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Four Winds Launched with a Musical Bang

It was standing room only for the Inspiring concert that launched the Four Winds Festival with a musical bang in Bermagui on 8 November.

The Bermagui Community Hall was packed, not only with audience but percussion instruments – marimbas, vibraphones, large drums, small drums, bongos, even waste paper bins and odd bits of brass.

Narooma High, Bega High, Eden Marine High, and Wolumla Primary all participated and many kids got to have drum solos. You should have seen their faces! 'This is better than the Wiggles', said one.

The concert was the culmination of a Four Winds Festival 16-day outreach program, in which Four

Winds, in collaboration with the music department of Methodist Ladies College (MLC) in Sydney, and

program for the Four Winds Festival next Easter, which, in a coup for the event, will be recorded by ABC Classic FM for the first time, putting Bermagui on the national musical map. ABC South East will also be present at the event.

Speaking at the launch, artistic director Genevieve Lacey said the Festival will start with a huge free opening performance on Friday at the Dickinson Oval in Bermagui, going on to flamenco, Gregorian chant and jazz, and Italian viola da gamba player Paolo Pandolfo in an exclusive for Bermagui. Cultural Services Director of Bega

Valley Shire Council, Penny Amberg said the Festival showed what a small community could do to achieve great things.

Marilyn Chalkley



An enthusiastic audience enjoyed the Inspiring percussion performance at the Bermagui Community Hall

David Hewitt, a leading percussionist now living in Tathra, ran workshops in schools up and down the coast, including Bermagui Primary.

The concert launched the

Triangle Creates World's Largest Portable Lounge Room with Inflatable Cinema Screen

It's not just the kids who can now enjoy mass inflatable fun. They may have castles, but Triangle inhabitants now have outdoor access to 100 years of movies including gems like *Movietone News* on a screen, which, when inflated, is 6m x 5m, with a screen size 5m x 4m – easily 2300 ipod screens.

The Triangle is now appealing for support or donations to enhance this amazing entertainment tool. We need our own PA system suitable for distances of up to 30 metres and a tradesman's style trailer to safely house the screen, its compressor pump, sound system and the mini freezer for the choc-top ice creams.

Speaking for *The Triangle*, Louise

Brown said, 'We wanted to create an accessibly priced, portable and all inclusive movie event that fosters community spirit through shared experience'. She continued, 'It's a



Setting up the screen prior to the Cobargo Film Feast last January

win-win for everyone, *The Triangle* will be putting the money received from this service back into the community through its ongoing grants and donations so the community at large benefits twice – once from the funds raised and also from *The Triangle*'.

Watch *The Triangle* and other sources for news of upcoming movie events. If you can help with: a trailer, amplifier, speakers or wish to hold a fund raising movie event for the cause contact Louise Brown on 6493 7370 or email the_triangle2@bigpond.com. You can follow the progress of this quest through future issues of *The Triangle*.



Editorial

Well the heat of Friday 20 November was enough to convince most of us that climate change is happening and is well underway in the spring of 2009. We hope that a good shower of rain will arrive to refresh those burnt pastures and crops.

Much has been going on in November which is meant to be a quiet month down south as we prepare for the influx of visitors over the summer. Bermagui in particular has been exceptionally busy with its new Fishermen's Wharf being completed and several of the businesses opening.

Those who attended the opening of the gardens at Tanja in mid November were incredibly impressed by the quality of the gardens and that the diversity which they offered and showed is available in this area. The Bermagui Community Hall's gardens also show what can be done on a limited budget with the correct plants and the attention of Bev Bray and Doris Haase.

Our next edition will be printed in the first week of February and copy for this closes as usual on 20th for ads and 21st January (early because of the long weekend) for copy. Those with functions and festivals in February and early March, please take note, we cannot remind you again.

Also we have two new *Triangle* Editorial Committee members, Robin Philp and Rosemarie Griffith from Brogo. Please get in touch with them all you Brogo-ites and keep the news flowing from your area. Their contact details are under 'Who Does the Work'.

We hope you all have a Wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year and welcome in 2010 at a safe and fun occasion. We thank our loyal advertisers and all those who help to make *The Triangle* a success in this area and may you continue to support us.



My face in the mirror
isn't wrinkled or drawn,
My house isn't dirty
the cobwebs are gone.
My garden looks lovely
and so does the lawn;
I think I might never
put my glasses back on.

Letters to the Editors

Justice and the ANZ

Dear Editor,

At a recent Justice conference in Canberra organised by the Sisters of Mercy, we were asked to contact our local ANZ bank to express concern that the bank is the only major one in Australia still providing finance to a company manufacturing cluster munitions, including land mines, despite the fact that Australia has signed the Convention on Cluster Munitions, which seeks to ban the manufacture, trade and use of these terrible weapons which have caused such devastation to the civilian population, particularly to children. You might also consider raising the possibility of the bank financially assisting the survivors of cluster bombs and landmines. Every approach to the bank helps – if you don't feel comfortable speaking to the local manager, please consider writing a letter.

Heather O'Connor

Bega Festival a Winner

Dear Editor,

The Bega Valley Festival was a demonstration of communities in the Bega Valley at play, at work and on show.

As the inaugural Festival, we achieved our aim of providing a platform to showcase our 'Communities in Transition' to a more sustainable lifestyle economically, socially and environmentally.

So very many people were involved in the Festival, and we will thank them personally, but it is right to publicly express our deepest thanks for their support, through sponsorship, by having a stand, providing services, playing music or speaking, volunteering to help organise the event, and by coming to experience what was on offer as visitors.

What became obvious as the three days of events unfolded was how a Festival of this kind provides us with a deeper sense of who we are, a sense of place in our landscape and the interdependence we have with each other.

To see children happily running around among our elders with faces painted like cats, to listen to people sharing new ideas, to hear

of successful speaking events and to see laughter and handshakes, hugs and smiles between people was the proof we sought that our communities had come together to celebrate our life together and the bonds we are making to manage the transition into a more localised, more resilient economy.

Many visitors told us they had come from far away (some as far as Bendigo, Brisbane and Mudgee) to see what our South East communities were up to.

We are clearly a special people. Our differences no longer create division but ask us to find solutions together no matter how hard they may seem, the challenges put to us by global conditions have become a source of new enterprise and people all over Australia see the Bega Valley as a model of a society based on trust, a shared path ahead and so they choose to move here to share that future with us.

It is with immense pride and a very deep sense of community that we write to express the most human of all emotions that is the essence of the Bega Valley Festival, and only one word can describe it. Love.

Thank you one and all.

Prue Kelly
Kym Mogridge
Geoffrey Grigg



Bermagui Twilight Barefoot Bowls

Following last summer's successful Friday evening fun bowls, Bermagui Bowling Club has decided to run this popular event again starting on Friday 11 December and continuing into January.

Everyone is invited to come and try their hand, children of all ages are also very welcome.

Tuition and bowls will be made available for everyone ensuring complete novices can grasp the basics and be playing in next to no time.

As places are limited, booking is necessary and for a modest sum an evening's fun with a BBQ to finish will ensure a good time can be had by all.

Please call Bermagui Country Club 6493 4340 to reserve your place on Friday evenings, start time 5pm. We look forward to you joining us soon.

Bermagui Bowling Club



Making Fun of the Climate Change Debate at the Bega Festival

The theme for the Bega Valley Festival was 'Communities in Transition' and it was massive.

It had such a large program of talks, debates, panel discussions and

for producing organic chickens and rabbits (available in Bermagui), Warwick Adams of Belgrave Winery, Sheena Boughen and our own Rosemary Millard. Rosemary was

tour of BEND Eco-Neighbourhood, and music that included Lewis on Didgeridoo, SCAC band Puddle of Groove and Daniel Champagne.

Saturday ended with the Clean Energy for Eternity Solar Ball and was followed on Sunday by the Bega Rotary Family Fun Day at the Bega Showgrounds.

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Enjoy a Night of Sublime Song

The Water's Edge Choir and That Bunch of Singers (aka Singing by Numbers) are having a concert to celebrate another year of singing. Both groups, now in their second year, are led by community singing leader Dan Scollay.

'It's an opportunity for the two choirs to come together and share songs they have learnt through the year, sing together and perform for family and friends. I'm also encouraging choir members to perform in quartets and trios, there's a flautist and cellist playing together and perhaps even some tap dancing!' Dan said.

The Water's Edge Choir meets in Narooma and recently performed at Club Muso. That Bunch of Singers meets in Bermagui and this concert will be their debut.

'The aim of both groups', says Dan, 'is to sing together and laugh a lot and eat cake afterwards, it's never been performance driven, nevertheless, it's good to have something to work towards and singing is a wonderful thing to share'.

The performance is on Friday 18th December at the Open Sanctuary church in Tilba Tilba, starting at 7.30, entry by donation.

