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Cheese Rolling Championships to be held at Tilba Easter Festival

This year's Tilba Easter Festival to be held on Easter Saturday, 11th April, in Bate St Central Tilba will entertain the whole family. Stimulating live music, hilarious street games, market stalls and kids' puppet shows, jumping castles, rides, magicians, reptile awareness shows and a fabulous community Art Show ensure there is something for everyone.

Cheese Rolling is a new addition to fun street games that make the Tilba Easter Festival such a unique event. Locals and visitors alike are pitching their skills against one another in the art of cheese rolling. Reigning Women's Champion, Caroline Leach, says, 'It's not quite as easy as you might think. There are strict rules and competition can get pretty stiff. But it is a sport for everyone and nobody should be afraid at having a go'. The Bushies' Boot Throw and the Egg Toss have a long tradition and

many skilled participants whose skill and technique have been honed over the years. All the games are free to enter.

A non-dairy export of Tilba is

Carl Morgan. Carl and friends return to the Tilba Festival in 2009. Carl is currently completing a music degree at ANU (jazz performance) combined with a demanding performance and teaching schedule. Don't miss this exciting performance from one of Australia's finest young jazz musicians.

Musical entertainment for this year's 25th Anniversary Festival include local rapper Warren Foster, three-piece folk band Mawu from Bermagui, cutting edge political tunes from Lisa and Tony out of Moruya and lyrical Tilba locals Jenny and Tuk. The Festival offers young performers the opportunity to perform before a friendly and supportive audience. Daniel Champagne is one of our South Coast locals to be proud of.

Don't miss this year's Tilba Easter Festival on Easter Saturday 11th April 2009.



Georgina Faccetti of Tilba shows some skill in the inaugural Cheese Rolling at the 2008 Tilba Easter Festival.

Cinema in the Vines, Saturday 18 April

Most of us have heard of the film *Casablanca*, but how many of us have had the opportunity to see it on the big screen?

The Triangle, in conjunction with Tilba Valley Winery, is starting a monthly film night. Using our wonderful giant outdoor screen and set up on the winery lawn, against the stunning backdrop of Lake Corunna and Gulaga, we are starting the season with the classics and first up of course is *Casablanca*.

Made in 1942 and set during the Second World War, *Casablanca* won three academy awards,

including Best Picture, and was nominated for another five awards. It



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stars Humphrey Bogart and Ingrid Bergman and is probably most famous for the misquote "Play it again, Sam", which is not actually ever said.

So on Saturday 18 April, bring along your rugs or chairs, a picnic (no byog) and enjoy the rare treat of a classic on the big screen. Period dress optional but there will be a prize for the best dressed. In case of pouring rain (we'll all be out dancing in it), the screening will be indoors.

Gates open at 6.00pm for drinks and picnicking, film starts 7.00pm, cost \$10 per head.



Editorial

Easter will be virtually upon us by the time *The Triangle* appears and we have highlighted the events which are taking place over the Easter break. Please make sure your guests and visitors get to hear about the various fairs, art shows and great events which make this area so popular.

The new Bermagui Fishermen's Co-op building is looking excellent as is the Surf Club and both have provided many comments from locals and visitors. *The Triangle* would appreciate some information on completion dates and facilities in both these places as we are constantly being asked. Is it possible to have plans displayed for both projects in the Community Hall?

It is sad to have had disruptive elements in Bermagui which makes it difficult to stage events and manage them. Even if one does not agree with or like what is taking place, these events are for the long term good and provide variety for our community and will not continue if it becomes too disruptive for the organiser or the exhibitors showing their works. Each group of people with initiative has an opportunity to put their special interests in front of the public and we can all learn something from each event.

Once again, *The Triangle* feels the need to point out that we endeavour to print every aspect of a topic and if some area is not covered, please feel free to write to thetriangle2@bigpond.com to express your opinion; do not take vengeance on our voluntary staff who are all working hard to produce this small newspaper.

Seasons of smoke and tasty but tough fruitfulness – sorry Keats – and no rain, no rain, no rain. We can usually bank on one of the festivals or shows to bring on the flooding rains but this year we missed out. What an extraordinary summer – heat, bushfires and flooding down the entire eastern seaboard.

This month *The Triangle* with Tilba Valley Winery is starting a season of outdoor films – first one is on Saturday 18th. Yes we know winter is coming, but it is a long way off still and with daylight saving over the films will be starting at 7.00pm. The giant screen is great and watching a film outdoors is a very different experience to either the giant plasma or the cinema and for those who missed out during January now is the time to come along. We want

to show the old classics, the nearly forgotten gems, so if anyone has suggestions drop us a line.

We are again looking for someone to join us to help with getting *The Triangle* out. It is not an onerous job – 15 to 20 hours a month, organised, computer literate, you know the drill. △

Letters to the Editors

Congratulations

Congratulations *Triangle*, on doing your bit for freedom of speech – goodonya again!

Freedom of speech is a foundation stone of any living democracy. Many in previous generations fought and died to retain these rights and laws. My father was one of them, tortured and killed on the Burma Railway. Throughout the world people are still fighting and suffering to obtain human rights we take for granted. Just make a list of all the countries – there's so many of them – where people have to put up with tyranny and shut up about it or else you disappear! And your family!

It is important to remember that tolerance of others needs to be based on respect for human rights. We do not have a right to be racist.

Laurel Lloyd-Jones has been a dedicated worker for social justice and human rights for well over thirty five years. Laurel and her husband Edwin founded the Elm Grove Sanctuary Trust in 1987, and have been the means of assisting in the healing and helping of countless people and causes. They receive no salary for their work, always acting in an honorary capacity. As Franciscans they have made vows of simplicity of lifestyle and service to others. Many, many people have good reason to be thankful for the work of Elm Grove.

Laurel's courage, integrity of purpose and actions are to be admired, especially by those of us who don't feel able to stand up in front of the crowd and say it.

Laurel Lloyd-Jones has spoken the truth and told facts that are sometimes unpleasant for the community to hear; she has borne witness to the need to uphold the law and its due processes. She has named problems that need to be fixed and until a problem is named

Desperately Seeking Susan ... or George ... or Alma ...

The Triangle is looking for an organised computer literate (MS Word only) person with a spare 15 to 20 hours a month to play a vital role in this wonderful little phenomenon called *The Triangle*. It would involve a minimum of one meeting a month on/about the 23rd, held in Cobargo, and most of the hours would be around that date. PC Laptop supplied.

We'd love to hear from you:

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thetriangle2@bigpond.com

Ph: Jo – 4473 7927, Rosemary – 6494 4004 or Louise – 6493 7370.

and recognised, it can't be fixed.

Congratulations *Triangle*.

Condemnation is reserved for those who would seek to silence the truths spoken by others. That includes the ones who attempt to use the law to bully, intimidate and silence ... and that's a very slippery slope if we let it happen, and another story.

Thanks again *Triangle* for speaking out when others have let themselves be shut up

Robert Davie
Wallaga Lake

Thanks!

A big thank you to whoever found my handbag and handed it into the Bermagui Seaside Fair committee member Christine. And thanks Christine for taking care of my bag and ensuring it was returned to me safely.

Many thanks,

Alison
Brogo

PS There was a pair of gold rimmed spectacles found in the bag which are not mine. If the owner of these would like to contact the *Triangle* I will arrange their return.

Democracy at work

A letter in the March issue of the *Triangle* is such a fuzzily focused mish-mash of provocative non-sequiturs, it's difficult to know where to begin in response, but let's start by pointing out that the description of racism found so objectionable was not a *Triangle* 'article', but a letter from Laurel Lloyd-Jones – the

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Improving the Lives of Family and Friends of People with a Mental Illness

The Mental Health Council of Australia (MHCA) is holding a workshop in Bega at Women's Resource Centre from 9-4pm on 13th May to hear and record the real life experiences of people who care for someone who has a mental illness. The workshop will give the attendees the opportunity to hear from and speak to other people who care for a family member or friend with a mental illness. They will be able to talk about their experiences and what helps them to be a carer. There will be an opportunity to form links with local services a panel of three local guest speakers will provide information about their services.

The MHCA will use the experiences and information from the workshops to develop an *Annual Australia-wide Mental Health Carer Report* of mental health carers' experiences.

The report will be used to work for better outcomes for mental health carers and to demonstrate, over time, any improvements for mental health carers and where more work needs to be done.

The workshop will be an empowering experience. Mental health carers will have the opportunity to share and learn, but also give the MHCA information to advance the issue and needs of mental health carers in Australia at the national level.

The MHCA invites mental health carers from all backgrounds and all areas to attend local workshops. Carers at the workshop will be asked to talk about issues they think need to be measured over time. The wider the experience of

participants, the more diverse carer experiences will be heard and used to improve policy and programs for carers nationally.

