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## BERRY ALLIANCE INFORMATION



The Town Crier is produced by the Berry Alliance Inc.

The purpose of the publication is to communicate to the people of Berry about community activities and aims to share information amongst community groups, individuals and the community. A community that is well informed with a range of different opinions makes better decisions and that makes for an even better community that we can continue to be proud of.

**Contributions are from the Berry Community who have news and information for our readers.**

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### Editor's Note



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## CYCLING EVENT THROUGH BERRY L'ETAPE AUSTRALIA - ON SATURDAY 20TH MARCH 2021



As a service to our readers and our community the Berry Town Crier is providing the latest information that we have been able to glean.

We have researched various avenues for information and found that:

1. This event was agreed to and promoted by Events NSW (NSW State Government) who then went to each of the Councils involved.
2. We understand that the NSW State Government (RMS) in conjunction with L'Étape Australia designed the traffic management plans required that included all the controls and maps and these then went to each Traffic Committee in each of the three Council areas.
3. In the Shoalhaven, the Shoalhaven Traffic Committee passed the plans (which included the maps, road closures and times) at their meeting on 10-11-2020. The Traffic Committee then recommended them to Council.
4. The Traffic Committee Report was then placed on the Agenda and presented at the Ordinary Council Meeting of Council held on 24-11-2020 where the recommendation was Passed by the Councillors.

**Links for Maps of the route, road closures and times have recently been approved (see above) and published and have now been announced and uploaded. There were also additional maps provided that L'Étape stated were interactive and easier to follow. (17-2-2021)**

**We have extracted the following from the L'Étape Australia web site:**

*"The 5th edition of L'Étape Australia will use **181km of roads** through Kiama, the Shoalhaven and the Southern Highlands. We have worked in collaboration with the State Authorities and the Local Councils to gather as much **local knowledge** as possible and limit the impact of the event on the local traffic. A comprehensive Traffic Management Plan (TMP) was developed, **submitted to the State Authorities and the Local Traffic Committees**. When the Traffic Management Plan was endorsed by these bodies, it was then submitted to the vote of the councillors in each council and was subsequently approved.*

*"You will find below an overview of the road closures in place on **Saturday 20 March 2021** as well as their timings. More detailed maps will be regularly uploaded on this page to provide residents and business owners of each area with information that are specific to them.*

***"Please note the timings advertised on these maps start when the first sign is dropped on the road and end when the last sign is picked-up (and the road is fully re-opened).***

*"Please also note each map can be downloaded via the button at the bottom of the page.*

*"If you have any question regarding the road closures, please send us an email at [info@letapeaustralia.com](mailto:info@letapeaustralia.com) and we will come back to you shortly."*

*The following is from their Facebook site on 17-2-2021 "Since we released the local area road closure maps, we have received feedback mentioning these maps are not easy to use. We have therefore been working with Transport for NSW to develop a **digital map** and make the road closure easier to understand. This map can be found on the Community page of our website (<https://letapeaustralia.com/community/>).*

*When possible and safe to do so, we will also amend our plans to accommodate local residents and business owners movements on Saturday 20 March 2021. When approved, these amendments will be reflected on the maps available online."*

**L'Étape Australia by Tour de France states:**

*"The link to access all of the road closure maps is here: <https://letapeaustralia.com/community>. Some of the areas throughout the course will have local access managed by traffic controllers however if you have any specific enquiries regarding access you are best to email them to [info@letapeaustralia.com](mailto:info@letapeaustralia.com) for a detailed discussion around your enquiry. "*

**Summary:**

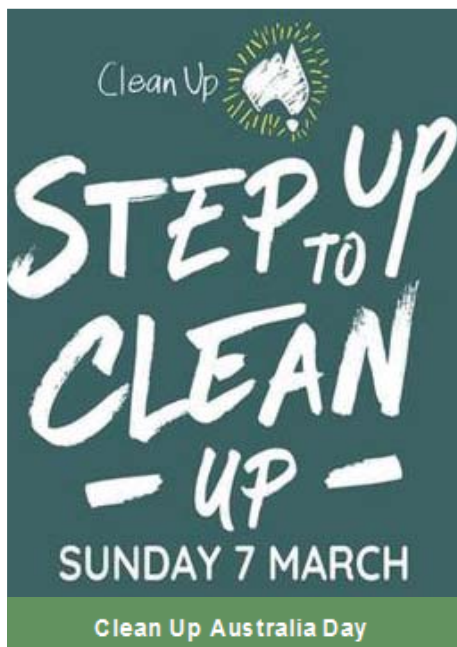
**Details of the event can be found here: <https://letapeaustralia.com>**

**Maps can be uploaded from: : <https://letapeaustralia.com/community>**

**This includes newer, digital maps (16-2-2021)**

**L'Étape Australia provide the following email address for you so they can answer your specific access and other questions : [info@letapeaustralia.com](mailto:info@letapeaustralia.com)**

**Their Facebook site is: <https://www.facebook.com/letapeaustralia/>**



## Be part of the great Australian Clean Up!

Clean Up Australia Day is on Sunday 7 March. To take part in this great national event, you **must register online** with **Clean Up Australia Day**. Once registered, you can join an existing local Shoalhaven Clean Up group or register a new Clean Up site.

Council supports registered Clean Up groups with additional equipment such as gloves, bags, vests and rubbish picks, plus free disposal (**must be pre-arranged and authorised**) at our Depots.

For more information about assistance from Council call the Clean Up Australia Day Coordinator on 4429 5687.

## Clean Up Australia in Berry

Clean Up Australia Day is 7th March 2021 and Berry Township site is again registered.

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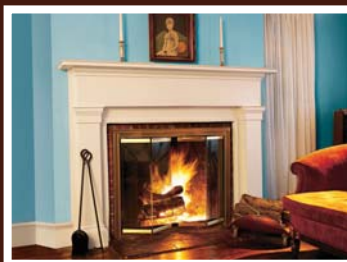
## Clean Up Australia Day is 7th March 2021

AND BERRY TOWNSHIP SITE  
IS AGAIN REGISTERED.

This is an opportunity to be provided with gloves and a rubbish bag, and enjoy whatever time for a Sunday morning walk that you'd like, helping to keep our town in a condition to be proud of.

This is a recurring clean-up event that Bob and Jenny Fitzell have registered annually, commencing 9am at Apex Park and normally finished by 12.

This year's event will proceed providing Covid rules permit, so if you anticipate attending would you please email to Bob or Jenny at bobnjen@fitzell.com, or phone/message Bob on 0416 199 837 to help check that we comply with Covid rules.



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## Nowra Players Present LETTERS TO LINDY

By Alana Valentine

*A mother's loss. A nation's obsession.*

March 12<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>

Tickets available at nowraplayers.com.au  
Or at the Shoalhaven Entertainment and  
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Audience's response to this play have run the gamut of emotions but most were surprised by the humor woven into the story.

"Letters to Lindy spans more than 30 years, from Azaria's death near Uluru in 1980, to the 2012 coronial ruling that finally ended the legal saga. The play opens in the present with Chamberlain-Creighton rummaging through archive boxes. Stirred memories take us quickly back to the Ayers Rock campsite described in witness statements and the horrific – now iconic – moment in which Chamberlain discovered that a dingo had taken her baby." **Sydney Morning Herald.**

## BERRY UNITING CHURCH RALLY TO "SOUND THE ALARM" FOR THE CLIMATE AS PART OF GLOBAL DAY OF ACTION

Local people of faith will be part of a global multi faith event on Wednesday 11th March bringing attention to a global multi faith statement from senior faith leaders to politicians telling them they must take serious action on the climate now.

They will do this by singing, praying and ringing the bells at Berry Uniting Church.

This is part of a global day of action on March 11 called "**Sacred People Sacred Earth**" when places of worship all around the world will sound the climate alarm.

Each place of worship will choose its own way to do this: ringing its bells, sounding a note on the shofar, calling the Azan, chanting and meditating. Every place of worship on Earth is invited to join in.

By doing this members of the Berry faith community will draw the attention of the world's media to a major new multi faith statement from some of the world's best-known faith leaders to our political and business leaders, telling them that decisions they make now must not perpetuate an outdated economic system that relies on fossil fuels and the destruction of the very forests, waters, oceans and soils that make life possible.

It's the 11th hour for the planet, we will ring the bells at 11 am on the 11th day to "Sound the Alarm."

### WHERE:

BERRY UNITING CHURCH,  
71-77 ALBERT STREET, BERRY

WHEN: MARCH 11 AT 10.30AM

## The Berry & District Historical Society

### THE PULMAN STREET STORE AND COTTAGE HOSPITAL

At the northern entrance to Berry, on the corner of Pulman Street and the old Highway, a building has recently undergone major renovation work. This was James Wilson's original store, built in partnership with James Stewart in 1861 and which later became the Cottage Hospital. It is part of the Pulman Street Heritage Precinct – the original site of the town of Berry.

