

## EUROBODALLA SHIRE COUNCIL

### PUBLIC FORUM

All members of the community who have registered have been advised that they have a **maximum of five minutes** to put their case.

Ordinary Meeting of Council on 13 August 2019

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<b>Public Forum – 9.30am</b>	
Kaeleigh Peard	NOM19/004 Climate Emergency
Michelle Hamrosi	NOM19/004 Climate Emergency
Cath Reilly obo SAGE	NOM19/004 Climate Emergency
Alison Worthington obo SHASA	NOM19/004 Climate Emergency
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Chris Gandy	CCS19/035 Potential Sale of Moruya Racecourse

Good morning Mayor Innes and councillors of the Eurobodalla,

My name is Kaeleigh Peard and I am a year 6 student at Sunshine Bay Public School. Thank you for the opportunity to speak in front of you today. At school we learn about government and how parliament is here to represent the people of the country. I feel lucky to live in a country where I; a young person, a student and a female, is able to stand in front of my local government and ask them to represent me. I am asking you to please say yes to passing the Climate Emergency declaration today.

At our school, we have been working at recycling and reducing single use plastics. We also have a school garden to teach us to grow our own food. Our school is close to 2 beaches which we try to clean up every year. I think it is important that we look after our local area. Early this year, I saw a movie about climate change and what people were doing or not doing about it. That was when I realised that this is bigger than rubbish on a beach. Climate change is actually a real thing and we all need to take it seriously and do something about it. We need to keep global warming below an increase of 2 degrees or we're all in massive trouble. In October, the united nations warned that we only have 12 years to do this or climate change will become irreversible. More recent studies are warning we do not even have that long. 935 governments in 18 countries have declared a Climate Emergency, including Sydney, Melbourne and Hobart city councils. Please let Eurobodalla council be next to say this is important.

In May this year, after a Climate change event was hosted by a Yr12 student at St Peter's, I got to have lunch with Professor Will Steffen, his wife and their little, black dog named Raffaele. Professor Will Steffen is an extremely intelligent man but he explained things so that my brother, sister and I could understand. He spoke to us about the bleaching of the coral in the Great Barrier Reef. He told us that the colour of the coral is actually made up from millions of small, living algae and that the rising temperature of the water is killing it. If we can somehow lower the water temperature, the algae will eventually grow back and we can see the wonderful reefs like in the movie Finding Nemo.

In the school holidays, my family and I made a big road trip because we wanted to see the reef before it disappears. We drove inland through Lightning Ridge where it is now so hot and dry that the cacti were dead. We visited inland towns that had signs and information about the importance of the Great Artesian Basin and how crucial it is to care for this limited resource. We drove for days and days through brown thirsty land and many rivers on the GPS were not there. We enjoyed some gorgeous rainforests and beaches but not without people telling us about the changes they have noticed. The man who lives on the Daintree river told us that the water temperature has risen and this has changed the time of migration of animals. He also sadly told us about the mangroves that were once filled with white lipped frogs every year. He said very few visit any more and when they do, it is at strange times. Trish, on a night walk, told us about the bugs and insects that are no longer in the area. Even my mum said it was different from 20 years ago.

Following advice that the reef off Port Douglas is not what it once was, we visited the beautiful Whitehaven beach and enjoyed snorkelling at the Whitsundays. Jane, a marine biologist visiting from the UK, talked to us about the marine life and coral we saw. It was like being at the drop off in Finding Nemo but with less colour. However, when people go on holidays and visit the reef and see what we saw, they could be tricked into thinking that the reef is alive and well. Our skipper, Daniel, told us that they used to have many places to take visitors to enjoy the reef. Now, they are limited to about 5 locations, and really, only 2 or 3 decent ones.

I am lucky. I got to see something of what remains. In the future, if we don't act, there will be no great Barrier reef. The climate is changing. Our land is changing. Why aren't we?

We kids are the future. We will be the adults living in a world where there will be more and more chaotic weather events. Only this week 57 people have died and 18 000 have been taken to hospital in my country of birth, Japan, because of a severe heatwave. My grandparents tell me they have never experienced summers like today's.

I love where I live. I love that I can surf and share the wave with dolphins. I love our earth. I am worried that we are really hurting the planet and ourselves. We need to listen to scientists like Will Steffen. They tell us we are running out of time.

