

The little robotics team that could!

Narooma High School (NHS) established a robotics team in 2015 – it was formed to inspire young people about the exhilarating possibilities of science, technology and robotics, and the roles they might play in the future. Since 2015, the RoboRebels have shared their passion with more than a thousand young people from Narooma's south coast feeder schools.

In March, the RoboRebels competed over three days in the South Pacific Regional FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) competition held in Wollongong. Thirty-seven teams from around Australia, Vietnam, Singapore and Taiwan were vying for the right to compete in the World Championships in Houston, Texas. Many of those teams had up to fifty members and were extremely well-resourced, whereas the NHS team comprises '... five people and the only space dedicated to us is a cupboard for storage,' as Harrison McKee, one of the RoboRebels, observed.

Since January, the team members have been working after school twice a week and every Sunday since to design, build and program their competition robot. The team has focussed on coding the robot to balance itself on a see-saw bridge.

Once they qualified for the World Championships, they had five weeks in which to raise \$60,000 to take the team and equipment to Texas. The school and community rallied around – a storefront in the Narooma main street was donated to showcase the robot and the team, they set up a GoFundMe page, held raffles for wonderful prizes donated by the community, four local primary schools held mufti days with gold coin donations, the RoboRebels set up a marquee on election day at the Narooma voting booth to communicate their excitement, show off their robot and sell raffle tickets, NHS held a Donut Day fundraiser, ran meat raffles at Lynch's pub and an Easter Egg raffle at Club Narooma.



RoboRebels, left to right: Kye Potter, Harmony Cannon, Harrison McKee, Matthew Brookes, Linc McLeod-Scott holding Blahaj (the shark) all in Houston, Texas with their precious robot ready for the World Championships.

They reached their fundraising goal in seventeen days and the team of students, four from Year 12 (Harrison McKee, Kye Potter, Linc McLeod-Scott and Matthew Brookes) and one from Year 10 (Harmony Cannon), and their two Science teacher mentors, Gayle Allison and Christina Potts, are so elated and thrilled. None of this could have happened without the enormous fundraising efforts and the generosity of the town and district.

They will be competing against 600 teams in Houston over three days from 19 to 21 April. The team will have dinner with the Australian Consul-General in Houston, visit NASA, the Houston Museum of Natural Science and the Texas Medical

Centre Innovation Accelerator.

To read more about the RoboRebels, I would urge you to check out the Facebook pages of Narooma High School, the RoboRebels 5988 and local MP, Kristy McBain (including the video message of support from her, the Prime Minister and the Minister for Industry and Science). This is so exciting and heart-warming – and the RoboRebels cannot thank everyone in the community enough for this extraordinary and life-changing opportunity.

For more on the RoboRebels and how to support them going forward, see page 4.

Angela Marshall

Music, like all art, has many powers that can and do add important benefits for us all – individually, collectively, culturally and politically. The Triangle region is very privileged to have access to a wide selection of music by talented locals as well as well-known and emerging national and international musicians. Outstanding local events over Easter certainly demonstrated this – the local Easter Dance at Central

Tilba and the amazingly adventurous Four Winds Festival both, in their own ways, showed the joy and diversity of musicians playing together. While we are all culturally aware of the richness that music brings locally, the value of the voice of music in bringing people together is particularly important at this moment in our political history as we face a crucial question about the Indigenous

Voice to Parliament. Music's message of inclusiveness and togetherness is to understand that we can do what is right in all aspects of community life working towards a better future. The amazing achievements of the local Narooma High School RoboRebels are an inspiring story of what can happen when community works together and what our better future has in store for us.

Letters

It was interesting to read Georgina Adamson lamenting the changes in Bermagui. We've only been here for twenty years, and the changes in that time have been profound.

Not only the impact on parking, but also more crowded housing and increased environmental impact. Recording our heritage is essential, as 'generational amnesia' is already occurring, where younger people and new arrivals do not know or understand what has already been lost.

Growth and development don't need to be inevitable, although they are accepted as a part of the economic theory of capitalism which uses Gross Domestic

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Product as its measure of success. There are several global movements aimed at reducing the harmful environmental effects of growth and development, for example Degrowth, Steady State Economy and Ecological Economics.

Our economic growth depends on population growth. Australia is expected to grow by nearly an extra million people in just two years due to massive net immigration (with natural increase providing less than a third), yet the impacts are rarely discussed. Immigration is another example of generational amnesia as an entire generation has grown up with immigration levels of 250,000 to 350,000 a year. Yet the historical average, before John

Howard ramped it up and now it is being continued by Labor, was 70,000 per year.

In the recent state election, The Sustainable Australia Party that advocates for a stable population, ran candidates in most electorates but, sadly, due to lack of media coverage and misinformation none were elected. Advocates for lower immigration are accused of racism, but the problem is not where the migrants come from, but the number. If immigration was reduced to equal that of emigration, we could still have 70,000 migrants and Bermagui's population might stabilise. We could take in more refugees, but that is another subject.

*Karen Joynes
Bermagui*

What's in a name?

What's in a name? The answer to this question is a deep sense of attachment. When the name in question is that of a place which one calls or has called home, the attachment is of vital significance to people's sense of well-being, acceptance and belonging. The place name is an important part of our geographical and cultural values; it is part of our identity, and its familiarity brings us comfort.

This is why the movement to rename the tiny hamlet of Wandella has become so vexed. Generations of dairy farmers and their families have known it by no other name. My great-grandfather was one such. He raised funds and collected the bulk of the contributions for the Wandella Hall in the first decade of the previous century. Two of his sons had 'send-offs' after enlisting and one had a 'welcome home' in that hall. The other wrote to our family, saying that he would '... rather be shooting rabbits in Wandella than shooting the Hun' before he was killed in 1918. I attended the one-teacher school that was the Wandella Public School in the 1950s and I and my contemporaries had never heard the

alternative name. The country roads were not named in those days, so we wrote our addresses proudly: Wandella via Cobargo.

However, unbeknown to us, there does appear to have been an old map bearing the name Wandellow and a house called Wandellow on the Wandella Creek. We can guess at the origin of this other name. Perhaps it was the result of a Celtic tendency to emphasize the last syllable or just a simple spelling error from the days when literacy was not as widespread as it is today. It matters not, since successive Wandella generations can say, as I say: 'We've always called it that!'

Perhaps you are thinking that this issue is too slight a one for community consideration or a letter to the paper. I ask you then to apply the change to your region: Merimbulow, Pambulow, Naroomow, Tilbow, Begow? Not only is there no music in these names, but to say them is jarring and somewhat shocking. This is the result of the desecration of a familiar name.

Wandella has suffered a lot of loss in the recent past. Gone are the school,

hall, many houses, animals, fences and even some of the trees in the surrounding mountains. We need to care for its name and protect it in a changing world. It is our shared heritage.

*Estelle Shields
Denistone*

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Thumbs UP

To the Cobargo Pub for running the meat raffles each week to help local volunteer organisations raise money to fund their projects. Thanks, too, to the people who buy the tickets!

To the concerned local who put up their own wombat crossing signs on Bermagui Rd. There have been no wombats killed since the signs went up in February.

Thumbs DOWN



This Council sign, actually there are two, on the Dickinson Point track is either unnoticed or ignored numerous times a day by locals and tourists alike who drive, park, camp and even execute donuts on the grass. Surely that level of disrespect for Aboriginal heritage is worthy of a thumbs down from *The Triangle* without even the need to mention the dog owners who refuse to pick up after their pets. This is a significant site for local First Nations people, who I know are concerned about the current situation.

To the people who get impatient and grumpy at the Triangle Tool Library. Please remember the Tool Library folks are volunteers, generously giving their time to help manage and maintain a huge number of tools we are all lucky to have access to!



Apology in advance

To our contributors who may have submitted articles to *The Triangle* using our contributions@thetriangle.org.au email that were not included in this issue. We have had technical trouble!

In the future, when you submit an article please cc lsang333@gmail.com.

We are endeavouring to rectify this problem as soon as possible.

A President's Report

My mother arrived in Colac in 1947, straight from London and WWII. New country, new town, she became very active in the community. She was instrumental in organising the first Colac Baby Health Centre and of course was part of the Ladies' Committee.

This is the final paragraph of her President's Report for 1953-1954.

'To many people, committees seem slow, wasteful, and rather inefficient. To even the most devoted member of a committee come moments of irritation. But the method of decision and management by committee is fundamental to our idea of democracy – an idea that must be positively cherished in these times. We speak as elected representatives of our community, which we serve. It is an honour and a privilege and must be so regarded.'

J Brown, (Mrs. A. G. Brown), President

Louise Brown

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to the people in the Triangle area - the area

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The Voice: let's talk

At a referendum later this year we'll decide if a few sentences will be added to our Constitution so that First Nations peoples will be able to form a body – a Voice – that will advise the Australian Parliament of the day on ways that upcoming legislation affects them.

At this stage there are more questions than answers, and a bunch of us gathered at Well Thumbed Books in Cobargo on 12 April to ask some of those questions. The event was hosted by Heather O'Connor, Heather Stone, Marisa Giuffre and Ludo McFerran. In the interests of transparency, they told us they were all in favour of the Voice, but this was not a campaigning session, it was an information session.

I'm also in favour – right now I intend to vote 'Yes'. But, like others there on the day, I have questions and I'm interested in alternative ideas.

One question that came up: of all the legislation debated by parliament every year, who will decide which pieces of legislation the Voice will be asked to advise on? Well, that's a matter for future parliaments. Governments of different stripes will have different agendas – that's democracy. And even when the Voice offers advice on a certain issue, it will be

parliament's choice whether or not to heed that advice.

And it will always be parliament, our elected representatives, that decides the composition, functions, powers and procedures of the Voice. So what we are being asked to vote on is the broad principle: should First Nations people have a Voice that is enshrined in the Constitution? One that cannot be abolished as such advisory bodies have been in the past.

Parliament will not be compelled to take the advice of the Voice. But it must *listen*.

These conversations will be held at Well Thumbed Books on the first Tuesday of every month, and we're all invited. Come along with your questions so that when the day comes we can be confident in our vote, whether it be Yes or No. The next meeting is at 11.00 am on Tuesday 2 May.

In the meantime, we must educate ourselves. Here's a start: the Uluru Statement from the Heart. Google it. I challenge you to read this short, heartfelt document and not come away with a sense of the justness and simplicity of what our First Nations peoples are asking of us.

Jen Severn



The future for RoboRebels

We are astonished by and grateful for the generosity of our local community and for the sponsorship of companies and local businesses that have made all this possible. We are so appreciative of our existing major sponsors who have ensured that we made it all this way:

Mystery Bay Cottages, the Lighthouse Scholarship Fund, Bowerbird Community Op Shop, Office of NSW Chief Scientist grant, NHS P&C, Club Narooma/Dalmeny, Bermagui and Narooma Men's Sheds, Narooma Quota Club, Narooma Chamber of Commerce, Narooma Lions Club, Narooma Rotary, Eurobodalla Council, Kristy McBain MP, Narooma Betta Electrical, D'lish D'light Donut Van, SHE Narooma, IGA, Lynch's Hotel, FIRST and FedEx, plus many more individuals

and businesses who we thank from the bottom of our coding hearts!

The NHS RoboRebels are looking to form more lasting connections with businesses that are interested to offer future ongoing financial sponsorship.

It is hoped that students like these will be inspired to study and bring their skills back to our region to establish new initiatives and businesses on the NSW South Coast.

Anyone wishing to support the RoboRebels, please contact Gayle Allison, NHS science teacher and mentor of RoboRebels. Either email on gayle.allison@det.nsw.edu.au or phone NHS on 02 4476 4377.

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Cuttagee Bridge commitment from Labor

On Monday 13 March, Dr Michael Holland, Labor MP for Bega, and Jenny Aitchison, Labor MP, and, at the time, NSW shadow minister for Regional Roads and Transport (pictured above) announced in front of a crowd of concerned residents, a \$15 million commitment towards the 'repair and restoration of Cuttagee Bridge in line with its heritage position'.

This commitment was dependent on Labor winning the state election on 25 March, which has now come to fruition. This was not part of any major bridges program, it is specifically to meet the particular circumstances of Cuttagee Bridge, to 'preserve its heritage nature'.

When asked if the bridge would remain one lane, Jenny Aitchison said they would work with NSW Transport on this, but the intention was to retain the heritage and tourist nature of this coast road. It was refreshing to also hear Jenny Aitchison commit to a community-led design process.

It is now almost exactly two years since the previous Council agreed (on 10 March 2021) to 'replace the current single-lane timber Cuttagee Bridge with a two-lane concrete bridge and endorse lodgement of a Development Application for the demolition of the bridge'. This Council decision still remains in place and now needs to be revised.

Council had sought to have the bridge replacement partly funded under the NSW Liberal Government's Fixing Country Bridges Program, but the \$7.5m funding initially awarded was subsequently revoked as it didn't meet the grant conditions.

In the interim, Council has completed some minimal repairs to the bridge and



Dr Michael Holland, MP, and Jenny Aitchison, MP, with locals at Cuttagee Bridge discussing the issues around retaining the bridge and its heritage values

limited the speed to 5 kph and the load to 15 tonnes.

It is worth noting that each time Cuttagee Bridge is debated at Council, Councillors Fitzpatrick, Seckold, Allen and Nadin have continued to propose demolition of the Cuttagee Bridge and a two-lane replacement. Councillors O'Neil and Griff have stood against this push for a two-lane concrete bridge.

The preservation of Cuttagee Bridge has been a highly sensitive issue for many in the local community who have campaigned for its preservation as a single-lane, predominantly timber bridge. So

this Labor commitment is a very positive development.

