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# MAKE A **SPLASH** $\approx$ & CELEBRATE OUR DIVERSE WATERWAYS

The Lakes Festival is back for its ninth year! This popular annual event will be making a splash across the entire Central Coast between 8-17 November 2024.

This huge 10-DAY celebration of our waterways brings locals and visitors together to enjoy exciting family-friendly activities, cultural and educational programs hosted by local organisations and businesses.

The Lakes Festival is a great opportunity for everyone to get out and about, rediscover some places right on your doorstep and celebrate our diverse lakes and waterways with your family and friends.

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#### Book and plan ahead

Be sure to check out each event's dedicated page on our website to discover all the exciting activities on offer! Secure your spot for events that require a booking so you don't miss out. www.lovecentralcoast.com/lakesfestival

#### Take a train or catch a bus

We recommend you take advantage of public transport when travelling to the festival, so you can spend more time enjoying the activities, and less time exploring car parks.



**Catch a bus** – For detailed bus services please visit Busways or Red Bus



**Ride your bike** – utilising many of the **shared cycle pathways** around the event hubs.



Catch a taxi or Uber, or carpool with friends



Walk from your home

#### **Drive safely**

Some key roads around event hubs may be affected on event days, stick to speed limits and expect some delays with increased traffic. Car parking is available at each location.

#### Whatever the weather

In the event of wet weather, check our Facebook page or stay tuned to Star 104.5 for updates.

#### Stay connected

Stay up to date with all things The Lakes Festival including sneak peeks, event information and much more! Like us on Facebook www.facebook.com/thelakesfestival and follow us using #TheLakesFestival.

### **SUSTAINABILITY**

The Lakes Festival has officially completed the national Strive 4 Sustainability Scorecard with Ecotourism Australia!

We're on a journey to create a more sustainable event for the Central Coast. This scorecard has helped us to measure where The Lakes Festival sits on its sustainability journey in 2024, aligned to the four pillars of sustainability impacts: environmental, socio-economic, cultural, and sustainable management.

This is a HUGE learning milestone for us, as we continue to educate our community and guests about the Central Coast's waterways.

You're part of this sustainability journey. Help minimise your footprint during The Lakes Festival 2024, and whenever you're in nature, by simply sticking to our Central Coast Sustainability Pledge:

- 1. Plan ahead and prepare for a safe journey
- 2. Tread gently on Country
- 3. Take 3 pieces of plastic from the beach, lake or street #Take3fortheSea
- 4. Refuse single use plastics and dispose of my waste correctly
- 5. Respect the local neighbourhood
- 6. Camp smartly and responsibly
- 7. Give local wildlife the grace of space
- 8. Leave what I find behind if it's not mine
- 9. Take local stories and produce home to share
- 10. Leave only footprints.

Inspired by 'The 7 Principles' of Leave No Trace, and the NSW Bushwalkers Code.

#### How are we being more sustainable?

This year we're taking even more steps to improve our sustainability.

We've switched the paper used for printing. The PEFC Certified uncoated paper is recyclable and compostable and does not receive any coating during the manufacturing process.

Our merchandise promotes re-use! You can pick up some merchandise at Light Up The Lake, or at surprise locations throughout the festival, so keep your eye on the Facebook page!



Eco-friendly cotton tote bags



Bottles made from 98% sugar cane with a natural cork lid, making them 100% eco-friendly, plant based, CO2 negative and they're BPA free!



Sunglasses with frames made from 50/50 rice husk fibre and BPA-free polypropylene





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NOV 2024 SATURDAY 4PM - 9PM MEMORIAL PARK | THE ENTRANCE

**FEATURING** 

BOO SEEKA
BELLA AMOR | RAAVE TAPES
False London | Daytrip

ROVING ENTERTAINMENT | FREE ACTIVITIES FOOD STALLS | FIREWORKS | AND MORE!















# Light up the Lake



#### Main Stage

Be amazed by headliner **Boo Seeka**, **with BELLA AMOR**, **RAAVE TAPES**, **False London**, **and Daytrip**. Fun activities, roving performers, and fantastic food, followed by a fireworks display that will literally Light Up The Lake, brought to you by Halekulani Bowling Club.



#### Eat & Drink

Dinner is sorted at Light Up The Lake with a selection of meals and desserts from some of the region's favourite food trucks and the restaurants along The Entrance Waterfront.

