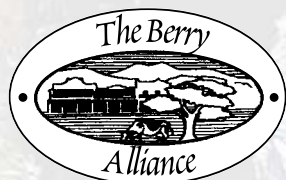


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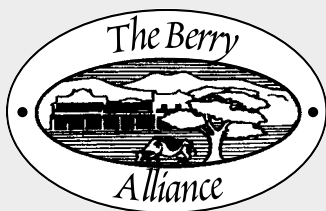
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to communicate to the people of  
Berry about community activities  
and to generate a small income  
for the Berry Alliance to cover  
administrative costs and donations.

### 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

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# Community Groups

The Berry Alliance regularly holds a Leaders' Get Together for all the registered not-for-profit Berry Community Groups and our recent one held in April was well-attended and had a clear message coming from it (more on this later). As usual it was held in the Berry Courthouse and being in April the weather was still kind to us and it wasn't too cold or hot. Some took the opportunity to have a quick look at the gardens and the hall for future event possibilities as the Courthouse offer a 50% discount to Berry Alliance registered Community Groups as part of their commitment to local community.

Friends and new friends got together over a drink and nibbles all served in a sustainable way. (You would expect the Alliance to do the sustainable choice way again this year. There was not a paper plate, plastic cup or paper napkin to be seen. Wine and food not only taste better from glass and crockery, but we are doing our bit and following our commitment to "Sustainable Berry".

Once the ice was broken and everyone had a glass and something yummy to nibble we sat down in a very large circle and were welcomed by Secretary Rick Gainford and the rest of the Berry Alliance Management Committee.

Rick outlined what the Berry Alliance offered to Berry community groups in the way of free publicity in the Town Crier, some grant funding for struggling and smaller groups and our other programs such as: the Sustainability commitment - purchasing, printing and giving away Cloth bags, Keep Cups, Cooler bags, as well as our regular columns in the Town Crier on sustainability, our financial support of "Boomerang Bags" Berry;

Tracks to the Future - a program of cycling and walking tracks in and around Berry - supported financially by the Tour de Berry and others.





# Group Leaders' Get Together



Editor of the Berry Alliance Town Crier, Nancy Davies spoke about how she can assist contributors, space and word limits as well as the importance of everyone's assistance with meeting the deadline each month.

We then went around the room and one or more representatives gave a brief description of what their community group did, future plans and projects and anything they may need some assistance or support with.

There were some wonderful plans and projects coming up and as always, we went away with a positive view of what our Berry community meant.

A clear and common theme though was that of "renewable volunteers" – recruitment of new volunteers and replacements for those who are looking forward to retirement or more travelling or more rest or just getting tired. Such is the commitment that the issue has been overcome over the years with a number of people staying on longer than they may have wished. Many of our groups share the common problem of volunteers getting older and not being replaced as quickly as people leave.

In short, we need more volunteers for several of our community groups.

This was discussed as well as some possible solutions, assistance and methods. Things such as:

- Tell your community groups story as to what you do on a week to week basis and where a new person would be welcomed and assisted and valued – this could be a special article each month in the Town Crier;
- Create a position or positions with a short volunteer description and have that as something to hand to possible volunteers
- Be willing to listen to new ideas and a different point of view. Just because something has been tried and failed before doesn't mean it will not be of benefit or worth trying again.
- Ask members and friends to "Bring a Friend" and ask these people to consider joining the group.

The Alliance has considered this issue further and agree that it needs as much help as we can provide so we have decided to have a "Berry Community Group Expo" where our community groups who wish to participate can have a stall and show their wares, have a handout aimed at new members and recruits, sell food and coffee etc. – show us your thing or what you do and what fun you have doing it and the benefit it gives others.

We have already had some discussions with others including the Berry Chamber of Commerce and we have lots of ideas as well as consultation and planning to go but we are starting now and aiming at September. The Town Crier will carry the publicity, the Berry Alliance will also assist with costs. It could be a fun day and a celebration of our community. So please consider joining a community group, send us any ideas you may have, and we may see you at a future Community Group Leaders Get Together.

**Rick Gainford - Secretary / Treasurer**  
**Berry Alliance Inc. and Berry Town Crier**  
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# Help Name the New Park in Berry

(Currently referred to as "Berry District Park")

**The Proposed new park in Berry (North Street near Woodhill Mountain Road end) needs a name and Council are consulting widely and asking our community to propose names and then vote on the list proposed.**

The dates for this have now been extended so the Berry Alliance Town Crier can spread the message as widely as possible by putting this notice in our May Town Crier.

You can propose a name for the park. This is now open, and the close date has now

been extended to 14 May 2018 (was 30 April 2018)

A vote will then be taken on the list of names made. This now closes on 28 May 2018 (was 14 May 2018)

**Step 1:** Submit a name before 14 May 2018. To submit a name for the Park just download the form from: <https://getinvolved.shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au/berry-district-park>

**Step 2:** A shortlist of the very best names will be displayed from 15 May 2018. Be sure to

return to vote for your favourite shortlisted name between 15-29 May 2018. If you supply an email address, we will email you when this stage opens.

## Further Information

For further information, please contact Council's Social Infrastructure Planner, Lillian Hutchinson on (02) 4429 3372 or email [lillian.hutchinson@shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au](mailto:lillian.hutchinson@shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au) (External link).

**Berry Alliance and Town Crier**

## HERE IS THE VERY LATEST RELEASE FROM COUNCIL ON THE PARK NAMING AND THE TIME EXTENSION:

### Berry District Park

The Berry District Park area provides a unique opportunity to reinvigorate the northern edge of the township of Berry following the introduction of the Berry bypass road. The area is already popular with the local community and visitors, with a great diversity of active sporting and passive recreation activities.

The area referred to as 'Berry District Park' is located on the northern edge of the township of Berry. The site has an extensive frontage to North Street, with a secondary frontage to Woodhill Mountain Road on its eastern side. The northern extent of the District Park will be bounded by the new Princes Highway/Berry bypass road, which was recently opened.

### Project Vision

Broadly, the vision for the Berry District Park is to provide unique recreation facilities that build on the existing successes of the area and facilitates future opportunities to improve and supplement broader community needs. A Concept Plan has been produced to illustrate the wide variety of infrastructure proposed for the Park.

### What is currently happening?

#### Naming Engagement

Council is currently seeking nominations for the naming of the park area (currently referred to as 'Berry District Park'). See the section below for further information.

Once the information from the Children's Consultation and Naming Engagement is compiled and the detail design is complete, the plan will go on exhibition for 28 days. Following the exhibition, the design will go out to tender.

#### Name Your Park

Council is currently seeking nominations for the naming of the area currently referred to as 'Berry District Park'. The park is located on the northern edge of Berry and bounded by the new bypass road.

The vision for the park is to provide unique recreation facilities that build on the area's existing sporting complex. A wide variety of infrastructure is planned for the park, including several different play spaces aimed at different ages, a flying fox, pump track, Learn to Ride facility, bike wash station,

picnic facilities, dog park, pathway circuit, increased parking, and more!

The park will be Nature Based and will reflect the Town of the Trees.

To submit a name for the park, fill in the form below (hard copy forms are also available from Berry Public School and Berry Post Office).

**Step 1:** Submit a name before 16 May 2018

**Step 2:** A shortlist of the very best names will be displayed from 17 May 2018. Be sure to return to vote for your favourite shortlisted name between 17-30 May 2018. If you supply an email address, we will email you when this stage opens.

## FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please go to the Get Involved section on the Shoalhaven City Council's website:

<https://getinvolved.shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au/berry-district-park>



## Come along to the "Combined Charities Fund Raising Day"

in the hall and grounds of the Uniting Church

77 Albert Street, Berry

8.00am to 1pm, 12<sup>th</sup> May 2018

books, plants, home baked goods, knitted/sewn goods,  
timber goods, coffee, cake and more!!!

Participating groups include Berry Branch Australian Red Cross, Boomerang Bags, Berry Evening View Club, Berry Garden Club, Berry Meals on Wheels, Berry Mens Shed, Berry Uniting Church, Katandra, Rotary Club of Berry, SECET, Shoalhaven Education Fund, Zonta Club of Berry For details call: 0466 717 254





# Sustainable BERRY

BY HOLLY LANDGREN



## BERRY'S ELECTRIC CAR FAST-CHARGING STATION

In 2016 over 750,000 electric cars were sold worldwide. The US was an early adopter of the technology, with sales of around 50,000 vehicles in 2012, increasing to over 150,000 sales in 2016. In 2015 China surged ahead in electric car sales, topping 200,000 vehicle sales, and around a further 340,000 vehicles sold in 2016. European countries France, Sweden, Germany, Norway, Netherlands and the UK accounted for 215,000 electric car sales in 2016. Canada and Japan round out the top ten countries in the electric car market. Electric cars now account for 29% of all new car sales in Norway.

