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Films, Fairy Floss and Toffee Apples ...

Remember the drive-in? Ever been to an outdoor film? Well now is the time.

The Triangle is holding 'The Triangle Film Feast' over two weekends in January. On Friday and Saturday the 9th and 10th and then again on Friday and Saturday 16th and 17th, at the Cobargo Showgrounds, *The Triangle* will be showing family friendly Australian movies. Bring the family, a picnic, pack a rug and maybe a couple of cushions, lie back and as the sun goes down over the horizon the screen will light up.

Subject to availability, we're hoping to show the following films. Riding on the back of Baz Luhrmann's 'Australia' we will be showcasing two of his early films: *Strictly Ballroom* – never thought you'd want to see a film about ballroom dancing? Well, you haven't seen Baz's film;

and *Romeo and Juliet* – this interpretation has turned a new generation on to Shakespeare. We'll show the origi-

one film – adults \$12, children \$6 and family tickets two adults and two children (no hiding them in the boot) for

\$32. Gates will open at 6.30 pm, the canteen will be open for those who want a complete night out and local not-for-profit organisations will be providing food. The films will go ahead rain or clear night notwithstanding. *The Triangle* gives a heartfelt thank you to The Mumbulla Foundation for their generous grant, which will enable us to buy an inflatable outdoor screen, which will make this evening possible. This screen will be available at a nominal price to other not-for-profit groups throughout the Shire. Thank you Mumbulla Foundation.

Be there or be square – open air cinema brought to you by your community newspaper. △



Don't go getting any funny ideas now!

nal *The Man from Snowy River* and of course *The Man Who Sued God*, well we had to, didn't we?

There will be two films each night, what a bargain, for the price of



On Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th November, audiences were treated to a dazzling performance of Peter Pan at the Quaama Hall, put on by students of Quaama School and under the talented directorship of Principal Suezanne Burke. Before an ingenuous backdrop by Sue Lucas, from left: Tim Hall, Tim Lambert, Niamh Nicol as Captain Hook, Kearne Zammit, Jacob Moore as Smee, Bronte Shipton as Tinkerbell, Dayna Rayer, and Josh O'Meara as Peter Pan. Costumes by Charlene Salter and Annette Hayhorn. Congratulations to cast and crew. △

Editorial

This is our special Christmas edition and the last one for 2008 so you will notice that we have extra pages and a new special guide to the providers of local produce as well as our What's On page.

Rain has arrived in patches over our area and we hope that you all have been refreshed by this with the tanks topped up a little and the ground less thirsty. It has at least settled the dust and we hope that there is more on the horizon.

In the body of our paper are the details of *The Triangle's* first ever Film Feast to be held in the open at the Cobargo Showground. In case of rain, the pavillion will hold a few hundred people on a first come first served basis – or we may have to postpone the evening's films to the following night, space and weather permitting.

By the level of bookings in the area, it seems that our Christmas/New Year holiday season will be very busy. It is wonderful that tourism is still attracting so many visitors to our area as without it, our small towns would not survive throughout the year. We appreciate our visitors and hope that you enjoy your stay and can find all the information needed at our various Tourism Information Centres and of course in *The Triangle*.

We would like to remind all our contributors that *The Triangle* embraces the ABC charter and encourages articles and comment on both sides of any subject. Some people are obviously not aware of this or are unable to put pen to paper.

Please remember that our next issue closes for advertising on 20th Jan and for copy on 23rd with printing the first week of February. Our heartfelt thanks to all our advertisers, volunteers, *Triangle* distribution points and of course readers. Happy Christmas and a healthy and enjoyable 2009.

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Letters to the Editors

What price a stop sign?

Over the last five months I have written to the RTA, Roads and Traffic Authority about several 'danger' spots in our area because, like many local people, we travel around a lot.

Unfortunately any request for action has met with letters advising the RTA choice is to have no action and to regard my entreaties as a nuisance.

My main concern is the intersection of Bermagui/Wallaga Lake Road with the Princes Highway at which there is no stop sign. There is not only no stop sign to slow the approaching traffic, but there are no arrows to direct the traffic turning onto the Princes Highway into the right-hand lane provided for them on the Princes Highway.

The other day I saw a station wagon go onto the Highway, and without pausing, cross into the left-hand lane. I have seen this many times before but this time a huge empty timber truck sped over the brow of the hill travelling north and with much horn blowing, a smash was miraculously avoided.

How much does it cost to put up a stop sign and put some arrows on the road to protect drivers from themselves, protect their families and other drivers? Do we have to have a death before anything will be done and why are such basic requests ignored by RTA employees in far off Wollongong?

Take care over the summer as there are many more vehicles on the road.

Yours faithfully,

Rosemary Millard
Bermagui

How important is your word?

People often mention the good old days. Maybe at times they were; not always, but remember when people's word was their bond and we used to pride ourselves on it? You gave your word and even though sometimes you got a better offer, your word was your word and most people with integrity stuck by it.

Today, well think about it. Just how casual some people treat their

word. It's really no big deal. Make it and break it. Doesn't matter as long as you do what you want to do. Make it, get a better offer, break it.

How many times have you rung tradesmen or contractors for quotes? Some don't bother to get back. Some, after repeated calls, may turn up and tell you they will get back with a quote but it doesn't happen.

We have just been advised by Country Energy that we have to get a new power pole. Why? Because the electrician whom we trusted and who basically received a few thousand dollars from us installed a supposed temporary power pole, which he promised would be replaced. Not only did he not protect the base of the temporary pole, which apparently he was supposed to have done but also failed, even after repeated phone calls, to keep his word and replace the pole. He would not answer my calls, his wife had to make excuses for him. He knows who he is. I should add he is not from Cobargo.

We have just had dealings with another couple of fellows, whom we paid a lot of money to, who failed to keep their word for the sake of \$66.00. Once again the wife had to make excuses for the husband.

Now as the economic situation is worsening, how will these same people survive? I just hope that people who have been let down have good memories. We have.

I will predict those guys who pride themselves on keeping their word will definitely survive as against these others, whose integrity and honesty is very questionable. So in conclusion there is a great saying 'What goes round, comes around'. I can only hope!

Peter Godsall
Cobargo

Gross FIT the only fit

Dear Editor,
The NSW Government deserves some credit for announcing this week that it will at last move to introduce some form of 'feed-in-tariff' (FIT) system (all other Australian states have previously done so).

Under such a system householders who put solar panels on their roofs and generate power

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My Triangle

Nicky Simpson Earth Mother and Specialist Plumber

Nicky came to live in Central Tilba at the age of 14 with her parents, Simon and Linda Simpson. After completing high school in Narooma she set off to travel the world and in her words, 'to find somewhere better than Tilba'. After many years (approximately 14) and many jobs and experiences in which she became a jack (jill?) of all trades and a master of none, she and hubby Ian (Hoots to some) settled in Central Tilba. She had found nowhere better!

Nicky (at 32 years of age) and Hoots settled on two five-year plans. The first was to have their children. They now have four beautiful kids under the age of six. Hoots boasts a better batting average than Sir Don Bradman, with four kids from three attempts. They first had two boys, Digger and Archie and then on that third attempt had twin daughters, Anwen and Cerys (Welsh names meaning 'beautiful' and 'beloved' respectively). The second plan was to work

hard and get settled as a family with a home mortgage well under control and to offer their children a secure and loving community environment in which to grow up.

At present Nicky is halfway through her midwifery training externally at the University of South Australia, with her regular placements at



Moruya Hospital. She hopes to get back to study next year as presently she is very, very busy with her boys and babes, while Hoots is up in Dar-

win earning more money on building jobs than he could possibly earn locally.

Their family time happens at intervals of a few weeks, with Hoots flying back from Darwin. Nicky adds that this would perhaps not be possible without the close support of Simon and Linda, in their doting grand-parenting roles. Nicky adds as well that she wonders whether Simon is teaching his grandkids too much too soon. The implication seems to be that Linda is okay. For those of you who do not know, Hoots is a plumber as well. Nicky says he looks after house plumbing and she looks after womens' plumbing.

When I asked Nicky what was special for her living in the Triangle, she replied 'it's about a special sense of belonging and community spirit helping to raise children; extended families offering more than busy families are capable of and a simplicity of living'. Central Tilba School also got a special mention.

When I finally asked Nicky were there any plans in the pipeline for more children, she replied, 'No, that has recently been attended to!'

Ewen Genders



Letters to the Editors

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that feeds back into the grid are paid a premium fee.

In Germany, Spain and several other Western European countries – and soon in the ACT – the premium rate paid is about three times the rate charged for power bought from the grid.

People are therefore encouraged to produce renewable solar energy, thereby reducing demand for non-renewable energy from existing coal-burning power stations.

The big unknown, however, is whether NSW will introduce a 'gross' or a 'net' payment system.

