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The closing date for our November issue will be Wednesday 21st NOVEMBER 2026 at 5pm.

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Berry has had our Return and Earn facility Returned and is now Earning again.

Sustainable BERRY

Following a campaign from the Berry Alliance and Town Crier that included direct approaches, letters of request and seeking and receiving comments of support from our Berry community through the Town Crier we were successful in having our facility returned, earlier this year. The Minister wrote to us advising that it had been approved and was organized to be returned to Berry. It was opened earlier this year.
It is very important that we use the facility as much as we can so that we can retain it and the benefits that it brings to our community and the environment.
This plays a strong part of the Town Crier's commitment to Sustainability for our town.
Please use it as much as you can.
It is in the car park of the Berry Bowling Club

Kiama Electorate recycles 417 million containers, delivering $41 million back to the community

The NSW Government is continuing to work with the Kiama Electorate community to promote environmental protection through recycling under the container deposit scheme Return and Earn.

The most successful recycling program in the country has been incredibly popular throughout the Kiama electorate and is set to expand from mid-2027 to accept wine and spirit bottles and larger drink containers.
Residents across Kiama, Shellharbour and Shoalhaven local government areas have returned more than 417 million containers across 10 return points, delivering $41 million back to the community.
In terms of environmental benefits this means:

- Saving 978 Olympic sized swimming pools of water
- Enough energy to power 5,700 households for a year
- A reduction in carbon emissions equivalent to taking 30,304 cars off the road for a year.

From mid-2027, Return and Earn will grow to include:

- **Wine and spirits glass bottles**
- **Cordials and juice concentrate containers**
- **Larger containers of up to three litres of beverages that are already in the scheme, like flavoured milk, fruit and vegetable juice.**



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Berry Community Group Leaders Get Together

At our regular 6 monthly get together for Berry Community Groups recently we covered a lot of ground and got to know everyone better.

We had representatives from:
The Shoalhaven Education Fund
Berry Red Cross
David Berry Hospital Auxilliary
(and Voice of David Berry Hospital)
Berry Bridge Club
The Berry and District Historical Society
Berry Men's Shed
Berry Public School Plant Prop
Redberry Quilters
Knit With Love
Berry Masonic Village Auxilliary (& Volunteers)
Meals on Wheels
Berry Courthouse Conservation Committee
Berry Tennis Club
Berry Garden Club (and Festival)
Berry Uniting Church
(and Community Library)
Berry Alliance and Town Crier.

We started with a glass of something and a nibble and took everyone into the fenced garden at the Berry Courthouse so everyone could see it and the changes and improvements made over the many years. The most notable changes were the growth of the plantings that were made some 26 years ago. This plus a few improvements with edging, repairs to the fountain and a fence and gate replaced off the driveway.
I did a guided tour and gave the history of this important and wonderful heritage property that is listed with the National Trust for its protection.

When we convened inside again representatives who chose to spoke about their group and any matter that was coming up, important and to share their work and thoughts.
Some wonderful wins and service were spoken about. There was co-operation offered, suggested and accepted as often happens. There were also other requests for volunteers from groups and some of the stories told about the assistance and important work that volunteers make. One of the examples was from the Berry Masonic Village Auxilliary and Volunteers and was about the number of our community members who reside there. Some of our community who reside there may have memory issues or are lonely as their families may be small or live some distance away and the incredible difference and improvement in their lives that volunteers can make. Visiting an individual community member to talk with them, read to them, show them care and respect. This was a moving reminder of some of the needs of some of our senior community members.
Sophie Ray from the Shoalhaven Education Group is always uplifting when she speaks about the great work and successes that her group have over the years and currently. In fact, two of the others in get together were volunteers as interviewers of applicants for the Education Fund. Sophie thanked all the community groups who have been supportive for many years with donations and assistance with events and encouragement. There were many other beautiful moments. We ended up with the Berry Alliance and Town Crier talking about the struggles that the Town Crier have had, mostly from the Covid days, in maintaining the Town Crier as a free, community not for profit paper.
The groups were thanked for their contributions and asked to complete the new registration form to be returned so that the Town Crier can look at the categories of the groups registered. For example there are some groups that are "Sponsored" Groups but the majority are Registered Community Groups and these different categories assist the Town Crier in how much space in the paper a group gets. It also covered the various requirements for submissions.
As well as thanking our advertisers who essentially pay for our free paper.
We had an apology from Pink Up Berry and Deb sent a wonderful apology and thank you to everyone but they are still going flat out in their efforts.
Nancy (our Editor) was also an apology on the night. Our Committee was represented on the Night by Martin Aicken, Holly Landgren, Dr Fiona Mackie and Rick Gainford.
Sorry Sophie and all, we forgot to take a photo on the night. I have put that on our pro forma run sheet for the future.

