

calendar

• Highlands garden Society meet at the Uniting Church, Boolwey Street, Bowral, from 7.30pm tonight. New members welcome. Details: 4869 3875.

• Robertson family dance is on tonight from 8pm-midnight at the School of Arts, Hoddle Street, Robertson. Music will be supplied by the Illawarra Flames. Admission is \$8 for adults and \$4 for children under 14. Details: Edna Casey, 4885 1216.

• Mittagong market is on tomorrow from 8am-3pm at the Uniting Church Grounds, Mittagong. Details: 4684 1261.

• The Music of the Night is on tomorrow night from 7pm at Burrawang School of Arts. Admission is \$75, which includes a champagne supper. Details and bookings: Dawn Town, 4886 4520.

• Bundanoon Harmony Centre will hold an Ignite Your Spirit workshop tomorrow and Sunday from 9.30am-5pm. The weekend will teach visitors to learn how to perceive chakras and auras, receive energy activations and experience powerful meditations. This is a free event where donations are accepted. Details: Bundanoon Harmony Centre, 4883 6755.

• Bundanoon market is this Sunday from 8.30am-2.30pm at the Bundanoon Memorial Hall, Railway Parade. Details: 4869 3016 or 0418 966 746.

• Wingecarribee Baha'i Community holds a barbecue lunch at Lake Alexandra Park, Mittagong, from 12pm-2pm on Sunday, March 21 to celebrate New Year. An informal gathering for the whole family with lunch provided.

Let us know about your local arts/entertainment event: tahnae.goldsworthy@ruralpress.com.

music

Blues, brews and barbecue

By Tahnae Goldsworthy

RAY BEADLE is chasing the dream.

For the past decade the open road and a tuck cab pulling trailers has been a major part of his life.

Now, a guitar and microphone is all he needs.

At the age of nine Beadle picked up the guitar simply because so many family members played the guitar - now it's second nature.

"It's something I never really thought about," he said.

"It just seemed normal to me."

Now after 20 years strumming the strings and 15 years playing gigs whenever it would fit around his full time job, Beadle has turned his full attention to music.

As well as travelling across the country for festival performances Beadle likes to aim for country towns.

Next on the list is Bundanoon Country Inn Motel for what will be a regular Blues, Brews and Barbecue event kicking off this Sunday.

Ray Beadle is the first in a line-up of performers set to grace the Inn every third Sunday of each month.

Bundanoon Country Inn Motel resident manager Kuh Holdsworth was inspired with the idea of a blues afternoon by fiancé and lead vocalist/harp player of the band Whose Muddy Shoes, Ewan Sommerville.

"We had a room that would suit and thought this will be a great thing to do," she said.

"Good music, good food, good people and it coincides with the Bundanoon markets."

The music itinerary for this Sunday will include a mix of covers and originals in the blues genre.

Two originals prepared for the afternoon will be a tune titled Bank Man, which is based on a theme many people could relate to - debt.

Another original is Somebody Let Me Down, which came from personal experience of loss as a teenager and has recently won the Best



THE BLUES: Musician Ray Beadle will entertain audiences at Bundanoon Inn Motel this weekend.

Blues Song of the year at the Goulburn Blues Festival.

This Sunday Beadle will be accompanied by two of his regular attending musicians, Zoltan Budai on bass and George Brugmans on drums with Mr Sommerville MC for the afternoon.

The 'Blues, Brews and BBQ' event begins at

1pm this Sunday when the barbecue is fired up by iconic chef Wayne Fraser.

Entertainment starts at 2pm. Admission is \$25 for adults and \$15 for children. There is a limit of 60 tickets so bookings are recommended. Tickets can be purchased direct from reception at the Bundanoon Country Inn Motel or phone 4883 6068.

artwork

Boyd family has the gift of the arts

By Tahnae Goldsworthy

CREATING works of art runs in the Boyd family.

The late Arthur Boyd was famous for his depictions of pastoral landscapes and the donation of his Bundanoon property to the people of Australia.

His son Jamie followed in his father's footsteps with over 40 years in the art industry.

It's been 13 years since the Best of Boyd exhibition was held at Galeria Aniela Fine Art Gallery and Sculpture Park, Kangaroo Valley.

They're back at the gallery with a selection of 80 family works from Jamie, Arthur and David Boyd on display from tomorrow.

Gallery director and curator of the exhibition Aniela Kos said the display is a follow-up of the first, which was an idea from Arthur Boyd himself.

"I trust people will love this Boyd collection, it will surely make a lasting impression on those that experience it," she said.

"Hopefully people will enjoy it and give them more about the Boyds and their family," she said.

"The Boyd family is the most successful family in the arts in the world.

"They have been synonymous with Australian arts, making a significant contribution to our Australian cultural life," she said.

All works are available for public viewing

and acquisition, which Ms Kos said was a rare opportunity.

Apart from the range of landscapes, sculpture and still life works on display, Jamie Boyd will be present after making the trek from England to be present at the exhibition with wife Helen and family.

Tim Goodman, Executive Chairman of Sotheby's Australia, will officially open the exhibition.

The Best of Boyd exhibition is on tomorrow from 1pm-4.30pm (official opening at 3pm) at Galeria Aniela Fine Art Gallery and Sculpture Park, 261a Mount Scanzi Road, Kangaroo Valley.

The exhibition continues until May 23. Details: 4465 1494 or rt@galeriaaniela.co.au.