Australia has been slower to embrace this new technology, despite being known as early adopters of technological innovation. This is due to a variety of reasons; lack of cohesive government policies, high upfront vehicle costs, and lack of charging facilities to allow ease of travel between major towns and cities. Nissan, Renault and Hyundai plan to join Tesla in the Australian market, introducing models priced between \$35,000 and \$50,000. These brands will invigorate the market, with current Tesla models generally priced in the \$90,000 to \$210,000 range.

With modern vehicles being generally less prone to breakdown, the NRMA has changed its business model, and is looking to new and innovative ways to support motorists. The predicted uptake of electric vehicles in Australia means cost savings for motorists, with reduced CO2 emissions, and fuel security by lessening our dependence on imported petrol and diesel fuels. Electric

cars are also predicted to be cheaper to run per kilometre.

Late last year the NRMA introduced its first fast-charge station at the Homebush headquarters. In October the company announced plans for a network of over forty fast-charging stations throughout New South Wales and the ACT, to be located approximately 200 kilometres apart on major highways. Berry has been identified as a key location for a charging station, both for weekend visitors, and travellers heading south. Further sites along the South Coast to the Victorian border have been identified, along with a planned inland route heading south to the snowfields.

Shoalhaven Council have been working in partnership with the NRMA to identify a suitable site in Berry, on the corner of Albany and Victoria Streets in the on street parking area opposite the Showground. Amelia Starr, NRMA Senior Manager - Shared Value Programs, is part of the team liaising with Council staff. Responses from the community so far have been very positive.

Construction of the charging station is expected to start mid year, and take one to two weeks, once approvals and equipment supply are confirmed. Vehicles are safe (from a charging perspective) to be left whilst being charged; the fast charge takes around half an hour. The charging station will be remotely monitored; meaning if there is a fault it can be remotely diagnosed and often fixed remotely. Alternatively a technician would attend the site to effect repairs. The charging station will comply with Australian

electrical standards, and have extensive safety functions in accordance with the open international electric vehicle charger standards.

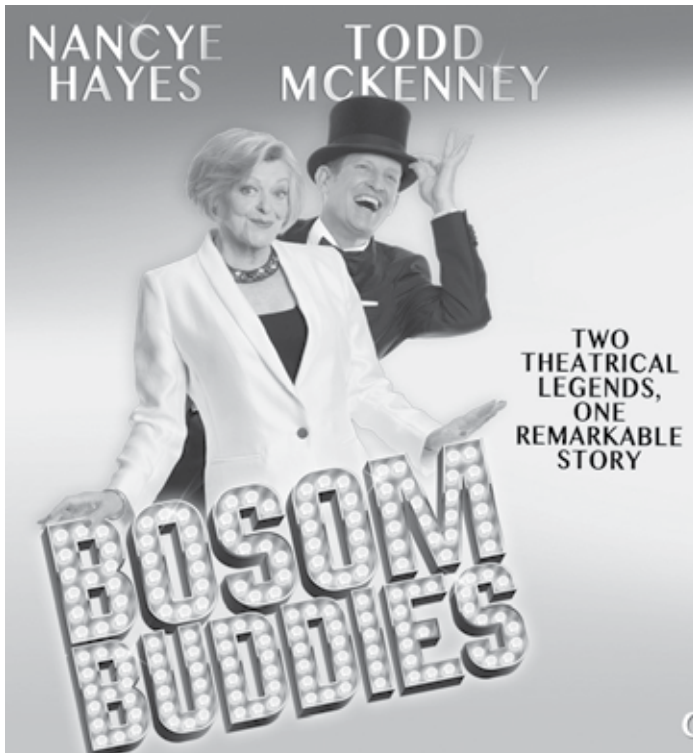
The NRMA is committed to ensuring that their network of charging stations is powered by renewable energy, with the likelihood that energy will be purchased through the current power network. A direct link to solar panels is impractical given the amount of energy required for a standard charge.

Fast charging takes on average half an hour; this gives an 80% charge to the battery, which promotes the life of the battery. The charging stations have been designed to be suitable for a variety of plug configurations. The planned network of charging stations will be the largest of its kind in Australia. It will be free for NRMA members to use, and initially free for non-members too.

Having a charging station in Berry will be an additional boost to visitor numbers in town, both those who choose our town as a destination, and those travelling further south. Those visitors will be pleasantly surprised by the changes in town since the majority of traffic was diverted away from Queen Street, which has made Berry more inviting as a destination or an interim stop off point.

I would like to thank Amelia Starr from the NRMA for information included in this article.

**For further reading check these websites:**  
[electricvehiclecouncil.com.au](http://electricvehiclecouncil.com.au)  
[nrma.com.au/community/initiatives/electric-vehicle-fast-charger-network](http://nrma.com.au/community/initiatives/electric-vehicle-fast-charger-network)  
[plugshare.com](http://plugshare.com)



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## BERRY CONVERSATIONS

September  
Berry  
Conversations  
feature noted  
journalist Kerry  
O'Brien and  
anti-nuclear  
campaigner  
Dr. Helen  
Caldicott



Kerry O'Brien, one of Australia's most distinguished journalists, and Dr. Helen Caldicott, physician and noted anti-nuclear campaigner, will appear together in a Berry Conversation on Sunday, September 16 at the Berry Public School Hall.

Winner of six Walkley Awards, including the Gold Walkley, Kerry O'Brien was the editor, presenter and interviewer for the 7.30 Report over fifteen years; the presenter and interviewer at Four Corners for five and at Lateline for six. His acclaimed four-part interview with Paul Keating was broadcast by the ABC in 2013 and appeared in book form in 2015.

He has interviewed many world leaders including Barack Obama, Nelson Mandela, Mikhail Gorbachev, Margaret Thatcher and Tony Blair, as well as any number of influential figures in the arts, science and business. For two decades he was also the face of the ABC's election night coverage.

Helen Caldicott, a graduate of the University of Adelaide School of Medicine, was a faculty member of Harvard Medical School. In 1971, she played a major role in Australia's opposition to French atmospheric nuclear testing in the Pacific.

While at Harvard in the early 1980s she helped to reinvigorate, as its president, Physicians for Social Responsibility, an organization of 23,000 doctors committed to educating their colleagues about the dangers of nuclear power, nuclear weapons and nuclear war. On trips abroad she helped start similar medical organizations in many other countries; their umbrella group, International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War, won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1985. She also founded the Women's Action for Nuclear Disarmament (WAND) in the US in 1980.

The author or editor of eight books, she has been the recipient of many awards and honorary degrees, the subject of three award-winning documentary films, and was named one of the 20th Century's most influential women by the Smithsonian Institution.

**Date:** Sunday, 16 September  
**Venue:** Berry Public School Hall  
**Time:** 2-4 pm  
**Tickets:** \$30 (includes refreshments)  
They may be purchased starting on July 1st  
from Berry Music Centre, Queen Street or  
[www.trybooking.com.au](http://www.trybooking.com.au).

**Enquiries:** [berrymusiccentre@gmail.com](mailto:berrymusiccentre@gmail.com).

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Berry Conversations Inc and The Berry & District Historical Society Inc Present:

# FRANKENSTEIN AND THE SHOALHAVEN

## The Berry-Wollstonecraft Connection

A Special Talk by Professor Deirdre Coleman,  
Robert Wallace Chair of English, University of Melbourne

A unique presentation by one of Australia's most renowned literary experts on the fascinating connection between Alexander Berry and Mary Shelley, author of *Frankenstein*, the notorious 19th Century Gothic novel, as well as with her mother, Mary Wollstonecraft, who wrote *A Vindication of the Rights of Woman*.

**20th MAY, 2018 3-5PM**

**UNITING CHURCH HALL, 77 ALBERT ST, BERRY**

**ADMISSION: \$25 Refreshments Included**

Tickets can be purchased at the Berry Music Centre, Queen Street or online at [www.trybooking.com.au](http://www.trybooking.com.au)

**ENQUIRIES:** [berrymuseum@bigpond.com](mailto:berrymuseum@bigpond.com)

Mary Wollstonecraft Shelley  
Part of the portrait by Richard Rothwell, housed at the National Portrait Gallery, London UK





**THURSDAY JUNE 7, 7.30 PM – 9.30 PM**

THE BERRY SCHOOL OF ARTS, ALEXANDRA STREET BERRY 2535

## Jennifer Turpin – Fluid Arts and the Culture of Water in Iceland

Jennifer Turpin is a public artist with twenty years' experience creating kinetic installations engaging water, wind, and light as a sculptural media. Her works are site-specific and at the interface of art, science, nature and the built environment. In 2016, as the recipient of the Winston Churchill Memorial Trust Travelling Fellowship, Jennifer researched public art and architectural design in the contemporary and historic cultures of Japan, Denmark, Iceland and Italy.

In her lecture Jennifer will use videos and images to show the wondrous variety of Iceland's water. She will explore the unique culture of water that has developed in this place of thermal springs and hot baths. She will examine the effect this has had on the population and how it has become part of the country's happiness. We will also see some of Jennifer's installations.

