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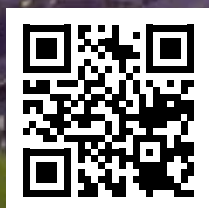
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The purpose of the publication is to communicate to the people of Berry about community activities and aims to share information amongst community groups, individuals and the community. A community that is well informed with a range of different opinions 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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The closing date for our November issue will be Wednesday 21st October 2026 at 5pm.

Please submit prior to this date if it is your first submission. Material can be submitted via e-mail to:
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Phone 0428 037 572

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Nancy Davies - Berry Town Crier

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Zonta Club of Berry Pre-Loved Clothing Sale

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Bubbles, Mocktails

Fabulous cheese charcuterie board
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Delicious finger food by
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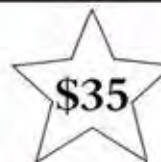
Scrumptious sweets and chocolates.



Bubbles & Canapès Opening Night

Saturday 3rd October 4:00PM

Ticketed Event - First Bargains!



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Shoes

HUGE CLOTHING SALE

Sunday 4th October 2026

Free Entry - All Welcome!

Berry Showground Markets Under the Grandstand



Spring cleaning????
WE NEED

Donations of good quality woman's clothing

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Bird Flu and What To Do.



With the H5 Bird Flu bird flu spreading and a couple of cases in Berry and more close by it is important that our community knows what to do in case you come across and sick or dead bird.

One thing that we should all do is to keep our dogs on leash and keep our cats inside. This will largely reduce the chances of our pets finding an infected bird, deceased or sick, and possibly have the flu transferred to themselves and perhaps further.

Working together we can all assist chicken owners both private and businesses. We should also be very careful to prevent access to the carcasses by children as well as pets. (See more details below from the NSW Health and the NSW DPIRD.)

Please be careful and the best way we can all do this is to be informed so we are re-producing the Councils advice which is on their web site. There is additional information you can read by using the links that we are providing here.

Berry Alliance Town Crier Management Committee

Report suspected cases of avian influenza to the Emergency Animal Disease Hotline on 1800 675 888 or report online <https://forms.bfs.dpi.nsw.gov.au/forms/23970>

The purpose of this form is to report sightings of sick or dead wild birds.

If you find sick or dead wild birds, domestic birds, marine mammals or other wildlife showing sign of H5 bird flu:

- Avoid contact with the animals and their environment.
- Record what you see: take photos or video if possible, and note the location.
- Report it using this online form or call the Emergency Animal Disease Hotline on 1800 675 888.

What you should report to us:

- Sick or dead birds of any species, including seabirds, wild birds, backyard poultry or pet birds, anywhere in NSW
- Sick or dead marine mammal species.

To report sick or injured wild birds needing veterinary care, contact your local wildlife carer organisations, eg., WIRES on 1300 094 737.

When you make a report, an officer from the NSW Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development will review your report. Depending on the outcome of a risk assessment, you may receive a follow-up phone call for more information. In some cases, birds may be collected and tested for avian influenza or other causes of death, though not all wild birds will be collected if the risk is assessed as low.

Please avoid direct contact sick or dead wild birds. If you need to dispose of wild birds as you cannot prevent access to the carcasses by children or pets, please follow the following guidance from NSW Health and NSW DPIRD:

CLICK: Be careful around wildlife: protect yourself or enter in your browser: <https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/factsheets/Pages/be-careful-around-wildlife.aspx>

CLICK: Disposal of bird carcasses from public and private land: General Public or enter in your browser: https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0005/1588811/Disposal-of-bird-carcasses-from-public-and-private-land-Public-Version.pdf

In submitting this report, we will ask you:

- to briefly describe your concern
- where you found the dead and/or birds
- clinical signs that sick birds displayed
- what type of dead birds you found
- how many dead and/or sick birds you found
- your contact details

This form will take about 5 minutes to complete. You can save midway and finish it later if you need to.

You can remain anonymous, but providing contact details will help if we need more information.

We will send you a copy of your report if you provide a valid email address. To find out more about biosecurity in NSW and everyone's obligation to report suspect or unusual pests, diseases, and other biosecurity concerns, visit Your role in Biosecurity

<https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/dpi/biosecurity/your-role-in-biosecurity>

Berry Courthouse Conservation Committee Inc.

Become a Friend of the Berry Courthouse Application and Interests / Volunteer Sheet

Name(s):

Tel.: Email:.....

Address:

The Berry Courthouse Conservation Committee is dedicated to the preservation, care and upkeep of the Historic Berry Courthouse for the Berry Community to enjoy.

This involves a large number of volunteers to assist the Committee in these tasks including assisting with the gardens or the Works Committee (building maintenance and repair and other ownership matters) as well as the Management Committee, rentals, functions and events plus many more.

As a Friend of the Berry Courthouse you can assist as greatly by volunteering. Here is a list of things that you may wish to volunteer to assist with. It is not an exclusive list so if you have an interest or expertise or experience in another area then please add that to this.

- ☐ Assisting with the gardens.
- ☐ Assisting with the Works Committee matters
- ☐ Assist in organising functions and events for members and the community
- ☐ Helping with catering for functions and events
- ☐ Other _____

Please return to functions@berrycourthouse.org.au or post to Box 218 Berry NSW 2535 or Drop Box in the Berry Post Office



Scots' Presbyterian Church, Berry

Minister: Rev Isaac Jung

Service Time

Worship Service 10am

Jesus And Me (JAM)

& High School Bible Study 10am

Bible Fellowship Groups

Monday 2pm • Thursday 9.30am • Friday 10am

Activities

Kids' Club

Presbyterian Womens' Assoc

Mens' Group

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an Extraordinary God**

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Cnr Alexandra Street & Victoria Street, Berry

The Berry & District Historical Society

Berry in the time of COVID

In 50 years time a family visits the Berry Museum and asks, what was Berry like during the COVID epidemic?

The reality is that we at the Berry Museum hold very little that would tell the story of Berry in the time of COVID, but we aim to fix that. How do you go about asking a town what it was like? What documents, images and other objects should we keep to enable us to tell the story of Berry and COVID?

One of the things we want to do is ask you, the people of Berry to tell us your COVID stories, to give us your memorabilia of the time of COVID. The sort of stories we're already hearing are just how quiet it was during COVID, how little traffic, how few people in the streets. That you saw your friends around town but no tourists.