David Berry had planned for a hospital for the inhabitants of Broughton Creek (Berry) and while the David Berry Hospital was being built, a temporary hospital, known as the Cottage Hospital, was set up in 1894 in James Wilson's then disused Pulman Street store.

It included a separate men's and ladies ward, a surgery, dining room, Matron's quarters, bathrooms and outhouses. A local newspaper reported on the modern facility... 'bathrooms are provided with both hot and cold water that can be turned off at leisure. A feature..... is the plumbing machinery erected for the purpose of drawing water for heating and gardening purposes from Broughton Mill Creek.' This Cottage Hospital operated till 1909, when it became a private residence.

The restoration process has been an interesting journey for the owners, both in complying with the requirements of Shoalhaven City Council Heritage Division and in employing a specialised Heritage architect and builder.

The original shingles on the roof have been covered and protected and paint colours were chosen from scrapings of the original paint work. A small piece of the original lattice work from the hospital's verandah was discovered, enabling replica pieces to be built. Similarly, some of the floorboards have been replaced by the wider original ones of that era, pieces of which were found under the floor. The area clear of the lattice on the north side is due to an original large front window from the early Wilson's store being revealed and restored.

Some old bottles and other articles found during the restoration will be displayed in the restored premises which opened on 1 February 2021 as Cottage Medical on Pulman.

### Berry Museum

135 QUEEN STREET BERRY



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



The original Berry  
Cottage Hospital  
1894-1909

The Building Following Restoration.

## "Sacred People Sacred Earth" Rally to "Sound the alarm"

**what:** People of faith sounding climate alarm as part of a global Day of Action

**Where:** Forecourt of Berry Uniting Church, 71-77 Albert Street, Berry

**When:** March 11 at 10.30am

**We will sing, pray and ring the bells for climate justice  
people of all faiths welcome**

[#Faiths4Climate](#) [#SacredPeopleSacredEarth](#) [#KillingThePlanetIsAgainstMyReligion](#)



## RECENT HAPPENINGS

Our Christmas lunch, which we hold in mid-January, was greatly enjoyed by our members. We distributed our normal Christmas gifts of a cheque for the Berry Public School Ensemble, books to the school library and a Christmas hamper to the Homeless Hub in Nowra. We thank those who made the many donations of 8 ply wool for Trauma Teddies in answer to the article in the Town Crier.

### LONG SERVICE MEDALS

At our February meeting Zone Representative Jenny Edwards presented Felicity Coughlan with her 10, 15 and 20-year long service medals. There had been difficulty obtaining her joining date, so this was long overdue. Congratulations Felicity from all your friends in our branch.

### FUNDRAISING

Berry Branch will be collecting at the Berry Markets on Sunday 7th March from 8am to 12 noon at both the Alexandra and Albany Street entrances. The December collection raised \$437.55 for which we thank you, the community, and we ask you to look out for us once again.

### ANZAC BISCUITS

We will hold our annual ANZAC biscuit stall on Saturday 24th April in Broughton Court. We will also have a raffle plus a guessing competition.

### 'BLACK SUMMER'

A new book, "Black Summer", edited by Michael Rowland from the ABC, is now available at the Berry Newsagency. This is written by journalists who covered the 2019-2020 bushfires. All publisher profits go to the Red Cross Disaster Relief and Recovery Fund. Cost is \$34.99.

### BECOMING A MEMBER OR VOLUNTEERING

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.

*Felicity Coughlan (L) receiving her long service medals from our Zone Representative Jenny Edwards*



WWW.REDCROSS.ORG.AU

## I4give day



On the 1st of February this year Daniel & Leila Abdallah launched the nationwide I4give day. It was their way to mark the tragic death of 4 members of their family – their 3 children Sienna, Antony and Angelina, and their niece Veronique. Instead of a day of bitterness they want to spread a message that brings healing and peace. It is a message of forgiveness.

Daniel and Leila spoke of their four angels: "This day is for them. Forgiveness is the greatest gift you can give yourself and others. It allows you to live peacefully and to heal. We still feel pain and sorrow every day, but forgiveness has helped to get rid of the anger and bitterness. It's helped us get through each day and make sure we are there for our other children."

I heard both Daniel and Leila speak, and one year from their tragic loss and it was evident that the rawness of the emotion is still there. Maybe it always will be. I can't imagine being in their shoes. I can't imagine the kind of courage it takes to not just speak of forgiveness but to offer it to the one whose actions led to this loss. They make it clear, forgiveness doesn't ignore the past, or the need for justice for those who hurt us. But it offers a way forward – a gift both to the perpetrator and yourself.

Our Prime Minister, Scott Morrison spoke movingly at the launch of this day: "To see someone not only say these words but live them, even in the midst of continued pain and grief, leaves me in awe. To hear from Danny and Leila the words of faith and forgiveness, well, that was breath-taking. You chose not to hate but to love. You chose to be a light in darkness. You chose grace. You chose justice not vengeance."

Daniel and Leila shared that it was their faith in Jesus that has helped them most, quoting Ephesians 4:32 "Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you"

There is no easy road here, and no shortcuts. But if you'd like to explore how Jesus helps to find forgiveness, both for ourselves and for others please reach out.

Simon Chaplin - St Luke's Anglican Church  
simon@berryanglican.org



## PRUSSIAN QUARTETS

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## Australia Day Breakfast - Beaut Morning!

The Rotary Club of Berry conducted another very successful Australia Day Breakfast at the Berry Showground, with the financial support of Shoalhaven City Council and complying with an approved Covid Plan.



Kiama MP Gareth Ward warmly welcomed everyone, before Australia Day Ambassadors Ralph and Kathy Kelly addressed the breakfast crowd. Shoalhaven Mayor Amanda Findley then conducted a Citizenship Ceremony presenting Citizenship Certificates to two local families.

Along with a free BBQ breakfast prepared by Berry Rotarians, those present enjoyed entertainment from the Travelling Ukeberries and The Berry Silver Band.



## Rotary Nature Play Park - Construction well on the way

The Youth Zone of the Rotary Nature Play Park at Boongaree is the first zone to be completed.

The softfall encompassed zone comprises an accessible dual flying fox, redback spider climbing nets and climbing structure, double hamster wheel, mammoth swing, carousel, hammock swings and handball courts, all set within beautiful sandstone landscaped garden beds (see aerial photo below).

Next to come is the childhood adventure zone, fitness circuit and learn to ride track. The whole park is planned to be open at the end of the year.



PHOTO: Jeremy Long

## Berry Celtic Festival Going Ahead - Sat 22 May



After a year of event shutdowns due to Covid-19 restrictions, the Club has decided it's all systems go with the planning for the 2021 Berry Celtic Festival at the Berry Showground. Subject to the Covid guidelines at the time.

So, mark Saturday 22 May in your diaries for a day of Celtic delight.

**Help make a difference - support ROTARY**



# BUNDANON TRUST

## A PREMIER ATTRACTION

### FOR THE SHOALHAVEN COAST

Gifted to the Australian people by artists Arthur and Yvonne Boyd in 1993, Bundanon is the only national institution in regional Australia. This year, the Boyd's vision of an art museum at Bundanon will be realized. The \$33 million build, supported by the Australian and New South Wales governments, will house Bundanon's \$43 million art collection. An annual exhibition program will be on offer from the end of this year when the Art Museum opens to the public.

The contemporary Art Museum embedded in the landscape is at the heart of the new plan for Bundanon. From the Art Museum, The Bridge, housing a creative learning centre, and accommodation, spans 160 metres, the size of more than three Olympic swimming pools. A café will also be on site.

Bundanon Chief Executive Officer Deborah Ely comments that Bundanon is "recognised as an incubator for contemporary art in Australia through its extensive, multi-disciplinary, artist in residence program, and as a platform for research into art and science collaborations, environmental innovation, and children's creative education. With the opening of the new Art Museum, Bundanon will be a not-to-be missed immersive experience, confounding expectations."

#### Visit Bundanon

During the construction period, the historic 19th century Homestead continues to be open to visitors every Sunday. Visit Arthur Boyd's Studio, conserved in the state that Arthur last left it in. Wander through the English style gardens and the iconic landscape that inspired one of Australia's greatest artists Arthur Boyd or enjoy a bushwalk on one of the walking tracks.

The Homestead and Arthur Boyd's Studio are open to the public each Sunday throughout the year. 10.30am to 4pm.

**Online bookings are essential [bundanon.com.au](http://bundanon.com.au)**

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## Shoalhaven Education Fund thanks its Berry supporters

Many Berry locals will be familiar with the second hand bookstalls that pop up regularly in Broughton Court, outside the post office, and in the Uniting Church Hall, but do you know what the funds raised are used for? The Shoalhaven Education Fund, which runs the bookstalls, was founded in 2012 by a volunteer committee including the owner of the Berry Post Office, Linda Marquis, and since then has raised over \$330,000 and awarded it to 200 young people to help with their costs of post school studies at University or TAFE, vocational studies, apprenticeships and entry level employment. Some of these young people have come from Berry and surrounds, and many of them stay in, or return to, the Shoalhaven after their studies and are now working locally, including as nurses, teachers, vets, mechanics, chefs and social workers. Others have gone on to stellar careers in the performing arts, academia and business. While they don't receive cash, recipients can be reimbursed for items they purchase, or ask the SEF to purchase the items for them. The SEF will pay for anything that assists their studies or work, with examples including textbooks, computers, car and fuel costs, rent, work-boots and tools, accommodation for practical training, and many others.