Visitors welcome. \$25.00 at the door, includes a light supper. Annual memberships are available. Information on the Society and the 2018 program can be found at: <https://www.adfas.org.au/shoalhaven/> or from Julie, the Membership Secretary, on 0429 549 942.

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<https://unsplash.com/photos/jTeQavJjBDs>



## COFFEE AND Friends

Heather Macdonald will be our guest speaker on Wednesday 23rd, May at 10am. Heather is a well-known Berry resident who has had a varied and interesting career. She has a background in public health and international development in Europe and around the world. She has worked extensively with the World Health Organisation and her work with Ausaid took her to various countries in the Asia Pacific region.

**PLEASE COME ALONG FOR A GREAT MORNING, EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**

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

### BERRY COMMUNITY LIBRARY

A new service is being offered at the Library from March. If you have trouble filling in forms on the Internet or downloading forms and printing them out, we have set up a computer and printer to help you complete your task. Come along and see what is on offer.

The "Third Wednesday Book Group" will meet in the Community Library on the 16th May from 4-6pm. We bring along our favourite books or talk about our favourite authors and enjoy drinks and nibbles along the way.

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**



## Come to a **FREE DEVONSHIRE TEA** with South Coast Law & Mediation and Premier State Finance

Evan, Tony and Liz would like to invite the residents of Berry to a Devonshire Tea to show off our new office. Please drop in for a cuppa and a chat!

South Coast



Law & Mediation



**When:** Thursday 10 May at 10 am

**Where:** 2/68 Albert St, Berry (Next door to Nourish café)

**Phone:** 9057 4189

You might have been wondering what's happening in the McGrath office these days? We were lucky enough to secure this wonderful office when McGrath Berry moved their office off site.

### **So, who are we?**

» Liz Parnell and Evan Bongarzoni have set up South Coast Law & Mediation, a new law practice specialising in Wills & Estates, Family Law, Conveyancing, Criminal Law and Mediation.

» Premier State Finance is head up by Tony Russell, a broker who offers commercial, business and residential lending.





Berry Evening View Club is encouraging women in Berry Area to become a member and in doing so meet new friends and have the opportunity to give back to the community.

Berry Evening VIEW Club is part of a network of 320 clubs throughout Australia. VIEW stands for Voice, Interests and Education of Women and we help the Smith Family and are helping 2 children now with the Learning for Life program. You have probably seen the Advertisements on the television.

We meet on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at the Berry Bowling Club at 6.30 for 7 PM start. If you can't make it or want to book in ring Jan on 44642181 by 12pm on the Sunday before the meeting. Coming up in May is the Combined Charities Fundraiser at Berry United Church on the 12th, which is the day before Mother's Day, and starts at 8am. Our store hopes to have plants in funky containers which should be interesting. So, if anyone has excess plants you need to thin out let me know so we can pot them up. With the cooler days coming up (it's still pretty warm at the moment) we are moving back to the book store coffee shop on the first Thursday of the month get together at 10.30am.

We are always looking for women of all backgrounds and ages to join us and we look forward to welcoming some fresh faces at our next monthly meeting, come along to our coffee morning to say hello - that's a start!

**Yolande, Publicity**

Boomerang Bags Berry was invited to the Rosehill Stitches & Craft Show at the start of March held by Judy & Gary Newman of Expertise Events. We were given a huge display site which incredibly generous. I was also invited to display the One Red Thread Textile Art Prize for 2017 "REDuce". First and third prize winners, Samantha Campbell & Rebecca Albury are both Berry Boomerang Bag ladies.

My SOS to the Boomerang Bag Communities for assistance with props & for volunteers resulted in a small group from around Sydney & lots of parcels from all around Australia of bags, aprons, pockets and labels. Many thanks to Rae Roxby from the Bay & Basin Group for her assistance as it is exhausting, standing and talking from 10am to 4pm each day.

Boomerang Bags (BB) generated lots of interest & people were delighted with the concept of the program. We gave out pockets, patterns, kits and hope. The idea of helping the environment holds great appeal when we often feel helpless that there is little we can do to assist or create change.

Schools from all around the Sydney approached us for information ideas of writing Boomerang Bags into the curriculum to address recycling/reusing/reducing and repurposing. Ideas and suggestions were discussed how to create groups and how this BB could be introduced into aged care facilities & other groups. Bernina Australia loaned us a beautiful machine for four days. However we didn't get a chance to sew, we were all too busy talking about Boomerang Bags.

Getting together to create a useable object from donations of fabrics/clothing/jeans/doona covers/sheets, holds great appeal to many of us. The benefits of getting together to talk & exchange ideas and to continue to learn and share time is equally as important; conversations, making new friends, being with like-minded souls & sharing a coffee.

I asked Judy Newman why Berry was asked to Darling Harbour in 2017 and again to



Rosehill. Her response: that Berry has a great community spirit - how great is that?

Expertise Events offer creative shows around Australia. Their shows attract a huge audience from interstate as well as overseas. The next & the biggest show on the Australian Craft & Quilting circuit will be at Darling Harbour 20 - 24 June, the Sydney Craft & Quilt Fair.

I have accepted Judy's invitation for June and I'll be calling for volunteers to talk about the wonderful community of Boomerang Bags. In the meantime both the Monday & the Tuesday monthly groups keep making and creating bags for our local community.

You are invited to join in the friendship & the fun. Don't feel alone when there are two great groups you could join. There are so many jobs to do & so many opportunities to learn new skills: screen printing, cutting fabrics/clothes, ironing & sewing; plus an opportunity for you to share & teach your skills.

Our Tuesday group meets at the original Council Chambers, Berry Showground (Alexandra Street access) on the first Tuesday of the month. Monday Makers meet the third Monday of the month at Berry Community Church in Schofields Lane Berry. Starting times are 10am to 2.30-3pm. Bring your lunch.

Boomerang Bags Berry are on facebook and Instagram: boomerangbagsberry.

**CONTACT: [underwoodhill@me.com](mailto:underwoodhill@me.com)**

## THE BERRY PHARMACY PRESENTS

### DO YOU NEED HELP MANAGING YOUR MEDICINES?

A **MedsCheck review** is free and offers one-on-one time with your pharmacist, in the pharmacy, to review and discuss the best ways to manage and get the most out of your medicines

#### A **MedsCheck** will:

- Give you a better understanding of your medicines
- Make you feel more confident that you are taking the right medicines at the right time
- Ensure that your medicines are working for you.
- Provide you with a documented 'Action Plan'



Please contact the pharmacy to find out if you meet the eligibility criteria or to make an appointment



## Annual Pre-Loved Clothing Sale in Berry

The opportunity to stock your wardrobe, or cull it, is fast approaching!

At the Berry Markets on Sunday May 6th, members of the Zonta Club will be holding their much-anticipated annual pre-loved clothing sale - UNDER THE GRANDSTAND from 8am to 2pm.

If you have good, clean clothes to donate, please call Mary on 4464 1191 or deliver to 55 Queen St, Berry. Donations of pre-loved jewels, bags and scarves are also welcome.

Come along on Sunday May 6th for bargains galore!



## A Record is Set

Thirteen very enthusiastic attendees were able to set a high standard for the future by completing 46 breast cushions at our March sew and stuff day. This involved some sewing, ironing, stuffing and a great team effort, sustained by supplies of morning tea and a delicious lunch. Always a very enjoyable day, it is satisfying to know that we help local women (and men) who have undergone breast surgery. The soft, pliable cushions give relief by protecting the wound from clothing and uncomfortable seat belts. They are distributed through Knickerboxers in Nowra to Shoalhaven and Nowra Private Hospitals.

## Become a Zontian!

As a member of Zonta International, you can expect to be a part of a greater movement to help women in your local community and around the world and you will:

- gain opportunities to be actively engaged in local service
- participate in local and global advocacy activities
- develop leadership skills
- network with like-minded individuals around the world
- share cross-cultural experiences
- enhance your understanding of global issues and
- build lifelong friendships.

For enquiries or to book in to our monthly dinner meeting at the Coachhouse Restaurant, Berry Hotel, call Cec Lewis on 0417207130 or 44643913. We meet on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 6.30 for 7pm. Great food and company!

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## BERRY SHOW

The 131st Annual General Meeting will be held on Tuesday 29th May 2018 at the Presbyterian Hall, seating from 7.00 pm, with the meeting commencing at 7.30 pm. All members are welcome to attend. The meeting which will be followed by a supper.

The 130th Berry Show was a success due to the continued support of the members of the Berry Show Society Inc. The Annual Subscriptions for 2018/19 are \$20 for Adult Members and \$5 for Junior Members (under 16 years old). Subscriptions are due on 30th June each year. Membership entitles admission to both days of our Show as well as privileges outlined in the Society's constitution. Only Members who are financial at the time of printing of the Show Schedule (end of July) will appear in the list of Members. Schedules and wrist bands mailed out in November.