That people who had been cooped up wanted to stop and have a chat, albeit through masks and at a safe distance. That restaurants moved to doing take away, and the IGA did home deliveries.

But what was life like during home schooling? How was life at the retirement villages?

You can help us! Have a think about what you remember of the beginning, middle, and end of the COVID epidemic. Think about what written material, newspaper clippings or warning signs you might have locked away somewhere that you'd be prepared to part with to the Museum. Most mobile phones have the ability to do a voice recording. If something occurs to you, turn on that voice recorder function and tell a story that you'd be prepared to share with us (voice recorder files can be easily emailed).

For anything you might have that you want to give us, or for a chat about your recollections, then please email us at berrymuseum@bigpond.com with your name and contact details in the message and someone from the Museum will get back to you. Or just drop in when we are open on weekends. With your help, those visitors in 50 years will understand a bit more of Berry in the time of COVID.



Berry Museum

135 QUEEN STREET BERRY

OPEN HOURS: Saturdays, Sundays, School Holidays
and Public Holidays 11.00am-3.00pm

FREE ENTRY www.berryhistory.org.au

If you'd like to join us, please call in to the Museum and have a chat, call (4464 3097)
or email us berrymuseum@bigpond.com - We look forward to meeting you.

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ON THE NOTICEBOARD

An update on Hampden Bridge Works and Load Testing

Katelin McInerney MP

The fourth and final block of nightworks to restore the heritage Hampden Bridge was completed in September.

Once the repair work is complete, the scaffolding will be removed from the bridge in preparation for load testing.

This will include the installation of sensors and other instrumentation on the bridge and a loaded truck travelling back and forth over the bridge.

Load testing will be followed by an assessment period to determine if the 42.5 tonne load limit can be reinstated. I'll keep you posted on the outcomes of the tests as they progress.

Katelin McInerney

Coomonderry Swamp Added to Seven Mile Beach National Park

Almost 27 hectares around Coomonderry Swamp has officially been added to Seven Mile Beach National Park.

The land was acquired through a biodiversity offset linked to a residential development in 2023.

It covers part of the freshwater wetland and land to its north, connecting two previously separated sections of the park.

The addition brings the national park's total area to about 1000 hectares.

Kiama MP, Katelin McInerney said it will prevent future encroachment and improve the protection of threatened wildlife.

The Gerroa Environmental Protection Society has welcomed the move but says another one thousand hectares could eventually be protected.

Spokesman Warren Holder says further additions are needed to protect Coomonderry Swamp and secure another 470 hectares of forest habitat required to stabilise the park's endangered greater glider population.

He said the local population is one of the few still doing well on the South Coast, after the species declined from least concern to endangered within three decades.

With thanks to the ABC and their interview with Warren Holder

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BERRY PROBUS

Another great month in September for Probus members with a speaker talking about how Driving Miss Daisy originated in New Zealand and how it works for everyone who just needs a companion driving service when they haven't got family near.

We also had a lovely talk about growing up in England just after the war, "scrumping apples" "I had never heard this saying before, so like every month at Probus we learn something new.

Some members enjoyed a lovely time practicing their croquet skills with experts from the Bomaderry Croquet club teaching those who had not played before. What a lovely venue and a skilful but gentle game for people to play.

The separate ladies and men's morning teas have got new leaders this month with the ladies in the lead now, this is a great way for the men and the women to have that special time to talk and relax among themselves.

In October we are participating in some of the Pink Up Berry functions with the Mollymook Cup at Nowra races and the Melbourne cup day held at the Berry Bowling club, they are both run well and a fun time.

At the end of October some members are off to Cowra for a few days to visit the gardens and landra castle along with a sheep station, we do have a lot of fun while away, one of the best ways to really get to know one another.

Our club is made up of men and women who value friendship, the meetings are always casual and friendly.

Morning tea is always served at the meetings which enables lots of talking with the opportunity to meet new friends you didn't know before. We are all about social structure, there is no fund raising only companionship with outings and events,

If you would like to enjoy some extra company our meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month at Uniting Church Hall (behind the Men's shed) we open the doors at 9.00am for a 9.30 start please give our President Graeme Cord a call on 0422 793 717 or email berryprobus@outlook.com to let us know you are coming, we welcome likeminded people to visit.

OUR NEXT MEETING IS ON THE TUESDAY 13TH OCTOBER 2026



Berry & District Garden Club

October sees our 42nd annual Berry Gardens Festival from Thursday the 15th until Sunday the 18th. There are five new gardens and two returning gardens. The new gardens featured are 'Neverfide', 46 Clarence Street, 'Peter's Garden', 39 Clarence Street, 'Casa was Flores', 11 Sabal Close, 180 Kangaroo Valley Road and 'Wood Farm' 12 Bundewallah Road. The returning gardens are 'Kevin & Michelle's', 28 King Street and, on Sunday the 18th only, 'The Homestead', 8 Homestead Lane.

All the gardens are in or on the edge of Berry making this one of our most compact Festivals in a long time. The gardens vary from town blocks to one set on 82 acre blocks with a variety of landscapes to interest everyone. There will be stalls and plant sales around the gardens so grab a brochure from retail sites around town or at the gardens during the festival. Tickets will also be available from the Humanix app online. All proceeds of the Festival go to local Shoalhaven charities and non-for-profits. We look forward to seeing all the Berry locals at the Festival.

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BERRY MEN'S SHED

PROTECTING YOUR GARDEN TREES

At this year's Berry Garden Festival, we are hoping to have available our new mobile stand showing the various sizes of metal protection strips for gardens. We are able to produce various sizes in our metal working room at the Shed. This is a new initiative being undertaken by our members. Details of sizes and costs will be available on the stand and for those interested you are welcome to contact the Shed to discuss your requirements in more detail.

We recently had Nowra High School senior staff, including the Principal, visit our Shed together with the 2 Scholarship winners. Principal Jodie Wellington thanked the Shed for providing the Scholarships over the last 13 years. She also updated us on what has been happening at the School.

Members of the Shed will be visiting Blue Scope Steel in October to see how a successful business operates in the region.

