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Culburra Beach & Districts Men's Shed

With the warmer weather and summer now underway, our Shed had very busy days at the Culburra Markets and Callala Markets in December. Members will struggle to replenish stock for the January 2026 Markets.

Our newly installed industrial dust extraction system has now been tweaked and fine-tuned to provide members and visitors with a much cleaner and safer environment. We are most grateful to the Halloran Trust for their financial support for this vital improvement. We have also completed installation of safety rails to our mezzanine storage area, thanks to a successful grant application to the Australian Men's Shed Association (AMSA). A further step forward in improving the safety of our members,

Another project now underway is the construction of a Street Library for a new resident in Callala. This client had seen their first street library on their most recent

overseas trip and thought it would be a great idea to introduce one into our area. Of course, they didn't realise that we have previously made several of these libraries, now homed in Callala, Wollongong, Sydney and even in our nation's Capital, Canberra.



*Street Library for a Callala client
(unpainted on request)*

Our “Fix it Mondays”, where we undertake minor repairs and refurbishments continues to be popular and well supported by local

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We have seen an influx of new members over the past few months which has brought not only new blood, but fresh and innovative ideas to our shed and its newly elected committee.

While the Culburra Beach & Districts Mens Shed is located in Culburra Beach, our catchment area also covers local villages like Callala Bay, Callala Beach, Myola and Currarong. New members are always welcome. We offer a wide range of timber and metalworking machinery, as well as a variety of powered and hand tools, so there's bound to be something attractive for young and old, skilled and unskilled - and everything in between!

We close for the Christmas/New Year period but re-open on 12 January 2026, with the usual trading on Mondays and Wednesdays from 8.30am to 1.00pm. Feel free to call in and peruse our full range of timber and metal crafts for sale or drop in for a coffee to learn more about joining our Shed.

We'll be the Callala Markets on Saturday 10 January 2026, where our full range of nest boxes, native bee hotels and timber and metal

craft will be on sale. We'll also be able to answer any questions you may have about what our Shed has to offer you.

Follow us on Facebook, or join our Facebook group, to stay up to date on products, events and other items of interest. You can contact us through Facebook, via email to CBDMS1@outlook.com or by phone on 0494 055 329.

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Notes from the December CBCA Meeting

The December meeting was a vibrant, noisy at times and well attended meeting. It was a scheduled General Meeting with an agenda which covered many of the CBCA's responsibilities over the Christmas and Newyear break. The Meeting welcomed our Federal Member for Gilmore, Fiona Phillips and the Shoalhaven Mayor, Councillor Patricia White.

From the outset, there appeared to be an underlying belief the meeting was going to be different, and so it was. The agenda was challenged and the agenda item relating to the Halloran/Sealark development at the western end of Emmett Street was pushed to the top of meeting business.

The CBCA President advised the meeting the CBCA committee met with Matt Phillipot from Sealark and Doug Marr (Halloran) on 27 Nov 25 to gather information about the development. A letterbox drop of a brochure from Sealark, comprising information and a QR Code Survey was deliver to most Callala Bay houses during the first week in December. Copies of the Meeting minutes from 27 Nov 25 were distributed.

The President also advised the meeting Sealark was engaging a company to develop a

Master Plan DA and Sealark anticipates that this should be completed and submitted to Council by the late 2026.

The meeting was advised the CBCA was simply the conduit for information relating to the development and did not have a position about the development. The CBCA could provide information to both the Council and the wider Callala community. The President reinforced to the meeting more information would be provided when available and the initial meeting on 27 Nov 25 was to forge a relationship and open lines of communication with Sealark.

There appeared to be general disquiet among some of those attending that more information wasn't available. Both Fiona Phillips and Patricia White advised that until the Master Plan was developed and submitted to Council, no action could be taken by Council.

A break was suggested and many left the meeting.

The meeting was reconvened and these matters among others were discussed:

- Neighbourhood Community Safer Place (NSP) – the nearest NSP is in Nowra or BTU Road. The Rural Fire Service has advised all residents should follow instructions and leave as early as possible.



