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And then the rains came ...



Cows move to higher ground at Wandello



Above: With the dams already full, sheets of water pour over the paddocks.



Above: Bermagui's beaches were covered with 'summer snow'. Two feet of foam lay on the beaches, whipped up by the stormy seas.



Left: Two intrepid tourists from French Guyana crossed the flooded Wallaga Lake without hesitating: full story page 13.

Editorial

February starts and we were still in major drought. Where are you Inigo Jones? Our faith is steadfast, but hang on, you said, our 10 year drought would be over at the end of 2009.

Then came the Big Wet. Dams filled, gullies ran and rivers started to flow. The mood changed, beach access to our estuaries was opened and everyone was smiling. What the heck that it is as humid as north Queensland, this is the far south coast and we've had rain. Fences were washed away in the Big Wet but farmers alike worked with a smile, as one said, 'A fence can be fixed, dams can't be filled'.

Then we had the Great Wet (thanks Bev). With more rain than the weekend before and dams filled, the rivers flooded, more fences, bridges, causeways and roads were washed away and the Cobargo Show was a washout. It has brought us, though, an explosion of frogs and the hills are alive with the sounds of lawn mowers.

Water, it's money in the bank.

Thank you to all the local photographers who sent in photos. The choice was fantastic and very hard. Maybe we'll do a CD of flood photos.

For all who have battled Telstra there is a NSW Government 'Inquiry into Telecommunications Availability in Rural and Regional Communities'. They are asking for submissions, which close on 5 March. For further information visit www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/broadband or call 02 9230 3438.



Letters to the Editors

It never rains, but...

Locals were amazed at the rapidly rising waters of Bredbatoura Creek and Narira Creek, with many long standing residents flocking to the Apex Park for the opportunity to view the



Dry River, Quaama, after the rain (photo: Marea Blair)

historical event. Comments overheard as they gathered were, 'I remember last time this happened when I was four, about forty years ago!', 'There is no film left in the chemist and disposable cameras have all been bought out' and 'I just bought the last roll of film!'. Other benefits to the area are obvious but the most being the cleaning out of the debris, seen rushing downstream. 'Narira has certainly needed this flushing'.

When asked how the rain/flooding has impacted comments ranged from, 'deliriously happy, we can now turn off the bore' to 'there has been 18 inches since the start last week and now there is no more hand feeding as the grass is already away'. Those on the brink of unloading the rest of their few remaining stock can look forward to restocking. 'We now have the task of cleaning up the paddocks after the water goes down, but even that is more welcome than the past years of drought!'

The relief is evident on everyone's faces and in their smiles, all around town.

Black snakes are looking for new homes as their usual haunts are definitely wet, they have been found in local businesses and resting up by a posh fish pond out Bermagui way, even taking a dip.

Thanks,

Marea Blair
Cobargo

Walking with Stingrays

Dear Editors,

This is to let you and your readers know that my new novel *Walking with Stingrays* is set along the Eurobodalla coast, featuring mainly Narooma and Bermagui (including The Four Winds Festival). It is about a British travel writer who falls in love with the area, decides to retire here - his decision having many unusual and dramatic consequences. I would be happy to supply your reviewer - Heather O'Connor with a copy.

It is currently available in Narooma at the library, the Tourist Information Centre, Purple Possum etc, and at The Pineapple House, Bermagui, as well as on-line at Amazon.com, Amazon.co.uk, Waterstones etc.

I am on a working holiday, from the UK, based in Narooma until 10 April. Please email (mwood1938@btinternet.com) if you require further information.

Regards

Michael Wood
Narooma

My Triangle

Meet Kel Gillies

When Kel Gillies first drove into Quaama in January 2009, he would not have believed that in just twelve months' time he would be the new Quaama postmaster and owner of the Quaama General Store. His parents Robert and Judy had recently moved into their new home in Field Bucketts Rd, and as far as he was concerned, he was just here on a visit. 'It was lovely and green at the time', he says, 'and it reminded me a little of my years growing up in Kurrajong, a small town in the Blue Mountains. But I was just having a holiday...'

It was during his short stay that he learned that the Post Office and mixed business was up for sale. After brief discussions with owners Ros and Greig Ruth he returned to the Blue Mountains to think it over, but not for long. Kel, a professional French and fine-dining chef, had been working at the same restaurant in Kurrajong for five years and

it was time for a change. By winter he had made an offer.

It's a far cry from the restaurant trade, isn't it? 'Yes, but I've completed extensive training with Australia Post in their TAFE-style Sydney training facility, as well as on-the-job

part-time.

What are Kel's plans for the store? We already know about some small changes to business hours: the store is open for business pretty much as before, Monday through Sunday morning, but the Post Office is now keeping Australia Post hours: 9am-5pm Monday to Friday and 9am-12noon Saturday.

'I'm going to introduce some new product lines in groceries and everyday needs', says Kel. 'And I'm going to extend the range of DVDs, bring in some classics as well as the new releases, maybe offer weekly hire. I'm planning a new, dedicated room for the DVDs'.

Kel loves the outdoor life and is keen on bushwalking, camping, surfing and snorkelling. 'Living in the Blue Mountains and even in West-

ern Sydney I was so far from the beach,' he says, 'but here it's fantastic, we've got the best of both worlds'.

We wish Kel all the best in his new life in Quaama!

Jen Severn



Letters to the Editors

(continued)

So much to lose, so little to gain

Dear Editors,

The last known koala colony in the Far South Coast of NSW is in Mumbulla State Forest. There are only about 50 koalas left living there. However, recent surveys have shown that there are signs that they

are breeding and, if left alone, could start to make a revival.

Forests NSW is currently gearing up to log in Mumbulla State Forest at Wapengo where our few remaining local, precious koalas live. The logging will commence sometime in March. The intention is to clear fell the total upper third of the catchment that borders on Wapengo Lake. This lake is currently so pristine that the oysters grown in

it need no purification.

Mumbulla State Forest is part of the newly declared National Wilderness Coast. Logging this small segment of native forest would produce so little gain and cause such damage to local industries, tourism and the future of our endangered icon, the koala.

Yours truly,

Lois Katz
Tathra

Thumbs Up



Hi Team, what a great newspaper! We've have just moved to the Cobargo area up on County Boundary Road off Yowrie Road. *The Triangle* is certainly smoothing our way learning about our new community. We hope to send a couple of contributions in the near future. In the mean time, thanks for your great

work. If you see us poking about in our red Russian sidecar say G'day. Regards Steve, Suzy, Bonny and Connor.

To Country Energy for keeping the power going during our two recent downpours!

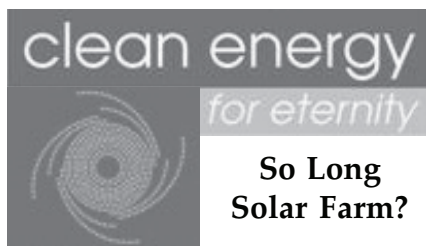
To the wonderful couple who have donated their trailer to *The Triangle Film Project*. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Thumbs Down



To the person who left a footprint in the mud and a damaged fence while stealing all the fruit from apple and pear trees in an orchard in Avernus Street, Cobargo. The owner is in residence and planned to use the fruit.





So Long Solar Farm?

When the Bermagui Chapter of Clean Energy for Eternity (CEFE) held its first meeting for the year the main items discussed included the solar bulk buy project and the proposed Solar Farm. The Solar Farm has been temporarily stalled due to changes in government policy and uncertainty in the renewable industry generally. The solar panel bulk buy programme was similarly cut short by changes in government policy.

However it was felt that in terms of meeting the renewable energy targets which were set when CEFE was first established the solar panel bulk buy programme was the

most successful and effective project that was undertaken by the group.

Overall the 'Shine On' bulk buy project resulted in over one megawatt of solar photovoltaic power being installed by Pyramid Power and around 30 free 2kw systems installed on community buildings.

In light of this Bill Caldicott offered to work on establishing a simi-



A solar farm in Kalbarri, WA. Thanks to changes in government policy, our own solar farm project has stalled.

lar project for the installation of solar HWS.

There was very little take up of the energy clinics offered last year and these have now been discontinued.

The Bermagui Chapter agreed to again have a stall at the Seaside Fair, and to share the space with Transition Town Triangle Plus. Planning for this display is underway.

The energetic Prue Kelly advised that she would be taking a break from community organising to recharge her energy levels, well earned and not surprising considering the mammoth effort she put into establishing the first Bega Festival.

