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Artist's Impression of General Store building renovation. Picture supplied

that they vacated is being converted into a number of smaller shops. The new owners have advised that they have secured tenants for several spaces already and they are confident that interest will grow as the renovations progress. They engaged local designer Jess Halvorsen to assist them with selection of colours and materials for the revamped exterior which will include a timber deck at the front and a striking red and charcoal colour scheme. The new tenants are expected to

move in and begin operating in October. The upgrade of 91 Hoddle Street and the new businesses that will call this building home add momentum to the already exciting growth in commercial activity that Robertson is currently experiencing. People wishing to enquire about commercial space in this building should contact Susan Everdell of Inside Story Realty on 0412 684 497 (see ad page 12).

Robertson General Store Building Getting a Facelift

By Jennifer Macquarie

Many of us have been watching with interest the renovation of the old Robertson General Store building next to the pub. The Robertson News Agency has relocated to a smaller shop at the northern end of the building and the larger space

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A promotional image for the Wallaby Hillbillies. On the left, a group of people wearing cowboy hats and western-style clothing are smiling. In the center, there is a circular logo for 'ROBERTSON PUBLIC HOUSE & KITCHEN' with 'SINCE 1887' and 'SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS' around it. On the right, a man with a beard is playing a guitar. The background includes a sign that says 'the party here' and another that says 'WALLABY HILLBILLYS'.

Wallaby Hillbillies.

FRIDAY OCTOBER 25TH - 7PM

Lock up yer grandmothers, the fabulous Wallaby Hillbillies are a'comin' to town.. a night of rootin' tootin' boot scootin' knee slappin', bone crackin' spud smashin' frivolity!

SPECIAL GUEST:
Nick Rheinberger.
(aka Mr Potato head..)

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Put on your dancing shoes and help the Robertson Show Society raise funds to upgrade the tired old Poultry Pavilion.

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Come and support our community, welcome our Show Girl Finalists and help build a new Poultry Pavilion.

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Show Ball 2019

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Come and Celebrate Our Majestic and Historic School of Arts

By John Johnston, Secretary RSOFA

Big Band and High Tea with *Blamey Street Big Band*



Robertson School of Arts renovations completed . Picture supplied

The Robertson School of Arts Committee applied for a grant in 2018 to have a new outside roof put on the stage of the hall as it had rotted and the corrugated iron had rusted out in places. We also replaced the old front fence with a new colour bond heritage fence with an electric gate. We also replaced the broken concrete at the entry to the hall and erected a new sign. We have had the hall building repainted the same heritage colours it has always been.

This work was carried out with funding from the New South Wales Government and the Hall Committee to a total of \$120,000 and an **afternoon tea is planned to celebrate this on the 26th October 2019. If anyone would like to attend this celebration please contact John Johnston on 0407004395.**

The Robertson Hall is an important part of the Robertson community and everyone in the village should be very proud of how it looks at the moment.

We would encourage anyone who would like to join the committee to please let the Secretary know on the above number. At the moment this Majestic and Historic building looks great and should be preserved as it serves this area as we go into the future.

The *Blamey Street Big Band* is performing for a swing music and high-tea afternoon at Robertson School of Arts on Sunday 20 October at 2pm.

If you are a fan of the music of Duke Ellington, Benny Goodman, Louis Armstrong, Cab Calloway and Glenn Miller, this is a live music experience not to miss, a great event for the whole family, and swing dancers are welcome!



This is a fundraiser for Southern Highlands Jazz Inc., a not-for-profit organisation promoting live jazz locally. The *Blamey Street Big Band* is one of Canberra's premier big bands and is led by multi award-winning jazz player and educator Brendan Clarke.

A delicious afternoon tea is included in the \$25 ticket price, and children under 16 years old accompanied by an adult are free. Wine, beer and soft drink will be available for purchase at the venue. Tickets are available for purchase online at www.trybooking.com/BFBKI. Contact Jenny for more information on 0429 826 431.

Get Ready for Summer

Spring is here but **summer is coming** ! The spring and summer seasons in Robertson may not be typical of many parts of the state but fire can still be



part of our landscape. Wild fire is not a normal part of the summer season in Robertson but a drought, combined with low humidity, high winds and hot few days can change that. Fire, under those conditions, even in our area, is not your friend and you'd better be ready.