These two types of systems can be explained by example:

Under a 'net' FIT system a

household which uses, say, 22 kwh per day and generates from solar panels on its roof, say, 10 kwh per day gets paid for its 10 kwh at the same rate as it is charged for the 22 kwh it buys from the grid.

(To generate more than 22 kwh per day so as to be paid a premium rate for production over that figure, a household would need to spend more than \$50,000 on solar panels.)

Under a 'gross' FIT system the same household using the same 22 kwh per day and generating the same 10 kwh per day gets paid for its 10 kwh at a higher premium rate than it pays for power bought from the grid.

By such financial incentive households are encouraged to fit solar panels to their roofs and feed the renewable power produced to the grid.

If NSW is serious about tackling climate change by promoting the generation of renewable energy by households it must introduce a 'gross' FIT system.

*Jack Miller
Bermagui*



THUMBS DOWN

To whoever ran over the mature goanna on Wallaga Lake Road near the Forestry activity. Lots is happening around the T-Junction and all sorts of creatures are being disturbed, looking for new forest homes. Please try to avoid them.

To the Tilba gent who after a fantastic day out, got home to a dark house and realised he had left his wife at the pub.

THUMBS UP

To those who've started car-pooling, getting out their bikes and having a go, and even putting in just a *little* vegetable garden – new experiences or long forgotten skills, it doesn't matter!

To the same Tilba gent who went back to get his wife ...

Bowling along

'You are going to do what?' That was the first reaction to my announcement that I was going to try my hand at Lawn Bowls. 'Don't you have to be - like old and wear white togs?' was the next remark.

Well, I turned up to the Bermagui Bowling Club and immediately these commonly held beliefs were shown to be wrong when I was introduced to a group of members in their 20s and 30s as well as some seasoned campaigners. I learnt later that the Aussie Bowls Team has an average age of 29!

Having a rough idea of what to do (I watched some games on ABC TV), wearing flat soled shoes, I found myself with a set of club bowls and ready to go. After some quick instructions - bowls are weighted on one side, that's why they travel in a curve - I was let loose in a friendly game. Ad-

vice and tips were freely given even from the opposing side and after sending my bowl across the next rink (wrong bias, lots of laughter) was told

skills can be acquired quickly, enabling you to play right away, these are only the first steps on the ladder.

In the ensuing weeks I have played midweek Mens' Bowls, Sunday Ladies/Mixed and Fridays, roll up practice. No special dress is required on any of these days and whilst there was a relaxed and easy atmosphere, there was enough seriousness to keep players on their toes.

BBQs and event days are always on the Club's calendar as there is an emphasis on the social side whilst maintaining a strong

competitive base for club/interclub pennants. If you want a challenge, to meet new people, make the decision come along, you may like it, I do.

Tony Millard



Members Day at Bermagui Bowls Club

it was not only beginners who did this. As the game progressed, it confirmed my view that sports with simple concepts are not quite so simple in practice and although the rules and basic

NPWS Seeks Volunteers to Help Shorebirds

The NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) is urgently seeking volunteers to help in community efforts to reverse a longer term fall in the number of threatened and endangered shorebird species which are just starting to nest on the Far South Coast.

Volunteers have been the backbone of the NPWS Shorebird Recovery effort for the past decade and have made a huge impact in helping to stall the decline of species such as the threat-

ened Little Tern.

The nesting season is well and truly underway in this part of the world with Pied Oystercatchers and Hooded Plovers already breeding along many beaches and within a number of key estuaries. Some already have hatchlings though many eggs are yet to hatch.

For more information about the threatened shorebirds and how you can become a volunteer contact Amy



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Montreal and Gold

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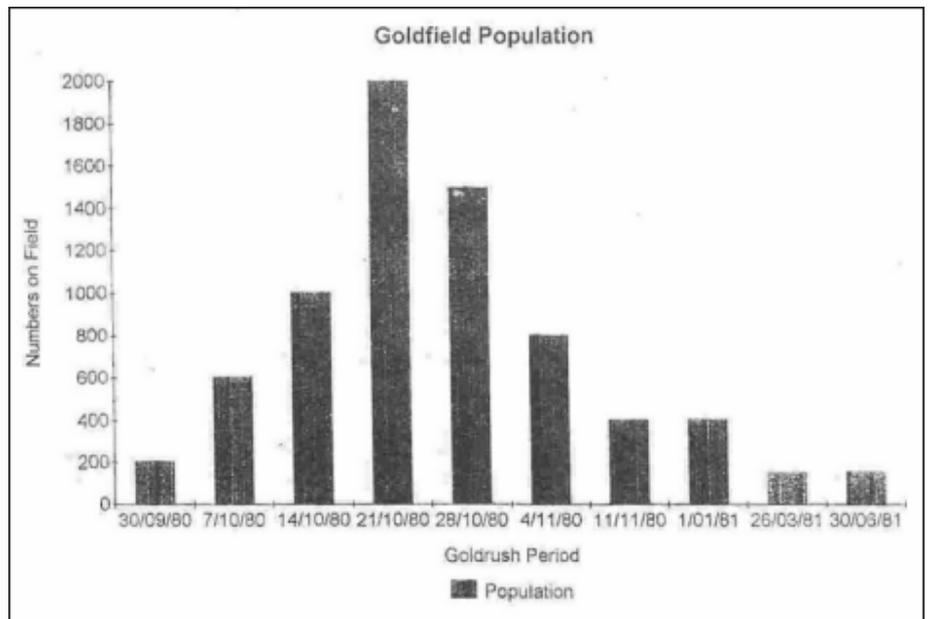
The history of the field is quite fascinating. Gold was discovered at Mt Dromedary (now Gulaga), Nerrigundah, Araluen, Tanja and Pambula. On 17 September 1880, a Canadian, Henry Williams and three companions discovered gold near the beach at what was subsequently called "Montreal" as a consequence of the Canadian connection.

Shafts on the beach were sunk to 1.5 metres, and the news spread like wildfire. The beach line for a distance of three miles was marked off in less than three days from when the discovery was reported.

The discovery was covered in the Sydney press, and diggers came from Sydney and Wollongong via Bermagui and from places inland. The population explosion was spectacular, and while the numbers are uncertain, the best estimate is shown in the graph.

The diggings gravitated inland a little towards Wallaga Lake. The gold was at greater depth here, and vertical shafts were sunk about 12 metres with a few to 18 metres. The mining law of the time only allowed miners small claims of 4m x 4m, resulting in many shafts in a very small area. Some miners grouped together to allow bigger areas (say 8m x 8m). Shaft sinking was hard work, and the holes were made just big enough for one person.

The strip of land between the sea and Long Lagoon (later referred to as Long Swamp) and from Camel Rock almost to the Bermagui River was soon



This graph is an estimate only of the number of miners who rushed to the Montreal Goldfield in October 1880. Source: "The Montreal Gold Rush Bermagui, 1880-1883", J Hearn

a mass of tents and diggings. Stores, a Post Office, a police station, Mining Warden's office, hotels, boarding houses, butchers, bakery, a chemist shop, blacksmith were all soon established.

By mid October, it became evident that earlier reports had been over optimistic and many miners had become disillusioned, and were starting to leave Montreal. Nevertheless, many continued to make rich finds.

By the end of 1883 Montreal was almost a ghost town. Apart from a few workings in the 1930s the site was largely untouched for over 120 years.

It is believed to be the most intact gold field in the south east NSW region, and for this reason it has been listed on the National Heritage Register.

Harry Bate and Judi Hearn

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Hearn; and "Montreal Goldfield Information Package" available from Bermagui Tourist Information Office.



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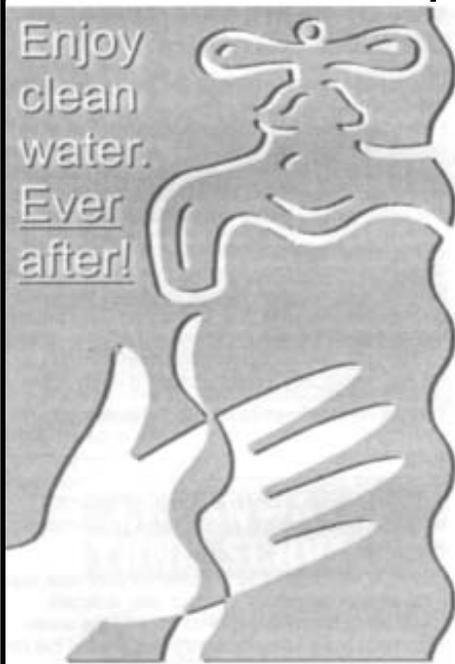
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Grow it or Bake it

At the well-attended Transition Town Triangle Plus meeting on 12th November it was agreed to vigorously support Annie Eldridge and the proposed Growers' Market in the Small Hall, Central Tilba. This proposal fits really well with the Transition Towns concept of local food production helping to create connected resilient communities and reducing the use of fossil fuels and petro-chemicals. There will be a charge of \$10/table and small growers are welcome to share. The first market is to be held on 6th December. Please call Annie Eldridge 4473 7338 to book a table.