If you are interested in joining the Bermagui chapter of CEFE please contact our secretary Lynda Cantrill at lyndacantrill@aapt.net.au.



Is Transition the answer you've been looking for?

Have you heard of Transition Initiatives, also called Transition Towns? Did you know that our community is one of the leading areas in Australia for adopting Transition Strategies? Have you heard of TTTplus (Transition Town Triangle plus) or TTBega (Transition Town Bega) or SETT (South East Transition Towns) and wondered what they were?

Transition Initiatives are all about rebuilding resilience in our local communities and creating the future we want for our local area. Arising from a permaculture course in Kinsale, Ireland in 2005, Transition Initiatives have spread like a virus around the U.K and around the world. They are addressing people's discontent and concern with how the current system is responding to threats such as climate change and peak oil. And they are tapping into people's imaginations about how we want life to be. They are bringing people together from all walks of life: to connect, to imagine and to rebuild local communities.

Transition Initiatives tap into what is already working in the community and act as a connection between local groups, setting up systems which strengthen the bonds of sustainability and good living. They also assist in creating an Energy Descent Action Plan for the community.

The Training for Transition

course is a way to find out more about this growing phenomenon or to assist you in becoming involved in your local initiative.

The Training for Transition course is endorsed by the United Nations as part of the U.N. Decade of Education for Sustainable Development.

The course is presented by the training team from South East Transition Towns - four local trainers who are qualified in Transition Training and Creative Facilitation. They use a team approach to training and the course is designed for interactive

learning techniques in a relaxed and enjoyable atmosphere.

The course is a residential course from Friday afternoon to Sunday evening with all meals provided. The location is the picturesque Crossing Land Education Centre at Bermagui. For more details, contact John Barlow on 0413 880 207 or john.barlow@guru.com.au or check out the website on nswcommunities.org.au/tttrain.html. Numbers are limited.



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Murrah Hall Launches their Free 'Shine On' Community System

The Murrah Hall will launch the installation of its free Pyramid Power solar system on Saturday 6 March at the Murrah Hall. The launch is to be celebrated in conjunction with 'Cheers for the Years of Volunteers', a Murrah Hall BBQ party featuring the dance band 'Arcacia'. The Murrah Hall Committee hopes to draw a large, historic crowd to showcase the solar system.

The launch of the solar system celebrates the community partnership between the Murrah Hall Committee, Clean Energy for Eternity, Pyramid Power Company and the Murrah/Bermagui Communités. The Murrah Hall was nominated to receive the 2kW solar electricity installation by the local community through the Pyramid Power 'Shine On' Community Bulk Buy Solar Energy Offer. The solar system has been installed at no cost to the community. It has been funded by Pyramid Power Company, with matching funds from the Department of Heritage, Water and the Arts, made possible by community support of the 'Shine On' bulk buy offer. Being able to receive the solar panels for the Murrah Hall can only highlight the community's commitment to clean energy.

Special thanks to the local community for nominating the Murrah Hall, the team at Pyramid Power for a seamless installation and Clean Energy for Eternity for instigating the project to make solar energy affordable.

Entry, BBQ, tea and coffee will be free and BYOG.. For further information regarding this event or the Murrah Hall, please contact Howard Stanley on 6493 4974 or Pauline on 6493 4454 or email murrah.hall@gmail.com. △



The Sea to Snow Crossing 2010

Part scholarship applications are now open for young people who are in South East NSW and will be between 16 and 18 years of age by July. The Sea to Snow Crossing is a 300km, 12 day big Australian Journey in late November, early December with two training camps in early July and September. It also allows participants direct entry into the Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award and is designed to fit around exam and study commitments.

The Crossing Land Education Trust is a not-for-profit youth leadership training camp for sustainability and is a registered Australian Environmental Organisation.

For more information see www.thecrossing.thebegavalley.org.au or contact Dean Turner, Project Director, The Crossing Land Education Trust on thecrossing@thebegavalley.org.au, 6493 3400 or PO Box 72, Bermagui 2546. △

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Cobargo Hall Plea

The Cobargo School of Arts Hall needs more members of our community to step up and join the hall committee - our AGM is coming up 10



March 2010 at 7pm at the hall. We have three members of the committee stepping down and moving on to

other places, if we don't find replacements and have a functioning committee the management of the hall will go back to BVSC and we, the community, will lose our say in how the doors of our community hall stay open. Please, if you want to know anything about how the committee operates, email is the best way to contact me (address below) or stop me in the street and ask me. I can't wait to talk with all the keen members of our community who wish to be involved in our hall.

The Cobargo School of Arts Hall Committee would like to pass on congratulations to the Cobargo Life Drawing Group on their successful Cobargo Characters Exhibition held at the hall in January and a huge thank you to the group for their very generous donation to our community hall (\$430). All who attended gained a little more knowledge of the people we share this space with, a great effort.

Maryann Green
blackdog11@optusnet.com.au

A Wet Wonderful Cobargo Show 2010

A very successful Cobargo Show was held on the weekend of 12 and 13 February despite the heavy rainfall received over that time. The show had terrific pavilion entries totalling over 1900, even though the lead up to the show had been an extremely dry and trying time. The beef and dairy competition was very competitive with high entries throughout the classes and a total of 16 children in the paraders competition. Megan Salway took out the junior event. The poultry section was amazing with a total of 87 chooks and ducks entered.

During the afternoon of the first day rain set in around 1pm and really never ceased for the rest of the show. The ever popular camp draft was contested on the Friday evening with the winner being Trevor Pearce, second Ben Cowdroy, third Glenn Thompson and best cut out Brittany Jones. Saturday dawned with very heavy rain coming down and the executives met and made the decision to go ahead with only a few cancellations from the

main programme. The showjumping, ute barrel races, team yarding and the fireworks all had to be cancelled which still left a strong entertainment programme to fulfil the hardy show spectators.

The post ripping was hotly contested in front of a great crowd. Aaron Salway was the victor in both novice and standard saw races with Ross Rixon with Matt Evans defending there title in the two man two billet event. The mini rodeo, foot races, egg toss, tug-o-war and motorbike race events saw lots of fun and lots of mud thrown around amongst lots of very happy people.

Anne Farr opened the show in the main pavilion due to the wet, but it did not detract from Anne's very moving speech as she outlined her great experiences throughout her extensive show career. At this point Ray Sawtell, Agricultural Societies Council Representative, presented four outstanding people with 50 yrs of commitment awards. Jim Cole, Frances



The creek joining Narira at the back of Benny's Butchery

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Cobargo Conversations (continued)

Tarlinton, Norma Allen and Jim Salway humbly received their well deserved awards. Col Boreham also was given a special award of service from the show committee for many long years of commitment to the show.

The hack events proceeded with the greatest of ease with all competitors being in the best of spirits throughout the wet and soggy events. The Karizmah Malenka memorial perpetual trophy went to M and J Bourke with Wadbilliga Major Impact who also took out the Supreme Led Horse of the show. Lauren Tomasi won the Supreme Ridden horse of the show with Royal Monet. The Bartlett family of Bega won both the Champion Led breed/colour and Ridden breed/colour with Summerfields Ambitious.

The Dog high jump was taken out by Dozer, owned by Rickee-Lee Seymour and Aaron Tyrell, with second to Skip owned by Charles and Kelly Lucas from Tilba. The small dog high jump went to Mia and Gemma Harrington. The chute dogging was won by Sam Lucas and the inaugural Open Steer Ride was won by Brett Clarke, with second to Daniel Allen and third to Jason Gannon. The most entertaining ride went to Wade Mathie.

The committee felt, despite the wet conditions, the show had an amazingly happy atmosphere and was one of the best we have held. A huge thank you to all the people who helped the committee make it the fantastic success it was.



Our very own Niagara Falls

Australia Day in Cobargo

Everyone thoroughly enjoyed an Australia Day function at the Cobargo School of Arts, where June Tarlinton was awarded The Citizen of the Year in Cobargo for 2010. It was a well deserved reward for a community minded person who gives of her time in so many organisations.

The CWA sponsors this event every year and has since 1982, as Brian Ayliffe, the MC, informed everyone. He spoke of this tremendous tradition in such a small community. The community is very lucky to have Brian, a very talented MC. The Cobargo Scouts ran a sausage sizzle which proved to be very popular and they also assisted the CWA ladies in taking the food to the tables.

Our special visitor, Shelley Oates-Wilding was accompanied by her two children and gave a rousing talk on maximising our individual potential and was very well received.

