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URANA DISTRICT NEWSLETTER



EnergyConnect Urana Community Engagement Pop Up

Elecnor Australia has been contracted by Transgrid to deliver the NSW component of the EnergyConnect project with construction of 700km of new power lines from the SA border to the regional energy hub of Wagga Wagga.

The EnergyConnect project team is hosting a community information session in your area. This is an excellent opportunity to connect with the Project Team and learn more about construction activities including stringing; and how you can stay updated on the Project.

WHEN Tuesday, 25 March
11am to 2.00pm

WHERE At the Urana Takeaway
(in the garden)
2 Anna Street
Urana, 2645

For further information call
1800 49 06 66 or
email pec.community@elecnor.es



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MAYOR'S MESSAGE



Dear Readers,

Welcome to the March edition of the Urana District Newsletter. I hope you're all enjoying the sunny weather before we dive into the Autumn season!

In this edition, we're excited to share information about our new digital cemetery platform, which offers a unique way to explore our local history. You'll also find updates on the upcoming closure of the Urana and Oaklands pools for the winter season, as well as the latest news on our road and footpath inspection project and so much more! Federation Council is also offering residents the opportunity to book individual meetings with its Chief Financial Officer (CFO) to discuss the proposed Special Rate Variation (SRV) application currently before the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART). For more information see page 6. I also want to take this opportunity to encourage you to utilise our General Rates Estimator that can be found on Council's website. This estimator will help you calculate your Council general rates for the next two financial years - 2025/2026 and 2026/2027 and assess the estimated impact the proposed rate increase will have on you.

This newsletter provides us with the opportunity to engage in consistent communication with residents throughout our Local Government Area. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch with Council on P: 02 6033 8999 or via email council@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au.

Kind Regards,
Cr Cheryl Cook, Mayor
Federation Council

COUNCIL MEETINGS 2024-25

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'.

Tuesday 25 March 2025 Urana Chamber	Tuesday 29 April 2025 Corowa Chamber
Tuesday 27 May 2025 Corowa Chamber	Tuesday 24 June 2025 Corowa Chamber
Tuesday 29 July 2025 Urana Chamber	Tuesday 26 August 2025 Corowa Chamber
Tuesday 30 September 2025 Corowa Chamber	Tuesday 21 October 2025 Corowa Chamber
Tuesday 18 November 2025 Urana Chamber	Tuesday 16 December 2025 Corowa Chamber

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 MEETING UPDATES

Stay informed about the latest decisions and developments in the Federation community. Review a summary of the key reports that were presented to Council at their monthly meetings on Council's website.

PUBLIC FORUM

Council will hold a public forum prior to each Ordinary, Extraordinary or Committee Meeting of Council for the purpose of hearing oral submissions from members of the public on items of business to be considered at the meeting, where speakers have been approved by the General Manager.

For ordinary meetings and any extra-ordinary meetings held at 9.30am, Council will hold the public forum at 9am on the day of the Council Ordinary and Extraordinary meetings. Conditions are outlined in Council's Code of Meeting Practice.

COUNCIL OFFERS RESIDENTS MEETINGS WITH CFO TO DISCUSS SRV

Special Rate Variation

BOOK A MEETING WITH OUR
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER (CFO).



Federation Council is offering residents the opportunity to book individual meetings with its Chief Financial Officer (CFO) to discuss the proposed Special Rate Variation (SRV) application, currently under assessment by the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART).

Recognizing the complexity of the SRV, which proposes a cumulative 69.94% increase to general rates, Council is committed to providing residents with clear and comprehensive information. This initiative complements the ongoing pop-up information sessions and the recently distributed shire-wide mail-out.

"We understand that rate increases can be a source of concern and confusion for our community," said Federation Council Mayor, Cr Cheryl Cook. "That's why we're going the extra mile to provide personalised opportunities for residents to understand the SRV and how it will impact their individual rates."

- The one-on-one meetings with the CFO offer residents the chance to:
- Receive a personalized explanation of the proposed cumulative 69.94% increase.
- Discuss the specific impact on their property by bringing their rates notice.
- Get direct answers to their questions in a private and confidential setting.
- Access information if they are unable to attend the scheduled pop-up sessions.

