



**FEDERATION
COUNCIL**

New Residents Guide

Welcome to the Federation Council



A person wearing a yellow hat and a red jacket is sitting in a small boat, fishing. The boat is on a body of water with many dead trees standing in it. The sky is a mix of orange and purple, suggesting sunset or sunrise. The water reflects the colors of the sky and the silhouettes of the trees.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Federation Council acknowledges the Bangerang and Wiradjuri people as the traditional custodians of land in which we work and live.

We pay our respects to Elders past and present, and we recognise their continuing connection to the land, waters, and community.

We will work together for a united Council that respects this land and values the contribution to our community of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, their culture, and their heritage.

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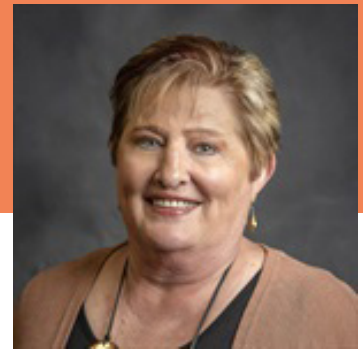
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MESSAGE from the Mayor



Hello,

As Mayor of the Federation Council, I extend a warm welcome to our community. We're pleased you have chosen here as your new home.

From beautiful surroundings to lower house prices and less traffic, there's plenty to love about living in the Federation Council area.

We know you will love our close-knit communities who make for great people for neighbours, colleagues and friends. There are plenty of community groups, sports clubs and service organisations to join and who welcome new people with open arms.

The Federation Council area offers residents unique access points to Australia's mightiest Murray River and Lake Mulwala, along with the magnificent landscapes and country plains. You can enjoy the outdoors with bushwalking, camping, fishing, canoeing and boating activities. There is an abundance of open spaces, parks and walking tracks at your finger-tips.

Federation Council is home to a wide array of small to medium sized enterprises ranging from tourism and hospitality to manufacturing and agriculture. Traditionally farming provided the main source of employment in the area, although this has evolved with the diversification of the economic base to include tourism and various other rural industries.

Here, you can embrace your career ambitions while enjoying the freedom to relish every moment outside of work. You can spend a morning on one of our award-winning golf courses, head off to work for the day, be home in five minutes, with still time to relax before heading out for dinner at one of the local eateries.

We have compiled this New Resident Book to provide you with a handy reference guide to the services and facilities available from Council and within the Community. For more information about the many ways we serve our community and how we can assist you, please visit the Council's website (www.federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au) or if you have any questions, please contact one of our friendly customer service staff by calling (02) 6033 8999.

On behalf of all elected members, Council staff and the broader community, we welcome you and hope this helps you settle in and learn more about our wonderful Council area.

Sincerely,

Mayor, Councillor Cheryl Cook





Population
12,852



Local Government Area
5,685km²



North of Melbourne
303.6km



Libraries
3



High Schools
2



Hospitals
2

FEDERATION SNAPSHOT

- Population 12,939
- Local Government Area 5,685km²
- 13 Towns and Villages
- 303.6 km North of Melbourne
- Heart of the Riverina
- 2 Lakes
- Average temperature 21c°
- Median Age 51 Years
- 2 High Schools and 11 Primary Schools
- 3 Libraries and 1 mobile library

- 1 Adventure Playground
- 1 Aquatic Centre and 3 Public Swimming Pools
- 2 Movie Theatres
- 2 Hospitals
- GDP \$0.96 Billion
- 674,304 sheep and lamb sales
- 1355 Local Businesses
- 6148 Local Jobs
- Largest industry (by employment) is manufacturing
- \$1300 median monthly mortgage repayments.

Find your way around our region.



YOUR

FEDERATION COUNCILLORS

The Federation Council falls within the Federal Division of Farrer and the NSW State electorate of Albury.

Federation Council is governed by nine elected Councillors. The last Council election was held in September 2024. Councillors provide leadership and establish policy and strategic direction for the organisation and the future of the Council area.

If you would like to discuss a local issue with your Councillors, please find their contact details listed here.

Alternatively, you can write to Council's General Manager, Adrian Butler at PO Box 77, Corowa NSW 2646 or email council@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au



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YOUR Council cont.

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Ordinary meetings of Council are held on the last Tuesday of the month commencing at 9:30 am and the meeting location is either the Corowa or Urana Council Chambers.

The ordinary meeting of Council is responsible for dealing with matters relating to finance, works, development, planning, health, building and community services. This meeting also makes a decision on Committee recommendations and is the forum for making the final decision of Council.

Residents and ratepayers are invited to attend Council meetings in person or can watch the meeting live via the council's You Tube channel.

Agenda, minutes and recordings from previous can be found on the Council's website.

To present to Council, please advise the General Manager in writing by 5:00 pm on the Tuesday preceding the ordinary meeting.

ORGANISATION STRUCTURE

Federation Council comprises of four departments, led by Council's Management Executive Team (MANEX).

- General Manager
- Director Corporate & Community Services
- Director Development & Environmental Services
- Director Engineering Services

CORPORATE PLANNING

Council undertakes a variety of corporate planning processes related to its strategic functions and to ensure public accountability.

Corporate plans include:

- Community Strategic Plan
- Annual Delivery and Operational Plan, and
- Long Term Financial Plan
- Annual Report and Financial Statement

Council's Corporate Planning Documents can be found on the Council's website.



CONNECT with Council

COMMUNICATING WITH COUNCIL

Our Customer Service Team is a great source of local knowledge and are happy to help you.

You can visit them at one of our four offices at:

- Corowa Office, 100 Edward Street, Corowa
- Howlong Office, 59 Hawkins Street, Corowa
- Mulwala Office, 71 Melbourne Street, Mulwala
- Urana Office, 30 William Street, Urana.

You can call them on **(02) 6033 8999**, Monday to Friday from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm.

If you need to contact the council after hours please call **1800 110 088** (for emergencies only).

Email:

You can email the council at **council@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au**

Mail:

You can mail Council by writing to the General Manager and mailing to:

Federation Council, PO Box 77, Corowa NSW 2646

You can lodge an online customer request and report issues via the Council website.

<https://www.federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au/>

We encourage you to work with us to help deliver the best possible outcomes for the community.



ONLINE CONNECTION



There are a number of ways to stay connected with the Federation Council online, and get the latest news and information.

www.federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au www.facebook.com/FederationCouncilNSW
You Tube – Federation Council

The Community Development Team at Council hosts a community focused Facebook and Instagram page.

www.facebook.com/lamFederation
www.instagram.com/FedYouthHub

The Tourism Team at Council keep visitors and locals up to date via the tourism website and socials, North of the Murray.

www.northofthemurray.com.au
www.facebook.com/NorthoftheMurray
www.instagram.com/NorthoftheMurray

PRINTED CONNECTION

Electronic Newsletter Subscription

Federation Council produces a number of monthly electronic newsletters to engage with our community and visitors regularly and to showcase the vast array of Council projects and updates.

Stay connected and subscribe to the news topics of interest to you or all of Council's electronic newsletter by visiting the Council's website.

Community Conversations Newsletter

Council's Community Conversations newsletter includes information around Council lead project updates, grant opportunities, works updates, events, Council programs and initiatives.

Urana District Newsletter

Council's Urana District Newsletter provides community and Council information for those living in the North of the Council area.

Federation Council Snippets

Federation Council Snippets provides information to the community on a weekly basis and is included in the Corowa Free Press and Yarrawonga Chronicle Newspapers.

Copies of the above can also be found on the Council's website.



DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS - NOTICE OF PROPOSED

Development application documents are listed for public display, on the Council's website under 'Development Applications Notice of Proposed.'

Please Note: Not all applications require exhibition.

COUNCIL 'HAVE YOUR SAY'

Council wants to hear from you about what is important in your area. We regularly conduct community consultation activities to discuss issues affecting our region, planned development, and proposed change to services.

You can find projects currently open for discussion on the Council's website under 'Have your Say.'

ON EXHIBITION

Council's 'Public Exhibition' of documents gives you the chance to formally have your say on important documents generated by Council, such as strategies, policies, development plans and planning information. Submissions received during the public exhibition period will be part of the report used by Council to inform decision making.

You can find projects currently open for discussion on the Council's website under 'On Exhibition' or a printed copy at any Council Office.



COUNCIL Facilities

COUNCIL OFFICES

Federation Council has four Council offices.

Corowa Office

100 Edward St, Corowa NSW 2646

Phone: (02) 6033 8999

Opening Hours: Monday to Friday: 8:30am to 5pm

The Corowa Office is the main customer service centre based in the Corowa Civic Centre.

The Service NSW Office, Corowa Library, Corowa Visitor Information Centre, Corowa Art Space, Corowa Council Chambers, and Corowa District Landcare are also located in the Corowa Civic Centre. Hours may differ to the Council office..

Howlong Office and Library

59 Hawkins St, Howlong NSW 2643

Phone: (02) 6026 5055

Opening Hours: Tuesday & Wednesday: 10am to 1pm and 2pm to 5pm

Thursday & Friday: 10am to 1pm

Monday: Closed

Council services are also available at the Howlong Office. Residents can pay their rates, lodge development applications, view public documents, use the library, computers and hire facilities.

**Please note: Only library services are available on a Saturday morning. Council transactions cannot be completed.*

Mulwala Office and Library

71 Melbourne St, Mulwala NSW 2647

Phone: (03) 5744 3439

Opening hours: Tuesday & Wednesday: 10am to 1pm and 2pm to 5pm

Thursday & Friday: 10am to 1pm

Monday: Closed

Council services are also available at the Mulwala Office. Residents can pay their rates, lodge development applications, view public documents, use the library, computers and hire facilities. An adjoining hall is also available for hire.

**Please note: Only library services are available on a Saturday morning. Council transactions cannot be completed.*

Urana Office

30 William St, Urana NSW 2645

Phone: (02) 6930 9100

Opening Hours: Monday to Friday: 9am to 5pm

Council services are also available at the Urana Office. Residents can pay their rates, lodge development applications, and view public documents. The Urana office is a Centrelink Access Point. The Urana Council Chambers is also located here and available for hire.

COROWA AERODROME

The Corowa Aerodrome is an ex-WWII training airport that is now home to the Australian Soaring Centre Corowa Recreational Flying, Blue Skies Ballooning, Corowa Cougars Rugby League Football Club and is the local headquarters of the NSW Rural Fire Service.

The commercial airport has two sealed runways, hangars and clubhouse.

COROWA ART SPACE

The Corowa Art Space is located in the Corowa Civic Centre at 100 Edward Street, Corowa NSW 2646. It is fitted with a track hanging system that includes wire and moveable hooks so the height of artworks can be adjusted.

The Corowa Art Space is a community art space that can host exhibitions developed by artists, schools, community and special interest groups. Periodically the space hosts travelling exhibitions such as the Bald Archy Prize.

It is open Wednesday to Friday from 10:00am to 4:00pm
Saturday and Sunday from 10:00am to 3:00pm.

For more information on the Corowa Art Space,
call Council's Community Development Team
on **(02) 6033 8999**.

COROWA SALEYARDS

The Corowa Saleyards is owned and managed by the Federation Council and has been operating for more than sixty years. Recent upgrades to the facility, access and transport linkage improvements and strong management has ensured the Corowa Saleyards is one of the most highly regarded and utilised livestock facilities.

