie De La Torre winning first prize for the Coffee Cake, and Jean Stanfield receiving the Wagga Daily Advertiser award

for Publicity Officers. [Jean wishes to thank all who helped with putting together the Publicity books and give a special thank you to the Town Crier for their presentations each month]. And once again Berry was awarded the most entries in the Land Cookery Competition.

The International speaker Pajendra Pandey spoke of the long history of culture in Nepal, the land of Everest and Buddha. Nepal is a small, multicultural state and sits between India and China; the people speak 92 languages, and sport 8 mountains over 800 metres. It is a land of festivals, great mountain walks, and rock climbing, and seems to invite us to share their wonders.

Once again it is all systems go as we depleted our stocks of jam, preserves, cakes and much of our craft at the Berry Celtic Festival. This was a bright and sunny day and many visitors came by. You will next see us at the Berry Garden Show in October, so please call by.



Jean Stanfield
Publicity Officer

*Top: Marie's winning cake.
Below: Jean being presented with Wagga
Daily Advertiser Award CWA news.*

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT EITHER **EMILY 4448 8633 OR 0417 423 018, SANDRA 4464 2836,**
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Hon. Bob Carr to talk about Australia and US Relations in Berry

The Berry / Shoalhaven Heads Branch of the ALP are pleased to host the Honourable Bob Carr (Premier of NSW, Foreign Minister, Author) at a very special event in Berry on Sunday 9th July 2017.

There will be a Polies in the Pub event from 4.30pm with an address by Bob and then discussion including questions and answers on Australia US relations.

At approximately 6pm he will then go in for dinner at the Coachhouse where he will again discuss US Australian relations and a variety of Foreign Affairs issues.

Bob is a wonderful speaker with an enormous amount of experience and knowledge and is very entertaining at the same time. Bob is Professor in International Relations at the University of Technology Sydney (UTS); a Conservationist; an author of many books and a Republican along with a lot more. Come and be engaged by Bob.

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FREE ENTRY (GOLD COIN DONATION)

6.00pm – 8.30pm – Dinner in the Coachhouse restaurant of the Berry Hotel/ 2 course dinner (BYO drinks) only \$55 per person.

Reservations are vital and there is limited space for this ticketed dinner. Please rsvp with payment to Rick Gainford, 78 Woodhill Mountain Road Berry 2535. Cheques to be made out to Berry Shoalhaven Heads Branch ALP. Call 0439 965 354. This is a fundraising event for the Branch and receipts will be issued.



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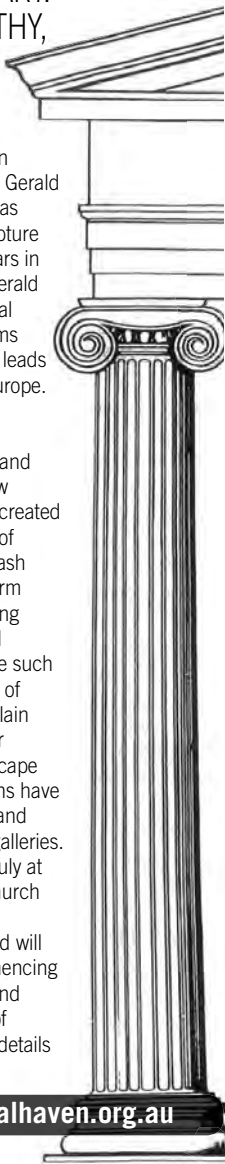


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LANDSCAPE INTO ART:
ANDY GOLDSWORTHY,
RICHARD LONG
AND DAVID NASH

The next ADFAS Shoalhaven lecture will be presented by Gerald Deslandes B.A., M.A. who has worked as a curator of sculpture exhibitions for nearly 20 years in publicly funded galleries. Gerald teaches art history and visual studies, consults to museums and galleries in the UK and leads cultural tours throughout Europe. Gerald's lecture entitled "Landscape into Art: Andy Goldsworthy, Richard Long and David Nash" will outline how sculptor Andy Goldsworthy created small poetic configurations of leaves and stones; David Nash used a chain saw to transform whole trees and Richard Long undertook pre-programmed actions within the landscape such as creating a circle or a line of stones. This lecture will explain the artists debt to the earlier traditions of romantic landscape art and how their installations have circumvented the physical and commercial constraints of galleries. Join us on Thursday 20th July at 7.30pm at Berry Uniting Church Hall, Albert St, Berry. Next day on 21st July Gerald will run a Full Focus Day commencing at 10am speaking on "Behind the Grand Tour - The Age of Enlightenment". For more details ring Colleen on 4464 2458.

www.adfasshoalhaven.org.au



Tickets for 20 August Berry Conversations Bob Brown/Peter Thompson event to go on sale July 1st

Ticket sales will commence on July 1st at the Berry Music Centre or on line at www.trybookings.com.au for the next Berry Conversation, which will feature Bob Brown, the former Senator and Parliamentary Leader of the Australian Greens, and Peter Thompson, former ABC broadcaster, director of the Centre for Leadership, and author of Bob Brown of the Franklin River (1985).

Date: August 20, 2017

Venue: Berry Public School Hall

Time: 2-4 pm

Tickets: \$30 (includes refreshments)

There will be no phone bookings for this event nor will tickets be available for purchase at the door. All tickets must be purchased in advance. We expect demand for seats to be strong and urge those wanting to attend to obtain their tickets as soon as possible. Enquiries to berryconversations@gmail.com

News from Berry Tennis Club

We have recently wrapped up our "Summer Comps" for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights. We will be restarting our Night Comps in late July.

The club has recently been working on the repair / rejuvenation or possible re-surfacing of the rear courts - Courts 3 and 4. The initial process of removing moss and dirt from the rear courts will be taking place soon. We are currently in the process of obtaining quotes and seeking possible grants to fund a future rejuvenation or re-surfacing of those courts.



2017 / 2018 memberships will be due soon. Our membership fees remain at \$50 for a year, \$30 for a half year.

Our Club AGM has been set for 7.00pm on 7 September 2017 at the Berry Bowling Club.

New members and "sub / fill in" players for each of our competitions are welcome to contact the Club. The courts are available for hire by Club Members and the general public. Access keys and hire charges are collected at the BP Garage in Berry.

For enquiries about membership, comps or events you can always email:
berrytennis@hotmail.com.

Message of Appreciation

The Winlaw family would like to express its' sincere thanks to the many Berry residents who have sent flowers, messages, cards and love to comfort us in our recent sad loss of Ian.

Such overwhelming response is a mark of the respect and love so many of you had for our darling man, and your appreciation for the contribution he made to the town over the past 22 years.

Please accept this note as a personal and sincere thank you.

Leonie Winlaw



Berry Community Church

**We meet at Graham Park
8 Schofields Lane Berry
Sunday Services 9:30am and 5:00pm**

Activities include mainly music, Boys & Girls groups,
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Conversations, Coffee and Friends

If you are interested in getting together in an informal setting, listening to interesting speakers, drinking good tea and coffee and just enjoying good conversations. Come along to Conversations, Coffee and Friends. Everyone is welcome!



Our first get together was on the 24th May at 10am In Wesley Hall at Berry Uniting Church.

Michelle from Nourish, Kitchen and Lifestyle was our first guest. She spoke about her time as a contestant on Masterchef and her dreams of inspiring others about the importance of cooking and eating natural, home grown food.

Our next speaker on 28th June at 10am is Michelle Collison from Shady Fig who will talk about how she uses her creative talent in making her wonderful shop such a special place.

