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#### **MAYORS MESSAGE**

Dear Readers,

Welcome to the June edition of the Urana District Newsletter for 2023.

Federation Council received the Special Rate Variation determination with a partial approval from the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) on Wednesday 14 June, 2023. IPART has partially approved Federation Council's Special Rate Variation application to temporarily increase its general rate income above the rate peg for a two-year period and not the four-year as applied. Further information is included in this edition of the newsletter.

Youth on their school holiday break, adults and seniors alike will find an entertaining activity to do during NAIDOC Week. Taking place between the 2nd and 9th July, NAIDOC Week is an opportunity for all Australians to participate in celebrations and learn about First Nations culture. The Currawa Art Exhibition is available for viewing from the Corowa Art Space, the Reconciliation Action Plan artwork Expressions of Interest is now open, we invite our younger community members to express an interest in joining the Federation Youth Council and we celebrated our many volunteers as part of National Volunteer Week.

In conjunction with the Ageing Well Committee we invite feedback from older residents on what ageing in the Federation Council looks like in 2023 and I am also looking forward to the Dexter Horizontal Windmill and Urana Courthouse Museum projects grand openings this month.

Until next time, be kind to yourselves and one another.

Federation Council Mayor - Cr Pat Bourke.

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### **COUNCIL MEETINGS 2023**

Ordinary meetings of Council are generally held on the last Tuesday of the Month commencing at 9:30am.

Federation Council is pleased to offer LIVE streaming of our monthly Council Meetings. This gives residents the opportunity to observe Council business via their computers and mobile devices.

Please visit Council's website and click on the LIVE STREAM link to watch the Ordinary Council Meeting live. For past meetings select the icon under 'Media'.

<b>Tuesday 27 June</b> Corowa Chamber			
Tuesday 25 JulyTuesday 29 AugustUrana ChamberCorowa Chamber			
Tuesday 26 September	<b>Tuesday 31 October</b>		
Corowa Chamber	Corowa Chamber		
<b>Tuesday 28 November</b>	Tuesday 19 December		
Urana Chamber	Corowa Chamber		



Council is pleased to present Council Monthly Meeting Updates!

The purpose of this update is to provide an overview of the reports tabled at the monthly meetings of Council.

Residents are also encouraged to view the full details of the reports highlighted in our monthly update from Council's website.

Digital versions of the Urana District Newsletter are available on Federation Council website.

> www.federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au/Council/News-Media/ Urana-District-Newsletter

#### COUNCIL RECEIVES SPECIAL RATE VARIATION DETERMINATION



The Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) yesterday (14/06/23) announced determinations on the 17 Councils who had applied for rate variations (increases) above the ordinary allowable rate peg amounts to commence 1 July 2023. IPART has partially approved Federation Council's Special Rate Variation application to temporarily increase its general rate income above the rate peg for a two-year period and not the four-year as applied.

Council has been granted a two-year temporary rate increase of 19% in year one (2023/24) and 17% in year two (2024/25). Council had requested a general rate increase of 19% for 2023/24, with 17%, 14% and 10% for the following three years and for the increases to remain in the rate base, (not be temporary), and reverting to the ordinary rate peg for 2027/28 onwards.

IPART determined the application and only applied the two year temporary

increase due to it considering Council had shortcominas in the community awareness factor/criteria. includina not communicating the cumulative increase of 74,59%, and only using each years proposed % increase, and also they considered Councils financial documents did not including in the early engagement stages, the impacts of a baseline (non-SRV scenario). Council successfully met the other criteria includina demonstrating the financial need, the increase being a reasonable impact on ratepayers, the quality of Councils Integrated Planning and Reporting documents, and the productivity improvements and cost containment strategies.

The partial approval means Council can increase its rates by 19% and 17% across 2023/24 and 2024/25 respectively should it choose to do so, inclusive of any allowable rate increase (for 23/24 for Federation Council it is 4.3%).

The 23/24 rate increase will be determined as per normal practice at the June 27 Council meeting. Council needs to re-apply if it wishes for the increases to remain in the rate base ongoing, and if the Council is seeking the further two years of 14% and 10%, or any different amount. Council will likely consider this in the coming months further analysis of the IPART determination and Councils longer-term financial position and further engagement with the community,

Federation Council Mayor Pat Bourke said this decision by IPART will allow Council to consider the reasons for the partial approval, and further analysis on the many submissions received by IPART from our community.

"If Council chooses to resubmit a further application, of course Council will undertake further work.

This will include additional engagement with our community, further work on efficiencies and productivity improvements including service reviews, and adjustments to the forward financial plans, to allow Council to continue to work on the significant infrastructure backlog across some of our key service areas such as roads," he said. "For now, the 19% and 17% temporary increase across the next two years should Council apply it in full, and apply it to the projects as outlined in the draft plans, or as varied at the final meeting, will allow Council to deliver on additional commitments to our community that we would not have been able to do so without these funds.

The proposed works to be undertaken using the year one 2023/24 funds from the SRV are clearly outlined in Councils Delivery Program. Council will adopt a final version, when considering public submissions at the June 27 Council meeting."

Mayor Bourke said whilst this might not be the overall outcome we were hoping to achieve, I believe it still is a positive one given the current economic conditions and the cost of living pressures on both Council and the community, and I thank the many people who have engaged with Council along the way and continue to do so, including the many who made submissions to IPART.

"I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone involved in the application process," he said.

