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information amongst community
groups and individuals, and to
ensure that Berry continues to
be a community we are proud of.

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Editor's Note



The closing date for our July issue will be
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The Berry Forum

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'Temporary' Function Centres

At Council's Development Committee meeting
held on Tuesday 7 May, councilors discussed
a staff proposal for a review of LEP Clause
2.8 'Temporary Use of Land'. Although it's
possible the review might help with clarifying
issues over the long term, the Committee
felt it was important to alert councilors to the
need for urgent enforcement of the current
conditions attached to Clause 2.8.

A deputation was made at the meeting
reminding councilors of the 2015 Land &
Environment Court judgement that provides
a clear precedent for refusing the four
current applications. As proof of the adverse
noise impacts that would be experienced by
residents on surrounding properties, video

recording of sound levels after midnight from
a wedding reception held at the property in
Tindalls Lane was presented. The maximum
permitted noise level is 35 decibels and the
recording showed levels between 57-63
decibels.

It is likely that the first of the four development
applications (Strongs Road) will be reviewed
by councilors at the Development Committee
meeting to be held on Tuesday 4 June.
Our Committee has been contacted by
representatives from four other CCBs,
in addition to Kangaroo Valley, who are
concerned about the potential for similar
applications being lodged in their areas.

Proposed LEP Local Character Overlay

The NSW Government is working to strengthen
the role of 'character' in the NSW planning
system in recognition of its importance to local
communities and the need to appropriately
manage the effects of population growth
and change on local character and amenity.
The draft Shoalhaven Character Assessment
Report was reviewed along with the draft
Growth Management Strategy discussion
paper in November last year.

The DP&E have now released a Discussion
Paper, which explores a proposal to introduce
a 'local character overlay' in the form of a
map and supporting local clause into the
LEP. The purpose is to ensure that strategic
planning recognises and enhances the local
character of places and is informed by what
the community values about its area. We will
provide more information on this initiative as it
comes to hand.

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What an exciting time to join Zonta, not only are friendships formed but you will be part of a flourishing club that works together to advance the status of women worldwide through service and advocacy. We were very happy to welcome two new members in April. These lovely ladies have attended some of our recent meetings as visitors and have now decided to come on board as fully fledged Zontians. We welcome them to the Zonta club and look forward to fun and friendship whilst working together on our community projects and fundraising ventures such as the "Pre Loved Clothing Sale" which was held on the 5th May. What a fun day this turned out to be, and whilst

it rained, it certainly did not deter from what was a very enjoyable and successful event. It was lovely also to see some return customers who know from experience the wide range of quality clothing and accessories, which includes beautiful hats, scarves, bags and jewellery that is offered for sale. The Zonta Club of Berry would like to thank the Berry community for their generous support of this event.

On a more serious note, as Australian's gathered to commemorate our fallen, the Zonta Club of Berry joined our local Anzac Day march and wreath laying service to pay homage to the sacrifices of our soldiers. This month our Zontians will be gathering for a breast cushion sewing morning. Along

with fun and fellowship, the sewing bees are held to make breast care cushions to provide comfort in the post-operative phase of breast surgery. The cushions are supplied to local hospitals and distributed by breast care nurses.

If you have an interest in learning more about the work of the Zonta Club of Berry, or supporting future initiatives, we invite you to attend a monthly meeting held on the 4th Tuesday of each month at the Berry Hotel Coachhouse Restaurant at 6.30pm for a 7pm start. Please call Rosemary Courtney on 0430 359 443 to book. Cost for dinner is \$30.00. Next meeting 25th June.



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Spinning, Knitting, Felting...

Berry Spinners and Weavers at the Royal Easter Show!

Once again the high standard of skill and workmanship of the Berry Spinners and Weavers membership is evident in results for the Arts and Crafts competitions at this year's Sydney Royal Easter Show. In all, our members received 19 awards this year, an achievement of which we are extremely proud.

In the Spinning classes, Brian McCarthy received two Standard of Excellence Awards, one for his handspun silk shawl, and the other for an Icelandic jumper in handspun Cormo wool. In addition to coming first in four of the spinning classes, Brian received two awards from the Handweavers and Spinners Guild of NSW (for innovative use of fibre and for most textured yarn) and two awards sponsored by 'Spinners Haven'.

Melinda Binkins showed what can be done with flair and by combining felting with millinery and garment construction. She was awarded firsts for her millinery "styled in the spirit of Easter" and for her "wearable felted garment" and a second prize for combining various techniques to achieve an artistic result. Her efforts were also rewarded with the Handweavers and Spinners Guild of NSW award for the most playful exhibit in felting.

Barbara Wyles, winner of the Frances Binnie award in 2017, added to the list with one third prize for a knitted garment, and another in the Spinning section for a skein of hand spun yarn 18+ WPI. Barbara's fine knitted shawl and her stranded garment were also highly commended, along with recognition in the Spinning classifications for her garment made entirely from her own hand spun yarn. And finally in the Soft Toy group, Alison Giles-Damjanovska was awarded second prize for her Vienna Doll and her clothing item.