"We want to ensure that every resident has the opportunity to fully understand the rationale behind the SRV and the essential services it will support," Mayor Cook said. "This is about transparency and open communication, and we encourage residents to take advantage of this opportunity."

The SRV is crucial for addressing years of underfunding and ensuring the continued delivery of essential services, particularly the maintenance of the region's road network.

"We've made significant cost savings, but these alone are not enough to address the backlog of infrastructure maintenance and the rising costs we face," Mayor Cook explained. "This rate rise, if approved, will allow us to further achieve progress in respect to our essential works and plan for the future of our growing community."

Residents can book a meeting with the CFO by calling (02) 6033 8999.

Further Information:

Visit our website for detailed information about Council's SRV application.

Learn more about IPART and their assessment process, and provide a submission on the application on the IPART website: www.ipart.nsw.gov.au

OUTDOOR SWIMMING POOLS UPDATE



It's been a fantastic summer at our outdoor pools!

The Howlong, Oaklands and Urana outdoor swimming pools will be closing soon for the season.

Join us for the last splash of the season on Sunday 30 March, 2025.

A big thank you to all our swimmers and visitors for making this season so special. We know how much the community values our local pools and we look forward to welcoming you all back when the season commences again later in the year.

The Corowa Aquatic Centre is open all year round offering a 25m indoor pool, 50m outdoor pool, splash park and lots more www.corowaaquaticcentre.com.au

POSITIONS VACANT



Discover what job opportunities Federation Council has for you. There are a range of job types that could suit your interests, lifestyle or career plans and which will support Council's local community, businesses and visitors.

If you are passionate about delivering great customer service, working for a progressive and innovative Council, and making a difference to your local community, please visit Council's website to see what opportunities might be for you!

TAFE NSW SURVEY

TAFE NSW are seeking feedback from everyone across NSW, whether you've been to TAFE NSW or not.

Take the quick survey to share your feedback and help shape local training opportunities www.haveyoursay.nsw.gov.au/tafensw2025
The survey will close Monday 31 March, 2025.

COUNCIL LAUNCHES NEW DIGITAL CEMETERY PLATFORM



Federation Council is excited to announce the launch of a new online platform that provides easy access to digitized cemetery records and maps for all ten cemeteries within the Federation Council local government area.

Recognizing the historical significance of cemeteries, Council partnered with 'Chronicle' to digitize records and create a user-friendly platform for the community. With Chronicle, users can:

- Locate graves within any cemetery
- Explore the stories of the deceased through online memorials
- Learn about the history of each cemetery and the community it serves
- Contribute to the project by submitting online memorials

Federation Council Mayor, Cr Cheryl Cook said this valuable resource will be of great interest to genealogists, historians, and anyone interested in exploring local history and family connections.

"We are thrilled to launch this project and provide a valuable resource for the community," she said.

"Preserving the history of our cemeteries and the people they serve is important to us, and this project will help us do just that."

Cemeteries offer a unique window into the past, providing insights into:

- Historical attitudes towards death and commemoration
- Social and economic development of the region
- The lives of diverse individuals within the community
- Major events that shaped the region

The launch of our new online platform coincides with a refresh of cemetery information available from Council's website. Find out more by visiting our website.



ROAD AND FOOTPATH INSPECTIONS UNDERWAY SOON



Federation Council is committed to maintaining and improving our extensive road and footpath network. To help us do this, we've engaged the Infrastructure Management Group (IMG) to conduct a comprehensive assessment of our:

- 979km of sealed roads
- 1460km of unsealed roads
- 105km of footpaths

Starting Thursday, March 13th, you'll likely see IMG's inspection vehicles and quad bikes around the Federation Council area. These vehicles will be equipped with cameras and laser measurement devices to assess the condition of our roads and footpaths.

- Road Survey: Look out for transporter-style vehicles travelling at normal traffic speeds.
- Footpath Survey: Quad bikes will be inspecting footpaths at a brisk walking pace.

Rest assured that all vehicles will be operated by experienced personnel with hazard lights and warning devices in use.

Timeline:

- Unsealed Road Survey: Commences March 13th, 2025 (approximately 2 weeks)
- Footpath and Sealed Road Survey: Commences March 13th, 2025 (approximately 1 week)

Why is this important?

This assessment is crucial for helping us understand the current condition of our transport network. The data collected will inform future renewal and maintenance programs, ensuring safer and more efficient travel for everyone in our community.