Rick Gainford for the Management Committee





VIEW
voice, interests and education of women

SUPPORTING CHILDREN'S EDUCATION A KEY PRIORITY FOR BERRY VIEW CLUB

Members of Berry VIEW Club are calling on the community to give generously and sponsor a child through The Smith Family. The focus is to end child poverty in Australia, Berry VIEW Club helps four children through The Smith Family's Learning for Life education support program, which provides families with long term educational, financial, and personal assistance so that children have all the essentials needed to fully participate in their learning.

This year has been difficult for all Australians due to the cost-of-living increases, but has been particularly hard for those families already doing it tough.

The Smith Family
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No child should have to miss out on the essentials for their education, and this is why VIEW is so passionate about supporting the work of The Smith Family. Its evidence-based approach helps children experiencing disadvantage to overcome the educational inequality they face. They support students for the duration of their education, and this helps them build the confidence and skills needed to create better futures for themselves.

While fundraising plays a vital role in helping children in need, Berry View is also encouraging women of all ages to donate their time and skills by joining a VIEW club.

Recently, members in our local area have been participating in organising fundraising events, such as fashion parades, bingo mornings and cent auctions.

Kind regards, Lorna

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

To find out more about joining VIEW, visit view.org.au or call 1800 805 366. To make enquiries as to how you can join the Berry VIEW Club, please call Jan on 0490 054 574.

BERRY RIDING CLUB

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Berry Riding Club November events start immediately on Sunday 1st November with an Unofficial Dressage Competition. The grounds always look spectacular with the white arenas set out, contrasting with the lush green grass.

Saturday 7th a Clear Round Show Jumping training day will be built with a new challenging combination to test riders and their mounts. This will be the last training day for 2026. Show jumping will recommence with midweek Twilight Jumping each week throughout January.

The diamond in November's crown will be our Unofficial One Day Event on Sunday 15th.This extremely challenging event requires the riders on one day, to ride a calm dressage test, test their jumping skills at speed over the cross country jumps and finally be able to ride a show jump course with careful precision. All skill levels are welcome to enjoy our exhilarating One Day Event.

November finishes with a Working Equitation Obstacle Practice Day on Saturday 28th followed by riders being assessed on Sunday 29th in a training competition. This competition offers two phases for the riders, the Ease of Handling and a Working Equitation Dressage Test. Who wouldn't want a horse that is easy to handle? This training is a great way to have a well behaved and confident horse, all wrapped into one.

Enjoy riding everyone.



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The Berry & District Historical Society

Fire at the Great Southern Hotel

Local records show that the Great Southern Hotel in Berry has survived multiple fires and subsequent rebuilds over its long history but none more spectacular than in 1961 on a Sunday morning over the Australia Day long weekend.

The South Coast Register reported that nearly all the residents of the town had turned out, lining the streets to watch the Berry Fire Brigade tackle the fiercely blazing building. The fire had started in a lounge at the rear of the hotel and swept quickly through the 17 upstairs bedrooms. Guests, awoken by dense smoke, climbed onto the skillion roof at the back of the hotel. Their cries were heard by the milkman George Skinner, who was doing his rounds and he immediately raised the alarm.

With their bare feet burning from the hot roof many decided to jump the approx. 4 metres to the ground. A 3 year old girl, held by her mother was the only one to be unhurt in the leap. Three Shoalhaven Ambulances arrived to take the injured to the David Berry Hospital.

Other guests made their way to safety using the rear stairway, the licensee Eric Flack and his family made their escape from the front balcony.

Fireman took about 90 minutes to bring the huge fire under control. The top floor was completely gutted. Within hours of the brigade leaving, a willing gang of volunteers was cleaning up the site and truckloads of ashes were taken away.

Mr. Flack found the beer in the refrigerator was still cold and that the cellar and beer fittings were still in working order. The bar was able to open for business as usual at 10am on the following day.