"The many different elements of our application were driven with professionalism and with the best long-term outcome for our community at the forefront.

Long-term decisions like these are never easy."

Mayor Bourke also said Council would workshop the determination to discuss relevant steps in the lead up to its June Council meeting.

View more information on IPART's website, including more detail of the decision www.ipart.nsw.gov.au

## **POSITIONS VACANT**

# JOIN THE TEAM AT FEDERATION COUNCIL

Discover what job opportunities Federation Council has for you!



Federation Council is committed to being a quality Council with a strong focus on the delivery of services that continually meet community expectations.

If you are committed to excellent customer service, being a competent team player and have a focus on results orientation that drives strategic thinking and fosters a culture of innovation, learning and continuous improvement, then visit Federation Council's website to see what opportunities are for you.

More detailed advertisements and position descriptions can be obtained from Council's website. Emailing: **jobs@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au** or by phone on **(02) 6033 8903.** 

#### GENERAL RATES ESTIMATOR 2023/2024



Your rates help Council maintain our beautiful region and provide income to run essential community services and infrastructure. They can be paid annually or quarterly.

You can estimate your rates using the below General Rates Estimator 2023/2024.

#### Information you need

To calculate an estimate of your rates for the coming 2023/2024 rating year you will need:

- 1. Your land category residential, business or farmland.
- 2. Your new land value this was mailed to you by the NSW Valuer General from March 2023.

Your rates notice will also show other charges, for example, your waste charges and sewer charges. These are additional charges on top of your rates estimator.

#### Access your land value

You can access your land values online on the NSW Valuer General's website. www.valuergeneral.nsw.gov.au

#### What is being calculated

There are two amounts calculated:

- The first amount is your General Rates Estimate with the proposed rate peg increase of 4.3%.
- The second calculation is your General Rates Estimate with the proposed Special Rate Variation increase of 19%.

#### How to use the calculator To use the Calculator:

1. Select your land category - residential, business or farmland.

2. Insert the new land value from the Valuer General Notice of Valuation (2023/2024).

Find out more on Council's website.

### SERVICE NSW COROWA AGENCY

The Corowa Service NSW agency is located within the Corowa Civic Centre, Federation Council, 100 Edward Street Corowa.

#### **Opening Hours**

Monday - Friday, 9.30am - 4.30pm.

#### Services available

- driver licence transactions
- vehicle registration transactions
- driver testing
- boating licence and vessel registrations
- contractor licence applications
- applications for birth, death and marriage certificates
- Seniors Card applications
- RSA/RCG competency cards
- Working with Children Checks

#### HISTORIC GRAND OPENINGS TO TAKE PLACE IN URANA



Urana will be bustling with historic celebrations as the Dexter Horizontal Windmill and Urana Courthouse Museum projects are set to have their Grand Openings this month. In a joint effort spanning two years, architect Ken Young, engineer Ron Young and windmill mechanic Tim Matt built an interpretive reconstruction of the 'Dexter' turbine windmill which was housed on the 'Coonong' property near Urana, New South Wales. The original windmill was erected in 1885 by Sir Samuel McCaughey and was the last remaining of only four examples in the Western World before burning down in a bush fire late last century.

The contemporary reconstruction contains parts from the original windmill which were gifted by the Holt Family of Coonong Station. Federation Council's Dexter Windmill project was made possible through funding from the NSW Government's Regional Cultural Fund.

The community have been invited to the opening ceremony of this amazing restoration project, held opposite the Urana Aquatic Centre, on Federation Way. Opening of several exciting Urana Progress Association projects some of which feature Frederick Fox LVO, milliner to the Royal Family and several Hollywood films.

A Freddie Fox video and a new book showcasing his hats as well as the General Store and McCaughey Memorial Hospital Displays will be launched at the Urana Courthouse Museum from 1.15pm. Federation Council Mayor, Cr Pat Bourke said that it will be a significant day of celebrating local history.

"The Grand Openings will showcase that Urana has a rich history of agricultural ingenuity and creative excellence," he said. "This will be a day our whole community can get behind and further learn about local trailblazers of the past." Coverage of these events will be included in the July 2023 newsletter.

Please see Council's website for further information.



The day is set to conclude with the Grand

#### COUNCIL'S SEEKING ARTIST FOR RAP ARTWORK



Federation Council encompasses Bangerang and Wiradjuri Country and recognises that Aboriginal people from many different mobs are connected to the Federation Council area.

We are calling for submissions from Aboriginal Artists who live, work and connect with the Federation Council area who are interested in creating an original artwork to be accessioned to the Federation Council's art collection, as well as used for branding resources related to Federation Council's Innovate RAP (currently under development).

The Federation RAP Working Group are seeking an artwork that explores the narrative of local connections to land, waters and/ or community.

The design will show visual representation of land footprint in the Federation Council area - North to Urana, South to Corowa, East to Howlong and West to Mulwala.

Individual and collaborative works are accepted, as are contemporary and/or traditional art forms.

- The original art work will be hung in the Federation Council office at the Corowa Civic Centre as a symbol of the Council's commitment towards reconciliation.
- The digital copy will be used on the cover of the Federation Council Reconciliation Action Plan (aiming to cover the years 2024-2026), and throughout the document.
- Aspects of the artwork may be used to market projects delivered as part of the RAP, including in print and digital formats and on the council's social media channels and corporate website.

The artist's work will be recognised in our Reflect RAP in a section about the artist and the artwork. This will provide the artist an opportunity to express their art and story through words.