The facility is the fourth largest sheep and lamb livestock exchange in New South Wales and achieves an annual throughput of 700,000 sheep and lamb sales.

The Corowa Saleyards is located on Honour Avenue, on the North-East outskirts of Corowa's township. Sale days are held each Monday commencing at 10:00 am and attract agents, farmers and members of the general public. A number of special sales are also held throughout the year. For more information on the Corowa Saleyards visit the Council's website.

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LIBRARIES

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Our library branches are located in Corowa, Howlong and Mulwala. All of our library branches stock a wide range of books, E Resources, magazines, newspapers, large print books, talking books, DVD's, children and young adult books, fiction, non-fiction and more.

Library patrons can access e-Books, e-Audio, e-Magazines, e-Movies, e-Music, e-Story time and more via the e-Library.

The libraries offer free Wi-Fi and computer use, along with printing and photocopying facilities for patrons to access.

The Home Library Service is a free delivery service provided to those who are unable to get to the library in person due to illness, disability or limited mobility. The free home delivery service is coordinated by the Corowa Friends of the Library volunteers. If you would like to receive this service, please contact your nearest branch.

The Riverina Regional Mobile Library travels to Boree Creek, Oaklands, Rand and Urana bringing books and more to our smaller communities.

Members can borrow 30 items in total for 28 days – 2 x 14 day renewals are available if items are not on reserve for another member.

Items can be renewed in person, by telephone or online. To renew your loans or for more information visit the Council's website or give the friendly library staff a call on **(02) 6033 8941**.

We run a great range of programs at each of our branches, including guest speakers, author talks, reading clubs, school holiday programs, story time sessions, community programs and history.

LIBRARY	OPENING DAYS & TIMES
<p>COROWA LIBRARY</p> <p>Civic Centre, 100 Edward Street, Corowa NSW 2646</p> <p>Phone: (02) 6033 8941</p>	<p>Tuesday to Friday: 10am - 5pm Saturday: 9.30am - 12 noon Monday: Closed</p>
<p>HOWLONG LIBRARY</p> <p>59 Hawkins Street, Howlong NSW 2643</p> <p>Phone: (02) 6026 5055</p> <p><i>Council services are also available at the Howlong Library. Residents can pay their rates, lodge development applications, view public documents, and hire meeting rooms and halls.</i></p>	<p>Tuesday & Wednesday: 10am - 1pm & 2pm - 5pm Thursday & Friday: 10am - 1pm Saturday: 9.30am - 12 noon Monday: Closed</p>
<p>MULWALA LIBRARY</p> <p>71 Melbourne Street, Mulwala NSW 2647</p> <p>Phone: (03) 5744 3439</p> <p><i>Council services are also available at the Mulwala Library. Residents can pay their rates, lodge development applications, view public documents, and hire meeting rooms and halls.</i></p>	<p>Tuesday & Wednesday: 10am - 1pm & 2pm - 5pm Thursday & Friday: 10am - 1pm Saturday: 9.30am - 12 noon Monday: Closed</p>
<p>MOBILE LIBRARY</p> <p>The Riverina Regional Mobile Library regularly visits the locations of Boree Creek, Oaklands, Rand and Urana.</p> <p><i>Members can borrow books, magazines, audio books, DVDs, access the internet, ask about our e-Resources and collect items that have been reserved from the library collections.</i></p> <p><i>View the mobile library calendar to see when the library visits your community next.</i></p>	<p>BOREE CREEK Adjacent Public School, Namoi Street Tuesday: 1:30pm - 3pm</p> <p>URANA Adjacent Catholic School, Vardy Street Tuesday: 1:30pm - 2:15pm Adjacent Urana Council Office, William and Osborne Street Tuesday: 2:30pm - 5pm</p> <p>OAKLANDS Corner of Coreen and Milthorpe Street Wednesday: 9am - 12 noon</p> <p>RAND Adjacent Public School, Cowal Street Wednesday: 1:15pm to 2pm</p> <p><i>Fortnightly Service. Refer to timetable for service dates.</i></p>

SWIMMING Pools



SWIMMING POOLS

COROWA AQUATIC CENTRE

Ball Park, Edward Street,
Corowa NSW 2646
Website: www.corowaaquaticcentre.com.au
Phone: (02) 6033 4401

HOWLONG SWIMMING POOL

Lowe Square, Hawkins Street,
Howlong NSW 2643

OAKLANDS WAR MEMORIAL SWIMMING POOL

3 Hunter Street,
Oaklands NSW 2646

URANA WAR MEMORIAL SWIMMING POOL

Victoria Park, Federation Way,
Urana NSW 2645

The Corowa Aquatic Centre is a state of the art aquatic and leisure facility featuring a all year round 25m indoor heated pool and programl, plus a 50m outdoor pool and kids' splashpark and café.

Whether you're looking for swimming lessons for adults or children, therapy sessions, or aqua fitness classes the Corowa Aquatic Centre has everything you need.

Federation Council is also home to three public swimming pools in Howlong, Oaklands and Urana open during the Summer months.

More information about Swimming pools and hours of operation for each facility can be found on the Corowa Aquatic Centre website.



ECONOMIC Development

ECONOMIC & BUSINESS

DEVELOPMENT

Federation Council makes good business sense. With a vibrant economy, excellent transport linkages and accessibility, strong opportunities for growth and exceptional lifestyle, there are endless reasons to consider doing business in this region.

Federation Council is home to a wide array of small to medium sized enterprises ranging from tourism and hospitality to construction, manufacturing and agriculture.

Traditionally farming provided the main source of employment in the area, although this has evolved with the diversification of the economic base to include tourism and various other rural industries.

The major industries include a piggery feedlot and abattoir, agriculture machinery sales and services, food processors, munitions factory, many freight transport companies, along with tourism, retail and trade businesses.

Federation Council's economy snapshot

- Supports 1,327 businesses
- Has a labour force of 5,921 local jobs.
- Gross Regional Product annually is equivalent to \$0.81 Billion.

ECONOMIC FEDERATION

Federation Council is committed to economic development and business growth and Council is here to assist. Some of the areas that the team can assist include:

- General business assistance
- Planning and development services
- Laws, regulations and licences required for specific businesses
- Street, retail and food legislation and obligations
- Environmental and public health requirements
- Demographics and statistics for the Federation Council and the broader region
- Linkages and advocacy for grants and subsidy assistance

Federation Council fosters business development and expansion. To cater for growth in this area, Council has established Industrial and Business Park developments in Corowa, Howlong and Mulwala.

When starting, relocating or expanding a business, information and advice at the early stages is critical. If you are a business operator, developer or considering opening a business we encourage you to contact Council first and learn more about operating a business in the Federation Council area.

TENDERING & SUPPLY

The Federation Council supports local businesses and employees through its Procurement Policy, working directly in its actions and strategies to promote and support wherever possible local businesses as suppliers of choice.

Council recognises the social and economic benefits that can contribute to the well-being and sustainability of the community through its procurement and that of the supporting local businesses.

By fair and open competition Federation Council strives for best value for ratepayer dollar and encourages all local suppliers to:

- Comply with Council's Work Health and Safety Standards;
- Develop key mitigation strategies in the provision of services to the community;
- Further the use and overall efficiency of internet based technology to streamline and simplify quotation, Tender and Expression of Interest opportunities such as Tenderlink (www.tenderlink.com/federationcouncil) and Vendor Panel (login.vendorpanel.com.au) to which suppliers will need to engage to set up a supplier profile and categorise their goods and services.
- Demonstrate environmental management and sustainability objectives in performing key services or works with Council

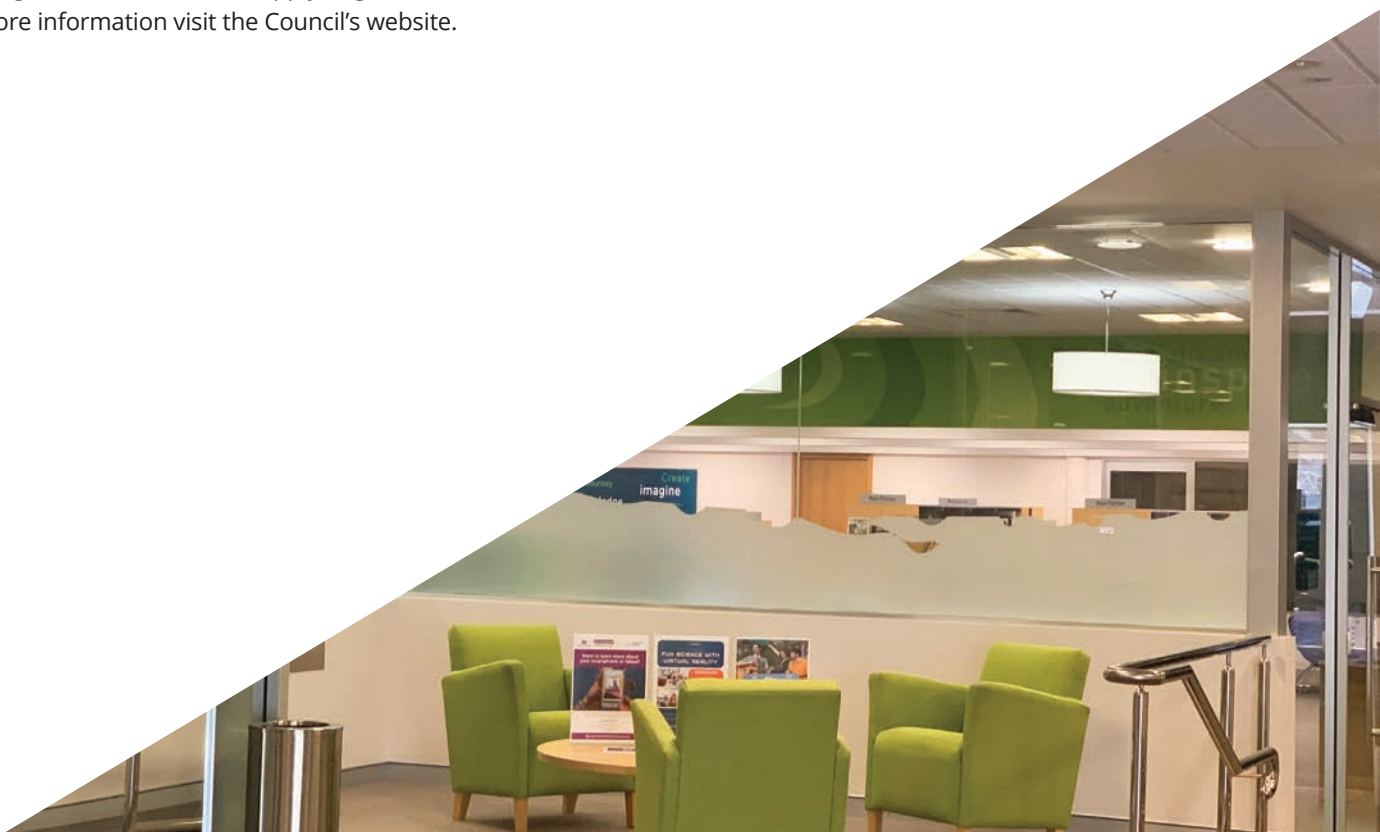
Please Note: Public Tenders will also be available via the following newspapers, The Border Mail, Corowa Free Press, Yarrawonga Chronicle and Council's website.

