



Tasman Room  
Club Sapphire  
Merimbula  
6pm to 9pm

- Thur 13th Oct
- Thur 27th Oct
- Thurs 10th Nov
- Thur 24th Nov

Focusing on Merimbula,  
Tura Beach & Pambula

- everybody matters and all opinions matter
- bring us your ideas so we can discuss & prioritise them
- we will present them to council and local groups for consideration
- facilitated by Orit Winters from the NSW Small Business Chamber and Our Merimbula Committee members

COME AND HAVE YOUR SAY – HELP US TO HELP YOU

## Our Merimbula Newsletter


[www.ourmerimbula.com.au](http://www.ourmerimbula.com.au)

## Sept 2016

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## Merimbula Chamber News

### 'Spring into Spring'

While the weather closed in on Thursday 29th, the now annual 'Spring into Spring' event charged on, with organisers



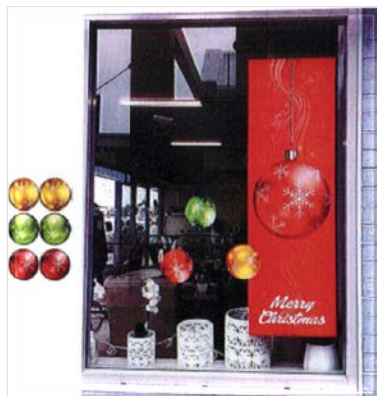
decorating the Main Street with balloons and ribbons and the outside broadcast hosted by Kimmi Saker of 2EC spreading the atmosphere with great music and live interviews from local businesses and community groups.

Due to the rain, unfortunately many of the days attractions were cancelled, however as the afternoon wore on the sunshine came out along with more shoppers! From immediate feedback retailers were commenting, it was a nice extra cash injection to an already busy week with the town largely full of tourists from the September school holiday period. The Chamber would like to thank the commercial

landlords of Merimbula and financial institutions for making the day possible and we look forward to a dryer and bigger event next year!

### Christmas Decorations

Have you got your order in for your Christmas Banner & Baubles yet? We have been out collecting the orders



recently, but if we have missed you then please contact us so that we can organise to collect your order or alternatively email it into [secretary@ourmerimbula.com.au](mailto:secretary@ourmerimbula.com.au)

Remember that we are trying to enhance the Christmas theme throughout the area. Thank you for your participation.

### Business Master Class Series

Open to ALL Business Men & Women.



This course has now been running for 6 weeks and has been a great success with some workshops attracting up to 15 participants. We do plan to run another one next year, if you missed out on this one. The last 2 workshops are listed below:

- ➔ **10th Oct - Thinking Goals & Time Master Class** – Peter Gordon from Business Enterprise Center
- ➔ **24th Oct - Window Dressing & Shop Presentation** – Gaelene Bradford

Check out [www.scbw.com.au](http://www.scbw.com.au) for more details or to make a booking. Discounts for financial members are available

*Know your limitations  
then defy them.*

## Upcoming Meeting Dates

Social Drinks and Open Meeting Dates are as follows. For a full calendar of events please visit our [EVENTS CALENDAR](#)

- Social Drinks Fri 30<sup>th</sup> Oct
- Retailers Meeting Tue 4<sup>th</sup> Oct
- \*Focus on Merimbula Thurs. 13<sup>th</sup> Oct
- \*Focus on Merimbula Thurs. 27<sup>th</sup> Oct
- Social Drinks Fri 28<sup>th</sup> Oct
- \*Focus on Merimbula Thurs. 10<sup>th</sup> Nov
- \*Focus on Merimbula Thurs. 24<sup>th</sup> Nov
- Social Drinks Fri 25<sup>th</sup> Nov

Check out upcoming events on:

<https://ourmerimbula.tidyhq.com>

## FIRST LEARN

## THEN REMOVE THE “I”

## \*Focus on Merimbula

Whether you are a retailer, small business owner, a local home owner or a retiree, here is your chance to come along and have your say. Tell us what you want to improve Merimbula, Tura Beach and Pambula. Everybody matters and all your opinions matter. We are planning 4 open meetings running from 6.00pm to 9.00pm over 4 consecutive fortnights. The aim will be to achieve better understanding of what the community's wants and needs are, overcoming them by assistance from council and other local groups.

**Week 1** – Bring us your ideas.

**Week 2** – How do we proceed?

**Week 3** – Let us prioritise your ideas.

**Week 4** – Who is on board to help us achieve these goals & ideas?

The meetings will be facilitated by Orit Winters from the NSW Small Business Chamber along with the Our Merimbula Chamber Committee members.

## Merimbula Retailers Meeting

**08:00 – 09:00 TUESDAY 04-09-2016**  
**BOARDWALK GELATERIA, 4 MARKET STREET MERIMBULA**

**BREAKFAST MENU AVAILABLE:**

- bacon and egg wraps
- fruit & nut loaf
- sourdough toast with jam
- muesli with yoghurt and berries

### AGENDA

- Feedback on Winter Wonderland
- Spring into Merimbula
- Movember and International Men's Day
- Santa promotion
- Christmas Late night Shopping
- Christmas window decorations

**ALL RETAILERS ARE WELCOME**

# What's happening?

## Winter Wonderland Winner

Congratulations to the winner of our last \$250 WLT card is Zoe Chapple, a local school girl. Zoe won her WLT gift card by shopping at EyeQ Optometrist.



The **Winter Wonderland** has been a great success with 6 lucky winners in all throughout the promotion and a great participation from the Merimbula Retailers. **Please note:** This promotion was put together by the Merimbula Retailers sub-committee and supported by the Our Merimbula Chamber. Remember that Our Merimbula Chamber encompasses, Tura Beach, Merimbula & Pambula. But we need your ideas and input to help promote these areas as well. So if you

have an idea or promotion that they want to organise for your local retailers, then bring your ideas to the Our Merimbula

Chamber so that we can help you promote your local retailers as we have been able to promote Merimbula Retailers.

James Smith

President – Our Merimbula Chamber  
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## Business of the month

### NEW STORE NOW OPEN

64 Market Street Merimbula NSW 2548

As a little girl, I would watch my Mum spend hours, make clothing for my sisters and I. Now I'm all grown up and still I watch my Mum spend hours sewing, but now Mum is sewing with me.

Rudi Patootie has moved from being a small home based establishment, to a store front boutique in Merimbula NSW. We now have the space to have retail in the front half of the store and our manufacturing area in the back... what more could we need?!

In the future it's my hope and dream to have a range of adult sized dresses and skirts, however, for now the excitement of the positive response to our current range is keeping us busy enough.



Rudi Patootie now runs a selection of classes and events held in store morning, afternoon and evening.

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