For the first time ever, enjoy a selection of alcoholic beverages in the licensed area at Light Up The Lake! This area is 18+ and strict capacity restrictions apply.

#### **Roving Entertainment**

Check out the stunning roving LED performers as they illuminate the night with colour, sparkle and magic, and interact with the crowd.

Don't miss out on the Birds of Paradise as they display multicoloured combinations of constantly changing colour patterns of light, while soaring above on their stilts.

Watch them fly like birds as they hover above the crowds, illuminating the sky and the imaginations of the people below.



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Get prepared for the **Light Up The Lake** event on Saturday 9 November and head across to Spotify to check out our playlist that features songs from the artists that will be performing at the event.

#### **Activities**

There are plenty of activities for the kids at this year's Light Up The Lake! Meet a real-life mermaid or go on a pirate scavenger hunt. Have your face painted, make some playdoh to take home, or just enjoy yourself with some messy play! The kids can also let out some energy with the Mega Play

some energy with the Mega Play Climbing Centre, and if they need to have a break from all the hustle and bustle and noise, we have the 'Rocking the Senses' mobile sensory room on site.

#### The Crud Space

Drop into the CRUD Space at Light Up The Lake for free all-ages creative fun, including the creation of a whimsical collaborative community art piece which celebrates the beauty and diversity of our local waterways.



# Circus Playspace and Glow Flow Playspace

Get ready for an enchanting evening of lights and flow with Roundabout Circus at Light Up The Lake.

A glowing spectacle for all ages, this event is sure to illuminate your night with wonder!

Circus Playspace Glow Flow Playspace 4:00pm - 7:30pm 7:30pm - 9:00pm

#### **Education & Information**



Swing by the Water and Sewer Education Tent for a splash of fun and test your knowledge on all things water and sewer related.



Join us at the Waterways Education Stall for an exciting, hands-on learning experience and don't miss the chance to meet Parker the Platypus, our beloved mascot!



Learn all about the incredible biodiversity on the Central Coast and the best places to explore, and perhaps spy a platypus!



Memorial Park has accessible toilets and changing facilities, accessible play spaces, accessible parking, and connectivity to shops and restaurants on the Waterfront Plaza.





9 NOV Bouddi Coastal Run

Killcare Waterways & Marine Life Tour

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#### **Avoca Lagoon Kayaking Ecotour**

Join the Community Environment Network and AguaFun to explore the amazing wetland areas of Avoca Lagoon by kayak, through a 2-hour guided ecotour. Experience the famous "iumping fish", pelicans, herons, cormorants and more that call this wetland home.

**DATE:** Wednesday 13 November **TIME:** Session 1: 9:30am - 12:30pm, Session 2: 11:45am - 3:00pm

LOCATION: Heazlett Park Foreshore via Fiscus Ave. Avoca Beach **COST:** \$15 per person - equipment and lunch provided. Min age 12 yrs.

Under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.



It's Ladies Night at Avoca Beach Comedy Club! Join us for a night of huge laughs from some of the funniest women in the country.

DATE: Friday 15 November

TIME: Doors open 7:30pm, showtime 7:45pm

LOCATION: Avoca Beach Theatre, 69 Avoca Dr. Avoca Beach

COST: \$15 per person

#### **BOOK NOW**

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#### Lakes Festival Comedy - Local Laughs

Let's Support Local! The Central Coast's funniest comedians take to the stage as part of this special edition of Avoca Beach Comedy Club.

DATE: Sunday 17 November

TIME: Doors open 7:00pm, showtime 7:30pm LOCATION: Avoca Beach Theatre, 69 Avoca Dr.

Avoca Beach

COST: \$15 per person

#### **BOOK NOW**



#### The Wonders of Water

Join us for a FREE family-friendly event celebrating water through art, culture, and community under the full moon at Avoca Lake. Enjoy dance, music, storytelling, visual arts, and more.

**DATE:** Saturday 16 November TIME: 4:00pm - 8:00pm

LOCATION: Like Minds Avoca and Avoca Beach Scout Hall.

Avoca Beach

#### FREE EVENT



#### **Kayak The Entrance**

Enjoy a FREE kayak paddle on the beautiful Tuggerah Lake. Learn about habitats and the Little Tern and how we can all care for our catchments.

