

MARCH 2019

URALLA SHIRE COUNCIL NEWSLETTER



WELCOME TO NEW WARD A COUNCILLOR

Mr Tom O'Connor was elected as the new Councillor for Ward A at the by-election on Saturday 16 February. Council congratulated Cr O'Connor after he took the Oath of Office and welcomed him to his first Council meeting on Tuesday 26 February 2019.



Front Row: Cr Strutt, Mayor Cr Pearce, Deputy Mayor Cr Crouch
Back Row: Cr Dusting, Cr O'Connor, Cr Toomey, Cr Bell, Cr Ledger, Cr Sampson

GRANT FOR ANAIWAN ARTEFACTS

Council has commenced the Local Aboriginal Artefacts Cultural Display Project which is funded by The NSW Regional Cultural Fund grant. The project is for the research and formation of a collection of local Anaiwan artefacts for display at the Visitor Information Centre.

If you have local aboriginal artefacts you would be willing to gift or loan to Council to form part of the collection, please contact the Council's Visitor Information Centre on 02 6778 6420.



MCMAUGH GARDENS NEWS

There was a wonderful celebration of love at McMaugh Gardens with couples treated to a special Valentine's Day lunch in a restaurant style area decorated and set up for intimate dining complete with table service.



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Councillors

Cr Robert Bell Cr Mark Dusting
Cr Natasha Ledger Cr Tom O'Connor
Cr Levi Sampson Cr Isabel Strutt
Cr Tara Toomey

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After-Hours and Public Holidays

Overseer: 0427 784 982

Water / Sewer: 0427 784 304

Report all Fires: 000

MEETING DATES 2019

Extraordinary Council Meeting:
Tuesday, 12 March at 12:45pm

Council meeting: The fourth Tuesday of the month at 12:30pm.

Budget Review & Finance Committee:
The second Tuesday of the month at 12:30pm.

Uralla Township & Environs Committee (UTEC): 12 March at 6pm in the Council Chambers.

These meetings are open to the public. Council meeting agendas and reports can be viewed and downloaded from the website: www.uralla.nsw.gov.au

WHAT'S ON IN URALLA SHIRE

Mid-March to Mid-April 2019

- Fri 15 Mar International Women's Day Luncheon
- Sat 16 Mar Uralla Indoor Market
- Sat 16 Mar Bundarra Community Market
- Sat 23 Mar NSW State Elections
- Fri 29 Mar Uralla Rotary Art Show Opening night
- Sat 30 Mar to Sun 7 April – Uralla Rotary Art Show
- Sat 30 Mar Seasons of New England Expo – Hampden Park
- Sat 30 Mar Uralla Arts Lantern Parade
- Sun 7 Apr Music @ The Mill – Fundraising Concert for Northern Tablelands Wildlife Carers
- Sun 7 Apr Uralla Poultry Auction
- Sun 7 Apr Uralla Red Cross Picnic at the Pavilion
- 10 – 18 Apr Uralla Youth Week

Check <http://www.uralla.com/> for more information on the local calendar of events and call us to add your event **02 6778 6420**.

Uralla Library Activities - March & April 2019

- Storytime** - 10.30am Tuesdays
- Knattering Knitters** - 10am Tuesdays & 2pm Sundays
- Colouring Group** - 2pm Wednesdays
- Book Discussion Group** – 4pm Tuesday 19 February
- Chess & Checkers Club** - 4pm Mondays during school term

PUBLIC NOTICE

At the 26 February Ordinary Council Meeting, Council resolved to put the following documents on public exhibition for 28 days:

- Draft Code of Meeting Practice 2019
- Draft Code of Conduct 2019
- Draft Procedures for the Administration of the Draft Code of Conduct 2019

These documents can be inspected at Council Administration Centre, 32 Salisbury Street, or accessed from council's website:

www.uralla.nsw.gov.au

Written submissions can be made to Council until 5:00pm, Friday 12 April 2019. Submissions or enquiries can be made by email to council@uralla.nsw.gov.au or by letter to The General Manager, PO Box 106, Uralla NSW 2358.

PICNIC AT THE PAVILION

Uralla Red Cross

- Date:** Sunday 7th April 2019 at 12noon
- Where:** Uralla Showground, King St Uralla
- Cost:** \$20 per person includes a basket of picnic tastings and treats

What's on offer:

- Free tea, coffee, soft drinks and juice (BYO alcoholic drinks)
- Displays of artwork by Sophie Sorella and local quilts

Come along with your friends for an enjoyable social afternoon in the small pavilion and outside under the shelters.