TTT+ intend to have a table at this market and any of our members who have excess produce are welcome to use it. Please advise Annie if you

want to be on the TTT+ table.

Transition Town Triangle Plus has decided to become a member of the South Coast Producers Association. We believe this to be in the interest of both organisations.

The PM's recent Local Government summit has resulted in the BVSC receiving a \$1,043,000 injection of funds. This is earmarked to be spent in the next 12 months on local infrastructure and community centred projects, so maybe the time is right to lobby for some bicycle paths in our area because narrow roads and speeding traffic make pushbikes so very vulnerable. Eurobodalla were also winners in the PM's summit stakes netting the slightly lower figure of \$1,040,000. △

Rebates For Solar Hot Water

In the average household 40 per cent of power use is for hot water. If you have thought about going solar, it is even more attractive currently with three rebates and grants of up to \$4,400 that your household may be eligible for if you replace an existing electric or solar hot water system (or even gas or wood systems). **Note:** The NSW grant is set to finish by June 2009.

The average family replacing an off-peak electric with off-peak electric boosted solar will receive around \$3,100. How much you can receive depends on what you are replacing, what system you choose to go with, and the income of the household. Even if your current tank is in good condi-

tion you can go solar and sell the current unit, making the change cheaper still. Besides, a standard hot water tank lasts between 6 and 14 years, so the multiple replacement costs really mount up over time.

So it would seem a good time to make the move, especially with off-peak planned to be phased out in 2010. See the links below about rebates and your eligibility or call someone in the business.

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Wooden Boats on Wagonga Inlet



A flotilla of grand old wooden boats of various traditional designs provided a great spectacle on Wagonga Inlet on Sunday 16 November, passing under the bridge and all the way to Bar Beach and return. Spectators lined the boardwalk, bridge and other vantage points, and delighted in seeing the history and craftsmanship evident in these grand old ladies as they chugged along on what is surely some of the prettiest water in Australia. This was part of the now annual 'Boats Afloat Festival' which runs from Friday night to Sunday afternoon.

Boats and their owners come each year from many places, including Sydney and beyond for this very happy weekend. Local participants

included Smile Magill and Carol Kemp from Tilba, Howard and Chris Haynes from Beauty Point and newcomers to Central Tilba, Stewart and Bev Long who have just moved into Whiffen's Lane, each with their own pride and joy on the water as well as some lucky non-boat-owning guests.

The boats are beautifully maintained, and power is provided by various and fascinating means ranging from the traditional putt-putt and diesel to steam driven, and even an electric motor. Hull types include clinker and carvel.

Put the date in your diary for next year to ensure you can witness this wonderful spectacle. △

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Quintessentially Quaama

There is much to tell... first up, a huge congratulations to Darlene, Shane, Nathan and Chloe on the birth of their beautiful baby girl, Zoe on 25 October. There was a great gathering of local families at the evening performance of Quaama School's production of 'Peter Pan'. The performing school children were joined by their families and friends on Thursday 27th November for a BBQ dinner in the school grounds before we all crossed over the road to our welcoming old School of Arts Hall, babies and all, to enjoy the show. And what a show! Congratulations to everyone involved, from the caterers right through to the director. The costumes, sets and shining performances from every single

child came together as a fabulous demonstration of Quaama's talents and community strengths! Thank you everyone involved.

School Principal Suezanne Burke, whose love of the dramatic and performing arts has inspired us all, announced after the show that a successful bid to Mumbulla Foundation will see brand new stage curtains installed in the School of Arts very soon. What great news!

The Quaama P & C Association is celebrating the recent installation of a new state-of-the-art playground beside the kinder classroom. Enjoy that, kids!

The P & C and Quaama School staff would like to extend a community invitation to farewell Kaye Brown after 27 years of service as School Administration Manager. We've all enjoyed her caring and constancy at the end of the phone, as the first port of call for all school visitors and business matters and in nurturing our children when sick. We thank you Kaye from the bottom of our hearts and wish you a very happy and relaxed retirement! Please call the school on 6493 8213 to book a place at Kaye's Celebration Dinner at the Brogo Homestead on Saturday 13 December.

It's celebration time and this year the Quaama Community Christmas Party will be held at Quaama Park as the Hall supper room is currently under restoration. If it rains we'll have to move under the shelter of our beloved hall anyway? So come one, come all to downtown central Quaama on **Friday 19th December** in your Chrissy finest with bells on and your musical instruments and dancing



Suezanne Burke and Kaye Brown: best wishes to Kaye on her retirement.

shoes. Do remember to arrive about 5 pm to be ready for Santa. Bring along a plate for the community table, BBQ provided. Gold coin donation appreciated - and any items for a hamper raffle can be left at the Quaama Store when you leave your wrapped and labelled gift for Santa's sack! Come along earlier in the day with your lights if you want to help with decorations.

There are lots of fans of Brogo's Daniel Champagne in the Quaama district. This amazingly talented musician is launching his new CD at The Annex (under Bega Bowling Club) on **Friday 5th December** at 7:30 pm.



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Don't miss it!

Happy Birthday to a beautiful lady, Kath Platts and to wild boy Craig Rixon. Also in the Sproules household, congrats to Cheryl and Ruby!

Big congratulations to the Hutteroth kids, Samantha, Jacob, Michaela and Alex plus Tegan McGrath whose diligent training and horse care paid off in their 8th place overall in the State Mounted Games at Tumbarumba on 4th October. This was the team's 5th year of qualification for competition in these games!

Well done to all the year 12 kids and best of luck as you enter the adult world.

Merry Christmas and happy holidays.

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Brogo on TV

Corinne and Hallie, of Fernmark Inn Brogo, were lucky to be chosen by *Sydney Weekender* for their program that will be shown on TV, Channel 7, on Saturday December 13th at 5.30pm. Filming took place in August with Mike Whitney as presenter. So many friends and fellow Brogans helped H and C make their place look absolutely fantastic – thanks so much to you all.

On the filming day, Gen and Jack Quinn of Brogo were there to demonstrate their natural horsemanship prowess as a background to Corinne's explanation on Equine Assisted Psychotherapy. Mike Whitney fell in love with C and H's horses – especially Gem – the paint.

Mike and crew even took a fantastic canoe trip on Brogo Dam, which they thought was amazing.

After nearly eight years of being in business, Corinne and Hallie are proud to see their home and business featured on such a great show.

Hope you all get a chance to see it. Please tell your friends and family around the state to watch so they can see our neighbourhood featured on telly.

Thank you H and C, we look forward to seeing you all on TV, and congratulations.

Brogo Christmas Dinner

This year it will only be a beer and a chat held on Friday 12th December starting 7.00pm. You will be assured of good company and some fun.

There will be a raffle and a 100 club draw. Proceeds to the Brogo Fire Brigade. 0428 366 403.

Fire Brigade News

The fire season is well under way and our busy brigade is making plans for burn offs and the protection of our various assets. This, along with the intensive training program will ensure that we are in the best possible state of readiness for whatever occurs.

The 100 Club

This is the major fundraiser for the Fire Service. It's your chance to win \$500 dollars in the draw and there are only 100 tickets sold at \$20 each. If you haven't bought tickets yet phone Deidre 6492 7265. It will be drawn at the Christmas Beer & Chat. Please support those who work for you by being there at the fire shed



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Bermi Banter

Stephanie's World Dairy Diary

On the 26th of September I left for my first trip overseas to visit America and Canada for two weeks. I travelled with a small group of people from NSW and Victoria to attend World Dairy Expo at Madison, Wisconsin. In the days prior to the show we toured around the states of Minnesota, Iowa and Wisconsin looking at dairy farms and some world-famous cow herds. After attending the world's largest dairy cow show we travelled on to Toronto, Ontario to visit more farms. It was great to see the different dairy-ing systems and meet people who share the same interest in cows and the dairy industry.

The biggest difference I noticed between an Australian farm and one in the US is that they house the cows in barns and use their land for growing crops to feed to the herd. This is a very intense way of farming and the main reason for this is the extreme weather conditions and most farms are based on a small amount of land.

It was a great trip and I look forward to returning to both countries.

Stephanie Tarlinton △

Loom Grower's fundraiser a success

The big all-day morning tea at Carole and Bill Broadhead's home in Bermagui on the 14th of November attracted more than sixty participants and raised over \$2100. Table linen made from Chinese weavings and imported clothing and jewellery were sold to provide money for projects to benefit women and children in China, Afghanistan and Burma. Bill conducted garden tours for a gold coin donation while Carole and the Loom Growers kept up a constant supply of tea, coffee, scones and cakes. Betty Craze of Bermagui won the raffle, supplied by Margaret Taylor.