### PAYMENT OPTIONS:

Membership forms are on the website **[www.berryshow.org.au](http://www.berryshow.org.au)**.

Payments by mail require a completed form and the cheque to be sent to PO BOX 173 Berry. Payment may be left at the Show Office in the slot in the door. (Office unattended) Office opened 2-4pm Tuesday; or Direct Deposit (EFT) to BERRY SHOW, BSB 082 435, Account Number 50951 2316. Please use your surname with initial as your reference, then scan and email this form to: [berryshow@virtualcity.com.au](mailto:berryshow@virtualcity.com.au) (if you do not we will not know to mail your tickets out in Nov.)

**Shona Gibson - Secretary**



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## Q FEVER

### Berry Medical Centre can now offer you the Q fever vaccination

We have had a number of local cases of Q fever in Berry

Q fever is a bacterial infection that can cause a severe flu-like illness. For some people, Q fever can affect their health and ability to work for many years. The bacteria are spread from animals, mainly cattle, sheep and goats. Even people who do not have contact with animals may be infected, such as family members.

It is an infection that is spread in the air and we have come to learn is relevant for native animals as well. It is recommended for dairy farmers, farm workers, people clearing land (including mowing), stockyard workers, wildlife workers, people living near stockyards, or pet breeders. A safe and effective vaccine is available to protect people who are at risk. Screening is required to identify who can be vaccinated.

If you are concerned please book an appointment with Dr Neil Donovan to discuss your options.

**[www.berrymedicalcentre.com.au](http://www.berrymedicalcentre.com.au) or 4464 1577**

Further information at: <http://health.nsw.gov.au/infectious/factsheets/pages/q-fever.aspx>



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Have you checked the George St park recently? The buffalo grass sprigs planted by Turfco are providing a green shimmer over the bare earth and the severely eroded area at the George St entrance has been filled following the installation of a storm water drain. This work was completed by Charlie Bamborough of CKB Civil and, as with Turfco, was donated as a contribution to the community. The Garden Club is most grateful for the generous support for this major project. The next stage will see the installation of a crushed granite path by Ferncroft Rural.

Unseasonal hot weather, combined with daily watering, has kept our grass in the park happy. Other members of the plant world, however, seem a little confused. Berry folk are commenting on the spot-flowering of shrubs and trees well before their usual time of late Winter or Spring. Some trees are showing autumn foliage, others are hesitant. The increasing unpredictability of weather patterns seems to be reflected in a blurring of the seasons.

The news that the Elm Leaf Beetle is now in the Berry area is concerning. Their presence is first marked by a "shot hole" pattern on the leaves, followed by browning and



curling. Several years of heavy infestation and defoliation will threaten the elm tree's health. The beetle has been declared a 'List A pest' under the Plant Quarantine Act 1997, meaning measures must be undertaken by landowners to control or eradicate the pest.

Our May Guest Speaker is well known to club

members. A font of gardening knowledge and advice, John Gabriele has been a presenter on the ABC's Compost Heap since 1996. Now working at a senior management level within TAFE NSW, we are pleased that he still has time to return to Berry, this time to speak on "Reconnecting with Nature through Gardening".



*At work in the Park*

Visitors are most welcome to join us for this interesting presentation. Our next meeting will be held in St Luke's Church Hall in Princess St on Tuesday, 15 May at 7.30pm. To find out more about our club, please contact our secretary, Mary Seelis, on 4464 1191 or visit us on [www.berrygardens.org.au](http://www.berrygardens.org.au).



## The 2018 Dame Mary Gilmore Orator **Professor Gillian Triggs**

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This is a fundraising event for the Fiona Phillips for Gilmore election campaign  
Authorised by Gwen Price Australian Labor Party 17 Firman Glen, St Georges Basin 2540



# HELP SAVE

## THE RAILWAY STATION MASTER'S RESIDENCE



The Berry Railway Station Precinct, which includes the Station Master's Residence, Yard, Signal Box and Station, has State Heritage listing. It dates back to 1892. Although it is in a state of neglect today, the Station Master's Residence – being the cottage adjacent to the Berry Railway Station and last used as the Berry Scout Hall - is a very rare and unique example of an early design railway grouping, predating the standard designs of 1899.

The Station Master's Residence is extremely important to the historical character of Berry and holds an important place in the history of the town. It is owned by RailCorp and has been empty since about 2009.

Many in the community as well as The Berry & District Historical Society are very mindful of the historical significance of the Residence and for a number of 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.

Berry is the historical gateway to the Shoalhaven and many visitors to the area travel by rail arriving at our historic station only to be confronted by the Residence in its neglected, derelict condition. This will be more obvious this year as the 2nd June is

the 125th Anniversary of the opening of the rail line from Kiama to Bomaderry. Celebrations are planned.

The Station Master's Residence is under threat of being demolished.

However, there are viable options for its future use including its reconstruction in accordance with heritage guidelines. Some community suggestions have been: a café, Tourist Information Centre, bike hire or shared office work space.

The community is being asked to support the signing of a Petition to prevent the demolition of the building. The Petition can be found at various locations around town.

Alternatively, you can send a letter to our local State Member, Gareth Ward at [kiama@parliament.nsw.gov.au](mailto:kiama@parliament.nsw.gov.au) or his Electoral Office at 102 Terralong Road, Kiama. NSW 2533 requesting the Residence not be demolished, and that viable options be followed up.

The Conservation Committee plan to ask Gareth Ward and relevant representatives from RailCorp to attend a Forum meeting to discuss the issue.

**The Conservation Committee  
for the  
Berry Railway Station Precinct**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION **FACEBOOK:** HELP SAVE THE STATION MASTER'S RESIDENCE**

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## Forum Meeting Held on 19 April

57 people attended the meeting, including Cllrs John Wells and Patricia White, and Director of Planning & Development, Phil Costello.

### Bangalee Motel DA

Stuart Coughlan presented material provided by Berry Historical Society, which explained that the area surrounding the proposed development was the site of the original private town of Broughton Creek, which predated the town of Berry. It is the oldest area of settlement and has some very significant heritage listed properties, along with the Pulman Street Heritage Conservation Area (HCA).

Council's Heritage Advisor has stated that, with regard to the heritage context, the heritage significance of each of the surrounding heritage properties and the HCA is not adversely impacted by the proposed development. She has recommended approval of the application with no conditions. Our view is that the heritage assessment is seriously flawed as it fails to consider the impact on the overall heritage context and setting within which the development will sit. It also disregards the significance of the site being the gateway to Berry, which Council had previously stated would be a critical element of its assessment.

### Electric Vehicle (EV)

#### Charging proposal for Berry

Amelia Starr presented on NRMA's plans to spend \$10 million creating Australia's largest EV fast-charger network. It aims to connect key tourism routes to help drive business in local communities. Berry is seen as a key destination for enabling EV journeys and the preferred site is the parking area on the corner of Albany and Victoria Streets opposite the Showground.

## The Berry Forum

[www.berryforum.org.au](http://www.berryforum.org.au)

### Berry Landcare projects and activities

Jim Jefferis, Chairman of Berry Landcare, presented a summary of projects and activities in the Berry Surrounds. His presentation is available on the Forum website.

### Changes Proposed for Huntingdale Park Development

The developer advised that the application would not be finalised prior to the Forum meeting. A separate meeting will be arranged for the developer to explain the application so that the community can make an informed assessment of the revised proposal.

### Council Special Rate Variation (SRV)

Council is seeking IPART approval to retain the 13.2% SRV (approved as a one-off increase in 2017/18) as a permanent increase. Special variations are also being requested for the next three years - 5% in each year including the rate peg of 2.5%.

### Berry District Park

Council is currently seeking nominations for the naming of the Park. To submit a name, fill in the form on Council's website before 30 April (forms are also available from Berry Public School and Berry Post Office). A shortlist of names will be displayed from 1 May and you will be able to vote for your favourite name between 1-14 May.

### Opal Cards

Berry Music Centre is now the official Opal Card Retailer. New Adult & Child Opal cards are available as well as top ups of existing Adult, Child, Pensioner and Concession Opal Cards. Contact on 4464 1284 or [berrymusiccentre@gmail.com](mailto:berrymusiccentre@gmail.com)



mainly  
music

A time for reflection as I look back over the 6 years we have been running this amazing group. I went back to the time we applied for the opportunity to become part of the mainly music group. We go back to March 2012, when the group trained and formed as it is today.

We first started at the old building in Alexandra Street with limited opportunities to extend the play and so on. As the church later moved to Grahame Park we were blessed with facilities that allowed a much broader programme to be offered to the parents and the children of the area.

Every day brings new experiences to us and the families that come along and I am so amazed at the variety and opportunities we have on a weekly basis to serve the families of our area. Thank you to the many children and families who have been part of this exciting time over the past 6 years. If you would like to pop in and observe the morning we are at Berry Community Church every Tuesday morning from 10am during school term.


