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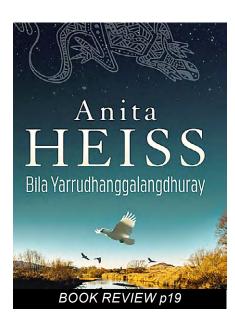
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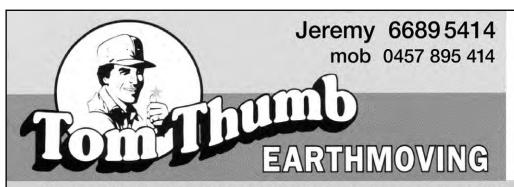
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# A FEW WORDS FROM THE EDITOR...

rmy helicopters, bright orange mould and mountains of debris are markers of unforgettable times. What is striking is the massive community response - the bravery of the rescuers, the volume of donations, the volunteers from far and wide to help with the clean-up and to provide food and other urgently needed supplies.

But the unbelievable reality of a second major flood within a month, the tragic loss of life, the glimpses of exhaustion, despair, grief, and nightmares have also brought home how long it will take to recover this time.

We have been amazed and impressed with all of our contributors and Lismore City Printery, who have rallied to bring you an edition of the Gazette with lots of positive news.

We have school news, art/film/music/ theatre news, local land services news, church news and koala news. Read about the exciting rail trail development targeted at bringing tourists to our region to help our struggling businesses. The book review of Anita Heiss's book



is inspiring, and close to home we have news of grants for renovations and repairs for our Dunoon Hall.

There are many things happening at the Dunoon Sports Club – it was used as an evacuation centre during the February flood and we welcome our new chef and farewell past chef, Chris. Of course, there is news of the floods and appeals for help and donations - please support



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your community in whatever way you can – every little bit helps.

The team at the Dunoon Gazette wish to extend our heartfelt sympathy to all those affected by the floods and we wish everyone well in the rebuilding of their homes, businesses and lives.

– Bronwen Campbell **Dunoon and District Gazette Editor** 



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# **DUNOON PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS WITH GAVIN HENDERSON**

erm 1 was certainly a difficult one, however it has provided opportunities to support one another as part of a wider community.

We saw a range of impacts from flooding. Some families were directly and heavily affected through houses being inundated, roads cut off, power lost or farms damaged. Others had businesses destroyed or extended family in significant need. Our school suffered water damage in the Kindergarten room and we hosted Modanville School for three days as their site recovered from its use as an evacuation centre.



Our hearts go out to schools in Lismore and surrounding areas that were flooded. It must be such a challenging time and they face a long road ahead.

We would like to thank our students and families for their ongoing flexibility. Plans often changed at the last minute and we were always grateful that our school community adjusted quickly. But here's hoping that we will face less disruptions as the year goes on!





The Dunoon District Swimming Carnival happened way back on a sunny day in early February. We saw some excellent performances, including Age Champions for Cooper, Huey, Sonny and Xavier.

We were able to run a baseball coaching program over the last five



weeks of term. Students learnt the fundamentals of the sport and they participated in a modified game called Baseball5.

Our cricket players have been excitedly training for round 1 of the PSSA Knockout, but unfortunately our match against Kyogle keeps getting washed out! We are due to play as this edition goes to print. Good luck to Trey, Nirvana, Huey,



Wynn, Flynn, Demi, William, Gussy and Cooper. Cricket is taking off in Dunoon!

Ms Collins is having a wonderful time with her Kindergarten class. They are a positive, friendly and enthusiastic bunch who love learning, creating and playing. Their Year 5/6 Buddies did a wonderful job introducing them to the school and now they are right at home in our caring environment.

Our Year 3/4 and 5/6 classes have engaged in STEM lessons with help from the Rivers Academy of STEM Excellence. The 1/2 class have enjoyed coding with a variety of platforms and technologies.

It has been nice to welcome families back into the school grounds.
Getting back to our usual routines will mean that families are welcome to attend assemblies, special events, volunteer around the school and sit under the trees while they wait at home time. Have a great Easter!



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# **DUNOON PRESCHOOL NEWS WITH KATE SCANLAN**

ello all. What another roller coaster start to the year. Like you, the preschool has endured floods in 2017, fires in 2019, two years of Covid and now this devastating flood.

Although on the edge of the actual disasters, with minimal changes for most of it, the continual thinking, planning, reacting and policy making has been exhausting!
But, unlike many jobs, teaching preschoolers is a perfect way to forget all those troubles and focus on the important stuff like... play and friendship!

This term we have been loving our fly-swat bubble wands that you can blow through and also wave like a magic wand to produce hundreds of bubbles! Blowing bubbles is fun but also helps to strengthen lip muscles and encourages the long slow breathing that is so good for our bodies and minds!

We have set up places and spaces inside and out with water and sand, boats, people and blocks as an openended place for children to explore or process their thoughts and images around the floods.

Cooking continues to be a highlight of children's days, both real and pretend. We have made real pikelets,



scones, fruit shapes, savory fritters and used sand, flowers, rocks, corks, berries and leaves in our pretend cooking.

We have also been hard at work with our plumbing skills, working out how to move water through pipes from one place to another. This has involved lots of teamwork and problem solving!

Finally, we have been practising our counting and for those that are ready some adding. We have counted using dice, collage, playdough, rocks, sticks, big blocks, scissor



snips, pop-its, pattern blocks and transport counters.

We have welcomed some new families late this term whose preschools in town have been floodaffected. Everyone is settling in well.

Thank you to everyone who has been volunteering and helping with the flood clean-up. The preschoolers are seeing some awesome and unforgettable role modelling in the community.

Fingers crossed for a calm Easter holiday time and Term 2!

Regards, Kate



# MODANVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS WITH ALI ELLIOTT

It has definitely been a busy Term 1 at Modanville Public School. We have had 11 Kindy students, as well as new families, join us over the term, and we welcome them to our school community.

'Community' has been particularly important over the term. As the saying goes, the worst times often bring out the best in people and this has certainly been evident in the weeks since the recent flooding events.



Modanville Public School operated as an evacuation centre in the days immediately following the first flood, and we would like to recognise the generosity of our local community and thank you for the many donations of clothing, bedding, household items, food, time and services to support those who stayed at our school, or visited for assistance.

Although the school was non-operational at times due to flooding events, students were kept busy with many activities. Early in the term, students aged 8 and over

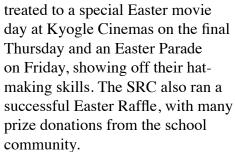


travelled to
Alstonville Pool
for the annual
swimming
carnival,
competing
against our fellow

Big Scrub schools. It was great to see such enthusiastic participation and to see Modanville students as Junior Girls Champion, Senior Girls Champion and Senior Girls Runner-up. Congratulations to all our swimmers.

Students also recognised Harmony Day, dressing in orange and celebrating Australia's cultural diversity. Our school cross country was unfortunately postponed due to the wet weather, and is to be held early in Term 2.

To end the term, students were











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# NORTHERN RIVERS CONSERVATORIUM

# CONSERVATORIUM SUPPORTS LOCAL MUSICIANS TO REPLACE MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS LOST IN THE FLOODS

he Lismore-based Northern
Rivers Conservatorium, locally
known as 'the Con', which has
been critically impacted by the floods
that have devastated the regional
city of Lismore, is partnering with
Resound – a program of The Music
Trust – and Create NSW to provide
free replacement instruments for
musicians young and old impacted by
the floods across the Northern Rivers.