**DATE:** Saturday 9 November TIME: 3:00pm - 6:00pm LOCATION: Picnic Point Reserve. Tuggerah Parade, The Entrance

#### **1Coast Sustainable Activation Day**

Discover how to keep Our Coast clean and protect our waterways with activities and games to inspire waste avoidance, waste reduction and resource recovery for a sustainable future.

DATE: Friday 15 November TIME: 10:00am - 1:00pm

LOCATION: Mackenzie Reserve, 2a Weemala St, Budgewoi

#### Hills Hoist Exchange -**Swimming Clothes and Accessories Swap**

**FREE EVENT** 

**FREE EVENT** 

"Hills Hoist Exchange" is an interactive art installation & sustainable swap event. Take and exchange preloved swimwear and swimming accessories, and promote a circular economy, by reusing and recycling.

DATE: Daily Friday 8 - Sunday 17 November

TIME: All day

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LOCATION: Mackenzie Reserve, 2a Weemala St, Budgewoi

#### Yoga by the Lake

**FREE EVENT** 

Join us for a relaxing yoga session to unwind and stretch together in this peaceful outdoor setting. All levels are welcome, whether you're a beginner or a seasoned yogi. Don't forget to bring your mat and water bottle.

DATE: Sunday 10 and 17 November

**TIME:** 7:00am - 8:00am

LOCATION: Mackenzie Reserve, 2a Weemala St, Budgewoi

#### **FREE EVENT**

Kayak Brisbane Water

Oarsome! Central Coast Council's environmental education team invites you to join a FREE kayak tour of Brisbane Water for The Lakes Festival.

**DATE:** Saturday 16 November **TIME:** 3:00pm - 7:00pm

LOCATION: Lintern St Wharf, Davistown

#### **FREE EVENT**



#### The Entrance Market

Discover the best of the Central Coast with a variety of local products, from fresh produce to handcrafted treasures. Join us for a day of community, live entertainment, and tasty treats. Bring your friends and family and make it a Saturday to remember!

**DATE:** Saturday 16 November **TIME:** 8:00am – 1:00pm

LOCATION: Memorial Park, 46 Marine Parade, The Entrance

#### Light Up The Lake

Light Up The Lake is an event not to be missed! Be amazed by headliner Boo Seeka, with BELLA AMOR, RAAVE TAPES, False London, and Daytrip. Fun activities, licensed area, roving performers, and fantastic food, followed by a fireworks display that will literally light up the lake, brought to you by Halekulani Bowling Club.

Check out the full event details on pages 5-8.

DATE: Saturday 9 November
TIME: 4:00pm – 9:00pm

LOCATION: Memorial Park, 46 Marine Parade, The Entrance

#### FREE EVENT

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Light up the Lake

# LAKES FESTIVAL ETTALONG

#### Clambake - Acapella Flash Mob

FREE EVENT

Experience something unique with the Clambake flash mob presented by FunHaus Factory with the Joy Choir Project. If you've never seen acapella live, don't miss this chance to hear rich, varied harmonies while you savour lunch or a drink. Come out and enjoy this special community event and immerse yourself in the local talent!

**DATE:** Saturday 9 November **TIME:** 11:45am - 12:30pm

LOCATION: The BOX on the Water, The Esplanade, Ettalong Beach

#### **SUP Extravaganza**

Two jam packed days of fun including SUP Yoga classes, SUP races, SUP lessons and SUP ball comp. Categories for kids, adults, beginners, and pros. With an emphasis on fun and friendly competition, Lakes Festival SUP Extravaganza has activities for the whole family to enjoy.

DATE: Saturday 16 and Sunday 17 November

**TIME:** 5:30am – 5:00pm Saturday and 5:30am – 2:00pm Sunday

**LOCATION:** Ettalong Beach, The Esplanade, Ettalong Beach

COST: Free and up to \$26.50

#### **BOOK NOW**



#### Sand Sculpting

**FREE EVENT** 

**FREE EVENT** 

Come and join us for an exciting and interactive session where you can learn the art of sandcastle making just like the professionals do. These workshops will be running during the SUP Extravaganza and are completely FREE!

**DATE:** Saturday 16 November **TIME:** 9:00am – 4:00pm

LOCATION: Ettalong Beach, The Esplanade, Ettalong Beach

## LAKES FESTIVAL GOSFORD

#### 1Coast Sustainable Activation Day

Discover how to keep Our Coast clean and protect our waterways with activities and games to inspire waste avoidance, waste reduction and resource recovery for a sustainable future. With activities suitable for the whole family, including pedal powered blender bikes to make your own smoothies, come and explore how easily you can contribute to a sustainable future.