Both Tony Allen, the mayor of Bega Shire, and Andrew Constance, the local member, spoke. The proceedings opened with the Cobargo School Choir singing *We are Australian* and were given a huge round of applause. The School Captains of both Quaama and Cobargo School impressed with their speeches on what Australia and Australia Day means to them. It was noted by many of the people there that our future is in good hands if we can judge from these students.

Sonia Evans, accompanied by Damon Davies led everyone in singing the National Anthem and the Cobargo Scouts left their sausage sizzle duties to raise the Australian flag.

Many of those attending brought a plate which helped the CWA and very little food was left over!! It was judged by those attending the best so far.

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Congratulations are due to all concerned, especially the ladies from the CWA who work hard to make this event such a success.

Now we need to think of next year's candidates for the Award. If you know locals who you think are worthwhile candidates, be sure to nominate them by November 2010 to ensure they are considered by the selection committee of locals. Contact person is Mary Williams on 6493 6167. △

Cobargo Characters

The Cobargo Characters Exhibition, held at the School of Arts on Saturday 16 and Sunday 17 January turned out to be a great community event.

The Cobargo Drawing Group are to be congratulated; they not only produced a large number of portrait drawings of a very high standard, but absolutely everyone pitched in with enthusiasm to arrange and present a great looking show. This was not a simple task as there were several drawings of each character and these all had to be matched up and displayed including small written profiles about each of the subjects. They succeeded in creating a display that looked great and was enjoyed by all our visitors.

There was also a nice informal opening with tea and yummy nibbles and a great opening speech by Rhonda Ayliffe.

We should also mention those who were not part of the Drawing Group, but helped out anyway because they're community minded; May Blacka presented us with another of her beautiful flower arrangements

for the entrance table and Neil Davies yet again saw to the essential task of the picking up and safe return of the exhibition screens loaned by the Bermagui Art Group. Thanks Neil!

Everyone agreed it was a real pleasure to be involved in such a great community event...so a big thank you to everyone who was part of the show – that includes all those who came and sat for portraits, the people who came to look at the show and gave us such positive feedback and also those who supported us by buying some of the drawings. Their generosity, through entry donations plus a percentage of the sales donated by the artists, enabled the Drawing Group to make a donation of \$430 to the School of Arts.

So the Group are feeling pretty proud of themselves and are right now sharpening up their pencils ready to get drawing for next year's show.....and we're always looking for more models...so do contact us if you're one of those community minded people who will come and sit for us and be part of our famed portrait gallery! △



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Dive-In Movies?

Encouraged by a great night watching *Jaws* at the Cobargo Swimming Pool on a perfectly balmy evening, The Triangle Film Group will go again on Saturday March 20.

A small but enthusiastic group laughed and groaned at the 1970's 'horror film'. What was so scary 35 years now seems so tame in the light of the sophisticated digital special effects we are now all used to. Several viewers felt their childhood nightmares were laid to rest with the distinctly unscary great white pointer! The kids loved being able to swim in the pool all evening and the swimming club provided great food, including popcorn to enhance the film experience.

The Triangle Film Group has been delighted to receive a trailer, donated by a generous couple from Bermagui. With the trailer on track, we



The big screen up in a perfect setting at the Cobargo Swimming Pool

will be able to kit it out so that the whole system is user friendly. For groups wanting to hire the equipment it will be a simply a matter of arriving with a car with towbar,

hitching it up and driving away.

For further information contact the_triangle2@bigpond.com or phone 6493 7370. △

Is the Drought Over? Water Restrictions Lifted for Triangle Towns

At 11am on Saturday 6 February, the Brogo Dam flooded the spillway – 100% full, just like that. The Brogo catchment is so large and efficient that just five days of good rain were enough to fill it from a low start of 10.4%. Warragamba, eat ya heart out!

Driving from Quaama to Bermagui that morning, all the dams along the highway were brimful and glassy, reflecting the grey sky. Creeks were running under every bridge, and the farmers were wearing gumboots again. Every hill sported a green tinge; the Bermagui wetlands were flooded.

As of 9 February, Level 2 water restrictions for the towns on the Brogo-Bermagui supply line, only brought into force in late January, were lifted and replaced with Permanent Water Wise Measures.

Under the Permanent Water Wise Measures:

- Fixed watering systems and unattended hoses may only be used between the hours of 5pm and 10am, to avoid the heat of the day when evaporation is high and to maximise the potential for water to soak into the soil;

- No overspray water from garden watering is to run on to hard surface areas, to ensure water is applied directly to the areas intended and not on to nearby hard surfaces where it is wasted;

- Vehicles and boats should only be washed on grassed areas with a bucket, with a hand-held hose used only to rinse, to reduce the amount of water used.

And as if that initial few hun-

dred millimetres were not enough, the rains just kept coming. At 8pm on Monday 15 February the Brogo River peaked, gushing 3.74 metres over the top of the spillway.

In October 2009, the *Triangle's* Editorial mentioned a prediction by long-range weather forecaster Inigo Jones. Shortly before he died in 1954, Jones foretold that this century would start with a ten-year drought across south eastern Australia, peaking in 2007-2009, then breaking to herald in 25 years of favourable conditions. Well, let's see ... but for now, there's a smile on every dial.

Jen Severn

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Bermi Banter

Instead of mentioning the rain I thought I'd mention frogs. If you live near a wetlands, dam, creek or pond you, like me, will have been experiencing that fantastic nightly explosion of frogmania. Aren't we lucky!

On behalf of the residents of Bermagui I'd like to say 'welcome' to new owners of Bermagui Post Office, Linda and Phillip Weekes who will be taking over on 1 March. Australia Post Corporate Office and Julie and Derek Nash are showing Linda and Phil, previously from Hurstville where they ran a TAB Agency, the ropes. Julie and Derek plan to stay 'in beautiful Bermagui' and enjoy all the things we love about living here while working part-time. They extend a huge THANK YOU to the Bermagui community for the support they have received over the last seven years and request 'we address our mail correctly' to assist Linda and Phil during the transition.

I toured the top deck of Bermagui Surf Club with local builder Graeme Hamilton and his team of four, busily constructing on a windy weather day. A study of the plans reveal a beautiful curved wave designed roof line with glass paneling inserts highlighting the curve. A fantastic six metre wide deck facing Horseshoe Bay with smaller side decks offering a different viewpoint of Lamont Street add to the aesthetics. Steel for the structure is being prefabricated locally and Graeme said that by Easter the framework of the upper storey will be taking shape with the radio room for Coastal Patrol going up over part of the main club room. Layout includes office, first aid, sick bay, storage of rescue boats, separate junior and senior change rooms and toilets, kitchen and training room. Other features include rain-water storage, solar assisted hot water services and wind turbine electric feedback to grid thanks to



Top Deck Bermagui Surf Club under construction by G&G Homes local team of builders.

funding through Matthew Nott's 50/50 by 20/20 scheme. It may have taken forever to come to fruition, but the Bermagui Surf Club is going to be a building we will all be proud of.

Bermagui Community Technology Centre (CTC) is holding free computer classes during Seniors Week, 21-28 March 2010. Classes in basic computer skills (taking the fear out); using internet search engines; getting started on Facebook; and emailing sessions will all be taught followed by morning tea. Class sizes are limited so please book to secure your seat on 6493 3745.

A Triangle call for volunteers to work at the CTC has resulted in six new volunteers including Kath Copley who will step in for Jeannie for four weeks. Jeannie advises that for \$25 per year Triangle businesses can link their websites to the Bermagui Directory. This extensive directory lists all local Community Events, Business, Sport and Recreation, Arts and Health (www.bermagui.net) which offers all



Julie and Derek Nash with new owners of the Bermagui Post Office, Linda and Phil Weekes.



Come to life at the Vineyard!

Open every day from 10.00 am - 5.00 pm for wine tasting, cellar door sales, snacks and lunches.

March events:

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kinds of helpful information for locals and visitors to the Bermagui area.

The CTC is a not for profit community organisation supported by a board of five directors and six ordinary members. They meet bimonthly to offer support and ideas for the centre's staff, comprising a paid manager four days per week and relying on a volunteer supervisor to work one day per week. CTC assists the public as a Centrelink Access Point, provides free access to the ATO website for e-tax and recently provided a Skype internet service for a businessman/tourist during January. As well as high speed broadband internet access, photocopying services, VHS tape conversion to DVD and bookings for chairs, tables and room hire for community and personal events. Please support our Bermagui CTC centre.

