

March 2017



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Federation Council Urana District Newsletter



Message from the Administrator

2017/2018 Council Budget

Council will soon be commencing the preparation of the 2017/18 budget and I know many residents will be nervous about getting a fair share.

A number of issues will be considered in framing the next budget including:

- A strong focus on repair and maintenance of existing assets;
- The best priority to minimise the whole of life cost of owning assets;
- Ensuring all parts of the council are fairly considered; and
- Maximising available funds for rural roads both sealed and unsealed.

Council will continue to apply for grants from the State and Federal Government to increase the funding available for roads and will work hard to ensure the priority for spending reduces the whole of life costs of owning assets.

Council will also focus on improving the quality of results through staff training and effective use of contractors where this is required.

Council intends to host a series of briefing sessions about the proposed budget on the following days and times:

- Corowa Corowa Golf Club on Monday, 15 May 2017 at 5:30 pm
- Oaklands Oaklands RSL Bowling Club on Tuesday, 16 May 2017 at 5:30 pm
- Urana Urana Bowling Club on Wednesday, 17 May 2017 at 5:30 pm
- Mulwala Mulwala Civic Centre on Tuesday, 23 May 2017 at 5:30 pm
- Howlong Howlong Golf Resort on Wednesday, 24 May 2017 at 5:30 pm

The final budget will be adopted at the Ordinary Council Meeting on 20 June 2017.

The community prioritised roads as a focus for Council expenditure in the Customer Survey last year and Council will be allocating most of its budget to this expenditure area.

Kind Regards,
Mike Eden - Administrator

Federation Council Brand

We are pleased to present the new look for Federation Council!

The development of Council's new logo and visual identity has been informed by research and engagement with residents, staff, visitors and local school students.

Federation Council wishes to thank all those who provided valuable feedback by participating in surveys and focus groups throughout this journey.

What does the new logo mean?

The logo is built around the twin themes of water and a flag – the rivulets of water making the shape of a fluttering flag.

The flag logo represents Federation and unity, while the water is the linking element that is common across the Council area.

The use of gold (signifying wheat, opportunity and optimism) through the centre of the flag shape represents both agricultural bounty and promise for the future.

The introduction of the colour green symbolises the natural landscape, renewal and growth.

How is the new brand being rolled out?

You will now start to see our new brand being rolled out. This will happen progressively over the coming months as we update our corporate stationary, documents, uniforms, signage and promotional material.

Council's new website is also now live. You will find all you need to know about Council services, news and projects by visiting this page.

www.federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au

Urana Council Office

Address: 30 William Street, Urana NSW 2645
All correspondence: PO Box 77, Corowa NSW 2646
council@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au
Enquiries: (02) 6930 9100

Positions vacant

Federation Council is seeking talented and energetic people to fill the following roles based in Corowa.

- GARDENER, Full time
- RECORDS OFFICER, Part time
- COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER, Full time
- COMMUNITY & EVENTS PROJECT OFFICER, Part time
- IT SYSTEMS ADMINISTRATOR, Full time
- ADMINISTRATION OFFICER - PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT, Full time
- CLEANING OFFICER, Full time

Following the recent amalgamation and as a result of internal promotions, Council is now able to offer the above positions which will be part of an exciting program of change and improvement.

This is an exciting opportunity to become part of a supportive and family-friendly organisation focused on the delivery of excellent customer service.

The position descriptions and more information on each position can be found on Council's website.

Applications close 28 March.

Small Grants for Community Groups

Federation Council invites community groups and organisations to apply for a Small Grant of up to \$3000 to assist in the development of programs or activities that address community needs and focus on community development, developing partnerships and improving the quality of life and wellbeing of the people in the Federation Council communities.

Program guidelines and an application form are available on Council's website or from any Council office. Applications close on 31 March 2017.

Please contact Wendy Thompson on wendy.thompson@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au for further information.

Fire and Emergency Services Levy

NSW Councils will be levying the Fire and Emergency Services Levy from 1 July 2017.

The Emergency Services Levy which was previously paid to insurance companies will cease on 30 June 2017.

For more information visit www.fesl.nsw.gov.au or phone 1300 78 78 72.

3D Printer Taster at the Mulwala Library

Are you curious about 3D printing? Technology can be really fascinating and printing three dimensional objects from digital models has so many exciting possibilities.

From printing replacement machine parts, to prosthetic limbs, 3D printers are being used in lots of industries, and in libraries!

Come and see what practical, useful and fun things can be printed. If you have a design you would like printed, bring along the STL file on a thumb drive and we'll give it a go!

Mulwala Library

A demonstration will be held on 28 March at 10am - 12 noon. The printer will then be at the library until 8 April.

Tourism Review - Operators Survey

Federation Council is undertaking a review of visitor services in the region to develop a strategic direction for the delivery of tourism services in Federation Council.

As part of the project, Council is seeking feedback from tourism operators regarding visitor services, as well as challenges and opportunities for tourism in the region.

Operators are encouraged to visit Council's website for further information and complete the online survey by 5pm, Friday 31 March 2017.

2017 Council Meetings

Ordinary meetings of Council are held in the Federation Council Chambers at the Corowa Civic Centre, 100 Edward St Corowa.

Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month.

Residents and ratepayers are cordially invited to attend Council meetings. To present to Council, please advise the General Manager in writing by 5:00 pm on Tuesday preceding the Ordinary meeting.

Agendas for Ordinary meetings will be made available to the public at 4pm on the Friday preceding the meeting.

Meeting dates

Tuesday 18 April
Tuesday 16 May
Tuesday 20 June
Tuesday 18 July
Tuesday 15 August
Tuesday 19 September
Tuesday 17 October
Tuesday 21 November
Tuesday 19 December

Flicks in the Sticks - Free Bus Service

As part of Youth Week celebrations, Federation Council will be providing a bus service for residents wishing to attend this event in Corowa on Saturday 1 April.

