

## LEARN TO SWIM PROGRAM

Find out more about the different Learn to Swim programs and levels at the Corowa Aquatic Centre [www.corowaaquaticcentre.com.au](http://www.corowaaquaticcentre.com.au)



### COROWA VIC TO OPERATE 7 DAYS A WEEK

As part of Council's Visitor Servicing Review, the operating hours of the Corowa Visitor Information Centre (VIC) have expanded from July 2021. The centre which was previously operated Monday to Friday 9.00am – 4.00pm and Saturday 10am-3pm, will now be open Monday to Friday 9.30am – 4.30pm and Saturday and Sunday 10am-2pm. The change in operating hours is to meet the guidelines for NSW Accredited Visitor Information Centres (AVIC) accreditation and will result in budget savings due to the change in staff structure and ongoing support from volunteers. The new service model will ensure visitors have access to Council's tourism team, supported by the many wonderful volunteers seven days a week, all whilst meeting AVIC accreditation requirements. The AVIC sets a benchmark of industry standard for Visitor Centres, provides resources, reports, statistics and industry news relevant to the operation of visitor information services in NSW. Accreditation provides accredited VIC owners such as Council access to the national brand and signage, state and federal funding opportunities, state tourism projects and marketing campaigns; and inclusion in maps and printed collateral. VIC's also gain entry to a nationwide network of centres and the collaborative opportunities that membership provides. Council saw it as imperative to ensure it stays connected to the AVIC brand to meet accreditation requirements. For further information on the Corowa Visitor Information Centre opening hours and North of the Murray visit [www.northofthemurray.com.au](http://www.northofthemurray.com.au)

### SERVICE NSW MOBILE CENTRE

The Service NSW Mobile Centre will be visiting Urana and Oaklands as follows:

- Monday 19 July, Urana, McKnight Park, 10am - 2pm.
- Thursday 22 July, Oaklands RV Carpark, Milthorpe Street, 9am - 11:30am.

Services offered include Driver Licence and Photo Card Applications and Renewals, Dine and Discover Applications, Regional Seniors Travel Card Applications, Driver Knowledge Tests, Working With Children Check Applications and the Cost of Living service. Find out more from the Service NSW website [www.service.nsw.gov.au](http://www.service.nsw.gov.au).

### LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTION 2021

Federation Council's election will be administered by the NSW Electoral Commission and voting will be held on **Saturday 4 September 2021**. Local Government elections in New South Wales are usually held every four years. However, the elections planned for 2020 were postponed for 12 months due to the COVID-19 pandemic. All residents are encouraged to check their enrolment details prior to the election date by calling the NSW Electoral Commission on 1300 135 736 or by visiting their website. A series of online candidate information sessions will be conducted by the NSW Electoral Commission in the lead up to the 2021 NSW Local Government elections. View more information about the upcoming Election on Council's website.

### NOMINATE A LOCATION FOR THE PORTABLE SPEED BOARD

Federation Council is inviting residents to nominate a street location that they would like to see the portable speed board located. This street location could be one where an increasing number of vehicles have been using a road, vehicles that may be speeding or to highlight general awareness of vehicle speed. Nominate today online via Council's website.

### CHANGE IN WASTE FACILITY OPENING HOURS

Federation Council waste facilities located at Corowa, Howlong and Mulwala will be changing opening hours from Sunday 1 August, 2021. Council has made the decision to reduce the opening hours at the facilities by removing the Sunday opening hours, and changing the Friday morning at Corowa to a Tuesday morning to provide a more even allocation of opening hours. The new opening hours from Sunday 1 August, 2021:

- Corowa:** Tuesday 9am - 12 noon & Saturday 1pm - 4pm.
- Howlong:** Tuesday 1pm - 4pm & Saturday 9am - 12 noon.
- Mulwala:** Wednesday 9am - 12 noon & Saturday 9am - 12 noon.