At our annual awards ceremony on Monday 8th February we awarded over \$70,000 to 31 recipients, and thanked all of our donors. As a volunteer committee, we are entirely reliant on community donations, and are particularly grateful for the significant and ongoing support from the Berry community, including the Zonta Club of Berry, Berry CWA, Berry Garden Club, the Arbor Bridge Club, Berry Uniting Church, the Berry Alliance and many individual Berry residents. Our committee and volunteer group this year has included Berry locals Sophie Ray, Anne Weinert, Ruth Hartman, Perrie Croshaw, Helen Buchanan, Ann Walder, and Penny Joye, plus many others from other parts of the Shoalhaven. We're always happy to come and talk to groups about what we do, so for more information, or to apply for a grant or donate, see our website at [www.cef.org.au/shoalhaven](http://www.cef.org.au/shoalhaven) or contact Sophie Ray (Chair) at [sophiecmray@gmail.com](mailto:sophiecmray@gmail.com); Paul Goodwin (Secretary) at [paul\\_goodwin\\_nbn@inet.net.au](mailto:paul_goodwin_nbn@inet.net.au); or Katrina Norwood (Treasurer) at [katrina@briannorwood.com.au](mailto:katrina@briannorwood.com.au).

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## Berry Medical Centre - Introducing Dr Sara Bialczyk

Dr Sara grew up in Canada, having completed a degree in Health Sciences and working as a tennis coach prior to moving to Australia to study medicine at the University of Wollongong. She spent extra time gaining valuable postgraduate experience in Women's Health/Obstetrics and Paediatrics, and is involved in teaching medical students. Sara enjoys all aspects of medicine (from paediatrics to geriatrics) and providing personalised care for her patients in the Berry area. When not at work, Sara enjoys spending time with her family and friends, surfing, mountain biking and camping.

**Sara is available at Berry Medical Centre on a Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.**



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Appointments can be made online  
through our website

[www.berrymedicalcentre.com.au](http://www.berrymedicalcentre.com.au) or by using the HotDoc App

# Berry Preschool

The Berry Preschool family and community would like to extend an enormous welcome to Preschool for 2021. We would like to welcome all of our beautiful new families and also welcome back our returning children. We are looking forward to another very exciting year at Preschool. We also send all of our best wishes to our children who have started Big School this year and hope they have all had a wonderful start in their next learning journey.

We have had a great start to the year! The first few weeks of Preschool have been focused on settling the children in as they explore the environment and get to know each other and the Educators. The children have had a lot to explore and discover both indoors and outdoors. 2020 definitely ended on a very busy note! We had some exciting visits from the Berry Town Fire Brigade accompanied by a very special person "Santa" to surprise the children at Preschool. The children were so excited and the look of surprise and happiness on their faces was priceless. Thank you to the Fire Brigade for making their day!

Over the holidays we were excited to have our Solar Energy installation, installed by Shoalhaven Solar. We were also very surprised and extremely grateful to receive in the mail a donation cheque for \$1019.59 from the IGA Community Chest program. We are so excited that we can buy some great new open-ended resources and put this money towards a new Science Program we will be teaching this year called ELSA (Early Learning STEM Australia). Thank you so much Berry IGA for thinking of us!

Moving forward in 2021 we are VERY much looking forward to the arrival of the Berry Preschool Cookbook. This beautiful cookbook has been lovingly put together and we hope this will be a major fundraiser for us for this year. We are a community owned and run, not for profit Preschool catering for children 3 to 5 years of age with an Exceeding the National Quality Standard rating by ACEQCA. We are very grateful for support of our Fundraising initiatives.

Berry Community Pre-School is looking forward to a fun-filled year with lots of learning and lifelong friendships forming.



# BERRY COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Some of the great titles that have been donated to the Community Library include *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens, the new Jane Harper book, *The Survivors* and *All our Shimmering Skies* by Trent Dalton. So little time and so many books to read!

**The Third Wednesday Book Club** has started up again and we welcomed some new members to the group. There was lots of laughter as well as interesting discussions about books read over the holiday time.

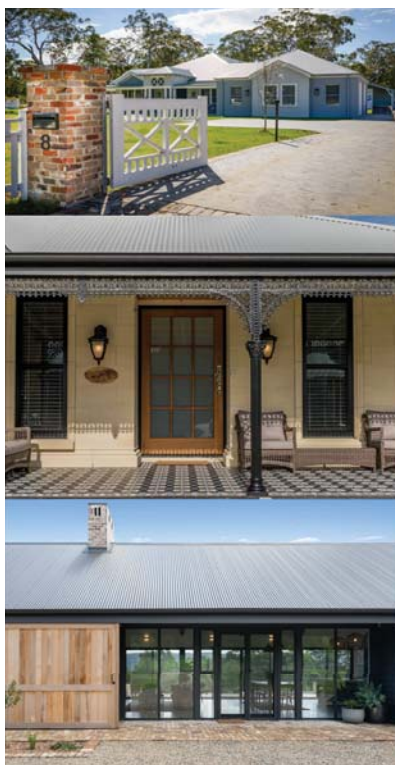
We are also in hoping to start up the **Coffee and Friends** group again so watch this space for dates and times.

Follow us on Facebook to keep up with our activities.

## Library Opening Hours

Monday and Wednesday 1-4pm  
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# Berry Courthouse Conservation Committee

The gardens and the building are looking really good following a quiet period and a fair bit of work.

More works to be completed in the lead up to events re-commencing in the second half of 2021 with a couple of weddings of local people.

A lot of weddings during 2020 and the beginning of 2021 were either cancelled or rescheduled as a result of Covid 19 and the various restrictions and precautions introduced by the Government. This has resulted in a hit to our income but we were cautious and had made provision in our

reserves so we were still able to continue our usual regular maintenance and works for the all-important job of preservation and conservation of this National Trust listed building.

We are looking forward to recommencing our garden group volunteers as well.

One event that we had planned was our 21st Birthday which we are now looking at again so we can call it our 21st delayed party or our 22nd. We prefer our 21st. More news on this a little later in the year as things settle (we hope).

If you are looking for a beautiful venue



for a wedding please check the rates and requirements on our website and send us an email and we can try to assist you.

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## Youth Zone set to fly... but not just yet.

The beautiful youth zone of the Rotary Nature Play Park is nearly complete. The dual, accessible flying fox and surrounding shade-sails and footpaths have been funded by the Everyone Can Play grant. This State Government funding specialises in supporting new playground equipment that encourages people to stay and play.

Although it looks like it is almost finished, we cannot stay or play until around December. The amenities block is also near complete but extensive landscaping and well-placed lighting is planned. This will ensure that the nature inspired amenities block blends in well with its surroundings.

After the youth zone, delivery of the childhood nature play area, exercise circuit, BBQ's and open play area, and Learn to Ride facility is all planned to open by the end of the year.

For more information, please visit the Shoalhaven City Council Get Involved page:

<https://getinvolved.shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au/berry-district-park> or call 4429 3111 and ask for the Social Infrastructure Planning Unit.

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## PLANT PROPAGATION NURSERY

### Propagation Proliferation and an Autumn Plant Sale

Seeds of all sorts of local plants have been germinating and seedlings have been growing strongly over the past several months. The plants in the nursery have proliferated.

Planting conditions are favourable, so, weed your patch, dig your holes and come along to Berry Public School Plant Sale.

#### AUTUMN PLANT SALE DAYS

All proceeds will contribute to the purchase of a class set of microscopes for use during science lessons.

A large variety of local and some non-local native plants will be available to suit small town gardens, courtyards, rural gardens and creeks/gullies and bush regeneration sites.

- Saturday 6th March - 9.00am - 4.00pm
- Sunday 7th March - 9.00am - 4.00pm
- Berry Public School Natural Studies and
- Plant Propagation Centre in Clarence Street



Visit the nursery to select your plants or pre-order and collect. Plants range in price from \$3.00 - \$10.00. Card facilities are not available.

If you would prefer, email lyn-clark@outlook.com.au for a plant list, then you can look up your selection of plants at [www.growingillawarranatives.org](http://www.growingillawarranatives.org) where you will find full and clear descriptions with photos to help you make your choice.

Email your order and plants will be packed ready for collection during sale hours.