Can you Samba, Salsa, Rock n' Roll and are willing to teach others? A cry for dance lessons (not ballroom) has gone up from a group of Bermagui women. If you are ready, willing and able to show others dance routines on a regular basis please answer the call through *The Triangle* (mazcall@hotmail.com) or Annie on 6493 4033.

If you are visiting Sydney before 8 August make time to see the *Up the Cross* Exhibition on at the Museum of Sydney. Showcasing some of the works of Bermagui photographer Wesley Stacey in the so-called 'summer of love'. Wez and Rennie Ellis spent six months in 1970-71 capturing the sights sounds and pulsating rhythms of Sydney's in-



Beautifully Mad performing at the opening of the Smile concert with the Akolele Ladies.

famous red-light district: from drag queens to avant-garde artists, celebrities and local characters. The exhibition is a fascinating portrait of life 'up the Cross' at a unique moment in time. At the 2009 Seaside Fair Photographic Exhibition Wez won the People's Choice Award.

Jan Ireland of *Sculpture on the Edge* advises that Bruce and Janinka from Horse and Camel wine bar will be hosting a 'festival club' during the *Sculpture on the Edge* Exhibition for artisans and their fans. Cocktails, the 'Brancusi' and the 'Henry Moore' will be featured during the time of the Festival Club. Be there or be square!

A children's workshop will be co-ordinated by Angie Moore at Little Lambs, Bermagui Pre-School and Little Yui, and Bermagui Primary School. Karen Charlebois will conduct a workshop at Bega High School as part of *Sculpture on the Edge*. Students

from Bega Primary School and High School will have excursions to the event funded by a grant from the Mumbulla Foundation.

Last but not least a big round of applause is due to the organisers of Smile. What a treat to have such a fun and entertaining evening with Flacco and Sandman's outrageous humour and being enthralled again by the fantastic musicianship of Tony and Krys of Beautifully Mad. The evening was MC'd by our lovely Angie. Opening the show with a riot of colour and lights, the Akolele Ladies (and gentleman) with their Ukuleles captivated the audience. Well done to you all for a fabulous evening and a great fundraising effort.

See you all at the *Sculpture on the Edge* and Seaside Fair Event.

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Public Transport in Bermagui

Members of the recently formed Bermagui Public Transport Advocacy Group held a very productive meeting with State MP Andrew Constance in Bermagui on Friday 19 February.

The Group had previously forwarded to both Mr Constance and Federal MP Mike Kelly the request of more than 400 local petitioners that existing bus services from Narooma to Bairnsdale (Melbourne) and from Canberra to Narooma be extended to include Bermagui.

At the request of the Advocacy Group, Mr Constance undertook to write to local bus companies to explore the possibility of a small feeder bus service being set up to link Bermagui with the Canberra to Narooma service several times per week.

He also agreed to write to V Line to request the service 'dog leg' its buses from the highway between Tilba and Cobargo to service Bermagui.

Mr Constance will also represent the requests of the town's petitioners and their Advocacy Group in the State Parliament.

The Group hopes to also meet with Dr Kelly, but has so far been unable to secure an appointment.

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Highlights of the Bermagui Seaside Fair 2010

Concert for Over 50's

Bermagui Country Club will be the venue for the 2010 Bermagui Seaside Fair, over 50's Concert to be held on Sunday 14 March commencing at 1pm. Lori Hammerton will host an afternoon of fun and good music with a bevy of artists from both the local area and out of town, with a mix of styles of music guaranteed to suit all 'recycled teenagers'.

Admission will be free, however there will be a donation box at the door and a Lucky Duck Raffle with a nice prize donated by The Seaside Fair committee.

Art In Place

As part of the 13th Bermagui Seaside Fair the Committee wish to announce the inaugural 'Art in Place' themed art exhibition which will run alongside the 2010 Fair. The theme for the fair is 'Bermagui - Proud of our Place' and artists are invited to submit works, which will interpret the chosen theme of the art exhibition 'Bermagui (Permageua): Canoe Without a Paddle'.

Doris Hoyne, who holds an AM in Visual Art and Art History, will coordinate the event and the exhibition will be held in the gallery space at Simone Ellis' newly named 'Soulique' (14 Lamont Street Bermagui) from Saturday 13 to Saturday 21 March.

Tamworth Performers To Play At Bermagui Seaside Fair

Fresh from their performances at Tamworth Country Music Festival in January, Garry Carson Jones and the

Poddy Dodgers have accepted an invitation to perform at the 13th Bermagui Seaside Fair on Saturday 13 March. This is one band not to be missed and they will be featured on the CSS (Security) main stage from 2pm to 4pm. Sound mixing will be handled once again by the very capable Garry Williams from Magpie Music.

Kids Stuff at Seaside Fair

Some of the free activities planned is the ever popular chuck a Tuna contest, sack races, three legged races and for the littlies a balloon toss, and much more. Kerri Binstock, coordinator of the novelty events, said that she has been planning the free fun stuff for quite some time. Every little kid will receive a prize when they participate in the novelty events with Kerri and her assistants on the netball court which is directly behind Dickinson Oval, and it won't cost them a cent.

Zamboni, the much loved and very popular magician will be there, along with draft horses, old cars and tractors, tai chi, karate, and an abundance of glorious and yummy food, and over 100 stalls with various goods to delight and tempt everyone.

Traditional Koori dancing and didgeridoo playing will allow our young indigenous chaps the opportunity to show pride in themselves and their awareness of the old ways.

In the evening a special Youth Music Showcase featuring young talent, will take place on the CSS main stage from 4pm to 8pm.

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And to finish the day with a bang, at approx 8.30pm, fantastic fireworks will once again grace the headland overlooking Horseshoe Bay.

Arts, Crafts and Photographic Exhibitions not to be Missed

There will be two large marquees on Dickinson Oval to house the Bermagui Country Club Arts and Crafts exhibition, which is coordinated by local artisans Jenny Halliday and Helen Morris.

Well known photographers David Cotton and Malcolm Halliday will expertly coordinate the photographic exhibition which will be displayed in the Bermagui Community Centre. A people's choice award in both Senior and Junior sections of the photography will be sure to encourage many to enter.

Gentleman Jimmy Little to Appear at Bermagui Seaside Fair

Bermagui Seaside Fair Committee members are proud to announce that Jimmy Little, much loved Aborigi-

nal singer and actor for over five decades, will be a guest of honour at this year's fair. Jim, along with his wife Marj and manager Buzz Bidstruth, is hoping to arrive in Bermagui in time to present the Citizen of the Year Award on the CSS main stage at around 12 midday.

Bermagui Seaside Fair Pet Pageant

On Saturday 13 March at 1:30, the Bermagui Veterinary Clinic will once again present the annual popular Pet Pageant

1. Special Children's Category: My Buddy and I – *Children up to age 12 are invited to dress up with their pets and show us your best!*

2. Most Glamorous Pet – *is your Pet a Hollywood star?*

3. Dog with the Best Smile – *show us those shiny canines!*

4. Dog with the Waggiest Tail

5. Dog with the most Clever Trick

6. Pet Pageant Hall of Fame – *The Star of the Day!*

A safety reminder: to join the Pet Pageant, all animals must be restrained on leads, harnesses or in pet carriers.

Some People Don't Take 'No' for an Answer

(from page 1)



Just as Wallaga Lake was being opened, a couple from French Guyana, South America, approached Wallaga Lake from the south, and thought the 'Road Closed' sign irrelevant. They proceeded to drive into the flood waters as shown in the accompanying photos. I was at Akolele at the time, and was shocked to see a vehicle in the water.

They were quite unfazed by the experience, saying it was the third flooded road they had crossed that morning coming from their overnight stay at Tathra. Narain said they were travelling from Port Hedland. He had been working as a cattleman on a station for twelve months and had decided to take the long way around to his next assignment in the Northern Territory.

Two delightful adventurers, Narain Wirandjan and Daiana Balki-Soon.

Bermagui Institute Public Dinner

Guest speaker: Professor William Maley AM (Director, Asia-Pacific College of Diplomacy, ANU).

Topic: Professor Maley will speak on a topic (to be advised) related to Afghanistan.

Date: Wednesday 24 March 2010

Time: 6pm for 7pm.

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Tilba Bites

Drought, fire and now the floods. Two successive weekends of torrential rain have obviously dominated events in the Tilba area, but more of that later.

Activities in the Central Tilba post office were temporarily suspended when a black snake decided to pay a visit. Ken's attempts to steer it into a Postpak tube for express-post dispatch to Wires proved unsuccessful and said beastie slithered under a cupboard and was not sighted again, presumably escaping under the store. Ken reckons he had it licked but didn't want to stamp it.

