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## Endeavour to return

The training vessel *Young Endeavour* rode out the howling easterly on Saturday October 18 before heading south to Merimbula, Eden and Devonport in Tassie. *The Triangle* team was invited aboard but unfortunately conditions were too rough and we could communicate only by phone.

The *Young Endeavour* undertakes 20 voyages per year, each 11 days long, and carries up to 24 young Australians aged 16–23 years who are chosen by ballot conducted twice a year through the Young Endeavour Youth Scheme. The Scheme offers an opportunity for youngsters to experience life at sea under sail, to learn



The Endeavour in Bermagui Harbour

to work together as a team under the watchful care of experienced Royal Australian Navy (RAN) crew members and also have some fun along the way.

RAN Lt Commander Gavin Dawe started his two-year appointment as Captain last January and this was his first visit to Bermagui. Weather permitting, the *Young Endeavour* will call in to Bermi on its return voyage to Jervis Bay around the middle of December when the crew will have shore leave and we can get to meet them all.

*The Triangle* hopes this will become a regular port of call for those travelling by sea and we all know that modern sailors

have a very soft footprint indeed.

Prue Kelly



## Oceans and forests – our great carbon sinks

We have heard a lot lately about how we can help slow down global warming, reducing emissions in energy use.

Less is usually said about the importance of our great carbon sinks – our oceans and forests that absorb those carbon dioxide emissions.

Yet so long as we continue to cut down our native forests, we will have to work much harder and spend much more to reduce our emissions from fossil fuels. We do have other options – we can

make better use of recycling and logging in compartments 2004 and 2005 plantation timbers. The regional of the Bermagui State Forest, to begin plantation and processing sectors are in October 2008 and continuing into



What an Entrance to the 'Wilderness Coast'

creating more new jobs than native forest logging and woodchipping. Our every right to protest peacefully and governments can help the region adjust legally. They have not put out a public and prosper.

Forests NSW has scheduled

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## Editorial

We thought that summer had arrived until Wednesday 22nd October when it was absolutely freezing due to the wind blowing from the late snow at Bombala, Cooma and the Snowy Mountains. The poor plants in our gardens after Sunday's 34 degrees must wonder what Climate Change is going to bring next, we only hope it is lots of rain.



Arthur rugged up at the end of October

This issue is our last before our 'bumper' Christmas issue for December and January, which will come out in the first week of December. Please get your articles, and Fridge Door organised and in to us by 23rd November at the latest – NB This does not mean leaving it till 4pm on 23rd as it won't get printed in time for our meeting. No tears please if you miss out, you have been warned. Advertisements close on 20th November not 23rd.

We bring to notice, once again, the length of articles, please keep contributions to 300 words. Also when sending through photographs PLEASE condense them. We here at the Triangle are only wireless satellite and anything over a dot and hell doth freeze.

Bega Valley Shire's new cultural officer, Penny Amberg has requested an extra distribution point for *The Triangle* in the Bega Library. The residents on the Bermagui/Tathra Road have long battled for *The Triangle* and supported us with advertising so we hope it is easier for you to collect your paper there and don't forget it is still online.

*The Triangle* held their AGM on Tuesday 14th October. Rosemary Millard is President, Jo Lewis, Secretary and Taina Podlesak is our Treasurer: we thank these people for their work and also at this time we would like to thank Nerida, our wonderful advertising guru, Ewen for the distribution, Rose for the copy editing and proof reading (and sometimes layout), Jen for the

layout and all our contributors. Any changes in our committee have been recorded at the back of the paper. The success of *The Triangle* is no one person's success, but the culmination of work from the community. Thanks one and all.

Skateboard parks, or the lack of them, has been raised in both Bermagui Banter and Cobargo Conversations. What is going on? In Cobargo everything is ready, volunteers and donated materials, labour and machinery. The full stop, and this full stop has been going on for a year despite continual requests, is with Council. If the community is prepared to do the labour and materials why won't Council approve, or at least view the site. We need a supportive Council for a community to thrive. △

## Letters to the Editors

### Narooma Cinema

Dear Editors

We would like to thank all our lovely customers who come from Cobargo, Bermagui and Tilba and surrounding areas and having your support has encouraged us to open Narooma Cinemas boutique theatre. It is now screening films from Oct 16. This theatre, together with the new upstairs disabled toilet, will add a new dimension to cinema going at Narooma Cinema – it is intimate and quite lovely with all the technology of a modern day cinema. It has been a big year for Narooma Cinemas and this project has taken a lot of time and energy transforming what was previously the library and Macs studios with wonderful results. Cinema 2 will not only be screening all that is great in art house and foreign films etc, but will be available for that intimate film party function, small conferences birthday parties etc. We will be able to screen more films on the big screen and be more available for special larger audience events.

The Met Opera Season captured live in High Definition on the big screen will be a boost to Narooma and surrounding areas being exclusive to Narooma Cinemas on the South Coast Screening this Special 2008-2009 Season encouraging visitors from all over the south coast.

Thank you  
Janette Griffiths  
Narooma Cinema  
△

### Medical services in Narooma

A tree changer in a recent issue commented that medical services were not up to scratch, in that, there were delays in being attended and services were expensive. It was also stated that only one service could attract Medicare benefit on a day, that is not the case, any number as required can be provided.

Although Narooma is not in the geographic Triangle, many residents of that area are serviced by Narooma. The Blue House Surgery has three GPs, Ken, Sam, Luigi and Practice Nurse Trish. All services are bulk-billed, so clients are attended free of any costs to themselves. Urgent patients are seen on the same day and appointments at client's convenience are made for other services.

A stitch in time saves nine, GPs these days practice preventive care.

General check-ups are carried out on all clients, it is less painful to be run over in the surgery than outside. For people who have not had regular health checks, they need to consider whether they are giving themselves the same care they give their car.

The Australian Government has provided special benefits for preventive care checks for various age groups, from children, middle age, to people as old as myself. Other medical practices offer a variety of services, some also bulk-bill.

The Blue House will continue to provide a bulk billing service to all clients both local and visiting.

Dr K M Doust  
Narooma  
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## My Triangle

### Ros Ruth

#### Quaama Storekeeper

Quaama in 1981 was a much smaller town than it is now. Houses were sparse and trees were even sparser. It was a far cry from the Hills District in Sydney. But it was here that Ros Ruth and her husband Greg decided to lay down some roots.

They'd been looking for a small business to buy, somewhere they could be at home for their young children Kylie and Mark after school and during the holidays. They were keen on the Central Coast but hadn't been impressed with anything on offer. After spotting an ad in *The Herald* they had set out down the highway, into unknown territory, nearly turning back at Narooma – 'It was just too far!' But they kept going, and here was a general store and post office with house attached, just across the road from the local primary school.

