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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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Sustainable BERRY



National Bird Week

National Bird Week has its origins in the early 1900s, when October 28 was designated as Bird Day by the rather grandly named Royal Australasian Ornithologists Union. Today, BirdLife Australia continues with the goal of encouraging Australians to become involved in the conservation of our native bird species. In the past five years I have seen a reduction in habitat for blue wrens, and a resultant loss of regular sightings of these diminutive birds. Conversely, I have seen an increase in Indian Minah birds, when until recently I rarely saw one close to where I live. Other rare sightings for me have been the Eastern whipbird, Yellow-billed spoonbill, Glossy black-cockatoo, and Boobook owl. With the works on the Berry Bypass coming to an end within the next twelve months we should see an increase in habitat from plantings established along the new road corridor. October 23 to 29 is the annual bird count Birds in Backyards, a program now run by BirdLife Australia, a research program devised to chart the loss of wild bird species, while recording the density and distribution of birds living adjacent human populations. The program also aims promote conservation of suitable habitat to encourage a greater diversity of birds living in close contact with communities.

The program was established by the group Birds Australia in 1998 and has grown in the almost twenty years since to be a credible and well-respected research and education program. Birds in Backyards has a dedicated website with further information (www.birdsinbackyards.net). On this website you can find information about identifying birds and creating habitat. BirdLife Australia encourage all citizens to be involved in regular surveys of bird numbers and species. The results of past surveys are available at Birddata, and survey forms can be found there (birddata.birdlife.org.au). The greater the participation of citizens Australia wide, the better prepared we will be to protect remaining species against the joint threats of climate change and habitat loss. There are plenty of ways to get involved and find out more information from the websites listed above. In the mean time remember that while it has been a dry winter and spring, birds welcome a regular drink of water. If you have a birdbath ensure the water is changed regularly to prevent the spread of disease. While it may be tempting to put some seed or other food out, wild birds do better when they are left to forage for their appropriate diet, and this also ensures they don't become dependent on humans for sustenance.

INFORMATION ABOUT THIS YEAR'S COUNT CAN BE FOUND AT

aussiebirdcount.org.au

For more information on attracting local bird species see the
Plant Propagation Nursery's article on Page 16.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Meals on Wheels need more volunteers if you can spare the time for approximately 1- 1½ hours on a roster over about 4 weeks.

Wednesday and Fridays are the days we need more assistance - **CAN YOU HELP?**

We were lucky with last month's Town Crier submission; Sheila and Ann have joined up after receiving their police checks. They will go out with President Pat to learn their route.

Meals on Wheels is a great service in Berry. We deliver Monday to Fridays, if our clients need a weekend meal, we can deliver a frozen meal to them.

Our Volunteer Appreciation Afternoon Tea Is Coming up in October with invitations going out this week.



Like all services, our books need to be updated from time to time so I am asking you if you are already a VOLUNTEER with Berry Meals on Wheels could you ring President Pat 44641 194 and update your emails with us please.

Thanking you all for your dedication to our worthy service.
BERRY MEALS ON WHEELS INC.

Berry & District Garden Club News



SECRETARY MARY SEELIS 4464 1191 VISIT US ON www.berrygardens.org.au

It's that time of the year again! Warmer days and joyful spring growth have ushered in the annual blooming of garden festivals, many within reach of Berry. Tulip time in Bowral, Floriade in Canberra, Leura, Crookwell, Oberon, Robertson, Bundanoon..... it's hard to decide where to go for a feast of beautiful flora.

Nothing could be easier, though, than to remain in Berry for our own Garden Festival from Thursday 12 – Sunday 15 October. This year there are three town gardens and five rural properties to visit, stretching from the top of Woodhill to the slopes of Coolangatta. You will find them on our website. The hardworking garden owners are now finalising their "to do" lists, more than 100 club volunteers have been rostered for duty and the club's plant propagation group are rejoicing as the plants for the club stall burst into new growth. We are looking forward to the visitors who arrive by car and coach but we will be even more delighted to welcome "the locals" out for the day exploring and enjoying this beautiful area and its gardens.

This year our very abundant plant stall will be located next door to Garden 5 in Prince Alfred Street. We have had a successful practice run at the recent Small Farm Field Days and are now ready to offer an even wider selection of plants for the four days of the Festival. All our plants have come from cuttings or divisions from Berry gardens so drop in and allow us to sell you something that will do well in your own garden. Funds raised from our plant sales are put aside for the new park at the bottom of George Street. The site is now cleared and contoured ready for planting and the construction of paths. It has been a long wait for the RMS and Fulton Hogan to finish their work but our enthusiasm remains undimmed and our fundraising through plant sales continues!

Berry Garden Club members sometimes travel great distances to visit gardens, both interstate and internationally. Our October Guest Speaker, Lorraine Heath, will share her visit to the amazing two hectare Kaydale Lodge Garden in NW Tasmania on a Blooming Tasmania tour. The story of its construction, where family members have been able to follow their own passions for planting, collecting and landscaping, will be supported by images of the many garden areas throughout the seasons.

Visitors are most welcome to join us for this interesting presentation. Our next meeting will be held in St Luke's Church Hall in Princess St on Tuesday, 17 October at 7.30pm.

To find out more about our club, please contact our secretary, Mary Seelis, on 44641191 or visit us at www.berrygardens.org.au



Borrow, Use, Reuse and Return



The success of Boomerang Bags relies on the bags being in circulation, so if you have any bags at home we ask you to please return them if they are not being used.

We have now distributed almost 2,000 handmade-with-love-and-care bags into shops in

Berry. There is still a good number on hand and more bags being made every week.

It would be great to welcome new sewers to the group to replace those who are worn out with all the good work! Please get in touch if you would like to volunteer.

Recently, we took our bags to the Quilting Exhibition at the School of Arts and spent two days talking to people about the Boomerang

Bag communities popping up around the world; we are very proud that Berry is one of them. It was a great opportunity to show off a fine collection of our "best bags" and we were able to raise some much-needed funds to pay for threads and sewing machine servicing. Thank you to all who came by and made our day so enjoyable.

We meet twice a month to cut and sew, there's also a lot of chatting and laughing goes on as well! We use only recycled materials which dramatically reduces the incidence of textile pollution in landfill. So, helping us to sew bags also helps the environment in a big way. Our lovely bags are spreading the message to people to say NO to plastic.



If you'd like to be part of this amazing band of sewers, please call: Katrina Underwood: 0416 181 543

Meetings held in The Committee Rooms, Berry Showground 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month.

Katandra Women's a cappella choir.

Antoinette Raynal is a Berry resident and experienced Choir conductor who began Katandra in July this year. "Katandra means 'song of the birds'. she explains "Our name is ideally suited to this beautiful Berry area and is the perfect name for a women's a cappella choir- (or singing without musical accompaniment to you and me!)"

She understands the positive impact music can have on a person. "I wanted to share my love of music in Katandra and focus on supporting women both within the choir and in the greater community." To this end, proceeds from all Katandra performances are donated to local women's initiatives.

Sharon Thomson, 'Berryquilt@co.' proprietor and her teenage daughter Milly are members. She says, "We both love singing and it's fabulous for us to share this interest together in Katandra."

Carol Hammond from 'Berry Organic Sourdough Bakery' and Katandra Alto comments. "I love the company and am constantly amazed at how quickly the songs come together and sound fantastic"...

Soprano Libby Matthews of 'Bamboozle' puts it simply as, "the joy of singing just makes me feel good".