Richard Wiseman - Publicity officer



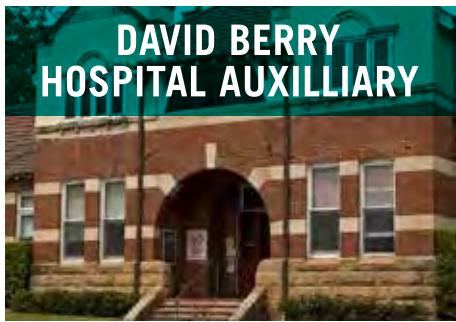
OPEN Tuesday & Thursday

Our phone number is **4464 3956**

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PHOTO SENT BY PHONE
Mobile stand showing the various sizes of our new metal protection rings



DAVID BERRY HOSPITAL AUXILIARY

Members of our auxiliary attended the Bulli UHA 100th birthday in September. NSW Health Minister Ryan Park MP was in attendance, and we had a brief opportunity to ask of any further information regarding David Berry Hospital, and importantly what health purpose will eventually occupy the site. Unfortunately, he is still awaiting a report on the outcome of the indigenous focus discussions but promised to follow up on this.

Father's Day gifts were presented at Karinya and Rehabilitation wards by Irene and Marilyn, and were gratefully received.

We can report that the new palliative care ward at Shoalhaven Hospital will be called "Mirriwarr", which means "Sky". Thus, the name Karinya will no longer apply once the unit moves to Nowra, which won't be for another 12-18 months.

We will be holding a street stall in November, with full details in the November Town Crier issue.

For more information on the Voice of David Berry, please contact Irene Birks — 0408 096 109 or email dbhvoice@gmail.com.

The hospital auxiliary meet on the second Monday of the month at 10am in the Uniting Church Hall Berry. New members are most welcome.

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Great Southern Hotel - A note from the new owner

Hi everyone,

I wanted to introduce myself and let those who may not already know that the Great Southern Hotel is now under new ownership.

My wife Tynaya and I have lived locally for the past six years and have grown to really love Berry and the community around it. I've also recently joined the Berry Chamber of Commerce and Tourism committee, and I'm looking forward to playing a small part in helping the town continue to thrive.

At the Great Southern, our aim is pretty simple: we want it to be a great local pub and one that the whole community can be proud of.

We've brought together the existing management team of Bridie and Jiare with Damian and Josie from Il Locale. Together, we're focused on building the next chapter of the Great Southern while keeping a very close eye on the things that have always made the pub what it is.

We're here to listen, learn and keep improving. We won't get everything right straight away, but we care about getting it right and making sure the pub remains welcoming, relaxed and true to its roots.

So if you're in town, come and say hello to me, Damian or the team. I'd genuinely love to hear what you think.

Cheers,

Steve

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MAKE A DIFFERENCE!**

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What an amazing result from our first ever Golf Day - Many thanks to the Shoalhaven Heads Golf Club, to all those that played, our many volunteers and all the sponsors. It truly was a fantastic day and we cannot wait till next year. The total amount raised was \$19,207.

If you have not registered your home, it's not too late - call into The Berry Barn Kids and pay \$10 and you will get a string of bunting and go into our lucky home draw with a chance to win prizes. There will also be prizes for the best decorated homes. You still have time to book into the Barefoot Bowls Day at the Berry Bowling Club on Saturday 3rd October - cost is \$10 per player which includes a sausage sanga, live music and lots of Fun. Children welcome, give Deb a call on 0428 005 910 to book in. Sponsored by Berry Smash Repairs.

Trivia night on Saturday 10th October is filling up fast so book your table by messaging Pauline on 0412 132 690 - tickets are \$20.

Thursday 15th October - 4 Course Dinner with Wines at the Berry Hotel - \$85, of which \$35 per person will be donated to Pink Up Berry Book Direct - 4464 2294.

Sunday 18th October - Pink Up Berry/Mollymook Cup Races Day - Family Fun Day on the green with Live Music, Free Train Rides and Kids Activities. Tickets \$20 per adult which will get you an umbrella Table, kids free.

For a more Luxe feel book into our Marquee event, includes canapes. Overlooking the winning post and mounting yard. Ladies will receive a complimentary show bag filled with goodies. Private bar for drink purchases and Tab & Bookmaking - Tickets are \$60. This event is proudly sponsored by Shorebreak Finance.

Free Buses running from Berry - bookings essential 0428 005 910.

All bookings can be made online - Shoalhaven City Turf Club or phone them on 4421 4550.

Saturday 24th October - Street Stall in Broughton Court - lots of homemade goodies.

Sunday 25th October - Great Southern Hotel are having a Sunday 2 course Roast Lunch with a glass of wine. Tickets are \$70 with \$20 from each person donated to Pink Up Berry - Raffle Prizes followed by live music - book direct 02 4403 6740.

Tuesday 27th October - Homestead Luncheon-Sold out - Huge Thank you to The Homestead and Jo from Garnish Creative Catering who provide everything for this beautiful event at no charge.

Thursday 29th October - Glitz & Glam Drag Bingo at the Berry Hotel - \$10 per person, lots of fun to be had with raffles and games - book direct 4464 2294. All proceeds donated to Pink Up Berry.

Tuesday 3rd November - Melbourne Cup Day Luncheon - Tickets \$40 - Bookings phone Deb 0428 005 910. Proudly sponsored by The Berry Barn.

Thank you to all the business owners & residents & the Berry Town Crier who support Pink Up Berry. Together we are making a difference for those experiencing Cancer.



view
voice, interests and
education of women



In 1960, George Forbes, then General Secretary of The Smith Family, saw the potential for an organisation which allowed women from all walks of life to develop interests outside the home, providing friendship, education and mental stimulation. At the same time he hoped to offer these women the means to assist others less fortunate through The Smith Family.

Berry VIEW Club has been part of this organisation for 43 years and celebrated with a party evening at our August dinner meeting.

VIEW nationally supports the education of over 1720 students through the Learning for Life program, ensuring that they have educational support and what they need for the school year. BERRY VIEW Club currently supports 4 students.

We are always looking for women of all backgrounds and ages to join us and look forward to welcoming new faces at our next monthly meeting.