It is clear from the extent of the NSW floods that many of the Con's

students, teachers and other musicians have lost their instruments, with most uninsured, and the Con has worked to quickly explore immediate support options for staff, students and the wider musical community impacted by this crisis. The Con itself has also lost much of its musical equipment and not all is fully covered by insurance.

The Conservatorium's Executive Director Anita



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Bellman explained "The Con lost all of its musical equipment including orchestral instruments such as strings, brass, woodwind, percussion, a xylophone, a marimba, a vibraphone, timpanis, congas, bongos, claves, pianos, electric and acoustic guitars, bass guitars, drum kits, ukuleles, amps, leads, mics, music stands and an entire sheet music library including orchestral scores and big band music. Our Con community includes over 500 students and 25 teachers, who are impacted either by losing their instrument, or their tuition, or both. There are musicians in the wider community who have also been impacted in a similar way

and we all need help to enable music to return to the Northern Rivers."

The Con is partnering with Create NSW to work with Resound to distribute instruments to young people throughout the region. Over the last 13 years, Resound has helped musicians impacted by natural disasters through replacement of musical instruments. Resound was originally established for the 2009 Black Saturday bushfires, matching donated musical instruments with affected musicians, schools and music students.

Also stepping forward to support this important recovery process is the Sydney Symphony Orchestra. The Sydney Symphony is liaising with the Con and other community groups directly about their needs and are committed to supporting an instrument campaign to assist with the replacement of instruments. The Sydney Symphony is happy to partner on this initiative to assist with the replacement of instruments for distribution across flood affected areas of the Northern Rivers.

To pledge a good quality instrument or make a tax-deductible donation, please go to <a href="www.resound.org.au">www.resound.org.au</a>. For those musicians affected by the recent floods, please apply for an instrument at <a href="www.resound.org.au">www.resound.org.au</a>. Resound is a program of The Music Trust, an organisation that works with energy, imagination and authority for music in Australia.

For further details, contact Anita Bellman (Northern Rivers Conservatorium) <a href="mailto:anita.bellman@nrcac.edu.au">anita.bellman@nrcac.edu.au</a> or phone 0410 047 066; or Rachel Hocking (Resound) <a href="mailto:rachel@resound.org.au">rachel@resound.org.au</a> or phone 0424 071 914.

# **Mobile Library Timetable**

4 January to 2 July 2022

# WEEK 1

# MONDAY

| FEDER | RAL  |
|-------|------|
| 9am - | 10am |

TEVEN-TINTENBAR 11.30am - 12.30pm

| Jan   | 10, 24    |
|-------|-----------|
| Feb   | 7, 21     |
| Mar   | 7, 21     |
| April | 4, P/H    |
| May   | 2, 16, 30 |
| lune  | P/H 27    |

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### **TUESDAY**

OCEAN SHORES 10.15am - 12noon

SUFFOLK PARK 2pm - 4pm

# WEDNESDAY

EMPIRE VALE 9.30am - 10.30am WARDELL 11.15am - 12.15pm WOLLONGBAR 2.15pm - 4pm

## **THURSDAY**

BLAKEBROOK 9.15am - 10am

10.45am - 12.30pm 1.30pm - 5pm

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# WEEK 2 MONDAY

BOGANGAR 9.45am - 11.30am

| BILAMBIL HEIGHTS |
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| 2.15pm - 4.00pm  |

### TUESDAY

CLUNES 9am - 10am DUNOON 11.15am - 12.15pm MODANVILLE 2pm - 3.30pm

### WEDNESDAY

TYALGUM 11am - 12.15pm

BURRINGBAR 2.30pm - 4pm

### **THURSDAY**

GOOLMANGAR 9.15am - 10am

10.45am - 12.30pm 1.30pm - 5pm

| April | 11, P/H |
|-------|---------|
| May   | 9, 23   |
| June  | 6, 20   |
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| Jan   | 4, 18   |

| Jan   | 5, 19     |
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| Feb   | 2, 16     |
| Mar   | 2, 16, 30 |
| April | 13, 27    |
| May   | 11, 25    |
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| Jan   | 6, 20     |
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| Feb   | 3, 17     |
| Mar   | 3, 17, 31 |
| April | 14, 28    |
| May   | 12, 26    |
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### **WEEKLY**

FRIDAY POTTSVILLE 9.45am - 12noon 1pm - 3.30pm

First visit 7 Jan Last visit 1 July

### **SATURDAY**

BANGALOW 9.30am - 11.30am

First visit 8 Jan Last visit 2 July

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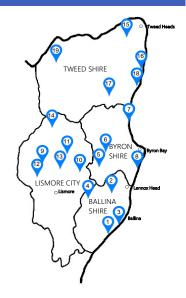
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# NORTHERN RIVERS RAIL TRAIL

# NORTHERN RIVERS RAIL TRAIL SET TO TAKE SHAPE!

his year will be a big one for the Northern Rivers Rail Trail, with 54km of the planned 130km set to become a reality.

Not-for-profit community group the Northern Rivers Rail Trail Supporters has been working closely with councils and communities to revitalise the neglected and abandoned rail corridor from Murwillumbah to Casino.

A car-free pedestrian connection for locals and tourists alike, the Rail Trail will be used for all active eco transport and recreation, including walking, running, bikes, riding, mobility scooters, prams, and multiday adventures.

With support from all levels of government, three sections of the Rail Trail are fully funded and ready for construction. These are Tweed to Crabbes Creek, Casino to Bentley and Bentley to Lismore.

"The significance of this project from a community and visitor perspective will be felt for generations to come," Northern Rivers Rail Trail vice president Cameron Arnold said. "Reinvigorating the disused corridor for all to use, whilst ensuring it remains in public ownership, is a huge win."

The cycling community injected \$16.8 billion into the Australian economy last year, according to the Australian Cycling Economy 2021 Report by We Ride Australia. The Northern Rivers Rail Trail will draw such dollars inland, creating supplemental profit, every day of the week, for local businesses and beyond.

Rail trails have been a huge success in many other parts of the world, including New Zealand and Victoria.



The Tumbarumba to Rosewood Rail Trail in the NSW Snowy Valley, which opened in 2020 at the height of the COVID-19 pandemic, has seen several new businesses opening and many existing businesses thriving, due to its ongoing popularity as a tourist drawcard.

"That is overwhelmingly the case in every country, in every state where a Rail Trail has been built," Cameron said.

Cafes and hospitality venues, bike hire and repair, accommodation and experience-based businesses will all have access to new customers.

Eltham Hotel owner/operator Matt Rabbidge said the Rail Trail offered an exciting opportunity for small towns that are outside of the regional hubs. "It's a really good way for small businesses to encourage new eyes on the place, be that people stopping through walking or riding on their bikes — to stop in and support the businesses," he said.

The 24km Tweed section, which runs from Murwillumbah to Crabbes Creek, is full steam ahead, with a 200m test section currently under construction. "Murwillumbah locals may have seen the main site office set up at the Murwillumbah Station and people may start to see crews preparing for the first construction works," project director Iain Lonsdale said. The 24km Tweed section is on track to be completed by December 2022.