DATE: Tuesday 12 November TIME: 9:00am - 1:00pm

LOCATION: Kibble Park, 118 Donnison St. Gosford



#### Clambake – Jump on the Love Boat

Clambake invites you aboard the Love Boat for Clambake 2024, a whimsical journey through Gosford's cultural waters. Captain Glitta Supernova guides a route of satirical splashes and theatrical delights, during this night of boundary-pushing theatre

**DATE:** Saturday 16 November

TIME: 7:00pm

**LOCATION:** FunHaus Factory, 118 Donnison St, Gosford

COST: \$30-35

DRESS CODE: Cruise attire-70s and 80s Love Boat couture or

imaginative sea creature attire.

#### **BOOK NOW**



**FREE EVENT** 

#### **SPIRAL Coast**

Unleash your inner acrobat or budding clown at SPIRAL Coast – a delightful fusion of coastal spirit and circus excitement!

**DATE:** Sunday 17 November **TIME:** 3:00pm - 6:00pm

LOCATION: Kibble Park, 118 Donnison St, Gosford

#### Splashabout Showcase "A Nu-Wave"

Marvel at the wonders of our performance troupe, emerging artists and professional performers and dive into the aquatic-themed excitement at Roundabout Circus.

**DATE:** Sunday 10 November

TIME: 11:30am Activities, Show 1:00pm - 3:00pm

LOCATION: Roundabout Circus, 96 Showground Road, Gosford

COST: General Admission: \$25, Child 4-12yrs: \$18,

Child 0-3yrs (on lap): Free



# LAKES FESTIVAL KILLCARE

#### **Bouddi Coastal Run 2024**

Trail run views to take your breath away! The Bouddi Coastal Run is a popular 14km and 21km trail running event held within Bouddi National Park, a stunning coastal reserve on the NSW Central Coast.

**DATE:** Saturday 9 November **TIME:** 7:00am – 3:00pm

LOCATION: Bouddi National Park, Beach Dr,

Killcare Beach, Killcare COST: From \$25

(Early bird pricing available until 8/10/24)



#### Killcare Waterways & Marine Life Tour

A two hour tour to explore the waterways and learn about the animals and rich history of the area in safety and style, aboard an eco tour vessel.

**DATE:** Saturday 9 and Sunday 10 November **TIME:** 10:00am, 12:30pm and 3:00pm Saturday,

10:00am and 12:30pm Sunday

LOCATION: Hardys Bay Public Wharf, Araluen Drive and

Killcare Road, Hardys Bay COST: \$30 per person





# LAKES FESTIVAL LONG JETTY

#### Painting by the Lake

FREE EVENT

The Central Coast Watercolour Society is planning to break a world record for the number of plein air painters in one day, and you can help! Try your hand and have a go at painting yourself, watch renowned artists painting at the waterfront, and support local artists and 'Art for Well Being' on the Coast. Local art will be for sale on the day, plus face painting and live music, along with food and drink sales. All watercolour equipment is supplied free.

**DATE:** Saturday 9 November **TIME:** 9:00am - 4:00pm

LOCATION: Long Jetty Foreshore, Tuggerah Parade, Long Jetty

#### Take3 Beach Clean-up Day

**FREE EVENT** 

Join us and the Take 3 team for The Lakes Festival Community Clean Up to reduce the amount of plastic pollution that is killing wildlife and marine life, devastating oceans and threatening the health of our planet. There are plenty of other activities on offer, including information stalls, and interactive beach and swim safety sessions from local author Louise Lambeth who will also be reading from 3 of her water-themed stories.

At the end of the day, the Take3 Team will measure just how much waste we have diverted from the environment so we can see our impact!

**DATE:** Wednesday 13 November **TIME:** 10:00am - 1:00pm

LOCATION: Long Jetty Foreshore, Tuggerah Parade, Long Jetty

# LAKES FESTIVAL TERRIGAL

#### Australian Beach Netball + Beach Soccer

**BOOK NOW** 

Get ready Terrigal! Australian Beach Soccer and Beach Netball is coming to The Lakes Festival.

This is a fantastic opportunity for soccer and netball enthusiasts to come together, showcase their skills, and enjoy friendly competition. Form a team of up to 8 players and join us for a weekend of fun, sun, and some healthy competition. See you on the sand!