*Geoff Steel,
Bermagui*

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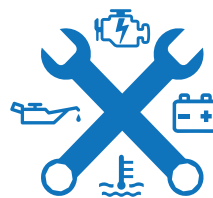
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Alison Pouliot, keynote speaker for Fungi Festival

Alison Pouliot, a leading Australian fungi expert, is coming to Eurobodalla and Bega Valley. Alison is so passionate about fungi that she studies fungi at home in Australia in the autumn months, then travels to the northern hemisphere for a second autumn.

Alison is an ecologist, environmental photographer and the author of three books. *The Allure of Fungi*, Alison's first book begins with the entangled world of mycelium and mushrooms, then follows with stories of fungi forays and conservation of fungi. Alison co-authored *Wild Mushrooming: A Guide for Foragers* with mycologist, Tom May, an essential field guide for the safe collection of fungi. This year, Alison published her third book *Underground Lovers: Encounters with Fungi* to glowing reviews. Charles Massey wrote. 'An evocative, accessible and important book about one of the most vital, yet hugely ignored, kingdoms on our planet – fungi.'

The Fungi Festival is fortunate to have secured Alison Pouliot as its keynote speaker. Alison will be presenting a seminar in Central Tilba on Friday evening 30 June, 'Underground Lovers: A foray in fungal realms', exploring how

fungi are reconfiguring our understanding of the natural environment. Alison will also facilitate two hands-on 'Encounters with Fungi' workshops. The first will be in Cobargo on Saturday 1 July and then another on Sunday 2 July at Eurobodalla Regional Botanical Gardens. This is your opportunity to explore the fungi of our regions, Bega Valley and Eurobodalla. Participants are encouraged to bring along local fungal specimens for identification.

The inaugural Fungi Festival is a celebration of all things fungi – in science, food and art. For more information on the Fungi Festival or to register for Alison Pouliot's seminar and workshops visit the Fungi Festival website.

The Fungi Festival co-founders would like to give special thanks to our sponsors for supporting the establishment of the inaugural Fungi Festival in 2023: Mumbulla Community Foundation, Bega Valley Shire Council, Global Giving, the Australian Government, Tilba Chamber of Commerce, Sugar Bush Creative and Gulaga Gold.

To discuss further or for interviews, please call Annette Kennewell on 0417 203 610.

Annette Kennewell



Keynote speaker Alison Pouliot for the Fungi Festival



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Dean Turner giving a workshop at The Crossing

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If you have any questions about our work or our workshops and programs, please email stay@thecrossingland.org.au or call us on 6493 3400.

Dean and Annette Turner

A cause for celebration

On Saturday 15 April, Montreal Goldfield held its Annual Heritage Day. Such a good day was had by all. The atmosphere, ambience, call it what you will, was so relaxing, taking a walk back in time, entertaining, providing a popular place to be.

The volunteers excelled themselves in the preparation and performances throughout the programme and a big thank you goes to members of the Bermagui Historical Society for their participation in the event. The Bermagui Ukulele group were in fine form as they entertained with some old mining songs. Georgie Adamson, with her animated rendition of *The Runaway* story, pulled families in to watch, and learnt the games children played in the 1880s. The Bermagui Men's Shed ran out of sausages, and the dampers and billy tea kept people fed during all the activities.

Our very own Canadians from Montreal, local Sarah Cooper and her mum Enid, joined us on the day and provided a bit of history about Henry Williams, the Canadian who discovered Gold on the beach at Wallaga Lake. The weather enhanced the day in every way, making the whole event a really happy, friendly occasion for volunteers and visitors alike.

Montreal Goldfield committee would like to acknowledge the support given by Frank Scott of EdgeFM Bega, who heavily advertised Heritage Day in the week prior to the event.

Montreal Goldfield runs solely on the efforts of volunteers,



Georgina Adamson, aka the Noisy Nonna, playing the role of Miss Gilpin from *The Runaway*, a book written by Bermagui School kids and Montreal volunteers at the Montreal Goldfield Heritage Day

and is at present recruiting new volunteers to train as tour guides. If you have an interest in history and like talking to people, this may be the role for you.

For more information, email jajrhearn@bigpond.com or call in to the Goldfield Wednesday to Sunday at 2.00 pm (when tours leave) and talk to a volunteer.

Judy Hearn

Volunteers – where are you?

Our Triangle area is heavily reliant on volunteers for its various community groups and services. From Community Transport to Meals on Wheels and, of course, our emergency services they are always on the lookout for new recruits.

It is believed that, after COVID lockdowns, many older volunteers did not return. After many years of volunteering, they had wanted to 'retire'.

Traditionally, places like Bermagui were a mecca for retirees – still fit and well and wanting to be involved, make new friends and contribute to their community.

So – what is different now? Local services are in desperate need of a new generation of younger retirees to take over the work many in their 80s are still doing.

We saw a real estate boom a year or two ago – so where is everyone?

Are new residents all working from home and have no time to volunteer? Are there now more younger families moving into towns and busy with children?

It's a mystery to many organisations that they cannot seem to recruit new volunteers. Many are having to curtail services for lack of volunteers. Those who do volunteer in our community, usually take on more than one voluntary role and are, therefore, at high risk of burn out.

Volunteering has many benefits. You make new friends, learn new skills, utilise and share the skills you have already gained and give something back to your community. Those that do volunteer will

tell of the 'helper's high' they experience – that feel-good moment after doing something for someone.

National Volunteers Week 2023 will be held May 15 to 21. The week-long event recognises the vital support that the millions of volunteers in our country provide to their communities and encourages people to consider volunteering.

If you have some time on your hands, are newly moved into the Triangle area, want to make new friends and/or want to use the skills you have for the benefit of the community, please think about volunteering. There are so many opportunities in so many varied organisations that just might fit your interests.

When volunteering is mentioned, many people think of those traditional charities that use volunteers, places like Vinnies Op Shops. However, there so many other volunteering roles that suit an individual's interest – from gardening to local issues, from history to wildlife – the list is extensive.

Take a quick look through the list of possible volunteer opportunities. This is far from complete, but hopefully will give some new residents an idea of the many voluntary roles they can fulfil in their communities. Bega Valley Shire Council will assist with information on volunteering within the Bega Valley.

Carolyn Banados

Some local organisations that could use your help:

- Moodji Gardens, Bermagui – a few hours a week to garden
- Visitor Information Centre, Bermagui and Cobargo – meet and greet visitors
- Community Transport – provide transport to frail, aged and disabled people
- Emergency Services – RFS, SES, Marine Rescue and Surf Lifesaving
- Montreal Goldfield – step back in history – site maintenance, trainee guide
- Historical Society – interest in local history and museum
- Men's Shed – community projects
- *The Triangle* – write stories
- Bermagui U3A – lead a class
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- Meals on Wheels
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- The OK Shed Op Shop (Bermagui)
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Thought you knew everything?

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Well, it may come as a shock to many that they don't. Maybe the 'all knowing - all doing' amongst us will have to take a good hard look at themselves and lighten up.

So, along these lines, I thought I would write a small article for *The Triangle* to incentivate ... now why does that word bring back memories of John Howard? Ah, that's right this was a poetic melding of *incentive* and *motivate* coined by him when he was Prime Minister late last century, but it failed to grip the national imagination.

Now, where was I?

Yes, incentivate the many knowledgeable people in our region to either *learn* something new OR *teach* someone something new OR just get to *meet* people who are trying to do any of the above.

Also, this process may engender retentive brain power, which is obviously



something I need – the old saying 'use it or lose it'.

The means to this end is U3A Bermagui.

It is amazing to see how many people who are involved in U3A, both on the Committee and as presenters and members, keep the old grey matter ticking along, as well as meeting new people or renewing

friends not seen for some time, whether because of COVID or just life getting in the way.

So, maybe we will get to see your smiling face at U3A ... we hope so, just check out our website by searching for U3A Bermagui.

AJ

Committee, U3A Bermagui

I do hope Easter was a pleasant and thoughtful time for everyone – now onto local happenings as we put on warmer clothes and fire up the heating!

Easter at Open Sanctuary

Easter is mostly known for its public holidays and over-indulgence in hot cross buns and chocolate. As we have become a more secular society, Christian traditions that relate to Easter have mostly been supplanted. Open Sanctuary at Tilba Tilba provides an opportunity for people of any or no faith to celebrate and contemplate how we live together, caring for each other and our environment. The invitation to the Open Sanctuary community to gather at dawn on Easter Sunday around a fire with a cuppa and hot cross bun was hard to overlook and, as it turned out, it was a delightful and thought provoking hour discussing some important aspects with humour and love common to all who seek a more generous, compassionate and caring future – all framed by sunrise light on Gulaga and an acknowledgement of the Christian values that most of us have grown up with.



Easter Sunday gathering at Open Sanctuary

Something in the Big Hall

Central Tilba's Big Hall is better known for its regular uses – the weekly Tilba Market and other important community events. It was a pleasant surprise to see it as an art exhibition space during the recent display, organised with funding by locals Kate Wall and David Whitfield. With paintings and artworks hung around the walls, the creative use of display boards across the front of the stage and large display boards in the middle of

the hall, the space looked bright with good clean light to showcase the many different sized paintings and styles.

Four local artists – Vivienne Bowe-Wood, Ann Espinoza, Kareli Vine and David Whitfield – displayed their works. All the artists draw on local aspects and their own experiences of life in this area provided an eclectic and contemporary commentary on the local environment as well as community and social matters.

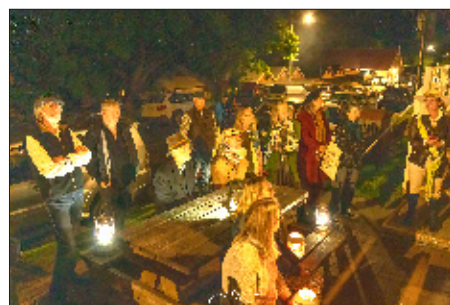
Music, workshops, history, film and poetry also featured throughout the weeklong exhibition. Drawing and collaging workshops provided fun holiday activities for both adults and children – particularly as the weather was a bit dicey during these school holidays. Richard Cooke's film, *Forest Theatre*, with live music, original score and lyrics, drew an appreciative audience on Monday evening in the Small Hall. And local band DLM and local musician Bev Long filled some nice spaces with their music.

Because it coincided with the Australian Heritage Festival, it enabled the exhibition to register and include a local history display organised in conjunction with Zoe Burke from Tilba Walks Heritage Talks. Activities included Heritage Festival walks and a yarning circle of shared stories with local Indigenous people. The week culminated in the Twilight Poetry Trail by lantern light led by Zoe that featured local poets Glenda Morgan, Virginia York, Jenifer James, Kai Jensen, Ed Southorn and David Whitfield and concluded with wine and cheese.

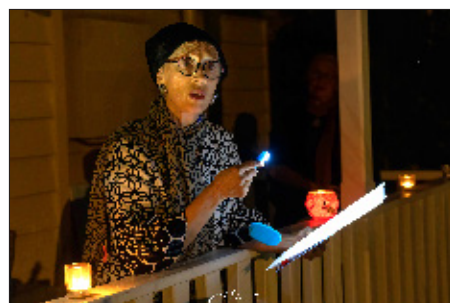
All in all, this was a lovely use of these special community halls – and demonstrates what a flexible space they can be. It was even possible to have the usual



Collage workshop



Poet Trail Lantern Walk - Photo credit Deb Flynn



Poet Glenda Morgan - Photo credit Deb Flynn

market, even though resident pianist Cathie Muller was hidden behind a display board! The inclusion in the Australian Heritage Festival program was a fitting connection for the special Tilba area. Congratulations to Kate, David and Zoe and all those involved.

Transition from ICE to EV

Our – that is Stuart's and Philip's – EV journey started towards the end of March when we picked up our BYD Atto 3, called Frank, from Fyshwick. It was an odd experience as often new car owners are treated to a bit of a fanfare by the dealer. Not so in Canberra, where BYD is still in temporary quarters while the new Experience Centre is completed at Phillip. Notwithstanding this, the handover was carried out in a friendly and professional way even though it felt a bit strange and the BYD team are cramped into a very small office space. We had done a very quick test drive on a visit to Melbourne some months earlier and had visited an owner at Moruya. But, even so, it was a little unnerving driving out onto busy Gladstone Street! However, one of the really good things about the BYD Atto 3 is that it is very easy to drive. It is very quiet and smooth, and shifting into gear is a bit different but you still have an accelerator, a brake and very useful safety features that will stop the car if there is impending trouble.

The trip home from Canberra went well and was a chance to become accustomed to the adaptive cruise control and the regenerative braking, which added a nice little boost to the battery coming down the Clyde. The trip was done within

range with a bit left in the battery on arrival home. The Atto 3 is very comfortable with good electric adjustments to the driver's seat. After driving non-stop for three hours there were no particular niggles – which is not the case with our Suzuki!

We have had one trip to Sydney that also went well.

Part of transitioning to an EV is realising that trip planning is essential. There are various apps that help and even some that give the operational status of public fast chargers – this is especially important as there are often chargers out of action so it is always necessary to have a Plan B. Currently, NRMA chargers are free, so we did a quick top up at Berry. While in Sydney another top up cost all of \$12 and on the way home we topped up at the NRMA charger at Batemans Bay.

An aside – as charging can often take a bit of time it is an opportunity to have a look around. The charger at Batemans Bay is near the old Visitors Centre and McDonalds. Opposite, there is a path that goes up to high part above the shopping centre. To our amazement, once up there, we found an old cemetery with graves dating back to the late 1800s and early 1900s, all in a very bad state. This is obviously the early cemetery for the area and it does seem that it should be preserved. Since we have been home, we have made a few enquiries and hopefully there are some plans for preservation. This may well be another of the advantages in



Stuart and Philip's BYD Atto 3

owning an EV – making discoveries while the car is charging!