My question to you is, "do you want your children and grandchildren to say that you were in a position to make a difference but didn't? Or do you want them to be able to say that you listened, acted and made a difference?"

I am only 11. I need adults who can do something to think about the world myself, my children and my grandchildren will be living in. Thank you for allowing me to speak today. Please, I hope that you will say yes to passing the climate emergency declaration.

Hello, my name is Michelle Hamrosi and I am a local GP, mother of three and an active volunteer in this community. I would like to acknowledge the traditional owners of Country on which we meet, and pay my respects to their Elders, both past, present and emerging.

I'm not sure if anyone here is representing the local Indigenous communities, but I encourage the Elders to speak up about this in the weeks to come. Our Indigenous peoples must be given a voice on the subject on which I'm speaking today, as they are the holders of countless generations of traditional knowledge in conservation and sustainable use of biodiverse ecosystems here in Australia.

I'd like to extend a big thank you to all who have written in to Council around Councillor Pat McGinlay's motions to declare a climate emergency. The debate that will no doubt continue and this is a positive thing. It's critical these issues are discussed openly in our communities.

This is a discussion that has been gaining momentum in recent times. It's something that should have taken place some decades ago and acted upon. But now it is the eleventh hour and it's up to us to make a difference. We cannot leave it to the next generation. In the words of Sir Attenborough: 'We cannot be radical enough'.

I challenge you who are sceptical about this today to watch Sir Attenborough's documentary on the ABC, *Climate Change: The Facts*, and read all of the scientific evidence outlined. It is depressing, it is anxiety provoking, it is alarming beyond belief, but it is also activating. If you have not done so, you cannot honestly be part of this debate. You must do your duty and inform yourself on the reality of the science and on credible assessments of the near-term impacts on our quality of life. You cannot adequately represent the interests of our communities without doing so.

With regards to Motion 1, the ‘emergency declaration’. Language is important here, but some are critical of the word ‘emergency’ because of the fear it could invoke. But we must face the truth. We are in a dire situation. And as the arm of government closest to the people, you have an obligation to say it how it is. Other councils are speaking the truth and declaring an emergency, including Launceston, Melbourne and North Sydney – we **MUST** too. It is crucial we acknowledge the situation, so we can take all available steps to develop and implement a response. There is no more time to waste.

I want to acknowledge all the ways Council been proactive on this so far – you have a strong record of reducing emissions through your Emissions Reduction Plan, but this is only considering part of the climate equation. We must support Motion 2 and look at all the policies and strategies that are already underway or planned, to assess whether they align with the global consensus on best practice. We must assess these, as Councillor McGinley has included in the motion, in a systematic and thorough way and accelerate, engage and collaborate wherever possible.

Doctors for Environment, NSW committee, encourage local government to declare a climate emergency. I quote from their letter of support: ‘This proactive action could save lives of your most vulnerable residents. One example is by preparing for inevitable heat waves and interruptions to vital services such as electricity and transport. Declaring a climate emergency also has the advantage of focusing Council efforts on creating and maintaining healthy environments. These include improving tree cover, clean air and walkability, which have clear health benefits.’

**These strategies are not a waste of taxpayer money, as some would have you believe, but will enable us to build healthier, more resilient communities.**

Motion 3 suggests the community must be consulted and a part of the solutions. Community engagement may not have worked so well in the recent past, but failures are opportunities for learning and growth. It is imperative that consultation processes around these changes are accessible to all stakeholders and interest groups, particularly our Indigenous peoples. I invite Council to consider the Transition Town framework for engaging communities across the shire. This transition model is designed to unite groups and individuals already working on initiatives and provide others with opportunities to become involved.

I represent the many who are not able to attend today – the health professionals who are otherwise working in a broken health system, who do not have the energy at the end of the day to fight against a global system which is enabling the climate breakdown.

I represent my family and children, who, without us radically acting, will not have a safe and healthy future. These motions show respect for the children who will actually have to deal with a bigger mess we leave behind, if we choose not to act.

Lastly, I want everybody to know this – you can be part the change, whether our Council decides to support these motions or not. You can help make changes in your lives, households, schools and businesses. Together we can make a difference. We can bring about healthier, more connected, more motivated and conscious communities. Under the leadership of you, Council, these changes could be swifter and more effective. You have residents ready, willing and yearning to help. Please help us transition our towns to low-carbon communities.

Let's not let fear hold us back. We can do it together!