The Great Southern Hotel was soon rebuilt, continuing the tradition that had started in 1887.



The Great Southern Hotel prior to the fire.

Berry Museum

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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.

BERRY CWA

Although we associate hot soup with the cooler climate, the Soup 'n' Slice luncheon was enjoyed by all on an unusually hot spring day. The event raised funds for CanAssist with their treasurer, Dawn Chamberlain, describing the many ways that they assist cancer sufferers in the Shoalhaven. Even while delivering her talk Dawn received a request for help for another client from one of Shoalhaven's cancer-care social workers. It is gratifying to be able to help.

The Tea & Scones tag attached to the CWA is only one aspect of our Association, none-the-less an important one, as our cooking and handicraft skills are responsible for the money raised throughout the year. The funds raised enables us to support our local community, CWA projects and the wider community. Among the groups we help support are Shoalhaven Education Fund, SASSI, Homeless Hub Nowra, Berry Public School P&C and more including the CWA Medical Research Project - this year's Pancreatic Cancer fundraiser at our 75th birthday party.

The Berry Garden Festival provided another avenue to fundraise and to meet and greet both locals and visitors to Berry. Thank you to Joel and Sophia, owners of Garden 4, for providing the space and amenities for us to set up shop and well done to our closest and youngest competitors who set up their shop at the garden entrance (see photo).



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You are invited to the "Opening Celebration" of your Rotary Dog Park

North St. Berry - Sat 14 Nov 2pm - 4pm

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

This opening event will feature a range of activities for families, dog lovers, and supporters of the project:

- Information Tent – Learn about the Dog Park's features, development stages, and future plans.
- Free Rotary Sausage Sizzle BBQ – Enjoy a classic community favourite.
- Lucky "Gate" prizes to be won
- Special treats for your dog from local businesses
- Pet Photo Studio – Complimentary professional pet portraits for the first 20 visitors, thanks to Paws & Capture Photography.
- Official Red Ribbon Cutting Ceremony – Marking the formal opening of Stage 1 of the Dog Park.
- Delicious treats available for purchase, including ice cream from Coastal Swirls and Dog Gelato from The Flying Dog and Co.

The Rotary Dog Park is a real community endeavour, being wholly funded by community members and local businesses, with construction by members of Berry Rotary Club supported by selected local contractors.

It features plenty of off-leash space to freely exercise dogs of all sizes, being segmented into large dog and small dog areas.

Trees and shrubs provide a pleasant landscaped environment along with natural sandstone block seating as well as bench seating.

The impressive main entry is specially paved to recognise supporters and sponsors. And dogs are looked after with their own water supply, along with dispensers for poo bags and rubbish bins.





Saturday 5 December commencing from Berry Showground 11am

To register your participation:-
Phone Rotarian Joel 0411 959 212

THE BERRY MASONIC VILLAGE AUXILIARY



October has been a relatively quiet month for the auxiliary as we are planning and preparing for our November fundraising activity.

A Spring Fashion Parade featuring clothing and accessories from MACI Fashions is being held on Wednesday, 18th November at 9.30am in the Masonic Village Activities Hall. The entry fee of $10 includes a Devonshire Teas prior to the parade. We invite all members of the community and their friends and families to join us. MACI Fashions has been a generous supporter of our work in the village for a number of years now so we are looking forward to a fabulous event.

A pleasing number of new volunteers have begun supporting residents and the lifestyle team at the village recently. The monthly calendar of events and activities for residents now rapidly fills up with concerts, visiting community groups and new activities for residents to engage with every day. Our fundraising efforts go directly to RFBI Berry to support these activities.

If you are interested in volunteering to assist residents with existing activities or you have an interest and/or talent that you would like to share with our more senior community members the lifestyle officers would love to meet you. You can phone the village (02) 4412 6000) or visit the friendly staff in the office to fine out more.

Our group is small but warm and welcoming and we would love to have some new members. Our next regular meeting will be on Wednesday 4th November at 9:30am in the Village Hall.



THE DECEMBER MEETING WILL BE REPLACED BY A CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION





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Enduring Guardianship Important Changes

Since 1 September 2026, the NSW Government's prescribed Enduring Guardian form has included a restrictive practice clause.