Casino to Bentley (16.3km), which is managed by Richmond Valley Council, has begun vegetation

clearing, while detailed design work is beginning on Bentley to Lismore (13.5km), which is managed by Lismore City Council.

"We believe these sections will be an overwhelming success, which will then further strengthen the support for the completion of the rest of the trail," Cameron said.

The Northern Rivers Rail Trail
Supporters believe the Byron Bay section, which is still being debated, would provide huge benefits — especially as the small town battles issues including overtourism, visitor management and traffic bottlenecks. The Rail Trail project would provide an alternative car-free path for low impact tourism, inject additional profit for local businesses, and entice visitors to travel out to other scenic villages in the hinterland.

The Northern Rivers Rail Trail
Supporters believe that, once
completed, the Northern Rivers
Rail Trail will be something very
special. It will be the longest in
NSW, and the third longest in
Australia\*, linking 12 schools,
villages and towns, beaches, native
bushland and working farms. It
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and eco conservation and historical
elements.

# ABOUT THE NORTHERN RIVERS RAIL TRAIL

Since 2013, not-for-profit community group, the Northern Rivers Rail Trail Supporters have been working closely with councils and communities with a vision to revitalise 130km of neglected rail corridor from Murwillumbah to Casino into a car-free pedestrian connection for locals and tourists alike. Website: northernriversrailtrail.org.au

10 April-May 2022 DUNOON AND DISTRICT GAZETTE

# TRINITY CATHOLIC COLLEGE NEWS

# ANNOUNCEMENT OF TRINITY'S FIRST LAY PRINCIPAL

Brincipal of Trinity Catholic College Lismore at the end of Term 1. Brother John has been Principal since January 2013. From Term 2 this year he will take up a new position as Director of the Master Planning, which will involve leading the recovery and revival of Trinity Catholic College Lismore following the devastating flood events of 28 February and 30 March, 2022.

Trinity is an historic school boasting a long history of 136 years of presentation and Marist education. Since Sister Mary Cannane PBVM completed her term as Foundation Principal of Trinity, five Marist Brothers have held the position of College Principal. Today marks a significant moment in the history of our College given the appointment of Trinity Catholic College's first Lay Principal.

The College Council of Trinity Catholic College Lismore Ltd has appointed Mr Jesse Smith to lead Trinity.

Jesse, an ex-student of the College himself, has been Acting Principal since Term 4 in 2021. He brings a wealth of skill and personal knowledge to the role and holds the following qualifications: Bachelor of Arts; Bachelor of Teaching; First Class Honours (History); Master of Theology; and Master of Education Leadership. He is a Justice of the Peace, a member of the Australian **Institute of Company Directors** and is enrolled in the Company Directors course commencing June 2022. He has extensive experience in governance and board matters being the Chair of Jodie's Inspiration Ltd for the past six years, and



Company Secretary of the Scott Rindfleish Foundation which are both not-for-profit boards. Jesse is an active member of St Carthage's Cathedral Parish and a Member of the Association of Saint Marcellin Champagnat.

Previous leadership positions held by Mr Jesse Smith include Assistant Principal Learning & Teaching (2019-2021), Director of Curriculum (2017-2018) and Assistant Leader of Religious Education (2016).

Given the unprecedented events that have unfolded in our region, it became obvious that the College needed someone to steer the College through the recovery and future planning phase. With the enormity of the devastation, it was obvious that this would be far too big a role for anyone to absorb and requires someone with an intimate knowledge and understanding of the College. It became obvious that Brother John Hilet would be the best person to work with Jesse and the Council in this important work.

I take this opportunity to publicly thank Brother John for his service to the Trinity Family during a period of significant change and development in the College. Brother John's strong commitment to contemporary pedagogy, effective faith formation and pastoral care of students and staff is deeply appreciated and will be

formally recognised later in the year.

I also publicly thank Jesse for his dedication to the role in this time of crisis but also of renewal. His understanding of the role of a prominent independent school in a regional area, combined with his experience of a Catholic coeducational school with a broadbased curriculum, will enable him to bring both strong and informed leadership to our College community.

 Br Neville Solomon, FMS Chair of College Council

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# FRIENDS OF THE KOALA



# ORPHANED KOALA **JOEY RESCUED AMID** CATASTROPHIC FLOODS

rescued orphaned koala joey is one of countless native Lanimals rescuers expect will need urgent care amid the flooding catastrophe in New South Wales and Queensland.

The 14-month-old male koala, named Gulliver, was rescued amid the torrential downpours in Tregeagle in the NSW Northern Rivers region on February 28.

The joey was found walking on the ground alone, calling for his mum, who sadly couldn't be found. Gulliver evaded capture while he was on the ground forcing Friends of the Koala rescuers to set a trap to rescue him before more torrential rain fell.

Once the trap was set, Gulliver began climbing down the tree and was safely captured so he could be taken to Friends of the Koala which works closely with the International Fund for Animal Welfare (IFAW) to rescue, rehabilitate and release koalas in the region.

Because of his young age, Gulliver was put into home care with an experienced koala carer and was assessed by IFAW-sponsored vet Dr Jodie Wakeman.

"Gulliver isn't suffering from any underlying health issues, but he isn't out of the woods yet. As he is only a joey, he will be in care at koala kindy until he is old enough to be hopefully released back out to the wild," said Dr Wakeman.

IFAW Animal Rescue Program



calling for his mum during the floods. Photo © Friends of the Koala.

Officer Nicole Rojas-Marin said during such extreme weather events, it's common for animals including koala mums to abandon or lose their joeys as an act of survival.

"Gulliver is very lucky that he was rescued when he was - with floodwaters rising, he could have ended up in a far worse situation," Ms Rojas-Marin said.

"This flooding disaster is going to

be catastrophic for our wildlife. We won't know the true extent until floodwaters subside but as they recede we expect to see an influx of orphaned, injured and displaced animals needing care."

Friends of the Kola urge members of the public to contact their 24hr Rescue Hotline on 6622 1233 if they see a koala in need of assistance in the Northern Rivers. Alternatively, people across NSW can help by downloading and using the free IFAW Wildlife Rescue App which connects people to the nearest wildlife rescue group or carer to get immediate help for injured, displaced or orphaned wildlife.

# **BITTERSWEET WIN FOR KOALAS**

Triends of the Koala welcomes the federal government's decision to uplist koalas in Queensland, New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory from 'vulnerable' to 'endangered'.

Today's decision follows a public inquiry supporting the tentative assessment made by the Threatened Species Scientific Committee back



Gulliver is now in care at Friends of the Koala until he's old enough to be released into the wild. Photo © Friends of the Koala.

# FRIENDS OF THE KOALA continued

in June last year, that koalas are eligible for listing as endangered in eastern Australia due to population declines.

"Sadly, koala populations particularly in NSW, were already in trouble well before the 2019/2020 Black Summer bushfires" said President, Aliison Kelly.

"While we applaud the Committees decision to upgrade the listing of koalas from vulnerable to endangered, the future survival of the species is grave if urgent action is not taken to address the ongoing threats impacting remaining populations".

