

Keeping Berry Informed



BERRY TOWN CRIER

PO BOX 202 BERRY NSW 2535

WWW.BERRYALLIANCE.ORG.AU

 FIND US ON FACEBOOK

FEBRUARY 2018 PRICE: \$3.00

THE BERRY SHOW GUIDE

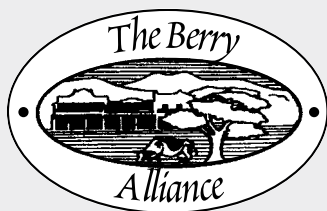
See Page 27-30



AN EARLY PHOTO OF BERRY RAILWAY STATION

Read the Berry &
District Historical Society's
article on page 13 to learn more
of Berry's past

BERRY ALLIANCE INFORMATION



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

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

MEMBERSHIP

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

Membership is open to Berry
community groups and individuals.

To join the Berry Alliance,
write to

PO Box 202, Berry NSW 2535

ALL BERRY ALLIANCE ENQUIRIES

Secretary: 0449 569 059

Email: info@berryalliance.org.au
Post Office Box 202
Berry NSW 2535

Editor's Note



The closing date for our March issue
will be Wednesday 14 February at
5pm. Please submit prior to this
date if it is your first submission.
Material can be submitted via e-mail
to: towncrier@berryalliance.org.au.
Phone 0428 037 572. Town Criers
can be downloaded for free from
www.berryalliance.org.au or our
Facebook Page: Berry Town Crier.

Nancy Davies - Berry Town Crier

TOWN CRIER EDITORIAL BOARD

Nancy Davies Rick Gainford
Holly Landgren Adrian Bishop

Contributors are those from the Berry community who
have news or views relating to residents of the area.
The opinions expressed in the Town Crier are not
necessarily those of the Berry Alliance or the Editor.
The Town Crier is published every month, with a
circulation of 2400.

PRINTED BY **Berry Printers**
CONCORDE WAY BOMADERRY PH: 4422 3774
PRINTED ON RECYCLED PAPER



Find us on:
facebook

Sustainable BERRY

SOME NOTES NATIVE SPECIES
AND SHORE BIRDS BY **HOLLY LANDGREN**



BANDICOOTS, QUOLLS AND POTEROOS

The NSW Government program to
eradicate foxes has seen a slow increase
in numbers of native species. Fox baiting
programs are coordinated in association
with local landholders, Landcare and other
organisations. Trapping and shooting are
used in association with baiting. Baiting
programs have been shown to generally
have minimal risk to native animals, however
there has been the accidental poisoning of
domestic and working dogs. If you suspect
your dog has been poisoned by eating 1080
(the commonly used bait) it is important to
get the animal to a vet as soon as possible
because the prognosis is poor if fast action
is not taken.

Over the past three or four years, we have
had a small number of bandicoots taking
up residence in our garden. Bandicoots are
nocturnal marsupials that build a shallow
burrow to protect themselves from predators.
They emerge at dusk to hunt for grubs and
beetles, along with roots, tubers and some
fungi. If you discover small holes dug in
your garden, you too may have bandicoots
nearby. Vulnerable areas in gardens can be
fenced off with wire mesh to prevent them
from being disturbed, however bandicoots
generally move to new food sources as one
area becomes depleted, so they may not be a
long term problem. Bandicoots are protected
in NSW, so it is illegal to trap them without a
license.

Equally encouraging is evidence of
spotted-tailed quolls being observed in the

Shoalhaven area. Monitoring undertaken by
the Office of Environment & Heritage and the
University of Wollongong of the sparse local
population has shown around twenty quolls
living in Barren Grounds Nature Reserve
and Budderoo National Park. Camera data
have shown that one male roams a territory of
around twenty square kilometres. The news
is not so positive for the long-nosed potoroo,
whose numbers continue to decline.

For information of the fox control program
contact South East Local Land Services
(Berry) on 4464 6000. If you want more
information about quolls and the Quallidor
Project contact OEH (Wollongong) on 4224
4150. For more information specifically
about the project email simon.tedder@environment.nsw.gov.au.
If you find injured
native animals contact WIRES on 1300 094
737. The WIRES website has information
relating to specific animal rescue protocols;
you can read more at www.wires.org.au

We live in a fragmented landscape of urban,
agricultural and remnant bush land. By
continuing to rehabilitate native vegetation,
local Landcare groups ensure that this
habitat is maintained and perhaps improved.
If you would like to get involved, you can
volunteer with Berry Landcare (4464 3241).
www.shoalhavenlandcare.org.au lists other
groups within the Shoalhaven region, as well
as articles of interest, a notice board, and a
link to loan various pieces of equipment for
members.

SHOREBIRD UPDATE

I was fortunate over the summer break
to accompany a volunteer to visit
the Shoalhaven Heads shore-birds'
nesting sites. Amongst other things,
we observed a pair of Pied Oyster-
catchers that has so far successfully
raised a pair of chicks, however it was
concerning to see paw prints in the
sand of either a dog or a fox. Shore
birds remain vulnerable to feral pests
including cats, and to predatory birds.
While it is a beautiful, serene part of
our local area, it was a little sad to
see how few birds are nesting in this
relatively inaccessible area. BirdLife
Australia is always looking for people
to get involved, either as a volunteer,
attending events and activities,
contributing to the online database,
or simply by making a donation.
Check their website birdlife.org.au/get-involved for further information.



Christmas for Berry People

Free Berry Alliance / Town Crier Cooler Bags at the Berry Christmas Parade

The Berry Alliance and Berry Town Crier continued our policy to encourage sustainability; to re-use and recycle.

We were at the Christmas Parade on 2nd December (outside the Berry IGA – thanks Lee! and the Organisers) with our latest sustainability item give-away – a Cooler Bag. This followed on from our re-usable cloth bags 4 years ago and our Keep Cups (4 years ago) and our donation of 750 cloth bags to the Boomerang Bags group for distribution as well as substantial funding and sponsorship. These re-usable cooler bags are important for your shopping. Health guidelines recommend using one along with ice packs or cooler bricks, to transport perishable goods to ensure they stay at or below a critical temperature to avoid bugs growing. We sourced them from within Australia, they are black and have our logo and print on them.

The bags were given to local Berry residents at the Christmas Parade and proved very popular. Though we did get a number of wags asking if there was a bottle of wine in it as well. Talk about Christmas Spirit!

Thank you to all those local people who said such kind words to our team about how much they appreciated our efforts and supported us and in particular the Berry Town Crier.

We have decided that we will give some more away after the holiday season when it is easier to determine locals, so we will be at the Berry Buy Local prize draw in Broughton Court on Wednesday 31 January 2018 at 5.30pm – we will be there from 5pm and for some time following the draw. Please look for us. All you need to do is come and see us at our tables, show your identification (with name and local address) and you will be given a bag (until stock runs out). We are also asking community members to register their email address with us for urgent or emergency notices from the Berry Alliance.

We all hope that you will use your new cooler bags well and along with the cloth bags, Keep Cups and Tour de Berry water bottles



the Berry Alliance and Town Crier have provided over the years as well as the Berry “Boomerang Bags”. We can all make a difference to our environment and improve our sustainable living.



CLARIFICATION:

To clarify some things that we have been asked, we would like to explain that there is: the Berry Alliance and we run the Berry Town Crier (for the past 20 years approx.).

Not to be confused with:

The Berry Chamber of Commerce and Tourism (They put on the Christmas Parade and represent businesses in Berry) and

The Berry Forum who are a Community Consultative Body for Berry for the Shoalhaven City Council.

**Happy New Year from
Berry Alliance and
Berry Town Crier Committee**

Forum Meeting Held on 14 December

127 people attended the meeting, including State Member Gareth Ward and Cllrs John Wells, Patricia White, Annette Aldrick and Nina Cheyne

Gareth Ward Update

- Work has started on the new Ambulance Station at North St and KV Rd. Although not permanently manned, the 6 new officers will provide a 24-hour service.
- Tenders for the Berry to Bomaderry highway upgrade will be called for soon.
- Three tenders are being considered for the Albion Park Rail bypass project.

Resident concerns with Bypass road noise and visual impact

Windsor Drive residents are concerned about the visual impact, noise and lack of privacy due to the height of the new road. Also, lights from the new roundabout are shining into backyards. There was an overwhelming support for asking RMS to address the issues.

Resident concerns with right turn off Highway into Croziers Road

Residents explained that the dangers of accessing Croziers Rd from the Highway have been made worse by an increase in

traffic volume from the Sandtrack since the Bypass opened. Interim safety measures are proposed, including a designated right hand turn lane similar to the one at Strongs Rd, and a prominent 80kph speed limit sign positioned close to Mullers Rd. There was an overwhelming support for requesting these safety measures.

Berry Estate Trails Project Communications

Cllr Wells described the engagement processes to be followed for each trail as part of the communications protocol agreed with concerned landowners, Derek Jorgensen for the Project and Chamber of Commerce reps. The trail from town to Austral Park Rd is the first identified for public consultation. Others include Agars lane, Berry to Gerringong, and Wire Lane. The landowners will update the Forum on adherence to the communications protocol. The Committee is very grateful for Cllr Wells' assistance.

Update on Planning Proposal to Rezone Land South of Hitchcocks Lane

The Proposal will result in an additional 120-150 dwellings. Huntingdale will eventually total 280 dwellings, resulting in up to 430 new dwellings to the west of the existing town, which numbers 480 dwellings. The Forum Committee will pursue the inclusion of a vegetated buffer between the Highway and the development site, as shown in Council's approved DCP.

The Berry Forum

www.berryforum.org.au

Significant Changes Proposed for Huntingdale Park Development

A Section 96 amendment has been lodged by SET Consultants and Pindan, the developer. Significant changes are proposed for Stages 8 & 9 (based on a bush fire assessment), and residents are extremely concerned about the loss of a public reserve and a reduction in the size of the riparian area along the creek line. SET and Pindan representatives claimed that the main reason for loss of public space was Council not wanting to take responsibility for maintenance. Since the Forum meeting the S96 amendment has been withdrawn.

Update on Major Upgrade proposed for Apex Park Toilets

Council has recommended building a new amenity at the Apex Park site in 2018/19.

**NEXT FORUM MEETING
IS 15 FEBRUARY
7.30PM AT
THE SCHOOL OF ARTS**

Happy New Year from Berry Preschool

We hope you've all had a safe and happy summer holiday!

Roundup of 2017...

At the end Term 4 the children dressed in superhero or sparkly costumes and entertained our visitors with their energetic routines at our Zumba Showcase concert. We helped to raise money for the Shoalhaven Superheroes, who are fundraising to build a Ronald McDonald house in the Shoalhaven. Thanks to Vicki for the joy you have brought to the children through teaching Zumba this year.

Preschool families got to see what the Monday and Friday children had been learning in their music classes throughout the year with two separate concerts – many thanks to our wonderful music educator,

Helen. We appreciate the love of music that you instil in our children.

A big thanks also to our art teachers, Meg and Chloe, who have inspired our children to both appreciate art and to create their own masterpieces.

We enjoyed a fun-filled family evening at the preschool Christmas party and graduation ceremony. We were entertained by 'The Magic Jester', the Shoalhaven Petting Zoo and, of course, our own talented preschoolers, who had several Christmas songs to present.

Thank-you very much to Berry Branch of the Country Women's Association for their surprise generous donation, which we

used to purchase books for the children's Christmas presents.

A huge farewell to our Class of 2017. We have loved your willingness to learn and the fabulous, wonderful people that you are... We will miss you! Have fun at 'big school' and remain the inquisitive learners you are. We hope that the friendships that you and your families have developed at preschool continue well into your school years and beyond.



LOOKING AHEAD IN 2018... We are excited about getting to know all the new children who will be joining us at preschool this year, and to catching up with our returning children. See you soon!



SCOTS' PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, BERRY

All Welcome!!!

Service Time: Sunday 10am

Sunday School: Sunday 10am

Minister Rev Isaac Jung - 4464 1020

Cnr Alexandra Street & Victoria Street
Berry

Our purpose is to
Love God with our heart, soul, mind and might
and to
Love our neighbour as ourselves.

Ordinary people worshipping an
extraordinary God

www.berrypresbyterianchurch.net.au

Chair Yoga Classes

for the wellbeing needs of the mature body

- * stretch and strengthen without strain
- * improve posture, balance & stability
- * make new friends
- relax body & mind
- * improve your breathing



Energising Chair Yoga Wednesdays

St Luke's Church Hall, Berry
9.30 - 10.30 am

Cost: \$15

Gentle Seniors-Tuesdays (phone for details)

No classes 1st week of month



Contact Marilyn - Ph: 0412 244 735 E: info@marilynmartin.com.au
www.marilynmartin.com.au

FROM



BERRY

Hello from the team at Boomerang Bags Berry who are about to embark on bag making once again with a few changes to our bags and meeting arrangements.

There will be a new bag available this year for those people who wish to **keep** the bags rather than borrow. There will still be the familiar **Borrow & Bring Back** bags on offer, but we are now making bags with the pocket message, **Bought to Support**.