## **Eurobodalla Shire Council**

### **NOM19/ 004 CLIMATE EMERGENCY**

**13 August 2019**

#### **Public Forum presentation by Cath Reilly on behalf of SAGE In support of NOM19/004**

Good morning Mayor Innes, Councillors, Dr Dale, staff, members of the gallery and people reading this.

I present today on behalf of the SAGE Management Committee. SAGE stands for Sustainable Agriculture and Gardening Eurobodalla. SAGE strongly supports Cr McGinlay's Notice of Motion and we urge Councillors to vote in support of all three motions.

SAGE is a not-for-profit community-based organisation whose mission is to create and support a NSW South Coast sustainable fair food economy and food sovereignty for local communities.

SAGE delivers several projects including the Sage Farmers Market in Moruya, community education programs, Market Garden Internships, the Veggies for All project, and emerging enterprises such as SAGE Seed Savers, a collaborative Institute of Sustainability, and the Stepping Stone Farm initiative.

SAGE believes that we are living in a time of climate emergency that requires focused and strategic actions at a local government level. We congratulate Cr McGinlay for putting forward these motions for the community.

SAGE acknowledges and thanks Council for the work already being done to mitigate the effects of climate change, but we believe a greater effort is now needed.

SAGE supports all three motions put forward by Cr McGinlay as a conduit to Council more actively helping to increase local food production and sustainable small-scale agriculture, to mitigate the significant impact of climate change on the availability, cost and quality of food to our community.

Increasing local food production will deliver positive outcomes such as more jobs, affordable food, local food security and more carbon in the soil. We ask you to help ensure that everyone can access local, affordable and healthy food in the future.

SAGE along with many other organisations and skilled individuals in Eurobodalla are ready to help. Today we ask you to step up and take a leadership role on behalf of the community.

Councillors are required under the Local Government Act 1993, to represent the collective interests of residents, ratepayers and the local community. You have already received many emails in support of the motions, and we hope you have been following the widespread

discussions online, on air and in print media that show majority support for the motions. The presentations being made to you today, and the number of people who have come to the meeting today is further evidence of broad community support.

Some of you may not believe that the addressing climate change is a local government matter. To this we say that Council is already addressing it and SAGE congratulates and thanks Council for the work to date. But more is needed.

For some of you, the motions may not represent the ideology of the political party you align yourself with. To this we ask you to reflect on the oath or affirmation you took when you were elected, which said in part, that you will act in the best interests of the local community, and impartially carry out your functions. In addition, the Local Government Act requires you to consider the long term and cumulative effects of your decisions on future generations.

We suggest that when you make your decision on this matter, you should consider the community response as reflecting strong support for all three motions.

We urge you to support these motions, and genuinely collaborate and partner with the community to develop workable solutions.

SAGE offers that we are ready to contribute positively to any collaborative actions Council resolves to pursue when these motions are carried today.

Thank you for listening.

ENDS



Submission to ESC regarding the motion to declare a climate emergency,  
13<sup>th</sup> August 2019 – SHASA

To be read by Alison Worthington, speaking for SHASA - Southcoast Health and Sustainability Alliance.

As of 17 July 2019 a total of 29 Councils, have declared a climate emergency.

In NSW these include:

- Bellingen Shire Council
- Blue Mountains City Council
- Byron Shire Council
- Clarence Valley Council
- Hawkesbury City Council
- Newcastle City Council
- Noosa Shire Council
- Randwick City Council
- Ryde City Council
- Sydney City Council
- Upper Hunter Shire Council
- Wagga Wagga Council
- Inner West Council

We are heading for warming of 3 to 5 degrees later this century unless we dramatically change course, and at these temperatures much of the earth may be uninhabitable.

SHASA asks that the ESC support the motion put forward today to declare a climate emergency, set up a 'citizen's committee' and apply climate science broadly to all aspects of its operations and planned/current projects.

By identifying global warming risks, Eurobodalla Shire Council will be better able to prioritise and manage these risks and plan how to adapt to them. Early investment in preparation and adaptation planning will

help councils avoid or minimise climate disruption impacts and reduce the costs of adaptation as well as the impacts when they occur.

Early adoption can turn these challenges into economic opportunities.