Restrictive practices limit a person's rights or freedom of movement and may include physical, chemical or environmental restraint used in care. Residential aged care providers now require an express clause in an Enduring Guardian document before these practices can occur. Without it, a specific NCAT order is required.

We recommend having your existing documents reviewed by a legal practitioner to ensure they reflect your wishes and provide clear guidance for your guardian and care providers.

Further information is available in NCAT's online fact sheet, Restrictive Practices and Guardianship.

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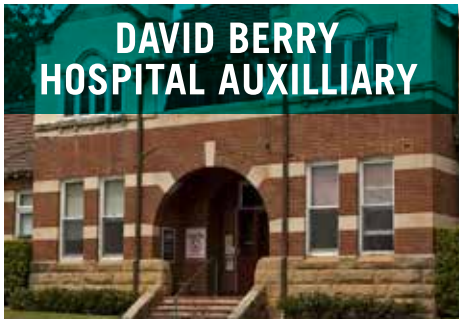
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Our auxiliary is continually being asked, by members of the public, "What is happening with David Berry Hospital?" And unfortunately, we just don't know. We have had no updated information from local member Katelin McInerney, or Health Minister Ryan Park. Despite a report, well over 12 months ago, on the outcome of the focus groups held in Berry, the focus group report for the indigenous community has not been forthcoming, despite a deadline of June 2026. Therefore, we have nothing to report.

We met with Serena Copley, Liberal candidate for Kiama for the upcoming NSW state election in March 2027. Serena was very supportive of our wishes for certain health purposes at David Berry Hospital, i.e. end stage palliative or aged in waiting. She will continue to support our cause, and we thank her for taking the time to hear our voices.

We will be holding a street stall in Broughton Court on Saturday 28th November from 8.30am, with proceeds going to items for our local hospital.

President Irene Birks and Treasurer Marilyn Kellett attended the NSW United Hospitals Auxiliary conference in Wollongong in October. This was attended by NSW Governor Her Excellency the Honourable Margaret Beazley AC KC.

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.

Berry & District Garden Club



The Berry Gardens Festival of 2026 was another great success this year with nearly 10,000 visitations to the seven gardens over the four days of this year's festival. That is close to 2,000 individuals visiting. Visitors came from far and wide with online tickets purchased from Queensland to Victoria as well as many Sydneysiders and locals. The weather held except for Thursday afternoon which was a relief. The workshops at this year's festival proved to be a great innovation with good attendances at all the events. The Club Committee would like to thank the Festival Committee, all the volunteers at the gardens and the sponsors from around the town for contributing to the event.

At our November Club meeting, our final meeting of the year, 4.30 for 5pm on Tuesday the 17th of November at St Luke's Church Hall, we will present the nominated Shoalhaven organisations with their cheques. Visitors are welcome to the Club meetings so feel free to come and visit us on the third Tuesday of every month from February to November.

Friendship Through Gardening

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Berry Remembrance Day Commemoration Service Invitation to Berry Community Wednesday 11th November 10.40am



Berry RSL sub-Branch will be conducting the Remembrance Day Commemoration Service. Guest speaker LCDR Matthew Urquhart, Executive Officer 808 Squadron HMAS Albatross will deliver the Commemoration address.

A biography of Capt. Shepherd DSO of Berry who was killed in WWI will be read and the Berry Public School captains Billie Gibson and Mako Sullivan will be reciting a poem.

Wearing of medals. We encourage attendees to wear medals and particularly families can also wear their kinfolk medals (on the right-hand side of a jacket or shirt) to honour their service to Australia.

Remembrance Day Period Poppy selling

Prior to Remembrance Day, sub-Branch members will be selling Poppies and Badges in the Berry CBD. These funds that are raised, assist veterans and their families. Over $6,000 was sent to various veteran organisations in the past 12 months, thanks to the generous support of the Berry community, as well as members assisting other veteran organisations such as Legacy with their fundraising.

We are looking forward to a fine day and our usual Berry Community support.

Stuart Christmas, Hon.Sec.

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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
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Members of the Shed outside the Visitors Information Centre.

Members of the Shed had a recent change of venue by being taken on a tour of the Blue Scope Steel premises at Port Kembla. Most members were amazed by the physical size of the plant and how it operated.

Last month's Broughton Mall sale was once again very successful with lots of items being sold to locals and visitors alike. Proceeds from the sale will go towards upgrading equipment within the Shed as well a assisting students through our scholarship fund jointly funded by the Berry Uniting Church.