Following on my last report; The Tilba Bakery's daily sale record for Alfie's inimitable meat pies stands at 1200. That's no fean meat, if you like Spoonerisms. Mardy and Jeff inform me that their infamous chook now rules the roost since holidaying in Tilba. The seasoned traveller's new-found confidence is such that it has become somewhat of a pest, regularly making sorties through the kitchen window to swoop on unattended morsels with military precision. Next month's *Triangle* could well contain a new chook recipe.

Now to the rain. Most out of town dwellers report extensive damage to fence-lines, driveways and the like. Following the long drought and the Gulaga bushfire, the first deluge saw copious amounts of vegetative material being swept down gullies and waterways. Craig and Marilyn's block spanning Ben Braggie creek was particularly hard-hit, with blocked and broken bridges causing the creek to spill over a wide area and destroy their flourishing market gardens. Mercifully, their residence survived both floods although the waters were literally lapping at their doorsteps.

The second, more vehement,



A Punkalla Road bridge washes out after a dam collapses upstream

downpour saw creeks rising to even higher levels and large trunks torpedoing their way downstream. Stream substrates were scoured out and the size and volume of displaced boulders bore testament to the power of the floodwaters. Many of us backblock Tilbaites were stranded as a collapsed farm dam caused a wash-out of a bridge on the Tilba-Punkalla Rd and Corunna Lake backed-up over the old highway. Baseball training began early as Tuck hurled a parcel containing a rock and some cigarette packets across the raging torrent to a bedraggled, nicotine-deprived Mark. Said bridge is still out and will probably take some weeks to replace.

The Hallelujah Chorus following the grading of Punkalla Rd can now be deemed premature, although without this work the flood damage would have been greater. Village residents weren't spared, with driveways being eroded and retaining walls collapsing. Dromedary Hotel regulars became accustomed to the sight of the publican Waz donning a snorkel as he went to change a keg. Details of the

precise rainfall vary as many, including myself, suffered from overflowing rain gauges. At the height of the second downpour, I was emptying my 120 mm capacity gauge every 5 hours. I've heard anecdotal reports of totals exceeding 800 mm for this month so far.

Notwithstanding the damage we have good cause to celebrate such rainfall. The grass is leaping out of the ground and the paddocks are once again an emerald green. The creeks are flushed, the dams are full and all of our coastal lakes are again connected to the ocean. Hopefully, the lake entrances will remain open for long enough to enable a good recruitment of prawns and fish to take place.

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Tilba's Youth Talent Quest 2010: Strut your Stuff!

The finals of the inaugural Tilba Youth Talent Quest will be held at the Tilba Easter Festival on Easter Saturday this year. 'Can you sing, dance, do flips or tricks, or turn yourself inside out? Whatever it is come along and strut your stuff,' said Bev Long, talent quest organiser. Heats will be held on Sunday 28 March in the big hall at Central Tilba and the finals will take place on the Festival Day, Easter Saturday 3

April. Entry fee is \$5 and all acts must be pre-booked with Bev Long beforehand by calling 4473 7253. Cash prizes are on offer.

If performing is not your thing perhaps your pampered pet is keen to get out on the cat walk. John Small, local photographer and creator of the Tilba Dog Days Calendar, will judge the most prestigious event and entrants are encouraged to participate in the Parade.

The Tilba Easter Festival is always a great day for the whole family. Happening at high noon, the parade will feature the Gulaga dancers, a Scottish marching band, Narooma Dance Studios, vintage motorbikes and antique cars, the cast of the 'Pat the Possum' show, the Great Zamboni and the Central Tilba School Drummers.

Four stages will offer a wide selection of music all day. To add to this, the Tilba Growers market will sponsor an agricultural pavilion with fresh lo-



Sol 'Pied Piper' Ramana leading the Parade in 2009

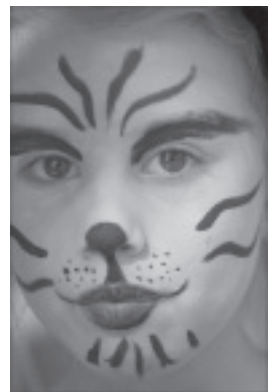
cal produce on display and the regions bakers are invited to enter their best cakes into the bake off. Children's categories will include best iced cake and best decorated biscuits.

A special Landcare category will include a bouquet of named and listed environmental and noxious weeds. 'These categories are included to assist in educating locals and visitors about the appearance of common plants that threaten the health and diversity of local bushland' said event organiser Christina Potts, 'Exhibiting weeds allows people to put a face to the name of the plant'.

What a great day is on offer at the 2010 Tilba Easter Festival. For a full line up of events and entertainment please visit tilba.com.au. For general enquiries or to volunteer please contact Stuart or Bev Long on 4473 7253.



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Brogo Babble

News from the Fire Shed

Despite the lack of fires to fight (thank goodness) the Brogo Fire Shed has been active. At a General Meeting on 14 January the Brigade welcomed four newly qualified firefighters to the team. This brings to 27 the number of qualified members from the Brogo shed. However, many of the long standing members are no longer active and it would be great to see some of those experienced people back in action so the newer members could have the benefit of their long experience here at Brogo. There is also a Junior Cadet scheme operating and if there are any young people who would like to be involved in learning new skills, they would be very welcomed.

In the past, during the long hot summer, the emphasis has been on fire fighting with training taking a back seat through this busy period. With four newly qualified Basic Firefighters, Mike Jay organised a training night for all, but especially for these new recruits. A great deal of planning went into the exercise with three 'mock fires' as well as trees down over access tracks, static water supply points to be located and crew members to work as a team to assess the best means of locating and extinguishing the fire.

Unfortunately, minutes before the exercise was to begin, a lightning strike and resulting fire sent two vehicles out to Upper Brogo to investigate. Thankfully, the burning tree did not present a fire risk and was put on the 'watch' list. The heavy rain overnight did the rest.

When the vehicles returned to the shed, the team did manage to do part of the 'mock' fire exercise and found it a great way to remind our-



Captain Steve presenting certificates to Mike Jay (Advanced Firefighter), Ian Bussell (Advanced Firefighter), Kate Gooden (Chainsaw Operation), Wayne Keith and Robin Philp (Basic Firefighter).

selves of all the things we had forgotten over the summer months. Thanks to Mike for his great effort.

Oh What a Lovely Drop

You could hear the collective smiles of Brogarians after the wonderful flooding rain we have had. Creeks burst their banks, paddocks were awash with new waterways and the Brogo Dam rose from below 10% full to overflowing. The follow-up rain we had all hoped for came down in buckets and the spillway was in full flight with the Brogo River running up to eight metres and some local creek crossings under water. No-one complained however and, since the beginning of 2010 we have now had more rain than in the whole of 2009. I am now a true believer in Inigo Jones, flowering apple gums and black cockatoos.

It was a different story back on Australia Day when seventeen hardy souls set off to float down the Brogo River from the Dam. This annual event

has become a tradition and some say you cannot truly be a Brogarian until you have completed this rite of passage. Given the tiny trickle in the river it was more of a walk than a paddle but traditions must be upheld and hopefully next year's event will be more like white water rafting! The paddlers were too busy walking to take photos but here is 2008's team who had a much wetter journey down the river.

Brogo's New Australians

About twelve years ago Carl and Motria von Schreiber and son Maximillian were in England, pondering where in the world they would like to be. Carl's veterinary skills had given them the opportunity to travel but with no job opportunities immediately available they tripped over a position in Canberra. It was a big step to go to the other end of the world but they were young and 'portable' and up for the adventure.

Motria recalls how warmly they were welcomed to a country cot-



Mike, David and Andrew clearing fallen trees on the way to the 'mock' fire.



Photo - Brogo River - Dam to Bridge Paddle 2009

Brogo Babble (continued)

tage on the Murrumbidgee River on the southern edge of Canberra. Staff from the Veterinary hospital where Carl was to work filled the fridge with food, made up the beds and even had soft toys for three year old Max. Life was good and the family settled in quickly. The backyard of their new home was a playground for possums and kangaroos. Platypus often swam in the river with Max and they did not at first realise how rare this was!

After the birth of Emmett, and Max reaching school age the family bought a house and moved closer to town. However, something was missing from their life in the suburbs and they yearned for a more organic lifestyle. The South Coast beckoned and they found their way to beautiful Brogo. The surrounding hills reminded Motria of childhood holidays in the Catskills and they have come to love the open and absorbing local community.