Partners of Friends of the Koala, the World Wide Fund for Nature-Australia (WWF-Australia) and the International Fund for Animal Welfare (IFAW) along with Humane Society International (HSI) submitted strong evidence to the federal government to support the nomination.

For over 35 years, Friends of the Koala have been working towards positive outcomes for koalas and their habitat. This uplisting strengthens the groups resolve to protect koala habitat and gives politicians greater powers to stop trees and critical habitat from being cleared. With fire intensity and frequency only set to increase due to climate change, further action is needed to ensure koala populations survive into the future.

"Now more than ever, every koala counts. We will continue to be their voice and call for a mortarium on excessive land clearing and development which makes koalas increasingly vulnerable to disease, dog attacks and vehicle strikes," said Ms Kelly.

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# Koalas: How threatened? Threatened how?

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This is the first webinar for Australian Rural & Regional News (ARR.News) and what a topic with which to start!

This webinar is to consider koala's listing as "endangered" in NSW, Qld and the ACT, and look into such issues as the history of koalas in Australia, the impacts on koalas over time, why they have been classified as endangered and the significance and effects of that classification.



## Speakers:

- Emeritus Professor Helene Marsh FAA FTSE, Chair of the Threatened Species Scientific Committee
- · Cheyne Flanagan, Clinical Director, Port Macquarie Koala Hospital
- Audrey Koosmen, President of Hunter Wildlife Rescue
- Vic Jurskis, Ecologist and Author
- Peter Rutherford, Forest Scientist, Secretary, South East Timber Association

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# DUNOON & DISTRICT SPORTS & RECREATION CLUB - www.dunoonclub.org.au

hat a month for our community of Lismore and our villages. Such devastation by Mother Nature, and so many of our community members affected. Our heartfelt best wishes go out to those who have lost friends or family, property or possessions.

The Dunoon Sports Club was pleased to be able to help people needing a safe place to shelter, and was used for an evacuation centre during the first floods in early March. Thank you to our amazing community of volunteers as they wrangled donations and food, comforted residents and provided cups of tea and coffee, as well as a listening ear through the unfolding disaster.

All up, we had around 20 people come to shelter at the Club, and a huge thank you to our local community who provided for their every need, from blankets to food, to essential supplies, clothes and much more.

# KITCHEN CHANGES

One sad outcome, among many, of these floods has been the loss of our well-loved kitchen chef and



High and dry: the Dunoon Sports Club became an evacuation centre during the first Lismore flood.

kitchen hand Chris Webb and Chris Gardoll. We want to thank them for their great food and friendly service, and they will be greatly missed. We wish them all the best in the future, we're sure to see them around in hospitality somewhere again soon.

We are pleased to welcome new head chef Michelle, previously at the Channon Tavern, and her team

who have moved into the kitchen space. They are settling in well and providing delicious food, despite the many challenges with suppliers and access at the moment.

Opening hours and menu can change at short notice, so to stay up to date with any changes for the restaurant, keep an eye on our facebook page https://www. facebook.com/DunoonClub.

The restaurant is usually open Wednesday to Saturday, barring any extreme weather events!

Call the Club on 6689 5444 to make a booking or order takeaway.

# MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

If you have not yet renewed your Club membership, please come along to the Club and pick up your new card. Membership fees are \$20 a year, and expire on 31 December each year.

Your membership helps keep the Club running, and also gets you



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DUNOON SPORTS CLUB

drink discounts each time you visit, as well as a free drink in your birthday month.

Thank you to all our members for your continued support throughout these challenging times.

Membership forms are available over the bar or on our website at <a href="https://www.dunoonclub.org.au/">https://www.dunoonclub.org.au/</a>

# ANZAC DAY LONG WEEKEND

On Saturday 23 April we'll have Aussie cover band, Caught in the Covers, from 8pm.

The Club will be open on ANZAC Day, Monday 25 April, and we encourage everyone to come along for a traditional game of Two Up as we commemorate our war veterans. The Club will be open from 12 midday.

# CLUB NEWS – CALLING ALL SUPER SCRIBES!

We're looking for a new Secretary to take on the role of looking after correspondence to the Club and minutes for our Board meetings.

The Secretary does not have to be a

member of the Board.

If you are able to help out our Club in this way, it will greatly assist us in keeping our momentum and keeping the doors open so we can continue to be a central hub for the village.

The Board and Directors would like to sincerely thank Trent Scanlon for his outstanding service as our previous Secretary for many years.

# REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS...

Trivia – every Wednesday from 6.30pm.

Raffles – each Friday night. There are heaps of prizes drawn each week, be in it to win it!

Pluckers and Poets – Sunday 10 April and 8 May from 4pm.



Wednesday @ 6:30pm

# **A BIG THANK YOU!**

Clean and Green Laundry wish to thank everyone who volunteered their time, lent us gas, heaters, fans, generators, petrol, cleaning products, friendship and support, we appreciate you all!

# - Ian and Jennifer Juleff

Thanks also go out to the team at the Sports Club – you all did a marvellous job.

• Clean and Green Laundry have re-opened with limited trading hours – cash only as there is no internet. Leave your washing and they will call you when it's done. Phone (02) 6622 1359; 50 Terania St, North Lismore.



Details are correct at time of printing

To confirm details phone Dunoon Sports Club 6689 5444

or visit the website www.dunoonclub.org.au

Information for members and their guests

# **Club Opening Hours**

**REGULAR TRADING HOURS** 



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# **RESTAURANT BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL!**

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# VALE: D'VINE THE KOALA

# D'VINE, THE PIN-UP KOALA OF THE CHANNON DIES

he much-loved koala D'vine, whose image has highlighted the importance of our local koalas, has died at The Channon.

She was healthy until recently but was noticed with a dark-stained rump, a sign of possible chlamydial infection. Her condition was reported to the Lismore Friends of the Koala. The koala rescue team came out immediately and set up a trap around her favourite Swamp Mahogany.

When captured she was taken to the koala hospital where she was examined and found to be seriously diseased. She was euthanased.

The Channon community is devastated as she was well known as the koala on the February page of the WATER Northern Rivers 2022 calendar.

Koalas are in serious trouble in the Northern Rivers, as they are almost everywhere. D'vine belonged to the sub-population inhabiting the area where the proposed Dunoon Dam would be built. She lived just 1km from the proposed dam wall. Local residents, and koala experts such as Dr Steve Phillips of Biolink are concerned that the loss of 72ha of koala habitat from the construction of the Dunoon Dam would have

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a disastrous effect on local koala numbers.

Habitat loss is the major cause of koala decline and contributes to secondary threats such as disease, dog attack and car strike. With koalas on a rapid trajectory towards extinction in the NSW, it is critically important that every koala feed tree is preserved.

"Destroying a large swathe of Tallowwood and Flooded Gum forest, and severing critical corridors that koalas use to move through the landscape, is completely unacceptable at this stage on the dive towards extinction," says Nan Nicholson, who lives on the same area of land on which D'vine spent her last years.

D'vine on the day she was rescued and taken to the koala hospital. The stained rump is a sign of likely disease. She had been to hospital previously with diarrhoea but was returned to her home after observation. She went on to have 3 babies before her death. The last one was not seen again after the big storm on the LGA election day.

Friends of the Koala in Lismore rescues and cares for koalas around the clock. They ask that anyone who sees a sick koala notifies them immediately on the Koala Hotline on 66 221 233.