Members of the Robertson Rural Fire Brigade will be at the School of Arts markets on October 13. Come along and let us help you Get Ready !

Fundraiser for Australian Conservation Foundation

Come and join us for an evening of entertainment and help support our national environment organisation: the Australian Conservation Foundation.

For one night only the Bowral Empire Cinema will be screening that memorable classic, **Butch Cassidy & the Sundance Kid**. Featuring two of Hollywood's most loved movie stars, Paul Newman and Robert Redford, this is a fun, action-packed story of two charismatic young men on a spree of robbery, adventure and romance.

Save the date: **Wednesday, 27th November**, 6pm for 6.30pm. Tickets: \$25, includes light refreshments. Available at the cinema box-office or contact louise.egerton0@gmail.com

Ferns of the NSW South Coast and the Robertson Area

The next Robertson Environment Protection Society public talk is on Friday 11 October at 7.30pm at the Community Centre in Caalong Street and the guest speaker will be Dr Kevin Mills, a local noted botanist, speaking about ferns.

The ferns make up about 10 percent of the region's flora, although in some environments they dominate the forest, particularly in rainforest. The region contains 131 species of fern and fern ally, which is 70 percent of the species found in NSW as a whole. Most of these species can be found in the Robertson area, given the high diversity of habitats and high rainfall in that area.

The talk will discuss the ferns as a plant group, fern groups and target those ferns that can readily be found in the Robertson rainforest. Kevin Mills has been studying the flora of the south coast for over 35 years and for several years he has been closely surveying the region's ferns and is an authority on the group in south-eastern NSW. He has added several species to the fern lists for the region and the state. All welcome.

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The Thin Green Line

Providing project funds to help landholders manage and link critical habitat for wildlife

By David Rush, NPANSW

The forest areas of the Illawarra Escarpment east of Robertson are recognised as being at their thinnest width in terms of continuous connectivity between Newcastle and the Victorian Border. In some parts, this 'pinch point' is less than 200m wide which creates something of a bottleneck when it comes to the capacity of wildlife to move, find food, shelter and for breeding purposes. A major event, such as a wildfire or severe storm, could sever this thin green line restricting the movement of native animals, especially threatened species. These animals are already struggling to deal with habitat loss and pest



Photo supplied

species invasion. Their homes are fragmented due to decades of land clearing, urban and rural development, roads, rail and the impacts of climate change. These issues are leading to the decline and may even lead to local extinction of some threatened species.

The Thin Green Line project operates with a consortium of partners. Lead project partner, National Parks Association of NSW (NPA) works directly with landholders, community groups and with

local and state government land managers to address the project issues and engage landholders in an area that has its fair share of non-permanent residents. The partners include Wingecarribee, Shellharbour and Kiama Councils, South East Local Land Services, Illawarra Local Aboriginal Land Council, National Parks and Wildlife Service, the Wildlife Preservation Society and Robertson Environment Protection Society (REPS).

The project works across all tenures regardless of ownership and encourages private landholders to engage in weed and feral animal control to assist with reducing the impacts on native wildlife species, particularly endangered species. Conducting pest species control works best when done in conjunction with neighbouring landholders and government agencies as part of a landscape approach to reduce pest species every spring and summer. So far, more than 40 Landholders have attended training workshops in feral animal control and fox cage traps (funded by the Wildlife Preservation Society) have been made available to loan. In addition, several landholders have taken up funding agreements to help manage their forest patches through contract weed control, fencing and tree planting to protect and connect forest patches.

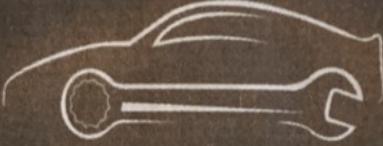
Landholders with patches of native bushland in the target areas of East Kangaloon, Mount Butler to Mount Murray, south through Robertson to Clover Hill, Watts Hill, St Anthonys, Pheasant Ground to Knights Hill, Bells Hill and Carrington Falls may be eligible to get involved. You can learn more about the project by attending a presentation on Sunday morning 27th October at the Robertson CTC. Please contact project manager, David Rush on 0418 977 402 or email: davidr@npansw.org.au to register for the presentation or express your interest in the project. Registrations for the Robertson CTC presentation are essential. The Thin Green Line project is funded by the NSW Environmental Trust Bush Connect Program.