Urana IGA (12 Anna St, Urana)

Pick up - 5pm
Return - 11:30pm

Coronation Park (Milthorpe Street Oaklands)

Pick up - 5:30pm
Return - 11:00pm

Bookings are essential. To secure your seat, please contact Federation Council on 02 6033 8974 by Thursday 30 April.

Further event information provided within this newsletter.

Sale of surplus plant

Offers will be accepted up until 4 pm Friday, 7 April 2017 for the purchase of the below items.

Items can be inspected at Federation Council Urana Depot, Coonong Street Urana, by appointment with Mr Mark Baldwin 0447 309 106.

Plant No	Details
474	Stihl FS90R Brushcutter
475	Stihl FS90R Brushcutter
473a	Stihl SH85 Blower
473b	Stihl SH85 Blower
276	Honda DGUH9ES-2 Generator
278	Honda ph080-e Irft 8 kva

All items sold in **“as is condition”** and no warranty or implied warranty is provided.
It is the purchaser’s responsibility to ensure that the items meets all relevant WHS legislation, regulations and codes of practice.

Offers must be in writing, listing the item, price offered and addressed as follows:

Surplus Plant Offer
Attention: Mr Mark Baldwin
Federation Council
PO Box 77
COROWA NSW 2646

Southern & Northern Regional Library 2017 MOBILE LIBRARY SCHEDULE



Boree Creek 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm	<u>Tuesday</u> 28 March	<u>Tuesday</u> 11 April	<u>Tuesday</u> No Service Anzac Day
Urana 2.30 pm - 5.00 pm	<u>Tuesday</u> 5 April	<u>Tuesday</u> 18 April	<u>Tuesday</u> 2 May
Oaklands 9.00 am - 12.00 pm	<u>Wednesday</u> 5 April	<u>Wednesday</u> 19 April	<u>Wednesday</u> 3 May
Rand 1.15 am - 2.00 pm	<u>Wednesday</u> 5 April	<u>Wednesday</u> 19 April	<u>Wednesday</u> 3 May

WASTE DISPOSAL CENTRES URANA DISTRICT

	Tuesday	Friday	Sunday
URANA	-	12.00 pm - 5.00 pm	11.00 am - 4.00 pm
OAKLANDS	1.00 pm - 5.00 pm	-	8.00 am - 12.00 pm

**URANA AND OAKLANDS WASTE DISPOSAL CENTRES ARE CLOSED
ON CHRISTMAS DAY AND GOOD FRIDAY**

The sites will receive all approved domestic, industrial/hard and green waste however, various wastes are required to be deposited in separate areas of each site. Please follow the signage and the directions of the site Managers.

PLEASE NOTE THAT REMOVAL OF ITEMS FROM EITHER TIP IS PROHIBITED

ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING TIP ITEMS SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE LANDFILL SITE MANAGER.

PLEASE ENSURE TO COVER TRAILERS EN ROUTE TO TIP, AND TO BAG LOOSE PAPERS TO PREVENT THE CREATION OF WIND BORNE LITTER.

USERS SHOULD NOTE FOR SAFETY REASONS COUNCIL MAY CLOSE THE WASTE DISPOSAL CENTRES ON DAYS OF EXTREME WEATHER, INCLUDING HEAT OR WET WEATHER.



Please note that Chemical Drums in excess of 100 drums, will only be accepted at both the Urana and Oaklands Tips **if they have been booked in at Federation Council - Urana Office (02) 6930 9100** and **you have received a return telephone call from the Tip Operator.**

If there are less than 100 drums please arrive at least one hour prior to closing time. As it can take over an hour to inspect 100 drums please ensure that you allow the Tip Operator plenty of time for inspection purposes.

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Internet access is provided
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Office as a free service for members
of the community.

**Children under the age of 13 must
be accompanied by an adult at all
times whilst on Council property.**

Federation Council - Urana Office
30-32 William Street Urana
Ph: 02 6930 9100

*No Food or Drink should be consumed
near the computers*

**Please adhere to the
30 Minute Time
Limit.**



Monthly Newsletter **Deadline** **for submission of items**

The deadline for submission of items to the monthly Newsletter is normally the second Wednesday of the month. For the purposes of this deadline, please find deadline date on community diary page of this newsletter.

Your co-operation in meeting this deadline would be appreciated.

Placement of articles is subject to available space.

Please note that all advertisements to be placed in this newsletter must be in writing and forwarded to Federation Council's Urana office through the mail, hand delivered, email or faxed.

VACANCY – AGED ACCOMMODATION

**Billabidgee Place
Princess Street, Urana**

Council advises that there is a vacancy for aged accommodation at Billabidgee Place, Princess Street, Urana. It is a one bedroom unit with a kitchen/ living area, ensuite and laundry.

Current rental is \$184.05 per fortnight for Aged Pensioners. For further information, please contact Mrs Pam Danaher at Council's Urana Office on 02 6930 9100.

NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING

Please be advised of the following advertising rates for ads placed in the Urana District Newsletter are as follows:

	Council Compiled	Customer Compiled
Full Page 	\$55.00	\$40.00
Half Page	\$35.00	\$30.00
Quarter Page	\$23.00	\$15.00
Centre Page	\$10.00	
Classified	\$6.00	
Thank you notices	\$6.00	
<u>Community Organisations</u> Community organisations outside Federation Council Community organisations within Federation Council	Charges as above No charge	Charges as above No charge

Pensioner Rebate

If you receive a Pension, you can apply for a Pension Rebate on your rates if the property on which you are applying for a rebate is your principal place of residence.

Contact Council's, Urana Office for further pensioner rebate information (02) 6930 9100.

Rates Instalment Notice

Reminder

If paying in full or by instalments, your 3rd Instalment was due on
28 February 2017

Overdue Rates are subject to daily interest in accordance with the provisions of *The Local Government Act, 1993* at the interest rate approved by the Minister for Local Government. Currently, interest is set at 8.0% pa.

Contact Council's Urana Office (02) 6930 9100 if you need any further information.