'It just felt right', says Ros now, after 27 years running the store. 'Kylie

was happy being anywhere she could have a horse, and Mark settled right in after a week or so'.

In those 27 years Ros has had a bird's-eye view of Quaama changing, from her counter in the historic general store. 'There's double the houses now, and lots more trees – in 1981 we could see the highway from our house, but



not now. Many more gardens. And in 1981 people here were from the established families, they'd been here for generations. Many new people have moved in since then, from other places'.

'People say you're a local after 25 years, so we're locals now. And I've seen kids born and then seen them have kids of their own – that's local', she laughs.

Now it's time to move on, and the business and house are for sale. But Ros and Greg aren't moving far. They've bought eight acres on Upper Brogo Rd, just six kilometres from the village.

'I love the peaceful, quiet atmosphere', says Ros. 'I don't want to move far'.

'I've felt so privileged in this position. I've gotten to know a real broad spectrum of people, and it really gives you an appreciation of the people round here'.

Ros plans to spend her retirement in the garden, and she has her work cut out for her, with eight acres of cow paddock to regenerate.

'I like the idea of being more self-sufficient. I'm also looking forward to having more time to volunteer in the community.

'As for this place, I like the idea of another young family taking over, like we did all those years ago'. The circle turns ...



## Letters to the Editors

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### Biodiesel bus service

Dear Editors,

As a response to the need for a low emissions future, the Transition Town Triangle Plus group is lobbying to get a community bus service run by volunteer labour and locally produced biodiesel.

There's been a great deal of support from federal, state and local representatives as well as a local business group.

To take the project to the next level we need support from local residents. If anyone would like to find out more please contact Peter Essex on 4476 3952 during business hours or email [unwind@tilba.com.au](mailto:unwind@tilba.com.au).

Many Thanks,  
Peter Essex





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#### THUMBS DOWN...

To the lowlife who cleaned out Jack Grancharoff's toolshed, in Quaama, while he was visiting friends in Sydney after Eugenie's recent passing.

To the speeding drivers on the Bermagui – Tilba – Wallaga Lake Road, who put cyclists at risk.

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## Watch – no not this space – but next month's front page

Who remembers going to the drive-in or going to the cinema outdoors? Did the Shire ever have a drive-in or outdoor cinema? All is about to be amended.

*The Triangle* is planning on holding 'The Cobargo Film Feast' in January. This will be an open air film feast, featuring Australian, family friendly films. It is planned that the first showing will be shown in the Cobargo Showgrounds on the 8th, 9th and 10th of January.

Picture it: A still, warm summer evening, picnic or buy dinner from the showgrounds, settle comfortably on rugs, chairs or the ground and with family nestled, enjoy watching two Australian films each night.

This is the first of what will hopefully become an annual film feast. You know what they say: Reach for the sun and at least you'll get off the ground! Another *Triangle* first from all of us entrepreneurs six years on.



## Oceans and forests – our great carbon sinks

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statement defining what is legal and what is illegal.

The compartments drain down steep slopes into the Bermagui River close to the harbour. We have seen the siltation in other waterways after logging. As climate change impacts become more severe, corridors such as these are increasingly important in

## We've got the shelters – Now we need the buses

The Transition Town Triangle Plus meeting on 16th October reported progress on the Biodiesel Community Bus project. The concept of the bus arose from a survey showing a total absence of public transport serving the area between Tilba, Bermagui, Cobargo and Narooma.

Peter Essex attended a course in Canberra on small-scale biodiesel production and told the meeting that the process is very low tech and a suitable size plant would cost about \$4,000. Initial enquiries show that there is a supply of used cooking oil available as raw material for conversion to biodiesel fuel.

There has been a high level of in-principle support expressed generally and the group is now examining structures and business models that will allow this project to progress to the next stage.

The 'Raising Awareness' project is underway with a film and information night held at the Narooma Cinema on 20th October hosted by TTTPlus and introduced by John Champagne. The film shown was 'The Power of Community', which

documents the changes that occurred in Cuba following the collapse of the USSR and how Cuba handled the necessary changes to its economy. Forty people attended.

As part of the 'Raising Awareness' project Ros Barr has drafted a letter that can be sent to local organisations offering to explain how TTTPlus is working to prepare for oil depletion and climate change.

The report on the local food producers list was held over until the next meeting, which will be on Wednesday 12th November at 2.30pm. The meeting venue is 'The Pink House', 8279 Princes Hwy, Central Tilba and all are welcome. Details will be on the Events Calendar on the TTTPlus web pages <http://transition.org.au> and then use the drop down menus at the top of the page to reach [tttriangleplus](http://tttriangleplus) and the events page.

Also in the evening of 12th November SOBAG are hosting Transition Bermagui in the Bermagui Community Hall. TTTrianglePlus offer their support and cooperation.



reducing species and genetic loss, by allowing recolonisation of plants and animals, including koalas that used to be prevalent in these forests. They are critical cultural landscape areas for the Aboriginal community. They should not be logged.

Just when we have been declared part of the Wilderness Coast

in a major new tourism initiative, degraded forests and waterways and lost tourist industries would appear to be the last things this region wants or needs.

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## Young Talent Night a huge success

Eighteen very talented young people from across the Bega Valley Fisherman's Club, tickets on the Cat Balou Whale Watching Cruise, pottery perform, 8-year-old Tom Burn from 'strutted their stuff' to an audience from Wharf Road Pottery Eden and Lochiel playing keyboard, to the over 300 last Friday night at Bega RSL many other items, all donated by Club.

Bega Valley Can Assist group, with the financial backing from Horizon Credit Union, ran the night as a fundraiser, to financially assist people affected by cancer across the Bega Valley.

A total of \$5,400 was raised, which included the proceeds from the latest raffle. Betta Electrics and LG had donated a home music system and DVD player valued at over \$1000 and it was won by Mr Stan Tetley of Tarraganda.

ABC Manager and regular 'Good Guy' Ian Campbell, gave his time to comper the night and Robert Hayson (alias Red Symons), along with Chris Murphy (alias Danni Minogue) were the honourable judges.

One hundred people purchased keys at \$5 each in the hope of being the only one to open the lock of a treasure chest. Inside the chest were a variety of fantastic prizes including accommodation for two at Heritage House Eden, dinner for two at Eden



Judges at the Young Talent Time night

generous businesses.

The audience was most receptive to the talents of the entertainers with a standing ovation given to fiddle player Tim Willis from Lochiel who absolutely wowed everyone with his playing.

In fact the overall talent was so good that the judges had a real problem deciding who the winner would be, and in the end it was declared that all artists would be awarded a prize.

From the very first youngster to perform, 8-year-old Tom Burn from Lochiel playing keyboard, to the Gordon Budd Irish Dancers, along with vocalists and guitarists of the district, the audience was held captive from start to finish.

