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ABC special radio broadcast event in Tathra – this Saturday 26 May

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The ABC is broadcasting its NSW state-wide weekend radio breakfast show in Tathra on Saturday 26 May from 9am-12pm.

This special radio broadcast coincides with *Band Together – The Tathra Bushfire Relief Concert*. The ABC is committed to supporting the Tathra community after the March bushfires, which devastated much of the community.

Local **ABC South East NSW** presenters **Simon Lauder** and **Jen Hunt** will be joined by ABC Radio host **Simon Marnie**. Over three hours the trio will broadcast from outside the Tathra Hotel and showcase the artistic talents of the Sapphire Coast and hear about how the local recovery effort is going.

ABC **Back Road's** presenter **Heather Ewart** will also be there on the day, as well as members of the Hoodoo Gurus, who will be headlining on Saturday night at the Relief Concert.

"Tathra and the Sapphire Coast hold a special place for me as I've spent years meeting the people, celebrating the community and enjoying all it has to offer. Each year I revel in the Bega Show and judge the oyster competition," said ABC Radio presenter, Simon Marnie.

"I spoke to friends the day of the fires and knew that the resilient community would bounce back but also knew that they weren't going to do it alone and so I'm excited to be broadcasting on May the 26^{th} before the huge fundraising concert."

Simon has also organised a big oyster shuck-off.

Come and join the team down at the radio broadcast outside the Tathra Hotel starting at 9am this Saturday, before heading off to the bushfire relief concert.

"Tathra is a beautiful community and the spirit and generosity of its residents has never been more visible. We are committed to supporting and sharing the stories of rebuilding both the town and the lives of those affected – and this Saturday is a wonderful chance to get together and reflect on that," said ABC South East's Chief of Staff, Lisa Markham.

The Tathra Rural Fire Service and the Tathra Hotel will be overseeing a lamb on the spit, with all proceeds going to the Mayoral Appeal Fund.

We'll also have the ABC's photobooth there, where you can have some fun with the green screen and take your own photos!

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