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**Sunday 3rd March is Clean Up Australia Day**

**Come to the Rotunda in Apex Park to sign on at 9am  
We will give you gloves and a bag  
and tell you where to go!**

*Any queries phone  
Bob Fitzell 4464 3528  
or 0416 199 837  
(The aim is to finish by lunch time)*

## BERRY ALLIANCE INFORMATION



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

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

### MEMBERSHIP

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

Membership is open to Berry  
community groups and individuals.

To join the Berry Alliance,  
write to

PO Box 202 Berry NSW 2535

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The closing date for our April issue will be  
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Nancy Davies - Berry Town Crier

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# Berry loves local food

In its first six months of operation, the Berry  
Farmers' Market has become the place to be  
on a Thursday afternoon (especially now the  
Touch season is over).

Our weekly market is a convenient way for  
people to have access to local seasonal food,  
buying direct from growers and makers.

Goods regularly on offer include bread and  
pastries from Kraken Sourdough, an artisan  
bakery at St Georges Basin and Flour Water  
Salt in Berry; cheese from Cuppits Estate at  
Ulladulla; wagyu beef from Schottlanders in  
Gerringong; fermented products from Forge  
at Jervis Bay; salami and other smallgoods  
from Artisan Delish at Wollongong; and honey  
from Braidwood.

These makers' stands stand alongside those  
of farmers from up and down the coast, out to  
Kangaroo Valley, and even from Orange and  
the southern outskirts of Sydney, bringing  
their freshly picked produce for your table.

Based on the successful formula of Kiama  
Farmers' Market, our Berry Market also  
offers meals to eat there or take home, such  
as Lan Lan's Shanghai Dumplings, Teresa's  
Trattoria, Middle Eastern treats from The  
Falafel Guy, South African cuisine from the  
Savannah Café, empanadas from Ola Chola,  
and South Coast Paella.

The afternoon heat has seen the Market  
move around to the shelter of the Cow Sheds  
(behind the pool) and surrounds, which has  
made it a much more pleasant experience.  
Shoppers linger to have a coffee, listen  
to music and catch up with friends and  
neighbours.

If you haven't yet discovered this weekly  
community hub, then make sure you do  
soon. Get fresh local food onto your table on  
a regular basis.

## BERRY FARMERS' MARKET

EVERY THURSDAY

BERRY SHOWGROUNDS, 3-6PM



### NOWRA PLAYERS

## So Much to Tell You

by John Marsden



16-30  
MARCH

At the Players Theatre,  
Meroo St Bomaderry

Tickets available at  
[nowraplayers.com.au](http://nowraplayers.com.au)  
or the Shoalhaven  
Entertainment and Visitors  
Centre on 1300 788 503

# Why would anyone want to join Rotary?

Rotary  
Club of Berry



Rotary is a global network of 1.2 million neighbours, friends, leaders, and problem-solvers who see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

Solving real problems takes real commitment and vision. For more than 110 years, Rotary's people of action have used their passion, energy, and intelligence to take action on sustainable projects. From literacy and peace, to water and health, we are always working to better our world, and we stay committed to the end – there is no better example than Rotary's fight to rid polio from the world forever.

The heart of Rotary is its members, dedicated people who share a passion for community service and friendship. Becoming a Rotarian connects you with a diverse group of people who share your drive to give back.

The Rotary Club of Berry has 45 members who each bring different levels of expertise

and experience – both males and females. We recognise that not everyone has the time to become involved in every activity or attend every meeting – and that's ok. Within Rotary, family comes first, work second and Rotary third.

The Rotary Club of Berry is involved with numerous projects, such as Youth Development programs; university and rural education scholarships; International projects – e.g. funding water bores and expanding school facilities in Nepal; the fight against Polio – e.g. raising funds by climbing Mt Everest; Australia Day breakfast; the Berry Celtic Festival; the Small Farm Field Days; New Years Eve Fireworks Spectacular; and also facilitating the development of a natureplay parkland in Berry.

If you would like to find out more, you would be welcomed at any of our regular dinner meetings that are held on Thursday evenings at the Berry Bowling Club. Just give our Membership Director Phil Monaghan a call on 0428 946 268.



## COFFEE AND Friends

Our wonderful speaker on the 27th March at 10am will be Jenny Crosby from Slow Food Berry to JB. There are more than 18 registered Slow Food communities in Australia that actively promote good, clean and fair food. Jenny will talk about the ideas behind the Slow Food movement and some of the activities that our local slow food group have already undertaken or are planning in 2019. Everyone is welcome.

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

### BERRY COMMUNITY LIBRARY

We continue to be amazed at the quality of the books that our community has been donating to the Community Library. We have been highlighting and displaying books by Australian authors recently and were able to promote *Bridge of Clay* by Markus Zusak, *The Lost Man* by Jane Harper and *The Shepherd's Hut* by Tim Winton, all released in 2018. Everyone is welcome so come and check out the great range of books.

Follow us on Facebook to keep up with our activities.

The Third Wednesday Book Group meets again on Wednesday 20th March from 4-5.30pm. It's a friendly group with a shared interest and love of books so if that sounds like you, come along and check it out.

### » 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.

Rotary  
Club of Berry



## University Grant

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

There are 2 grants offered.

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

Applicants must be:

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

**Application Closing date: Sunday 28 April 2019**

To find out more: contact Rotarian Shona Gibson 4464 1810 or email [berryrotary@gmail.com](mailto:berryrotary@gmail.com)

# YOUR TAXIS ARE BACK SEVEN DAYS

  
**4464 3181**

BERRY SHOALHAVEN HEADS TAXIS  
NEW OWNERS - COMMENCE 26 MARCH 2019





# Berry Vet Clinic

## GET TO KNOW YOUR LOCAL VET

When you visit one of the Berry Vet Clinic practices, you will meet members of our wonderful team of Vets and Nurses. You may also see them out and about in the local community. Each member of our team has a passion for animals and have many of their own to care for. Here is a profile on our very own Dr Jess and her special pets.

### Dr Jess Liddiard DVM

Jess graduated from the University of Adelaide in 2014. Jess loves the variety of mixed practice work but her particular interests include equine reproduction and medicine; companion animal imaging and endocrinology; and working with small ruminants. Outside of work, Jess spends her time riding (polocrosse and trails) with her horses Dakota and Lacey, playing Australian Rules Football and exploring the local area/beaches with her partner Leslie and Kelpie X 'Chase'.

Jess grew up on her family farm on the Yorke Peninsula, South Australia. Throughout her childhood you would typically find her helping train the family horses, assisting with livestock or on a basketball or netball court.

From a young age, Jess wanted to pursue a career as a veterinarian. After finishing high school, Jess attended the University of Adelaide, graduating with a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree by the end of 2014. Throughout her degree, Jess's focus was on gaining equine and livestock experience, completing placements at clinics including Randwick Equine Centre, Goulburn Valley Equine Hospital and a variety of rural practices around South Australia.

Following graduation, Jess worked in South Australia at her local vet clinic. In early 2017, she moved to the Shoalhaven region and has now been working at Berry Vet Clinic for over two years.



Jess with Chase, the Kelpie X.

### Grooming Salon

**Book an appointment today to have your pet groomed. All pets benefit from a regular skin and coat regime to keep them happy, healthy and comfortable all year round.**

- Full dog groom
- Cat groom
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- Hygiene clip
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- Shampoo/condition/blow dry
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*\*\* By appointment only. Higher fees may apply for special requirements, matted or heavy coats and larger animals.*

**Contact us on (02) 4464 1899 to make an appointment at one of our clinics today.**

#### Berry Vet Clinic

84 Queen Street  
Berry NSW 2535

**Open: Mon-Friday  
8am-6pm,  
Sat 9am-12**

#### All Creatures Shoalhaven Heads

5/121 Shoalhaven Heads  
Road, Shoalhaven Heads  
NSW 2535

**Open: Mon-Fri 8am-5:30pm,  
Sun 10am-12**

#### Kangaroo Valley Consulting Room

162 Moss Vale Road  
Kangaroo Valley NSW 2577

**Open: Tue-Thu 2-4pm**

#### All Creatures Mobile Vet

Personalised Veterinary care  
at home

**By appointment  
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House calls at no extra charge and 24 Hour emergency service available**





### Tour de Berry 2019

The Tour de Berry is being rejuvenated and improved. We are currently making our plans for this event and details will be in the April Town Crier.

We have previously held this event for the three weeks of le Tour de France. This provided a number of difficulties including school holidays overlapping the dates and the weather so we are looking at changing the dates, making it a shorter duration – perhaps 10 days, partnering with other community groups and fun events for young people. All with a focus on health and sustainability which is a main platform for the Berry Alliance and Town Crier.

If you would like to assist in the planning stage and at the events please email [info@berryalliance.org.au](mailto:info@berryalliance.org.au) – we would welcome the community assistance.

### Community Groups and Community Groups Leaders Get Together

We will be organising this event currently and will be sending out the invitations shortly. If your community group is currently registered with us so you can put articles in the Town Crier for free to promote your group and what it does, please ensure we have your up to date contact details. If they are incorrect in the Town Crier then please update them using the form on our website or emailing Nancy at [towncrier@berryalliance.org.au](mailto:towncrier@berryalliance.org.au). In addition, if your Berry based community group is not registered and appearing in the Town Crier then please use the form on the website to make application for registration. Remember, the group must be not for profit (no-one derives an income), Berry-based and meetings held in Berry as well as serving the Berry community. This includes sporting groups such as the Berry Tennis Club, Junior Rugby League etc.