If you would like to attend the workshop, please contact Gabrielle Powell 6492 1367 or Linda Rosie, Mental Health Council of Australia phone 6285 0810 (direct).



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contents of which, incidentally, are largely part of the public record – and therefore had as much right to be there as this letter. *The Triangle* was merely exercising an age-old democratic right to publish a diversity of opinion in its letters pages. As for Laurel Lloyd-Jones, this region has ample reason to be proud of her tireless, intelligent and compassionate work over many years on behalf of the human rights of all manner of people, including refugees and Indigenous families.

Ian McFarlane
Beauty Point

How big is your footprint?

Late last year it was widely reported that efforts by households to reduce their carbon footprints would simply put more money in the pockets of big polluters (such as coal burning power generation plants) allowing them to buy more permits to pollute more.

This followed analysis of the Federal Government's proposed carbon pollution reduction scheme by the Australia Institute's Dr Richard Denniss and others.

To check this out I wrote to the Federal Environment Minister, Peter Garrett on 20 December:

"We are considering having solar panels fitted to our roof. If we

do so will Australia's greenhouse emissions be reduced?"

More than two months later I have received no reply other than acknowledgement of receipt of my correspondence.

My guess, therefore, is that a "yes" answer was not possible, so a non-reply was preferable.

If that's the case then Dr Denniss must be right and the answer to my question must be "no".

Jack Miller
Bermagui

Appreciation for the Arts

Dear *Triangle* Team,

Had a lovely day in Bermagui yesterday and picked up a *Triangle*.

Just wanted you to know how much I appreciate the support of the *Triangle* team in letting people know what's happening in their area.

It was a great coverage of the French ceramic show. It is that type of appreciation that keeps us going so a huge thanks to all!

Kind regards,

Karen O'Clery
Tanja



THUMBS UP

To Candelo Books, who not only promptly order books but recently hand delivered the latest order to the door of a local *Triangle* resident, some service!



To Jess Austin, local plumber, who at the recent Super Bikes at Philip Island, won a 1st. How do we get in touch with your Fan Club, Jess?

To all the volunteers working at the various festivals and shows we've had over the last couple of months. Once again you've all done our area proud.

THUMBS DOWN

To the person or persons who gained access to the canteen on Dickinson Oval, on the night before

the Bermagui Seaside Fair, and made off with large amounts of steak and sauce. This sort of low action just makes it so much harder for the community.

To the midnight prowlers on the headland doing wheelies and disturbing the sleep of the security staff, and damaging some of the *Sculpture on the Edge* works.

To the person who rang 000 to call out the Fire Brigade in Bermagui and thought it was a joke to get volunteers out of their beds and disrupt the final feature of the *Sculpture on the Edge*.



Transition Towns Triangle Plus

TTT Plus joined with LETS, SCPA, Seed Savers and BEND to have stalls at the Cobargo Folk Festival and the Bermagui Seaside Fair. They were also happy to have an exhibit at the Narooma Public School Healthy Family Expo where they endeavoured to show the students the links between production and consumption by having two lambs on display plus a spinning wheel operating and knitting and crochet in operation plus completed garments on show. There was also a table where the students could paint and create pictures using recycled materials, which proved very popular. TTT Plus would like to thank TT Bega, SCPA and Seed Savers for the use of their equipment (tables and canopy etc) and their support at this event as well. Particular thanks to Geoffrey who brought everything up from Bega for us.

There's a proposal for a Health and Wellbeing Expo on the June long weekend this year. There are going to be stalls in at the Narooma Leisure Centre and Joyce Green, the organiser, is looking for expressions of interest. Joyce's number is 4476 8438.

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Anjana, a chimp at TIGERS in South Carolina, became surrogate mum to white tigers orphaned during Hurricane Hannah. More pictures pages 7, 20 & 21.

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Anzac Day Services in Cobargo, Tilba, Quaama and Cobargo

A Service of Commemoration will be held at the Cobargo and District Soldiers' Memorial on the corner of Princes Highway and Tarlinton Street, Cobargo on Saturday 25 April.

The Service will be preceded by a march, which will start at 10.30am outside the Cobargo School of Arts in Bermagui Road. The Service will commence as soon as practical after the march reaches the Memorial.

Local and visiting members of the RSL, serving members of the Defence Force, and ex-service men and women and their relatives and descendents are invited to join the march, which will be led by children from Cobargo and Quaama schools and the Cobargo Scout Group, and will be accompanied by the Tarraganda Pipers and the 7th Light Horse.

All who will be participating in the march are asked to wear full (not miniature) medals, as they may be entitled. Serving Defence Force personnel may come in uniform, as appropriate.

Lex Gannon will provide transport for anyone who would find marching difficult.

Local organisations and individuals may lay wreaths at the Memorial at the appropriate time during the Service.

Quaama

A brief service will be held at the Memorial in Quaama commencing at 9.30am, to which local residents and others, and especially school children and ex-servicemen and women and

their relatives and descendents are invited. Wreaths may be laid at the Memorial at the appropriate time during the Service.

Dawn Service

No Dawn Service will be held in Cobargo or Quaama, but those wishing to may make their own arrangements to attend Dawn Services in Bega or Bermagui, which are timed to begin at 6am.

Tilba

The annual ANZAC Service will be held at the Cenotaph in Central Tilba at 11am. It will be preceded by a march past of returned and currently serving personnel, and school children from Central Tilba School. It will feature live organ and bugle, and will be set against the backdrop of the Tilba Valley and Najanuga Mountain.

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Murrah Hall Fundraiser: Garage and Car Boot Sale on the ART Trail with bonus sausage sizzle

Easter Saturday April 11th
9am to 2.30pm @ the Murrah Hall,
Bermagui-Tathra Rd, Murrah

Popularism has never been so delicious. In anticipation of the impending Green Room extension we are pleased to announce that the Murrah Hall is having its first garage and car boot sale.

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My Triangle

Beryl Schaefer OAM

Beryl Schaefer has lived in the Triangle all of her life. She was born in Cobargo Maternity Hospital. The hospital, now a private house, was operating until the late 1940s under the care of a midwife; it closed on her retirement. Of course there was scant chance of getting to Bega in time in those days, most of the roads were unsealed and it would have been several hours' drive in a horse and sulky.

The Triangle that Beryl was born into was a very different place to the area we know and love today.

Beryl lived with her family on a farm in the Yowrie district. She went away to school in Kameruka for a while and stayed with the headmaster, who was a relative. She also attended the Tanja School, travelling during the war years on the cream cart, or riding the seven miles there and back. Her later schooling was done by correspondence; this was no disadvantage to Beryl who excelled in History, Geography and Mathematics.

Cobargo Township had no sealed roads and no curb and guttering. There were, however, many more shops: two butchers, three general stores and two hotels to name a few. Beryl remembers how during the Depression the population plummeted as families had to go to Canberra to find work; this caused the closure of several businesses and she remembers the demise of the Yowrie football team.

Beryl's family had a dairy farm. All the milking was done by hand and the milk was sent into Cobargo to the butter factory. Cream was picked up at

the gate by the cream truck; the obliging driver ran errands for the farmers, bringing back goods from town. Trips to town for the family were only about once a fortnight. Beryl recalls tramps walking the roads carrying swags. They would stop at the farm to do odd jobs in return for food. The family had no telephone. There was only a single line into Yowrie and phone messages were left

spirited. In honour of the work she has done over many years she has been awarded both the Order of Australia Medal and the Badge of Federation of Australia. She was the first lady president of the Cobargo Show Society, a position she held for eight years, including the year of the 100th show. This was very timely as her great-great-grandfather had been the very first Show President. She has been on dozens of committees and has been involved with the fundraising by public subscription for such projects as the Cobargo Retirement Units and the Cobargo Swimming Pool. Another first was as Folk Festival President. Beryl has volunteered her time at The Royal Sydney Show for over 40 years and is an Honorary Life Member. She manages the Southern District Exhibit and has done so for 25 years; she is hoping that someone else may take over next year. Come on someone else!

Beryl is pleased to see Cobargo's population increase and the town thrive again. She feels as if she is truly part of the town as one of her ancestors first settled the area. She loves the heritage and has been party to encouraging new building works to be sympathetic to the town's history.

Her one concern is the lack of parking. She feels that people often drive straight through the town these days instead of stopping for lunch and that the lack of a proper car park is detrimental to tourism. Cobargo requires community solidarity to move ahead the way it should!

Beryl Schaefer, one of the Triangle's treasures!



for people at the Post Office. Then of course, as time went on, the party lines were introduced. No secrets there! Beryl remembers riding into Bega in 1942 to compete in the Bega show. The journey took some five or six hours as the horses were not cantered to save them for the competition. It was apparently well worth the trouble, and amounted to several ribbons and a great day out.