Brian McCarthy's Icelandic Jumper from hand spun wool

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At the moment I am looking at the ad for a billy-cart race and once again faced with an uncomfortable truth - as a Dad there's a whole lot I have no idea about. I am sure that my son has visions of a streamlined, steady, rocket powered cart whizzing past the finish line leaving other poor Dads huffing and puffing behind. I am just hoping that the wheels don't fall off. Actually, I don't even know how to get the wheels on.

Help has come to many of us in a most unexpected place. A cartoon called Bluey. If you have young children or grandchildren you'll know immediately the sensation that this has caused, with these four blue heeler dogs, dancing their way through the trials of life. Every scene is quintessentially Australian, and gives a really funny but accurate picture

of family life down under -(the scenes in the car are complete with booster seats, surrounded by pens, popcorn, poppers and every other bit of junk is in the back of our car!)

But the most attractive thing about the show is the way the parents, especially the Dad, plays with his two young kids - or should I say, pups. It gets a bit confusing when you have talking dogs. I never thought I'd be taking my cues from ABC Kids, but now every night now ends with rocket ship ride (helmets on, hit the go button). We play kitchens on the trampoline (toast ready to pop), we hand out the magic asparagus at dinner and become every other creature and we give each other silly names. And then I find myself saying thing like dollarbucks, whackadoo and I'll

sell you to the zoo you little monkeys, all to the delight of my youngest. And come 7.20 pm everyone is ready for the Bluey dance. Overall, it gives a really healthy picture of what a Dad can be without pretending to be perfect.

One of my favourite pictures in the Bible is of the father in a parable that Jesus tells. It's well known enough that you may have heard it - the prodigal son. It's a story of a son who has taken everything from his Dad, turned his back on his family, and foolishly loses it all. And yet there is the Father waiting for his son at the front gate. Waiting with open arms, the offer of forgiveness, and a party to celebrate. I think that is a great picture of fatherhood. And Jesus makes the point - that picture is of God and his love for us.

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The Berry & District Historical Society

MANANGA HOMESTEAD

Coming off the Berry bypass at the northern entrance to our town, to your left you will notice a white picket fence, and you may see the sign "Mananga". This property therefore holds a prime position at the entrance to our town and has views across the farms and hills of the South Coast.

The Mananga homestead plays a significant role in Berry's heritage. Indeed, the NSW Heritage database Statement of Significance reads: "An excellent Federation Queen Anne style farmhouse in weatherboard designed by noted Sydney architect Howard Joseland. Historical interest as a leasehold property, originally, on the Berry Estate. Closely associated with the early private town of Broughton Creek. It has Local significance (Shoalhaven)."

The first homestead stood below the old cow bails beside a mill race which joined Broughton Mill Creek and Broughton Creek and supplied power to a sawmill. The contours of the land show the location of this race.

The first Post Office in Broughton Creek was established on the site of the original house in 1861, in the home of Donald Stewart. Stewart's home was called "Mananga", an Aboriginal word meaning "by the water". On his death in 1876, the Post Office was moved to James Wilson's store in Pulman Street.

The Stewart family remained prominent in Broughton Creek. James Stewart was a business partner of James Wilson and a JP in 1892. The present "Mananga" homestead was built for the Stewart family in 1894 by John Hay, manager of Coolangatta Estate. When the Estate was broken up, the Stewart family were able to purchase the house. "Mananga" was still owned by the Stewart family in recent years.

Howard Joseland designed many Federation buildings on the Berry Estate between 1883 and the early 1900s. The distinctive timber featuring on "Mananga" resembles that on the Bomaderry residences "Greensleeves" (1895) and "Lynburn" (1896) which were designed by Joseland for the Berry Estate.

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Meals on Wheels
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Several long-term members of our Berry Meals on Wheels Service have indicated that they will be retiring at our Annual General Meeting (A.G.M.) in August 2019.

This will bring about some vacancies in our ranks and we are looking for volunteers to become involved with our service.

We are considering the introduction of a new roster system, requiring a completely new approach to our delivery of meals. We are canvassing our present body of volunteers but feel that there may be some members of the general public who would also like to take part in this new venture.

To this end, we invite interested members of the public to a Special Meeting for volunteers which will be held at 9 am on WEDNESDAY 5TH JUNE, 2019 at the RSL Hall in Alexandra Street, Berry. Please come along, listen to our discussions and add your thoughts and ideas on how to better our Service.

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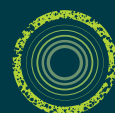
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MEN'S SHED SUPPORTING THE UNITING CHURCH FUND RAISER



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"They were not the typical items that we usually have on sale at our annual Garage Sale held each year on the first Saturday in November, we were trying to merchandise different high quality items at this sale", said President Phil Reid.

We have recently placed a number of quality timber wine and jewel boxes at Silos Winery to cater for the tourist market in a drive to increase our sales, the proceeds of which go towards our Scholarship programme with Schools and Colleges in Nowra.