DIRECT CREDIT/PAYMENTS TO FEDERATION COUNCIL - URANA OFFICE

Anybody using/effecting direct credit/payments to Council's Bank Account are reminded to ensure a payment advice is either faxed (02) 6930 9101 or emailed council@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au to Council in confirmation that payment has been made. Please ensure a contact name and phone number is provided on the advice in case there are any problems encountered.

Stronger Communities Fund deliberations about to commence

Federation Council will determine how to best invest the remaining \$9.4 million dollars of the Stronger Communities Fund next month.

Council has received 36 applications for Round Two of the Stronger Community Grants which closed earlier this month. The applications total just over \$1 million in funding requests, towards projects estimated at \$2.1 million.

'We congratulate everyone for the hard work they have put into preparing their applications.' said Federation Council Administrator, Mike Eden.

'The applications are of a high standard and quite diverse, with nine communities represented and projects ranging from wildlife protection and wetland developments to facility and equipment upgrades to historical restoration projects.' he said.

Council has also prepared 16 applications for consideration as part of the Major Projects Fund. These projects are large scale priority infrastructure and services projects that aim to deliver long term economic and social benefits.

The applications total almost \$11.3 million in funding requests towards projects estimated at \$14.6 million. Of these, \$3.8 million has been requested for road improvements. The projects being considered are listed below and a brief summary of each can be found on Council's website www.federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au

1. Upgrade and construction of an All Abilities Adventure Playground at Purtle Park in Mulwala
2. Renewal of Kyffins Reserve in Mulwala
3. Design and Construction of a Skate Park in Howlong
4. Upgrade to Tennis Courts in Howlong
5. Upgrade and Renewal of Victoria Park in Urana
6. Upgrade to Netball Tennis Courts in Urana
7. Establishment of an RV Park at Oaklands
8. Upgrade to the Sports Club Facilities in Rand
9. Upgrade to Netball Tennis Courts in Coreen
10. Upgrade to Skate Park in Corowa
11. Upgrade to the Swimming Pool in Corowa
12. Renewal of the RSL Playground in Corowa
13. Renewal of Bangerang Park in Corowa
14. Establishment of a Cinema in Corowa
15. Establishment of a Cultural Trail across the Council
16. Roads throughout the Council

Residents are invited to review the summary document of the major projects being considered and provide comments in writing by 5pm Friday 7 April.

An independent panel will convene to review all the Round Two and Major Project applications early next month. They will be looking for strong projects that will build more vibrant, sustainable and inclusive local communities and deliver social, cultural, economic or environmental benefits.

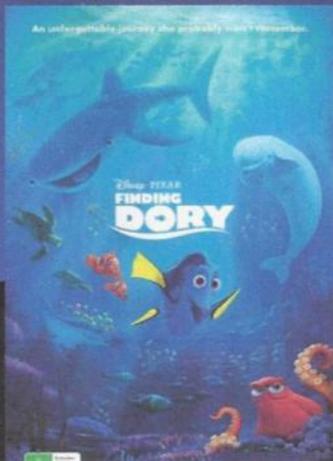
An outcome on successful projects will be announced at the April Council Meeting on April 18.

The Stronger Community Fund has been provided to Federation Council by the NSW Government.

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Corowa Flicks in the Sticks

Saturday 1 April 2017
Ball Park Oval, Edward Street, Corowa



Family Focused

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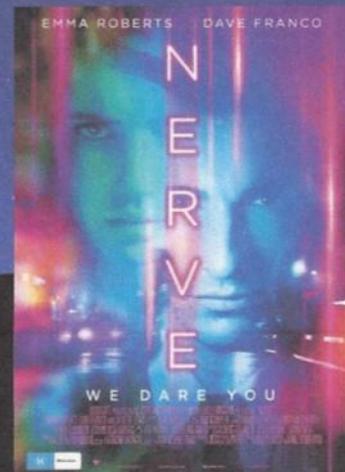
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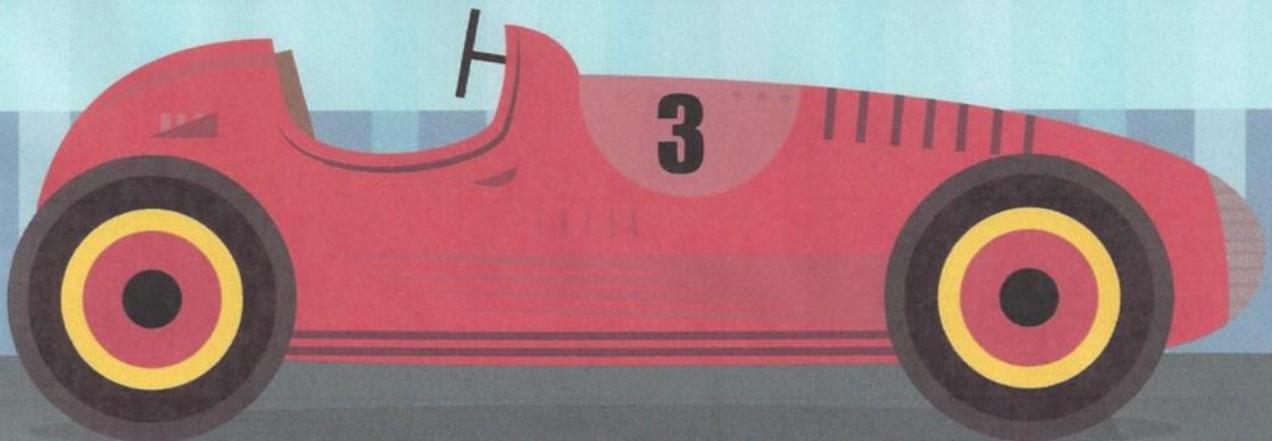
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www.federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au



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- 9am-10am Billy Cart Scrutineering at top of Sanger Street
- 9:45am Billy Cart Registrations Close
- 10:30am
 - 9 Years & Under
 - 10-15 Years
 - Open Class (16 Years & Over)
 - 60+
 - All Schools Team and Community Challenge
 - Finals for All Classes
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Media Release



Dominic Perrottet
Treasurer
Minister for Industrial Relations

MEDIA RELEASE

Tuesday, 7 March 2017

FAIRER FUNDING FOR FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

A fairer system for funding NSW fire and emergency services is one step closer today, with Treasurer Dominic Perrottet to introduce the Fire and Emergency Services Levy Bill.

