

Clark Bay - an access paradise

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For more than 10 years, the tranquil shores of Clark Bay, near Narooma has offered a respite haven for the disabled, aged their carers and families.

Clark Bay Cottages have been designed to provide the highest standard of access for disabled guests, together with equipment and access to care which will enable even the most profoundly disabled to enjoy a seaside holiday with their families and carers.

Each of the four self contained cottages is comfortably appointed with reverse cycle air-conditioning, entertainment systems, linen, towels and kitchenware, together with features such as adjustable bench tops, electromagnetic cook tops and totally accessible bathrooms which ensure guests are at least as comfortable as they are in their own homes.

Bedrooms have been designed to accommodate both couples or singles and each enjoy their own private balcony.

Walkways are graduated to provide ease of wheelchair access, and an inground, waveless pool and heated spa provides ease of access for both exercise or simple relaxation.

The facilities also enable those with an acquired disability to assess the facilities at Clark Bay, taking these specifications back for modifications for their own homes.

For example, the adjustable benchtops enable the wheelchair-bound to identify the optimum height for their kitchen benchtops, taking the guesswork out of modifications.

Guests can enjoy uninterrupted views of the Wagonga Inlet from their private deck, soaking in the peace and tranquility of the natural bushland setting, which provides a habitat to native birds and wildlife.

Catering also to able-bodied guests, activities include fishing from the fore-shore of the inlet or take advantage of tennis courts, bocce and table tennis, which are among the facilities offered at Clark Bay.

A large recreation room not only provides an additional play area, but is also the ideal setting for conferences, staff training sessions and other functions.

Clark Bay provides a base from which visitors can explore the Eurobodalla region, from the coastal scenery and water attractions to historic villages, bush-walking, restaurants wineries and more.

Pam and Barney Barnbrook are striving to provide the highest possible quality facilities to disabled guests and their families, catering for those with mild disability, frail aged, through to quadriplegics and the profoundly disabled.

Barney welcomes the recent announcement by Minister for Health and Aging, Mr Della Bosca, that funding would be made available to the 50 eligible families within the Bega Valley for holiday respite.

Clark Bay is also able to provide 24 hour personal care to those guests requiring this level of care through qualified providers.

This provides families and carers with respite from the burden of everyday care, whilst enjoying a holiday with their family member.

A national finalist in the Prime Minister's Gold Medal access awards, Clark Bay provides a unique holiday destination for the whole family.