If you are driving along North Street, you will notice several trees have been removed. They will shortly be replaced by new ones offering more growth and colour.

Are you interested in visiting our shed? You can do this on any Tuesday and Thursday and we would be very pleased to show you around.

Richard Wiseman, Publicity Officer



Redberry Quilters members have had a busy few months of sewing days, meetings, guest speakers and workshops. The new Redberry Committee for 26/27 was recently elected and special thanks must go to the outgoing committee and President Lee-Anne Twyford for their hard work and vision in moving the group forward.

A recent highlight at Redberry was the Creative Making morning on Sashiko stitching, a traditional Japanese stitching and embroidery technique. Several members presented their beautiful sashiko work and Sharon Thompson from Berry Quilt and Co brought some of her own work, as well as a pop-up shop, featuring all things sashiko.

Redberry members also recently enjoyed a beautiful morning tea at Kiama Quilters along with a show-and-tell exhibition of work from both quilting groups.

Karen Hamer from Potsy & Merzy Studios also came to Redberry and conducted a basket-making class for enthusiastic members.

The November guest speaker at Redberry is Karen Johns, a well-known Sydney-based embroidery and quilting artist. Karen does exquisite work and all are welcome to this meeting to see Karen's trunk show presentation. This will be at St Luke's Church Hall in Princess St, Berry on November 27th at 9.30. Entry for non-members will be $10.

Redberry Quilters meet at St. Luke's on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month at 9.30. All are welcome and new members are always appreciated.





Landcare BERRY

A Walk and Talk through Berry's Botany

BY WILL ARMITAGE

On 26 September Landcarers joined renowned botanist Dr Kevin Mills and local ecologist Garry Daly on a rainforest walk in the upper reaches of Broughton Mill Creek. This was one of a series of walks organised to assist local Landcarers with plant identification and habitat knowledge.

The walk started by following an old logging track through remnant Illawarra subtropical rainforest towards the escarpment. We were fortunate to identify some outstanding old-growth trees including an Illawarra Plum *(Podocarpus elatus)* estimated to be over 300 years old, a strangler fig *(Ficus obliqua)* close to 500 years old and several very old red cedar *(Toona ciliata),* pencil cedar *(Polyscias murrayi)*, and coachwood *(Ceratopetalum apetalum)* trees. These grand old trees were all adjacent to the logging trail and had fortunately avoided fire impact over their extraordinary lifetimes. Throughout the walk, Kevin and Garry provided information on the geographic distribution of the various species.

After morning tea and delicious cake at our hosts home, we walked down an adjacent gully to some vantage points towards the source of Broughton Mill Creek. This gully is home to some lovely cabbage tree palms *(Livistona australis)* and bangalow palms *(Archontophoenix cunninghamiana)* together with a wide range of ferns which Kevin identified for us. Bordering the gully were several giant brown barrel eucalyptus *(Eucalyptus fastigata).* Garry explained that these contained hollows which were home to the threatened Greater Glider - identified previously by him during night surveys.

We would like to give special thanks to Raoul Van Der Laak our host, Dr Kevin Mills for sharing his expertise of Illawarra rainforest plants, and to Damon Smith who led the walk. Kevin has just released a new book on this subject. It can be purchased at bookshops or online from the following Envirobook link: https://envirobook.com.au.



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PLANT PROPAGATION NURSERY

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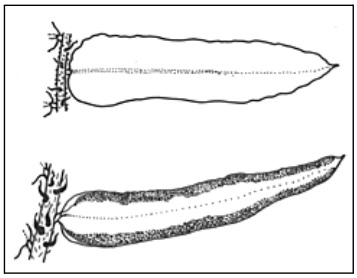
Some of our fern species can be particularly tricky to identify, for example, Sickle fern - *Pellaea falcata* at first glance, could look like Common fishbone fern - *Nephrolepis cordifolia* which is considered an environmental weed in NSW.

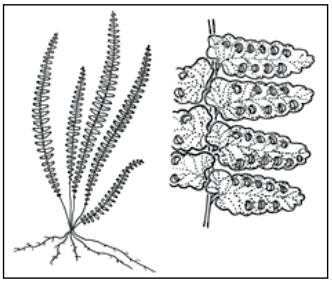
Coloured photos don't always tell the whole story either, but the line drawings, courtesy of Plantnet reveal the differences.