The RAP will be published on the Reconciliation Australia website, visible for the public to view.

The successful artist will be eligible to receive a project fee of \$5,000. Expressions of interest are due by 5pm by July 9th 2023.

Find out further information and about the submission details on Council's website.

#### MIKI CITY EXCHANGE SET TO RETURN



Federation Council is excited to announce that students from Miki City, Japan, will be visiting the Federation Council as part of the Sister City Cultural Exchange Program.

The Miki City Federation Council Sister City cultural exchange program is in its 26th year. The program involves students visiting Japan every second year and Japanese students coming to Federation Council on the alternate year.

With the impacts of Covid-19, this year will be the first travel exchange to take place since 2019, with the Federation Council hosting visitors from Miki City during late August 2023. Students and chaperones, as well as dignitaries from Miki City Council will likely attend.

Guests will stay with local host families, to enable them to experience everyday life in an Australian household for up to a week. Federation Council Mayor Cr Patrick Bourke said, it is a great opportunity for the Federation community to get involved in the sister program by hosting students, chaperones and dignitaries.

"Many special lifelong friendships have developed between our cities and communities as a result of becoming involved in hosting."

Other benefits of being a host to chaperones, students and dignitaries can include:

- Participate in a rewarding and life changing experience.
- Develop an understanding and appreciation of other cultures.
- Establish connections and broaden horizons in your home and within the local community.
- Support a program that continues to provide young people with opportunities to see and experience the world and grow.
- Participate in a good deed, for your family, the local community, and also the broader world.

The last visit to Federation was in 2018 where 14 families, five local businesses and two schools were directly involved in the program, including hosting. In total around sixty local people contributed to the success of the exchange.

For any community members and families interested in hosting students, chaperones or dignitaries during the August 2023 exchange program, please complete the Expression of Interest form available from Council's website.

Further queries can be made via phone on (02) 6033 8999 or email: council@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au



#### BRING YOUR RURAL FLOOD INFORMATION

Register now for an upcoming face-toface information session about the replacement rural floodplain management plans in the Murray (including the Edward, Wakool, Niemur, Tuppal and Bullatale floodplains), Murrumbidgee, Billabong Creek and Lachlan valleys.

The NSW Department of Planning and Environment's Water Group is seeking recent and historical flood information from the community.

Our flood modelling teams will be available to accept flood information covering rural areas which will be used to calibrate the hydraulic models that underpin the floodplain management plans. We are looking for photographs, drone imagery or descriptions of flood behaviour from the 2022 floods and previous flooding events.

This information can either be brought in person to an information session or emailed to floodplain.planning@dpie. nsw.gov.au before 30 June 2023.

At the information session, you will be able to connect with staff from the Department of Planning and Environment's Water Group, who will be providing information on the floodplain management plans and will be available to answer your questions. Each location will involve 3 x one-hour sessions, including a ten-minute presentation at the beginning of each hour. You are encouraged to register using the links below.

If you cannot attend any of the events listed below, you can learn more from the

recording of our May Water Engagement Roundup webinar that will be published on:

https://www.industry.nsw.gov.au/water/ stakeholder-engagement/roundup/ stay-up-to-date

## SEAT BELTS -A PROVEN LIFE SAVER

## SEATBELTS SAVE LIVES.

#### CLIP EVERY TRIP.

Seat belt compliance has been a road safety focus for Federation Council over the last few years. In 2021-22 we conducted three Child Restraint Fitting days covering the towns of Corowa, Howlong,Mulwala, Rand and Urana.

These days have targeted parents of young children as well as our Mobile Pre-School service and vehicles. Forty-four vehicles were checked at these sessions, where our child restraint checking specialist was able to educate many parents. What he reported was that the majority of child restraints had been fitted incorrectly. With the rise in online purchasing in recent years including child car seats, rather than through a bricks and mortar store, where a strong level of sales support and advice can be provided to ensure the seat is fitted correctly.

Federation Council Mayor, Cr Patrick Bourke said, "Whilst we are pleased with the outcomes of these sessions, our crash statistics provide a very different demographic to target."

### FREE FAMILY FRIENDLY NAIDOC WEEK ACTIVITIES



Youth on their school holiday break, adults and seniors alike will find an entertaining activity to do during NAIDOC Week. Taking place between the 2nd and 9th July, NAIDOC Week is an opportunity for all Australians to participate in celebrations and learn about First Nations culture. The 2023 theme is 'For Our Elders' to highlight the important role that cultural knowledge holders and leaders bring to their communities.

Uncle Michael Lyons, Wiradjuri Elder and owner of Sandhills Artefacts will be leading a day of fun for all at the Tim Fischer Park in Boree Creek. Participants will enjoy bush tucker taste tests, hear cultural stories, learn about intriguing artefacts and experience a master didgeridoo musician. The Cultural Day will take place on Monday 10th July.

Those who prefer to get crafty are invited to join Many Mobs Indigenous Corporation in weaving sessions to create a unique handmade object.

Participants from ages 8 and above will learn versatile weaving skills and techniques. The Oaklands Weaving Workshop will take place on Monday the 3rd July and the Howlong Weaving Workshop will take place on Wednesday the 5th July. Federation Council Libraries will also be conducting NAIDOC themed storytime sessions and craft activities. Suitable for ages 5-15 participants can decorate their own NAIDOC inspired projects to take home. Activities will take place on Tuesday the 4th July at the Mulwala Library, Wednesday 5th July in Urana Council Office and on Thursday 6th July in the Corowa Library and the Howlong Library.