Most of our charging is done at home. The car comes with a trickle charger that works off a standard 10amp power point. We have not used this but purchased a 15amp charger which charges at double the input of the 10amp. More recently we have had a Zappi wall charger installed – this is a smart charger that manages the solar input so the car charges when there is surplus electricity rather than sending the power back to the grid. Along with this, we have added a few more solar panels to ensure we can mostly use our surplus.

We are pretty chuffed with our decision to buy now. The car itself is a joy to drive and it does feel right to be making the switch away from an ICE vehicle. EVs do have a lot of technology which is another thing to get used to – and although we haven't had any issues with software glitches it is always a possibility. As we

do with lots of devices these days, a simple reboot can often right things. It's certainly the best equipped and most comfortable car we have ever had – although I still have very fond memories of our '87 Peugeot 505 GTI. And, in case you are wondering, we are keeping the Suzuki Grand Vitara for at least one more outback trip this year. The orange 1970 Peugeot 404 that some of you will know is off to a new home in Sydney. You will realise what EV stands for – how about ICE?

Tiny Tourism Town nomination

Eurobodalla Shire Council in conjunction with Tilba District Chamber of Commerce has entered Central Tilba into the 2023 NSW Top Tourism Town Awards in the Tiny Tourism Town category. Finalists will have been announced on 28 April. This is a heads up to keep an eye and ear out for news that Central Tilba is a finalist. If successful, public voting for the Central Tilba nomination will run from 28 April until 12 May – a great opportunity to support the nomination. Winners will be announced on 30 May.

On the pub trail

Congratulations to The Drom! It has been featured in the Qantas Travel Insider inflight magazine in an article entitled *5 Country Pubs That Are Worth a Road Trip*. The Drom is described as the beating heart of heritage-listed Central Tilba – great publicity for our area.

Landcare members do 200 hours of hard labour

Yes, that's right – a hardworking band of members of Tilba Environment Landcarers have just ticked over 205 hours of bushcare work in the section of Eurobodalla National Park at Corunna Point but they have done it willingly, not as punishment.

In March 2022, TEL formed a partnership with the National Parks and Wildlife Service to work on this important piece of local bush that runs from the southern entrance of Corunna Lake south through to Billys Beach and includes the historic velodrome that was built in the late 1890s by the enthusiastic Corunna Cycle Club.

Over the past twelve months or so, members of the group of fifteen volunteers have dedicated three hours on the last Monday morning of each month to tackle invasive weeds in the park, starting with lantana and now moving on to moth vine

and other smaller weeds and creepers.

This has resulted in the removal of all large lantana plants within this section of the park and the goal is to achieve the same outcome with the other weeds and then, potentially, undertake some regeneration planting.

NPWS has provided all the tools and other required items along with insurance cover and specialist supervision by one of the local NPWS team. In addition, a number of the TEL members also have significant expertise in weed and native plant identification from their previous work experience or simply as a topic of personal interest.

And not only does the group have botanical expertise – they also have good baking skills that are put to good use at the 'debrief coffee session' that occurs after each working bee at the nearby home of a group member.



TEL members at Corunna

If you are interested in joining us for some satisfying outdoor work over the winter months, where you will learn some new things and meet some fun people, please contact me on 0414 223 925, as all are very welcome to join us.

Mark Stubbings

Tilba CWA travelling to State Conference in Bathurst

Susanne Robertson is travelling to CWA State Conference in Bathurst for a week in early May. Membership of CWA involves supporting our community through friendship, fundraising and lobbying. As Tilba CWA's representative, Susanne will participate in debates and vote on over twenty motions that will direct CWA of NSW's lobbying to continue to improve the conditions and welfare of women and children in rural and regional areas. These policies cover areas that include our culture, health and welfare, agriculture and environment, education, transport, technology and telecommunications.

Tilba CWA returned to Tilba Market for Easter with lots of chocolate goodness. There were chocolate chip biscuits, chocolate brownies, chocolate slice and lamingtons. We also had shortbread, gluten-free almond biscuits and friands, plus jams and marmalade. President Teresa Stubbings said, 'We enjoyed baking for the Market and chatting with the locals and the many tourists who visited our area. We raised over \$250 that will be used to support our community.' Tilba CWA will return to Tilba Market on Saturday 27 May, which is a long weekend for the ACT.

Thank you to Tilba District Chamber of Commerce for a grant of \$1,000 to



Tilba CWA's vibrant and energetic Secretary, Eva Mosler, and President, Teresa Stubbings, at Tilba Market on Easter Saturday.

Tilba CWA. This grant will be used to buy airports for catering to support Tilba Rural Fire Service during their community site visits and to support our Handicraft Group.

Now is the time to join CWA with membership only half price at \$25.25. All women are welcome to attend our monthly meeting on Thursday 11 May in the Central Tilba Small Hall. If your interest is craft, join our Handicraft Officer Vicky Staddon for 'Women's Circle of Yarns' on the last Thursday of the month at Umbarra Cultural Centre, Akolele.

Annette Kennewell

Skills Share

Do you want to learn or teach a skill? Knitting, crocheting, patchworking, macramé, spinning, sewing, cooking, computer skills, getting your affairs in order, leatherwork, repairing clothes, painting, sketching, photography,

gardening, bird watching, household repairs, decorating, meditation, belly dancing ...

These are just a few suggestions – there are many more skills and hobbies that may be of interest to you to learn and

Halls News



Al being silly while showing off his skills

The Halls hosted our first Community Dance on Easter Saturday in the Small Hall. It was a great night for music lovers with lots of locals and visitors up on the dance floor. Up first was Tinkabell, a local 11 year old with amazing talent who we will see and hear much more of in the future. We were entertained throughout the night by The Travelling Tilberrys, The Good Ol TILBA Blues Band and Shanna-Nigans. What world class talent we have at our doorstep and all local!

The Halls raised \$750 on the night.

Thanks to all who attended the night and do expect more Community Dances in the future so keep a look out for more dates.

Janine Halasz

people out there with the skills to teach.

Are you interested in meeting up fortnightly or monthly to be involved in learning and/or teaching?

This is intended as an introduction to a skill and for you to decide if you want to continue and find a class/group to further your skills. Do you know a neighbour or friend who may be interested? Please pass this on and make contact with me via email (jvhalasz@gmail.com) to express interest in the Skill Share concept as either a learner or teacher.

Janine Halasz



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Second forum for Central Tilba and Tilba Tilba microgrid design

Our community was selected last year to participate in the Eurobodalla-wide Southcoast Microgrid Resilience Feasibility (SuRF) project on the feasibility of microgrids for regional and remote Australia. South Coast Health and Sustainability Alliance (SHASA) ran the first community forum with residents and business owners in spring 2022.

A second forum is planned for Saturday 17 June 3-5 pm in Central Tilba's Big Hall. This forum will include representatives from ANU and Essential Energy sharing information about what microgrids are, how they're being implemented around the world and the state of the local electricity supply. This forum will explore and confirm design features for the Tilba area. Everyone is invited.

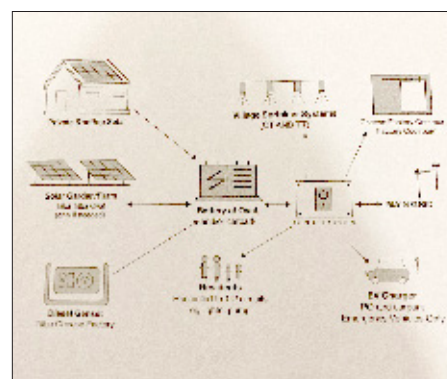
The first forum reviewed the current local power supply arrangements and provided participants with insight into microgrids – their capacity to be connected to or disconnected from the grid and the feasibility of local electricity generation supplying power. Many local microgrid design features were identified, considering local requirements. These included:

- The Tilba Dairy, General Store and Dromedary Hotel – big energy users with existing solar assets that might offer sites for additional solar, EV charging and, possibly, a community battery.
- The microgrid should have up to seven days of restricted community battery storage with priority for water pumping, cooling at the Cheese Factory and, perhaps, EV charging, limited lighting and communications when disconnected from the grid.
- Existing rooftop solar should be optimised plus a possible solar farm at Tilba oval with a large battery, smaller batteries located at the Cheese Factory, in the north and south carparks, behind the pub and General Store. Owners, as well as Eurobodalla Council, to be consulted about these locations.
- The preferred generation and storage

technologies identified renewables and hybrid technologies, including privately-owned solar generation, battery storage and an existing 200kva diesel generator set for back up and battery charging when solar is not available.

- When grid connected, the microgrid's storage and generation assets might be used to offset peak tariff prices and, potentially, be a source of revenue for the villages for community projects.
- The group highlighted the desirability of some level of community grid ownership, although a third party may be necessary given the capital cost, maintenance and management/control of the system.
- We have the potential for a community/private ownership model with inherent risks managed to deliver community benefits while supporting the main grid with enhanced system balance and lower expansion costs.
- Given the heritage of the townships, the goal of protecting the village buildings and surrounding landscape, including Gulaga's special significance to the Yuin nation, with a whole-of-village sprinkler system would require sufficient power to operate during main grid outages caused by fires.
- There are many rooftop solar systems and the Halls will install a battery. The Cheese Factory has a substantial PV system and would consider installing more if a microgrid could deliver a community benefit.
- In short, the priorities are more PV capacity, access to power during outages and the opportunity to share power locally (Peer2Peer) at a better than main grid sell and buy price.

Erica Dibden, owner and CEO of the Tilba Dairy and Cheese Factory, said, 'As a resident and business owner, our family is committed to a greener healthier future and one that puts communities first when considering the supply and consumption of power.' Nic Dibden agreed and added, 'We have a large genset that is critical for cool



Microgrid diagram

storage of our products during outages. We would like to know if we could use this genset to recharge, say, a community battery when solar isn't available. We know how important a cool room for food storage is to our fellow main street food businesses. Having a hybrid system would increase reliability and the time we could make a shared facility available during outages.'

The SuRF project is funded by the Commonwealth Department of Industry, Science, Energy and Resources. The project partners are ANU, Essential Energy, Zepben and SHASA. ANU is the lead partner. High level technical design options, based on the priorities provided by the previous forum of Central Tilba and Tilba Tilba residents, have been developed by ANU with valuable insights into the social issues around electricity supply. The second forum will engender discussions that will inform the business case and implementation plan. The community can then resolve whether it is still keen to implement a microgrid. The SuRF Project is feasibility only and is *not* facilitating any community decisions on progressing a microgrid.

To register for the workshop and/or to learn more about the project, email Stuart at shabsalom47@gmail.com or phil@impartskills.onmicrosoft.com

The SHASA website has more general info on microgrids.

Phil Shorten

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Tilba Primary School relay team goes to State Championships

What an incredible journey it has been for the Central Tilba Public School 4 x 50 relay team.

At our school swimming carnival on Friday 3 February, the four fastest swimmers were selected to be on the team. Some of the times were very close. Tinkabell, Ryder, Ethan and Oskar went on to compete in the Small Schools Relay at the district carnival at Narooma Pool on Tuesday 14 February. They were the only small school at the carnival, so they went straight through to Regionals.

They had three weeks to train. Francois volunteered to train them – and he doesn't even have kids at our school anymore! They also had lessons with Sophia because they had to learn how to dive properly. With Francois and Sophia, they all practised their diving, kicking, breathing and their styles of swimming.

Regionals at Dapto was on Friday 10 March and everyone was nervous, and I mean EVERYONE! The order of swimmers was changed and they all got really stressed out with their positions, but they were resilient and went with the flow. Ryder said, 'It doesn't really matter what order we swim in, we'll still get the same time.' They won by half a length of the pool and took ten seconds off their best time. Everyone at school was cheering their hearts out for them.

It was off to the State Championships at Homebush for them now! They trained every Monday and Thursday as well as a schedule for even more sessions leading up to the big day. Finally, it was Thursday 6 April. They were all ready for their event – event 38 on the program. Tinkabell, Oskar, Ryder and



L-R Tinkabell, Ryder, Oskar and Ethan at the State Championships

Ethan were as nervous as volcanoes that thought they were gonna blow up. The parents were as nervous as the kids were, watching from the grandstand when the kids were marshalled.

At school, we were feeling so many emotions as we all gathered in the library to watch the race on live stream. At first you didn't know what was going to happen. I felt like I was going to cry with happiness. I bet lots felt like that.

While we were waiting for our race the teachers were explaining things to us like what lane we were in and when our race was, and then we were just itching to watch it. All the kids shouted so loudly and my ears nearly burst, some were even just screaming. They were in lane zero and Ryder was the first swimmer followed by Tinkabell, then Oskar and, finally, Ethan. The heat was very fast, in fact it was the fastest heat, and they came ninth and shaved twenty seconds off their best time ever.

We are so proud of our small school for making it this far. They did so well and made us all smile. We hope that they can have this cool experience again.

Thank you to the P&C that helped by giving each state representative \$100 to help with fuel and accommodation which are very expensive. The P&C also applied for a Eurobodalla Shire Council state representatives grant that will also help. Thank you, P&C!

Molly Negus



Tilba School kids watching the races via live stream




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Online in Diggies

Many of us can work from Diggies full time thanks to the satellite dishes on our roofs. Pre-pandemic many of us regularly travelled to city offices, but with the 'new normal' of working from home, that dish is more important than ever. Several neighbours – podcast producers, graphic designers, teachers, farmers and small business owners – join me in loving and cursing the dish.