**TRISH NICHOLSON**  
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**NEXT FORUM MEETING IS 14 JUNE 7.30PM AT THE SCHOOL OF ARTS**



  
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# SHOALHAVEN CITY COUNCIL NEWS FROM BERRY

THE BERRY FORUM IS THE COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE BODY

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

	Development Applications Received	Address	Lodged
DA18/1284	Temp Admin Office and Storage Facility for Equestrian Centre	Anderson Lane	14-Mar
DA18/1302	Single storey dwelling	98 Parker Cresct	20-Mar
DA18/1303	New Rural Dwelling, Garage, Swimming Pool & Landscaping	62B Andersons Ln	20-Mar
DS18/1114	Two lot subdivision	11 North St	20-Mar
DA18/1318	Two lot subdivision and animal boarding/training establishment	19 Bong Bong Rd	22-Mar
DA18/1319	New two storey urban dwelling	24 Tressider Cl	23-Mar
DA18/1328	Rural Dwelling Add'ns - Attached Brick Garage & Rumpus Room	323 Bryces Rd	26-Mar
DS18/1123	Construction of ambulance station	North St/KVRd	26-Mar
DA18/1334	Alterations and additions to dwelling	11 Mt Vista Close	27-Mar
DA18/1369	Single Storey Split Level Dwelling	16 Tressider Cl	6-Apr
DA18/1384	Single storey dwelling	117 Parker Cres	11-Apr
DA18/1386	Urban dwelling additions	130 Kangaroo V R	11-Apr
DA18/1400	New rural dwelling	35 Harley Hill R	13-Apr
DA18/1412	Small farm dam	31 Old Pioneer Cr	16-Apr
	Development Applications Determined		
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
DA18/1227	Alterations & Additions to Existing Dwelling	116B Moeyan Rd	27-Feb
DA18/1234	Demolish Dwelling, Construct New Dwelling & Shed	245 Back forest Rd	28-Feb
SF10642	Residential - 2 lot Torrens Title subdivision	7 Kangaroo V Rd	3-Jan
SF10640	3 Lot residential subdivision	118 Nth St/47 Albert	8-Dec
DS18/1094	Extend use of land for functions for additional 5 years.	123A Beach Rd	8-Mar
DA17/2413	New Secondary Dwlg & Addn of Timber Deck to Existing Dwlg	140 Beach rd	14-Nov
DA18/1263	Garages and carport	122 North St	8-Mar

Correction to DA SF10651 which was listed in the April Town Crier as a residential development application. This is incorrect; it is for several industrial one rural lot.

<div>  <div>Reference Guide</div>  </div>	
SUBJECT	DETAILS
<b>Chemical Recycling</b>	Chemical Cleanout at Shoalhaven City Council Carpark <b>Sunday 17 June 9.00 am – 3.30 pm</b> <a href="http://cleanout.com.au">cleanout.com.au</a> Agricultural and veterinarian chemical disposal Agsafe ChemClear program 1800 0080182 – <a href="http://agsafe.com.au">agsafe.com.au</a>
<b>Recycling for businesses</b>	Business Recycling 1300 763 768 <a href="http://businessrecycling.com.au">businessrecycling.com.au</a>
<b>Mattress Recycling</b>	Mission Australia have a depot in Bellambi. Cost \$25 to drop off. 1800 763 852/ <a href="http://softlanding.com.au">softlanding.com.au</a> . \$28 charge at the Berry Waste Depot.
<b>Fridge Buyback program</b>	For eligible households, free collection and \$25 rebate. 1800 708 401 <a href="http://fridgebuyback.com.au">fridgebuyback.com.au</a> If you're not eligible for the program, the Berry Depot charges \$12 to take old fridges.
<b>Battery recycling</b>	Berry Waste Depot and Aldi Supermarkets.
<b>Out of date medications</b>	Don't put in landfill or wash down the sink. Return to place of purchase or local chemist.
<b>Mobile phone recycling</b>	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 <a href="http://www.mobilemuster.com.au">www.mobilemuster.com.au</a> 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 <a href="http://greenermobile.com.au">greenermobile.com.au</a>
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<b>Ethical shopping</b>	<a href="http://behindthebarcode.org.au">behindthebarcode.org.au</a> and <a href="http://goodonyou.com.au">goodonyou.com.au</a>
<b>Council workshops</b>	Shoalhaven run free courses on garden waste recycling and other topics. They fill quickly, so you must book. Check the website for upcoming courses. <a href="http://calendars.shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au/Waste-Management-Events">calendars.shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au/Waste-Management-Events</a>
<b>Recycling / reuse at local shops</b>	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.
<b>Sharps Disposal</b>	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.
<b>Alternatives to plastic</b>	Plastic bags for dog waste; buy compostable cornstarch-based bags like those at <a href="http://www.goinggreensolutions.com.au">www.goinggreensolutions.com.au</a> 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. <a href="http://www.shopnaturally.com.au">www.shopnaturally.com.au</a> Choose wooden clothes pegs.
<b>Environmentally conscious brands to support</b>	IGA stocks: If You Care (household cleaning, cooking and storage products, toothbrushes); Ansell eco-rubber gloves; Ecostore cleaning products; Safe toilet paper (paper wrapping). Nourish Kitchen + Lifestyle stock beeswax wraps for food, as well as kits to DIY; White Magic cleaning and food storage products; Keepcups, Avanti, Tealogy, Casa Barista and Earth Bottles for your take away coffees and other beverages.
<b>Mobile Library</b>	Shoalhaven Council has a mobile library service. The bus can be found in Princess Street just past the School of Arts building, every Friday from 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm. Borrowing books and DVDs is a great way to read / watch more without having to buy more stuff.



## Berry Restaurants & Cafes, Functions & Catering Guide

### RESTAURANTS & CAFES

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# Calendar of Events

## APRIL/MAY

**24 April** - Tuesday - The Zonta Club of Berry monthly dinner meeting.

The Coachhouse Restaurant, Hotel Berry, 6.30 for 7pm.

Please book with Cecilie Lewis on 0417 207 130.

**24 April** - Tuesday - Berry Branch will have its annual ANZAC Biscuit Stall in Broughton Court. Come and get your biscuits for Anzac Day and at the same time support Red Cross do its work supporting those in need.

**25 April** - Wednesday - ANZAC Day March and Ceremony.

**3 May** - Thursday - ADFAS lecture on Dollar Princesses, 7.30 at The Berry School of Arts, Alexandra Street, Berry.

**4 May** - Friday - ADFAS Special Interest Day with the author, Anne Sebba, on Les Parisiennes and The Story of the Cook Sisters, 10.00 am - 12.30 pm at The Berry School of Arts, Alexandra Street, Berry.

**6 May** - Sunday - Garage Sale - no earlier than 11am. 78 Woodhill Mountain Road Berry. Furniture (chairs - sets and individual, tables, bookcases) Jetmaster fire and surround, tools (dust extractor, power tools, hand tools, air scrubber etc., glassware, crockery, catering supplies (dozens of wine and tulip glasses), table cloths, books and more. 4464 2446.

**6 May** - Sunday - The Zonta Club of Berry Pre-Loved Clothing Sale. Held under the Grandstand, Berry Showground. All donations of good, clean used clothing (no shoes, please). Call Cecilie Lewis on 0417 207 130 for drop-off details.

**11 May** - Friday - David Berry Hospital Auxilliary's Mother's Day Street Stall to be held in Broughton Court, commencing at 8.30am.

**15 May** - Tuesday - Berry & District garden Club monthly meeting, 7.30pm in St Luke's Church Hall, Princess Street, Berry.

**20 May** - Sunday - Frankenstein and the Shoalhaven: The Berry-Wollstonecraft Connection. A talk by Professor Deidre Coleman, University of Melbourne, that explores the connections between the two families. Brought to you by Berry Conversations and The Berry & District Historical Society. 3:00pm at the Uniting Church Hall, Berry. Tickets will go on sale from April 1st at the Berry Music Centre or online at [www.trybooking.com.au](http://www.trybooking.com.au). Enquiries: [berrymuseum@bigpond.com](mailto:berrymuseum@bigpond.com)

**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](mailto:shvc@bigpond.com)

**20 May** - Sunday - Friends of Meroo Union Church will be conducting their regular Monthly Service at 2pm. Non-denominational, all most welcome. Afternoon Tea follows the service. Cnr Boxells Lane & Princes Hwy. Meroo Meadow. Contact Rae 4448 6048

**26 May** - Saturday - Come see the Berry Masonic Village Auxiliary under the Grand Stand at the Celtic Festival in Berry Show Ground. Doing DEVONSHIRE TEAS.

**29 May** - Tuesday - The Zonta Club of Berry monthly dinner meeting and AGM, closed to visitors.

## WEEKLY EVENTS:

Mainly Music – for preschool-aged children and their carers. Every Tuesday during term time at 10am. Venue Berry Community Church, Schofields Lane. \$5.