Beryl is very community-

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What an extraordinary achievement most of us would consider it to be, to ride from the top of Thredbo chairlift to Narooma in five days on a push bike. Add to this the fact that most of the riding is off-road, and it becomes even more remarkable. Yet, 176 enthusiastic riders set off on such a venture on 2 March 2009.

The first three days took them from Thredbo via Crackenback, Perisher, and Lake Eucumbene, to Cooma. Then, on Day four the riders raced 82km all the way down the escarpment via Tuross River and Wadbilliga, to Yowrie where lunch was provided by the Bermagui Dirt Surfers. The next 41km from Yowrie to Bermagui was a "cruise" (non-racing) section via the public roads. The tired bodies were rested at Bermagui Hotel and motels before setting out on the last day's ride via the beaches and adjacent

farmland to Narooma.

The final day was 46km of racing, and started with a mass start, as shown in the accompanying photo, included a lap of the Bermagui Dirt Surfers' track, and then generally north along the headlands and beaches. They



A race through some of the most diverse terrain on the final day

Mystery Bay, through the Eurobodalla National Park to Jindamar, onto the beach at Island View Caravan Park, passing Narooma High School, then through to Glass House Rocks Road and finally onto the Narooma surf beach for the finish line.

Competitors came from many places, including some from overseas. 158 riders (or 90%) finished the race. They travelled in very diverse country, ranging from Australia's highest peaks, chairlift, skitube, steep gravel descents and ascents in Wadbilliga and environs, rainforests, and then beaches and headlands. It must surely have been a thrilling experience.

Wayne Byard of Narooma was instrumental in organising this event over the past year or so. More information can be obtained from www.wildhorizons.com.au.

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Notice from The Crossing Land Education Trust

Programs being offered for young people from the South East at Easter plus our annual Sea to Snow Crossing (applications are due by Easter)

Easter Landcare Adventure 2009

- For young people from 13-15 years on 14-15 April (and 21-22 April if sufficient numbers).

- Two-day canoe journey from mountain to coast

- Staying mid-journey in train carriage bunkhouse at The Crossing
- Applications by Thursday 9 April (cost \$50, half sponsored)

Sea to Snow Crossing 2009

- For young people 16-19 years by boat, bike and boot.

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Pat's Piece

I must admit that some months it's harder to get the column off the ground than others. Will I talk about those dreadful fires, which my son and his family were frighteningly close to? The disastrous state of the economy? Global warming or the war on Afghanistan that, like Iraq, seems to be indiscriminate when it comes to who dies? Or closer to home, the plight of our own indigenous people? But in all the foregone have you ever known a time in the last twenty years when the whole damn world seems to be in such a

negative state of mind?

Does the media really want a large percentage of the population to sit around in a state of despair while our kids believe that it's normal to drink themselves stupid to find a measure of happiness? Let's face it; we give them no certainty there's even going to be a future. Or is all this the aftermath of 50 years of prosperity in the Western world where corrupt money managers have taken us to the brink of a society that, through its own greed, has encouraged us to ignore the two thirds of the world's people that are starving.

What we need is that dominant optimism in the human psyche that says we can make this world a better place and one of the ways is by the very language we use. Have you noticed that today's journalists feed on words like toxic – crisis – terror – torture – poverty – as though they were an inevitable state of mind? In comparison words like laughter – music – dancing – works of art – compassion – seem to have gone missing.

I started my own little campaign by ringing the newsroom at the ABC and suggesting that a few more good news stories would help, and believe me there are quite a few. To my delight the very charming young woman that I spoke with was in total agreement and couldn't wait to pass the message on (I'll be watching with great interest).

So, my beautiful, bright and cheerful *Triangle* readers, here's a

couple of suggestions. Try spending a bit more time enjoying your kids, take them to see some beautiful art works or spectacular scenery that lifts your spirits, play more music that you really enjoy and sing along with it, have a few friends around for a loaf of crusty bread, tasty home grown cheese and a bottle of red, add some positive rather than negative conversation and for goodness sake laugh. It's just so damn good for you while you make a resolution to put a smile on someone's face with a new-found awareness for the needs of your fellow human beings. △



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Bermi Banter

The Millard's portable fridge has given many of their friends lots of laffs on various camping trips but it may be the last laff as its top blew off en route to Mystery Bay last Saturday evening. Anyone seeing a brown fridge lid on the edge of the road, please contact *The Triangle* – it would be a laff to have it back.

Bermagui has got the go-ahead from Bega Valley Shire Council for a Botanical Garden to showcase local plants in our area. It would be excellent if anyone who feels they can contribute knowledge, time, planning expertise or even money could email thetriangle2@bigpond.com and state their qualifications/interests and contact details. These details will be passed on to the co-ordinator. It is envisaged that this project will commence in late autumn and winter this year.

Jenny Brookes is keen to learn German and needs six or more keen pupils to enrol in a German for Beginners class at Bermagui Community Centre. Cost would be \$205 for eight two hour evening classes, from 6-8pm. Please notify the Far South Coast Community College of your interest so they can find a tutor and arrange the lessons.

Phone 6492 0052 (Tues-Thurs) or email Susan Gordon, Coordinator: coordinator@fsgcc.org.au. The sooner interest is expressed the sooner the class may begin. If you have preliminary questions please call Jenny on 6493 3534.



A Cubby for the Kiddies

The official opening of the Bermagui Pre-school Cubby House, dedicated to the memory of the late John Neilson, occurred on Friday night, 20th February.

Purchased using funds from the Mumbulla Foundation, built from materials supplied at cost by the Neilson family and erected with care by fathers Scott Hemsted and Paul Callaghan, this new play house was a winner with the children and parents alike. Many of the parents were heard lamenting the fact that they were too old to play in the cubby which comes furnished with a fridge, oven and basin with cupboards below and a table and chairs setting.

The Pre-school received a Mumbulla Foundation grant in 2008 to purchase a cubby. However delivery costs proved far too expensive and so the original plan to buy one in Sydney was scrapped. Enter Neilson's Mitre 10 in Bermagui and two willing and talented builders in the form of Scott and Paul. The resulting cubby is a wonderful

addition to the play area which will be used for many years to come.

Jeanette Neilson, grandmother of three of the pre-schoolers, cut the official ribbon, only after the whole structure had been thoroughly examined and approved by many of the children attending.

Director of the Pre-school



Bermagui Pre-School Cubby House – all those responsible, and the kids.

Narelle Myers said that dedicating the cubby to the memory of John Neilson was a small token of the high regard in which John was held. He was a great community minded man and had supported the Pre-school for many years as well as performing the role of Santa, without once being recognised. It was wonderful to have something finally in place that recognised and thanked him for all his efforts over many, many years.



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Bermi Banter (continued)

Bermagui Shines Again

"The Best Ever" was the unanimous conclusion of all who attended the 12th Annual Bermagui Seaside Fair on Saturday 14th March. Record crowds stayed and played, with good publicity ahead of time informing the public of the many activities, both on the oval and in surrounding locations.

Those who came in early were touched by a beautiful Blessing ceremony. Spectators for the Street Parade were not disappointed, as there were record numbers of participants and hardly any room left on the oval once they were all parked.

Excellent quality and good numbers of participants in the Sculpture on the Edge exhibitions, photographic exhibition and Bermagui Country Club arts and crafts exhibition, made for many favourable comments and a record number of works sold.



The Little Yuin Pre-Schoolers parade at the Seaside Fair

The entertainment and demonstrations were excellent, and continued despite the shower of rain with much popular appeal. The novelty



Camel rides, for those who are game

events and Bermagui Vet Clinic pet pageant were hilarious and very well patronised, as was the Marshall and Tacheci sandcastle competition. The CWA ladies would have liked a few more patrons at the Time Out Zone.

Market stalls, carnival rides and helicopter joy flights were busy all day. Younger folk braved the rain to sing and play at the Youth Music Quest. The evening squall subsided with a window of calm weather allowing a spectacular fireworks show to be seen on the foreshore.

The seniors rocked on Sunday at the Senior's Concert. Sunday was also the day for the discerning with the Sculpture Symposium at the beautiful Ivy Hill Gallery.

Police and security report that despite a few incidents, behaviour was much improved overall, particularly the late night shift.

Bermagui Seaside Fair has grown to capacity, with the generous support from almost every community group and business in the town. We are proud of the way we can all work together to show off our assets and attractions, our services and businesses, to locals and visitors alike. Well done Bermagui.

