

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



August 2022

Mayor's Message

Council celebrated NAIDOC Week in the beginning of July. NAIDOC celebrations were held commencing with a smoking ceremony, followed by lunch and entertainment at the Uralla Memorial Hall. Thank you to all involved for a wonderful day.

The Uralla Library is currently seeking expressions of interest from Uralla Shire artists to feature as an Artist of the Month in 2023. This is a great opportunity for established or emerging artists to display their works at no cost. This service from the Uralla Library is a boon for all members of the community for the chance to see top-quality local art exhibitions throughout the year. If you are interested in having your work displayed, please read more on page 2 or visit the Council website for details.

The recent surge in local COVID-19 cases is a good reminder that we need to continue to follow the latest guidance from NSW Health and the Australian Department of Health and Aged Care, to practice good hand hygiene, and stay at home when feeling unwell. Eligible persons who have not yet received their third booster or if you are eligible for the winter booster, the recommendation is that you do so. Like many businesses and organisations, Council had a high number of staff impacted by COVID-19 and we thank the community for their patience as some Council services and responses to enquiries are

delayed during this time. Thank you also to the staff for their efforts to keep Council operations and services moving.

At the July meeting, Council resolved to adopt the detailed designs for Pioneer Park and The Glen under the NSW Public Spaces Legacy Program and approved these projects to proceed to procurement and construction, with some further work to be undertaken regarding the selection of tree plantings. We are very pleased to see these projects progress and they will provide huge benefits to the community once completed. Council is keen for the community including the Uralla Arts Council and the Uralla Town and Environs Committee to review the final designs and provide local knowledge on the yet to be determined tree selection.

For more information on Council decisions, a summary of Council resolutions can be found on page 4 of the newsletter. You can also visit the Council website to download copies of all Council meeting agendas and minutes or listen to the Council meeting audio recordings.

Until next time,
Mayor, Robert Bell



Uralla NAIDOC Week celebrations.

COUNCILLOR COMMUNITY SESSIONS

Uralla Shire Councillors will be having a series of community engagement sessions throughout the Shire. Upcoming dates and venues are as follows:

- Kingstown, Thursday 18 August from 5:30-7pm
- Invergowrie/Saumarez at the Barry Munday Reserve, Saturday 17 September from 11am-2pm (free sausage sizzle)
- Rocky River Tennis Courts, Sunday 16 October from 2-4pm
- Bundarra at the Pub, Thursday 17 November from 6-8pm

Come along to meet your Councillors and senior staff to discuss issues that are important to you.

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST: ARTIST OF THE MONTH AT URALLA LIBRARY

The Uralla Library is seeking expressions of interest from emerging or established artists who live or work in the Uralla Shire local government area to feature as an Artist of the Month in 2023.

The Uralla Library exhibition/gallery space offers:

- A high traffic space popular with both locals and visitors to Uralla
- Generous, safe, secure, light filled gallery area
- Artist's exhibition period of one calendar month
- Items can be listed for sale
- Items accessible for viewing 6 days per week
- Artist hosted receptions in conjunction with the exhibit by request
- Free of charge
- Free promotion through Council information channels

If you are interested, please contact the Uralla Library on (02) 6778 6470 or email to



library@uralla.nsw.gov.au. We advise artists to take a self-guided tour of the exhibition space prior to completing the application.

Please visit the Council website for application guidelines and to submit your interest:

www.uralla.nsw.gov.au/Library

STREET STORE SCHEDULE

Located at 60 Bridge St, Uralla

1 - 7 August

Can Assist Uralla

8 - 14 August

Lodge of Peace No 120 Uralla

15 - 21 August

St Joseph's School Uralla

22 - 28 August

CWA Uralla

29 August - 4 September

Legacy Club Services - Uralla Sub Branch

ZNET COMMUNITY REPAIR WORKSHOPS

Is there a bike in your garage that has seen better days? Is the to-do list of small jobs around the house getting longer and you are not sure where to start?

ZNET will be holding a number of free repair workshops during the month of August. These workshops will cover skills and tool use to help maintain or repair common items, extending their useful life (don't stress if you have never done this before – come and learn). ZNET's sew and mend workshops will be continuing on the first Saturday afternoon each month.

Teenagers are invited to ZNET's ReFASHION party at the Uralla Co-op on Thursday 1 September, 4pm–6pm. Attendees will enjoy a slice of pizza and receive a token for a formal outfit or an item which can be upcycled.

On Saturday 15 October, 10am to 2pm, the community is invited

to ZNET's day of Local Food Abundance. The event will have seeds, seedlings, workshops and demos on soil, compost, vegetable gardens and more. Stallholders are welcome, please contact ZNET for details.

For more information on these events, please contact coordinator@zneturalla.org.au or 0420 514 653.