Koala sightings can be reported at https://friendsofthekoala.org/reporta-koala-sighting/



D'vine with her last baby, in December 2021. She features on the February page of the WATER Northern Rivers 2022 calendar.

# LISMORE ITALIAN FILM FESTIVAL

# **PROGRAM OF ITALIAN FILMS POSTPONED AGAIN!**

he 2022 Lismore Italian Film Festival was scheduled to be hosted at Cinema Lismore on April 2 and 3.

Sadly I have to inform you that Cinema Lismore is closed due to substantial flood inundation.

This means that the 2022 Lismore Italian Film Festival will be postponed till a sparkling newly refurbished cinema appears like a phoenix later this year!

I know for some we have been here before. Different circumstances this time, but excited for the staff of BCC Cinema Lismore as the previously planned upgrade of the

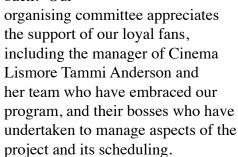
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facilities will be brought forward.

And our festival will be pushed back! Our



We look forward to welcoming lovers of classic and contemporary Italian films when the new date for screening is determined.

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# NORTH COAST LOCAL LAND SERVICES CONFERENCE

# FLOOD-AFFECTED STOCK **OWNERS ENCOURAGED TO** CALL FOR SUPPORT

■ Tlood-affected North Coast landholders are encouraged to call the Agricultural and Animal Services hotline on 1800 814 647 to request emergency fodder for livestock, animal assessment and veterinary advice.

**NSW** Department of Primary Industries and Local Land Services are responding together to the current North Coast flood disaster as the Agricultural and Animal Services Functional Area (AASFA).

"Staff are assisting animal owners with assessment of pets and companion animals and are providing veterinary advice and support. AASFA can also provide assistance with emergency fodder for livestock producers and euthanasia and burial if required," said Incident Controller for the AASFA response on the North Coast, Piers Harper.

"We are assisting dairy producers by sourcing generators to restore power to milking sheds and will have the first of our emergency fodder pickup locations operational from this afternoon," Mr Harper said.

It is essential that you register your request for emergency fodder for your livestock or assistance with animal assessment, by contacting the Agricultural and Animal Services hotline on 1800 814 647.

If your stock or pets are missing or



if you have stranded animals at your place, please consider contacting your local council, local veterinary clinics who have microchip detection equipment, animal welfare or rescue groups, and check social media sources such as local community noticeboards.

People should not risk their own safety at any time. Never drive, walk or ride through flood waters, and call Triple Zero (000) in the event of any emergency.

# ONLINE CONFERENCE A **RESOUNDING SUCCESS**

The 2022 NSW Landcare and Local Land Services Conference was held on Thursday 17 March and for the first time it was an entirely online event due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The existing three-day program was condensed into a single day of inspiring, informative and innovative presentations attended by over 250 attendees from across the state.

"Despite the challenges we have faced in the lead up to this conference, we were able to all come together. If we have learnt one thing

in the last two years, it has been resilience and adaptability," Landcare NSW Chair Ms Stephanie Cameron said.

"Landcare is needed now more than ever. It was so inspiring to see Landcarers from flood affected areas online and sharing their knowledge. Our thoughts go out to and well wishes to those who have been and are still being impacted by the devastating floods."

Hosted by War on Waste's Craig Reucassal, the event was engaging from the very beginning with an incredible keynote address from Dr Chadden Hunter, producer of the wildlife series Planet Earth.

The conference concluded with Landcare NSW CEO Turlough Guerin and NSW Landcare Program Assistant Manager Deb Tkachenko asking the big questions of the delegates online with their interactive presentation, 'Rethinking Landcare - Ask the big questions and get answers'.

The conference was followed by a free, online awards ceremony for the prestigious 2021 NSW Landcare Awards where the winners for each of the eight Landcare Award categories were announced.

For a full list of finalists and award winners visit, www. nswlandcareconference.com.au

Grand champions of the NSW National Award categories will now go on to represent the whole NSW Landcare Community at the 2022 National Landcare Awards in Sydney.



# BOOK REVIEW WITH LYN ARMANASCO

# BILA YARRUDHANG-GALANGDHURAY: RIVER OF DREAMS BY ANITA HEISS

"There's a track winding back to an old fashioned shack along the road to Gundagai."

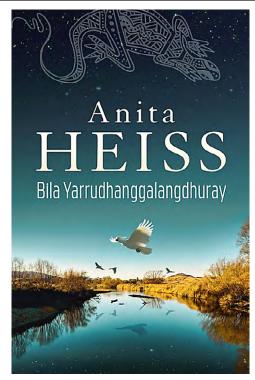
Then I was a child we drove from Melbourne to Brisbane every year for many years. When we were getting close to Gundagai this is the song that we sang. I would stare out the window waiting to catch a glimpse of the famous Dog On The Tuckerbox. But it wasn't until 2017 that the town erected a monument to Yarri and Jacky-Jacky. These men saved the lives of 69 people of Gundagai in the 1852 Great Flood. This was one-third of the population at that time.

This wonderful book is published with a title in the Wiradjuri language on the front cover and the Wiradjuri language is used within the narrative of the story. The book is the story of Wagadhaany and starts when she is a 13-year-old domestic who has been forced into indentured labour for Henry Bradley and his family.

After the Great Flood of 1852 Henry and his wife are lost but Yarri, Wagadhaany's father, saves many people in his small bark canoe, including the rest of the Bradley family and his daughter. Yarri and his friend Jacky-Jacky spent three days ferrying survivors to safety, one by one. Wagadhanny is saved but she is not free.

"She is grateful to be alive, but she hates that being alive reminds her that she is powerless in her own life," writes Heiss.

After the flood, the remains of the Bradley family move to Wagga Wagga where they feel they will be safe from future floods. Colonial law decrees that Wagadhaany must accompany the Bradley brothers



- avaricious James and his leering brother, David. She never gets over this separation from her family.

James's new wife, Louisa, is a Quaker and has beliefs about fairness and equality. But Louisa is naive and, while she is keen to learn about the traditions of the Wiradyuri people, she is motivated by her desire to Christianise these people. She does not question her right to uproot Wagadhaany from all she loves, nor does she pay her for her labour and she has no understanding of the laws that have deprived Wagadhaany of freedom and choice. Here we see the myopia and cruelty of 'good intentions'.

Her move to Wagga Wagga does bring Wagadhaany one fortunate aspect. She meets the love of her life, stockman Yindymarra. Louisa has managed to repudiate her husband's harsh attitudes and Wagadhaany is able to build a life among the local Wiradyuri community. She bears Yindymarra's children, she reclaims her language that she was not allowed to use in James Bradley's presence, and she engages in cultural practices including dancing for which she was

named by her parents. But is this enough for her?

Events build up and she finally speaks the words that will change the rest of their lives to Yindymarra: "Please take me home to my miyagen (kin, family, relations). Please."

And Yindy realises that his beloved Wagadhaany has been suffering from depression for a very long time. He must take her to where she belongs. But like his wife, he too, is bonded by the Master and Servants Act 1840. If they are caught leaving, the punishment will be harsh.