The legislation gives effect to reforms announced in 2015 to abolish the Emergency Services Levy (ESL) – paid on insurance – and replace it with a land-based Fire and Emergency Services Levy (FESL), bringing NSW into line with all other mainland states.

Mr Perrottet said the reform would transform an archaic, complex system into one that is fair for everyone.

"Everyone in NSW values the work of our fire and emergency services personnel, but the way we currently fund them is complicated, inefficient and unfair," Mr Perrottet said.

"Only people with insurance pay the ESL, even though everyone benefits, and at the same time it makes insurance more expensive."

"This legislation ushers in an important reform – a fairer system where all property owners make a contribution, while also bringing down the cost of insurance."

Under the legislation:

- FESL is calculated on unimproved land value determined by the Valuer General, with different rates for residential, public benefit, commercial, industrial and farm land.
- The levy comprises a different base amount for each land category, plus a variable amount based on land value.
- Councils would collect the FESL on behalf of the NSW Government.
- The old ESL paid on top of insurance premiums is abolished.

Owners of residential and public benefit land will pay lower rates, and vacant land will have a discount applied. There will also be discounts available for pensioners and veterans, and a hardship policy for those who need it.

Eliminating the old ESL is expected to reduce insurance costs on residential property by an average of \$233, leaving fully-insured residential property owners better off by \$47 per year on average.

To ensure insurance companies pass on any benefit to consumers, last year the Government appointed Professors Allan Fels AO and David Cousins AM as Insurance Monitors with power to fine insurers up to \$10 million for failing to pass on savings.

The legislation will be considered by Parliament in the coming weeks and if passed, will take effect on July 1. For more information visit www.fesl.nsw.gov.au.

MEDIA: Tim Cannon | 0439 707 543

Media Release

22 February 2017

\$125,000 AVAILABLE FOR LOCAL WAR MEMORIALS

Member for Albury, Greg Aplin and Minister for Veterans Affairs David Elliott today announced the first round of 2017 funding for the Community War Memorials Fund (CWMF) is now open.

The CWMF is designed to protect and repair local war memorials, which preserves the Anzac legacy.

Mr Aplin encourages Councils to apply for the fund, which provides the opportunity for all NSW communities to access up to \$10,000.

“Ensuring local war memorials remain in great condition is an essential part of honouring Australian service men and women who sacrificed so much for our nation,” Mr Aplin said.

“The CWMF ensures communities have the opportunity to protect and conserve war memorials, which is why I believe this is such an important initiative,” he said.

“Funding applications can be made by veterans groups, community organisations and councils until Anzac Day and I sincerely encourage all communities who require funds for restoration to apply,” Minister for Veterans Affairs David Elliott said.

Applications will be assessed by the State War Memorial Committee, which is made up of NSW RSL, Public Works Advisory, NSW Office of Environment and Heritage and Veterans’ Affairs.

For more information, including application forms, please visit <http://veterans.nsw.gov.au/heritage/community-war-memorials-fund/>

Media Contact: Greg Aplin 6021 3042 or 0428 600 343

Media Release

7 March 2017

NEW FUND TO BOOST REGIONAL GROWTH THROUGH ENVIRONMENT AND TOURISM INFRASTRUCTURE

Local community and government organisations are being encouraged to seek funding for environment and tourism projects under the NSW Government's new \$300 million *Regional Growth – Environment and Tourism Fund*.

Member for Albury, Greg Aplin said the fund aims to increase tourist visitation by supporting regional environment and tourism infrastructure projects which, in turn, help grow and diversify the regional economy.

“This is a great opportunity for our region and I strongly encourage local organisations to pitch for the funding,” said Mr Aplin.

“Expressions of interest are now open for the initial round of the Fund – at least \$100 million is available for regional environment and tourism projects for local and state government agencies, Aboriginal Land Councils, community groups registered as incorporated associations and non-government organisations.

“We are looking for visionary projects that will transform regional economies – they could include new or upgraded visitor infrastructure for national parks, new or upgraded camping facilities, repurposing of Crown Lands or heritage buildings for tourism and the infrastructure to support new visitor activities and eco-tourism.

“The expressions of interest, which close on 6 April 2017, will be independently assessed and shortlisted by Infrastructure NSW with assistance from other NSW agencies.”

Deputy Premier and Minister for Regional New South Wales, John Barilaro, said the Regional Growth – Environment and Tourism Fund was an exciting new initiative that would help to increase tourist visitation, drive jobs creation and build on other NSW Government regional investment programs.

“The Fund is part of the \$20 billion Rebuilding NSW initiative, from which the Government has committed \$6 billion for regional NSW.

“Already, \$110 million has been provided for investments into regional tourism infrastructure including for regional airports, regional cruise facilities and rail trails.”

For further information: www.industry.nsw.gov.au/rgetf

Urana District Notices



AAYUSH HEALTH CARE TRUST

Dr. Veerendra Giri Yaramati

URANA MEDICAL CENTRE

31 William Street, Urana NSW 2645

PH: (02) 6920 8333

Change of hours until further notice

Monday to Friday

8:00 am to 2:00 pm

or an emergency consultation Saturday and Sunday

*Dr Yaramati will be available at the Urana Multipurpose Centre,
127 Princess Street, Urana*

Dr Sunil Thota (Sunny)

MBBS, FRACP

SPECIALIST GERIATRICIAN AND PHYSICIAN OF GENERAL MEDICINE

**Consultant at The Royal Melbourne Hospital
Melbourne**

Dr Sunny will be providing specialist services for Urana and surrounding areas once a month. He will visit nursing homes and provide support regularly.