We appreciate your cooperation during this time and look forward to the benefits this assessment will bring to our road and footpath network.

SERVICE NSW COROWA OPENING HOURS

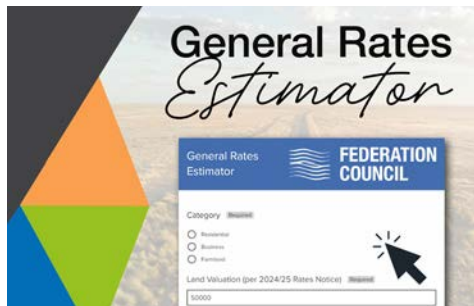
For the foreseeable future, Service NSW Corowa will be closed every Friday. The new operating days and hours are as follows:

- Monday to Thursday 9:30am - 4:30pm

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

FEDERATION COUNCIL NEWS

RATES ESTIMATOR 2025-2026



Federation Council is pleased to provide our residents with the general rates estimator tool from our website.

This tool allows you to receive an estimate of your Council rates for a full financial year, taking into consideration the proposed Special Rate Variation scenario for 2025-2026.

This estimator tool does not reflect additional charges such as utility charges (water & sewer) and waste charges. It is an estimate only and does not include rebates, pensioner concession or other adjustments and is subject to change.

TELSTRA PAYPHONE LOWESDALE

Telstra is proposing to remove the Telstra payphone from outside 8163 Riverina Hwy, Lowesdale NSW 2646. The next nearest payphone is located outside 651 Federation Way, Coreen NSW 2646.

If you would like to make a submission on the proposed removal of this payphone, you should send it in writing to:

www.federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au

- Telstra Payphone Siting Manager, Locked Bag 4850, Melbourne, VIC, 3001

You can also send your submission by email to payphones@team.telstra.com. A final decision will be made on the proposal by Telstra by Sunday 4 May 2025. Any submissions need to be received before this date.

Find further information: telstra.com/payphones

CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM UPDATE



Council has an ongoing program of capital works and upgrades to buildings, parks, playgrounds and roads across the Federation Council Region.

Scan the QR code to see the latest or visit Council's website.



2025 BIN COLLECTION CALENDARS



Do you forget which bins to put out each week for kerbside waste collection?

No more guessing, download the 2025 kerbside bin collection calendar from Council's website or collect one from Council offices in Corowa, Howlong, Mulwala or Urana.

Some Helpful Tips:

- Be mindful not to overload the bins – maximum weight is 80kg.
- Place bin close to the kerb with the handle facing toward your property.
- Place your bin out the night before your collection day or by 6am on the morning of collection.
- Keep clear of overhanging branches and power lines.
- Please leave at least one metre between bins and other objects, including fences and vehicles.

Find out more about waste services from Council's website.

NORTH OF THE MURRAY MARCH EVENTS CALENDAR



March packs a punch North of the Murray with many events and activities for all.

The North of the Murray team has curated a comprehensive monthly calendar, your essential guide to all the happenings.

Don't miss out! Explore the full calendar and plan your March adventures today at www.northofthemurray.com.au

Follow us on our social media pages to keep up to date with last minute changes, and added events!



ESSENTIAL ENERGY GRANT

The Essential Energy Grants Program is now open to support eligible community groups contributing towards positive outcomes for regional communities.

Grants up to the value of \$15,000 are available for community-based initiatives supporting the environment, education, resilience or related to the energy transition.

Eligible groups include not-for-profit organisations, charities and community groups located within Essential Energy's network area. More information about the program can be found at essentialenergy.com.au/essentialgrants

Nominations close on Monday, 31 March 2025.

FREE SKATE WORKSHOPS IN HOWLONG & COROWA DURING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Federation Council is partnering with Totem Skateboarding to host a free Learn to Skate Workshop at Howlong Skatepark on Tuesday 22 April and free Community Skate Workshops & JAM at Corowa Skatepark on Wednesday 23 April. The workshops are suitable for beginner and intermediate skaters. The Corowa event includes Learn to Skate Beginner class & Mentoring Skate Session followed by a Skate & Scooter JAM with loads of prizes up for grabs.

Spots are limited and bookings are essential. A return bus service will be

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available, stopping at Urana and Oaklands for the Corowa event. Waiver forms, event and bus tickets can be found on Council's website.