The Berry Shoalhaven Heads Rugby League Club is seeking volunteer help for the upcoming 2021 season. 'The Magpies' have been an integral part of the Berry community since 1913 and are a not for profit run entirely by local volunteers with the financial sponsorship support from local businesses. The magpies are seeking volunteers to assist with the below activities;

- Line marking of fields throughout the year for gamedays – this would generally take 2 or 3 people 1-2 hours to complete. Needs to be done around 10 times per year and is a great way to get outside and keep active.
- Volunteers to work the gate on game day – We are seeking volunteers to man our entrance gate on home games at the Berry Showground. This includes collecting entrance money and directing car parking for our Ladies League Tag, U18s, Reserve and First Grade. We have around 8 home games each year, generally on a Saturday. A great job for 2-3 people for a few hours on a Saturday, food and drinks and all other equipment provided.
- Any other volunteers who wish to assist the club in field set up and pack up on game day. Again, this is a great way for a group of people to get outside and active a few days per year and meet up with other supporters and community members who support the magpies.

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## Tellurian Ravers

Berry district residents have recently endured the worst party-season noise for many years. Even day-time noise has been recorded peaking 95 decibels, with many reports of loud love-making extending throughout the night. Not air B&B, wedding parties, or boozy bogans ignoring bylaws - these are local residents.

2020-21 has been a super-season for our cicadas (*Cicadoidea*). A feature of their life-cycle is synchronised emergence over a single season. Typically numbers will peak in intervals between three to seven years. Triggers are poorly understood, however the recent drought, regrowth after wildfire, and abundant winter and summer rainfall are probable causes this season.

With over 700 species, Australia has the greatest diversity of cicadas in the world. Unlike the bland character of most zoological names, Australia's common cicada names are a tongue-in cheek celebration of our culture and generations of childhood classification. Some memorable names include: Floury bakers, Blue moons, Yellow Mondays, Whisky drinkers, Pissers and Masked devils.

Australian cicada nymphs typically spend about six or seven years underground and emerge to an adult life of only a few weeks. The purpose of the adult male is to find a mate (and is the only gender to sing), and for the female to mate and lay its eggs, which it does in plant stems. Both genders die after mating. Once hatched, the nymphs fall and burrow into the ground, and the cycle repeats.

The collective mass chorus (a 'shrill'), is thought to be a strategy designed to confuse predators and maximise mating opportunities.

Although adult lives are short, the season's extended chorus is due to the emergence of different species at different times. In our local district, Green grocers are heard during October and November, and are subsequently replaced by Black princes, Double drummers, Red eyes and Razor

Abandoned exoskeletons. After years underground - time to break open your shell and party.



Members are feeling a little more optimistic and involved this month. Our Covid 19 apprehensions of 2020 are slowly changing to this new norm of social interaction.

We have already organised our first social function for this year, our traditional Opening Soirée in February on the lawn at St. Luke's... well-distanced and self-catered, of course. Our next activity is a restart of our (monthly?) Club meetings, on Tuesday 16 March. We will achieve this by a change of venue to the new and improved School of Arts. We will then be able to accommodate our pre-Covid average attendance in the hall, supper room and balcony whilst meeting all physical distancing and hosting requirements. And all while enjoying the renovated spaces, advanced sound and visual systems, and efficient ceiling fans.

Our Secretariat has been active arranging electronic check-in QR code registers; ticketing systems, even on-line and tap-'n'-go payments, as required; and registering our Safety Plan as a Covid Safe Business. We are well-versed and equipped to provide a safe environment for our members and guests.

We now feel we can commence planning to hold our Camellia & Floral Show on 31 July and 1 August, and our Gardens Festival in October (Th 14 to Sun 17). There are ways we can responsibly host the numbers of visitors expected, over the times allocated, in the selected gardens. We will work towards finding solutions to the current challenges and to any changes to regulations.

Come along to our next meeting and enjoy the proceedings. We will welcome you warmly. Wear a mask if more comfortable. Stay at home if you feel unwell.



 CHECK OUT OUR FACEBOOK PAGE ALSO

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

Secretary, Deb Wooster, welcomes enquiries on 0432 449 364, or [info@berrygardens.org.au](mailto:info@berrygardens.org.au)

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## RedBerry Quilters

Email: [redberrysec@gmail.com](mailto:redberrysec@gmail.com)

Do you have a quilting project begun many years ago just waiting in your cupboard for the right time to be completed? Or perhaps you have always wanted to quilt but cannot find the time. Why don't you join RedBerry Quilters for some inspiration and support?

RedBerry Quilters are a group of quilters and stitchers who aim to promote the art and craft of patchwork and quilting. We bring quilters of all levels together to exchange information, knowledge and skills in quilt-making in a friendly and supportive environment.

We meet twice each month at St Luke's Church Hall, Princess Street, Berry. Visitors are welcome to drop in and join us or call in for a chat. There is a \$5 entry fee which covers morning tea.

**Sewing Days** are held on the 2nd Friday of the month from 9:30-12:30. Bring along a project you are working on and your sewing kit. Tea, coffee, iron, ironing board and cutting mats are provided. We often have a mini workshop on these days. It is an opportunity to learn a new skill or participate in making something special. Past examples include making a dragonfly brooch; dying fabric with avocado pits; paper-piecing blocks; and fabric painting. We also have a quarterly "Block Challenge".

**Meeting Days** are held on the 4th Friday of the month. Meetings begin at 9:30 and include Show and Tell. Visitors are welcome to participate in this as well. Morning tea is provided by our members. Following the break we usually have a guest speaker and showcase. The guest speakers present on a wide range of textile-related topics and always provide inspiration. The meetings conclude by 12:30. Upcoming speakers in 2021 include: Rachael Laves, who runs Drover and Classer, a wool hand-dyeing business; Helen Draper, who makes beautiful quilts and teaches all aspects of quilting; and Vicki Porter who incorporates her own embroidery designs into quilts and other crafts.

RedBerry Quilters also make community quilts from donated fabric and from our own ample fabric stashes. These are donated to local charity organisations for distribution and/ or for raffling to raise money. The charities we have supported include SAHSSI, a not for profit specialist homelessness service supporting vulnerable women and families in the Illawarra and Shoalhaven and the William Campbell Foundation for children.

For more information please contact us: E: [redberrysec@gmail.com](mailto:redberrysec@gmail.com)



RedBerries Quilting Group



[redberry\\_quilters](https://www.instagram.com/redberry_quilters)

## BERRY CWA



Berry CWA started 2021 with activities centred around Australia Day. A CWA Information Stall was held at the Lions Club Breakfast where the CWA gave out complimentary Anzac biscuits to the community and were available to answer questions about our role in the local community.

At the CWA rooms in Victoria Street, the day began with a flag raising ceremony. Members then moved indoors for a trivia competition which was fiercely contested by a number of groups. The day concluded with morning tea and the acknowledgement that a lovely morning was enjoyed by all.

The first major fund raising event for 2021 will be a stall held in our rooms in Victoria Street on the same day as the Berry Markets, March 7. As this is our first fund raising venture for 2021, we are hoping it will be well supported by both visitors to our area and the local community....our craft group has been working hard to replenish supplies after our very successful stalls at the end of 2020.

Please feel free to contact us on any aspect of CWA including membership, craft, choir or book club via our Facebook page (Berry Branch of the CWA of NSW) or email [berrycwasecretary@gmail.com](mailto:berrycwasecretary@gmail.com)



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# Community Groups

## BERRY COMMUNITY GROUPS

**Berry Alliance Inc.** 0449 569 059  
PO Box 202 Berry 2535  
info@berryalliance.org.au www.berryalliance.org.au  
https://www.facebook.com/BerryTownCrier

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

**Australian Labor Party Berry** 4464 2446  
Shoalhaven Heads Branch.  
Meets 2nd Wednesday each month, 6.30 pm Hotel Berry  
secretarybshalp@gmail.com PO Box 474 Berry 2535

**Australian Red Cross** 4464 2479  
Honorary Secretary Margaret Walsh 21 Windsor Dve Berry  
1st Wednesday each month at 2pm Berry Uniting Church

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

**Berry Chamber of Commerce & Tourism Inc.** 4464 2126  
PO Box 216 Berry 2535 info@berry.org.au www.berry.org.au

**Berry Courthouse Conservation Committee** 0458 369 266  
PO Box 218 Berry 2535  
functions@berrycourthouse.org.au  
www.berrycourthouse.org.au

