

Khancoban

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2026

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Welcome to 2026. We wish all a very happy, healthy and prosperous year ahead.

What a great way to celebrate the end of 2025 with the Christmas party at the beginning of December. A great attendance from the local community, the visit from Mr Claus, and music from members of the school. Thank you to everyone involved in the organisation of the evening, those who helped out on the day, and all who attended. What a great community!



Australia Day This year we will be hosting an Australia Day breakfast and ceremony in the garden area at the Khancoban Golf Club. The day will commence with an Australia Day breakfast at around 8:30, with a ceremony following recognising local citizens for their contribution to the community. Further details will be posted on social media local community pages along with flyers around town. All are welcome to join in and attend.



Op Shop With the Op shop flourishing at the moment, help is really needed! Are you able to assist either weekly, fortnightly, monthly, or just as an occasional fill-in? We need you! Please consider if you are able to help out. Any



assistance will be greatly appreciated. Just drop in and talk to us when next in the shopping centre.



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New EV charging stations powering the Snowy Valleys

The Snowy Valleys continues to enhance its appeal to electric vehicle (EV) drivers, with new chargers now operational across the region, boosting both convenience and connectivity for locals and visitors alike.

Thanks to a partnership between Snowy Hydro and Snowy Valleys Council new public charging stations have been installed at Talbingo, Tumbarumba, Adelong, Khancoban and Tumut.

Snowy Valleys Council Mayor Julia Ham said the project was a major step towards a more sustainable future.

"We are proud to collaborate with Snowy Hydro to bring this vital infrastructure to our community. By installing EV chargers, we can attract more visitors to our region, improve their experience, and encourage longer stays in our townships.

"Expanding EV infrastructure also supports clean energy adoption and strengthens our region's reputation as an environmentally conscious destination."



Snowy Hydro Head of Social Impact and Community Sarah Norris said partnering with the Snowy Valleys Council to deliver EV chargers to the region will make it easier for residents and tourists to the region to reduce their carbon footprint.

"We know more people are using EVs, however the availability of charging infrastructure can be a barrier for tourism to regional communities. Through our partnership with Snowy Valleys Council, we've been able to support the delivery of nine EV charging stations in towns such as Adelong and Tumbarumba.

"Snowy Hydro has a proud history of supporting the communities where we operate. This is a tangible way for Snowy Hydro to help people to lower their carbon footprint, attract more visitors to the region, and ensure the local economy continues to thrive."

In Tumut, two centrally located EV chargers have been installed in the Coles car park, just a short stroll from the town's main street. The location offers drivers the perfect opportunity to recharge while enjoying the many cafes, shops and services Tumut has to offer.

Tumbarumba's two new units are live in Union Lane. These chargers add to the existing unit at the Tumbarumba Sportsground, which was delivered in partnership with the Tumbarumba Chamber of Commerce. Together, they significantly increase accessibility and support the town's growing visitor economy.

In Talbingo, EV drivers can now recharge near the heart of the shopping precinct and just moments from the picturesque foreshore of Talbingo Dam. Located within 100 metres of a public BBQ area and an adventure playground, the site offers a family-friendly recharge experience.

Adelong's new charger is now operating in Golden Gully Park, providing access to nearby amenities including public toilets, a playground and the scenic Falls Creek walk. The charger is also within easy walking distance of the historic main street, encouraging visitors to explore the town while they top up.

Khancoban is also on the map, with two new chargers installed in the central shopping centre car park. This key location ensures convenient access to local services and further supports the town's role as a gateway to alpine adventures.

The 22kW dual-port chargers with dedicated parking spaces are set to attract more day trippers and encourage longer stays and position the Snowy Valleys region as an increasingly attractive destination for eco-conscious visitors.

Council received funding for the initiative from the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment, and Water's EV Destination Charging Grants, part of the \$20 million Drive Electric NSW program.



Strange but true- The Amazon

- The Amazon rainforest contains more than 3,000 fruits. Only 200 of these are consumed in the western world.
- More than 20% of the world's oxygen is produced by the Amazon rainforest.



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WEATHER DECEMBER 2025



Minimum Temperature:

Lowest: 4.0° (26/27th)

Highest: 17.8° (31st)

Average: 10.3°

Maximum Temperature:

Lowest: 14.2° (1st)

Highest: 38.6° (18th)

Average: 29.0°

Rainfall

Highest : 23.2mm (22nd)

Total : 44.0mm

*Sourced from bom

Thought for the Day ...

A mind is like a parachute. It doesn't work if it is not open.



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The course is looking fabulous at the moment, and a big shout out to all the volunteers for their continued work: with the greens, mowing, tidying, watering and everything else. A huge thank you.