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

### Push Bike racks in Berry

The next Push Bike rack that we are planning to purchase and install in Berry is on the way with the location proposed being on the South side of Queen Street for the next one. These funds are provided partly by Tour de Berry events over the years. A lot of footpaths and cycleways in and around Berry have been planned and paid for by the Berry Alliance / Town Crier and with assistance financially from our event Tour de Berry.

**Berry Alliance Inc. and Berry Town Crier**  
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## Welcome to Berry Community Preschool for 2019



We would like to welcome our new families and also welcome back our returning children. We are looking forward to an exciting year at Preschool.

The first couple of weeks at Preschool have been focussed on settling in as the children explore the environment and get to know each other and the staff. We've had a great start to the year with lots to explore and discover indoors and outdoors. Our first social event of the year – the family welcome BBQ – is coming up on the 22nd March and will give everyone an opportunity to get to know each other, both children and parents alike.

We would like to send out our best wishes to all our children who started school this year. We hope you enjoy Kindergarten and we know you will have an amazing time and are ready to take on this exciting challenge.

Before the Christmas break we were very thankful to receive a donation cheque from the Berry Country Women's Association. Thank you so much to the CWA for supporting our community Preschool. We were happy to purchase new books for the Preschool library with this money.

The Preschool's website is currently being updated and we're excited to see our brand new website coming soon. We are very fortunate that the amazing Handmade Web & Design in Berry are generously donating this.



*Our Wednesday children trying out their first Zumba class.*

## THE BERRY COOL ESTATE



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16 COOLANGATTA ROAD - BERRY / COOLANGATTA NSW 2535



### BERRY COOL NURSERY

RETAIL NURSERY AND PRODUCTS

PRE-LOVED – VINTAGE – RETRO WARES AND GIFTS

CALL KIMMY - 0491 488 355

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SOIL – COMPOST – PEBBLES – STONES – ASSORTED MULCH

CALL GLYN - 444 88 355

### CAFE

COUNTRY STYLE COOKING – CAKES - TREATS

HOME MADE ICE CREAMS – COFFEE & DEVONSHIRE TEA

CALL CHRISSY - 0455 876 064

### BERRY COOL MARKETS

2<sup>ND</sup> SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH 9am till 3pm

VARIETY MARKET STALLS AND FOOD VANS

CALL KIMMY - 0491 488 355

### BERRY COOL EVENTS & STORAGE FACILITIES

SPECIAL EVENTS AND FUNCTIONS & YARD AND SHED STORAGE

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## SCOTS' PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, BERRY

### All Welcome!!!

Service Time: Sunday 10am

Sunday School: Sunday 10am

Minister Rev Isaac Jung - 4464 1020

Cnr Alexandra Street & Victoria Street  
Berry

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

*Ordinary people worshipping an  
extraordinary God*

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

A photograph of Nina Digiglio, a woman with dark hair, smiling and wearing a black and green top. She is standing outdoors with trees in the background.

**VOTE 1**

**NINA DIGIGLIO**

**FOR KIAMA**

**A FAIR CLEAN FUTURE**

**nina.info.id.au**

**THE  
GREENS**

*My Commitment to the residents of the Kiama electorate*

- I will bring back values such as integrity, respect, kindness, and compassion to our political conversations.
- That implies a real focus on expanding public health, public education and TAFE, regional transport, housing and support services for the needy.
- As your state representative in parliament I will always support local councils threatened by state government attempts to undermine Local Environment Plans.
- I will work to support the protection of our agricultural land, biodiversity and the heritage and coastal character of our unique towns. All are so easily undermined by over-development and unsustainable population pressure.
- I love the character of our unique towns and will do everything to protect them.
- As a Shoalhaven Greens councillor, I understand local issues. I know and understand the social impacts of over-development and developer agendas.
- The Greens do not accept developer or corporate donations. As a Greens candidate I know with confidence that the policies I support are free of the influence of the money that corrupts decision making in NSW.
- I believe that addressing climate change is at the core of government responsibilities. The consequences of not being proactive are profound.
- I am further committed to making this a proactive "climate change" election in every sense.

*Nina Digiglio*

**The Greens have a comprehensive set of detailed policies available online at: [www.greens.org.au/nsw/policies](http://www.greens.org.au/nsw/policies)**

**Contact  
Nina**

**Tel: 0434 099 800**

**Email: [kiama@nsw.greens.org.au](mailto:kiama@nsw.greens.org.au)**



**/NinaDigiglioForKiama/**



**@NinaForKiama**

Authorised by Howard R Jones, 407 Free Selectors Road. FOXGROUND NSW 2534

**BIG SUPPORTERS** - The Club was proud to attend the recent annual Shoalhaven Education Fund Grant Presentation evening held at the Nowra campus. We have been helping support local students for some years to assist with fees, accommodation, books etc. and it was a delight to meet and hear the plans of some of the 34 recipients. Mayor Joanna Findley spoke with each student before presenting them with certificates. Students studying in a variety of faculties including nursing, law, film making/production and maths (statistics and physics) left us feeling proud to help support such endeavours.

**BIG BREAKFAST** - We're now well into the swing of the new year and big plans are afoot for one of our major annual events. International Women's Day marks an important date for both women and men, and Zontians round the world will be celebrating. Why not come along to our

breakfast and join in – look what a line-up we have to offer .... Held at the Nowra Golf Club on the banks of the beautiful Shoalhaven River, we will welcome you with a glass of champagne or orange juice, followed by a full cooked breakfast, tea or coffee and pastries. Then settle down to listen to our inspiring speakers. This year we will proudly present Ebony Bennett, Deputy Director of think tank, The Australia Institute, publishing research on gender and street harassment, climate change, energy and inequality.

To follow, Isha Knill, a passionate supporter of women, empowering them to create a career while working in their own homes, reshaping the way families are raised to give women both peace of mind and a fulfilling career. You can book now for yourself or for a table of eight using [www.Trybooking.com](http://www.Trybooking.com).BATLS. Please quote your table name when booking for a group.

And the cost? Just \$45.00. 7.30-11.00 am, Nowra Golf Club, Fairway Drive, Nowra. Enquiries to Rita Sullivan on 0412 747 510.

**BIG SAVINGS** - Bargains to be had at another of our big annual events – the Pre-Loved Clothing Sale will be held under the Pavilion of the Berry Showground in April, date TBA. That gives us all ample time to sort through wardrobes and discard any unwanted clothes in good, clean condition. Scarves, jewellery, handbags (no shoes) and men's clothing all gratefully accepted. Please call Leonie Winlaw on 0417 066 677 for drop-off details.

**INTERESTED?** In any of the above?? Come along to our next dinner meeting on Tuesday March 26 at the Hotel Berry Coachhouse Restaurant, 6.30 for 7pm. Please book with Rosemary Courtney on 0430 359 443.

## Slow Food® Berry to JB

We commenced 2019 with our monthly committee meeting in February. A lively group of members then joined us for lunch to assist in further developing a variety of activities and a social calendar for the year ahead. In February we held our Annual Fundraising Event allowing members and friends a great time to mingle and enjoy those delectable yummy flavours ... slow food style.

**Slow Food's Ark of Taste 5,000th Product:** Ark of Taste, launched in 1996, is where members and supporters, chefs, artisans and local markets effectively adopt the Ark of Taste product (like the Australian Davidson's plum), organising events with producers, using it in recipes and highlighting it on menus, activating a promotional circuit often based on gastronomic word of mouth and tips on cooking techniques. Celebrations of the 5,000th product was Honey made by the Gourmantché

people in the Tapoa region of Burkina Faso, chosen to mark this important milestone.

Our website is now up and running. Please visit [www.slowfoodbjb.org.au](http://www.slowfoodbjb.org.au) for more information.

Our next committee meeting is Monday 4 March commencing at 10:00am followed by lunch around 12 at a selected local restaurant.

In March our Garden Clinic will be held at Marilyn and Roger's. This is a great opportunity to learn more about propagation etc in a friendly atmosphere.

With annual memberships, together we can make food better ... slowly ... but surely.

**If you would like more information on our planned Calendar of Events or to JOIN then contact Jenny Crosby 0424 615 948 or Marilyn O'Dowd 0416 018 977 or email [info@slowfoodbjb.org.au](mailto:info@slowfoodbjb.org.au) or visit our website [www.slowfoodbjb.org.au](http://www.slowfoodbjb.org.au)**



mainly  
music

Well, here we go again with another year for our mainly music group. As I write this article, I am reflecting on the day just shared with our amazing mothers and their beautiful children. I had the pleasure of holding a four-day old baby and we were all so thrilled with the privilege of welcoming this new life in to our group. They all grow so quickly, and we can sometimes wish that precious time away, without enjoying the beauty and amazing way in which our children grow.

Pre-school years are not only optimal for children to learn through play, but also a critical development period. If children are not given enough natural movement and play experiences, they start their academic careers with a disadvantage. They are more likely to be clumsy, have difficulty controlling their emotions, utilise poor problem-solving methods and demonstrate difficulties with social interactions. We are consistently seeing sensory, motor, and cognitive issues pop up more and more in later childhood, partly because of inadequate opportunities to move and play at an early age.

With play being such an important part of the child's development, have you considered how you can schedule more in your child's activities as we help children to play on their own as well as with others? We have many ideas of how children can learn and play and through the music programme, so come along and join in the group held every Tuesday morning at 10.00 am at 8 Schofields Lane Berry. For more information contact Trish on 0401 151 820.



**Berry  
Community  
Church**

Lighting up lives and communities with Jesus

**We meet at Graham Park  
8 Schofields Lane Berry**

**Sunday Services 9am, 10am & 5pm**

Activities include mainly music, Boys & Girls groups,  
Berry Youth & Connect groups.

