

AUGUST 2016

URALLA SHIRE COUNCIL NEWSLETTER



CONGRATULATIONS BRIDGET!

Council is proud that Bridget Doran, Human Services Officer (Undergraduate) was recognised 2016 New England Regional Training Awards in Tamworth a few weeks ago as being the regions Trainee of the Year.

More than 400 people attended the event held in Tamworth, where seven major category awards were presented to the best apprentices, trainees and vocational students.

The training awards are a recognition of Bridget's hard work over the last 18 months where she has completed a Certificate III in Business Administration and Certificate IV in Business.

"Bridget demonstrates a positive and mature work ethic and attitude. During her time at Council, she has demonstrated her willingness to learn and develop and has exceeded expectations in relation to the completion of her studies. I'm excited that she is now enrolled at the University of New England to undertake a Bachelor of Business majoring in Human Resources."

Bridget and other award winners will go on to be considered for selection to compete at the NSW Training Awards in September.



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ARE YOU CONSIDERING RUNNING AS COUNCILLOR?

Are you proud of your community but would like some input into how it is evolving?

The role as Councillor for the Uralla Shire Council will allow you to do this!

Elections for all 8 Councillors and the Mayor will be held on Saturday, 10 September 2016 and now is the time to start making plans if you would like to be involved and play a part of your community moving forward.

2016 to 2020 will be a challenging and exciting time for Uralla Shire Council and indeed, all Councils throughout the State. So it is important to have strong and sound leadership for our community!

Council will be holding an information evening on the 8 August at the Council Chambers commencing at 6.00 pm to allow those considering standing for election to find out more about what that would mean and how Uralla Shire Council operates.

For more information go to the council website or contact Rechelle Leahy (02) 6778 6300.



Z-NET Uralla News

Z-NET Uralla Case Study Homes have taken off! Many thanks to the wonderful members of our community who are sharing information how they keep warm and cosy while also keeping the power and gas bills under control. Find their stories on our Facebook page.

The Z-NET Team (Trish and Peter) have been REALLY busy doing Home Energy Reviews. The thermal imaging camera is proving a very popular tool for tracking where all that valuable heat is going. If you have registered for a review, it won't be far off now. If you would still like to register for a free Home energy Review contact Trish at projects@zneturalla.org.au. She is particularly keen to help rental homes with their energy issues.

Your friendly Z-NET Uralla Team
www.facebook.com/ZnetUralla



PHOTO: Trish Rasmussen (Z-NET Uralla) going through Home Energy Review with Uralla Shire resident, Glenn Maisey.

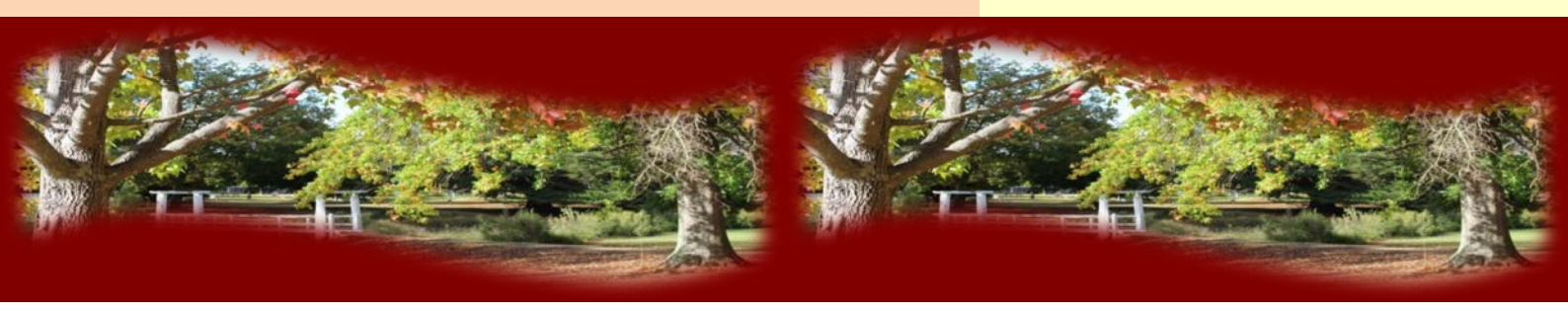
UPCOMING STREET STORES
August 2016
 1st -7th - Can Assist
 8th -14th - Lodge of Peace
 15th -21st - Uralla Mens Shed
 22nd -28th - Uralla Driver Reviver



Cr Mark Dusting with his copy of The Dry

One Book One Region – The Dry by Jane Harper

It's One Book One Region time again! The Central Northern Regional Library community reading promotion is designed to have everyone in the region read and discuss the same book over the next few months. The one book program takes the idea of a book discussion group and expands it to cover an entire region. 340 copies of The Dry are being distributed throughout the region.