To sponsor a child through
The Smith Family, visit
thesmithfamily.com.au
or call 1800 633 622

The next BERRY VIEW Club dinner
meeting will take place on Wednesday
21 October 2026 at the Berry Bowling
Club @ 6.30 for 7.00pm. Please call
Jan on 0490 054 574 to make a booking.



BERRY CWA

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Thank you to the members of the Berry community who shared our 75th birthday celebration along with CWA members, friends and official guests. Not just a celebration but an opportunity to raise funds for Pancreatic Cancer Research. Through the sale of raffle tickets and badges we were able to send \$1,675.00 to PANKIND, the research centre in Adelaide.

A group of our members helped the Berry School P&C on Grandparent's Day to man the cake stall as well as providing cakes & slices. A chance to allow parents and grandparents the opportunity to visit their child's classroom.

Since 1980, Year 5 Berry Primary School students have undertaken projects on the CWA Country of Study, this year Fiji. The students never cease to amaze us with their research skills and the time and effort they devote to the projects. Every aspect of Fijian life was captured in their creative dioramas making it a difficult task for our judges President Joan Cooper and Secretary Nancy Ghosh to choose the top 5 placed projects. Winter has not yet left us so we hope you will be tempted to attend a "Soup 'n' Slice" lunch in our CWA rooms, 11:30 to 2:00 in support of CanAssist. Lunch will be \$20 pp plus there will be a raffle, guessing competitions and maybe even BINGO!! Payment is cash only and numbers are limited. Please contact our Secretary Nancy Ghosh: ngosh10@gmail.com if you wish to attend.

*Members Nancy Ghosh,
Jenny Smith, Joan
Cooper, Angela Briggs at
the Grandparent's Day
Cake Stall*



*Pictured from
L to R: Ruby
K, Ruby H,
Eden, Olivia,
Stella and
James, the
top 5 placed
projects.*





**BERRY
Bag a
Bargain**

SECONDHAND GOODS CAR BOOT SALE

**CAR
BOOT
SALE**

Saturday 17 Oct 2026
8.30am - 12.00 noon
Berry Public School
Clarence St Berry

To book a Site: <https://events.humanitix.com/berry-bag-a-bargain-car-boot-sale-saturday-17th-october-2026>

QR Code

Parent's & Citizens Association

ENTRY: Gold Coin donation
FURTHER INFORMATION: 0411 959 212

Rotary Club of Berry

A joint venture by Berry Public School P&C and the Rotary Club of Berry

Starburst labels: Lots of Goodies, Coffee Van, Cake Stall, Plant Sales, Musical group, BBQ

Do you want to clean out your garage of unwanted items?
OR

Maybe want to see what treasures you can find?

Then come on down to the Berry School grounds Saturday morning 17 October ... you could **Bag a Bargain!**

One person's trash is another's treasure.

Three (3) options for Stall Sites:-

- 8 x 4m site for cars (\$20)
- 16 x 4m site for vehicles with trailers (\$30)
- An indoor 3 x 2m stall with one trestle table and a chair provided (\$40)

1st Stage of Rotary Dog Park nearing completion

Weather permitting, Stage 1 is aimed to be completed end of September/October, with the Park being opened for your furry friends to enjoy as soon as possible following that.

An Opening Celebration Sat afternoon 14 Nov is planned - a fun community event for two and four-legged friends alike.



YOU CAN STILL BECOME A SPONSOR!

You can still add your name to this community-led project by sponsoring a plaque on a fence panel or corporate fence sign.

Simply scan the QR Code for details.





Our speaker at Coffee and Friends on the 28th October is Kim Kerr. Kim, a retired head teacher of Geography at Trinity Grammar, had always been interested in Antarctica after teaching about it for many years. She and husband Ron, jumped at the opportunity to travel to Antarctica in 2024. Ron has an interest in photography so armed with a new camera and special zoom lens they have amazing photos to share and fascinating stories to tell.

Everyone is welcome at the Uniting Church Main Hall (77 Albert Street). Wednesday 28th October at 10am.

Berry Community Library

One of the many things we enjoy about being a Library volunteer are the wonderful discussions about books and authors that we have with the borrowers who come through the door. The latest recommendations we have received are 100 Years of Betty by Debra Oswald, *The Correspondent* by Virginia Evans and *Three Reasons for Revenge* by Dervla McTiernan. Books by Toni Jordan and Sally Hepworth are also very popular as well.

The Library is starting to turn pink in support of **Pink Up Berry**. Borrow a book with a pink cover and donate to this wonderful cause.

Library Opening Hours: Monday and Wednesday 1-4pm. Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 10-1pm - 77 Albert Street, opposite the IGA carpark, behind the Uniting Church. For more information contact Janet on 0425 220 258.



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Growing strong

Finally spring...and with it comes all the signs of new life.

Winter has been necessary; it has a job to do. The shedding that winter brings, occurs as everything slows its pace and the things of the last season become the humus for the next season of growth. It's a time to willingly let go, so that our hands are free to embrace the new that spring so quickly reveals. Change and growth are necessary for every living being, but change can be so hard. We love to cling to the old and familiar. We love how comfortable it feels, we even love its slightly sour smell. But gripping tightly to old patterns, systems, mindsets and habits is not conducive to a healthy life. So as spring sings with fresh hope, let's embrace the warmth that is promised as we turn our faces and lift our hands to all that is promised in this next season.

Salt is 14 years old this month! When we stop for a moment and turn back to see where we started, we are honestly astounded. The journey has brought with it victories and joys that have made the profoundly difficult and disappointing times all worth it. None of it could have taken place if we weren't prepared to adapt, change, learn and grow along the way. We would have packed up and chosen a simpler path if we wanted comfort and ease. Over those 14 years we have had the absolute privilege of gaining the invaluable people that have come together to create the special place that Salt is today. Thank you for being a part of that. Thank you for the changes that you have embraced alongside us and thank you for championing the growth and health of this unique community.