Next year both choirs will be involved in the opening concert of the Four Winds Festival held at Dickinson Oval in Bermagui on Good Friday.

'We are looking for more singers for this so if people are free on Good Friday and can make a few rehearsals in the lead up to the Festival, then come and be a part of it! Geoffrey Badger and David Hewitt are composing a simple score that will be easily learnt, so no singing experience necessary!'

The Water's Edge Choir meets in Narooma on Wednesday nights during school term from 7.30 til 9pm. That Bunch of Singers meets in Bermagui on Tuesday nights during school term from 7.30 til 9pm. All are welcome, for more information phone Dan on 6493 5720.

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Display in the Town Hall Foyer at the Bega Festival

music it was impossible for one person to attend more than a fraction of the events on offer. It commenced on Friday 20 November with a full day of local and interstate speakers in two venues. The Littleton Gardens were filled with stalls displaying everything from locally made ice-cream to 'porridge powered lawnmowers' (otherwise known as scythes). The Clean Energy Expo was in the Town Hall and the Transition Towns display in the Town Hall foyer. At 12.30 the festival was officially launched by Carole Broadhead at the Magpie Music Stage in Littleton Gardens.

Unfortunately on Friday the weather was unkind and Bega produced a hot and uncomfortable day which kept attendance down. Never the less Janet Millington from the South Coast Energy Action Centre had a lively although small audience for her Friday morning talk 'Time for an Oil Change' which explored the drivers and mechanisms for change. Jerry Coleby-Williams of ABC Gardening fame and Walter Jehne (Healthy Soils Australia) were also speaking on Friday and all were speaking again on Saturday.

Among the local speakers featured on either Friday or Saturday or both were Chris Franks -renowned

able to call on the excellent resources we have provided to the Bermagui Library of a set of *Triangles* since its inception eight years ago. Unfortunately the informal chat was not well attended (as happened to other speakers) because the conflicting speaker was far more publicised and well known but we were able to give out all our extra *Triangles* and they were well received by those attending the preceding talk on the Forests.

Saturday was cooler, the crowds were larger and Littleton Gardens were buzzing. The ABC Radio Outside Broadcast was on site and Margaret Sirl and Jerry Coleby-Williams were on air in Littleton Gardens. This was followed by Jerry Coleby-Williams' well attended talk in St John's Hall and then he was back at Littleton Gardens to take part in a panel discussion.

Midday on Saturday saw 'The High Noon Debate' between Matthew Nott and Rob High moderated by Tim Holt at the St John's Church precinct, this time the hall was packed and the debate clear if somewhat stage managed.

Other events and speakers included Bishop George Browning, Rev. Chris Short, Heartsong Choir, a

Cancer Research Advocate Bikers Kick November off with a Bang!

Our day (1 November) started with our monthly ride (albeit a relatively short one down through Tathra, Merimbula, and Pambula (some did a quick detour to Eden Whale Festival). We had lunch at Pambula and returned via a quick trip up the Princes highway and back home through Cobargo.

A ginormous effort to put together our monster raffle was great fun and a tremendous success. Thanks again to the intrepid duo of Mick Flynn and Spud for all their hard work in getting lots of prizes donated from Bega businesses. Over 30 prizes donated in one day, well done boys. Thanks also to the boys that collected from local Bermi businesses as well and those that helped on the day!

We raffled 85 prizes on the day (thanks to all the ticket sellers who did a great job in the very little time that we had). The pub was packed once again and plenty of lucky winners went home with some great prizes. This looks to be a big hit, with the locals already asking when the next one will be. If we can do this three times a year it would be fantastic.

With 17 bikes and 20 riders we raised \$190 in ride fees, \$804 on the monster raffle and \$391.50 on the Calcutta and auction (a total of \$1385.50 in all). What wonderful support our local communities give us.

A big thank to all the businesses that donated the prizes.

We would also like to thank Gordon from the Cobargo pub for

giving us a 4 week run of the meat raffles. A great guy and a community minded family!

All the above businesses have been so generous and with out them we could not do what we do, so remember – support those who support you.

Dave Tooley
CRAB member



Success at Inaugural Croquet Pennant Matches between three clubs

Coach, John Gerrard, suggested and organised Pennant games between Narooma, Moruya and Bermagui croquet clubs last month.

For these games the players' handicaps were taken into consideration in an effort to allow every player a chance to compete, rather than sending only the best players to each match.

This worked well as it gave the better players competition practice and introduced other players to playing with stricter attention to the rules.

For everyone it provided enjoyable social interaction as each club welcomed the day's participants with tea and home made sustenance. The club lunches were a good time for a chat and at afternoon tea came the 'post mortems' and resolves to practise more.

Congratulations to Moruya (first place) and Narooma (second place).

Bermagui Club members thank both clubs for a very pleasant

competition and John Gerrard for his hard organisational work.

We look forward to more enjoyable croquet in the future.

Lynnette Timmis



THUMBS UP



To John and the staff at Narooma Kinema – for all the great films during the year; special thanks for the opera series from the Met – absolutely fantastic, especially when you know we are one of the few areas outside the city to get them.

To A&R Insulation for their very generous donation, which facilitated the buying of the new community bus mentioned in last month's issue.

To the Bermagui Post Office, in particular Clare Nash, who went in on a Sunday to retrieve a resident's mail, (in particular a work roster) after a month's absence as it had outgrown the PO Box.

THUMBS DOWN



To the vandals who have damaged the beautiful flower gardens growing on Wallaga Lake Road opposite the wetlands as you drive into Bermagui.

To the person who has been killing stingrays in Bermagui River. Just cos you don't like something doesn't mean you kill it.



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My Triangle

Doug Thompson

At age seven, Doug Thompson of Central Tilba arrived in Narooma with his parents. His father, who had a seafaring background, bought and operated a boatshed on Forster's Bay where Pelicans is now situated. Four years later he bought 'Silvermere' at Corunna Lake, and started a dairy with eight Illawarra Shorthorns and 25 Jersey heifer poddies.

Doug is a driven man with boundless energy. Primarily a chiropractor, he is passionate about heavy horses. Until recently he had 14 Clydesdales, and still has seven. He loves breeding them, breaking them in, working with them, exhibiting at local shows, and entering heavy horse competitions. His previous career has included truck driving, dozer driving, pest control, dairy farming and beef farming. Today, Doug is a chiropractor at Narooma and Bega four days a week.

Whilst Doug's elder brother, Rob, stayed on at 'Silvermere', Doug bought 250 acres at Dignams Creek at around age 20, and not long later, married his first wife, Dorothy. He bought a bulldozer and a truck, and went contracting locally to help pay for the property. This led to subcontracting with his truck at BHP, Port Kembla, where better money was available. In 1961 he returned to contract to Eurobodalla Shire, and the DMR (now the RTA). This was the time he

bought the SW Bate house at the corner of Corkhill Drive at Central Tilba, and this remains his house today. Doug is proud of the beautiful restoration work he has done on this house which looks across the Highway to the ocean.

Doug lost his first wife in a tragic motor accident after she had

during the week, attending classes there while Dorothy stayed with the expanding family.

In 1975 Doug started practicing in Canberra and Narooma. In 1980 he bought 'Reedy Creek', 400 acres of run down farm, with about 60 percent cleared for pasture, but with extensive blackberry and black thorn, and

surrounded by Forestry. He spent all available time, Friday night, Saturday and Wednesday, doing up the farm with his family, and is very proud of it. His son Glen operates it today.

Doug is blessed with seven children and eighteen grandchildren, none far away, and most in Tilba area. He loves the open, country atmosphere of Tilba with its views of the ocean and Dromedary. He has fond memories of the old identities and milk deliveries to ABC Cheese factory. Having spent so much time at Reedy Creek farm, Doug is now keen to find time for landscaping around the house.

Doug and Dorothy are unusually blessed with having such a large family living so close. The Thompson family forms a big and vital part of the Tilba community. △



borne three children. He moved back to 'Silvermere' for assistance with the children. He was still contracting when on a trip to West Wyalong he met a lady who was to become his second wife, also called Dorothy, and over the years another four children were born. Not long after this marriage, Doug decided to train in Chiropractic, and for six years he travelled to Sydney for training

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Tilba Bites

The topsy-turvy weather continues to bemuse. Cold one day, stinky hot the next. A visiting pommy mate was subjected to days of cold temperatures. Now this scribe is currently endeavouring to prevent a cascade of sweat from percolating his keyboard as his poached brain attempts to recall the events of the past month.