Art lovers can view the Currawa Crossing exhibition which is exclusive to Corowa Art Space, throughout NAIDOC Week. The exhibition showcases Contemporary Aboriginal artworks from Owen Lyons, Elijah Ingram and Sonia Undy. Their vibrant and expressive works combine a variety of Traditional and modern techniques spanning across weaving, dot painting and abstractionism.

Federation Council Mayor, Cr Pat Bourke said this is a great opportunity for all members of the community to experience cultural exchange through free family friendly events.

"The sharing of knowledge and skills is invaluable in understanding and acknowledging the Bangerang and Wiradjuri people's connection to the land, waters, and community in which we live," he said.

Bookings for the Cultural Day and Weaving Workshops are essential.

Limited places available. Register your interest in attending a workshop from Council's website. Entry to Currawa Crossing is free. Open Wednesday -Friday 10 am - 4 pm, Saturday & Sunday from 10 am to 2 pm.

Those interested in attending library activities can email

corowa.library@federationcouncil.nsw. gov.au or call 02 6033 8941 to enquire.

#### AGEING WELL STRATEGY CONSULTATION NOW OPEN



The Ageing Well Advisory Committee and the Federation Council is seeking feedback from older residents to get a better understanding what ageing in the Federation Council looks like in 2023. It has been four years since the Council adopted the Federation Council's current Ageing Well Strategy and a lot has happened in that time.

The Committee and Council would like to hear your thoughts and ideas on what steps they can take to address the needs, priorities, and challenges of getting older and living in the Federation Council area. Your feedback will assist to develop the Federation Ageing Well Strategy 2024-2028 and subsequent four-year action plan.

They would like to know how you can:

- Be more connected and active;
- Feel safe and secure;
- Access and use public spaces & buildings;
- Confidently get to where you need to go;
- Access and receive the support and services you need;
- Feel valued, informed & part of your community; and

• Be supported to age well and participate fully in community life.

The Federation Ageing Well Committee will be conducting community focus groups over the coming months across the Council area where residents can come along to a two-hour semi- structured interview process where people will have the opportunity to tell their own stories.

Feedback can be provided via an online survey on the council website, or a hard copy can be picked up from any Council office. Short on time, but still want to have your say? Please fill out an Ageing Well post card at any council office or library.

You can also contact Amber, Community Development Team Leader from the Federation Council. You can call her on 02 6033 8974. Amber is more than happy to set up a meeting time to chat face-to-face or over the phone if you let her know.

Consultation will close on Friday 25 August, 2023.

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#### VOLUNTEER WEEK WRAP UP



Annually Federation Council hosts an event to recognize the contribution our local volunteers make within community groups, organisations and the success of community events and projects.

Over one hundred volunteers from across the Federation region came together at The Change Makers Lunch hosted by Federation Council to celebrate National Volunteers Week.

The lunch held at the Howlong Golf Resort saw attendees enjoy a complementary two course lunch while they socialised and were serenaded by original tunes from local singer songwriter Toby Mobbs.

Held from 15 – 21 May 2023, the week-long event recognised the vital support that the millions of volunteers in Australia have provided to their local communities.



## FEDERATION COUNCIL NEWS

## FREE BUSINESS HEALTH CHECK

Are you running a business or thinking of starting your own business?

In partnership with Enterprise Plus, free 1-hour personalised Business Health Checks that will help you gain valuable insights into your business' performance and give you some great tips to help you start, run, adapt and grow your business are available.

- Tuesday 4 July, Corowa Civic Centre
- Wednesday 5 July, Mulwala Library and Council Office

Limited sessions available. Book Now www.enterpriseplus.org.au

This Business Connect event is funded by the NSW Government.

### 2024 PRESCHOOL ENROLMENTS

Is your child turning 3? or within the ages of 3-5 years old?

Federation Council Mobile Preschool would love to hear from you.

We are gathering expressions of interest for enrollments with Federation Council Mobile Preschool in 2024.

We provide service to Rand, Oaklands, Urana, Boree Creek and Daysdale. (Days and Venues are to be confirmed)

Please contact us at 0400309444 or email: preschool@federationcouncil.nsw. gov.au and we can forward you a form to fill out.



#### URANA MEMORIAL HALL SUNDAY, 23rd JULY, 2023

Large variety of birds, BIG and small, will be available for purchase

Registrations commence 9.00 am (\$1 per bird - minimum \$5)





#### Selling commences 10.00 am and not before

Opportunity to sell birds by Auction after 11.30 am

Entry fees: \$3 per person or \$12 per family



**BBQ, Refreshments available.** Home-made items stall.

Enquiries: Rob 0427 930 966

Proceeds go to the Urana Progress Association

# Farmers ... need a hand?

If you need a hand on your farm, why not post a job on **Rural Aid's Farm Army**?

The **Farm Arm**y website is a job posting platform for primary producing farmers.

Paid or unpaid jobs are advertised to a volunteer, worker and grey nomad database of more than 10,000 people.