Plans for a Community Library

The next step in this exciting project is to set up a Community Library in the Friendship Room at the Uniting Church. The shelving is installed thanks to the Mens Shed. Now we need donations of good quality fiction and non-fiction books to fill the shelves. The library will be staffed by volunteers and books can be borrowed, shared, returned or new ones contributed. There will be room to sit and read or maybe meet friends to discuss favourite books and authors.

For more information contact Janet on 0425 220 258



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Exciting times ahead for Seniors' Computing Group

Berry Computers for Seniors (BCFS) is a not-for-profit group that has been operating in Berry for the past seven years, with volunteer tutors teaching seniors the basics of computing. David Wastie, President of the group, is excited to advise that it is expanding the range and depth of subjects being taught.

Mr Wastie says that after seven years of covering the basics, it is time to look beyond them and to help seniors (and the not-so-seniors) gain a better understanding of the power and benefits of the devices and programs that have become inseparable parts of our daily lives.

"There's a popular misconception" he says "that when a person retires from employment, they also retire from life. These days, nothing could be further from the truth.

"In reality, older people in most cases embrace new technologies with enthusiasm – although perhaps with some apprehension as well. We try to help them overcome that apprehension, gain more insight into and control over these new tools and learn to use them more efficiently and effectively.

"As from Wednesday 5th July 2017 the subjects being taught will be:

- iPhone, iPad and all Apple computer subjects;
- Android phones and tablets; and
- The Windows 10 operating environment and Microsoft Word, Excel and Publisher."

The BCFS meets in the Berry Uniting Church hall on the first and third Wednesdays of each month from 9.00 – 10.30am. Afterwards, tutors and students chat and relax over morning tea.

For more information, contact President David Wastie on 4421 3270.

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Got questions?

A study conducted in the UK in 2013 found that children ask their mothers an average of 288 questions a day. The amount of questions decreases as the children age, but the complexity rises. The toughest questions were found to be; "Why is water wet?", "Where does the sky end?" and "What are shadows made of?" Asking questions is a normal part of being human. In fact, it is believed that it is a uniquely human thing to do. Apes have been taught sign language and are able to use this ability to converse with humans. However, they have never asked a single question.

We all have questions. Some of them have quantifiable answers, such as; What is one plus one? or; How many hours are there in a day? Some questions however do not have nice, easy complete answers, like; Why does something happen to my mood when I hear a certain piece of music? or; Why do I feel alone? or; What is the purpose of my life? These are the kind of questions that hang around. They might be the kind of questions that we ignore, or just accept that we will never know the answer to.

Jesus often communicated in questions. He very rarely gave straight answers to questions, preferring to answer tough questions with other questions or sometimes stories. These stories were often provocative and raised further questions for those listening. Read through any of the gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke or John) and you find Jesus asking many questions of his followers and those around him. He never disregarded questions or shied away because they were too difficult. He says in Matthew 7:7 'Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.' The bible is full of people asking questions of God. It's a normal part of relating to him.

At Berry Community Church, we are going to create a space for anyone to come and ask their questions about purpose, meaning and God. From July 23rd, we will be running a 9-week course called 'Alpha', which is all about asking and discussing the big questions in life. Absolutely everyone is welcome to join us as we share a meal together, watch a video and discuss the questions we have. For more details please go to our website; berrycommunitychurch.org or give me a call 0403 193 945.

Joel Noonan



The new financial year has begun for the club, with several new faces joining the board. Past president, Robyn Prowse, and treasurer, Mary Seelis, both gracefully retired after several years of untiring service to Zonta, and the club expressed its' sincere appreciation for their dedication. Rosalie Fletcher has stepped up as new president, Joanna Walmsley as president elect, Cecelie Lewis as treasurer, and Sandra Munro as correspondence secretary. We all look forward to another year of upholding our tenet of Empowering Women Through Service and Advocacy.

BIRTHING KITS

Yes, the club will be holding another birthing kit assembly day in October – date to be confirmed. A reminder that any and all members of the community will be most welcome to lend a hand to pack these lifesaving little bundles. Stay tuned for confirmation of the date and plan to join us!

REFUGE REPORT

We are delighted to see that the warm autumn weather has been kind to our vegetable garden at the women's refuge and the greens are fairly leaping out of the ground! And we recently delivered a large dolls' house replete with elegant furniture, plus an enormous wooden toy truck, both renovated and repainted by those lovely guys at the Men's Shed in Berry. Thanks, boys!

JULY SPEAKER

At our meeting on Tuesday, July 25th July, we will be proud to present Ships' Warrant Officer, HMAS Albatross, Sharon Campbell, who will tell of her 30 years' experience in the Navy. All are welcome to come and hear about life in the RAN, bookings required – see below.

DINNER MEETING

The club welcomes visitors to the next meeting on Tuesday, 27th June, 6.30 for 7pm, at the Hotel Berry Coachhouse Restaurant. Please book with

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CELEBRATING 40 YEARS



The continuing story of Berry's dynamic garden club...



In the photo above, founding members gathered at the 21st celebrations. From L to R: Marcia Collins, Beryl Pepper, Founding President Nancy Bevan, Chris Hallahan, Lillian Swane, Betty Miles, Edith Faulks, Myra Brandon, Nora McIntosh and Sheila Bowden.

In March we told how the BERRY & DISTRICT GARDEN CLUB INC was established in 1977. In the 40 years since, it has played a significant role within the Berry community.

In 1979, for the Alexander Berry Festival, Club members created a floral carpet in Apex Park from flowers donated from almost every garden in Berry.

In 1988, the Bicentennial year, the Club held its initial Flower Show, and Esther Deans, an expert on no-dig gardening, was the guest speaker.

In 1990 the Club held the first Berry Gardens Festival. It was a modest affair being run with very limited resources and with a membership of about 50. Eleven gardens were opened and the takings were over \$10,000. To date, the Club has contributed over \$600,000 to local, not-for-profit organisations, including \$90,000 to the Shoalhaven Linear Accelerator Appeal.

During the second Gardens Festival in 1991 interest was gauged about the feasibility of establishing aged accommodation in Berry. In fact, the \$2,000 given by the Club in 1991 opened the community fundraising appeal and encouraged other donations. This eventually led to the construction of the Berry Masonic Village.

Also in 1991, the Garden Club was asked to take over the running of the Berry Camellia Show which it combined with its Flower Show.

THE CLUB ALSO HAS A "BEAUTIFICATION OF BERRY" PROGRAM funded by the annual Gardens Festival. Projects assisted through this include: Apex Park, the School of Arts, Berry Court House, David Berry Hospital, Berry Railway Station, Berry Public School and Camp Quality, public footpaths and park benches for seating.

ON-GOING HELP AND ASSISTANCE

Regular garden groups work at the Berry Court House, the hospital, and as required at the School of Arts, the RSL memorial, and in Apex Park - especially prior to the Gardens Festival. The Club also donates prizes in some of the pavilion sections of the Berry Agricultural Show, including one in honour of foundation and life member Betty Miles.

The latest Garden Club project is the landscaping of a large new public park at the northern end of George Street.

All funds raised by the very successful plant propagation and sales team go towards this initiative.

APEX PARK ESTABLISHED AS BERRY'S GATEWAY

In the late 1990s Dayne van Bree and John Pegrum presented a landscape plan for Apex Park to the Berry community including the Berry Garden Club.