**Berry Evening View Club** 4464 1191  
Secretary, PO Box 275 - sel4957@bigpond.net.au

**Berry Forum** - http://berryforum.org.au/  
berryforum@hotmail.com

**Berry Masonic Village Auxiliary Inc** 4464 1774  
Mail: 42 Albany Street Berry NSW 2535

**Berry Meals on Wheels** 4464 1774  
PO Box 221 Berry NSW 2535

**Berry Men's Shed** 4464 3956  
146 North St Berry 2535. Tues and Thurs  
berrymensshed@telstra.com

**Berry RSL Sub Branch**  
PO Box 3307 North Nowra 2541 stuartfchristmas@gmail.com

**Rotary Club of Berry** 0438 430 438  
PO Box 81 Berry 2535 www.berryrotary.org.au  
Email: berryrotary@gmail.com

**Conservation Committee for the Berry Railway Station Precinct**  
janetfingleton@bigpond.com 0418 651 787

**Berry Community Library** 0425 220 258  
berrycommunitylibrary@gmail.com

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

**David Berry Hospital Auxiliary** 4464 1774  
P.O. Box 285 Berry 2535 bke25349@bigpond.net.au

**Probus Club of Berry** 0421 088 004 / 0424 342 337  
PO Box 68 Berry 2535 berryprobus@gmail.com

**Slow Food Berry to Jervis Bay Inc.**  
Marilyn O'Dowd 0416 018 977  
slowfoodberry2jb@gmail.com www.slowfoodbjb.org.au

**Zonta Club of Berry** 0414 234 100  
PO Box 302 Berry www.zontadistrict24.org  
Barbara Smith bredgravesmith@gmail.com

## ARTS

**Australian Decorative Fine Arts Societies - Shoalhaven** 4464 2619  
PO Box 269 Berry NSW 2535 shoalhaven@adfas.org.au

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

**Berry Spinners and Weavers**  
Contact the secretary (Virginia)  
berryspinnersandweavers@gmail.com

**Berry Silver Band (est. 1897)** 4465 1240  
Kaye - kayecj@westnet.com.au - Masonic Band Hall

**Knit with Love** 0404 562 772  
St Luke's Church Hall, 68A Princess Street,  
Contact: Lyn Oades - terryandlyn@gmail.com

**Red Berry Quilters** 0432 603 484  
redberrysec@gmail.com www.facebook/redberriesquiltinggroup

## CHURCHES

**Scots' Presbyterian Church** 0405 139 031  
Rev. Isaac Jung - isaac.jung@hotmail.com

**Berry Uniting Church** 4464 2904 / 0466 717 254  
77 Albert Street Berry - berryuniting@gmail.com

**South Coast Life Church** 4464 2315  
8 Schofields Lane Berry - hello@southcoastlife.org

**Meroo Union Church** 4448 6048  
Corner of Boxells Lane & Princes Hwy,  
Meroo Meadow. Contact Rae 4448 6048

**St. Luke's Anglican Church** 4464 1058  
68A Princess St, Berry 2535 www.berryanglican.org  
office@berryanglican.org

## EDUCATION AND PLAYGROUPS

**Berry Computers for Seniors** 4421 3270  
PO Box 103 Berry 2535  
Uniting Church Hall, 77 Albert Street Berry  
berrycfs@gmail.com

**Berry Community Pre-school** 4464 1764  
PO Box 143 Berry 2535  
berrypreschool@bigpond.com www.berrypreschool.org.au

**Berry Kids' Club** at Presbyterian Church 02 4464 1020  
83 Victoria Street - Meet 2 Fridays per month

**Mainly Music** 0401 151 820  
Berry Community Church Hall

## GARDENING AND LAND CARE

**Berry & District Garden Club** 4464 1191  
PO Box 122 Berry 2535 St Luke's Church Hall, Princess  
Street. Deb Wooster Secretary www.berrygardens.org.au

**Berry Landcare** 4464 2241  
PO Box 422 Berry NSW 2535 berrylandcare@gmail.com

**Berry Public School Plant Propagation Nursery**  
Lyn 02 4464 3911 - lyn-clark@outlook.com.au

**Brogers Creek Landcare** 4465 1482  
543 Wattamolla Rd Wattamolla  
andrew.fitzsimons@det.nsw.edu.au

**Gateway Community Garden** 0423 267 957  
141 Woodhill Mountain Road  
Contact: Laurie Watson - wattos148@gmail.com

## RECREATION

**Berry Camera Club** 0488 031 961  
Meetings on 4th Wednesday of Each Month 6:00pm @  
Berry Bowling Club

## SPORT

**Berry Golf Club** 0429 429 743  
jamesauld48@bigpond.com  
Meet at the Berry Bowling Club

**Berry Fishing Club** 0448 479 925  
jeffery@shoalhaven.net.au  
PO Box 41 Berry  
Meet at the Berry Bowling Club

**Berry Men's Bowling Club** 4464 2995  
PO Box 139 Berry NSW 2535 Club

**Berry Tennis Club**  
PO Box 133 Berry NSW 2535  
Email: berrytennis@hotmail.com

**Berry Riding Club** 0410 506 143  
Berry Equestrian Centre  
jasiy@bigpond.net.au www.berryridingclub.com

**Berry Shoalhaven Heads Rugby League Club** 0413 915 215  
berryrugbyleague@gmail.com  
facebook.com/berryshoalhavenheadsmagpies

**Berry Women's Bowling Club** 4464 3624  
Berry Bowling Club. Contact Heather Fealy  
Pam Tulloch: 4464 2284

## SPONSORED & PARTNERED GROUPS

**Shoalhaven Heads Surf Life Saving Club** 0432 331 915  
www.headssurf.com.au  
info@headssurf.com.au

**A Taste of Paradise** 0490 060251  
Supporting Youth In Need  
PO Box 128, Berry info@atasteofparadise.org.au

**Berry Farmers Market** 0431 823 078  
Berry Showground Cow Sheds - Thursdays 3-5pm  
www.berryfarmersmarket.com.au. Facebook.

**Boomerang Bags Berry**  
elizabeth@berryquiltingretreat.com.au

**Berry Motor Fair**  
snezana@speackcommunications.com.au

**Bundanon Trust** www.bundanon.com.au 4422 2100  
Facebook

**Friends of Berry Cemetery Group** Group currently being  
formed - barlowpeach@gmail.com  
janetfingleton@bigpond.com

**Pink Up Berry** Pink Up Berry Committee  
pinkupberry@gmail.com

**SALT Ministries** 4480 5028  
Supporting those in need - 5-19 Birriley St,  
Bomaderry - info@salt.org.au and facebook

**Shoalhaven Education Fund** - A part of the  
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**U3A Shoalhaven** (02) 4424 0216  
5/48 Berry Street Nowra NSW 2541

**Berry Community Groups – please ensure that you register with the Berry Town Crier.**

If your group is yet to submit your registration renewal form please do it now as we can no longer accept submissions from groups who have not updated their details. There is a new, clearer form so please email info@berryalliance.org.au to receive a copy.

You will also see a new category called “Sponsored & Partnered Groups” These are the groups that the Berry Town Crier has agreed to sponsor or create a partnership with as they do not fit our guidelines for usual registration but we have chosen to assist them. These are limited due to availability of space in the Town Crier.

**Berry Alliance and Town Crier Management Committee**

# EMERGENCY 000

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Berry Police 4464 2175  
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### FAST FASHION

According to WWF it can take up to 20,000 litres of water to produce enough cotton to make a single t-shirt and pair of jeans. The fashion industry is enormously damaging to the earth's environment, and we know fashion is unsustainable. Shop wisely and support companies that have transparency about their supply chains. Visit [goodonyou.eco](http://goodonyou.eco) for further information and some valuable tips.

### CLEAN OUTS

Getting rid of excess items at this time of year is on the top of everyone else's list too, so ring to check with your preferred charity shop that they're accepting donations. Remember that op shops shouldn't have to bear the cost of disposing of unsaleable junk, so be thoughtful and responsible about what you pass on. Most op shops won't take electrical items. If you can't give them away they shouldn't go into landfill. The local Berry Waste Depot will take them for recycling.

### THE BERRY WASTE DEPOT

After extended opening hours over the summer holiday break, from 1 February the depot reverts back to normal opening: Friday to Monday from 8.00 am to 4.00 pm. The buyback center is open only on Saturday and Sunday from 8.00 am to 12.00 pm. As ever, the depot is closed on public holidays. Don't forget to use your Council vouchers for free drop offs of household and green waste. The depot continues to provide free garden mulch, subject to availability. Mulching improves soil, cuts down on weed growth and helps soil retain moisture. Don't forget you can dispose of the following household items for free:

- Car and household batteries
- E-waste
- Fluoro tubes and light globes
- Gas bottles

- Smoke detectors
- Motor oils (up to 20L)
- Other oils (up to 20L)
- Oil- or water-based paints (up to 20L)
- Fire extinguishers
- Clean polystyrene sheets or boxes (Note: polystyrene used for food containers has to go into landfill, in your red bin)
- Scrap metal
- Timber
- Whitegoods (a fee for refrigerant removal may apply)

### YELLOW BINS

- Not sure about the label on your hard plastics? Before you bin it, visit [recyclingnearyou.com.au/ar1](http://recyclingnearyou.com.au/ar1)
- Collect clean aluminium foil to the size of a tennis ball size before recycling. Small items can fall off conveyor belts or block machinery.
- Plastic lids and small metal lids (e.g. beer caps) have to go in the red bin.
- Soft plastics can be recycled at supermarkets. Visit [redcycle.net.au](http://redcycle.net.au) for more information.
- Polystyrene should never go in the recycling bin. See above for more information.
- Only glass packaging for food goes in the yellow bin, any other glass goes in the red bin.

### ILLEGAL DUMPING

Toxic chemicals and asbestos dumping are a threat to our health and to the environment. Incidents should be reported to the EPA on 131 555.