Register your farm job, or sign up as a volunteer by visiting

H farmarmy.com.au







#### The Jerilderie Anglican Centenary Group

Invite you to

St Stephen's Anglican Church Jerilderie

for a Service of Celebration Saturday, 1st July 2023 at 12 noon

> Officiated by Bishop Donald Kirk and Book Launch

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150th Anniversary of the creation of the Urana and Jerilderie Parish

126th Anniversary of the laying of the foundation stone of St Stephen's Church of England

> 125th Anniversary of the official opening of St Stephen's Church of England

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Lunch will be provided following the Service and copies of the Limited Edition Book, researched and compiled by Laurie Henery, will be available for purchase

For catering purposes please reply to Heather Cameron Mob: 0409 561 142 Email: theyanko@bigpond.com



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# CWA OAKLANDS NEWS 2023



The CWA of NSW State Annual Conference was held in Bathurst recently. Many motions relative to rural & remote locations were discussed, adopted & became policy of the Association.

One of these will be regarding the recording of minutes, reports, registers, however compiled, to include electronic storage.

Also "That the policy of CWA of NSW be to advocate for ongoing resources to underpin the implementation of the various state Regional Strategic Weed Management Plans."

And "That the policy of CWA of NSW shall be to advocate for the inclusion of an education program in NSW and ACT schools highlighting the negative health impacts of vaping and e-cigarettes."

Other numerous matters which became policy will be acted upon in the coming weeks. The Conference theme throughout was:

"Courage, Kindness, Strength"

Lorraine Marcus and Heather Kerr had pieces of handicraft judged in the State Handicraft Competition. Heather Kerr won 3rd prize for a merino wool & NZ possum crochet lap rug in natural fibre. Members participated in Anzac Day Services to commemorate the fallen at Oaklands & Corowa.

Members look forward to hosting Morning Tea for the Federation Ageing Well Focus Group at our rooms, 10.30am Tues 20th June. All seniors are welcome to this event - to learn what is being done for seniors in our community.

Our monthly meeting begins at 1.30pm on the same day 20th June. A reminder that we also welcome junior members.

#### ALL WELCOME

#### Contact: Heather Kerr 04 4733 5201

#### **URANA PROGRESS ASSOCIATION**

#### Biggest Morning Tea

What a great morning!! People came from miles around to support a fun morning raising money for a very worthwhile cause – Cancer Council (approximately \$1700).

We all know a little more about David Fahey and have a fresh appreciation of his can-do community spirit and positivity. We wish him the best in the next phase of his life and career.

Barry is very grateful to Joan for knitting him a beanie – having his head shaved (and Rae not having her head shaved) raised about \$520.

Thank you to everyone who donated progressive raffle prizes, brought along food, purchased raffle tickets or just came along to enjoy the morning.



#### **Grand Opening**

Community members are encouraged to attend proceedings on 21st June. At 12.15 pm Federation Council will Open the Dexter Horizontal Windmill on site. This windmill has become a great addition to the town as many people stop to learn about it.

At 12.45 pm everyone will move to the Courthouse Museum for a light lunch followed by the Opening of our Frederick Fox LVO film and Book of Hats thanks to a Tim Fischer AC bequest. We will then move outside (yes, the weather is going to be fine and sunny!) to Open our new General Store and McCaughey Memorial Hospital displays thanks to Riverina Water funding.

We look forward to your attendance on the day – registration to attend to assist with catering can be sent through Federation Council website (search Dexter Windmill Opening) or just come along on the day.

#### **Bird Sale**

Our Annual Bird Sale will be held on Sunday, 23rd July, 2023 at the Memorial Hall. There is always a wide variety of birds on offer – or if you aren't interested in purchasing, they are lovely to look at. We will have the home-made/ home grown table there and food on offer. Come along for a different morning out.



#### **URANA PROGRESS ASSOCIATION**

#### 'Saluting Their Service' Grant

We have been successful in gaining funding to upgrade our Defence Forces room. Once 21st June has been we will commence work on displaying the donated army, navy and air force uniforms to honour the local people who have worn them. Stay tuned for our next big Opening!

#### **RIVERINA REGIONAL LIBRARY - MOBILE SERVICE**

#### Southern & Northern Regional Library 2023 MOBILE LIBRARY SCHEDULE



<b>BOREE CREEK</b>	Tuesday,	Tuesday,	Tuesday,
1:30pm – 3:00pm	20 June 2023	4 July 2023	18 July 2023
URANA	Tuesday,	Tuesday,	Tuesday,
1:45pm – 5:00pm	27 June 2023	11 July 2023	25 July 2023
<b>OAKLANDS</b>	Wednesday,	Wednesday,	Wednesday,
9:00am – 11:00am	28 June 2023	12 July 2023	26 July 2023
<b>RAND</b>	Wednesday,	Wednesday,	Wednesday,
12:15pm – 1:15pm	28 June 2023	12 July 2023	26 July 2023



One Door Mental Health along with the Federation Council and the Urana Medical Centre, would like to invite you to attend a free Mental Health education morning on Caring for Yourself.

This module explores the importance of self-care for families and carers. It aims to help identify aspects of life which may get in the way of self-care and to assist participants to develop ideas and strategies for nurturing that can inform their personal self-care journey

- Where: Federation Council Urana Office, 30-32 William Street, Urana
- Time: 11:00am to 2:30pm
- Date: 11 July, 2023
- **RSVP:** 27 June, 2023

Michelle Conroy 0481 010 728 michelleconroy@onedoor.org.au

Leeanne Mearns 0488 288 707 leeanne.mearns@onedoor.org.au



Light Lunch Provided!