The Club contributed to the cost of erecting the rotunda, which now serves as the club logo. Funds were saved from the next three Garden Festivals for this purpose. The rotunda was opened in 1999 by the mayor amid much ceremony, including a pipe band.

In the years after that the Club funded the bridge, the flowering cherry trees, the shade cover over the children's play area and recognised Arbour Day for several years by planting a tree in the park.

On Australia Day 2000, the Garden Club provided documents for the time capsule installed by members of the Berry Apex Club in Apex Park.



During the Alexander Berry Festival in 1979, the Club donated a Taxodium for the visiting dignitary to plant in Apex Park. It donated a Magnolia Grandiflora again in 2001 for the Minister of Agriculture to plant in the Berry Showground during the celebrations of the Centenary of Federation and a Magnolia Soulangeana was planted in the grounds of the Berry Bowling Club to celebrate its centenary in 2012.

SHOALHAVEN CITY COUNCIL NEWS FROM BERRY

THE BERRY FORUM IS THE COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE BODY

The following Development Applications and determinations have been notified during the month. They are also placed on the Community Noticeboard and posted on the Forum website www.berryforum.org.au. Details of applications, including submissions, can be viewed on Council's website at www.shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au and select **DA Tracking**.

	Development Applications Received	Address	Lodged
DA17/1570	New Rural Dwelling and shed	O'Keefes Lane, Jaspers Brush	17-May
DA17/1577	New Secondary Dwelling - Attached to Existing	99A Harley Hill Road	18-May
DA17/1597	Infrastructure - Single Storey Ambulance Station	13 Kangaroo Valley Road	23-May
DA17/1617	Convert garage to ensuite/storeroom & construct carport to front	120E Kangaroo Valley	26-May
DA17/1621	Construct Flood Refuge Mound for building & aircraft & relocate	Swamp Road, Jaspers Brush	26-May
RD17/1000	Use shed/barn for tourist accomn, and silo as observation tower	411 Coolangatta	29-May
DA17/1641	Split level dwelling	25 Parker Crescent	31-May
	Development Applications Determined		
DA17/1342	Single Storey Dwelling	15 Parker Crescent	30-Mar
DA17/1104	Clorbond machinery shed	163A Wattamolla	31-Jan
DA17/1310	Detached garage	37 Tulloch Road	23-Mar
DA16/1106	REFUSED: Two Storey Dwelling & Demolition of Existing	73 Princess Street	2-Feb
CD17/1260	In Ground Swimming Pool, Pavilion & Detached Shed	106B Bong Bong	25-May
DA17/1320	Outbuildings - Detached Farm Shed	59 Campbells Run	27-Mar
DA16/1992	Dwelling Additions, Detached Garage & Garden Shed	125 Beach Road	16-Aug
DA17/1381	New Single Storey Dwelling	14 Parker Crescent	11-Apr
DA17/1094	Dwelling additions	655 Tourist Road	27-Jan
DS17/1087	Additions & Alterations of Berry Gym to permit 24 hr operation	Old Creamery Lane	8-Mar

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SUBJECT	DETAILS
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	Agricultural and veterinarian chemical disposal Agsafe ChemClear program 1800 0080182 agsafe.com.au
RECYCLING FOR BUSINESSES	Business Recycling 1300 763 768 businessrecycling.com.au
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RECYCLING / REUSE AT LOCAL SHOPS	Some retailers may fill your own containers for take away food, egg cartons may be taken back to the place of purchase for reuse, and original containers refilled (for example, Flavours Shoalhaven refill Morella Grove olive oil glass bottles). Don't be afraid to ask the question and start the conversation!
SHARPS DISPOSAL	Medically generated syringes, needles and sharps can be disposed of for free at the Berry Pharmacy. Take your sharps in a sealed puncture resistant container. The pharmacy will also safely dispose of out of date medication.

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Calendar of Events

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

25 June - Sunday - 1.30 to 4 @ the Berry Courthouse. Community Information Display, Workshop and Presentation on the proposed Berry Estate Trails Project. Provides an opportunity for viewing and discussing the Project as a whole with the Team as well as the individual trails being considered for development as part of the network.

Doors open at 1.30. Welcome & introduction at 2.

July - All Month - Plastic Free July is challenging us to refuse all single-use plastic during July.

www.plasticfreejuly.org www.facebook.com/PlasticFreeJuly

www.shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au/Environment/Waste-and-recycling/Plastic-Free-July

1 July - Saturday - 'Freeform Fibre Art Workshop', 10am - 2pm, \$175. This Old House Studio.

81 Queen Street, Berry Tickets www.thisoldhousestudio.com.au or 0407 413 584.

2 July - Sunday - "A Taste of France" - Boules, food and wine. A le Tour de Berry event. 2pm until 5 pm at Broughton Mill Farm Guesthouse Berry. Have you ever played Boules or Petanque? Come and enjoy learning the game and tasting some French influenced food and wine. Just \$35 per person. All funds raised go toward building footpaths and tracks by the Berry Alliance "Tracks to the Future" committee. Bookings essential please to 4464 2446, Rick.

9 July - Sunday - 4.30 until 6pm - Bob Carr - Polities in the Pub on Australian US Relations.

An event being held by Berry / Shoalhaven Heads Branch of the ALP. Gold coin donation please.

Details 0439 965 354 - Rick See Facebook "Shoalhaven Country Labor" or article in July Town Crier.

9 July - Sunday - Bob Carr Dinner - 6pm - Bob will again discuss US Australian relations and a variety of Foreign Affairs issues. Includes discussion, Q & A as well. 2 course meal. \$55 per person. Bookings essential to this ticketed event. Details 0439 965 354 - Rick See Facebook "Shoalhaven Country Labor" or article in July Town Crier.

11 July - Tuesday - "A Taste of France" - Boules, food and wine. A le Tour de Berry event. 2pm until 5 pm at Broughton Mill Farm Guesthouse Berry. Have you ever played Boules or Petanque? Come and enjoy learning the game and tasting some French influenced food and wine. Just \$35 per person. All funds raised go toward building footpaths and tracks by the Berry Alliance "Tracks to the Future" committee.

Bookings essential please to 4464 2446, Rick.

14 July - Friday - CWA Monthly meeting 1pm CWA rooms Victoria Street. Contact Emily 4448 8633.

15 July - Saturday - 'Kokedama + Hanger Workshop with Inniku', 10am - 2pm, \$75. This Old House Studio.

81 Queen Street, Berry Tickets www.thisoldhousestudio.com.au or 0407 413 584.

16 July - Sunday - 2pm. Merroo Union Church Service (non- denominational) followed by Afternoon Tea, cnr. Boxells Lane & Princes Hwy Merroo Meadow. All Welcome. Contact Brian 4464 2842, Rae 4448 6048.

16 July - Sunday - "Super Sunday" - Petanque at the Pub. Plus Classic French Lunch & Dinner, Beer, Wine and much more! A le Tour de Berry event. Petanque for all ages in the car park and stay on for the Special Trivia Night with Nana. Restaurant, Café and Courtyard bookings are essential to the Hotel Berry 4464 1011. All funds raised go toward building footpaths and tracks by the Berry Alliance "Tracks to the Future" committee.

16 July - The usual special Trivia night with Nana pluSunday - "Super Sunday" - Berry Pub Family Trivia.

A le Tour de Berry event. \$5 per person for Trivia quiz with Nana. s after the winners are announced an extra set of questions based on France and Cycling with additional prizes for this. Bookings are essential to the Hotel Berry on 4464 1011. All funds raised go toward building footpaths and tracks by the Berry Alliance "Tracks to the Future" committee. Plus Classic French Dinner, Beer, Wine and much more! \$15 dinner specials available.