Antoinette says Katandra is different because rehearsals use a dynamic structure. They do vocal warm ups but also learn vocal techniques and aspects of voice production. Everyone mingles and workshops through various musical activities. Apart from being a lot of fun, she says that this is a certain way to quickly boost vocal confidence

and build musical ability. With beautiful repertoire from a wide range of musical styles including Jazz, Pop, Medieval, Folk and World Music, everyone can find something that they can enjoy. No audition is necessary.

Online rehearsal recordings make it easy to learn the music at any skill level and the musical arrangements are great. You can practice these music recordings at home, load them onto your phone and take them with you in the car, on your walks... whatever works for you!



Rehearsals begin again on Tuesday October 10th, 7.00-9.00 p.m. at St Patrick's Catholic church hall in Albert Street. Berry. To join Katandra.... please phone 0413 491 959 or email antraynal@bigpond.com - Or just drop in - we'd love to see you there!

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m: 0413 491 959 e: antraynal@bigpond.com
f Katandra Women's A Cappella Choir

The point of Katandra is simple.....

It's wonderful to be involved in a refreshing and energetic format where women can have fun, develop new skills, sing out and become friends. Having already performed their first successful evening concert in the Berry Hotel Beer Garden, Katandra are keen to start their next terms programme with even more members... so remember, if you can talk you can sing...

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Local family seeking larger land around 100 acres or above, suitable for cattle and horses.

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Peter or Amanda 4464 1199
or 0411 377 075.

PUBLIC TOILETS IN BERRY

Council is seeking community input on site options for additional public toilet capacity in Berry. There is concern about the lengthy queuing outside the facility in Alexandra Street, which will get worse as tourist numbers increase in the CBD. Council will make the final decision on location, but the community has an opportunity now to register its view.

CRITERIA FOR SITE SELECTION

- Land is Council owned and visual impact should affect a minimum number of residents
- The location should be within the CBD, or visible from the CBD and only a short walk away
- There should be ready access to existing sewerage, water and electricity services
- The architectural design of the facility should align with that of the township.

LOCATION OPTIONS

1. At the eastern end of Broughton car park
2. In Alexandra Street by the Park, between Princess and Victoria Streets (a petition with 300 signatures has been received opposing this site)
3. Extension of the existing facility in Alexandra Street (by 2.5m to include two toilets)
4. Upgrade of the existing Apex Park site to make it more accessible (a Council survey shows most visitors prefer to queue at the Alexandra St facility than walk to Apex Park)

OPTION DISCARDED BY COUNCIL

The Alexandra St taxi rank site by the service station - due to inadequate distance between the service station driveway and the corner of Queen St to allow for safe vehicle turning.

YOUR VIEW

At the next Forum meeting on 12 October, you can ask questions and express your view. We will then

record the meeting's preferences and pass the results to Council.

If you wish to influence Council's decision, we encourage you to attend the meeting.

PLANNING PROPOSAL

Council has received a proposal to rezone 15ha of land south of Hitchcocks Lane (part of Graham Park) from rural to residential and to modify the minimum lot size to 500m², consistent with Huntingdale Estate. The Committee will endeavor to provide the community with details of the proposal and to provide feedback to Council.

DA FOR BANGALEE MOTEL

Council has received a revised application and notified residents close to the site that submissions must be received by 19 September. The Committee has advised Council that the development affects all residents in the town, not just the immediate neighbouring properties, and that following the opening of the Bypass, the northern entrance to the town must be welcoming to visitors and in keeping with the heritage nature of Berry. A residents briefing and an extension of the date for receipt of submissions have been requested. Please check the Forum website for notification of the date for the residents briefing.

NEXT FORUM MEETING & AGM 12 OCTOBER

Our AGM will be held at the end of the regular meeting at the School of Arts. The existing Committee will be standing down and most members will be renominating. The meeting will be asked to review and confirm all nominations for the Committee for 2017/18. If you wish to nominate, please email berryforum@hotmail.com by Sunday 1 October with your name, address and telephone number. Please include 2/3 sentences on your skills and experience, and why you wish to join the Committee.



www.berrymerrychristmas.org.au

Calling all Berry community groups and organisations:

The Berry Chamber of Commerce & Tourism invites all community groups from Berry & surrounds to take part in the annual Berry Merry Christmas Parade.

WHEN: Saturday 2nd December

WHERE: Starting at Berry Showground

TIME: 5.15pm

With Queen Street now so much quieter, this year's parade will be even bigger and better than previous years, and we want to make it a real celebration of the whole Berry community.

So get your group together, make a banner to march behind, or wear costumes or carry props that celebrate what you do in the community....

Please register your group with Sophie Ray – sophiecmray@gmail.com

Retailers, please contact Sandy Bramley on 0427 641 896 for more information about the evening and opportunities for retailers during the evening after the parade.

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Thanks to Julie Watts for a great September conversation. She was able to introduce and immerse us in the culture of the Mowanjam Aboriginal Community who live near Derby in WA.

On October 25th at 10am, our speaker is local identity Bob Arnold who is talking about his experiences as a child in wartime London.

Tom Darby will entertain us on 22nd November. His topic is "How not to write a Memoir"

The venue is Wesley Hall at the Uniting Church, 77 Albert Street.

Berry Community Library

We have included some photos from the official opening of the Berry Community Library. Thanks to those who were able to come and celebrate the occasion.

Come on down and check out the great selection of books to borrow and use the space to relax with friends, discuss favourite books and enjoy a tea or coffee.

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BERRY CWA 2017 NEWS

With the CWA calendar year fast approaching one of the last and most interesting functions for the year took place in the grounds of our rooms when the Year 5 students from Berry Primary School presented their findings on the CWA Country of Study for 2017, Nepal. They researched every aspect of that wonderful country nestled in the Himalayas and took the members on a guided tour of their history, politics, religion and general day to day living. Member Colleen Fry had a difficult task judging the student's posters, books and projects with the winners being: Book – Rohan Tavener, Poster – Henry Adams, Project – Declan Salmon. She was most impressed with the standard of all the student's work. The eagerly anticipated Country of Study for 2018 will be announced in the October CWA Journal.

The Group Festival Day which was held at the Kiama Uniting Church Hall proved once again to be a fun filled day of music, drama (spoken with tongue in cheek), short stories and funny stories/jokes with our own Berry members Pam and Emily performing as 'Fanny & Biddy in Fanny Writes a Book'. The Combined CWA Choir opened the day with Anything Goes which was the theme for the day and closed the event with the Australian Medley giving members the opportunity to join in with I Still Call Australia Home and Waltzing Matilda.

Beanies and scarves donated on the day are to be presented to Sahssi (Supported Accommodation & Homelessness Services Shoalhaven Illawarra) in support of vulnerable women and families.

A busy time ahead for the members with catering at one of the gardens during the Berry Garden Festival followed by the Wollondilly Group and Branch Annual meetings. Members of the community are invited to our Branch Annual Meeting to be held Friday, October 20 at 1pm preceded by a finger food lunch at 12.30. This is an opportunity to hear of our events during the year and the progress of our building maintenance both present and in the future.

CWA member, Colleen Fry with one of the children's projects.



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On a wing and a

Have you ever prayed to God before? My suspicion is that a lot of us have at some point in our lives, even if it was as a child. Often prayers come out when we are in desperate situations or when we really, really want something to happen.

The question that follows this question is; Do prayers actually work? There are many people of different faiths throughout the world that will testify to power of prayer in their lives. One time Archbishop of Canterbury, William Temple said "When I pray, coincidences happen. When I don't, they don't."