What is a Loom Grower? We are a small group of local women, a special interest group of the Sapphire Coast Producer's Association, who came together in 2003 to support women in impoverished communities in Yunnan Province, China. At first this involved the purchase of looms and support for traditional weaving among ethnic minority rural women. This has



Bermagui Loom Growers Betty Craze & Bev Franks

expanded to meet a request for sponsorship for their children. Education in China is free, but parents must provide books, stationery and uniforms. The reality is that some families are unable to send their children to school without our help.

There are so many worthwhile projects, and our fundraising has also benefited programs in Afghanistan through Mahboba's Promise.

Dawn Hollins
Secretary, The Loom Growers

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Buy local: shop for Christmas gifts at Bermagui VIC

Drop into the Bermagui Visitor Information Centre (VIC) when you are out Christmas shopping this year. The Bermagui VIC is proud to offer items that are mostly hand crafted by people from the Triangle area using local produce and materials.

There's beautiful jewellery; stunning shell art using shells from Mimosa Rocks National Park; sweet smelling Maryvale Lavender products; quirky and useful artefacts on the Montreal Goldfield display; gorgeous hats hand

spun from alpaca, silk and wool; cute hand dyed kid's t-shirts and hand sewn soft dolls and bags; select Mudworks Pottery plates and mugs; exquisite wooden bowls and knick knacks; children's teddy bears; jams and chutneys made to Grandma Wilton's 100 year old recipe; magnificent flowering bromeliaed plants; and paintings by local artists.

Giving gifts at Christmas that are locally made by local people is a wonderful idea and purchasing them

from the Bermagui VIC will help to sustain this tremendous resource that provides information to holidaymakers and visitors to our Triangle.

Footnote: The Bermagui VIC is still in need of volunteers, especially during the upcoming busy holiday season. If you have a few hours to spare each week, please consider becoming part of the team. Call in and see Christine or phone her on 6493 3054.

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Chamber fundraiser raises \$2000

The Bermagui Chamber of Commerce held a fundraiser at the Bermagui Hotel on November 20th, raising over \$2,000 towards a cooling system and maybe some seating at the Bermagui Visitor Information Centre. We don't want our lovely volunteers to endure another long hot summer at the centre.

Our guest speaker was Steven Strevens, the Editor of the Bega District News, who gave us an interesting insight into his past experiences. Because of the generous donations from many local businesses the auctions and raffles were very well supported. The BACC&T would like to thank all local businesses that donated prizes and those who attended the night to help make it the success it was. We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a wonderfully happy New Year.

*Marian Manning
Secretary BACC&T*

Grants Get Gardens Growing

A number of garden projects were supported by the Mumbulla Foundation in 2008, with the following groups involved.

The Little Yuin Pre-school located at the Wallaga Lake Aboriginal Community established a vegetable garden with funds provided by Mumbulla. The children have been enthusiastic taste testers of the produce grown in the garden. Beetroot dip, while a bit threatening due to its bold colour, proved to be a hit, as did the stir-fried bok choy. At present the strawberries are ripening and disappearing at a rapid rate, and the garden greens have proven to be a constant source for a quick snack when the children are at play.

In Bermagui, the Bermagui Community Garden group planted in the area surrounding the new Community Centre. The work was done



Daniel and Amos at Little Yuin Pre-school

in stages with the first plantings being started in February and the last stage beginning in November. With the emphasis on low maintenance and water saving, the garden is a colourful testament to the dedication of those involved and of the beauty of the Australian natives on display. Visitors and locals will all appreciate the wonderful gardens



Slippery Slide for Bermagui Gliders

The logging of Bermagui State Forest has put the spotlight on the region's last known koala populations, but the koala may not be the only animal whose fate hangs in the balance there.

Yellow-bellied gliders have been recorded in the forest to be logged. Most of us who live in the bush are familiar with gliders, even the threatened yellow bellied. While it's a threatened species it is not yet as rare as the koala, but its fate, longer term, might be just as precarious because it requires tree hollows.

Over 400 species of wildlife are dependent on tree hollows; 200 of them vertebrates. Without shelter and nesting space, they cannot survive for long. Gliders, possums, bats, owls, ducks, cockatoos, nightjars, shrike thrushes,

kingfishers are some of the better-known hollow residents.

The loss of hollow-bearing trees is now officially identified in NSW as a 'key threatening process' and logging recognised as one of the causes. Logging of the south-east forests has been carried out using shorter and shorter rotations. The Regional Manager of Forests NSW has said that Bermagui forest is likely to be logged again in 15 years time.

Most eucalypts do not form hollows until they are 150 to 180 years old. Large dens needed by animals such as possums and gliders are seldom found in trees less than 200 years old. In south coast spotted gums the maximum number of hollows is only

found in trees with a diameter of 150cm according to wildlife scientists Philip Gibbons and David Lindenmayer in their book *Tree Hollows and Wildlife Conservation in Australia*.

Forests NSW usually leaves about four trees per hectare in the Eden Region. It is not clear from the 'Harvest Plan' exactly how many will be left in Bermagui. Given the public interest in this logging it may be more than the usual, but whatever it is, there will be hot competition for any remaining hollows.

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Bermi Banter (continued)

Dead Bird Beach

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And then we stumbled on the remains of a sea bird, hard or perhaps impossible to identify, black feathers, athletic wingspan, perhaps a cormorant caught in stormy weather, cast up on the beach? And then another. And more. And more until we had counted the remains of twenty birds and still there were more.

Were these really accidental deaths due to storm and natural attrition or were these birds, as suggested by my visitors, by-catch, caught by a long line fishing boat as they took the bait meant for bigger fish and were these carcasses thrown into the sea to hide the destruction? Was this the fingerprint of factory fishing?

We renamed Barraga Bay. We called it Dead Bird Beach.

Jo Lewis 

Bangles Gallery

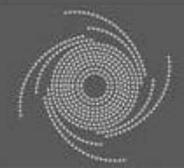
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Bill Southwood has become Project Manager for solar installations. With the success of fundraising we are now in a position to apply for the 50% rebate from the Australian Government and approach Bega Valley Shire Council for the dollar-for-dollar funding they have given to other community projects in the Shire. Initially it had been intended that the Surf Club would be the first installation in Bermagui. However, the Pre-School is ready to go now, so a working group of Pre-School President Lynda Cantrill, CEFE member Jo Lewis and Bill are obtaining quotations and submitting grant applications for a 2kW system.

CEFE fundraising is taking a break till the New Year when we'll start afresh to reach our Surf Club Solar Fund goal, and we'll also be helping The Crossing get their windmill operational.

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Congratulations to NPWS Montague Island Conservation Tours who won an award at the NSW Tourism Awards in November.

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The tours are a sensibly managed tourism experience which benefits the island by visitors undertaking active conservation and the money they pay for staying on the island funds additional conservation initiatives.

The 80 hectare island is home to 2000 New Zealand and Australian Fur Seals, 8000 Little Penguins and thousands of other sea birds as well as an historic lighthouse and keepers' complex.



A humpback whale on migration: a common sight on tour (photo: M. Egan)



Mumbulla Grants Awarded for 2009

The Mumbulla Foundation has announced its grant recipients for 2009. There were over fifty expressions of interest received. In the end 25 community groups were chosen to receive funding.

The Bega Shire Council and the Mumbulla Foundation, in partnership, aim to improve the lot of those smaller groups that are often not recognised by larger charitable foundations. The Myer Foundation and Country Energy continue to be generous donors as are the many other organisations and individuals in the Shire who have contributed resources this year.

At the Foundation's Annual General Meeting this week, the 2009 grant recipients were finalised. Phil McDonald, the new president of the Foundation, will be presenting some of the grants, at ceremonies to be held at the Bega Gallery on 3rd December from 4.00 pm; the Eden Library on 4th De-

cember at 4.00 pm, and the Bermagui Library on the 5th December also at 4.00 pm.

The local groups active in the Triangle area who have been awarded a grant are:

- Cobargo Pre-school. A necessary oven will be replaced.

- The Crossing. Scholarships for the Sea to Snow program will be funded.

- Clean Energy for Eternity. The grant will help with the presentation of a Forum and Expo exploring renewable energy alternatives.

- Bermagui CTC. Blinds will be purchased to increase security.

- Four Winds. The grant will be used for the upcoming Barnstorming tour, where teenagers will be encouraged to write and play their own music to schools.

- Little Yuin Pre-school. Creative workshops for parents and chil-

dren will be financed.

- Quaama School P&C. The Quaama Hall stage will receive new fittings and the hall new curtains.

- South Coast Marine Discovery Centre need new aquaria for the centre aided by the grant.