Pigs and Pythons Wow Pet Pageant Hi Folks,

This year's Pet Pageant was full of surprises and wonderful moments such as the arrival of Digby the pig, a beautiful, proudly displayed python and so many lovely lovable dogs and guinea pigs. We are enclosing photos of the winners in each category and some of the great images from the day. Our heartfelt thanks to the Bermagui Seaside Fair Committee and to all the volunteers who helped make this day truly memorable.

Regards,

Motria and Carl von Schreiber
Bermagui Veterinary Clinic



Imogen Lloyd-Jones and her very glamorous pets

(Bermi Banter continued on page 17)

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Cobargo Conversations

Comings and Goings

Welcome Sam, the new owner of Belinda's salon. We'll miss you Belinda but hope you enjoy a well-earned rest.

Happy Birthday to Bear and Pam Cox, and to all those others, who have March and April birthdays.

Four large trucks pulled up outside Cobargo Primary School recently and deposited two new permanent classrooms. Another two are coming, which will finally replace the old convertibles.

How lucky we are to have Helen, one of the Cobargo vets. Her compassion was recently displayed when going to euthanase Lindy's beloved German Shepherd. Lindy had struggled to dig a hole in our rock hard ground and after the fatal injection, Helen helped Lindy lower Shep into the hole, then sent Lindy inside whilst she filled the hole.

Skate Park Update

The Cobargo Skate Park Committee had a very successful AGM on Tuesday 17th March.

The Executive of Glen, Danielle and Tanya were re-elected and five young men turned up to put themselves forward for junior positions shadowing the adults. So, good on you Brad, Angus, Duncan, Angie and Josh who join the Committee Executive for 2009. Fund-raising is continuing with a cake stall and seafood raffle on Good Friday.

Hopefully the Council will soon confirm its approval for the skatepark to be sited on Crown land near Narira Park.



Another Great Folk Festival

The Yuin Folk Club committee wishes to report that this year's Cobargo Folk Festival was a major success. It was an artistic success and we have improved our financial result

the year by volunteers Graeme Fryer and Richard Depledge, whose dedication keeps the club and the Festival going. We wish to acknowledge the tremendous work



Cobargo Folk Festival volleys: Norma Allen, Charlene Cairn, Jen Van Gorder (Volunteer co-ordinator), Nicky Hutterman, Leonie Barrett.

from last year despite some heavy but welcome downpours of rain.

The Committee wishes to thank the sponsors, the many volunteers without whom we couldn't organise a festival of this size, our very generous billetes, local business supporters and of course our wonderful performers. Also to The Crossing whose presence at the Festival contributes to the high number of young people who attend.

We would like to thank the Cobargo Showground Trust for its support and help with the improvements to the Showground during the year.

The Club is very appreciative of the hours and hours of work during

done by Reg Dew and the logistics team, Shirleyanne Myers who organised our ticket office, Jen Van Gorder who organised all the volunteers and the Festival shop, Tim Cambridge – traffic control, Heather Percival who organised our billetes, Brian Myers who managed the festival finances, Helen Stafford – Market Stalls, Athol Cairn and Don Firth our onsite managers, Dave Handran-Smith who runs a great bar; Neil Davies and the Boy Scouts who managed our waste-wise event. Thank you.

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Cobargo Conversations (continued)

Wandella Hall's Centenary

The first talks of building the hall were between 1898 and 1902 according to the *Cobargo Chronicle* newspapers dated 2 December 1898 and 2 May, 1902 in the column, 'They Say'.

After much discussion the progressive spirit of the Wandella people led them to raise funds for the building of a School of Arts Hall. Mr. John McVeity raised over 70 pounds for the Mechanics Institute site – gazetted in 1908.

The hall was built in 1909. The building, constructed of weatherboards with an iron roof and measuring 50 feet long by 22 feet wide, was built on substantial blocks which were cut on site. Between 150 and 200 people attended the official opening of the hall by Mr. W. Millard at 2.30pm on Thursday 17 June 1909. It was followed by a grand ball with the piano being

loaned by Mrs. Peter McVeity Senior.

A supper room extension was built behind the stage and attached to the main building in 1935. The hall was then lined with fibro ceilings and beautiful jarra timber walls.

A World War One memorial brass plaque was purchased by the Wandella people at the cost of 28 pounds and was mounted on the back wall of the stage on 11 November 1929, inscribed with a list of local soldiers who had fought in the war. Three local boys lost their lives in the war causing much sadness to their families and friends.

With the help of grants from Veterans Affairs and donations, a memorial in dedication to World Wars One and Two was unveiled by Percy McVeity on 26 January 2002.

On 11 November 2002 a BBQ, bought from Council grants, was unveiled. Councillors David Hede, Joyce McGill, Jeanette Neilson and Tony Allen attended. This was also the occasion to launch Joy Masterton's book "The Wandella

Warriors", which was written about the men in the wars from Yowrie and Wandella. This book was funded by donations from Veterans Affairs and donations. Proceeds from the book sales have contributed to the upkeep of Wandella Hall.

With Council grants, fundraising and donations a new roof was completed in 2006 and a picnic table was added in March 2009. This is the only public rest area in Wandella and is used not only by locals but also visitors passing through.

Please come and join us in celebrating the Hall's 100th birthday celebrations on Saturday 6 June starting at 2.30 – 4.30pm with light refreshments, followed by the Grand Ball at night with a light supper.

The Grand Ball starts at 7.30pm, music will be by local entertainer Darryl Lamb, costume dress optional, prizes for best dressed. Please bring a plate to share.

Enquiries Joy Masterton 6493 7254, Colin Sutherland 6493 7308.



The Triangle Community of Gardeners (TTCG)

Our last workshop was held on Sunday 15th February at Cobargo Farm. A tour of the private garden was guided by horticulturalist Lindy Marshall – columnist for *The Triangle* news paper – and owner of Cobargo Farm Janet Doolin, and we kindly thank them for their time.

We (the TTCG committee) decided to focus on our objectives, which are:

- 1) a centralised community garden,
- 2) educational workshops/lectures,
- 3) small town community beautification

- 4) collaboration with the Seed Savers and Transition Towns

community groups.

Our committee now meets monthly on a Monday night, at a private house. You do not need to be a committee member to attend. Everybody is welcome.

If you are interested and want to become involved, feel free to contact us. We are seeking new ideas and opinions!

Phone: 6493 6746 (Ana) or 6493 6918 (Monika)

Visit our website: www.thetrianglecommunityofgardeners.org.au (all one word).



The Triangle Community of Gardeners at Cobargo Farm in February



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Tilba Bites

There is no news in my in-box this month so I am just going to have to make it up. It is now 33 years since I owned a motorbike. The two different road bikes I owned in the early to mid 1970s gave me the opportunity to do quite a lot of travel around Australia, including Tasmania. Bikes are generally a lot cheaper to run than a motor vehicle and as a part- and full-time student during the above period, a bike was my main mode of transport, a ticket to travel and explore. It was also more than that. You can remain quite anonymous in a car, but riding a motorbike is quite an invitation to group travel, camaraderie and chance meetings.

About a month ago I purchased a new 650cc road/trail bike and have just returned from an overnight ride to Araluen via Braidwood. This was an annual ride to celebrate the life and friendship of a friend known as Crazy. He would have loved to have been there with friends riding from Brisbane, Central Coast, Sydney and lots from Tilba and the Triangle. There were 27 riders, who all enjoyed fantastic hospitality at the Araluen Hotel, interesting company (both young and

older), food, laughter, chat and stories.

Getting out on a bike again has reminded me of the concentration and levels of precision needed to stay alive on the road. You must be in control of your own bike, be aware of every other road user at the time and be ready to act defensively for any acts of stupidity or thoughtlessness. Once you bond with your machine and its capabilities, then it is also important to ride in a relaxed mode to facilitate safe and enjoyable touring. After so many years' break, I am certainly keen to do lots more Crazy Rides.

Hope you are all enjoying our balmy Autumn weather and gearing up for the Tilba Easter Festival. It is a great event with quite a lot of history now of great family fun and entertainment.

Thanks for listening,

Ewen Genders.



Is it a joke?

Three Markets in One Day: Central Tilba Halls Clearance Sale

We have been threatening it for years, now it is finally a reality. As a result of a long overdue clean-up the Halls Committee in Central Tilba is holding a huge clearance sale on Saturday 18 April from 9.00am. This coincides with the weekly Growers Market and the regular holiday Trash and Treasure Market.

Our "Make An Offer Sale" will be held in the backyard of the Halls, (enter through the carpark at the southern end of town) with the saleable items on display under the Small Hall.

Items include a handsome set of upholstered wooden chairs, stackable chairs, old theatre seats, material, all sorts of things that are no longer of any use to the Halls yet may be of value to others.