I think a lot about ethical technology for my job. On good days, the internet is the greatest global information sharing tool and library in history, with unlimited potential to connect and educate. On bad days, it's a climate killer controlled by giant companies that have turned a gorgeous library into a McDonalds, with armies of engineers working to deliberately addict us to devices and creepy 'free' services that are advertising platforms spying on us. On those days of Zoom fatigue, email overload and worrying about lies and hate on social media, I need to get away from screens and into the garden.



The Diggies Share Shed now has a lovely sign. Thanks, Sol!

Still, it's not long before I'm back tapping at the keyboard again, because the internet is how I earn my living, and also attend yoga and meditation classes, stream the news and *Midsomer Murders*. I'm likely not alone in needing to find ways to manage how and when I use this brilliant and awful invention.

Everyone needs to understand that a free service is not free when you pay with your data and privacy.

Alternative search engines that don't spy on us have become more popular – and maybe you'd like to give one a go, like DuckDuckGo.com.

We recognise monopolies that concentrate power as dangerous. We have competition laws to stop one person or company controlling too great a share of a market. And this brings to a halt this view of technology, its glories and its beartraps, from Dignams Creek.

U3A Bermagui & District Inc



U3A offers classes taught by local members for members. Membership is available to the whole community. We continue to offer face-to-face classes and these are subject to COVID restrictions. It is essential to check our website for cancellation notices.

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An overview of courses on offer for this term ... Birds and Bush Walks, Apple Technology, Book Club, Clyde River Cruise, Croquet, Conversation Cafe, History of Bermagui, Film and Lunch, Ice Age Australia, French language, Indigenous Talk, Simple Weaving, The Voice Referendum, The Fascinating World of Kamishibai, Baranguba History, War Graves of WW1.

As I slowly poked around the milking herd in the dark wee hours of the morning, the brisk sneaky breeze chilled me and reminded me winter is close, very close. I like the very definite seasons we have in our region and all bring a significant importance as to why they are here. At a recent social occasion, my family came down from Queensland and as they shuddered their way through the evening lots of comments arose about the weather and its intense cold and how do you put up with it? One of the things I really love is sitting in front of our fire and enjoying the ambience that it creates.

We must extend a huge thank you to the disaster relief team that have been in the area for the last few months helping out in many ways in the community during 'Operation Frank Salway'. I had the pleasure of their company as we made a leaf at Galba Forge under the kind watchful eye of Phillipe Ravenel.

It is with a heavy heart we farewell Jess, Andrew and family as they close the doors for the final time of their much-loved and needed café, The Shakeup. A huge thank you goes to them and their very happy and helpful staff and we wish them the best of life experiences in their future adventures.

Congratulations are extended to Marcia and Andrew Tarlinton on the birth of a new grandson to Tim and Sophie, Edward William born on 13 April. All are well. Congratulations to Sarah Lambert who had a milestone birthday celebrated on 1 April. Great fun was had by all.

GARAGE SALE

Cobargo Community Garage Sale

We are excited to let the community know that we are arranging a Cobargo Community Garage Sale to be held on Saturday 3 June, 8.00 am to 1.00 pm on the lawns of the Cobargo Tennis Club. There will also be a 'Garage Sale Trail' for anyone interested in holding a Garage Sale at their home in Cobargo or the surrounding area.

At the Tennis Club, there will be opportunity to set up a stall for \$10 with proceeds going to the Cobargo Tennis Club. If it is raining or community members would like an indoor option to set up a stall, we have the opportunity to use the School of Arts Hall.

A sausage sizzle will be run by the Tennis Club on the day as a fundraising opportunity.

If you live in Cobargo or surrounds, we will arrange and distribute a list of addresses for the 'Garage Sale Trail'.

If you would like to participate in either a stall at the Tennis Club or a sale at your home address, please get in contact to register and feel free to ask any burning questions.

Registrations close Monday 29 May 2023. Call 0401 636 827 for further information.

Emma Anderson



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Additional Rebuild Cobargo Project funds secured – the next phase begins!

The successful award of additional Bushfire Local Economic Recovery Fund (BLERF) funding 2023 secures the funding base for the Cobargo community, Cobargo Community Development Corporation Ltd (CCDC) and the Rebuild Cobargo Project.

The Development Applications (DAs) for the three individual CCDC Rebuild Cobargo main street buildings are still under assessment by the Bega Valley Shire Council (BVSC), having been lodged in late October 2022. Our latest indication is that the DAs are now to be added to the agenda of the Council's general meeting in May 2023. This is much later than was initially anticipated by the CCDC and, indeed, the timeframe for DA assessment has significantly blown out from what was initially indicated by the BVSC.

While we continue to work cooperatively in partnership with all stakeholders to ensure the delivery of the Rebuild Cobargo Project, continued delays in planning approval are of significant concern. While the revised total projected cost for the Rebuild Cobargo Project of

\$15.844 million has now been secured, there are still very real dangers to the overall delivery of the Rebuild Cobargo Project with ongoing delays outside the control of the CCDC Board and project team.

Only when the DAs are approved, will the CCDC be able to move to formal tender and contract procurement to get the construction of these critically important recovery projects underway.

In other news, it is with great pleasure that the CCDC is pleased to announce that Debra Summer has been appointed to the Board to fill the casual vacancy of second Community Representative Director.

Debra is a highly respected Cobargo resident who is well known for her significant involvement in Cobargo community matters. Welcome aboard, Debra!

To keep up to date with the CCDC and the rebuild projects, please visit the Cobargo Community Development Corporation website.

Steve Williams

Community Representative Director

2023 Bega Valley Excellence in Business Awards

Cobargo – get out and nominate the business in town that you consider to be a Business of Excellence for the upcoming awards for 2023.

You can nominate from a range of selections so whether you are a customer, employee or owner, you can nominate.

There will be fifty-five finalists.

You can use a nomination form available at local shops or from businesses in town or you can go to the begavalleybusiness.com.au website.

Let's get out and support the businesses to show what they mean to our town.

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Cobargo Green Recovery - about us!



For those who may not know, Cobargo Green Recovery Inc was formed after the black summer bushfires to try and help our community and environment recover. Some of us had been volunteering for quite a long time, involved in work on the creek systems in town and the building of the skatepark. We are a very small group of dedicated volunteers, who meet once a month at our local hotel (very informal) and we are always on the lookout for more people to join our group.

To date, since June 2020 we have organised, with the help of Weston Creek Rotary in Canberra, the 'Out of the fires' plant give-away day that was attended by over seven hundred people from our community, saved over seven hundred plants from going to landfill. As the result of an advertising campaign in Sydney, we helped do the landscaping at Apex Park, planted well over a thousand native species on our creek banks, had a billycart making workshop with the help of the Tool Library, successfully ran three youth events at the skatepark, completed an extension to the skatepark and we are well on the way to building the new basketball/netball court at the skatepark. And we have more exciting projects in the pipeline.

If you are looking for a way to get involved in your community, please consider joining our group, we like to make our volunteering fun. For any information contact Tania on 0488 091 085 or email us at cobargogreenrec@gmail.com

P.S. We would really like to know how many of you have completed your billycarts and if there is still interest in running a billycart derby? You can text or email me at the above contacts.

There is quite a bit involved in organising these events and we don't want to waste anyone's time if only a few turn up.

*Tania Lingard,
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Volunteers helping to plant natives on nearby creek banks



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Sally Wilson Art at the Cobargo Business Hub

Just five years ago landscape artist and designer, Sally Wilson, moved to Cobargo from the upper Lachlan district. 'As soon as I came here, I knew I was home because of the creativity, the diversity and acceptance of the people. It is the ideal combination of coastal and country which feeds my art perfectly.'

She and her partner built their house on a block at the village edge and it was just six days old when the New Year's Day fires hit. The house was saved but, having not yet moved in, she lost all her artwork and materials in her shop in the Main Street and the shed and caravan that burned on the home block.

'Now I'm back,' she said recently, as she moved her artwork and designs into her shop in the newly-opened business hub beside the Co-op.

'I've settled into my new space well, much quicker than I had imagined I would. The building itself has a wonderful feel, and I love being surrounded by other creators and caring people.'

After graduating in 1995 after twice being awarded NSW



Emu cartoon as seen on the Cobargo Painted Pole project



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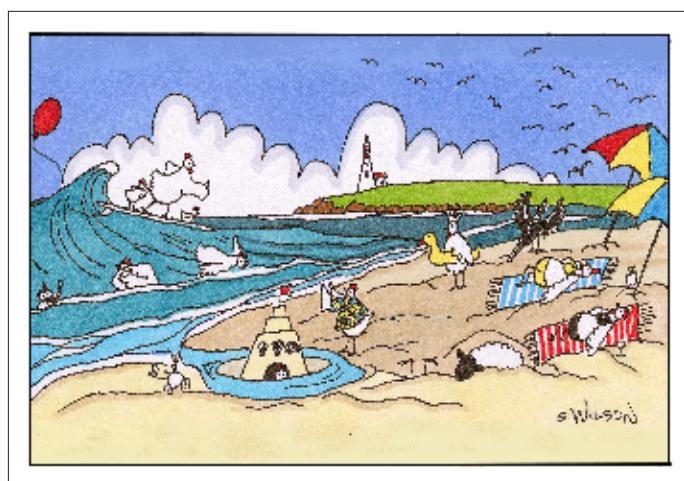
Apprentice of the Year, Sally went on to her successful career as an artist, painting and capturing the moods and visions of the countryside she witnessed on her many travels round Australia.

'I am enjoying finding ways that I can bring the landscape into other forms of design, so you can wear art, not just leave it at home on your walls. My fine merino wool scarves are an example. Used paint palettes from my landscape paintings are photographed, enlarged and printed, creating quite the piece of wearable art.'

Not to be missed in her wearable art range, the popular and core product of her business is 'landscape bracelets', with each bracelet comprising handmade coloured beads, representing a particular location. Just to mix things up don't miss the whimsical designs also for sale in her shop, featuring chooks and other farmyard creatures, on t-shirts, hoodies, tea towels and mugs.

Come to the newly-established Cobargo Business Hub to witness Sally's art in progress and see her ideas come to life.

Sally Wilson



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Let's dispel some myths about CWA!

Recently I heard someone say, 'You can't belong to CWA unless you can cook and sew'! I have one comment to make to that – 'Rubbish!'

We know CWA has the image of tea and scones and that is all it is, an image. I looked around our last gathering of a varied group of women. Sure, some of us love cooking and some love their handicrafts – in fact some love both! But others are into gardening or woodworking, and some are active in making change in our community both locally and State-wide.

As an example, I'll tell you some of the items under discussion at that meeting. We checked if we had enough food for the afternoon tea we were giving to thank the painter of the cottage and the workers at the Bower Bird Op Shop who made it all possible. I can remember someone talking about the sound of the native blue-banded bee as it busied itself around her garden. Oh, and we discussed our next Ball, following on from the success of the last one. The date will be sometime in September, to be advised. We brainstormed the theme – Flower Power. It should be a lot of fun – live band and everything!

A report on our monthly cake stall

was given – thanks, community! We have rebranded our stall as the Bake Stall that we will hold on 13 May to help locals celebrate Mother's Day. The recent month of running the meat raffles at the Cobargo Pub came under discussion. Thank you, Cobargo Pub, and thank you Cobargo community for your support. You have helped us to keep our cottage running, providing a comfortable, air-conditioned venue for locals at a very reasonable charge.

We also talked about our ongoing effort to record the history of Cobargo CWA. We are interviewing previous and current members and one devoted member is going through the old records and finding some interesting facts. We know that many families have mothers and grandmothers who were members, and we would love any photographs and/or memorabilia relating to Cobargo CWA.

We're hoping to work with the Cobargo Tool Library to provide a Food Processing Sub-Group of specialised kitchen equipment and tools, with the idea we might have workshops in our cottage now and again. The kitchen has a semi-commercial grading since it was renovated.

I'm sure we talked about lots of other

things, as well as blue-banded bees. I know I enjoy catching up with my friends. After all, I joined CWA nearly twenty years ago, simply to make friends in my new environment. Well, that worked! As I walk into the cottage it is like a second home with my 'other' family around me. I have met some amazing women. I have seen how the CWA helps us to know our strengths and it offers us the chance to make changes in our world.

Because of CWA I have travelled around the State to Conferences in different NSW towns, where I was always confident of a warm welcome. I love the way CWA is regarded with respect.

So why not come along and meet us? By the way, we would love mothers with children to bring them along. We have toys and someone willing and eager to read to the little ones. You don't have to cook and sew – just come for the fun.

When? Tuesday, 16 May, starting 10 for 10.30 am. Where? CWA cottage on the Bermagui Road, next to the playground.

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*Mary Williams, Publicity Officer
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Summer has officially ended, although it's hard to tell as we continue to enjoy sunny days and very warm sea temperatures prolonging beach days. The festival season is over for now and Bermagui has quietened considerably, being now enjoyed by families enjoying the school holidays.

While *The Triangle* has been mainly reporting events happening in and around the town, we haven't forgotten the important issues affecting the community as a whole – and they haven't taken a holiday!

Housing is certainly one that we want to look at more closely and, particularly, what's happening in this region.

There is also a look at 'the damage is done' and what happens when a development goes wrong and is issued a 'stop work order'. Who's going to fix it?

Doing something about the housing problem

A group of concerned citizens, under the auspices of Social Justice Advocates, South Coast decided to take action. Tired of waiting for the government to act on the housing crisis, they have decided to

tackle the problem themselves, frustrated by government delays and promises. 'It's up to us' is the catch cry of this group, a non-denominational charity based on the south coast.

About two years ago, it was decided to start a fundraiser and, with the generous help of the community that acknowledged the crisis of homelessness, raised almost \$350,000. It now has six – soon to be nine – transportable temporary units housing people across the region with more to come.