The von Schrieber family have been an important part of the Brogo community for around 12 years now. Many wounded native animals have found their way to their door. Lost dogs, sheep and goats have been reunited with owners and despite operating a busy Veterinary practice in Bermagui, aid is always freely given. There have been times when drought, fire threats and lightning strikes have caused the family to question living in Brogo but they cannot imagine living anywhere else.

On Australia Day this year the whole family became Australian Citizens. After lots of study (they know all about Pharlap!) and a trip to Canberra to complete the last 'John Howard' test for citizenship, they were officially welcomed as Australians on Australia Day at a ceremony in Bega. The Brogo Community congratulates you all.

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CLOSED FRIDAYS

The Hundred Year House

A fascinating and innovative home is currently under construction on a steeply sloping site close to the Brogo River Bridge... No – it has not taken 100 years to build. In fact, the owner/builders, Fiona and Don Firth, have been labouring away for a mere 15 months. The results are remarkable.

The concept of an underground home had been rattling around in the Firths' brain for more than two years. An 800km walk across Spain about 18 months ago allowed time for ideas to solidify with some elements for the design coming from the underground storage cellars found outside the villages they passed along the way. Some of these were centuries old and had served as huge wine cellars, food storage and preparation areas for preserving the harvest.

Back in Brogo the journey towards putting ideas into practice began. Don's design was for a home which would be minimal impact and sustainable for the long term with low building maintenance and energy costs. The first stage involved excavating the hillside to a depth of five metres and creating the level footprint of the home. Orientation is a very important element and is designed to minimise summer heat from the west and maximise sun penetration in the winter.

On arrival the first impression is of a modest, but beautifully crafted home. First impressions can mislead. This part of the house is clad in stone with a pleasing curved front wall. Enter a surprisingly big space with plenty of glass. Views to Little Mumbulla and the rural surrounds make the large kitchen/eating and sitting rooms a great place to linger. Grand Romanesque style columns separate the sitting from the dining and you begin to get a sense of space and strength. There are two bedrooms, bath and laundry rooms on this side of the home.

The secret to the light and airy feel to all areas of the house is the central courtyard. The simple water feature reflects rippling light on the internal walls and cools the air whilst a Japanese maple in the centre of the



Hillside view of the underground house

timber decking gives summer shade and winter sun.

The huge entertainment hall with timber barrel vaulted ceiling is to the south of the courtyard and is buried under the soil. You might expect this room to be dark but it is flooded with light from a huge celestial window which captures the northern sunshine and also shimmers with the patterns reflected from the water feature.

Floors right through are acid etched concrete in a soft turquoise giving an impression of cool water. Walls are bagged and painted in warm ochre shades. Given that each batch is mixed from scratch there are subtle differences in the colours. This only adds to the hand crafted effect and the even temperature throughout gives the home a calming and very liveable feel.

A comfortable self contained guest wing makes up the balance of the accommodation. Don jokes that this is for the 'carer' when life becomes too difficult. In fact the design is such that old age will not be a challenge with low maintenance, one level living and wonderful views.

Outside, the flat concrete roof is just beginning to sprout its grass cover after the recent rain. Soon this well thought out home will fold gently back into the hillside with just a lovely stone façade to show the way to the front door and the magic inside.

Robin Philp



Art in the Triangle

Sculpture on the Edge

Bermagui's *Sculpture on the Edge* will be opened on Friday 5 March by architect Philip Cox. Another very welcome speaker will be Gordon Bull, Head of the School of Art at ANU. He will be announcing the winner of a residency in the sculpture department of the University. This is wonderful news for the event and for the fortunate sculptor!

The opening will feature one of Yuri Wiedenhof's long-burning fire sculptures as well as several ephemeral fire sculptures by artists including Chris Polglase and Rhonda Ayliffe. Local sculptor Alan Watt has done a great job of co-ordinating this part of the event and he and his partner Madeleine Meyer have been working hard to prepare their exhibits for this year's show. Dan Scollay's choir will be performing on the night too.

Sculpture Controversy! the

public symposium to be held at Nerimbah on Sunday 7 March has as its speakers, Megan Bottari, Curator at the Bega Regional Gallery, and sculptors Michael Snape, Ken Hutchinson and Randall Sinnamon. Ken will have some interesting news about New Zealand's fabled and very exclusive 'The Farm' sculpture park. Pre-registration for the Symposium is essential because places are limited. A registration form may be downloaded from sculpturebermagui.org.au.

Do remember the Open Day at Philip Cox's Murrah property Thubbul on Friday 12 March from 9am to 4pm. Tours of Philip Cox's Art Collection will be available.

Sculpture on the Edge can be viewed from 5 to 14 March on Endeavour Point Headland and Horse-shoe Bay Beach and in the Bermagui



Tanja fire sculpture 1 by Chris Polglase

Community Hall. For more information see our website or call Jan Ireland, Event Manager, on 6493 3808. △

Tell us a tale... Story Lines - Cuttagee Artists 14th Annual Easter Exhibition

2010 is the 14th year that the Cuttagee Artists Group have been showing their work at their Annual Easter Exhibition at the lovely Indaba Exhibition Space at Barraga Bay. This year's theme, Story Lines, promises a rich and varied show, featuring an array of talented artists and their interpretations of this theme.

Shunyam Smith, with her exquisite tapestries, will weave us the tale of her 'memory circles', expanding outwards from Barraga Bay to Gulaga and Two-fold Bay, while Debora Mandira will tell the story of her personal journeys through her fine printed textiles, using natural dyes and shibori techniques.

Among the painters exploring this theme will be Seraphina Leahy and Bernard O'Grady, whose paintings in oil take us deep into the heart of the forest. Jan

Ward's mixed media paintings tell the story of past generations and explore their interactions with the natural world.

Book illustrator, Naomi Lewis, introduces us to the quaint world of

some local 'little folk'.

A number of talented sculptors will also have their work on display; Lenore Thompson and Joy Gregson have created gorgeous ceramic sculptures that relate closely to the natural environment and LeighAnn Sydenham once again tells us her sculptural story in stone.

The outdoor exhibition space under the trees will be transformed into a wonderland with mixed media sculptures by Beetle Collins and quirky recycled metal sculptures by John Gosch.

This is a show not to be missed. The Gallery hours are 10am to 4pm daily, and coffee and cake are available in the sculpture garden - what a great day out!

Indaba Exhibition Space, Barraga Bay - 9kms south of Bermagui on the Tathra Road - follow the signs. △



Cuttagee Artists Deborah Mandira and Shunyam Smith

Art in the Triangle (continued)

New Name New Artist

The Showroom (now known as the Lazy Lizard Gallery) at 53 Princes Highway Cobargo, is pleased to welcome new member Steven Stafford (formerly of Working Wood, Cobargo)

Steven is recognised Australia wide and represented in national and private collections. He uses exotic and often local timbers to create his stunning, award winning pieces including exquisite burl bowls, sculptures and beautifully handcrafted Santoku chef knives (which would make a unique and special gift).

If you enjoy quality art and craft with a quirky edge don't miss our April exhibition, new work from all of our Artists including wood and metal sculpture, paintings, pottery, jewellery, photography, weaving and more.

Opening Sunday 4 April at 5:30pm, wine and nibbles, all welcome.



Works by Steve Stafford, the newest member of the Lazy Lizard Gallery in Cobargo

Hymn #365

A minister was completing a temperance sermon. With great emphasis he said, 'If I had all the beer in the world, I'd take it and pour it into the river'.

With even greater emphasis he said, 'And if I had all the wine in the world, I'd take it and pour it into the river'.

And then finally, shaking his fist in the air, he said, 'And if I had all the whiskey in the world,

I'd take it and pour it into the river!'

Sermon complete, he sat down.

The song leader stood very cautiously and announced with a smile, and trying to stifle laughter, 'For our closing song, let us sing Hymn #365, Shall We Gather at the River'.

Become a Performer at the Four Winds Festival!

Would you like to be part of the Four Winds Festival and perform with some of Australia's best musicians? Percussionist and composer, David Hewitt, is organising a large scale 'spatial sound event' to be performed at the Festival site on Easter Saturday and is looking for willing volunteers. 'The Resonant Village' will use a collection of standard percussion instruments as well as other unusual sound making devices and anyone who would like to be involved should contact David at davidhewitt@iinet.net.au.