Over the years the Tilba Halls have been a "dumping ground" for people's extraneous goods, some of which we use, most of which will be available for sale.

Our only stipulation is that the goods are paid for on the day and that they are taken away within the week.

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Tilba Bites (continued)

Ina May Rankin-Whiffen-West 1924-2009

Ina lived most of her 84 years within the Triangle community and what a rich tapestry of experiences she



Ina in her later years

weaved. She was born in Cobargo the second daughter of Arthur and May Rankin, spending her childhood with her older sister Nita at their property Mountain View. The girls' father was known for his skill as a sleeper cutter. Ina has shared many a story about their nine mile horse rides over the mountain to Fox Hill School.

Ina married another local, Jack



Ina and family at Mountain View Farm, 1944

Whiffen, and lived at 'Inglewood' dairy farm Central Tilba, the last property to take the milk cans by horse and cart to the ABC Cheese Factory. Blessed with six healthy children, Ina still found time to be involved with the local community, especially the 'Old Time Dances' (those were the days!) and later owned a business in Narooma famous for her hamburgers and milkshakes.

Life is forever changing and in 1976 Ina married Reg West, adding to the family an extra four. As usual Ina took to this role with gusto and had many new tales to share of their caravan adventures around Australia gold fossicking, fishing and catching up with family and friends. Ina loved her dogs Missie and Brandy.

This courageous, strong willed, beautiful woman gave her all to whatever life handed her ... and is survived by 21 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

Ina's family gives a heartfelt thank you to friends and community for their expressions of sympathy and support.

We love you Ina - rest in peace.

Ina's family

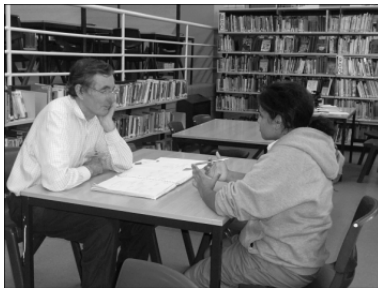


YESS off to Great Start

Last month, a group of committed local people decided to establish a voluntary group called Youth Educational Support Service, YESS. It aims to promote the educational achievement and career development of students and young people on the South Coast. Because of their significant needs, YESS initially decided to prioritise assisting Koori young people.

In just over a month, YESS has about 30 members in the Bermagui and Narooma areas and has started working with Bermagui Primary and Narooma High Schools. Members include former teachers, parents and other community members.

At Bermagui Primary School, YESS volunteers are helping with the



YESS Volunteer Noel Davis with Narooma High student Akira Kelly.

school's literacy program, reading with Years 1-4 children every morning from 9.30 to 11.30 am. At Narooma High School, YESS volunteers are assisting some of the 18 Koori students undertaking Years 11 and 12 this year

in their Wednesday afternoon free study period. Volunteers work on the students' priorities, including discussing research and presentation approaches for future assignments.

At both schools, the students and teachers seem pleased with the outcomes so far.

YESS is keen to expand these activities and commence more projects with local schools and groups. For example, Cobargo Primary School would like us to read with their children next term, Bega High School is keen for us to help at their after-school homework centre and the new

Wallaga Lake Out of School Hours centre would like tutoring assistance from YESS volunteers. If you'd like to join YESS or obtain more details, please ring Frances Perkins on 6493 6486 or 0423 780 498 or email potts_perkins@bigpond.com.



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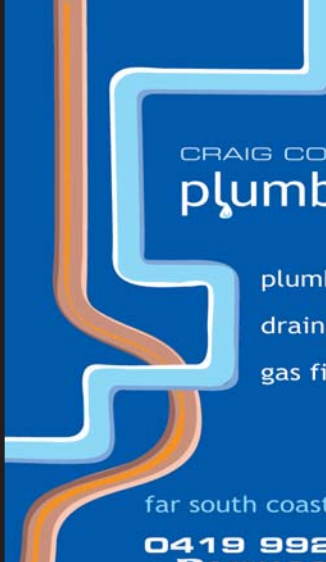
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Brogo goat breeder - goat cheese success

Deb Campbell, who is developing her own organic goat farm and cheese dairy was successful at the recent Bemboka show against stiff opposition. She gained Gold for her Marinated Feta, Silver for her Feta and Highly Commended for her fresh curd. Deb says she is not ready to go "commercial" yet as she is still breeding up her herd and aiming for even higher standards. We wish her every success and can't wait to have a taste.

Horse lovers

The Fernandez-Markov and Quinn families invaded Sydney with three children and four horses to attend the Parelli "savvy spotlights" training event. They demonstrated great guts in performing before Pat and Linda Parelli in person as well as an audience of 2000. It is special to have a community of people in the Triangle who are dedicated to training their horses naturally - by putting the relationship between horse and human first. Well done, we look forward to your first demo.

Fire brigade

A large crowd attended a fine evening of food and chat, tucking in to a spit-roasted lamb and a heap of sausages and the odd beer/wine. This was to raise funds for the ongoing support of the Brogo brigade. Thanks to those fine folk who prepared the feast and made the evening a success. Looking forward to the next time.

Marine discovery

A very interesting and educational forum was presented at Eden by the Marine Discovery Centre. The speakers were very qualified scientists and researchers but the presentations were clear and understandable by anyone. As a couple of Brogoans interested in our environment, we learnt a great deal about the Sapphire Coast and how it is changing. On top of that the mere \$20 a day included a nice lunch and BBQ. The next forum is recommended to anyone with an interest in our coastal environment. For more info see www.edenmarinediscovery.org.au

Rita and Cliff

Recycling

It has been brought to our attention that Brogo misses out on the Shire council contractor's recycling

service. Gerry and Brett Guthrie sent the following letter suggesting a local recycling station to both the Council and Andrew Constance MP.

"Dear Sir,

I would like to bring the local council's attention to the recycling position in my area of Brogo. At the moment we are disadvantaged as there are no recycling pickups along Warrigal Range Rd and Hawks Head Rd. We in the RFS worked out that up to 500 people live in this area and as I drive around on Monday morning most of the bins with the red tops are filled with bottles and cardboard.

This means that most (and probably all) of the residents in this area throw out their recyclable glass, paper, tins and aluminium.

I offer the council an alternative. Next to the fire station, on crown land, on the corner of the two streets previously mentioned is an ideal site for a community recycling station. All it needs is a set of, say, eight bins in a framework, to stop all this waste. The recycling pickup truck already goes past the turnoff from the Highway. It only needs to travel a further 2km to empty the bins.

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Bermi Banter (continued)

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Cookery, Craft and CWA

The ladies of the Bermagui branch have been very busy of late. A very successful Far South Coast Zone Land Cookery and Craft Day was held at the Bermagui Country Club on Monday 9th March with entries coming from branches between Batemans Bay and Eden. The standard of both craft and cooking sections was most impressive and all members are to be congratulated and thanked for entering.

Bermagui is thrilled that two articles of craft were chosen to go to State judging. The successful ladies are Lee Fitchett for her Stumpwork Toadstool and Betty DeLaMare's Jacobean Embroidered

Saddlebag. Lee was also the winner of the over 80's section, an amazing effort Lee.

Bermagui received second place in both the Branch Entry of eight articles and the Christmas Decoration Section. Bermagui was also

Fig and Apple Jam – 3rd Rhonda Brynes.

Our members also enjoyed the recent Bermagui Seaside Fair, joining in the Parade in their "bling". We were then kept busy serving tea, coffee and cakes at the Fair and funds raised will go towards cancer assistance for the area. Thank you to all who helped and donated cakes.

At our last meeting a representative from Bega Valley Coaches was present to explain the new Rural Excursion Daily (R.E.D.) Pensioner and Senior Bus Excursion Tickets, an initiative from the State Government allowing multiple trips to be taken in the local service network on one day for \$2.50. Much interest was shown, and

we need to support this service to show its need in rural areas. CWA was active in voicing this need to the Government.



CWA ladies ... at your service at the Fair.

represented in five other sections.

Entries in the cookery section were up from 73 in 2008 to 120 so interest is strong and growing. Our branch had 55 entries all up. It was good to see all branches represented with our branch receiving seven placegetters: Fruit Cake – 2nd Shirley Carter; Boiled Raisin Chocolate Cake – 3rd Margaret Hummel; Boiled Carrot Cake – 2nd Cheryl Horton; Ginger Sponge Sandwich – 2nd Winsome Salway; Pear and Prune Chutney – 2nd Cheryl Horton; Mustard Pickles – 3rd Rhonda Brynes;

Brogo Babble

(from previous page)

Thank you for your time. I hope that this meets with the council's approval.

Yours, Gerry and Brett Guthrie, Hawks Head Rd, Brogo."