John Cursley's 60th birthday party was a ripper. The 'Great Gatsby' theme saw Maggie and John's lawns bedecked with an assortment of beauteous flappers, bespatted gents and more pencil thin moustaches than at a Slim Whitman revival. Your correspondent squeezed into a long-neglected formal pair of trousers only to lose the top button en route. Henceforth I was known as 'Fatsby'. Numerous jazz musicians kept things swinging and a highlight was a virtuoso tap dancing performance by Tilba's own Shirley Temple, Bev Long. Towards the end of her act Bev was accompanied by *Triangle* doyen Louise 'Stompin' Brown who at one stage appeared to be hooked-up to an electric fence and signalling for help. A splendid time was had by all.

With the resignation of some of the principal drivers behind the annual Tilba Festival there was some doubt over whether this event would occur in 2010. However, a newly formed committee is determined to continue this tradition, albeit probably in revamped form. At this stage a 'return to roots' is mooted although staging original events such as climbing the greasy pole is complicated by current tiresome insurance requirements. Hopefully a way will be found through the increasing layers of red tape. Tuck's claim that he's signed up David Bowie for the event merits strong scrutiny.

A dulcet note to the Eurobodalla

Shire Council. Ridge Road residents have once again had their highway graded, whereas we Punkalla Road mortals have seen no council activity for the past two years and are becoming increasingly irritated at having to dodge potholes, furrows and other hazards. Hear our plaintive lament - when, oh when, do we see a grader again?

Another year passes and your humble correspondent is only too aware that he largely sources his snippets of information from his evening drink at the Drom. A degree of veracity is required and salacious gossip is avoided, but births, deaths, marriages, etc are not my forte. Should Tilba denizens require such information perhaps an additional, more central, scribe is required. Any volunteers?

Using the Gulaga crystal ball, some predictions for 2010:

- Introduction of means-tested carbon tax rebate on diamonds
- Senators Fielding, Minchin and Joyce secretly purchase ice-cream franchise
- Tasmanian tiger sighting found to be Tamil tiger
- Nathan Rees sacks entire cabinet
- Pelicans prosecuted for fishing in marine park
- Punkalla Rd racing team win Dakar Rally

Richard Tilzey



Peter Andrews in Tilba

On Friday 20 November, Peter Andrews of *Australian Story* fame, originator of Natural Sequence Farming, and author of two books, visited three farms in Tilba to explain how his approach to improving farm productivity can be applied to Tilba. Some 56 people attended the Field Day.

The day started with a discussion in Central Tilba Hall, and then moved successively to 'Bellbrook', owned by David Oliphant and Caroline and Gary Leach, Nic and Erica Dibden's 'Mountain Valley', and Harry Bate's 'The Pines'.

Peter developed his philosophy around flood plains, but that is not typical of 'hilly' Tilba. Peter says 'The ultimate solution to the current problems of the Australian environment would be to re-create the landscape that existed before humans arrived and set about changing and degrading it'.

Three core themes Peter has are: (a) to understand the hydrology of the land and modify it; (b) to maximise the 'green area' (that is plant leaf area); and (c) to understand and manage the 'daily water cycle'.

A principal strategy is to slow the movement of water through the environment. In streams this is achieved by installing impediments to water flow - called by some 'leaky weirs'. On hillsides such as in Tilba, this is achieved by constructing long contour banks well towards the top of hills, and as often as every 30 metres down the hillside. Such contours can have hillside dams incorporated in them.

In order to increase the fertility of the soil, Peter recommends planting of belts of deciduous trees up to 100 metres wide on ridge tops. The falling leaves and plant material decay to mulch and increase the fertility in this area, and this fertility moves slowly down the slopes with water flow. A significant amount of it is collected at the bottom and recycled to the top by grazing animals and bird droppings. The trees also help to cool the land and recirculate moisture during the daily water cycle.

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Tilba Bites (continued)

(From previous page)

Peter Andrews in Tilba

Peter is at times controversial. For example, he says we should regard weeds as friends that draw nutrient from deep down and deposit it at the surface for subsequent use by grasses. We should never kill weeds. He also recommends planting of willows in water courses. He dislikes eucalypts.

His visit was valuable to those who attended, and it will be interesting to watch how and to what extent his recommendations are implemented.



Fresh Look for 2010 Tilba Easter Festival

Forget about Christmas! Easter is when all the fun of the fair comes to Tilba. The Tilba Easter Festival is all set to go ahead for 2010 with a fantastic fresh committee and heaps of exciting ideas. The two Tilba towns have rallied together to form a new and dynamic organising committee who are keen to work hard to ensure that Easter Saturday remains a day for community celebration, music, markets and more.



It's great to have a friend to keep your back warm!



Ready, Set, Throw... Participants in the egg throw at the Tilba Easter Festival.

The Tilba Easter Festival is an annual highlight for the Eurobodalla Nature Coast. It is a unique event on the south coast, taking over the entire heritage village. Easter Saturday is the one day each year when Bate Street, Central Tilba is closed to traffic and open to a huge crowd of many thousands of people, enjoying an array of culture and festivities.

The Tilba Growers Market will sponsor a fruit and vegetable competition. Get planting now! Categories will include the biggest pumpkin, the weirdest shape pumpkin; flower displays and kids categories including most creative fruit or vegetable character.

The Gulaga Art Show will be happening

in the Big Hall, with plans for a lantern making workshop and lantern parade to mark the opening of the Art Show. The theme for the next Gulaga Art Show is 'Gulaga - One with the Mountain'.

As previous years, there will be an opening on Easter Thursday evening - and hopefully a lantern parade as well as live music and refreshments. The People's Choice competition will also still run. If you are interested in helping out with the Art Show or lantern parade and workshops, please contact Virginia on 4473 7347 or vyork@bigpond.com.

The festival prides itself on promoting and supporting local talent and encourages all interested musicians or buskers to contact Bev Long on 4473 7253 or Shanti at the Gulaga gallery in Central Tilba, on 4473 7233 if you would like to participate.



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Quaama Wedding

The weather certainly turned it on for the wedding of Quaama identity Brett Horne and his bride Rachel Miller on Sunday 8 November. Brett and Rachel were married at Brogo Homestead, surrounded by about 90 family members and friends.

Fashionably late, Rachel and her attendants arrived in two horse-drawn carriages. The pair exchanged their vows in the open-air church ruins in the park-like Homestead grounds. Local celebrant, Joanne Terlich, treated the guests to a few secrets – Brett is sometimes stubborn but also romantic! Brett's precarious proposal at the top

of the ferris wheel at the Cobargo Show could have cut the whole episode short when Rachel launched herself into his arms and nearly brought the whole contraption to the ground.

The ceremony was followed by a reception at the Homestead. One had



The happy couple

to feel for Rachel, enduring the heat in her resplendent, full-length ivory satin gown with pearl-encrusted bodice, but she was radiant throughout. Brett did well too, looking dapper in a nicely cut suit. He was attended by best man Burt Hyland and groomsmen Alan Holbrook and Jonathan Miller. Rachel's maid of honour was longtime friend Ruth, currently visiting from London and her pint-sized daughter, Jasmine, was flower girl. Rachel's sisters Rebecca and Sarah

were her bridesmaids.

Rachel lit a candle in memory of her mother, who died recently and could not be physically present although she was certainly on the minds of the family, having managed to bless the couple's rings in a small bedside ceremony a few weeks before.

Brett and Rachel left the next day for a week's honeymoon in Merimbula. They will live in Rachel's cottage on Potter's Hill, east of Quaama village. All the best wishes of Quaama go with them.

Jen Severn



Christmas in the Park

The Quaama Hall Committee and Progress Association will hold their annual Christmas party on Friday 18 December in the park opposite the store. The party will kick off at 5.00pm with Santa arriving at 5.30.

There will be a barbeque, entertainment, food and drinks available, as well as a raffle full of good things.

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Cobargo Conversations

Cobargo is Economically Stimulated

Due to the Regional and Local Community Infrastructure Program, Bega Valley Shire Council asked the Cobargo Tourist and Business Association (CTBA) to submit a proposal for funding of local infrastructure projects.

George Zuev and Tacey Bowen worked very hard to prepare a submission that included time and cost estimates and sketch plans for:

1. a concrete footpath linking Cobargo pre-school through to the park
2. a childproof fence around the park and
3. additions of a toilet for the disabled and baby change facilities to the existing toilet block.

The submission was successful and funds of \$51,600 were allowed.

Unforeseen drainage issues have led to an increase in costs for the footpath and as a result the area of the park to be fenced had to be reduced and additions to the toilet block have been put on hold.

The CTBA continues to prepare submissions, apply for grants and lobby government and private bodies for funding for local and community projects.

The Antiques and Collectables Day was a huge success.

So too is the information centre, making a profit and promoting local business.

We are always calling for volunteer staff to do shifts of three hours

a month at the centre.