There is no way to scientifically prove or disprove that prayer works. A number of studies conducted in the early 2000s identified those that pray are generally better able to cope with illness and have improved health outcomes, than those that do not. An article published in the Medical journal of Australia over a decade ago offers four mechanisms by which prayer may influence the outcome of one's health (Prayer as Medicine: How much have we learned? Jantos and Kiat, June 2007, MJA) ; 1. Prayer as a relaxation response, 2. Prayer as a placebo, 3. Prayer as an expression of positive emotion, or 4. Prayer as a channel for supernatural intervention.

We believe that prayer works, because we believe that there is a God and that He is good and that He is powerful and that He can and

does intervene in human history. We believe that when we speak to Him, He listens and He responds. He might not, however, always respond in the way that we want Him to. There are plenty of verses in the Bible about how God answers prayer, such as 1 John 5:14-15, "And we are confident that he hears us whenever we ask for anything that pleases him. And since we know he hears us when we make our requests, we also know that he will give us what we ask for."

I want to encourage you to pray. It's pretty simple, just start speaking in your head, or even better, out loud. There is no magical formula or way to do it. You don't have to even kneel or close your eyes or put your hands together. The promise is, that if you do pray, God will hear you and respond. Why not give it a go? What have you got to lose?

We have just spent 50 days of intentionally praying every day for our community. If you'd like us to pray with you or for you, or your business, or your family, get in contact with us through our website or give me a call.

Joel Noonan
0403 193 945

info@berrycommunitychurch.org 4464 2315 www.berrycommunitychurch.org



BIRTHING KITS

We are again meeting to assemble Birthing Kits on Saturday, 21st October at the Uniting Church Hall at 9am, and we ask anyone with time to spare to come along and lend a hand. This is such a worthwhile project, helping mothers in developing countries to have a safe birth. The Berry community has always rallied to support these days, and we again welcome one and all. Please register (for insurance purposes) at [try booking.com/305013](http://trybooking.com/305013). See you there!

HAVE YOU BOOKED??

The Zonta Annual Trivia Night is coming up - only a few sleeps to go, so don't miss out! Saturday, October 28th is the date, the Uniting Church Hall in Berry the venue, \$25 per head and starting at 6.30pm, and the theme ... 'A NIGHT AT THE OPERA' which should inspire you all to come up with some creative table decorations, plus some very imaginative costumes for you and your friends. Come as your favourite opera character, or as an elegant opera attendee - the possibilities are endless! There will be coffee, tea, cakes, an auction and some fun games - and of course, prizes for the best table and costume. And to make the evening really swing, bring along your own delicious picnic food, plus wine, your credit card or cash, and your superlative brains. Book for tables of eight with [try booking.com/307153](http://trybooking.com/307153), your name, and help support our local projects. Enquiries - Leonie Winlaw 0417 066 677.

At our last dinner meeting, President Rosalie Fletcher inducted three new members into the club. We were pleased to welcome Molly Adams, Anne Rich and Carolyn Robinson, swelling the club numbers yet again!

DINNER MEETING

At the Coachhouse Restaurant, Hotel Berry, 6.30 for 7pm, Tuesday, September 26. Please book with Cecile Lewis on 4464 3913.

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We often hear of the scourge of deforestation. In the 20th Century Tropical forests were cleared for cattle, palm, soya and other agriculture. By the 1990s farms occupied 38% of the world's land (27% of tropical and 45% of temperate lands). Many species have been adversely affected by this reduction of habitat.

However recent data from the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations show that for various reasons the total area of pasture and cropland is shrinking. The collapse of the wool price in the 1990s resulted in the abandoning of over 60 million hectares of pasture in Australia and New Zealand since then. This trend continues.

The South-west of Australia houses the world's largest Mediterranean woodland of eucalyptus, dry sandy heaths, wet forests and swamps. 89% of this had been cleared for crops and pasture. However consumer preference for cotton and Lycra has resulted in change. Bush Heritage Australia (a conservation charity) has purchased a 69,000 hectare sheep farm made unprofitable when wool prices collapsed. This property formerly known as "White Wells" and now renamed the "Bush Heritage's Charles Darwin Reserve" is an island of natural vegetation, a sanctuary to almost 700 species of plants and 230 animals.

This return of land of low productivity to the natural ecosystems can be a positive change of increasing importance. It may be the point when we start sharing more of our planet with other species. A new technology may be ideally suited to reforestation of these areas. "Drone Seed Bombing" a technique where a swarm of drones fire small capsules of seeds in liquid fertilizer into the ground at high velocity. This can blanket an acre of forest with seeds in 1.5 hours. The process can easily access difficult terrain and forests. It could increase seeding productivity 10 fold.



*Inset: Bush Heritage's Charles Darwin Reserve (Photo by Bron Willis)
Drone Seed Bombing*

WORKING BEES FOR OCTOBER 2017:

Alexandra Street Parkcare:

9-11am Friday 20th
Gail Paton 4448 7915.

Bong Bong Road:

9-11am Sunday 8th
Julia Woinarski 4464 2084.

Broughton Vale:

3-5pm Sunday 1st
Kelvin Officer 0427 255 417.
(A Splatter Gun demo
will be carried out.)

Bundewallah Bushcare:

3-5pm Sunday 29th
John Clarke 4464 3911.

Camp Quality:

9-11am Sunday
15th Hugh Sheil,
Hugh.sheil@realtimcom.com.au
or Jeanne Highland 4464 1271.

David Berry Hospital:

3-5pm Saturday 28th
Leslie Pigott 4464 3241.

Mount Coolangatta:

Nola Barker. Mob 0409 446 418
nolajbarker@live.com.au.
Time to be advised.

Mark Radium Park: 9-10am Friday
27th Rodney Cole 4464 1475.

Princess St Parkcare: 9-11am
Monday 23th Terry Oades 4464 3654.

Tindalls Lane: 3-5pm Sunday 8th
Jim Jefferis 4464 2988.

Plant identification service: Please contact Harvey Blue 4464 1880 or Ian Parker, 4448 6359. Visit our pages at: <http://www.landcare.nsw.gov.au/groups/berry-landcare> for more on Berry Landcare and late changes to working bee details. Information can also be found on Facebook.

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Celebración Espiritual – a journey in music

Choral music can be both uplifting and calming. Local choir Cantares has a mission to celebrate life, love and internationalism through a musical exploration of the culture, dreams and beliefs of our global community. Under the direction of internationally recognised Dr Carlos Alvarado, Cantares has been exploring the Misa Criolla by the Argentinian composer Ariel Ramirez. Misa Criolla (Creole Mass) is a Spanish mass based in Argentine folk music. With its message of world peace and justice it was a worldwide sensation when it appeared and the recording has sold three million copies. For its upcoming concert in Berry, along with the Misa Criolla the choir has also been developing a program of South American folk music exploring some of the folklore, dreams and beliefs of the diverse countries of the region.

By way of contrast, Cantares will perform Schubert's Mass in G, composed in 1815 and the best known of his three shorter masses. The intensity of this piece is found in its simplicity and modesty.

The Latin rhythms of South America are inspiring and exciting while Schubert's works have an intensity that invites introspection and contemplation. With soloist Kerry Nicholson (soprano), South American trio Los Inkas, brilliant piano accompanist Bethany Morris and of course the incomparable Carlos Alvarado conducting, Cantares' forthcoming concert - Celebración Espiritual - is billed as a choral journey of unity and should prove uplifting and inspirational.



Berry Men's Bowling Club

The objectives of the Men's and Women's Bowling Clubs in addition to creating friendship, sporting contact and an opportunity to gain beneficial outdoors exercise for local residents is to also make contact with other bowling clubs through District organised competitions and to visit other clubs to play in their social play and their competitions as can be arranged.

