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Quolls and palma wallabies near Callala! Who knew!

Did you know there is a quoll sanctuary on land owned by Scots College just down the road from Callala Bay? Some members of the Callala Community Garden had an opportunity to visit the property, called Bannockburn, recently and found the tour very interesting. So, we interviewed Kym McMaster the Coordinator of Experiential Education there to find out more.

Bannockburn is a campus of Scots College in Sydney. The 750 acres of the property were left to the school around 2008 by 'an old boy', the late Warren Halloran. He wanted to leave it for the 'boys' who attended Scots College. Recently, girls from Kambala School have also been enjoying the opportunities that Bannockburn offers. About 2000 students a year can participate.

Programs are run at the campus for students from Kindergarten to Year 12, covering almost all the school curriculum including

science, economics, geography, agriculture and maths. It is not a school farm but a place where students can experience camping, doing chores including cooking, working in the organic garden and farm work, as well as learning about the importance of good management of the environment.

The property uses regenerative land management practices. The site uses solar for power, collects water for toilets and showers and the use of petrol and diesel is limited. No pesticides are used and livestock are used to manage the soil and vegetation.

And the quolls have an important role as bio-engineers! They help manage the undergrowth which in turn reduces fuel load in the forest and therefore reduce the intensity of fires. They can also help in reducing the monoculture of mainly eucalypts that has evolved, following the use of the property as a dairy farm for many years.

Bannockburn has worked with Rewilding Australia, Aussie Ark and several universities

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over the past eight years to establish the quoll sanctuary. 15 babies were born last season and researchers from the universities estimate that there are around 50 quolls in residence now. Researchers come several times a month to monitor the progress of the quolls. About 20 palma wallabies, which have been extinct in Australia for many years, have also been introduced to the sanctuary from another sanctuary in the Blue Mountains.

Kym is happy to talk about the work at Bannockburn and has invited the CBCA to organise a tour for interested community members sometime in Term Four. Watch this space for details when they become available!



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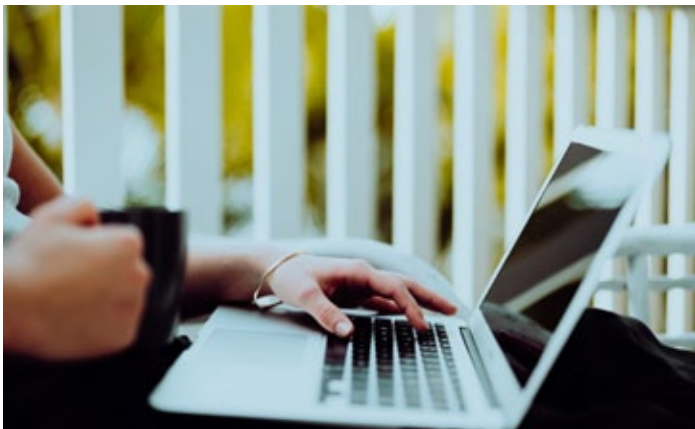
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Feedback invited on customer conduct policy

Published on 16 July 2026



Community members are being invited to provide feedback on Council's Draft Unreasonable Customer Conduct Policy, which is now on public exhibition until 12 August 2026.

The draft policy has been developed to provide a clear and consistent framework for managing customer conduct that has a significant impact on Council staff, Councillors, contractors or Council's ability to deliver services.

"Importantly, the policy recognises and protects the community's right to raise

concerns, make complaints, request information and express dissatisfaction with Council decisions and supporting respectful and productive interactions," said Mayor Patricia White.

"It provides a fair and transparent approach to managing situations where behaviour becomes unreasonable, while maintaining Council's commitment to serving the community," she said.

The draft policy outlines:

- Council's commitment to fair, respectful and proportionate responses
- Principles for managing unreasonable conduct, including early communication and de-escalation
- Potential management strategies where unreasonable conduct persists or escalates
- Council's obligation to continue providing essential and statutory services.

For more information and to make a submission before 12 August, visit Council's website.