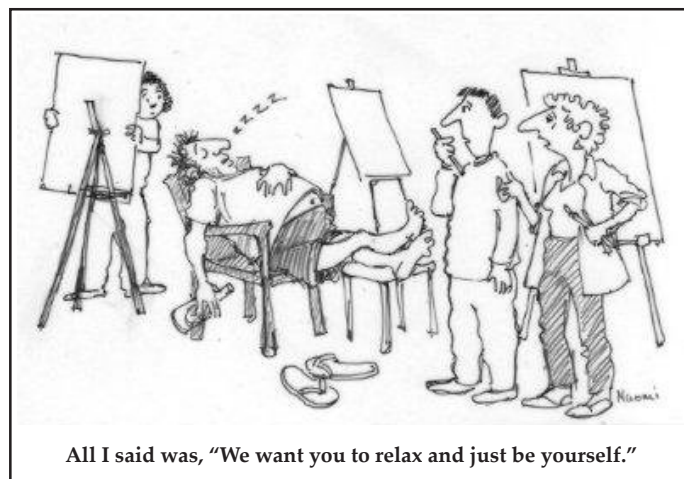
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Cobargo Drawing Group

The Cobargo Drawing group has been busy drawing local portraits all this year, so the next *Cobargo Characters* exhibition is well under way.

First we would like to thank all the locals who gave up their time to come and sit for us and allowed



themselves to be stared at, analysed and interpreted by the portrait group. We're very grateful to all of you. As usual there are some we missed out on and we will have to reschedule these victims for next year – so don't go away, you're not going to get out of our clutches so easily!

As with last year's exhibition, we have a really wide selection of sitters: both young'uns and older citizens, some from old Cobargo families and more recent settlers. You'll be amazed at the interesting

stories they all have to tell – what a diverse community we are privileged to live in!

The exhibition will be at the Cobargo School of Arts on Saturday 16 and Sunday 17 January 2010 between 10am and 4pm. There will be a grand opening with tea and bikkies on the Saturday (time yet to be decided – watch out for posters).

On display will be several different sketches of each character done by different members of the group. We also have a photograph and short written profile of each character – so now's your chance to find out all sorts of things you never guessed about your neighbours!

Also, by popular request, we will have some of last year's portraits and profiles on display so that those who didn't make it to the last show will have a chance to see them. Altogether it promises to be a very interesting exhibition – to be enjoyed by everyone. Also, of course, it's a fund raiser and entrance will be by gold coin donation with all profits and a percentage of sales going to the School of Arts. So come along and support it – it's organic, locally grown, locally owned and community based!

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Cobargo Conversations (continued)

Quaama/Cobargo Quilters

October 17 2009 heralded the Quaama/Cobargo Quilters Open Day held at the CWA hall in Cobargo. Although we are a small group, a great exhibition was put on display. Not only patchwork and appliqué but all forms of needle craft – embroidery, cross stitch, knitting and crochet. Some of our ladies even proved they could cook(!) providing cakes and slices for sale, as well as for the complementary choice to go with tea/coffee to all entries into the hall. May I say 'well done' girls. The hall looked splendid; the quilts themselves added the colour that all but lifted the roof off the old girl.

A special mention of thank you to those loyal patrons who came along

and made our day ever so rewarding. The Christmas Wall Hanging was won by Mrs Mary Motbey of Cobargo. The proceeds of which will enable our group to complete our 2009 Raffle Quilt with all proceeds from this quilt going to the

immediate community within the Triangle. To Ray James and Athol Cairn hugs and kisses to you both for helping to hang our quilts. With a view into 2010 'We'll do it even better', Go Girls Go.



Mrs Mary Motbey (left) and Helen Stafford at the Quaama/Cobargo Quilters Open Day

All enquiries welcomed if you are interested in joining our chit chat and stitchery group. Phone Cheryl Turney on 6493 6524.



Such Sweet Victory

Bermagui/Cobargo Sharks, winners of the 2009 premiership, are celebrating with a Christmas Party at Gowing Farm at the Murrah. There will be entertainment for the kids and food and refreshments will be provided. Bring your own picnic utensils. This

year's premiership win was especially sweet given that the local media has almost ignored the Sharks during the season, casting them in the role of underdog. On grand final day, an away match against the Batemans Bay Boars, the Sharks were behind at half time. The Boars, feeling very confident of a win, played Queen's *We are the Champions*. A bit presumptuous under the circumstances. Overcoming multiple injuries, the Sharks took sweet revenge and defeated the Boars by ONE point, and a sore point that was!

Player of the Year is Satcher McClelland, Club Person of the Year - Matt McGovern and a Life Membership was bestowed on John Mann. Congratulations to one and all.



Congratulations to the 2009 Premiership winners, Bermagui/Cobargo Sharks.

CWA Cobargo Branch Meeting and Christmas Dinner

CWA Cobargo branch wish all members, present and past as well as the community, a very joyous and safe Christmas and New Year. Our next meeting will be on 14 December in the Cobargo cottage followed by a members-only Christmas dinner at the hotel in Bermagui. Please let us know ladies if you are coming.

The 13 January meeting is only for planning the Australia Day festivities in Cobargo. However, come 10 February we wish to invite all you ladies who wish to come and join us for a meeting to bring a sandwich and stay for a cuppa after if you wish!

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The demise of an old Cobargo landmark!



McCarthy's house: Going, Going ...: Photo by Chris Bayley



Gone! All that remains is a levelled piece of ground.

Cobargo Conversations (continued)

Cobargo Conversations

John Gosch is having an exhibition of new works with an Australian theme at Belgrave Park Winery from 12 December. Come and enjoy the award winning wines whilst viewing iconic metal sculptures scattered throughout the winery's fabulous gardens.



Richard Tarlinton - Wandella Hall Committee,
Roger Kitchen - Aust. Vice President, International
Dendrology Society and Brian Myers

On 1 November Brian and Shirleyanne Myers were hosts to members of the International Dendrology Society. The aims of the society are to promote the study of trees and shrubs and to conserve and protect those that are rare or endangered. They used this occasion to plant two direct descendants of the Lone Pine from Canberra which they had donated to the Wandella community. They have been planted near the war memorial at the Wandella Hall. A lovely gesture, thank you Brian and Shirleyanne.

The biggest change to the Cobargo streetscape since the train was moved into the main street happened this month. McCarthy's House is now no more than a memory recorded on photographs.



Cobargo Preschool

We the staff, children, parents and committee at Cobargo Preschool would like to say a big thank you to all those brilliant people in our small community for their time,

efforts and useful skills. Our new playground has everyone very excited. Thanks to the legendary team of volunteers, all their hard work was much appreciated. We must mention that many of them do not even have children attending our school and were still willing to give up their valuable time. Well done all, the children adore their new space.

We have been dreaming of enlarging our playground for some years. The playground is a calm, happy place, where the children are able to explore the brand new surroundings as we incorporate new-found activities in our outdoor time. We're hoping to further develop their gross motor skills, imaginative play and social interaction. We are looking forward to many days planning, planting and developing our new space.

For those interested, we will be having an orientation day for enrolments for 2010 coming up on Friday 11 December at 9am, come along and meet the team. Phone Chris McKnight on 6493 6660 with any queries.





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Bermi Banter

Sculptor Beattie (Peter) Collins' Yellow Fin Tuna that adorns the rear of the Bermagui Fishermen's Wharf looks even more spectacular under lights at night. Beattie tells me that when Architect Philip Cox gave him the commission he was 'honoured' to sculpt the works for the town where he has lived since 1976, although we hear it was a nerve-wracking experience for co-board member Rocky Laguna standing on top of the truck as the metal fish were fixed to the wall.

Zumba Fitness' beautiful instructor Kumi and eight or so brave students exercised to choreography on the flat at the Bermagui School Spring Fair. The use of dark sunglasses allowed the writer to remain anonymous (a trick I learnt from Roy Orbison) and apparently during the performance several stall holders performed along with us. It was a successful day out for all who attended and a hot dog from the Seaside stall just what I needed after my display of non-synchronized movement.

'Turning Circle Productions' under the direction of Howard Stanley has done it again with a series of intimate ten minute shows held recently in a private home. The current season includes local writing by Robyn Levy and Geoffrey Guiffre from the last Murrah Hall members night. Locals performing in Bermagui for the first time were showcased, as well as regular seasoned performers. If only I could fly like Mary McLean in her portrayal of a bird! Howard is planning a sequence of

nights of ten minute plays in the New Year (watch this space).

Congratulations to Montreal Goldfield Management Committee and the Montreal Guides for being in the top three in the State in the Regional Achievement and Community Crown Reserve Trust Award held at a ceremony in Bathurst recently. I had a great day out at an open day a few years ago (especially liked the damper with golden syrup) and with the summer tourist season



Loom Growers and Supporters

almost upon us all Triangle visitors are recommended to go on a tour.

