



Rotary Batemans Bay



28th September
2024



Four Way Test
of the things we
think, say or do

Is it the **TRUTH**?
Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?



It is always a happy evening when we induct a new member into our Club and it was great to induct two new Rotarians on Thursday evening.
We met Sharlene Cohen in August when she spoke passionately to the Club on a proposed Water Project in Kenya. Sharlene is a local having lived in the Bay for the past thirty years.
Mathew Hatcher needs no introduction as he is the incumbent mayor and holds a strong lead to be our next Eurobodalla mayor. Mat has also spoken to the Club last year on his life, mayoral duties and passion for coffee!
We welcome both new Rotarians.

MEETINGS :

Thursday 3rd October

Visit to Batemans Bay Heritage Museum, Museum Place. Partners and Friends welcome
****See below for more details****
Bring a share plate
BYO Drinks and glasses
Tea and Coffee provided

Thursday 10th October

Heidi Pohlsen – Recollections of Batemans Bay from the 60's onwards.
Toast & Thanks: Chris Bendle
Door: Chris Watson

Thursday 17th October

(Note this is usually a Board Meeting but the student Doctors leave at the end of this week)

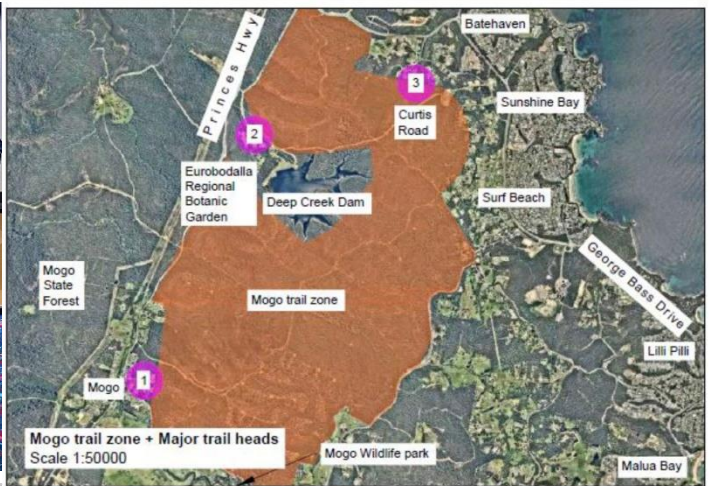
Young Doctors – Summary of their year in the Eurobodalla and experiences of their indigenous placement
Toast & Thanks: Alan Russell
Door: Brian Jones

Thursday 24th October

Board Meeting 5pm followed by dinner 7pm in Bistro – all welcome



It was a fantastic Presentation given by Lindsay Usher and Martin Wisata on the new Mogo Trails, part of which opened in August this year. This nature based tourism project will bring thousands of younger people to our Shire, but it will not only be a regional destination or even a national destination but has the potential to put Mogo on the map globally. When the entire bike trails open in the New Year, there will be a network of 130kms of mountain bike trails.



As shown on the above map, there are three entry points into the trails, Mogo Town, Curtis Rd and the Botanic Gardens. They are made to look like they have been there a long time but are very new. They will give visiting riders such amazing experiences, spending a week or more here and not getting bored.

Sea Otter, the World's Premier Cycling Festival will take place in April 2025 in California, USA, in September on the Costa Brava, Spain and In October at Hanging Rock, Batemans Bay! This will be a Trade Show, Festival, Expo – many things and all the major brands associated with the cycling world will be there, bringing thousands into the area.




October 2025



RIDING +
Gravel, exploring flow trails, creating journeys, itineraries, cultural experiences, eBike Tours

TRADE DAY +
Industry-specific tradeshow for industry to network - dealer days, corporate meets, awards

SUMMIT +
A platform for industry leaders to drive meaningful dialogue around tourism and industry growth.

RACING +
Competitive events: Gravity Enduro, Downhill, Marathon, Endurance, Dual Slalom, Gravel, Free Ride, eBike

EXPO +
Multi-day consumer exhibition, latest bikes, gear and trends, deals, athletes & influencers

COMMUNITY +
Tourism packaging, local community initiatives and engagement - local clubs, businesses, schools, volunteers.





seaotter.au

Congratulations Rocky Trail Destinations for fulfilling their Vision and creating the most progressive Mountain Bike trail network in Australia!

We will celebrate Hat Day in October and Support Mental Health Research



Where: Batemans Bay Heritage Museum
When: Thursday 3rd October
Time: 6pm **Cost:** \$10
Partners & Friends Welcome
Bring your Hats – old, funny, beautiful, foreign (any hat!) and win a prize!
(There will be hats from bygone days at the Museum to wear).

Bring a plate to share for supper. BYO drinks and glasses.
 The main exhibition at the Museum is "All about Bees" and there will be a Guest Speaker on Beekeeping.



Watermelon and water spinach from Sulilaran School garden was enjoyed by students this week.