A reminder, when using the course please check and ensure you take all rubbish with you and dispose of in the bins.

Change to competition start times: with the hot weather upon us, a decision was made to review the start times for both Tuesday and Thursday competitions to 8:30 am for a 9:00 am start. These times will hold for January and February and more than likely into March.

Competition times are:

Tuesday / Thursday : 8:30am for 9:00am start

Saturday: 8:30am for 9:00am start

Green fees are \$20 for 9 holes, 18 holes or practise.

For enquiries please contact

Sam 0400 598 729 or Sean 0497 802 274

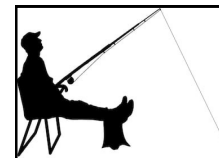


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Fish of the Month : Winner of December Fishing record random draw was Emily Kaye. Well done and thank you to Emily who has won a \$50 voucher.



Weekend at Walwa Saturday 17th & Sunday 18th January 2026: Due to the Bushfires and the need to free up accommodation for essential services we are **DEFERRING the Weekend at Walwa until a later date**. Late Feb or early March most likely but we will work with accommodation outlets and keep you posted.

Meat raffles: These should restart late January or early February. Keep an eye on Facebook for updates.



Thanks to Blake and Imogen Tyrell for sending us a picture of the Murray Cod which they caught just before Christmas.



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Hello Khancoban Community,

Welcome to 2026 and a whole new year ahead of cooking. This time of year seems to produce a glut of grapefruits. After receiving donations each year we have been here, I have tried cooking; Grapefruit and Orange Panna Cotta (produced a gluggy, separated mess that was hard to choke down); a bulk Grapefruit, Orange and Fennel Marmalade (a very stressful 48 hrs I will never get back and involved emergency calls to community members who know how to make preserves. Tried it on toast which was promptly discarded for scraps), and a Milanese Sardine dish for Christmas Eve dinner (lucky we could fill up on entrees and desserts, because it was awful). My final attempt was a salad from my trust Community recipe book, paired with roast salmon. Finally had success with this unique fruit. The local grapefruit donated to me hasn't been the ruby red variety but seemed to work okay. My sister-in-law has advised that when you segment a grapefruit, it means to really get rid of every scrap of pith and skin and only use the flesh to reduce that bitter taste. It can also be hard to source kale from the shops but Cam at Pickled Parrot can order it in if you can't get from someone's garden. If anyone has any other grapefruit recipe suggestions, email to khancoban.ctc@bigpond.com.

Produce ready for picking in the community garden includes herbs and zucchini. Other Summer produce is still coming through.

Warmly,
Monique



Spicy Kale, Red Grapefruit and Crispy Rice Salad by Hetty McKinnon, in the 'Community Cookbook,' (Pan Macmillan Australia)

Serves 4-6

Ingredients

Salad 600 g (4 cups) cold cooked brown rice (from 225g/ 1 12/ cups uncooked rice) rice bran or vegetable oil, for frying 1 bunch kale (or cavolo nero), stems removed and leaves torn 2-3 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil 2 ruby red grapefruit handful of basil leaves, torn 45 g (3/4 cup) shredded coconut, toasted ½ cup peanuts, toasted and finely chopped 1/3 cup crispy fried shallots sea salt and black pepper lime wedges, to serve	Spicy Lime Dressing 3 tablespoons grapefruit juice (collected from segmenting the grapefruits) juice of ½ lime, plus extra if necessary 2 teaspoon of sesame oil about 2 teaspoons brown sugar (or maple syrup) 1 garlic clove, grated 1 tablespoon tamari (or soy sauce) ½ - 1 long red chilli, finely chopped, or 1 teaspoon dried chilli flakes sea salt and black pepper
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Instructions

Spread the cooked brown rice over a large baking tray. When cool, place in the fridge, uncovered, to dry out for at least 1 hour but preferably overnight. **Place** a saucepan over medium-high heat and fill with rice bran or vegetable oil to a depth of about 2.5cm. When the oil is hot enough (test with a wooden chopstick; if it sizzles, the oil is ready), very carefully add 1 cup of rice – stand back, the oil will spit. Do not stir (the grains should stick together). Once the rice is golden, use a slotted spoon to transfer the grains to drain on paper towel. Break up the grains a little and season with salt. Repeat with the remaining rice. **Place** the kale in a large mixing bowl. Drizzle over the olive oil, add a pinch of salt and massage into the leaves, just for a few seconds to soften slightly. Set aside. **Using** a sharp paring knife, cut the top and bottom off each grapefruit and stand them up on a chopping board. Working top to bottom, cut away the peel, making sure to remove as much white pith as possible. Holding a peeled grapefruit over a bowl to catch any juices, cut between the membranes to segment. Squeeze out any juices from the leftover membrane into the bowl and keep it for the dressing. Repeat with the second grapefruit. **To** make the dressing, combine the grapefruit juice, lime juice, sesame oil, brown sugar, garlic, tamari and chilli. Whisk to combine and season with salt and pepper. Taste and adjust the lime, sugar and salt until you have a balanced sweet, salty and spicy dressing. **Add** the crispy rice to the kale along with the basil leaves and half the coconut and peanuts. Pour over the dressing, season with salt and pepper and toss to combine. Add the grapefruit and lightly toss again. Top with crispy shallots and the remaining coconut and peanuts, and serve with lime wedges on the side.