20 July - Thursday - ADFAS lecture. 7.30pm at Berry Uniting Church Hall, Albert St, Berry.

20 July - Thursday - Peter FitzSimon "The Case for the Republic" Berry Hotel in the Courtyard - 4.30pm until 6pm.

A presentation and discussion on an Australian Republic. Gold coin donation for le Tour de Berry please.

Stay and have dinner after. All funds raised go toward building footpaths and tracks by the Berry Alliance

"Tracks to the Future" committee.

20 July - Thursday - Peter FitzSimon - 6.30 Dinner at the Burrows - "Sport, Culture & the Republic" an evening with Peter FitzSimon AM - author, columnist, Wallaby, Chair of the Australian Republican Movement, French speaker..... 3 course dinner with a French theme and our very special guest Peter FitzSimon who lived and played professional Rugby Union in France for some years. \$70 per person. Bookings are essential please to The Burrows on 4464 2817. All funds raised go toward building footpaths and tracks by the Berry Alliance

"Tracks to the Future" committee.

21 July - Friday - ADFAS Full Focus Day at Berry School of Arts commencing 10am.

Contact Colleen 4464 2458.

23 July - Sunday - "Cyclothon" - 1.30 pm to 4 pm at Berry Showground. Open to all adults, teenagers and kids.

Like a "Walkathon" but on your bike. Register and sign sponsors up for the number of circuits you will do around the Showground - then do it on the day! Other activities as well as sausage sizzle, drinks, coffee stand and other stands.

Enquiries and sponsorship forms available from Facebook tourdeberry. Also available by email.

info@berryalliance.org.au All funds raised go toward building footpaths and tracks by the Berry Alliance

"Tracks to the Future" committee.

1 - 31 August - Every April + August we call on the community to help us give dignity to those in need at a time they need it most by donating a pack of pads and tampons at our registered collection points including the IGA & Berry Pharmacy. All collection points nationwide listed on www.sharethedignity.com.au

26 & 27 August - Saturday & Sunday - Berry Quilting Retreat and Exhibition @ the Berry School of Arts, 9.30 to 4pm. Contact: Elizabeth@berryquiltingretreat.com.au or M: 0431 663 189

Events

Annual Events Guide for Berry 2017

For more information regarding each event please refer to the community group listing on the next page.

Registered Community Groups organising annual events are welcome to contribute and advise of further information or changes to listed information.

MONTH	EVENT
RECURRING MONTHLY EVENTS	First Sunday of the Month <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Penwood Railroad Inc, a scenic miniature railway open from 10:30am till mid afternoon. 215A Princes Highway - Jaspers Brush NSW - Ph: 02 4464 1201 Berry Country Fair (Berry Markets). Approximately 200 stalls selling handmade products, arts and crafts, fresh produce and more. Berry Showground (not held in February).
JANUARY	
FEBRUARY	129 th Annual Berry Show – 3rd & 4th February, Berry Showground
MARCH	Seniors Week – Various venues Clean Up Australia Day, Apex Park
APRIL	ANZAC Day Youth Week Easter Celebrations
MAY	Berry Celtic Festival, Berry Showground National Motoring Heritage Day, Berry Showground
JUNE	
JULY	Tour de Berry
AUGUST	Annual Camellia and Floral Show
SEPTEMBER	Berry Small Farm Field Day
OCTOBER	Berry Garden Club's Annual Garden Festival
NOVEMBER	Remembrance Day Berry Men's Shed Annual Garage Sale
DECEMBER	Berry Merry Christmas Carols in the Park, Apex Park Rotary's New Year's Eve Fireworks Berry Showground

Fire Permit Update

The statutory Bush Fire Danger Period in the Shoalhaven Local Government Area ended on 31 March 2017. From 1 April 2017, fire permits will no longer be required for the Shoalhaven Local Government Area.

"Although fire permits are no longer required, property owners must still exercise caution and follow guidelines regarding the use of fire," said Superintendent Mark Williams.

"Residents must notify neighbouring land owners and their local fire authority at least 24 hours before burning, as well as taking appropriate action to ensure containment and control of their fire so it doesn't escape and cause damage.

"Penalties still apply for failing to notify that your intentions of lighting a fire and for allowing fires to escape.

"We encourage people to seek advice from their local NSW RFS Fire Control Centre on how to safely conduct hazard reduction activities such as slashing and burning, as well as how to prepare their homes for the next bush fire season," said Superintendent Williams

Further information regarding hazard reduction can be found on the NSW RFS website www.rfs.nsw.gov.au or by contacting the Shoalhaven Fire Control Centre on (02) 4424 4424.



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Community Groups

BERRY COMMUNITY GROUPS

Berry Alliance Inc. 0449 569 059
PO Box 202 Berry 2535
info@berryalliance.org.au
www.berryalliance.org.au

Berry Alliance Town Crier 0428 037 572
PO Box 202 Berry 2535
towncrier@berryalliance.org.au
www.berryalliance.org.au

Berry Chamber of Commerce & Tourism Inc.
4464 3122
PO Box 216 Berry 2535
info@berry.org.au www.berry.org.au

Amnesty International Berry Local Action Group
PO Box 397, Berry 4464 2879
Contact Susan Locke
info@berryamnesty.happenings.id.au

Australian Red Cross 4464 2479
Honorary Secretary -
Margaret Walsh 21 Windsor Drive Berry
1st Wednesday each month at 2.00pm
Berry Uniting Church

Berry Alcoholics Anonymous 1300 903 392
Meets every Thursday Night at 7.30pm,
Uniting Church Hall Annex,
69 Albert Street, Berry - Garry: 0420 932 494

Berry Al Anon Family Group For family & friends of problem drinkers 4448 8231
Meet every Monday at 6.30pm
Berry Uniting Church Hall, Albert Street Berry

Berry Forum (Community Consultative Body)
www.berryforum.org.au
2nd Thursday bi-monthly 7.30pm at the
School of Arts Berry

Berry Community Activities Centre Inc. 4464 1476
Berry Community Craft Cottage
12 Prince Alfred St Berry 2535
1st Monday Monthly, 5pm @ Muir House
berrymarkets@bigpond.com

Berry Courthouse Conservation Committee
PO Box 218 Berry 2535 0458 369 266
2nd Monday Bi-monthly at 5.30pm at the
Berry Courthouse
functions@berrycourthouse.org.au
www.berrycourthouse.org.au

Berry Evening View Club 4464 1191
Secretary, PO Box 275
sel4957@bigpond.net.au
Meets 3rd Wednesday monthly, 6.30 p.m.
at Berry Bowling Club

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

Berry Masonic Village Auxiliary Inc. 4464 1774
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 RSL Hall Berry

Berry Men's Shed 4464 3956 / 4464 2619 A.H
PO Box 103 Berry 2535
richardcwiseman@hotmail.com
Tuesdays and Thursdays 9am- 4pm
North Street Berry www.berrymensshed.com.au

Berry RSL Sub Branch
PO Box 3307 North Nowra 2541 -
stuartfchristmas@gmail.com
1st Tuesday Monthly at 9.30am
Sub Branch Hall 26 Alexandra St Berry