The spore pattern is often the best identification feature of a fern.









Pellaea falcata
- Sickle fern

Nephrolepis cordifolia
- Fishbone fern

Some of our nursery volunteers have good knowledge, skills and experience with identifying various plant species.

If you are in doubt about a particular plant and would like it identified, call into the nursery with a photo, but, more importantly, bring some fresh leaves attached to a stem or branch and our volunteers will try to help you to identify your specimen.

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Have you ever been bushwalking in an area that has not been visited much, if at all? The path if it exists is usually overgrown, and the trek can be challenging as you attempt to forge a new way through to the destination in mind. It's important to have the right tools to clear the path and a regular dose of encouragement to ensure you don't give up.

Life can be like that. Whether it's learning new skills (technology for me), breaking old patterns of behaviour or addiction, making positive changes toward employment, raising a child, or growing in our relational awareness and skill…it's all hard going when the path is new. New muscles need to develop, old comforts must go, fortitude and endurance is usually required, and none of it can be accomplished without a vision for where you want to be on the other side.

Salt is on the forefront of supporting people in creating new pathways, in seeing the vision for the future of their life and applying the necessary strategy to accomplish it. The path is usually dense with old growth and so a whole new set of skills needs to develop a clear way through, along with a whole lot of support and encouragement to get there. Sometimes the path falters, people turn back, it feels too hard, but so often, little by little, step by step, goals get kicked and a new and hopeful vista emerges.

Some of the richest blessings the Salt team can offer clients and participants of our programs is "lived experience". To stand before someone as the living example of what it means to have personally achieved what looked impossible, is hope and vision for every person.

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What an amazing Pink Month it has been!

The town looked so pretty in pink and we must thank all the businesses and homes that made a huge effort and decorated and also to the volunteers who did the knitting and crocheting that adorned the trees.
Our new section opposite the school of arts for memory trees was a very special spot - I hope you got to have a look at these trees that were decorated with much love.
The Winning Home was Carol, 67 Victoria Street and the runner up was Michelle, 28 King Street.
Winning Business - The Shady Fig and the runner up was The Berry Barn.
A special thank you to our celebrity judge Neale Whittaker who certainly had a difficult choice to make - everyone that made the effort deserves a round of applause.
The weather was certainly kind to us for Bowls Day and up until 1 hour before start time we didn't think we would get on the greens but the sun appeared and the pink Bowlers went out in a sea of pink and had a fun few hours before a huge storm hit.
Trivia night was a huge success, and fun was had by all.
Our Race Day at Shoalhaven City Turf Club was another successful day and the weather was perfect.
There are still tickets available for the Melbourne Cup Luncheon to be held at the Berry Bowling Club - tickets are $40 each which include a glass of bubbles - 2 course lunch and treats. Sweeps will be available and of course Fashions on the field which is sponsored by The Berry Barn with some great prizes to be won - So get your best pink attire on and join us for a fun day - bookings phone Deb 0428 005 910.
MTA Travel Berry has once again donated a fantastic raffle being a trip to Club Med Borneo for 2 for 5 nights - includes airfares, food, drinks and accommodation in a brand new resort. Tickets are available online or call into their office located just up from the back entrance to Berry IGA. This will be drawn at the end of November and limited number sold so get in quick.
We appreciate all the support given to Pink up Berry and there are just so many to thank. It's quite impossible - But if you have supported us in any way, please accept our heartfelt thanks and know that you have helped someone going through cancer to get the support of a McGrath Foundation Cancer Care nurse free of charge. All enquiries email pinkupberry@gmail.com.or phone 0428 005 910.

Paid Car Parking in Berry and Elsewhere Proposal / Option from Council

A number of people in our community would have read about a series of presentations by the Council CEO and senior staff but the meetings may not have been at a time of your choosing or were convenient for you.
The possibility of paid car parking in Berry was on the list. Not definite, but under consideration as this Council struggle to balance the budget.
Can we recommend that if you are interested in these meetings you go online because the Council have both the video of the presentation and the series of tiles with the presentation on them. Each presentation would have been at least a little different but the 2 we went to plus the video and tiles on line have some consistency.
Paid Tourism Parking - The proposal is alive and under active consideration.
Council staff have been required to prepare a report to Councilors on it.
They are currently considering introducing it to perhaps 4 tourism towns including Berry and Huskisson.
They are considering a system where:

- "each household" can register 2 vehicles each year after they pay their rates and these 2 cars will be in the system and therefor exempt from paying the possible parking fees.
- Parking fees would be set and signposted in the areas with a QR code for people to log in and pay for their parking.
- penalties will be imposed on anyone not paying through this system (or the car is not registered on the system as exempt – ie, a Ratepayer.