These workshops are supported by NSW Government via the Regional Youth Holiday Break - Autumn 2025 Grant.

COUNCIL RELEASES FAQs ON PROPOSED RATE INCREASE

Council has released a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document to address community concerns and provide transparent information. Council acknowledges the significance of the proposed increase and is committed to open communication with residents.

The FAQ document complies the numerous questions received from the community and organises them into common themes for easy navigation. The FAQ covers a range of topics, including the rationale behind the proposed increase, its potential impact on residents, and the next steps in the process. Residents are encouraged to review the document.

While the FAQ addresses many common questions, Council welcomes further inquiries. Residents can submit additional questions or comments by emailing Council directly on council@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au or, by commenting on Council's Facebook page. Council values community input and is committed to a transparent process.

MICRO GRANTS RETURN FOR FEDERATION VOLUNTEERS



To celebrate National Volunteer Week, Federation Council is offering twenty grants of \$250 to not-for-profits, 355 committees, clubs and local community groups, organisations or schools with a volunteer branch or committee, to assist with commemorating and appreciating their contributions.

The Volunteer Week Micro Grants provide groups with the opportunity to tailor their National Volunteer Week celebrations held 19 - 25 May 2025, to best suit their volunteers. The grants can be used to fund a range of gratitude celebrations such as afternoon teas, certificates of appreciation or award presentations, outings, luncheons, barbeques, or even go towards training and development.

Federation Council Mayor, Cr Cheryl Cook said the grants proved to be very popular last year with nineteen celebrations held across our region.

"The community spirit within groups was evident as several grant recipients

reached out to and invited other fellow local volunteer groups into their activities," said Mayor Cook. "We are excited to see what happens this year and hope the grants continue to provide a great opportunity for volunteers to come together and enjoy some well-deserved recognition for their hard work."

The application process consists of a simple online form with a few questions. Applications will be accessed chronologically, on an ongoing rolling basis until funds are expended. As a non-competitive application process, submissions will be accessed if they do or do not meet the eligibility requirements. Groups are encouraged to apply quickly for this opportunity.

Interested groups can read the full eligibility requirements on Council's website. Applications are open from Monday 7 April 2025 via the online form and close COB Monday 21s April 2025. General enquiries about the Volunteer Week Micro Grants can be sent to communityevents@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au.

EASTER & ANZAC DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

During the Easter Holiday Period and Anzac Day Federation Council offices, facilities and services will have altered operating hours and public holiday closures.

See Council's website for more information.

REQUEST FOR QUOTATION

Construction of New Changeroom Facilities at Oaklands Recreation Reserve

Federation Council invites qualified and experienced businesses to participate in our Request for Quotation (RFQ) process to deliver the project outlined below.

- Construction of New Changeroom Facilities at Oaklands Recreation Reserve
- Closing: 24/03/2025, 5pm
- RFQ 2025-227

Documentation relating to the RFQ is available from the eProcure link available from Council's website.

Sewer Pump Station Safety Lid Supply & Installation

Federation Council invites qualified and experienced businesses to participate in our Request for Quotation (RFQ) process to deliver the project outlined below.

- Sewer Pump Station Safety Lid Supply & Installation
- Closing: 4/04/2025, 5pm
- RFQ 2025-230

Documentation relating to the RFQ is available from the eProcure link available from Council's website.

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST



Expressions of Interest Agricultural Lease - Grazing of Sheep and Cropping

Federation Council invites Expressions of Interest (EOI) for the following agriculture lease:

- EOI Agricultural Lease -Grazing of Sheep and Cropping
- Closing: 28/03/2025, 5pm

Documentation relating to the EOI is available from the eProcure link available from Council's website.

COROWA AQUATIC CENTRE WINTER OPENING HOURS



Our opening hours will be changing soon to our winter season which will commence from Tuesday 1 April - Friday 31 October, 2025.

Our indoor facilities will be open over this time including the 25m indoor heated pool and indoor program pool.

Our Winter Season opening hours are:

- Weekdays: 6am - 7pm
- Saturday: 8am - 6pm
- Sunday: 9am - 1pm

Mark the winter season opening dates in your calendars and come with family and friends and spend a day with us. We look forward to welcoming you.