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- Christmas Day Lunch - CBCA will provide lunch in the hall for people who are by themselves or in need. It is open to Callala Bay, Callala Beach and Myola residents. Please register at the Post Office or Pharmacy.
- January 26 BBQs - These will be held on 3 and 10 Jan 26 starting at 8:00am. Money raised provides dog waste bags and support for CBCA projects, Fundraising in first two weeks of January on Saturday. Volunteers are needed so please turn up and help.
- Australia Day 2026 event starts at 8:00am and a small team has been assembled. Please advise if you can help on the day.
- The Wowly Creek Toilet will be a community led project and an application will be submitted to Council in July 2026. It will be a pod toilet. Readers will note the portable toilet has been installed at Wowly Creek for the Summer.
- A fundraiser for the RFS will be held on 11 Jan 26 at the Callala Community Centre commencing at 3:00pm with live bands and great music.

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Indoor Bowls - from 12:00PM

TUESDAY:

Veterans Golf - from 7:30AM to 1:00PM
Social Darts from 5:00PM

WEDNESDAY:

Callala Mixed Social Bowls - from 12:30PM
Ladies' Golf - from 8:30AM to 1:00PM

FRIDAY:

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SATURDAY

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SATURDAY

Fisho's Raffle -
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OTHER WEEKLY EVENTS

TUESDAY

Trivia starting 6:30PM

THURSDAY

Bingo from 11:00AM

Happy Hour from 5:00PM - 7:00PM
Pool Comp - rego from 6:30PM, starts 7:00PM
Member's Badge Draw 7:30PM

SATURDAY

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LAST SATURDAY OF MONTH

Second Chance Draw & Members Badge Draw

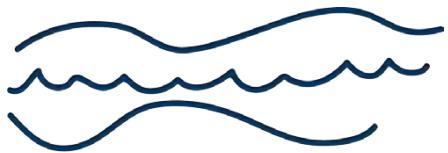
SUNDAY

Fisho's Weigh-In on the fourth Sunday of the
month from 2:00PM
Member's Badge Draw 6:00PM

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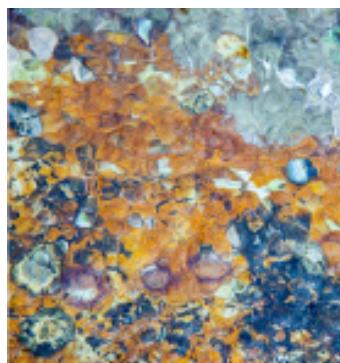
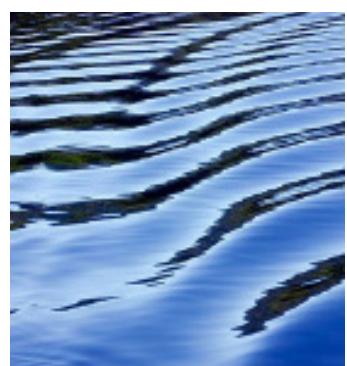
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OUR BOAT AREA IS OPEN EVERY DAY!

We would like to remind locals that herbs and vegetables growing in this delightful, accessible area are free. Everyone is welcome to use produce from this area and around the postbox.



It is part of our contribution to the community. The idea is to take what you need from the plant and leave the rest to regrow. As the weather warms, we are increasingly able to share our excess produce with garden volunteers, local businesses, the

community and sponsors. Lots of lettuce has been sold, given away and overall enjoyed by many, as they matured quickly as soon as Spring hit. We added some to the farm stall in Huon Street as it's a good place to pass on excess produce.

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OUR MAJOR FUNDRAISER!

Our Christmas Raffle has been drawn and the winners are:
Carl, Abby and Kathleen

Our 'hamper-style' beach cart full of summer treats was First Prize, and secondary prizes were created. We especially want to thank BCF in Nowra for donating the cart, and members for donating other individual items. We love that the community help us to be self-sufficient by generously buying tickets and making donations.



CALLALA COMMUNITY GARDEN NEEDS YOU!

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OUR CHRISTMAS COCKTAIL PARTY FOR MEMBERS AND SPONSORS



MADELEINE'S SCHOOL VISIT

Today I went to Callala Bay Public School's end of year awards ceremony.



I was asked to present this Garden Guardian Award to Kylan Simpson from Y4 to acknowledge his "care, commitment and enthusiasm during Garden Club".

Kylan, who now lives in North Nowra, says he first picked up a garden tool at the age of 3, and he stills loves it. His prize, 'The Beehive', was donated for the award by Mr. Fothergill's purveyors of seeds and all things gardening.

The CB Public School's Garden Club has been run by Mrs Rolston, Y4 teacher, and Simon Okely, the School's General Assistant, who also provided us with the corn and white tomato seeds earlier this year.

WHAT'S ON - JANUARY

Regular mornings Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9.00a.m.