Supported Independent Living

Providing Aged and NDIS Services throughout

The New England Area, providing support with:

Home Care Packages

Domestic Assistance

Meals

Allied Health

Social Support

Respite

Transport

Personal Care

NDIS Services



Tablelands Community Support Ph 6778 6350



The Kentucky and Diggings Rural Fire Brigades are holding an information session to meet with you and discuss how you can get ready for the fire season ahead.

You are invited to come along and have a chat to our volunteer firefighters, to discuss your Bush Fire Survival Plan, book a property inspection, or perhaps talk about joining a local brigade.

**Where: Harnham RFB Station
Kingstown Rd (next to Why
Worry Wines)**

**When: Sunday 11th September from
10am to 2pm**

LIBRARY ACTIVITIES

Book Group – 16th August - Do you enjoy reading, meeting people and sharing your ideas and opinions about books and authors? If so, join us at Uralla Library from 4pm on the third Tuesday of every month for a lively and inclusive discussion. New members are always welcome. The July book of the month is: Me before you by Jojo Moyes - copies available in the library.

Lego Club – 18th August - Lego Club is a great place to be creative, have fun and meet other Lego fans aged between 5 – 12 years. Visit the Library on the third Thursday of the month from 4.00 – 5.00pm. The building theme for August is: OLYMPICS. Lego Club is free – no bookings required, latecomers welcome.

Storytime - Storytime offers singing, reading, and age related craft experiences for preschool aged children. Join us at the Library every Tuesday at 10.30am.

Knattering Knitters - Visit Uralla library every Tuesday from 10am to meet friendly locals in a relaxed and casual environment. Help each other learn, design and produce a variety of wonderful creations. An entertaining and eclectic morning of craft, conversation and coffee – all experience levels welcome.





COUNCIL MEETINGS

The next Meeting of Council is scheduled for:

DATE: Mon 22 August 2016
TIME: 1:00pm
LOCATION: Council Chambers,
32 Salisbury Street,
URALLA.

One to One training – Photo scanning

Do you have precious family photos you would like to save for future generations? Uralla History Hub have a splendid new scanner that will allow your photos to be saved and shared with all family members. One to One training sessions are available, bookings are essential. For further information call Uralla Library – 6778 6470.

Are you proud of Uralla?

Uralla Visitor Information Centre is looking for enthusiastic volunteers to provide visitors and locals with information on events, accommodation, things to see and do, eating out, regional information, day trips and other services. Induction and training will be provided, the key focus is providing excellent customer service. Please contact Luise on 6778 6420 for further information.

Uralla Pony Club says 'THANKS'

UPC would like to say 'thank you' to everyone who supported by buying cakes, baked goods and more from the Bridge St stall last week. We're delighted to say that we raised over \$1400 which will help the Club continue putting on its monthly Rally Days and other horse-riding events in Uralla.

Thank you
Friends of McMaughs



McMAUGH GARDENS NEWS

A good time was had by all at **McMaugh Garden Christmas in July** function held 27th July 2016. Residents and family enjoyed a traditional Ham and Turkey lunch with all the trimmings. Members of Friends of McMaugh attended the function to enhance the already strong relationship between the community members and McMaugh Garden staff and residents. Both groups have only one thing in mind when undertaking functions and outings and that is the happiness and enjoyment of all the residents living at McMaugh Garden. Over 60 people attended the Christmas function with the entertainment being provided by Alf and Rhonda country music performers. Santa and his Elf were also present keeping an eye on all whom will be in line for gifts on the big day in December. All feedback received from everyone in attendance was that they will be returning for the Christmas Party on 15th December.

Friends of McMaugh have also funded the new pergola/ sunroom for residents at McMaugh Garden with funds coming from the catering at last years Rodeo. Family presence in the home is welcomed and encouraged by management to continue building the already strong relationships and common ground for all residents, family and staff.

A recent visit by the Governing body for Aged Care **achieved excellent feedback** for the current management practices of McMaugh Garden and the transitioning into Higher Care needs of the home. The auditor was very complimentary about the current Lifestyles Program in place which allows all residents to participate in various forms. Music therapy has been very successful with residents living with Dementia.