Find out more by visiting:
www.corowaaquaticcentre.com.au

EMPLOYMENT EXPO

Federation Council is pleased to support the 2025 Employment Expo being held during March.

- Date: Friday 21 March, 2025
- Time: 12:30pm - 2:30pm
- Venue: TAFE NSW Community Learning Centre

Corowa Business Chamber and the Murray Riverina Local Jobs Program have partnered to deliver an event designed to connect job seekers, including school leavers, university graduates, and individuals considering career changes, with local employers who have current or upcoming job opportunities.

Register now by contacting P:
0491901607.

LIBRARY BOOK BINGO

Calling all book lovers! Come and join Book Bingo 2025!

Open to all Federation Council library members, Book Bingo challenges you to explore new genres and authors. It's a fun way to discover new reads and enjoy some friendly competition.

Everyone who completes a bingo card (25 books!) will win a prize. Plus, we'll hold a prize draw at the Corowa Library on Wednesday 28 May for even more prizes!

Join in the fun and find out more by visiting a Federation Council library. Learn more from Council's website.

Urana Ski & Aquatic Club AGM



9th April 2025 7pm at the Urana Hotel.

RIVERINA REGIONAL LIBRARY -
MOBILE SERVICE



RAND 12:15pm – 1:15pm	Tuesday, 18 March 2025	Tuesday, 1 April 2025	Tuesday, 15 April 2025	Tuesday, 29 April 2025
URANA 1:45pm – 5:00pm	Wednesday, 19 March 2025	Wednesday, 2 April 2025	Wednesday, 16 April 2025	Wednesday, 30 April 2025
OAKLANDS 9:00am – 11:00am	Wednesday, 19 March 2025	Wednesday, 2 April 2025	Wednesday, 16 April 2025	Wednesday, 30 April 2025
BOREE CREEK 1:30pm – 3:00pm	Tuesday, 25 March 2025	Tuesday, 8 April 2025	Tuesday, 22 April 2025	Tuesday, 6 May 2025



**YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN THE BOREE CREEK COMMUNITY COMMITTEE
(BCCC) ON**

ANZAC DAY 2025

to celebrate the 100 year anniversary of the Boree Creek S.S. Memorial Hall.

A Dawn Service will commence at 6.00 am in the Tim Fischer Community Park (please bring your own chair and or torch),
followed by breakfast at the Boree Creek S. S. Memorial Hall.

Morning Tea will be served around 10.00 am. The Hall will remain open until 12.00 pm.

You are welcome to join us at any time during the morning to wander around the Hall and share your memories of the Hall and the significance of it's place in the Boree Creek community.

For catering purposes, please let Secretary Jodie Green know if you will be attending.
aloeburn@aloeburn.com.au or 0448 132 432

The BCCC is a Section 355 Committee of the Federation Council





2025 CWA OAKLANDS NEWS FEBRUARY



Members returned refreshed to the first branch meeting after the Christmas break, which included a get-together at The Oaklands Hotel. Thank you to Brendan and the staff for a lovely meal and excellent presentation of the venue, topped off with excellent service. Santa Claus arrived bearing gifts which he distributed to grateful hands.

Oaklands Central School Presentation night was supported by our donation of \$70. Well done to all students.

Much business was attended to, including congratulations to Elizabeth Kerr and Cathie Sutcliffe for their Local Hero Awards at the Federation Council Australia Day celebration.

Congratulations also to Junior member Dayna Carter who was awarded a judges Special Award-Inspirational Young Person 2025.

The Annual Women's Dinner held at the RSL Bowling Club was a great success. Sixty-five guests enjoyed hearing Robin Haberechts' story of her personal and professional life. Beginning as a registered nurse through to her recent appointment as Chief Executive Officer of Yarrowonga Health. Thanks to all who helped make the event happen. Also to all the items for the continuous raffle which raised \$565 towards the branch annual expenses.

Next meeting: Tuesday 18th March
1.30pm at CWA Rooms. Heather Kerr
0447 335 201

ALL WELCOME



*CWA members with Guest Speaker
Robin Haberecht at CWA Dinner*

URANA PROGRESS ASSOCIATION NEWS

MAREA BRIGHT EXHIBITION

Marea Bright is a Milliner who grew up in Wagga, worked with Frederick Fox LVO in London, returned to continue her millinery in Melbourne before coming back to Wagga in recent years.