Our shed is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays and if you have something that requires repairs or if you would like us to make something for you please feel free to call in and see us between 9.00am and 3.30pm.

Richard Wiseman Public Relations

COFFEE AND Friends

Our speaker on Wednesday 26th June at 10am is local action and adventure author Chris Allen. He has had an amazing life that sounds like it comes straight out of an action movie. His experience in the military as a paratrooper, then leading security operations for an aid agency in East Timor, in counter terrorism and justice, gives him a wealth of material for his writing. Chris will tell us some of his journey and how his practical life experiences gave his writing an authenticity and a sense of realism. Everyone is welcome.

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

Berry Community Library

The Third Wednesday Book Group meets again on Wednesday 19th June 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.

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Many Vets at the Berry Vet Clinic group of practices are currently enrolled in continuing education courses and are passionate about how this benefits our customers and their animals and pets.

Practice owner's Dr Anthony Bennett and Dr Bryden Krebs are both undertaking a year- long course in Behavioural Medicine at the University of Sydney's Centre of Veterinary Education (CVE). This allows a better understanding of how to manage anxiety, aggression and other common behavioural problems.

In addition to this, Anthony completed a course in Tibial Plateau Levelling Osteotomy (TPLO) recently, allowing gold standard cruciate repair to be performed at Berry Vet Clinic. During May, Bryden attended the annual Australian Veterinary Association (AVA) conference in Perth.

Continuing Dr Jess Liddiard's love of all things equine, she has just undertaken further study in the Essentials of Equine Dentistry at Grafton. Dr Sam Singleton is always learning and is currently studying Rehabilitation – one of her many Veterinary passions.

Dr Sarah Bate is also undertaking a year- long study in Ophthalmology at the CVE. This course is focused to help vets to gain a greater understanding of the medications used to treat eye problems, and to learn optimal medical and surgical management methods for a variety of presenting problems.

Dr Sarah Bate (DVM) - Sarah grew up in the Adelaide Hills, South Australia. Growing up she was an active member of her local surf lifesaving club and an avid sports participant, playing basketball, netball and tennis. Sarah graduated from the University of Adelaide in 2015. After completing university, Sarah moved to Whittlesea in Victoria to start her career in Mixed Practice. She joined us at Berry Veterinary Clinic in early 2018.

Sarah enjoys the variety of mixed practice. She enjoys assisting small holder/hobby farmers with small ruminant health/management, emergency medicine, and getting outdoors. Outside of work, Sarah enjoys preparing for and participating in Triathlons, exploring the local beaches, and skyping her Miniature Schnauzer, Rufus, who resides in Adelaide. She is currently in the market for a Bordoodle (Border Collie x Poodle) to add to her family.



Dr Sarah finishing the NSW Ironman completion at Port Macquarie on May 5 2019.

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We were blessed with a beautiful autumnal day for our very successful Chicken Street Stall. Hundreds of colourful chickens and some rogue koala bears, all filled with Easter eggs, had people young and old pondering which chicken/koala they would buy. The chickens and koalas literally walked off the table, they were so popular.

The Mother's Day stall was also a success; locals and visitors quickly picked up the delicious homemade cakes, slices and a variety of books and craft items that our dedicated volunteers provided.

The winner of the delightful Mother's Day raffle was Kaylene Saville.

We would like to express our thanks to the Berry community and visitors for their generosity and their wonderful support.

Money raised by the Auxiliary funds much needed equipment for the David Berry Hospital.

*Judy McMillan
with our
colourful chickens
and koalas*



Knitting News

The Knit with Love ladies are getting busy for the winter. As well as supporting the work of Saltbox Bomaderry, we now have a new outlet for our work - Darcy House (BaptistCare) in Port Kembla.

This centre provides care and support to people living with disadvantage in the Wollongong area. These people often go days without life's basics, such as food and a shower. The care given goes beyond supplying basic needs and offers support with issues such as social and financial exclusion, mental health challenges, drug and alcohol dependence and housing needs. Supported accommodation can be arranged for women and children escaping domestic violence.

They are happy to take any knitted garments (all sizes) and our ladies are keen to supply a large box for the winter - especially requested are men's beanies and fingerless gloves.

We continue to work on our rugs for the Wrap with Love organisation. From their collection office in Sydney the rugs are distributed to places of need around the world. Our group is an official drop-off point for the rugs. So, we are happy to receive completed rugs from the community at large.

Newcomers are always welcome at our meetings held every Friday from 1 to 3pm at St Luke's Hall (Blue Room). Bring size 4mm (no .8) knitting needles. (NB No meeting on 21st June, as we will be enjoying our mid-year luncheon off-site)

Contact persons: Lyn (0404 562 772) and Niesje (0431 895 402)

A Taste of Paradise Fundraiser Raises the Roof

Frontman for the legendary Australian band Goanna, Shane Howard together with Ewen Baker and John Hudson as the Shane Howard Trio, mesmerised the audience at Coolangatta Estate at Shoalhaven Heads (on the 10th May), with an outstanding show. He was supported by his band and local 17-year-old didgeridoo player Jiah King from Erowal Bay.

