

FEBRUARY 2019

URALLA SHIRE COUNCIL NEWSLETTER



BY-ELECTION IN WARD A – SATURDAY 16 FEBRUARY 2019

Voting for the by-election in **Ward A** will be at the Uralla Central School from 8am to 6pm. The NSW Electoral Commission is managing the by-election www.elections.nsw.gov.au. Pre-polling is open from 4 to 15 Feb - Mon to Fri 8:30am to 4:30pm. Fri 15 Feb - 8:30am to 6pm. Closed Sat and Sun.

URALLA'S AUSTRALIA DAY AWARD FOR CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

Citizen of the Year – Kevin Ward

Kevin Ward was a Councillor at the Uralla Shire Council for fourteen years, until recently when he retired due to ill health. He has lived in Uralla with his wife Sandra since the early 1970s and has been involved with many local organisations including:

- McMaugh Gardens Aged Care - committee member since its inception
- Uralla Bowling Club - 15 years as Secretary/Manager
- Armidale Harness Racing Club - Treasurer since 2011
- Through the various clubs, Kevin assisted on charity days to raise funds for Can Assist

Kevin has generously given his time and kind-heartedness to many in our community and we congratulate him on this well-deserved award.



Uralla Australia Day Ambassador, Bryce Collins and Andrew Ward, who received the Citizen of the Year award on behalf of his father ex-councillor Kevin Ward (pictured right).

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Overseer: 0427 784 982
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Report all Fires: 000
Fallen Trees and SES: 132 500

MEETING DATES 2019

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

Budget Review & Finance Committee:

The second Tuesday of the month at 12:30pm. February's meeting will be held at the Uralla Community Centre.

Uralla Township & Environs Committee

(UTEC): 12 February at McCrossin's Mill at 6:00pm.

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

MCMAUGH GARDENS NEWS



McMaugh Gardens **Pets as Therapy Program** is run every Thursday afternoon from 1:30pm to 3:00pm. The residents always look forward to Minnie and handler Jacqueline's visits, as its time spent chatting and reminiscing about memories of pets. If anyone is interested in being part of our **Pets as Therapy Program**, please contact the facility on 02 6778 5145.



Christmas at McMaugh Gardens was again an absolute delight for residents and staff alike!

WHAT'S ON IN URALLA SHIRE

Mid-February to Mid-March 2019

Fri 15 Feb Peace Run – Reception and Welcome

Sat 16 Feb Bundarra Community Markets

Sat 16 Feb Uralla Indoor Markets

Sat 16 Feb By-election for Ward A

Sat 23 Feb Uralla Indoor Markets

Tue 12 Mar McMaugh Gardens Charity Bowls Day

Check <http://www.uralla.com/> for more information on the local calendar of events and be sure to let us know if you have an event to be added via visit@uralla.com or ph **02 6778 6420**.

Uralla Library Activities

February and March 2019

Storytime - 10.30am Tuesdays

Knattering Knitters - 10am Tuesdays & 2pm Sundays

Colouring Group - 2pm Wednesdays

Book Discussion Group – 4pm Tuesday 19 February

Lego Club – Thursday 21 February

Chess & Checkers Club - 4pm Mondays during school term, commencing 4 February 2019

Tech Savvy Seniors - Technology training

This free program will assist local seniors with limited or no experience, to learn how to use technology such as computers, tablets and smart phones. Please contact Uralla Library – 6778 6470 for dates and times. **Training commences in March 2019.**

URALLA STREET STALL FEB-MAR CALENDAR

18 to 24 Feb – WIRES New England

25 Feb to 3 Mar – available to local groups

4 to 10 Mar – St Joseph's Catholic Church

11 to 17 Mar – available to local groups

18 to 24 Mar – Friends of McMaugh Gardens

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY LUNCHEON

An invitation to the annual International Women's Day Luncheon.

Date: Friday 15 March 2019

Venue: Uralla Central School Hall

Time: 12noon for 12.30pm

Cost: \$25.00 per person

RSVP: Councillor Isabel Strutt - 0424 299 614
Councillor Tara Toomey - 0434 408 163

FRIENDS OF McMAUGH'S ANNUAL CHARITY FUN BOWLS DAY

Tuesday 12 March 2019

Venue: Uralla Bowling and Recreation Club

Cost: \$20 for the day which includes lunch, afternoon tea and BBQ. The money raised is for McMaugh Gardens Aged Care Facility.

Fun Day – Open Triples – Nominate your team and dress up if you wish and single entries are welcome!

- Raffles
- Auction
- Prize for best dressed team

Commences: 12midday for lunch and registration

Everyone welcome!