The new bags will be available for a **\$5.00 donation** from: **The Berry Pharmacy, Flavours of Shoalhaven, Nourish, The Emporium, Il Locale and Berry Quilt & Co.**



**BOOMERANG BAG KITS
AVAILABLE FOR
SEWING AT HOME**



A new Boomerang Bag to keep for a small donation

The donations will help us to continue to make bags for the Berry community from recycled materials and will cover expenses such as sewing machine servicing, sewing necessities and the cost of attending events to promote the Boomerang message:

SAY NO TO PLASTIC BAGS.

Beautiful handmade bags will also be available with a woven square red label which reads, **Sustainably Sewn in Berry NSW.**

We will be launching our new **Bought to Support** bags at **The Berry Show**. The team will be on hand to answer questions and hand out kits to those willing to volunteer to help sew at home.

MEETINGS

there will be two meetings a month:

**First Tuesday of the month
Committee Rooms, Berry Showground
from 9.00am**

Contact: Katrina Underwood 0416 181 543

**Third Monday of the month
Berry Community Church,
Schofields Lane from 10.00am**
Contact: Elizabeth Dubbelde 0431 663 189

We are most grateful to Joel Noonan of the Berry Community Church for making available another work venue for Boomerang Bags Berry to expand and fulfil the growing demand for an alternative to the single use plastic shopping bag.

SHOALHAVEN CANASSIST



Invites you and your friends to a fun fundraiser

Pasta PLONK AND Poetry DINNER

Where Berry School of Arts Berry

When Saturday 24th February 2018

Time 6pm for 6.30pm

Cost \$25 per person (cash Only)

Poetry Recite or read your own creation or favourite - and must be suitable for mixed company

Plonk is BYO - Organise your friends - All tables seat 8

Tickets are available from:

Dymocks Bookshop Kinghorne Street Nowra • Berry Music Centre Queen Street Berry

ENQUIRIES DOROTHY 4464 2717

ORTHO BIONOMY Phase 4

**2 DAY WORKSHOP WILL BE HELD IN
BERRY ON: SATURDAY MARCH 17
AND SUNDAY MARCH 18
CWA HALL 9AM -5.30PM**

Ortho Bionomy is a unique gentle body therapy for pain and physical and emotional balance. Works effectively with bones, acute and chronic pain, postural issues e.g. scoliosis, whiplash to name a few.

Easy to learn, practical, hands on classes with learning material provided.

INSTRUCTOR: Debbie Benson

Registered advanced practitioner and
Advanced practitioner of Ortho Bionomy

COORDINATOR: Joy Arnold

Email: gkarnold@shoal.net.au

Mob: 0412 866 887



PROUDLY SPONSORED BY THE BERRY ALLIANCE

Happy Sounds Shoalhaven



Happy Sounds Shoalhaven is a new singing group for people living with dementia and their carers. Dementia does not discriminate and neither do we – our group will be welcoming and inclusive, open to all. Through the shared joy of singing, we aim to promote wellness in ageing; reduce social isolation; and provide an opportunity for participants to make meaningful connections with other people in their community.

Dementia is the term used to describe the symptoms of a large group of illnesses which cause a progressive decline in a person's functioning. It is a broad term used to describe a loss of memory, intellect, rationality, social skills and physical functioning. There are many types of dementia including Alzheimer's disease, vascular dementia, frontotemporal dementia and dementia with Lewy

Bodies. Dementia can happen to anybody, but is more common after age 65. (Dementia Australia, 2017). More than 413,106 Australians live with dementia, currently 244 people are joining the population with dementia each day and there is an estimated 25,938 people living with younger onset dementia. (The National Centre for Social and Economic Modelling NATSEM (2016) Economic Cost of Dementia in Australia 2016-2056).

MORE INFO or ASSISTANCE WITH TRANSPORT:

Contact Judy Potter 0412 219 895 or Gail D'Astoli 0416 259 292

Facebook: Happy Sounds Shoalhaven **Email:** happysounds2541@gmail.com



HAPPY SOUNDS SHOALHAVEN
Community Singing
PO Box 3394 North Nowra NSW 2541
PH: GAIL 0416259292 or JUDY 0412219895
EMAIL: happysounds2541@gmail.com
Facebook: Happy Sounds Shoalhaven

HAPPY SOUNDS

community singing for people living with dementia in the Shoalhaven, and their carers.

You're invited to join us to share in the joy of singing and its wonderful benefits.
Singing led by Julie Emery
Gold coin donation
Morning tea provided each week

Starting
Friday 9th February
2018
10.30am to 12.30pm
weekly
(except school
holidays)

Where:
Shoalhaven Senior
Citizens Centre
33 Berry Street,
Nowra
(just up laneway
near Roxy Cinema)

FURTHER INFORMATION OR
ASSISTANCE WITH TRANSPORT?
Call Judy on 0412 219 895 or Gail on 0416 259 292

WHEN: Starting on the 9th February 2018, we will meet each Friday (except school holidays) from 10.30am to 12.30pm at the Senior Citizens Centre in Nowra, where morning tea will be provided before we begin singing. The centre is located in the laneway near the Roxy Cinema in Berry Street, Nowra.



**SOUTH
COAST**
PROPERTY STYLING

South Coast Property Styling can help increase the value of your property through beautiful furnishings, presentation or design.

Styling for Sale to Maximise Sales Price
Holiday Home Interiors to Exceed Guest Expectations
Interior Selections, Colour Schemes & Design

2b Old Creamery Lane Berry
Warehouse 02 4464 2605
Mobile 0410 421 825

www.southcoastpropertystyling.com.au
hello@southcoastpropertystyling.com.au

16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM

An important event in our calendar, when around the world Zonta clubs draw attention to the scourge of violence towards women and girls. This year a static display on the theme was set up in the Shoalhaven library and also in the Berry pharmacy reminding us that the issue is still very much alive. We hope many people noticed the display which started on November 25, the international Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women, and ended on December 10, International Human Rights Day. The battle continues ...

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY BREAKFAST

The date is set – March 3, the venue booked- Nowra Golf Club 8am for 8.30am and we promise a great morning! Starting with champagne on arrival and a full buffet breakfast to follow, be prepared to be inspired by our fabulous speakers...

Heather Hawkins, survivor of ovarian cancer to then become a world champion marathon runner – completing seven marathons on seven continents in seven days!! How could that be possible?? Come and find out.

Ben Thorber – Member of Science in Australia Gender Equity, speaking on overcoming current equity challenges for women.

Anastasiia Volkova – as a recipient of a 2017 Zonta International Amelia Earhart Fellowship, she will speak of using her aerospace skills to deliver improvements and savings to current agricultural practices.

THE WEATHER!!

In spite of experiencing many hot days already, the Club continues to keep the small

vegetable garden alive and thriving at the women's refuge in Nowra. Although women seldom stay there longer than six weeks, the produce is being used regularly, and we are told that many children enjoy picking small tomatoes and other 'green goodies' on offer. And what small child can resist a patch of dirt to dig in!

PRE-LOVED CLOTHING SALE

Please start – or keep on – collecting good, clean used clothing for our well-known sale, the (not insubstantial) profits of which are used to support our various projects. Sale on under the Berry Showground Pavilion on May 6, 2018. Watch this space for information on drop-off location and date.

FEBRUARY MEETING

The next meeting open to community members, will be held on Tuesday, 23 February 2018, in the Coachhouse Restaurant at 6.30 for 7pm. Mark the date in your diary if you feel you would like to attend and find out more about the Zonta Club of Berry.

Please contact Cecilie Lewis on 4464 3913 to book.



Display at Shoalhaven Library for 16 Days of Activism

f AND LIKE US ON FACEBOOK!

Conversations, COFFEE AND Friends

What a great way to start our year with Sarah Turvey and Allison Cameron who are music educators with the Tuning In program. Allison will speak about her research which has shown that when young children take part in musical activities, there are many benefits in the areas of literacy, numeracy, language development and social skills.

On the 28th March, our speaker is local author Dr Susan Murphy. Susan is a writer, radio producer, film director and Zen roshi and she will talk about her life and journey.

We meet on the 4th Wednesday, 28th February at 10am. Everyone is welcome.

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

BERRY COMMUNITY LIBRARY

The Library re-opened on the 15th January. Many more books were donated over the holiday period and we have been working hard to get them onto the shelves ready to borrow. We have a great range of children's books for all ages as well as NF books on every topic you could imagine. Lots of people borrowed at the end of the year, so we are busy restocking shelves.

The first meeting of our new Book Group for 2018 was held on the 17th January from 4-6pm. We bring along our favourite books or talk about our favourite authors and enjoy drinks and nibbles along the way. Everyone is welcome. The next meeting is on 21st February.

To keep up with all the new things that are happening, why not "like" us on Facebook. Just type in "Berry Community Library" and like our page.

LIBRARY OPENING HOURS
Monday and Wednesday 1-4pm

Tuesday Thursday and Friday 10-1pm
77 Albert Street, opposite the IGA carpark, behind the Uniting Church.

For more information contact Janet on 0425 220 258



Keen to Travel & Retired?

Operated and led by Denis Simond and/or Lloyd Pitcher, the excursions have no profit margin added ensuring value for money prices and enjoyable learning experiences.

For more information about the March departure and future plans for 2018, contact Denis Simond on 0407 776 778 or email densimond@bigpond.com

Travel U3A operates short-break, small group excursions for retirees. In 2018 we offer a small range of tours, which feature heritage and regional flora, which will appeal to history and/or garden lovers. We operate with a minimum of 8 and a maximum of 9 participants, ensuring a valuable and enjoyable learning experience.

ALL TRAVEL IS BY MINI-COACH.

OUR 8 DAYS/7 NIGHTS' EXCURSION from 13 to 22 MARCH TO CENTRAL VICTORIA will feature the rich heritage of Bendigo and Ballarat, a chance to visit Melbourne's International Garden Show, spectacular Begonias in Ballarat and the Central Victorian Art Galleries, known for their displays of Australian Art, as well as Cactus Country Garden with over 4,000 species of cacti and succulents and many other Central Victorian gardens.



Twice a Month ~ 8:00am 'til 2:00pm
2nd Saturday & 4th Sunday

Continuing to bring you
seasonal produce,
handmade products,
quality plants & more.

Andrew Place Park
102 Queen St, Berry
(Behind the Newsagent)



Enquiries: Contact Tricia on 0425 842 909



Thursday February 8, 7.30pm

Arts and Crafts Houses and Gardens

Thursday February 22, 7.30pm -

Islamic Art: Decorative Arts of the Islamic World

The ADFAS year starts with us returning to our old home, The Berry School of Arts in Alexandra St, Berry.

There is a double treat this month with two lectures. The first is by Paul Atterbury, the well-known celebrity from Antiques Roadshow. He will explore the lasting impact of the new style of domestic homes and gardens which emerged

at the end of the Victorian era. This style was particularly influenced by William Morris, Edwin Lutyens and Gertrude Jekyll.

Secondly, Christopher Bradley will take us on a tour from Morocco to China, looking at both the religious and non-religious influences on Islamic art. We will visit some of the most important cities, sites and museums in the world.

New members and visitors are welcome. After the lecture there is always wine, supper and the opportunity to catch up with old friends

and to meet new ones. Membership is available for \$140.00 per year or visitors can pay \$25.00 at the door for each lecture.

More information on both the lectures and the society is available on our web page:

<https://www.adfas.org.au/societies/new-south-wales-act/shoalhaven/> or from Julie, our Membership Secretary, on 0429 549 942.

“Paul Bongiorno comes to Berry”

“What’s happening to the Australian Press? Newspapers are sacking journalists...newspapers become thinner, investigative journalism is shrivelling. The shrill voices of bigoted pundits dominate the airwaves. Governments of both sides hate the ABC.

Where do we find the real story? Is the era of trusted journalism over? Find Out -- Paul Bongiorno is coming to Berry.

Respected veteran political broadcaster and commentator, and four time Walkley Award winning journalist, Paul Bongiorno, will visit Berry on Sunday, 4th March 2018, to speak at a public forum.

Paul Bongiorno was educated by the Christian Brothers at St Patrick’s College in Ballarat and originally trained as a Catholic priest. He holds a Master’s Degree in Theology from the Pontifical Urban University in Rome. He left the priesthood in 1974.

Paul’s television career began in 1974 with Seven Network in Melbourne. He then moved to WIN TV Wollongong, before joining Network Ten in 1978. Before making the move to the nation’s capital in 1987, Paul covered state

politics for Network Ten in Brisbane. It was there he established his reputation as an exceptional investigative journalist, winning four coveted Walkley Awards for investigative journalism as well reporting state politics and writing for The Bulletin magazine.

Paul Bongiorno was Network Ten’s National Affairs Editor, a position he held after handing the reins of the Parliament House Bureau in Canberra to Hugh Riminton. From 1991 till 2010 he was Bureau Chief and Political Editor. Bongiorno hosted Ten’s national Sunday morning show, Meet the Press, from 1996 until 2012.

In June 2014, he took voluntary redundancy from Network Ten and in August of that year he became a regular contributor to The Saturday Paper.

One of Australia’s most trusted, experienced

and respected political journalists, Paul was a key part of Network Ten for more than 35 years and is also a veteran member of the Canberra Press Gallery. He is also a regular political commentator on the ABC’s Radio National Breakfast program with Fran Kelly.