If there is an imminent danger, such as a toxic spill, call 000. All other dumping should be reported at [ridonline.epa.nsw.gov.au/#/home](http://ridonline.epa.nsw.gov.au/#/home)



## SLOW FOOD: The History of an Idea

*Slow Food was started by Carlo Petrini and a group of activists in 1986 when they demonstrated on the intended site of a McDonald's fast-food outlet, at the Spanish Steps in Rome. Their initial aim was to defend regional traditions, good food, gastronomic pleasure and a slow pace of life. Maggie Beer began **SF in Australia** in 1989. There are currently 14 Convivia in Australia of which Berry to JB has the largest membership.*

**UPCOMING EVENTS INCLUDE: SATURDAY 27 FEBRUARY** – Lunch at Coolangatta Estate, Bolong Road, Coolangatta



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**Saturday 6 March** - Autumn Garden Clinic and Luncheon with a Guest Speaker

**Saturday 25 April** - Wine Tasting Tutorial - White Wines

**Helen Buchanan**

To become a Slow Food member or enquire, please contact Marilyn O'Dowd 0416 018 977

Email: [info@slowfoodberry2jb.com.au](mailto:info@slowfoodberry2jb.com.au) or visit [www.slowfoodberry2jb.com.au](http://www.slowfoodberry2jb.com.au)

# DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS AND DETERMINATIONS



Here is a list of the most recent Shoalhaven City Council Development Applications and Determinations since the list was produced in the Berry Town Crier – February 2021 edition.

The information on how you can see details and follow these applications, make submissions and see the determinations and details of any conditions applied is provided in the Town Crier each month as well as in the Friends of the Berry Town Crier” Newsletters sent out regularly between editions of the Town Crier.

Go to:

<http://www3.shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au/masterviewUI/modules/ApplicationMaster/Default.aspx>

Development Application Tracking

**Berry Alliance and Town Crier Management Committee.**

## DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

DA21/1018	– 13-1-2021	– Dual Occupancy (Detached) – Tigman St, Berry.
DA21/1021	– 14-1-2021	– Commercial Additions – Free-Standing Roof Structure – 105 Queen St, Berry.
DA21/1025	– 14-1-2021	– Dual Occupancy (Attached) & Two Lot Torrens Title Subdivision – 93 Parker Cres, Berry.
DA21/1026	– 14-1-2021	– Single Storey Dwelling – 54 Connors View, Berry.
DA21/1029	– 14-1-2021	– Single Storey Dwelling – 420 Back Forest Rd., Far Meadow.
DA21/1044	– 22-1-2021	– Advertising Signage – 8 Homestead Lane, Berry.
DA21/1045	– 22-12-2021	– Swimming Pool, Retaining Walls & Pergola – 85 Parker Crescent, Berry.
DA21/1050	– 22-12-2021	– Access Road to Property – 608 Wattamolla Rd, Wattamolla.
DA21/1101	– 10-2-2021	– Dwelling Alterations & Additions – 32 Old Pioneer Crst (Priv), Broughton Vale.

## DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS DETERMINED

DA20/2173	– Approved – 5-1-2021	– Single Storey Dwelling, Detached Garage with Habitable Room Above, In-Ground Pool & Demolition of Existing Dwelling, Garage & Pool – 42 Kangaroo Valley Rd, Berry.
DA20/2228	– Approved – 13-1-2021	– Dwelling Additions & Alterations – 115 Harley Hill Rd, Berry.
DA20/2266	– Approved – 18-1-2021	– Single Storey Dwelling – 4 Tressider Close, Berry.
DA20/2316	– Approved – 21-1-2021	– Dwelling Alterations & Additions – 165B Bong Bong Road, Berry.
DA20-2354	– Approved – 29-1-2021	– Single Storey Dwelling – 51 Connors View, Berry.
DA20-2014	– Approved – 28-1-2021	– Tennis Court, In Ground Swimming Pool & Spa – 65 Grahams Rd, Meroo Meadow.
DA20-2366	– Approved – 3-2-2021	– Single Storey Dwelling & Indoor Swimming Pool – 226 Tindalls Lane, Broughton.
SF10867	– Approved – 8-2-2021	– Strata Title – Two Lot Strata Subdivision – 28 Parker Cr. Berry.
DA20/2234	– Approved – 8-2-2021	– In Ground Fibreglass Swimming Pool – 140 O’Keeffes Lane, Jaspers Brush.

## Kerbside Recycling

Weekly kerbside recycling has now finished so it reverts to the fortnightly system from now: the next one is Tuesday night 30th February.

### KNOW WHAT GOES IN THE YELLOW BIN

Contents from the yellow kerbside recycling bin are largely sorted by hand.

Face masks, tissues, nappies and other personal care items do not go in the yellow bin. Not only can’t these items be recycled, they also pose a serious health risk to recycling facility staff. Always put used personal care items in the red landfill bin. Council encourage residents to review the Yellow Bin Guide to get recycling right.

**Berry Waste Depot are now back to their usual days and hours after the special holiday period extra days and hours.**



### BERRY ALLIANCE AND TOWN CRIER FROM COUNCIL

## BROUGHTON VALE / BERRY RURAL FIRE BRIGADE BUSH FIRE DANGER PERIOD AND FIRE PERMITS

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- 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 your local Fire Control Centre or for FRNSW fire permits go to the FRNSW website.
- There are heavy penalties if you don’t follow restrictions or rules.

### The key things to remember:

You need a fire permit if it’s the Bush Fire Danger Period.

At least 24 hours before burning, you must notify your local Shoalhaven RFS Fire Control Centre (4424 4424) of your intention to burn.

You must also notify any adjoining neighbours (including those separated by a road, lane or waterway) at least 24 hours before burning.

You should always check that there is no Total Fire Ban.

Heavy penalties apply if you don’t follow restrictions or rules.

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



# THE ROLES ANIMALS PLAY AT A TASTE OF PARADISE FARM



People are often amazed at the range of animals that live at A Taste of Paradise Farm Charity, which includes our domestic farm animals such as dogs, horses, cattle, goats and poultry, alongside the many native creatures that make their home there.

The Charity is committed to supporting the at-risk and disadvantaged young people who access our one-on-one farm mentoring program. The various animals at the farm enable us to work with the children to build trust and develop safe, reliable relationships, while teaching them new skills.

Some of the children who come to A Taste of Paradise Farm, don't trust people anymore as they have had their trust broken by adults, that should have been trustworthy, and don't want to be hurt again. They want to trust, but it is too hard. Our animals offer these young people a way to begin to trust again.

Our animals play a big role at A Taste of Paradise Farm. They are often the bridge between our mentors and the young people who may be experiencing complex trauma.



When the animals see the young people they rush to the fence and are excited to greet them and for a young person this may be their first experience of feeling loved or cared for.

The kids help to hatch the baby chickens, feed and care for them as the birds mature, and eventually collect, clean and package the eggs.

Seeing a newly born baby animal and holding a baby chicken or goat for the first time can bring a new sense of hope and joy into the lives of young people. Providing love and care for baby animals can sometimes break a cycle of despair in a young person who hasn't received much love in their own lives.

Part of the work that we do is to build nesting boxes for our native birds, sugar gliders and microbats. The young people participate in the construction and monitoring processes. This gives them skills and the chance to contribute to a project that improves our local bio-diversity.

All our animals make a significant contribution to introducing joy back into the lives of many young people who may have suffered both sexual and physical abuse, or neglect and we go to great lengths to ensure the interaction with our animals is safe for both the young person and the animals. To enquire about being a volunteer, please ring 0490 060 251

Tax deductible donations can be made on our website at [atasteofparadise.org.au](http://atasteofparadise.org.au)

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# PINK UP BERRY

Planning has commenced for Pink Up Berry 2021 which is held thru the month of October- all money raised goes to the McGrath Foundation who provide specialised Breast Care Nurses to those experiencing Breast Cancer & support to their families- this service is provided free of charge and currently there are 155 nurses all over Australia.

The 2021 Committee is Deb Woolford, Sandy Bramley, Pauline Windley, Kerry Carter, Jo Shields, Karen Brooks & Taleen Smith.

This year the committee are hoping the Town turns so Pink that we would be the pinkest town in the State which would not only raise awareness but also would raise funds - We plan on selling Pink Buntings for residents to display on the front of their homes- These will be available for sale later in the year at the price of \$10 per string of 10- To do this we need lots of pink Fabric and are asking for your help. If you have any Pink Sheets- Quilt covers or material that you no longer need then we would be grateful for them - all donated fabric can be left at The Berry Barn -119 Queen Street Berry!

If you would like to become a volunteer and would like more details of how you can be involved, please give Deb a call on 0428005910 or drop us an email [pinkupberry@gmail.com](mailto:pinkupberry@gmail.com).