Roast Salmon Recipe from an Old Friend

Ingredients

salmon fillets
salt
olive oil
Moroccan seasoning
inch ginger, skin removed and julienned

Instructions

Pre-heat the oven to 180 degrees Celsius. **Pat** dry the salmon. **Coat** with olive oil and place on pan with skin side facing up. **Sprinkle** skin with salt and Moroccan seasoning. **Place** ginger pieces along the top of the salmon fillets. **Cook** in oven for 15-20min.

St Joseph the Worker Catholic Church

Khancoban

Sunday Services

5:30pm

Every 1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday of the Month



The poster is blue with white and yellow text. At the top left is the Snowy Valleys Council logo. The main text reads 'LEVEL 1 WATER RESTRICTIONS NOW APPLY across the Snowy Valleys'. Below this is a list of restrictions: 'Trigger nozzle watering', 'Irrigation systems limited', and 'Car washing only on grass'. On the right, there is a graphic of a water tap with a single drop of water falling from it, containing the number '1'. At the bottom, the website 'www.svc.nsw.gov.au/water-restrictions' is listed.

Khancoban Swimming Pool 2025 / 2026 Season

Saturday 22 November 2025—Sunday 15 March 2026

Season Trial

Residents of Khancoban (with proof of postcode) can buy an unsupervised swipe card for daily pool access from 7am to 8pm. Swipe cards are available for families and young people aged 15-17.

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Weekends 12:00pm —6:30pm

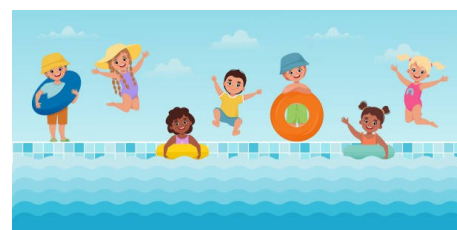
Closed all public holidays except Australia

After– Hours Swipe Card Access

Saturday 8 November 2025 to Sunday 22 March 2026

7 days: 7:00am—8:00 pm

Closed all public holidays



2025 — The Year in Review

January	7th	Wildfires erupt in Los Angeles area and continue for a month, causing extensive damage. It is one of the costliest disasters to strike the US, with an estimated cost of \$76-\$131 billion, and 30 people are killed.
	20th	Donald Trump is inaugurated as President of the US. He is the second president to serve two non-consecutive terms and the oldest person (age 78) to win office.
February	4th	The United States begins imposing an additional 10 percent tariff on Chinese goods, launching a trade war between the two countries. The U.S. government will later increase tariffs on other countries. Deadliest mass shooting in Sweden's history as gunman kills 10 students and injures another 15 at an adult learning center in Örebro, Sweden
	18th	Royal tomb of Egyptian Pharaoh Thutmose II (reign from about 1493 to 1479 BC) is discovered west of the Valley of the Kings - first tomb of a pharaoh found since Tutankhamun in 1922
	2nd	Firefly Aerospace's Blue Ghost makes a successful soft landing on the Moon, becoming the first commercial lunar lander to accomplish the feat.
March	4th	World's biggest iceberg A23a, weighing nearly a trillion metric tonnes (1.1 trillion tons), grounds off the coast of the island of South Georgia in the south Atlantic
	18th	American astronauts Sunita Williams and Barry Wilmore return to Earth after being in space for 286days. Although they were scheduled to only stay for about a week at the ISS, their return was delayed after the Starliner spacecraft suffered mechanical issues.
April	21st	Pope Francis dies at age 88.
May	3rd	Labor government led by Anthony Albanese, wins re-election in landslide victory in Australian Federal election.
	8th	Cardinal Robert Francis Prevost is elected pope and takes the name Leo XIV. He is the first American pope in the history of the Roman catholic Church.