The charity event was staged by Fundraising Shoalhaven to help A Taste of Paradise, a permaculture and organic farm near Berry, dedicated to helping disadvantaged and at risk young people.

"The night was an outstanding success, raising over \$8,000 for the farm, and increasing awareness of the outstanding work of Tim and Andy Francis, Co- Founders of A Taste of Paradise Farm," said Karina Seyffer of Fundraising Shoalhaven. "The charity doesn't receive direct government funding but rely on donations and the sale of their produce to continue their work. Donations are the lifeblood of the organisation and allow this amazing charity to continue their successful programs".

"We are so grateful to Coolangatta Estate and Fundraising Shoalhaven for holding this event and giving us the opportunity to speak about the work we do on the farm," said Tim Francis. "Many of the young people that come to our farm have become disillusioned with life and find it difficult to trust people. Through interacting with our animals and the natural farm environment, they learn to trust again. It is amazing how cuddling a day-old chicken can break down the barriers like nothing else."

"Coolangatta Estate was the perfect venue, providing a delicious dinner for 80 people and seating 200 for the show," said Ms Seyffer "Coolangatta Estate have been so supportive of this event, not only assisting us with the organisation, but contributing significant prizes as well."

For further information about A Taste of Paradise, visit their NEW website at www.atasteofparadise.org.au

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JUNE 2019

*Shane Howard, Jiah King, Tim Francis founder
A Taste of Paradise, Ewen Baker, John Hudson*

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Supporting your local farmers' market does more than you think

Every week local growers and producers pack up their vehicles to bring you some of the freshest produce at Berry Farmers' Market.

The fresh bunches of herbs and leafy greens you see displayed so beautifully have been picked that morning, the carrots, potatoes and beets have been dug up that day, and you know it's all at its best because it's seasonal.

Aside from the low food kilometres between you and your produce, shopping this locally also provides an important social link between the consumer and the producer – knowing where your food comes from and how it's grown is an added bonus.

And each time you spend your money with a local grower or maker, you keep the local economy ticking over, keeping the profits local and allowing more money and energy to be directed to strengthen their business – be that growing more veggies or turning out different loaves of bread.

Once you've filled your shopping basket each week, Berry Farmers' Market also provides a great afternoon out, catching up with the locals, maybe having an early dinner of paella or lasagne, a bowl of halloumi chips, or a family pie, and sitting down with friends to listen to some up and coming musical talent.

Like all local initiatives, the success of Berry Farmers' Market relies on not only the farmers and makers who turn up each week with the freshest range of produce for you, their customers, it also needs the community support of those who turn up week in, week out to do their shopping. Now as we move into the winter months, don't forget our earlier shopping hours of 2-5pm, every Thursday under the Cow Sheds at Berry Showground.



Halfway through the year and with winter upon us, Berry Evening VIEW club's Birthday night will be happening in August, where we will be entertained by Sway. This might be a good time to visit our club and see what we are all about. There is also Christmas in July; another good night out, maybe a bit of Trivia who knows? Anything can happen.

These events are all held at the Berry Bowling Club on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 6.30 for 7 pm start. If you want to join us or cancel if you are a member that can't make it, ring Jan on 44642181 on the Sunday before the meeting before 12pm.

We have a coffee get together 10.30am at The Garden on the 1st Thursday of the month.

Oh, by the way if you haven't read my report before we have two learning for life students which we raise money for to help with their school expenses. Our programme officers are always looking for ideas for mornings or afternoons out so if anyone has a suggestion let them know. The Smith Family has been helping folk out for a long time, but we need you ladies out there to join us and help raise the money to help these projects work.

Short and sweet this month so hope to see some new faces at our June meeting.

Yolande, Publicity

Berry Masonic Village Auxiliary

Our Mothers at the village were each presented with beautiful flowers and well wishes by members of the Auxiliary. They visited each Lady, wishing them a very happy day and sharing the memories of the times when they were younger and what an important role they played in their family's life, past and present.

The Auxiliary's next big day will be serving up the scones and cream at the Celtic festival. All the money raised will fund the provision of requested item for the benefit of the residents.

**Trish Nicholson
Public Relations**



SUBJECT	DETAILS
Sustainability Workshops through Shoalhaven Council	Bookings for May and June workshops are available after Easter. Past workshops have included Composting; Bokashi; Natural cleaning; Healthy soils; Backyard chickens; and craft topics including Beeswax food wraps, Furoshiki (Japanese fabric gift wrapping), basket weaving with recycled materials, and altered book art projects. Bookings are essential, as classes fill quickly. You may leave your contact details to be notified of upcoming events through the council's website.
Shoalhaven Environmental EXPO	Shoalhaven Council is holding an Environmental Expo at the Entertainment Centre in Nowra, Wednesday 5 June, from 9.30 am to 4.00 pm. For more information visit: getinvolved.shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au/SEE
Recycling the plastics that Council doesn't collect	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 (e.g. baby food) with lid on; potting mix & 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 & 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 (e.g. quilts & bedding); rubber and latex; foil based wine bladders; and laminated materials. To learn more, visit the website: www.redcycle.net.au 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 & 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 & 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: www.terracycle.com.au
Alternatives to single use coffee cups	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 Caffein 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 Caffein's Instagram or Facebook pages.
Berry Waste Depot Chemical Cleanout	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.
Illegal dumping	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
Recycling / reuse at local shops Medication and Sharps Disposal	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. 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.
Environmentally conscious brands to support	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, Teaology, Casa Barista and Earth Bottles for your take away coffees and other beverages.
Libraries: purchase less, read more	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 TOWN CRIER