"Marea and the Queen's Purse" - her amazing life story has been re-created and can be seen at the Urana Soldiers' Memorial Hall – including a replica of the purse she made for Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Exhibition opening days and times will be announced on Urana Progress Association Facebook page shortly.

CAMPDRAFT

It is great to see such a huge event coming to Urana and congratulations to the Urana Campdraft Committee for continuing to grow this event.

Thank you to everyone who helped Urana Progress Association on Saturday and Sunday at the Campdraft. It was a very successful event enjoyed by all who attended. Once again the food was featured in many positive comments by participants and spectators. It is a massive undertaking but is a very satisfying achievement and a great fundraiser for Progress.

PHOTOCOPIER

Perhaps you have noticed the improved quality of printed items coming from Progress Association! We secured a grant from Museums and Galleries NSW titled "Copying our History".

This enabled us to purchase a new Fuji Xerox copier which now creates a much more professional document – and believe me there are plenty of flyers, history items, planning and organisational documents to be created!!

We thank Museums and Galleries NSW for their contribution in enabling Urana Progress Association to continue to move forward and provide our many services to the Urana district.

MORNING TEAS

These are up and running again – numbers were a bit smaller in February but there was just as much laughter and conversations.

We encourage people to come along and join in whether you know others or not. It has been proven that socialisation is very important for our mental wellbeing and that is why we keep the cost down - that and we have some very generous cooks involved!

Child and Family Health Nursing

Supporting Children to be Healthy

It is important to monitor your child's growth and development and the Blue Book helps to keep track of how this is going.



Be sure to take your child to visit your child and family health nurse or doctor at certain ages. If you have any concerns about your child's growth and development at any other time, you should consult your doctor or child and family nurse.

Remember to take your child's Blue Book as the health professional will make notes about your child's health, making it easier to share information.

Children should receive a routine check by a health professional at: Birth, 1-4 weeks, 6-8 weeks, 6 months, 12 months, 18 months, 2 years, 3 years, 4 years

Appointments with the child and family nurse can be made through the Community Care Intake Service on **1800 654 324**

or On-Line booking with QR code.



← ONLINE booking form

www.mlhd.health.gov.au/CFHN-Form

MURRUMBIDGEE
LOCAL HEALTH DISTRICT



URANA & DISTRICT COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES



Do you need a Community Health Service?

You can now access Community
Health Services such as:

- Community Nurse
- Child and Family Health Nurse
- Generalist Counsellor
- Occupational Therapist
- Dietitian
- Physiotherapist
- Speech Pathologist
- Palliative Care Nurse
- Diabetes Educator
- Chronic Care

By calling one number the health professional on the end of the line will help you access the service you need.

Call 1800 654 324
(1800 MLHD CH)



Health
Murrumbidgee
Local Health District

Community Nurses: Karen Brooks Tanya Gleeson	Community care central Intake 1800 654 324 Urana Community Nurse 0427 892 146 Urana Community Health (02) 6930 9224 Urana Hospital (02) 6930 9200
Child & family Nurse: Jacinta Dore	Community Care Intake Service 1800 654 324 Urana Child & Family Nurse 0436 629 328 Urana Community Health (02) 6930 9226 Urana Hospital (02) 6930 9200
Childhood Immunisations - NSW Childhood Immunisation Schedule.	By Appointment on the above numbers.

HEALTH SERVICES

LOCKHART HEALTH SERVICES

The following services are visiting Lockhart regularly:

OPTOMETRIST

Russell and Chalker Optometrists Eyecare plus are now visiting Lockhart regularly for comprehensive consultations. Glaucoma testing, cataract assessments, macular degeneration. Adults and Children assessments, and Veteran's Affairs patients welcome. Spectacle frames available. For appointments please phone (02) 6921 8833.

PODIATRIST

Wagga Foot Clinic visits the Lockhart Community Health building every 4 weeks for appointments please phone 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 Community Services to arrange on (02) 6920 4162.

ACCESSLINE

Depression Suicide Anxiety Psychosis
Alcohol & Drugs Sexual Assault

Help for All Ages Anytime

1800 800 944

Do you love children?

Do you also want to work from home and set your own hours?

Our friendly, country service needs more home based child care educators (your home or child's home or suitable premises). No professional experience necessary. Full support and training provided.