To download Council's Procurement Policy for key points relating to contracts for the supply of goods or services or more information visit the Council's website.

OTHER BUSINESS SUPPORT

Business support is also offered through other organisations including:

- Business Enterprise Centre (BEC);
- Business Australia;
- Business NSW;
- Rural Financial Counselling Service;
- AusIndustry;
- Regional Development Australia (RDA) Riverina;
- Riverine Plains Inc. and the
- Corowa Business Chamber.





TOURISM

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Tourism is an important part of the local economy.

North of the Murray is the tourism destination brand for the Federation Council local government area. Combined with the tourism marketing plan it aims to promote the area as a desirable tourism destination to enable Council, tourism and business operators to successfully position the region for growth, which in turn will provide further economic benefits to the region.

For more information on things to do, inspiration and what's on in the area visit the North of the Murray website. Website: www.northofthemurray.com.au

NORTH^{OF}THE MURRAY

COROWA VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE

Located at the Corowa Civic Centre, the friendly staff will provide you with the local knowledge and information you need to make your time in this region memorable.

The Corowa Visitor Information Centre is located at the front of the Corowa Civic Centre at **100 Edward Street** in Corowa.

If you need to get in contact with the Corowa Information Centre give the staff a call on **(02) 6033 3221** or email tourism@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au

YARRAWONGA MULWALA VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE

The Yarrawonga Mulwala Visitor Information Centre is located on the Yarrawonga side of Lake Mulwala at **I Irvine Street**.

If you need to get in contact with the Yarrawonga Mulwala Visitor Information Centre give the

EVENTS & Festivals



The Federation Council region offers an exciting calendar of events and festivals. No matter what time of the year, there is something for everyone.

Community based events such as the Oaklands Truck Show, Urana Vintage Rally and the Morundah Market Day highlight the region's diverse spirit and vibrancy. They play an important role in bringing people together and creating a strong sense of community pride.

Annual events such as the Festival of Dance, Corowa Swim-in and Military Parade, and the Lake Mulwala Cod Classic attract people to the region, provide entertainment for residents, and offer substantial economic benefit to the towns that host them and the broader community.

Our schools, community and the council recognise more mainstream cultural celebrations such as Australia Day, Children's Week, Harmony Day, NAIDOC Week, National Reconciliation Week, Seniors Festival, Youth Week and religious festivals.

The Corowa Federation Market is held monthly and displays and sells local produce, arts and crafts.

Find information about up-coming events by visiting the North of the Murray website or the Council website for Council run events and programs.

EVENTS & FESTIVALS SUPPORT

Council is also committed to supporting event organisers with the successful planning and implementation of community and tourism events and festivals throughout the region. We recognise the social and economic benefit that vibrant and sustainable events offer our communities.

To discuss your event ideas, give the Events Team a call at Council on (02) 6033 8999 or visit the Council's website for our Events and Festivals Guidelines and application process.



MOBILE Preschool Service

MOBILE PRESCHOOL SERVICE

Federation Council provides a Mobile Early Education Preschool service for children aged 3 to 5 years. The service runs between 9:00 am – 3:00 pm from Tuesday to Friday during school terms.

The mobile preschool timetable is as follows:

Tuesday: Rand

Wednesday: Boree Creek

Thursday: Urana

Friday: Daysdale

Families are encouraged to enrol children for more than one day by attending more than one location.

The service values childhood as a unique and important stage of life and is committed to the individual care and overall development of each child in partnership with the family.

Council is committed to providing the highest quality care and education for children in rural areas, at an affordable cost for families.

FEES

A fee of \$26 per day/child applies for attending the service however Health Care Card holders can access a reduced fee of \$13 per day/child.

Families interested in attending the service are encouraged to contact the Mobile Early Education Preschool on **0400 309 444** or email **preschool@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au**



ROADS

Transport & Footpaths

ROADS

Federation Council oversees the maintenance and renewal of the road and transport network across the Federation Council area in conjunction with Transport for NSW.

To ensure continued improvement to the local road network and associated management of traffic, the Federation Council provides the following traffic management services:

- Strategic transport planning for the local road network
- Investigating and implementing traffic control upgrades
- Processing Traffic Management Plans for events and contractors
- Responding to traffic and parking complaints
- Traffic control devices for specific events and road works.

For more information on what works are planned or completed visit the Council's website.

ROAD SAFETY

Federation Council has a four-year Road Safety Action Plan to improve road safety at a local level.

Find information about road safety and associated areas such as cycling, driver fatigue, harvest road safety, seatbelts & child restraints, and pedestrians & motorised vehicles by visiting the Council's website.

FOOTPATHS

The Federation Council's Pedestrian Access Mobility Plan (PAMP) is a comprehensive strategic document and action plan that identifies locations to potentially build new pedestrian and mobility infrastructure throughout the Federation Council area. This infrastructure primarily includes footpaths, refuges and kerb ramps.

OTHER Services



SERVICE NSW AGENT

To make it easier for rural and regional residents to access NSW Government services, Service NSW and Federation Council have partnered to provide services through a single shop front, located at **Corowa Civic Centre, 100 Edward Street, Corowa.**

For opening hours or more information about Service NSW, visit **service.nsw.gov.au** or call **13 77 88**. The Service NSW app is available to download via the App Store or Google Play store.



centrelink

CENTRELINK ACCESS POINT

Council's Urana Office is a Centrelink Access Point. Centrelink Access Points provide you with self-help facilities where you can conduct business relating to Centrelink reporting, benefits claims, child support, etc.

We provide access to information products and forms, access to a telephone to call the Centrelink, Medicare claim forms, a fax/photocopier and a computer to enable you to connect to online services – all at no charge to you. We can also sight and photocopy identity documents for Centrelink-related purposes.

For information on other Centrelink Agents and Access Points go to **www.service.gov.au**

Centrelink Agency

Corowa Intereach, Shops 18-20 in the Corowa Arcade, 113 Sanger St, Corowa

Centrelink Access Point

Federation Council, Urana Office, 30-32 William St, Urana NSW 2645



RATES

RATES PAYMENT DATES

- 1st Instalment or Full Payment due 31 August
- 2nd Instalment due 30 November
- 3rd Instalment due 28 February
- 4th Instalment due 31 May

(These are the standard dates but may change due to unforeseen circumstances)

HOW TO PAY YOUR RATES

Payment of rates and water accounts can be made by the following methods:

- Cash, Cheque, EFTPOS, Credit Card at any Council office (Corowa, Howlong, Mulwala and Urana)
- Cheques and money orders made payable to Federation Council and posted to **PO Box 77, Corowa NSW 2646**
- B-pay or via Internet banking
- Post Billpay at any Post Office or by logging into **www.postbillpay.com.au**
- Online payment via the bPoint on the Council website.

When making a payment using BPay or Billpay, you will be required to enter the biller code and reference number. These are shown next to the BPay logo on the front of your notice.

Council offers weekly, fortnightly, monthly instalment and payment in full for all rate and water accounts.

DIRECT DEBIT

Council offers weekly, fortnightly, monthly instalment and payment in full for all rate and water accounts. To set up direct debit for rates, please complete and return our Direct Debit Application form available from the Council's website.

RATES & WATER PENSIONER

REBATES

If you have a Pensioner Concession Card or a Department of Veterans Affairs Card you may be eligible for a concession on both your rates and water.

The concession can be claimed if it is the primary place you live and your pension card reflects this. If you are receiving a rebate on your rates it will automatically carry over onto your water account.

A close-up, slightly blurred photograph of a row of recycling bins. The bins are yellow, red, and green, arranged in a line. The yellow bins are in the foreground, and the red and green bins are behind them. The background is out of focus, showing more bins and a dark area.

GARBAGE

Recycling & Waste Management

KERBSIDE COLLECTION

Green waste bins are collected weekly, while yellow recycling and red rubbish bins are collected on alternate weeks.

BIN COLLECTION DAYS

COROWA

Monday: South of Nixon St and South Corowa

Wednesday: East of Federation and Honour Ave and Gallipoli Rise Estate

Friday: West of old Railway line

MULWALA

Thursday: All of Mulwala

HOWLONG

Thursday: All of Howlong

URANA, OAKLANDS, RAND, BOREE CREEK & MORUNDAH

Collection commences in Oaklands on Tuesday evening and all towns are completed by midday Wednesday.

To download a bin collection calendar, check if you are eligible to receive a kerbside collection, or how to go about getting a bin please visit the Council's website or call Council on **(02) 6033 8999**.

COMMUNITY RECYCLING CENTRES

Many familiar products you use in your home, car, garage and shed can be hazardous to other people and the environment. Because of this, they cannot be disposed of in your red, yellow or green lidded bins.

These include:

- Batteries (household only),
- Motor & other oils (5-20 litre motor oils and other oils),
- Paint,
- Smoke detectors,
- Fire extinguishers,
- Gas bottles, and
- Fluoro lights.

You can dispose of these for FREE at a Community Recycling Centre.

Federation Council has two Community Recycling Centres.

COROWA

Corowa Depot,
Poseidon Road,
Corowa 2646

Phone: **(02) 6033 8999**

Operating Hours:

Monday – Friday, 7:30am – 4:00pm

URANA

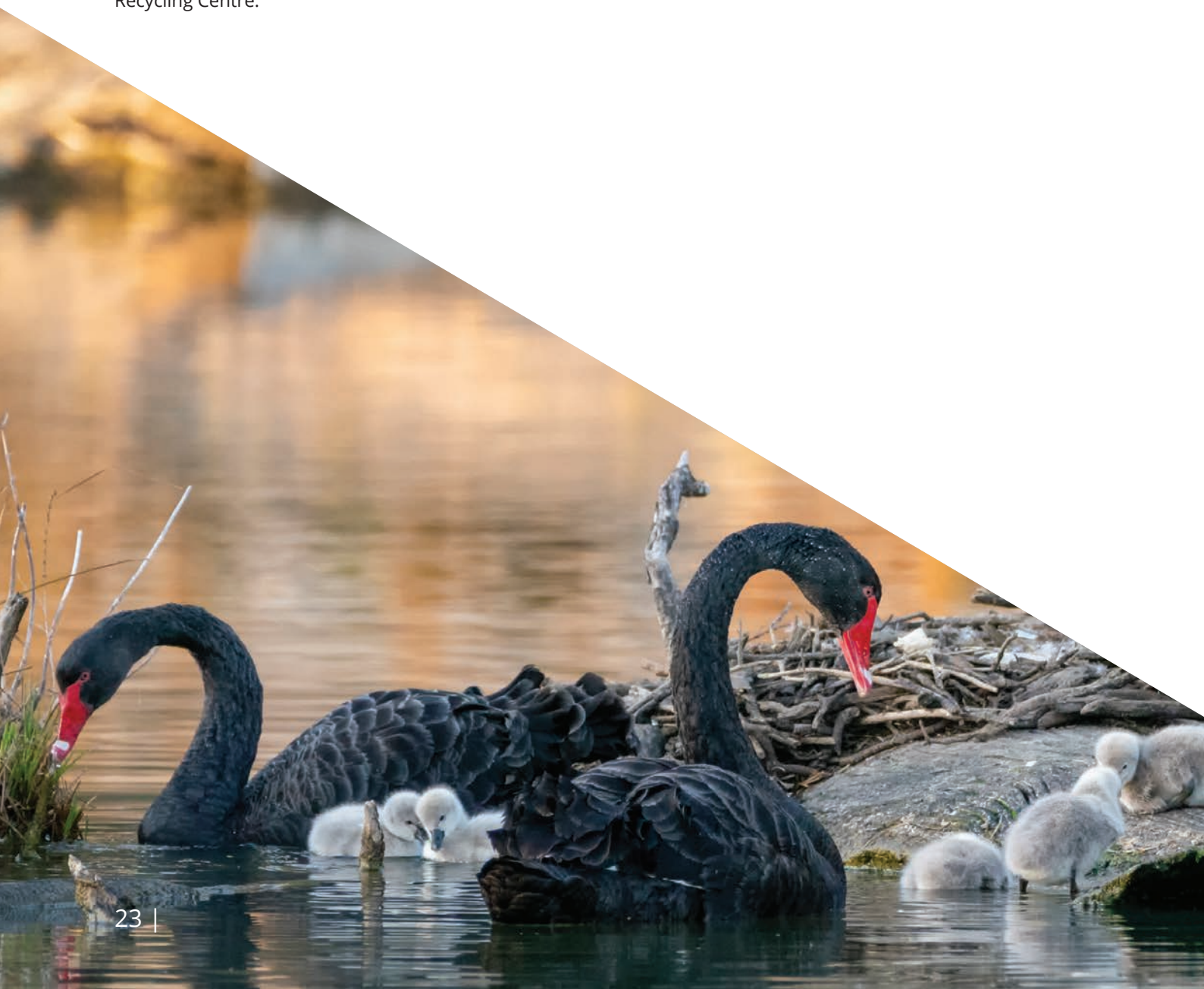
Urana Waste Disposal Centre,
Boree Creek Road,
Urana 2645