RSVP or enquiries to: Phil Irvine 6775 5554 or Bev Stubberfield 6778 5014

YOUTH WEEK DATES & ACTIVITIES

- Wed 10 April - 10am Morning tea with the Mayor in Council Chambers
- Thu 11 April - 6pm Movie Night at the Memorial Hall
- Fri 12 April - 6.30pm *Minute to Win It* Games Night at the Library
- Sun 14 April - 10am Family Funday in Alma Park
- Mon 15 April - 9am to 12pm - Free Bike Safety Course (bookings essential at Uralla Neighbourhood Centre)
- Tue 16 April - 10.30am Library Story Time
- 2.30pm Giant Jenga at Library
- Wed 17 April - 10am Soccer Darts and Inflatables at Hampden Park
- Thu 18 April - 3pm Library Challenge

Please contact Jo at the Uralla Neighbourhood Centre on 6778 3277 for more details.

All activities are free. Many giveaways during the week, some bookings are essential. Looking forward to loads of fun!

PEACE RUN VISITS URALLA



On 16 February 2019 Uralla welcomed the runners of the Peace Run and the Peace Torch. As part of the welcome, the Peace Run team dedicated a eucalyptus tree (located at the Council Administration building), recognised Mayor Mick Pearce and presented Uralla Central School student Gemma Weguelin with a Torchbearer award.

The Peace Run is a global torch relay, founded in 1987 to spread a non-partisan message of peace and friendship.

The Peace Run visit to Australia in 2019 started in Brisbane on 12 February and will travel to Melbourne by 1 March 2019 with receptions and community events taking place during the 1,700km journey. At the welcome reception Mayor Pearce said "We are honoured to welcome the Peace Run into our beautiful town of Uralla."

Gemma Weguelin was awarded with the Torchbearer award recognising her advocacy and leadership. Gemma has been a proactive participant in Youth Mentoring programs and was recognised by her peers for outstanding contribution and skills in the NSW Youth Parliament.

COUNCIL'S NEW WEBSITE IS NOW 'LIVE'

Council's new website went 'live' on Thursday 21 February!

We welcome your feedback, so please take a look and if you can't find the information you are looking for, either complete the 'Contact Us' link at the bottom of the Home Page or complete the 'Was this page helpful' link attached to each main page. The website address is www.uralla.nsw.gov.au.

Here is a sample of what the new site looks like:



PEDESTRIAN AND ACCESS MOBILITY PLAN (PAMP)

Community Consultation and Survey

Council has engaged Constructive Solutions Pty Ltd (CSPL) to develop a Pedestrian and Access Mobility Plan (PAMP) for the township of Uralla. A PAMP is a strategic action plan for Council, which provides a framework for developing safe, convenient and connected pedestrian routes, and identifies the need for specific pedestrian facilities. This ultimately allows Council to construct the required pedestrian facilities. Once the PAMP is completed, Council will be in a stronger position to access grant funding from the State Government for works identified in the PAMP.

As part of the development of the PAMP, CSPL will be undertaking community consulting to inform the PAMP. The first step in consultation for the PAMP will be a community survey that will commence in early to mid-March 2019 and will be made available via Council's website and Facebook page.



MOBILE SERVICE CENTRE – URALLA TUESDAY 26 MARCH 2019

Mobile Service Centres are visiting rural and regional communities to personally deliver access to essential NSW Government services, including:

- Driver licence, photo card applications and renewals
- Driver Knowledge Tests
- Working With Children Check applications
- Applying for birth, death and marriage certificates
- Cost of Living* service to access more than 40 government rebates and savings.

The **Mobile Service Centre** is scheduled to visit on 26 March 2019 from 9am - 4pm. The mobile service centre will be located next to Pioneer Park in Salisbury Street.

Please check back at www.service.nsw.gov.au/msc on the day for final confirmation of the Mobile Service Centre arrival or call 13 77 88.

42ND ANNUAL URALLA ROTARY ART EXHIBITION

Come and view the many inspired art works from artists across NSW and Queensland, with all works for sale.