In the January 2014, Australia Day Honours List, Bongiorno was made a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) “For significant service to the print and broadcast media as a journalist, political commentator and editor.”

In Berry, Bongiorno will speak on the topic “What’s happening to the Australian Press?” The forum will take place at 2pm on Sunday 4th March in the Main Hall at Berry Uniting Church. Tickets are \$25 each and are obtainable from Berry Music Centre.

“Paul Bongiorno comes to Berry”

“What’s happening to the Australian Press?”

Newspapers are sacking journalists...newspapers are becoming thinner, investigative journalism is shrivelling. The shrill voices of bigoted pundits dominate the airwaves. Governments of both sides hate the ABC.

Where do we find the real story? Is the era of trusted journalism over?

Paul Bongiorno OA, four-time Walkley award winner, one of Australia’s most trusted, and experienced political journalists will address these questions. Paul is regularly heard with Fran Kelly on ABC Radio National.

What is the real Story? Where do we go for News?

Find Out -- Paul Bongiorno is coming to Berry

2.00pm, Sunday 4th March 2018

Berry Uniting Church, 77 Albert Street, Berry

Cost: \$25 per ticket, includes refreshments

Tickets from Berry Music Centre



Landcare BERRY

The History of Bushfires in the Berry Area:

2017 – The hottest year on record in NSW. If the summer rains don't come we must plan to combat bushfires that may. Berry has not had a major bushfire since 4th December 2002. A metal grinding spark started a fire in Agars Lane near Coomonderry Swamp. It jumped over Gerroa Road and burnt out Seven Mile Beach National Park along to the Beach Road car park. It is worth considering the history of major bushfires in our area, when they occurred, what damage they did and how extensive they were.

January 14th 1939 was reported as a "Black Saturday for Yalwal when bush fires burnt out everything except the Post Office and Anderson's and Fletcher's property. Yalwal was never rebuilt. These fires swept through the whole of the northern Shoalhaven. All of the mountains around Berry were ablaze. Kangaroo Valley was swept by flame. The calamity saw the formation of the Bush Fire Brigade. The Brigade at Nowra was formed in January 1940, closely followed by others." "March 1964: 5 dead, 530,000 acres burnt out - houses, farms, forests of the Snowy Mountains, Southern Tablelands, and Nowra." This fire burnt out large areas of Kangaroo Valley and areas around Berry.

"September 1968 to January 1969 was a major fire season with 2,000,000 Ha burnt out, 150 houses and 80 other buildings lost and 14 deaths. This conflagration included the South Coast, Blue Mountains and Illawarra areas".

The September 14th 1968 fire at Berry is well remembered by local residents. It started in Bundewallah and due to a hot strong North Westerly wind spread along the escarpment to the North of Berry. Fire fighters using bulldozers attempted to build fire breaks where access to the escarpment was possible. It was stopped late on the first night at Woodhill Mountain Road but the next day it flared again and continued along the escarpment to Tomlins Road ridge. Dave Rumble and others recounted this event. Dave was one of those who fought the blaze. When these earlier fires occurred Berry was surrounded with open pastoral land. These blazes burnt the thickly vegetated upper areas of the escarpment. Today much of the open pasture has been replaced with forest and bush. Forest vegetation is now much more extensive and closer to the township. This presents a danger to our community. The technology and know-how involved in fire fighting has advanced enormously since those times but it is important that we support and take notice of the NSW Rural Fire Service and their advice on how to protect our properties. <rfs.nsw.gov.au/plan-and-prepare/know-your-risk>

WORKING BEES FOR FEBRUARY 2018

Alexandra Street Parkcare:

9-11 am Friday 16th: Gail Paton 4448 7915.

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

Broughton Vale: 3-5 pm Sunday 4th: Kelvin Officer 0427 255 417.

Bundewallah Bushcare: 3-5pm Sunday 25th : John Clark 4464 3911.

Camp Quality: 9-11am Sunday 18th: Hugh Sheil, hugh.sheil@realtimecom.com.au or Jeanne Highland 4464 1271.

Moeyan Hill: 3-5 pm Saturday 17th: Bill Pigott 4464 3241 or wpigott@bigpond.net.au.

Mount Coolangatta: Nola Barker.

Mobile 0409 446 418, nolajbarker@live.com.au. Time to be advised. Meet at end of Roxbrough Rd, Far Meadow.

Mark Radium Park: 9-11am Friday 23rd: Rodney Cole 4464 1475.

Princess St. Parkcare: 9-11am Monday 26th, Terry Oades 4464.3651.

Tindalls Lane: To be advised: 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.


**KANGAROO
VALLEY
SHOW**
16TH - 17TH
FEBRUARY 2018

*meet me in
the valley*

**133RD
SHOW**

*meet me in
the valley*

**THE
FRIENDLY
SHOW**

ENTERTAINMENT

**RODEO • SHOALHAVEN ZOO
FRIENDSHIP FARM
WORKING SHEEP DOG DEMONSTRATION
NOVELTY COMPETITIONS
CATTLE/HORSE/POULTRY/DOG COMPETITIONS
WOOD CHOPPING
LIVE MUSIC • CAMEL RIDES
LASER TAG • GRAND PARADE
TALENT QUEST + MORE**

ARTS & CRAFT PAVILION AND COMPETITIONS
SHOW SCHEDULE & ONLINE MEMBERSHIP & EVENT ENTRY

KANGAROOVALLEYSHOW.ORG.AU

YOUR SELF STORAGE SOLUTION



OPEN NOW

MORE Purpose Built High Quality Units

- **Individually Alarmed Units**
- **7 days / week access**

OPENING SPECIALS

- Packing Supplies
- Climate Control Wine Storage
- Commercial and Residential
- FREE move in trailer
- Solar Powered with TESLA Battery Storage

NEW Tradies Tool Box Units

Customised to your lighting and power needs
Call now to secure yours today
FREE Goods despatch and retrieval service



**ACCESS
STORAGE**

★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Phone our friendly team on 4422 1955
or visit our website www.accessstorage.com.au

Access Storage Centre - Cnr Meroo Rd and Victa Way Bomaderry



BERRY CWA

Contrary to what is sometimes thought to be the accepted wisdom, the Country Women's Association of NSW is not just tea and scones.

For some background, as set out on our Country Women's Association of New South Wales website "the CWA was formed in 1922 when country women were fighting isolation and a lack of health facilities. Within the first year the Association was a unified, resourceful group that was going from strength to strength. The members worked tirelessly to set up baby health care centres, fund bush nurses, build and staff maternity wards, hospitals, schools, rest homes, seaside and mountain holiday cottages – and much more. The women of the CWA have been initiators, fighters and lobbyists. They have made localities into communities by providing social activities and educational, recreational and medical facilities.

Women in NSW and ACT can join a local branch and have a voice in the nation's affairs, socialise with others and assist the community.

The CWA is the largest women's organisation in Australia and aims to improve conditions for country women and children. We reach that aim in various ways including lobbying for change, helping the local community, creating a network of support and meeting together in towns and cities."

On a local note did you know the ladies of the Berry Branch of the CWA have made the sandwiches for the Berry Show Society for the last 62 years and of course this year we are delighted to participate for the 63rd time. We will also have a stall at the Berry Show selling our handcraft work and homemade jams, pickles and chutneys. Did you also know our NSW Premier bought a tea cosy from our stall at last year's show – so don't miss out!

Again our Branch cooked Anzac biscuits for the Rotary Club of Berry Australia Day Breakfast this year for the third year and a row, and many dozens were again distributed. Hopefully this association with another fellow community group lasts for just as many years.

Our first monthly meeting for the year is on Friday, 9th February at 12.30pm at our rooms at 79 Victoria Street followed by afternoon tea and all are welcome.

Sandra Berner, Publicity Officer

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OF ANY OF THE ABOVE OR CWA IN GENERAL
PLEASE CONTACT PRESIDENT EMILY BOORER ON 0417 423 018**

March 25th Berry Conversations Event to Feature Charlotte Wood and Susan Wyndham

Charlotte Wood, author of the best-selling novel *The Natural Way of Things*, and Susan Wyndham, former literary editor of the *Sydney Morning Herald*, will be in conversation on March 25th at the Berry Public School Hall.

The Natural Way of Things, won the 2016 Stella Prize, the 2016 Indie Book of the Year and Novel of the Year, and was joint winner of the Prime Minister's Literary Award for Fiction. Charlotte is also the author of four other novels and two books of non-fiction. Described as "one of our most original and provocative writers" by *The Australian*, she was named the Charles Perkins Centre's inaugural Writer in Residence at the University of Sydney.

Susan Wyndham, a former editor of *Good Weekend* has also been *The Australian's* New York correspondent and most recently, until last year, the literary editor of the *Sydney Morning Herald*. She is also the author of *Life in His Hands*, a biography of Charlie Teo, and the editor of *My Mother, My Father: On Losing a Parent*.

Date: 25 March Time: 3-5 pm

Venue: Berry Public School Hall

Cost: \$30, which includes refreshments.

Tickets: Will go on sale on February 1st at the Berry Music Centre and online at www.trybooking.com.au. Please note that there will be no ticket sales at the door on March 25th. **Books:** Books by both Susan and Charlotte will be available for purchase and signature.

Enquiries: berryconversations@gmail.com

As always, proceeds after expenses will be donated to community non-profit organizations.

In 2017 Berry Conversations Inc. donated a total of \$2000, divided among the Berry Public School; SAHASSI (Supported Accommodation and Homeless Services Shoalhaven Illawarra); Noah's; the William Campbell Foundation; the Country Education Foundation; and The Smith Family Learning for Life Program.

Dancing for Joy

latin, disco, popular, exercising to music, easy folk dances

- * increase vitality & balance
- * sharpen your brain
- * have fun & make new friends

Everyone welcome ~ No dance experience needed!

Thursdays
except the first of the month

9.00 - 10.00 am

Cost: \$15

Berry Uniting Church Hall
77 Albert St

Bookings required



Contact Marilyn - Ph: 0412 244 735 E: info@marilynmartin.com.au

www.marilynmartin.com.au



**'Proclaiming Christ,
serving the community
with love'**

Berry Uniting Church

77 Albert Street Berry

P: 4464 2904

E: berryuniting@gmail.com

Sunday Celebrations: 9.30am

Groups & Activities:

- Bible Study Groups
- Fellowship Groups • Prayer Groups
- Social Craft Group
- Young People's Drama Club
- Computers for Seniors
- Berry Apple Users Group
- Conversations, Coffee and Friends
- Berry Community Library

www.berryuniting.org

Two small local native feature trees - Whalebone tree and Scentless rosewood



Whalebone and **Scentless rosewood** can be planted as small feature trees, a hedge, or as potted plants in a courtyard garden. Both plants are hardy and tolerate a wide range of soils, sun or shade, but require good drainage.

The common name **Whalebone** refers to the strong flexible timber that was used in the 18th and 19th centuries as a substitute for baleen to make the stays for women's corsets. The timber was also used to make handles for axes and other tools.

The common name **Scentless rosewood** refers to the timber, which, unlike other rosewoods, does not have a strong fragrance. However, the flowers have a scent which is very attractive to butterflies.

Whalebone (*Streblus brunonianus*) is a large shrub or small tree which forms a broad shady canopy with a graceful weeping habit. It is suitable for either a formal or a more relaxed garden setting and can be pruned if necessary. An interesting feature is the variable size and shape of the leaves. Separate male and female flowers appear in spring, the male flower being more obvious to the naked eye.

Small round green fruits form a few months after flowering and turn yellow and squashy when ripe, attracting many local birds including Cat bird, Brown pigeon, Topknot pigeon, and Lewin's honey-eater.



Whalebone leaves vary in shape and size



Whalebone - female flowers



Whalebone - male flowers

Scentless rosewood (*Synoum glandulosum*) is an attractive ornamental large shrub or small tree. It grows moderately quickly, fruits early, and can be grown as a potted plant. In 2-3 years it will grow to about 1½ metres and produce flowers and fruits.

The fruit capsules are ornamental and very attractive to many species of birds. The capsules ripen to a pale orange colour and break open to reveal shiny dark chocolate coloured seeds embedded in a bright red aril.

Whalebone and the **Scentless rosewood** are common trees in remnant bush in the Berry area and would make a handsome addition to any garden.

The soft and fleshy nature of the seeds of both these plants is an indication that the seeds can't be stored, so once collected, they need to be sown without delay. They germinate readily and reliably and tubestock is available in the nursery.

Check out the coloured images on Facebook.

The best time to visit the nursery is between 3.00pm and 4.00pm on Thursday afternoons during term time, after the children have finished their practical lesson.

A special thank you to the Seed Collectors and Plant Prop volunteers for your help during December and January. Summer is a very busy time in the nursery sowing seeds, pricking out and potting on seedlings and watering. The plants just don't seem to know summer is holiday time.



Fruit capsules of Scentless rosewood



wholebody PHYSIOTHERAPY

...dedicated to your wellbeing

Are you interested in your well being?

With study from the Australasian College of Nutritional and Environmental Medicine and study in oriental medicine, Mary can help from different perspectives to treat the whole body.