The fifteenth Festival kicks off with 'Windsong', a free community concert on Good Friday afternoon at the Dickinson Oval in Bermagui. This concert is Four Winds Festival's gift to the community and is a commissioned performance piece exploring the stories and experiences of people living with the winds along the Sapphire Coast. There will be bells and conch shells, flags and sculptures, puppeteers, dancers and massed choirs performing with local indig-

enous musicians and guest artists. Already song-writing workshops have been held at Wallaga Lake, bamboo has been collected and prepared for boat-making workshops and local singing groups are rehearsing.

New Artistic Director Genevieve Lacey has conceived a Festival programme over the Easter weekend that reflects her own vivacity, charm, intelligence and musical breadth. The programme features music from many centuries and cultures including flamenco, jazz, Gregorian chant (the oldest written Western song form), classic film soundtracks from the '60s and '70s and contemporary indigenous music.

Check out the programme at fourwinds.com.au but hurry if you are interested in Friday's events as they are selling fast. Buy tickets on-line, from The Pineapple House, Bermagui or at the gate.

Media Contact: Angela Marshall on 4476 3263 or 0428 396 869, or Sheena Boughen on 6493 3701 or 0418 656 916



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Snakes! Who likes 'em?

Well, you may be surprised at the answer. A lot of people understand and appreciate the role that snakes play in our environment and their role in the balance of nature. Without brown snakes, the rodent population would soon be an even greater force to be reckoned with. Red bellied blacks help to keep the number of browns in check, as they eat baby brown snakes. Common local snakes include: harmless pythons, red bellied black snakes, brown snakes and death adders. Snakes, as are all native animals, are protected by law and large fines can be incurred if you hurt or kill them.

Summer brings renewed snake movement. The babies have hatched and the warm weather has them moving about searching for food. Snakes are not nesters and do not normally take up permanent residence in one place but are only passing through.

When a snake is seen outside, it is normally best to leave it alone. Most snake bites occur when people try to remove or kill a snake. Sometimes a squirt from the garden hose will get them going. However, there are steps that you can take to minimise attracting snakes wanting to spend time near your home.

Put screens over water tank pipes and storm water drains. Frog

eating snakes, like the red bellied black, quickly take up residence in pipes. Tiger snakes can end up swimming in water tanks where inlet pipes are uncovered.

Rodent eating snakes, like the brown, are more frequently found where compost or grain is left unsealed. Ensuring that grain and compost are kept in sealed containers will help deter mice and rats which also means fewer brown snakes will be found.

Also, keep wood piles away from the house. Snakes are definitely going to find wood piles very appealing.

WIRES has some volunteers who are specially trained to become reptile handlers. When a snake is endangered or is inside a home, these volunteers will come and remove and relocate or rehabilitate it. However, WIRES volunteers are NOT animal removalists and will not attend to snakes that just happen to be seen outside. In the majority of cases, it is wiser to leave the snake alone and let it move on of its own accord.

Snakes are naturally shy and do not like to attract attention. Remember to take sensible precautions and wear sturdy shoes and loose clothing when bush walking or walk-



Eastern brown snake

ing through the grass where snakes may be.

The world of native animals is fascinating. If you are interested in learning more and helping our native treasures to survive, ring WIRES on 6495 4150.

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enough carers to take them all!) There are also several 'mature' cats still hoping that someone will see their lovely natures and adopt them.

Call the adoption line on 0400 372 609 for more details. Potential owners will need to have secure dog proof fencing or suitability to the needs of the animal. The AWL subsidised adoption fee of \$220 for puppies and dogs, \$150 for kittens and \$100 for cats, includes

de-sexing, vaccinations (two x C5 for pups and two for kittens), microchipping, worming, vet check, flea and tick treatment and heartworm testing for dogs. For lost and found pets please contact BVSC Companion Animal Facility 6499 2222 or

for wildlife enquiries contact WIRES 6495 4150 or NANA 6493 0357. Please note that Far South Coast Branch Animal Welfare League NSW volunteers raise the funds to support this de-sexing subsidy and do not receive any Government funding. Donations can be sent to AWLNSW FSC Branch PO Box 101A, Bermagui, 2546. If you would like to become a member or wish to renew your membership, please call 0400 372 609.

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2 cups SR flour
1 teaspoon baking powder
1 cup firmly packed brown sugar
half a cup of vegetable oil
1 egg,
three-quarters to 1 cup milk
200g raspberries, fresh or frozen
100g rhubarb, chopped into small pieces.

Sift flour and baking powder into a large bowl; add sugar, combined egg and oil, then milk. Stir lightly to combine - do not over-mix. Fold through raspberries and rhubarb. Put in greased muffin tins and cook in a 200deg.C oven for about 20 minutes or until cooked. Makes 12-18 muffins depending on the size of your tins. Ideal

for freezing.

The glut of midsummer vegetables prompts the question, 'Why do country folk lock their car doors in the church parking lot in summer? So people won't put zucchini inside'. Most of you will have favourite ways of preparing this prolific vegetable; perhaps simmering in a little olive oil with garlic, adding to salads and tomato dishes,



grating into cakes and muffins or dipping thick slices into seasoned tempura batter and frying to make it irresistible to children. Then there's good old **Zucchini Slice**. Two medium sized unpeeled zucchini can be grated, added to a large onion, finely chopped with 3 rashers of bacon, 1 cup of grated

cheese, 1 cup of SR flour, half a cup of oil and 5 lightly beaten eggs and mixed well. A pinch of cayenne, some salt and pepper or herbs can flavour this easy slice. Pour into a greased baking dish and cook in a moderate oven for 30-40 mins. or in a microwave for 10-15 mins.

Most herbs are thriving at this time of year and can be added to a wide variety of recipes, such as this tasty **Thyme Cheese**. Beat half a teaspoon of salt into 4 cups of plain yoghurt. Pour into a clean tea towel or muslin cloth over a strainer, gather the ends and secure with string. Hang in a cool place for the whey to drain off (from a bath tap is handy) and leave for 48 hours. Put a layer of fresh thyme leaves in a container, drop lumps of curd on top, put more thyme over the lumps, along with chopped dried tomatoes, garlic, chillies, olives or whatever you fancy and cover the lot with olive oil. This will keep for months in the fridge and is best eaten in salads and on dry biscuits after marinating for a couple of weeks.

Happy Cooking!

Dawn Hollins



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Book Review



The Road
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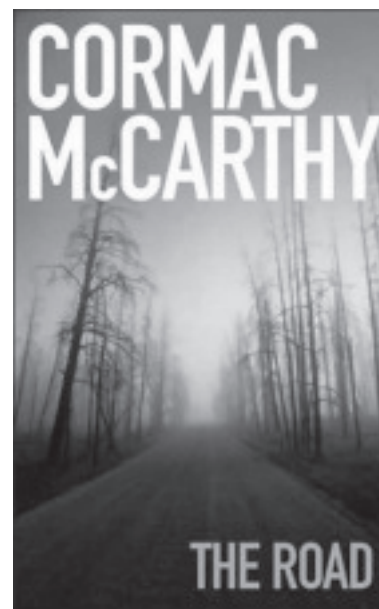
Don't save this book for a rainy day. You're going to want a sunny day, birdsong outside and the wind in the trees. This is so you can stop reading every now and then and gaze out the window, just to remind yourself that the planet is still alive.

McCarthy has created a post-apocalyptic world populated sparsely by small pockets of survivors. There's no infrastructure and no living envi-

ronment. It's a world bereft of all the structures and support that we in the 21st century take for granted.

A man and his young son journey through this burned and ravaged land, with winter on their heels. They're on a search for like-minded survivors, battling a deeply hostile environment, hunger and the occasional cannibalistic marauder on the way. Beautifully written, it's a story of love and trust amid the chaos of a world destroyed. And in its own way, a story of hope.

Jen Severn



Get out of the car!

(This is supposedly a true account recorded in the Police Log of Sarasota, Florida.)

An elderly Florida lady did her shopping and, upon returning to her car, found four males in the act of leaving with her vehicle.

She dropped her shopping bags and drew her handgun, proceeding to scream at the top of her lungs, 'I have a gun, and I know how to use it! Get out of the car!'

The four men didn't wait for a second threat. They got out and ran like mad.

The lady, somewhat shaken, then proceeded to load her shopping bags into the back of the car and got into the driver's seat. She was so shaken that she couldn't get her key into the ignition.

She tried and tried, then she realised why. It was for the same reason that she had wondered why there was a football, a Frisbee and two cartons of beer in the front seat.

A few minutes later she found her own car parked four or five spaces further down.

She loaded her bags into the car and drove to the police station to report her mistake.

The sergeant to whom she told the story couldn't stop laughing.