Michael Brosnan, a spokesperson for this community group, has also sourced about a hundred caravans to house people caught up in the housing crisis and the black summer bushfires. But, as he says, this is only a band-aid measure for the serious problem of a lack of affordable accommodation and there is still the challenge of finding a place to locate the portable housing.

There will be more on this and other issues around the accommodation crisis in coming issues. If you have stories or experiences, we would love to hear from you. Write an email and send to contributions@thetriangle.org.au



Costa's back in town! Check out his shenanigans on pages 24 and 25.



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Kids in the Kitchen launches locally

The children at Bermagui Preschool have collaborated with local businesses to create a community cookbook. To celebrate the launch of the Bermagui Preschool *Kids in the Kitchen Community Cookbook* the children and educators hosted a delightful afternoon tea, complete with delicious sushi, fresh fruit platters, yummy muffins and carrot cake from the Horseshoe Café.

The project involved visiting local cafés, restaurants and businesses with the children getting a behind the scenes look at the workings of our wonderful local businesses and then participating in a cooking masterclass. The focus was on learning where our food comes from and the techniques needed to make food from scratch. When children see where food comes from and how it is cooked and prepared, they are learning life skills and nurturing their own health and well-being.

This was also a great opportunity to promote our local businesses, share our love of food and support the early education of the youngest members of our community. Each recipe was compiled in our cookbook and is now available to families and the broader community.

Some of our masterclasses so far include Honor scones from Honorbread Bakery, superdoopa soup with Kelly Eastwood, pasta and fresh tomato sauce from Il Passagio Provedore, smoothies from Gulaga Organics, sushi with Pauline Harris, carrot muffins with Maddy O'Connor, pancakes with jumbleberry jam from Cracked Pepper Kitchen, corn fritters from the Moodji Garden as well as bunny buns, lilly pilly jam, gyoza dumplings and pizza.

A special thankyou to Bega Valley Shire Council (for funding the project through their Community Recovery Contribution Program), Honorbread, Il Passagio, Eastwoods of Bermagui, Gulaga Organics, Cracked Pepper Kitchen, Moodji



Knife skills



Foraging



Rolling sushi



Kelly and the kids

Farm volunteers, Eat Dirt Permaculture, Horseshoe Bay Café, Pauline Harris and, of course, the children, families and teachers at Bermagui Preschool.

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The Moodji Futures Dinner with Costa Georgiadis, Paul West and Kelly Eastwood

Celebrate International Permaculture Day with an evening's exploration of local, national and international efforts addressing climate change, care-for-country and community resilience with Costa Georgiadis of ABC's Gardening Australia.

Featuring local produce, the Moodji Futures Dinner will be MC'd by Paul West (ABC South East and River Cottage AU) and will be catered for by long-time Moodji supporter, Kelly Eastwood of Eastwoods Deli and Master Chef fame.

Marking Costa's seventh annual visit to local sustainability projects, the event also coincides with a regional tour of activist singer/songwriter, Eugenio 'Ego' Lemos and his East Timorese choir. Both Costa and Ego will have just attended the national Permaculture Convergence in Adelaide.

The Koru Lian Timor choir (the voice and sound of Timor) will sing-in

the evening prior to Ego, Paul and Costa profiling efforts in social, economic and ecological innovation.

With the generous support of Bermagui Surf Life Saving Club and the Federal Government's Black Summer Bushfire Fund the discussion will also showcase the nation-wide insights of Danielle Griffin, Philanthropic Services Manager of the Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal.

Bringing a local voice to the table, Richelle Jackson of The Good Dairy Co will also share her family's aspiration to model 'beyond sustainable' land management, animal care and regenerative industry.

The dinner will commence at 5.30 pm on Friday 5 May at the Bermagui Country Club. At \$65 per adult, bookings can be secured via the online booking website, Humanitix, then search for Moodji Futures Dinner.

The following day will see Costa co-

facilitate a range of garden workshops, tree planting and hands-on activities at Bermagui Preschool's Moodji Farm.

'Expressions of interest are currently being canvassed to present-in-the-patch with the-human-hedge,' said events convenor, Dan Bakker of Eat Dirt Permaculture. 'Experience is not mandatory at all. Be you a champion of chooks, a cracking composter, a savvy seed saver or a wild grass weaver – folks with any interests are encouraged to contact us as soon as possible.'

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Food, forests and friends

Flowing on from the Moodji Futures Dinner, Bermagui Preschool's Moodji Farm will host an all-ages day of farm and garden activities co-presented by Costa Georgiadis of ABC's Gardening Australia.

Join Costa as he co-facilitates a range of hands-on workshops on Saturday 6 May at Moodji Farm, Young St (behind the preschool).

Having just returned from the National Permaculture Convergence in Adelaide the event will be somewhat timely given the following day also marks International Permaculture Day.

Commencing at 10.00 am, Costa will join Darren Martin who returns from the Sydney Royal Botanic Gardens for a morning of food forestry design and the mass planting out of select bushtucker and bio-accumulation species.

Darren and Moodji manager, Dan Bakker, delivered a syntropic food forest workshop late last year that was attended by fifty enthusiasts 'This activity will mark the initial planting of native bushfoods, ecology enhancing exotics and drought hardy lop and drop mulch varieties that will take the urban and Indigenous farm project to a whole new level,' said Dan.

Wrapping up around midday, participants will share in a simple veggie soup of Moodji veggies with rolls provided by long-time project supporter, Honorbread Bakery.

At 12.30 pm, Deb Gough from Schoolhouse Farm, keeper and breeder



Costa digging in the dirt with the kids at the Bermagui Preschool

of quality heritage chickens and Cheryl Nelson, from Natural Chicken Health, producer of Super Mash and the voice of 'Chook Chat', combine forces to chat about caring for backyard chickens, and choosing breeds for various contexts plus incorporating chooks into a permaculture set-up.

Then at 1.30 pm, Jo Saccomani, expert pallet breaker and maker from Two Sheds Workshop will then guide workshopppers through the world of pallet de-construction and project design.

To conclude, Fraser Bayley of Old Mill Road Farm and Dan Bakker will

deliver a roaming QandA session at 2.30 pm. Along with Costa they will share veggie growing tips and troubleshoot home garden issues.

Chief Sponsor: Aust Government Black Summer Bushfire Fund

Participants are encouraged to bring gloves, a hat, a soup mug and a paper-note donation to cover catering costs.

No booking required and kids are mightily encouraged to attend.

For more details contact Dan at eatdirtpermaculture@gmail.com or on 0427 746 980.

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Time: 10am - 3pm

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Kids Encouraged



Dan Bakker email: eatdirtpermaculture@gmail.com mobile: 0427 746 980

Quintessentially Quaama

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Jasmine Bowie from the Quaama School's P and C applied for a bushfire recovery grant back in 2020 through COORDINARE, the Primary Health Network (PHN) for South Eastern NSW. After all the COVID delays, artists Gavin Chatfield, a Wiradjuri man, and his partner, Bronwen Smith, a Yuin woman, came down from their base in Sydney to create the mural while the kids were on holidays last month. They were invited to make an artwork that reflected their interpretation of the post-bushfire recovery. The kids were asked what animals they wanted on the mural, and they chose parrots and the blue tongue lizard. Gavin and Bronwen included them along with Mumbulla Mountain and sacred symbols. It's a beautiful artwork for the kids to see every day at school. Gavin and Bronwen loved the school and enjoyed seeing family and friends while in the Triangle area completing the commission.

The COORDINARE grant also provided funding for indigenous bush tucker plants for the school grounds and in the bush sanctuary, complete with name tags. They're hoping to have an indigenous smoking ceremony soon to bless the new plants at the school and help with healing post-bushfires.

The old Quaama Hall looks years younger now thanks to a paint job that replaced the old peachy colour on the walls with white. With the floors polished a little while back, it has lifted the feel of the grand old room brilliantly. Thanks to the Hall Committee for all their hard work.

The Harvest Fair is coming! Prepare for another brilliant community day at the Quaama Hall on Saturday, 20 May from 10.00 am. Lots going on, competitions, stalls and food. I'm sure the organisers can still squeeze you in if you want a stall, email quaamaprogress@gmail.com. Otherwise, just show up on the

day! See neighbours and friends, have some delicious food and a wander around. Quaama Fairs are always a great day out.

Happy autumn to everyone. Enjoy the lovely warm sun and the colourful leaves. Stay warm!



Isn't she lovely?

Quaama Hall is looking great after a new paint job.



Quaama School's new mural by Indigenous artists Gavin Chatfield and Bronwen Smith was completed during the school holidays.

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Quaama Harvest Fair - Saturday 20 May 2023

Quaama's Harvest Fair is on Saturday 20 May 2023 from 10.00 am to 2.00 pm. Join the QPA Inc and members of our community and friends as we celebrate the bounty of the season through food, fun and great community spirit.

Already booked in are plant stalls, fundraisers from our community organisation, the Quaama Chorale and more. There will be entertainment and speakers on the veranda stage, some great food and fire pits outside to keep everyone warm.

The theme for the cooking competition is 'Harvest Pie' and the theme for the Art competition is 'Scarecrow' (any media). Competition entries need to be in the School of Arts supper room by 10.45 am. Food competition entries need to be accompanied by a list of ingredients and be in a covered container.

Spaces are still available for stall holders, food vendors, car boot sales, information stalls, performers, speakers, demonstrators etc, etc, so get in touch now to book your space.

There is also an opportunity for any community association that would like



to use the kitchen and supper room of Quaama School of Arts to produce and sell lunchtime meals as a fundraiser.

If you are able to assist with setting up or packing down or both, or if you are able to be a fire keeper on the day (looking after our outdoor fire pits) or if you have any queries or can help with anything else, please email quaamaprogress@gmail.com

All funds raised are used by the QPA to continue our work making Quaama a great place for the village residents and all our neighbouring communities.

We are looking forward to sharing this great day with you.

*Quaama Progress Association Inc.,
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Koru Lian Timor and Djinama Yilaga Choir at Four Winds

Four Winds proudly presents Koru Lian Timor and their director Ego Lemos with the Djinama Yillaga Choir in an unforgettable and uplifting event of joyous song and community spirit.

Koru Lian Timor is a choir from Natabora and Maliana, two regional areas of Timor Leste, under the direction of conductor, Tarcisio Amaral, and director, Ego Lemos. The Bega Valley has a special relationship with Timor Leste, particularly with the Natabora/Barique region on the south coast of Timor Leste. Starting with the friendship groups initiated by Ambassador Abel Guetteres, the Bega Valley Advocates for Timor Leste have provided expertise and support to Timor Leste in agriculture, water sanitation and education for twenty years.

More recently, the friendship has extended to music and, in particular, with an exchange of choirs. In 2019, a choir from the Bega Valley under the direction of David Francis, travelled to Timor Leste for a short concert tour. The plan was to have a reciprocal visit by a choir from Timor Leste in 2020, but COVID interrupted that plan. Now in May 2023, it's happening!

Alongside Koru Lian Timor, will be beloved local First Nations choir Djinama Yilaga.

Djinama Yilaga is an intergenerational Yuin choir, established in 2019 and created by Cheryl Davison's in her capacity as Four Winds Aboriginal Creative Producer. Djinama Yilaga perform songs in Dhurga



Djinama Yilaga choir and Koru Lian Timor

language and is led by renowned Walbunga/ Ngarigo artist, Cheryl Davison.

The choir emerged as a method to revitalise language through song, following a unique pedagogy established by Westpac scholar, Dr Lou Bennett AM. The community-led project, supported by Dr Bennett, was initially funded by the National Museum of Australia and Four Winds, Bermagui.

The choir has gone from strength to strength and is continually requested to perform at local and national events. They recently performed at the Four Winds

Music Festival to great acclaim and at a sold-out show at the National Museum of Australia.

- When: Thursday 4 May 2023
- Time: 5.30 pm, doors and bar open from 5.00 pm
- Where: 17 Four Winds Rd, Barragga Bay
- Tickets: To book, go to the Four Winds website and look under What's On

Madison Phillips

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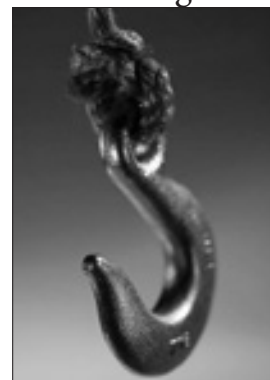


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Project Alchemy coming to Cobargo 23 May

As winter is fast approaching, I thought it a good time to introduce the first of a series of workshops from *Project Alchemy* to the Cobargo Community. The project is facilitated by Canberra-based Rebus Theatre that selected fifteen artists from five local government areas to build community connection across South-East Australia. I am one of the three artists selected from the Bega Valley Shire. Eurobodalla Shire, East Gippsland Shire, Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council and the ACT are all represented.

Combining our cross-disciplinary arts skills, we wish to present to you: *Move. Draw. Restore. Sing!*

As the name suggests, it will involve gentle movement through dance; pastel drawing will be explored through visualisation; deep relaxation experienced through restorative yoga practise; and spirits lifted through song. These practices enliven, nourish and integrate the whole body-brain and promote rest, quietness within, giving us time to re-charge and engage our imagination and creativity. We welcome all levels of ability, mobility and experience.

Movement will be presented by Susannah Keebler - dancer, choreographer and educator from East Gippsland. Restorative yoga practice will be introduced by Elise May, choreographer, dancer and yoga teacher from Eurobodalla. Combining a love of visual art and art therapy, Robyn Williams from Bega Shire will present a pastel drawing activity. Padma Newsome, a musician, composer and arranger from East Gippsland will complete the day with music and song.