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Art in The Triangle

Tidal opening for art@Bermi at Easter

Entitled *Tidal*, this will be the fledgling group art@Bermi's first Easter Art Exhibition. Previously this group of multi-talented local artists have exhibited at the Cuttagee Art Space on the October long weekend. This Easter they'll put on an art show for the four big days of Easter at the Community Centre Hall in Bermagui town, which has just been the venue for the highly acclaimed small sculptures exhibition that is part of the Sculpture on the Edge event of the Bermagui Seaside Fair.

There will be a feast of treats on show including: Helen Morris: paintings and prints; Phyllida Cameron: paintings, ceramics and sculpture; Jenny Halliday: paintings; Rona Walker: painting and sculptures; Deborah Mandira: textiles and driftwood; Jenny Mein: ceramics and textiles; Joy Georgeson: ceramics and painting; Krysia St Clair: ceramics; Pauleen Balos: painting and sculpture; Fran Vercoe: sculpture; Norma Lewis: painting; Margaret Kenny-Levick: timber.

There will be an opening at the hall on Good Friday at 3pm with food and drink and a chance to meet the artists. The exhibition will be open from Friday to Monday at 4pm. Come along and enjoy these 12 interpretations of the *Tidal* theme.



The Space Between: Cuttagee Artists 13th Easter Art Exhibition

Easter on the South Coast, that massive time of year when the weather is mostly fabulous, everyone (nearly) is on holidays and they all want to be

here on the beautiful coast and hinterland. What better way to spend part of it than looking at ART?

This Easter, just outside of the picturesque town of Bermagui, the Cuttagee Art Exhibition will open on Good Friday 10 April. This year's show is entitled *The Space Between*. Hard to believe it's in its 13th year! The newly named Cuttagee Art Space (previously Indaba) is the venue, with its wonderfully rural, peaceful forested setting about one kilometre past the turnoff at

the old Fire Shed at Barragga Bay, just beyond Cuttagee Beach. The Exhibition is open for ten days so locals and visitors snowed under (hopefully not literally) by Easter activities can still call out there. Every day there is also a café with home cooked cakes and real coffee, a great offering as it is nine kilometres from Bermi town.

Some of the usual Cuttagee Artists are exhibiting. Jenni Yamuna Bruce, who as a sculptor is 'always chasing the space between', will be exhibiting more of her unique sensual sculptures. Shunyam Smith, hot from a successful tapestry weaving exhibition in Melbourne in 2008, is producing works about the space between the two worlds of here and Antarctica. Deborah Mandira will again appear with her textile and

textile-inspired pieces examining the space between here and there, now and then, and different cultures and mediums.

Guest artists include second time exhibitors Jan Ward, with evocative paintings, and Leigh Anne

Sydenham, with limestone and found objects sculpture. Two artists new to the space are Anneke Pajmans with her smoke-fired ceramics and John Gosch with metal sculpture, as well as four



Lois Irwin, Shunyam Smith, Sara Freeman, Jenni Yamuna Bruce and Deborah Mandira finding the space between at Cuttagee.

more guests including the lately well-exhibited Sam Davis with her delightful photography.

The exhibition opens from 6pm Good Friday to Sunday April 19th. Please come along and sample.



Ivy Hill Exhibition 3 - 27 April

Local Far South Coast artist Wanda Akkerman returned recently from a road trip to Karumba on the Gulf of Carpentaria which included wilderness areas such as Lawn Hill Gorge, Mt Surprise and Carnarvon Gorge. The experience will be represented as colourful, intimate paintings.

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overseas and he is well represented in Regional Galleries, corporate, private and international collections.

'My work is concerned with an emotional response to the natural world. My current work is in oil on canvas allowing me to use the palette knife to add movement and depth to the wet paint'.

Jackie Lallemand has long been aligned with the Outback where dogs are an integral part of country life. 'Working' dogs are also to be found in any city park chasing sticks instead of herding livestock. In both scenarios they are loyal, joyful companions, truly accepting and loving unconditionally.

'Figurative sculpture is a continuing fascination and challenge for me. Each dog has its own individuality which emerges as the clay is shaped, textured and fired'.



Sculpture on the Edge successful again in 2009

Sculpture on the Edge 2009 ended with one of Yuri Wiedenhofer's finest fire sculptures yet. Yuri had put in a very long and creative week speaking at the Symposium and doing children's workshops at the local schools, as well as spending hours developing and modifying his exhibit. Bermagui was most fortunate to once again attract an artist of his calibre. Grateful thanks, Yuri.

Winners of the Cursleys' People's Choice awards were Andy Townsend and Suzie Bleach with *Adrift* and Randall Sinnamon with *How come?* Guy Ellis was the lucky winner of the draw for the Mimosa Winery's dinner for two.

The Symposium at Carolyn Killen's beautiful Ivy Hill Gallery was both stimulating and convivial. Thanks to Carolyn and Bill, the speakers, and

Carole Broadhead whose catering was once again exceptional.

Children's workshops with three of the sculptors were a new initiative and proved a huge success. So many totally focused and absorbed children. It did the heart good. Thanks to Joy, Karen and Yuri for all their hard work and for lots of fun. Thanks also to Kerri Binstock.

The Small Sculptures Exhibition was of a particularly high standard this year and was beautifully set up by Gail Schaeffer, Mandira and Margaret Kenny-Levick, with lots of help from Bill Southwood. Pauline Balos provided great practical assistance in dismantling it all, as did Guy Ellis, Gail and Kerri.

A huge thank you to Murray Ambler and Rowan Dixon who put in a giant, and voluntary, effort with the large sculptures show. Many thanks to those sponsors who rallied at a time of need, and to Sharon and David who donated the super opening day coffee fest at Morrisons. We loved it! Thanks also to Tony Millard who recorded the event for posterity.

Lastly, thanks to the sculptors without whom none of this would have been possible.

Jan Ireland



New Heights for Indigenous Art

South East Arts Region (SEAR) Indigenous Arts Project Officers, Matt Alterator and Loretta Parsley, are calling all local Indigenous artists to be part of an exciting new project that

aims to raise the profile of Indigenous arts on the South Coast. SEAR aims to create a database of Indigenous artists on the South Coast that will identify their chosen art practices, as well as explore possible development opportunities based on their artistic needs. The information gathered will help guide future funding applications and support programs, as well as provide information to artists about upcoming training and exhibiting opportunities.

The project will begin with a free Information Workshop on 8 April, to be held in Central Tilba at the Little Hall, between 10am and 4pm. This workshop will allow Indigenous artists to learn specific details about the project. An overview of Indigenous Arts in Australia will be provided, along with information relating to contemporary Indigenous art. The afternoon will be open to a 'sharing circle' that will see artists talk about issues relating to and influencing local Indigenous art and representation of Indigenous artists in the region.

The key outcome of the project will see eight artists chosen to undertake an intensive workshops programme producing works for an exhibition to be held in NAIDOC week. Further details about the exhibition will be announced closer to the date.

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Soft Footprint Recipes



Hi everyone,
I have been able to buy the most amazing variety of vegetables to roast at our local Bega and

Tilba markets lately and found they are just as good served cold. There are many variations to this recipe depending on what herbs you have on hand.

Roast vegetable chickpea salad

Ingredients

Butternut pumpkin, red capsicum, eggplants, zucchini, onions and any other vegetables you fancy
1 tin of chick peas
1 tablespoon of flat leafed parsley

Heat the oven to 220 degrees and grease a large baking pan.

Cut the vegies into even chunks, place in a bowl, pour some oil on your hands and gently coat the vegetables. I prefer to do it this way to pouring the oil on and stirring it in!

Rinse and drain the chickpeas, chop the parsley, set aside.

Place the vegetables in the baking dish and bake around 40 minutes or until tender. Remove from

the oven, set aside to cool. You can peel the skins off the capsicum if you wish. Place the vegetables, the chick peas and half the parsley in a bowl

Dressing

Ingredients

1/4 cup olive oil
1 tablespoon of lemon juice
1 clove of crushed garlic,
1 dessert spoon of fresh thyme

Whisk together the dressing ingredients in a bowl, season and toss through the vegetables and garnish with the remaining parsley. Ideal to serve with a barbeque.

Mediterranean Roast Vegetables

Using the same ingredients plus potatoes, coat them in oil and sprinkle with fresh rosemary, oregano or thyme and cook the same way to accompany roast meat.

Honey gingerbread

Use some of our great local honey and make this simple eggless loaf ... guaranteed to work!