General Meeting 7th February – (No meeting in January) Please consider becoming involved and being part of this much appreciated community resource.

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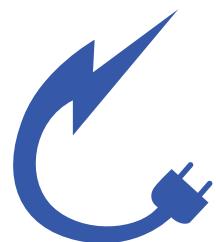
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Callala Markets helps Marine Rescue Shoalhaven

The December Callala Markets enjoyed beautiful weather and all stall holders reported good sales. This was despite the disturbance and access difficulties brought about by the annual Triathlon, and we thank all our customers for their tenacity.

Our stall holders offer a range of locally made products, ranging from handmade candles and soaps, jams and spreads, wooden plaques and bowls, handmade pottery and jewellery through to crystals, baby booties and hats, timber craft and nest boxes, designer cards, and soft knitted children's toys.

The profits from stall fees provide the base for our ongoing donations to local community organisations and charities. Our latest donation was to Callala Primary School to assist with their School Presentation Awards this year. Our representatives (Sandra and Sal) were delighted to be invited to this Awards Day, where they presented two winning students with their Certificates.

Come along and check out the variety available at your local market. Supporting local artisans and their products is part of our community spirit.

The next Markets will be held on Saturday 10 January from 8am to 1pm at the Callala



Yo Mama offer locally made jams and relishes

Community Centre, Emmett Street, Callala Bay. It's peak summer season, and with school holidays underway, call in early to grab a bargain. It's also a great opportunity for our summer tourists to pick up that special souvenir of our local paradise, and we'll be offering plenty of bespoke items to satisfy that need.

The Callala Community Garden will again be open for visitors on the day. Fresh seasonal produce is always popular, so check their range.

We always hope for fine weather, but we'll be there - rain, hail or shine.

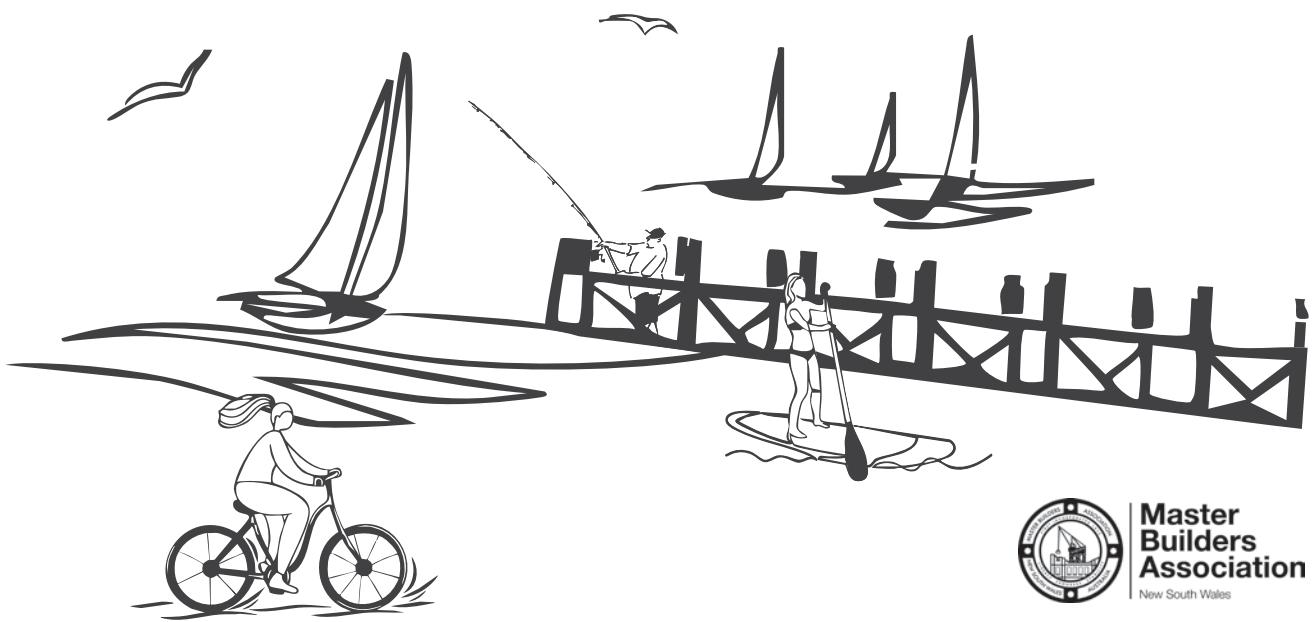
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ROUTE 120 Bomaderry-Nowra to Callala Bay, Callala Beach, Curraong & Myola