### VALMAR SUPPORT SERVICES LOCKHART OFFICE

Our service areas encompass the Lockhart & Urana Riverina/Murray areas. The following services Valmar Support Services provide are:

- Community Transport.
- Individual Social Support.
- Home Modifications.
- Domestic Assistance.
- Flexible Respite.
- Meals on Wheels/Frozen Meals.
- Personal Care.
- Ladies Social Support Bus Trips.

Following services are brokered by Intereach:

- Home Maintenance.
- Men's Social Support Bus Trips.
- Meals on Wheels.
- Albury Bus Trip.
- Frail aged (65 years & over).
- Have a disability.
- Independence at home is at risk.
- A carer of frail aged or person with disability.
- Isolated, Transport Disadvantage.
- From a culture distinct community, financially disadvantaged.

For further classification of service provision in what area and for any enquiries conatct us on:

#### Lockhart (02) 6920 4162 AgedServices@valmar.com.au



# VALMAR

### VALMAR COMMUNITY TRANSPORT BUS TRIPS

## Urana to Albury Bus - 2nd Tuesday of the month \$5

Oaklands General Store - 8.30am Daysdale - 8.45am Arrive Albury Target - 10.00am Depart Albury Target - 2.00pm

#### Urana to Wagga Bus - 3rd Wednesday of Month \$5

Departs Oaklands General Store -7.30am Urana Hospital - 8.00am

Lockhart Post Office - 8.30am Milbrulong - 8.45am

The Rock Post Office - 9.00am Uranquinty - 9.30am

Arrive Wagga Kmart - 10.00am Depart Wagga Kmart - 2.30pm

#### Urana to Yarrawonga Bus - 4th Thursday of Month \$5

Departs Urana Hospital - 8.30am Oaklands General Store - 9.00am Arrive Yarrawoga - 10.00am Depart Yarrawonga - 2.30pm **Men & Ladies Social Bus Trips \$10** Interested in Social Bus trips? Contact Office: (02) 6920 4162.



## THE WOMEN'S HEALTH NURSE IS VISITING URANA.

# On: 03/07/2023, 21/08/2023, 23/10/2023 & 11/12/2023



Artwork by Natalie William Commissioned for the MLHD Women's Health Nurses

# For an appointment with the Women's Health Nurse RING <u>1800 654 324</u>

Cervical Screening Test Breast Health Awareness Menopause/Pelvic Floor Education Contraceptive Advice Pregnancy Testing with Counselling and Referral STI Screening

### LOCKHART HEALTH SERVICES

The following services are visiting Lockhart regularly:

#### **OPTOMETRIST**

Russell and Chalker Optometrists Eyecare plus are now visiting Lockhart regularly for comprehensive consultations. Glaucoma testing, cataract assessments, macular degeneration.

Adults and Children assessments, and Veteran's Affairs patients welcome. Spectacle frames available.

For appointments please phone (02) 6921 8833.

#### PODIATRIST

Wagga Foot Clinic visits the Lockhart Community Health building every 4 weeks forappointments please phone the Wagga Foot Clinic on (02) 6921 1783.

#### **PHYSIOTHERAPY**

Every Wednesday (is required referral). For appointments please phone Lockhart & District Hospital on (02) 6920 5206.

#### **X-RAY SERVICE**

X-ray services are available every 2nd Monday and undertaken at the Lockhart & District Hospital. A referral from the doctor is required. For appointments please phone Lockhart & District Hospital on (02) 6920 5206. Should you require transport to/ from any of these services please contact Lockhart & District Communuty Services to arrange on (02) 6920 4162.

#### COROWA PODIATRY AT URANA

COROWA PODIATRY IS VISITING URANA ONCE A MONTH IN 2023 AT THE URANA COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE

Sharni is the owner of Corowa Podiatry and will be able to attend to all your podiatry needs

Sharni accepts private patient clients, EPC's, DVA, NDIS and Home Care Package Clients.

Visitng Dates: Thursday 23 March April & May - Can be seen in Corowa Thursday 1 June Friday 7 July

For an appointment please call or email Sharni:

0438 269 658

#### sharni@corowapodiatry.com.au

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If you are an older person wanting to get involved, very affordable classes are now running in your area.



The proven benefits of Tai Chi for older people include...

- Increased balance
   Increased strength
- Increased flexibility
- Increased memory

Venue: St Columba's Church Hall, Hunter Street Oaklands Date: Monday Mornings Time: 9.30am Contact: Louise 0427 004 714



**AAYUSH HEALTH CARE TRUST** 

Dr. Veerendra Giri Yaramati **URANA MEDICAL CENTRE** 

31 William Street, Urana NSW 2645 PH: (02) 6920 8333

#### Flu Vaccines available now. If you need a Flu vaccine or COVID vaccine please contact the medical centre.

or emergency consultations Saturday and Sunday Dr Yaramati will be available at the Urana Multipurpose Centre, 127 Princess Street, Urana

### Phone (02) 6920 8333

Exercise & Friendship Group



STRENGTH AND BALANCE EXERCISE

These exercises have been selected to help reduce the chance of falls.

Every Monday at 09:45 am

At Urana Hospital (Community Health)

Followed by morning tea and talk at \$3 per session

Contact Harry on (02) 6920 8374 or Marge on (02) 6920 8057



Come along and enjoy your craft at Urana Community Health.