Opening night is Friday 29 March at 6:30pm and is the social event of the year. There will be delicious finger food provided by the Uralla Central School Hospitality students, wines by local Merilba and Whyworry Wines and music by Peter Stanley. Cost is \$20pp and tickets are available at the door.

Art Show Opening Daily:

10am - 4pm Saturday 30 March to Sunday 7 April 2019

10am - 2pm Sunday 25 March

Venue: Memorial Hall, Salisbury Street

Entry fees: Adults \$5, Seniors \$4

Children under 12 years free

Art Show contacts:

Richard Kaehler - Chairman

Ph: 02 6775 3212 or Mob: 0467 813 565

Jan Kaehler - Co-ordinator

Ph: 02 6775 3212 or Mob: 0429 608 521

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION AND COMPLYING DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATE APPROVALS / REFUSALS January 2019

Approvals:

| Application No. | Applicant | Property | Development |
|-----------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| DA-66-2018 | Ms S Rich | 50 Hill Street, Uralla | Dwelling Additions & Alterations |
| DA-68-2018 | Mr G Fuller | 72 Rowbottoms Road, Rocky River | Dwelling |
| DA-69-2018 | Bundarra Pre-School | 9 Court Street, Bundarra | Disabled Amenities & Access |
| DA-71-2018 | Mr D & Mrs J Ayre | 17 Warwick Street, Uralla | Garage |
| DA-1-2019 | Ms S Egan | 75 Goodes Road, Rocky River | Gable Patio Cover |
| DA-4-2019 | Mr D Adams | 907 Thunderbolts Way, Yarrowyck | Tourist & Visitor Accommodation |
| CDC-1-2019 | Visionstream Pty Ltd | Lot 2 Kingstown Road, Kingstown | Telecommunication Facility – 30m high Monopole & Equipment Shelter |

Refusals: Nil

The Notices of Determination for the above Development Applications and Complying Development Certificates are available for public inspection, free of charge, during office hours at Uralla Shire Council pursuant to Section 101 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.



TRANSPORT DO YOU NEED TRANSPORT HELP?

Do you need assistance to get to a medical or dentist appointment, or to go shopping or into Armidale? Give **Tablelands Community Transport Uralla** a call to see if they can help. To check if you are eligible, please call 02 6778 6450.

Z-NET URALLA NEWS

As cooler weather is approaching people are starting to think about wood for the winter. We already have community members asking us about where to obtain sustainable firewood.

Z-NET Uralla will be at Seasons of New England on Saturday 30 March. One of our local landholders who is championing Z-NET, is partnering with a local wood supplier to ensure sustainable firewood collection. You will be able to pre-order this wood at our stall.

Z-NET is also going to run a hands-on firewood collectors' session to help suppliers ensure their wood is sustainable on the 6 April. If you would like to be involved let Trish know (projects@zneturalla.org.au). We will have a list of questions that you as a firewood user can ask your wood collector or as a checklist for those who collect their own wood.



Collecting firewood sustainably ensures a supply in the future for kids and grandkids and minimises the impact of wood removal on woodland ecosystems.

KEY COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS DURING February 2019

- Endorsed the submission of another two grant applications under the Drought Communities Program to undertake works on the:
 - Bundarra School of Arts Hall
 - Dangars Lagoon bird hide
 - Arding Hall
 - Kentucky Memorial Hall
 - Uralla Memorial Hall
 - Council owned preschool building
 - Uralla Court House
 - McMaugh Garden's garden shed
 - Council Chambers/Administration Building, subject to available funding.
- Approved the Development Application for the Council's Industrial subdivision on Rowan Avenue. As part of the approval conditions, Council will: develop a landscaping plan to address visual amenity from the New England Highway and Rowan Avenue; prepare a detailed flora and fauna assessment; and demonstrate the intersection of Rowan Ave and the New England Hwy can accommodate large vehicle access.
- Selected Carol Higginbottom, Sonia Repin, Bob Anderson and Kath Corcoran to fill the four vacancies on the Uralla Town & Environs Committee (UTEC).
- Approved funding to undertake the Business Case preparation for a grant application to replace Tolleys Gully Bridge on Thunderbolts Way and realign the approaches to the bridge
- Received an update on the Bundarra Sewerage Scheme
- Received a Quarterly update on the Operational Plan
- Received a Quarterly update on the Budget



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