The growth in the concentration of greenhouse gas emissions in the atmosphere is making the climate chaotic across Australia and this includes our home here in the Eurobodalla. Further destabilisation to the Eurobodalla's climate and biophysical environment is inevitable. Over the coming years, the Eurobodalla is likely to experience higher temperatures, lower rainfall patterns, a rise in sea level, and increased hazards like bushfires, flooding and heatwaves.

In recent years there has been a significant reduction in rainfall across the Eurobodalla, a number of very hot and humid days in summer and growing fire risk. This will increase the magnitude of risks faced by the ESC, sometimes even challenging its ability to maintain infrastructure and provide essential services to the Eurobodalla community.

While our council has been actively pursuing strategies to reduce their emissions it needs to do more to prepare the Eurobodalla community for the projected changes in climate.

To date decisions on environmental plans and policies, building design and engineering have tended to rely on historical climate conditions. However, we can no longer assume that these conditions will continue in the future. For local councils this means that:

- built assets, such as roads, storm water drains and buildings, may not be able to withstand future extreme events, such as flooding, fire and intense storms
- land-use patterns may change, with implications for zoning and planning decisions that are being made now
- there may be an increased demand for council services, such as water supply or community support for the elderly and infirm who are most vulnerable to climate disruption.

By identifying climate destabilisation risks, the ESC will be better able to prioritise and manage these risks and plan how to adapt to them, but council needs to take meaningful action now.

By declaring a Climate Emergency, the guidelines arising from the declaration will assist Eurobodalla Council to take steps that build a more resilient community and local economy. This meaningful action and ambition will be needed to cost-effectively manage the risks, both now and in the future. There is no 'down side' to taking this action. The emergency transition can bring beneficial social changes. We look forward to that!

## **Presentation in relation to item PSR19/018 Draft Rural, R5 and E4 zones Development Control Plan (Public Exhibition) by the Nature Coast Alliance (NCA)**

### **The NCA**

The Nature Coast Alliance is an umbrella organisation representing a number of different community and business groups across the Eurobodalla Shire who are working together to protect the environment of the Nature Coast and our economy, which depends on it.

### **The relationship between a Development Control Plan and a Local Environment Plan**

Local Environment Plans are a blueprint for future development and conservation in a local government area. They are strategic planning documents that stipulate acceptable and unacceptable uses for different parcels of land through the allocation of land use zones. They provide for appropriate development in suitable areas. They are legal documents that control development and set out how land is to be used. Local Environment Plans are prepared by Council, but need to be signed off by the Minister for Planning. They are usually accompanied by maps or overlays that identify sensitive or constrained lands (e.g. biodiversity corridors or flood and bushfire prone land). The provisions associated with these maps set out extra considerations that council must take into account before approving development on that land.

Development Control Plans, on the other hand, are prepared and approved by Council. Unlike LEPs, which have statutory force and must be complied with, Development Control Plans provide guidance only in relation to specific matters (e.g. building heights or setbacks, car parking spaces) to applicants proposing to carry out development. They can apply to a specific site (e.g. a town centre) or activity (e.g. tourist accommodation, advertising signage). They support, but should not replace, the planning controls in the Local Environment Plan.

### **Council's reasons for preparing the dDCP**

Council has prepared a draft Rural, R5 Large Lot Residential and E4 Environmental Living Zones Development Control Plan (dDCP) to try and address the Rural Fire Services concerns about bushfire prone lands that can be more intensively developed for residential purposes under the council-endorsed Eurobodalla Rural Lands Planning Proposal, which seeks to amend the Eurobodalla Local Environment Plan (2012). The bushfire risk at some of these sites is so high, that future development will be required to adopt additional bushfire protection measures, beyond those normally specified in the NSW Rural Fire Services 'Planning for Bushfire Protection' document. Other sites are so risky, that although the council-endorsed Eurobodalla Rural Lands Planning Proposal zones them for further subdivision and/or new dwellings, they cannot safely be developed. These lands will be identified in draft DCP.

Significantly, the biodiversity clause in the Eurobodalla Local Environment Plan (2012) which seeks to maintain and protect terrestrial and aquatic biodiversity and requires council to consider and then avoid or mitigate any inverse impacts of development on important biodiversity values, will be removed from the Eurobodalla Local Environment Plan (2012) and placed in the draft DCP. The Terrestrial

Biodiversity Map which shows Endangered Ecological Communities, native vegetation and important biodiversity corridors will also be removed from the Eurobodalla Local Environment Plan (2012) and be replaced by a draft vegetation map which will be placed in the draft DCP where it will have an advisory role only.