He provides out patient clinic services from Urana Medical Centre.

Dr Sunny graduated from India and has 15 years of working experience in public health system in UK and Australia. He completed his specialist training in Melbourne. He enjoys working in public health system mentoring medical students, physician trainees and consulting in private. He is a member of Australian and New Zealand society of Geriatric Medicine.

Urana District upcoming events



MORUNDAH TEAM YARDING

APRIL 16TH & 17TH

Morundah Recreation Ground

9am Start

OPEN: 3 Runs - \$50 per day

JUNIORS: 3 Runs - \$20 per day

Entries open 20th March. Close 7th April

Enquiries: Jim Boatwright - 0427 487 211

Email: morundahteamyarding@gmail.com

***** Plenty of Camping available**

***** Hot Showers**

***** Meals available at Morundah Hotel
Saturday evening**



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Urana District School News



Urana Public School

.....personalized, innovative education in a safe and supportive environment



Welcome back to the 2017 school year, it is Week 7 already, time has flown by! We have settled into a great routine and have been excited by so many new things.

Our Mondays have been very physical—we have had a Cricket NSW coach in our school delivering cricket sessions. The students have developed their skills in batting, bowling and fielding with some drills and games. These were fast paced sessions which the students really enjoyed. This program was made available with the Australian Sports Commission Sporting Schools funding.



Our Blueearth coach, Drew, visits on a fortnightly basis. These too are very physical sessions designed to not only address the students' physical health but also improve self awareness, focus, self esteem and resilience.

We want the students' to have active lives with improved physical, social and emotional health.



Our big project for the year is in the new and emerging area of Robotics. Our students are involved in an innovative learning community project on a weekly basis.

Each fortnight we travel to Berrigan Public School where students from Berrigan, Blighty, Jerilderie and Urana come together to learn about coding in order to program their robots to perform set tasks. Lego WeDo and EV3 Mindstorms kits are used together with devices such as iPads or laptops.

In the alternate fortnight the students have virtual sessions using an Adobe Connect meeting room. They also utilise Google Classroom to answer questions, reflect on their learning and upload evidence of their weekly 'build'.

The response has been emphatic—" I wish there were more Thursdays!"



Brayden Martin is the 2017 UPS School Captain. This week, Brayden was elected by his peers and is already displaying great leadership skills in the classroom and the playground. Congratulations Brayden!

For Joy of Knowing

Dorothy Dore, Principal

Urana District School News

ST FRANCIS XAVIER'S SCHOOL URANA

Think, Speak and act like Christ



Welcome to 2017!

It is an absolute privilege and honour to be the new principal beginning here at St. Francis Xavier's Urana in 2017. The school and wider community have welcomed me with enthusiasm and I feel right at home. I am looking forward to being a part of this community and working in partnership with many of you throughout the years ahead.

Our year at St. Francis Xavier has already been a very busy and productive one with many more exciting adventures on the horizon.

We are very grateful and humbled to have been the recipient of a Lockhart & District Community Bank Community Grant in 2017. The branch have pledged \$4000 to put towards the purchase of a new lawn mower for the school. A big thank you to the bank and all of the community members who support it. Without your contributions our wider community wouldn't be as wonderful as it is!



Mitch Bailey, Marea Urquhart and Damo Gooden receiving the Bendigo Bank Pledge



Children with Bendigo Bank Pledge

As a part of a Diocesan wide initiative, our school is participating in a Targeted Maths Teaching program. This is aiming to build upon each school's existing good work and to empower staff to teach in a manner which is researched based and data driven, all in the pursuit of improved outcomes for our students.

On the 8th of March the school travelled to St. Joseph's School, Lockhart to participate in Catholic Schools Week. We had a wonderful day celebrating all of the wonderful aspects of Catholic Education and our sincere thanks go to Debbie Sheather and the school community of St. Joseph's for having us on the day.



St. Francis Xavier and St. Joseph's Lockhart at Catholic Schools Week



Noel Stallard with children

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Urana District School News

ST FRANCIS XAVIER'S SCHOOL URANA

Think, Speak and act like Christ

The children of the Parish who have been preparing for First Reconciliation will receive the Sacrament for the first time on Thursday April 6 at 10am in Urana. Following this will be the regular Thursday Parish Mass and then a morning tea to celebrate with the children and their families. All are welcome to join in the celebrations. Preparations for those receiving Eucharist for the first time will take place next term.

Recently, Fr. Tony announced he has been given permission to retire. He will be with our Parish community until the 30th of June and we have many events between now and then to say our farewells. We thank him for all of his hard work and contribution to our Parish and wish him all the best and good health for the future.

This Term we have been participating in the Australian Arts Alive music, singing and dance program. Professionals have been visiting our school once a fortnight teaching and preparing our students for a performance which will be held in conjunction with other schools in our area. To add further to our performing arts events, during the week we had a visit from renowned poet Noel Stallard. He spent time workshopping and performing some of Australia's most popular poems from writers like Banjo Paterson as well as some of his own.

Earlier in the term we had four students represent our school at the Deanery Swimming Carnival with a number of ribbons collected on the day. Next week we are off to Tocumwal for the Deanery Cross Country before the focus on Athletics begins next term.

God bless,
Mitch Bailey
Principal

geoffrey the piano tuner

Geoffrey J. Hyde

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Geoffrey the Piano Tuner is coming to Urana District Area

I will be in the area piano tuning for the week commencing 27th March and am available for piano tuning and repairs including pianola pianos during that time.

I live in Narrandera and I am the principle tuner for the Wagga Wagga, Griffith, Temora and the Roxy Regional Theatres. I also look after the concert grand pianos in those great venues.

Please contact me for an appointment 0419 420 978 if I may be of service.

Urana Progress Association (in conjunction with The Arts & Historical Society)

(Supporting our Community)

Courthouse News

Painting of the verandah posts and trims is underway and will look fabulous when completed.

