

Council Meetings

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 cordially invited to attend Council meetings.

2025 Council Meeting Dates:

Tuesday 30 September Corowa Chamber	Tuesday 21 October Corowa Chamber
Tuesday 18 November Urana Chamber	Tuesday 16 December Corowa Chamber
Find out more on Council's website.	

Youth Mental Health a priority in Federation Council



"Wear it Blue" for Youth Mental Health is a campaign organised by Federation Youth Council encouraging everyone to wear blue for mental health on Friday 3rd October. The campaign will mark the beginning of Mental Health Month in NSW.

"We want everyone to get involved from schools, work places to community groups," says Youth Mayor, Max Sampson. "Some of us are just painting our nails blue. If you were feeling brave you could rock the blue eyeshadow, or dye your whole hair blue! It doesn't matter if you just don blue socks. Wear blue any way that works for you."

The Youth Councillors decided to do this initiative in hope of raising awareness and to reduce stigma surrounding mental health issues faced by people in the Federation Council area including young people.

"We really want to promote how important it is for all people to have open and meaningful conversations about well-being with their friends, family or networks," says the Youth Mayor.



"In particular it is imperative that young people feel confident to have meaningful conversation with someone they trust about life's ups and downs." The Federation Youth Council will be hosting a street stall in Memorial Plaza in Corowa on Friday 3rd October, with information on local and online resources for people to take. The information will apply to all people, not just young people. "Pop over and say hi," says Max. "We've got heaps of giveaways, and you don't even have to wear blue. We just want to spread some kindness, share information and make others feel special."

What can you do?

- On Friday 3 October wear blue as a symbol of support and solidarity for people experiencing mental health issues.
- Post a picture on social media and tag #Iamfederation.
- Visit the Youth Council at their pop up in the Memorial Plaza in Sanger Street in Corowa.
- Start a conversation with a young person or someone in your life about mental health.

The Federation Youth Council is made up of a group of passionate young people aged between 12 and 25 years old who act as the voice for young people within the Federation Council Local Government Area, advocating for the needs, wants and concerns of young people living, studying and working in our area. If you are interested in doing projects such as Wear it Blue for Mental Health Council consider joining the Youth Council. Nominations forms are available on Council's website or for more information contact the Council on 02 6033 8999.

The Bald Archy Prize

38 playful and entertaining artworks with familiar personalities are on display at this years Bald Archy Prize exhibition. Visit this amazing display before it closes on 14 September 2025! Adults entry \$5 and children are free. Large groups welcome. Opening times: Monday to Friday 10am - 4pm. Saturday & Sunday 10am - 2pm.

Sophie Chauncy's 'Wingspan' takes flight at the Corowa Art Space



Corowa Art Space are delighted to host solo exhibition, 'Wingspan' by local Federation visual artist Sophie Chauncy. This exhibition takes flight through the theme of wings, celebrating the vibrant and diverse birdlife found across Australia's varied landscapes.

It's an exploration of flight, movement, and the playful presence of birds as they inhabit and enliven the natural world. From the flutter of feathers to soaring silhouettes, these works invite viewers to enjoy the beauty, energy, and sometimes cheeky character of native species from coast to outback.

Sophie Chauncy: Wingspan will be on display at Corowa Art Space from 18 September to 19 October 2025. Entry is free. Opening hours are Wednesday to Friday, 10am to 4pm, and Saturday to Sunday from 10am to 2pm.

Howlong Water Project: Test Your Pressure with the Bucket Test!

Help Council Help You:

Participate in
the Howlong
Bucket Test



Help us improve Howlong's water pressure and flow by performing a simple Bucket Test at your home!

Federation Council is committed to upgrading Howlong's water infrastructure. As part of our detailed hydraulic modelling, we need your help to pinpoint areas of low water pressure across town. Your participation in the Bucket Test provides data that will directly assist our engineers in designing the most effective solutions.

What is the Howlong Bucket Test?

It's a quick, easy test you can do at home to measure your current water flow rate. All you need is a standard 10-litre bucket and a stopwatch (or your phone's timer).

Why Should You Participate?

- **Direct Impact:** Your results provide essential data for our engineers, helping us understand specific pressure issues in your area.
- **Better Solutions:** The more data we collect, the more accurately we can design upgrades to improve water pressure and flow for everyone.
- **Community Contribution:** Be a part of the solution for Howlong's water future!

How to do the Bucket Test (5 simple steps!)

1. Find a standard 10-litre bucket.
2. Open your garden tap (or other outdoor tap) closest to your water meter fully.
3. Time how long it takes to fill the 10-litre bucket.
4. Note down the time in seconds. Also note the time and day you recorded this information.
5. Complete the online form on Council's website and send your test results to Council.

That's it! It only takes a minute or two.



Garden Craft Sessions for Spring at Federation Libraries!



Federation Council Libraries have pulled together some Gardenesque Spring time activities for both kids and adults!

For the kids:

Get ready for some school holiday fun with a Flower Pot Decoration workshop!

Kids can unleash their inner artist by painting and decorating a pot to take home. It's the perfect way to add a splash of colour to your garden or bedroom.

Cost: \$5 per child. Bookings are essential as spots are limited.

- Mulwala Library: Tuesday 7 October | 2:00pm
- Corowa Library: Wednesday 8 October | 2:00pm
- Howlong Library: Thursday 9 October | 10:30am

For adults:

Want to expand your house plant jungle for free? Spring into Federation Council Libraries for our Pierlite Propagation Boxes program! Learn how to turn your favourite indoor plants into new ones and create your very own lush collection.

This is a free program for adults, but bookings are essential as places are limited.

- Howlong Library: Tuesday 21 October | 2:00pm
- Corowa Library: Wednesday 22 October | 2:00pm
- Mulwala Library: Thursday 23 October | 10:30am

Call your local branch to secure your spot today!

Howlong Library Storytime

The Howlong Library Storytime will now take place every 1st Friday at 10:30am for the rest of the year!

Children and their parents/carers can participate in FREE story time sessions that involve sharing stories, rhymes and themed activities. Storytime sessions are suitable for ages 0-5 years and run for 30-45 minutes. Join in the fun, meet new people, introduce your child to a world of books and lay the foundation for a lifelong love of reading.