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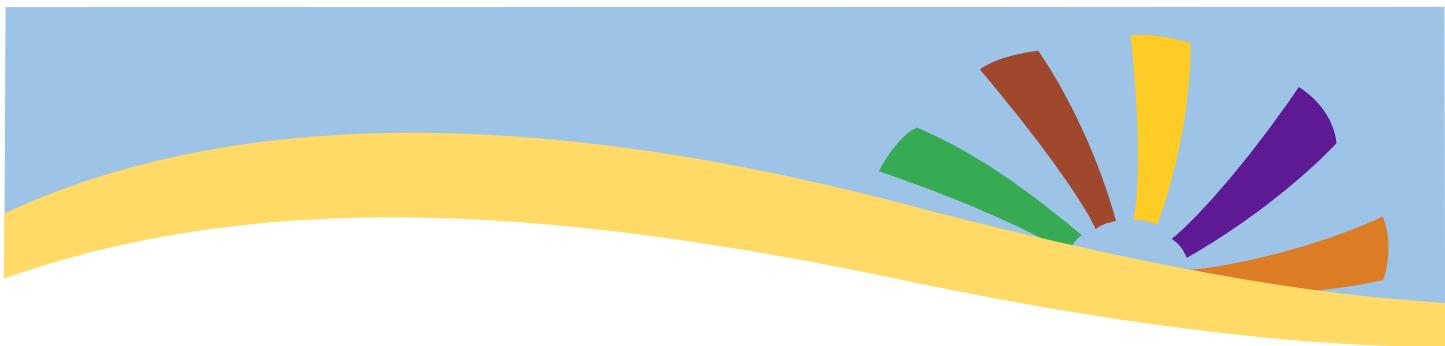
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Culburra Beach and District Garden Club Inc.

Hi everyone, Happy New Year! Our last meeting was in November and one week later we met together again for a Christmas luncheon at the Culburra Bowling Club. It was very relaxed, a time to just sit, enjoy the food and talk to everyone. The Club's chef provided a delicious 2 course meal and the staff looked after us very well. While we were enjoying afternoon tea, President Bev thanked everyone for their hard work and support especially to editor Christine Hood who will be leaving us in February. Christine became an essential part of the garden club. Her contributions as editor and the 5- minute spot which she created to present information and articles from Choice magazine were highlighted. President Bev added that Christine won't be forgotten, nor will her warmth and humour which she brought to every meeting. Though it's hard to see her go, we understand her reason for leaving. We wished her success, fulfilment, and new challenges worth chasing.

As I write this, the garden is very dry due to hot, sometimes windy conditions. But there are flowers which are thriving under these weather conditions such Day lilies, Salvia and the Shasta Daisy.

Originally native to Asia, there are many species of Day lilies. They're popular because they are beautiful, quite easy to grow, with minimal maintenance. For most of the year these plants are characterised by thick, strappy green leaves but in spring and summer they put on a striking flower show of single and double flowers on tall flower stems held above the foliage. The day lily is named because the flowers last for just one day. While the blooms are short-lived there are many on each stem and, depending on the variety, they have between two and four flushes of flowers in a season. Salvias, also known as Sage, are flowering perennials that offer a delightful array of colours, sizes, and textures. These plants display spiky clusters of

tubular flowers in shades of blue, purple, pink, red, and white, attracting bees and butterflies to the garden. Salvias are renowned for their aromatic foliage, adding a pleasant fragrance to outdoor spaces. Their drought tolerance and ability to thrive in full sun make them ideal for our climate.

The Shasta daisy is an old-fashioned perennial which was extremely popular in gardens in the 60's. My mum and all her friends grew these in summer with little care. They thrive in sunny spots with well-drained soil and offer classic white flowers with yellow centres ideal for cottage gardens, borders. Shasta Daisies can be divided every other year and transplanted to a new location. You can come and check these plants when you visit the Callala Community Garden as they are growing near the front gate.



Day Lilies



Sage/Salvia



Shasta daisies

Cheers to all and happy gardening, Doris Carpenter: 4446 5631 / mob.0428 255 616

*** Please note - Our first meeting will be Saturday 21st February 2026 at the Culburra Anglican Church Penguin Head Rd, Culburra Beach. Meeting starts at 1.30pm.