1/2 cup of honey
1/2 cup boiling water
1/2 cup lightly packed brown sugar
1 cup plain flour
1/2 cup SR flour
1 teaspoon bi-carb soda

3 teaspoons of ground ginger
125 grams of melted butter

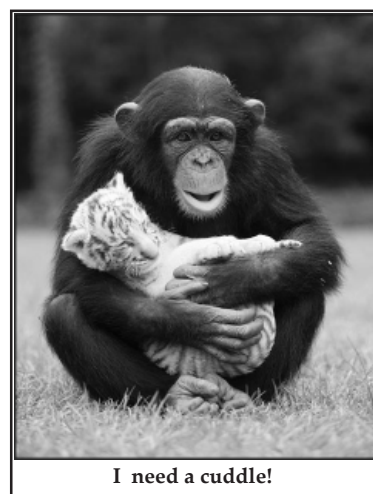
Grease a loaf tin and line with baking paper. Pre heat oven to 175 degrees.

Melt the honey in the boiling water in a mixing bowl and mix in the dry ingredients.

Beat the butter into the mixture and pour into the prepared tin. Bake in a moderate oven for 1 hour or until a skewer comes out clean. Turn onto a wire rack to cool.

Have a slice buttered with a cup of coffee or tea ... you deserve it!

Carole Broadhead



I need a cuddle!

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Garden Magic



What gorgeous days! It's a pleasure to be outside catching up with everything that was neglected in the awful heat. Need that life-giving water urgently, though.

Have a walk around and make note of what autumn/winter flowering shrubs and trees you have, and give them all a feed with sulphate of potash to encourage prolific blooms. Camellias, azaleas, rhododendrons, windflowers and so on will all benefit.

While you're at it, inspect the foliage of the azaleas. Two insects that attack these plants with monotonous

regularity are spider mites and/or lacebugs. If the leaves look silvery and anaemic, it will be one or the other but you need different products to treat the problem. Look closely – if there's any very fine webbing, it's spider mite and you'll have to spray with Natrasoap, which is a Yates product and replaced Kelthane. If no webbing, use Lebaycid or fruit fly killer (they're the same).

On the subject of azaleas, if ever you see a Mollis azalea anywhere, grab it (unless it is in someone's garden, of course). This is the deciduous form and the colours are so vibrant and rich that they really stand out. I have one called 'Gibraltar', which is such a stunning shade of orange that it is almost

iridescent.

Bulbs should go in now, but you know to put tulips and hyacinths in the crisper tray of your fridge for about 6 weeks to chill them prior to planting. I think it'd be advisable to give daffodils that treatment as well, but for about half the time.

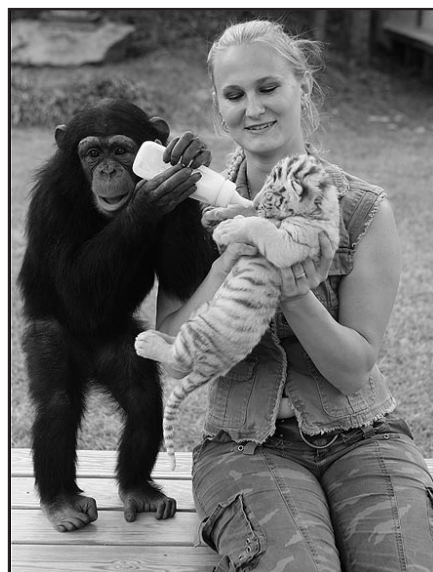
Autumn/winter flowering seedlings are in the nurseries, even poppies and calendulas, which are later in the season. Polyanthus are a good old standby because they'll take shade. Don't forget that polys are perennial – leave them in at the end of their flowering (about October) because they'll come up again next year.

Until next time.

Lindy Marshall



A very prompt response by our local Fire Brigade to a 000 call that 'the headland was on fire' was not appreciated by all concerned, especially when it was revealed that the plume of smoke came from Yuri's work for Sculpture on the Edge.



Anjana even helps to bottle feed the tiger cubs!

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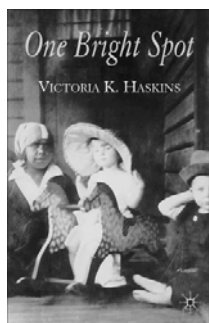
Book Review



One Bright Spot

By Victoria K. Haskins: Published by Palgrave Macmillan 2005

I was a bit daunted by the task of reviewing this book. However, having now read *One Bright Spot* I can highly recommend it.



Victoria Haskins discovered some surviving boxes of her great grandmother Ming's diaries, photos and correspondence which describe her life at Wallaga Lake.

One Bright Spot tells the story of Ming's relationships with four Aboriginal women who worked for her from 1920 to 1942, and her growing understanding of the nature of the Board's determination to control Aboriginal people's lives. The Aboriginal women's treatment by the Board makes at times grueling reading and Ming's attempts to stave off their intrusions are frustrated at every turn. As Ming battles with the Protection Board her personal politics shift and she finds herself at meetings with the "radical" Committee for Aboriginal Citizenship. She meets and forms a friendship with Pearl Gibbs, an Aboriginal activist, and this relationship forms the fifth part of the book.

This book should be read by all who are interested in our history and

most certainly by teachers and senior history students. If any doubt remains about the adverse effect of The Stolen Generations on Aboriginal people it would inevitably be erased by this very special book.

Susan Bear



HORSE HYPE

Cobargo Horse and Trail Riders Club

The club is preparing for our AGM on Thursday 26th March at 7.30pm at the Cobargo Hotel. We hope to be able to enter a number of rides onto our calendar to enable members to plan ahead. The annual Horse and Gear sale will take place again in May ... watch out for a confirmed date ... at present 9th May.

ATHRA (Australian Trail Horse Riders Association) Snowies Camp

A small number of Cobargo Horse and Trail Club members made the trek up to Long Plain to attend the ATHRA NSW 2009 AGM on 21st February and to camp and ride in the northern Kosciusko National Park. Cobargo riders ended up at three different campsites, however this was no problem as we met up at various times!

Arriving up to a week before the meeting or staying 4-5 days after it, we were treated to stunning weather, great company and fantastic riding experiences. With 25-30 people from a number of different clubs camped at

Cooimbil camp site (with 20 or so horses), it was possible to hook up with a ride at various times of the day. Some riders took the opportunity to study their maps, pick the brains/memories of the 'old hands', and venture out independently and become familiar with some of the trails (and tricks of the trade!).

At the meeting, the work ATHRA has been doing in regards to trail access was explained, as well as Camp upgrades in Kosciusko National Park and insurance issues. All horse riders who use the park will benefit from these negotiations.

Camel Rock ride and BBQ Sunday 1st March

An overcast but mild day greeted the ten riders who gathered at the Camel Rock car park. We rode up over the little headland and out onto the beach for a leisurely plod along the beach northward.

We crossed the sandhills and headed around the estuary, enjoying the sights of the water birds across the bay. We travelled through some light bushland and across open paddocks before returning the way we came.

After a good workout through the sand we turned south and followed the banks of the lake back to the headland track which took us back to base. We were soon happily cooking yummy Sunday lunch delights and sharing salads, cakes, biscuits and a big kettle for cups of tea or coffee.

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6pm Wednesday, Uniting Church Hall, Gipps St
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ANIMAL WELFARE LEAGUE

Far South Coast Branch - Meetings bi-monthly at
Tathra Beach Bowling Club every 3rd Tuesday of
each even month. All welcome. Ph. 0400 372 609

ANGLICAN PARISH OF COBARGO AND BERMAGUI

Quaama - St Saviour's - 1st Wednesday of the
month, 10.00am Morning Service
Cobargo - Christ Church - Fri, 10.00 Morning
Service. Sundays, 8.00am Morning or Communion
Service.
Bermagui - All Saints - Thurs. 10.00am Morning
Service, Sun. 10.00am Morning or Communion
Service.

COBARGO GARDENING & FRIENDSHIP CLUB

2nd Monday every month - 12 midday. Venues vary.
For info phone Robyn Herdegen 6493 8324 or
Margaret Portbury 6493 6461.

THE TRIANGLE COMMUNITY OF GARDENERS

(former Cobargo Community Garden).
Meets once a month. Venues vary. For info phone
Ana Walker 0417 936 746/6493 6746 or visit the
website:
www.thetrianglecommunityofgardeners.org.au

COBARGO SHOW MEETING

2nd Wednesday every month, 8pm - CWA Rooms.
Contact Lynn Parr 6493 6795.

COBARGO PRE-SCHOOL

Tues & Thurs for 3yo and over. Caring for your
child's early education. Chris McKnight, 6493 6660.