Bushcare

It is a sad time for Callala Bushcare. Our wonderful, brilliant, witty and just extraordinary Lesley Oliver, died on 10 July. Condolences are extended to Neil and the family.

A few days before she died (her choice by VAD due to suffering from Progressive Supranuclear Palsy), I farewelled Lesley and told her she was my 'giant'. There were a number of C12th European writers who used the expression for which Issac Newton is famously known: 'If I have seen further, it is by standing on the shoulders of Giants.' So much of what I have learnt about the craft of Bushcare, came from knowledge passed on by Lesley. Part of that knowledge was being aware, when in the bush, not just of the botany and ecology, but the birdlife as well.

But probably the most significant theme that Lesley emphasised was involving the community in decisions relating to our bushland.

It was before my time that Lesley, Neil and the original Bushcare heroes took on the extraordinary task of clearing the massive Lantana and Senna weedy growth from the Callala Creek footbridge to what is now known as Benton Sands and beyond. Then it was Lesley who assessed the weedy degraded area of Emmett St Boorawine Creek Reserve in 2010, and convinced the Bushcare group that

this seemingly impossible weedy area could be regenerated. The brilliance of Lesley's concept was involving the local community, via polling asking questions about what people wanted for the area, and then community working bees. Finally involving children from the school helping to plant hundreds of seedlings once the major weeds had been removed.

Once I came on the scene, Lesley encouraged me to listen to the comments on our Bushcare endeavours made by members of the public who encountered me working in our sites. She thought I should carry a clip board with me. That level of social engagement is probably beyond me, but I try and carry a mental clip board. Don't be put off by my introverted nature, I really do want to hear your ideas and comments. I even try to at least remove my AirPods and make eye contact when people pass by.

Besides her great knowledge of the natural world, Lesley was an artist, working in mosaics, and a person not just with a formidable intellect, but with wit and wisdom, and most of all, she was a kind person. So for me, a giant has fallen in the forest. But her legacy of love and kindness will resonate along with the thriving bushland and birdsong.



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WEDNESDAY:

Callala Mixed Social Bowls - from 12:30PM
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FRIDAY:

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Mixed Golf Comp - from 7:30AM to 1:00PM

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SATURDAY

Fisho's Raffle -
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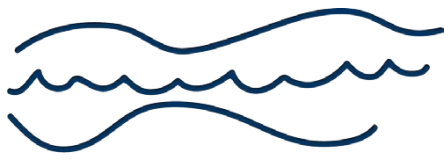
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Member's Badge Draw 6:00PM

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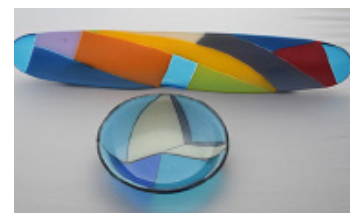
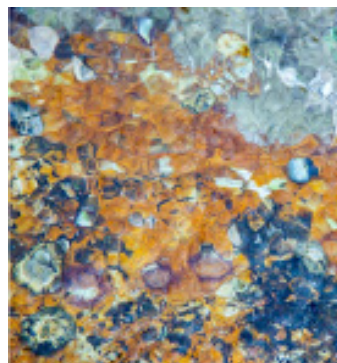
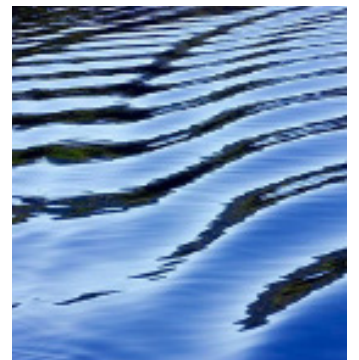
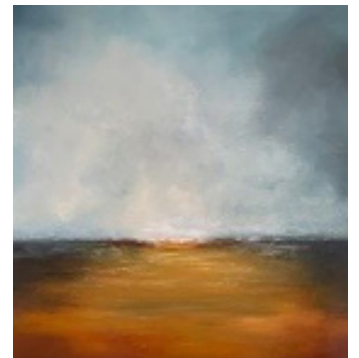
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EXCURSION TO BANNOCKBURN

On Tuesday 12th May 2026, 27 CCG members toured the Bannockburn Property and Rewilding Sanctuary on Culburra Road.