He pointed to the other end of the counter, where four pale young men were reporting a car jacking by a mad elderly woman described as white, less than five feet tall, glasses, curly white hair, and carrying a large handgun.

No charges were filed.

Moral of the story? If you're going to have a senior moment ... make it memorable.

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Gas wall oven - reasonable condition. Ph Nick & Jen, 6493 6111

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Antiques & collectables, good quality china, glass, jewellery, old tools/fishing gear, toys, old furniture, anything old and interesting. Phone 4473 7226, AH: 4473 7073.

Crystal, silver, silver-plate and china. Old fishing rods, reels and lures. Will pick up. Phone 4473 7671.

Handyman needed for part-time work, gardening, chopping wood etc. Must use chainsaw. Phone Shunyam on 6493 4596.

Scraps of quilting material, particularly suitable for baby quilts. Will be used to make quilts which are donated to the Emergency Department and Neonatal ICU in Canberra. Can pick up any time. Contact Virginia on 6493 6295.

Garden Magic



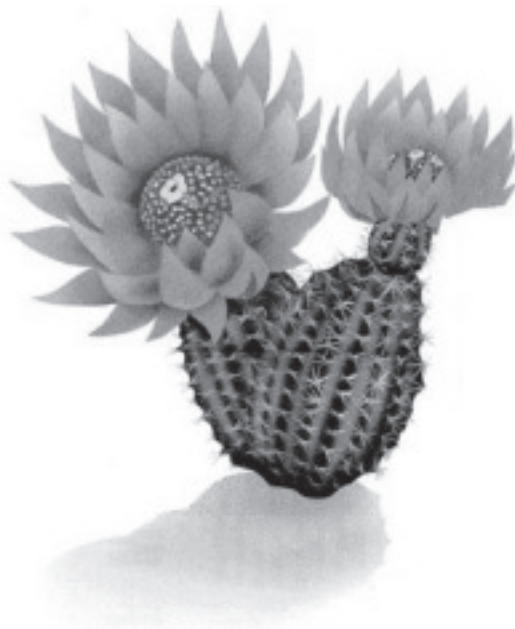
Gosh, what a summer! Extreme heat, wind, drought, then wet, very wet, and hot and humid. It seems that the weather has thrown everything at us. There have been losses, but mostly the garden has survived very well.

It is a good time to take stock of our gardens. Take note of areas that may still be waterlogged and those that have dried out quickly and plan or revise your plantings accordingly. Perhaps there is an obvious place to establish a bog garden or pond. Check the surface drainage and take steps to improve this if needed. Sometimes disas-

trous flooding can be avoided by the provision of surface drains to direct excess water away.

Plants like citrus, avocados, proteas and others that do not like wet feet do better on mounds. Use a generous layer of mulch with the plants on the mound so that the mulch does not contact the trunk. As the mulch breaks down, the roots will find a perfect environment. Remember to top up the mulch often.

Roses are still flowering and with proper dead heading will bloom for a while yet. When the blooms are finished, cut the stem almost back to the older growth; this will encourage new growth and help keep the bush com-

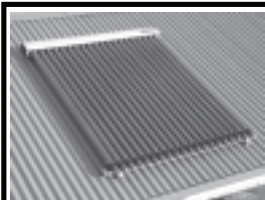


pact. With the soil still moist, it would help to give a light dressing of fertilizer or a more generous dressing of blood and bone.

We were recently given a number of cacti. Most had no roots, just sections cut from branches. A few were complete large clumps, very heavy and awkward to handle. Almost all have flowered profusely in spite of many of them having no roots at all!

Happy gardening,

Ivan



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Bermagui: 2pm Saturdays, ID/Topic,
Anglican Church Hall, Wallaga St
Bega: 5:30pm Monday, Steps & Traditions,
Uniting Church Hall, Gipps St
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 quarterly. Hall bookings and enquiries
Maryann Green 6493 6280.

1ST COBARGO SCOUT GROUP JOEYS/CUBS/SCOUTS

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

COBARGO TOURIST & BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

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

COBARGO CWA

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

TILBA GROWERS' MARKET

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

BERMAGUI KNOW YOUR BIBLE

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

BERMAGUI BADMINTON CLUB

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

BERMAGUI BAPTIST CHURCH

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

BERMAGUI COUNTRY CLUB AMATEUR ART & CRAFT SOCIETY.

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

BERMAGUI SES UNIT

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

THE BERMAGUI MARKET

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

BERMAGUI PLAYGROUP

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

BERMAGUI & DISTRICT LIONS CLUB

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

BERMAGUI INDOOR BOWLS CLUB

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

QUAAMA MORNING COFFEE LADIES

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

QUAAMA / COBARGO QUILTERS

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

QUAAMA BAND

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

OVER 50'S FUN & FITNESS

Every Tuesday, 2pm to 3pm at the Bermagui Country
Club, with Nancy Casu, qualified fitness 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, 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 ASSOCIATION

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,
come & experience the joy of photography. Dave
Cotton, 6493 3800.

BERMAGUI CROQUET CLUB

Bermagui Country Club, Croquet Club play Every
Thursday 2.00-4.00pm. New players always welcome,
tuition and friendly games always available, equipment
provided. Dave or Tina Cotton, 6493 3800.

BERMAGUI GARDEN GROUP

1st Tuesday Morning every Month 10.00am until 12
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| Thursday 4 March | International Women's Day | Women's Resource Centre 14 Peden Street Bega | 4-8pm |
| Friday 5 March | DJ Mike Power | Bermagui Country Club | 8.30pm |
| Saturday 6 March | Local musicians fronted by Jay McMahon | Cobargo Pub | 7.30pm |
| Saturday 6 March | Launch of 'Shine On' solar system | The Murrah Hall | 6.00pm |
| Saturday 6 March | Tilba Growers Market | Central Tilba Hall | 8-12 noon |
| Friday 12-Sunday 14 March | Training for Transition weekend course. | Crossing Land Education Centre, Pigs Crossing Road (via Nutleys Creek Road) | More info John Barlow 64920923 |
| Friday 12 March | Daryl Lamb | Bermagui Country Club | 8.30pm |
| Saturday 13 March | Garry Carson and the Poddy Dodgers | CSS main stage (Bermagui Seaside Fair) | 2.00-4.00pm |
| Saturday 13 March | Tilba Growers Market | Central Tilba Hall | 8-12 noon |
| Sunday 14 March | Over 50's Concert | Bermagui Country Club | 1.00pm |
| Friday 19 March | Candy | Bermagui Country Club | 8.30pm |
| Saturday 20 March | Games Night with prizes | Cobargo Pub | 7.00pm |
| Saturday 20 March | Tilba Growers Market | Central Tilba Hall | 8-12 noon |
| Wednesday 24 March | Public Dinner | Bermagui Hotel | 6.00pm for 7.00pm |
| Friday 26 March | Maurice Raphael | Bermagui Country Club | 8.30pm |
| Saturday 27 March | Cobargo Farmer's Market. Contact Julie 64936423 for stalls | Cobargo Pub | 9.00am |
| Saturday 27 March | 'Session', bring your instruments and jam along | Cobargo Pub | 2.00pm |
| Saturday 27 March | Tilba Growers Market | Central Tilba Hall | 8am-12 noon |
| Sunday 28 March | Chris Harland Band | Dromedary Hotel Central Tilba | 5.30-9.30pm |
| Friday 2 April | Windsong Free Opening Performance Four Winds Festival | Dickinson Oval Bermagui | 4.00pm |
| Friday 2 April | Karaoke | Bermagui Country Club | 8.30pm |
| Saturday 3 April | Brian and Annie | Bermagui Country Club | 8.00pm |
| Saturday 3 April | Tilba Easter Festival | Central Tilba | All day |
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| | Art in the Triangle | | |
| 20 February-28 March | Glass Tableaux, Monotypes and Etchings | Gallery Bodalla | 10-4 Thursday to Sunday |
| 5 March -19 April | 'Connect' Ros Auld | Narek Galleries | 10.30-5.30 Friday to Monday |
| Saturday 6 March | Felt Jewellery Workshop | Frame and Brush, Bermagui | 3pm-8pm |
| 13 March-21 March | Themed Art Exhibition | Soulique 14 Lamont St Bermagui | |
| 2 April-11 April | Cuttagee Artists Easter Exhibition | Indaba Exhibition Space, Barraga Bay | 10-4 daily |
| Sunday 4 April | Art Exhibition Opening | Lazy Lizard Gallery Cobargo | 5.30pm |