Phone: **(02) 6033 8999**

Operating Hours:

Sunday, 11:00am – 4:00pm

Opening times can change. Please check the Council's website before you visit. All facilities are closed Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Year's Day, Good Friday and Easter Sunday.



DrumMUSTER

DrumMUSTER is a National program that has been set up for the collection and recycling of cleaned eligible non-returnable crop production and on-farm animal health chemical containers and provides chemical users with a defined route to safely dispose of used chemical containers.

Triple rinsed chemical drums are accepted free of charge under the DrumMUSTER program at all Waste Facility sites except Mulwala and Howlong.

HALVE WASTE

Halve Waste is an initiative of Albury City Council, City of Wodonga, Federation Council and the shires of Towong, Greater Hume and Indigo. As part of this initiative, a three bin system has been introduced, comprising of waste, recycle and organic bins.

You can place in the following (green lidded) organics bin:

- Food & food scraps (bones, dairy, eggshells, meat, poultry, spoiled food)
- Animal waste, fur & feathers (wrap waste in green compostable liner, kitty litter - clay or paper only)
- Teabags and coffee grounds
- Paper products (shredded paper, tissues, paper towel & napkins)
- Garden waste (leaves, grass, flowers, weeds, roots, sticks and branches)
- Pizza boxes & cooking oil (absorb oil in paper towel or newspaper before placing it in your bin)

Each household also receives a green kitchen caddy and compostable bin liners. Simply place food scraps in your lined kitchen caddy and once full place in your green organics bin.



MANAGING YOUR 3-BINS

GREEN LIDDED ORGANICS BIN

- ANIMAL WASTE, FUR & FEATHERS**
(wrap waste in green compostable liner, kitty litter - clay or paper only)
- FOOD & FOOD SCRAPS**
(bones, dairy, eggshells, meat, poultry, spoiled food)
- PAPER PRODUCTS**
(shredded paper, tissues, paper towel & napkins)
- TEA BAGS & COFFEE GROUNDS**
- GARDEN WASTE**
(leaves, grass, flowers, weeds, roots, sticks and branches)
- PIZZA BOXES & COOKING OIL**
(absorb oil in paper towel or newspaper before placing it in your bin)

✗ NOT IN GREEN LIDDED ORGANICS BIN

- TAKEAWAY CONTAINERS**
(coated paper & foam containers)
- NAPPIES**
(and baby wipes)
- CLOTHING**
(fabric, leather, shoes, and backpacks)
- PLASTICS**
(chip packets, plastic bags and bottles)

YELLOW LIDDED RECYCLE BIN

- CANS, TINS & STEEL**
(aerosol cans, pet food cans - rinsed, soda & drink cans, clean aluminium foil)
- CARDBOARD**
(cereal boxes, tissue boxes, milk cartons)
- GLASS**
(bottles and jars)
- PAPER PRODUCTS**
(paper, envelopes, newspaper, books, magazines)
- HARD PLASTIC CONTAINERS**
(plant pots, detergent & soap containers, food containers - rinsed out)

✗ NOT IN YELLOW LIDDED RECYCLE BIN

- SOFT PLASTICS**
(plastic bags)
- NAPPIES**
(and baby wipes)
- CLOTHING**
(fabric, leather, shoes, and backpacks)
- TAKEAWAY CONTAINERS**
(coated paper & foam containers)

RED LIDDED GENERAL WASTE

- CARE PRODUCTS**
(soap, toothpaste tubes, dental floss, hygiene products)
- PILLOWS**
(cushions & fabric)
- CLOTHING**
(fabric, leather, shoes, and backpacks)
- COFFEE PODS**
- DUST, DIRT & SAND**
(vacuum cleaner dust & bags)
- GLASS**
(broken cups & plates)
- MEDICAL WASTE**
(wound dressings, x-ray film)
- NAPPIES**
(baby wipes)
- TOYS**
(broken or soiled)
- TIMBER**
(treated timber, picture frames, furniture)
- POLYSTYRENE**
- ROPE**
(cork, yarn, thread)
- SOFT PLASTICS & PLASTIC BAGS**
(coated paper, wrappers, chip packets, sachets)
- TAKEAWAY CONTAINERS**
(coated paper, foam containers, coffee cups - lid removed)

*check with your council

HAZARDOUS WASTE

HAZARDOUS WASTE CANNOT GO IN ANY BIN
(chemicals, paint, gas bottles, fire extinguishers, smoke detectors, motor oil, petrol, all batteries, electronic/electrical waste) visit halvewaste.com.au to find your closest Transfer Station.

WASTE DISPOSAL FACILITIES	OPERATING HOURS
COROWA Riverina Highway (Albury Road) adjacent to the intersection of Hopefield Road, Corowa 2646 Phone: (02) 6033 8999 Mobile: 0408 667 253	Tuesday: 9am - 12pm Sunday: 1pm - 4pm
MULWALA Old Barooga Road, Mulwala 2647 Phone: (02) 6033 8999 Mobile: 0408 667 253	Wednesday: 9am - 12pm Sunday: 9am - 12pm
HOWLONG Goombargana Road, Howlong 2643 Phone: (02) 6033 8999 Mobile: 0408 667 253	Tuesday: 1pm - 4pm Sunday: 9am - 12pm
OAKLANDS Maxwelton Road, Oaklands 2646 Phone: (02) 6930 9100	Sunday: 8am - 12pm
URANA Boree Creek Road, Urana 2645 Phone: (02) 6930 9100	Sunday: 11am - 4pm <i>Skip Bins are located at the Victoria Park Recreation Ground for residents to dispose of waste.</i>

Opening times can change. All facilities are closed Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day. For information on fees, and to check opening times please visit the Council website.

EFTPOS is available at each facility.

To download a bin collection calendar, check if you are eligible to receive a kerbside collection, or how to go about getting a bin please visit the Council's website or call Council on (02) 6033 8999.



KEEPING Animals

REGISTERING YOUR PET AT A COUNCIL OFFICE

Registering your domestic pets is not only a legal requirement for every cat and dog, it is also important in ensuring they can be easily identified and returned to you if they escape, or are lost or injured.

MICROCHIPPING

In NSW:

- All pets must be microchipped.
- All dogs and cats must be microchipped before they are 12 weeks of age.
- Animals can be microchipped at a local veterinary surgery, or any animal welfare organisation.
- A pink Permanent Identification Form will be provided.

REGISTERING

In NSW:

- Your dog by the time it's six months or your cat by the time it's four months old must be registered on the NSW Pet Registry.
- Registration is done once and is valid for the lifetime of the pet.
- If a dog or cat changes owners, there is no need to register the pet again or pay an additional registration fee. But you must complete and submit a Change of Owner / Details Form.

REGISTRATION FEES

The registration fee is a once-only payment, which covers the cat or dog for its lifetime in NSW, regardless of any changes in ownership.

More information on registration fees and animal's eligibility for an exemption can be found on the Council website.

ANIMAL PERMITS

The NSW Government requires annual permits for owners of non-desexed cats, restricted dog breeds, and dogs declared to be dangerous.

This means that owners of cats not desexed by four months of age will be required to pay an \$85 annual permit in addition to their one-off lifetime pet registration fee.

Owners of dogs of a restricted breed or declared to be dangerous will be required to pay a \$206 annual permit in addition to their one-off lifetime pet registration fee. This applies to dogs that are already registered. Annual Permit fees applicable from 1 July each year.

REGISTERING YOUR ANIMAL AT A COUNCIL OFFICE

Animal Registration and Animal Permits can be completed at any Federation Council Office during opening hours. To register your pet you will need the following:

1. Permanent Identification Form (which you receive when your pet is microchipped).
2. Completed NSW Companion Animals Register Lifetime Registration Form.
3. Pensioner Concession Card, if you're a pensioner wishing to claim a discounted registration fee.
4. Desexing Certificate, if your pet is desexed and you're wishing to claim a discounted registration fee.

REGISTRATION FEES FOR CATS

There is no registration fee for the following:

- Assistance Animal.
- Working Dog.
- Dog in the service of the State, for example, a police dog.
- Greyhound currently registered under the Greyhound Racing Act 2009.
- Cat born prior to 1 July 1999 where ownership has not changed (when the Companion Animals Act 1998 came into effect).

REGISTERING YOUR ANIMAL

ONLINE THROUGH NSW PET REGISTRY

Pet owners and breeders can create an online profile with the NSW pet registry. You can update your details, notify if your dog or cat is missing, register ownership

CHANGE OF ADDRESS OR

OWNERSHIP

If you move within NSW or change phone numbers you will need to complete a "Change of Owner / Details Form." If you re-home a pet, it is the responsibility of the original owner to complete the Change of Owner/Details Form. A copy will need to be given to Council to update your details. Both forms can be found on the Council Website.

