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BEGA CHEESE AND MUMUBULLA FOUNDATION CONTINUE COMMUNITY GIVING PARTNERSHIP

Bega Cheese today announced their ongoing support for the Mumbulla Foundation and its annual major fundraising event, the 2015 Mumbulla Foundation Gala Dinner to be held in Pambula in October.

Bega Cheese's support of the Mumbulla Foundation means that it can further build on its work over the past 15 years in giving over \$800,000 to community groups in the Bega Valley

Executive Chairman of Bega Cheese, Barry Irvin said today "the support that Bega Cheese can give to the Mumbulla Foundation means that we are assisting local non-for-profit groups, who form the backbone of this community."

"We are proud to be able to be a part of this worthwhile community giving program and to support this major fundraising event, in turn helping so many not-for-profit groups which keep the Bega Valley community so vibrant".

Mumbulla Foundation Chairman, Gary Potts said, "This greatly appreciated support from Bega Cheese has meant that the Mumbulla Foundation has been able to almost double its annual grants program over recent years."

Last year, grants were awarded to many diverse local groups, including Taiko Drumming Group for new equipment to allow them to perform publicly, Tawamba School for assistance with a day trip to Sydney so the children could experience city life, Men's Shed at Merimbula for equipment and tools for

their members, and many more not-for-profit organisations, such as Bandara Children's Services and Bega Valley SPAN.

In addition to the grants program the Foundation also provides scholarships each year to local students attending Wollongong University at the Bega campus.

The Mumbulla Foundation Gala Dinner, which is one of the major social events in the Bega Valley, will this year feature, "1950's Glamour – A Night on Broadway".

On **Saturday 31 October** at Oaklands Event Centre, Pambula the Gala Dinner will again be a night to remember, with entertainment from Broadway musicals, great food and dancing the night away. So start deciding which is your favourite Broadway Musical of the era and plan your costume as one of the characters.

For more information about the Mumbulla Foundation and to purchase tickets for the 2015 Gala Dinner, go to www.mumbulla.org.au

The Mumbulla Foundation 2015 Gala Dinner is also supported by Fairfax Media, 2EC Radio, Sapphire Coast Buslines, SparQle, Merimbula Jewellers and Excell Print.

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(Pic of Barry Irvin to be taken by Bega News photographer)

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