**DATE:** Saturday 9 and Sunday 10 November

**TIME:** 8:00am - 5:00pm

LOCATION: Terrigal Beach, Terrigal Dr, Terrigal COST: From \$370 per Team of 8 players

#### Marine Magic Outdoor Cinema and Arts Fair

**FREE EVENT** 

Dive into an evening of Marine Magic with art, circus fun, face painting, roving characters, and environmental education right by the beautiful Marine Centre and waterfront in Terrigal! Once the sun sets, kick back and watch a family friendly movie on the big screen.

**DATE:** Friday 15 November **TIME:** 4:00pm - 8:00pm

LOCATION: Terrigal Rotary Park and Marine Discovery Centre, 11 Terrigal Dr, Terrigal

LARES FESTIVAL TOUKLEY

#### Toukley Art and Craft Fair by the Lake

**FREE EVENT** 

The 9th annual Toukley Arts and Craft Fair by the Lake is a fun day for the whole family with locally handmade arts and crafts, artwork, art bargain tables and lots more.

**DATE:** Saturday 9 November **TIME:** 10:00am - 4:00pm

LOCATION: Toukley and Districts Art Society, Wallarah Point Peace Park,

Wallarah Rd. Gorokan

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#### **Central Coast Postcard Show: Perspectives of Brisbane Water**

Central Coast Postcard Show celebrates the creation, exhibition, and sale of postcard-sized artworks highlighting the stunning waterways of the Central Coast through a vibrant art exhibition, interactive workshops, and a postcard fair.

DATE: Daily Friday 8 - Sunday 17 November

**TIME:** 10:00am - 4:00pm

LOCATION: Woy Woy Environment Hall,

267 Blackwall Road, Wov Wov

# FREE EVENT



#### Kayak Lake Mac

Enjoy a FREE kayak paddle on beautiful Lake Macquarie. Learn about underwater habitats and how we can all care for our catchments.

**DATE:** Thursday 14 November TIME: 9:00am - 12:00pm

LOCATION: Joshua Porter Reserve, 52 Lloyd Avenue Chain Valley Bay

#### Cinema Under the Stars

Come down to Gwandalan's very first Cinema Under the Stars and watch Moana on the big screen. Enjoy plenty of other family friendly entertainment, including the Moana Photo Booth, roving characters, face painting and more! There will be food trucks and popcorn available for purchase.

**DATE:** Friday 8 November **TIME:** 5:00pm - 9:00pm

LOCATION: Lioness Park, 2 West Koowong Rd, Gwandalan



**FREE EVENT** 

**FREE EVENT** 



#### Gather and Groove Music and Arts Festival

Immerse yourself in a whimsical underwater wonderland at 'Gather and Groove' for The Lakes Festival, celebrating our beautiful coastal waters with live music, interactive art, circus acts, and environmental education.

**DATE:** Saturday 16 November **TIME:** 3:00pm - 10:00pm

LOCATION: Lions Park, 2 North Burge Rd, Woy Woy

#### **FREE EVENT**



#### Coastal Surge Film Festival: Music Videos

A Big Coast Needs a Big Screen! This year's Coastal Surge International Film Festival will provide a diverse cinema experience sharing music videos produced from 2020, playing out on the big screen. A second evening is taking place at Avoca Beach Theatre on Thursday 7 November showing Short Film submissions.

**DATE:** Friday 8 November TIME: 6:00pm - 11:00pm

LOCATION: 9 Dunban Rd, Woy Woy COST: Tickets from \$21.20

#### **BOOK NOW**



# Kincumba Night Adventure

Explore our local bushland as it comes alive after dark! We will look for owls, possums, gliders, wallabies, spiders and frogs! Minimum age is 6 years old.

DATE: Tuesday 12 November **TIME:** 7:00pm - 9:30pm

LOCATION: Kincumba Mountain Reserve, Island View Drive Kincumber

A celebration of non-stop comedy with an amazing line-up of Australia's funniest stars, homegrown legends and next-bigthings in comedy. Featuring Heath Franklin's Chopper, with Ivan Aristequieta, Aaron Gocs, Andrew Hamilton, and Chloe Maddren.

DATE: Sunday 10 November **TIME:** 6:00pm - 7:40pm

LOCATION: The Arthouse, 19/21 Margaret St, Wyong

Warning: May contain strong language



#### The Lakes Festival Comedy Gala

COST: From \$49.00





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