I had the recent pleasure of enjoying not only the fabulous wines at the Horse and Camel but also the ambience of the setting sun, Gulaga in her glory and then the sparkling lights of the ships in the harbour. Oh how lucky to live in Bermagui!

After a great morning tea I was inspired to do some shopping (sshh! Christmas) from the Loom Growers display held in Bermagui to raise

money for the dream of Mahboba Rawi, founder of Mahboba's Promise.

Mahboba is an Afghani refugee who found a new life in Australia. The Loom Growers support this groundbreaking internationally recognised organisation that delivers desperately needed food, shelter, medical attention, education and hope direct to thousands of children and women whose lives have been destroyed by war in Afghanistan.

Triangle readers are urged to support the work of these local women who are endeavouring to bring two orphans out to live in the Bega Valley and train in a permaculture project for six months.

Don't forget Cuttagee photographers' second show *Click* which opens the first weekend in January at the Cuttagee Artspace. This year's was terrific and I have been told next years will top it.

A few members of the Bicycle Division of the Bermagui Institute ride on Tuesday and Friday mornings at varying paces in and around Bermagui and beyond. Full membership is restricted to those with cardiologists, and lycra is not permitted! Other divisions of the Institute exist. The bike riders meet up for coffee after their Friday ride.

Happy Christmas and a healthy and Happy New Year to all from Bermi Banter.

Maralyn Callaghan – Bermagui



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Bermagui Institute Dinner

'In Australia the media are free to act as they want and the only protection of privacy is to sue for defamation, a process that is unwieldy and incredibly expensive', according to Stuart Littlemore QC.

Mr Littlemore, former presenter of the ABC's Media Watch and respected human rights activist, was speaking as the guest of the Bermagui Institute at a sell-out public dinner in Bermagui on Saturday night.

Speaking about current proposals for a legal right to privacy, he predicted that big media groups will oppose any move for a legal right to privacy.

'The Murdoch organisation alone is more powerful than the NSW Government and if Rupert Murdoch doesn't want a law of privacy, we will not get one - it's as simple as that', he said.

Stuart Littlemore was thanked on behalf of those present by Jack O'Halloran.

Congratulations Bermagui Seaside Fair

Bermagui Seaside Fair members are thrilled to receive notification that the Regional Achievement and Community Awards panel of judges has placed them as a Semi Finalist in the 2009 Events and Tourism Awards category.

Chairperson for the Seaside Fair, Jo Jacobs, said that the Seaside Fair Committee had received a letter stating that, 'Our nomination was of very high standard and was in the top ten, up against very stiff competition'.

Jo stated, 'This is our best result yet, and we are only sorry that we are unable to travel to Bathurst to attend the gala presentation dinner, however we

will be proud to receive our award when it arrives in the post'.

The slogan for 2010 is *Bermagui: Proud of our Place* and will have an historical theme dealing with Bermagui's growth from the early settlers and gold miners through to the fishing industry and today's tourism.

Jo said, 'We invite young and old to start thinking about how they can contribute to the theme for the next Fair, and if everyone joins in we may even be the major winners in next year's awards. That would be a terrific boost to the Bermagui and District area tourist trade'.

Lori Hammerton

Bermagui and District Lions 25th Anniversary Dinner

The Lions held their 25th anniversary dinner at the Bermagui Country Club on Saturday 17 October and the night was a great success.

The local Lions clubs were well represented and we were entertained by the QBC. Also we were fortunate to have Andrew Constance, our local MP (and Lions member), in attendance.

The Bermagui and District Lions club has been active in the local community for the past 25 years and have in this time been involved in various local projects.

At the dinner the Lions president, Ray Clements, presented the charter members with their 25 year chevrons. Courtney Lucas the charter President, Stewart Tyrell, Geoff Paul and Mick Hunter. The founder member, Jeff Clegg was represented by his widow Elizabeth Clegg.

The Lions club is in desperate need of new members and would welcome any new members, male or female, who feel that they would like to become involved in their local



In the Keep Australia Beautiful NSW Clean Beach Challenge 2010 South Coast Region, Horseshoe Bay Beach at Bermagui was the winner in the category of 'Community Partnership and Action Award'.

community and would like to become active members of this very worthy organisation.

If you are interest and would like to know more please ring either Chris on 6493 3675 or Joan on 4476 7534.

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Smile ... A Night of Comedy and Music

To support the Arts and Environment, the Bermagui Community Hall will be the venue for a joint fundraiser in January.

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And guess who's coming to Bermagui to help raise those funds?! Those whimsical offbeat stars of ABC TV and radio Flacco and the Sandman! And they'll be joined by our very own fabulous musical duo Beautifully Mad.

Sculpture on the Edge is a Bermagui event that has been attracting international and local sculptors since 2006. The selected entries are exhibited on Endeavour Headland and various other locations around town making it an accessible cultural experience for everyone. Next year's visual spectacular will take place from 5 – 14 March.

For more information see www.sculpturebermagui.org.au.

The Friends of Five Forests (FOFF) are a community group implementing an integrated approach to natural resource management on the south coast of New South Wales. FOFF believes it is time for a positive change to the way we manage our soils, water, flora and fauna so that the environment, the community and the economy can all benefit. See www.fiveforests.net.

The event will take place on 23 January 2010 at 7.30pm. Doors open at 7pm and tickets are \$25 per head at the door (cash only). You can bring your own alcohol, and food will be available for purchase. There will be prizes to be won and maybe even an unusual game



Sandman and Flacco

of Bingo. Seats are strictly limited so rock up early and make a night of it. You'll be guaranteed to SMILE.

For all enquiries phone 0419 699 178.

Co-Op Gearing up for a Wow of a Summer Season

The new Fishermen's Co-Operative building is almost up and running, with many of the retail spaces being taken up with various food, wine and retail outlets.

Why not drop in to the Horse and Camel wine bar, where you can sit on the deck and enjoy stunning views down the harbour, or try out the new restaurants that are about to open.

Or you can shop for Christmas in the gift store, or look for that special item of clothing right next door on the ground floor.

The whole development is beautifully done, with appropriate use of local timber poles, minimalist decor and even recycling of water for garden maintenance.

Below is an archival image of an earlier Co-Op redevelopment.

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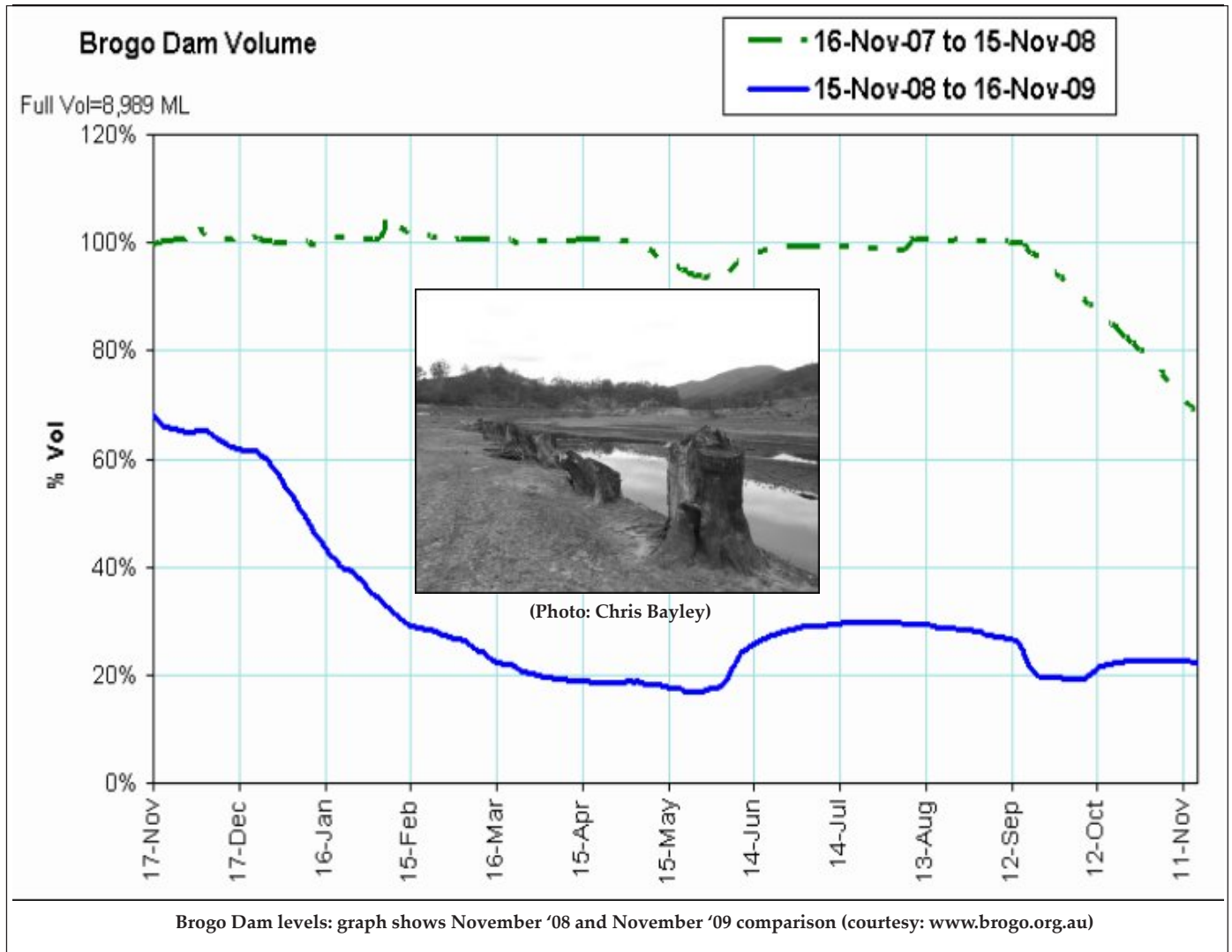
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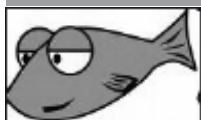
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Mullet Ova