### **The Eurobodalla Rural Lands Planning Proposal**

This planning proposal seeks major amendments to the Eurobodalla Local Environment Plan (2012). It is not just about rural lands, as its title suggests, but it will have far reaching implications for all lands across the Eurobodalla shire. These changes will result in a dramatic increase in land zoned rural, including many hectares of environmentally sensitive lands, plus a huge increase in the uses permitted across both these rural lands and other lands. Together these changes will facilitate up to 1,800 new dwellings, alienate prime agricultural land and lead to incremental clearing of vegetation throughout the Shire.

Six government agencies, as well as community and business groups, raised many concerns with the amendments to the Eurobodalla Local Environment Plan (2012) proposed in the Eurobodalla Rural Lands Planning Proposal. These concerns related to:

- increased bushfire risk that would result from the additional dwellings and facilities the Eurobodalla Rural Lands Planning Proposal would permit throughout inaccessible, steep, forested land which will put the lives of residents, visitors and fire fighters in danger during catastrophic fire events which are becoming more frequent due to climate change.
- the incremental loss of biodiversity that the Eurobodalla Rural Lands Planning Proposal would permit through the removal of environment protection zonings on sensitive lands together with the large increases in permissible uses on these lands.
- increased land-use conflict between traditional agricultural uses and the myriad of new uses that the Eurobodalla Rural Lands Planning Proposal would permit across rural zones, as well as the fragmentation and loss of productive agricultural land.
- downstream impacts on water quality from increased runoff and pollution resulting from clearing for development in riparian areas and steep vegetated country that will be permitted by the Eurobodalla Rural Lands Planning Proposal. This will be devastating for Eurobodalla's important oyster industry and will also adversely impact recreational fishing and our tourism industry.

Despite these serious objections from the government agencies and numerous (1,100) public submissions opposing it on a range of environmental and economic grounds, the Eurobodalla Rural Lands Planning Proposal was adopted, largely unchanged, by Council in August 2018. Since December 2018, it has been with the Minister for Planning and his department. Notwithstanding public statements from our Mayor, that the planning proposal was a 'done deal' and sign-off was imminent, there are clearly concerns at a senior level in the Department of Planning and Minister Stokes office with what is being proposed.

### **Reasons for NCA opposing public exhibition of the dDCP**

Council's report from the Director of Planning and Sustainability Services, states that the draft DCP has been prepared to enable the sign-off and gazettal of the Eurobodalla Rural Lands Planning Proposal amendments to the Eurobodalla Local Environment Plan (2012). According to this report, 'the Department' is willing to recommend the amended the Eurobodalla Local Environment Plan to the Minister provided that its commencement is deferred until the end of September to enable the draft DCP to be finalised. Apparently, since December, Council staff have been liaising with representatives from the government agencies who raised concerns with the Eurobodalla Rural Lands Planning Proposal 'to assist in addressing the revised agency submissions' from the RFS and OEH. Where are these revised submissions? Have the concerns raised by other government agencies such as DPI Agriculture, Fisheries and Local Land Services been similarly addressed? What changes have been made to the Eurobodalla Rural Lands Planning Proposal as a result of these discussions?

It is patently clear that the Eurobodalla Rural Lands Planning Proposal has not been signed-off, so it seems premature for Council to be preparing and exhibiting a draft DCP, when there is no final, gazetted Eurobodalla Local Environment Plan. The planning guidelines proposed in the draft DCP needs to be reviewed against the statutory obligations contained within the final gazetted Eurobodalla Local Environment Plan, otherwise a public exhibition is meaningless. How can the public judge the adequacy of the draft DCP without the final Eurobodalla Local Environment Plan? It is important to note that in their report, Council is already flagging future amendments to the draft DCP to accommodate a range of other activities, potential land use conflicts and cultural as well as scenic values. So the DCP is, in effect, a moveable feast.

The NCA believes that the concerns raised by the government agencies and the community about the Eurobodalla Rural Lands Planning Proposal are too important to be put in a DCP which is a non-statutory guidance document that can be varied or ignored by Council. We ask that the preparation and exhibition of the draft DCP await finalisation of the Eurobodalla Rural Lands Planning Proposal and gazettal of the amended Eurobodalla Local Environment Plan so that we can see the statutory framework that will inform the DCP.