**BRING ON PINK UP BERRY 2021!!!  
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## Broughton Vale / Berry Rural Fire Brigade



Left to right: brigade captain, Keith Gray; brigade president, Keith Brodie; Shoalhaven RFS District Manager, Mark Williams, and Hon Gareth Ward MP

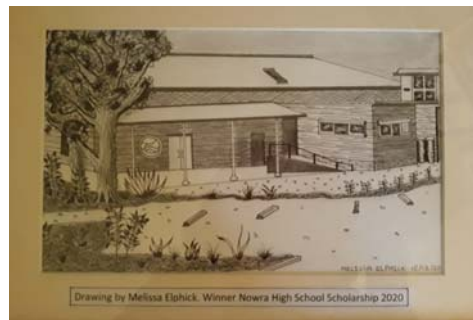
Congratulations to the 18 Broughton Vale/Berry volunteers who received NSW citations for their work during the 2019/20 Bushfires. The Hon Gareth Ward MP, Member for Kiama along with RFS Shoalhaven District Manager, Mark Williams, RFS Group 1, Andrew Fielding and Deputy Group 1 Stuart Thaler, were at the Broughton Vale/Berry Fire station on Friday night the 29 January to present the citations.

Also congratulations to our three new members, Biljana Boskic, Daniel Darlington and Mitchell Kowal who all passed their bush fire fighter assessment on Sunday the 7 February.



## BERRY MEN'S SHED

### GENEROUS DONATION TO THE SHED



Melissa Elphick, one of our recent Scholarship winners, has sent us a drawing she did of the Shed which now takes pride of place in the entry foyer

An Australia Day breakfast was held at The Shed to give members an opportunity to bring their partners along and catch up with other members over bacon and egg rolls. Forty-two Shed members and their partners attended the get together on the lawns of the Shed.

Our past President Phil Reid is on sick leave and all members wish him a speedy recovery.

On Thursday 1st April our first Health Talk will take place with guest speaker Alan Hudson. Alan is a practising Counselling Psychologist specialising in helping individuals understand how to tap into their core motivations, beliefs and preferences and thereby achieving successful personal and professional change. The presentation will be held in the Berry Uniting Church hall and is currently restricted to 60 guests with Shed and Church members given priority seating. The presentation will commence at 11.00am.

Shed members are currently making and repairing a variety of projects and if you have something that needs repairs or you would like to create something call into the shed on Tuesday or Thursday. Our phone no on those days is 4464 3956.

**Richard Wiseman - Publicity Officer**

## DAVID BERRY HOSPITAL AUXILIARY NEEDS NEW MEMBERS

### WHAT HOSPITAL? David Berry Hospital

In 1889 David Berry died leaving a large estate. Included in his will was 100,000 pounds "for the purpose of erecting and endowing a hospital for non-infectious disease for the benefit particularly of inhabitants of Broughton Creek (Berry) and the district of Shoalhaven and generally of all persons to whom it might be accessible" including the Aboriginal women who had their babies there.

The hospital was opened on 18th September, 1909 and named after the benefactor "David Berry". Originally, the hospital was for general treatment, including 30 beds, men's and ladies wards and operating theatre, with separate Nurses Home and staff cottage.

The midwifery ward closed in the 1960's.

The hospital was eventually transformed into a Rehabilitation Unit and in August 1988 the Nurses' Home was transformed into a Palliative Care Unit. Both units continue to perform those roles today.

David Berry Hospital and Karinya Palliative Care are part of the Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District.



### WHO ARE WE? David Berry Hospital Auxiliary

In the 1970's a Hospital Auxiliary was formed to provide support to the Hospital.

We are a small dedicated group of ladies who meet monthly and fund-raise to purchase extra items requested by the hospital staff via their 'wish list' and we do our utmost to assist with the purchase.

We are bound by the (UHA) United Hospital Auxiliaries of NSW Inc.

### WHAT DO WE DO? Fund-raise and have fun doing it!

Our main function is to raise funds, through street stalls, community lunches, catering for other organisations and events, raffles- to name but a few.

The Rehabilitation Unit and the Karinya Palliative Care Unit are extremely well equipped, which enables the staff to give the patients the very best care.

And they do!

Thanks to the Community supporting the Auxiliary, each Unit has equipment to be envied.

**We welcome you to join our Auxiliary - meetings held 2nd Monday of each month. Call President Marilyn for more information 4464 1774.**

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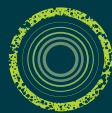
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## Berry Men's Bowling Club

The Club commenced playing in the 2021 District Pennant competition from 20th February. The competition will involve 10 rounds and weather permitting will finish on Saturday 8th May.

The Club has entered two sides, and these will be playing in Grade 2 and Grade 6. The Grade 2 side will be playing against Milton Ulladulla, Huskisson, St Georges Basin and Nowra and the Grade 6 side will meet Greenwell Point, Callala, Milton Ulladulla Sussex Inlet RSL and St Georges Basin.

As each side requires 12 players numbers for social play of a Saturday will be reduced but numbers playing of a Wednesday will not be affected. Persons interested in viewing the Pennant play are most welcome as are those that would like to view the social play or partake in the social play.

Competitive play within the Club will be delayed due to the Pennant commitments but as 27th March will be free the play in the Fours within Club competition will be held.

The side that won the District Fours will now be playing in the Zone 7 playoffs and this will be held on 3rd July at Bega. As mentioned in the February issue of this publication the Club had teams entered in the District/Zone Pairs and all performed well but no victories in the finals resulted.

To book for social play phone 44642995 or contact any bowling member. Bookings must be made by noon day of play and the loan of bowls can be arranged if necessary.



## BERRY COMMUNITY GATEWAY GARDEN

The Gateway Garden on Woodhill Mountain Road is an initiative of the Uniting Church, open to all members of the Berry community. It provides a number of gardening plots for those who like to garden but may not have the space at home to do so. It's also a good way to meet others and to exchange ideas and tips on growing, and the periodic working bees are social events. There are several plots currently available for new members. If you are interested in utilizing one of these garden plots, please call Laurie Watson on 0423 267 957 for details.



# Shoalhaven Council Beach Patrols

**Surf Patrol Season: 3 October 2020 - 25 April 2021**

For information on Beach conditions or to find a patrolled beach near you, check out the BeachSafe website or download the mobile app.

**Volunteer Weekend Patrols from 3 October 2020 - 25 April 2021**

From the above date/s, please see links below for real-time information on a patrolled beach status and unique patrol schedules:

- Warrain Beach (Farrant Avenue, Culburra Beach)
- Cudmirrah / Berrara Beach (Sussex Inlet)
- South Mollymook Beach (Golf Avenue)
- Shoalhaven Heads (McIntosh Street)

**Professional Summer Patrols at all beaches stopped on 28 January 2021 except South Mollymook until 26 February 2021**

please see the link below for real-time information on a patrolled beach status and unique patrol schedules:

- Shoalhaven Heads (McIntosh Street)

\*Dates subject to contract.

**From the Shoalhaven City Council**



## BERRY RIDING CLUB

The months are ticking by as we get close to saying goodbye to the Summer of 2021. The club made the most of the divine twilight hours offering twilight jumping and twilight working equitation. Both events were well received, and we will look at expanding these next summer to make them a regular part of our calendar. It was wonderful to see so many spectators from Berry and surrounding areas that came out for the evenings to watch.

Our 3rd Annual Show jumping Championship is on Sunday 28 March where we will have riders from far afield and it's an event not to miss. Many competitors will use our Championship as a warm up before the Royal Easter Show so the level of competitors will be high and worth watching. With Sydney course designers & judges there's a class for everyone so put the date in the calendar as you won't want to miss it.

Our Working Equitation group is growing from strength to strength as it's suitable for all riders from the non-competitive, older riders who like to trail ride to those that wish to compete at the highest level. Our courses are varied with many different and challenging obstacles. With this being a new sport check the next edition of the Town Crier for a bit more detail about Working Equitation. Lots of fun for everyone.

If you're thinking of getting back into riding, have just purchased a horse or want to meet some like-minded people then come along and say hi and we'll hook you up with a great group that matches your level and interest. We offer everything from dressage competitions to our weekly GG's (galloping grown ups) who meet during the day on a Tuesday and Thursday morning for a ride and a coffee. You can visit our Facebook page for more information on any of our events. Come pay us a visit.