A special guest appearance of 'The Jackson Five' brought the house down with their antics.

President of BV Can Assist, Frank Irving, gave a brief run down on what Can Assist is all about, and thanked the artists and the audience for making the night the huge success that it was. Frank also wishes to pay special tribute to Cynthia Irving who organised the donations and raffles and coordinated the event. Also a big thank you to all other members who gave their time to this important fund raiser.

Many business houses from right across the shire donated goods, which were used as prizes throughout the night, and their contributions are very much appreciated. All monies raised stays within the Bega Valley Shire area. 'Locals Helping Locals'.

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## Pat's Piece

I wonder how many of you watched Kerry O'Brien's interview with Quentin Bryce, our new Governor-General, on the ABC's 7.30 Report. If you did I'm sure that, like me, you would have been struck by the depth of her intellect, her dignity, compassion and great sense of humour, but above all her awareness of the day-to-day demands of the office. I guess the quality that impressed me most was her humanitarian approach, not only to the job but to life itself.

Listening to Kerry list her

achievements throughout her long and varied career as a lawyer was inspirational, then on top of all this were her five children that – alongside her husband – she had raised what can only be seen as a very close-knit and loving family.

One of the most fascinating aspects of her career was surely the time she spent with the people of Groote Eylandt. She lived with them, worked with them, celebrated their culture while sharing their knowledge. Her praise for them was more than generous: she publicly acknowledged their place in the world on equal terms, while making no bones about her love for them.

Although I am a republican at heart, I feel that unless we get it right as far as the selection process, we could be

in dire straits. Very few people in this country would want an American style president, as this would open the door to the extremely wealthy buying their way into the office. The only way to prevent this is a bi-partisan vote from all sides of government. Therefore it's imperative that we educate the man in the street to the overall fairness of this procedure. This would encourage the likes of Lowitja O'Donahue, Sir William Dean and of course Quentin Bryce to graciously embrace the mantle.

Finally, I couldn't help noticing that Ms Bryce gave Kerry as good as she got when he asked the tough questions: feisty she was, without losing her cool or good humour. These attributes, alongside that wonderful smile, will I'm sure win the hearts and minds of the good people of this land.

Pat Thompson



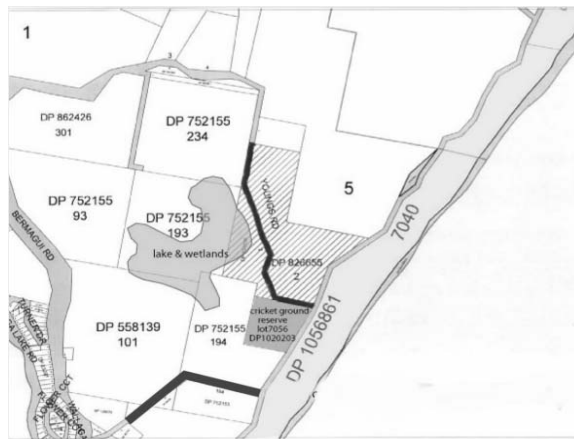
## Restricted access

For thousands of years the local Aboriginal people of the Yuin Nation used the area adjacent to Wallaga Beach that is now called the Tilba Reserve, the Old Camping Ground or the Cricket Ground. It is claimed to be a place of special heritage significance and it is included in the Eurobodalla Aboriginal Heritage Study currently underway. Research into the area is not yet complete and the ongoing significance of the site is still being assessed.

The Tilba Reserve was noted as a Public Recreation Reserve DP1020203 on 11th October 1895 and there are photographs showing horse races, picnics and portraits of local cricket teams from that era in the Corkhill Collection in the National Library.

A year earlier on 7th July 1894 the whole of Wallaga Beach from the headland North of Wallaga Lake up to Little Lake was designated R23043

Reserve for Public Recreation and prior to that on 13th October 1875 an area of land at the mouth of Little Lake was also made a reserve for Public



Crown road reserve that links main road to beach via Serendip Lane

Purposes.

Notwithstanding this the NSW Government Lands Department have offered for sale road reserve DP 826655, the only direct public route to the Tilba Reserve. It is also the only track that could, with minimal work, provide all-

weather access to that site and to the Wallaga Beach Reserve. The proposed sale was approved by the Eurobodalla Shire Council with the proviso that alternative access to the Tilba Reserve be provided, although it is recognised that the Lands Department is unlikely to put such a condition on the sale.

Council's own study into the heritage value and relevance of the Old Camping Ground has not yet been completed and already the Council is, in essence, supporting the sale of the only direct access to the site. And all this in spite of a petition from ratepayers in Akolele requesting that Council oppose the sale.

Long Swamp and the areas adjacent to Wallaga Beach, up as far as Little Lake, are reported to harbour foxes, rabbits, fireweed and sea spurge but the Rural Lands Board was not

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## Restricted access

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approached or asked for an opinion as to the importance of the road reserve in the control of weeds and feral animals.

The Lands Department plan



Sports day at Merriwina, Tilba Reserve location, early 1900s: NLA (Corkhill Collection)

supplied from the Nowra office and printed on 3rd April 2008 shows a Crown Road Reserve linking Bermagui Road to Wallaga Beach via Serendip Lane. The plan does not show that the road reserve is under water where it crosses the wetlands and the creek and it does not show the closed gate across the road either.

The Council and the State Government need to reinstate access to the Wallaga Beach Public Recreation Reserve by upgrading this 'road' to a

useable footpath, boardwalk and bridge. And at the same time they should provide vehicle access from some other point for the Rural Lands Board to facilitate pest and weed management so that the area does not become a seed bed for invasive species. Perhaps they should do this quickly before the Lands Department sells the public recreation areas as well!

With officials that ignore local input and ride roughshod over ratepayers it is little wonder that the NSW ALP government and the new premier Nathan Rees are haemorrhaging support at such a rapid rate.

Jo Lewis



## Milking ANZACS

*Spirit of Australian Dairy, Portraits and Lifestyles*, by Ken Duncan and friends, has beautiful photography of many dairy farms around Australia, starting at Gerringong and including some in the Bega area, and more locally, Nic and Erica Dibden's farm at Tilba. There is a particular emphasis on farmers with young families. For anyone interested in dairying or rural



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## Bermi Banter

### Carolling at Christmas

Christmas Carols will be held again in Bermagui this year in the peaceful grounds of the Anglican Church, Wallaga St on 13 December. The evening will commence with a Christmas market from 4.00pm featuring craft, cakes, preserves, sweets, plants, bric a brac and a Christian book stall selling children's books on the Christmas story plus other family books. A BBQ will be available, and carols will commence at 6.30pm, so bring your blanket, enjoy the evening with your family and help to keep Christ in Christmas.

### Lillian Mead

Trish and Sandra would like to thank all the people who expressed their sorrow at the loss of our beautiful Mum Lillian Mead.