An example of contact with other Clubs was the Folkards, Deb a member of the Women's and Rob a member of the Men's, visited Currarong Club to Play in their mixed pairs tournament. Not only did Deb and Rob win their two matches but by scores adequate to win the tournament and the \$300 prize money and then they went onto win the wine raffle that they then shared with the teams that they defeated. Club Championships are still being conducted with the Major/Minor Pairs currently being played. A member who has won a Singles Championship match is classified as a Major and in this Championship format are paired with a Minor and this structure creates some very competitive matches and pairings that may otherwise not occur. Social bowls matches are played of a Wednesday and Saturday with bookings to 0488 729 229 by 12 noon and play commencing at 1.00 pm. Bookings to play barefoot bowls or make use of other Club facilities can be arranged at the Club or by telephoning 4464 2995.

Celebración Espiritual

7.30PM, 7TH OCTOBER 2017

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BERRY MEN'S SHED

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME TO JOIN THE SHED

The Berry Men's Shed opened its doors in 2005 with just 5 members. It has since grown to 65 and we are looking for some new members join our Shed. All our members have varied woodworking skills and one of our jobs is to train new members to improve their wood working skills. Most of the jobs we do are for members of the local community and small businesses in Berry and surrounding areas. We even have a mobile trailer to enable us to work off site.

Some of the work we are currently undertaking is to make domino sets for the Masonic village, the difference with these sets is that they are 3 times the size of the original, we have just been asked to make 9 small cup and saucer boxes to store antique china as heirlooms down the track as well as upgrading tables and chairs for resale at our annual garage sale.

It is not all work and no play as our Shed likes to socialise and we are regular supporters of the Bomaderry TAFE Destiny dinners and we provide Health Talks to the community with guest speakers followed by our famous BBQ lunches.

Our training team loves the opportunity to teach our members new skills and to ensure that they are working in a safe environment. Our main financial income comes from our annual Garage sale held in November each year and the money generated from that sale goes towards our Scholarship programme at Nowra, Bomaderry and Shoalhaven High Schools along with our sponsorship at TAFE Bomaderry. Other income goes towards the

repair and replacement of machinery in the Shed. Annual membership remains at \$25 and all new members are taken through a relaxed induction course before settling in and working with our other members. The Shed remains a sponsor of the wood working section at the annual Berry Show. At morning tea, we talk about anything and everything and usually solve the problems of the world before returning to work.

If you feel the Shed may be for you call in and speak to the Supervisor on duty and they will be happy to show you around.

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Small Farm Field Days a Resounding Success

The winds abated, the sun shone and the crowds came out (over 5000 people) for the 6th Annual Berry Small Farm Field Days held at the Berry Showground at the beginning of September.

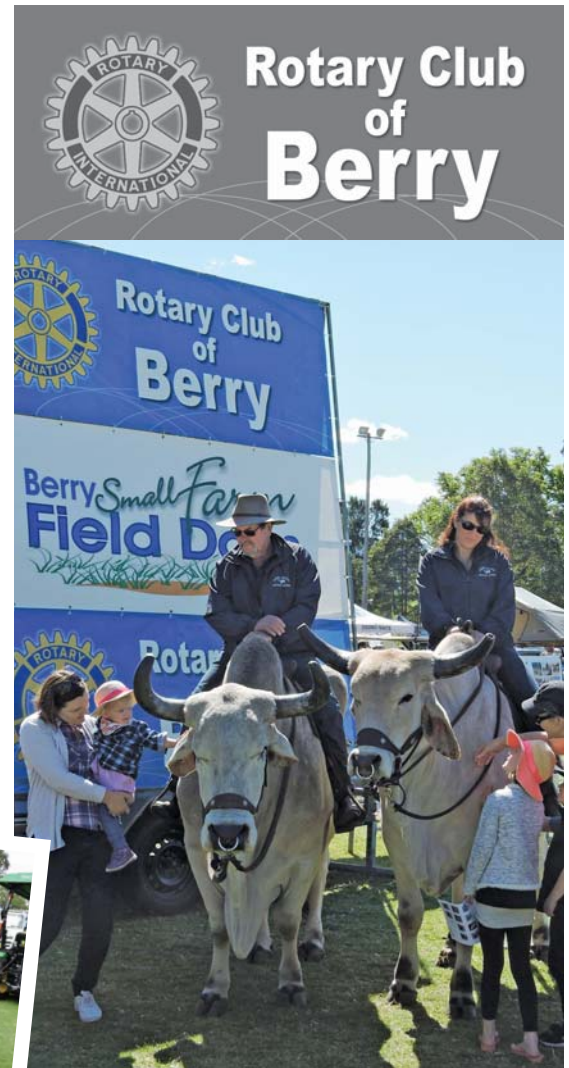
The Showground exhibits looked resplendent with tractors, ride-ons, quad bikes, garden displays and machinery of all sizes and colours.

Families with young children had a wow of a time. There were farm animals of all kinds including alpacas, miniature cattle, goats, ponies, sheep, chooks, chickens and ducks as well as a large Clydesdale and Gary and Robyn Nelson's Brahman bulls Charlie and Harley (pictured).

Children were also kept busy finding the locations of the ten 'furry friends' in a competition to win a great prize. The first correct entry drawn for girls was Mila Martyn, aged 6 and for boys, 12-year-old Alec Dobson. Students from Berry Public School waited eagerly to hear the winners of the Colouring-in Competition that was held in the lead up to the Field Days. The winners in the 7 years and Under category were 1st Summer Craig, 2nd Imogen Wall and 3rd Lucas Bull. In the Over 7 years, the winners were 1st Jack Wood, 2nd Gracie Walsh and 3rd Ethan Schoon.

The Rotary Club of Berry thanks all of our sponsors including Gold Sponsors – Millpaca and 2ST/Power FM; Silver Sponsors - Berry Vet Clinic, Shoalhaven City Council and the Local Land Services; Bronze Sponsors – Ray White Real Estate and Shoalhaven Party Hire; and Supporters - Berry Pharmacy, Strongbuild and Manildra Stockfeeds.

The Field Days are one of the Rotary Club's major fundraisers with proceeds going to various community, youth and international activities with the current major local project being to facilitate the establishment of a nature play parkland in North Street Berry.



National Youth Science Forum Success

Gaining acceptance to the hotly contested National Youth Science Forum is an achievement that few students realize. Each year, the Rotary Club of Berry supports aspiring students and this year is successfully sponsoring three students. Sam Hobson and Alex Rush will be attending the 12 day Forum at Queensland University in January and Ashleigh Gale has been accepted to the Forum being held at the Australian National University in Canberra. The National Youth Science Forum is without doubt one of Australia's most outstanding programs targeted at inspiring young people with a passion for science.



University Grant

Each year the Rotary Club of Berry awards two undergraduate students with an "open gift" grant towards the costs of their university studies.

There are 2 grants offered.

- **The Jack 'Mo' Higgins Memorial University Grant of a \$1000 for students under the age of 25.**
- **The Jack 'Mo' Higgins Mature Age University Grant of a \$1000 for students over 25 years of age.**

Applicants must be:

- A resident of, or have come from, the areas of Berry, Gerringong or Shoalhaven Heads.
- Studying full-time at a university in NSW or the ACT.
- An Australian citizen or a permanent resident of Australia.