Find out more from Council's website.

### REGISTERING YOUR PET

Do you know that you are legally required to register your cat and lifetime registration is available for cats from 4 months of age? At Council, there is no better joy for our rangers to be able to return your pet home safely, however, if your pet is not registered we may not know where to return it to. Registration is easy, contact Council and our friendly customer service team will assist you. Find out more from Council's website.

### COUNCIL MEETING - JULY 2021

Federation Council's July 2021 Ordinary Council Meeting is scheduled, **Tuesday 20 July** commencing at 9:30am. Residents and ratepayers are invited to watch the meeting via live stream which provides the opportunity to observe Council business via a computer or mobile device. The live stream is available for access from Federation Council's website along with the 2021 Council Meeting dates, previous minutes and the agenda for the July meeting.

### LIBRARY STORYTIME

Federation Council invites children and their parents/carers to participate in FREE Storytime sessions that involve sharing stories, rhymes and themed activities at your local library. Storytime sessions are suitable for ages 0-5 years and run for 30-45 minutes. Join in the fun, meet new people, introduce your child to a world of books and lay the foundation for a lifelong love of reading. Session Details:

- Corowa Library** - Friday each week at 10:30am (except in NSW School Holidays).
- Howlong Library** - Friday each fortnight at 10:30am (except in NSW School Holidays).
- Mulwala Library** - Wednesday each fortnight at 10:30am (except in NSW School Holidays).

### COMMUNITY DRUG ACTION TEAM DRUG & ALCOHOL THINK TANK 2ND WORKSHOP

The second Think Tank workshop is scheduled, via zoom, on **Wednesday 28 July** from 1.00pm – 2.30pm. This workshop will focus to identify potential solutions that will influence impactful and positive sustainable change within service provision sectors throughout the Federation Council area and opportunities for ongoing collaboration between agencies currently active in this space. Local drug and alcohol service providers and community support networks are invited to attend. Registrations to attend the Think Tank can be completed via Council's website.

### COROWA AQUATIC CENTRE LEARN TO SWIM PROGRAM TO COMMENCE

Young swimmers will have a chance to grow their skills and confidence in the water with a new Learn to Swim Program set to commence at the Corowa Aquatic Centre in August. Federation Council has announced the launch of its new Learn to Swim Program which will see classes offered every week on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays during the school terms. Lessons will be \$16.00 per lesson, which includes the lesson and entry fee and for those children nominated on a family or child membership, they will be eligible for a discount on their lessons, which are priced at \$14.00. Enrolments for the Learn to Swim Program are now open, and parents are encouraged to complete the online enrolment form on the Corowa Aquatic Centre website, or alternatively, attend the Corowa Aquatic Centre to complete a paper based form. Following the enrolment lodgment, a team member of the Corowa Aquatic Centre will be in contact with individual families with children aged over three, to arrange a time to complete a complementary assessment by a qualified swim instructor to determine children's skill level and suitable class allocation. Swim Instructors will be available at the Centre on the following dates and times to undertake assessments:

- Tuesday, 20 July: 9.00am – 1.00pm and 3.00pm – 6.00pm.
- Thursday 22 July: 9.00am – 1.00pm and 3.00pm – 6.00pm.
- Saturday 24 July: 8.30am – 12.30pm and 1.30pm – 4.30pm.

For further information, including class information and times, online enrolments and to view frequently asked questions visit [www.corowaaquaticcentre.com.au](http://www.corowaaquaticcentre.com.au).

### ONLINE LODGEMENT OF DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

Residents and developers in the Federation Council area can look forward to a streamlined application process with online lodgement of development applications now available from Council's website. Whilst moving to online lodgement is a mandatory requirement of the NSW Government, it also has many benefits for our community and Council. Developers and residents will now be able to access planning services and information from anywhere at any time, rather than only during business hours. If you require assistance please contact our planning department. Find out more by visiting Council's website.

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