## FUTURE DATES:

**7 June** - Thursday - ADFAS lecture on Fluid Arts and the Culture of Water in Iceland, 7.30 at The Berry School of Arts, Alexandra St, Berry.

# 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
<b>RECURRING MONTHLY EVENTS</b>	<p>First Sunday of the Month</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Penwood Railroad Inc, a scenic miniature railway open from 10:30am till mid afternoon. 215A Princes Highway - Jaspers Brush NSW - Ph: 02 4464 1201</li> <li>Berry Country Fair (Berry Markets). Approximately 200 stalls selling handmade products, arts and crafts, fresh produce and more. Berry Showground</li> </ul>
<b>JANUARY</b>	
<b>FEB</b>	131st Annual Berry Show – 1st & 2nd Feb 2019 Berry Showground
<b>MAY</b>	ANZAC Day Youth Week Easter Celebrations
<b>MAY</b>	Berry Celtic Festival, Berry Showground National Motoring Heritage Day, Berry Showground
<b>JUNE</b>	
<b>JULY</b>	Tour de Berry
<b>AUGUST</b>	<p>4th &amp; 5th - Annual Camellia and Floral Show</p> <p>Berry Spinners &amp; 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>
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	Berry Small Farm Field Day
<b>OCTOBER</b>	18-21st - Berry Garden Club's Annual Garden Festival
<b>DECEMBER</b>	<p>Remembrance Day</p> <p>4th DECEMBER Berry Men's Shed Annual Garage Sale</p>
<b>DECEMBER</b>	<p>Berry Merry Christmas</p> <p>Carols in the Park, Apex Park</p> <p>Rotary's New Year's Eve Fireworks Berry Showground</p>

## BUSH FIRE DANGER PERIOD AND FIRE PERMITS

The statutory bush fire season finished on 30th March 2018. Fire Permits are no longer required in the Shoalhaven; however, some rules still apply. Before you light, you must give 24-hours' notice to your neighbours and 24-hours' notice to the RFS Shoalhaven District office (4424 4424) if your fire is in a rural fire district. Just because the bush fire season is over, it doesn't mean that fires are not a risk and as the land owner you have a responsibility to ensure the safety of others.

For more information go to <https://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/fire-information/BFDP>

## GARAGE SALE

**Sunday 6th May 2018**  
Commencing no earlier than 11am  
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## WHY ADVERTISE IN THE BERRY TOWN CRIER?

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# Community Groups

## BERRY COMMUNITY GROUPS

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

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

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

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

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

**Berry Alcoholics Anonymous** 1300 903 392  
Meets every Thursday Night at 7.30pm,  
Uniting Church Hall Annex,  
77 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 77 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**  
PO Box 218 Berry 2535 0458 369 266  
2nd Monday Bi-monthly at 5.30pm at the Berry Courthouse  
functions@berrycourthouse.org.au  
www.berrycourthouse.org.au

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

**Berry Masonic Village Auxiliary Inc** 4464 1774  
Mail: 42 Albany Street, Berry, NSW, 2535  
3rd Wednesday monthly, 9.30am in Activity Hall, Albany Lane, 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**  
Meetings: 1st Tuesday of the month:  
Committee Rooms, Berry Showground.  
Contact: Katrina Underwood 0416 181 543  
3rd Monday of the month:  
The Community Church, Schofields Lane.  
Contact Elizabeth Dubbelde 0431 663 189

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

**Conservation Committee for the Berry Railway Station Precinct**  
Meets fortnightly at the Berry Museum.  
Contact: sandraberner@hotmail.com

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

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

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

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

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

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

**St. Vincent de Paul Society** Client Help Line:  
PO Box 77 Berry - Ph 4464 3940 4421 0390  
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**  
PO Box 269 Berry NSW 2535 0429 549 942  
www.adfas.org.au/shoalhaven  
Monthly, 7.30pm at The Berry School of Arts

**Berry & District Historical Society Inc**  
PO Box 153 Berry 2535 4464 3097  
berrymuseum@bigpond.com  
www.berryhistory.org.au

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

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

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

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

**RedBerry Quilters**  
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** 4464 1764  
PO Box 143 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,  
77 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**  
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 Road Wattamola NSW  
Last Saturday of each month 2.30-4.30pm

**Gateway Community Garden**  
141 Woodhill Mountain Road  
All welcome, plots available.  
Contact: Tom Darby 4464 2859

**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 012 766  
**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  
jasiiy@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  
bshjrllc@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 MAY 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 Heather Fealy 4464 3624 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



# Berry Women's Bowling Club

There was lots of fun and hilarity at our recent Charity Day for the Westmead Children's Hospital. Women and men bowlers came together to play rounds of short games followed by a shared lunch. The theme was odd socks/crazy hair and there were prizes for the most outrageous costumes as well as lucky door prizes, raffles and an auction. Players were transformed by wigs (some dreadful), silly hair styles and very colourful outfits. The final tally was a thousand dollars raised for the hospital, a great result.

Our Major Fours Championship was held in January, followed by the District Open, and we had two sides in the District Pennant Competition. The Grade Five Pennant team came third in their section while the Grade Four side won theirs and went on to the District play-off, where they were unfortunately beaten by Sussex Inlet.

Berry Women's Bowling Club is a small friendly club. Social bowls are played on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Thursdays are mixed, and we also join the Men's club on Saturday afternoons. Free coaching is available for beginners. There is no need for a uniform and we have bowls you can borrow. If you'd like to give the game a try, or take it up again after a break, then contact Heather Fealy, our coach, on 4464 3624 or Pam Tulloch on 4464 2284.



Charity Day Prize Giving



## Landcare BERRY

### Death in the Environment:

Spring celebrates birth so why not think about death in autumn.

**Animal:** A couple of months ago a vehicle hit and killed a wombat on the side of Tindalls Lane. It was under the roadside canopy of trees and was not close to anyone's driveway. It has undergone the process of decay in the sight of passing cars. Initial decay saw crows and foxes scavenging the body. This was followed by the bloating period with attack by maggots and beetles. The third stage of the decomposition saw the fluids and other nutrients purge out on to the surrounding ground killing vegetation immediately around the carcass. This process deflated the remains to a flat mat of fur and bones. The current state of the dead animal is the advance decay which will leave just the skeleton. The spilled nutrients will create new life in the area. Nothing is lost.

**Vegetable:** On land adjacent to the new highway the contractors have placed many large logs adjacent to the alignment fencing where they will decay. In some places they have left large dead trees standing like ghosts at a safe distance from the traffic. These may be considered 'eyesores' by the passers-by many of whom come to Berry because of its natural beauty. These dead trees, however, can be nesting or perching places for birds and local fauna. They will decay and be eaten by wood borers and termites. New life will be created.

**Mineral:** These processes have been going on in the Berry area for literally millions of years. Fossil collectors in the Broughton area have found many large numbers of Brachiopod in the exposed strata along a Creek in Broughton Vale. These are mussel like Marine animals from the Late Permian. 260 million ago



this Broughton formation was a Near-Shore Marine and Volcanic environment, part of the Southern Sydney Basin. It was part of the Gondwana continent and was situated at the present day position of Ross Ice Shelf. The density of these fossils in the rock indicates that they were an extremely fecund species that has been overwhelmed by a cataclysmic volcanic event.

### WORKING BEES FOR MAY 2018

**Alexandra Street Parkcare:** 9-11 am Friday 18th: Gail Paton 4448 7915.

**Bong Bong Road:** 9-11am Sunday 13th: Julia Woinarski 4464 2084.

**Broughton Vale:** 9-11am Sunday 6th: Kelvin Officer 0427 255 417.

**Bundewallah Bushcare:** 3-5pm Sunday 27th: John Clark 4464 3911.

**Camp Quality:** 9-11am Sunday 20th: Hugh Sheil, hugh.sheil@realtimecom.com.au or Jeanne Highland 4464 1271.

**David Berry Hospital:** 2-4pm Saturday 19th: Leslie Pigott 4464 3241.

**Mount Coolangatta:** Nola Barker. Time to be advised. Mobile 0409 446 418, nolajbarker@live.com.au.

**Meet at end of Roxbrough Rd, Far Meadow.**  
**Mark Radium Park:** 9-11am Friday 25th: Sue Selden (sueselden@optusnet.com.au)

**Princess St. Parkcare:** 9-11am Monday 28th, Terry Oades 4464 3651.

**Tindalls Lane:** 3pm to 5pm Sunday 13th: Jim Jefferis 4464 2988.

**Plant identification service:** Please contact Harvey Blue 4464 1880 or Ian Parker, 4448 6359.

[www.landcare.nsw.gov.au/groups/berry-landcare](http://www.landcare.nsw.gov.au/groups/berry-landcare)

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**Phone 4464 1058 or Email [office@berry.anglican.asn.au](mailto:office@berry.anglican.asn.au)**

**For information on activities [www.berry.anglican.asn.au](http://www.berry.anglican.asn.au)**

# Bagpipes Galore, Jousting on Horseback and Knights in Shining Armour ...

## ALL PART OF THE 2018 BERRY CELTIC FESTIVAL

The 12th annual Berry Celtic Festival on Saturday 26 May features the country of "Scotland" and everything Scottish. There is entertainment-a-plenty including spectacular jousting medieval knights on horseback.