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71-77 Albert Street Berry

Come and join us

Sundays at 9.30am

in person or on Zoom

Zoom meeting link:

<https://tinyurl.com/xu6v4hw3>

Meeting ID: 916 5034 4362

Phone in no.: 02 8015 6011

email berryuniting@gmail.com

Phone: 0467 422 046

Web: www.berryuniting.org

Minister: Rev Gordon Bradbery

For pastoral care, weddings, baptisms and funerals, Gordon may be contacted on 0419 600 589 or at gordonbradbery@hotmail.com



South Coast Life Church

Bringing **life through Jesus** to the South Coast and beyond

- Tuesday 'Lets Play' playgroup
- Friday night Youth Group
- Ladies coffee and chat
- Acoustic guitar group

- ☎ 4464 2315
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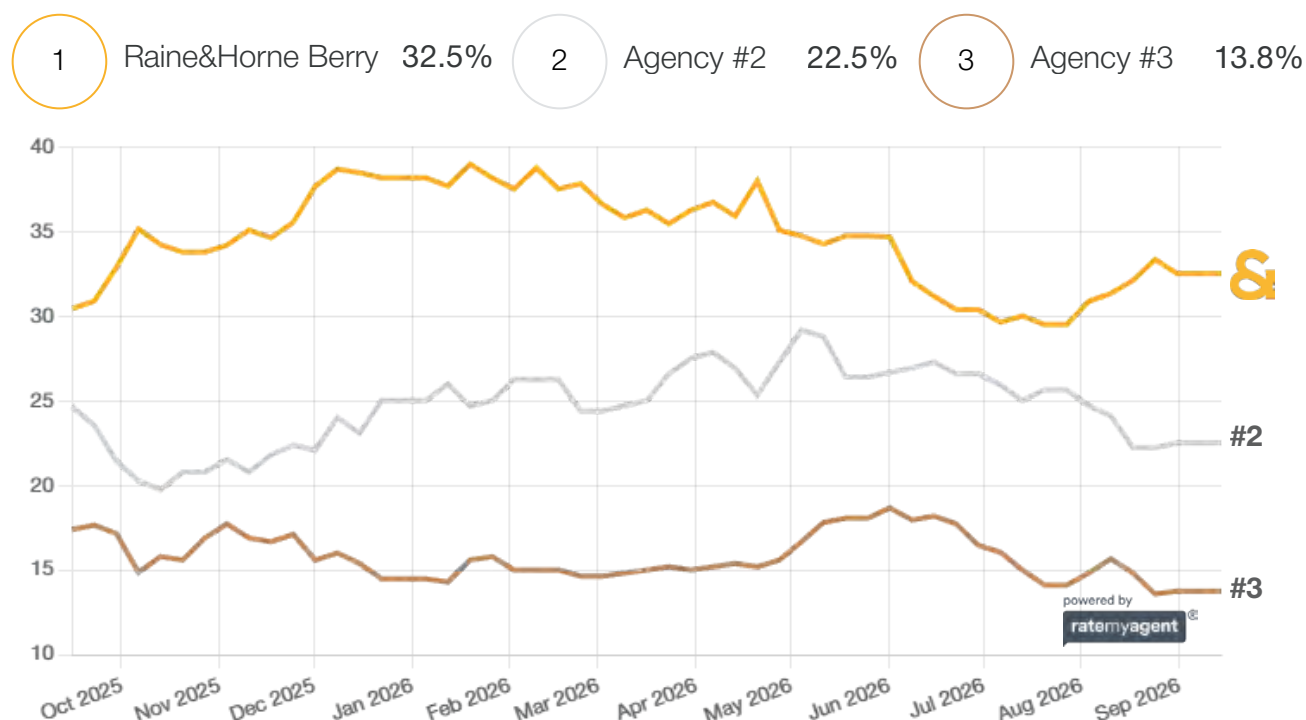
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NEW TO MARKET



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\$1,295,000



1/134 NORTH STREET, BERRY
\$865,000



35 WINDSOR DRIVE, BERRY
\$950,000 - \$1,000,000



17 ST ANDREWS WAY, COOLANGATTA
NEW TO MARKET



160 CONNORS CREEK ROAD, BROUGHTON VILLAGE
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227 MCMAHONS ROAD, NORTH NOWRA
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47 SUMMERCLOUD CRESCENT, VINCENTIA
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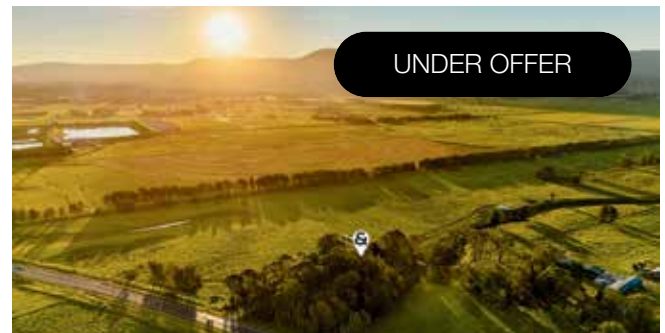
3B GOORAMA DRIVE, CAMBEWARRA VILLAGE
NEW TO MARKET



219 HANIGANS LANE, BOLONG
\$1,650,000 - \$1,700,000



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NEW TO MARKET



UNDER OFFER

445 BOLONG ROAD, BOLONG
\$1,350,000



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THE BERRY MASONIC VILLAGE AUXILIARY



Now that the new residential house at the village is fully occupied there are fifty senior members of our community living at RFBI Berry. Our group is working to support the staff and residents through our fundraising efforts.

In September our focus turned towards the men in residential care as we helped them celebrate Fathers Day. Gifts were delivered to each of them on behalf of the auxiliary on Sunday, September 6th. These gifts, and the brief visits from our members, were much appreciated and commented on by many residents in the following days.

Following our members recent successful shopping expedition we have decided to hold a Spring Fashion Parade featuring clothing and accessories from MACI Fashions on Wednesday 18th November at 9.30am in the Masonic Village Activities Hall. An entry fee of \$10 will include one of our famous Devonshire Teas. We invite all members of our community to join us for a morning of fun, fashion, friendship and food. MACI Fashions has been a generous supporter of our work for a number of years now so we are looking forward to a fabulous event.

A recruitment drive has brought some new volunteers to the village and we now have two additional bus drivers available to take the residents on regular outings. The old bus has been "put through it paces" and should soon be back on the road. As we support the running costs of the bus, this means that our fundraising efforts will become more important than ever! We continue to support many regular entertainment, arts and crafts, cooking, manicure, high tea and other activities the lifestyle team plans and delivers for the residents every day as well.