Read more about the Thin Green Line project in the next edition of REPS publication ***Eucryphia***. www.reps.org.au/eucryphia.htm

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Storytelling Robertson Continues

By Michael Breen

Robertson has had two successful storytelling sessions and the third session has just been held. Why do people come along? To listen to stories and to tell stories. One person's stories spark other people to tell their stories in their own time and at their own pace. What kinds of stories? Life stories, stories of coincidence, amazing stories and stories which tell us we are not too different from one another. 'Something like that happened to me...' and off they go on another story. We read and see on screens stories all the time. Many of those stories are expensively presented. Sound and colour effects add sensational dressing up. Robertson stories are more wholesome, more down to earth. They, so far, have been entertaining and informative but not MGM block busters.

How come? Stories in the first two meetings have been personal experiences of ordinary and some extraordinary events in life. Some have been matters of life or death, of escape, of tons and tons of fish, yes fish. But none has been boring. Stories and their tellers here are more like wholemeal bread than fluffy sponge with loads of icing. Homespun rather than gold lamé. Do people compete to outdo someone else's story? Not so far. Listeners have been respectful of other tellers' tales.

Sometimes the teller is asked to give some more detail about some part of their story. That kind of hunger for a bit more can be fed. Why or what or who or what happened next or 'Did you get away from the people who wanted to kill you eventually?' (in the last session) This is hunger you can feed if the teller is there in the room with you. You can't do that with a TV or in a cinema. Many of the best stories never reach the newspapers. Many of the best stories are told by those who could not read or write.

Before there was writing or books or film people told stories. Storytellers were very special members of the community. They still are really. Originally they passed on the history of the tribe. They told stories or produced songs which told people how to travel from one place to another, as did Aboriginal song lines. They told of medical cures. They told when different trees would be producing fruit. They told when fish would be plentiful. They celebrated the wonderful elders who have passed on. Those storytellers held the essential information the tribe needed to survive. Other storytellers were entertainers who told of giants and ghosts of heroines heroes, saints and sinners.

These stories entertained. They were engaging and a lot more. They inspired good deeds, values like

courage and kindness. They also had warnings about dangerous cliffhanging limits. Some of you may remember the Grim Reaper advertisements. People made stories and people were made by stories. In Ireland, which has one of the richest storytelling traditions in the world, the storyteller or Seanchaí was a reciter of ancient tales and wisdom whenever it was needed. They were the sort of 'Google go to' of their time. Women told legends. Other forms of storytelling folk stories, hero tales and myths have been the job of the male Seanchaí. This person was the servant of the chief of the clan. It was a position of respect and power.

The tradition continues now in Ireland more as entertainment. You can google Eamon Kelly Ireland if you want a sample of traditional story telling. Anyway we know telling and listening to stories enriches our lives. Look out for details of the next storytelling group session in coming months. For further information contact Michael on 4885 2180.

R U OK?

By Graham Thomas

As I write, today (12th September) is R U OK day. It's an important day. Let me quote what a friend of mine wrote on his Facebook page. "In a society where communication has NEVER been quicker, easier, cheaper or had access to more information, as people, we have never been more isolated, depressed, unable to communicate and ignorant of others' well-being. On top of the 6 men who daily succeed in ending their own lives, a further 2 women each day also succeed."

He continues..."This is not a contest, and there are many more who are just holding on, holding it together on the outside, masking the reality inside only they know about. These are people who are hurting, in pain, alone and desperate to not face the suffering that they have fought hard for so long, but just can't face it another day. The next day is so black they simply cannot bear the thought of entering another battle."

I write at this moment to say that today, and every day, I will stand with you. Day or night, whenever, wherever, it doesn't matter. If you need to chat or just sit with someone and say nothing, get in touch with the church. R U Ok?

See you around!

Graham Thomas
Minister
Robertson / Burrawang Anglican Church
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Check out the Events Calendar for details of regular church services.