There is no commitment (just a mention) that the money raised would go to the town that it was raised in for car parks or toilets or better or more frequent service (such as toilet cleaning, bin emptying etc.
An obvious issue with this proposal for Berry was raised at the Berry info session - is the poor internet coverage in tourism towns, particularly at holiday times. Community members, visitors and Shopkeepers regularly have difficulties with their pay machines not being able to connect to the internet.
Visitors parking would need to go online via a scanned QR code and pay their parking and put in their car rego details. The rangers or staff would then scan each number plate (having tried to get enough coverage) to find which car did not come up as either:
a car registered to a "ratepayer" (in Shoalhaven or wherever they choose to make the free parking area – it may not be for the entire Shoalhaven community)
or a car with a registration with a payment made through the system.
Thes can then be ruled out and the others can be given a ticket – or parking fine..
Click through to the slides Council were presenting at this link:
Let's Talk Finances presentation slides(PDF, 5MB) pages 39, 41 & 42
Click through to the voice presentation on solutions, Options into the future
Paid Parking at this link: Let's Talk Finances full presentation by the CEO and CFO 34m 30 seconds through to 36mins.
Remember, this is only under consideration at the time of writing this and there appear to be some problems that will be hard to overcome.

COUNCIL IS NOW ASKING FOR FEEDBACK:

Council has since called for feedback on the proposal for pai parking for tourists.
Council is seeking feedback to better understand community sentiment toward paid parking before deciding whether investigation and development of a business case should proceed.
Mayor Patricia White said the feedback would help inform Council's consideration of how parking is managed, particularly at some of the region's busiest destinations.
"With more than three million visitors coming to the Shoalhaven each year, parking demand continues to be a challenge at a number of popular locations," Cr White said.
"We want to hear directly from our community about whether paid parking for tourists should be considered, what concerns people may have and what they see as the potential benefits.
"At a time when councils across NSW are facing financial pressures, it's important that we always look for opportunities and explore a range of options for managing demand and funding local roads," she said.
Cr White said paid parking schemes operate in a number of high-visitation destinations across Australia, often including arrangements that provide free parking for residents and local workers. One of the concepts being explored is exemptions for eligible Shoalhaven households, with up to two registered vehicles potentially excluded from parking charges.
Community feedback will help Council understand views on paid parking, including potential impacts on residents, visitors, businesses, tourism, parking availability and local amenity. Although no locations have been identified, the survey asks participants where, if anywhere, paid parking should be considered.
Community members can head to Council's Get Involved platform https://getinvolved.shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au/paid-parking-in-the-shoalhaven
to share their views by midnight on Wednesday 4 November 2026.

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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/masterviewUI/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

PCD2026/1670 – 01/09/2026 – Dwelling alterations and additions – 335 Strongs Road, JASPERS BRUSH
DA2026/2158 – 10/9/2026 – Demolition of the existing shed and water tank, construction of an outbuilding – 616 Woodhill Mountain Rd., WOODHILL
PCD2026/1703 – 18/9/2026 – Dwelling Alterations & Additions – 280 Tindalls Lane BROUGHTON VALE
DA2026/2182 – 17/9/2026 – Regularise the use of an unauthorised dwelling house and associated minor works relating to stormwater and wastewater disposal – 470 Woodhill Mtn Rd., WOODHILL
DA2026/2206 – 22/9/2026 – Alterations and additions to a dwelling house – 47 Prince Alfred Street, BERRY
Ma2026/1331 – 25/09/2026 – s4.55(1) TO da2025/2259 – Amendment to Clauses 9 and 20 of the conditions of consent to enable CC for early works ahead of dwelling construction certificate to being issued – 9 Foremans Road, WOODHILL
DA2026/2252 – 01/10/2026 – Proposed Single Storey Residential Dwelling, Swimming Pool & Cabana – 510 Princes Highway, JASPERS BRUSH