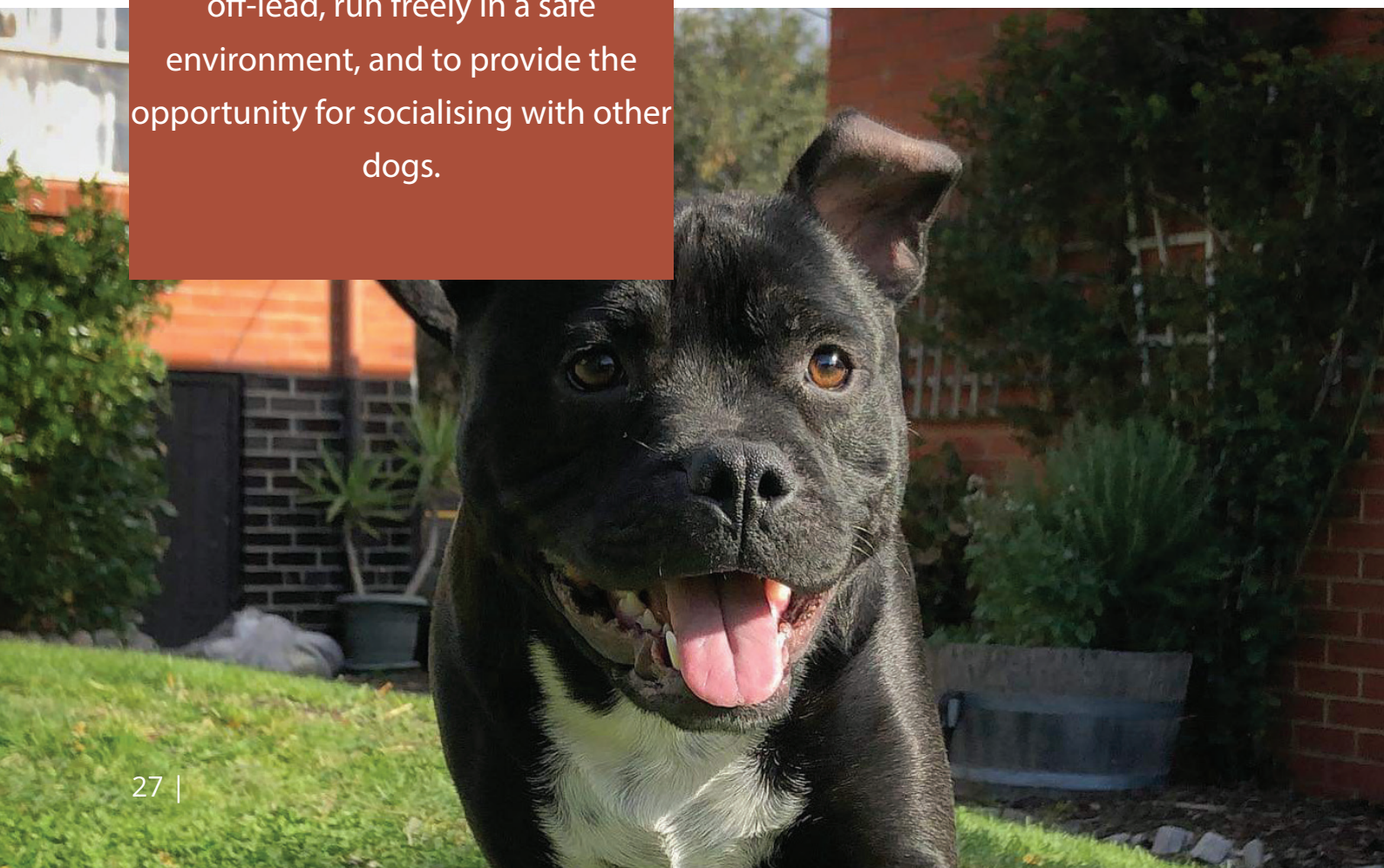
LOST & IMPOUNDED ANIMALS

If you have lost or found an animal in the Federation Council area, please contact Council on **(02) 6033 8999**.

If the animal is not microchipped or registered, it will be cared for at the Corowa pound until collected by its owner.

Under the NSW legislation, all animals must be microchipped and registered prior to being released.

Federation Council provides designated off-leash areas to allow dogs to exercise off-lead, run freely in a safe environment, and to provide the opportunity for socialising with other dogs.



OFF LEASH AREAS

Federation Council provides designated off-leash areas to allow dogs to exercise off lead, to run freely in a safe environment, to enjoy off lead activities without interfering with the general public and to provide the opportunity for socialising with other dogs.

COROWA

Intersection of Federation Avenue and River Street, South Corowa.

Eastern end of Edward Street opposite Bangerang Park, adjacent to tennis courts.

MULWALA

Kyffins Reserve, 4.1km east of Mulwala, Spring Drive.

HOWLONG

South west corner of Lowe Square.
Memorial Park sectioned area.

Remember: even in an off-leash area you have a responsibility to keep your dog under control at all times.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF PET OWNERS

Whether you consider yourself a dog person or a cat person, we all have a responsibility to our companion animals. Residents are reminded of the responsibilities of pet owners to ensure the safety of companion animals and the community.

- If your dog is in a public place it must be under the effective control of a competent person by means of an adequate chain, cord or leash. The exceptions to this are dogs exhibited at a show or engaging in obedience or agility trials or a dog secured in a cage or vehicle or in an approved off-leash area.
- If your dog is being exercised in an approved off-leash area it must always be under effective control of a competent person.
- You are not permitted to walk more than four dogs at any one time in an on-leash or off-leash area.
- Just like all breeds of dogs in NSW, greyhounds will still be required to be on a leash while in public at all times. A greyhound will still require a muzzle in an off-leash area if it has not undergone an approved retraining program. Greyhounds that have completed this program will continue to wear identifying green collars, or, alternatively the person in charge of the animal can carry a completion card.
- If your dog defecates in a public place it is an offence not to remove the faeces.
- Dogs are prohibited in children's play areas, food preparation/consumption areas, reception areas, public bathing areas, school grounds, child care centres, shopping areas and wildlife protection areas.

For more information on pet ownership and responsibilities visit the Council's website.





BUILDING Development & Planning

BUILDING WORK & RENOVATIONS

Carrying out building work or renovations can be an exciting and satisfying process. There are many things to consider before starting construction, such as whether you require Council approval. Most building works or renovations will require Council approval before work can start.

Council provides a range of support services and information about planning and development, building and construction. Whether you're looking for information on building works and permits, fencing or dwelling and property information, our team can help.

We encourage you to contact Council's Planning and Environment Teams or Building Surveyor before you buy land or start making any plans to build or develop land. Our experienced staff can help you work through your planning and building questions.

To book a meeting or inspection the easiest way is to do so via Council's online form. Alternatively, please contact the Planning and Environment Department on **(02) 6033 8999** or email planning@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au.

PLUMBING & DRAINAGE

All plumbing and drainage works require approval under Section 68 of the Local Government Act. Find out more information relating to plumbing approvals visit the Council's website.

SWIMMING POOLS & SPAS

Every swimming pool and spa owner in NSW is required to register their pool/spa on the NSW Government online register. Pool/spa owners can be fined up to \$550 for non-compliant pools.

To find out more information relating to swimming pools and spas visit the Council's website.

FIRE SAFETY

Council aims to ensure that every building owner and/or manager is aware of the legal obligations pertaining to the installation and ongoing maintenance of fire safety features, particularly in commercial buildings.

An annual safety statement is a certificate that must be supplied to Council verifying the continued operation and maintenance of the essential fire safety measures. This is to be provided every year on the anniversary of the final fire safety certificate or occupation of the building. There is no fee for lodging a fire safety certificate, an annual fire safety statement or a supplementary fire safety statement.

To find out more information or to download the Fire Safety Certificate Form visit the Council's website.



HERITAGE ADVICE

The Heritage Advisory Service is a free service to the community that provides advice and assistance regarding the preservation and restoration of heritage buildings. It is funded jointly by Department of Premier and Cabinet and Council.

The service is available by contacting Council's Planning and Environment Department on **(02) 6033 8999** or email **planning@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au**

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WATER & Sewage

WATER SERVICES

Federation Council is the local water authority that provides potable water supply and reticulated sewerage services to the residents of Corowa, Howlong and Mulwala. Water supplies for Corowa, Howlong and Mulwala are drawn from the Murray River. The water is treated at water treatment plants located in each town.

Potable water supply for Urana and Oaklands is provided by Riverina Water. Riverina Water can be contacted on **(02) 6922 0608**

Owners and/or builders can apply for a water service pipe/water meter installation connected to Council's water main, subject to the provisions of the Local Government Act and the requirements of Council. To download the 'Water Connection Application Form' or for more information visit the Council's website.

Owners and/or builders can apply for a water mains/service pressure test. To apply, download the 'Water Pressure Test Application Form' or for more information visit the Council's website.

SEWAGE SERVICES

Council operates five separate sewerage systems in the towns of Corowa, Howlong, Mulwala, Oaklands and Urana. Sewerage treatment plants are located in each of the towns.

Owners and/or builders can apply for a sewer junctions installation to Council's sewer main, subject to the provisions of the Local Government Act and the requirements of Council. To apply, contact Council's Water and Sewerage department for a quote on P: 02 6033 8999.

WATER BILLING

Council's water billing program, is a two part tariff consisting of an availability fee (service fee) and a consumption charge applies to all properties.

The consumption charge is based on the amount of water you use and is designed to recoup the cost to the Council for the filtration of the water and for the water itself.

The 'Availability Fee' covers your access to the Council's infrastructure. It is designed to recoup the cost to the Council for the provision of infrastructure that treats the water and then delivers it to the property (the water meter, the pipes that go past the property, and the water treatment works).

Residential sewerage assessments are charged an 'Availability Fee' which has been determined by the cost of providing infrastructure, upkeep and treatment to residences within Federation Council. This is currently on your water and sewer account per occupancy. This means if you have 6 units on the one account then this would be 6 charges of the trimester charge.

For more information on water and sewage, water bills, backflow prevention, RV dump points, water standpipe, liquid trade waste and other public health questions visit Council's website.

WATER BILL PAYMENT DATES

Readings are taken three times a year:

- End of June
- End of October
- End of February



TREES

TREES

Council recognises the importance of trees in our natural landscapes as they act as climate moderators by producing oxygen and reducing pollution. They also assist with modifying temperature, wind and glare.

Council manages street and park trees within its Local Government area, however, it is the responsibility of residents to care for trees on their property.

TREES ON PRIVATE PROPERTY

Residents are responsible for trees on their property.

Under NSW planning laws, Council approval is required before pruning or removing any tree over 4.5m tall or branches more than 3m long. In addition, if the tree is protected within the Federation Council area, approval is also required from Council.

You can download the 'Vegetation Removal Application Form' as well as view a list of protected trees from the Council's website.

OTHER ANIMALS AND PLANTS

For more information on other animals and plants including biosecurity weeds, kangaroos, birds, mosquitos and grazing stock on roadsides visit the council's website.

FIREWOOD COLLECTION

Residents in the Federation Council area can apply to obtain a permit to collect firewood from road reserves for home heating during winter. Firewood collection is limited to 1 April to the 30 September each year.

To apply for a permit, residents must complete the 'Application for Permit Roadside Firewood Collection' form and show proof that they reside in the Federation Council area (i.e. drivers licence).

Residents will need to apply for a permit each firewood season (each year) and pay the permit application fee. Find out more information about firewood collection or to complete the online 'Application for Permit Roadside Firewood Collection' visit the Council's website.

A photograph of a person's hands holding a large bouquet of flowers, including pink, white, and yellow blooms, over a dark, rectangular grave marker. The background is a blurred green lawn with some red flowers in the distance.

CEMETERIES

YOUR COMMUNITY SPACES

The Federation Council provides a range of community facilities and services to support and connect all residents.

CEMETERIES

Federation Council maintains seven cemeteries across the area.

BOREE CREEK

Boree Creek Cemetery

Cemetery Road, Boree Creek.

COROWA

Corowa Pioneer Cemetery

18-22 Federation Avenue, Corowa.

This is the original town cemetery and is now only used for burials with a reservation.

Corowa Lawn Cemetery

101-125 Cemetery Road, Corowa.