Wholebody Physiotherapy provides treatment for...

- Headaches, back and neck pain
- Gaitscan for foot assessment/orthotics
- Biomechanical postural assessment • Exercise prescription/pilates emphasis
- Incorporating traditional Japanese acupuncture and Shonishin

Now stocking kumbucha and coco-kefir for improving your beneficial gut bacteria.

Also in stock Mosiguard

Downstairs, 84 Queen Street Berry NSW 2535
Open Hours: Mon, Wed-Fri 8:30am to 5:30pm

4464 2874

CLOSE OFF DATES

**TOWN CRIER CLOSE OFF DATE
FOR ADVERTISING AND
COMMUNITY GROUP ARTICLES
- 5PM DEADLINE**

FEBRUARY 17/1/18

MARCH 14/2/18

APRIL 14/3/18

MAY 18/4/18

JUNE 16/5/18

JULY 13/6/18

AUGUST 18/7/18

SEPTEMBER 15/8/18

OCTOBER 12/9/18

NOVEMBER 17/10/18

DECEMBER 14/11/18

BERRY MUSEUM

Last December the Berry & District Historical Society wrote about how Sir John Hay had ensured that the railway line from Kiama in 1893 went through the Berry estate. He also had the Berry Central Creamery built alongside the railway in 1895 and it became the largest in the colony, churning out 25 tons of butter a week.

Later the Station was lengthened to accommodate the especially long trains that ran for the Berry races, with the racecourse situated behind the Berry Central Creamery. All this made Berry an important rail centre.

Near the Railway Station's entrance is the former residence of the Berry Station Master. An old timber cottage, now surrounded by cyclone wire fencing, it is part of the State Heritage Listed Berry Railway Station group and dates back to 1892. Though in a state of neglect today, it is a very rare example of an early design railway residence, predating the standard designs of 1899. Owned by RailCorp and last used as a Scouts' Hall, the building has been empty since about 2009.

Many in the community as well as the Historical Society are very mindful of the historical significance of the building and for over 6 years have been communicating with RailCorp regarding its future. During this time, despite being surrounded by fencing, the building has continued to suffer from neglect.

Some community suggestions for the building have been: a café, Tourist Information Centre, Shared Office Work Space, Bike Hire, or the replacement of the building by a memorial plaque and landscaped public space.

Last November the Station Precinct Development Manager for Sydney Trains, advised that 'we are working on all our railway residences to develop a program of reinstatement and re-use which will encompass all of the residences with the exception of two, (including Berry) which are deemed to be beyond repair.

In the mean time I will certainly remain open minded if there are any other feasible alternatives that can be considered'.

We feel it is an important part of Berry's heritage and it is important to find a way forward for this building – releasing it from its unsightly state by either restoring or replacing it.



Station Master's residence as it was in about 2009

An early photo of Berry Railway Station

Berry Museum

135 Queen Street

BERRY 2535



OPENING HOURS

Saturdays

11.00am - 2.00pm

Sundays, School Holidays
and Public Holidays

11.00am - 3.00pm

FREE ENTRY

www.berryhistory.org.au



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,
Berry Youth & Connect groups.

We'd love to see you here.

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

Denis Simond, well-known local resident, currently President of U3A Shoalhaven, invites you to join this organisation and participate in the stimulating Term One program.

U3A (University of the Third Age) promotes learning opportunities for retirees in a range of varied courses throughout the Shoalhaven.

Term One is from Mon Feb 12 to Fri April 6, with enrolment on Thurs Feb 1 and Fri Feb 2.

THE FULL PROGRAM
IS ON THE WEBSITE

shoalhaven.u3anet.org.au

at the Shoalhaven Library and on the door of U3A Room 4,
48 Berry Street Nowra

Phone 4424 0216 for enquiries
and your call will be returned.

PROUDLY SPONSORED BY
BERRY ALLIANCE





THANK YOU BERRY!

Berry Merry Christmas 2017 was a wonderful evening and celebration of the Berry community, despite the weather.

The Berry Chamber of Commerce organising committee thanks everyone who participated in the parade, held stalls and provided entertainment afterwards.

The Santa Dash raised \$315 for Berry Preschool, while the Trolley Drive donated over 20 trolley loads of goods to the Shoalhaven Homeless Hub.

Special thanks to: The Rotary Club of Berry, Alison McKinnon, Joan Baine, Jeni Percival, Michelle Sullivan, Lisa Clarke, Sandy Bramley, Sophie Ray, Hannah Jallard & the team at Handmade Web, Bent Sorensen, and the Berry Chamber of Commerce & Tourism committee (Bill Seelis, Anthony Houghton, Jean Sorensen, Derek Jorgensen, Renata Matyear, Liz Parnell)

Major Sponsors: Berry Shoes, Berry Pharmacy, Crooked River Wines, Berry Community Activities Centre, the Great Southern Hotel, the Alfred in Berry, Quilt & Co, Rosemary Johnson Celebrant, Handmade Web, Carter Ferguson Lawyers, Festive Treasures

Decorations Sponsors: Regal Girls, Ray White, So Lovely, Justin Lill Wines, South on Albany, It's Berry Necessary, Raine & Horne Berry, Juniper Hearth, Silos Estate Winery, Haven & Space, Belvoir Pavilion, Berry IGA, Shady Fig, Berry Post Office, Berry Tea Shop, Our Bookshop, Bamboozle, Berry Beach Holiday Cottage

Santa Dash Prize Donors: Flavours Shoalhaven, Candleberries, Shady Fig, The Bead Bar, Maison & More, The Berry Chemist, Treat Factory, Goldfish Toys, Bliss & Co, Utopia Gifts

Trolley Drive Sponsors/Donors/Collection Points: Berry Bowling Club, Berry Pharmacy, Berry Post Office, Raine & Horne Berry, Ray White Berry, IGA (Bomaderry Plaza), Berry Chiropractic, Berry Community Preschool, Bushido Judo Club, Berry Meals on Wheels, WorkLife Berry, Berry Community Church, Berry Public School (Student Representative Council), Bupa Berry, Residents of The Grange Berry, Residents of The Arbour Berry, Berry Butcher, Berry Quilt & Co, Bliss & Co, Berry Tea Shop, Justin Lil Wines, Berry Junior Touch Football, Global Contact, Berry Vets, Commonwealth Bank Nowra.

Special thank you to Christine (Haven & Space) for transport of donations from Berry to The Homeless Hub in Nowra, Greg (Viking Hotrods) for trolley logistics & transport, Lee (IGA Berry) for loaning out of shopping trolleys throughout November, Woolworths (Nowra Fair) for loan of additional trolleys for the parade, all individuals who packed donations in to shopping trolleys in the rain.

See you all next year (and watch this space for details of how you can get involved in the organisation of the 2018 Berry Merry Christmas).

Berry Men's Bowling Club

With the arrival of the new year attention of the members is being directed to continuation of Wednesday and Saturday social bowls, Club Championships and District Pennants. Social bowls will continue to be played at 1.00 pm with bookings to play to 0488 729 229 by noon of day of play with dress mufti and the loan of bowls available if necessary. It is proposed during February to start Wednesday social play at 4.00 pm to trial avoiding days of excessive heat.

The Triangular Cup which is played between Gerringong, Shoalhaven Heads and Berry will see the carry over match from 2017 take place at Gerringong on Wednesday 21st March and the 2018 matches are scheduled to be played at Berry in April, Gerringong in June and Shoalhaven Heads in August. Berry Men's Bowling Club is the current holder of the Triangular Cup for 2016 and will be hoping to continue to hold it after the completion of the 2017 and 2018 matches.

The South Coast Pennant Competition will commence February/ March and at this date Berry propose to field two sides and will be competing against Clubs located from Nowra to Ulladulla.

Persons interested in trying out the game of bowls which is suitable for all ages are requested to contact staff at the Club on 44642995 for group bookings for special functions or telephone the Bowls Organiser on 0475 768 249 to book for social play of a Wednesday and/ or Saturday. Bookings or inquiries regarding the Chinese Restaurant should be directed to 44642388.

Submitted by David Armstrong





Bluewaters Dental Care

Bluewaters Dental Care **Invites Berry Locals:**
Special promotion on your first visit for NEW Patients

- Children 7 and under Complimentary with Parents
- Special offer for Exam, Scale and Clean with no out of pocket expenses for Health funds until December 31st
- 10% discount for Patients with No Health Benefits

- We offer Cosmetic Dentistry, Implants, Snoring and Sleep Apnea treatments.
- Muscle Relaxants and Laser Teeth Whitening
- Sedation Dentistry and Happy Gas
- Treatment plans offered
- Child Friendly
- Wheel Chair accessible premises

Call us on 02 42344880 to book your First Appointment | Visit us on Facebook | www.bluewatersdentalcare.com.au





BERRY TENNIS CLUB
PO BOX 133, Berry NSW 2535
Email: berrytennis@hotmail.com

News from Berry Tennis Club

Our night competitions will start back from Monday 5th February 2018. Please contact your night comp coordinator to get your name into a team from our "Summer Comp". We also have our Tuesday and Friday morning social tennis groups going strong.

Please contact the Club through our email address and we will put you in touch with a coordinator for the time you wish to play.

OUR ANNUAL FUNDRAISING TRIVIA NIGHT WILL BE

ON SUNDAY 18 FEBRUARY 2018 FROM 5.00PM

AT THE BERRY HOTEL. IT WAS A GREAT NIGHT LAST YEAR.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO ANOTHER GREAT NIGHT,

AS WE LOOK TO FUND COURT SURFACE IMPROVEMENTS

AND MAINTENANCE OF OUR FACILITIES.

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](mailto:berrytennis@hotmail.com).**

Shoalhaven Historic Vehicle Club is hosting the 2018 National Motoring Heritage Day Sunday 20th May Berry Showground, Berry

The theme this year features pre-1940 vehicles, however everyone and all owners of Vintage, Historic and Classic vehicles of all years and marques, and vehicles of special interest are invited to come and enjoy the day with us. The Gates will be open from 8.30 am and the Day will finish at 3.30 pm.

The Day is open to clubs and individuals alike, entrants are asked to register their vehicles to be displayed. Spaces fill fast so we recommend preregistration to guarantee a place on the oval. For online registration go to Shoalhaven Historic Vehicle Club's website at <https://sites.google.com/site/shoalhavenhistoricvehicleclub/> or if you prefer, the invitation and entry form can be downloaded.

Awards will be presented at 12.30 for the Best Car, Best Bike, Best Restored, Best Original with Special Awards, plus Runner-Up and Merit Awards.

Entry Fee is Payable at the Gate on the Day. Vintage, Historic & Classic vehicles \$5.00; Spectators \$2.00; Children under 12 - free.

Refreshments will be available, with Gerringong Lions providing a sausage sizzle, and other vendors supplying food, coffee and soft drinks.



**FURTHER DETAILS CONTACT: MICHAEL LIPSCOMBE 0425 223 590,
EMAIL: SHVC@BIGPOND.COM**

bombo

blinds | curtains | shutters | awnings



4237 8280 www.bombo.com.au

Visit our beautiful showroom at **7 Johnson Street, Kiama Downs** (near the IGA)

WE CARRY THE FABULOUS "BLINDS BY PETER MEYER" RANGE • ALL PRODUCTS COMPLY TO CORD SAFETY LAWS



DAVID BERRY HOSPITAL AUXILIARY

Firstly, I am sorry I didn't have a report in the last Town Crier; I am afraid that it got lost in space. It was sent but is still roaming around in space – maybe by now in Mars. I hope we get a message back to say if we can live there.

We trust you all had a very happy, healthy and safe Christmas where ever you spent the day. The one day of the year you can eat all you can and forget the diet.

Thank you to all for your support for our Christmas Street Stall. It was our most successful stall yet and it was very nice to end our year on a high.

Thank you also to the staff at the David Berry Hospital for a very nice Christmas dinner and the entertainment by the Gerringong Ukulele Group. We all have a lot on prior to Christmas

Volunteer Drivers, we need you!

We are looking for volunteer drivers to join our valued team in either Ulladulla or Nowra, to help with transporting frail aged people, people with disabilities and people who are transport-disadvantaged. We need drivers who hold a current C Class or LR Class licence.

If you have a passion for helping people and have one or two days spare each week, we would love to hear from you.

Our Service has a modern fleet of cars and buses. Cars work within the local area and also travel to Wollongong, Sydney and Canberra. Buses generally work within the local area, but can travel further afield for weekend social outings.

We supply our Volunteers with uniforms, training and reimbursement for travel expenses to and from work.

Volunteers bring many benefits to our clients who are unable to get to essential medical appointments and social outings.

Volunteers also benefit from volunteering by:

- Helping others who most need assistance
- Learning new skills and receiving professional training
- Meeting new people
- Receiving recognition from clients and the community
- Seeing exciting new places
- Enjoying weekend outings to interesting destinations

If you would like to join our great team of volunteers, please call Peta in Nowra on 4423 6044 or Karen in Ulladulla on 4454 0840 for more information.

and it was very pleasant to sit down and have a lovely lunch and listen to music.

By the time you read this, we will all be back working hard for our various committees and our first function for the David Berry Hospital was our luncheon, we hope you all enjoyed it.