**We'd love to see you here.**

[info@berrycommunitychurch.org](mailto:info@berrycommunitychurch.org) 4464 2315  
[www.berrycommunitychurch.org](http://www.berrycommunitychurch.org)



“he sounds as though he has  
drunk deeply from the same fountain  
that gave the world Henry Lawson,  
Woody Guthrie and Bob Dylan”.

Bruce Elder – SMH

Fundraising Shoalhaven Inc. proudly presents

# SHANE HOWARD TRIO

from the legendary rock band “GOANNA”

**Friday 10th MAY 2019**  
**COOLANGATTA ESTATE**  
**8:00pm**

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Accommodation available.  
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# Fundraising Shoalhaven Hosts Charity Concert

In late 2018, a group of like-minded individuals launched Fundraising Shoalhaven Incorporated. Fundraising Shoalhaven is a not for profit organisation with members giving their time voluntarily to co-ordinate events and participate in charitable works. The organisation's charter is to distribute all monies raised to local charities, in order to assist them with their endeavours.

On Friday May 10, Fundraising Shoalhaven will be hosting a concert at Coolangatta Estate featuring the Shane Howard Trio. Shane Howard was the founding member of the Goanna band and composer of the anthem 'Solid Rock'. He's been a guest artist for Bob Dylan, Neil Young, Jackson Browne, James Taylor and Carole King, among others. Since the Goanna days he has released 11 solo albums. In 2016 he was appointed a Member of the Order of Australia for significant service to the performing arts as a singer, songwriter and guitarist to the recording industry, and to Indigenous musicians. In announcing Shane as the Artist of the Year for the 2005 Port Fairy Folk Festival award, Festival Director, Jamie McKew said, "Shane Howard bridges the land between poet and song-writer; between prophet and singer; between white fellas and indigenous artists". More information on this inspiring artist can be found at [www.shanehoward.com.au](http://www.shanehoward.com.au)

All proceeds from this event have been earmarked to go to a local Berry charity – A Taste of Paradise Organic Farm. A Taste of Paradise is a charity focused on supporting disadvantaged and at-risk young people. The not for profit charity operates a day programme which incorporates Assisted Animal Therapy, One on One Mentoring and Horticultural training. The young people who benefit from the farm's programmes come from a range of care situations, with issues such as mental health, intellectual and physical disabilities and behavioural issues often related to adult neglect and abuse. More information can be found at [www.atasteofparadise.org.au](http://www.atasteofparadise.org.au)

Since founding A Taste of Paradise in 1999, Tim and Andrea Francis have worked tirelessly for their cause. The work they do is priceless, however, the reality is that they often struggle to make ends meet. Fundraising Shoalhaven is hoping that their inaugural event will generate a great deal of support from the local community, which in turn will assist ATOP to continue their remarkable work.

Fundraising Shoalhaven would like to acknowledge the owners of Coolangatta Estate who have been very generous in their backing for this event.

**For more event information, please contact Fundraising Shoalhaven [karina@seyffers.com.au](mailto:karina@seyffers.com.au)**

## The Berry Forum

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

### SHOALHAVEN GROWTH MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

Council is preparing the draft GMS document, incorporating community feedback. Public exhibition of the draft GMS and formal community consultation will take place in May.

### HUNTINGDALE UPDATE

Following the response from the community, the developer Pindan has written to Council, recommending that the proposed public reserve located in the north western corner of the site be retained and a 10m wide restriction on the use of land be placed along the western boundary of Lots 907 & 908 to retain the wildlife corridor linking the riparian land along the creek to the significant ecological land to the north.

### BOONGAREE DISTRICT PARK STATUS

In December, Council endorsed the revised master plan, detailed design and costings for the Park. A business case and funding plan will now be developed for the staged delivery over several budget cycles commencing 2018/19 for inclusion in Council's long-term financial plan.

### NEW RFS STATION

Plans for the new station are on exhibition from until 13 March (or see the DA Tracking website). The RFS station will be sited in North Street next to the new ambulance station -

### ALBION PARK RAIL BYPASS

Construction work will ramp up in the coming weeks, including utility service investigation and relocation, clearing of trees and vegetation and temporarily modifying pedestrian/cyclist access.

### ELECTRIC BUS

The trial of an electric-powered bus has commenced on route 737 operating between Kiama and Bomaderry stations on weekday mornings. It is the first time an electric bus will be used for a rural and regional public transport service in NSW. The 737 service trial has been extended to 30 June, as monthly customer numbers have grown from 900 in July 2017 to around 3000.

**Next Forum Meeting is on 11 April 7.30pm at the School of Arts.**

**To receive regular news update email [berryforum@hotmail.com](mailto:berryforum@hotmail.com)**

"Berry says Bon Voyage" is the name of the fund-raising event which will be held on the afternoon and evening of Saturday 02/0/19.

The people of Berry will be saying Bon Voyage to the group of Everest Assault Trekkers who will be being led to Everest Base Camp by Ken Hutt. The Trekkers are setting out later in later in March to raise funds for Australian Rotary Foundation Trust: End Polio Now.

Everyone is very welcome. Join in on the free sausage sizzle at the Meet and Greet the Trekkers at 6:30pm by the creek at the Bowling Club. You can even receive a professional photo with you, your family and the Trekkers.

At 7:30pm the local band Rock Addicts will be playing all the favourite tunes 'till late, for everyone of all ages to enjoy. Get a group together and enjoy a great night of dancing and catching up.

Like us on Facebook: "Berry says Bon Voyage".

MARCH 2019



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*to our local trekkers leaving for the Mount Everest assault to raise awareness and money to assist the eradication of Polio, worldwide.*

**Saturday 2nd of March at Berry Bowling Club, 140 Princes Highway.**

**6:00pm- Meet and greet our Everest trekkers over a FREE sausage sizzle as the event commences.**

**7:30pm- Rock in anytime & rock out with our live band "The Rock Addicts" who will play until late!**

Help those with this vision to achieve a Polio free world as ALL benefits from this event will be donated to End Polio Now.



For more information or questions you can find this Event on Facebook under "Berry Says Bon Voyage". See you there!





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56 Kardella Avenue, Nowra  
26 Bluewatte Road, Worrigeer  
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# Berry & District Garden Club News



SECRETARY MARY SEELIS 4464 1191 VISIT US ON [www.berrygardens.org.au](http://www.berrygardens.org.au)

The Club is into its very full 2019 program now and has planned a wide range of activities for our enthusiastic members.

These events include day trips to interesting gardening events; visits to catch up on members' efforts and achievements; community gardening at the Court House and at the new park we are developing at the end of George and Albert Streets and of course, our regular monthly meetings.

These are a chance to learn from specialists and to share hints and knowledge with each other. The speaker at our March meeting will be Peter Jack from 'Healthy Earth' - owned and operated by one of Australia's oldest, professional farming/horticultural families. We will learn about farming techniques, environmental concerns regarding fertilisers for both farmers and the home gardener.

The Gardens Festival subcommittee is seeking out fresh properties to feature in October's Festival.

If you would like to suggest owners for us to contact, or know of an appealing garden, please let our Secretary know.

We welcome visitors, particularly new residents, to our meetings, held each month on the third Tuesday in St. Luke's Church Hall. We invite you to arrive for a cup of tea/coffee at 7:00 pm for our meeting's commencement at 7:30 pm. Our next meeting is on the 19th March.

Our website, [berrygardens.org.au](http://berrygardens.org.au) contains a host of information for you, as well as a members' portal, so do take a look. The site includes our Calendar of Events and a Membership Enquiry Form. Check out our Facebook page also.

Our Secretary, Mary Seelis, is the contact point for more information or general enquiries. 0411 244 673 or [info@berrygardens.org.au](mailto:info@berrygardens.org.au).

 CHECK OUT OUR FACEBOOK PAGE ALSO



**Our motto: *Friendship through Gardening.***

To find out more about our club, please contact our secretary, Mary Seelis, on 44641191 or visit us at [www.berrygardens.org.au](http://www.berrygardens.org.au)

## BERRY COMMUNITY CHURCH

### Who to vote for?

It was July 2nd, 2016. My family and I were crossing the border from Mozambique into Malawi. As I sat in the dusty office waiting to get my passport back, I heard the officials in the next room erupt into laughter. One of them popped his head in and with a huge smile on his face asked "My friend here says that it is election day in Australia and that it is compulsory to vote. Is this true?" He could not believe my response, and neither could his colleagues who continued in their laughter.

In the next few months, we will go to the polling booths twice. This might feel like an inconvenience and you might already be sick of the election advertisements. But the truth is we are fortunate to live in a country where everyone gets to vote and that we can be reasonably certain that it will count. This is not the case for many around the world.

The question I want to ask is not who you will vote for, but why will you vote for them? There are many reasons we choose one party or candidate over another. I assume that most of the reasons relate to self-interest. We ask ourselves; Who is most likely to represent me and my interests? And we vote accordingly. Paul writes in Philippians 2:3-4 "Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others."

I wonder what we would see in our political landscape if we voted in alignment with the sentiment from this verse? Would we see less greed? A fairer tax system? Less interference from lobbyists and those with the biggest chequebooks? Would we see those who are doing it the toughest like single parents, the elderly and refugees be better cared for?

As you consider who to vote for in the coming weeks and months, I challenge you to consider the needs of the most vulnerable in our world above your own.

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77 Albert Street Berry  
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**Sunday Celebrations: 9.30am**

**Groups & Activities:**

- Bible Study Groups
- Fellowship Groups • Prayer Groups
- Social Craft Group
- Computers for Seniors
- Berry Apple Users Group
- Coffee and Friends
- Berry Community Library

**[www.berryuniting.org](http://www.berryuniting.org)**



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## **International Women's Day 2019 Breakfast by the River**

In celebration of International Women's Day 2019

**7.30am - 11.00am Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March Nowra Golf Club**

The stunningly situated Nowra Golf Club is the venue for Berry Zonta's  
**Breakfast by the River** held to mark and honour International Women's Day.