HOPEFIELD

Hopefield Cemetery

Hopefield Road, Hopefield.

HOWLONG

Howlong Cemetery

Lot 264, Ashford Road, Howlong.

MULWALA

Mulwala Cemetery

111 Lucan Street, Mulwala.

OAKLANDS

Oaklands Cemetery

Cemetery Road, Oaklands.

URANA

Urana Cemetery

Lake Road, Urana.

Further information relating to the cemeteries can be obtained by contacting Council on **(02) 6033 8999** or visiting the Council's website.

HALLS & Facilities

HALLS & FACILITIES

Federation Council offers a variety of venues for hire. If you would like to hire a hall or facility the application form and process can be found on the Council's website.

PRIVATE VENUES

There are a number of private venues throughout the Federation Council ranging in size and location to cater for your requirements. Most venues provide flexibility in that they can accommodate seating requirements from 10 to 700 people, in various setup styles.

You can choose from licensed clubs, pubs, restaurants or cafes, all of which are conveniently located.

For more information visit the North of the Murray website.

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all residents.

HALLS & VENUES

Venue	Address	Suitability	To Hire
BOREE CREEK			
Boree Creek Hall <i>(managed by the Boree Creek Community Facilities Committee)</i>	Eades Street, Boree Creek	Events and celebrations, group fitness and dance, concerts and plays.	Hall and kitchenette.
BURAJA			
Buraja Recreational Ground Hall <i>(managed by the Buraja Recreation Reserve Land Manager)</i>	8163 Riverina Highway, Lowesdale	Events and celebrations, group fitness and dance, concerts and plays.	Hall and kitchenette.
COROWA			
Corowa Art Space	100 Edward Street, Corowa	Exhibitions, events.	Hanging space with track hanging system
Corowa Civic Centre	100 Edward Street, Corowa	Meetings.	Community meeting room. Consultation rooms.
Corowa Memorial Hall	86 Sanger Street, Corowa	Events and celebrations, group fitness and dance, concerts and plays.	Hall, supper room, kitchenette and bar. Stage, sound and lighting.
Corowa Oddfellows Hall	231 Sanger Street, Corowa	Events and celebrations, group fitness and dance, concerts and plays.	Hall, supper room, kitchenette. Stage, sound and lighting.
HOWLONG			
Howlong Community Health Centre	110 Hammer Street, Howlong	Meetings, group fitness and dance.	Hall
Howlong Library	59 Hawkins Street, Howlong	Meetings.	Community meeting room.

COUNCIL OWNED OR MANAGED HALLS & VENUES cont.

Venue	Address	Suitability	To Hire
OAKLANDS			
Oaklands Memorial Hall	Milthorpe and Coreen Streets, Oaklands	Events and celebrations, group fitness and dance.	Hall and kitchenette.
MULWALA			
Mulwala Bay 13	Londsdale Recreation Reserve, Inglis Street, Mulwala	Events and celebrations, group fitness and dance, concerts and plays.	Venue space and kitchen.
Mulwala Civic Centre	71 Melbourne Street, Mulwala	Events and celebrations, group fitness and dance, concerts and plays.	Hall and kitchenette.
RAND			
Rand School of Art	8-10 Bong Street, Rand	Exhibitions, events	Hall and kitchenette.
URANA			
Urana Soldiers Memorial Hall	Anna Street, Urana	Events and celebrations, group fitness and dance, and concerts and plays.	Hall, kitchen, bar and supper room.
Urana Council Chambers	30-32 William Street, Urana	Meetings.	Board room and kitchenette.

OUTDOOR SPACES

Federation Council is home to many beautiful parks, gardens, recreation areas and playgrounds. A list of outdoor spaces showing a snapshot of amenities and a map can be found on the Council's website.

PLAYGROUNDS & SKATE PARKS

Town or Village	Address	Facilities Available
BALLDALE		
Bruce Richardson Park	Railway Road, Balldale	Playground. Picnic tables, and shaded areas.
BOREE CREEK		
Tim Fischer Community Park	Drummond Street, Boree Creek	Playground. Picnic tables, public art, shade areas, rotunda and toilets.
COROWA		
Bangerang Park	100 Edward Street, Corowa	Playground. BBQ, picnic tables, shade areas and toilets.
Beryl Drive Park	37 Beryl Drive, Corowa	Playground. Picnic tables, and shade areas.
Corowa Skate Park	John Street, Corowa	Skate park. Basketball ring, BMX track, learning to ride area, picnic tables, shelter shed and toilets.
Morris Park	131-139 Hume Street, South Corowa	Playground. BBQ, picnic tables, and toilets.
RSL Park	Betterment Parade, Corowa	Playground. BBQ, picnic tables, rotunda, shade sails, large green space and toilets.
Sutcliffe Park	112 Guy Street, Corowa	Playground. Picnic tables and shaded area.
South Corowa Lions Park	203 River Street, South Corowa	River access. Picnic tables, BBQ, rotunda, shade areas, boat ramp and toilets.

PLAYGROUNDS & SKATE PARKS cont.

Town Or Village	Address	Facilities Available
HOWLONG		
Lowe Square Playground	Lowe Square, 80-120 Hawkins Street, Howlong	Playground. Picnic tables, BBQ, shade areas, and toilets.
Howlong Skate Park	Lowe Square, 80-120 Hawkins Street, Howlong	Skate park and Bike track, picnic tables, shade areas, and toilets.
Memorial Park	Pearce Street, Howlong	Playground. River access. Shade sails, BBQ, picnic tables, enchanted hut/ rotunda, shade areas, toilets and boat ramp.
Oolong Park	Hawkins Street, Howlong	Playground. Picnic tables, and shaded area.
MULWALA		
Apex Park	7-11 Inglis Street, Mulwala	Playground. BBQ, picnic tables, shade areas, toilets and boat ramp.
Purtle Park Adventure Playground	50 Melbourne Street, Mulwala	Playground. Lake access. Picnic tables, steam train, BBQ, rotunda, shade areas and toilets.
OAKLANDS		
Coronation Park	24 Milthorpe Street, Oaklands	Playground. BBQ, picnic tables, undercover play equipment, shade areas, and toilets.
RAND		
Rand Community Playground	Rand Recreation Reserve, Rand	Playground. Picnic tables, shade areas and toilets.
URANA		
Freddie Fox Park	1 Anna Street, Urana	Basketball ring, modular skate system, learning to ride area and shelter.
Macknight Park	18 Anna Street, Urana	Playground. BBQ, picnic tables, undercover play equipment, shaded area and toilets.

PARKS, GARDENS & RESERVES

Town Or Village	Address	Facilities Available
COROWA		
Ball Park Lagoon	Access via Edward Street, Corowa	River access. Sandy beach area, boat ramp, picnic table, shade areas.
Ellerslie Gardens	200 Federation Avenue, Corowa	Park Benches.
Lion Dens Park	149 Federation Avenue, Corowa	BBQ, rotunda, picnic chairs, and toilets.
Memorial Plaza	92 Sanger Street, Corowa	Picnic tables, Free Wi-Fi, public art, shaded area, and toilets.
Rowers Park	Bridge Road, Corowa	River access. Fishing pier, picnic tables, BBQ, rotunda, shaded areas, RV dump point and toilets.
HOWLONG		
Lions Riverside Park	River Road, Howlong	River access. Picnic tables, shade area and toilets.
Pioneer Park	182 Riverina Highway, Howlong	Historic landmark, picnic tables and rotunda.
MORUNDAH		
Morundah Park	Browley Street, Morundah	Playground. Picnic table, shaded area, public art and toilets.
MULWALA		
Beams Park	Barooga Road, Mulwala	Seating and shade areas.
Digger Loughnan Fishing Jetty And Park	126 Melbourne Street, Mulwala	Lake access. Fishing jetty, public art, picnic tables, shade areas.
Kyffins Reserve	Spring Drive, Mulwala	Lake access. Bush camping spot, walking track from Kyffins Reserve into Mulwala.
McCormick Park	Lang Street, Mulwala	Lake access. Seating.

PARKS, GARDENS & RESERVES cont.

Town Or Village	Address	Facilities Available
MULWALA cont.		
Miss Ross Hill Park	Melbourne Street, Mulwala	Lake access. Picnic tables.
Owen Bridges Park	96 Corowa Road, Mulwala	Lake access. Walking track, BBQ, picnic tables, shaded area, RV dump point, boat ramp and toilets.
RSL Park	130 Old Mill Road, Mulwala	Picnic table, shaded area and flag pole.
Corowa to Mulwala Bike Trail	Trail along the road reserves between Corowa & Mulwala.	45-kilometre two-metre wide sealed bitumen path.
OAKLANDS		
Couglan Park	51 Milthorpe Street, Oaklands	Picnic tables and shaded area.
Oaklands RV Park	Corner of Milthorpe and Hunter Street, Oaklands	Five RV Parking Bays, BBQ, RV Dump Point.
RAND		
Memorial Park	Kindra Street, Rand	Picnic tables and shaded areas.
URANA		
Urana Aquatic Centre	Federation Way, Urana	Rotunda, shaded area, BBQ, public art, exercise stations, boat ramp, public art, RV dump point and toilets.



SPORTS & Recreation Grounds

SPORTS & RECREATION GROUNDS

Leave the massive stadiums behind and get a taste of real, grass-roots community sport. There is a vast range of sports events on offer from golf, rowing, athletics, AFL football, rugby league, soccer, netball, tennis, hockey, lawn bowls, croquet, and cricket which are catered for extensively with excellent facilities and strong club memberships.

The Murray River, or Mighty Murray as it is sometimes called is the third largest river in the world and to see its changing face as it flows through our region from Howlong, past Corowa, and into Lake Mulwala, it's easy to see how easily it lives up to this reputation.

The Corowa Aquatic Centre is an all year round facility. Featuring a heated indoor multi-purpose pool that includes three 25 m lanes for lap swimming and training, as well as a dedicated program pool area that hosts learn to swim and aqua fitness programs. In the warmer months, patrons can enjoy the 50m Olympic sized outdoor pool and splash park.

Public Swimming pools are also open in Howlong, Oaklands and Urana during the Summer season.

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Lake Mulwala regularly host world stage water sport events such as powerboat racing, water skiing championships, and fishing tournaments.

If you wish to use a Council owned or managed ground you will need to apply by completing an Application to use Council Sporting Fields, Parks and Associated Facilities Form found on the Council website.

LIST OF SPORTS & RECREATION GROUNDS

There are many opportunities for residents and visitors to participate in sporting and recreational activities. The Federation Council area provides excellent facilities, including football and hockey fields, netball and tennis courts, golf courses and swimming pools.