- *The Triangle* will purchase an open air screen for a film festival and then make the screen available for community use.

- Pathways. Their grant will be used to offer scholarships for young people and their parents to attend camps.





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Bruce Frost produces honey , including honeycomb and creamed honey from local native flora and supplies local tourist outlets. He also sells from his home at 6 Perkins Parade, Narooma. Ring to check availability on: 4476 1354.	David Twyford, Ph: 6494 0077, sells his Tanja produced Mimosa Honey , at Narooma and/or Bermagui Markets also at Moruya Markets every Saturday. He also sells olives and oil from Falls Creek (near Nowra).	Marion and Ross Riddet grow organic fruit which they sell as jam and fresh through Grandpa's Garden at Narooma and Candelo Bulk Foods at Bega. Ross runs Beekeeping for Beginners courses
Central Tilba Food Co-op organises bulk non-perishable whole foods distribution at Central Tilba Big Hall three times a year. This co-op has been operating for over 20 years. Co-coordinator/contact Ricci Ph: 6493 4321.	Janet Doolin is growing and supplying a large variety of veg, fruit and flowers from her farm at Cobargo. Cobargo Farm Market Garden, Bermagui Rd, Cobargo. If you have abundance she may be able to help sell for you. Deliveries to Narooma, Tilba weekly, wholesale or retail.	Tony Bell of Eden Beeline Honey, Ph: 64942123, sources his honey from all over the the South East forests and sells it through IGA Supermarkets in Narooma and Cobargo and Goldie's Fresh Fruit and Vegetables, Shop 4, 5 Wallaga Lake Rd, Bermagui.
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Belgrave Park Winery, 10970 Princes Hwy, Cobargo (4km south) offers cellar door tasting and buying of their own wine . (For opening dates/times Ph: 6493 6377)	Daniel and Michelle Parsons at Haven Quality Meats, Shop M8, Narooma Plaza, Ph: 4476 4113, sell meat sourced locally (Moruya, Cobargo).	Goldies Fresh Fruit and Vegetables, Shop 4, 5 Wallaga Lake Rd, Bermagui sell some local produce , and would be happy to sell more if approached.
Benny's Butchery Cobargo and Bermagui supplies mostly home grown and local meat .	David White at Narooma Meat Centre, 36 Princes Hwy (on the flat) supplies meat mostly from local sources and will accept produce from local growers that has been appropriately processed.	Mimosa Wines, Bermagui Tathra Rd, Bunga offers their own wines and tasting from the cellar door. (Check for opening dates/times Ph: 6494 1483)
Tilba Valley Wines, 974 Old Highway, Narooma provides cellar door tasting and buying of their own home grown wines and a selection of locally produced condiments . (Check for opening times Ph: 4473 7308)	Erica Dibden of South Coast Cheeses, 22 Potato Point Rd, Bodalla, produces cheese from her and husband Nic's own dairy cows at Tilba Tilba. The cheese is made at Bega and seasoned at Bodalla. They plan to open in Tilba Tilba by August 2009.	Geoff and Bev Southam at Grandpa's Garden Shop M9, Narooma Plaza supply some local (mostly their own) organic fruit, vegetables, dairy and wholefoods . They would be interested in selling other peoples produce if it meets their chemical-free requirements.
Narooma Oyster and Seafood Supplies, Riverside Dve, Narooma provide oysters from their own leases in the Wagonga inlet and other fresh seafood from Eden to Ulladulla.	Bermagui fresh food emporium 18 Lamont St Bermagui supplies a range of local products including meat, seafood - fresh and smoked, deli items .	Go to www.transition.org.au for updates.



Pat's Piece

Greed! The very word itself seems to have an evil ring to it and at this particular moment in history it's certainly getting more than its fair share of the lime-

light. My only hope is that there will be some changes in our society, which has become one where the capacity to earn money is being reinforced as the only thing that matters.

There are 2.8 billion people on this planet today living on less than \$2.00 a day and more than 2 billion without enough to eat. History has already proved that if you allow banks and large money making institutions to do what they like they will of course eventually cannibalise themselves and cause untold suffering in the wider community. So we have every right as a nation to criticise a system that allows this to happen while at the same time demanding change.

But enough of the Doom and Gloom. This is my last column for the year and we are fast approaching that time when we are supposed to reach out to our fellow man. My wish is that we

start applauding the peace makers rather than those who believe in war – modern warfare after all is about untold suffering and the loss of thousands of innocent lives – then finally sitting down and talking to each other!

Could I just mention here how grateful I am to all the people who gave me such positive feedback on my contribution to this little newspaper

that I love and suggest that maybe this Christmas we could put away our credit cards and just take time to talk to each other – listen to each other, and reach out and give our most treasured friends and relations a huge hug for no specific reason at all.

I am looking forward to seeing my 18-month-old great granddaughter who lives a long way from here;

just the thought of holding her in my arms gives me goose bumps.

Thanks to all the hard-working people that keep this little gem of a paper going, and also readers. Have a wonderful festive season surrounded by those you love, and may we all share a 'wee dram' together for the new year.

Much love,

Madame Pat



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Cobargo Conversations

More than 130 women from Cobargo, Tilba and Bermagui attended a fantastic Girls' Night In party to raise money for the Cancer Council. Over \$2,200 was raised through donations, raffles and games held on the night. Event organiser, Christa Rehwinkel, would like to thank the women for their generosity, especially considering the hardships some women and their families are going through with the drought. Thanks also go to the 53 businesses and individuals, who donated wonderful prizes, and the musicians – Ruby and the Rotolactors, Lizzie Wightman, Sonia Evans and Michelle Tyrrell who entertained us. June Tarlinton did an amazing job as MC and kept the coins rolling with her wonderful games! The Cobargo CWA provided coffee, tea and cakes and all the women brought platters of food to share. Just as important as the money raised was the show of community support, strength and spirit, and we all look forward to an even bigger party next year!

Cobargo Preschool Enrolment Day for 2009

Wednesday 10th of December 2008, 9.30am – 12.30pm at the corner of Park St and the Princes Highway Cobargo.

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Please bring a piece of fruit to share for morning tea.

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Girls' Night In raised over \$2,200

CWA News

We are getting close to that very special day in Cobargo's CWA calendar – Australia Day.

The call for nominations for Cobargo's Citizen of the Year has been made. The closing date is looming.

So if you know of someone who has shown a commitment to the betterment of the community and has undertaken activities which benefit others and promotes the welfare and well-being of the community, and has shown vision and leadership, or simply quietly tries to make life better for others over an extended period of time, please nominate them. The nomination is not difficult and doesn't have to be typed or specially presented.

We also need nominations for the Junior Citizen of the Year. We are

looking for someone who is caring and compassionate and a positive role model to their peers. Possibly you know of a young person who has shown outstanding achievement in their field, academic, sporting, cultural, environmental or civic responsibility.

Please send your nominations to CWA Citizen of the Year/Junior Citizen of the Year, PO Box 5114, Cobargo NSW 2550. If you have any questions please ring 6493 6167.

Don't forget you are all invited to the Australia Day Celebrations. CWA, and other generous people who help by bringing a plate, will be providing refreshments.

CWA Cobargo Branch's last event of the year will be our Christ-

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Cobargo Conversations

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mas lunch where we will sit back and reflect on the work done and results achieved. Happy Christmas to all and a Peaceful New Year.

Cobargo Skate Club Update

Committee members have had a meeting with Emma Benton, Community Development Officer at BVSC. The meeting took place at the proposed site that Council has agreed would be appropriate. Documentation regarding the Development Application was exchanged.

There is a survey asking for community comments at Bass Gas, so please give some feedback on this issue to the committee.

A youth talent quest is in the planning stage and should be great for positive publicity.

Fundraising ... cake stalls will be running on 12th and 19th of December. Donations of cakes and slices etc would be appreciated. The quilt raffle will be drawn in December. Tickets are on sale at Bass Gas.

All enquiries to Danielle on 6493 6262.

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More Medals for Local Winery

Belgrave Park Winery has just added even more wine medals to their impressive tally this year. At the national Australian Small Winemakers Show this month the Cobargo-based winery has won a silver medal and three bronze medals. Last month at the Orange Regional Wine Show, Belgrave Park also scored two bronze medals.

Warwick Adams, the Belgrave Park manager, says, 'All the medals this year prove once and for all that the Sapphire Coast can produce great wines. Our most recent wins were in an Australia-wide show, competing against nearly 2,000 other wines. And its not just a fluke any more, we have now won prizes for five separate wines – our Cabernet, Shiraz, Sangiovese and Marsanne, along with the Rosé. People say that I'm a bit obsessive, but our focus on quality and attention to detail is certainly paying off'.