This event is a great opportunity to network and socialise over a delicious breakfast,  
enjoy inspiring speakers and raise funds for women in need worldwide.

This year Berry Zonta is proud to present two great speakers...

**Ebony Bennett**, Deputy Director of Canberra based think tank The Australia Institute, who has worked  
in Federal politics for over a decade. She has published research on gender and street harassment,  
climate change, energy and inequality. Ebony regularly appears as a commentator on *Sky News*  
and contributes to *The Guardian* and Fairfax publications.

**Isha Knill**, a passionate supporter of women, empowering them to create a career while working in their  
own homes, reshaping how we raise our families so women can have the peace of mind that comes with both  
a fulfilling career and a loving, connected family where everyone thrives.

**Ticket price \$45.00, includes  
glass of champagne on arrival**

**Ticket sales :**  
Follow the links at: [www.TryBooking.com/BATLS](http://www.TryBooking.com/BATLS)

**Enquiries:** Rita Sullivan Tel: 0412 747 510





# BERRY CWA



It's very pleasing to be able to report that whilst sporting groups, service clubs and not-for-profits are battling falling membership, the Country Women's Association of NSW is proving an exception to the rule. CWA of NSW President Annette Turner reports that in the last year member numbers grew rather than fell. In mid-September, 2018 numbers stood at over 8000, with close to 400 branches, making the CWA of NSW the largest CWA body in Australia and also the largest advocacy group for rural, regional and remote people in NSW.

Mrs. Turner said this change in fortunes could be attributed to a number of things including refocusing on the organisation's primary aims and working hard on the lobbying front. People

can see the difference these efforts are making and that being a member of the CWA is a way of being empowered and part of something bigger than themselves. Women of all ages and backgrounds also find friendship and support through their branches, with regular craft, cooking and information days allowing members to build on their skills, develop new ones, share ideas and expand their knowledge. Further good news - Berry Branch can also report a small increase in membership. Gareth Ward MP attended a recent meeting of our branch to announce that our Community Building Partnership Grant application for \$20,000 was successful. This money will be used for an upgrade of our current toilet for wheelchair access.



At the recent Berry Show our Branch submitted entries in Cakes, Jams & Chutneys, Patchwork, Knitting, Photography and Flowers gaining nine 1st prizes and eight 2nd prizes. Congratulations to the winners and all those who entered.

Our next meeting will be on Friday 8th March, 2019 at our rooms, 79 Victoria Street. Visitors are very welcome.

**Sandra Berner, Publicity**

*Left: Fiona Phillips, Labor candidate for Gilmore visiting our workers at the Berry Show'*

*Top: 'It's easy to guess it's an election year - Gareth Ward MP State member for Kiama announcing our success in obtaining a Grant of \$20,000 to upgrade our toilet block.*

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## BERRY CONVERSATIONS

### Berry Conversations:

Bruce Pascoe and Marie Munkara

Event *Postponed*

Lenore Taylor To Appear on

Saturday April 6th

The April 7th Berry Conversation featuring Bruce Pascoe and Marie Munkara has been postponed until next year, with the date to be confirmed and announced in due course.

However we are delighted to announce that Lenore Taylor, the Walkley Award-winning Editor of The Guardian Australia and regular panelist on ABC TV's The Insiders, will appear in a Berry Conversation on April 6th.

**Please note, this is a Saturday and thus a departure from our regular Sunday schedule.**

**Time:** 3-5pm

**Place:** Berry Public School Hall

**Cost:** \$30 includes refreshments

**Tickets:** Available at the Berry Music Centre and on line at [www.trybooking.com](http://www.trybooking.com).

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





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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
DA18/2354	Single storey dwelling	466 Kangaroo Valley Road	12-Dec
DA18/2355	Detached two storey garage & supporting structures	35 Bryan Close	12-Dec
DA19/1020	Demolish & replace existing estate manager's dwelling	466 Kangaroo Valley Road	9-Jan
DA19/1031	Monthly community market to be held at Bowling Club	140 Queen Street	11-Jan
DA19/1036	Two storey dwelling	38 Parker Crescent	14-Jan
DA19/1054	Two storey dwelling	4 Tilgman Street	17-Jan
DA19/1064	Single storey dwelling	83 Parker Crescent	22-Jan
CD19/1035	Change of use - dental surgery	78 Albert Street	31-Jan
DA19/1089	Two storey dwelling	Tilgman Street	31-Jan
DA19/1108	Detached garage with habitable rooms above	20 Clarence Street	7-Feb
DA19/1110	Detached single storey dwelling & detached garage	55 Parker Crescent	7-Feb
DA19/1131	Replacement shed and retaining wall	286 Tindalls Lane	12-Feb
	Development Applications Determined		
DA18/2252	Two storey dwelling	77 Parker Crescent	9-Nov
DA18/2245	Dwelling additions and alts.	289 Brogers Creek Road	8-Nov
DA18/2133	Single storey dwelling	100 Parker Crescent	8-Oct
DA18/1595	Use of Garage Loft as Detached Habitable Room and Convert Storeroom to Bathroom	50 Ashworth Place	1-Jun
DA18/2027	New two storey building	8 Tilgman Street	12-Sep
DA18/2113	Outbuildings - Detached Workshop	12 Clarence Street	2-Oct
DA18/1832	Two storey attached dual occupancy with inground pool & strata title subdivision	21 Albert Street	27-Jul
DA18/2133	New single storey dwelling	100 Parker Crescent	8-Oct
DA18/1284	Temporary Admin Office and Storage Facility for Shoalhaven Equestrian Centre	Schofields Lane	14-Mar

## Sustainable BERRY Reference Guide



SUBJECT	DETAILS
<b>Sustainability Workshops through Shoalhaven Council</b>	Next workshops will be held in Autumn. Past workshops have included Composting; Bokashi; Beeswax wraps; Natural cleaning; Healthy soils; Backyard chickens; and craft topics including Basket weaving with recycled materials, Japanese fabric gift wrapping (Furoshiki), and Altered book art projects. Bookings are essential. You may leave your contact details to be notified of upcoming events if bookings are full.
<b>Recycling the plastics that Council doesn't collect</b>	<p>The REDcycle program collects suitable plastics to be transformed into outdoor furniture, signage, bollards and other products. You can recycle biscuit packets (outer wrapper); bread bags (without the tie); bubble wrap, cellophane and large sheets used to wrap furniture and other products for delivery; cling wrap; Australia Post plastic sachets; chip, chocolate and snack wrappers (including silver-lined) wrap; netting produce bags (remove metal clips); rice bags; clear plastic wine bladders; squeeze pouches (eg baby food) with lid on; potting mix &amp; compost bags; zip lock bags; and green (polypropylene) bags. Plastics should be clean, dry, and cut to A3 size in the case of larger items. Not suitable for collection: rigid plastics; plastic containers &amp; bottles; bread bag ties; medication blister packs; film negatives and x-rays; balloons; adhesive tape; tinsel; coffee bags; drinking straws; foil, foam and polystyrene; clear vinyl packaging (eg quilts &amp; bedding); rubber and latex; foil based wine bladders; and laminated materials. To learn more, visit the website: <a href="http://www.redcycle.net.au">www.redcycle.net.au</a></p> <p>TerraCycle was established in 2001 as a means of dealing with hard to recycle items, with the goal of making these zero waste products. The company now runs programs in twenty countries, diverting plastics otherwise headed to landfill. TerraCycle has established separate collection programs including: cosmetic &amp; make up packaging; stationery binders; contact lenses (over 100,000 pieces of waste diverted from landfill in Australia in its first year of operation); toothpaste tubes &amp; toothbrushes; and coffee pods. TerraCycle has a points initiative and points collected may be used to make a donation to charity or school. To learn more visit the website: <a href="http://www.terracycle.com.au">www.terracycle.com.au</a></p>
<b>Alternatives to single use coffee cups</b>	Local cafes offering a discount when you bring your own reusable cup: Just Delicious, The Emporium Food Company, The Dairy Bar, Blue Goose Café (Gerringong), Ninety One Junction (Nowra), Zest Café & Catering (Nowra), The Cake Store (Nowra) Green Caffeine is an initiative launched in August 2018 in Kiama, as a swap and go reusable cup system. Perfect for the days when you forget your own cup. Participating cafes include: Il Locale, the Blue Swimmer in Gerroa, and another forty cafes across the Illawarra region. More information about the program can be found on Green Caffeine's Instagram or Facebook pages.
<b>Berry Waste Depot Chemical Cleanout</b>	The Depot accepts computer and electrical equipment, electrical leads, recyclable metal, smoke detectors, compact and fluorescent light bulbs, car batteries, motor and other oils, gas bottles, water- and oil-based paints and batteries free of charge. The depot also offers free garden mulch. There is a modest charge for recycling some items, such as green waste, mattresses, or whitegoods. Open Friday to Monday (except public holidays 8.00 am – 4.00 pm). The next chemical cleanout will be Saturday 16 June at the council car park in Nowra, 9.00 am – 3.30 pm
<b>Illegal dumping</b>	Contact Shoalhaven Council Ranger Services on 4429 3433 (after hours 4421 3100).
<b>Berry Waste Depot free recycling service</b>	The depot accepts computer and electrical equipment, electrical leads, recyclable metal, smoke detectors, compact and fluorescent light bulbs, car batteries, motor and other oils, gas, water- and oil-based paints and batteries.
<b>Illegal dumping</b>	Contact Shoalhaven Council Ranger Services on 4429 3433 (after hours 4421 3100). If the matter is urgent, contact the Environmental Protection Agency on 131 555.
<b>Recycling / reuse at local shops</b>	Flavours Shoalhaven refill Morella Grove olive oil glass bottles. Take your own containers to Leaf Thai restaurant for meals, Il Locale for gelato, and the deli section at IGA. The Treat Factory will fill your container or glass jar for bulk dried fruit, nuts etc, during quiet periods. The Berry Farmers' Market has a plastic-free policy, so remember to take your own bags.
<b>Medication and 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>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>Libraries: purchase less, read more</b>	Shoalhaven Council's library bus is parked in Princess Street just past the School of Arts building, every Friday from 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm. Berry Street Library in Broughton Place is sponsored by the Berry Alliance; borrow, read and return, or add a book for someone else to enjoy. Berry Community Library at the Berry Uniting Church is open Mon and Wed 1-4 pm, Tues, Thurs, Fri 10 am – 1 pm.