A massive thank you to the Urana Hotel and patrons for their support of our meat tray raffles over the last six weeks, the money is greatly appreciated and will be put towards upkeep of the Courthouse and the displays.

We will be hosting an exhibition of the artworks of Ralph Kellar in May, see flyer on the following page.

Dates for the annual Art Sale & Exhibition have been set. The opening night will be on Thursday 12 October 2017, planning is underway. It is sure to be another wonderful exhibition.

Plans for 'Open Gardens' on the same weekend are also underway and we hope that this will be a great success.

MACKNIGHT PARK

Displays on the Notice Board are regularly changing. Organisations are invited to display coming events. Businesses and Trades people operating within the Urana Township and district are encouraged to advertise.

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Ralph Keller

Art Exhibition

At the Urana Courthouse

Urana Arts & Historical Society are pleased to announce that we will be hosting an exhibition of Ralph Keller's artworks.

Opening on 3 May 2017 and continuing through until 12 May 2017.

Times to be advised.

Please contact Jenny Hearn on 0400 208 162 or Mel Nash on 0416 023 833 for further information.



Oaklands CWA News February 2017

Members enjoyed the Christmas & New Year break, now it is back to business.

International Day was interesting & informative with projects presented by students, along with a guest speaker who has visited Mongolia many times. He has also established an orphanage there, Lotus Child Centre, to which \$150 was donated on the day.

Mulwala Public School entered (via the Oaklands Branch), the State International Competition with a powerpoint presentation of Mongolia. They were awarded a Highly Commended Prize. Congratulations!

Sponsorship was provided for the school citizenship prizes.

One of our members is now the CWA of NSW Murray Group, Treasurer. Oaklands is part of Murray with 8 other branches.

If you have received your new Yellow Pages phone directory you will have noticed our newest member Lisa Talbot, along with her girls, April, Brooklyn & Felicity, featured on the front cover. Lisa entered a recipe to win the competition for the front page. The recipe "White Chocolate Chip Biscuits, is on the inside cover. This promotion between CWA & Yellow Pages is Australia wide for 2017 "Undiscovered Bakers".

Next meeting is Monday, 20th March, at 1.00pm. Meetings monthly will then be on Tuesdays 1.00pm at the CWA rooms.

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Thanks to everyone that passed on their condolences for the loss of my daughter Kerry. Many thanks to those that travelled to Albury on Monday 27 February. Also thanks to Lockhart Community Service for help with transport if needed.

Many thanks to all
Lennie Brew

Lockhart Shire Council Newsletter

Copies of the monthly Lockhart Shire Newsletter are available for collection from Federation Council - Urana Office, and our monthly Urana District newsletter is available from Lockhart Shire Council offices.

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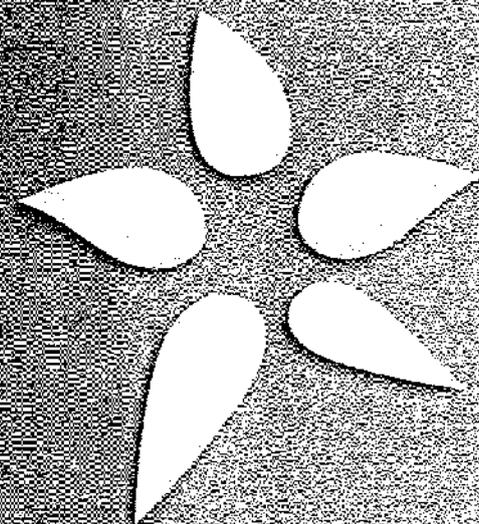
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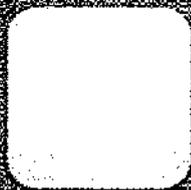
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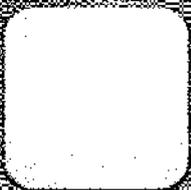


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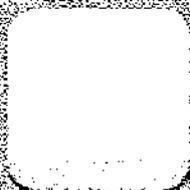
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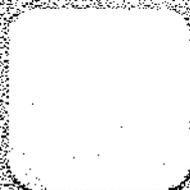
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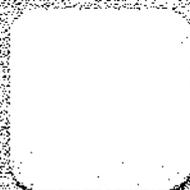
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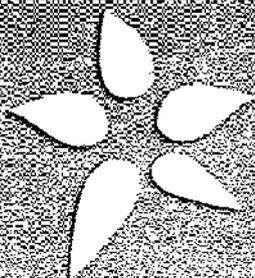


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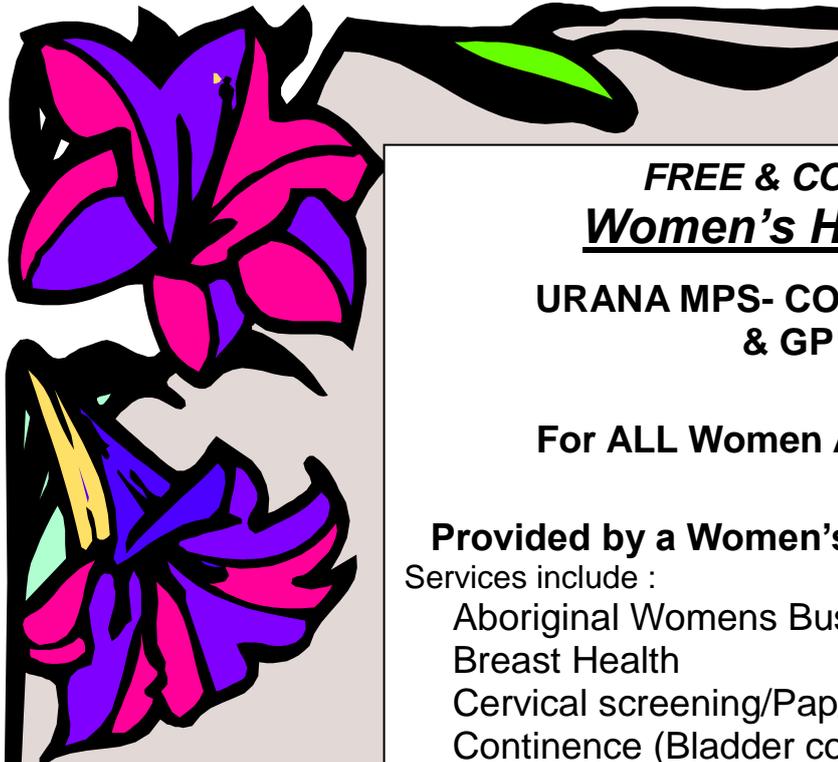
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Our trained staff are able to stay over in your home to provide the support you may require overnight.