Contact Robyn Williams on 0439 023 148 or email

robwill2546@yahoo.com to book a place.

Bookings are essential as we only have fifteen places available for Tuesday, 23 May from 10.00 to 3.00 pm.

It will be held in the Cobargo School of Arts Supper Room.

A \$10.00 donation for tea or coffee and cake would be appreciated.

Project Alchemy is made possible thanks to funding from the Australian Government Black Summer Bushfire Grant Program. Rebus Theatre is also supported by Ainslie and Gorman Arts Centres and the ACT Government.

There will be many more *Project Alchemy* events planned in the five Local Government Areas in the coming months.

More about Rebus Theatre is on their website – look up Rebus Theatre. And there is also a section on *Project Alchemy* on that website.

Robyn Williams

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Love of trees by Robyn Williams

Lucy Wise Album Tour



Into
The Blue

Sat 20th May, 7pm

Yuin Folk Club, Cobargo Showgrounds

Cnr Avenus Street & Cobargo-Bermagui Road

7pm concert start, in the function room
Tickets \$20 members / \$25 non-members
Supper provided for a donation

Tickets: www.lucywise.com.au



What's new with Renewable Cobargo

The past month has been busy for Renewable Cobargo as work progresses on the Black Summer Bushfire recovery-funded energy resilience projects and the microgrid study. We are pleased to announce a new team member, Fiona Drum, a Verona resident, who has come on board as a Community Energy Coordinator. Fiona is working alongside David Neyle in the delivery of the Cobargo Community Energy Project (CCEP) funded by a recovery grant. Both have been busy running the 'Demystifying Energy' workshops helping people to understand their electricity bills, investigating heat pump bulk buys and building local networks amongst people and businesses interested in energy savings and greater use of renewable energy technology.

The Renewable Cobargo microgrid feasibility study is also making steady progress. The aim of this microgrid is to allow critical community services and parts of Cobargo village to remain powered in the event of a grid outage. The project aims to increase Cobargo's energy security and resilience using local renewable

generation. During normal operation, Cobargo will remain grid-connected with existing electricity access unchanged. In March, members of CaDET, ITP Renewables and project developer ITP Development met with Bega Valley Shire Council officers to provide an update on the project. Points of discussion included the Memorandum of Understanding between project parties, the project site, conversations underway with Essential Energy and the Australian Energy Regulator on innovations in the national regulatory space for microgrid operation, and potential project partners.

The Bega Valley Shire Council representatives expressed support for the project, and acknowledged the benefits that a microgrid would provide to the local area. The microgrid will provide a more resilient electricity supply to Cobargo and reduce emissions from a local renewable generator that would support BVSC's target of 100% renewable energy by 2030. CaDET is continually exploring other ways in which the microgrid may be able to provide local benefits including local economic benefits and job creation. Conversations are underway with potential



Fiona Drum, new team member and newly appointed Community Energy Coordinator.

project partners whose interests may align with the goals of the microgrid project, such as Essential Energy, Rabobank, the Bega Valley Circular Economy project and others. A key priority is the development of a community-owned structure to retain an ongoing interest in the project.

CaDET, ITP Renewables and ITP Development will continue to liaise closely with Council, including working with them on community consultation about the project. Residents interested in finding out more about the microgrid project can visit the Renewable Cobargo website.

Stay tuned for another update next month!

The Renewable Cobargo team

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Harvesting inner gold – art alchemy by Elizabeth Ellen

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Rumi

For Elizabeth Ellen, the canvas is a metaphor for life, capturing conversations of the soul, with a visual language all its own, accessing inner gifts of intuition, positive learnings and lived wisdom. Dancing with the Inner Critic and the Great Mystery, expressing itself through her love of colour, texture, rhythm, line, the feminine journey of life, paralleled with cycles of nature, plus her love of signs, symbols, messages from nature and our animal world, all add richness to an internal dialogue that cannot be expressed in words.

The space in-between fascinates her – celebrating the seasons from planting seeds to harvesting crops and the similarities with our own humanity, from beginning, middle and end of each cycle. She receives both inspiration and healing, often from subjective responses to challenging global events, continuing to develop a collection until she feels

it is complete. Her style evolves, as the energies shift and change, and so does her response and painting style, characterising her unique individuality and charm.

Elizabeth's belief is that life is not a straight line. Like the phoenix rising from the ashes, sometimes we must go through the worst, to get to the best. She believes art truly heals the world, by connecting us all through the power of visual language and creativity.

She also offers workshops, teaching people to access their inner realms of deep intuition, creativity and higher consciousness through the transformational process of art alchemy.

- Exhibition: The Lazy Lizard Gallery, Cobargo 6 – 29 May
- Meet and Greet: Saturday 6 May, 10.00 am
- Workshop: Harbourview House, Bermagui 27 – 28 May, 9.30 am – 4.30 pm

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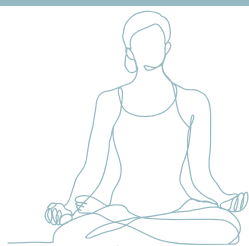


Dancing the Swan, Elizabeth Ellen

a workshop booking, please contact Elizabeth Ellen through the Empowered Alchemy website, phone 0416 214 582 or email elizabeth@empoweredalchemy.com.au.

Elizabeth Ellen

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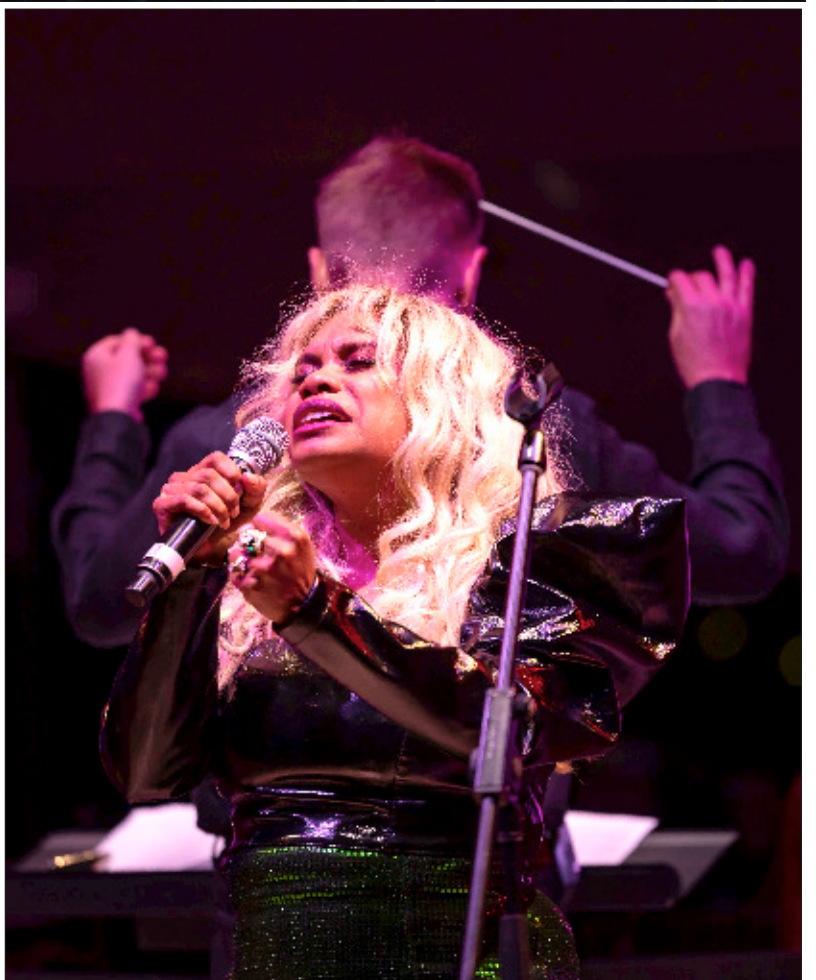
thanks you!



Four Winds would like to thank our incredible volunteers, brilliant artists and generous community for their phenomenal efforts bringing the Easter Festival to life. To keep up to date with more music in nature, follow us on socials @fourwindsau.

Madison Phillips

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Lucy Wise kicks off Yuin Folk Club concert program

The Yuin Folk Club is bringing back its regular concert series this year and is lining up a heap of great acts starting with Melbourne's Lucy Wise in May.

A multi award-nominated folk-pop singer and a darling of the Australian folk music scene, Lucy Wise is coming to Cobargo on 20 May as part of her East Coast Australian tour of her new album,

Into the Blue. In this intimate show, Lucy will be performing mostly solo, joined by Mischa Herman on piano and accordion for some songs.

Drawing influence from a broad range of acoustic, roots and pop music, as well as artists such as Joni Mitchell, Sufjan Stevens, Norah Jones and Nick Drake, Lucy creates a rich and distinctive sound,

accompanying her soulful vocals on an open-tuned guitar. Her fourth album, *Into the Blue* reflects the freedom she feels with music. Produced by Tasmanian musician and producer Luke Plumb, this new body of work speaks about human feeling with wholeheartedness and a sense of adventure.

This concert will take place on Saturday, 20 May at 7.00 pm, at the Cobargo Showgrounds Function Room, corner of Avernus Street and the Cobargo-Bermagui Road, Cobargo. Tickets are \$20 for Yuin Folk Club members and \$25 for non-members. They can be booked online shortly at lucywise.com.au where you can also find Lucy's music, live videos and her list of tour dates.



Lucy Wise comes to the Cobargo Showground

Other performers lining up in coming weeks include Corn Nut Creek and Kimberley Wheeler's Roadside Holiday on Sunday 2 July, and Fred Smith on 20 August. More details to come!

Yuin Folk Club



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Limberlost

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This is the third novel from the Tasmanian *Wunderkind*, Robbie Arnott. Some readers may have been disappointed as *Limberlost* seems to be a departure from the previous highly imaginative, magic realism novel *Flames*, where people burst into flame. Also, a departure from the prize-winning *The Rain Heron* where a bird made of rain may save a dystopian world. I loved both these amazing novels – although they are far from what I usually read, I absolutely believed in them.

Limberlost did not disappoint. It is realistic, perhaps a coming-of-age novel, but so much more. There is magic in the lyrical writing and in the inner voices of the characters. Nature, the forest, the river and the animals are non-human characters, in both their benign beauty and their terror and their revenge. The relationship between the human and the non-human in this novel is what Arnott does so well.

Limberlost may seem at first a quite common story, Ned comes of age living on a Tasmanian apple orchard and we follow him, dipping in and out of decades from



adolescence to old age. In Arnott's hands the ordinary becomes the extraordinarily beautiful.

Arnott explores the masculinity of mid-century Australia. Ned's widowed father is sad, silent and damaged from WW1 and unable to express or share his anguish at having his two older sons now serving in WW2. We meet Ned at fifteen, during the long summer holidays,

helping his father in the orchard and shooting rabbits in order to save money for a boat to sail on his beloved river. Ned struggles to '... convert experience into meaningful language'. One day Ned accidentally traps a quoll. It is both beautiful and terrible. The dotted pattern of its thick coat is wonderfully designed yet its sharp gnashing teeth and fierce growl are dangerous. Its pelt would bring money and Ned's dream of a boat closer. Ned's decision is pivotal. He will secretly save the quoll, nurse its damaged leg back to health and release it. A dangerous and time-consuming secret.

We follow Ned, a sensitive, inarticulate character through the decades of his life, his struggles and victories, marriage and daughters, but always the land and the river.

Limberlost is rooted in the Tasmanian landscape. The landscape is perhaps the main character. Arnott beautifully captures the sounds, the smells, the heat and the cold. Ned introduces us to the eucalypts '... leaking their summer oils, shimmering the air, thickening the light', until later, '... the absence of certain forests that once crawled over the low mountain'.

A magical non-magic novel of delight, hurt, love and nature.

Pet of the Month

Kerri Brady

Ziggy is a small male tabby cat, fifteen months old and very much in need of his own family to love, play with and sleep on. He came into care as a very young orphan and was quite unsocialised, but after growing up with several other foster cats and getting lots of attention from his foster mum, he has grown into a lovely little bloke who will make a great pet for the right family. Ziggy loves hanging around the chook pens with the chooks and ducks so could suit a rural family as well as a town setting. He does love a bit of outdoor time where he runs around chasing leaves and generally amusing himself. He will cost \$200. Please call 0400 372 609 (phone hours are Monday to Friday 9.00 am – 5.00 pm).

All animals available through AWLNSW are microchipped, de-sexed, vaccinated, wormed and treated for ticks and fleas. Their adoption fee is subsidised in the hope that rescue pets will be people's first choice and that eventually we will be able to stop unwanted litters. Please note that potential dog owners will need to be suitable to meet the needs of the dog and have secure dog-proof fencing. You can view available animals on our Facebook page – Animal Welfare League, Far South Coast Branch but you will need to call Animal Welfare League FSC Branch on 0400 372 609 to enquire about any of the many cats, kittens, dogs and pups available for adoption). If you would like to become a member, please call 0400 372 609. If you have lost or found a companion animal, please call the BVSC Companion Animal Facility on 6499 2222. De-sexing vouchers are available at all vet clinics in our branch area of Bermagui, Cobargo, Bega, Merimbula, Pambula and Eden for residents who hold a Centrelink Pension Card. AWL-

Far South Coast will subsidise the de-sexing by \$125 for female dogs and cats and by \$100 for male dogs and cats. Simply make a booking with your vet, show your pension card and you only need to cover the balance of the de-sexing cost.