Robertson Events Calendar		
October 2019		
Fri 4 & Fri 11	Children's Creative Workshops see page 9	The SHAC
Sat 5	Exhibition opening 2pm see page 12	Fettlers Shed
Tue 8 & Thur 24	Robertson Men's Shed meetings 10am-3pm see page 8	CTC@Robertson
Fri 11	Literary Forum with Andrew Tink AM 11am for 11.30am ph 4888 2011	Wombat Hollow
Fri 11	REPS Meeting —Ferns of the NSW South Coast & the Robertson Area 7.30pm see page 4	Robertson Community Centre
Fri 11	Old Time Dance 8pm-11pm Contact Noel 0427 975 645	School of Arts
Sat 12	Flowers in Art Exhibition opens see page 12	Fettlers Shed
Sun 13	Get Ready for Summer with the Fire Brigade at the Markets 9am-2pm see page 4	School of Arts
Sun 13	Robertson Markets 9-2 (2nd Sunday of the month) mob: 0408 238 575 Pat	School of Arts
Sun 13	Robertson Loop Train and Cockatoo Run see page 12	Robertson Railway
Fri 18 & Fri 25	Computer Classes 10am-1pm see page 11	CTC@Robertson
Sun 20	Blamey Street Big Band and High Tea 2pm-5pm see page 3	School of Arts
Tues 22	Robertson Business Chamber AGM & Meeting 6pm see page 10	The Robertson Hotel
Fri 25	Wallaby Hillbillies 7pm see page 1	Robertson Public House
Sat 26	Afternoon Tea to celebrate building renovations 2pm see page 3	School of Arts
Sat 26	Art Exhibition opening 2pm see page 11	CTC@Robertson
Sun 27	Thin Green Line Workshop see page 5	CTC@Robertson
November 2019		
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Tue 12 & Thur 28	Robertson Men's Shed meetings 10am-3pm see page 8	CTC@Robertson
Sun 15	Deadline for December Edition of Robertson News	CTC@Robertson
Sat 30	Robertson Show Ball 6.30 for 7pm see page 2	Robertson Showground
Regular Events		
Every Mon, Wed & Thur during school terms	Yoga —Mondays 6.30pm to 7.45pm, Wednesday, 9.15am to 10.30am, Thursdays 5.45pm-7pm 0407 771 828 and email to jenniferrobinson108@gmail.com	Robertson Community Centre
Every Mon	Social Carpet Bowls at 11am	Robertson Bowling Club
1st Mon	Robertson Garden Club 1.30pm Marion Tyree mob 0401425565	Robertson Community Centre
Every 2nd Tues	Robertson Community & Seniors Group 11:30am for 12 start. Contact Vinnie Shepherd (after 6pm) 4886 4344	TBC—contact Vinnie
2nd Tues and 4th Thurs of month	Robertson Men's Shed 10am-3pm ph 0467 316 070	CTC@Robertson
1st & 3rd Tues	Robertson History Group 10am-1pm Contact Helen Tranter ph 48851394	Fettlers Shed
Every Tues	Social tennis 1-3pm All Welcome	Robertson Tennis Court
Every Week	Mindfulness Meditation 3.30pm-4.30pm Contact Fiona Brown 0409 036 188	The Robertson Doctor
Every Wed	Robertson Songsters 4.30pm Contact Karen Wilmott mob 0403 044 828	CTC@Robertson
Every Wed	Robertson Knitting Group 10.30-12.30	The Cool Room Emporium
Every Thurs	iPad and Tablets group 1.30pm—3pm	CTC@Robertson
Every Fri	Free Trivia/Joker Jackpot/Prize Tombola	Robertson Bowling Club
Every Sat	Crop Swap 9.30 am	Robertson Bowling Club
Every Sun	Robertson Railway Modellers Group 1pm-4.30pm Neil 0457 355 970	The Fettlers Shed
1st Sun, 4th Sun	Traditional Service at 8am every 1st and 4th Sundays of the month	St Johns Robertson
Every Sun	Family Service – 10am every Sunday and Youth Service 6pm Sundays	St Johns Robertson
1st, 3rd, 5th Sun 2nd, 4th Sun	Catholic Service 8am Catholic Service 5pm	St Peter's Burrawang

Robertson Men's Shed Update

By Nigel Walker, Secretary

The Robertson Men's Shed Inc (RMSI) meetings run from 10am-3pm at the CTC 58-60 Hoddle Street Robertson. We always have a really good BBQ lunch. New members are most welcome, come along and meet a great bunch of chaps. We will be undertaking small woodworking projects on some of these days and learning how to use our tools and equipment.