SPORTS & RECREATION GROUNDS

Town & Village	Address	Facilities Available
BALLDALE		
Balldale Recreation Reserve	Oil Tree Lagoon Road, Balldale	Cricket pitch. Clubrooms.
BURAJA		
Buraja Recreation Reserve (No longer in use)	Riverina Highway, Buraja	Football oval and netball court.
COREEN		
Coreen Recreation Reserve	Urana Road, Coreen	Football oval, netball and tennis courts. Shared club rooms. Playground.
COROWA		
Ball Park	Ball Park, Edward Street, Corowa	Tennis courts. Oval with cricket pitch and hockey field. Cricket nets. Synthetic hockey training area. Public swimming pool. Clubrooms.
Corowa Civic Bowling Club	Ball Park, 100 Edward Street, Corowa	Grass lawn bowling greens. Croquet court.
Corowa Golf Club	Hume Street, South Corowa	27 hole golf course. Putting and driving area.
Corowa RSL Bowls Club	Behind Corowa RSL, 30 Betterment Parade, Corowa	Grass lawn bowling greens.
Corowa Show Grounds and Racecourse	Cotton Street, Corowa	Racecourse. Pony club facilities.
John Foord Oval	Bridge Road, Corowa	Football oval and netball courts. Shared clubrooms. Playground.
Morris Park	Hume Street, Corowa	Large green space. Tennis and netball courts. Cricket and athletic facilities. Playground.
Rugby League Football Grounds	Corowa Airport, Redlands Road, Corowa	Rectangular field. Rugby field.
Corowa and Wahgunyah Rowing Shed	Rowers Park, Bridge Road, Corowa	Rowing sheds and facilities.

SPORTS & RECREATION GROUNDS cont.

Town & Village	Address	Facilities Available
DAYSDALE		
Daysdale Recreation Reserve <i>(Used for tennis only)</i>	Federation Way, Daysdale	Tennis courts.
HOWLONG		
Howlong Golf Resort	186 Golf Club Drive, Howlong	18 hole golf course. Croquet court. Grass lawn bowling greens.
Lowe Square Recreation Reserve	80-120 Hawkins Street, Howlong	Football oval and netball courts with shared club rooms. Cricket ground with club rooms. Tennis courts with clubrooms. Public swimming pool. Basketball court. Pony club facilities. Skate park. BMX track. Playground.
MULWALA		
Lonsdale Recreation Reserve	100 Hume Street, Mulwala	Football oval, netball and tennis courts with shared club rooms. Cricket pitch and nets. Second clubrooms. Playground.
Max Kirwan Ski Parks	Lot 2647 Mulwala-Barooga Road, Mulwala	Two man-made lakes built for water skiing.
Yarrawonga Mulwala Golf Resort	Golf Club Road, Mulwala	45 hole golf course. Lawn bowls. Croquet lawns. Tennis court. Health & Fitness Centre.
ClubMulwala	271 Melbourne Street, Mulwala	Grass lawn bowling greens.
MORUNDAH		
Colombo Creek Recreation Reserve	Coonong Road, Morundah	Used for water sports. Toilets. Boat ramp.
Morundah Recreation Reserve	Yamma Road, Morundah	Room. Team yarding facilities.

SPORTS & RECREATION GROUNDS cont.

Town & Village	Address	Facilities Available
OAKLANDS		
Oaklands Bowling and RSL Club	21 Buller Street, Oaklands	Grass bowling greens.
Oaklands Golf Course	Hunter Street, Oaklands	9 hole golf course.
Oaklands Recreation Grounds	Patey Street, Oaklands	Football oval, netball and tennis courts. Shared club rooms. Playground.
RAND		
Rand Sports Ground	Kindra Street, Rand	Football oval, netball and tennis courts. Shared clubrooms and facilities. Playground.
RENNIE		
Rennie Recreational Reserve	Bull Plain Road, Rennie	Football oval, netball and tennis courts. Shared clubrooms and facilities.
SAVERNAKE		
Savernake Tennis Courts	Hay Street, Savernake	Tennis courts.
URANA		
Urana Aquatic Centre	Federation Way, Urana	Man-made dam used for water sports. Multi-purpose sports complex. Boat ramp. Exercise stations.
Urana Bowling Club	Corner Williams and Stephens Street, Urana	Synthetic bowls green. Tennis courts. Clubroom.
Urana Golf Course	Lockhart Road, Urana	18-hole sand based green golf course.
Urana Lawn Tennis Courts	Osborne Street, Urana	Synthetic grass tennis courts.
Victoria Park Recreation Reserve	Federation Way, Urana	Football oval and netball courts. Shared club rooms and facilities. Swimming pool. Camp draft facilities. Playground.



ARTS & Culture

ARTS & CULTURE

The Federation Council area is a vibrant region for Arts, Culture and Heritage. The region's lifestyle is complemented with an active arts community offering a number of initiatives including galleries, museums, festivals and performing arts.

We are proud to celebrate the ongoing connection to the land and waters of our local Bangerang and Wiradjuri people, and remember their history, and culture.

Australian history is embedded into the towns and villages across the Federation Council. Sufficient historical facts includes Corowa's role in forming democracy, Howlong's association with the overland cattle drive to Adelaide, the construction of the weir at Mulwala, Savernake Station and the Murray River Ports. Along with historic buildings such as Oddfellows Hall, and Howlong Mechanic Institute.

We recognise famous artist such as Tom Roberts and Tommy McCrae plus local artists such as sculptor, Andrew Whitehead.

The Corowa Federation Museum, Urana Courthouse Museum, and the Yarrowonga Mulwala Pioneer Museum are dedicated custodians of the areas history. Along with specialised museums including the Balldale's Owls Eye Museum, Oaklands' Doug Kerr Vintage Museum, Howlong Wood Carving Museum, Corowa's Vintage Tractor Museum and Max's Motor Museum.

Communities within the Federation Council host a broad breadth of Arts and Cultural activities and offers an exciting calendar of events. For more information

FEDERATION ARTS & CULTURAL STRATEGY 2021-2025

The Federation Arts and Cultural Strategy 2021-2025 provides a strategic focus for Council to deliver on its commitment to developing and supporting arts and culture in the Federation Council area.

INNVOATE RECONCILIATION

ACTION PLAN

The Federation Council is proud to be embarking on our Reconciliation Journey. Council considers this a very profound way to formalise our journey as we continue to strengthen our relationships with Aboriginal people across our Local Government Area and continue to respect their amazing and continuing cultural heritage. The Council especially values our relationships with the Bangerang and Wiradjuri people.

We are proud to celebrate
the ongoing connection to
the land of our local Indigenous
community, and remember
our colonial past and
the heritage of the area.



DIRECTORIES

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We have a vibrant community which offers many services and recreational opportunities. The following local directories host a wealth of information.

COMMUNITY DIRECTORY

The Community Directory is an online directory that provides information on community groups, service club, volunteer associations, sporting clubs, health and social services, and facilities that are located or operate in the Federation Council area. You can search for a specific listing or browse categories to find relevant organisations and services in your town or village.

If you are looking to join a sport or recreation club, a cultural, historical or gardening group, or you are looking for a service club or volunteer organisation, this is where you can find a group close to you.

You can find the Community Directory on the Council's website.

THE AGEING WELL RESOURCE

Federation Council in partnership with the Ageing Well Advisory Committee has developed an Ageing Well Resource to assist new and existing residents to find the services on offer for seniors living in the Council area. It offers listings for health and social services, social and leisure activities, arts and cultural activities, local services and facilities and transport and travel times, and much more. A copy is included in your New Resident Pack or an eBook version is available from the Council's website.

FAMILIES & CHILDREN SERVICES DIRECTORY

The Federation Council's Families and Children Services Directory includes information on childcare services, kindergartens, local schools, parenting and disability services, maternal and health services, and much more. It is a comprehensive listing of local services providers primarily in the Federation Council, but also specialist services from across the region.

A copy is included in your New Resident Pack or you can download a copy from the Council's website.

FEDERATION YOUTH HUB

Federation Council in partnership with the Federation Youth Council has developed the online Federation Youth Hub to assist our younger residents to find youth resources and information.

You can find the Federation Youth Hub on the Council's website.



FAMILIES & Children

CHILD & FAMILY HEALTH

Child and family health services are free for NSW parents and carers of children aged 0-5 years. They offer health and development checks for your child and support and information on sleeping and crying, feeding, development and behaviour, immunization, hearing assessments, safety, your own wellbeing and referrals.

CHILD AND FAMILY HEALTH	CONTACT
Corowa Healthone - Child and Family Health	Phone: (02) 6033 7555
Howlong Healthone - Child and Family Health	Phone: (02) 6026 5480
Urana Community Health Service	Phone: (02) 6920 8106
NEARBY	CONTACT
Albury Community Health Centre	Phone: (02) 6058 1800
Lockhart Community Health	Phone: (02) 6930 7100
Yarrawonga Maternal and Child Health Centre	Phone: (03) 5744 3296

PRESCHOOLS

The Federation Council has three community-based preschools in Corowa, Howlong and Mulwala and two early learning centres operate in the Federation Council area, in Corowa and Howlong. Council operates a mobile preschool service to meet the needs of families in our outer rural communities operating weekly during the school term in Boree Creek, Daysdale, Oaklands, Rand, and Urana.

PRESCHOOLS	WEBSITES
Mobile Preschool	www.federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au
Corowa Preschool	www.corowapreschool.com.au
Howlong Preschool	www.howlongpreschool.com.au
Mulwala Preschool	office@mulwalapreschool.com.au
Goodstart Early Learning Corowa	www.goodstart.org.au/centres/corowa
Little One's Early Learning Howlong	www.littleonesel.com.au

CHILDCARE / FAMILY DAY CARE

A range of quality childcare options are available in the Federation Council area, to meet the needs of you and your children. Local centres offer full-time, part-time and occasional care. Child care services include the choice of Family Day Care, In-Home Care or Long Day Care. Along with Outside of School Hours Care available in some towns.

You can find more information on the council website or in the Family and Childrens Card.



EDUCATION

Federation Council values the importance of regional and rural education and has many facilities and services available to cater for the younger population. From early childhood to tertiary education, families have many opportunities for public and private schooling right from the beginning of their child's education.

PUBLIC & CATHOLIC SCHOOLS	WEBSITES
Boree Creek Public School	www.boreecreek-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
Corowa Public School	www.corowa-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
Corowa South Public School	www.corowasth-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
Howlong Public School	www.howlong-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
Lowesdale Public School	www.lowesdale-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
Mulwala Public School	www.mulwala-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
Oaklands Central School	www.oaklands-c.schools.nsw.edu.au
Rand Public School	www.rand-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
Urana Public School	www.urana-c.schools.nsw.edu.au
St Mary's Primary School Corowa	web.smcoww.catholic.edu.au
HIGH SCHOOLS	WEBSITES
Corowa High School (Year 7 to 12)	www.corowa-h.schools.nsw.edu.au
Oaklands Central School (Kinder to 12)	www.oaklands-c.schools.nsw.edu.au
Indie School - Corowa	www.indischool.edu.au

There are a number of nearby high schools as well as private and boarding schools in nearby towns such as Albury, Leeton, Rutherglen, Yarrawonga, Wangaratta and Wodonga. Private bus services travel daily to these schools and towns from within the Federation Council area. You can find more information on local and regional schools at the NSW Department of Education. A school bus service is available from most towns, villages and rural properties to nearby primary and high schools.

HIGHER EDUCATION

The Corowa Connected Learning Centre provides the local community with access to digitally-enabled technologies, such as simulations and virtual reality experiences, and offer a greater number of courses and flexible study options. www.tafensw.edu.au/locations/riverina/corowa.

Council residents can easily access two of Australia's best regional universities, Charles Sturt University has regional campuses in Albury and Wagga Wagga, and La Trobe University has a campus in Wodonga. Both universities offer an extensive range of courses and provide on-site accommodation, perfect for those relocating or wanting the convenience of nearby campus.





PEOPLE WITH DISABILITY

DISABILITY - ACCESS & INCLUSION

Federation Council is committed to ensuring the provision of information and services for people with disability and their families and carers.