## Berry Restaurants & Cafes, Functions & Catering Guide

### RESTAURANTS & CAFES

#### HEDGEHOGS COFFEE SHOP

4/98 Queen Street, Berry - t 4464 3051

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#### SAVANNAH CAFE

Stan Burt Arcade, Berry - t 4464 3880

Please note our NEW opening hours

Closed: Tuesday

Lunch: Everyday from 11am except Tuesday's

Breakfast: Weekends & Holidays ONLY from 9am

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

### FUNCTIONS & CATERING

#### BERRY COURTHOUSE AND GARDENS

Corner Victoria Street and

Albany Street Berry 0458 369 266

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# Calendar of Events

## FEBRUARY/MARCH

**17 February** - Sunday - The Friends of Meroo Union Church (non-denominational Christian) will be conducting their Monthly Service at 2 pm. Afternoon Tea follows. All most welcome.

Located at the Corner of Boxells Lane and the Princes Highway, Meroo Meadow.

Contact Rae 4448 6048.

**22 February** - Thursday - ADFAS lecture on Auguste Rodin and the Gates of Hell, 7.30 at The Berry School of Arts, Alexandra St, Berry.

**23 February** - Friday - Slow Food are hosting a Soiree in Berry from 6-8pm. This will be a major fundraiser and a great time for a new year mingle, viewing wonderful items in our silent auction. And of course, those delectable yummy flavours ... slow food style.

Book online using Try Booking \$55 members and \$65 non-members.

Bookings are essential. [www.slowfoodbjb.org.au](http://www.slowfoodbjb.org.au)

**1 March** - Friday - World Day of Prayer - Light Tea (6pm) and Service (7pm) at Scots Presbyterian Church. Focus Country: Slovenia. Everyone Welcome.

Organised by the Christian Churches of Berry – Enquiries: Ken Wade 0408 644 063.

**2 March** - Saturday - "Berry says Bon Voyage". The people of Berry will be saying Bon Voyage to the group of Everest Assault Trekkers, who will be led to Everest Base Camp by Ken Hutt to raise funds towards ending Polio. Everyone is very welcome.

Join in on the free sausage sizzle at the Meet and Greet the Trekkers at 6:30pm by the creek at the Bowling Club. You can even receive a professional photo with you, your family and the Trekkers. At 7:30pm the local band Rock Addicts will be playing all the favourite tunes 'till late, for everyone of all ages to enjoy. Get a group together and enjoy a great night of dancing and catching up. Like us on Facebook: "Berry says Bon Voyage".

**3 March** - Sunday - Clean Up Australia Day - Come to the Rotunda in Apex Park to sign on at 9am. We will give you gloves and a bag and tell you where to go! Any queries phone Bob Fitzell 4464 3528 or 0416 199 837. (The aim is to finish by lunch time).

**9 March** - Saturday - Berry Cool Estate Market, 16 Coolangatta Road - Nursery, Café, Food Trucks, Markets, Live Music, Children's Activities, Pets Welcome.

**17 March** - Sunday - The Friends of Meroo Union Church (non-denominational Christian) will be conducting their Monthly Service at 2 pm. Afternoon Tea follows. All most welcome. Located at the Corner of Boxells Lane and the Princes Highway, Meroo Meadow. Contact Rae 4448 6048.

**19 March** - Tuesday - Berry & District Garden Club monthly meeting, 7.30pm in St Luke's Church Hall, Princess Street, Berry.

**21 March** - Thursday - Berry Mens Shed are holding an Open Day. The event will form part of the annual Seniors Week program. Contact Richard Wiseman 4464 2619.

**28 March** - Thursday - ADFAS Lecture Acquired Taste: The Invention of the Restaurant in 19th Century Paris presented by Sylvia Sagona. Berry School of Arts, Alexandra Street, Berry at 7.30 pm.

### REGULAR EVENTS:

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

**The Berry Computers for Seniors** meets in the Berry Uniting Church hall on the first and third Wednesdays of each month from 9.00 - 10.30am.

The **'Third Wednesday Book Group'** will meet in the Community Library June from 4-6pm. We bring along our favourite books or talk about our favourite authors and enjoy drinks and nibbles along the way. Everyone is welcome.

**Gentle Chair Yoga** - Every Tuesday 9.30 - 10.30am except the first Tuesday of the month. Phone 0412 244 735 for class details.

**Energising Chair Yoga** - Every Wednesday 9.30 - 10.30am at St Lukes Hall, except the first Wednesday of the month. Phone 0412 244 735 for details. Class includes strength, flexibility, balance whilst sitting or standing using chair as support. Buy 5 classes to use at any time for \$80 (\$16 per class) or casual rate \$18. No term fees.

**Dancing for Joy** - Every Thursday 9.30 - 10.30am at Berry Uniting Church Hall, except the first Thursday of the month. Phone 0412 244 735 for class details Suitable for everyone. No partners needed. Variety of dance styles to exercise your brain, improve balance, increase vitality and Joy. Buy 5 classes to use at any time for \$80 (\$16 per class). No term fees.

### FUTURE DATES

**6 April** - Saturday Berry Conversation featuring Lenore Taylor, the Walkley Award-winning Editor of The Guardian Australia from 3-5pm at Berry Public School Hall. \$30, includes refreshments. Tickets are available at the Berry Music Centre and on line at [www.trybooking.com](http://www.trybooking.com). Enquiries: [berryconversations@gmail.com](mailto:berryconversations@gmail.com)

**13 April** - Saturday - Berry Cool Estate Market, 16 Coolangatta Road - Nursery, Café, Food Trucks, Markets, Live Music, Children's Activities, Pets Welcome.



# Annual Events Guide for Berry 2019

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> <li>Berry Cool Estate Market, 16 Coolangatta Road - Every second Saturday of the month. Nursery, Café, Food Trucks, Markets.</li> </ul>
<b>JANUARY</b>	
<b>FEB</b>	Annual Berry Show Berry Showground
<b>MARCH</b>	First Sunday in March is Clean Up Australia Day – See entry under 3rd March on opposite page.
<b>APRIL</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>	
<b>AUGUST</b>	3 - 4 August The Berry Camellia & Floral Show event is held at the Berry School of Arts, Alexandra Street, Berry. Saturday noon to 4.00pm and Sunday 10.00am to 2.00pm. 4th & 5th - Annual Camellia and Floral Show
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	Berry Small Farm Field Day
<b>OCTOBER</b>	17 - 20 October Berry Gardens Festival showcases beautiful gardens in and around the Berry area. This year is the 30th anniversary of the staging of this wonderful event. 18-21st - Berry Garden Club's Annual Garden Festival
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	Remembrance Day
<b>DECEMBER</b>	3rd DECEMBER Berry Men's Shed Annual Garage Sale Berry Merry Christmas Carols in the Park, Apex Park Rotary's New Year's Eve Fireworks Berry Showground

## Bush Fire Danger Period and Fire Permits

**A Fire Permit will be required for burning activities during the Bush Fire Danger Period which started on 1st September 2018.** Fire Permits help ensure fire is used safely and minimise the danger to you, your property and the community.

### THE KEY THINGS TO REMEMBER

- You need a fire permit if it's the Bush Fire Danger Period.
- Just because it's the Bush Fire Danger Period doesn't mean you can't use fire - but there are restrictions to ensure fire is used safely.
- Getting a permit is free and easy. Contact Fire Control Centre on 4424 4424
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OCTOBER - 11/9/19

NOVEMBER - 16/10/19

DECEMBER - 13/11/19



# Community Groups

## BERRY COMMUNITY GROUPS

**Beaumont Rural Fire Brigade** 0416 754 272  
beaumontvrfb@gmail.com

**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 Community Library** 0425 220 258  
Opening hours: Monday & Wednesday  
1pm-4pm Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10pm-1pm  
berrycommunitylibrary@gmail.com

**Berry Evening View Club** 4464 1191  
Secretary, PO Box 275 sel4957@bigpond.net.au  
Meets 3rd Wednesday monthly, 6.30 pm  
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 1774  
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** 0416 181 543  
Meetings: 1st Tuesday of the month:  
Committee Rooms, Berry Showground.  
Contact: Katrina Underwood 0416 181 543  
Contact Elizabeth Dubbelde 0431 663 189

**Country Women's Association  
- Berry Branch**  
PO Box 321 Berry 2535  
2nd Friday each month at 12.30pm  
in the CWA Rooms, Victoria Street  
Contact Emily Boorer 0417 423 018

**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

**Lodge Broughton 131** 4421 8026  
P.O. Box 2092 Bomaderry 2541 NSW  
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

**Slow Food to Berry to Jervis Bay**  
If you would like more information on our  
planned Calendar of Events or to JOIN  
then please contact Jenny Crosby 0424615948  
or Marilyn O'Dowd 0416018977  
email info@slowfoodbjb.org.au website www.  
slowfoodbjb.org.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**  
Rosemary Courtney (0430 359 443)  
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 Societies - Shoalhaven**  
PO Box 269 Berry NSW 2535 4464 3053  
shoalhaven@adf.org.au  
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 - 9.00pm  
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 9.00am, 10.00am and 5.00pm  
info@berrycommunitychurch.org