The weather has plagued us this week, however we did manage to get to the Island on the back of some Kingfish showing up. Yesterday we landed nine keepers and released some 30 odd undersize fish of 55-64cm. Only one fish was taken on live baits early, and then all other fish for the two days were taken on jigs – 120, 150 and 230g spikes and Sydney slammers.

Strong NE currents lead to the use of jigs over 150 grams. After that we went out to the edge to find the best looking water we've seen in months, of great blue colour at 20 plus degrees. Therefore, a spring Tuna run is looking less likely now and we're more likely to see the odd early Marlin or perhaps a Dolphin Fish or two.

The 'Sea Angel' (local long liners) caught more than 10 of these fish this week on one shot with the heaviest up there at 18kg. They had only a few tunas, no Marlin or sharks. More than a few vessels headed wide last weekend to find no tuna, just a few stripeys and the odd Albacore.

Inshore fishing remains healthy, despite an ordinary day for many last Saturday (Nov 20). Good numbers of Tiger and Sand Flathead are holding at 75m, 25m and 55m both north and south of the Bermagui township. Those fishing the mixed reef areas to the south as far as Bunga are catching good sized Morwong and the odd Snapper.

The current is roaring offshore and preventing boats from deep sea fishing, coupled with a bit of NE winds

and you'll find yourself moving at more than 2.5 knots.

Wallaga Lake continues to produce some nice Flathead either on the troll or using plastics or vibes on the edge of some drop offs. Despite the lake being closed to the seas the bite is better on tide changes. There's plenty of small Snapper there to keep the kids happy and the occasional legal size fish is available.

Scotty



HORSE HYPE

Horses on the Move

It was just daylight on Monday when we mustered the mares and young foals, taking them across the creek to the Cobargo showground. Low cloud clung to the mountains in the distance like icing on a cake. The mares whinnied to each other and the very young foals, born the previous month, cantered along keeping close to their mothers.

Due to the overwhelming response to my story in last month's *Triangle* our horses are on the move!

You might recall that Mum and Dad sold their property after more than 30 years on the land, and though it was hard to sell the family farm, we couldn't make the decision to sell the horses that have been such a wonderful part of our lives. Our beautiful horses are working horses

and so intelligent they could probably muster a paddock of cattle on their own.

An update for those interested – thanks to the generosity and friendliness of *The Triangle* horse lovers, we were able to settle our mares and their young foals into a fresh paddock in Cobargo. Another couple of mares are settling in at Tilba.

Again, a big thankyou to *The Triangle* for publishing my story and a very special thanks to those who responded to my call for help. What fantastic community spirit in this beautiful part of the world!

Tara Taubenschlag



(Horse Hype continued on the next page)

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HORSE HYPE Continued

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But the nerves!

'Yes please' I said to Di, 'I would like a caller so I don't get it wrong'.

So Di made the mistake instead!

Next test I was on my own.

I would have won, you know, if I hadn't messed it up.

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CTC is looking for volunteers in 2010. If you could spare one day a week or one day a fortnight to join us it would be most appreciated. Anyone with computer skills or office service/equipment knowledge would be of great help. However, if you don't have these skills but are willing to learn and come on board with us we would be only too happy to have a chat with you.

CTC is a not-for-profit organisation run by volunteers with a paid manager. Without the volunteers we just could not exist. Volunteering at CTC not only allows you to learn new skills but you will meet new people in a relaxed and enjoyable environment.

A **huge** big thank you to our volunteers: Kevin, Virginia, Pete and Clive for a great year.

The CTC provides a send-and-receive fax service, computer and internet access, photocopying, color printing and office services to the public and local businesses, including secretarial services at reasonable prices. We also provide video to DVD copying, slides, negatives and photos to disc, CD to CD, DVD to DVD and beginners' one on one training.

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like carrots. You woudn't think
they could, but they can put thir
legs strait up. Hores make you
feel good. My dad wants a hores
but my mom says no. When I am 16
or 20 I will buy my own hores

The importance of spelling, even for third graders!

Merry Christmas from Jeannie and staff.

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Art in The Triangle

Australian Songwriter of the Year – 'Our' Tony King using Music to Build Wells in Ethiopia

The Australian Songwriters Association just crowned Tony King Australian Songwriter of the Year.

King also won an unprecedented three awards taking out Best Song in



Songwriter of the Year, Tony King

the Open and Folk/Acoustic categories as well as the award for Best Lyrics. The somewhat eccentric songwriter has also found a way of using music to turn 'Wine into Water' and build water wells in Ethiopia.

He has composed a unique album made entirely from sounds of

wine, ie tuned wine glasses, bottles, barrels, corks etc. He painstakingly recorded the sounds and used them as the orchestra.

When it was released, the album of beautiful ethereal music was voted the most popularly requested music on ABC Classic FM.

Upon hearing about the plight of Ethiopians who were dying from contaminated water, or lack of it, King decided to donate all the proceeds of his Wine Music album to go to building wells.

'There is abundant water but it is metres underground and the villagers have no means of getting to it without the right equipment and resources. Hence the 'Wine into Water' project was born', said Tony.

He teamed up with an organisation called the Wellwishers who actually build the wells and he helps them raise money. 'One well makes life possible for 650 villagers, who are trained to maintain them so they are not dependent on outside help to keep them going.

There is nothing more satisfying than seeing music literally make a difference to people's lives'.

If you wish to hear King's Wine Music album or make a donation, visit www.winemusic.biz.

His award winning songs can be heard at www.beautifullymad.com.

Daily Delights at Narek

Pots for those delightful daily rituals at Narek Gallery. Tea brewed in a hand made teapot and sipped from a delicate cup. All amplified by the skill and creativity of the makers. Janet DeBoos, Ivan Gluch, Marianne Huhn, Bruce Nuske and Dianne Peach – five of Australia's finest ceramicists have made porcelain teapots, cups and jugs for this exhibition.

Drinks with some of the artists, Saturday 9 January 6pm – 8pm. Phone 6494 0112 or visit narekgalleries.com for more information.



New Work at the Cobargo Showroom Gallery

December will see an influx of new art work from all of the local gallery members. Amazing sculptures from Goschi and Livo, beautiful jewellery by Patto, Craig Noble's stunning wildlife photography, Terry's fine quality woodwork and pottery, and weaving by well known local artists Daniel Lafferty and Gabriel Powell. Also enjoy the quirky and imaginative new paintings from contemporary artists Marley and Perusha.

Original artwork can make a very special and unique Christmas gift (gift vouchers are available)

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Art in the Triangle (continued)

Another Picnic Concert at Naino's

Naino Groen has been giving piano concerts for his friends on the verandah of his cottage since 2004 (and before that at 'Gaia', Murrah). Many times he has been joined in performance there by other musicians, like Bill Hawkey, Jenny Collins, Sol Ramana Clarke and others. This time he would like to extend his invitation to everybody in the Triangle who loves classical music.

The next 'Picnic Concert' will be on Sunday 13 December from 12pm at his place: 'Naino's Sweeter Freedom'.

The piano solo program will include works by Franz Schubert, Frederic Chopin and Sergei Rachmaninoff. The violinist Jenny Collins will join him in performance of Rags and Other Pieces by the Australian composer Elena Kats-Chernin.

As it is a picnic concert, the audience is invited to bring their own food and drinks, chair, table (if needed), umbrella, sun hat and/or sun screen.

Entry is absolutely free. However there will be a donation box to give people the chance to show their appreciation by contributing to costs related to the performance.