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The Moruya Jockey Club Board unanimously supports the proposed purchase of the Moruya Racecourse by RacingNSW.

The Board has come to this position having given due consideration to the possible effect of a change of Racecourse ownership upon:

## ***Day-to Day Operations***

RacingNSW has given an undertaking to lease the Moruya Racecourse to the Moruya Jockey Club Ltd on the same terms and conditions as the current 50 year lease the Club has with the Eurobodalla Shire Council. From the perspective of daily operation's, we envisage that all current stakeholders – staff, trainers, track work riders, members, patrons and on-course food outlets and entertainment providers will see no discernible immediate change to their current arrangements.

## ***Future Sustainability of Racing in the Eurobodalla.***

The Moruya Jockey Club has been one of the most successful Thoroughbred Racing Clubs in NSW, having won the prestigious NSW Country Race Club of the Year Award twice, the second time in 2017. All our KPI's are well above the average for clubs of our type and size.

But our success is now presenting challenges for the Board.

We have over 500 Members, and our Race Meetings are consistently well patronised by the general public. Also, RacingNSW has demonstrated considerable faith in the future of the Club by increasing the number of meetings over the past eight years and the recent inclusions of Moruya in the Country Cups program, adding \$70,000 to Cup Day prizemoney.

While welcomed, this is placing considerable strain on ageing facilities and equipment.

All available housing adjacent to the track is occupied, and stabling is at full capacity and we have strong expressions of interest from prominent Trainers to train at Moruya Racecourse. This demand is placing increasing pressure upon our track facilities.

To address these issues, the Board has identified several essential works, totalling \$1,500,000, which need to occur in the coming 18 months. In addition to these immediate needs our experience indicates that the ever-evolving Thoroughbred Racing industry, statutory regulations and increasing community expectations will necessitate continual capital investment into the foreseeable future to remain a suitable venue for Thoroughbred Racing.

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While the Moruya Jockey Club is in a comparatively sound financial position, we are unable to fund the current works program, let alone service future capital requirements. from our own resources. Consequently, the Board approached RacingNSW for assistance both with regard to our immediate finance requirements and a strategy to satisfy future capital and maintenance needs.

During these discussions the Board was briefed on RacingNSW's new Strategic Plan. While broad in scope, three elements of the Plan were of particular relevance to the Moruya Jockey Club. These being:

- A commitment to Thoroughbred Racing throughout regional NSW
- An acknowledgment that financial sustainability will be a continuing challenge for Race Club's such as Moruya.
- A range of strategies, including Racecourse acquisition, to ensure the future certainty and security of Country Clubs.

In this context, the Board sought clarification from RacingNSW as to the implications for the Moruya Jockey Club should it seek to acquire the Moruya Racecourse. This possibility had been briefly discussed with RacingNSW in the past, but the Board believed it needed to be revisited in view of the new Strategic Plan.

Following a number of discussions and based on the information provided, the Board determined that the security and future sustainability of thoroughbred racing in the Eurobodalla is likely to be significantly enhanced if RacingNSW were to assume full responsibility for the Moruya Racecourse complex and allow the Moruya Jockey Club Ltd to lease the facility on the same terms as the Club's existing lease.

## ***Eurobodalla Community***

The Moruya Jockey Club's is one of the oldest Thoroughbred Horse Racing Clubs in the nation and prides itself on its strong links with the local community. It exists and prospers because of community support and endeavours to acknowledge and reciprocate this in several ways.

The Club is already a significant employer in the region and as Trainer numbers grow so too will the number of people employed in horse training activities. Also, there is a flow on effect for related businesses such as Produce Suppliers, Veterinarians, Farriers, Horse Transporters etc.

Monetary and in-kind support is provided to many not for profit community services in the region.

The Moruya Jockey Club has a firm "Buy Eurobodalla" Policy. Given the Racecourse operates 6 days per week, 52 weeks a year it is a source of revenue for many individuals and local



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businesses. This policy will remain under the new ownership and we expect that the positive impact on the local economy will be further enhanced as activity levels grow.

Finally, as our membership and race meeting patronage numbers attest, the Moruya Racecourse is a source of social and recreational pleasure for a great number of Eurobodalla residents and visitors alike. We believe the purchase of the facility by RacingNSW will ensure this remains so for many decades to come.

Chris Gandy  
Director

Authorised and on behalf of  
Moruya Jockey Club Ltd