**Berry Uniting Church** 4464 2904  
77 Albert Street Berry  
Services at 9.30am berryuniting@gmail.com

**Meroo Union Church** 4448 6048  
Monthly service at 2pm  
(3rd Sunday of the month)  
Corner of Boxells Lane & Princes Hwy,  
Meroo Meadow. Contact Rae 4448 6048

**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 10.00-12.00  
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 Branch** 0429 012 796  
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  
06.30pm for 07.00pm start at the Berry Hotel

## RECREATION

**Berry Bridge Club INC** 4464 3009  
PO Box 366 Berry 2535  
mccorran@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  
6:00pm @ 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 becantom2@bigpond.com  
School term 4 - Thursday 4pm till 6pm at the  
Berry Sporting Complex, North Street Berry

**Berry Riding Club** 4464 1143  
445 Coolangatta Road Berry 2535  
1st Tuesday monthly at the Berry Hotel  
jasiy@bigpond.net.au www.berryridingclub.com

**Berry Shoalhaven Head Rugby League Football Club**  
First Wednesday evening of the month at  
The Berry Hotel - 7pm Great Southern Hotel,  
Berry. Email: berryjuniorleague@gmail.com  
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 bshjrflc@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  
Meet 7pm second Thursday of every second  
month at Clubhouse at Tennis Courts

**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 & Princess Sts  
www.diamondcalisthenics.com  
diamondcalisthenics@hotmail.com

**Shoalhaven Heads Surf Life Saving Club**  
Mackintosh Street Shoalhaven Heads  
www.headssurf.com.au Facebook: Shoalhaven  
Heads Surf Life Saving Club. Phone:  
0432 331 915 or info@headssurf.com.au

# 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



# On March 23, we're supporting Gareth Ward because . . .



“Gareth has been a strong supporter of local businesses in Berry. He is a dedicated local MP who listens and delivers”

**Ken Hutt, Local Resident**

“Gareth fought for and delivered the Berry Bypass ahead of schedule for our community he works hard and gets things delivered”

**Sue Hobson, Local Resident**



“Gareth fought to deliver funding for a new Ambulance Station in Berry which is great news for our community”

**Bill Seelis, Local Resident**



“Gareth has worked to preserve the rural industry and village atmosphere in our Berry township”

**Ken Watson, Local Resident**



“Gareth fought hard to secure funding to help upgrade our amenities at Berry Country Women's Association Hall”

**Emily Boorer, Local Resident**



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**THURSDAY 28 MARCH, 7.30 PM ACQUIRED TASTE:**

**Invention of the Restaurant in 19th century Paris – Sylvia Sagona**  
**THE BERRY SCHOOL OF ARTS ALEXANDRA STREET, BERRY 2535**

ADFAS Shoalhaven is a local community group, which offers a series of informative, illustrated and entertaining lectures covering a broad range of subjects relating to the arts. The speakers are world class, experts in their field and entertaining. Membership is available for \$140.00 per year or you can pay \$25.00 at the door for each lecture. This includes a light supper with wine.

You're welcome to join us on Thursday 28 March when Sylvia Sagona will present Acquired Taste: The Invention of the Restaurant in 19th century Paris.

Life without restaurants is hard to imagine. It is even harder to think that the first restaurants were for the fastidious, who did not even like eating. They were served a restorative broth or "restaurant". It was for such delicate stomachs that the first establishments in the Palais Royal opened up new dining rooms with separate tables, a menu, fixed prices and flexible opening hours. When the French Revolution broke out 20 years later, the unemployed cooks and maitres d' of exiled royalty began introducing the paying public to the delights of aristocratic cuisine. The restaurant as we know it was born.

This lecture will investigate the first great restaurants, chefs, patrons and gastronomes such as Grimod, Careme and Talleyrand, and the invention of modern cuisine with Escoffier at the Ritz.



*Jorge Cortell – Baroque Bistro, Paris.*

Information on the society and the 2019 program can be found at: <https://www.adfas.org.au/shoalhaven/> or from Tina, the Membership Secretary, 4464 2118.



## Boomerang Bags Berry 2019

Boomerang Bags Berry started the new year with a difference. We usually take January off from sewing, but with an amazing donation of left over dog show ribbons given to us by Shona Gibson, we made a big effort to produce bags for the Berry Show. We were also lucky to be given animal print fabrics after a request through The Berry Community Facebook page, perfect with the show ribbons as straps. The finished bags were donated to the Show Society to sell with the proceeds going to Rural Drought Relief.

Four of our bags were entered into the **Berry Show** in the Tote Bag Category and we were delighted to be awarded second prize.

Last year saw our group go from strength to strength and we are still hard at work turning unwanted textiles into Boomerang Bags. The money from the bags sold has to date sustained the group and allowed us to make some significant donations. The beneficiaries last year were **Landcare Berry, the Plant Propagation Nursery at Berry Public School and SALT Ministries, Bomaderry**. Our meetings have resumed so if you are interested in joining us, you only have to ask! We still need to make lots of bags to give to SALT Ministries for the needy to carry away grocery items and clothing so generously donated and freely available each week in Bomaderry.

**Making a difference** - thank you Sandeep of **Indika Indian Restaurant Berry**, who has agreed to change from plastic bags to paper for take-away orders and to replace plastic straws with paper ones.

**Meetings:** first Tuesday of the month from 9.00 am  
The Committee Rooms, Berry Show Ground, Alexandra Street.  
Telephone: Katrina Underwood 0416 181 543

## 40 Years Young and Still Spinning Along

This year Berry Spinners and Weavers are celebrating two important milestones: a move to a new 'home' and our inauguration 40 years ago. In 1979 Lynne Berriman welcomed our first members into her living room and taught them to spin. The living room was soon overcrowded, and for the first 10 years Berry Spinners and Weavers met in a variety of locations, including the Berry Council Chambers, before being offered a permanent meeting place in the Rural Youth Hall in 1989. Now the group has decided it's time to move on, and thanks to the Shoalhaven City Council will meet in the Berry School of Arts for the foreseeable future.

The strength and resilience of our membership suggests this move heralds an exciting and successful future as we celebrate the past 40 years and settle into our new 'home'. Each year our members exhibit and demonstrate their weaving, knitting, spinning, and felting at the Berry and Kiama Shows, where again

our members have taken out many of the major awards: Brian McCarthy for spinning, Susan Rodgers for weaving, Barbara Wyles for knitting and Melinda Binkins for felting. With such a wealth of expertise among our male and female members, it is little wonder that Berry Spinners and Weavers Inc. currently has 67 enthusiastic members.

New members are always welcome. We gladly share our knowledge and expertise, helping new and aspiring crafters young and old to refine their skills and develop new ones. We meet twice a week, our 'Chocolate Club' on Wednesday nights at 6.30pm and our larger group on Thursday mornings at 10am. We focus particularly on the traditional crafts of spinning, dyeing, weaving, felting, knitting and crochet. Our community activities include school demonstrations, charity events and raffles. Come and join us!



Front row: Christine Pepper, Maree Watson, Kate Downes, Barbara Wyles. Back Row: Susan Rodgers, Elena Reichmann, Rosalie Andrew. Missing: Brian McCarthy, Alison Giles-Damjanovska, Melinda Binkins and Jennifer Bailey.



# BELLE PROPERTY BERRY

## From the Principal

"The market has cooled but it's not cold! With Christmas and the holiday period behind us, we're seeing buyers dust off the 'cobwebs' and make new forays into the area. Buyer enquiry is still strong but we feel a hesitation with the elections looming. Now's the time to think long and hard about your 'perfect' price and whether it is meeting the market conditions."

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**\$2,500,000**

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**\$3,100,000**

120 Paringa Road, Longreach



**Jeff & Jo happy with their recent sale of 33 Scott Street, Shoalhaven Heads**

## Meet the family



**Gary Dale**  
Principal/ Licensee  
0418 211 917



**Nick Dale**  
Property Consultant  
0419 425 166



**Susan Dale**  
Office Manager



**Emily Agar**  
Property Consultant  
0458 420 581

**02 4464 1636**





## NOT in my BACKYARD

Prickly plants are one thing, but stinging plants are another.

2 local plants that cause a very uncomfortable sting are found in bushland, but on occasions may make appear uninvited in your backyard, **Stinging nettle (*Urtica incisa*)** and the **Stinging tree (*Dendrocnide excelsa*)**.

Some people are happy to grow nettle as a herb to add to recipes, but the Stinging tree does not belong in a suburban backyard.

In the rainforest, a mature Stinging tree can grow as large as a majestic fig tree.

**All of the surfaces above ground** of the nettle and the Stinging tree are covered in tiny silica hairs. Any contact with the brittle hairs causes their tips to break releasing an irritating fluid that penetrates the skin of humans, livestock, horses and dogs, causing an adverse reaction.

**In spite of this unpleasant aspect, Stinging trees play an important part in the ecology and food chain in our local rainforest, as host to many birds, butterflies and caterpillars.**

**Native fauna are not bothered by the sting and happily devour the leaves, flowers and fruits.**

**The stinging hairs are a very effective in warding off herbivores that may destroy the entire plant.**

**Best advice** is to keep clear of plants with pale green heart-shaped leaves with saw-toothed margins that look furry or hairy. **All parts of the plant can sting, including fallen dead leaves** that may be under the tree in the surrounding area.



Mature leaves of a Stinging tree.



Small seedling of a Stinging tree, note the evidence of beetle attack on the chewed leaf.