Tuesday December 10 last meeting for the year
Tuesday February 11 2020 – resume 2020

RMSI has been progressing with plans for the construction of our new shed and we now have an approved Development Application (DA) and we have submitted our Construction Certificate (CC) to Council. Clearing the site and setting up security fencing will happen over the next few weeks. We have also been busy fundraising and currently have several "irons in the fire" so to speak and we are sure we will get infrastructure funding soon.



Meetings will be held on the following dates for the remainder of this year:

- Tuesday October 8**—special guest speaker
- Thursday October 24**—tools and small projects
- Tuesday November 12** - AGM and small projects
- Thursday November 28**—usual meeting

The RMSI do a lot of fundraising by running community BBQ's and we will be running several over the next few months including at the SHAC on Saturday 2nd of November in conjunction with their Market Day and we will be at Bunnings Braemar on Boxing Day and Australia Day.

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Every Friday - Free Trivia - Joker Jackpot and Lucky Member draw from 7pm

Every Sunday - Prize Tombola - Members Draw from 6.30pm

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The Club welcomes new members with social membership starting at \$13 per year. The Club is a major sponsor of Robertson's Soccer, Cricket and Hockey clubs. For further information call the Club on 4885 1306.

October Creative Workshops at The SHAC

THE SHAC CHILDREN'S CREATIVE WORKSHOP DAY



\$30.00 per child with Creative Kids Voucher
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Join us for an incredible day of creativity and art making! Students will be given a place to flourish, explore and

learn a range of art making techniques and will come away filled with new found confidence in their art making abilities. All materials will be provided on the day.

'Unusual Tools' Painting Workshop - Vanessa Forbes

Join us for a day of exploring tools other than brushes, to apply paint Oct 5. This workshop will give you a range of techniques to use in your own art making practice, along with valuable information on colour mixing. All materials will be provided, including: 3 small canvas boards and 1 larger canvas, All paints, All materials and tools for applying paint, Tea and coffee. What to bring: Lunch or treat yourself to one of the various cafes in walking distance from the SHAC. About Vanessa—Vanessa is an Artist, Illustrator, High School Art Teacher, Lecturer University Western Sydney in Colour, Illustration, Drawing and Painting. Your investment for the day: \$195 Bookings and details: janevanessaforbes@bigpond.com

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Kids Felt Nest Workshop - JESS FORSTER

In this unique workshop, students will be immersed in the world of fibre fun! Each participant will learn to create their very own Felt Nest (bowl) using locally sourced sheep wool. 10am - 1pm Morning Tea included. Suitable for children 7+ \$60 per Child Ask about our discount of 10% for SHAC Members For bookings go to <https://www.trybooking.com/BFECW>



Adults Felt Nest Workshop - JESS FORSTER

In an immersive creative experience you will learn about natural fibres and their application in creating art. Each participant will learn to create a wet-felted vessel - of their own design using locally sourced sheep wool. 2pm - 5.30pm Light refreshments included Suitable for any ability. \$125pp Ask about our 10% Discount for SHAC Members For bookings - <https://www.trybooking.com/BFEDD>

RESIN JEWELLERY WORKSHOP Oct 19

In this hands-on class you Jodie from ButtonUp Designs will teach various techniques to create your own colourful resin jewellery. Learn how to mix resin, add colour pigment and finish your jewellery pieces. You will have the opportunity to make two resin bangles and two resin rings that will be ready for you to take home on the day. The first part of this class will include a brief explanation and demonstration of how to use resin to create your own one of a kind jewellery pieces. You will then have the opportunity to choose your own colours to use and create unique designs to cast two bangles and two rings of your own choice. The final part of this class will include sanding and polishing your pieces ready for you to take home. This class Includes all materials and Morning Tea \$155pp 10% Discount for SHAC Members **Bookings at** <https://www.trybooking.com/BBWUG>



Beeswax Wraps and Organic Skincare Workshop Oct 26

3 hour workshop - come and learn how to make and maintain your own re-useable beeswax food wraps and

healthy skincare at home using ingredients from your kitchen pantry with kirsty from parva: little things. A fun hands on workshop to get you started on your low tox, low waste journey, the planet and your body will thank you! All skill levels and skin types catered for, everyone welcome! (kids and young adults too age 11+) you will take home: 2 x medium wraps 1 x lip balm 1 x body balm 1 x coffee and spice body scrub. All packaging is plastic free and is designed to be refilled over and over again + all skincare customised with essential oils +a digital booklet with recipes, stockists and information on formulation and safe use of essential oils +digital booklet of wrap making process and beeswax suppliers. Bring a bag to haul your loot. Everything else is provided. \$120pp For Bookings www.trybooking.com/BFHGX

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Save the Date for the Robertson Business Chamber AGM and Networking Event

By Jennifer Macquarie

The interim committee has jumped through the necessary hoops to formally establish the Robertson Business Chamber. We have an entity and a bank



Robertson Business Chamber met on 24 September at CTC @Robertson with guest speaker Jan Campbell Council's Economic Development Officer

account, and now all we need is you!