Live-in care.

Got an active lifestyle but need some extra support? Let us assist you with a combination of personal care, leisure, recreation and domestic services, provided by one staff member for a 24-hour period.

Community activities:



Companionship.

Someone to share a cup of tea with, play a game of cards or go for a stroll.



Positive care.

Finding ways to keep you doing the things you love, from tap dancing to pottery classes.



Private assistance.

Whether it's general day-to-day errands or particular tasks, we can support you.

Health Services

ATTENTION: SENIORS AND ANY OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS
WANTING TO GET FIT AND MAKE FRIENDS

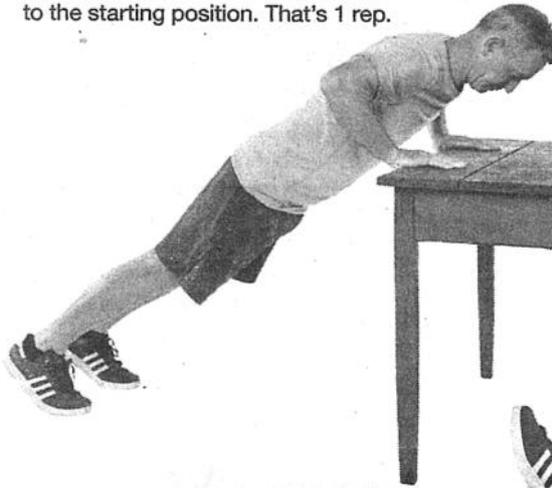
Stepping ON

STRENGTH AND BALANCE EXERCISE

MODIFIED PUSH UP

BENEFIT: "This strengthens the chest and arms."

TIPS: Standing 1-2 metres away from a table, put both hands at shoulder width on the tabletop. Slowly lower yourself down then push back up to the starting position. That's 1 rep.



SQUAT

BENEFIT:

"Targets muscles around the knees and hips."

TIPS: Stand with your feet shoulder-width apart, your arms crossed. Tilt your head and torso forwards slightly as you lower your body until your thighs are near parallel to the floor. Return to the start position. That's 1 rep.



Every Monday at 10.30 am
At Community Health at the
Urana Hospital

Followed by morning tea and a talk

Cost \$1 per session

CONTACT

Bill (02) 6920 8112 or Harry (02) 6920 8374

Health Services

LOCKHART HEALTH SERVICES

The following services are visiting Lockhart regularly:

OPTOMETRIST

Russell and Chalker Optometrists Eyecare Plus are now visiting Lockhart regularly for comprehensive consultations.

Glaucoma testing, cataract assessments, macular degeneration. Adults and Children's assessments, and Veteran's Affairs patients welcome. Spectacle frames available.

For Appointments Please Phone: (02) 6921 8833

PODIATRIST

Wagga Foot Clinic visits the Lockhart Community Health Building every 4 weeks.

For Appointments Please Phone: Wagga Foot Clinic on (02) 6921 1783

PHYSIOTHERAPY - Every Wednesday (must have referral).

For Appointments Please Phone: Lockhart & District Hospital on (02) 6920 5206

X-RAY SERVICE

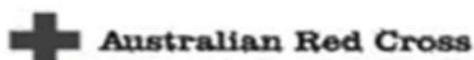
X-Ray services are available every 2nd Monday and undertaken at the Lockhart & District Hospital. A referral from the doctor is required.

For Appointments Please Phone: Lockhart & District Hospital on (02) 6920 5206

Should you require transport to/from any of these services please contact Lockhart & District Community Services to arrange on (02) 6920 4162

*Lockhart and District Community Services Office is open between
9.00am-1.00pm - 1.30pm-3.00pm. Monday to Friday.*

*For all enquires or transport bookings please ring the office in the
mornings, on 02 6920 4162. If the office is unattended in the afternoon
due to service demands, please leave a message and we will
contact you as soon as possible.*



Mobile Blood Bank

Visits Lockhart every **third** month.
(In front of the Shire Offices)

Next visit:

Wednesday 26 April 2017

Have 3 or 4 glasses of water or juice in the hours before you donate.

Have a good sized breakfast or lunch

(You need to be aged between 16 & 70 years)

For further information or to make a booking please go to

www.donateblood.com.au

All Welcome

Health Services



Valmar Community Transport URANA

\$2.00 Return Trip **URANA TO LOCKHART SHOPPING**

Valmar Community Transport are offering a transport service from Urana to Lockhart for Shopping, Banking or a Social day out for only \$2.00.

Depart Urana Hospital 10:00am
Depart Lockhart IGA 2:00pm

Please contact our Lockhart Office to make a booking.



BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL.
(02) 6920 4162



VALMAR BUS SPECIALS **\$5 Return Trips**

- Lockhart to Wagga Bus
- Every Wednesday
- Urana to Albury
- 2nd Tuesday of Month
- Urana to Wagga
- 3rd Wednesday of Month
- Urana to Yarrowonga
- 4th Thursday of Month
- Jerilderie to Cobram
- 1st Thursday of Month
- Jerilderie to Albury
- 3rd Thursday of Month

\$5.00 ONLY

All destinations are available from Lockhart and we encourage new clients to ring to make enquiries on pick up points. Enjoy a trip with friends or go on your own and make new friends. New clients always welcome.