Jousting is not for the faint hearted, as the heavily armoured noble knights gallop at each other on horseback with lances poised, aiming to unseat their opponent. Hear the thunder of hooves and the clashing of lances.

In the background, other knights from the late 15th century resplendent in shining armour will be staging battles in hand to hand combat as seen during the "Wars of the Roses", along with Scottish Soldiers recreating how men and women lived, worked and survived in Scotland from the 1740's.

The Berry Celtic Festival kicks off with the grand street parade through the streets of Berry at 9.30am, with pipe bands marching in all of their distinctive kilts, together with representatives of all of the Clans, medieval knights, and Scottish Terrier dogs, making their way to Berry Showground.

A day full of entertainment follows with the marching of the massed bands, musical items, Celtic fiddlers, highland dancing, enchanted singing, Celtic market stalls and of course, the battles of the medieval knights. You need to be there to feel the thrill of the occasion.

Entry is \$10 for adults, with children under 15 years free. Saturday 26 May Berry Showground. The Berry Celtic Festival is a fundraising project of the Rotary Club of Berry, supported by Shoalhaven City Council with major sponsor being Berry IGA.



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**Sunday School: Sunday 10am**

**Minister Rev Isaac Jung - 4464 1020**

**Cnr Alexandra Street & Victoria Street  
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and to  
Love our neighbour as ourselves.*

*Ordinary people worshipping an  
extraordinary God*

**[www.berrypresbyterian church.net.au](http://www.berrypresbyterian church.net.au)**



# BELLE PROPERTY BERRY

In the Berry Region 2535, we have achieved sale prices above \$4,000,000 THREE TIMES

<b>2 Coomonderry Ridge, Berry</b>	<b>\$4,750,000</b>
<b>844D KV Road, Bellawongarah</b>	<b>\$4,080,000</b>
<b>271D Tindalls Lane, Broughton Vale</b>	<b>\$4,100,000</b>

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204 Bundewallah Road, Berry	\$2.75m
81D Jorgensen Lane, Bellawongarah	\$2.7m
526A Wattamolla Road, Berry	\$2.7m
91 Priddles Lane, Berry	\$2.68m
150A Tourist Road, Beamont	\$2.65m
'The Pines' 76 East Street, Nowra	\$850K
Coolangatta Road, Berry	\$1.85m
202 Tourist Road – Vacant 5 Acres	\$1.32m
1 Pulman Street, Berry	\$900K
106 North Street, Berry	\$910K
10 Windsor Drive, Berry	\$950K
39 Cedarview Lane, Berry	\$2.1m
417 Back Forest Road, Far Meadow	\$1.75m
65 Burke Parade, Gerroa	\$3.8m



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# BERRY MEN'S SHED

## MEN'S SHED ZONE CONFERENCE

The Berry Men's Shed hosted a Zone Conference in April inviting 17 local Sheds to attend. Over 80 Shedders attended on the day to discuss a variety of subjects including safety in the workplace, training procedures, welfare of members, setting up new Sheds and dealing with the NDIS (National Disability Insurance Scheme). Executives from Australian Men's Shed Association Liz McDonald and Melissa White spoke to the members about applying for grants and Shed insurance.

Following the conference, we held our Health Talk and were pleased to have Rodney Lewis a practising solicitor talk about Elder law, issues affecting senior members of the community. Over 100 people attended the talk. Following the presentation lunch was served. This event was held as part of Senior's Week.

We are always looking for more work at the Shed so please feel free to pop in on any Tuesday or Thursday and see how we can assist you.



*Liz McDonald and Melissa White Executives of the AMSA. Members attending the conference*



**Richard Wiseman - Secretary  
Berry Men's Shed**

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## Term 1 Completed

What a busy term! In addition to normal learning routines the children have enjoyed specialist educators coming into the Preschool to focus on Music, Zumba, Art, French and Zoo animals. We have also managed to include discussions around the Commonwealth Games which culminated in our very own Preschool Commonwealth Games!

We were once again invited up to the Berry Public School for their Easter Hat Parade which was fabulous. The children were impeccably behaved and enjoyed showing off their creations to the big school. They particularly enjoyed getting the teachers and parents up for the chicken dance at the end of the parade.

## Outdoor Learning Environment Upgrade

Whilst the teachers and children are enjoying a well-earned rest during the break, we are very excited that activities will be ramping up at the preschool in the form of our much-awaited outdoor learning environment upgrade. A huge amount of time, planning and fundraising has gone into this and it really is a result of the Berry Community getting behind our Preschool. So, we are extremely excited to see our ideas and the ideas of the children come to light. We hope, weather permitting, that the playground will be ready, close to the start of term 2.

## Fundraising

A big thank you to all the families who supported our Easter Chocolate Fundraiser. We are pleased to announce that the winner who sold the most chocolate boxes was Knox's family. Knox was very excited to win this prize of course!

The biggest fundraising event for the year will be the annual Trivia Night. Preparations have already started with a date to be announced

soon, looking likely to be around the end of June/beginning of July. We would love to put an early call out to the community for potential prize donations. This could be anything from vouchers to donating time for handyman work. The more creative, the better. Last year's event was extremely successful, and the community really got behind it in terms of ticket sales and donations. We hope to make it even better this year.

We have just received an extremely generous donation from the Berry IGA for \$926, which we would love to say thank you for.

*On a sad note, it was extremely hard to say goodbye at the end of term, to Bronwyn who has been a valuable member of our team at Berry Preschool for almost 3 years.*

*She has made a lasting and positive impression on the children and families of Berry. We had a farewell tea on the last day of term where all parents and children got to say their good buys. We will all miss her but wish her the best of luck at her new preschool who are extremely lucky to have her!*



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## A Safe Place

There are hundreds of verses throughout the bible that command and encourage Christians to care for widows, orphans, refugees and the needy. The one thing that each of these groups of people have in common is that they are vulnerable. Their situation often leaves them physically, relationally and financially less secure. While we know that God loves everyone, we also read that He has a particular concern for the vulnerable.

To the fatherless he is a father.  
To the widow he is a champion friend.  
To the lonely he gives a family.

To the prisoners, he leads into prosperity until they sing for joy.  
This is our Holy God in his Holy Place!

Psalm 68:5-6a (TPT)

As a child, Jesus was a refugee, and for much of his ministry, He was homeless. He knew what it was like to be vulnerable. In Matthew 26 He likens the way that we treat the vulnerable with how we treat Him. He says every time to clothe or feed someone, it is as if you clothe and feed Him. The reverse is also true whenever we fail to feed and clothe someone, we fail to do so for Him.

Jesus leaves us with no doubts about what is expected of us. The Church should always be a place where the vulnerable in society feel safe and find love and acceptance. Unfortunately, if you read the news you will find countless stories about how the church has been the opposite. If Jesus had a grave, (which He doesn't) I imagine he would turning in it with anger of the things that were done in His name. As a church, we take this very seriously. We want to make sure that we are above reproach when it comes to safety. We don't want to leave any room for any kind of abuse to take place in any of our ministries. All our volunteers are screened and trained in safe practices.

On Sunday May 6, we will be running one of our regular safe church training afternoons which is mandatory for anyone working with vulnerable people in our church. Details of the training can be found at [creatingsafespaces.org.au](http://creatingsafespaces.org.au).

If you have any questions or would like to know more about Berry Community Church, please contact me.

Joel Noonan - 0403 193 945



## BERRY CWA

Whilst the CWA is about much more than tea and scones both certainly do have a place in our past, and indeed present. This is the 71st year the CWA Tea Rooms at the Sydney Royal Easter Show has served tea and scones to visitors. The kiosk at the Royal Agricultural Society showground at Moore Park was purchased in 1947 with the aim of raising money for the Association, and the Tea Rooms moved to Homebush in 1998 where they have been ever since. Volunteers made and served 48,559 scones in total this year, with a new daily record on Good Friday of 5,124 scones in a single day. Not a bad effort, ladies!

The CWA of NSW recently announced a commitment of \$50,000 from its Disaster Relief Fund to assist the victims of the recent bushfires that devastated the small community of Tathra. Since the Fund was established in 2006/7 more than \$1.37 million has been given to victims of flood, drought and other national disasters across the State.

Berry Branch also have a couple of fundraisers coming up this month. First is our Street Stall in Broughton Walk on Saturday, 5th May, the weekend before Mother's Day where the perfect gift for Mum or Grandma can be found so do check us out from about 9am.