This is a heart-wrenching story and I learned so much about the people whose land I travelled through as a child. People I knew nothing about until I opened this book. I ask myself why it took until 2017 for the statue of Yarri and Jacky-Jacky to be erected? Why a Dog on a Tuckerbox was more important? Why are we only now hearing the stories of our First Nation people?

Thank you Anita Heiss for giving me the chance to start answering these questions.



# NORPA NEWS / LISMORE THEATRE COMPANY

# NORPA PERFORMANCE **BRINGS JOY TO WOODBURN** SCHOOL KIDS

It has been an extremely challenging time for the students of St Joseph's Primary School, Woodburn. Their school was decimated by the floods and some students also lost their homes.

Theatre company NORPA (whose home at Lismore City Hall was also severely impacted by the flood) brought a bit of joy and wonder to the students with an interactive performance of 'The Underlibrary of Unofficial Histories'.

The touring show, created by NORPA in association with the Catholic Schools Office Diocese of Lismore, relates directly to the NSW primary school history syllabus. 'The Underlibrary of Unofficial Histories' is part performance, part game that immerses the children in a quest to solve clues and unlock mysteries. The performance took place in Evans Head where St Joseph's Primary School is now based while the cleanup continues at Woodburn.

"It was wonderful for the children



The Underlibrary of Unofficial Histories at Woodburn. Photo: Kurt Petersen

to be immersed in the experience of history and time travel and problem solving," said Sheree, one of the teachers.

"What a great way to take their minds off the things that are currently happening and to get lost in their imaginations," said Michelle, another of the teachers.

"We are so happy to still be able to deliver this experience to school children in our region despite what we have all been through," said Frauke Hahn, NORPA's Engagement Coordinator.

"It is so rewarding to see the smiles

on their faces and for us to create this world together."

NORPA's 'Underlibrary of Unofficial Histories' will be touring to schools in Lismore, Alstonville and Byron Bay next term. More information about the show can be found at www. norpa.org.au/productions.

# THEATRE FOR HIRE

n light of the recent flood, Lismore Theatre Company's Lis making its Rochdale Theatre in Goonellabah available for functions and meetings for community organisations at very reasonable hire rates.

The theatre is accessible, has a kitchen (with a wall urn, tea and coffee making facilities, dishwasher) and a supper room (with some seating and tables) plus a theatre with raked upholstered seating for 88 people. The theatre has sound and lighting available too.

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# **DUNOON HALL NEWS**

t last we can put the good news in the *Gazette*! There will be further news as time goes by but this is a start.

# **HALL GOOD NEWS**

The Dunoon Village Community Hall has begun the year with some very good news that will allow us to update the hall with a new roof, electrical wiring, disabled toilet and hopefully some plumbing with fencing around the building.

There may be some disruptions during the year while the renovations take place, however when it is all finished Dunoon will have a hall to be proud of. We will keep the *Gazette* up to date as time goes by.

A special thanks to Mary Carter for the hours of work and frustration preparing the submissions.

Below are the details of the grants

# There may be some disruptions during the year while the renovations take place...

that Dunoon Hall has received and the correspondence from the various departments in response to the successful grant applications.

# 1. COMMUNITY BUILDING PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM – \$28,000

Congratulations! You have been successful in receiving \$28,000.00 in the Community Building Partnership 2021 grant round for the following project:

CBP21 - 1304 - The Addition of a Disabled Toilet

# 2. COVID 19 RECOVERY SUPPORT PROGRAM – \$42,000

The Department of Planning, Industry and Environment – Crown Lands (the department) is pleased to provide a funding offer to Dunoon Public Recreation & Public Hall Reserve Land Manager for Dunoon Public Hall in response to an Expression of Interest submission for the COVID-19 Recovery Support Program.

# 3. CROWN RESERVES IMPROVEMENT FUND - \$180,000

Thank you for your application to the 2021-22 Crown Reserves Improvement Fund (CRIF).

Dunoon Public Recreation & Public Hall Reserve Land Manager 210746 Dunoon Public Hall Local Parks & Reserves Upgrades and repairs at Dunoon Public Hall – \$180,000.

# In these uncertain times I am here to support you. Please call for information and support.

# Janelle Saffin MP

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# LISMORE FLOODS

# **LET'S REBUILD LISMORE:** TRADIES AND SUPPLIES **NEEDED**

ommunity-run disaster response network Resilient Lismore has issued an urgent plea for tradies from across Australia to help the city recover after it was decimated by unprecedented flooding.

The group's coordinator, Elly Bird, said they also needed corporate donations and supplies.

"The 2022 Flooding Event was the most severe in recorded history and there has been extensive damage to infrastructure at all levels," she said.

"We're calling for help from outside the devastated city to manage the immense scale of the disaster."

Resilient Lismore has launched the floodhelpnr.com.au website. If you were flood-affected you can request help from a database of over 1200 volunteers or offer your services to those in need.

"We're calling out for tradespeople and skilled volunteers who can help us rebuild.



Calling all tradies and others to help rebuild after the floods.

"The community response has been incredible, and we should be very proud of what we are doing on the ground, but our volunteers are getting tired.

"We need help. We need people from outside to come in and work alongside us so that we can use our local knowledge to the best possible effect and get our recovery really moving.

"We're encouraging people to go to our website if they have corporate donations they would like to offer us, or if they have those skills that we're looking for. We also want to track large groups of volunteers who might want to come and do some work over the coming weeks.

"The task ahead of us is mammoth. The scale of what we're dealing with is so difficult to get across."

To rebuild, the Lismore community is seeking corporate donors to supply us with: gumboots, workwear/work boots, generators, gernis/pressure cleaners, truck wash, industrial fans, dehumidifiers, respirator masks.

To rebuild, the Lismore community needs volunteers such as: handypeople, carpenters, electricians, plumbers, glaziers, structural engineers.

Any volunteers that come to Lismore need to be self-sufficient and have accommodation organised in surrounding areas. Register for help or to offer help at floodhelpnr. com.au website.

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- Excavators 1.7t 30t
- Possi tracks (bobcats)
- Small grader
- Rollers
- Water truck
- Tippers
- Float

# LISMORE FLOODS

# LISMORE URGES AUSTRALIANS: 'DON'T FORGET ABOUT US' – DIRE NEED TO MAKE HOUSES SAFE AND WARM BEFORE WINTER

s Lismore residents survey the damage of the second major flood in a month, thousands fear they will be forgotten by Australians when they need help more than ever.

While the media spotlight turns to grand ideas of relocating the city, 3700 households still desperately need a dry safe place to sleep before winter.

Coordinator of grassroots volunteerpowered recovery organisation Resilient Lismore, Elly Bird, said requests for help was at an all-time high. "Resilient Lismore is working hard to support residents to make their homes safe, secure and warm for winter.

"We need to know that Australia hasn't just put us in the 'too-hard basket'. While there is talk of longer-term solutions, that doesn't change the fact that right now getting residents back into habitable homes must be a priority," Ms Bird said.

"We need donations of time and skills desperately.

"If you are a tradie or handyperson and can spare a few days over the coming months, Lismore will welcome you with grateful open arms." Ms Bird said.

Resilient Lismore also urged businesses and corporations from outside Lismore to consider sending a team to volunteer with the cleanup or rebuild.

Resilient Lismore has set up an online system that matches volunteers with jobs.