If you are interested in volunteering to assist residents and the lifestyle officers with things like knitting or sewing groups, card or board games, singing or other musical activities or anything else you have an interest and/or talent they would love to meet you. You can phone the village or visit the friendly staff in the office to fine out more.

Our group is warm and welcoming and would love to have some new members. Our next regular meeting will be on Wednesday 21st October at 9.30am in the Village Hall. Please join us.



PLANT PROPAGATION NURSERY

Growing Plants Growing Community

Spring Plant Sale will coincide with BPS Car Boot Sale on Saturday 17th October

Native climbers and vines in the garden

Climbers and vines make excellent screens for privacy or for hiding an unwanted feature in the garden. A frame or trellis gives them support, while pruning helps to keep them growing densely. Climbers also grow well in hanging baskets in or out doors. Without a support, they will tumble down over the edges of the pot.

Native climbers have a variety of leaf shapes of various shades of green, tiny flowers and small colourful fruits which are attractive to butterflies, insects and small birds. Some examples are:-

- **Water or kangaroo vine** - *Cissus antarctica* and **Five leafed water vine** - *Cissus hypoglauca*. Both species have attractive, interesting leaves and blue berries.
- **Wombat berry** - *Eustrephus latifolius* - has attractive yellow berries with many black seeds.
- **Wonga vine** - *Pandorea pandorana* - has attractive fragrant tubular flowers.
- **Monkey rope vine** - *Parsonsia straminea* - a robust plant which climbs by adhering to a support such as a wall or old dead tree trunk. The leaves are tiny when small, but needs to be kept in check at the height you determine. It's delicate appearance can be deceptive.
- **Burny vine** - *Trophis (Malaisia) scandens* - is a vigorous vine with pronounced serrated leaves.
- **Old man's beard** - *Clematis aristata* - during the flowering season in spring, the delicate fluffy flowers cover the entire plant, often hiding the soft leaves.
- **Morinda** - *Morinda / Gynochthoides jasminoides* - produces small orange coloured fruits. It climbs even without a support, twisting around it's own stems. It can also be grown in the ground and pruned to form a mound.

Growing native ferns at the base of climbers, can create a natural effect at ground level. The impressive display of flowers featured in the photo is **Clematis aristata** - **Old man's beard**. The photo was taken by one of our volunteers in her garden.

Local grasses, ground covers, shrubs, trees, vines and ferns, as well as some non-local native plants are available at Berry Public School Nursery- Clarence Street Berry.

Open on Monday and Thursday afternoons from 3.30- 4.30. Look for regular updates about the Plant Sale on the Facebook page - Enquiries welcome.

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Proposed Additions to Berry War Memorial



The Berry RSL sub-Branch is proposing an addition to the current Cenotaph to acknowledge all campaigns and conflicts Australia has sent defence members to.

After consultation with the Department of Veteran Affairs (DVA) to whom the sub-Branch will be seeking a financial grant to construct this new edition, the Berry RSL sub-Branch wishes to advise the Berry community of this new proposal.

The previous memorial edition and DVA grant earlier this year was unsuccessful; however a new and improved design is now the subject of another DVA grant application in November this year.

Shoalhaven City Council like the design and will support the grant application, however it is dependent on a successful resubmitted concept for funding from the DVA.

It has long been felt within the sub-Branch that these post WWII conflicts: Korea, Malaysian Emergency, Indonesian Confrontation, Vietnam, Peacekeeping Missions, Gulf War, War in Afghanistan, Iraq, National Service, and Nurses at War should be commemorated alongside our Cenotaph remembrance of WWI and WWII.

Numerous other municipalities within Australia have now recognised these conflicts with memorials.

The Concept of the new Memorials

The image shows the memorial in Australian black granite sited in the Memorial Gardens comprising of five panels with bronze plaques

service crests and a rising sun and "Lest We Forget".

Total length is 4.2 metres height 1.5 metres with a concrete 1.5 metre surrounding pathway connecting to the existing pathway – after advice it has been

recommended to use granite to avoid costly cleaning on a regular basis such as is the case with the current memorials.

Community support

Community support is sought by Berry RSL sub-Branch and an email or letter to the sub-Branch secretary will assist the grant application. The postal address is 26 Alexandra Street Berry 2535 or email to berrysb@rslnsw.org.au

Berry RSL wishes to acknowledge the community's previous and ongoing support to local veterans; we believe this is a fitting addition to our beautiful Berry War Memorial Gardens.

Stuart Christmas
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A Bold Vision, Finally Realised

BY KELVIN OFFICER

When the gate was closed on National Tree Day, July 26th 2026, a Berry Landcare event quietly realised a vision that was first conjured in the early naughties. In 2001, as part of the development consent for the Campbells Run rural residential subdivision, off Beach Road, a section of Coomonderry Swamp, including 500m of northern foreshore, was earmarked for inclusion into Seven Mile Beach National Park. Apart from the wetland, the foreshore was denuded of native vegetation, having formerly been cleared for pasture.

A consortium of conservation interests at that time, including Conservation Volunteers Australia and Southern Rivers Catchment Management Authority (supported by BHP) launched a vision to re-establish a margin of native vegetation across the foreshore of the new parkland. Since that time, blocks of new planting, have inexorably marched across the bare shoreline to a nearly annual rhythm of volunteer activity. Berry Landcare has been part of the project since

its inception, and volunteered under various banners including 'Save Our Wetlands', the 'Berry Wildlife Corridor', 'National Tree Day', and 'Re-Veg the Edge'.

Last July, around 40 volunteers enjoyed planting some 240 plants within a planting block which finally reached the boundary of the 2001 park addition, completing a project scope which was first envisaged over two decades ago. Thanks go to the National Parks and Wildlife Service, the Berry Rotary Sausage Sizzle Gang, and neighbouring land-owner Tony Kirwan for their support on the day.

It was announced this month, that a neighbouring 27ha section of wetland, a biodiversity offset linked to the Serenity Ridge subdivision, has now also been added to the National Park. This includes a further 500m of bare foreshore. An opportunity to extend the vision into the future.



The northern foreshore. The completed planting area to the right, new park addition to left (Photo: Damon Smith).