We wish you all a very healthy, happy and safe New Year. We hope you enjoyed the Rotary Club's Fireworks on New Year Eve and congratulate them for work all the work they do. The fireworks, as usual, were very enjoyable and drew a big crowd to see them.



DON'T FORGET
AUSTRALIA DAY
CELEBRATIONS
ALSO.

SOMETHING TO
THINK ABOUT

OUR NEXT FUNDRAISER WILL BE OUR BOOK SALE

to be held on **Saturday, 17th March in the Berry School of Arts**. Don't forget, we will be grateful for any books you can donate to us. All proceeds from our functions go directly to the David Berry Hospital to be used by the stall and to help with our patients. It is a long day and help is always needed.

REMEMBER:

**A day without laughter
is a day wasted.**

Pamela Coles, Publicity Officer

- QUALIFIED HORTICULTURIST
- GARDEN MAKEOVERS & RESTORATIONS
- GARDEN MAINTENANCE
- GARDEN DESIGN & ADVICE
- REGULAR LAWN MOWING & EDGING



HATHAWAY GARDENS

WE SERVICE BERRY, GERROA, GERRINGONG, KIAMA & SURROUNDING AREAS

Phone Lawrie Hathaway **0411 888 333**

Police Assistance Line (131444)

The Police Assistance Line (131444) operates 24hrs a day, 7 days a week.

If you are a victim of a crime, other than life threatening or time critical emergency situations, you should contact the Police Assistance Line (131 444).

Types of crime you can report to Police Assistance Line (131 444) include:

- Break and Enter
- Motor Vehicle/Vessel Theft
- Stealing
- Malicious Damage, including Graffiti
- Minor Motor Vehicle Crashes*
- Lost Property

By phoning POLICE ASSISTANCE LINE (131 444), rather than your local police station, you are freeing up Police Officers who could otherwise be on the street actively preventing and investigating crime in your community.

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
DA17/2599	New roof over deck, and small laundry addition.	70 Harley Hill Rd	22-Dec
DA17/2600	Dwelling additions	245 Tindalls Ln	22-Dec
DA18/1001	Proposed detached habitable room	639c Coolangatta R	2-Jan
SF10642	Residential - 2 lot Torrens Title subdivision	7 Kangaroo V Rd	3-Jan
DA18/1032	Alterations and additions to existing building	23 Victoria St	9-Jan
DS18/1005	Extend operating period of market by 3 yrs.	102 Queen St	11-Jan
DA18/1043	Detached shed	321 Bryces Rd	11-Jan
CD18/1006	Strata Title subdivision (15 lots)	Hitchcocks Ln	15-Jan
Development Applications Determined			
DA17/2385	Inground Concrete Swimming Pool	49 Campbells Run	8-Nov
DA17/2228	Dwelling Alterations & Additions	120 Ben Dooley Rd	29-Sep
DA17/2485	Alterations & additions to dwelling & inground pool	36 Albert St	28-Nov
DA17/2338	New urban dwelling	9 Hitchcocks Ln	27-Oct
DA17/2588	Additions to existing dwelling	422 Back Forest Rd	21-Dec



Reference Guide



SUBJECT	DETAILS
CHEMICAL RECYCLING	Chemical Cleanout at Shoalhaven City Council Carpark Sunday 26 DECEMBER 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
ETHICAL SHOPPING	behindthebarcode.org.au goodonyou.com.au
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

RESTAURANTS & CAFES

HEDGEHOGS COFFEE SHOP

4/98 Queen Street, Berry - t 4464 3051

7 days - 8am to 4pm

www.hedgehogscoffeeshop.com.au

SAVANNAH CAFE

Stan Burt Arcade, Berry - t 4464 3880

Please note our NEW opening hours

Closed: Tuesday

Lunch: Everyday from 11am except Tuesday's

Breakfast: Weekends & Holidays ONLY from 9am

Dinner: Friday and Saturday nights from 5.30pm - bookings are essential!

THE BERRY TEA SHOP

Shop 1, 66 Albert Street, Berry - t 4464 1218

Open 7 days: 10am to 5pm

www.theberryteashop.com.au

email: info@theberryteashop.com.au

THE BURROWS OF BERRY

71 Queen Street, Berry - t 4464 2817

www.rabbitandcoaterers.com.au

info@burrowsofberry.com.au

Breakfast & Lunch Thursday - Monday from 8am.

Dinner Friday & Saturday. Licensed.

Funky vintage cafe serving modern rustic food.

City Vibe with a Country Soul.

THE LION'S DEN, BERRY

Shop 2/90 Queen St. Berry (diagonally opposite from The Great Southern Hotel)

Open for dinner from Thursday - Sunday from 5pm - 10pm for dinner.

0484 592 441 www.thelionsden-berry.com

facebook & instagram: thelionsdenberry

FUNCTIONS & CATERING

BERRY COURTHOUSE AND GARDENS

Corner Victoria Street and

Albany Street Berry 0458 369 266

www.berrycourthouse.org.au

functions@berrycourthouse.org.au

Facebook Berry Courthouse

Functions, Weddings, meetings inside historic Courthouse and in purpose designed gardens.

BROUGHTON MILL FARM GUESTHOUSE

78 Woodhill Mountain Road Berry

4464 2446 www.broughtonmillfarm.com.au

bmfberry@bigpond.net.au

Facebook: Broughton Mill Farm Berry

Functions and particularly Weddings - services and or receptions, in a 5 star Guesthouse with 3 acres of grounds just 1 k from town.

SAVANNAH CAFÉ

Stan Burt Arcade (shop 5 - in the arcade behind Cuckoo Corner)

t 4464 3880

www.savannahcafebar.com

Facebook:

facebook.com/savannahcafebar

If you would like your restaurant listed here please contact Nancy Davies 0428 037 572 or Email towncrier@berryalliance.org.au

Calendar of Events

JANUARY/FEBRUARY

26 January - Friday - CWA Trivia morning. CWA Hall, 79 Victoria Street. Commencing 9.30am. Flag raising, morning tea and trivia competition.

26 January - Friday - Rotary's annual Australia Day Breakfast at the Berry Showground. Come join with friends and family to celebrate Australia Day. Entry is free, and you are welcome to BYO breakie or enjoy an egg and bacon or sausage sandwich, tea, coffee or soft drink, all available from the Rotary BBQ & Grill. There will be entertainment and free children's games.

2-3 February - Friday & Saturday - 130th Berry Show is an annual agricultural show promoting excellence in the local community. With large cattle and horse shows and fantastic entertainment including rodeo, woodchopping, the Young Farmer Challenge, Showgirl announcement and fireworks.

3 February - Saturday - Garage Sale from 11am earliest. Household and garage

goods, furniture, tools, Jetmaster etc. 78 Woodhill Mountain Road Berry. 4464 2446.

8 February - Thursday - ADFAS lecture on Arts and Crafts Houses and Gardens. 7.30 at The Berry School of Arts, Alexandra St, Berry.

9 February - Friday - Happy Sounds Shoalhaven WHEN: Starting on the 9th February 2018, we will meet each Friday (except school holidays) from 10.30am to 12.30pm at the Senior Citizens Centre in Nowra, where morning tea will be provided before we begin singing. The centre is located in the laneway near the Roxy Cinema in Berry Street, Nowra.

22 February - Thursday - ADFAS lecture on The Decorative Arts of the Islamic World, 7.30 at The Berry School of Arts, Alexandra St, Berry.

24 February - Saturday - Pasta Plonk and Poetry hosted by Can Assist, Shoalhaven. Berry School of Arts 6pm for a 6.30pm start. Recite or read your own creation of favourite poem. Must be suitable for mixed company.

Weekly Events: Mainly Music - for preschool-aged children and their carers. Every Tuesday during term time at 10am. Venue Berry Community Church, Schofields Lane.

FUTURE DATES

2 March - Friday - World Day of Prayer - Light Tea (6pm) and Service (7pm) at St Patrick's Catholic Church. Focus Country: Suriname (Northern South America). Everyone Welcome. Organised by the Christian Churches of Berry - Enquiries: Ken Wade 0408 644 063.

4 March - Sunday - Respected political broadcaster award-winning journalist, Paul Bongiorno, will visit Berry to speak at a public forum. The forum will take place at 2pm in the Main Hall at Berry Uniting Church. Tickets are \$25 each and are obtainable from Berry Music Centre.

25 March - Sunday - Berry Conversations with Charlotte Wood, author of the best-selling novel The Natural Way of Things, and Susan Wyndham, former literary editor of the Sydney Morning Herald, will be in conversation on March 25th at the Berry Public School Hall 3-5 pm. Tickets will go on sale on February 1st at the Berry Music Centre and online at www.trybooking.com.au. Please note that there will be no ticket sales at the door on March 25th.

20 May - Sunday - National Motoring Heritage Day, Berry Showground, 8.30 am to 3.30 pm. Shoalhaven Historic Vehicle Club is hosting this event and invites everyone to come and enjoy the day. The theme this year features pre-1940 vehicles, however all owners of Vintage, Historic and Classic vehicles of all years and marques, and vehicles of special interest are invited. Display Vehicles \$5.00, Spectators \$2.00, Children under 12 Free. Enquiries: Michael Lipscombe 0425 223 590, or email: shvc@bigpond.com

Annual Events Guide for Berry 2018

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	<p>Annual Camellia and Floral Show</p> <p>Berry Spinners & Weavers - Open Day and Exhibition - Saturday 26th August, 2018 from 10:00 to 3pm. To be held in the Rural Youth Hall, Berry Showground.</p>
SEPTEMBER	Berry Small Farm Field Day
OCTOBER	Berry Garden Club's Annual Garden Festival
DECEMBER	<p>Remembrance Day</p> <p>4th DECEMBER Berry Men's Shed Annual Garage Sale</p>
DECEMBER	<p>Berry Merry Christmas</p> <p>Carols in the Park, Apex Park</p> <p>Rotary's New Year's Eve Fireworks Berry Showground</p>

FIRE PERMIT UPDATE

The Bush Fire Danger Period commenced in Shoalhaven Local Government Area on Friday 1st September 2018 and anyone wishing to light a fire during the BFDPP must now obtain a permit prior to burning. To apply for a permit, contact the NSW RFS Shoalhaven Fire Control Centre on 4424 4424.

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/BFDPP 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-2018-WEB-READY-WCAG2.pdf

GARAGE SALE

Saturday 3rd February 2018

**Strictly from
11am only
78 Woodhill
Mountain Road Berry**

**Furniture, garage and
household goods,
Jetmaster fire, doors,
tools etc.**



Get in touch with the Editor,
Nancy Davies, to **FIND OUT HOW.**
towncrier@berryalliance.org.au
or 0428 037 572



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 4464 2879
PO Box 397, Berry
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
Meets in the Friendship Rooms of the Uniting
Church 69 Albert Street Berry on Mondays at 7pm

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 0458 369 266
PO Box 218 Berry 2535
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 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 4423 2164
PO Box 321 Berry 2535
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 (Cecilie 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 44464 2513
PO Box 269 Berry NSW 2535
shoalhaven@adfas.org.au - 0429 549 942
Monthly, 7.30pm at The Berry School of Arts

Berry & District Historical Society Inc 4464 3097
PO Box 153 Berry 2535
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
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
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 4464 2904
77 Albert Street Berry
Services at 9.30am
berryuniting@gmail.com

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
E. isaac.jung@hotmail.com 0405 139 031
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 \$5 per family

GARDENING AND LAND CARE

Berry & District Garden Club 4464 1191
PO Box 122 Berry 2535
3rd Tuesday Monthly, 7.30pm
St Luke's Church Hall, Princess Street
Mary Seelis - Secretary
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
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
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
Berry Men's Bowling Club
PO Box 139 Berry NSW 2535
Club 4464 2995
President: L. McNamara 4464 1868
Bowls Organiser: D. Lambert 4464 2332
Bowls Bookings: 0475 768 249

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
jasiyy@bigpond.net.au
www.berryridingclub.com

Berry Shoalhaven Head Rugby
League Football Club
First Wednesday evening of the month at
The Berry Hotel
7pm Great Southern Hotel, Berry.
Email: berryjuniorleague@gmail.com
Find us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/
groups/325991097440833/

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



Raine & Horne Berry

Service, Sales & Success!!



PRINCIPAL/SALES
Alex Cochrane
0412 081 600

In offering Kimberley Clarke the opportunity to return to her passion for real estate, her previous experience in real estate sales and financial planning had an immediate and positive impact within our office and in particular for our clients.



PRINCIPAL/SALES
Jacqui Crapp
0429 104 011

Her commitment to customer service, along with creative marketing has achieved excellent sales results in a very short period of time.

Kimberley's clients are telling us that they are and have been really impressed with her empathy, negotiation and problem solving skills which have achieved amazing results for them.