Keeping Berry Informed

The Town Crier is a community newspaper produced monthly by the Berry Alliance. Our current circulation is 2400 copies. The Town Crier is distributed in and around Berry. Additional copies are given to shops, cafes, hairdressing salons, doctors and restaurants within the township to alert tourists as to what's happening in Berry.

The Berry Alliance would like to thank advertisers for their support. It is only through advertising fees, subscriptions and sponsorships that our community paper can continue to provide such communication.

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Calendar of Events

MAY/JUNE

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

2 June - Sunday - Berry's Biggest Garage Sale and Fete Day, Berry School of Arts.

5 June - Wednesday - Shoalhaven Council is holding an Environmental Expo at the Entertainment Centre in Nowra, from 9.30 am to 4.00 pm.

For more information visit: getinvolved.shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au/SEE

6 June - Thursday - ADFAS lecture on Speak the Speech I Pray You. 7.30 at The Berry School of Arts, Alexandra St, Berry.

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

16 June - 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.

16 June - Sunday - Chemical cleanout at the council car park in Nowra, 9.00 am – 3.30 pm. See Sustainability Reference Guide.

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

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.

The Berry Apple Users Group meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7pm in the Friendship Room at the Uniting Church.

FUTURE DATES

4 July - Thursday - ADFAS lecture on Heaven's Embroidered Cloth. 7.30 pm at The Berry School of Arts, Alexandra St, Berry.

5 July - Friday - ADFAS Special Interest Day on Son of Heaven, Man of the World: The Emperor Qianlong - Ultimate Renaissance Ruler and Fine Art Collector. 10.00 am at The Berry School of Arts, Alexandra St, Berry.

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

21 July - 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.

8 August - Thursday - ADFAS Lecture Jewelled Journeys - The Art of Opulent Travel presented by Andrew Prince. Berry School of Arts, Alexandra Street, Berry, 7.30 pm.

3 - 4 August - Saturday - Sunday - 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.

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

18 August - 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.

5 September - Thursday - ADFAS Lecture Architecture, Music and the Invention of Linear Perspective presented by Colin Davies. Berry School of Arts, Alexandra Street, Berry, 7.30 pm.

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

15 September - 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.

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
RECURRING MONTHLY EVENTS	First Sunday of the Month • Penwood Railroad Inc, a scenic miniature railway open from 10:30am till mid afternoon. 215A Princes Highway - Jaspers Brush NSW - Ph: 02 4464 1201 • Berry Country Fair (Berry Markets). Approximately 200 stalls selling handmade products, arts and crafts, fresh produce and more. Berry Showground • Berry Cool Estate Market, 16 Coolangatta Road - Every second Saturday of the month. Nursery, Café, Food Trucks, Markets.
JANUARY	
FEB	Annual Berry Show Berry Showground
JUNE	First Sunday in JUNE is Clean Up Australia Day – See entry under 3rd JUNE on opposite page.
JUNE	ANZAC Day Youth Week Easter Celebrations
JUNE	Berry Celtic Festival, Berry Showground National Motoring Heritage Day, Berry Showground
JUNE	Saturday 16 June Berry Waste Depot Chemical Cleanout
JULY	
AUGUST	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. 3rd & 4th - Annual Camellia and Floral Show
SEPTEMBER	Berry Small Farm Field Day 7 September at 2pm - St Lukes High Tea
OCTOBER	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. 17-20th - Berry Garden Club's Annual Garden Festival
NOVEMBER	2nd - Berry Men's Shed Annual Garage Sale Remembrance Day
DECEMBER	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 is not required for most burning activities from 1 April 2019. However, we do remind you that if you wish to burn off, you need to -

- notify Shoalhaven Fire Control on 4424 4424 during business hours at least 24 hours prior to burning off.
- notify all adjoining landowners (including those separated by a road) at least 24 hours prior to burning off.
- check that a Total Fire Ban has not been declared.

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

Meroo Union Church

wishes to say
Thank You
for the support
with our Mini Fete in May.

Despite the cold and strong winds, we were thrilled to welcome so many enthusiastic supporters.

A Big Thank You to all those who came along on the day and supported us.

With your help it was a great success!