To donate your time or money to the community recovery effort: <a href="www.floodhelpnr.com.au">www.floodhelpnr.com.au</a>. Large Groups or corporate volunteers can email <a href="groupvolunteer.rl@gmail.com">groupvolunteer.rl@gmail.com</a>.

Register for help or to offer help at floodhelpnr.com.au website.

# **ABOUT RESILIENT LISMORE**

Resilient Lismore is a collaborative community effort to provide information and connect people willing to volunteer their time or services to help Lismore residents affected by flood. It was created as a response to the 2017 floods and has been a critical network for emergency response and resilience since.



# ST DYMPNA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

# Peace be to you

e are now in the season of Lent. Sadly, we missed celebrating Ash Wednesday this year due to the massive flood that passed through Lismore and surrounding areas.

So, what is Lent? It is a period of fasting and penance before Easter, and lasts 40 days. During this season, Christians think about the sacrifice of Christ on the cross and ask God to forgive our sins.

# THE COLOUR PURPLE **DURING LENT**

During his passion Jesus was

dressed in a purple robe which belonged to Herod – it was the most expensive colour available.

Purple has become a symbol of the offence surrounding our sins. When we look at the purple vestments and church decorations, we are called to remember what was done for us.

We see three meanings of purple in Lent:

- the royalty of Christ;
- His passion and death for our sins; and
- the change of season.

Sunday Mass 8.30am. Cuppa is back on after Mass.

Rosary Wednesday 5pm.

All welcome. Happy Easter from St Dympna's parishioners.







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# ST MATTHEW'S ANGLICAN CHURCH NEWS WITH 'GINA MURRAY

# WHAT IS HAPPENING AT THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF ST MATTHEW'S

ell, what a different start to the year! Let's hope this is a one-off and it will never happen again. A lot of what we had planned for the beginning of the year had to be cancelled because of the catastrophe that hit our area.

In January, Christian (our Rector) gave us a presentation of what



is involved with 'Mainly Music', an event that happens every week in St Andrew's Church Hall in Lismore for parents and pre-school children. When it returns (probably after Easter)

it will take place at 9.30am every Tuesday during school term.

We held our Anglican Women's Guild Annual General Meeting in February. All the office bearers stayed the same and we continue doing the best for our beautiful church.

We did manage to have 'Messy Church' at the beginning of February, which incorporated the blessing of the pencil cases for





the return to school for all the children. We had a good, fun time and a sausage sizzle afterwards. Unfortunately, Messy Church at the beginning of March was cancelled but, hopefully, we shall return to normal for April and beyond, the first Saturday of every month. Messy Church is church for families who may not find other forms of church appealing and who do not yet belong to a church. It includes hands-on creative experiences, a celebration and a meal. It does not prioritise either the needs of children or adults but intentionally welcomes and provides for all ages. There are crafts, games, music, bible stories and FOOD!

Our World Day of Prayer service had to be postponed until Friday 1 April at 7pm, and was hosted by the congregation of St Matthew's. This is an ecumenical service held every year all over the world on the same date (but not in Dunoon). The service this year was prepared by

the World Day of Prayer Committee in England, Wales, and Northern Ireland. The theme 'I know the plans I have for you' will, hopefully, encourage us to reflect on freedom and justice, as well as God's peace and forgiveness.

Don't forget, normal services are every Saturday at 5pm and Guild meets every three months.

Love to see you at Church sometime!

- 'Gina Murray Anglican Women's Guild of St Matthew's, Dunoon



# NEW MEMBERS! WEDNESDAY COMMUNITY GROUP

Wednesday morning at 10am for morning tea and craft activities.

Call Ron 6689 5018

# **EUCHRE**DUNOON HALL

Thursday evening at 7.00pm

Call **Robyn 6689 5073** 

# VILLAGE HALLS

# DIINOON HALI

| DUNOON HALL   |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| Wednesday 10am<br>Craft Group   | Ron<br>6689 5018                           |  |
| Thursday 5.30pm<br>Exercise Class<br>Mon and Wed 9am<br>Lifestyle Mgmt  | Mark Roberts<br>0419 831 424               |  |
| Thursday 7pm  | Euchre – Robyn<br>6689 5073                |  |
| Sunday 9am-1pm<br>Sunday School<br>Sunday 11am<br>Church Service        | Christadelphians<br>Ray Patch<br>6689 5229 |  |
| Please scan the QR code or use the sign-in book when entering the hall. |  |  |

| Tullera Hall     | 6628 2060                    |
|------------------|------------------------------|
| Corndale Hall    | David Hunter<br>6628 4364    |
| Dorroughby Hall  | 0416 287 153<br>0411 420 608 |
| Whian Whian Hall | Gail Chapman<br>0406 966 868 |
| The Channon Hall | General Store 6688 6240      |

Community members welcome. For all bookings contact: 6689 5535

# **CHURCH SERVICES**

## **DUNOON ANGLICAN**

Holy Communion Every Saturday 5.00 pm Guild meets every 3 months 11:30 am

# CHRISTADELPHIAN ECCLESIA

Sunday School 9.30am

Memorial Meeting 11am each Sunday Bible Address on occasions 6689 5229

# **DUNOON CATHOLIC CHURCH**

8.30am every Sunday morning

# GOOLMANGAR CATHOLIC CHURCH

2nd & 4th Sundays 9.30am

# **COMMUNITY MARKETS**

| COMMINION      |   |
|----------------|---|
| TUESDAY        | <b>Lismore Organic Market</b><br>Every Tuesday 7:30 – 11 am<br>Lismore Showgrounds                                      |
| EVERY SATURDAY | Lismore Farmers' Market<br>8am Lismore Showgrounds<br>Alstonville Farmers' Market<br>8am – 12 noon Bugden Lane Car Park |
| 1ST SATURDAY   | <b>Lismore Makers Market</b><br>10am – 2pm Cnr Keen and Magellan  |
| 1ST SUNDAY     | Lismore Car Boot<br>8am – 2pm Lismore Square Carpark<br>Byron Bay Market  |
| 2ND SUNDAY     | The Channon Craft Markets<br>http://thechannonmarket.org.au/  |
| 3RD SATURDAY   | Mullumbimby Market<br>http://www.mullummarkets.com.au/  |
| 3RD SUNDAY     | Lismore Car Boot  |
|                | Lismore Community Garden 9-11am   |
| 4TH SUNDAY     | Bangalow Market 9am – 3pm http://www.bangalowmarket.com.au/ Nimbin Markets 4th and 5th Sunday 8am – 4pm                 |

# SPORTS AND GROUPS

| Channon/Dunoon Pony Club<br>Fiona Wilders  | 6628 2690                    |
|--|------------------------------|
| <b>Channon Tennis Club</b>   | 6688 6165                    |
| Dunoon Sports Club<br>Enquiries & Cricket  | 6689 5444                    |
| <b>Dunoon Social Golf</b>  | 6624 8437                    |
| Chris Gulliver   | 0459 960 356                 |
| Dunoon United Football Club<br>Scott McNeil (President)<br>Liz Vickers (Secretary) | 0417 463 885<br>0403 208 174 |
| <b>Dunoon Tennis</b>   |                              |
| Call Sports Club   | 6689 5444                    |
| Tullera Tennis Club<br>Pauline Leeson  | 6628 2060                    |
| <b>Dunoon Men's Shed</b><br>Ross (President)<br>Karl (Secretary)                   | 0409 425 551<br>0427 834 264 |