Our hosts Kym and Duncan McMaster, the property managers and educators, provide educational experiences to students that follow natural landscape sustainability and regeneration practices in farming. The property restores endemic species such as those found in the tidal ground vegetation or banks of casuarinas. They have introduced cool controlled burning and Natural Sequence Farming principles.

We learned that Eastern Quolls (*Dasyurus viverrinus*), Parma Wallaby, Long Nosed Potaroo, and Southern Brown Bandicoot all live in a 68-hectare sanctuary there. They are protected from feral predators by appropriate fencing. Also, that Aussie Ark and the University of Sydney scientists are conducting ongoing research following the release of 15 quolls, a species previously extinct on the mainland.

Members who attended were very appreciative of the opportunity to learn about such important conservation work.



WHAT'S GROWING



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NEW SKILLS

Leonarda has also lent her expertise to espalier a peach tree. The plant is trained to a flat wire frame and has large loose ties. Careful pruning was done prior to tying the branches onto a horizontal plane. Come and have a look at its progress!

WHAT'S ON - AUGUST



Regular Mornings Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9.00a.m.
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VISITORS



We love visitors at the Community Garden. On Thursday 25th June people associated with the Nowra Probus Club visited the garden for the morning, to see and hear about what we do. Victoria spoke about the history of the garden, which the visitors explored further, before enjoying some morning tea with us. Sadly, being a wintery day, not all the group could attend. The garden volunteers enjoyed their company very much. Hopefully we can do it again.



Another special visitor was this hover fly which has distinctive stripes on its back, and clear wings. Apart from pollination, its larvae are quite awkward looking and menacing, but they love to devour aphids and are often seen more in spring. Yellow brassica flowers are a source of food for the adult.

UKELLALAS

On Saturday, 11th July a select group of the Ukellalas group entertained us once again at our market morning. They have quite a following and delight our volunteers and visitors from around 10.30 a.m. each month.

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Callala Markets

The weather for Callala Markets last month was lovely and the NSW school holidays were in full flight. So, we had lots of visitors and regulars keen to check out our artisan and unique products that are not available in retail shops.

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, nest boxes and bee hotels, baby booties and hats, timber craft and novelties, designer cards, and soft knitted children's toys.

All profits from stall fees provide the base for our ongoing donations to local community organisations and charities.

Come along to the next market on Saturday 8th August 2026 at the Callala Community Centre in Emmet Street and enjoy a pleasant day exploring the wonderful items on display that are great for gifts or to treat yourself. Please make the effort to come out and support your local artisans and craft makers. The Callala Community garden will also be operating on the day so check out their range of seasonal produce.



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The image is a promotional poster for Callala Markets. It features a large circular logo on the left with the text 'Callala Markets' in a blue script font and 'Community focus' in a smaller sans-serif font below it. To the right of the logo, the event details are listed in bold blue text: '2nd Saturday', 'EACH MONTH', '42 EMMETT ST, CALLALA BAY', and '8:00AM - 1:00PM'. At the bottom right, there are icons for Facebook and Instagram. The background of the poster is a light brown, textured surface with several seashells scattered across it.



WELCOME to the Callala Community Centre, conveniently located opposite the shops in Emmett St, Callala Bay.

We are one part of the Shoalhaven Community Information Network (SCIN). Our technology has been upgraded to include solar panels, a storage battery, and satellite communications to provide an independent, continuous, communication solution with the Nowra Emergency Centre.