1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month 10.30am to 3.00pm

Enquiries: Anne Kerr 0429 677 577

# ACCESSLINE

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#### Help for All Ages Anytime 1800 800 944



Justin Gordon B. Physiotherapy

p (02) 6033 0933 e justin@backontrackphysio.biz w www.backontrackphysio.biz

Urana Community Health Centre Princess Street, Urana NSW

> Every Monday 1pm to 4pm



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> Monday to Friday 9.00am to 5.00pm

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Urana Local Health Advisory Committee. Your Communities voice with the Murrumbidgee Local Health District and Urana Multi Purpose Service. We meet bi monthly on the last Wednesday of the month. To get involved or to find out more contact the chair at, <u>urana.lhac.chair@gmail.com</u>

Enquiries are always welcome



"Let us hold high the lamp of service for the welfare of our hospitals"

Urana Hospital Auxiliary.

Serving the Urana MPS and local community.

We meet bi-monthly, the second Monday of the month.

New members are always welcome.

To find out more.

Contact the Auxiliary secretary at,

urana.uha@gmail.com



Community Nurse Karen Brooks	Community care central Intake <b>1800 654 324</b> Hospital <b>(02) 6930 9200</b> Community Health (02) 6930 9224
Child & family Nurse Jacinta Dore	Urana, Oaklands, Rand and Morundah clinic and home visit appointments only.
Childhood Immunisations	By Appointment ONLY Please ring <b>1800 654 324</b> Please bring your Medicare Card and your child's Blue Book to the Clinic. You will need to wait 15 minutes following vaccinations. Any questions regarding immunisation can be directed to the Child & Family & Community Nurse.

#### **Murrumbidgee Local Health District Counselling Service**

Outreach to Urana one day a fortnight Urana Community Health Centre Free and confidential service Referral into the service can be made through a self-referral or by a support service.

> No Mental Health Shared Care Plan is required. Contact Central Intake Service: 1800 654 324





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For all function room enquiries & bookings please contact

Urana Bowling & Community Club. Katrina 0429208074



For all gym enquiries, please contact Katrina 0429208074 or Pauline 0437208196



#### INDEPENDENT RESIDENTIAL UNITS FOR THE AGED



Council currently has vacancies available for independent living units for the aged at "BILLABIDGEE PLACE" 59-73 Princess Street, Urana.

The Units consist of one bedroom, with a kitchen /living room, a bathroom and laundry.

Current rental is \$110 per week. Prospective residents must be holders of a relevant pension card and able to live independently.

Further information can be obtained from Council's website or by calling Council's Property Officer on

#### 02 6033 8999



Look after yourself better.



Over the counter medicines and value for money household items are now available 5 days a week at

## **Billabong Agriculture Oaklands**

Pop in and see Rikki for cough & cold, pain relief, hay fever relief, vitamins and household items.

Scripts can also be dropped off at Billabong Ag Oaklands, and if dropped before 2pm, can be delivered to the patients door on the same day.

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Urana Chemmart Pharmacy 6–8 Osborne Street, Urana NSW 2645 P: 02 6920 8822



## **Oaklands**

#### **Community Health & Fitness Centre**

Time to be a fitter and healthier person?

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- Individual access from 5am 10pm
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> Contact: Oaklands Office: (02) 60354351 Urana Office: (02) 6920 8267 Pat: 0429 208 267 Email: billabongagriculture@gmail.com



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# We're open For appointments

Call the team on 6920 4244 to arrange a time for us to come and see you.

For the following enquiries

- Account Opening
- Business Accounts
- E-Banking
- Credit Cards & Personal Loans
- Home Loans
- General Queries

Community Bank · Lockhart & District



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#### URANA POST OFFICE

21 ANNA ST. URANA, 2645 PH (02) 6920 8227 FAX (02) 6920 8109

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#### Damo Gooden



#### Mob 0427 623 746

Ph 6920 8143 Fax 6920 8142 Email dkgooden@bigpond.com

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## **NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING & WASTE FACILITIES**

In accordance with Federation Council's 2022/2023 budget, advertising in the Urana and District Newsletter rates are noted below. The following rates are applicable for advertisements placed in the Urana District Newsletter. To make an enquiry email communication@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au

	Council Compiled	Customer Compiled
Full page	\$65.00	\$45.00
Half page	\$45.00	\$35.00
Quarter page	\$33.00	\$20.00
Classified	\$10.00	
Thank you notices	\$10.00	
Community organisations outside of Federation Council	Charges as above	Charges as above
Community organisations within Federation Council	No charge	No charge

## WASTE FACILITY OPENING HOURS

	COROWA	MULWALA	HOWLONG	URANA	OAKLANDS
TUESDAY	9:00am - 12:00pm	-	1:00pm - 4:00pm	-	-
WEDNESDAY	-	9:00am - 12:00pm	-	-	-
FRIDAY	-	-	-	-	-
SATURDAY	-	-	-	_	-
SUNDAY	1:00pm - 4:00pm	9:00am - 12:00pm	9:00am - 12:00pm	11:00am - 4:00pm	8:00am - 12:00pm

## **WASTE FACILITIES & CHARGES**

Household waste accepted only (not commercial origin), not accepted at Mulwala Transfer Station, Putrescible waste (food scraps) not accepted at Corowa Waste Facility.

Skip bins available 24 hours at the Urana, Victoria Park Recreation Ground.

#### **URANA COMMUNITY RECYCLING CENTRE**

Federation Council and the NSW EPA have recently opened two Community Recycling Centres (CRC's) in Corowa and Urana.

