

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

Celebrating NAIDOC Week at Malabar Resources

Malabar Resources had the profound privilege of recognising and celebrating NAIDOC Week, an important occasion that honours the history, culture, and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Our celebration brought together local community members and our Malabar family to acknowledge and appreciate the invaluable contributions of the Indigenous community.





The event served as a meaningful opportunity for reflection, learning, and cultural exchange. We commenced with a traditional smoking ceremony, a powerful ritual that fosters purification and welcomes participants into the space with respect. This was followed by captivating story-sharing sessions that deepened our understanding of Indigenous heritage and perspectives.

A highlight of the celebration was the mesmerising dance performances by Waagan Galga. Their expressive movements and storytelling through dance beautifully showcased the rich cultural heritage and conveyed important narratives that resonated deeply with all who watched.

We were honoured to host several distinguished guests who enriched the event with their presence and insights. Among them were Steven Fordham and his team from Blackrock Industries, Jacob Ellis and the traditional dancers from Waagan Galga, Uncle Richie Lawton from Budbudda Dreaming, Uncle Glen Morris

from the Wonnarua Aboriginal Land Council, Mayor Steve Reynolds, as well as members of the Malabar Resources board, management, and staff.

This gathering underscored the importance of unity, respect, and shared understanding within our community. It reinforced our commitment to building stronger, more inclusive connections and to honouring the stories and traditions that enrich our lives.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all who attended and contributed to making this NAIDOC Week celebration memorable and meaningful. Together, we continue to embrace diversity, foster mutual respect, and celebrate the cultural heritage that strengthens our community.



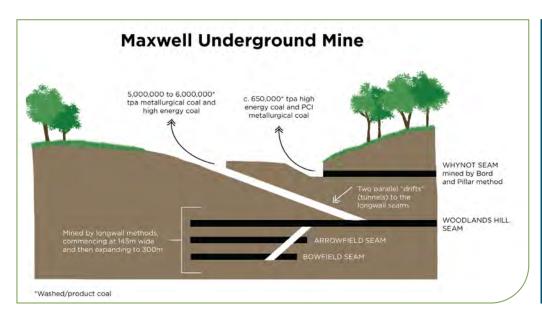
OPERATIONS UPDATE

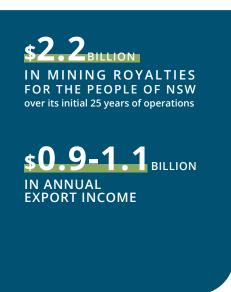
Woodlands Hill Seam - Longwall Operation

We're pleased to report significant progress in contructing the drifts to the Woodlands Hill seam. This seam will be mined by longwall mining method using state of the art equipment, starting with a 145-metre-wide panel. Mine development operations will begin later this year. Our initial conveyor has been successfully installed and is ready to support the ramp-up of production.

Whynot Seam - Bord & Pillar Operation

In the Whynot seam, production and efficiency have seen a substantial increase. The successful commissioning of the first-place change panels marks a key milestone in enhancing operational performance.





Product Coal Preparation

The Coal Handling and Preparation Plant (CHPP) has been efficiently processing coal from the Bord & Pillar operation, ensuring high-quality coal is ready for export through the Port of Newcastle.







OPERATIONS UPDATE continued

Exciting Update from Our Engineering Team

Our engineering team recently returned from an international trip to Germany & China, where they closely monitored the progress and manufacture quality of our longwall equipment including our initial 72 new bespoke longwall shields.

In June 2024, the first two shields were delivered to the site for rigorous testing. Expertly crafted by ZMJ, one of the world's leading manufacturers of premium longwall equipment, these state-of-the-art shields are engineered to provide critical roof support during longwall mining operations.





JUNE RECRUITMENT SUCCESS AND UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

IN JUNE, we hosted a series of career roadshows across New South Wales, aiming to recruit around 200 new team members for our expanding mining operations. The turnout was fantastic, with many eager candidates coming to learn more about Malabar Resources, at our Maxwell Underground Mine Operations, and the exciting career opportunities we offer. We were thrilled by the overwhelming number of applications we received.

Successful candidates will be receiving offers in the coming weeks, with our new operators set to join

the team in Q4/CY 2024 as we begin development operations in the longwall operation.

In other news, our annual apprentice recruitment drive is now underway. We're offering two positions for aspiring mechanical and electrical apprentices to join us in 2025. Our apprentices gain a comprehensive TAFE qualification while acquiring invaluable hands-on experience at our Maxwell operations. For more details and to apply, visit our website. Applications close on 20 September 2024.









CCC MEETING - 22ND AUGUST 2024

Malabar continues to engage with community stakeholders through its Community Consultative Committee (CCC which meets every quarter. The CCC provides a forum for discussion between Malabar and representatives of the local community, key stakeholder groups and the local council on issues relating directly to Malabar's projects. The most recent meeting of the CCC was held on the 22nd August 2024 providing an update of the Maxwell Underground Mine progress. Meeting minutes can be found on our website.

COMMUNITY SPONSORSHIP

Malabar is an active participant in the local community and continues to support a wide range of local groups, businesses, and charities, with over \$620,000 donated to date. We believe the regions in which we operate should be the main beneficiary of our presence.

Over the last year, Malabar has been involved in community events and sponsorships, further demonstrating Malabar's authentic dedication to the community. Beyond specific events, Malabar has consistently demonstrated its commitment to the community through various sponsorships and collaborative endeavours. Our involvement spans local schools, sports clubs, and cultural events.