Thinking of having a function or meeting . . .



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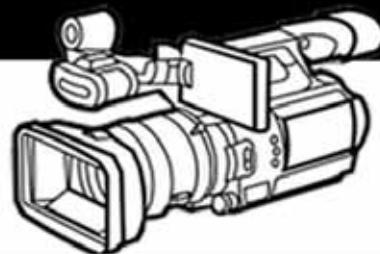


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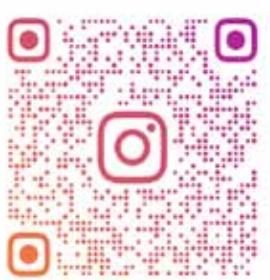
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- Callala Medical Centre
- Callala Community Centre
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A New Chapter for Callala Medical Centre

Welcoming Dr Elsayed Ahmed to the Callala Bay Community.

It is an honour to introduce myself to the wonderful Callala Bay community. My name is Dr Elsayed Ahmed, FRACGP, MRCPS (UK), MRCPI, MSc, and I am delighted to take on the role of the new owner of Callala Medical Centre. It is a privilege to be entrusted with the care of this community, and I am excited to build upon the strong foundation already established by our dedicated team.

I bring with me many years of experience in general practice, hospital medicine, and community healthcare across several countries, including the United Kingdom, Ireland, and Australia. My passion lies in providing patient-centred, compassionate, and accessible medical care. I look forward to meeting our patients, learning the unique needs of this area, and ensuring that our practice continues to be a place where every member of the community feels welcomed and well cared for.

As we begin this new chapter together, I am pleased to share several positive updates that reflect our commitment to improving access to healthcare and enhancing the services available to residents:

Bulk-billing consultations

To ensure that medical care is accessible to all members of our community, we have transitioned to bulk-billing consultations as of 1 November 2025. This change reinforces our belief that financial concerns should never be a barrier to receiving quality healthcare.

Your trusted team remains unchanged

Continuity of care is essential, and I am glad to confirm that all current doctors and nurses will continue in their roles. The entire team at Callala Medical Centre remains dedicated

to providing the same friendly, familiar, and reliable care that our patients have always appreciated.

Walk-in appointments now available

Understanding the daily challenges families face, we have introduced walk-in appointments to offer greater convenience. Whether you are dealing with a sudden illness or a concern that needs quick attention, our doors will be open to provide timely medical support.

New skin check clinic days

Given the importance of early detection in preventing skin cancer—a vital issue in Australia—we are introducing designated skin check days. The first clinics will be held on Thursday 18 December 2025 and Thursday 8 January 2026, with more dates to follow based on community demand. We encourage everyone to make use of this service to help keep themselves and their families safe.

Monthly community health education

Our commitment to community wellbeing goes beyond the walls of the clinic. Starting this month, we will be sharing monthly health advice, education, and tips through this newsletter. These topics will cover a wide range of important areas, including chronic disease prevention, mental health awareness, seasonal health advice, children's health, and more. Our goal is to empower residents with reliable information that can support healthier lifestyle choices.

As I settle into the community, I look forward to meeting each of you—whether in the clinic, at local events, or around the town. Callala Bay is a warm and welcoming place, and I am grateful for the opportunity to serve its residents.

Together with our dedicated team, I hope to continue building a medical centre that truly reflects the needs and values of this community.

Thank you for welcoming me so warmly, and I am excited for the future of Callala Medical Centre. I look forward to contributing to the long-term health, happiness, and wellbeing of everyone in Callala Bay and the surrounding areas.



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This letter was sent from the President of CBCA to the Shoalhaven Mayor on 15 Dec 25, in response to the advice the Community Consultative Bodies were to be discontinued from 1 Jul 26.

The Callala Bay Community Association (CBCA) writes to express its serious concern regarding the recommendation to formally discontinue the Community Consultative Body (CCB) model of community engagement from 1 July 2026.

At the Combined CCB Executives Meeting held on 3 December, representatives were advised that the Council intended to undertake a review of its community engagement model in 2026, including the role of CCBs. This advice was not presented as a proposal to abolish the CCB framework, nor was there any indication that a predetermined recommendation to discontinue CCBs was being developed or would be presented to Council prior to consultation.

Accordingly, we do not accept any implication that CCBs were consulted on, or endorsed, the recommendation currently before Council.