### Swinging Fashion Parade

A very busy month for some Bermagui-ites with the fund raiser for CEFE for the solar panels for the pre school and the surf club. Many thanks to all the models who took part in trying on endless clothes, giving up their evenings to training and co-ordination and then helping to make a very successful afternoon with lots of fun.

Prue Kelly's idea proved to be a winner and the donation of so many super garments helped to make a really good parade with an excellent commentary by John Cursley and Robyn Ormiston.

The local boutiques proved that leaving town is not necessary when one wants to look smart and of course

Carole Broadhead and her team gave us the best afternoon tea washed down with either OJ, soda and champs donated by the Wine Society and Bortoli's via Bermagui Liquor.

If I have left anyone out, please accept our thanks for all your efforts as the team was too numerous to name everyone from the decorators, the dressers, the flowers, the silent auction. The team work involved in producing such a good event meant that the atmosphere created was electric and many locals met other locals whom they had not known existed. Thank you all from CEFE and we know the \$4000 raised has helped meet the targets for the panels for both organisations.

### No Show Skateboard Ramp

What is happening with Bermagui's proposed skateboard ramp? There have been murmurings but no evidence of progress and we hear that a generation has grown up since money was first raised for this project.

### Bliss moves to the Country Club

Body Bliss is moving to the Bermagui Country Club this month, which will expose the wonderful programs to more residents and visitors to the area. We hear that the Country Club is putting in a fresh juice bar and café, which will compliment Bear's exercise regime and refresh the sweaty customers over the summer.

### Movement in the streets

There have been some changes on the real estate scene with Bermagui Real Estate moving to the north side in the 777 building and then Luke Casacelli is moving back into his old premises on the Bermagui/Tathra Road

as Bermagui Realty. There will soon be more real estate businesses than cafes!

There are a few empty shops in the main street, especially now that Bermagui Liquor is moving into what was Dave's Bar next to the Ampol. We hear that some wives and husbands were not allowed near the recent auction of the Bar's contents and threatened by their partners if goods suddenly appeared at their houses.



## Lions Youth of the Year Quest

Bermagui & District Lions Club is seeking contestants in the Youth of the year Quest 2008-2009.

The quest is open to youth who are attending or have attended a high school or other secondary school or equivalent standard of school in any other educational establishment, including correspondence school in the Lions year in which the national final is to be conducted, must be under 18 years of age at 30th June 2009.

Students under 16 years of age at 31st December in that year (2009) must be in their final year of schooling.

Categories include leadership, sporting of cultural activities, general

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## Bermi Banter (continued)

### Lions Youth of the Year Quest

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District Final 15th March 2009

State Final 4th April 2009

National Final 2nd May 2009

Prizes at all levels

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### Bermagui Pre School News

Bermagui Pre School is a not-for-profit, community-based preschool and this year our aim has been to raise funds for solar panels and develop a community garden.

The more expensive of these two projects is the funds for solar panels, and so far we have held two events to assist in raising money for this project. The community garden project is at present lacking in funding, and we need the help of local people.

We are hoping that somewhere in the district there are fencing panels that are no longer needed, that community members may be prepared to donate to our project.

The fencing needs to be the same or similar to pool fencing, that is, not able to be scaled by young children. The panels must be in good condition, so that injuries don't occur, and a minimum of 1500 mm high. The preschool must adhere to these regulations as set down for NSW Centre Based Child Care Services, and naturally, this increases costs.

If anyone out there is able to assist the preschool to commence this project, we would love to hear from you. Please contact Narelle or Bev at the preschool, Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, between 8am and 4pm, on 6493 4183.



## The Triangle Community of Gardeners

This new name of the previously known 'Cobargo Community Garden' was adopted at the August meeting. It reflects the nature of the group more accurately, including the location and flexibility of organisation.

We have also started a database library of books/magazines to share with group members on a short-term basis.

We have been running for five months now with great success and at present the focus is to connect people who are willing to exchange knowledge and produce. We are also visiting established community and

private gardens.

At the October meeting, held at a private house in Bermagui, Julie Davies gave a presentation on composting, which included valuable tips from her basic and easy methods of composting. Thanks go to Julie for her time and great information.

The September gathering was a successful and very educative visit to Eden Community Garden. A very informative session was presented by the co-ordinator, Greg Pritchard, where we learnt a lot about the issues involved

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## Cobargo Conversations

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### Hand-crafted and original

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### Vale Isabel Tooley

The death of Mrs Isabel Tooley occurred at Cobargo on Friday 26th Sept.

A retired artist, Isabel had been courageously fighting ill health for some time.

Right up until her demise she was still sharing a joke and making others feel at ease and loved, knowing full well that her time was near. With her beloved neighbour Jean and her son David and wife Di at her side her spirit departed this earth for a higher plane, leaving many behind to marvel at her courage and strength. Isabel's wishes to

be buried at Canberra with her departed husband Rob were fulfilled on Thurs 2nd Oct. However, for those in the local area who wish to raise a glass and say a fond farewell, there will be a get together at Cobargo Hotel on Saturday 1st November around 3pm. All welcome.

### CWA Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of Cobargo CWA was held on Tuesday 14th September in the CWA Cottage on Bermagui Road. The results of elections are as follows:

President - Mary Williams;  
Secretary - Violet Costin; Treasurer - Anne Cotterill.

The branch is very pleased to have the support of two new members. We also look forward to sharing in the fun of "Girls night in" on November 8 in support of cancer research.

### Worthy recognition

Now is the time to nominate that special person for the Australia Day Citizen and Junior Citizen Award. If you know someone who has over many years given help and assistance and is worthy of this recognition, send in a letter to Citizen of the Year Awards, C/ - PO Box 52114, Cobargo 2550. Nominations are accepted from the Cobargo area.

### Conscience free coffee

Cobargo's own Valley Edge is set to become the first cafe in the Bega Valley to roast their own coffee. Erin and Kerryn have taken ownership of a lovely little 2 kg coffee roaster. They have replaced the old commercial coffee supplier with their own unique blend of Specialty Grade, Ethical and environmentally friendly Arabica for espresso in the cafe and for those who enjoy fresh coffee beans at home.

### Pot o' Holes

Gold stars to Council for doing serious road restoration on the first kilometre of the Yowrie Road. When you've finished can we please have the same done to Wandella Road – the first couple of kilometres out of Cobargo and along the flat near Ashwood, both seriously potholed and becoming increasingly dangerous.

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## Cobargo Conversations (continued)

### Cowboys, Indians and the odd Cactus

Wandella Valley has had a busy social time, first a wedding then a genuine knees up, hoe down for all resident cowboys and indians to celebrate Sharon's birthday. To celebrate the first half-century Sharon was determined to relive – continue to live – her life by celebrating until the sun came up. The number of tents set up hinted that many needed a quick cat nap to keep up with her. A huge bonfire, food, music and good will made for a great night. May we all be around Sharon to celebrate your century – maybe a quiet lunch by then?