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 ltrs motor oils and other oils).
- paint.
- smoke detectors.
- fire extinguishers.
- gas bottles.
- fluro lights.

Once you no longer have a use for these products, they become household problem waste. If disposed of incorrectly, or released into the environment, these products can pollute our soil, contaminate our water and even cause physical harm to people and animals.

The good news is you can dispose of them for FREE at the following CRC's. The products are then processed and the reclaimed materials used to make other products.

The Urana CRC is located at the Urana Waste Disposal Centre, Boree Creek Road, Urana.

**Operating Hours:** 

Sunday

11:00am – 4:00pm

The facility is closed Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Years Day, Good Friday and Easter Sunday.

## **WASTE DISPOSAL CHARGES**

## In accordance with Federation Council's 2022/2023 budget waste disposal charges are as follows:

WHEELIE BINS (240 litre bin)	Fee (excl. GST)	Fee (incl. GST)
Wheelie Bin - Green	\$4.55	\$5.00
Wheelie Bin - Waste	\$10.00	\$11.00

\* Household waste accepted only (not commercial origin)

SMALL LOAD (up to an average sedan boot or half a small trailer)	Fee (excl. GST)	Fee (incl. GST)
Small load - Green	\$19.09	\$21.00
Small load - Waste	\$38.18	\$42.00

\* Household waste accepted only (not commercial origin)

MEDIUM LOAD (up to approx- imately 1m3 - single axel trailer or ute tray)	Fee (excl. GST)	Fee (incl. GST)
Medium load - Green	\$38.18	\$42.00
Medium load - Waste	\$76.36	\$84.00

\* Household waste accepted only (not commercial origin)

LARGE LOAD (any volume larger than 1m3 but less than 1.5m3 0 incl. Large trailer)	Fee (excl. GST)	Fee (incl. GST)
Large load - Green	\$57.27	\$63.00
Large load - Waste	\$114.55	\$126.00

\* Household waste accepted only (not commercial origin)

TRUCK LOAD	Fee (excl. GST)	Fee (incl. GST)
Truck load - Green /m3	\$38.18	\$42.00
Truck load - Waste /m3	\$80.00	\$84.00

CONSTRUCTION & DEMOLITION	Fee (excl. GST)	Fee (incl. GST)
Construction & demolition - concrete & masonry /m3	\$57.27	\$63.00
Construction & demolition - timber /m3	\$38.18	\$42.00
Construction & demolition - comingled /m3	\$171.82	\$189.00

MATTRESSES	Fee (excl. GST)	Fee (incl. GST)
Mattresses - Single/Double	\$48.18	\$53.00
Mattresses - Queen/King	\$76.36	\$84.00

\* With or without base

Fee (incl. GST)	ASBESTOS	Fee (excl. GST
\$5.00	Asbestos up to 1m3	\$343.64
\$11.00	Asbestos over 1m3 - per m3	\$343.64
 aia)	* Accord only in Corowa	

Accepted only in Corowa

TYRE	Fee (excl. GST)	Fee (incl. GST)
Tyre R<20 - each	\$19.09	\$21.00
Tyre R<20 to R40 - each	\$38.18	\$42.00
Tyre R>40 - each	\$76.36	\$84.00

Fee (incl. GST) \$378.00 \$378.00

\* Not accepted at Mulwala Transfer Station

LOUNGE	Fee (excl. GST)	Fee (incl. GST)
Lounge - 1 seat	\$9.09	\$10.00
Lounge - 2 seat	\$17.27	\$19.00
Lounge - 3 seat	\$26.36	\$29.00
Lounge - additional seat	\$9.09	\$10.00

eWASTE	Fee (excl. GST)	Fee (incl. GST)
Household appliance	\$10.00	\$11.00
Whitegoods	\$19.09	\$21.00

POLYSTYRENE	Fee (excl. GST)	Fee (incl. GST)
Over 1m3 - per m3	\$19.09	\$21.00

OTHERS	Fee (excl. GST)	Fee (incl. GST)
Carpet roll / 0.5m diameter	\$33.64	\$37.00
Textiles /m3	\$33.64	\$37.00
Unsecured Load Penalty	\$48.18	\$53.00

Corowa, Howlong, Mulwala Transfer Station, Urana and Oaklands.

Visit Federation Council website for more information.

## URANA DISTRICT NEWSLETTER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

21 June 2023	Dexter Horizontal Windmill & Urana Courthouse Museum set to open. See page 9.
1 July 2023	Service of Celebration - St Stephen's Anglican Church Jerilderie. See page
3 July 2023	Women's Health Nurse Visits Urana. See page 20.
4 July 2023	Free Business Health Check - Corowa. See page 12.
4 July 2023	Community Morning Tea 10am.
5 July 2023	Free Business Health Check - Mulwala. See page 12.
11 July 2023	One Door Mental Health - Self Care session. See page
23 July 2023	Urana Bird Sale at Urana Memorial Hall.

All information in this June edition of the Urana District Newsletter is current as of 15/06/2023

#### Deadline for July Edition FRIDAY 7 July 2023, 5PM

Phone (02) 6033 8999 All articles and advertisements must be submitted either: - In writing and sent via email to communication@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au, or - Hand delivered to any Council Office.

Placement of articles is subject to available space. Community groups and organisations are encouraged to keep articles to a total of 1-2 pages. All submitted articles will be proof read for spelling and grammar and changes made accordingly.

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