Application Closing date: Tuesday 31 October 2017

To find out more: contact Rotarian Rob Haines 4464 2558 or email berryrotary@gmail.com

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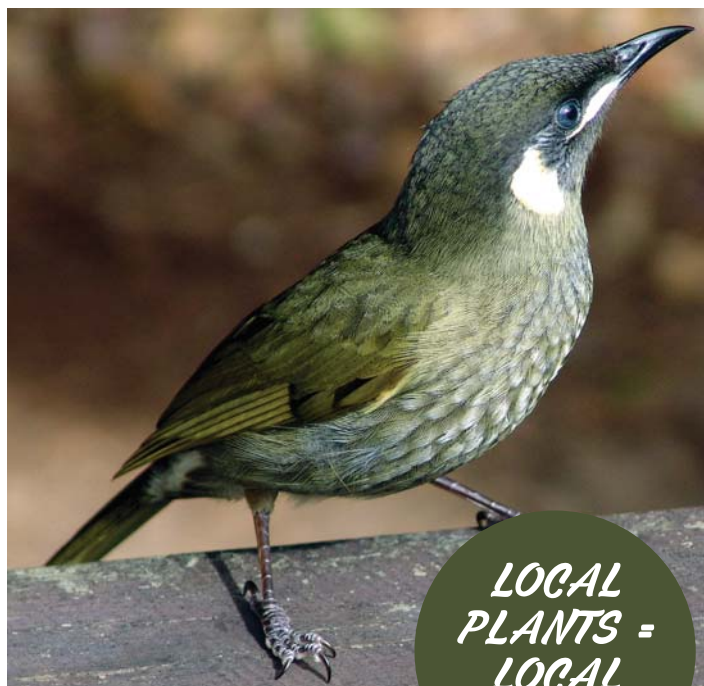
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Local Plant species attract Local Bird species

The key to attracting a wide variety of local bird species into urban gardens relies on planting a diverse range of local plant species to provide a variety of food, nesting material and protection all year round.



As the number of larger native nectar feeding birds such as wattle birds, noisy miners, rainbow lorikeets increases, the number of smaller birds such as Lewin's honey eaters, Spinebills, Silver eyes, declines. Lewin's honey eater is the only local honey eater in the Berry area. There are a few reasons that allow this imbalance to occur:-

- As urban development increases, the distance between natural bushland and urban gardens also increases, making it more difficult for smaller local birds to fly the distance from the bush to take up residence in town gardens.



- The popularity of non-local, heavy nectar producing plants such as Grevilleas, attract larger birds which invade the territory of the original pair/s of birds. Lack of success for smaller birds to breed is often caused by constant disturbance and attacks by larger, more aggressive birds.
- Larger birds take advantage of abundant food, including eating native fledglings. These birds actively prevent local smaller birds from feeding and breeding. The result is an overpopulation of larger birds at the expense of the smaller local native birds.

To help restore the balance in favour of attracting smaller local birds into your garden, you could try some of these ideas:-

- Plant local species that produce less nectar. Smaller birds will feed on these, whereas larger birds won't be bothered.
- Plant a variety of species that will provide seeds and fruits throughout the year.
- Plant a mixture of taller and smaller plants and ground covers. These will provide protection for small birds. Larger birds do not like to fly quickly through plants, because they are likely to damage their wings.
- Break up and reduce the size of open areas in the garden through which aggressive birds can mount their attack.
- The equation is simple - Local Plants = Local Birds

Point of interest

There are no local Grevillea species in the Berry area, because the soil type and other environmental conditions are not suitable for them to thrive or survive.

We hope you will visit the school nursery soon to see the range of local ground covers, shrubs and trees that will attract local birds into your garden.

Pictured: Lewins Honey Eater



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Learn more at lightthenight.org.au



Mainly music has had a great time over the past few months with the families getting very involved in the music, singing and movement facilitated at each session. The music encourages all types of learning and understanding and to observe the development of these beautiful children is an immense joy.

The musical element runs for half an hour and is followed by a special time of play and sharing out on the deck or in the play area for another hour or so. The Friday Play Group that meets in the building are very generous and have allowed us to share their equipment. This has given us a wide variety of activities to share outdoors.

I am aware that Father's Day has passed last month but you always play a special part in your child's development and your family's life. As we plant a seed in a garden and we watch them grow. Similarly, as your child grows, we are always amazed at their progress and development. So, treasure those moments as we treasure the time we have with your special families.

Mainly music is held every Tuesday at Berry Community Church, 8 Schofields Lane, Berry. For more information, you may contact Trish on 0401 151 820. The cost per session is \$5.00 per family.



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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
CD17/1460	Dwelling additions and alterations	7 Albany Lane	16-Aug
DA17/2035	Detached garage and seven tress to be removed	604B Tourist Rd	18-Aug
DA17/2086	Demolition of dwelling and construct single storey dwelling	278 Agars Lane	29-Aug
DA17/2096	Change existing structures to 3 tourist cabins/observation deck	411 Coolangatta Rd	31-Aug
DA17/2154	Erection of farm shed	Bryces Rd	13-Sep

	Development Applications Determined		
DA17/1378	Multi - Dwelling Housing - 15 Units	Hitchcocks Ln	10-Apr
DA17/1403	Additions to Dwelling, Attached rear two storey wing	6 Pulman St	13-Apr
DA17/1565	Construct one bedroom tourist cabin and stables building	450A Coolangatta Rd	16-May



Reference Guide



SUBJECT	DETAILS
CHEMICAL RECYCLING	Chemical Cleanout at Shoalhaven City Council Carpark Sunday 26 November 9.00 am – 3.30 pm cleanout.com.au Agricultural and veterinarian chemical disposal Agsafe ChemClear program 1800 0080 182 agsafe.com.au
RECYCLING FOR BUSINESSES	Business Recycling 1300 763 768 - businessrecycling.com.au
MATTRESS RECYCLING	Mission Australia Soft Landing 1800 763 852 - softlanding.com.au
FRIDGE BUYBACK PROGRAM	For eligible households, free collection and \$25 rebate 1800 708 401 fridgebuyback.com.au - If you're not eligible for the program, the Berry Depot charges \$12 to take old fridges.
BATTERY RECYCLING	Berry Waste Depot and Aldi Supermarkets.
OUT OF DATE MEDICATIONS	Don't put in landfill or wash down the sink. Return to place of purchase or local chemist.
MOBILE PHONE RECYCLING	Drop off points for Mobile Muster can be found at Post Offices nationally. Closest retail outlets in Nowra are the Optus or Telstra shops, Officeworks, and Shoalhaven Council Administration centre. 1300 730 070 - www.mobilemuster.com.au Greener Mobile buys old mobile phone (along with tablets and smart watches) and pledges to plant a tree for every device they recycle. 1300 128 900 - greenermobile.com.au
ENERGY SAVING TIPS	energyrating.gov.au livinggreener.gov.au 10percentchallenge.com.au/household-tips/ energy.gov/energysaver/energy-saver
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COUNCIL WORKSHOPS	Shoalhaven run free courses on garden waste recycling and other topics. Check the website for upcoming courses. Bookings essential. calendars.shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au/Waste-Management-Events
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. Flavours Shoalhaven refill Morella Grove olive oil glass bottles. Leaf Thai restaurant will fill your own containers when you order take away food.
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.
ALTERNATIVES TO PLASTIC	Cling wrap; use beeswax coated reusable cloth wraps, which can be composted when they come to the end of their lifespan. Buy from biome.com.au or look online for tutorials to make your own. Paper snack & sandwich bags from If You Care are chlorine-free and greaseproof. This company makes a range of paper products from unbleached pulp from renewable sources. www.ifyoucare.com Plastic bags for dog waste; buy compostable cornstarch-based bags like those at www.goinggreensolutions.com.au Bin liner bags; wrap messy scraps in newspaper. Rinse out bin as required. Drinking straws; buy a set of reusable toughened glass / metal and keep one in each of your family's bags. www.shopnaturally.com.au

Berry Restaurants & Cafes, Functions & Catering Guide

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towncrier@berryalliance.org.au

Calendar of Events

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER

24 September - Sunday - Berry Produce Market

26 September - Tuesday - the Zonta Club of Berry meets 6.30 for 7pm

for dinner at The Coachhouse Restaurant, Hotel Berry. Contact Cecilie Lewis for
bookings - 4464 3913.