### Hanging gardens of Cobargo

One of Cobargo's oldest established and well-respected businesses has just embarked on a new venture – Janet from Cobargo Market Garden has opened a new nursery on her premises, in response to public demand, stocking everything from potted colour to Australian natives to

hanging baskets. The nursery looks set to cater to the garden needs of the local community. Janet welcomes orders for any plants that are not in stock.

### Ah Norma, what a performer

'Our' Norma (pictured below) has been recognised by the Minister for the Aging, Justin Elliot, for her contribution made over the years to her community and the State. Norma Allen has a fine certificate; Recognition Award 2008 – International day of Older Persons.



### Cobargo's Girls Night In

There will be a Girls' Night In at the Cobargo School of Arts Hall on Saturday 8th November 2008 starting at 7pm. This is a Cancer Council fundraiser whereby women donate the amount they would usually spend on a night out. Instead of several small parties it has become a larger combined event. A number of local performers are donating their time to play at the party.

There will also be competitions and raffles. Up to \$1000 dollars worth of lucky door prizes has been generously donated by local businesses.

We are asking women to form groups to bring a platter of finger food to share. BYO drinks but tea, coffee and cakes will be available. Further information can be obtained by phoning 6493 7103 evenings. It will be a big event so please phone early to confirm your place.

### Ghost Council – Ghost Skateboard Park

The committee of the Cobargo Skate Park got momentarily excited at the time of printing in our last issue that there was finally movement from Council to meet with them and view the proposed site. Update one month later, situation normal. No show from Council. Like Bermagui, generations will grow, breed and die it seems before anything happens.

### Globetrotter returns home

Welcome home Michelle: Serbia, Paris, Hong Kong, all a little different from down country Yowrie. Travel is

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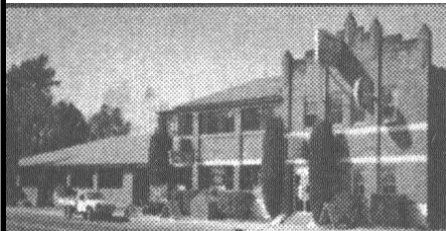
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fantastic, especially if it means the re-opening of Cobargo's second-hand shop. With the GEC (Global Economic Crisis) second hand goods are becoming the new 'must haves'.

### Voltaire's gardens open its doors



After two and a half years of hard labour Greg and Isobel Wightman have opened 'Voltaire's Garden' B&B Farmstay Retreat, in Cobargo, featuring two large rooms each with its own ensuite and verandah overlooking the Cobargo valley and Wadbilliga National Park. On October 4 Cobargo's Showroom Gallery artists were invited to look over the rooms with a view to decorating them with works for sale, in Voltaire's Garden's first collaborative venture with the local business community. Everyone is very excited at the prospect of raising the

profile of local artists.

Voltaire's Garden celebrates food as well as art, and Greg and Isobel will encourage guests to wander around the extensive kitchen garden, pick up a few hints on preparing food from the ground up before enjoying Isobel's delicious home cooking. From garden to kitchen, then straight to plate – it won't come fresher than that! Contact Greg and Isobel 6493 6247.

### 'Cobargo Characters'

'Cobargo Characters' ... an exhibition of portrait sketches by the Cobargo Drawing Group, is set to take place at the Cobargo School of Arts on Saturday 29th and Sunday 30th November. The exhibition will be open between 10am and 4pm both days, but there will be a Grand Opening and Soirée with tea and bikkies on the Saturday at 2pm and all the 'Characters' and artists will be there.

This whole show has been planned as a fundraiser for the School of Arts, so entry will be by gold coin donation.

The group has been doing one-hour sketches of some of the big and the bold and the famous as well as some of the more retiring characters from in and around Cobargo and we certainly haven't managed to draw all the interesting characters yet ... the ones we've missed, we're saving up for

next year's exhibition ... so don't run away!

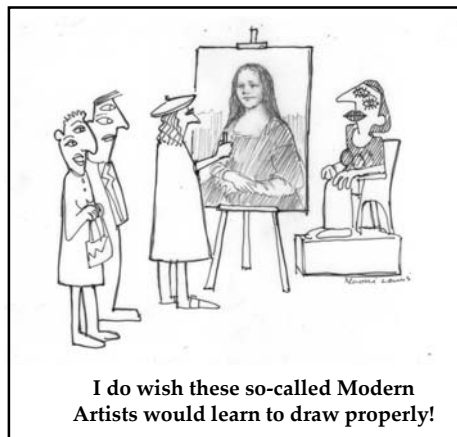
We had a lot of fun both drawing and chatting to all the different characters and we're really grateful to all those who gave up time on a Saturday afternoon to come and sit for us, even those who, soothed by the friendly atmosphere and calming music, fell asleep on us.

On display will be several different sketches of each character, done by different members of the drawing group and needless to say, some are more proficient and better likenesses than others, but they are all lively and interesting and each one has some aspect of the character portrayed. I'm sure they will inspire some serious artistic debate among the viewing public.

We're still finalising details, but most of the work will be for sale, with a percentage going to the School of Arts. There are a couple of professional portrait artists in the group and this will be a great opportunity to buy their work ... but there are a whole range of

possibilities; one of the group said she had so much fun drawing the characters that she's happy to give away her drawings to whoever wants them in exchange for a \$5 donation to the School of Arts.

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### Tilba Teapot gets new owners

It is with great delight that we announce that Di Renshaw and Tegan Dibden are the proud new owners of The Tilba Teapot Cafe. As at the writing of the last *Triangle* we did not know whether Tilba was going to lose this iconic establishment after the retirement of Annie and Trevor from the business. It really is a case of 'what dreams are made of' as Di and Tegan often talked about owning and running the business at which they had worked over the past six years. This mother and daughter team, who I think of as chronic laughaholics, will be a great bonus to main street Central Tilba. Di and Tegan wish to express their gratitude and thanks to family members, Nic and Erica Dibden, who have encouraged and backed them to get a start in this business. So with a bit of fresh paint, some new equipment and a bucketload of great ideas (mainly edible) your community

wishes you the very best.

There is absolutely no truth to the rumour that Kaye Whiffen has gone to Queensland to get her rocks off. She is actually doing a hot rocks massage course and a follow up on a healing touch course. Kaye is very passionate about her chosen areas of therapy, soundly backed by her background in nursing and community nursing.

Just a note too about Annie Eldridge. After seven plus years at the Tilba Teapot Annie started a new job the next day with the happy crew at Linda's video store in Narooma, which she loves. She went to the Moruya Jazz Festival the other day and loved the music she caught and after a break of thirty years she went riding (as a pillion) on a thumping great Laverda. Who says the hard yards don't pay off Annie?