The Belgrave Park grand tally for 2008 is a total of 11 medals and awards including a gold and two separate 'Best Red Wine in Show' awards. Warwick says, 'We couldn't have achieved this without all the help at harvest from our neighbours and



Additions to the Belgrave Park trophy shelf

friends, and Moz Wellington and Vicky Hoyer's help in the winery. Special thanks also to Sue O'Rourke and Clint Bradley from Rocky Hall for their invaluable guidance and support'.

You can taste (and buy) the Belgrave Park wines at their cellar door, on the highway just south of Cobargo. They are open Thursday to Sunday over the summer months. The wines are also sold at selected outlets including Bermagui Cellars. △



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Tilba Bites

Farmers Market at Central Tilba

Great news that a bit of Eldridge persistence has resulted in a weekly Growers Market starting in the small hall at Central Tilba on Saturday, 6th December from 8am to 1pm. This is planned on a weekly basis until April 2009. Stalls (which can be shared) should be booked through Annie Eldridge on 4473 7338 or email annieandtrevor@hotmail.com. This is your opportunity to showcase what you produce if you **grow it, make it, bake it or sew it**. Tilba needs you. This is all about sustainability and self sufficiency, not just for our families but also for our community.

Did you know Kim Atkin's 40 plus 10th Birthday is being celebrated at the Dromedary Hotel on Saturday December 6th with music by Fig Jam. Kim and John have been active community members of Tilba Tilba for about 22 years. While John has attended to the plumbing Kim has been

active on many other fronts, for which her community thanks her and will delight in celebrating her coming of age.

As I looked forward to this issue of *The Triangle* (after which us volunteers get a near two-month break!) I have felt beset with a very busy routine, including working at three consecutive Saturday weddings (although the 1st one ended up a 50th birthday cocktail party!), fantastic stormy weather and life sustaining rain and then losing my internet connection. Hence this comes to you thanks to friends with working internet connections.

Wedding Bells

Isn't it lovely to be part of wedding celebrations where children actually get to be part of their Mum and Dad's wedding vows and commitments to love, honour, cherish and respect each other. In days gone by kids were a mere glimmer/expectation or maybe a secret foetus at the folks' wedding. Today it is often a couple bringing separate children to a combined marriage or a couple with children being ready to publicly acknowledge their desire, love and respect for each other.

Family and friends have witnessed and been blessed by the union of Rodney and Wendy Pratt and Martin and Robyn Pye in separate ceremonies lately. Rod and Wendy's was mainly a home affair in a large marquee down Sunnyside Road, with brief photos on the verandah of the Dromedary Hotel. It certainly dresses up The Drom with a gorgeous and handsome wedding party.

Martin and Robyn chose the fantastic gardens of Foxglove Spires at Tilba Tilba for their special place. Thunderous weather and pelting rain hardly made a difference as the nuptials were brought back to the inboard pavillion

and guests witnessed clearing weather and little birds as it proceeded. Photos in the gardens were then possible and drinks and finger food were enjoyed in the pavillion. Martin's long-term best mate came from England with his young family to be part of the ceremony and Robyn was attended by fabulous friends. Reverend Linda Chapman commented on what an eclectic and varied range of friends were in attendance and it was agreed that this is part of the nature of our community.

Tilba Teapot Takeover

Di and Tegan are doing a great job and surprising themselves at how well things are going. Patrons are loving the new coffee, food and energetic service. Apologies to Allan and Dorothy Sherlock, owners of the freehold of the Tilba Teapot property that I implied that Di and Tegan may have purchased the whole property. The new tenants have only taken on the business of the Tilba Teapot. Central Tilba and Tilba Tilba are only enhanced by their food providers and visitors will talk about stimulated taste buds and satisfied palates. Hence keep up the good work with the ensuing silly season – all of you at Pams Store, Love at First Bite, The Rose and Sparrow, Bates Store, The Dromedary Hotel, Tilba Bakery and the Tilba Teapot.

Tilba Dog Days Calendar

John Small has been working very hard to produce his third in this series. Notwithstanding computer glitches, the new model will be out for Christmas. This is a fantastic gift idea for all dog lovers and if the sales go well the Tilba Halls will benefit.

Thanks for listening and blessed are the cheese makers.

Erwen Genders



Tilba Now exhibition on again in 2009

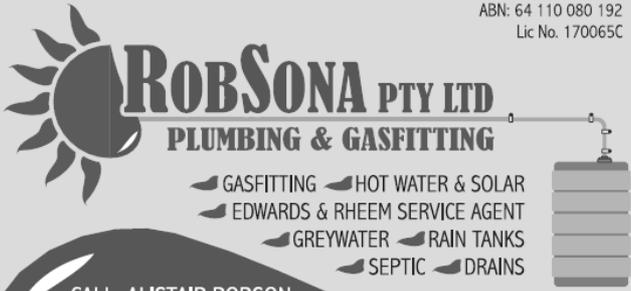
It's that time for all the talented people of Tilba and the surrounding areas to come forth with their wonderful creations of inspiration so that they can be included in the 2009 Tilba Now Exhibition.

The Exhibition will commence with an opening night on Thursday 8th January 2009 at 6.30pm and run until Sunday 18th January 2009.

All contributors need to have their contributions at the Big Hall by 4.00 pm on Wednesday 7th January 2009.

Anyone interested in participating or willing to help in any way please contact Caroline on 4473 7040.

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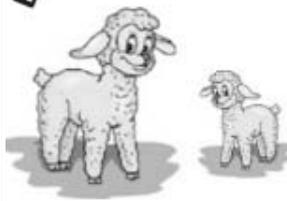


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Tilba Bites (continued)

My God, Is He Dead?

Recently, one of Tilba's residents, Dave Preston, needed to move three refrigerators. He sought the help of one of the regular occupants of Pam's Store verandah who agreed to interrupt his imbibing for a while, and off they went.

The first fridge was large, and as it was exiting the house it snagged on the door jamb. Dave pushed from behind, and Mark pulled the trolley from the front. Suddenly, the fridge released, and it surged forward at great speed. Dave was unable to slow it in any way. The fridge lunged onwards, and then collapsed to the ground. Somewhere underneath must be Mark.

In fear, Dave cried 'Mark, are you alright?' - Silence ...

Dave thought 'My God, have I killed him?'

Craning his neck around the fridge he saw Mark's upper torso protruding to one side, and his tongue hanging out. Still silence.

After a while, Mark said 'Yes, I'm OK.' Phew!

When Mark extricated himself, Dave said 'We'd better be

more careful with the next ones because they're not destined for the tip.'

Mark said, 'I think I'll have another sherbet', and returned for a re-



covery drink.

After considering the whole situation, Dave moved the remaining two fridges on his own.



Open Sanctuary/Holy Trinity Church - A Thank You

On Saturday 8th November a thanksgiving afternoon tea was held at Open Sanctuary at Tilba to celebrate the completion of restoration work on Holy Trinity Church. It was a very joyful occasion when the story of the church and its new life as Open Sanctuary was told.

In 2006 the church was separated from the parish system to become the home of a new community and fresh expression of church. Whilst Holy Trinity remains within the Anglican Dio-

cese of Canberra and Goulburn, in its new expression Open Sanctuary, under the stewardship of the Reverend Linda Chapman, is a unique exploration of community gathering; a little spiritual centre arising out of a tradition whilst also engaging in the transformation of that tradition.

Built in 1896, the little weatherboard church has been in constant use as a place of worship ever since and was in need of extensive work to keep her from falling into disrepair. Through fund-raising and the very generous donation of some local people including Rod and Christine Greenaway together with a Local Heritage Grant and a Landcare grant through Eurobodalla Council the necessary work was completed earlier this year.

Open Sanctuary is available for weddings and funerals, for the regular

contemplative gatherings held on 2nd and 4th Saturday evenings and other one off events. In addition, the grounds are open for picnickers. A native tree or shrub is planted as a living, growing symbol each time a wedding, funeral or christening is celebrated.

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Our Christmas Eve service is on at 7.30pm Wednesday 24th December.



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Art in The Triangle

The Lighter Side of Dark Art

If you like your art a little bit quirky, dark or strange, don't miss 'The Carnival is Over' art exhibition at the Tilba Valley Winery in December.

Lisa Kenny, John Gosch, Ian Livingston and Michelle Marley present an imaginative collection of paintings and sculptures; definitely something different.

Opening night is Friday 5th December, wine and nibbles at 7:00 all welcome.



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The Cobargo Showroom Art Gallery

From 28th November guest artist Naomi Lewis will be holding an exhibition, 'Flora', in the side room. Naomi uses woodcut and linocut techniques to produce her lovely coloured works.

Opening night for the next group exhibition 'In De-Nile' will be on 19th December. Wine and nibbles from 6:30pm, all welcome.