Berry Rotary Club 0413 135 086
PO Box 81 Berry 2535
paulfandersen@bigpond.com
Every Thursday 6pm for 6.30pm at
Bowling Club
www.berryrotary.org.au

Berry Show Society Inc. 4464 1567
PO Box 173 Berry 2535
Meet 1st Tuesday monthly at Committee Rooms
at the Showground
berryshow@virtualcity.com.au
www.berryshow.org.au

Berry Showground Management Committee
PO Box 443 Berry NSW 2535 -
berryshowground-camping@gmail.com
Meet 2nd Monday Bi-monthly 7.30pm
Old Council Chambers
24 hour Caretakers / Bookings
Caretakers 0427 605 200

Boomerang Bags Berry
Committee Rooms, Berry Showground
Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month.
Contact Elizabeth Debbelde - 0431 663 189 /
Katrina Underwood - 0416 181 54

Country Women's Association – Berry Branch
PO Box 321 Berry 2535 4423 2164
2nd Friday each month at 1pm
in the CWA Rooms, Victoria Street
Contact Emily Boorer

David Berry Hospital Auxiliary 4464 1774
PO Box 285 Berry 2535
bke25349@bigpond.net.au
2nd Monday Monthly, 12.30pm
David Berry Hospital Conference Room

Freemasons Lodge Broughton 131 4421 7346
PO Box 2092 Bomaderry NSW 2541
Secretary: John Dyason
lodgebroughton131@gmail.com

Jaspers Brush Airport Action Group Inc.
www.takeaction.org.au
PO Box 428 Berry NSW 2535
Meeting - as convened

Lodge Broughton 131 4421 8026
P.O. Box 2092 Bomaderry 2541 N.S.W.
lodgebroughton131@gmail.com - Meets
1st Wed. of each month except Jan. at the
Agricultural Hall Berry

Probus Club of Berry 4464 3525
PO Box 68 Berry 2535
berryprobust@gmail.com
Meets 2nd Tuesday monthly, 9.30am
Berry Masonic Village Hall

Shoalhaven Poultry Group 0410 548 704
161 Kangaroo Valley Road
1st Wednesday each month above address
info@shoalhavenpoultry.com.au
www.shoalhavenpoultry.com.au

St. Vincent de Paul Society Client Help Line:
PO Box 77 Berry - Ph 4464 3940 4421 0390
Vinnies Boutique Shop 117b Queen St Berry
Conference meets every 1st Mon. 7pm St.
Patrick's Hall

Zonta Club of Berry
Ph 4464 3913 (Cecelie Lewis)
or 4464 2653 (Leonie Winlaw)
PO Box 302 Berry 2535
email-berry@zontadistrict24.org
www.zontadistrict24.org
Meets 4th Tuesday monthly for dinner

ARTS

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

Australian Decorative Fine Arts Society - Shoalhaven
PO Box 269 Berry NSW 2535 4423 5588
shoalhaven@adfas.org.au
Monthly, 7.30pm at Berry Uniting Church Hall

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

Berry Silver Band (est. 1897)
Owen 4464 1250 / Kaye 4465 1240
6 Clarence Street Berry 2535
kayecj@westnet.com.au
Meet Monday evenings 7.30-9.30pm,
Agricultural Hall, Berry Showground

Berry Spinners and Weavers 4448 7575
Contact the secretary (Alison) on 0422 760 363
PO Box 377 Berry 2535
berryspinnersandweavers@gmail.com
Thursdays 10-12noon at
Berry Showground Hall

Cantares: Community Choir
Monday 7.30 - 9.00 pm
Scots' Presbyterian Hall, Alexandra Street Berry
Contact: Peter Dalmazzo 4448 6164

Knit with Love
Lyn 4464 3651 c/- 34 Princess St Berry 2535
terryandlyn@gmail.com
Meets Every Friday 1pm – 3pm St Luke's
Anglican Church Hall

RedBerry Quilters 4464 2587
PO Box 324 Berry NSW 2535
4th Friday monthly
www.redberryquilters.org
4th Friday monthly Berry 9.30am-1.30pm
Sewing Days 2nd Friday monthly
9.30am-2.30pm both at
St Luke's Anglican Church Hall, Princess Street

CHURCHES

Berry Community Church 4464 2315

8 Schofields Lane Berry
Services 9:30am and 5:00pm - info@
berrycommunitychurch.org

Berry Uniting Church

Albert Street Berry
Rev Dr David Millikan 0434 977 123
Services at 9.30am - www.berry.unitingchurch.
org.au

St. Luke's Anglican Church 4464 1058

68A Princess Street, Berry 2535 -
office@berry.anglican.asn.au - www.berry.
anglican.asn.au

St. Patricks Catholic Church 4423 1712

Albert St. Berry - Normal Mass times:
Sunday 8am Tuesday 5.30pm - Community
Group PO Box 304 Berry meets 2nd Monday
7pm St. Patricks Hall

Scots' Presbyterian Church in Berry 0405 139 031

E. isaac.jung@hotmail.com
H. 81 Victoria St Berry

EDUCATION AND PLAYGROUPS

Berry Apple Users Group 0416 168 638

P.O. Box 103, Berry, 2535 Meets at 7.00pm on
the 2nd Tuesday of the month (except January)
at Berry Uniting Church Hall,
77 Albert Street, Berry. Email:
berryappleusersgroup@gmail.com

Berry Community Pre-school 4232 1843

PO Box 103 Berry 2535 berrypreschool@
bigpond.com www.berrypreschool.org.au

Berry Computers for Seniors 4421 3270

PO Box 103 Berry 2535
1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month,
9.00 - 10.30am, Uniting Church Hall,
69 Albert Street, Berry

Berry Ethics Society 0451 153 332

PO Box 363 Berry
Meets 1st Monday of each month
at the Berry Hotel

Berry Playgroup 0417 796 401

Berry Community Church Hall
Schofields Lane, Berry. Fridays 9.30-11.30
Facebook: The Berry Playgroup
Email: berryplaygroup@hotmail.com

Berry Public School P&C Association 4464 1158

PO Box 222 Berry 2535
berrypandc@gmail.com

Mainly Music 4464 1693

Berry Community Church Hall -
for children under five and parent /carers
Meets Tuesdays during school term
10-11.30am \$4 per family

GARDENING AND LAND CARE

Berry & District Garden Club 0413 893 508

PO Box 122 Berry 2535
3rd Tuesday Monthly, 7.30pm
St Luke's Church Hall, Princess Street
Gail Paton - Secretary - gailpaton@bigpond.com
www.berrygardens.org.au

Berry Landcare 4464 2241

PO Box 422 Berry NSW 2535
berrylandcare@gmail.com
See monthly article for working bees.