'Naino's Sweeter Freedom' is easy to find: 2km south of Bermagui enter Strudwicks Road (industrial estate). Follow Strudwicks Road to the end and turn right. First cottage on the left. Please park outside.

Naino and Jenny hope to see many people there. More info and in case of rain call Naino on 6493 3980 or email naino90@westnet.com.au.



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Invitation to Artists to Contribute to a Themed Exhibition

Artists are invited to contribute to the Bermagui Seaside Fair Painting Exhibition *Art in Place* as part of the 2010 *Proud of our Place* Fair.

The Bermagui Seaside Fair Committee is proud to announce the inaugural themed art exhibition to be run during the Seaside Fair. Artists are invited to submit works which will be selected on the basis of interpretation of the theme. The chosen theme this year is 'Bermagui (Permageua): canoe without a paddle'. This reflects one of the accepted meanings of the name Bermagui.

Doris Hoyne is the co-ordinator of the event. Doris has an MA in

Visual Art and Art History and has been teaching in Germany and Australia for many years.

The exhibition will be held in the gallery space at Simone Ellis' newly named 'Soulique' (14 Lamont St, Bermagui) where she displays and sells clothes, jewellery, homewares and other beautiful things. Simone has donated the space to the Fair as a community gesture and out of her love of art.

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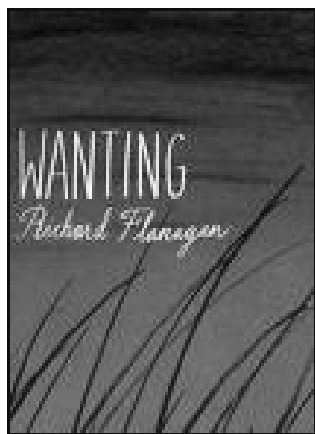
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Book Reviews



Wanting, Richard Flanagan, Vintage Books, \$24.95

I just don't know about Richard Flanagan – I couldn't understand *Gould's Book of Fish*, and I was lukewarm on *The Unknown Terrorist* – now this. *Wanting* was on the shortlist for the PM's Literary Awards, 2009, so I thought I'd give him another try. There are two parallel stories running here; one centres on Charles Dickens and his life and work in England, the other on the early days of Tasmanian settlement and the fate of the Indigenous people in the face of white settlement. Each 'story' was great in itself – I just couldn't quite believe the connection Flanagan is trying to make between the two – I'd love someone to tell me, because the reviews have been great, but I found it a bit labored and contrived. Still worth a read over Christmas – let us know what you think!



Extra donations from *The Triangle*: Candelo Bookshop gave a free copy of 10 Short Stories you MUST Read This Year, which

we've put in the library – don't know about the ten of them, but half are well worth it. Ian Rankin's new book – *The Complaints* – not quite as good as the Rebus novels, but well worth a read. And best of all – you can now borrow the Steig Larson Millennium series – my pick for the best read of 2009 (read them in order to get the most out of them). Have a great Christmas, and happy reading!

Heather O'Connor



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The *Of Cheese and Chutney* essays were selected from *Voice*, a quarterly journal of comment and review, commenced in Canberra in 2002 by co-editors, Bill Tully, Stephen Matthews and Ian McFarlane in an attempt to showcase Australian literature, and encourage the independence of political, social and cultural comment. As Contributing Editor, Ian McFarlane wrote a series of keynote pieces, and the 21 included here reflect a desire for a more tolerant and caring community, and express a passionate disaffection with the creeping tide of holier-than-thou, right-wing Christianity and Islamic fundamentalism shaping global politics.

Ian was born in the UK and came to Australia as a young migrant in the 1950s. He is the author of three well-received novels, a collection of stories, essays and poems, and his book reviews, essays and short stories have been widely published. Ian lives quietly, with his wife, Mary, at Beauty Point, near Bermagui, on the far south coast of NSW.

Of Cheese and Chutney (ISBN 978 1 74027 583 5) is available from Ginninderra Press, PO 3461 Port Adelaide SA 5015 or www.ginninderrapress.com.au for \$18 plus postage. Or signed copies from the author for \$20 (postage included) on mmc@44926@bigpond.net.au.

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If you can possibly get hold of it, please read *Three Cups of Tea* by Greg Mortensen and David Oliver Relin, Penguin 2006.

This provides an outstanding alternative perspective to terrorism, the Taliban, Afghanistan and Pakistan and how it might sensibly be approached. Many would consider this essential reading for anyone concerned about these issues today. Mortensen's story of building fifty five schools in remote areas of these countries is both inspiring and 'testament to the power of the humanitarian spirit'.

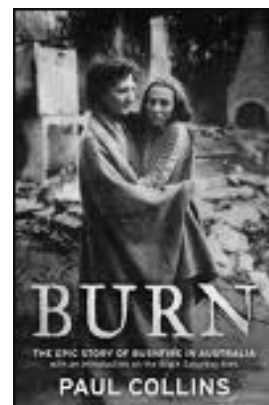
Harry Bate

Burn by Paul Collins

Burn by Paul Collins in the Bermagui Library is a very readable history and discussion of Australian bushfires from white settlement to the end of the Canberra fires. It's full of interesting information with impressive and comprehensive research including newspaper archives, documents, Government reports, transcripts and stories of people involved.

There is a horror litany of huge fires and the loss of life and property including Black Thursday in 1851, nearly all the Gippsland rainforest burned in 1878, Red Tuesday in 1926, the more well known 1939 fires, the regular major fires in Tasmania, the bushfires in Beaumaris, a Melbourne seaside suburb, in the 1940s, the 1980s fires -and so on. One third of N.S.W. forests had been destroyed by fire and ringbarking by 1892.

Aunty Betsy Booker



Soft Footprint Recipes



Hot Weather Cooking

It's mid-November, the hot weather is already upon us and cooking can seem too much of an effort in the heat.

Salads of all kinds will be the go, with or without cold or cooked meat. Cucumbers will soon be plentiful and are a refreshing addition to meals. A simple and surprisingly good way of serving them is to peel, slice and lightly salt them. Boil together a half water, half vinegar solution (say, a cup of each, depending how many cucumbers you have) with four to six tablespoons of sugar. Pour the boiling liquid over the cucumbers to cover. Cool and store in the refrigerator. They will keep for at least a week.

If you like to give home-grown and hand-made gifts at Christmas Jackie French's **Rhubarb and Rose Petal Jam** may be the answer.

The main ingredients are growing in local gardens right now and the product is a beautiful colour, delicious and unusual.

Ingredients

50g rhubarb, chopped
500g sugar

1 cup water
juice of 3 lemons
3 handfuls deep red rose petals, chopped
small knob of butter

Jackie suggests that you put the rhubarb, sugar, water and lemon juice in a pottery bowl and leave overnight (I have made this recipe without the overnight soak and it was OK). Add the rose petals, simmer gently until the sugar dissolves, then boil until a little sets in cold water. Stir in the butter. Pour into hot jars and seal immediately.

Herbs grow so easily and most are drought-hardy so there's no reason not to have some in the garden or in pots close to the kitchen ready for adding to salads and dishes such as **Thai Corn Pancakes with Coriander Mayonnaise**.

Ingredients

2 cloves garlic, 1 small red chilli and 2cm piece fresh ginger, all chopped.
corn cut off the cob or a 440gm can sweet corn kernels, drained, or creamed corn
2 eggs, a quarter cup cornflour, 2 tablespoons fresh coriander, parsley or chives
black pepper to taste, 1 tablespoon sweet chilli sauce

Place the eggs, cornflour, coriander, garlic, ginger, pepper, chilli



sauce and half the corn in a food processor and pulse until smooth. Transfer mixture to a bowl and fold in the remaining corn. Heat oil in a large frying pan and cook the pancakes (2 tablespoons each) over a medium heat until golden. Drain on paper towels and serve with coriander mayonnaise if desired and a salad or steamed vegetables. For the dressing combine two thirds cup of whole egg mayonnaise, one quarter cup lime juice, one third cup chopped coriander leaves, 8 finely chopped spring onions and black pepper to taste. Serve pancakes hot or cold with a dollop of coriander mayonnaise.

The basil will be bountiful in the New Year so I'll include a great pesto recipe next time. Until then, Happy Christmas and Good Times in the kitchen!

Dawn Hollins



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Garden Magic



Summer Garden

Summer vegies and fruit trees are growing strongly and the winter crops are declining. It's time to remove pea and broad bean plants that have reached their end. The spent plants can be roughly chopped and used as mulch or else dug in to rot and feed future crops. They're also good for the worm bin or compost heap.

French beans should be in and growing. The climbers are a good choice if you have some mesh to make a frame to support them. Tripods of tomato stakes and old binder twine work well.