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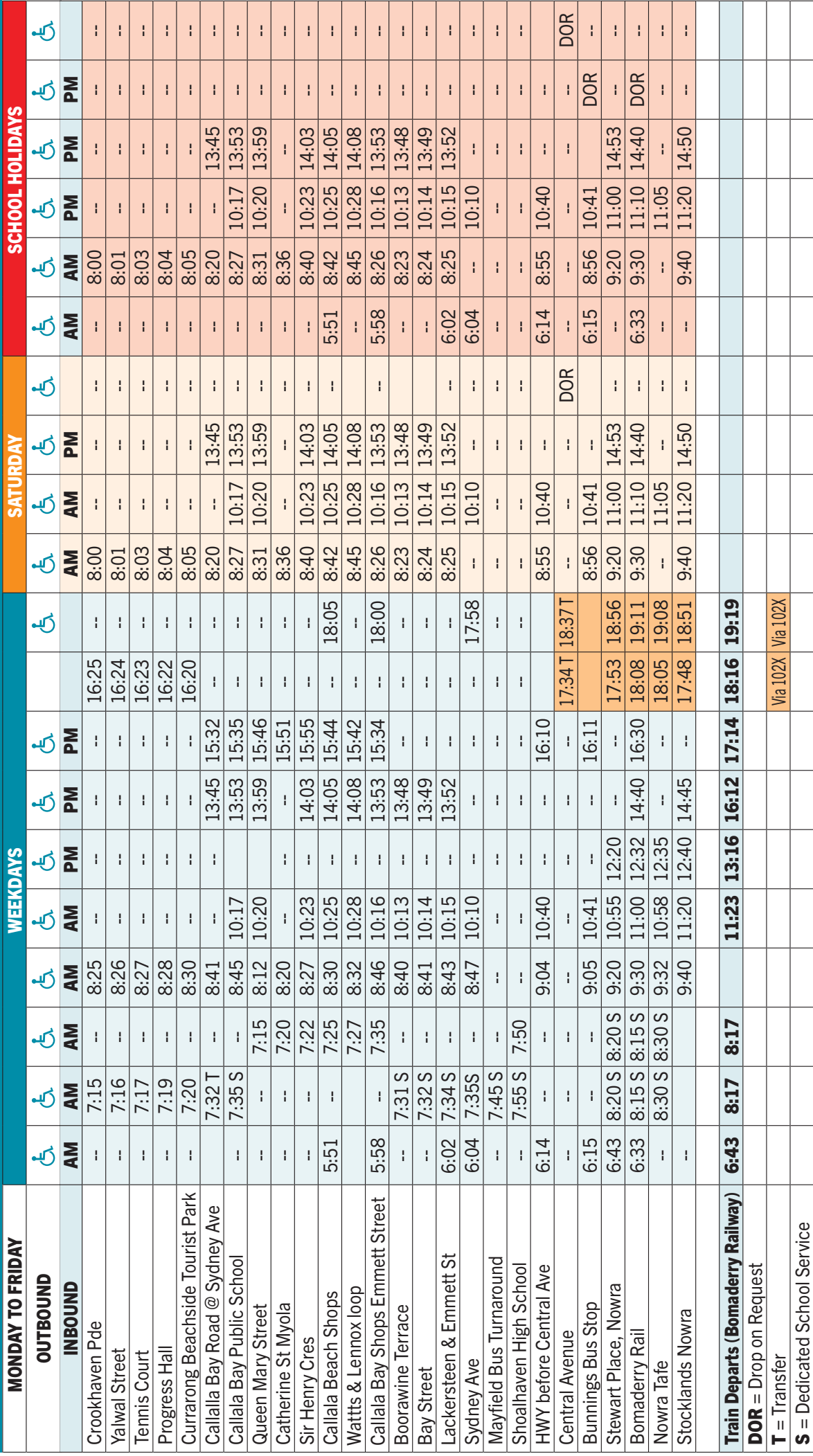
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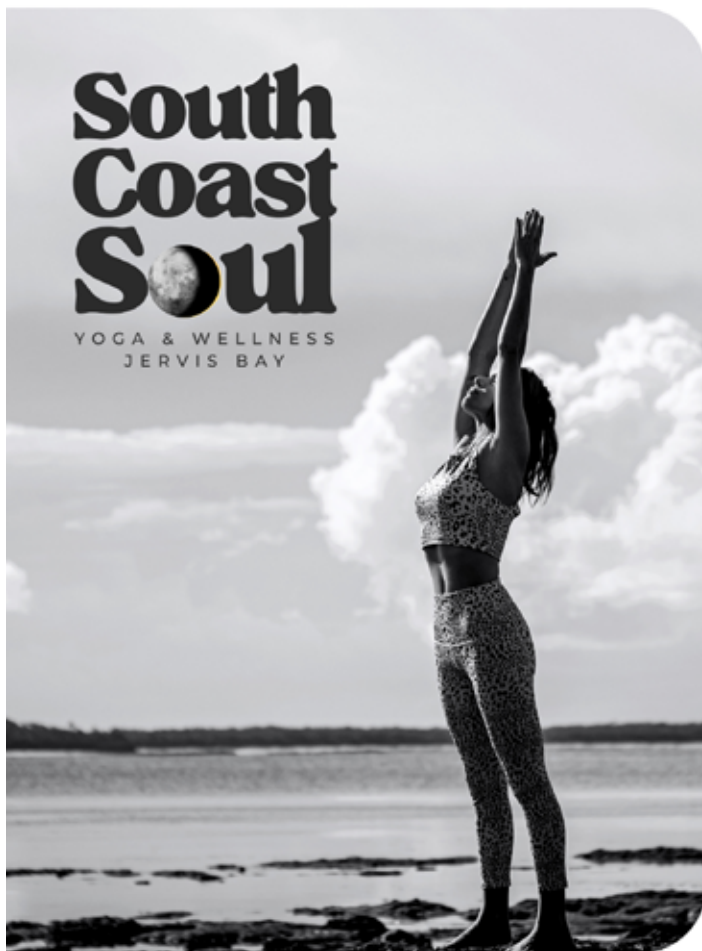