30 September - 1 October - Saturday & Sunday - Garage Sale (Berry Red Cross),
will be held at Sheila Keats home on Sat 30/9/17 and Sunday 1/10/17 from 8.30am
to 3pm each day. 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.

1 October - Sunday - Garage Sale from 11am earliest. Household and garage goods,
furniture, tools, Jetmaster etc. 78 Woodhill Mountain Road Berry 4464 2446.

6 October - Friday - Light the Night, Apex Park, Berry from 5.30 pm to 8 pm, enjoy:
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12-15 October - Thursday to Sunday - Berry Gardens Festival. The 8 spectacular
gardens are open from 10am - 4pm each day. Tickets on sale at all gardens and at
Apex Park. For more information email info@berrygardens.org.au.

14 October - Saturday - Berry Produce Market.

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

20 October - Friday - CWA (The Country Women's Assoc.)

AGM at 1pm in the CWA rooms, Victoria Street, Berry.

22 October - Sunday - Berry Produce Market.

25 October - Wednesday - Community Consultation on Assisted Dying by the
NSW Parliamentary Working Group on Assisted Dying. 6pm til approx. 7.30pm
Berry Courthouse. You can view the public consultation draft bill here:
<https://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/bills/fbb47772-6378-42e0-9ce8-fc5cd330699c>
Enquiries to Rick (ALP Berry) on 4464 2446.

FUTURE DATES

4 November - Saturday - Berry Men's Shed Annual Garage Sale.

5 November - Sunday - Garage Sale from 11am earliest. Household and garage
goods, furniture, tools, Jetmaster etc. 78 Woodhill Mountain Road Berry 4464 2446.

10 November - Friday - CWA Monthly meeting 1pm CWA rooms Victoria Street
Contact Emily 4448 8633.

11 November - Saturday - Berry Produce Market.

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

2 December - Saturday - Berry Merry Christmas.

31 December - Sunday - NEW YEARS EVE FAMILY FIREWORKS

held at the Berry Showground. \$7.50 adults, children under 15 free.

ENQUIRIES - berryrotary@gmail.com or call 02 4464 3636.

26 November - Sunday - Berry Produce Market.

8 December - Friday - CWA Monthly meeting 1pm CWA rooms Victoria Street
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2-3 February - Friday & Saturday - 130th Berry Show. The Berry Show is an annual
agricultural show and will be held at the Berry Showground. With large cattle and
horse shows and fantastic entertainment including rodeo, woodchopping, the Young
Farmer Challenge, Showgirl announcement and fireworks, there is nothing quite like
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**If your community group or business wants to advertise an event here,
please contact the editor at towncrier@berryalliance.org.au.**

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	<p>First Sunday of the Month</p> <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 Berry Spinners & Weavers - Open Day and Exhibition - Saturday 26th August, 2017 from 10:00 to 3pm. To be held in the Rural Youth Hall, Berry Showground.
SEPTEMBER	Berry Small Farm Field Day
OCTOBER	Berry Garden Club's Annual Garden Festival
NOVEMBER	Remembrance Day 4th November 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

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It is a legislative requirement that property owners provide a minimum of 24 hours' notice to their local fire authority and all adjoining land owners. Penalties apply for failing to comply.

For information about Bush Fire Danger Period rules and fire permits, go to: www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/fire-information/BFDP or contact the NSW RFS Shoalhaven Fire Control Centre. A quick guide to your responsibilities when lighting a fire or undertaking activities that may result in a fire can be found at: http://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0017/4670/Standards-Lighting-a-Fire-2017-WEB-READY-WCAG2.pdf

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PO Box 202 Berry 2535
towncrier@berryalliance.org.au
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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

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Honorary Secretary -
Margaret Walsh 21 Windsor Drive Berry
1st Wednesday each month at 2.00pm
Berry Uniting Church

Berry Alcoholics Anonymous 1300 903 392
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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@berriecourthouse.org.au
www.berriecourthouse.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.)
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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 0408 979 337
PO Box 81 Berry 2535
barker_killaloe@hotmail.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 181 543

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
berryprobus@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
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Conference meets every 1st Mon. 7pm St.
Patrick's Hall

Zonta Club of Berry
Ph 4464 3913 (Cecilie Lewis)
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PO Box 302 Berry 2535
email-berry@zontadistrict24.org
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ARTS

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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
berrymuseum@bigpond.com
www.berryhistory.org.au

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

Katandra 0413 491 959
Women's A Capella Choir
PO Box 149 Berry 2535
antraynal@bigpond.com Katandra Facebook Page
Meeting Tuesday 7.00-9.00 p.m @ St Patricks
Catholic Church Hall. Albert Street Berry

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
Meetings held on the 4th Friday of each month
9.30am-1.30pm. Sewing Days held on the 2nd
Friday of each month 9.30am-1.30pm at St
Luke's Anglican Church Hall, Princess Street
Please contact mail to:
secretary@redberryquilters.org

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
Lyn 02 4464 3911
Meet Thursday afternoons during school hours
lyn-clark@outlook.com.au

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
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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
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Shoalhaven Historic Vehicle Club Inc. 4464 1723
PO Box 1, Nowra NSW 2541

SPORT

Berry Hockey Club 0412 218 704
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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
jasiy@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
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- From 1st August 2017, the Reserve Bank has left the official cash rate on hold on a record low of 1.5%.

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*Berry Community
Preschool*

Terrific Term 3 at Berry Preschool

During National Science Week in August so we did some mini science experiments and discussed the theory behind them. It is amazing how much children get out of inquiry-based learning.

The Thursday children recently went on an excursion to Shoalhaven Library as part of Book Week. It is always nice to get out into the community and to highlight the importance and joy of reading books with children.

One of the special programs we offer at preschool is the ELLA (Early Languages Learning Australia) Program, which allows the children to learn French words, sentences and songs. ELLA is aimed at children in the year before school. It includes a suite of materials developed to support early language learning in preschools. One of the many extensions of our French learning was for the Wednesday children to create their own pizzas, just like they do on the ELLA iPad app, using the French words for the ingredients they used.

We recently discussed the meaning of Daffodil Day, and marked the occasion by dressing in yellow and cooking yummy bright yellow cupcakes; this was lots of fun and also

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very delicious according to our mini master chefs.

Music experiences are very rich at Berry Preschool. This month we had a visit from "Tom the Pom" from the Young Australia Workshop. His music session was an exciting hands-on experience that involved the children in drumming. Drumming generates lots of fun, and promotes maths, listening skills, rhythm and beat. We also enjoyed singing along with the drums.

We had a blast at our recent evening to celebrate fathers day. The children enjoyed preschool by torchlight with their dads, grandads and special guests. A Big thanks to Emily's dad, Luke, for bringing his very large telescope so we could stargaze.

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DAVID BERRY HOSPITAL AUXILIARY

Thanks to all who supported our Father's Day Street Stall; it all went very well and it was one of our best for a while. The winner of the raffle was Shirley Kershaw. Congratulations to Shirley, who is one of our hard-working members. We were also able to give gifts to all the men in our hospital for Father's Day.

During the month, we were able to visit other Auxiliaries' celebrations at Thirroul and Moss Vale. Moss Vale Auxiliary were celebrating their 90th Birthday. What a record! We shared a very nice luncheon with them and I believe the wind was worse at Berry than Moss Vale. It is very interesting to visit other Auxiliaries and learn the workings of the branch and their fundraising ideas. We all work very hard to raise funds for our hospital. Our next Street Stall will be our Christmas Stall and we hope it will be on 2nd December, but this date has not been confirmed yet. To anyone who can help with our stall, bear in mind that if it is not that date it will be shortly after. Any cooking, gifts and items suitable for our stall as Christmas gifts will be greatly appreciated.