We will also have a stall at the Celtic Festival on Saturday, 26th May selling our homemade cakes and jams, chutneys etc. as well as our specialty Scottish Shortbread. Our knitters have also been hard at work making warm winter woollies and scarves - children's jumpers and cardigans a speciality so again well worth a visit.

Our next meeting at our rooms at 79 Victoria Street, Berry is on Friday, 11th May commencing at 12.30pm followed by afternoon tea, and all are welcome.

Sandra Bernern - Publicity Officer



Tea and Scones at Sydney Royal Easter Show



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- Planting out when the soil temperature is above 15 degrees Celsius.
- Selecting tube stock that is growing strongly with roots emerging from the base of the tube.
- Ensuring your plant has been 'hardened off' sufficiently to cope with conditions outside of the nursery.
- Preparing the site and planting hole.
- Protecting your new plant during dry, windy and very hot conditions.

### Preparing your plant for planting out in the garden

- Fill a container with water enough to cover the soil in the tubes to be planted.
- Immerse the plant in the pot up to the soil level for about 10 minutes. Any air bubbles will be displaced and the root ball will be thoroughly wet.
- Remove the pot and allow it to drain.

### Preparing the planting hole

- Dig a hole twice as wide as the root ball of the plant and deep enough so that the roots will remain straight.
- Loosen the soil around the sides and at the base of the hole. If the soil is heavy, add some gypsum.

- Fill the hole with water and allow the water to drain away. Do this twice. If the water will not drain away after 12-24 hours, build up a mound of soil.
- Put ½ teaspoon of water saving crystals and a little blood and bone into the hole and cover with soil or compost.
- Plant the prepared plant and back fill the hole with compost and loosened soil. The roots of the plant should be planted at the same depth as they were in the pot. Press down firmly with your hands. Stamping down with your foot can damage the roots.
- Water in thoroughly then apply a thick layer of mulch. Keep the mulch away from the stem of the plant. Water thoroughly and deeply for the first few weeks.
- Wire cages or tree guards may be necessary to protect the plant from grazing animals.



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## Berry Masonic Village Auxiliary

Would like all to note that we have cancelled our P.O. BOX in Berry and that all mail please be sent to the following address: 42 ALBANY STREET, BERRY, NSW, 2535.

We would like to thank all who attended our Fashion Parade in April.

Join us if you can; we meet 3rd Wednesday each month @ 9.30am fun group raising money to give extras like special lunches, Mother's Day gifts, Father's Day Gifts, Happy events. We'd love to meet you.

## VOLUNTEER NEEDED

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## BERRY PUBLIC SCHOOL ENSEMBLE SPONSORSHIP

On Friday 6th April at the Berry Public School assembly, Branch Honorary Treasurer, Felicity Coughlan and Branch President, Irene Birks presented to the School Captains a cheque for \$1,000 in support of the School Ensemble and Band.

During 2006, Berry Red Cross received two bequests from the estates of the late Winifred Irene Kellett (known as Rene) and the late Daphne Inez Keevers who were sisters born at Woodhill Mountain and lived their lives in the Berry area. Both were known for their work in the local community and were longstanding members of Australian Red Cross NSW, Berry Branch. After communication with Mr. Bob Hogan, the then Principal of Berry School and Australian Red Cross Finance Committee, the decision was made to sponsor the Berry Public School Ensemble for the amount of \$1,000 each year for as long as the investment continued. So, on 1st June 2007 the first cheque was presented to Principal Mr. Wayne Courtney. This year's cheque makes it \$11,000 to date in support of the Ensemble and Band.

Berry Branch Red Cross members are pleased to continue to be supporting the children's musical experience on behalf of Mrs. Rene Kellett and Mrs Daphne Keevers.

## ANZAC BISCUITS

By the time you are reading this, you should have enjoyed a cuppa with Anzac biscuits! Thank you to everyone who bought biscuits from the stall and by doing so, supported the Red Cross Mates programme. The Mates programme matches people living with a mental illness with a trained volunteer to get together weekly or fortnightly to participate in social activities. The time spent with the volunteer helps people participating to reach

goals that they set around connecting with their community. The Mates friendship is based on a partnership that is mutually beneficial.

## BRANCH PATRON

Mrs Edna Watt a long-time member of Berry Branch has gratefully accepted our invitation to be Branch Patron. Edna has also recently taken on the role of Trauma Teddy Co-Ordinator, so if you would like to do some knitting of trauma teddies give Irene a call 44642612 and your details will be passed onto Edna.

## COMBINED CHARITIES FUND RAISING DAY

Our Branch will be holding a small stall at the Uniting Church grounds on 12th May from 8am. One of our members Sheila Keats has kindly donated a selection of hand knitted baby and children's cardigans/jumpers. Sheila is well known for her beautiful knitted garments, uses Bendigo wool and the purchase prices reflect the cost of the wool only, Sheila has given her time in the making of the items. For this we give Sheila many thanks for her donation.

**Irene Birks, President  
Berry Branch  
Australian Red Cross**

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If you wish to find out about becoming involved with or volunteering with the Red Cross contact the Berry Branch of the Red Cross (see Community Groups page of Town Crier for contact details), the Nowra Red Cross Office (1800 621 433) in Graham St Nowra or go onto the Red Cross website.



## Berry Men's Bowling Club

Bowls the game for all ages will again be broadcast of a Sunday on SBS from 13th May to 7th October at 3.00 pm. The coverage will include many top-quality matches featuring both women and men bowlers. Special presentations will be broadcast at 11.30 am on 21st June which will feature Women's Singles Final followed by the Men's Pairs Final and then on 22nd again at 11.30 am the Women's Pairs Final followed by the Men's Singles Final and on both days the coverage will not finish until 4.00 pm. This coverage of bowls will also be replayed on Fox Sports.

The delayed match in the Triangular Cup competition for 2017 was played at Gerrington on 28th March. Good performance by Gerrington members saw them winners on the day from Shoalhaven Heads and Berry and this was the order that the clubs finished for 2017. Play in the 2018 competition between the three clubs has commenced and Berry will be trying to regain the cup which was constructed and donated by Berry Life Member Barry Dunn.

Play in the 2018 Club Championships is progressing but has been somewhat delayed by commitments to the District Pennant competition. A point of note with the championships to date is that two members namely Paul Bezant and Ben Watson who commenced bowling with the club as juniors have won their way through to the final of the 2018 Major Pairs by defeating more senior bowlers but not necessarily more experienced.

Statistics show that over 1.3 million Australians over 65 years of age experience at least one fall, causing injury that can jeopardise their long-term health and quality of life. Continuing moderate exercise into later years can greatly reduce the likelihood of falls and bowls has been proven as an excellent way of obtaining such exercise and friendship at the same time. For information regarding bowls at Berry contact Lindsay McNamara 4464 1868 or David Lambert 4464 2332. Alternatively contact the staff at the Club regarding Barefoot Bowls.

At our last meeting, our General Manager, Ian Power came to our meeting with DON Karon Stalgis. Mr. Power congratulated us all for our fundraising for David Berry Hospital's staff and patients. DON Karon has advertised for a new Diversional Therapist. Upgrades in Karinya to be commenced shortly, along with a new Mortuary. Our Easter Chicken Egg Stall went reasonably well and a big Thank You to our members including Hazel, Ursula and Narelle for all their knitting. The winner of the raffle was Mr. Elliot of Berry.

3 members of our Auxiliary went to Milton Ulladulla Hospital Auxiliary for the UHA annual conference. Our area President Mrs Swales gave a report for the past 12 months. UHA was commenced 85 years ago in 1933. In the Illawarra area the gross amount of money raised was \$545,937.95, 5699 hours were the hours worked by 352 members. In the NSW area there are 190 branches they have worked a total of 97,329 hours for our Hospitals with 5502 members. A very good effort by all concerned. Volunteering is at the very core of giving. The other saying was "to give a little is to give a lot".

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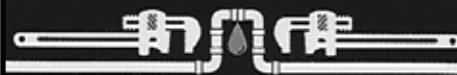
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**WOODY**

Saturday  
5th May  
8pm

## RESTAURANT NEWS

### CHRISTMAS IN JULY

Saturday 14th and 18th

\$35 for three course menu  
...and much more!

GET in early - BOOK NOW



## SPORTING NEWS

**CONGRATULATIONS!**  
to our Ladies' Touch Footy team:  
B Grade CHAMPIONS - well done!



**CONGRATULATIONS!**  
to Wayne Strong  
Recently celebrated  
Life Membership for the  
Berry Shoalhaven Heads  
Rugby League Club



## BERRY PUB FAMILY TRIVIA



who?  
what?  
why?  
**SUNDAY 20th May**  
from 5pm in the Courtyard  
Tables of 8: \$5 each person  
In May, proudly supporting:  
**The Berry Riding Club**  
**Dinner Specials**  
Bookings Essential

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