Family Daycare
**Greater Hume
Children
Services**

Contact: T: 6026 3877

www.ghchildren.com.au



**Aayush Health Care Trust
Urana and Oaklands Medical Centre
Dr Veerendra Giri Yaramati**

*The Oaklands Medical Centre is now open at
2 Hunter Street, Oaklands*

**Please note opening hours and days of
operation for Urana and Oaklands Medical
Centre**

**Monday at Urana 10:00am – 5:00pm
Tuesday at Oaklands 9:00am – 5:00pm
Wednesday at Urana 9:00am – 5:00pm
Thursday at Oaklands 9:00am – 5:00pm
Friday at Urana 9:00am – 1:45pm**

Oaklands Medical Centre
2 Hunter Street, Oaklands NSW
2646
Ph: 02 6920 8333

Urana Medical Centre
31 William Street, Urana NSW
2645
Ph: 02 6920 8333



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



Health
Murrumbidgee
Local Health District

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

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**

HEALTH SERVICES

VALMAR COMMUNITY TRANSPORT BUS TRIPS

Urana to Albury Bus – 2nd Tuesday of the month \$10

- Urana Hospital pick up at 8.00am
- Oaklands General Store at 8.30am
- Daysdale at 8.45am
- Arrive Albury QEII Square Dean Street at 10.00am
- Depart Albury QEII Square Dean Street at 2.00pm

Urana to Wagga Bus – 3rd Wednesday of the month \$10

- Urana Hospital pick up at 8.00am
- Lockhart Post Office at 8.30am
- Milbrulong at 8.45am
- The Rock Post Office at 9.00am
- Uranquinty at 9.30am
- Arrive Wagga Sturt Mall at 10.00am
- Depart Wagga Sturt Mall at 2.30pm

Urana to Wangaratta Bus – Bi-Monthly 4th Thursday of the month \$10

- Urana Hospital pick up at 8.30am
- Oaklands General Store at 9.00am
- Arrive Wangaratta approx. 10.30am
- Depart Wangaratta approx. 2.30pm
- Dates for 2024: 22nd February, 25th April, 27th June, 22nd August, 24th October, none in December 2024.

Urana to Shepparton Bus – Bi-Monthly 4th Thursday of the month \$10

- Urana Hospital pick up at 8.00am
- Oaklands General Store at 8.30am
- Arrive Shepparton approx. 10.30am
- Depart Shepparton approx. 2.30pm
- Dates for 2024: 28th March, 23rd May, 25th July, 26th September, 28th November (last for the year)

Urana and Oaklands Ladies Social Bus Trips – 3rd Friday of every month Urana, Oaklands and Lockhart Men's Social Bus Trips – 2nd Friday of every month

Bookings are essential.

For all transport bookings and enquiries please phone the office on (02) 69204162



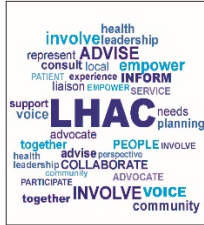
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VALMAR SUPPORT SERVICES LOCKHART OFFICE

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

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- Flexible Respite
- Meals on Wheels/Frozen Meals
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- Men's Social Support Bus Trips
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- A carer of frail aged
- Isolated, Transport Disadvantage
- From a culture distinct community, financially disadvantaged.

For further information or for any enquiries contact us on: **Lockhart (02) 69 204162.**



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,

urana.lhac.chair@gmail.com

Enquiries are always welcome



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Serving the Urana MPS and local community.

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To find out more.

Contact the Auxiliary secretary at,

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-  PO Box 6 Urana NSW 2645
-  admin@risetax.com.au
-  0402 988 950

Your tax return is our priority – fast, electronic lodgement.

Internet access is available as a free service to the community at the Urana Federation Council Office. Children under the age of 13 must be accompanied by an adult at all times whilst on Council property.

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

No food or drink to be consumed near the computers. Please adhere to the 30 minute time limit!