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At our meeting this month, our member Judy Riggs gave us a very interesting chat on her life. Judy was born in England and became very interested in craft at an early age. She was only 2 years old when she started knitting. In the early 1940s, one of Judy's school project involved knitting scarves for the Navy servicing in WW2. Judy was also involved in making poppies during and after the war and selling them for the Red Cross in shopping centres to raise funds for injured service people and their families through the British legion – total 50,000. Also, making teddy bears, dolls and painting wooden toys. In 1957 Judy was making school uniforms to help disadvantaged children through the Sutherland Uniting Church and the Aboriginal Mission at Bomaderry and raising funds for their school uniforms and other causes including Cancer Research. Judy

also was teaching craft at the Uniting Church in Berry until the day was changed and she was not able to attend. She was also involved in a lot of other Auxiliaries in Berry including the C.W.A, "Glenmervine" assistance for unmarried teenage mothers and the Berry Leprosy Group, which has unfortunately been discontinued due to lack of executive members. Just lately, Judy discovered she was related to the Brand family, involved in the medical profession, who started assisting people with leprosy in India during the 1800's. She found this out by noticing in a book that the author had her maiden name - amazing what you can find at book stalls. Two years ago, Judy started a knitting initiative for ladies waiting in Dr Chambers' waiting room. Thank you, Judy for a very interesting life story. I am sure it was enjoyed by all. Our next meeting will be on Monday, 11th December. This will be our last meeting for the year and will be our Christmas Dinner given by the hospital in appreciation for our efforts, both General and Palliative Care.

Pamela Coles
Publicity Officer

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BERRY CONVERSATIONS

Capacity audience for Bob Brown and Peter Thompson's August Berry Conversation.

NEXT SPEAKERS ANNOUNCED: Charlotte Wood and Susan Wyndham

An enduring friendship and stunning images of an untouched Franklin River gorge provided the perfect backdrop to an enthralling conversation featuring former Parliamentary Green's Leader and environmentalist Bob Brown with broadcaster/educator Peter Thompson at the latest Berry Conversations Inc. event.

Recounting their shared experiences of fighting for the retention of Tasmania's heritage wilderness area, the enthusiastic audience were reminded that our restorative natural resources are worth fighting for. Whilst Bob started his career as a medical practitioner, it was in the political arena that he spent most of his working life. Although labelled a broadcaster, Peter was quick to point out that he too has been immersed in politics, as journalism is just another branch of it. With the constant conflict evidenced in today's political arena, it was reassuring to have Bob remind us that honourable people remain positive, about the future.

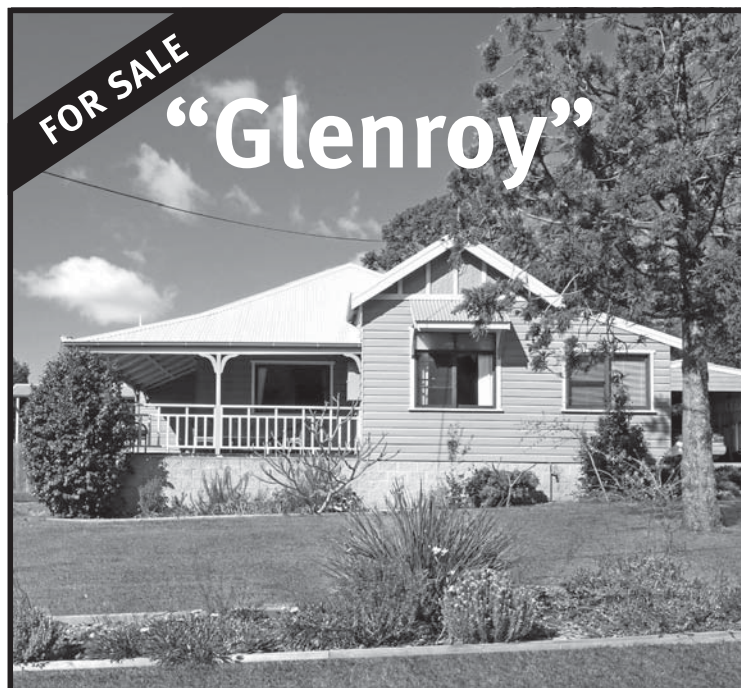
It was a privilege to witness this conversation with Peter prompting the nostalgic and often humorous childhood memories of Bob as a country policeman's son through to their shared passion for conservation.



THE NEXT BERRY CONVERSATION INC EVENT WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY 25TH MARCH 2018

with prize-winning novelist CHARLOTTE WOOD, author of *The Natural Way of Things* sharing the stage with author and former literary editor of the Sydney Morning Herald, SUSAN WYNDHAM at the Berry Public School Hall.

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BERRY RIDING CLUB

Spring is such a wonderful time of year. The grass is starting to grow and horses are shedding their winter coats; mainly on their owners clothes it seems. Those mild warm spring days when the westerly winds hold off are perfect riding weather and many of us are making Spring resolutions about horse related plans. We will be more dedicated to training, we will brush our horse more (getting covered in highly visible horse hair in the process) and we will get out there and compete. Mostly we will enjoy a life spent with horses in the fresh air and sunshine.

Berry Riding Club has a busy calendar for the rest of the year. At the time of writing we are preparing for the annual Inter Schools Championships held at Worrigee Equestrian Common. Best of luck to all those who will come along, compete, have fun and enjoy a weekend spent with horses. Even non horse owners sometimes come along to have a look at the activity and enjoy some of the yummy food available at the canteen.

Events being held in October include a Clear Round jumping day on the 7th, a Derby Day on the 21st and our monthly Youth Training Day on the 22nd. In November we will be holding an Open Riding Day at the grounds on the 4th and a dressage competition will be held the next day, Sunday 5th, with tests from Preparatory to Medium level available. The Open Riding Day costs just \$10 and is a good chance to give horses competing the next day a chance to get familiar with the grounds. Most of us will appreciate why this

can be a good idea, especially those who have a spooky or sensitive horse.

We will also be running a Working Equitation Clinic with Cody Wilson on October 14th. Thank you to Kerrie Payne for her hard work sourcing materials, and planning and building much needed new obstacles for Working Equitation.

Our new look website is up and running and to my eyes at least is easy to navigate and has plenty of relevant information for existing members and for those wanting to find out more. For finding out more about the club with the motto "Riding Fun For Everyone" just go to www.berryridingclub.com or have a look at our regularly updated Facebook page. Happy Spring All!



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OK now that important piece of information is out of the way let me tell you a little more. We have been going for 36 years now and in that time, most of the meetings have been at the Berry Bowling Club and they have looked after us very well.

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In November we plan to have a fund raising stall at the Berry Men's Shed Garage Sale, we may even have another popular Bingo Morning in the up and coming months and more interesting guest speakers are heading our way. Coffee Mornings, on the first Thursday of the month, will be back at the Book Shop in October. Look forward to seeing you.