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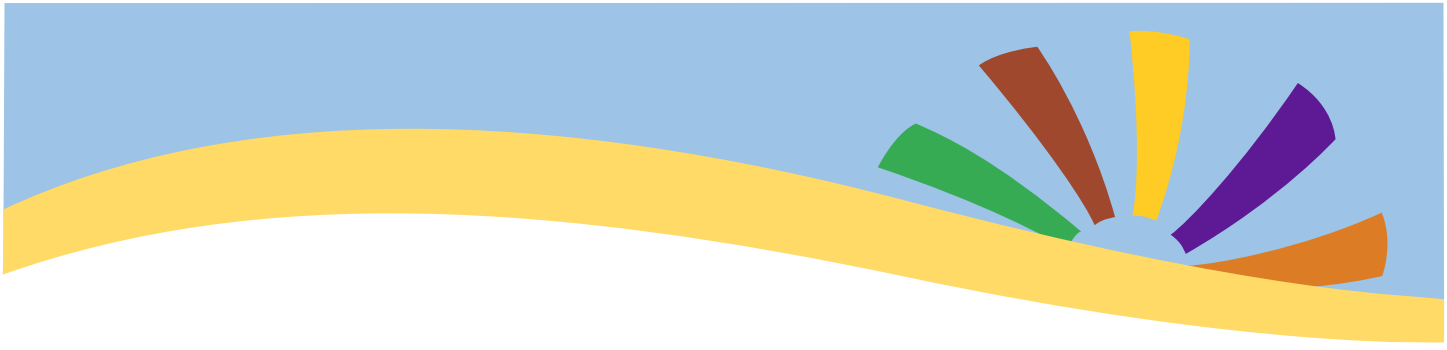
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Culburra Beach and District Garden Club Inc.