SALES
Kimberley Clarke
0418 204 518

Alex Cochrane & Jacqui Crapp
Principals

RECENT SALES:

32 Worrigee Street, Nowra
96 Moss Vale Road, Kangaroo Valley
29 Emerald Drive, Meroo Meadow
185 Bundewallah Road, Bundewallah
133 Devitts Lane, Meroo Meadow
261 Illaroo Road, North Nowra
2 Young Avenue, Nowra
41 Albert Street, Berry



PROPERTY MANAGER
Mat Whipp
0416 671 252

If you would like to discuss how we can help you showcase your property for sale or lease please give us a call on 02 4464 1300



PROPERTY MANAGER
Margaret Skelton
0412 856 077

Raine & Horne

02 4464 1300
www.rh.com/berry



view

voice, interests and
education of women

I hope everyone had a Happy New Year and will come along to our March meeting which is on the third Wednesday of the month at 6.30 for a 7pm start. Just ring Jan by Sunday 12pm before the Wednesday meeting on 44642181 - we would love to have you!

The AGM is of course closed to visitors which is our February meeting.

Well I didn't have a good start for 2018; my computer died, and I lost everything even e-mail addresses. But there are worse things that happen that's why it is good to help the Smith family and this year we plan to help 2 Learning For Life children. Just that little bit of support helps a family send their child through school so they don't feel different from any other child. We have some interesting guest speakers coming up this year and fun events planned.

The December meeting was held at Shona's place catered by Shona and the committee and proved an excellent evening.

Coffee morning will be held at the Treat Factory on the 1st Thursday of the month so that's a good way to introduce yourself to us VIEW ladies.

Come join us in March at the Berry Bowling Club I am sure the Ladies of the Berry Evening View Club will make you feel more than welcome.

Yolande, Publicity



Above: Lucy Bryce and Ann Turner enjoying Berry VIEWS' Christmas Party
Right: Betty Endean, Pat Vassallo and Helen Barlow



Berry Town Crier Advertisement Rates

1 COLUMN DISPLAY AD

SINGLE RATE = \$110 OR
REPEAT RATE = \$297 (\$99 X 3 ISSUES)
DIMENSIONS: 10CM HIGH X 6CM WIDE

2 COLUMN DISPLAY AD

SINGLE RATE = \$143 OR
REPEAT RATE = \$363 (\$121 X 3 ISSUES)
DIMENSIONS: 10CM HIGH X 12CM WIDE

3 COLUMN DISPLAY AD

SINGLE RATE = \$176 OR
REPEAT RATE = \$495 (\$165 X 3 ISSUES)
DIMENSIONS: 10CM HIGH X 18.5CM WIDE

FULL PAGE

SINGLE RATE = \$431 OR
REPEAT RATE = \$858 (\$286 X 3 ISSUES)
DIMENSIONS: 27CM HIGH X 18.5CM WIDE



ST. LUKE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

68a Princess Street Berry

Serving the Berry community since 1873

Senior Minister Rev. Neil Percival

Join us for Sunday services

8:00 am (Traditional) or 9:30 am (Families)
or the 1st, 3rd and 5th Thursdays at 11:00 am (Communion)

Phone 4464 1058 or Email office@berry.anglican.asn.au

For information on activities www.berry.anglican.asn.au

BELLE PROPERTY BERRY

Testimonials

"Gary and the Berry Belle team sold our house in under 3 months after 9 months with another agent. Belle were able to sell our house for what other agents in town told us to list it for. The photos provided by Belle were magazine like and created lots of interest. We had more inspections with Belle in 3 months than the previous agents in 9 months. Advice given by Gary to us was crucial in obtaining the sale while the eventual buyer was sold on our house by Gary's ability to sell the positives of our property. We would be happy to recommend the Belle team and will definitely use them again."

- Mark & Leanne, Berry

"Nick was always positive and committed to selling the property. He went above and beyond to show potential buyers the property and to maintain the property profile. He was great to deal with and maintained almost daily contact with me. Nick was tireless in following up potential purchasers and assisting with purchaser details to assist the sale. I always felt like we were on the same page with selling the property, and I really appreciated how thoughtful he was about my situation, and his special attention to our old dog; who he made a part of the sales experience. He made what could have been a long and depressing process, a positive one"

- Cara M, Merroo Meadow

Our Brand –

Belle Property Berry believes great people make a great business. Our agents are talented, dedicated and community minded professionals. We value integrity, trust and sincerity as much as we value hard work, determination and success. Our people do business with heart and purpose and we support them with a business environment conducive to success.

We sell simple studios and multi-million dollar homes with the same commitment, professionalism and attention to detail. We believe outstanding presentation, strategic marketing, genuine client service and superior sales skills are the core ingredients of a premium outcome at any price level.

Our Service –

Quality service begins with courtesy and respect, backed up with enthusiasm, a desire to support and help, as well as a determination to ensure the job is done properly. Clear, open communication is essential in bringing the right properties and buyers together. The team at Belle Property Berry take the time to understand what is important to their clients and make sure they are informed every step of the way.

**Time and time again, this has proven
to be the difference between
'FOR SALE' and 'SOLD'.**



Gary Dale
Principal/
Licensee

Nick Dale
Property
Consultant

Susan Dale
Office
Manager

Emily Agar
Property
Manager

Maddison Savage
Sales
Assistant

Alison Darlow
Sales
Assistant

122 Queen St, Berry



(02) 4464 1636



A Project of the Berry Uniting Church
BERRY COMPUTERS FOR SENIORS
 P.O. Box 103, Berry, 2535 – Phone: 02-4448-6267
 Email: berrycfs@gmail.com



EXCITING TIMES AHEAD FOR SENIORS' COMPUTING GROUP

Berry Computers for Seniors (BCFS) is a not-for-profit group with volunteer tutors teaching seniors the basics of computing. David Wastie, President of the group, says that after several 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.

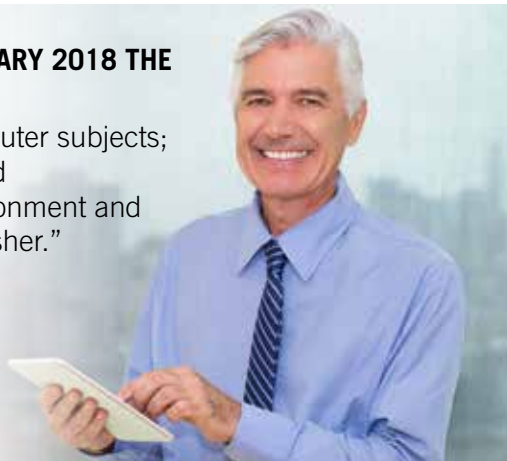
"There's a popular misconception" he says "that when a person retires from employment, they also retire from life. These days, nothing could be further from the truth.

"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 7TH FEBRUARY 2018 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



mainly music reopens on Tuesday 6th February and we are looking forward to another busy and exciting year with the families and young children of our area. We have been blessed by the many families who have been part of the group over the past six years and are always pleased by the input of the children and parents at the various sessions. This program offers a structured session of music and movement for the first half hour followed by morning tea and outdoor play, as well as craft activity for the next period of time.

The session commences at 10.00 am and winds up at 11.30am parents are free to go at a time suiting their needs. The cost per family is \$5.00 per session and we look forward to your attendance. For more information contact Trish on 0401151820 or come along to Berry Community church at 8 Schofields Lane, Berry.



**SOUTH COAST
COLOUR
of Berry**

**Interior Decoration &
Colour Consultancy**

Colour for interiors & exteriors.

Curtains, blinds & soft furnishings.

Material selection for walls, floors
& ceilings.

Contemporary design solutions
for any space.

News!

SCC is now the exclusive supplier of TPB
Spanish kitchen technology which unifies
hidden induction hobs within a porcelain
benchtop.

www.inductionbenchtops.com.au

Asha Ardill 0423 820 370

asha@southcoastcolour.com.au www.southcoastcolour.com.au

ADVERTISEMENT

**Gareth
Ward**
Member for Kiama



**"Working
for Berry"**

Can I help you?

P 4232 1082 **F** 4232 3577

E kiama@parliament.nsw.gov.au

W www.garethward.net.au

A 102 Terralong Street, Kiama NSW 2533.



Authorised by Gareth Ward MP, 102 Terralong Street, Kiama NSW 2533.
 This advertisement was produced using parliamentary entitlements.

NEW RELEASE

Huntingdale Park Estate

Dalesford Rise

RayWhite



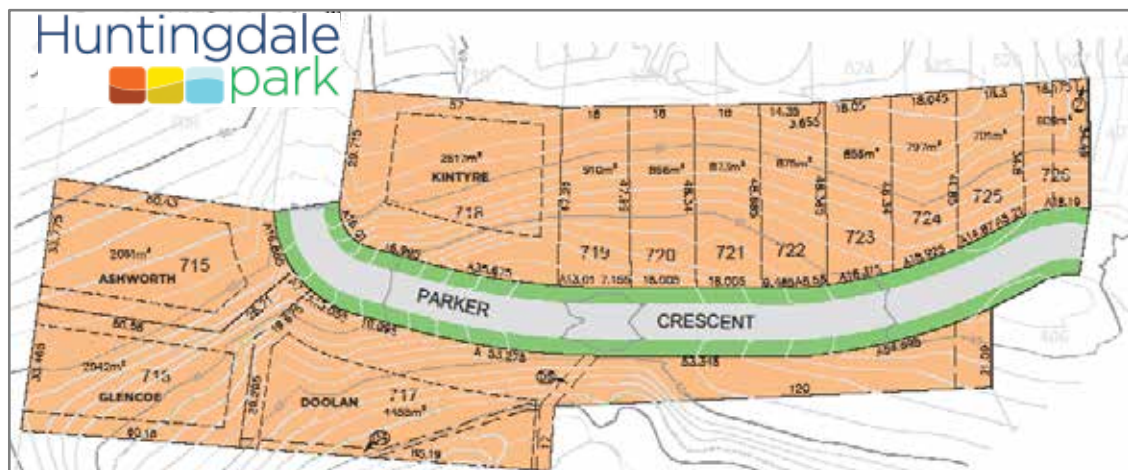
Don't miss your chance to buy in Berry, with this new land release coming soon.

On offer is a combination of

- 11 Residential Lots (609-910sqm)
- 4 Prestige Lots (2042-4455sqm)

On site inspections commence Saturday the 10th February, 10-11am

The Lots are to be offered for sale at Auction on the 17th March 2018, if you would like to register please visit us at Ray White Berry.



BERRY SHOW

High Velocity Trick Riders | Team ARD FMX | Saddle Broncs | Rodeo | Beaut Utes

High Velocity Trick Riders ARE BACK!

It's been two years since we first saw these incredible performers, human & animal, wow the crowds at the Berry Showground. Be amazed again or for the first time as they take to the main arena on horseback and perform daring acrobatics and Roman riding while their horses fly at speed.



In 2018 the Young Farmer Challenge is back for its fifth year at Berry Show. See teams of four, men & women, battle it out on the main arena to be crowned the Champions.



It's on again, The Greatest Show in Town!

This year get ready to celebrate 130 years of the Berry Show with new entertainment, old favourites and incredible competitions! With the help of our generous sponsors we are bringing you an exhilarating two full days of agriculture, animals and amusement. With their continued support, our show presidents Peter & Sandra Harris and the Berry Show Committee are able to bring you High Velocity Trick Riders, Team ARD Freestyle Motocross, Saddle Broncs, Beaut Ute Competition & Hawkesbury Kelpies. Of course there's the favourites too, including the Dairy Cattle show on Friday morning where at last years competition the Berry Show Champion Cow went on to win The Sydney Royal Easter Show Competition. Don't miss your chance to see some of the states best athletes and their horses compete when the showjumping starts early. On Friday afternoon bring your children and animals along for the Children's Pet Show and stay to watch the woodchips fly and enjoy live entertainment at the Axemen & Sawyers Bar. Then stay for the Friday night spectacular, the WILD RODEO featuring the Saddle Bronc Riders who travel far to compete at the Berry Show.

On Saturday you can watch the Beef Cattle Show, then head on over to the walk in Animal Nursery, to get up close and personal with the baby animals. Don't miss the goats or the poultry or the pavilion and set yourself up under the Grandstand and enjoy the culinary delights and hospitality of the Berry Show Ladies Auxiliary. See horses, cattle, community groups, floats and tractors at lunch for the Grand Parade and the fun is only getting started. Saturday afternoon the entertainment doesn't stop. There is the haymaking demonstration, working dogs, Beaut Utes, heavy horses, Young Farmer Challenge Final, Berry Showgirl announcement and the fireworks spectacular! Find out more at www.berryshow.org.au, like our Facebook page or follow us on Twitter. So put on your hat, pull on your boots and checked shirt and let's all *Get Country* for the 130th Berry Show!