One of Central Tilba's long-standing residents suffered a spot of embarrassment the other day. He was out to his outside shower and having forgotten something returned to his abode with only his blunnies on. Just

that it is not all cricket in this part of Central Tilba.

Fortunately the police were present at Tilba Tilba the other day when a ride on mower rolled and crashed onto the edge of the roadway. Only fairly minor damages and injuries were sustained, and the consensus is that speed was not a factor, but foul play has not been ruled out.

Best wishes to David Bennett from Pam's Store, who is recuperating from a hernia operation. David, you could ask either Ian Doust or myself as to the best postoperative procedure, having both had similar operations done recently.

Congratulations to Darcy and Brenda who have just moved to their new property just south of Tilba Tilba. Their patience has been enormous, waiting months/years for this to eventuate.

*Thanks for listening,  
Ewen Genders.*

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### Comings and goings

We welcome the new owners of 'Blue Hills', Tilba Tilba, to this 112 acre property and homestead at the foothills of Gulaga. They are Celina and Joel Pront and their delightful eight-month-old daughter, Leni. They plan to make Tilba their permanent home, and have grand plans for enhancement of the land and house. Joel is a film director, who frequently visits LA. Previous owners, Alf and Leanne Peel, are now settled in Dalmeny.

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## Quintessentially Quaama

### Quaama village open day a success

Quaama Village Open Day at the Mumbulla View was a great success once again! Visitors came from all over the Shire to watch the entertainment and enjoy the stalls and food put on by the Firies and Anglican Church as well as an enthralling variety of goods in the car-boot sale.

Quaama School put on a great art display depicting the childrens' perceptions of Mumbulla – where we live! The Quaama Dance Kids put on a



**Batemans Bay Scottish bagpipeband**

fantastic show and the Scottish Pipe Band from Bateman's Bay paraded up Cobargo Street through the stalls in full regalia and thrilled the crowd with their rousing traditional tunes.

Other attractions on the day included a vintage car and motorbike display as well as a needlework display, Tai Chi demonstration and Sustainability and Real Estate consultations.

The younger patrons had a great

time taking on the Quaama School P&C 'Mumbulla View Challenge' obstacle course, dodging wet sponges and other foes! Later in the night the Cobargo Irish Dancers had the crowd spellbound with their wild steps between performances from both home grown and guest musos.

What a great day. Thanks and well done again, Cora and Dave. The community is a little richer both in pocket and of heart!

### School of Arts Hall

Did you wonder what all the mess is at the hall? The committee has started the re-stumping job! They are working hard on getting this really challenging job done. Any interested members of community and hall users are more than welcome to assist with this essential project.

The Quaama P&C is holding a Trivia Night on Saturday 15th November. Look out for notices closer to the date. Contact Letitia Carroll 6493 8507.

Calling Quaama girls to join 'Tish and Veronica on a table (or more) at the Girls Nite In at Cobargo School of Arts on 8th November. Call Veronica to arrange car pooling 6493 8406.

Murray Gibbs of Bermaguer Street played decent golf for a change ... put a score on the board and despite trying to 'sell it' on the last three holes, took out C Grade Champion in the Bega Open last weekend!

Lastly a special Get Well Soon



**Quaama Primary School students  
demonstrate their dance steps**

to Cheryl Sproules, hope to see you on your feet again soon.

The Quaama news lady responsible for this has been Letitia Carroll (with a little co-writing from Veronica C). Call Letitia on 6493 8507 for any news for next issue!



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## Brogo Babble

### Fire Brigade News

The coming of spring has led to more activity for the RFS. There have been seven call-outs in the last month. It is time to be vigilant; clean up around the property check the pumps and other gear. Also during the winter period several members attended training sessions so the skills of the Brogo team are better than ever.

The pizza night was a great success with over 75 people attending; thank you all for your support.

### Wombats

I guess you are all aware of the big increase in the number of wombats around this year, and especially the number of road deaths. We saw two on the same morning wombling up the hill opposite – in daylight, which we thought was unusual. Love them or hate them they are still part of our wild life and the issue of wombats with mange needs to be dealt with. This disease can lead to fly strike and a long, slow painful death. However, the mange can be treated and some very helpful advice may be obtained from the 'Wombat Protection Society' look them up at [www.wombatprotection.org.au](http://www.wombatprotection.org.au) and go to 'research and education' and look up 'sarcoptic mange'. There are some very simple systems to allow self treatment as they go to and from their burrows.

### Dogs Stories of Brogo

I am sure you all have one so please tell us – here is ours to start.

We lost our dearly loved kelpie last year after 16 years. We waited a few months then saw an ad in the Canberra paper for a home for an abandoned corgi. We had a corgi some years ago so we thought it would be nice to have another one. We asked our daughter who lives in Queanbeyan to go and have a look. She said it was just like one of our previous corgis and seems to have a lovely nature. So we said yes and in a few days collected Sophie, a very pretty little dog too, about a year old. She was a bit bewildered at first and would disappear if not watched, anyway she seemed to settle down. But one day she suddenly took off across the paddock up the hill at a break neck speed. All yelling and calling was to no avail – 2 hours later she reappeared exhausted and muddy. This happened a few times before we realised our corgi was crossed with a – yes you guessed it a Jack Russell, the notorious runaways. It's been over a year now and even with fenced garden and long leads for walks we still lose her from time to time but she's a lovely dog, can't be cross for long.

### Brogo on TV

The TV program about the district is expected to be on in December so be watching out; we will try to find the date for the next issue.

### Christmas Tea at the Fire Shed

This year will be on Friday

12th December so put this in your diary, the cost will be \$20 a head, all proceeds to the RFS.

### Welcome

A big Brogo welcome to Mike Hardwick and any other newcomers to this beautiful corner of Australia.

### Brogo Latin Orchestra

The next series of workshops will be held on Saturday 29th November at Ringbalin, Blanchards Rd Brogo. The percussion and guitar sessions start at 3pm and the combined ensemble at 5pm. After this performance everyone is invited to stay for dinner and social activities. Call Dave on 6492 7318 for information and bookings. We are also looking for other string, wind and brass players as well.

### Dog Friendly Accommodation – Lions Hearing Dogs SA

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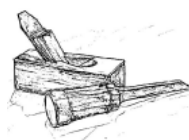


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## Art in The Triangle

### Masterworks in Glass

'Masterworks in Glass' – recent works by three of Australia's foremost young glass artists; Mel Douglas and Elizabeth Kelly from Canberra and Wendy Fairclough from Adelaide. Using techniques of blowing, engraving, casting, sgraffito and sandblasting, these artists consider space, light and human experience in a soft, subtle and contemplative manner.