Free Community
REPAIR WORKSHOPS
@Little Birdy, 36 Hill St Uralla

13 AUG: Basic Tool Safety & Simple Timber Repairs
20 AUG: Bicycle Care & Repair*
20 AUG: Garden Tools - Recover & Repair**

No cost
All workshops run from midday - 4pm
*Bring your bike, and tools such as tyre puncture kit & allen keys if you have them - suitable for ages 12 & up
**Bring along a tool you want to repair and get advice for that project
Bookings essential
Contact coordinator@zneturalla.org.au or 0420 514 653

FRRR
Foundation for Rural Regional Research
Working on Waste
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WELCOME NEW CITIZENS TO URALLA SHIRE

Uralla Shire Council is pleased to welcome three new Australian Citizens to the Uralla Shire. Welcome to Gina Chavez, Richard Daugherty, and Thi Thanh Thao Mai who made their Australian Citizenship pledge at the Citizenship Ceremony on 26 July 2022.



HAWTHORNE DRIVE STAGE 2 CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Council is continuing the sub grade and boxing out of the last 200m of the shoulders on the Hawthorne Drive Construction.



Uralla Shire Council Aged and Community Care Services

McMaugh Gardens - Residential Aged Care - Permanent & Respite
Call 6778 6380

Tablelands Community Support (TCS) - Home Care Packages (HCP), Commonwealth Home Support Program (CHSP) | Call 6778 6350

Tablelands Community Transport (TCT) - Provision of community transport services | Call 6778 6451



Development Application and Complying Development Certificate Approvals June 2022

Application No.	Applicant	Property	Development
DA-3-2022	Croft Surveying & Mapping	10-12 Fitzroy Street, Uralla	Staged Subdivision of 4 Lots into 6 Lots
DA-23-2022	G J Gardner Homes	2 Somerset Close, Uralla	Shed with Bathroom & Laundry
DA-24-2022	Austam Homes	828 Bundarra Road, Saumarez Ponds	Install Manufactured Home as Dual Occupancy
DA-26-2022	New England Sheds	15 Eastern Avenue, Kentucky	Shed
DA-27-2022	Rosbuild Constructions	30 Harriet Gully Road, Kellys Plains	Dwelling Additions & Alterations
DA-28-2022	Ms K Ritter	27 Dumaresq Street, Uralla	Shed
DA-33-2022	Austam Homes	1516 Torryburn Road, Torryburn	Dual Occupancy – Rural Workers Manufactured Dwelling
DA-34-2022	Rural Plan Consultants	413 Thunderbolts Way, Rocky River	Dwelling & Shed
CDC-6-2022	Mrs S Kelly	71 Marble Hill Road, Saumarez Ponds	Shed

Withdrawals:

Application No.	Applicant	Property	Development
DA-11-2022	Mr J Caldwell	17 Invergowrie Road, Invergowrie	Dwelling

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 4.59 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 No. 203*.

CIVIL WORKS

Completed in July

- Unsealed road maintenance grading – Barraba Road, Bakers Creek Road, Mihi Road, Hillview Road, Ingledale Road, Spring Gully Road
- School Zone Infrastructure asphaltting and linemarking – Bundarra Central School crossing (Bowline Street) St Joseph's School, Uralla (Wood Street) and Uralla Central School (Park Street)
- Sealed Urban Road Rehabilitation – Uralla Street and King Street
- Heavy Patching – Kliendienst Road

Ongoing

- Hawthorne Drive Stage 2 Construction
- Heavy Patching – Kingstown Road



Hawthorne Drive Stage 2 Construction

Catch up on your Council Meetings

At the July Ordinary Meeting, Council resolved to:

- Make representations to the State Government regarding the accounting treatment of Rural Fire Service assets, to acknowledge that rural firefighting equipment is vested in, under the control of, and the property of the RFS, and request the Rural Fires Act 1997 be amended to be clear that RFS assets are not council property.
- Advise the Bundarra Residents Association that Uralla Shire Council does not support the relocation of Bundarra and surrounds to Inverell Shire.
- Not pursue a policy on open burning and revoke the Backyard Burning Policy 2013.
- Lay the Uralla Courthouse refurbishment project progress report on the table pending further information required and to be presented to a future Extraordinary Council Meeting.
- Adopt the Public Spaces Legacy Program Pioneer Park and The Glen detailed designs and approve the projects proceeding to procurement and construction, subject to separate decision of Council on tree plantings following discussion with local stakeholders, and conditions of previous resolution of Council.
- Approve the submission of a grant funding application through the Fixing Country Roads Program for upgrading of 3 sections of Thunderbolts Way between Uralla and Bundarra.
- Receive the draft Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP) 2023-2032 as a base document and note additional work must be undertaken during the first half of 2022-23 financial year, namely: completion of asset management plans, organisation-wide service review, and review of adopted budget to identify further savings and revenue options.
- Place the draft Code of Meeting practice on public exhibition.
- Approach the Local Member to request a Variation to the funding deed to look at alternate water supply options.
- Amend and adopt the Open Space Strategy, and review the current state of the Digger Elks Bridge at Alma Park.
- Commit in-principle to a preference for a holistic in-house waste management service, undertake a request for tender for two new garbage collection trucks, commence discussions with neighbouring councils toward possible joint long-term shared waste services, and to prepare a holistic waste services business case.



Meeting Dates

Meetings are open to the public subject to current COVID guidelines. Agendas, business papers, minutes, and meeting webcasts are published on Council's website at uralla.nsw.gov.au/Council/Council-Meetings

Ordinary Meeting of Council
Tuesday, 23 August 2022,
4:00pm, Council Chambers.

Council Workshops and Public Forums Refer to Public Notices on the Council website for details.

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