Berry Public School Plant Propagation Nursery

Berry 0437 590 619/Lyn 02 4464 3911
Meet Thursday afternoons during school hours
barryvirtue1@gmail.com

Brogers Creek Landcare 4465 1482

53 Wattamola Rd Wattamola NSW
Last Saturday of each month 2.30-4.30pm

Gateway Community Garden

141 Woodhill Mountain Road
All welcome, plots available.
Contact: Tony Hampson 44641504

Hands Across NSW Inc 4446 0567

PO Box 162 Cambewarra NSW 2540
Meets 1st Sunday, monthly at Broughton Lodge,
Berry Agriculture Hall

POLITICAL GROUPS

Australian Labor Party Berry 0429 012 796

Shoalhaven Heads Branch
Meets 2nd Wednesday each month,
6.30 pm Hotel Berry
secretarybshalp@gmail.com
PO Box 474 Berry 2535

Liberal Party of Australia – Berry Branch

Meets 1st Monday of the month 6.30pm
for 7pm start at Gabbys of Berry

RECREATION

Berry Bridge Club INC 4464 3009

PO Box 366 Berry 2535 mcorran@
shoalhaven.net.au
Meets Saturdays @ 12.45pm-4.30pm at the
Masonic Lodge Community Hall

Berry Camera Club 0488 031 961

Meetings on 4th Wednesday of Each Month
6:00 pm @Berry Bowling Club
Info: www.berrycameraclub.com
fb:BerryCameraClub

Berry Crafters & Quilters 4464 3788

Meets each Wednesday 10am -
4pm at Muir Cottage, Prince Alfred Street

Penwood Rail Road Inc. 4464 1201

B215a Princes Highway Jaspers Brush 2535
johnandlynclark@bigpond.com
Running day 1st Sun monthly - visitors welcome

Shoalhaven Historic Vehicle Club Inc. 4464 1723

PO Box 1, Nowra NSW 2541

SPORT

Berry Hockey Club 0412 218 704

PO Box 4055, Nowra East NSW 2541
www.berryhockeyclub.com.au

Berry Netball Club 0417 285 789

1 Barwon St Bomaderry
Meets monthly at the Great Southern Hotel
MT816834@bigpond.net.au

Berry Men's Bowling Club

David Armstrong 4464 1543 PO Box 139,
Berry NSW 2535
Ph: 0488 729 229 Harry Harrop on 4464 3043

Berry Junior Mixed Touch Football 0431 530 543

7 Boran Place Berry 2535
becandtom2@bigpond.com
School term 4 – Thursday 4pm till 6pm at the
Berry Sporting Complex, North St Berry

Berry Riding Club 4464 1143

445 Coolangatta Road Berry 2535
1st Tuesday monthly at the Berry Hotel
jasiiy@bigpond.net.au
www.berryridingclub.com

Berry Shoalhaven Head Rugby

League Football Club
PO Box 282 Berry - Meet every 4th Wednesday,
7pm Great Southern Hotel, Berry.
Email: Wdstrong@bigpond.com

Berry Shoalhaven Heads Cricket Club

0422 688 901
PO Box 206 Berry NSW 2535
www.bshcc.nsw.cricket.com.au
2nd Monday of each month
during cricket season at the Berry Hotel

Berry Shoalhaven Heads Junior League

0414 973 795
PO Box 162 Berry 2535
bshjrffc@hotmail.com
First Wednesday of the month,
7pm at the Berry Bowling Club

Berry Tennis Club

PO Box 133 Berry NSW 2535
e: berrytennis@hotmail.com
7.30pm bi-monthly
starting in February each year,
Berry Tennis Club, North St Berry

Berry Women's Bowling Club

Meet Tuesdays and Thursdays 9am during
daylight savings;
9.30 in winter @ Berry Bowling Club.
Contact Bev Thompson: 0400 516 303 or
Pam Tulloch: 4464 2284

Diamond Calisthenics Club

Jodie Dearsley 0414 655 129
Classes for ages 3-100 held Tuesdays at Berry
School of Arts, Cnr Alexandra and
Princess Sts Berry
www.diamondcalisthenics.com
diamondcalisthenics@hotmail.com

EMERGENCY 000

Police Assistance Line (non-urgent Police reports) 131 444
Berry Police 4464 2175 - Fire and Rescue NSW 4464 1008 or 000
Rural Fire Brigade (Broughton Vale) 4464 1522
SES - For Emergency help in floods and storms 132 500



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ST. LUKE'S
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A Bridge to the Future

The bridge is complete. Like everyone in Berry, I am looking forward to getting our town back. I can't wait for the bypass to be finished, the construction workers gone, the traffic to improve, and to be able to cross the main street once again. But on the other hand, I have loved watching the road builders in action. I am in awe of those who manage the logistics of a project of this size and there is something inspirational about the inexorable progress of the road. No obstacle is too great. They cut through hills, bridge valleys, and divert waterways. If this is what human ingenuity and hard work can achieve, is there anything we can't do when we set our minds to it?

So why is it that the nations of the world can't agree to a strategy for addressing climate change and see it implemented? Why is it that every few weeks we wake to the news of another terror attack despite years of the "war on terror"? Two possibilities come to mind – lack of will or lack of ability. Either we don't want to change things or we can't change things. Often there is no political will and short-term self-interest trumps costly actions the greater good. It also appears that, no matter how technologically advanced and physically capable we become, we can't change the human heart, which, as Jesus said, is the root cause of our problems.

It is what comes from inside that defiles you. For from within, out of a person's heart, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, greed, wickedness, deceit, lustful desires, envy, slander, pride, and foolishness (Mark 7:20-22).

However, while we might not be able to change our hearts, God can. Long ago he said...

I will give you a new heart, and I will put a new spirit in you. I will take out your stony, stubborn heart and give you a tender, responsive heart. And I will put my Spirit in you so that you will follow my decrees and be careful to obey my regulations (Ezekiel 36:26-27).

I'm not suggesting that we shouldn't be striving to make the world a better place for ourselves and for future generations. Of course we should. But I also think that the bridge to the best future is not the one we build, but the one that God builds through his offer to change our hearts.

Neil Percival

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Berry Men's Bowling Club

Due to weather conditions the final of the 2017 Club Major Singles Championship has had to be postponed. Form displayed during the earlier rounds indicate that the final could be an extremely close contest. The players will be last year's Champion David Badger who gained his place with a last end victory over Nathan Bezant and the other combatant will be the 2014 winner and runner up 2015 and 2016 Mark Power who defeated Paul Bezant who had been showing match winning form. With the Major Singles heading to a conclusion attention is now being directed to the Club Major Pairs which will be followed by the Club Major Triples Championship.

With the District Pennant competition completed increased competition in the Social bowls which are played at 1.00 pm Wednesday and Saturday is expected. Visitors to these days are most welcome and bookings must be made by 12 noon on 0488 729 229. Coaching in bowls is available by contacting Terry Hayes on 0423 139 028 and a set of bowls can be loaned if necessary. During May Berry hosted the Triangular Cup first match for 2017 which was played by 60 bowlers from Berry, Shoalhaven Heads and Gerringong bowling clubs. The match was very closely contested with Berry winning on 42 points, Gerringong second on 38 points and Shoalhaven Heads took third place on 36 points. This contest is designed to develop both competition between the clubs which can be advantageous for newer bowlers and more importantly to develop friendships between the representing bowlers. The final two matches of this competition for 2017 will be played at Shoalhaven Heads on 12th July and at Gerringong on 11th October.



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Farewell to Term 2 at Berry Preschool And what a term it has been!



Our Friday children have had the pleasure of our music educator, Helen's, weekly music program. The children have enjoyed the variety of musical instruments and music styles that they have been exposed to. They are learning to play and move rhythmically, and are deriving many other benefits from this program, including development of creativity and expression.

The Monday children have learnt about reptiles and amphibians during a recent visit from Shoalhaven Zoo. Zoe the zookeeper brought many different creatures with her, including a green tree frog, diamond python, long-neck turtle, blue-tongue lizard, bearded dragon and a saltwater crocodile (not too big!). The children were able to get up close to the reptiles and were brave about patting them. We learnt lots about these new reptile friends, including how to stay safe around them and how to treat them with respect.