Wendy and Elizabeth travelled to attend the opening on the October long weekend and were rewarded with a wonderful response to their work. Artists suffer doubts like all of us, and it is

daunting to put out your work on public display. For the artists a n d



Work by Mel Douglas

collectors to be able to discuss issues about the work is always rewarding.

Although only a decade into their professional practices, their achievements are formidable, including artists-in-residencies overseas, solo exhibitions and representations in major museum collections internationally and nationally. All three artists have work represented in the Australian National Art Glass Collection in the Wagga Art Gallery.

Exhibition continues to 17 November, 2008 Open: Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday, 10.30am to 5.30pm and by appointment [www.narekgalleries.com](http://www.narekgalleries.com).

The 'Equinox' group exhibition is still up at the Cobargo Gallery 'Sideroom' with works by Showroom co-operative members.

Don't forget to check out for new exhibitions, which are held regularly by gallery members as well as various guest artists.

The gallery will be undergoing a bit of a facelift leading up to the Xmas holidays with some new eye-catching signs and murals under construction.

We currently have space for one or two new members, so if anyone is



Oil painting by Michelle Marley

interested in joining pop in to the gallery and have a chat: Princes Highway Cobargo.

### From Darkness to Light

Narek Galleries is delighted to stage this series of ceramics from one of Australia's foremost ceramic artists – Hiroe Swen 'From Darkness to Light'.

Hiroe Swen has long been regarded as one of Australia's foremost ceramic artists, with her work represented in the National Gallery of Australia and all state galleries. Over the past four years, with great vitality and confidence of a mature artist, she has made a powerful body of work imbued with her intimate experience of emotional turmoil, sorrow and the regaining of strength.

Exhibition runs from Nov 21 to Dec 29th.

### Brogo Babble

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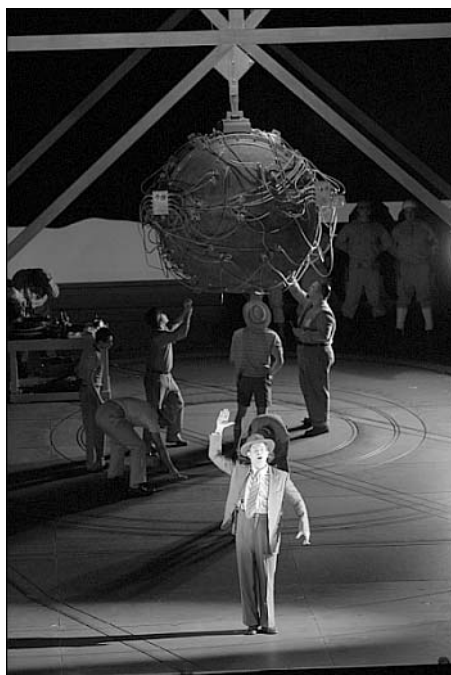
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Only 21 selected cinemas in Australia will be screening Metropolitan Opera captured live in high definition and screening concurrently with the New York Season. Narooma Cinemas are proud to be able to present this wonderful opportunity to see these New York operas to the people of South Coast.

Operas performed commenced with *Strauss' Salome* screening Sat Oct 25: 11.30, Sun. Oct 26, 1.00 pm and Thursday Oct 30 11.30 am. Katrita Mattila caused a sensation when she sang *Salome* at the Met for the first time in 2004. She reprises her stunning interpretation of the part, including her unforgettable 'Dance of the Seven Veils'.

Operas in this season will include Adams' *Doctor Atomic* in November, Berlioz *La Damnation de Faust* in December, Massenet's *Thais* in January 2009, Puccini's *La Rondine* in January, Gluck's *Orfeo et Euridice* in



Scene from *Doctor Atomic*

February 2009, Donizetti's *Lucia di Lammermoor* in March 2009 and Puccini's *Madama Butterfly* March 2009, Bellini's *La Sonnambula* in April and Rossini's *La Cenerentola* in May.

Most performances will have an interval. Adults \$25.00: Concession \$21.00. More information and bookings can be obtained by ringing Narooma Cinema 4476 2352. Also [www.theMetInAustralia.info](http://www.theMetInAustralia.info) will detail times and dates.

## art@bermi

Well, our second exhibition is over, and it went off very well. We were fortunate to have Penny Amberg to open the show. Penny is the cultural services co-ordinator for the Bega Shire. She made comments about each individual artist's work, and compared it with our lovely South Coast. She also praised the very diverse nature of our work.

Our 'Meet the Artists' on the Saturday afternoon was very well attended, and there was some delicious food and wine.

Our exhibition finished on Monday afternoon with some very good sales. Our next exhibition will be during next Easter 2009, so keep your eyes skinned for further details.



Artist Rona Walker and sculptor Joy Georgeson at art@Bermi



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We have been digging our own parsnips and I have found a great recipe to share with you that can be made and reheated and it still tastes good!

### Parsnip crumble

Ingredients:

6 crisp parsnips

75 grams of butter

1/4 cup of cream

1 egg and freshly grated nutmeg

Heat the oven to 180 degrees.

Peel and place the parsnips in a saucepan of water with a pinch of salt and simmer till cooked.

Lift them out and drain, place in a food processor and add the remaining ingredients.

Season with salt and pepper, blend till smooth while warm.

Spoon mixture into an oven-proof dish and sprinkle with a tablespoon of breadcrumbs then dot with butter.

Place in the oven for 20 minutes. Try it with steamed potatoes and a fresh salad or an accompaniment to most meats.

An easy sweet for the summer is a home-made farm cheese, honey and fruit.

### Farm cheese, fruit, honey and sweet toast fingers

To make the cheese simply line a fine sieve around 10 cm diameter with cheesecloth or a new Chux then fill with your own or a bought Greek style yoghurt. Allow to drain overnight.

Next day turn out onto a dinner plate (looks good on a bed of grape leaves) and carefully remove the cloth to retain the shape.

Slice pears or bananas, dip them in lemon juice to stop them going

brown, then place them around the cheese. Drizzle a good strong honey over the cheese so it runs down the sides and onto the fruit.

Slice a fruit loaf thinly, and cut it into fingers. Place into a moderate oven to dry out. Serve the fingers with the cheese when they are crisp and cold. If you do not like fruit bread make the croustades with thinly sliced sour dough bread roll and dust with castor sugar and cinnamon when warm.

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Carol Broadhead



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## The Triangle Community of Gardeners

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in creating a community garden: one giant veggie patch for the whole town population or the ones who cannot grow their own. We enjoyed the hospitality of the Garden of Eden group and the gourmet pizzas cooked in their cob oven, made by the community members.

Following the very inspiring trip to Eden at our October workshop we discussed the possibility of a site for the community garden in the grounds of the Cobargo Uniting Church. It was decided that if it is not suitable, we will seek another alternative local site.