  Landcare BERRY



News @ Berry Riding Club

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October is off to a fun start with school students from near and far, representing their schools at Berry Riding Club Interschool Championships on 3-5 October. What a fantastic way to start the month. Over 190 school-aged children from K to 12 will be competing in a fabulous line up of events. Competitors of all skill levels from Kindergarten students being led on horseback to some very accomplished riders, keen to gather credits to compete in the National Interschool Championship. We are excited once again for the Rotary Club of Berry to be handling the canteen. Their yummy BBQ options, super cold drinks and their new Slushy machine will be in full operation mode to keep up with the competitors, and their families and friends. This will be our 18th Annual Championship. The support of our volunteers working hard, does not go unnoticed. Every single contribution small or large makes this annual event admired and appreciated by all.

Saturday 17th October we will be back to normal rhythm with Clear Round Show Jumping. The jumping enthusiasts haven't much time to recover before returning next day Sunday 18th for a Combined Jumping Day consisting of a Show Jumping round and an Arena Cross Country round.

Saturday 24th October, a Working Equitation (WE) Obstacle Practice Day will be an opportunity for riders to put into practice the tips and tricks the talented coach Bridgette McCosker shared with riders last month.

The last event for the busy month will be a Dressage Practice Day Saturday 31st. Riders can prepare for an Unofficial Dressage Competition the following day, 1st November. Good luck everybody in your chosen disciplines. Make sure you have fun and enjoy your time with your horse.



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UPDATE

We hosted our first wedding of the new season in early September and following a lot of work on the garden we are really happy with the results.

The garden was beautiful and the Bride and Groom sent us some photos for us to use along with their letter of thanks and how much everybody loved it.

Roses pruned; gardens and paths weeded; some shrubs pruned back; hedges pruned; lawns neat and tidy. All that hard work paid off and it was looking really good. They had a great wedding and we loved hosting their wedding.

Thank you Lilly and Ben.

Booking for the facility for weddings and events is simple and as soon as we hang our brand new sign out the front it will be clear to everyone.

Please go to our Web Page www.berrycourthouse.org.au and go to Bookings page. There are some details of what we have and can do as well as spaces, maximum numbers, conditions and rates as well as some photos. At the end of the page there is a "Booking Enquiry" form. Please complete that and we will get back to you and go into any details that are needed and we can then arrange an appointment to come and view it where we can answer any questions.

Because we are a volunteer conservation group we share the volunteer work and so we share the telephone around so if you do not get an answer please leave a message and we will get back to you. But please use the form on the web page in preference.

We monitor both the emails and the telephone regularly

Our thanks to the Friends of the Berry Courthouse who have been assisting us recently on some of our projects.

Berry Courthouse Conservation Committee



Community Infrastructure Plan provides roadmap for the next 30 years

Published on 11 September 2026

A comprehensive 30-year roadmap for community infrastructure across the Shoalhaven is set to guide future planning and decision-making, providing a clear picture of the region's current and future needs.

The Community Infrastructure Strategic Plan (CISP) and Action Plan 2026-56 will be considered by Council at the upcoming Ordinary Meeting on Tuesday 22 September.

The plan was recently updated in response to community feedback, following public exhibition earlier this year. If adopted, the plan will establish a long-term strategic direction for community infrastructure and provide recommendations for 648 individual assets across the Shoalhaven.

Director City Services, Kevin Norwood said development of the CISP had involved extensive community engagement over more than two years, including four rounds of consultation and over 7,900 survey responses.

"What is crystal clear is how much our community values its pools, parks, playgrounds, sports facilities, cultural venues,

and community buildings," Mr Norwood said.

"This is the first time Council has had such a comprehensive picture of the condition of our facilities, the needs of our growing communities and the priorities that our residents have identified for the future," he said.

"The CISP helps Council understand where infrastructure investment is most needed and how future opportunities can fit within a broader strategic picture."

The draft recommendations received strong community support during public exhibition, achieving 74 per cent agreement across more than 1,100 recommendations. Engagement also attracted strong participation from younger residents, with almost half of survey respondents aged 40 years or younger, underscoring the importance of community infrastructure for current and future generations.

The CISP and Action Plan are intended to guide planning and decision-making and do not commit Council to implementing individual recommendations.

Recommendations range from providing new facilities such as a regional athletics track to upgrades of playgrounds at local parks, through to identification of redundant infrastructure.

The CISP will also be subject to annual reporting and a comprehensive review every five years, ensuring it remains responsive to changing community needs, population growth, emerging opportunities and funding constraints.

The draft plan was publicly exhibited from 20 April to 20 May 2026. Community members are encouraged to read the revised plan and see how feedback has been incorporated ahead of Council's consideration on 22 September. Head to Council's Get Involved platform for more information.

<https://getinvolved.shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au/hub-page/community-infrastructure-strategic-plan-cisp-review>



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Getting to know your local RFS

A very warm start to September took many of us by surprise, but it did heighten awareness of the bushfire risk and now is a great time to ensure your family has a Bushfire Survival Plan, a great time to implement maintenance at your home to prepare for fire and ember attack and to consider how you and your family will be safe in the event of a bushfire.

You can contact the Brigade via our Facebook page if you would like assistance to set a plan in place or you can use the RFS link: <https://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/resources/bush-fire-survival-plan>



The Bushfire season runs from 1 September 2026 through to 31 March 2027. However, as we well know if the conditions are right, bushfires can happen at any time (e.g., grassfire in August near Berry). Please note: A Fire Permit is required for open burning during the Bush Fire Danger Period in rural districts.

This month we would like to highlight the State and Federal government's recognition given to four members of our volunteer community in the last twelve months. Our president, Rev. Rob Buchan says 'medals and awards are not the reason why people decide to serve as front-line responders, but they represent an expression of the gratitude from the wider community for the unpaid social contributions of everyday folk.

In the photos we see RFS member Glen Agar receiving his 20 year Long Service Good Conduct medal from the Assistant Commissioner of the RFS in 2025. In the other photos we have Captain Ben Madden who received the Premier's Citation for his flood work in during the Lismore NE NSW floods. Also Rev. John Brentnall, who serves as the SES Chaplain, who recently received the National Medal and the National Emergency Medal. Finally, Rev. Rob Buchan – firefighter and Shoalhaven RFS chaplain who has just received his Long Service Good Conduct Medal and National Medal with Bar for 25 years of service to the RFS, SES and NSW Fire and Rescue.