Check the calendar on our website for upcoming events [www.berryridingclub.com](http://www.berryridingclub.com)





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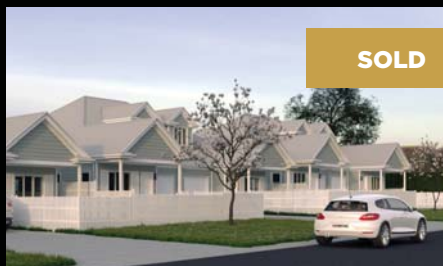
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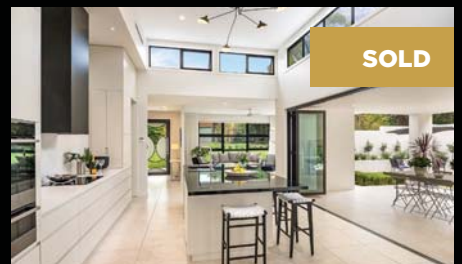
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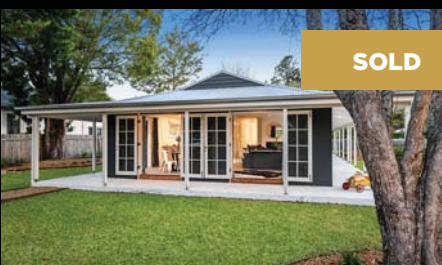
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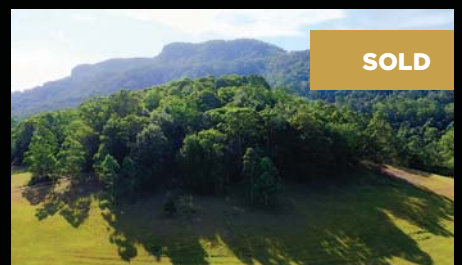
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428 Wattamolla Road



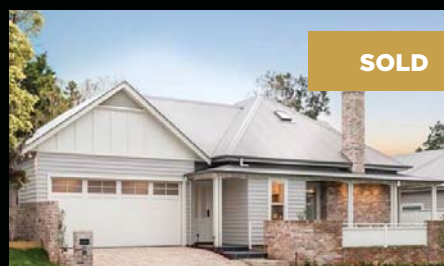
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# The Berry Forum

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

Over the last 18 months, 180 DAs have been lodged in the Berry area, and the Committee has responded to 7 requests for assistance from residents (4%).

## **Multi Dwelling - 52 Parker Crescent, Huntingdale**

A strata title subdivision for five detached dwellings on a half-acre lot. Council held a 'residents briefing' in February 2020 and residents challenged its interpretation of the application of SLEP Clause 4.1F (strata title subdivision). Residents also paid for legal advice, affirmed their position.

In September, councillors refused the DA and included failure to comply with SLEP Cl 4.1F as a reason for refusal. The applicant has since appealed to the L&E Court and a conciliation conference will be held on 8 March.

## **'Primitive Glamping Site' - 260 Mount Hay Road**

A DA for a 'primitive camping ground and communal camp kitchen'. In response to residents' concerns, the Committee advised Council about luxury glamping DAs using the description 'primitive camping ground' and circumventing requirements for public safety and facilities for people with disabilities.

Residents have submitted around 170 objections, referring to the circumventing of planning regulations and the size and scale of the proposed 220sqm 'communal kitchen' that resembles a function centre. Council is awaiting the applicant's response to RFS requirements.

## **Tourist Resort - 275 Bong Bong Road**

A DA for multiple accommodation buildings, a 257sqm 'Pavillion' for functions, a swimming pool and a designated area for future large scale tourist accommodation.

The DA is attempting to use the 'tourist & visitor accommodation' land use description to avoid restrictions on the number and size of tourist cabins and to obtain a function centre (prohibited in a RU1 zone). Council has received around 140 objections and is awaiting the applicant's response to several issues.

## **Function Centre - Mananga Homestead**

A DA for a shed and silo to be used as a function centre at Mananga, which is adjacent to the Pulman Street Heritage Conservation Area. The applicants are using SLEP Clause 5.10(10), claiming to fund ongoing maintenance they require a prohibited function centre operating fifty times pa until 11pm. Residents believe it would be extremely detrimental to the peaceful residential and rural setting of the Pulman Street HCA and its historical significance.

The heritage report states, "no specific conservation work is required" and the \$197,000 pa claimed for running costs includes \$130,000 for gardening maintenance. Approx. \$250,000 pa will soon become available from tourist cabin accommodation.

Council has received around 140 objections and is assessing the application.

## **Two-storey Dwelling - 57 Victoria St**

A DA for demolition of an existing dwelling (opposite the heritage-listed Courthouse and Police Residence) and construction of a very large two-storey flat roofed dwelling that is very unsympathetic to its surrounds. The site is also adjacent to the proposed Berry Showground Heritage Conservation Area.

Council has received around 70 objections and is awaiting the applicant's response to several issues.



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ADFAS Shoalhaven have a very exciting year ahead that includes overseas and Australian lecturers on- line each month.

We are presently not providing live presentations and while on-line lectures do not replace the enjoyment of experiencing a live lecture, it is at present the next best thing. Rest assured we are closely monitoring the possibility of live lectures as the year progresses. Our first lecture of the year is:

## ***Pots and Frocks. The World of Grayson Perry - from Essex Punk Potter to Superstar National Treasure.***

Ian Swankie is a Londoner with a passion for art and architecture. He is an official guide at Tate Modern, Tate Britain, Guildhall Art Gallery and St Paul's Cathedral.

If you are interested in learning more details of this year's lectures, or you would like to become a member of ADFAS Shoalhaven, please contact our Membership Secretary.

**Richard Wiseman**

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Well, if anybody has had a Minties moment I just did. Nearly finished writing the report and an error popped up and the computer restarted too quick to save so here I go again...

It's our Ruby 40 years this year so we may be seeing red at our August Birthday. With our AGM all sorted it's on with the year in which we will want guest speakers. So, if anyone has something interesting to tell us let us know and you can be a guest speaker for the night we would love you to contact us on 44641236. Also, under that title, craft demos are always good and interesting. We hold our meetings on the 3rd Wednesday of the month; if you wish to book in or cancel ring Jan before 12pm the Sunday before the Wednesday meeting.

We have a Coffee Morning to be held at HedgeHogs on the 4th of March at 10.30 am and on the 26th of March a lunch at Mountain View at 12.30 pm, numbers are limited so get in early and ring Mereil on 0418544533 for either bookings.

This year we hope to have a few fundraisers for our Learning for Life students, as we have 3, so we have to work harder and we can do it. Bingo is on the cards again with limited numbers but maybe twice a year and many other things will be happening too.

Well, I'd better close in case the computer spits the dummy again.

**Yolande, Publicity**



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# U3A

U3A is excited to announce that in Term 1 2021 a heap of their favourite courses for seniors, plus some new programs, will be held in COVID-safe places around the Shoalhaven. Courses will start on Monday 8th February, so it's time to enrol to ensure you don't miss out! New to U3A? We're a group of volunteers who want to provide activities to promote physical and mental health, encouraging seniors to get out and about – don't languish with COVID or any other excuses – come and meet new friends, learn new ideas, enjoy your retirements especially in this 'isolating' time. During 2020 we had to hold courses via ZOOM – virtually nothing could be done live due to COVID-19. Now, in 2021, the Committee has deemed it possible and preferable to hold live courses again. We've prepared a COVID-plan, worked out how many people per course / venue are possible, and will enrol our keen members (and new people!) to those numbers.

If any course exceeds these numbers, we may be able to change to a larger venue – we'll see how we go. What favourite old and some exciting new courses are being offered? OLD and FAMILIAR – Mosaics, Book Club, Meditation, Music from the Movies, Let's do Lunch, Keep the Marbles Rolling, Ladies learn Golf, Italian, German and French courses at various levels, a visit to Merribee Gardens, Scottish country dancing, several History courses, Technology workshops and many more. NEW and EXCITING – Time to Write (Jan Martin returns, very exciting, to lead this course). Ona Frazier, well-known Soprano with the Lydian Singers, will lead a small class who want to "Learn to Sing". Norm Potter wants to find (men only) who'd love to discuss TED talks on business, technology and design; and we have some fascinating courses like "Glass Paperweights", "Archaeology – Peopling the

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Pacific", or learn about "Catherine Helen Spence, the Grand Old Woman of Australia". So many to choose from, so don't hesitate – come to learn, question, join in, make friends – escape from the isolation we've had last year – nothing to lose, plenty of fun to gain. Enrolments are available online (go to [www.shoalhaven.u3anet.org.au](http://www.shoalhaven.u3anet.org.au)) – or just drop into the office at 5/48 Berry St Nowra any day 1st –5th February between 0930 – 1230. Once term has started (on 8th February) the office will be open Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings only. Enquiries? Call 4424 0216, leave a message if necessary, we'd love to talk to you.



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Tim began his career in Berry (where he is based), selling everything from quaint homes in town to sprawling beachfront residences, commercial properties, lifestyle acreages, and working farms.

He has also operated in Sydney's lower north shore and inner-city markets, working across everything from resale properties to brand new off-the-plan building developments of up to 200+ apartments.

## Personally

Tim is a lifetime local to the Berry region. Born in Foxground, he moved to Jaspers Brush at the age of four, where he grew up on his family's Murray Grey beef cattle stud. He attended St Michaels and St Johns schools in Nowra, before joining the family business (Elders Berry) alongside his father, Brian McGoldrick.

Owned and operate by the McGoldrick family since 1987, Elders Berry is highly respected among the business community. Over the decades, the personalised service the business has always delivered, has seen many client relationships naturally develop into lasting friendships.

Tim and his wife are raising their young family in the area they both grew up in. They understand the importance of having a good community and love having the South Coast's pristine natural environment on their doorstep to nurture their little ones.

Outside of work, you'll find Tim casting lures in one of the area's many fishing hotspots, or off on a camping road trip with family and friends.

Tim is an active supporter of many local organisations, including the Berry Show Society, Rotary Club, and Garden Club.



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