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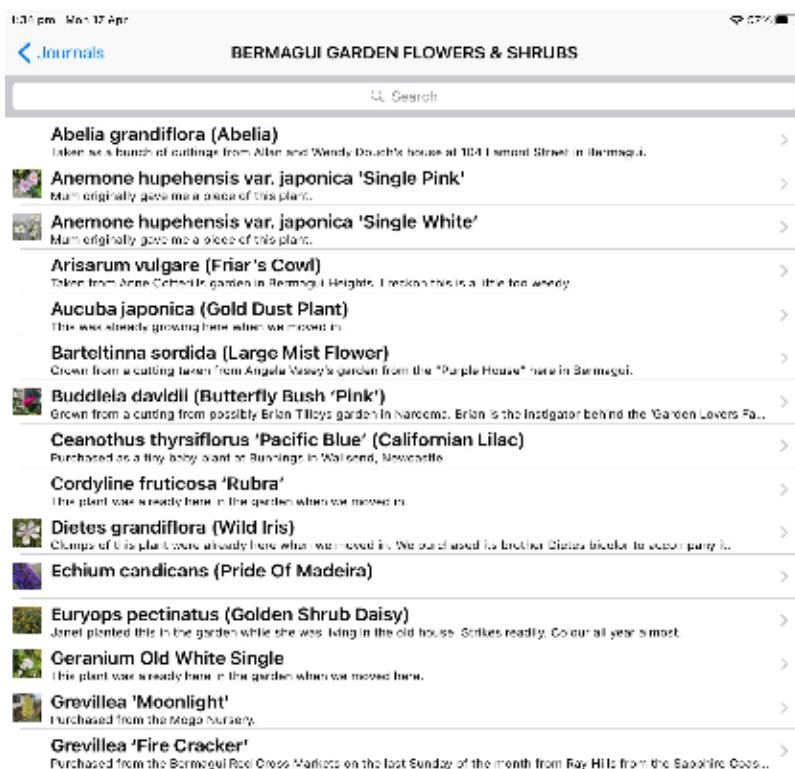
Digital Gardening

Like most gardeners, I have a big pile of plant labels that I have collected over the years. I hang onto them because the labels contain handy growing information (not to mention their names). Recently, however, I developed a dilemma. I went on a bit of a cutting spree in a couple of gardens and the problem arose as to how to keep track of the needs and names of all these plants?

I figured that a digital solution might exist and subsequently discovered that the world of gardening apps is enormous and varied. Some apps allow you to draw detailed landscape designs and shuffle plants around. Some allow you to track your vegetable garden planting. Some are designed for indoor plants and can send you a reminder of when to water or fertilise. Many featured built in plant identifiers, allowing you to take a photo and find out the name of the plant (always double check and cross reference the results as I have found they can be hit and miss – especially for less common plants!).

What I was seeking was a simple, straightforward way to create an inventory for my garden; a bit like sticking that pile of plant labels into an exercise book and adding to the book as the garden grows. Eventually, I settled on a free app called *Garden Journal*. This allows me to create different 'journals' (think exercise books) that I have individually named – such as Indoor, Succulents, Edibles and Ornamental.

Inside each journal I can take a photo of a plant, add its name and add notes about its needs or who/where it came from. Each entry within the journal becomes a bit like a traditional plant label and, within each journal, the plants are automatically arranged alphabetically. I even created a Wish List journal for plants that I hope to procure. It's digital gardening without getting my digits dirty. Give it a go, there might



There's an app for that! *Garden Journal* helps me keep track of my plants.

be an app for you.

Meanwhile, around the town gardens the tibouchinas are really the stars of the show at this time of the year. Once known as lassiandras, every garden should have one as there is a size to suit any situation. For those with a bit more space, aim for a small-tree species like *Tibouchina granulosa* or else the cultivar *Tibouchina lepidota* 'Alstonville'. If you can, try to couple one with the pink-flowered form of *Tibouchina granulosa* 'Kathleen' for maximum

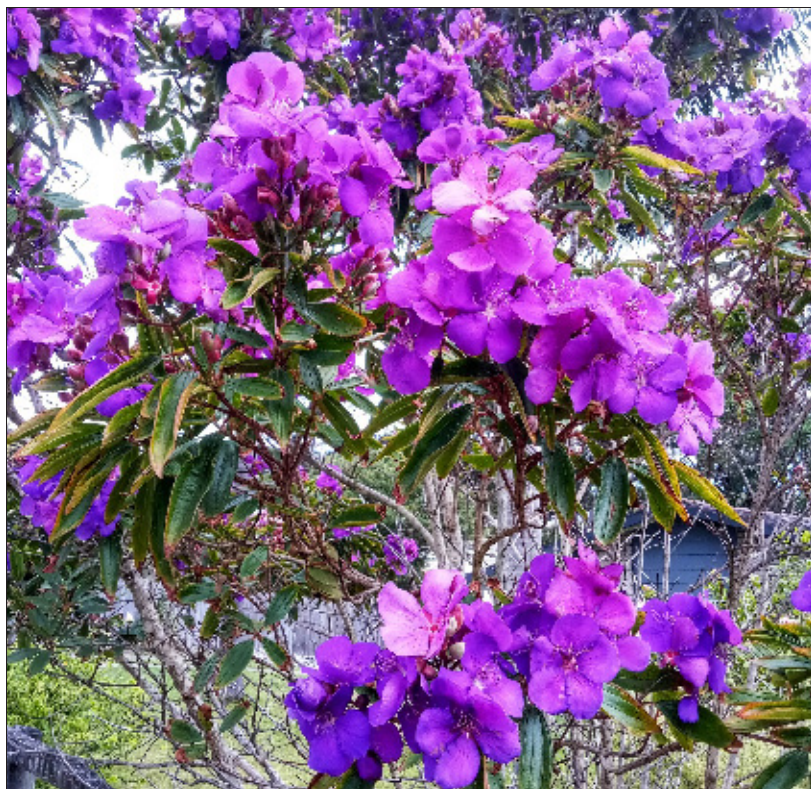
purple and pink impact. For smaller spaces, seek out the cultivars 'Jules' or 'Jazzie', that both grow to around a metre tall. Finally, if you are looking to brighten the place up for winter with a splash of colour, consider planting out a few punnets of the cooler-weather-loving annuals such as pansies, violas, primula or polyanthus.

In the wild places, on the sides of the road around the Triangle, not a lot is currently standing out but there are some scattered creamy white splashes appearing in the forest canopy as the *Corymbia gummifera* (red bloodwood) trees begin to flower.

This month in the vegie garden the first peas and snow peas should be coming on and to keep the crop producing we will do another follow-up planting. If you love, or want to try, broad beans then it's the perfect time to pop in some seeds. You can sow some more lettuce (if the seeds from the last crop aren't already popping up!) and alliums such as onions, garlic, leeks and eschalot bulbs will also do well if planted this month.

Finally, if you have any comments, gardening questions or plant or pest identification problems, please send them through to gardening@thetriangle.org.au and we will endeavour to help.

Happy Growing!



Tibouchina lepidota 'Alstonville'

Recipes from *Kids in the Kitchen Community Cookbook*

Here are a few recipes taken from the just-launched cookbook. The full story is on page 23.

The book can be purchased for \$20.00 by emailing bermikids@hotmail.com or popping into the Bermagui Preschool at 27 Young St, Bermagui. All proceeds support the children and families at Bermagui Preschool.

Gulaga Organics Smoothies (with thanks to Gulaga Organics)

Here's what you will need
(makes 1 big or 2 small):

Cacao Smoothie:

- 350 mls unsweetened almond milk
- 1 tbsp cacao powder
- 1 frozen banana
- 3 drops choc stevia
- 2 dates

Berry Smoothie:

- 350 mls coconut water
- 1 cup frozen blueberries
- ¼ frozen apple
- 1 frozen banana
- 3 drops of vanilla stevia

Here's what you will do:

1. Cut fruit into 1 cm pieces.
2. Blend fruit and other ingredients in a blender with ice.
3. Pour into a glass or cup and serve.

Honorbread Scones (with thanks to Honorbread)

Here's what you will need:

- 1 cup of oats
- 2 cups of flour
- 40 grams of butter
- 1 cup (250 ml) cream
- 1 cup currants
- pinch of salt
- 1 teaspoon of baking powder
- a few sneaky chocolate buttons
- flour, to dust

Here's what you will do:

1. Combine all dry ingredients and butter in a bowl. Use fingertips to rub butter into the dry ingredients until well combined.
2. Combine cream with flour mixture; stir to combine. Turn onto a lightly-floured surface and knead for 10-15 minutes or until smooth and elastic.
3. Roll out to 2 cms thickness and cut out scones with a cutter.
4. Place the scones on a lined baking tray and bake for 20 minutes at 180° C, or until a knife inserted in the centre comes out clean. Cool on a wire rack before eating.
5. Serve plain or with a little butter, jam and/or cream



Smoothie sampling

Kelly's Soupadoopa Soup (with thanks to Eastwoods of Bermagui)

Here's what you will need:

- 1 tbsp olive oil
- 2 carrots, peeled and diced
- 2 zucchini, diced
- 2 sticks celery, diced
- 1 brown onion, finely chopped
- 400 grams diced tomatoes
- 2 cups vegetable stock
- 400 grams cooked brown lentils, rinsed and drained
- ½ cup flat-leafed parsley leaves, chopped
- 1 lemon, quartered
- 4 crusty wholegrain rolls, to serve

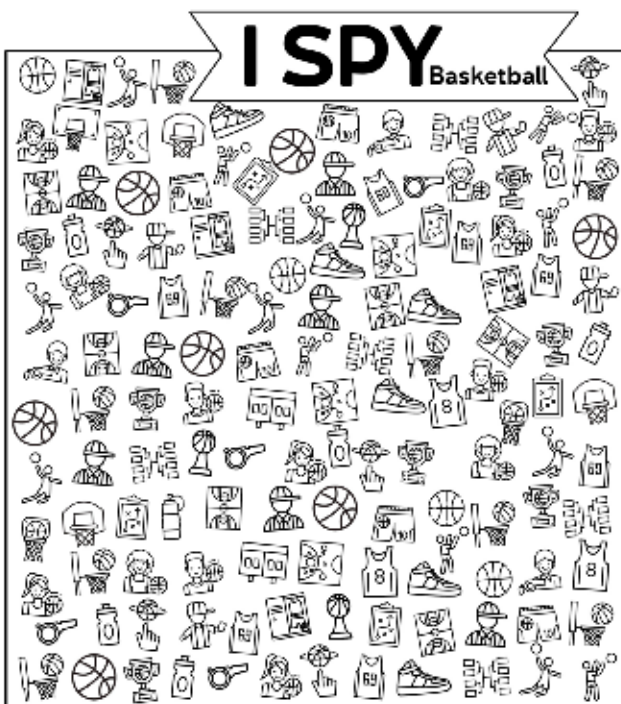
Here's what you will do:

1. Heat oil in a large saucepan over medium-high heat. Add carrots, zucchini, celery and onion. Cook, stirring occasionally, for ten minutes or until vegetables begin to soften.
2. Add tomatoes and stock to pan. Cover and bring to the boil. Reduce heat to medium-low. Simmer, partially covered, for fifteen minutes or until vegetables are soft.
3. Add lentils to soup. Cook for five more minutes or until heated through. Ladle soup into bowls. Sprinkle with parsley and a squeeze of lemon juice. Season with freshly ground black pepper.



Kids in the kitchen! Bermagui Preschool publishes a cookbook.

Kidz' Korner



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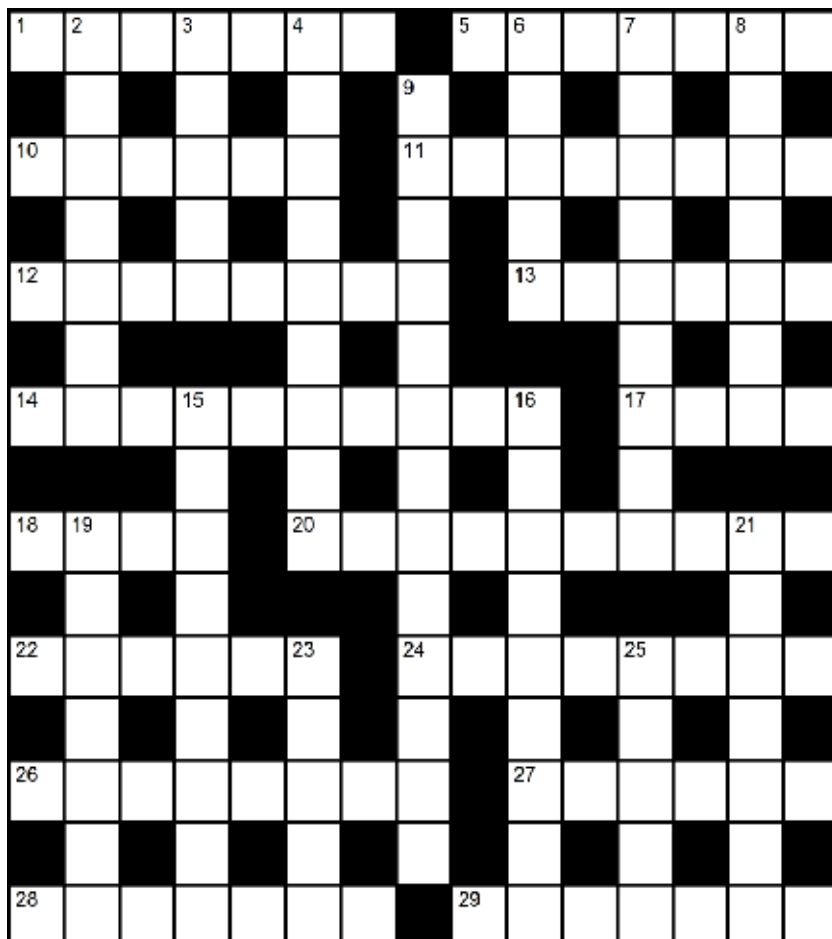
Jokes

- Where do cows go for entertainment?
- Why wouldn't the shrimp share his toys?
- How do you cut the sea in half?
- What did one volcano say to the other?
- Where do sheep get a haircut?
- What do lawyers wear to court?
- What kind of exam does a vampire give his students?
- How many tickles does it take to make an octopus laugh?
- What's the king of school equipment?
- What part of a fish weighs the most?