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COMMUNITY GROUP ARTICLES.
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JULY - 12/6/19

AUGUST - 17/7/19

SEPTEMBER - 14/8/19

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 2535 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 Street 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 Street 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
ContactL Elizabeth Dubbelde 0431 663 189

Country Women's Association - Berry Branch
PO Box 321 Berry 2535
2nd Friday each month at 1.00pm
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
PO 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 3266
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 0424 615 948
or Marilyn O'Dowd 0416 018 977
email info@slowfoodbjb.org.au
www.slowfoodbjb.org.au

St. Vincent de Paul Society
Client Help Line: 4421 0390 (Mon-Fri 10-11am)
PO Box 77 Berry
Vinnies Boutique Shop 117b Queen St Berry
Ph 4464 3940
Conference meets every 3rd Monday
7pm St. Patrick's Hall

Zonta Club of Berry
Rosemary Courtney (0430 359 443)
PO Box 302 Berry 2535
Email: berry@zontadistrict24.org
www.zontadistrict24.org
Meets 4th Tuesday monthly for a dinner
meeting at The Berry Hotel, 120 Queen
Street, Berry, 6.30 for 7pm start.

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@adfas.org.au
Monthly, 7.30pm at The Berry School of Arts

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

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

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

Cantares: Community Choir
Monday 7.30 - 9.00pm
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

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
PO 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
All enquiries to berryjuniorleague@gmail.com
Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of
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Berry & District Garden Club News



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

The Club is fortunate to boast members with specialist gardening skills and interests. We have an entomologist in our ranks; our own horticultural expert/guru, Hazel King; bee-keepers; Landcare and native bush enthusiasts; poultry/Camellia/garden judges; and many, many more clever folk. We often call on their knowledge for presentations and advice.

In June, our speaker is a longtime member, Susan Wade.

Susan will be talking to: 'Rose Gardens in Poland, Germany, Denmark and Sweden, visited in June - July 2018'

Susan is a rose grower of note in her two gardens at Berry and northern Sydney. She has edited specialist rose publications and is a keen photographer and recorder.

Local rose enthusiasts can join the The Illawarra Regional group of RSNWS, which meets in Kiama. In 2018 the Danish Rose Society hosted the eight day 18th World Rose Convention in Copenhagen – *A Fairytale of ROSES*. Rosarians in Australia (and worldwide) are greatly looking forward to the 19th World Rose Convention, which will be held in Adelaide during late October 2021.

Susan's presentation will include gardens visited in Europe last year. The gardens range from small, but nonetheless quite spectacular private gardens with less than 100 roses, to huge public gardens with thousands of roses. One of the highlights was the Europa-Rosarium in Sangerhausen, Saxony-Anhalt, Germany – one of the largest rose collections in the world – with about 75,000 rose bushes.

Susan's talk promises to be entertaining, informative and timely. Please join us on Tuesday evening, 18 June.

We welcome visitors, particularly new residents, to our meetings, held each month on the third Tuesday in St. Luke's Church Hall. Come for a cup of tea/coffee at 7:00 pm for the meeting's start at 7:30 pm. There is no charge for attendance.

Our website, berrygardens.org.au, contains information concerning the club, upcoming events, membership matters and gardening advice. Check out our Instagram and Facebook presence also.



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Our motto: Friendship through Gardening.

**Our Secretary, Mary Seelis, welcomes enquiries on
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Gmelina leichhardtii - White beech

THE STORY OF WHITE BEECH IN BERRY.

The name White beech was given to *Gmelina leichhardtii* because the timber was similar to European beech timber.

Broughton Vale is considered to be the southern limit of natural distribution. The species, now very rare on the NSW South Coast, may have been more common in past times, but the populations were never large like the Red cedar.

Red cedar and White beech timber were both highly sought after, but it is not known how much White beech was logged, nor from where. Red cedar has made a recovery, whereas, White beech hasn't.

There is not a lot of botanical knowledge about White beech, but the reason for the lack of natural recovery of the species is probably because of the protracted cycle of flowering, pollination and seed germination.

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- A mature tree bears fruit every 2-4 years if conditions are favourable. Fruiting can be prolific and the seeds are probably distributed by large native birds.
- Carpenter bees pollinate the flowers, but they produce only a few offspring each year.
- The beautiful ripe purple fruits contain a capsule with 4 seed chambers, but not all will be viable.
- Seeds can take from 6 months to 2 years to germinate.

Natural recovery of White beech in the area is unlikely, but successful propagation at Plant Prop has resulted in many strong trees being available to gardeners, making recovery of a healthy White beech population quite possible. Feedback from gardeners who have planted White beech has been very positive.

The tree in the school forest is very difficult to photograph, but there are many images for you to access on the internet.

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While the buyer pool may be slightly smaller, those who are searching for property at this time of year tend to be serious contenders.

Winter certainly tends to be quieter, but savvy vendors, with the help of a knowledgeable agent, can make this work to their advantage.

If you are preparing to put your home on the market this winter, here are some tips to keep in mind:

Evoke a cosy atmosphere

Presenting a property as warm and inviting is especially important when the sky is grey and the weather cold. Aim to make your home an escape from the winter chill by ensuring it is well lit & if you have a fire place – use it!