On 14th February (Valentines Day) we will be holding our annual art-market day from 10.00am. There will be demonstrations, exhibitions, bargains and more, lots of art/craft and fun.

The gallery is a co-operative run by 10 local artists, open 10:00am till 4:00pm (closed Tuesday and Wednesday). Feel free to drop in for a browse. An original piece of art/craft might even be a perfect Christmas gift. Gift vouchers are available.



Basket by Pam Sweeney

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Galdairy – Galba Forge exhibition "a delight to the senses"

How fortunate we are in this area to be surrounded by so many artisans. I don't just mean wielders of the brush or moulders of the clay but something quite unexpected. I pulled in to the Galdairy building at the north end of Cobargo on Thursday night, 13th November, and was treated to a true delight to the senses.

Greeted with a strawberry infused glass of champers I walked through the door to the soft light of many candles creating an old worldly feel and an ambience befitting what I was about to behold.

In every direction in the room was the manifestation of talent and passion – skills developed from much time invested. Inanimate materials brought to life through the vision of Philippe Ravenel (Galba Forge) and Tony MacDougal (Galdairy Furniture Company) both individually and in combination.

If you did not see it you can only imagine this unique combination of what appeared to be plaited iron and high lustre Australian hardwood. These two gentlemen are destined for great recognition as the world discovers this inspiring form of art.

Another truly creative addition to the inti-



Philippe Ravenel (left) and Tony MacDougal (right)

mate atmosphere of the night was the well known talent of Jan Ridgeway and her wonderful paintings and also the beautiful glassworks of Denise Williamson.

The district is richer for the talent of these people but more so when people like Tony and Philippe combine their efforts to add a new dimension to their already considerable skills.

I feel it was a privilege to be invited and it has created a memory that will last a very long time. Well done!

Dave Tooley

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Art in the Triangle (continued)

Triangle artists exhibit with Verandah Art

This month Bilyara Gallery will host the first exhibition of the recently formed 'Verandah Art' group.

The artists met while attending TAFE courses in Art during 2007, and wanted to continue both the creative working relationship and the friendships that had developed. Their search for suitable premises coincided with the renovation and refurbishment of the verandah space at the Old Bega Hospital site. The group was delighted with the light, airy working space and the care taken to provide for their needs.

The exhibition, *Portals*, demonstrates the different approaches each artist takes to their work and to interpreting the theme. The six artists exhib-

iting are Pauline Balos, Anna Buck, Sue Cleverley, Jan Collingridge, Rose Chaffey, and Mary Davis (three of whom live in the Triangle).

Bilyara aims to demonstrate the diversity of creativity and style that flows through artistic association, while publicising the situation at the Old Bega Hospital. The main building was gutted by fire in 2004 and restoration has reached the stage of necessary roof replacement, a component essential to achieving the dream of once again using the site as a community centre.

A watercolour painting of the Old Bega Hospital, donated by prominent artist and former trustee member, Ray Barnett, will be raf-



Pauline Balos (Fairhaven), Jan Collingridge (Brogo) and Rose Chaffey (Quaama) will show their work at Bilyara Gallery

fled at the opening of *Portals*, and throughout the exhibition, with all proceeds going to the restoration fund.

Portals will open on Friday 5th December at 5.30pm and will run until 5pm Sunday 21st December.

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Soft Footprint Recipes



Christmas is coming up fast and it's the season of traditional family recipes but it is nice to have an easy special dish as an accompaniment. It is also a time where brunch comes into its own! Here are a couple of recipes that are simple and dress up a meal. Silver beet is plentiful at the moment in most gardens. I found this recipe while reading Maggie Beer; she has enhanced the vegetable with currants and pine nuts making it a lovely accompaniment to pork, chicken or lamb. I substituted apple juice for verjuice and it works well.

Silver beet with currants and pine nuts

175 gm currants, 1/2 cup of apple juice (she has verjuice use this if you have some), 225 gm pine nuts, large bunch of silver beet the stalks cut finely, Salt to taste, 1/4 cup of good olive oil, and freshly ground pepper

Soak the currants overnight in the verjuice or apple juice, or heat on defrost on the microwave. Pre-heat oven to 200 degrees, moisten the pine nuts with the olive oil and roast for about 5-8 minutes until golden brown ... watch them as they burn easily. Cook the silver beet for about 3 minutes in boiling water, take off stove and strain

in a colander - press firmly to get as much water out as possible. Strain the currants. Heat olive oil in a heavy based frying pan and toss the drained silver beet until warmed through, then add the pine nuts and currants and season with salt and pepper.

Dill potato cakes and smoked salmon

I have long been a fan of the locally smoked fish from Bermagui meat supply. Try this easy but flavour-some recipe for brunch...

Ingredients

3 large potatoes, 1 large onion, sour cream, dill, salt and pepper. One packet of local smoked Atlantic salmon.

Boil potatoes and mash with a

little milk or cream. Fry a large finely diced onion in a little butter and fork it through the mash, add a good heaped tablespoon of finely chopped dill, fold in some milk to make a smoother consistency then add salt and pepper to taste.

Form into cakes and roll in plain flour. Heat oil in a large pan and cook gently till golden brown, lift out onto absorbent paper.

When cooled slightly top with a teaspoon of sour cream, pile flaked salmon on the cream, then add a garnish of dill and some ground pepper.

Serve with a salad as a meal or simply make them smaller to serve on a platter to go with a Christmas drink.

Carole Broadhead

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rus software or it doesn't do anything and you're running XP, Download and run the Microsoft 'Malicious Software Removal Tool' and run it. If that doesn't get your anti-virus working try using a 'spyware removal' product.

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CTC staff, committee and regu-



Judy Allen, a wonderful lady who retired to Bermagui in 2004 and worked as a volunteer at the CTC for three years, and who sadly passed away on November 15.

lar customers are pretty sad at the moment; our dear friend and loyal **CTC volunteer Judy Allen** lost her battle with cancer this week.

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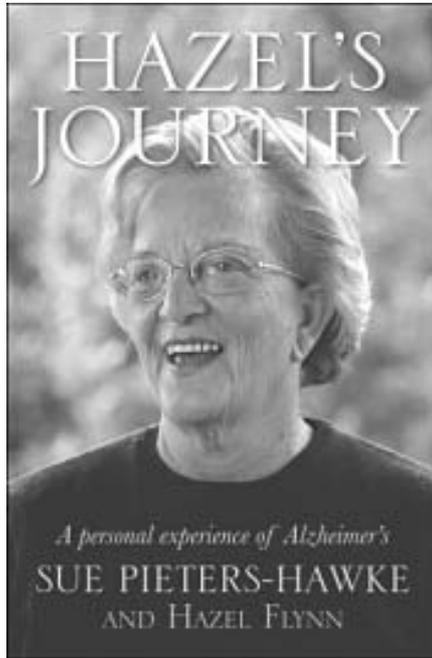
Book Review



Sue-Pieters-Hawke
Hazel's Journey: A Personal Experience of Alzheimer's.
 MacMillan, 2004.
 (Remainder Copy)

A few months ago I re-read Hazel Hawke's autobiography (there's a copy in the Bermagui library), so when I saw that her daughter had written a book about their family's challenge of dealing with Hazel's Alzheimer's disease, I bought it as a remainder – it's now in the library, so you can read the two together. It's a book that should be compulsory reading for anyone who may ever face making choices about their parents' care, regardless of whether the problem is Alzheimer's or any other form of dementia.

The sadness of this great woman who was obviously still making a great contribution to society and beginning to enjoy a new-found freedom is truly moving, as is the respect with which her family and friends treat her as the disease worsens. As I read it, I kept thinking what a gift her life has been, and what a gift her family is giving all of us, knowing that she is being treated as the strong, independent woman she has always been. It's a no holds barred kind of book – her daughter, Sue, does not underplay the enormous problems, nor the clashes of personality as people at-



tempt to balance deep care for Hazel's safety and self-esteem with their own family needs. But in the end, it's a real example of the triumph of the human spirit and the love of children who well understand their debt to their mother. Please read – even though you'll feel really sad at the end.

On a lighter note, just about my favourite book for 2008 was "Gilead" by Marilynne Robinson – highly recommended. Happy reading over Christmas and New Year – and don't forget to go through your books for donations to the library – a great present for all of us.

Finally – many thanks to Helen and the staff in the library – always helpful and friendly in ensuring that a visit is one of the highlights of the week – we really appreciate all your work.

Heather O'Connor



Garden Magic



Last time, I promised to talk about a couple of the more obscure, but nonetheless valuable, native plants. We can't all be Grevilleas.

The Baeckea family is one of my favourites. Two types that should be readily available in nurseries are *B. linifolia* and *B. virgata*. They feature small, bronzy leaves and white flowers. The leaves of *virgata* can be used to make a soothing tea.