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This forum is open to all members of the public. Details are as follows:

DATE: Wednesday 25th October TIME: 6pm
VENUE: Berry Courthouse Cnr Victoria and Albany Streets, Berry

You can view the public consultation draft bill at the
NSW Parliamentary Counsel Office website:

<https://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/bills/fbb47772-6378-42e0-9ce8-fc5cd330699c>

For further information and queries please contact the office of
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Berry Spinners & Weavers Open Day

Our recent Open Day (August 26th) was fantastic. The weather was gorgeous which allowed spinners and knitters to sit outside and enjoy the sunshine and welcome the crowd. Friends and visitors travelled from far and wide (Goulburn Handweavers & Spinners even hiring a bus to make the journey!) including Sydney, Canberra and the southern South Coast. Yours truly (Alison) won the scarf competition with a three-coloured men's scarf handwoven in 2 ply merino and in a pinwheel design. Other winners were Barbara Wyles (People's Choice award) and Lynette Swift. A great day was had by all. The Goulburn busload made their way back over the mountain, a few new members were welcomed and a great day was had by all. Our next Open Day will be held in 2019 and this will also be our 40th birthday celebration! Hard to believe that forty years have come and gone and some truly remarkable spinners, weavers and knitters have graced us with their membership, and shared their skills and passion for all things textiles. A big thank you to Christine Talbot for her hall decoration and the many volunteers who pitched in to make the day the success that it was.



Edward and Karen Turley knitting a double ended 'friendship' scarf at our recent Open Day

Another successful day for us was last week's Small Farms Day put on by the Berry Rotary Club. Many of our members had their craft works for sale; such as felted clothing and accessories, handspun yarns, knitted and crocheted hats and scarves and handwoven shawls. Community festivals such as this provide a great opportunity to pick up some early Christmas presents or simply good quality hand-crafted goodies. Mention has been made by outsiders of the high quality of items from the Berry Spinners & Weavers; we really do have some artisans in the ranks.

From now until the end of the year we will have our October and November business meetings followed by our Christmas luncheon in December. Our September activity day is a 'mystery luncheon'; October will be a workshop regarding the spinning of cotton fibre and November will see us making Christmas decorations. Our usual practice is NOT to meet over the Christmas/New Year break as we are busy finishing items for the country shows. Our first meeting for 2018 will be held on the second Thursday in February.



Range of scarves in the Open Day Scarf Competition.

CONTACT OUR SECRETARY FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: 0422 760 363

AS BUSHFIRE SEASON APPROACHES WE ALL NEED TO GET READY

Member for Kiama Gareth Ward has today encouraged all residents who live near bushland and areas prone to grass fires to start preparing for the season ahead.

Mr Ward said that after the driest winter in 15 years, New South Wales faces some challenging conditions as the bushfire season approaches. When preparing for the bush fire danger period there are a few simple steps you can take to make sure you are fire ready, including:

- Trimming overhanging trees and shrubs;
- Mowing your lawn and removing all cut grass;
- Removing flammable materials from around your home (e.g. door mats, wood piles, mulch, leaves, paint, outdoor furniture);
- Clearing and removing all the debris and leaves from gutters; and
- Ensuring you have a hose or hoses that can cover the perimeter of your home.

You can download a Bushfire Survival Plan on the website at: <https://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/resources/bush-fire-survival-plan>.

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NEW ROUNDABOUTS ON THE WAY AT BERRY

Member for Kiama Gareth Ward has today announced that work is progressing on the new roundabout at the Woodhill Mountain Road intersection with Queen and North streets at Berry as part of the Fox-ground and Berry bypass project.

Mr Ward said that the New South Wales Government funded \$580 million for the Foxground and Berry bypass upgrade to improve road safety and traffic efficiency.

"I am very pleased that work is also underway to build a roundabout at the intersection of Kangaroo Valley Road and Queen Street which will take two months to complete, weather permitting," he said.

"The Berry bypass has given local streets back to the Berry community by taking highway traffic out of the town's CBD.

"The Foxground and Berry bypass sections are already open to motorists and overall project completion is expected at the end of this year, six months ahead of schedule.

"For the safety of workers and motorists, temporary traffic changes are in place including lane closures between Austral Park Road and Croziers Road.

"A reduced speed limit of 80 km/h is in place and further reduced speed limits will be required for the safety of workers and motorists where work is taking place," Mr Ward said.

"A temporary closure of North Street between Woodhill Mountain Road and Berry Sporting Complex is in place until early September with a local road detour in place.

"The roundabout is expected to be complete mid-September, weather permitting.

"In order to safely build the new roundabout, these changes are necessary, but the outcome will be an upgraded road for the local community.

"Motorists should plan ahead, drive to the conditions and follow the direction of traffic control and signs, including speed limits.

"The community display centre, which has been a wonderful information source for the community, will also close on Friday 25th August," Mr Ward concluded.

Community members, residents and stakeholders can continue to discuss the project by contacting the project information hotline on 1800 506 976 or email FoxgroundandBerrybypass@fultonhogan.com.au.

For the latest traffic updates please call 132 701, please visit the website at: www.livetraffic.com or download the Live Traffic NSW App.

CHANGED TRAFFIC CONDITIONS AROUND BERRY SOUTHERN INTERCHANGE

Member for Kiama Gareth Ward has today advised local motorists that changed traffic conditions will be in place from this Friday around the Berry southern interchange at Berry.

Mr Ward said that Roads and Maritime Services is temporarily closing Queen Street at the intersection with Kangaroo Valley Road to finish building the new roundabout at Kangaroo Valley Road and Queen Street.

"Work to build the new roundabout will be carried out between 7am and 6pm from this Friday 15th September and is expected to be completed in four weeks, weather permitting," he said.

"During the work, a detour will be in place via the new local road connection between Queen and Victoria streets for motorists accessing Kangaroo Valley Road to and from Berry.

"Traffic control will be in place at the intersection of George and Victoria streets during school zone hours from 8am to 9.30am and from 2.30pm to 4pm.

"To reduce the impact to holiday traffic, no work will be carried out during the October long weekend and Queen Street will be re-opened with temporary traffic arrangements in place to help assist with the holiday traffic volumes.

"After the long weekend, the detour will be put back in place to safely complete the roundabout.

"Motorists are advised to keep to the reduced speed limit and follow the directions of traffic control and road signs," Mr Ward concluded. For the latest traffic updates please call 132 701, visit the website at: livetraffic.com or download the Live Traffic NSW App.

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It helps to remember that establishing the market value for any property isn't a science nor can it be arbitrarily insisted on. Neither the vendor's *'I won't take any less than'* or the purchaser's *'this is my final offer'* actually determine the price. The price only becomes a reality when two parties agree to it. In the course of negotiation, the vendor's desire to get the highest price is offset against the purchaser's desire to not pay too much. Neither party wants to miss out – vendors on sales or purchasers on property they have their heart set on. The point or price that is either too little or too much depending on who is talking is arrived at by small (usually) adjustments until the two parties evolve to a position they find mutually satisfactory.

Ultimatums usually bring negotiations to an end. The New Shorter Oxford Dictionary (1993) says: 'It is not a negotiation when one party says: this is what I want.' It is easy to forget that market forces dictate prices and vendors who say: *'We need \$x to buy what we want'* and purchasers who say: *'This is my one and only offer, take it or leave it'* need to ask themselves whether they have based their figures on analysis of past sales on similar houses, and not their own wishful thinking. Whether you're a purchaser or vendor, leaving a window

open for negotiation usually means you won't get the door closed on the sale.

Where the balance of power lies in negotiations depends on the market. In a sellers' market, vendors can and do make ultimatums and hold out for dream prices, while in a buyers' market it is the buyers who have the upper hand in any negotiations.

Vendors who don't negotiate because they don't like a purchaser's final offer never find out the highest price their would-be purchaser is prepared to pay. (Sometimes the purchaser doesn't know until they have negotiated their way there!). Even if the highest offer a purchaser makes is unacceptable, at least it provides a point of comparison for future offers.

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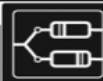
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