

President's Report 2024

A very big thank you to the SHASA Executive – Steve Colman (VP) Patrick Guinness (Treasurer) Suzanne Shorrocks (Secretary) and Tony Lowe, Brett Stevenson, Frank Ross, Valerie Faber, Andrew Everard, and Andrea Charlton (Committee Members)

SHASA has continued to grow and we now have 99 paid members. We received many generous donations to the SHASA tax deductible Public Fund. Recently we have used some of those funds to sponsor the RfR renewable trailer, and contribute to the cost of the audio system in the Red Door Hall, St John's Commons, Moruya.

The Grants Team – Kate Taylor, Tony Lowe, Andrea Charlton, Patrick Guinness and Kathryn Maxwell secured a number of grants to achieve a more resilient community in the Eurobodalla. Projects undertaken included:

- FRRR funding for solar/batteries at the Anglican Parish Batemans Bay
- NSW Infrastructure grant to upgrade the Moruya Surf Club to operate as a Bushfire and Heatwave Haven during extreme weather events.
- FRRR Investing in Regional Communities Futures grant to prepare operational plans for 4 Havens.
- NSW Infrastructure grant to replace gas heaters with air conditioners and upgrade hot water heating at the Uniting Church, Batemans Bay
- Completion of microgrid feasibility studies for South Durras, Broulee, Congo, Bodalla, Tilba and Mystery Bay.

The Communications Team – Lyn Smith, Natalie Barnett, Andrea Charlton, Jo Maclean, Kat McCarthy and Kathryn Maxwell produced

- 6 high quality and engaging SHASA Spark Newsletter
- Professional Facebook Page with regular posts
- Up to date website
- Updated flyers on going all electric in the home
- New display for the SHASA tents at markets and Expos.

The Governance Team – Pete Phillips, Tony Lowe, Arno Schaaf, Steve Colman, Patrick Guinness, Su Kerns, and Kathryn Maxwell have been beavering away on enhancing SHASA's governance including:

- Xero accounting package
- Assets register
- Google docs filing system
- Fundraising Strategy
- Stakeholder Management Plan
- Child Safe Policy
- Checklist of key compliance issues – ACNA, insurance, domain name renewal etc

Electrify Committee – Arno Schaaf, Peter Haughton, Michael Brown, Lyn Smith, Jo Maclean, Stewart Needham, Andrea Charlton, Andrew Everard, Valerie Faber and Kathryn Maxwell. Key outcomes:

- Moruya EV Expo 28 October 2023 – excellent exhibits and attended by over 1500 people.
- Electrify Display at the ESC Sustainable Choices Expo 14 September 2024
- Mini EV Expo at the Narooma Markets 26 May 2024
- Electrify stall at the Tilba Festival July 2024
- Portable Induction cooktop is available to borrow and try out.

Repair Cafe – Charlie Bell (Coordinator) Thomas Schild, Anita McAdam, Rod Rutherford, Rob Shorrock, Brett Stevenson, Valerie Faber, Kathryn Maxwell, Glynis Whitfield, Judith Egan, Julie Corkin, Kim Holburn, Malcolm Watson and Matthew Thomas repair a diverse range of items every Friday 9.30am – 12.30pm at the Red Door Hall, St John's Commons. They have repaired hundreds of items over the last 12 months. Trish Pye also provides IT support and training – particularly for phones and tablets.

10th Anniversary Celebration

On 1 November 2024 SHASA celebrated its 10th Anniversary at the Moruya Surf Club 4pm – 9pm. Everyone was welcome to attend. It was a fantastic evening & awards were presented.