

A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO FARMERS AND FOODIES EVERYWHERE



That's 2024 done and dusted and we're sure plenty of food & beverages have been consumed over the past week or more and you're feeling 'fooded out', ready to begin that repeated resolution to eat less and eat healthier.

We agree with eating less and eating healthier. Particularly over the next few months when the appetite starts to return and indulgences creep back in. That's so you can save yourself for the third GourMay Mary Valley Food Festival which will be back in May 2025.

GourMay Food Festival 2025

Our team of passionate farmers and foodies are preparing a smorgasbord of events that anyone can enjoy including some that are FREE to attend including a movie night (although Chocolat will be available for purchase), Cheers and Beers at the Amamoor Village Green, and of course Festival Day.

There's a whole heap of fine tuning to be done before we release the complete calendar, but some old favourites will be back including festival day - this year being held on Saturday 10th May - and a whole bunch of new favourites.

What's coming back?

- Dingo Creek Long Lunch
- Walking with Macadamias
- Peter Wolfes Bushfood Long Lunch
- Mary Valley Degustation at the Kandanga Country Club
- Camp cooking competition and supper
- Sunrise Breakfast at the Avocado Tree Farm
- Long lunch at Woollahra Homestead
- Forage Farms Tour
- Songwriting Soup with Amanda Emblem
- Food and Film with Slow Food Noosa

What's new?

- A progressive lunch
- Mystery picnics
- Brunch with Loose Knit productions
- A special Cheers and Beers at the Amamoor Village Green

There are more events in the pipeline, with details being still worked out. This information will be released once we get confirmation.

Opening night and Gala event

Two events to watch out for are opening night and Gala event. Opening night will be on Thursday May 1st with the Gala event to conclude GourMay Mary Valley 2025, being on Saturday May 31st at Woollahra Homestead. This year's event will not be a seated dinner, more a relaxed evening of mingling, music, magnificent munchies, and MAGIC!!

Ticketing

In 2025, you'll be able to find tickets for all events on Humanitix with links available on our website. These links are active, but tickets are not yet available. They will most likely go on sale towards the end of February. We'll keep you updated as to when you can book your favourite event/s and find new favourites.

Festival Day

On May 10th, Sunshine Coast Foodie, Martin Duncan will again host the activities in the main marquee. Cooking demos will be by our local bushfood guru Peter Wolfe, and our sourdough expert Jodie Boulenaz and there will be some new competitions to complement the existing ones.

We'll also continue our GourMay Mary Valley cooking challenge, a Ready Steady Cook, Mystery Box style challenge pitting 4 Mary Valley locals against each other for our coveted "Cook of the Year". We're looking for contestants, so if you're a Mary valley local, or knows someone who is and think they'd be a perfect contestant, let us know. We'll only 'twist arms' if we need to.

Website

We'll be updating the website gourmaymaryvalley.com.au as event details are confirmed, so take a peek now for dates and times, pop them in your diary, and make sure you check back in periodically as we'd hate you to miss out on your favourite events.

We're really excited about all the events we've got planned and those that are being planned. We hope you are too. We'll keep you updated with anything new and cant wait till May.

The GourMay Mary Valley Team