# **BUS TIME TABLES**

# HALLS BUS COMPANY

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| DEPARTS | Whian Whian (cnr Starkey Rd)<br>May St, Dunoon (Nthn end)<br>May St, Dunoon (Sthn end) | 7:57am<br>8:08am<br>8:10am |
|---------|--|----------------------------|
| ARRIVES | Trinity  | 8:40am                     |
| DEPARTS | Trinity Bay 1 (opp Menins)   | 3:30pm                     |
| ARRIVES | Dunoon Shop  | 4:00pm                     |
|         | Whian Whian  | 4:15pm                     |



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|--------------------------|--------|
| Dorroughby Hall          | 7.50am |
| Dunoon store             | 8.00am |
| May/Donoghue Street      | 8:01am |
| Modanville store         | 8.10am |
| Tullera Hall Interchange | 8.16am |
| Minschul cres            | 8.21am |
| Richmond River High      | 8.25am |
| Woodlark st              | 8.30am |
| Lismore square           | 8.32am |
| Trinity interchange      | 8.35am |
| Lismore Bus Terminal     | 8.56am |
|                          |        |

# Depart P.M.

| Lismore bus Terminal       | 3.30pm |
|----------------------------|--------|
| Magellan St Near Library   | 3.33pm |
| Trinity Interchange Bay 10 | 3.37pm |

## **School Holidays**

| Bus Stop             | Depart |
|----------------------|--------|
| Dorroughby Hall      | 8.30am |
| Dunoon Store         | 8.40am |
| Modanville Store     | 8.45am |
| Tullera Hall         | 8.52am |
| Minschul Cres        | 8.56am |
| Uniting Church       | 9.00an |
| Molesworth St        | 9.05am |
| Lismore Bus Terminal | 9.07am |

### Depart P.M.

| Lismore Bus Terminal                             | .3.30pm |
|--|---------|
| Lismore Bus Terminal<br>Magellan St Near Library | 3.33pr  |
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| Paul Cox         | 0481 186 410 |
| Mike Berry       | 0414 764 360 |
| TULLERA          |              |
| John Hildebrand  | 0408 282 224 |
| John Mace        | 0415 499 929 |
| THE CHANNON      |              |
| John Hutchison   | 6688 6480    |
| Tony Roden       | 6689 1562    |
| Neale Hayter     | 6688 6171    |
| J.J. Bruce       | 6688 6453    |
| Russell Johnston | 6688 6185    |

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# OTHER USEFUL NUMBERS

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Market coordinator 0458 506 000

# LOCAL BUSINESS PHONE DIRECTORY

| Advertising              | Dunoon Gazette   | 0439 842 237              |
|--------------------------|--|---------------------------|
| Aged Care & Respite      | Nimbin Aged Care & Respite                                   | 6689 1709                 |
| Bottle Shop              | Dunoon General Store   | 6689 5225                 |
|                          | Mary G's   | 6622 2924                 |
| Bus Service              | Dunoon   | 6624 8734                 |
|                          | Whian Whian  | 0421 566 460              |
| Carpenter                | John Ferronato   | 0429 895 130              |
| Doctor                   | Dunoon General Practice, James St                            | 6689 5811                 |
| Earthmoving Excavators   | Tom Thumb – Jeremy   | 0457 895 414<br>6689 5414 |
|                          | DigWise Earthworks   | 0403 721 876              |
| Electrical/Air Con/Solar | Norfell – Richard Temple                                     | 6688 2205<br>0410 811 654 |
| Federal Member           | Kevin Hogan  | 6621 4044                 |
| General Store            | Dunoon General Store   | 6689 5225                 |
| Holiday House            | Dianne Flynn (Port Macquarie)                                | 0408 614 113              |
| Insurance                | Dudgeon & Berry, 5/76 Woodlark St                            | 6621 3000                 |
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| Marriage Celebrant       | The Joyful Celebrant   | 0435 111 500              |
| Painter                  | Krystof – Painter and Decorator                              | 0406 887 906              |
| Plumber                  | Nik Hyde   | 6689 5174<br>0428 753 796 |
|                          | Barcoo Plumbing  | 0427 445 555              |
| Postal and Services      | Dunoon Post Office – Fiona                                   | 6689 5101                 |
| Printing Services        | Lismore City Printery  | 6621 5371                 |
| Real Estate              | PRD Northern Rivers  | 6632 3380                 |
|                          | Peta Thompson @realty  | 0403 123 115              |
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|                          | Mary G's, Cnr Woodlark/Keen St                               | 6622 2924                 |
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|                          | Motion Mover   | 0428 813 310              |
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| State Member             | Janelle Saffin   | 6621 3624                 |
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| Tractor Repairs          | Lismore Tractor & Machinery Centre, 30 Tweed St, Nth Lismore | 6622 2842                 |
| Transport                | Northern Rivers Community Transport                          | 6628 8806                 |
| Tree Care                | Tree Shape – Ivy & Eron                                      | 6688 6297<br>0428 026 307 |
| Volunteering             | Northern Rivers Community Gateway                            | 6621 7397                 |
| Winery                   | Imogen's Wines   |                           |

# SCHOOLS PRESCHOOLS PLAYGROUPS

| Dunoon Public School              | 6689 5208 |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| Modanville Public School          | 6628 2234 |
| Corndale Public School            | 6628 4305 |
| The Channon Public School         | 6688 6236 |
| Whian Whian Public School         | 6689 5240 |
| Dunoon Pre School                 | 6689 5396 |
| The Channon Children's Centre     | 6688 6330 |
| Dunoon After School/Vacation Care | 6689 5930 |
| Tullera/Modanville Playgroup      | 6689 5381 |
|                                   |           |



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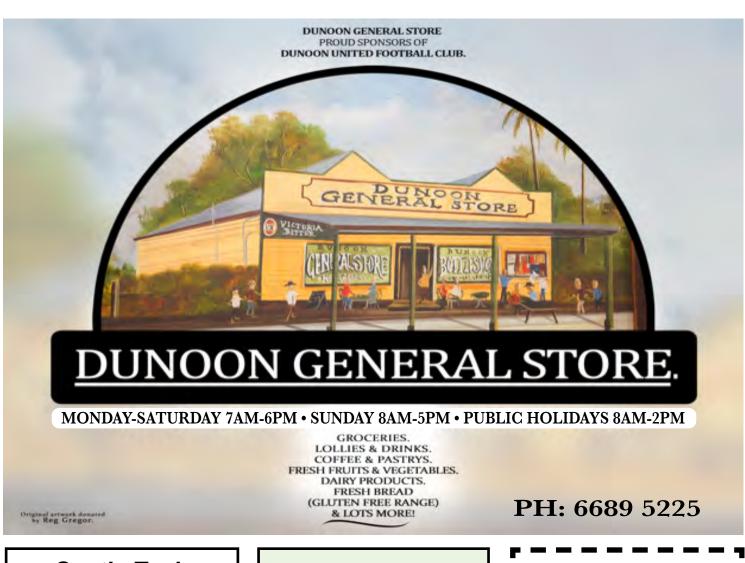


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