## DAVID BERRY HOSPITAL AUXILIARY

The David Berry Hospital Palliative Care Unit Karinya was established in 1988 as a stand-alone building in the grounds of the David Berry Hospital. Karinya provides support for the physical, emotional, spiritual and social needs of its patients, as well as ongoing support to family members and carers.

Karinya celebrated its 30 year anniversary with a garden party. It was wonderful to meet and reconnect with some of the medical staff, allied health workers and administrators who were instrumental in establishing the Palliative Care Unit for the Shoalhaven as well as the current team who are taking such good care of our patients.

The David Berry Hospital Director of Nursing, Karon Stalgis, thanked the Auxiliary in proving \$20,183.00 for much needed equipment for David Berry Hospital. The new equipment - wheel chair; bladder scanner; shower chair and suction unit are now in full use at the hospital.

Our thanks must also go to the Shoalhaven Heads Dance Group, the Berry Garden Club and the Community for their continued support in our fund raising program.



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Planning is well underway for the David Berry Hospital Annual Luncheon, to be held at the Berry Bowling Club on Thursday 7th March 2019 11.30 for 12 Noon.

This is a fun afternoon with entertainment by the La-di-dah Ladies, music, trading table, lucky door prize and raffles. Tickets are \$25.00 – please RSVP to PO Box 285 Berry. For more information please contact Marilyn Kellett on 4464 1774.

The United Hospital Auxiliary Regional Meeting will be hosted by the Bowral Hospital Auxiliary on the 3rd April, 2019, in the Uniting church Hall Moss Vale. This is a great opportunity to learn and share ideas on fund raising activities in the community.

Remember, all funds raised are used locally and donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

**Your donation today may buy equipment that saves your life tomorrow.**

**Thank you for your support.**

**Sonja Van Hoof, Publicity Officer**

*Pic: Auxiliary members Moria Harris, Katherin Lindberg and Lucy Bryce enjoying the anniversary garden party.*



## Berry Riding Club - Riding Fun for Everyone

We have had a busy start to 2019. We've welcomed 42 new members this year so far, taking total club membership to over 300. Our members range in age from little ones on lead-line ponies through to retirees. Everyone is welcome at BRC, and we cater to all levels of riders and horses. As well as our competition days, we conduct training events, host clinics, and open the grounds for practice days. **Check our calendar on the BRC website [www.berryridingclub.com](http://www.berryridingclub.com) to see what's coming up.**

So far this year the club has conducted twilight jumping through January and February, with riders taking advantage of daylight savings and the slightly cooler evenings to get out and practice show jumping. Our first Dressage comp for the year saw a large number of entries, with riders nominating to do a whopping 100 tests across the day. In March the Club will be holding a weekend of Working Equitation, with a play and practice day followed by the competition for riders from Lead-Line to Masters. Riders complete a dressage phase, and two obstacle phases that challenge both the horse and

rider's ability to be calm and in control as they navigate the course. We've also got more show jumping and cross country in March, along with our regular mid-week Galloping Grownups, and a youth training day to finish the month. A very busy month!

The other big news is that our Pink Ribbon Horse Festival will be returning in April. We've moved the event to the first half of the year and are excited to make it an annual occurrence. It's never too soon to be raising more funds for the National Breast Cancer Foundation.



check out our Facebook Page and Instagram to keep up with what's happening at BRC

## AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS BERRY BRANCH



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**ELECTION DAY COLLECTION** - Berry Red Cross will be collecting as usual on NSW State Election day on Saturday 23rd March at Berry Public School.

The monies raised will go to the LOCAL RED CROSS SAVE A MATE PROGRAM, which is in dire need of funds. (See below)

**RED CROSS CALLING** - Red Cross Calling is one of Red Cross's two yearly collections to raise funds to support everyday services locally, in the rest of Australia and overseas. Berry Branch will be collecting at the March 3rd markets. Come and find us at the Albany Street Gate.

The other is the Big Cake Bake which is held in August.

**BERRY PUBLIC SCHOOL** - The annual cheque of \$1,000 was presented to Berry Public School for their Ensemble. This is a bequest from two past members.

**SAM (SAVE A MATE) PROGRAM** - If you have been thinking of joining Berry Red Cross the April meeting could be a good one for you to come to.

Annie Lucas from the Red Cross SAM (Save A Mate) programme will be our guest speaker. The meeting will start a little earlier than usual. It will be at 1.30pm and the date is Wednesday 3rd April in the old Uniting Church Hall.

Annie will talk about this important program which is held in schools and teaches children about drugs and how to protect themselves and their mates from drug overdoses.

But you will also be welcome to come along to the March meeting on Wednesday 6th March at 2pm.

**TWIDDLEMUFFS AND TRAUMA TEDDIES** - Some knitting wool has been donated to Red Cross. It will be distributed to our local knitters for Trauma Teddies and Twiddle Muffs.

The trauma teddies are distributed to children in distress in hospitals and other emergency centres. The twiddle muffs are used for people with dementia and they help calm them when they get distressed because they have something to do with their hands. We would welcome any volunteers who would like to help with these very sort after items.

**DOMESTIC EMERGENCIES** - Red Cross teams are responding to flooding in North Queensland and multiple bushfires in Tasmania and Victoria

**All donations to Australian Red Cross' Disaster Relief and Recovery fund** will go towards Red Cross' work in domestic emergencies, including the three current emergencies: the Victorian Bushfires, Tas-manian bushfires and the Queensland floods.

Funds raised will help Red Cross to deliver its emergency services work, such as our Register, Find. Reunite Service, which is being used in the current emergencies, and specialist emergency services teams who assist with psychological first aid support to people and communities affected by the disasters.

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- Quiet Prayer: 11.00 am to 11.45 am 2nd and 4th Thursdays.

### Bible Study Groups

- Women, men, and mixed groups.

### Activities

- Knit with Love: 1.00 pm, Fridays.
- Card Making.
- Exercise Classes.
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## Berry Men's Bowling Club

The Club is preparing for an active year both within the Club and within the local bowling district. This has commenced with 14 members playing in District matches and results of note included our pair of Adam Rigney and Peter Delamont defeating in the final of the State Pairs our other side of Russell Tulloch and Mark Power. Wade Eaton and Lindsay McNamara played in the Pres. Res. Pairs and were defeated by a strong Huskisson side and Nick Nicholls paired with Graham Hook met defeat in the second round of the Snr. Pairs with our other entry Geoff Liddbetter and Terry Hayes losing in the qtr. final to the eventual winners. In another District competition the Snr. Four's our side of Robin Reid, David Lambert, Phil Chittick and Graham Hooke lost to the eventual winners in the semi final. We now have two teams Graham Hook, David Shaw and Robin Reid and Geoff Liddbetter, Adam Rigney and Peter Delamont entered in the District State Triples and Russell Tulloch, Terry Bezant and Terry Hayes in the Snr. Triples with these being played by mid-March.

Two sides, Grade 2 and Grade 6, twelve players per side, are entered in the District Pennants competition, which involves clubs from Berry to Ulladulla, with play having started on 2nd March and scheduled to be completed by 4th May.

In addition to District commitments, arrangements are being finalised to commence the Club's 2019 Championships with entries for the Major Pairs already finalised. For 2019 the Club Championships are being conducted in two sections one being the Club Championships covering Singles and Pairs and the other is the Club Challenges which will be conducted on a handicap and blind draw basis which shows much promise towards creating even more competitive play.

For 2019, social play is still being held on a Wednesday and Saturday with bookings to 0475 768 249 by noon day of play which commences at 1.00 pm and is open to members and visitors. For further information, contact David Lambert on the above number or staff at the club.



## Berry Uniting Church

In collaboration with the Royal School of Church Music, Berry Uniting Church looks forward to hosting a Songs of Praise Workshop and Service on 30 March 2019.

### SONGS OF PRAISE

Saturday 30 March 2019

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Come and enjoy a day of music, fun, fellowship and worship in the heart of the glorious Shoalhaven district as we rehearse a selection of hymns and anthems to sing at a service at 3.00pm.

Come for the day or make a weekend of it!

Musical Director: Ross Cobb, Director of Music, St Andrew's Cathedral Sydney with Organists: Heather Moen-Boyd and Titus Grenyer

Trumpeter: Denis Langley

Come by yourself or bring your whole choir! All denominations welcome.

9.30 am Registration & morning tea

10.15 am Rehearsal

12.15 pm Lunch (own arrangements)

1.30 pm Rehearsal for an hour

3.00 pm Songs of Praise service led by Rev. Andrew Watts

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**Enquiries: Naomi Spencer ph. 4422 4166 or email to [nsw.southcoast@rscmaustralia.org.au](mailto:nsw.southcoast@rscmaustralia.org.au)**  
**All church and interested singers, musicians and choirs are very welcome. Any profits will go to the High School Scripture Board, now called 316.**

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## Why did the possum (try to) cross the road (instead of using the underpass provided)?

The new Princes Highway Upgrade presents a major obstacle for wildlife attempting to move through the Berry Wildlife Corridor. The Corridor is a patchwork of surviving native vegetation which links the Barren Grounds Nature Reserve and Seven Mile Beach National Park. It is the subject of a substantial connectivity conservation project ('Berry Bush Links'), funded by the NSW Environment Trust and carried out by Berry Landcare and the National Parks Association.

As part of the Conditions of Approval for the Highway, the NSW Minister for Planning and Infrastructure followed specialist advice and specified that fauna crossings be constructed over and under the Highway to reduce impact on fauna movement. These crossings take the form of suspended robe-lines over the highway (for arboreal animals), and underpasses (for terrestrial animals).