Warmest Regards, The Berry Show Committee & The Ladies Auxiliary

Berry Show 2018

Friday Program, 2nd February

The Greatest Show in Town



7.30 Showjumping

8.30 Horse Classes

9.00 Dairy Cattle Judging



Pavilion

Open 11.00am
to 8.00pm



1pm MAIN ARENA

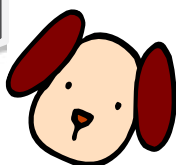
**HIGH VELOCITY
TRICK RIDERS**

3pm

HEAVY HORSES

4pm

Pet Show



Near Woodchop Arena

4.30 Main Arena **HORSE
SPORTING EVENTS**

5.30 **WOODCHOPPING**
in Woodchop Arena



5.30 **HIGH VELOCITY
TRICK RIDERS**

6.00

**BERRY GYM SUPER HERO
Iron Man/Woman Event**

Main Arena

6.45

7.00 **WHIP CRACKING**
Competition

**HIGH VELOCITY
TRICK RIDERS**

7.30

SADDLE BRONCS



8.00 pm



RODEO



**All Day
Animal Nursery** from 10am

- Trade Exhibits
- Berry Milk Co Op Display
- The Grandstand Café
- Stalls
- Show Bags
- Fairy Floss
- Sideshow Alley
- Food and Refreshments



First Aid station
Ringside opposite
the Pavilion



Events and times are correct at date of printing

Berry Show 2018

Saturday Program, 3rd February

The Greatest Show in Town

8.30 **Beef Cattle Judging**
Animal Nursery from 10am

Woodchop in the Woodchop
Arena from 10am



Pavilion open 9am to 7.30pm



Poultry Pavilion

open 10am to 5pm

GOATS from 10am

Ring Program

7.30 Showjumping

8.30 Horse Classes

1.30 Main Arena



The GRAND PARADE

3.00 Pony Club Riding

HEAVY HORSES

4.00

HIGH VELOCITY TRICK RIDERS

4.20

**RON MCKINNON'S
BULLOCK TEAM**



5pm

Young Farmers' Challenge

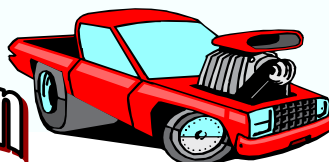
5.40 **HAY
MAKING**



6.20

Beaut Ute

Copetition



6.40 **ARD FMX
Stunt Riders**

7pm

Show Girls



7.45 **Mower Racing**

8pm **Hay Stacking**

8.30 **Dog High Jump**



8.50 **ARD FMX
Stunt Riders**

9.10

**HIGH VELOCITY
TRICK RIDERS**

9.30

FIREWORKS

All Day

- Trade Exhibits
- Show Bags
- Fairy Floss
- Sideshow Alley
- Food and Refreshments
- The Grandstand Café
- Berry Milk Co Op Milk-ing display



First Aid station Ringside
opposite the Pavilion



Events and times are correct at date of printing

Berry Show Sponsors

Please thank our community sponsors when you see them or make a purchase

Thank you

SUPREME CHAMPION SPONSOR



GRAND CHAMPION SPONSOR

PINDAN

CHAMPION SPONSORS



Blue Ribbon Sponsors

Berry Rural Store	The Berry Pharmacy	Berry IGA
Berry Veterinary Clinic	Adrienne & Colin Blue	The Bullock Family
Concept Interiors	Engineered Floors Australia	T.J. Fahl Rural Contracting
Great Southern Hotel Berry	The Greenacre Family	Handmade Web
HATS Hire Unanderra	Hollaback Park	Illawarra Equine Centre
Orford Rural Contracting	Parmalat	Pentair
Raine & Horne Berry	Ray White Real Estate Berry	Re.Group Pty Ltd
South Coast Prestige		The Waddell Family

Red Ribbon Sponsors

Bomaderry Butcher CKB Civil The Harris Family MI Engineers Vella Stock Feeds

White Ribbon Sponsors

Aerospace Training Services	A&R Contracting	Berry Smash Repairs
Berry Gym	Designer Digs Builder	Horseland Wollongong
Leisure Coast Packaging	Manildra Group	M & C Sharpe
Garry Nelson Cartage	John McGuire & Associates Lawyers	Nowra Mazda
Power FM & 2st	North Nowra Butchery & Catering	Shoalhaven Poultry
South Coast Milk	The Arbour	

Yellow Ribbon Sponsors

AIS (Tony Lewis), Paul Anderson, The Berry Barn, The Berry Bon Bon (Terri & John Andrews), Berry Christian Churches, Berry & District Garden Club, Berry Men's Shed, Berry Spinners & Weavers, Bishops South Nowra, Bomaderry Dental Surgery, Michael Borys, CWA Berry, Envirodynamics South Coast, Gary Sloan, Grant Blow Rural Contracting, Hamilton Earth Movers, Homeleigh Farms, Il Locale Cafe, Karawi Hill Murray Grey Stud, Milkwood Bakery, NAB Agribusiness, Nowra Truck & Tractor, Stuart Bramley Electrical, The Treat Factory, Lyn White, Woodside Park

Green Ribbon Sponsors

Agricultural Societies Council, Australian Plant Society NSW Nowra, Berry Butchery, Berry & District Historical Society, Berry Patchwork, Berry Show Society Ladies Auxiliary, Brandon Family, Annette Brereton, Pam Coles, Dahlia Society of NSW, Dave Hill Marine, Four Legged Friends, Gillam Family, Good Wool Store, Higgins Family, Hopdog Beer Works, Hungry Duck, Illawarra Porcelain Artists, Galbraith Family, A & S Jeffery, Jim Hindmarsh & Co, Karagundi Simmentals, Kelly Karpentry, R & G Larder, Mary Seelis, McClelland Family, McGoldrick Family, Michael Nelson, Monaghan Family, Oak Farm Limousin, Laurel Oke, Paul Gibson, L Page, Clive Radburn, Richard Miller Photography, Sew & Tell, Hedgehogs Coffee Shop, Woodhill Mountain Wines

COUNCIL DECISION PENDING ON BOMADERRY 50 METRE POOL

With some Shoalhaven community members expressing concerns about the alternative solutions to the 50-metre pool in the proposed new Shoalhaven Nowra Regional Sports and Community Precinct, in Bomaderry, Shoalhaven City Council is ensuring residents have an update on the progress of the Precinct.

Currently, Council has adopted the Shoalhaven Community and Recreation Precinct Masterplan. This plan was developed through extensive community consultation that commenced in September 2015 and was presented to Council in December 2016. This consultation included public meetings, discussion, public submissions and comments about the 50-metre pool. The report was presented to Council in December 2016 and adopted.

The proposal included adding a 25-metre x 8 lane indoor pool, a learn to swim pool, a children's/beach entry pool and hydrotherapy pool which are included in the community pavilion which forms part of the new development.

The Bomaderry Aquatic Centre 50-metre outdoor swimming pool is nearing the end of its serviceable life. Extensive works are required on the outdoor pool shell, heating units, hydraulic and filtration systems. The servicing costs also continue to increase, reaching the point where these costs are no longer sustainable and, increasingly maintaining a reliable service will become operationally difficult.

In 2014, the forecasted cost of continuing to operate both the Nowra Aquatic Centre 50-metre pool and the Bomaderry Aquatic Centre 25-metre and 50-metre pools all year round, presented a net operating loss of \$1,025,181. In the financial year 2016/17 the net loss for these two facilities increased to over \$1.1 million.

The proposed rectification works were costed at \$2.12 million (total costs excluding interest payments); however, these costs would have also significantly increased since this time.

The Bomaderry Aquatic Centre outdoor 50-metre pool plant room, kiosk and amenities are 39 years old and need a major upgrade. The upgrades would only allow for a like-for-like refit and not improve the overall appearance or functionality of the facility, nor increase the longevity of the mechanical services.

The indoor pool was opened in 1986 and has had some recent improvements such as painting, tiling, and replacement of cubicle partitions, however the building and pool have aged.

Under the current masterplan proposal adopted by Council, which considered current demand and future demographic changes, there is increased demand on indoor pool space for all year round use to meet both casual use and program needs for learn to swim classes, gentle exercise programs and lane walking. These would be met by: increased lane space; a dedicated learn to swim pool, a dedicated hydrotherapy and rehabilitation pool with inclusive access, and a children's/beach entry pool.

Benchmarking and planning have identified that maintaining two 50-metre heated outdoor pools within 3km of each other is financially unsustainable. Throughout NSW local government areas benchmarking has shown that there are few Councils that have invested so heavily in aquatic and leisure facilities at the same level as the Shoalhaven.

Based on established planning and provision principles of one (1) local aquatic facility per 10,000 – 40,000 people and one (1) district aquatic facility per 40,000 – 70,000 people, the provision of one (1) 50 metre swimming pool is meeting the benchmarks and is capable of servicing and meeting the needs of the northern Shoalhaven community now and well into the future. The population of the Shoalhaven is just over 100,300 people and has 12 swimming pool

facilities including two sea pools - 7 x 25m pools, 2 leisure pools and water play parks, 7 toddlers pools, 1 hydrotherapy pool and 5 x 50m pools (including 2 sea pools).

The cost difference to the Shoalhaven ratepayer in building a 25-metre indoor pool and a 50-metre indoor pool is approximately \$7million with \$240,000 in additional annual operating costs each year. Business planning forecasts to keep both 50-metre pools and to ensure an affordable usage fee without loss, is unsustainable.

Director of Finance, Corporate and Community Services Craig Milburn said, "We are planning for the Shoalhaven's future and to operate two 50-metre pools within 3km does not make a good business

case in protecting the ratepayer dollar and in keeping both pools sustainable. We are not trying to close the pool down, rather replace it with better infrastructure so it can be enjoyed by more people and last longer. The inclusion of aquatic leisure and play facilities for young children and families is a growing trend. Our aim is to achieve a holistic sports precinct that caters for all sports, brings jobs to our community and new services such as hydrotherapy, better athletics tracks and a modern facility." The approach is consistent with the recent consultant findings and recommendations for future facility provision.

Councillors will receive a briefing and report over the next month for their further consideration and recommendation. **



P

FREE

Keys2Drive Lesson

*conditions apply

Peter Keisinger

0409 496 599

justgodriving@gmail.com

@justgodriving

- ⊕ One of Shoalhaven's most qualified and experienced instructors
- ⊕ Calm and Friendly Tuition
- ⊕ Learn a LIFETIME of safe driving skills
- ⊕ Exceptional 1st time PASS RATE
- ⊕ Aged accredited assessor




FIGBIRD

Come and enjoy our Italian cuisine at Figbird

Wednesday – Saturday (6pm–10pm)
BYO with free corkage

4/58 Albert St. Berry NSW 2535
4464 2283 • www.figbirdcafe.com.au



New Years Eve Fireworks Spectacular Another Success

The family fun night and fireworks spectacular at the Berry Showground on New Years Eve was another success for the thousands who attended.

Entertainment included segments from kid's favourite, Pirate Pete, who has become a regular on our New Years Eve program and a real hit with the kids. There was also the Roy Cow Cow Band, best described as a Country, Blues and Rock band for all occasions, plus the ever-popular ride-on lawn mower racing with Showmow Racing.

Children of all ages had great fun playing the free games and enjoying the many carnival rides. And everyone agreed that the fireworks display was simply magnificent.

The Club thanks the Shoalhaven City Council and the many generous sponsors, including Gold Sponsors Berry IGA, Elders Real Estate Berry, and 2ST/Power FM, Silver Sponsor Werri Beach Holiday Park, Bronze Sponsors Berry Pharmacy, Silos Estate, Climax Air Conditioning, NSW Office of Sport, Whitesands Travel, Bendigo Bank plus Supporting Sponsors Berry Automotive, Berry Hotel and Turfco.

The proceeds from the night go toward the Rotary Club's numerous community projects, and in particular the Club's vision of developing a Nature Play Parkland along North St Berry. The vision is for an exciting

**Rotary
Club of Berry**



Nature Play Parkland for all ages and abilities to play, exercise and to have fun in a natural environment, plus to be an attraction for business and tourism by encouraging young families to visit Berry.

2018 promises to be another event-filled year for the Club. The Australia Day Breakfast at Berry Showground kicks off activities. Then, it's time for the Berry Show and Club members are busy in the Rotary BBQ & Grill preparing egg and bacon rolls, steak and sausage sandwiches. So, for some good wholesome tucker, come and see us at the Show, just near the wood chopping area.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE PART OF THE TEAM, YOU WILL ALWAYS BE WELCOME AS A GUEST AT OUR CLUB DINNER MEETINGS WHICH ARE HELD ON THURSDAY EVENINGS AT THE BERRY BOWLING CLUB. PLEASE CONTACT OUR MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR CHRIS ROWLAND ON 0412 373 817 TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT ROTARY.



TRADES & SERVICES DIRECTORY

South Coast
Gutter Wiz
GUTTERS BLOCKED?

Our safe, affordable & mess-free vacuum gutter cleaning service is now available in your area! Keep your home free from debris & bushfire safe. Pressure Cleaning service also available.
Call for a free quote today....