SUDOKU

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MAY CROSSWORD



ACROSS

- Realm (7)
- Makeshift (7)
- Top gear for a biker (6)
- Having reality (8)
- Set upon (8)
- Adequate (6)
- Olympic gold-winning Melbourne Hockeyroo (5,5)
- Such as Perth or Brisbane (4)
- Chital or Rusa, perhaps (4)
- 11, to 121 (6,4)
- Red grape variety (3,3)
- Enoch ate out, finding nothing to drink (3,5) *
- Abnormally dilated veins (8)
- '9 to 5' actress Lily ____ (6)
- How Leda wrongfooted a tennis champ (3,4)*
- Magnates (7)

DOWN

- Sluggishness (7)
- High-energy radiation (5)
- Fringe areas (9)
- Nonsense (5)
- Cop carrier (6,3)
- When bats fly (2,5)
- Pioneer Sydney, NSW and national rugby footballer (5,8)
- Often called the father of Australian Rules football coaching (4,5)
- With deep sincerity (9)
- Emit, emerge (7)
- Sort out Ontario address (7)*
- Tenor violin (5)
- Financial restitution, slang (5)

Answers on page 40

COMMUNITY NOTICES

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Bermagui Saturday 2pm
Anglican Church Hall,
Ph: Dave on 6493 5014

ANGLICAN PARISH OF COBARGO

Bermagui: All Saints - every Sunday 8.00am
Cobargo: Christ Church -
1st, 2nd, 3rd Sundays 10.00am
Quaama: Quaama School of Arts Hall -
4th Sunday 10am
Ph: The Reverend John Thomas 0427 260 833

ANIMAL WELFARE LEAGUE

Far South Coast Branch promotes the welfare
of companion animals and responsible pet
ownership. Call 0400 372 609

BERMAGUI BAPTIST CHURCH

West Street, Bermagui.
Family Service Sundays 10.00-12 am
All Welcome.

BERMAGUI CWA

Meeting, first Friday of the Month at 1 pm.
CWA Rooms, 10 Corunna St, Bermagui.
Contact: Mrs Kathryn Preston, 6493 5887
kfp Preston@bigpond.com

BERMAGUI DUNE CARE

Meets on the 3rd Sunday of each month
Contact: bermaguidunecare@skymesh.com.au

BERMAGUI GARDEN GROUP

1st Tuesday every Month 10 am until 12 noon,
venues vary. Phone Christine 0400 301 040

BERMAGUI HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Museum Open Tuesday and Friday 10am -
2pm. Researchers & helpers welcome.
Contact Allan Douch 0428 427 873
or Dave Cotton 6493 5014

BERMAGUI & DISTRICT LIONS CLUB

New members welcome. Meet 1st Thurs
each month at Cobargo Hotel & 3rd Thurs at
Bermagui Country Club at 12 for 12.30 pm
Enquiries: Geoff 0407 164 466

THE BERMAGUI MARKET

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

BERMAGUI MEN'S SHED

Meets Tues, Thurs & Sat from 10am @
new shed adjacent to the council depot on
Bermagui Tathra Rd. All men are welcome.
Contact Ian Bailey 0409 691 458

BERMAGUI PROBUS

Probus provides an opportunity to meet
with fellow retirees on a regular basis, listen
to interesting guest speakers and join in the
company of new friends.
Meets at 10am to 12pm on the 2nd Monday of
each month at the Men's Shed meeting room.
Bermagui Tathra Rd. Contact Lorraine Courtis
email lcou6446@bigpond.net.au

BERMAGUI SENIORS' SOCIAL CLUB

Meets the 1st Wed, 11.30 am at the Bermagui
Country Club, with social luncheons to follow.
New members are most welcome.
Enquiries: bermaguiseniors@gmail.com

**Community Notices are advertised in *The Triangle* for
non-profit groups free of charge. If your organisation would like to be
listed or if details change, please contact us at:
contributions@thetriangle.org.au**

BERMAGUI U3A

(University of the Third Age)
Lifelong Learning Opportunities
For a full list of courses and timetable visit:
www.bermagui.u3anet.org.au

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Weekend Mass times.
Bermagui - Sun 7:30am Cobargo - Sat 5pm

COBARGO AND DISTRICT ENERGY TRANSITION GROUP INC (CaDET)

Email - renewablecobargo@gmail.com
www.renewablecobargo.com

COBARGO COMMUNITY ACCESS CENTRE

Unit 5 & 6 / 48 Princes Highway, Cobargo
Open Tues, Thurs & Fri 10am-3pm
cobargoreliefcentre2550@gmail.com
Ph: 0493 671 117

COBARGO CREATORS

Established in 2012, a volunteer-run,
not-for-profit art collective. Manages the
Cobargo Creators Art Gallery with unique
art works, quality crafts, clothing and
produce for purchase; Open daily 10 am - 2
pm. New members and volunteers always
welcome! Committee meets monthly at the
Gallery, 60 Princes Highway, Cobargo
mail@cobargocreators.org

COBARGO CWA

Meets in the CWA Rooms, 20 Bermagui St
2nd Tues of the month, 10.30am.
cwa.cobargo@gmail.com
Cottage Hire 6493 6428

COBARGO DISTRICT MUSEUM

The Cobargo Museum: researching local
history, old photos & information.
New members welcome.
Contacts: Vicky Hoyer 0422 377 278
Bev Holland 0408 280 024

COBARGO PRESCHOOL

Child centred, play based preschool
education for 3-5 year olds.
Mon - Thurs during school terms
0455 043 489 cobargopreschool@gmail.com
www.cobargopreschool.com.au

COBARGO & DISTRICT RED CROSS

For meeting dates or catering enquiries
phone Kathy Rix 0488 048 701

COBARGO SCHOOL OF ARTS

Hall bookings and inquiries:
Linda 0407 047 404 / cobargohall@gmail.com

1ST COBARGO SCOUT GROUP

Children 6 - 18yrs. Meetings 6.30pm to 8pm in
school term Cobargo Showground dining hall.
Contact Graham Parr on 0429 936 795.

COBARGO SHOW MEETING

Monthly 2nd Wednesday, 7.30 pm - Cobargo
Showground dining hall. Contact Naomi 0417
456 354 secretarycobargoshow@yahoo.com.au

COBARGO TOURIST & BUSINESS ASSOC

Meets every 2nd Tuesdays, 6pm @ the CWA
cottage. Contact: Janet Doolin 0409 033 828

DIGNAMS CREEK COMMUNITY GROUP

Meets randomly,
Phone Nick van Stek, Pres. 0439 361 118 or
Felicity Ruby, Sec. 0452 161 673

MOBILE TOY LIBRARY & PARENTING RESOURCE SERVICE

All parents of children 0-6 welcome to join.
Enquiries: 6496 1918

OPEN SANCTUARY AT TILBA TILBA

Meditations, discussions,
guest speakers & special events.
opensanctuarytilba.org and on facebook.
Contact: Linda Chapman 0422 273 021

QUAAMA / COBARGO QUILTERS

Meets Mondays 10am - 3.30pm in the CWA
Cottage, Bermagui Road, Cobargo, and
welcomes anyone who does patchwork,
quilting, or any other needlework.
Lorraine James 6493 7175
or Mary Cooke 6493 7320.

QUAAMA MEN'S SHED

Meets Weds from 10am, 20 Bermagui Street
John Preston (President) 0429 179 184
Ron Higgins on 0408 788 528.
All men are welcome.

QUAAMA PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

New members welcome
Phone: 0408 411 956
quaamaprogress@gmail.com

QUAAMA RENEWAL PROJECTS

quaamarenewalprojects@gmail.com
Phone: Veronica 0437 263 128
www.facebook.com/quaamarenewal

QUAAMA SCHOOL OF ARTS

Hall bookings and inquiries:
Call 0408 411 956
quaamahallbookings@gmail.com

SOAPI

(SCHOOL OF ARTS PLAYERS INC)
Enquiries: Robyn Freedman 0410 525 968

TILBA CWA

Meeting 2nd Thursday of the month, 10.30 am
Tilba small hall, Bate Street, Central Tilba
Contact: Teresa Stubbings 0417 418 447

TILBA MARKET

Home grown, Hand made,
Grow it, Make it, Sew it, Bake it.
Every Saturday 8am to 12, Central Tilba Hall
Stall booking essential.
Phone 0490 130 478.

TRIANGLE TOOL LIBRARY

Behind the Cobargo Co-op
Open 9-12 on Tues, Fri and Sat
www.triangletoollibrary.org.au
Lynn 0411 432 533 or Nacre 0419 425 208

UNITING CHURCH SERVICES

Narooma - Sundays at 9am, 134 Wagonga St.
Cobargo - 2nd Sunday at 11.00 am.
4th Sun Prayer & Praise (ecumenical) at 11 am.
38 Bermagui Road, Cobargo
For more information call Di 4476 2024
or visit mtdromedary.uca.org.au

THE YUIN FOLK CLUB

The Yuin Folk Club organises the annual
Cobargo Folk Festival and hosts folk music
concerts throughout the year.
Details at www.cobargofolkfestival.com
Ph. Secretary Carolyn Griffin 0400 391 324,
Treasurer Zena Armstrong 0402 067 615 or
email info@cobargofolkfestival.com

For the fridge door

MAY	WHAT	WHERE	TIME
Until Sat 6	Featured member, Yvonne Robinson, artist and craftswoman - selected works	Cobargo Creators Gallery	10 am -2 pm daily incl Sun
Thurs 4	Koru Lian Timor + Djinama Yilaga choir book Four Winds website pg 28	Windsong Pavilion, Four Winds, Barragga Bay	5.00 pm bar open for 5.30 pm start
Fri 5	<i>Moodji Futures Dinner</i> book online Special guests, local produce, Timor Leste Choir page 24	Bermagui Country Club	5.30 pm start
	Open Mic Friday nights	The Riverrock Café	7.30 pm
Sat 6 - 29	<i>Empowered Alchemy</i> exhibition, meet & greet the artist, Elizabeth Ellen pg 31	Lazy Lizard Gallery	10 am - 2 pm
Sat 6	<i>Food, Forests and Friends</i> - all day, all ages farm activities workshops co-hosted by Costa and others page 25	Moodji Farm, Young St behind the Preschool. No booking requ, kids encouraged to come	10 am start see page 25 for timetable
	Create in me: BYO creative project, guidance in art, materials provided. Free.	Bermagui Baptist Church 5 West St Mandy 0425 830 293	10 am - 12 noon
	The 3rd session of Electricity + Batteries concentrating on batteries	Cobargo Community Access Centre beside Co-op	12 noon - 1 pm
	Dale Huddleston	Tilba Winery & Ale House	12 noon
	Goldie \$15 prebook or \$20 on the door	The Riverrock Café	7.30 pm
Sun 7	Felicity Dowd	Tilba Winery & Ale House	12 noon
Sat 13	Whiskey Dram	Tilba Winery & Ale House	12 noon
Sun 14	Singer in the Park	Tilba Winery & Ale House	12 noon
Sat 20	Quaama Harvest Fair: food, fun, stalls and entertainment pg 27	Quaama Hall and grounds	10 am - 4 pm
	Lucy Wise concert: tickets \$20 for Yuin Folk Club members \$25 non-members pg 34	Cobargo Showgrounds Function Room, cnr Avernus St and Cobargo Bermagui Rd, Cobargo	7.00 pm
	Captain Ablit and the Bluetrash Band	Tilba Winery & Ale House	12 noon
	Los Zafiros, Latin music you can dance to, \$15 prebook, \$20 on the door	The Riverrock Café	6.30 pm
Sun 21	Crème Femme Collective (music and art festival)	Tilba Winery & Ale House	12 noon
Tues 23	Project Alchemy w/shop Move. Draw. Restore. Sing! Page 29	Cobargo School of Arts	10 am - 3 pm
Sat 27 - Sun 28	Empowered Alchemy workshop Elizabeth Ellen 0416 214 582 page 31	Harbourview House, Bermagui	9.30 am - 4.30 pm
Sat 27	Jakob Poyner	Tilba Winery and Ale House	12 noon
	Loose Change \$10	The Riverrock Café	6.30 pm
Sun 28	Beach Bar Swing	Tilba Winery & Ale House	12 noon

MAY CROSSWORD ANSWERS

ACROSS

1 Kingdom, 5 Stopgap, 10 Helmet, 11 Existent, 12 Attacked, 13 Enough, 14 Danni Roche, 17 City, 18 Deer, 20 Square root, 22 Cab Sav, 24 The ocean, 26 Varicose, 27 Tomlin, 28 Lew Hoad, 29 Tycoons.

DOWN

2 Inertia, 3 Gamma, 4 Outskirts, 6 Tripe, 7 Patrol car, 8 At night, 9 Tedda Courtney, 15 Norm Smith, 16 Earnestly, 19 Emanate, 21 Oration, 23 Viola, 25 Compo.

JOKES

The moo-vies.
Because he was a little shellfish.
With a see-saw.
I lava you.
At the baa-baa shop.
Lawsuits.
A blood test.
Ten. (ten tickles - say it out loud).
The ruler
Its scales.