Presentation

Pay attention to the facade of your home – rain really helps grime stand out on windows, while wind makes a mess of the entryway and garden. Before each inspection, wipe down the windows and clear the path or front step of any debris. If the property has a garden, it's important to rake up any dead leaves before each inspection. Ensure the entry to the property is well lit on overcast days. Think cosy – warming scents of cinnamon from a candle can do wonders for the senses on a cold, dreary day.

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Mainly music is not only a time where we have with music for the children. It is also a time where we have morning tea and a time for play. It is an opportunity to share with parents and carers their day; to discuss the joys and hard times we all face as a family in today's environment. As we discuss these issues, we are also able to reflect the times we had when we were growing up and consider the variety of activities that the child of today has compared with that of the grandparent.

Have you asked your grandparent or older relative or friend what memories they have as a child? Their favourite games or toys, how they learnt to ride a bike, or if they liked to go for picnics. When we consider how the older generation grew up, and the time parents had to spend with the family you may be surprised at the special memories that can be shared with in a family. talk about your favorite song or a story your parents read to you and share this with your children, it is also helpful to talk about the times you were young and how you coped with various situations as you will help your child learn through your openness and love..

Time spent with your children is always a valuable experience. enjoy each opportunity as you watch them grow into adult hood with love and care. for those around them mainly music is held every Tuesday at Berry Community Church cost \$5.00 per family for more information contact trish 0401 151 820.



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Following our committee meeting in May, members enjoyed lunch and a catch-up for our monthly general meeting at Peckish on the Park in Nowra.

UPCOMING EVENTS INCLUDE:

Saturday 1 June - our quarterly Garden Clinic where Marilyn will be demonstrating to members the making of ointments using garden plants and products

Monday 3 June - Meet the Chefs and Movie evening at Huskisson

Wednesday 5 June -
World Environmental Day

Saturday 15 June - Asian Cooking class

Saturday 22 June - Winter Solstice Bonfire

Saturday and Sunday 6 & 7 July -
Leaders Meeting

Monday 22 July - Annual General Meeting.

Members have been preparing 200 small plants as Slow Food giveaways and will talk about the Slow Food philosophies from our booth at the Shoalhaven Environmental Expo 2019 to be held on World Environment Day, Wednesday 5 June 2019, at the Shoalhaven Entertainment Centre. We look forward to seeing you there.

Please note there will be no Committee nor General Meeting in June owing to the number of upcoming events.

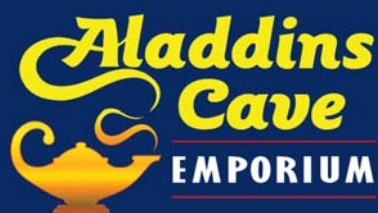
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If you would like more information on our planned Calendar of Events or to JOIN then contact Jenny Crosby 0424 615 948 or Marilyn O'Dowd 0416 018 977 or email info@slowfoodbjb.org.au or visit our website

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Jacqui Crapp
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"Very satisfied"

Vendor Review – Brian

*Selling our home of many years appeared to be a huge task to us, however **Jacqui Crapp** from R&H Berry made the overall process an absolute pleasure. Her knowledge, enthusiasm and professional approach was evident right from day one, and Jacqui and her team worked tirelessly right up to settlement and beyond. We sincerely wish to thank Jacqui and would recommend her to anyone who is looking to sell their property.*



SALES
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"Great collaboration"

Vendor Review – Marielle

*It was an absolute pleasure working with **Kimberley**. She is deeply committed to giving the best service and has made every attempt to perfect the sales process. She is a very good listener which is rare, and made sure all my wishes were fulfilled. Warm and kind, professional and remarkably well presented, I would recommend her to any future clients.*



SALES
Alex Cochrane
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"Outstanding Agent"

Vendor Review – Glenda & Michael

***Kimberley**, I just wanted to thank you for your gentleness, kindness, integrity and professionalism on how you helped my Mum, Glenda sell her home. You were so understanding when some of the processes overwhelmed her and you gently lead her through. Thanks so much from the whole family.*



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Grief and loss



C.S Lewis wrote in his book *A Grief Observed* that "The death of a beloved is an amputation." There is no doubt about it, the pain of losing someone close to us can feel like the loss of part of our own bodies. The pain is real. We also experience deep grief and loss in the break-up of relationships or the loss of jobs or deterioration of our health. This pain can be equally hard to work through.

Many try to ignore this pain, they try to bottle it up or pretend it never happened. They may try and busy themselves on other projects or invest in other relationships. If only it were possible to deal with our grief and loss in this way. Unfortunately, grief must be experienced, it must be listened to, otherwise, it will rear its head in parts of our lives that we are not ready for.

Jesus says in Matthew 5:4 "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted." Most

people experiencing grief and loss would not characterise themselves as blessed. It's almost impossible to comprehend the divine favour of God during a tragedy. Many will experience the opposite. They will feel great anger towards God, for allowing their loved one to be taken. Unfortunately, we live in a world where death is a reality. The blessing in this verse from Jesus isn't that God would rescue us from physical death, but that He would bring us comfort in the midst of our grief and loss. He is a God who promises to be with us in the midst of our pain.