You will soon receive an email from us regarding membership for an annual fee of \$50, making it accessible for local businesses of all sizes.

Robertson is

home to such diverse businesses and for the Chamber to truly represent the full range of views and concerns, and to support your growth, we need as many as possible to join. Membership comes with some added benefits from the NSW Chamber which we will explain in the membership email.

Our next event will be held at **6pm on Tuesday 22nd October**, very generously hosted by The Robertson Hotel. It will involve a brief AGM to formalise the committee (new candidates welcome!) and we will then move onto a networking event which will include an interesting speaker on a topic relevant to local businesses. Please save the date in your diary. More details will follow soon.

Until then, trade well friends! Contact Robertson Business Chamber robbobuschamber@gmail.com

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To register contact Jennifer on **0407 771 828** or
jenniferrobinson108@gmail.com

Robertson JPs Ready to Help You

By Jenny Kena, JP

A meeting of local Justices of the Peace was held at the CTC on Thursday 8 August. Eight JPs from Robertson, Burrawang and Wildes Meadow attended along with three representatives of the Southern Highlands Branch of the NSW Justices Association. Seven other local JPs were interested in attending but not able to make it on the day.

The various ways of making JPs more readily available in the Robertson community were discussed including the possibility of setting up a regular Community Desk. A JP Community Desk service is when JPs are available on a regular basis in a public location. This service is currently provided in Mittagong, Bowral and Moss Vale. The JPs who staff the desk need to be members of the

Some JPs in and around Robertson	
Name	Contact Number
John Johnston	0407 004 395
Michelle Waters	0414 918 970
Peter Glass	4885 1921
Annie Baker	0409 708 070
David Brown	0417 463 789
Judy Fisk	0418 451 988
Jenny Kena	0429 826 431
Doug Pritchard	0413 055 062
Michael Breen	4885 2180
Alan Pincus	0404 082 920
Steve Carey	4885 2393
Jack Skipper	0412 370 433
Kathy Tobler	0412 447 056
Kellie Green	0401 991 997
Allan Jackson	0437 851 168
Find more JPs at https://www.jp.nsw.gov.au/findajp	

Association and undertake training. It was decided that we would continue to work towards this option with the Association. In the meantime, it was agreed that it would be good to have a printed list of local JPs that the community could access. Although you can find a JP online, it was felt that a printed list would also be

useful. **If any other JPs would like to be added to this printed list please contact Jenny Kena.**



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Robertson Community Technology Centre

by Karen Mewes CTC@Robertson Manager

We have been very pleased to host a number of community events and meetings at the CTC recently. This has included the new Robertson Business Chamber, the Robertson Story Telling group and the Wingecarribee Community Services Outreach. The CTC also regularly hosts meetings of the Robertson Men's Shed Inc and the Robertson Songsters.

We have a streamlined booking procedure and the standard hourly hire rate is \$20 per hour. This was some feedback from one of our recent hirers—

Thank you for hosting such a fabulous day. It was a lovely venue, fantastic service and a warm, welcoming environment.

Find out more at www.robertsonctc.org.au/venue-and-equipment-hire.html

Computer Classes at CTC@Robertson

All classes are taught by a qualified and experienced trainer. .Ph 4885 2665 karenmewes@robertsonctc.org.au Cost \$65 (\$55 concession/senior) per 3 hour class, morning coffee and manual included. Maximum of 6 per class. If you can't make a Friday please contact us, with sufficient interest we may put on extra classes or adjust.