Your vacuum gutter cleaning expert
Phone Garry 0401 492 220



The Queen of the
Cleaning Service

- ★ Domestic and Commercial Cleaning
- ★ Regular and Spring Cleaning
- ★ Presentation Cleaning
- ★ Rental Exit Cleaning
- ★ Window Cleaning

Call Rhona for a free quote: **0417 652 892**
Over 20 years' Experience



**HANDYMAN
SOUTH COAST**
TRADE QUALIFIED
Carpentry, plastering, painting, pressure cleaning, all repairs & renovations.
**PROPERTY MAINTENANCE
SPECIALIST**
Fast, fixed, fabulous!
DANNY FAGAN 0407 118 311



ROB PACKER POND & DAM CARE

- Algae & weed control
- Pumps & filtration
- Fish & plants
- Maintenance & repairs

0409 550 741

**SOCIAL MEDIA
MARKETING SERVICES**

- » Consultations
- » Social Media set up
- » Improve Social Media visibility and online following
- » Help you reach your online target market
- » Social media managing services
- » Social Media training

Call Lisa-Jane on **0427 716 844**
FOR YOUR FREE CONSULTATION TODAY

**SPACE
AVAILABLE**
CONTACT THE EDITOR
0428 037 572
towncrier@berryalliance.org.au

TRADES & SERVICES DIRECTORY

Canine Cardio

Dog Walking & Animal Home Care

Dog Walking | Pet Minding | Doggy Daycare | Overnight Stays

Annette Brooker

0418 427 438

info@caninecardio-homework.com.au
www.caninecardio-homework.com.au



Television Antennas SHOALHAVEN ANTENNAS

Servicing Berry and surrounding areas.

- Digital Upgrades
- New Installs
- TV Tuning
- Repair existing systems
- Add Phone/TV Outlets



Phone: 0410 526 672
Fax: 02 4422 6672

gerringong physiotherapy
nowra central physiotherapy
shell cove physiotherapy

4234 4666

www.gerringongphysio.com

Mountain Echo Landscape & Horticulture

- Landscape Design & Construction
- All Aspects of Garden Maintenance
- Fruit & Veg Production
- Broad Acre Property Management

Katie 0424 236 235 Ryan 0409 743 828
contact@mountainecho.com.au

Mark Collins Lawn Mowing Service

Domestic & Commercial

M: 0401 571 228

Fully Insured
ABN: 36 646 587 820

P: 4423 6448 e:markheidi@optusnet.com.au



~ Specialising in gentle, low force techniques ~

SAFE, EFFECTIVE TREATMENT FOR:

- All ages; from babies through to the elderly.
- Headaches/migraines
- Back/neck pain
- Postural problems
- Whiplash
- Scoliosis
- EFTPOS available
- HICAPS now available

57 Queen Street • Phone: 4464 3414

- QUALIFIED HORTICULTURIST
- GARDEN MAKEOVERS & RESTORATIONS
- GARDEN MAINTENANCE
- GARDEN DESIGN & ADVICE
- REGULAR LAWN MOWING & EDGING



HATHAWAY GARDENS

WE SERVICE BERRY, GERROA, GERRINGONG, KIAMA & SURROUNDING AREAS

Phone Lawrie Hathaway 0411 888 333

Ian's Interior Linings



★ All plasterboard & fibrous plastering

★ Commercial & Domestic

M: 0418 220 751

E: willey63@bigpond.com.au

AIS CERTIFIERS

FAST TRACK
BUILDING APPROVALS

SWIMMING POOL
COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATES

TONY LEWIS

0417 372 728 • 4421 0004
info@accreditedinspectionsservices.com.au

THE BOUTIQUE GYM

Personal Trainer Jen Miller

117 North Street,
Berry NSW 2535

☎ 0413 648 943

jenmiller65@hotmail.com



LOCAL • COUNTRY • INTERSTATE

Experience a New Level of Professionalism
Phone 04 2864 3557 or 4464 3557

Four Legged Friends PET FEEDING SERVICE

For Horses, Dogs, Cats, Birds
& all other domestic pets

Megan White
dip in animal care
0407 407 328

whitewolf99@bigpond.com

Established: 1995

- FEEDING • EXERCISING • RUGGING
- GARDEN • MAIL • GARBAGE

www.fourleggedfriends.com.au



SPACE AVAILABLE

CONTACT THE EDITOR

0428 037 572

towncrier@berryalliance.org.au

TANNED HIDES, BERRY NSW COW HIDES

PROFESSIONALLY TANNED HIDES AVAILABLE
YOUR HIDE OR CHOOSE FROM OUR RANGE

PHONE 0409 444 081

ALL ENQUIRIES WELCOME • WWW.TANNEDHIDES.COM.AU

ALL AUSTRALIAN • ALL AUTHENTIC • ALL UNIQUE

Support
locally
owned
businesses.

TRADES & SERVICES DIRECTORY

Vaughn's Lawn & Garden Service



- Local knowledge
- Professional service
- Fully insured

0408 863 776

www.vaughnsgardening.com.au

Graeme Todd-Wilson
0411 268 156



Lic. R62966

40 Years experience

Wallpaper

Hanger

TERMITES!

- Pre purchase termite inspections and reports
- Termite barriers new & existing buildings, council approved
- Thermal imaging and microwave inspection tools
- Termite Baiting Systems

FREE QUOTES Call
TERMITE SOLUTIONS-
4448 5444
termite experts

Fully Licensed, Accredited & Insured
Family Business with over 20 years experience

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE HOME HANDYMAN

- Repairs and installation of doors/windows/gates and fencing
- Small extensions - decks/pergolas
- Tipper Hire
- Clean ups - rubbish removal
- 40 years' experience
- Fully licensed

Michael Barrett 0408 217 637

BERRY MAINTENANCE PLUMBING

ALL PLUMBING SERVICES
Gutters Hot Water Toilet Repairs Leaks

Paul Bramley Licence L5826

Mobile: **0438 641 046**

Office: 02 4464 1312

MY CERTIFIER

BUILDING CERTIFICATION

Construction Certificates, Complying Development Certificates, PCA Services, Pool Compliance, Basix Certificates, DA Assistance & Building Consultation

Che Leonard BPB1812

0417 593 496

Email: che@mycertifier.com.au

www.mycertifier.com.au

G.M. Ellison & Co.

lawyers • conveyancers

Graham Ellison LL.B.

- Real Estate & Business Conveyancing
- Wills, Probate and Personal Arrangements

5 HOST PLACE BERRY

Ph: 4464 3814 / 0408 444 808

graham@gmellisonlawyers.com.au

HERE IS HOW TO GET THE BEST KITCHEN, VANITY, FURNITURE, TIMBER WINDOWS, DOORS, FLYSCREENS AND JOINERY

Rybrook Joinery

CALL SCOTT OR MICHAEL

4422 4600

MICHAEL HILL PAINTER & DECORATOR

Quality Work Guaranteed

Domestic Commercial Industrial

ABN 95 969 204 488 Lic No 121389C

0402474569

- Specialising In
- New/Old work
 - Feature Walls
 - Roofs
 - Texture Coating
 - Heritage

Arborist
Complete Tree Removal & Care
Reliable Professional Service
Mulch Sales
Stump Grinding
Fully Insured

Dave Kelly

0423 903 946

All aspects of professional tree care.



WINDOW & GUTTER CLEANING
HOUSE WASHING

CALL JAMIE FOR FREE QUOTE

0413 582 948

FLASH



WINDOW CLEANING

PROMPT, RELIABLE SERVICE

ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR

EEPS
Lic. No. 133674C

DOMESTIC & COMMERCIAL

Solar Power Installation
Home Automation Systems
Security Lighting
Pools & Spas
Hot Water Systems
Oven & Stove Repairs
Safety Switches
Smoke Detectors

Contact peter today!

0412 594 907 | 4464 1993

ENDEAVOUR ENERGY AUTHORISED LEVEL 2 SERVICE PROVIDER



SC
SOUTH COAST COLOUR
of Berry

Colour and Interior Decoration services.

Call Asha Ardill on
0423 820 370

www.southcoastcolour.com.au
asha@southcoastcolour.com.au

- Experienced in both residential and commercial sectors.
- Locally based, nationally accredited.
- Every job is approached with fresh eyes and new concepts.
- Finalist in Miele's "Forever Better" 2016 residential design competition.

Gerrington Painting Service

Lic: 186465C

- New & Repaints
- Interior & Exterior
- Small Jobs Welcome
- 30 Years Trades Experience



GREG DENT 0438 637 141



MISS SPARKLES SHOALHAVEN

External House Cleaning
HOUSES FROM \$148

- Environmentally Friendly
- House/Driveway Packages
- Removal of Cobwebs
- Patios and Driveways
- Mildew Treatment
- Windows/Screens included
- Commercial work
- Seniors Discount

Phone Dennis for a free quote:
0407 642 256

Now Offering: Internal Window Cleaning & Licensed/Insured Electrical Work (Lic No. 209514C)

TRADES & SERVICES DIRECTORY

CKB CIVIL

All Earthworks
Landscaping
Driveways
Rural Roads



Charlie 0418 429 740
charlie@ckbcivil.com.au

Lic 244729c

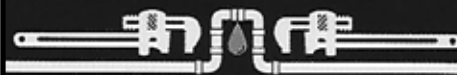


Chimney Sweep Wood Fire Installation and Maintenance

Servicing Berry for over 25 years Locally Run
Family Business - Specialising in all your
Wood Fire Needs - Licenced, Insured,
Professional & Clean.

Contact Russell: 0412 241 557 / 4464 1557
Or Luke: 0413 737 316

Lic No L7020



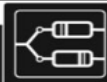
SCHOON PLUMBING

Plumbing-Drainage-Gasfitting
Roofing-Guttering
schoonplumbing@hotmail.com

Mini Excavator Hire
New Homes-Renovations
Tindalis Lane Broughton NSW 2535

Call Today!

0419624011



Computer Troubleshooters

TECHNOLOGY SOLVED

- Residential or Business we come to you.
- Hardware and software repairs and sales.
- Networking solutions.
- Over 20 years' experience.

0422 227 456
www.ctsnowra.com.au

LOCAL SERVICE - GLOBAL STRENGTH

Glynn's Carpentry

YOUR HOME IS IN GOOD HANDS

Maintenance, Repair & Renovation Specialist

"I can help with those odd little jobs that
never seem to get fixed or a bigger project
like a new kitchen or bathroom"

Lic # 218008C

For a friendly free quote - Glynn 0423 384 072

MARK FOX TILING

- Floor Screeds • Waterproofing
- All interior and exterior wall
and floor tiling

Pool water lines and complete pools

With over 25 years' experience
in the construction industry I have the
solution to all your tiling needs.

Call 0481 297 087
FOR YOUR FREE QUOTE TODAY

Licence No 304070C



Local Plumber
Fast & Reliable 24/7

1300 792 082

www.curranplumbing.com.au

10%
OFF
IF YOU
MENTION
THIS AD



Southern Tree Service

- Qualified Arborist
- Qualified Horticulturist
- Tree care and maintenance
- Expert trimming and tree
removal in confined areas
- Chipper • Mulch
- Advice on replacements
- Stump Grinding
- Fully Insured

Paul Gillen

Ph/Fax 4464 2822 • Mobile 0407 405 968



ILLAWARRA EQUINE CENTRE

(02) 4448 6488

office@iecvet.com.au

www.iecvet.com.au

Equine Veterinarians

24 Hour Emergency Service

LOOK MOBILE MECHANIC LOOK

AND MACHINERY TRANSPORT

- LAWN MOWERS
- TRACTORS & MACHINERY
- LIGHT TRUCKS
- 4WD & UTEs

0414 800 359

GREG LYNCH MOBILE FARM SERVICE



Dwell
SOUTH COAST
decorate • colour • style

Mindful colour specifications for inside + out

Home styling + decorating advice

Selection of fixtures, fittings + finishes

Sourcing furniture + artwork

Chat to Tonya 0447 186 105

www.dwellsouthcoast.com.au



KMAC CONCRETE

YOUR LOCAL, HONEST CONCRETE CONTRACTOR

RYAN LOCKHART

kmacconcrete@gmail.com

0416 536 944



Kmacconcrete.com.au

Roof & Building Repairs

Roof Leaks

Leak Detection

Moisture Problems

0415 997 977

Info@benchmarkbuild.com.au

Support
locally
owned
businesses.



MORROW
BUILDING PTY LTD
TOMORROW'S FUTURE BUILT TODAY

SPECIALISING IN BUILDING

- Homes
- Duplexes
- Multi Units
- Renovations

IN BERRY AND SURROUNDING AREAS

e sales@morrowbuild.com.au

w www.morrowbuild.com.au

p 0413 887 042 Licence 292189c

ESTABLISHED 1888
BERRY HOTEL



FOOTY TIPPING IS BACK!

Drop in and SIGN UP today.

\$10 entry

Great monthly prizes, last man standing, mid-year leader
AND \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$ TO BE WON!



RESTAURANT NEWS

...drop in and
taste the
difference...

monday: 2 course dinner specials \$25.00

tuesday: tex mex menu

wednesday: 2 course dinner specials + kids eat free! \$25.00

thursday: ribs and rumps

sunday: all day roast \$18.50



BERRY PUB FAMILY TRIVIA

SUNDAY 18th February from 5pm in the Courtyard

In February, proudly supporting:

The Berry Tennis Club

Bookings Essential

eat
drink
think
WIN

120 Queen Street, BERRY www.berryhotel.com.au
p. 02 4464 1011 f. 02 4464 2142 e. info@berryhotel.com.au



facebook.com/TheBerryHotel



[@theberryhotel](https://twitter.com/theberryhotel)



Smartphone App

Restaurants . Functions . Accommodation . Live Music

RESPONSIBLE SERVICE OF ALCOHOL AND GAMBLING

OFF-STREET PARKING FOR PATRONS AT THE REAR OF THE HOTEL