DISABILITY INCLUSION ACTION PLAN

The Federation Disability Access and Inclusion Action Plan outlines the steps that Council, in conjunction with our broader community, will do to make the area more accessible and inclusive. The Plan assist in ensuring that people with a disability can access the same services and supports that the rest of the community can access.

The plan has four focus areas:

1. Develop Positive Community Attitudes and Behaviours.
2. Create Liveable Communities.
3. Support Access to Meaningful Employment.
4. Improve Access to Mainstream Services through

FEDERATION DISABILITY ACCESS AND INCLUSION COMMITTEE

The Federation Disability Access and Inclusion Committee provides the council with advice on inclusion, access and equality, along with issues and barriers facing people with disability and on the implementation of the Council's Disability Inclusion Action Plan.

To find out more information on Disability (Access and Inclusion) in the Federation Council or to put in an expression of interest to be part of the Committee visit the Council's website.

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EMPLOYMENT & Training Services

EMPLOYMENT PROVIDERS

If you are seeking employment, the following local employment providers may be of assistance:

APM EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Corowa - (02) 6971 0673

SUREWAY EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING

Corowa - 1300 787 392

Mulwala - 0408 215 893

THE PERSONNEL GROUP

Corowa - 1300 787 392

Mulwala - 0408 215 893

Other employment providers that operate or outreach to nearby towns such as Narrandera and Yarrawonga.

APM EMPLOYMENT SERVICES - (02) 6971 0673

ASURIA - 1800 773 338

COACT /INTERACT - 1300 388 873

CVGT AUSTRALIA - 13 28 48

THE PERSONNEL GROUP - (02) 6922 2888



GRANTS

Council's Community Grants program provides the opportunity for local community groups and not-for-profit organisations to seek funding to support a range of activities, community events and initiatives.

GRANT FINDER

Federation Council's Grant Finder is a free site that provides a comprehensive list of grant and funding opportunities available to local businesses, community groups, sporting clubs, organisations and individuals in the Federation Council area.

To find available grants or to register go to the Federation Council Grant Finder website.

www.federation.grantguru.com.au

COMMUNITY GRANTS

Council offers two rounds annually of the Federation Community Grants Program, with a total funding amount of \$60,000 available to support community projects, events, small capital equipment purchases, and community buildings and facilities.

For more information on Council's Community Grants Program including the guidelines, eligibility criteria and can be found on the Council's website.

HEALTH AND WELLBEING

SERVICES

A range of medical and health services, including public hospitals, emergency departments, medical centres, doctors and dental and oral health professionals are available in the Federation Council.

Along with allied health care services, and specialists including dietitians, physiotherapists, podiatrists, speech pathologists, psychologists and complementary medicine.

There are two 24 hour accident and emergency hospitals are located in Corowa and Urana.

COROWA DISTRICT HOSPITAL

Guy Street, Corowa
Phone: **(02) 6033 7555**

URANA MULTIPURPOSE HOSPITAL

Corner Church and Princess Street, Urana
Phone: **(02) 6930 9200**

There are general practice (GPs) at the following medical centres in the Federation Council area.

Corowa Mediclinic- (02) 6033 5638

Redgum Medical Group Corowa - (02) 6030 5500

Redgum Medical Group Howlong – (02) 6030 5500

Urana Medical Centre – (02) 6920 8333

FEDERATION PRIMARY

PREVENTION TEAM

The Federation Primary Prevention Team (FPPT) is a coalition of community members, representatives from government agencies, non- government service providers and others who respond to alcohol and other drug issues in our community by developing and implementing primary prevention and harm minimisation activities.

The FPPT is auspiced by the Council and supported through the LDAT and NSW CDAT Programs.

For more information on the FPPT or to put in an expression of interest to be part of the FPPT visit the Council's website.



HEALTH & Wellbeing Services



LIFESTYLE

ACCESS

We are the central access point to the snowfield regions of Victoria and NSW, as well as the famous wine region off Rutherglen, King Valley and the Gourmet Region.

Public Transport

Corowa / Wahgunyah Taxis and Yarrawonga / Mulwala Taxis offer a local taxi service.

Train services by VLine and Southern XPT run daily between Melbourne and Sydney with connecting VLine buses available from Mulwala via Benella and Corowa via Wangaratta.

A bus services is available from Albury to Echuca (via Howlong, Corowa and Mulwala) and from Wagga Wagga to Echuca (via Urana).

Driving

Located only three hours from Melbourne, four hours from Canberra and six hours from Sydney, the region boasts a great climate and vibrant atmosphere and is an ideal location for families, businesses and visitors to experience its exceptional lifestyle and opportunities.

All addresses in Federation Council are within easy travelling distance to the regional cities of Albury, Wodonga, Wangaratta, Wagga Wagga, and Shepparton.

Airport

Corowa is home to a high-grade public airport which is suitable for large and charter aircraft.

For commercial flights, Qantas Airlines, REX and Bonza from Albury Airport offer commercial flights direct to Melbourne, Sydney, Brisbane, Sunshine Coast and Adelaide.

QantasLink and Regional Express (Rex) operate direct flights to and from Sydney and Melbourne daily from Wagga Wagga airport.

Regional Express Airlines with daily return flights to Sydney and Griffith from Narrandera Airport.

LIVEABILITY

Federation Council offers a fantastic regional lifestyle with a great climate, affordable housing, access to amenities and a healthier and cleaner way of life. Tree lined streets, clean air, quality parks and gardens and open spaces provide a unique and relaxing setting to live, work and play.

Living in a small country town will leave you feeling as though you've escaped the big city and all of its crime and security problems and joined a small, close knit community. Country warmth and friendliness is plentiful in the Federation Council area with a strong sense of community that larger city's cannot duplicate.

Federation Council offers an easy going lifestyle, travel to and from work, school or recreational activities is stress-free. It provides a lifestyle that makes you time-rich, with the long sunny days and the easy going way there seems to be more time for your family and more time for you.

CLIMATE

Federation Council has more sunny days (134) than Brisbane, Canberra, Hobart, Melbourne and Sydney, making it the perfect place to live.

Summer is ideal for enjoying the outdoors, with an average maximum temperature of 30.3°C. Swimming, water sports, or a tasty meal in the air conditioning of a local pub or club is the best way to spend a weekend.

Autumn is a mild time of year with calm, sunny days and an average temperature of 22.8°C makes for a great time to enjoy the region's food, wine and local produce.

Winters fresh mornings are followed by crisp, clear blue skies with average maximum temperature of 13.9°C. Perfect for rugging up in front of an open fire with a hot chocolate.

Spring brings a magnificent display of blooms in parks and gardens helped along by an average temperature of 16.7°C. A great season to go for a family bike ride, visit the local markets or watch the finals of the local AFL footy and netball finals.

NATURE

Surrounded by nature, the Federation Council area offers no end of locations to relax and enjoy the natural scenery, or head off for walks, picnics, camping or a spot of bird watching. Kids are catered for too, with lovely modern playgrounds throughout the region.

The South of the Federation Council area is positioned on the banks of the majestic Murray River, and Lake Mulwala. These waterways along with the Urana Aquatic Centre and Colombo Creek, provides the perfect playground for water-based activities.

The river, lakes, parklands and serene bushland feature a network of hundreds of kilometres of shared walking and cycling tracks that offer a quiet escape for jogging, cycling or walking.

It is the entry point to the famous wine region of Rutherglen and a central access point to the snowfields of NSW and Victoria.



SENIORS (Ageing Well)

SENIORS

Seniors are well supported in the Federation Council area with an extensive range of services, activities, community groups and healthcare options to cater for your every need. Whether you are looking for the retiree lifestyle, supported accommodation and everything in between, each community within the region has plenty to offer.

AGEING WELL STRATEGY

Council's Ageing Well Strategy outlines the steps that Council, in conjunction with our broader community, will implement to make sure that our senior residents and visitors have greater access to services, facilities, events and information.

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AGEING WELL ADVISORY

COMMITTEE

The Ageing Well Advisory Committee provides advice and support to Federation Council regarding issues affecting the lives of older people in the Federation Council area.

To find out more information on life as a senior in the Federation Council or to put in an expression of interest to be part of the Ageing Well Advisory Committee visit



YOUTH

Young people aged between 12 and 25 play a valuable role in communities across the Federation Council area.

A variety of opportunities exist for young people to be involved and connected with their community.

FEDERATION YOUTH COUNCIL

The Federation Youth Council is an advisory committee of Council that aims to represent and advocate the opinions, issues and concerns of young people across the Federation area. It provides a forum for young people to express their views, advise Council on youth-related issues, and help organise youth driven and focused events and activities.

MIKI CITY EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Federation Council has a sister city exchange program with Miki City in Japan that offers High School students from the Federation Council area the opportunity to visit Japan as part of a hosted exchange program every two years. Students from Miki in Japan also visit Australia and stay with local host families. The Miki City Advisory Committee supports this program.

To find out more information on Youth in the Federation Council or to put in an expression of interest to be part of the Federation Youth Council or the Miki City Advisory Committee visit the Council's website.

VOLUNTEERING

Many Council projects and programs would not be possible without the involvement of our wonderful volunteers.

Volunteers help Council to create and maintain a vital link to our communities and are a very important resource in assisting to deliver a number of services.

If you have a few hours to spare and would like to help achieve some great things in your community, there are plenty of opportunities to become a volunteer, in the many different sectors of the Council.

ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Council converses with a range of advisory committees that provide Council with advice and recommendations to help inform the decisions made by the council.

Federation Council's advisory committees include:

- Ageing Well Advisory Committee.
- Audit Risk and Improvement Committee
- Corowa Aquatic Centre Consultative Committee
- Disability Access and Inclusion Committee
- Federation Primary Prevention Team (Drugs & Alcohol).
- Federation Youth Council.
- Miki City Advisory Committee.
- Roads Advisory Committee.
- Section 355 Committees.

COROWA VISITOR INFORMATION

CENTRE

The Corowa Visitor Information Centre operates five days a week and staff are supported by a great team of volunteers who provide friendly, helpful services to visitors to the Council area and local residents. For more information contact the Corowa Visitor Information Centre on **(02) 6033 3221**.

VOLUNTEERING

COMMUNITY EVENT ASSISTANCE

Volunteers are essential in making Council's events a success. Roles may include assisting with traffic management, parking, stage management, logistics, volunteer coordination and event assistance in the lead up or on the day.

For more information contact Council's Community Projects and Events Officer on **(02) 6033 8936**.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

The Friends of the Library is a community group that promote and support the Corowa Library Service. They raise money and volunteer their time throughout the year.

For more information contact Council's Library Team Leader on **(02) 6033 8941**.

SECTION 355 COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

Section 355 Committees are sub-committees of Council under Section 355 of the Local Government Act.

The Federation Council has 19 committees made up of residents and user groups that help manage or advise on Council's community halls, events, parks and reserves.

For more information on Council's Section 355 Committees visit the Council's website.

OTHER VOLUNTEERING

OPPORTUNITIES

There is a range of volunteer opportunities available in the area from assisting in an opportunity shop, helping distribute food to the vulnerable or running a gentle exercise class. As well as clubs and organisations you might like to join.

Council's Ageing Well Resource and the Community Directory are a good place to start to look for organisations, clubs or businesses that you could approach to volunteer.