Recent inspections by Berry Landcare of the three fauna underpasses within the Berry Wildlife Corridor revealed that their function may be seriously impaired or even prevented by a lack of fauna 'furniture'. In order for the underpasses to provide a reasonable prospect of safe passage, they must include 'furniture' such as rocks, logs, piping, and other cover to allow animals to avoid the attention of predators. Only two of the underpasses include raised log railings, and all present bare unencumbered floors with no possibility of cover or concealment. The remaining 'dual' road and fauna underpass appears to provide no facilities for safe fauna passage. The installation of fauna furniture along dedicated dry passage parts of the underpasses is one of the Minister's Conditions of Approval.

The Conditions also require the Roads and Maritime Service to monitor the effectiveness of the fauna crossings and to report results to the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage. Berry Landcare has requested that the RMS fully comply with the requirements for underpass furniture and that the results of fauna monitoring be publicly released.

Eighteen months on from the opening, all highway users must be concerned with the continuing road toll death of wallabies, wombats, echidnas and other road-kill evident on the carriageway. Berry Landcare will continue to inspect the fauna crossings and seek to evaluate their long-term function. The effectiveness of this environmental infrastructure is essential for the long term health of the Wildlife corridor.

## WORKING BEES FOR MARCH 2019

**Alexandra Street Parkcare:** 8-10 am Friday 15th:

Gail Paton 4448 7915.

**Bong Bong Road:** 9-11am

Sunday 10th: Julia Woinarski 4464 2084.

**Broughton Vale:** 9-11am

Sunday 3rd: Kelvin Officer 0427 255 417.

**Bundewallah Bushcare:**

3-5pm Sunday 31st:

John Clark 4464 3911.

**Camp Quality:** 9-11am Sunday

17th: Hugh Sheil

hugh.sheil@realtimecom.com.au

**Moeyan Hill:** 3-5 pm Saturday

16th: Bill Pigott 4464 3241 or wpigott@bigpond.net.au.

**Mount Coolangatta:** Nola

Barker. Mobile 0409 446 418, nolajbarker@live.com.au.

Time to be advised.

**Mark Radium Park:** 9-11am

Friday 29th: Sue Selden, sueselden@optusnet.com.au..

**Princess St. Parkcare:** 8-10am Monday 25th, Terry Oades 4464 3651.

**Tindalls Lane:** 3-5pm Sunday

10th: Jim Jefferis 4464 2988.

**Plant identification service:** Ian

Parker, 4448 6359

<http://www.landcare.nsw.gov.au/groups/berry-landcare> for

more on Berry Landcare and late changes to working bees.

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## Seniors' Computing Group turns 10 years old

Berry Computers for Seniors is a not-for-profit group with volunteer tutors teaching seniors the basics of computing.

The year comprises two semesters of 10 weeks each semester. We meet in the Berry United Church hall on the first and third Wednesdays of each month. Classes start at 9am and finish at 10.30am when we gather to relax together over morning tea.

The courses for the first semester of 2019 are:

- Windows 10, emails, word processing and spreadsheeting
- iPads, iPhones and other Apple computer subjects; and
- android tablets and mobile phones.

Lessons try to ensure members become familiar and confident with the basics of their various devices. Each course is relatively flexible and tries to reflect the interests of those attending.

The first class for 2019 was held on 6th February, however new members are welcome at all times and can join a class at any time during the semester.

For more information, contact President David Wastie on 4421.3270 or by email at [berrycfs@gmail.com](mailto:berrycfs@gmail.com)



## BERRY MEN'S SHED

## BERRY MEN'S SHED OPEN DAY

**During Seniors' Week the Berry Shed will be holding a special Open Day on Thursday 21st March.** The event will form part of the annual Seniors Week program and it was felt that it would be the ideal time to show members of the community what we are doing at our North Street Shed.

Our vision is to look to the community to see what other activities we could offer to the community. Some suggestions have been put forward including cooking, leather work and undertaking personal projects not necessarily related to woodwork. We are considering opening the Shed on Wednesdays if there appears to be enough interest from the community.

We would like as many people to visit us on Thursday 21st March and let us know what activities they would like to see at the Shed on Wednesdays. The Shed will welcome community interest anytime during the day, just pop in and have a chat to some of our members.

The Shed once again sponsored the Woodworking section at the Berry Show and we were pleased to see a good response from the community.

Our Scholarship program with TAFE Bomaderry, Bomaderry, Shoalhaven and Nowra High Schools will continue into 2019. The funding of the Scholarships comes from income derived from work produced at the Shed along with a contribution from the Berry United Church. Last year all school winners visited the Shed to thank our members for their award.

**Richard Wiseman, Public Relations 0448 712 131**

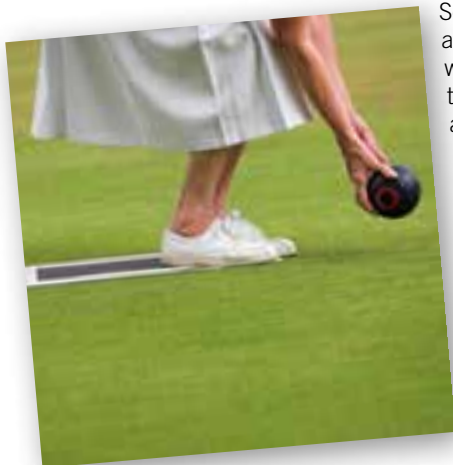




The Berry Women's Bowling Club had a very successful year in 2018; holding a charity day, two tournaments and friendly get-togethers with other clubs. There was a high standard of play in championship and competition games and we had a new club champion (Deb Folkard).

Lawn Bowls is good for your health and self-esteem and easy on your pocket. It helps to improve fitness, co-ordination, skills and confidence whilst building long lasting friendships. It's a low-impact, therapeutic exercise focusing on concentration, precision and strategy. The game is played for personal challenge, enjoyment, competition, activity and the pleasure of spending time outdoors, and is relatively cheap when compared with other sports.

A good way to get started is to simply join in and start playing socially. If you would like to then go on to play in competitions, there are plenty of options available but if you only want to play socially that's fine too. Consider whether Bowls might be the game for you; we love to welcome new members to our club.



Social bowls is on Tuesday and Thursday mornings and we also play mixed bowls with the Men's club on Saturday afternoons. Free coaching is available, and we can lend you a set of bowls. 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 Deb Folkard on 4465 2889.

## Welcome to the info page on the Berry Evening View Club

The March Meeting will have the new Committee taking the reins, although some of the old committee remains which is good because they can help the new girls on the block. I should be retired, but who knows what happened at the AGM.

We will meet on the third Wednesday of the month, and if you wish to join us at our meeting, we will welcome you and you will have a great time. And if you have another engagement and can't make it, ring Jan on 4464 2181 before 12 noon on the Sunday before our Wednesday meeting.

So on with the info. We have two Learning for Life students and it is our goal to raise funds to help them with some of their school expenses. So, we have raffles, trading tables and bingo throughout the year. We have guest speakers most months with birthday nights, Christmas in July and last Christmas we had a different venue for December at the Uniting Church hall. Some of the committee organized the food and everyone did their bit to help clean up; it proved a lovely night. So remember, 6.30 for a 7 pm start and there is plenty of chatting time between the important stuff. Our Coffee Morning is on the first Thursday of the month at one of the local coffee shops which will be announced at the meeting. Well that's all, folks.

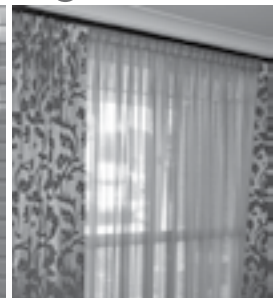
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High above its front entrance, facing Queen Street, the Store proudly boasts two dates. They are 1857, the year James arrived in Australia from Ireland and 1892, the year he moved into this store.

After his arrival, James Wilson's first job was on the Berry Estate working the Back Forest Punt across Broughton Creek and later he managed the Broughton Creek Tannery.

In 1861 in partnership with James Stewart, he founded the company 'Wilson and Co.' and built the residence and store on the corner of Pullman Street and

the Princes Highway. Then in 1892 the partners built this fine brick two-storey store and residence in Queen Street, and their original store in Pullman Street was converted into the Cottage Hospital.

The new store, built with fine cedar fittings, was constructed at a cost of £ 2000 ( 2000 pounds), the approximate equivalent of \$ 240,000 today , by a Sydney contractor during a building trade depression.

James Wilson was greatly respected by the community and was made a Justice of the Peace, a great honour at the time. He also assisted in the formation of the first Council of the area and was elected the first Mayor. When he passed away in July 1901 his funeral procession was over three miles long.

James' two sons, James ( Jim) and William ( Bill) took over the business and on the death of Jim, it was passed to Jim's widow , with the property staying in the family until 1969.

Over the years the building has seen changes and many businesses come and go. In 1956 R.B. Goulder, his wife and daughter Mary (later Mary Lidbetter), purchased the business and moved into the residence and began trading as 'Goulders' drapery. Mary continued the business after her mother's death in 1977 and then combined the drapery with her husband Tom Lidbetter's saddlery business.

The building was later rented by the Berry Community Activities Centre, being known as the Berry Bizarre, and then round 1985 it was restored and the building painted in early heritage colours.

And so we still have this beautiful building with us today.



1. Wilson & Co Store



2. James Wilson's  
Funeral Procession, 1901



3. The Drapery counter in Wilson's Store  
when it traded as 'Goulders' Store, 1956.

## Berry Museum

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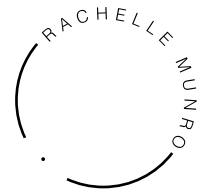


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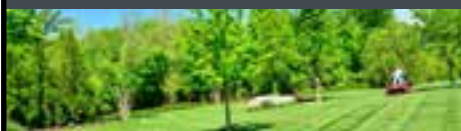


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