Photo by Georgie James

For all function room enquiries & bookings please contact
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Pat: 0429 208 267

Email: billabongagriculture@gmail.com



Catholic Parish of Urana

Urana Sunday 1st, 3rd & 5th
8.00am

Urana Saturday Virgil 2nd & 4th
6.00pm

Oaklands every Sunday
10.00am

FOR EMERGENCY MINISTRY CONTACT
St Michaels Cathedral Presbytery Wagga
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Wagga: 6938 4600
Tumbarumba: 6948 2018

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



Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited ABN 11 068 049 178, AFSL/Australian Credit Licence 237879 A1373507, OUT_2025527, 2704/2021

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Urana

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URANA NSW 2645
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Facilities

- Cabins
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NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING & WASTE FACILITIES

In accordance with Federation Council’s 2024/2025 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 per month	Customer Compiled per month
Full page	\$78.50	\$54.50
Half page	\$54.50	\$42.50
Quarter page	\$40.00	\$24.50
Classified	\$12	
Thank you notices	\$12	
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 2024/2025 budget waste disposal charges are as follows:

WHEELIE BINS (240 litre bin)	Fee (incl. GST)
Wheelie Bin - Green	\$5.50
Wheelie Bin - Waste	\$12.50

* Household waste accepted only (not commercial origin)

SMALL LOAD (up to an average sedan boot or half a small trailer)	Fee (incl. GST)
Small load - Green	\$23.00
Small load - Waste	\$48.00

* Household waste accepted only (not commercial origin)

MEDIUM LOAD (up to approximately 1m3 - single axel trailer or ute tray)	Fee (incl. GST)
Medium load - Green	\$46.00
Medium load - Waste	\$96.00

* Household waste accepted only (not commercial origin)

LARGE LOAD (any volume larger than 1m3 but less than 1.5m3 0 incl. Large trailer)	Fee (incl. GST)
Large load - Green	\$69.00
Large load - Waste	\$144.00

* Household waste accepted only (not commercial origin)

TRUCK LOAD	Fee (incl. GST)
Truck load - Green /m3	\$46.00
Truck load - Waste /m3	\$96.00

CONSTRUCTION & DEMOLITION	Fee (incl. GST)
Construction & demolition - concrete & masonry /m3	\$67.00
Construction & demolition - timber /m3	\$46.00
Construction & demolition - comingled /m3	\$216.50

MATTRESSES	Fee (incl. GST)
Mattresses - Single/Double	\$56.40
Mattresses - Queen/King	\$89.30

* With or without base

ASBESTOS	Fee (incl. GST)
Asbestos up to 1m3	\$402.00
Asbestos over 1m3 - per m3	\$402.00

* Accepted only in Corowa

TYRE	Fee (incl. GST)
Tyre R<20 - each	\$22.30
Tyre R<20 to R40 - each	\$44.50
Tyre R>40 - each	\$89.00

* Not accepted at Mulwala Transfer Station

LOUNGE	Fee (incl. GST)
Lounge - 1 seat	\$11.00
Lounge - 2 seat	\$20.80
Lounge - 3 seat	\$31.80
Lounge - additional seat	\$11.00

eWASTE	Fee (incl. GST)
Household appliance	\$11.70
Whitegoods	\$22.30

POLYSTYRENE	Fee (incl. GST)
Over 1m3 - per m3	\$22.30

OTHERS	Fee (incl. GST)
Carpet roll / 0.5m diameter	\$39.50
Textiles /m3	\$39.50
Unsecured Load Penalty	\$55.30

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

Visit Federation Council website for more information.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

21 March 2025	Employment Expo
27 March 2025	Service NSW Mobile Service visits Urana MacKnight Park, Anna Street 10am-3pm
7 April 2025	Urana Inc. Community Meeting at 7pm at Urana Community Health MPS room
9 April 2025	Urana Ski & Aquatic Club AGM
22 April 2025	Free Learn to Skate Workshop - Howlong
23 April 2025	Free Community Skate Workshops & JAM - Corowa
25 April 2025	Boree Creek Community Committee Anzac Day 2025 celebration

All information in this edition of the Urana District Newsletter is current as of 11/03/2025

Deadline for April Edition

FRIDAY 4 APRIL 2025, 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.

Easter crafts for kids

Corowa Library Egg wreaths

Tuesday 15th April
10:30am

Mulwala Library Bunny cups

Wednesday 16th April
10:30am

Howlong Community Centre Origami bunnies

Thursday 17th April
10:30am

For kids aged 4-12!





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Visit our website or scan the QR code to learn more and start exploring!