The Tuesday children recently wiggled their way to the Shoalhaven Entertainment Centre to see 'The Wiggles' in concert. We had front and centre position and were so excited to be so close to some of our favourite entertainers.

The Friday children enjoyed being entertained Dennis and his 'Big Bag Show'. The show starts with a large bag that Dennis reaches in to, and with the skill of mime creates and enacts the ideas of the children, incorporating them into the show. It was hilarious and ensured that the children had to use their imaginations..... Logic will take you from A to B but your imagination will take you anywhere. (Albert Einstein)

We were recently involved in designing and creating Boomerang Bags, which helped provide our children with a sense of belonging in our community. Thanks to Elizabeth and Katrina for including us in this important initiative to promote sustainability. During this activity the children discussed our


environment and the importance of reusing and recycling our resources.

Another way the children have been involved in the community this month was to participate in the Berry Public School walk-a-thon. What a great opportunity to enjoy exercise and become familiar with the 'big school' that many of these children will be transitioning to next year.



*Happy holidays
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BERRY MEN'S SHED

BMS SUPPORTS BOOMERANG BAG INITIATIVE

Members of the Berry Men's Shed were asked to assist the Boomerang Bag project by constructing six display boxes which will be located at various retail outlets in Berry. "We needed someone to make the display stands and no one other than the Men's Shed could undertake such a job and deliver on time. We are very pleased with the promotional display boxes" said Katrina at the launch.

Two Schools have received Scholarships this month as part of the program to assist the transition from school to tertiary study which commenced 3 years ago. Both Bomaderry and Nowra High Schools have been recipients this month with Shoalhaven High School to receive their Scholarships later in the year. In return, we are inviting the winning students to visit our Shed and meet with our members.

This month the Shed has been busy making and repairing a variety of items for members of the community. We also received a visit from members of the Wingham Men's Shed who were very impressed with our operation.

The Shed is open on Tuesday and Thursday from 9.00am to 3.30pm and you can contact us during these hours on 4464 3956 or call into the Shed at 146 North Street.

Richard Wiseman
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Elizabeth Dubbelde and Katrina Underwood at the launch of the Boomerang bag initiative.



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Antechinus:

The Brown Antechinus (*Antechinus stuartii*) is a small marsupial that is common to the Berry area and may be mistaken for the introduced House Mouse. The females are smaller than the males. Head and body length - m. 106mm - f. 94mm. They are uniform greyish brown above and greyish underneath. The head comes to a point at the nose. The tail is moderately hairy and thin, about the same length as the head and body. Their behaviour during the mating season is interesting. Both sexes nest communally until May and then become more solitary up to the mating season in Spring. The males become increasingly aggressive through winter. Both sexes mate promiscuously and each litter of 6 to 10 can have multiple fathers. Each baby occupies one of up to ten teats and are dragged around awkwardly. The survival rate is high and after 5 weeks they are left in a nest of dry plant material in a hollow log or tree trunk. At the end of the mating season none of the males remain alive. This is due to the stress of the breeding season. Shortly after weaning, at about 90 days, the association of mother and offspring ends. The males move off to



other territory and the females remain. This annual turnover of the gene pool prevents inbreeding.

Their short life span provides an opportunity for scientists to research their dispersal. DNA testing of blood samples, collected over a period of years, can indicate the rate of Antechinus movement around local bushland. This offers information about the connectivity of the landscape, predation by feral animals, and changes over time. Antechinus are an important species in the on-going monitoring of the Berry Wildlife Corridor.

Gembrook Tree Planting:

A National Tree Day activity will be held at 'Gembrook' on the 30th of July. Gembrook is owned by RMS and will be sold after completion of the Berry Bypass. To enhance the Berry Wildlife Corridor, Berry Landcare will be planting trees in a 20m wide fenced corridor along the Eastern property boundary. This will create a link from a highway under pass to Broughton Creek. For more information contact Jim Jefferis 4464 2988.

WORKING BEES FOR JULY 2017:

Alexandra Street Parkcare: 9-11 am

Friday 21st Gail Paton 4448 7915.

Bong Bong Road: 9-11am Sunday 9th
Julia Woinarski 4464 2084.

Broughton Vale: 2-4 pm Sunday 2nd
Kelvin Officer 0427 255 417.

Bundewallah Bushcare: 2-4pm
Sunday 30th John Clark 4464 3911.

Camp Quality: 9-11am Sunday 16th
Hugh Sheil, hugh.sheil@realtimecom.
com.au or

Jeanne Highland 4464 1271.

Moeyan Hill: 2-4 pm Saturday 22nd
Bill Pigott 44643241 or
wpigott@bigpond.net.au.

Mount Coolangatta:
Nola Barker. Mobile 040944-6418,
nolajbarker@live.com.au. Time to be
advised. Meet at end of Roxbrough
Road, Far Meadow.

Mark Radium Park: 9-10am Friday
28th Rodney Cole 4464 1475.

Princess St. Parkcare:
9-11am Monday 24th
Terry Oades 4464 3654.

Tindalls Lane: 2-4pm Sunday 9th
contact Jim Jefferis 4464 2988.

Visit our pages at:

[http://www.landcare.nsw.gov.au/
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What a fantastic activity day was had on 18th May when Brian McCarthy and Helen Gray shared their extensive knowledge of natural dyeing ingredients and processes. Brian's meticulous collection and recording methods are par excellence. Using just about anything he can get his hands on — mostly berries, lichens, and bark — his range of colours was truly impressive. Also impressive was Helen's collection of soft pinks, purples and coral colours — quite rare for natural dye pigments — which she sourced from coastal lichens and seaweeds. After the hour-long talk, it was out to the bubbling pots of luscious liquids that Brian and members had organised for the practical side to the day. Skeins were immersed in different dye pots with surprises all round. With two such competent dyers, in Brian and Helen, the day was a great success! Many thanks to Brian and Helen for their time and energy, as well as the several members who helped in the setting up and running of the day.

Another successful day was our visit to the Murramarang Spinners & Weavers group in Milton, to share their Biggest Morning Tea. It was great to catch up with old friends, make new ones and network with other textile artists. The setting was exquisite, the day beautifully sunny, and the soup delicious!

And if that wasn't enough, eight of our members travelled to Nowra Anglican College last Monday, for their 'Blast from the Past - Using hands and wool' learning program. Members demonstrated carding, spinning, warping and weaving. The day was a wonderful coming together of the young and the 'not-so-young' to share knowledge of past skills and a passion for creating items out of wool. It's hands-on for the year 4 students also, as they get to experience the activities. Don't forget, that we meet every Thursday morning in the Rural Youth Hall at the Berry Show-ground. We also meet on Wednesday nights (6:30pm) for those who can't make the day. You'll find us at <www.berryspinnersandweavers.com> and on our Facebook page. Secretary - 0422 760 363.

Brian's collection of dyeing swatches at the rear, with Helen's samples in the foreground.



AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS TRACING SERVICE

On Thursday 31st August Berry Red Cross would like to invite you to a presentation by the Australian Red Cross International Tracing Service. Each year thousands of families around the world are separated as a result of war, conflict, disaster and migration. Red Cross helps families to exchange news, re-establish contact with loved ones, and clarify the fate of missing people. The service is available to people living in Australia including those in detention centres. The service is provided free of charge. The fundamental principles of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement guide the work and enable the Red Cross Tracing Service to access hard to reach places.