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL
Please call the Lockhart Office
(02) 6920 4162

Health Services



Our services delivery areas encompass the Lockhart Shire and Federation Council. For further classification of service provision in what areas and for any queries please contact Lockhart on (02) 6920 4162.

- Community Transport
- Meals on Wheels/Frozen Meals
- Respite (NRCP)
- Domestic Assistance
- Personal Care
- Home Maintenance
- Social Support
- Free Broadband for Seniors
- Thursday Craft Group - Thursdays at 10.00 am to 12.00 pm at the Office. Morning Tea provided. Gold Coin donation
- Day Club - Tuesdays at 10.00 am at Uniting Church Hall. Morning Tea, Lunch & Afternoon Tea provided \$8

Weekly Wagga Bus - Wednesdays

Depart Lockhart Post Office	8.30 am
Depart The Rock Post Office	9.00 am
Depart Wagga	2.30 pm

Urana to Wagga Bus 3rd Wednesday of Month

Depart Oaklands	7.30 am
Depart Urana	8.00 am
Depart Wagga	2.30 pm

Urana to Albury Bus 2nd Tuesday of Month

Depart Lockhart	7.30 am
Depart Urana	8.00 am
Depart Oaklands	8.30 am
Depart Albury	2.00 pm

Urana to Yarrowonga 4th Thursday of Month

Depart Urana	8.30 am
Depart Oaklands	9.00 am
Depart Yarrowonga	2.30 pm

Bookings are essential: (02) 6920 4162
AgedServices@valmar.com.au



Urana District Church Notices



Catholic Parish of Urana, Oaklands & Lockhart

1st, 3rd & 5th SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

SATURDAY (VIGIL MASS) - 7.00 pm (AEDT)
- LOCKHART

SUNDAY - 8.00 am - URANA
10.00 am - OAKLANDS

2ND & 4TH SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

SATURDAY (VIGIL MASS) - 7.00 pm (AEDT)
- URANA

SUNDAY - 8.00 am - LOCKHART
10.00 am - URANGELINE



ANGLICAN
CHURCH OF AUSTRALIA
Diocese of the Riverina

ST PHILIP'S CHURCH PRINCESS STREET URANA UPCOMING SERVICE DATES

26 March 2017 at 11.30 am

23 April 2017 at 11.30 am

For all Baptisms, Marriages,
Funerals and all other enquiries,

please contact Reverend Nola Cox
(02) 6920 5549



Uniting Church Urana

Uniting Church
Urana Enquiries
Please contact:
(02) 6920 8047



Anglican Church of Australia Diocese of Riverina St Aidan's Lockhart

Cnr Day & Drummond Streets Lockhart

SUNDAY - 9.00 am

St Oswald's Boree Creek

Baptisms, Marriages. Funerals & other activities by
arrangement

*All Enquiries,
Please contact Rev Nola Cox
on (02) 6920 5549*

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
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Calendar

of Events

Urana District

BOREE CREEK

MORUNDAH

Mar 25
Apr 16 & 17

South Australian Opera Company - *Eugene Onegin*
Team Yarding Event Morundah

OAKLANDS

RAND

URANA

Mar 25
Mar 25 & 26
Apr 1
Apr 7
May 3-12
May 14
Oct 12-15
Oct 13-15

Drones in Agriculture - Information Workshop & Field Demonstration - Urana Bowling Club
Urana Campdraft, Victoria Park, Urana
End of Month Meals - Urana Bowling Club
Pot n Parmie Meals Night - Urana Bowling Club
CLAIMING THE DATE - Ralph Keller Art Exhibition - Urana Courthouse Museum
Mothers' Day Lunch - Urana Bowling Club
CLAIMING THE DATE - Art Exhibition and Sale
CLAIMING THE DATE - Open Gardens October

Deadline for April Edition

Wednesday

12 April 2017

All articles and advertisements for the newsletter must be in writing and sent via mail, hand delivered, email or faxed to the Urana Office **no later than 5.00 pm to be included in this Edition.** Placement of articles is subject to available space.

Phone: (02) 6930 9100

Fax: (02) 6930 9101

email address:

council@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au

Lockhart and Urana benefits by \$30,000 in grants

Lockhart, 7th March 2017: Local schools, a physical activity group and the progress association were some of the big winners at the Lockhart & District **Community Bank**[®] Branch grants presentation night last week.

On Friday 3 March, six community groups shared in \$30,000 worth of **Community Bank**[®] profits.

More than 90 people attended the presentation, held in conjunction with Lockhart Shire Council who organised well known inspirational guest speaker Tom O'Toole from Beechworth Bakery to address the gathering during the NSW Back to Business Week.

Chairman Shane Trotter said that this round of grants brought the total contribution back to the community to \$830,000 since the branch opened in 2002.

“As well as this we have rewarded our shareholders with dividends now amounting to \$450,000, Mr Trotter said.

“I’m convinced that if the **Community Bank**[®] was not established 15 years ago that Lockhart district would now be without any bank facilities,” Mr Trotter said.

Branch manager, Clare Hamson, thanked the community for their support and said that with further support the benefits for the district were endless.

“It is always rewarding to share the profits of the branch with the local community that had supported the business.

“It gives our Board, the branch staff and me personally, a great deal of pleasure to award these grants,” she said.

“It is fabulous position to be in – not only are we banking in our **Community Bank**[®] branch, we are doing what we promised to do – returning profits to our community.”

On 3 March, the following grants were awarded:

- Lockhart Pre School \$10,000
- Lockhart Aqua Fitness \$3,000
- Lockhart Progress Association \$5,000
- Explorers Rifle Club \$5,000
- Urana Camp Draft Club \$3,000
- St Francis Xavier's School Urana \$4,000



“What better groups to receive funding from our branch – these are community groups that provide a range of important, and in some cases, vital services to the people of our region,” Mr Trotter said.

“I urge the community to continue their support for our Lockhart & District **Community Bank**[®] Branch,” Mr Trotter said.

“The more the community supports our business, the more contributions like this we can make in the future.”

Media enquiries: Shane Trotter on 0428 694 581