An even stronger mesh frame will enable pumpkins to be grown vertically and this way the plants take up much less space. All of the cucurbits are quite willing climbers.



Juicy blueberries - a real treat



Pumpkins need a sturdy trellis

My blueberries were struggling until I remembered that they like a very acid soil. So I have added a generous dressing of iron sulphate and now they are fruiting and making healthy new growth.

The problem of fruit trees becoming too large and difficult to manage can be solved by giving careful thought to your pruning procedures.

I could easily write many pages on the subject. But as a general guide; if summer pruning is done two or three times during the growing season, the winter pruning will be much simpler and much less severe. This way your trees will be more compact and easier to manage.

Thought should be given to the growth and fruiting habits of each variety. Does it fruit on this year's new growth? Or does it fruit on last year's growth? Or does it fruit on 'spurs' as well as on new growth?

Remember, winter pruning encourages strong growth and can actually make your tree larger. On the other hand, summer pruning slows growth and is a useful aid to keep your trees the size that you want them to be.

As gardeners we need to conserve as much moisture in the soil as possible. The obvious thing is to mulch, mulch, mulch and to build up the organic

content of the soil and this will improve the water holding capacity.

I am surprised that more people do not grow avocados, especially those living near the coast where frosts are not severe. The most important requirement is a very free-draining soil as they cannot tolerate wet feet and are subject to root rotting disease in these situations. Drainage can be improved by mounding and incorporating as much organic material as possible. How often have you seen plants growing happily on a compost heap from discarded seed?

However, it is worthwhile buying a grafted avocado, as seedlings may take many years before fruiting.

The best Christmas present would be plenty of rain, so my wish is for buckets, tanks and dams full of the stuff for all of us! Season's Greetings and Happy Gardening!

Ivan



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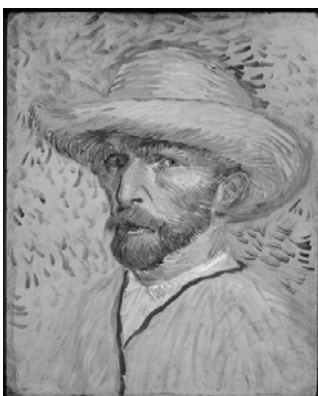
"Monsieur, that is the reason I stole the paintings ...
I had no Monet...



To buy Degas...



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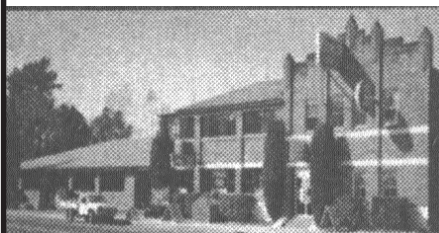
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The Hen

Was once a hen of wit not small
(In fact, 'twas not amazing),
And apt at laying eggs withal,
Who, when she'd done, would scream
and bawl,

As if the house were blazing.

A turkey-cock, of age mature,

Felt thereat indignation;

'Twas quite improper, he was sure--
He would no more the thing endure;

So, after cogitation,

He to the lady straight repaired,

And thus his business he declared:

"Madam, pray, what's the matter,
That always, when you've laid an egg,

You make so great a clatter?

I wish you'd do the thing in quiet.

Do be advised by me, and try it."

"Advised by you!" the lady cried,

And tossed her head with proper

pride;

"And what do you know, now I pray,

Of the fashion of the present day,

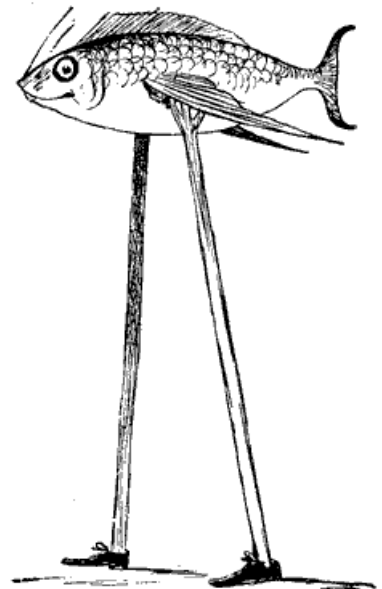
You creature ignorant and low?

However, if you want to know,

This is the reason why I do it:

I lay my egg, and then review it!"

Matthew Claudius.



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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

ANGLICAN PARISH OF COBARGO AND BERMAGUI

Quaama - St Saviour's - 3rd Sunday, 7 pm Holy
Communion
1st Wednesday of the month, 10 am Morning Service
Cobargo - Christ Church - Fri, 10 am Holy
Communion, Sundays, 8 am Holy Communion

Bermagui - All Saints - Thurs. 10 am Holy
Communion, Sun. 10 am Holy Communion.
Please feel free to join us any time.
Enquiries: Rector: Rev. Canon Harvey Sloane;
Deacon: Rev. Liz Sloane;
Ph. 6493 4416.

COBARGO COMMUNITY CHURCH

A charismatic family church, commences services at
the CWA Hall on 6th September 2009 at 10am on
Sunday mornings. Enquiries Pastors Wayne and
Margi O'Connor, phone 0428 414 418

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
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 quarterley. Hall bookings and enquiries
Maryann Green 6493 6280.

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
annieandtreavor@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.

BERMAGUI BAPTIST CHURCH

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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
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Greg 6493 8240.

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Every Tuesday, 2pm to 3pm at the Bermagui
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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.

SCOTTISH DANCING

Mon 1.30 - 3.30pm, Thurs. 7.30 - 9.30pm:
Cobargo School of Arts Supper Room
For information phone: 6493 6538

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

QUAAMA INDEPENDENT RIDERS ASSOCn
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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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 0422 273 021.

NAROOMA & DISTRICTS CAMERA CLUB

Meetings 1st Hole, Narooma Golf Club, 2nd Tuesday
of the month, 7.00pm. Whether beginner or pro,
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Bermagui Country Club, Croquet Club play Every
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FOR THE FRIDGE DOOR

Date	Event	Venue	Time
Saturday 5 Dec	Council by-election	Don't forget to vote	All day
	Bermi/Cobargo Sharks Christmas Party	Gowing Farm, Murrah	12 noon
Sunday 6 Dec	Spicy Fruit Chutney	Tilba Winery	1pm
Saturday 12 December onwards	John Gosch Sculpture Exhibition	Belgrave Park Winery	11am - 5pm daily
Saturday 12 Dec	Struth	Cobargo Hotel	7.30pm
Sunday 13 Dec	Picnic Concert	Naino's Sweeter Freedom	12 noon
	Kids Christmas Party, Monster Toy Raffle and Santa	Cobargo Hotel	2pm
	Book Launch Of Cheese and Chutney	Bogong Theatre, Gorman House, Canberra	2pm
Friday 18 Dec	Water's Edge Choir and That Bunch of Singers Christmas Concert	Sanctuary Church, Tilba Tilba	7.30pm
Saturday 19 Dec	Cobargo Christmas Markets and Santa Open Mike	Cobargo Hotel	9am - 2pm
Sunday 20 Dec	Sorta Brass	Tilba Winery	1pm
	Wild Martins	Cobargo Hotel	3pm
Thursday 31 Dec	The Shake	Cobargo Hotel	8.30pm
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Jan 2-9	SNAP! Cuttagee Photographers' 2nd Annual Show	The - Cuttagee Art Space, Four Winds Rd Barragga Bay	10.00am-4.00
Sunday 3 January	Mark Whitty	Tilba Winery	1pm
Tuesday 5 January	Bermagui Amateur Art and Craft Group Exhibition and Sale	Bermagui Country Club	7 - 9pm
Wednesday 6 January	Bermagui Amateur Art and Craft Group Exhibition and Sale	Bermagui Country Club	10am - 8pm
Thursday 7 January	Bermagui Amateur Art and Craft Group Exhibition and Sale	Bermagui Country Club	10am - 8pm
Saturday 9 January	QBC Country Music Club	Cobargo Hotel	7pm
	Drinks with Artists	Narek Gallery	6 - 8pm
Saturday 16 January	Live Music	Cobargo Hotel	7.30pm
Saturday 16 & Sunday 17 January	Cobargo Drawing Group Exhibition	Cobargo School of Arts	10am - 4pm
Sunday 17 January	Heartbeat	Tilba Winery	1pm
Saturday 23 January	Night of Comedy and Music. Starring Flacco, The Sandman and Beautifully Mad.	Bermagui Community Hall	7.30pm
	Outdoor Film "Mamma Mia"	Tilba Valley Winery	7.30pm
Tuesday 26 January	Sausage sizzle, Live Music, Games for Adults and Kids	Cobargo Hotel	12 noon
Saturday 30 Jan	Cobargo Markets, Open Mike	Cobargo Hotel	9am - 2pm