For local organisations who are seeking support from our Community Grants program, please visit https://malabarresources.com.au/apply-for-a-community-grant/



OUR WORK WITHIN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

HARRY SCOWEN

We're proud to support Harry Scowen, a talented local year 12 Student and cricketer from Muswellbrook High School. Harry has shown exceptional dedication to further his cricket career, travelling to Maitland and Newcastle over the past 7 years. He has represented the Upper Hunter, Northern Region, and various teams in Sydney and India.

Recently, Harry was chosen to represent NSW All Schools in a visit to play Queensland in Mackay this August. He will participate in a 3-day game, a one-day match, and a T20 match. Harry aspires to be selected for the Australian U19s and St George U19s for 2025.

To support Harry on this journey, Malabar Resources donated \$500 towards his trip to Queensland, helping to cover his out-of-pocket expenses. We believe in nurturing local talent and are excited to see Harry achieve his dreams.





OUR WORK WITHIN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY HEROES! NSWRFS HUNTER VALLEY SUPPORT BRIGADE

At Malabar, we believe in the power of community and supporting those who keep us safe. That's why when we heard about the challenges facing the NSW RFS Hunter Valley Operational Support Brigade, we knew we had to step in and lend a helping hand.

Our friends at the Support Brigade play a vital role in Muswellbrook and Singleton local government areas, providing essential logistical support to 31 brigades across the Hunter Valley District. Their bulk water carrier is their lifeline during emergencies, but when it was damaged, we knew we had to act.

When Hunter Valley Group Captain, Aaron Clerke, reached out to us for assistance, we didn't hesitate. Through our Malabar Community Sponsorship Program, we're proud to announce a donation of \$10,000 to help get their bulk water carrier back on the road!



MILBRODALE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Milbrodale Public School, located just 23 kilometres from Singleton, has been in operation since 1921. Despite its small size, the school boasts a dynamic, innovative learning environment that truly sets it apart. Last year, during our visit, we were impressed by the dedication of the 17 students from Kindergarten to Year 6. Now, we're thrilled to hear that the school has grown to 25 students! With this growth comes the need for additional resources to support their learning journey.

That's where we come in. As part of our commitment to community support, we've donated four brand-new 10th-generation iPads to Milbrodale Public School. These iPads will provide students with the tools they need for everyday learning, helping them excel in their studies and beyond.

We understand the importance of access to quality education, no matter the size or location of the school. That's why we're proud to support initiatives like this through our Malabar Community Grants Program, ensuring that every student has the opportunity to reach their full potential. Thank you to the staff, students, and families of Milbrodale Public School for welcoming us into your community. Together, we're making a difference in the lives of these students and shaping the future of education.





OUR WORK WITHIN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

INTRODUCING MALABEARS: A HEARTFELT INITIATIVE BY MALABAR RESOURCES!

At Malabar Resources, we believe in giving back to our community and making a positive impact wherever we can. This year, we embarked on a special project aimed at providing comfort to local children experiencing traumatic situations. The idea for "Malabears" was born.

The concept was simple yet powerful: create a cute, comforting teddy bear to give to children in distressing environments. To bring this idea to life, we reached out to Tim Troon, the Acting Station Officer and Paramedic from Muswellbrook Ambulance Station. Tim, along with his colleague Kaitlyn was immediately on board and contributed significantly to the project's development

Before the COVID-19 pandemic, the Muswellbrook Ambulance Station had a tradition of handing out handmade teddy bears to children. Unfortunately, due to strict infection control restrictions, this practice had to be discontinued. Recognising the ongoing need for such a comforting gesture, we collaborated with Tim to ensure that each Malabear would be safe and suitable for distribution under the new health guidelines.

Together, we designed the Malabears to be individually wrapped and sealed in plastic packaging. This precaution allows the teddies to be easily wiped down, addressing any infection control concerns and ensuring the safety of both the children and the paramedics.

With the project plans in place, Malabar Resources donated 50 Malabears to the Muswellbrook Ambulance Station. The dedicated paramedic team in Muswellbrook are now equipped with these comforting teddies to hand out to children during emergencies.

The Malabears project not only provides immediate comfort to children in distress but also strengthens our bond with the community. We are incredibly proud to support the invaluable work of our local paramedics and to bring a sense of security and warmth to the children they care for during difficult time

At Malabar Resources, we are committed to making a difference, one Malabear at a time.





OUR WORK WITHIN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

PROUD SUPPORTERS OF MUSWELLBROOK ANIMAL SHELTER

At Malabar Resources, we're dedicated to giving back to our community and supporting causes close to our hearts. In July, in honour of National Desexing Month, we made a special donation of \$250 worth of toys for the wonderful cats and dogs at Muswellbrook Animal Shelter.

We're also thrilled to hear the heartwarming news about Mars, the friendly black dog featured in these photos and who recently found his forever home after a few months at the shelter. Stories like Mars's remind us why it's so important to support our local shelters and the incredible work they do.



SINCE TAKING OWNERSHIP OF THE SITE, WE HAVE:

165,000 TREES

with total trees planted onsite now exceeding 355,000

5960 TREES
WERE PLANTED



CONTACT US

If you have any other questions about Malabar Resources or any of our projects, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Malabar maintains a 24-hour community hotline (1800 653 960) for any issues or enquiries related to our operations or our plans for the local area.





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sunshine	truck
kangaroo	trees
mining	train
denman	rocks
digger	vines