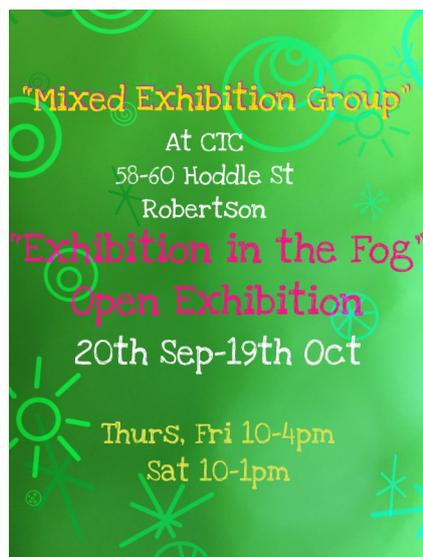
Friday 18 Oct	10:00am 1:00pm	Beginners - Basic computer skills. Get started or gain confidence using a computer and searching the internet.
Friday 25 Oct	10:00am 1:00pm	Photos - Putting photos onto your computer from camera, phone or tablet. Organising, simple editing and sharing via email or to social media.
Friday 1 Nov	10:00am 12:00pm	Word - Beginners or Refresher. Learn or update your office skills in Word. Lots of tips and shortcuts.
Friday 8 Nov	10:00am 12:00pm	PowerPoint - Introduction to creating presentations. Great for business or parents wanting to assist their school children with this.

The CTC is OPEN: Thurs & Fri 10am - 4pm, Sat 10am - 1pm. 58-60 Hoddle Street, Robertson

Ph: 4885 2665 Email: info@robertsonctc.org.au

Website: www.robertsonctc.org.au

CTC Art Exhibitions



Following the *Exhibition in the Fog*, a mixed exhibition by local artists, the *Passionate 4 Art* Exhibition will open on Saturday 26 October at 2pm. This exhibition features Karon Sacks and Gail Newell.

Gail has been passionate about watercolour for more than 15 years and has recently added mixed

media, particularly, collage, to add a new dimension to her eclectic artwork. Karon says about her art "Within all the years of my creative existence my passion has been drawn from nature, from bust sculptures to drawing with the media of ink/ watercolour/acrylic. My subjects relate to fauna and flora and colours of the Great Barrier Reef are sometimes reflected with a touch of the tropics as well as my love for Australian wildlife and my love of African." This exhibition will be open 10am-4pm Thur-Sat from 24 October to 17 November.



Arts Thesaurus to Reopen



The Robertson Arts Thesaurus which began as a pop up gallery in the old Cheese Factory boiler shed will reopen at the “Long Room” of the newly renovated site of Waters General store opposite the Big Potato.

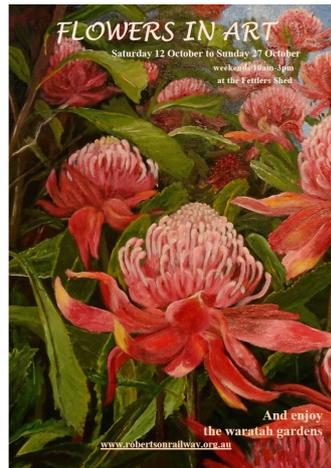
“We are excited to be part of this new venue in the heart of Robo” said Neil Boughton who will be running the space in partnership with his sister, Diana Kirkpatrick. “Robertson has long been a place that has attracted creative folk and in recent times it seems to have increased. We are hoping to show a little of what is happening. We will be collaborating with an antiquarian and a broad range of creatives. If all goes to plan, we will be setting up in early October”.

Both Neil who is a veteran potter and Diana who is a milliner will use part of the space to create their wares and demonstrate for visitors who are keen to see how it is done.

Two Exciting Exhibitions Coming Up at the Fettle's Shed

Over the October long weekend an exhibition called In Two Minds is on at the Fettle's Shed at the Robertson Heritage Railway Station. Artists Tarni Rix and Stuart Gibson will hold a special preview on Friday 4 October 5-8pm with the Official Opening at 2pm on Saturday 5 October. The Exhibition will be

open over the long weekend.



The following weekend on October 12 the annual exhibition *Flowers in Art* opens.

This exhibition is open every weekend until Sunday 27 October from 10am—3pm.

Enjoy the waratah gardens at the same time.

Find out more at www.robertsonrailway.org.au

The Robertson Loop Train and Cockatoo Run is on Sunday 13 October.



Buy a ticket on the Loop Train to Moss Vale from 12 noon at the Station. Purchase

Cockatoo Run tickets online at www.123tix.com.au/events

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