Isopogons are in the same family as Grevilleas, so give them similar conditions. The flowers of these plants are cone-like, therefore make an interesting contrast to many of the other natives.

Notwithstanding the above, at this time of year everyone wants good old NSW Christmas Bush (*Ceratopetalum gummiferum*). The best specimens of this plant that I've seen are at the Cobargo Farm Nursery. Big, bushy shrubs at a reasonable price.

As a bonus, Cobargo Farm has a very large rose garden for you (not me) to enjoy. There must be at least 200 of the b...ds. Janet even sells fresh cut bunches. Yuk!

So it's time to say goodbye for another year. Thank you for your support of the Triangle. All the very best for the holiday season – eat and drink well, and travel safely.

Hopefully 2009 will bring an audit of the NSW Government so we can work out where the money's gone.

Until next time,

Lindy Marshall



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Summer exhibitions on the coast

During the summer, Ivy Hill Gallery at Wapengo, will feature two exhibitions. Duncan Stothart, an Australian who has lived in Spain all his working life but returns annually to Australia, has done a series of Far South Coast landscapes, and will exhibit at Ivy Hill with Sara Freeman and Matthew Bashford during January.

Hiroe Swen has long been regarded as one of Australia's foremost ceramic artists, with her work represented in the National Gallery of Australia and all state galleries. Narek Galleries at Tanja is delighted to stage 'From Darkness to Light', from 21 November to 29 December, by a leading mature artist with a deep knowledge of materials and a mastery of techniques.

Also at Narek, Kirsten Coelho, Janet DeBoos, Ivan Gluch and Bronwyn Kemp are ceramists who use porcelain for its fineness and the capacity for complete fusion of clay and glaze and the magic of translucency. Fragile but durable, exquisitely beautiful works for use or contemplation made with the

certainly of masterful skills, a delicate touch and piqued by ongoing exploration. 'Delicate Touch III' runs from 2 January to 18 February.



'Set Theory' by Janet DeBoos



AWL Pet of the Month

This month's featured pet is Fergus, the cat with 'attitude.' Sue, his AWLFSC Branch carer, is looking after Fergus the four-year old black male tabby in her home at Cobargo.

If you are interested in adopting Fergus or any other pets in care with AWLFSC, please contact enquiries phone 0400 372 609 or if you are interested in looking after a companion animal like Fergus, please contact Kerry on 6493 3372.



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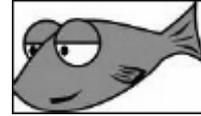
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Mullet Ova



G'day Fishers.

The fishing situation hasn't been helped by the weather lately but despite this the fishing has been good. Offshore anglers report tuna are about and at times have been caught within a kilometer of the shore with one angler landing a yellow fin of 71 kilos.

There has been a number of Makos caught lately including one nice fish of 229 kilos. Good flathead are being caught on the 50 metre mark east of the water tower and as far south as Cuttagee with the odd gummy shark as well. Snapper have been quiet but Morwong have been about in better numbers.

The surf fishing has improved with plenty of salmon being caught including some good fish around 2-3 kilos with the best places being Cuttagee and Bears Beach. Bream and drummer off the rocks have been good at times, weather permitting. A friend of mine from Braidwood caught several good drummer during last week.

A word of caution – be very careful when rock fishing in the big swells we have been experiencing recently.

The Bermagui River is starting to be fine, particularly around the bridge area where some good dusky flathead have been caught by anglers fishing in the evenings.

Bream and blackfish up around the Rose Bay area have also been on the bite. On the dark of the moon prawning has been excellent with some people managing up to 4 kilos, particularly at Cuttagee and Lake Corunna is also reported to be prawning well.

Once the weather improves it looks like we will be in for some improved fishing: the water is warming up and the game fish will not be far away. All in all it looks like good season coming up.

All the best and Merry Christmas to all.

Malcolm Stubbs

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7pm Tuesday, Topic/ID/BBS, Catholic Church Hall, Gipps St
6pm Wednesday, Uniting Church Hall, Gipps St
8pm Friday, Catholic Church Hall Gipps St

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

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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
Margaret Portbury - 6493 6461.

THE TRIANGLE COMMUNITY OF GARDENERS

(former "Cobargo Community Garden").
3rd Sunday every month, 9 or 10 am. Venues vary. For info phone Ana Walker 0417 936 746.

COBARGO SHOW MEETING

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

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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 ASS'N

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 44737338 or email annieandtreavor@hotmail.com.

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.

Bermagui Country Club Amateur Art and Craft Group: Monday mornings: Porcelain Art, Tuesday Mornings: Needlework/Patchwork and Art, Thurs. am: Embroidery and Leadlighting, Fri. am: Pottery, Friday pm - 2nd and 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

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. Contacts: Maree Selby - 6493 3057 and Lyn Gammage - 6493 4960

THE BERMAGUI MARKETS

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. each month 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.

BERMAGUI SEASIDE FAIR

Sat 14th March 2009. Helpers and interested people please phone Jo Jacobs on 6494 0191.

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.

QUAAMA TEXTILE GROUP

Fabric and Textile Art Group meeting monthly at Quaama. Phone 0427 402 025.

OVER 50'S FUN & FITNESS

Every Tuesday, 2pm to 3pm at the Bermagui Country Club, with Nancy Casu, qualified fitness instructor. 'Heart Moves' and 'Tai Chi' program. 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 contact Secretary, Coral Vorbach 6493 6758.

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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.

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.

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

SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING

Mon 1.30 - 3.30pm Thurs 7.30 - 9.30pm Cobargo School of Arts Supper Room. Scottish Country Dancing for everyone - no experience necessary. Teacher: Sheelagh Brunton 6493 6538.

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 44761006.

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Friday 5th Dec	<i>Portals</i> Verandah Art exhibition opening	Bilyara Gallery, Wallagoot	5.30 - 7.00pm
Dec 5th - 29th	Rick Anderson, Julie Bradley, Karen Charlebois	Ivy Hill Gallery, Wapengo	10.00am - 5.00pm Friday - Monday
Saturday 6th Dec	Growers' Market	Small Hall, Central Tilba	8.00am - 1.00pm
Saturday 6th Dec	Live Music, Mawu	Tilba Valley Winery	From 1.00 pm
Sunday 7th Dec	Adam Hole & Marji Curran Trio	The Dromedary Hotel	5.30 - 9.30pm
Sunday 7th Dec	Live Music, Mawu	Tilba Valley Winery	From 1.00 pm
Wed 10th Dec	Cobargo Preschool Enrolment Day for 2009	cnr Park St & Princes Highway Cobargo	9.30am - 12.30pm
Sunday 14th Dec	Broken Down	The Dromedary Hotel	5.30 - 9.30pm
Friday 19th Dec	<i>In de-nile</i> exhibition opening	Showroom Gallery Cobargo	6:30pm
Sunday 21st Dec	Rattle Snake Shake	The Dromedary Hotel	5.30 - 9.30pm
Sunday 21st Dec	Live Music, Bob Porter and Porterhouse Blue	Tilba Valley Wines	From 1.00 pm
Sunday 28th Dec	The Troubador Convoy	The Dromedary Hotel	5.30 - 9.30pm
Wed 31st Dec	New Year's Eve: True Blue and Clive at the Piano Dinner, dancing. Bookings only, 4473 7308, \$68	Tilba Valley Winery	
Jan 2nd - Feb 18th	<i>Delicate Touch 111</i> , Contemporary Australian Porcelain	Narek Galleries, Tanja	10.30-5.30 Fri - Mon
Jan 2nd - Feb 2nd	Sara Freeman, Duncan Stothart, Matthew Bashford	Ivy Hill Gallery, Wapengo	10.00am - 5.00pm Friday - Monday
Sunday 4th Jan	Live Music, Sorta Brass	Tilba Valley Winery	From 1.00 pm
Tuesday 6th Jan	Bermagui Country Club Amateur Art and Craft Group Exhibition and Sale , Opening	Auditorium of the Bermagui Country Club	7.00 pm
Friday 9th Jan	Film Feast - See posters for program	Cobargo Showground	Gates open 6.30pm
Saturday 10th Jan	Film Feast - See posters for program	Cobargo Showground	Gates open 6.30pm
Sunday 11th Jan	Jonno Zilber	The Dromedary Hotel	5.30 - 9.30pm
Friday 16th Jan	Film Feast - See posters for program	Cobargo Showground	Gates open 6.30pm
Saturday 17th Jan	Film Feast - See posters for program	Cobargo Showground	Gates open 6.30pm
Sunday 18th Jan	Live Music, Kooky Fandango	Tilba Valley Winery	From 1.00 pm
Sunday 25th Jan	Full Circle	The Dromedary Hotel	5.30 - 9.30pm
Sunday 1st Feb	Sugarcane Collins	The Dromedary Hotel	5.30 - 9.30pm