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1000th baby born in Bowral & District Hospital birthing unit

Bowral & District Hospital is celebrating the arrival of the 1000th baby in its new birthing unit - a gorgeous baby boy Hudson Artsivourtsis.

Hudson was born on 23 September, weighing 4.25kg, and his parents Gemma and Evan Artsivourtsis could not be more proud of their history-making newborn.

"We never thought Hudson would be the 1000th birth at the hospital. It was a real surprise and we are so thrilled,'' Gemma said.

"The new birthing unit is really lovely and comfortable. The midwives are amazing and so supportive and helpful.

"It has been great to have been a part of the 1000th baby milestone. We feel very lucky.''

The hospital's Maternity Unit Manager Vicki Elder said she was privileged to help welcome Hudson and other newborns into the world.

"Congratulations to the Artsivourtsis family. This is a significant milestone for the hospital and I am very proud of the midwifery team who are so dedicated to the care of our women and babies," Ms Elder said.

"The new birthing suites and maternity unit are contemporary, bright and welcoming. Our patients and their families really appreciate the lovely surroundings.''

The new purpose-built birthing suites and maternity unit were completed as part of the new clinical services building, the showpiece of the hospital's $68.7 million stage one redevelopment which officially opened in March 2021.

Main works on the $55 million stage two of the redevelopment, including significant refurbishment of existing hospital buildings, are expected to start before March 2023.

The hospital will continue to provide care for Gemma and Hudson through the hospital's Tahmoor Midwifery and Postnatal Program (MAPP). The program provides continuity of care for women thoughout their transition to motherhood.

Hudson is already settling into family life and is a much-loved little brother for Charlotte, 18 months, and Ellyarna, 9.

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