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

DA2025/1502 – Approved – 07/09/2026 – Dwelling House, swimming pool and detached shed – 142 Croziers Rd. JASPERS BRUSH
DA2026/1524 – Approved – 09/09/2026 – Home-Based Food Business within existing kitchen (food for sale) – 21 Wattamolla Road, WOODHILL
MA2026/1168 – Approved – 24/09/2026 – Modification of DA2024/1697 for a Dual Occupancy (Attached) to allow via MA2026/1168 for the construction of two in-ground swimming pools measuring 10m X 1.8m to service each of the approved dwellings – 19 Serenity Ridge, BERRY
DA2026/1802 – Approved – 02/10/2026 – Alterations & Additions to two storey dwelling house – 18 Wire Lane, BERRY
MA2026/1331 – Approved – 02/10/2026 – S4.55(1) to DA2025/2259 – Amendment to Clasues 9 and 20 of the conditions of consent to enable CC for early works ahead of dwelling construction certificate being issued – 9 Foremans Lane WOODHILL

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ZONTA CLUB OF BERRY PRE-LOVED CLOTHING EVENT: GIVING CLOTHING A SECOND LIFE WHILE SUPPORTING WOMEN & GIRLS

Buying pre-loved clothing is becoming an increasingly popular choice for people of all ages, and for good reason. It saves money, reduces waste, supports local communities and offers the opportunity to discover unique pieces and individual styles.
The fashion industry produces enormous quantities of clothing each year, much of which is worn only a handful of times before being discarded. This contributes to landfill, wastes valuable resources and requires significant amounts of water, energy and raw materials.
Buying pre-loved clothing gives garments a second life. Rather than a perfectly good jacket, dress or pair of jeans ending up in landfill, someone else can enjoy wearing them. By extending the life of clothing, we reduce the demand for new products and make better use of the resources already invested in their production.
With this in mind, the Zonta Club of Berry held its annual Pre-Loved Clothing Sale at the Berry Showground over the October long weekend. The event traditionally coincides with the popular Berry Markets; however, despite the markets being cancelled due to severe weather in the lead-up to the weekend, Zonta members were determined to go ahead.
And what a success it was!
The sale attracted enthusiastic crowds of bargain hunters keen to snap up quality clothing, designer labels and unique finds at a fraction of their original price. With every item priced at just $10, shoppers could browse an extensive range of pre-loved clothing, shoes and handbags, with even a wedding dress among the treasures on offer.



The sale is quickly building a reputation as "the pre-loved clothing sale to attend", with shoppers travelling from outside the region specifically to find a bargain. Its growing popularity demonstrates that sustainable fashion, great value and community spirit make a winning combination.
An exclusive launch event was also held on the evening before the sale, giving shoppers the opportunity to browse and purchase items before the doors opened to the wider public.
Despite the disappointing cancellation of the Berry Markets, the event raised an impressive $12,500 — a 30 per cent increase on the previous year. The proceeds will support community programs that empower and create opportunities for girls and women.
The Zonta Club of Berry's Pre-Loved Clothing Sale has become a flagship event on Berry's October long weekend calendar. With its growing reputation, enthusiastic following and positive environmental and community impact, planning is already underway for the 2027 sale.
By giving quality clothing a second life, shoppers are not only finding fantastic bargains but also helping reduce landfill and supporting a worthwhile cause.
About Zonta Club of Berry
Zonta is a global organisation advocating for gender equality, education and a world free from child marriage and gender-based violence. Through fundraising and community initiatives, the Zonta Club of Berry supports programs that help women and girls thrive.

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Buyers are paying for land, position and architecture: the things that make a property special and can't be added later. You don't need a last-minute renovation to get a great result. Tidy up, present well, fix what's broken, and let your home's best qualities do the work.

Pricing is where the best results are won. Homes that are presented well and priced to the market from day one are selling, and selling well. Be open to genuine offers when they come.

And if now isn't your time, that's fine too. Knowing where your property sits today makes any future decision easier, and I'm always happy to talk it through.

You'll hear plenty about who holds the most listings or has the biggest team. With respect, the most listings doesn't make an agent the right choice, and a bigger team isn't a more experienced one. Our family has been selling this coast since 1987. What matters is choosing a team with the experience to give you the right advice and get you moving.

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