Visit our website: [www.thebegaValley.org.au/index.php?id=18413](http://www.thebegaValley.org.au/index.php?id=18413)

The next meeting will be: Sunday 16th of November, visit to 'Kinetix' gardens at 10 am, guided by the owner and marvellous gardener Margo Hinton-Pantland. Corner of Princes Hwy and Bermagui Rd – Cobargo. Phone: 6493 6490



Rebecca Norman giving a presentation about garden design

## AWL Pet of the Month

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## Garden Magic



Grevilleas are the biggest selling Australian native plant in nurseries. They're from the Proteaceae family, which includes Waratahs and Proteas. Maybe that's why some people mistakenly believe that Proteas belong to Australia. In fact, they originate from South Africa. It is easy to understand the love affair with grevilleas. There is one to suit every purpose, from big trees, for example Silky Oak, to ground covers such as Bronze Rambler and everything in between. The flowers are unbeatable in terms of being bird and insect attracting, particularly with the hybrids, such as Honey Gem, Moonlight, Sandra Gordon, Misty Pink, Pink Parfait and so on. These are large growing shrubs to 4–5 m. The three perennial favourites, Robyn Gordon, Ned Kelly and Superb also feature big showy flowers in reddish tones but only grow to about 1–2 m high and wide.

An interesting ground cover is Gsynophae, which has bronze foliage and cream flowers. Taller growing shrubs, for example Winpara Gem and Winpara Gold (to 2m) have lovely soft greyish leaves. In my experience, Grevilleas don't cope well with strong or prolonged winds. Any loosening of their roots may cause plants that appear to be strong and healthy to simply drop dead. They also like well-drained soils. If yours is heavy or clayish, don't try to change its balance to suit these plants. Do yourself a favour, avoid disappointment and plant something more appropriate, such as Melaleuca or Callistemon.

Next month we will talk about some of the underrated indigenous plants, such as Barceas (one of my favourite groups).

Until next time.  
Lindy Marshall

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fishermen (and  
women)

Well I think the best way to describe the fishing at present would be patchy. I've fished a number of times recently for a very mixed result. The tuna have arrived but as yet are not exactly jumping into the boat. I've fished three times for them for only eight fish to 4kg and covered around 250km of ocean with the best water I've been able to find at 16.4 degrees.

On other fronts good catches of flathead are being taken in 50 metres off Cuttagee. Snapper and morwong are being caught on the 4-mile and The Brother's reefs although not in big numbers.

The surf has improved with reports of gummys and bream off Cuttagee beach on the full moon. Tilba cemetery is fishing ok with small salmon, a small number of kingies have been landed at Montague and the water between the Island and Murrunna Point is alive with pilchards.

The river is patchy although there have been some good catches of blackfish with the occasional bream and flathead. With some warmer water things can only improve so it won't be long now till it gets better.

*Good luck & Good fishing*  
Malcolm Stubbs  
Hoodlum Tackle



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

### COBARGO GARDENING & FRIENDSHIP CLUB

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

### THE TRIANGLE COMMUNITY OF GARDENERS

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

### COBARGO SHOW MEETING

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

### COBARGO PRE-SCHOOL

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

### COBARGO SCHOOL OF ARTS HALL COMMITTEE

Meets once a month. Hall bookings and enq.  
Maryann Green 6493 6280 [m@blackdogfurniture.com](mailto:m@blackdogfurniture.com)

### 1ST COBARGO SCOUT GROUP JOEYS/CUBS/SCOUTS

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

### COBARGO TOURIST & BUSINESS ASS'N

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

### COBARGO CWA

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

### COBARGO/BERMAGUI SCRABBLE

Competitive and social games. Tournaments. All  
enquiries welcome. Phone Tony Hunt for details:  
6493 6861.

### BERMAGUI BADMINTON CLUB

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

### BERMAGUI BAPTIST CHURCH

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

### BERMAGUI COUNTRY CLUB AMATEUR ART & CRAFT SOCIETY.

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

### BERMAGUI SES UNIT

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

### BERMAGUI KNOW YOUR BIBLE

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

### THE BERMAGUI MARKETS

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

### BERMAGUI PLAYGROUP

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

### BERMAGUI & DISTRICT LIONS CLUB

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

### BERMAGUI INDOOR BOWLS CLUB

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

### BERMAGUI SEASIDE FAIR

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

### QUAAMA MORNING COFFEE LADIES

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

### QUAAMA / COBARGO QUILTERS

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

### QUAAMA BAND

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

### QUAAMA TEXTILE GROUP

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

### OVER 50'S FUN & FITNESS

Every Tuesday, 2pm to 3pm at the Bermagui  
Country Club, with Nancy Casu, qualified fitness  
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Levin (Pres.) 6493 5602 or Jan McCartney (sec.) 6493  
3573.

### THE YUIN FOLK CLUB

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

### QBC COUNTRY MUSIC CLUB

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

### MOBILE TOY LIBRARY & PARENTING RESOURCE SERVICE

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

### TILBA VALLEY WINES BRIDGE CLUB

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

### DRY RIVER RODEO COMMITTEE

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

### MYSTERY BAY COAST CARE

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

### LIFE DRAWING SESSIONS

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

### SOPHIAN GNOSTIC CIRCLE

Christian Gnostic teachings and discourse, first  
Saturday each month. CWA Hall, Cobargo, 2-3.30pm.  
\$10 donation. Phone Sue on 6493 8473.

### DIGNAMS CREEK COMMUNITY GROUP

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

### AGLOW CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

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02 4473 8413.

### SOUTHERN LIFECHURCH

Sundays @ 4pm, Union Church building, West St,  
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### SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING

Mon 1.30 - 3.30pm Thurs 7.30 - 9.30pm Cobargo  
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Teacher: Sheelagh Brunton 6493 6538.

### OPEN SANCTUARY@TILBA

Gatherings at Holy Trinity Church Tilba Tilba on the  
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Sat Nov 8	Girl's Night In	Cobargo School of Arts	7.00 pm
Sun Nov 9	Brian Fraser	Dromedary Hotel	5.30 - 9.30
Wed Nov 12	Bermi Transistion Towns Forum	Bermi Community Centre	7 - 9 pm
Thurs Nov 13	Exhibition of furniture & wrought iron	Galdairy Furniture Cobargo	5 - 9 pm
Sat Nov 15	Trivia Night	Quaama	To be advised
Sun Nov 16	Kinetix garden	Triangle Community Gardeners	10.00 am
Sun Nov 16	Gary Jones & the Dodgy Podders	Tilba Valley winery	1.00 pm
Sun Nov 16	Pugsley Buzzard	Dromedary Hotel	5.30 - 9.30 pm
Sat 29, Sun 30	Cobargo Characters	Cobargo School of Arts	10 - 4 pm
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