On the evenings June 25 and July 2, we will be running some workshops on dealing with grief and loss. They will be facilitated by Gordon and Angela Frencham who are both chaplains in local nursing homes. For more info please go to berrycommunitychurch.org or give Gordon a call 0431 032 332.



Eight Legged Visitor:

"The number of threatened plants and animals in NSW continues to climb...according to the latest State of the Environment Report. Land clearing rates ...have accelerated since native vegetation controls have eased." S.M.H. 10 May 2019.

A couple of months ago a spider's web appeared between the veranda posts outside my office window. Its construction was a miracle of ingenuity. The main concentric centre was nearly a metre across with extended stays of gossamer to distant shrubs giving it a 3 dimensional stability. At the heart of this wonder there resided a Golden Orb spider. She was about 10cms tip to tip. Each of her articulated legs was resplendent with golden hoops. Her abdomen was the size of a large grape. Every day she carried out web repairs. Also she regularly sat at the centre with front and back legs out to radial strands measuring vibrations that might indicate trapped prey. Entangled victims were quickly picked up with her second rear legs that were shorter than all the others. The captured were returned to web central where she would spin the carcass under her abdomen and wrap it in gossamer. They were then hung from an off shoot of the web like some ghoulish serial killer's den. This has gone on until there were about 20 or so corpses attached.

This week she has gone. No more is the structure being repaired. I have searched for her but she is probably prey of something further up the food chain. Then I noticed a new web down low near one of the posts where there were some remanent struts of gossamer. It was about 15cms wide with closely spaces concentric rings. At its centre was a spider the size of a tick. The new web is a miniature copy of the original web that probable belonged to the tiny spider mother.

There is wonder and hope out there in the garden.

Working Bees for June:

Alexandra Street Parkcare: 9-11 am

Friday 21st: Gail Paton 4448 7915.

Bong Bong Road: 9-11am Sunday 9th:

Julia Woinarski 4464 2084.

Broughton Vale: 9-11am Sunday 2nd:

Kelvin Officer 0427 255 417.

Bundewallah Bushcare: 2-4pm Sunday 30th:

John Clark 4464 3911.

Camp Quality: 9-11am Sunday 16th:

Hugh Sheil, 0417 407 477.

David Berry Hospital: 2-4pm Saturday 15th:

Visit web page or Facebook.

Mount Coolangatta: Nola Barker.

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

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Mark Radium Park: 9-11am Friday 14th: Sue Selden, sueselden@optusnet.com.au.

Princess St. Parkcare: 9-11am Tuesday 25th,

Terry Oades 4464 3651.

Tindalls Lane: 2-4pm Sunday 9th:

Jim Jefferis 4464 2988.

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

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ELECTION DAY COLLECTION

Berry Red Cross will be collecting on Federal Election Day, Saturday 18th May at Berry Public School. Money raised will once again go to the local Red Cross Save A Mate (SAM) Program. A description of the work done by this program was in our May Article.

ANZAC BISCUIT STALL

Our ANZAC biscuit stall was once again a great success due to the community's generosity. It raised a total of \$1190.80 which will go to the local Red Cross Food Security programme. The work of this program will be described in our July article. There was a total of 231 packets of biscuits, which is our highest number yet.

ANZAC DAY

We marched the following day at the ANZAC parade, which saw one of the biggest crowds in recent years. We also laid a wreath during the service.

CELTIC FESTIVAL

At the Celtic Festival is on Saturday 25th May members will assist the Masonic Village Auxiliary with the Devonshire Teas under the showground grandstand. Come and support us by relaxing and eating some beautiful home-made scones.

THE QUILT

On Saturday 2nd June between 9am and 1pm we will start selling raffle tickets outside the Berry Pharmacy for the beautiful quilt donated by Red Berry Quilters. The proceeds will be going to the SAM Program.

You will be notified in the July Town Crier article of future dates on which tickets will be sold.



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

Anzac Biscuit Stall



ADFAS IN JULY - If you have an interest in the arts and enjoy learning and socialising with like-minded people join ADFAS (Australian Decorative and Fine Arts Society) Shoalhaven at their upcoming lectures.
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For the Friday Special Interest Day pre-payment is required by Friday 28 June as this is needed for catering. \$60.00 for members or \$70.00 for visitors, which includes three lectures, morning tea and lunch. EFT payment to BSB: 082-435 ACC No: 50503 5938 with your name as reference and email shoalhaven@adf.org.au, notifying of your intention to attend. Cash or card payment can be made at the 6 June lecture. Information on the society and the 2019 program can be found at: <https://www.adfas.org.au/shoalhaven/shoalhaven@adf.org.au>



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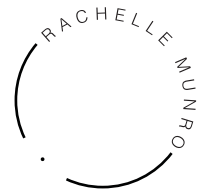


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