COBARGO SCHOOL OF ARTS HALL COMMITTEE

Meets once a month. Hall bookings and enq.
Maryann Green 6493 6280 m@blackdogfurniture.com

1ST COBARGO SCOUT GROUP JOEYS/CUBS/SCOUTS

Children 6 - 15yrs wanting to learn new skills, enjoy
outdoor activities, have fun. Meetings 6.30pm to
8pm in school term Cobargo Showground dining
hall. Contact Graham Parr on 6493 6795, Jim
Abraham on 6493 6668

COBARGO TOURIST & BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

Meetings 2nd Tuesday of every month, Cobargo
CWA Cottage 6pm. Phone Helen Stafford 6493 6572

COBARGO CWA

CWA Rooms Cobargo - 2nd Tues of the month
10.30am. Enq. Dawn Evans 6493 7301, Cottage Hire
6493 6428

TILBA GROWERS' MARKET

Grow it, Make it, Bake it, Sew it begins each Sat., 8am
to 1pm in Central Tilba Hall. Tables may be shared
so book with Annie Eldridge on 4473 7338 or email
annieandtrevor@hotmail.com.

BERMAGUI KNOW YOUR BIBLE

A non-denominational ladies Bible study group
meets at the Union Church, West Street, at 9.45am
every Tuesday. All ladies welcome. Ph Maree Selby
6493 3057 or Lyn Gammage 6493 4960

BERMAGUI BADMINTON CLUB

Bermagui Sports Stadium. Social Badminton -
Tuesdays 2 to 4pm, Sundays 10am to 12noon.
Contact Heather on 6493 6310. Competition
Badminton - Wednesdays 7pm to 9pm.
Contact Nicci on 6493 6602.

BERMAGUI BAPTIST CHURCH

West Street, Bermagui.
Family Service 11.00 a.m. All Welcome.

BERMAGUI COUNTRY CLUB

AMATEUR ART & CRAFT SOCIETY.
Monday mornings: Porcelain Art, Tuesday
Mornings: Needlework/Patchwork and Art,
Thurs. am: Embroidery and Leadlighting, Fri. am:
Pottery, Friday pm - 2nd & 4th Fri. each month:
Spinning. Visitors and new members welcome.
Ph. 6493 3445.

BERMAGUI SES UNIT

16 Young Street Bermagui. Meetings every
Tuesday 6pm. Ph. 6493 4199

THE BERMAGUI MARKET

Last Sunday of the month. Coordinated by the
Bermagui Red Cross. Gary Stevens, 6493 6581

BERMAGUI PLAYGROUP

Fri. am in school term 10am - 12pm Bermagui
Preschool, Young St, Bermagui. Ph: 6493 4183.

BERMAGUI & DISTRICT LIONS CLUB

Needs new members. Those interested please
phone Rod Moore on 6493 5068. Meet 1st Thurs.
each month at Bermagui Country Club & 3rd
Thurs. at Cobargo Hotel at 7.00pm for 7.30pm.

BERMAGUI INDOOR BOWLS CLUB

Meets for social bowls in the lower auditorium
Bermagui Country Club at 7:00pm. Ladies and
men. Contact Joy on 6493 5104.

QUAAMA MORNING COFFEE LADIES

Meet at 11am every Wed for morning tea and
friendship. Newcomers always welcome. Bring a
plate. Contact Lorna 6493 8417 or Judith 6493
8347 for next Wed's venue.

QUAAMA / COBARGO QUILTERS

Meets Mondays, 10am - 3.30pm in the CWA
Cottage, Bermagui Road, Cobargo, and welcomes
anyone who does patchwork, quilting,
needlework, sewing or any other handcraft.
Dianne Smithett, 6493 8590.

QUAAMA BAND

Come & join a community band. All levels
welcome. Sundays 3 - 6 at the Quaama Hall. Ph.
Greg 6493 8240.

OVER 50'S FUN & FITNESS

Every Tuesday, 2pm to 3pm at the Bermagui
Country Club, with Nancy Casu, qualified fitness
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Cost \$8, free introductory class. Contact Penny
Levin (Pres.) 6493 5602 or Jan McCartney (sec.)
6493 3573.

THE YUIN FOLK CLUB

Folk Night Evenings, visiting performers, usually
first Friday in month (please check first.) For
more info, ph Secretary, Coral Vorbach 6493 6758.

QBC COUNTRY MUSIC CLUB

Free monthly concerts at the Bega Bowling Club,
Cobargo Hotel, Narooma Sporting Club, Tuross
Kyla Park Hall and Quaama Hall. Visitors,
Children, Musos welcome. Contact Ted Weiss on
6493 6548.

SOUTHERN LIFECHURCH

Sundays @ 4pm, Union Church building, West St,
Bermagui. Pastors Gary & Michele Tyrrell 6493
6483

MOBILE TOY LIBRARY & PARENTING RESOURCE SERVICE

All parents of chn. 0-6 welcome to join.
Cobargo - every 2nd Wednesday 1.30pm- 2.30pm at
CWA cottage; Bermagui - every 2nd Friday 10.30am
- 12pm in the Ambulance station grounds;
Quaama - Wednesdays by prior arrangement.
Enquiries: 0428 667 924

TILBA VALLEY WINES

BRIDGE CLUB

1st Wednesday every month from 2pm. All
standards catered for - partners not necessary - stay/
play as long as you like - visitors to the area
especially welcome. Further details: Peter 4473 7308

DRY RIVER RODEO COMMITTEE

Meet 1st Wed. of the month Quaama Rodeo grounds,
7.30pm. All welcome. Ph. Katrina 6492 7138.

MYSTERY BAY COAST CARE

Contact: Christina Potts 4473 7053 Meet: 9.30-12.30
3rd Sat Month @ swings. All Welcome.

LIFE DRAWING SESSIONS

Cobargo SofA Hall every second Sunday. Set up,
1.45pm. Drawing, 2-4pm. Naomi 6493 7307.

DIGNAMS CREEK COMMUNITY GROUP

Meets randomly. For info phone Shannon Russack,
Pres. 6493 6512 or Merryn Carey, Sec. 6493 6747.

AGLOW CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

A world wide Interdenominational Christian
Women's Fellowship, providing opportunities to
help women discover their identity in Jesus Christ.
Enquiries ph. Elizabeth Farnsworth 4473 8413.

OPEN SANCTUARY@TILBA

Gatherings at Holy Trinity Church Tilba Tilba on the
second and fourth Saturday evening of each month
at 5pm. Music, meditation and shared reflections,
supper afterwards so please bring a plate if able.
Meditation group meets every Wed at 10 am.
Inquiries Rev Linda Chapman 4476 1006.

NAROOMA & DISTRICTS CAMERA CLUB

Meetings 1st Hole, Narooma Golf Club, 2nd Tuesday
of the month, 7.00pm. Whether beginner or pro,
come & experience the joy of photography. Dave
Cotton, 6493 3800.

BERMAGUI CROQUET CLUB

Bermagui Country Club, Croquet Club play Every
Thursday 2.00-4.00pm. New players always
welcome, tuition and friendly games always
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Friday 3rd April	Jam Session	River Rock Cafe	6.30 - 10pm BYO
Saturday 4th	Tilba Jam Session, all Musos welcome	Dromedary Hotel	6pm till 11pm
Sunday 5th	Dan Hanrahan & the Roadsiders	Dromedary Hotel	5.30pm - 9.30pm
Wednesday 8th	Delivery date Tilba Easter Art Show	Big Hall Central Tilba	9am - noon
Thursday 9th	Opening night Tilba Easter Art Show - To be opened by Andrew Gray SEAR	Big Hall Central Tilba	6pm BYO
Friday 10th	Jam Session	River Rock Cafe	6.30 - 10pm BYO
Saturday 11th	EGGXOTIC - Group Art Exhibition opening, wine & nibbles	The Showroom Art Gallery Cobargo	6pm
Saturday 11th	Silver Jubilee Tilba Easter Festival	Bate Street Central Tilba	All day
Saturday 11th	Murrah Hall fundraiser sausage sizzle, garage and boot sale	Murrah Hall Bermagui-Tathra Road Murrah	9.30am - 2.30pm
Saturday 11th	QBC Country Music Club	Cobargo SOA Hall	7pm
Friday 17th	Jam Session	River Rock Cafe	6.30 - 10pm BYO
Friday 17th	Genevieve	Cobargo Hotel	7.30pm
Saturday 18th	Cinema in the Vines "Casablanca", enquiries 4473 7308	Tilba Valley Winery	7pm
Saturday 18th	Central Tilba Halls Clearance Sale	Tilba Small Hall back yard	9am
Sunday 19th	Yolande, free live music	Tilba Valley Winery	12.30pm
Friday 24th	Yolamba	Cobargo Hotel	7.30pm
Friday 24th	Jam Session	River Rock Cafe	6.30 - 10pm BYO
May 3rd, Saturday	Damien Coen	Tilba Valley Winery	12.30pm



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