This will be held on Thursday 31st August 2017 at Berry Uniting Church Hall (entry from North Street) at 11.30 for 12 noon for a light luncheon followed by a guest speaker from the Tracing Service. Cost will be \$10 per person with all proceeds going to the Tracing Service. RSVP Margaret Walsh 4464 2479 by 21st August if you wish to attend.



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BERRY RED CROSS 2017 AGM

This will be held at Berry Uniting Church Hall on Wednesday 2nd August 2017 at 2pm

JEANETTE GALRAITH

A dedication of the seat in memory of our late member Jeanette Galbraith was held on site in the park opposite the Berry School of Arts.

A large group of members attended, together with John Milne (Jeanette's brother), Richard Wiseman and Phil Reid from the Berry Men's Shed, who assembled and installed the bench seat, and Gary and Val McMahon, who were representing the BCAC, contributors to the cost of the seat. The Berry IGA also contributed financially.

GARAGE SALE

A Garage Sale will be held at Sheila Keats home on Sat 30/9/17 and Sunday 1/10/17.

If you have any items you would like to donate to Red Cross for the sale would you contact Sheila on 4464 2049 and arrange to leave them at her address which is 1 Windsor Drive with the entrance being on Victoria Street

BECOMING A MEMBER OR VOLUNTEERING

If you wish to find out about becoming involved with or volunteering with the Red Cross contact the Berry Branch of the Red Cross (see Community Groups page of Town Crier for contact details), the Nowra Red Cross Office (1800621433) in Graham St Nowra or go onto the Red Cross website.

Left: Dedication of Jeanette Galbraith's seat.

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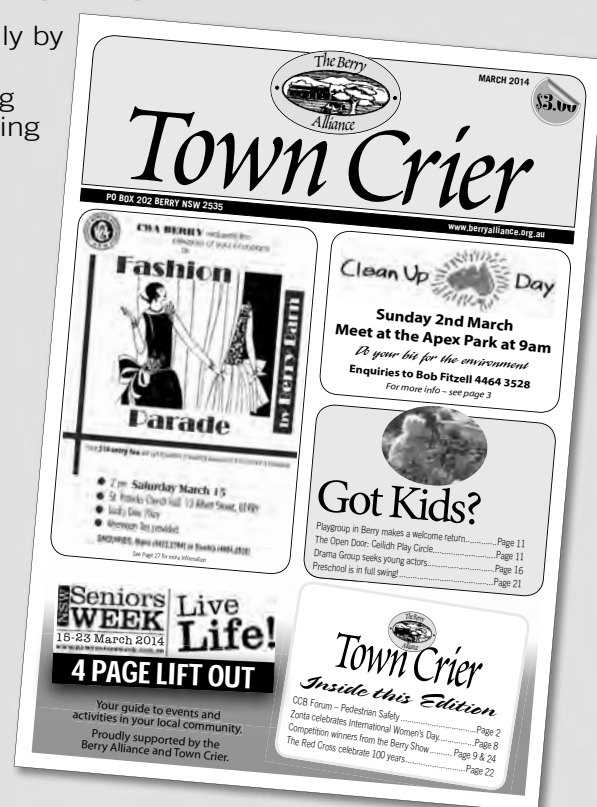
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MEDIA RELEASE

Smoke alarms save lives

The NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) is reminding Shoalhaven residents to check their smoke alarms following several house fires in the local area.

NSW RFS Inspector Chris Palmer said local brigades are concerned that some people still do not understand the importance of having working smoke alarms in their homes. "Recent house fires indicate the need for regular testing of smoke alarms and maintenance of chimneys. The severity of damage could be reduced if regular maintenance is undertaken" Insp Chris Palmer said.

"Smoke alarms and a home escape plan can give you the early warning and crucial moments needed to safely escape a fire.

"Only working smoke alarms can alert you and your family, so it is vital that you test your smoke alarms once a month and change the batteries annually."

The NSW RFS and Fire and Rescue NSW (FRNSW) recommend all residents change their smoke alarm batteries at the same time they wind their clocks back at the end of Daylight Savings.

Anyone who hasn't changed their smoke alarm batteries in the past year should do so as soon as possible.

"All Shoalhaven residents should take just a few minutes this weekend to test their smoke alarm and check the batteries, to increase their family's chance of surviving a house fire," Insp Chris Palmer said.

"The cooler months are the deadliest time of year for house fires in Shoalhaven, as people spend more time indoors using heating, lighting and electrical appliances.

"Whilst these alarms are both in line with Australian Standard AS 3786, research demonstrates that photoelectric alarms appear to provide a faster warning for detecting smoke, and may increase the opportunity for early warning," said Inspector Chris Palmer.

"A house fire can strike at any time and a working smoke alarm could mean the difference between life and death for your family."

Contact your local fire brigade for more information about home fire safety or go to www.rfs.nsw.gov.au.
For more information contact the Shoalhaven D/T/Z office on 4424 4424
For current incidents or major fire updates visit www.rfs.nsw.gov.au

TEAM SPIRIT

Many thanks to the Berry Bridge Club members who participated in the Bowral Inter Club event.

Eight members travelled to Bowral Bridge Club to do battle with the other four clubs of the Inter club Series. Southern Highlands came in first edging out Kiama who were the current trophy holders. It has become a right battle royal between these two clubs each time they meet. Many thanks to Bowral Bridge Club for a well organised, competitive day.

The next Interclub event is at Goulburn Bridge Club on September 27. Any members who wish to participate, would you please contact me on 0417286764 or email mareaaallen@bigpond.com. Cost for the day s \$10 and transport will be organised with the team members 'car sharing'.

The final two sessions will be contested at Berry on Wednesday, August 23rd, then Kiama to be advised.

It is really pleasing to see such good numbers at our Saturday Bridge, if you wish to play and can't find a partner, telephone Lee Ann Roberts on 4464 2742, visitors are always welcome!

**Marea Allen-Media
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DAVID BERRY HOSPITAL NEWS

Hello from the David Berry Hospital Auxiliary. We have a few "thank yous" for this month. Firstly, the 2 Brians - Brian Kellett and Brian Lindberg. What would we do without you?

The Brians are the ones who place the tent and advertising banners when required as well as the tables for our street stalls. They also collect items from our members who can't come early to our stalls and then at the end of the day, take them all down and return them to their storage place. A HUGE thank you to you both.

The Celtic Day was again a great success and a credit to the Berry Rotary Club. Congratulations to all for a marvellous day. Also, a thank you to all our supporters and helpers. Our raffle was won by Patricia Shaw of Moss Vale and we hope you enjoy our vouchers when next in Berry. Thank you also to the shop keepers in Berry our supplying the vouchers for our raffle. They were donated by The Emporium, Sew & Tell, The Berry Barn, Hedgehogs Coffee Shop, Book Top Cafe and the Ice Creamery. I am sure Patricia will enjoy her day in Berry.

I believe the Berry Alliance - Town Crier night was a great success. I apologise I wasn't able to go because of a previous engagement. Thank you to all the staff and to Nancy for her help in placing the David Berry Hospital news for us.

Don't forget the Berry Camellia Show to be held in August. Again, the Hospital Auxiliary will be serving fabulous hot soup, sandwiches and slices on both days so you will be able to come and enjoy seeing all the flowers and eat to your heart's content.

Pamela Coles - Publicity Officer

Right: Catherine Lindberg receiving her 10 years badge from State President Linda Swales. Congratulations Catherine.

Far Left: State President Linda Swales presenting Moira Harris and Patricia Shaw with their Certificate for 15 years services. Congratulations to you both for all your service.



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