We are very grateful and immensely proud of all who serve our community and beyond as first responders.



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If you're interested in making a difference locally or considering volunteering, please direct enquiries to Leadership-BroughtonVale-Berry-vol@rfs.nsw.gov.au or visit the RFS Volunteer page at <https://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/volunteer/join-the-nsw-rfs>

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Any Berry Community group who are yet to provide their updated details (after your AGM elections for example) please email them to info@berryalliance.org.au. If you need a form please email us for that. Please ensure that we always receive any updates or changes.

Berry Alliance and Town Crier Management Committee

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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 last Berry Town Crier. The information on how you can see details and follow these applications, to make submissions and to follow an application is provided in the Town Crier each month. It is also provided in the "Friends of the Berry Town Crier" Newsletters sent out regularly between editions of the Town Crier.

If a community member has an interest in any DA then all details are provided on the Council Web Site: <http://www.shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au/masterview/UI/modules/ApplicationMaster/Default.aspx> Development Application Tracking.

Also, you may note that there are an increased range of DA, PCD, MA titles to their number.

"DA" is Development Application and is still currently the standard application.

"PCD" is Private Complying Development an application being submitted and approved by a private Assessor. These are usually signed off and approved in a couple of days.

"MA" means Modified Application – sometimes previously described as a variation. But it is an application for a modification to an existing approval.

DAS, MODIFICATIONS, REVIEWS & PRIVATE CERTIFIERS COMPLYING DEVELOPMENTS – APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

DA2026/1965 – 03/8/2026 – Proposed residential dwelling with attached garage and proposed swimming pool – 20 Serendipity Ridge, BERRY
 DA2026/1979 – 04/08/2026 – Dual occupancy (Attached) – 14 Hitchcocks Lane, BERRY
 PCD2026/1590 – 05/08/2026 – Two lot subdivision (Torrens) – 37 Clarence Street, BERRY
 PCD 2026/1632 – 19/08/2026 – Shed – 8 Mount Vista Close, BERRY
 PCD2026/1670 – 01/09/2026 – Dwelling alterations and additions – 335 Strongs Road, JASPERS BRUSH

DAS, MODIFICATIONS, REVIEWS & PRIVATE CERTIFIERS COMPLYING DEVELOPMENTS – APPLICATIONS DETERMINED

DA2026/1075 – Approved – 07/08/2026 – Demolition of existing structures and construction of a Dual Occupancy (Detached) – 1 Albert St., BERRY
 DA2026/1576 – Approved – 12/08/2026 – Proposed carport – 66 Albert St., BERRY
 DA2026/1838 – Approved – 14/08/2026 – Change of use of shop 4 from retail premises to hairdressing salon (commercial premises) associated fit-out works and business identification signage – 64 Albert Street, BERRY
 DA2026/1637 – Approved – 17/08/2026 – Alterations and additions to Berry Inn – Deck to be constructed at the northern end of the building, replacing existing deteriorating stairs and an entry landing – 17 Prince Alfred Street, BERRY
 DA2926/1846 – Approved – Single Dwelling – 24 Hitchcocks Lane, BERRY
 MA2026/1062 – Approved – SA.55(2) to DA19/1738 – staging of development and changes to location – 215 Princes Highway Jaspers Brush
 DA2026/1302 – Approved – 02/09/2026 – Alterations and Additions to a dwelling house, existing shed, with filling of non-functional dam – 185B Princes Highway, BERRY
 DA2026/1457 – Approved – 03/09/2026 – Dwelling house and shed – 3 Serenity Ridge, BERRY
 DA2025/1739 – Approved – 31/08/2026 – Subdivision (Boundary Adjustment) two (2) Torrens Title Allotments – 350 Broughton Vale Road, BROUGHTON VALE

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Berry Preschool



We are now halfway through Term 3 at Berry Community Pre-school. The children have enjoyed special educational activities in August for Science Week and Book Week, and are busy preparing for a special Father's Day celebration in early September. We are also excited to have a new Early Learning Sports Program called Ready, Steady, Go; which is introducing the preschool kids to a new sport each fortnight.

Our new water bottle filling station kindly donated by the Berry Community Activities Centre (BCAC) has been installed (pictured below). The kids are thoroughly enjoying using it for filling up their water bottles with filtered and refrigerated water daily.

We are also very grateful for our new preschool letterbox, which was impressively made and donated by the Berry Men's Shed (also pictured below).

A final thankyou to Jenny Walker from Berry Sourdough Workshop (www.berrysourdough.com), who has generously donated half of the profits from her Winter Sourdough Class to the Preschool. Thankyou Jenny!

The children and educators are looking forward to a fantastic, fun and educational Term 3.



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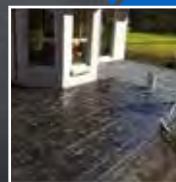
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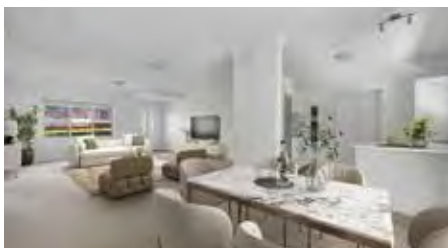
A rare end-of-building position — just one common wall — in a boutique over-55s community, moments from the village of Berry.

That single detail changes how the home lives. Light comes in from multiple aspects rather than one. Windows open to garden on more than one side. There's no neighbour on one side, and the quiet that comes with it. For anyone weighing up village living but hesitating over shared walls, this is the villa that answers the question.

Inside, a 5m x 6.2m living room flows to the dining area and a crisp white galley kitchen with wall oven and dishwasher. Sliding doors open to a covered terrace and a sunny courtyard framed by mature camellias — outdoor space you enjoy rather than maintain.

Both bedrooms are well proportioned with built-in robes, served by a substantial family bathroom with separate bath and shower. Air conditioning, a separate laundry and a deep 6.6m lock-up garage complete a home that sits entirely on one level, step-free from the front door.

Beyond your gate, the village does the rest: the Broughton Club with lounge, billiard room and pool, maintained grounds, an emergency call system and user-pay services from housekeeping to meals and care. And Berry itself is a short walk away — cafés, providores, galleries and markets, with Seven Mile and Gerroa a short drive.



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