President Sharran welcomed members to our July meeting which was also our 35th birthday celebration. It was on the 3rd Saturday 20th July 1991 when our garden club was formed with President Roy King presiding with 52 people in attendance.



There was a sad note at the start of meeting when Sharran announced that one of our former members, Beryl Tillett passed away aged 92. Beryl was a lovely person, kind and generous. She helped the afternoon tea ladies when she attended meetings but last year, she needed care and was in Culburra IRT. Beryl will be missed by everyone who knew her.

The meeting was shorter than usual as we decided to celebrate our birthday by having a High Tea and for members to spend more time appreciating the food. While the afternoon tea ladies Ros and Carol were working in the kitchen, members participated in a quiz Have you been paying attention based on the Australian show where comedians answer questions on news headlines that happened during the week. Our multiple-choice quiz was to test members on information from past meetings and questions on the history of our club. I am happy to say that members did pay attention as the results were great. There were two winners Treasurer Annette Wilkinson and President Sharran, but commendations went to runners up Jan Kimber, Pauline Ryan, editor Vanessa Tracey, and Bev Faulkner. Well done girls!

We did not have a Display table this month. We asked everyone to wear a flower instead

and the colours red for the July gem Ruby or Jade which is the modern gift for a 35th wedding anniversary. We had orchids, a Mr Lincoln rose, azaleas, daisies, and camellias. President Sharran raided her jewellery box and wore a jade bracelet and ring, a stunning ruby and diamond ring and her gold necklace with a gold Singapore orchid pendant. Diane Slye also wore her orchid brooch. But the surprise was Sue Tracey and her bunch of Snowdrops which really looked good. Who else would have thought of this?

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We finished our meeting with a slice of creamy, sponge cake organised by Carol Cooper and even though we were full we still managed to eat it. Former president Bev and Sharran took honours and cut the cake. Members were wonderful in bringing all the food; there was so much everyone took home a plate of goodies. We each received a small gift of chocolates wrapped in colourful napkins with a bow and a tiny angel made by treasurer Annette. It was a marvellous afternoon, and I hope it was enjoyed by all. We look forward to the next celebration

Next meeting is Saturday August 15th. We meet at the Culburra Anglican Church, Penguin Head Rd, Culburra Beach. Meeting starts at 1.30pm.

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



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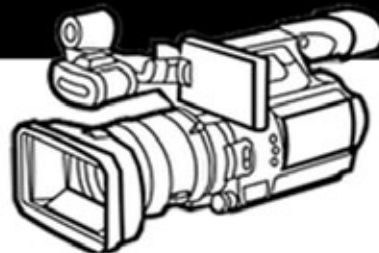


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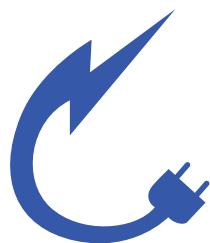
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From the Doctor

This month the 'news' from the Callala Medical Centre (CMC) is a little different. It is school holidays (as I write this) and many of the Medical Centre Staff have taken a well-earned rest to be with their families.

This week (starting 13 Jul 26) has seen letters being delivered by our erstwhile postman and talking about osteoporosis. This condition is common for people over 70 years and it usually shows no symptoms, until you break a bone. Even a simple fall can result in a broken hip or spine, and this can significantly affect mobility and independence.

To determine your bone density, the CMC has arranged for the specialist bone density scanning service, 'The Bone Bus' to visit Callala Bay on Thursday and Friday, 10 – 11 September. This scan assesses your bone strength and if necessary, begin treatment to reduce your risk of a fracture. The Bone

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Warm regards,
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Holly, 36, has been involved with Special Olympics Australia for more than 20 years. The 2026 National Games will be her fifth National Games, having previously competed in Ten Pin Bowling (twice) and Athletics (twice). This year, Holly has qualified to compete in Bocce.

Holly began her Special Olympics career with the Macarthur Club before relocating with her family to Callala Bay. For the past three years she has proudly represented the South Coast Club. She currently competes in Ten Pin Bowling at Ulladulla every second Sunday and Bocce at Batemans Bay once each month. Holly is also looking forward to taking part in the South Coast Polar Plunge before competing at the National Games.

Holly's family hopes to establish additional Special Olympics activities in the Nowra area, creating more opportunities for people with intellectual disability to participate in sport close to home.

Supporting Holly's Journey

Competing at the National Games involves significant costs, including travel, accommodation, uniforms and competition expenses. Holly is raising funds to help make the trip possible.

A highlight of the fundraising calendar is the Polar Plunge, where police officers and Special Olympics athletes are sponsored to jump into icy winter waters to raise funds for Special Olympics Australia.

The South Coast Special Olympics Polar Plunge will be held at Corrigans Beach,

Batemans Bay, on Sunday 26 July at 7.00 am.

To sponsor Holly, visit:

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