The release of this recommendation in mid-December—when most volunteer-run community organisations have concluded meetings for the year—significantly undermines meaningful participation and confidence in the process. It is also concerning that Ward Councillors were not advised in advance that this recommendation was being prepared, raising broader issues of transparency and governance.

Discontinuation of the CCB model would result in:

1. The loss of formally recognised place-based community voices;
2. The removal of structured forums that enable direct councillor participation with communities;
3. The fragmentation of community advocacy, with representation likely shifting to narrowly focused interest groups rather than broadly representative community bodies; and
4. The loss of a coordinated CCB network capable of identifying shared or cumulative impacts across communities.

Taken together, these outcomes represent a significant weakening of community engagement, rather than an improvement. There are also important geographical considerations unique to the Shoalhaven. The councils referenced in the report to Council employ engagement models developed for areas ranging from

just 3.6 square kilometres (Randwick) to 684 square kilometres (Wollongong). By contrast, the Shoalhaven Local Government Area covers approximately 4,561 square kilometres and encompasses a wide diversity of distinct communities with differing priorities and challenges.

While the CBCA may be broadly aware of issues affecting communities such as Lake Conjola, those issues differ markedly from those facing Callala Bay. Smaller, more densely populated council areas do not face the same diversity of localised concerns, making their engagement models of limited relevance to Shoalhaven's needs. Our region requires place-based representation that reflects the unique character and priorities of its towns, villages, and suburbs.

The stated financial savings associated with abolishing CCBs are modest and unsupported by detailed evidence. No analysis has been provided to demonstrate that alternative engagement mechanisms would be more cost-effective or more representative. Given Council's current financial position, it is difficult to see how a saving of approximately \$28,000 would deliver any material benefit.

Assertions regarding work health and safety and councillor safety also lack clarity. CBCA's public monthly meetings are regularly attended by the Mayor, Councillors, and the CEO, and no safety concerns have been raised to date. The CBCA operates under a robust Code of Meeting Practice, which is consistently adhered to. We also note that the CBCA has been an incorporated association for many years.

The Callala Bay Community Association supports:

1. A genuine, transparent review of all community engagement models in 2026;
2. Meaningful consultation with all CCBs before any structural decisions are made; and
3. Reform that strengthens, rather than abolishes, collective and representative community engagement.

We do not support the discontinuation of the CCB model as currently proposed and strongly urge Council to defer this recommendation.

Meaningful community engagement depends on trust, transparency, and genuine partnership. These principles are not advanced by implementing significant structural change without the informed participation of the communities most affected.

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(anonymous reporting)

Police Assistance Line: **131 444**

(non emergencies)

State Emergency Service: **132 500**

Jervis Bay Marine Park: **4441 7752**

Callala Medical Centre: **4446 5350**

Shoalhaven Hospital: **4423 9500**

Milton Hospital: **4454 9100**

Shoalhaven City Council

General enquiries, business hours: **4429 3111**

Emergencies & after hours: **1300 293 111**

Justices of the Peace

Howard Duncan: **4446 6535**

Dallas McMaugh: **0400 189 875**

Culburra Beach & District Garden Club

We meet every 3rd Saturday of month

Feb-Nov at 1.30pm

Venue: Culburra Anglican Church

Penguin Head Rd, Culburra Beach.

For more details contact

Doris Carpenter: **4446 5631**

Culburra & Districts Community Health Service

Visit the Op Shop and pick up a bargain!

Proceeds help maintain the Medical Bus that transfers people to Nowra for medical appointments from Greenwell Point, Culburra Beach, Callala Bay & Beach, Currarong and Myola.

Please contact Culburra Pharmacy on **4447 2382** to arrange transport.

Culburra Beach & Districts Men's Shed

Location: Beside the Banksia Community Hall, off Fred Evans Lane, Culburra Beach (IRT entry).

Open: 8.30am to 1.00pm, Monday and Wednesday.

All enquiries: Phone **0494 055 329** or email **CBDMS1@outlook.com**

Culburra Beach Orient Point Men's Shed Inc.

Location: Old Scout Hall Cnr West Crest & Wollumboola Lane

Open 8:30am - 12:30pm Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

All enquiries:

Phone 0498023781 or email **cbopmshed@gmail.com**

www.culburrabeachmensshed.org.au

FACEBOOK: Culburra Beach Orient Point Men's Shed

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Callala Community Garden

52 Emmett Street Callala Bay
Opposite The Shops

Victoria Maudson: **0424 590 105**

email: callalacommunitygarden@gmail.com

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