June	12th	Air India flight 171 crashes in Ahmedabad, Gujarat, India, shortly after take-off. Of the 242 passengers and crew on board, only one person survives. The reported number of fatalities on the ground varies, with figures ranging between 19-33
	14th	Demonstrations against US President Donald Trump— known as ‘No Kings’ protests are held across the US and other countries, drawing more than 5 million participants. A second day of rallies is held on Oct 18, with almost 7 million participants
July	7th	Australian jury finds Erin Patterson (50) guilty of murder and attempted murder by mushroom in the poisoning deaths of her in-laws at a luncheon of beef wellington in Leongatha, Victoria home in 2023.
	30th	First Australian-made rocket by Gilmour Space Technologies launches in Queensland, Australia, for 14 seconds before crashing.
August	3rd	Estimated 300 000 protestors march across the Sydney Harbour Bridge Australia, in support of Palestine, calling for a permanent ceasefire in Gaza; the largest protest in Sydney history.
	26th	Pop sensation Taylor Swift and NFL star Travis Kelce announce their engagement in Instagram. The couple posts photographs of the proposal with the note “Your English teacher and you Gym teacher are getting married”
September	2nd	The US military carries out the first of a series of lethal strikes on small civilian boats operating in or near Venezuelan waters. The US government justifies the attacks by saying that the targeted vessels are being used for drug smuggling and terrorism .
	8th	Erin Patterson is sentenced to life in prison for the mushroom murder of her in-laws by an Australian court.
	10th	Australia approves the first vaccine to combat the chlamydia epidemic in koalas.
		Conservative activist Charlie Kirk is fatally shot while speaking at an outdoor event on the campus of Utah Valley University in Orem, Utah.
October	10th	Ceasefire goes into effect in the Israel-Hamas War, after the conflict started two years earlier on Gaza Strip, killing more than 1000 people and taking several hundred hostages.
	19th	Thieves disguised as construction workers force open a Louvre museum upper floor window, smash display cases, and flee worth 8 pieces of Napoleonic jewels worth over \$100M; The heist, which involves a truck-mounted electric ladder, power tools, and motorbikes, takes less than 10 minutes, occurs 30 minutes after opening, with visitors inside.
	30th	Buckingham Palace announces Prince Andrew(65) will be stripped of all titles and evicted from the Royal Lodge due to his association with Jeffrey Epstein. He will be known as Andrew Mountbatten Windsor.
November	12	The last penny is minted in the US. The coins were more expensive to make than they are worth .
	26th	A fire breaks out at an apartment complex in Hong Kong, and burns for more than 40hrs. Believed to be caused by substandard construction materials, more than 150 people are killed.
December	10th	A social media ban for those younger than 16 goes into effect in Australia.
	14th	Father and Son gunmen kill at least 15 and wound dozens at a Jewish “Chanukah by the Sea” celebration at Bondi Beach Sydney; police kill the elder shooter.
	17th	Thousands of dinosaur footprints dating back 210 million years are found on a mountain in Stelvio National Park in northern Italy.

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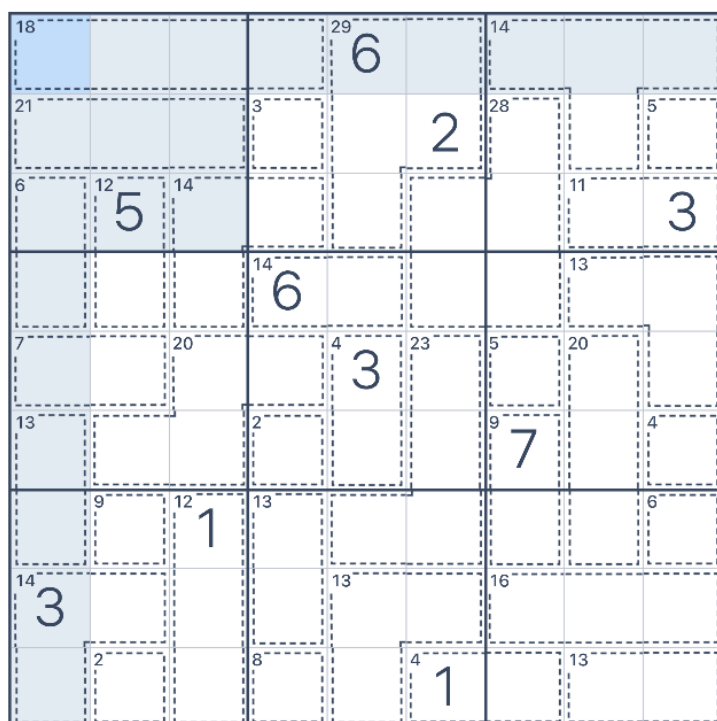
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