Contact: Rosemary Reading on 0412 163 444

Friends of McMaughs welcome new members. If you are interested in joining a group that raises money to enhance the lives of residents at McMaugh Gardens Aged Care Centre, you will be made most welcome! We meet six times a year to discuss our fundraisers. All information, including meeting dates/times can be obtained from the following:

President	- Sue Wilkinson 02 6778 4747
Secretary	- Rosemary Reading 0412 163 444
Treasurer	- Erica Barwell 02 6778 7137

URALLA'S YOUNG CITIZEN OF THE YEAR



Rod McGrath
Kieren McGrath and
Deb McGrath

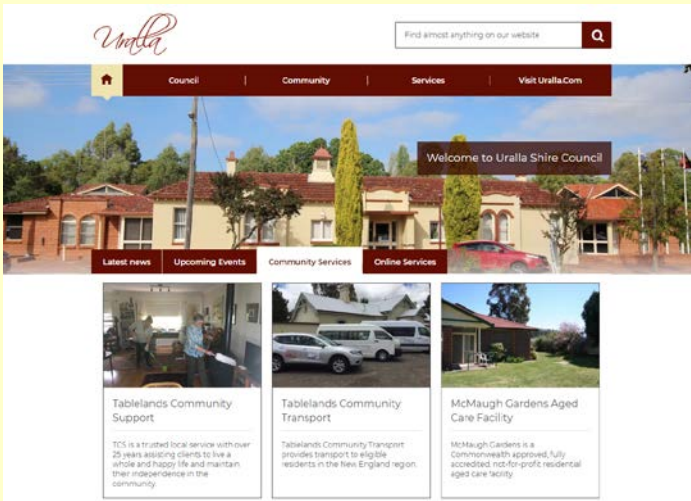
Council congratulates the Young Citizen of the Year, Kieren McGrath, who is a 22 year old Uralla man involved in the following:

- Rural Fire Service State Mitigation Service Crew member
- Equipment Officer for Kentucky Fire Brigade
- Deputy Captain of Kentucky Fire Brigade and New England Remote Area Firefighting Teams
- Volunteers on fundraising events and helps train and assess new recruits in the Armidale Fire Centre

COUNCIL'S NEW WEBSITE COMING SOON

Watch this space! Uralla Shire Council staff have been working hard on a new Council website. The site is scheduled to go online in mid to late February. We thank you for your continued patience with our current website as we prepare the new site.

Here is a sample of what the new site will look like:



URALLA LEVEL 1 WATER RESTRICTIONS

Due to dry conditions, the volume of Kentucky Creek Dam has dropped to below 74%. Uralla will commence **Level 1 water restrictions on Wednesday 6 February 2019**. Implications of Level 1 water restrictions for residents are that:

- Hand held hoses and drip irrigation systems should not be used between 10am & 5pm
- Sprinklers are permitted for a maximum of two (2) hours a day before 10am or after 5pm
- Cleaning hard surfaces with a hand held hose is not permitted at any time.
- Vehicle washing with buckets is permitted at any time.

Council staff will continue to monitor the situation and will update the community should condition change. Please contact Council on 6778 6300 should you have any questions or concerns.

WELLNESS JOURNEY

Monday 11th March 2019

Free Event

Join us in a conversation about wellness.

- What does wellness mean to you?
- How can we help to build wellness in our community?
- Come and have your say



Time: 10am – 3pm

Date: Monday 11th March 2019

Venue: Uralla Community Centre, 9 Hill St Uralla

Cost: Free – includes morning tea and lunch

Event Sponsored by: **Ascent Community Care, New England Sectors Support (NESST) and Tableland Community Support (TCS).**

For more information and registration, please phone

TCS on 6778 6350 by Friday 1 March 2019

URALLA'S NEW AUSTRALIAN CITIZENS



Congratulations and welcome goes to Uralla's new Australian Citizens:

Ousanee Leelajaruwan, Andrea Wallace, Bhagath Kishore Mateti and Sara Brown!

Back row: Mayor Michael Pearce, Adam Marshall MP, Ambassador Bryce Collins.

URALLA SHIRE BUSINESS CHAMBER GENERAL MEETING

Guest Speaker: Barnaby Joyce MP

General Meeting: 7 March 2019

Time: 5.30pm

Venue: Uralla Bowling Club

Members and Guests Welcome

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION AND COMPLYING DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATE APPROVALS / REFUSALS December 2018

Approvals:

Application No.	Applicant	Property	Development
DA-47-2018	Croft Surveying & Mapping	49 Marble Hill Road, Saumarez Ponds	Staged 3 Lot Subdivision
CDC-32-2018	Mr P & Mrs K Mitchell	109 Bilga Road, Invergowrie	Dwelling
CDC-33-2018	Mr R Jones	1401 Bundarra Road, Invergowrie	Dwelling Additions & Alterations

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.

NSW RURAL DOCTORS NETWORK – MEDICAL STUDENT’S SUCCESSFUL TWO WEEKS IN URALLA

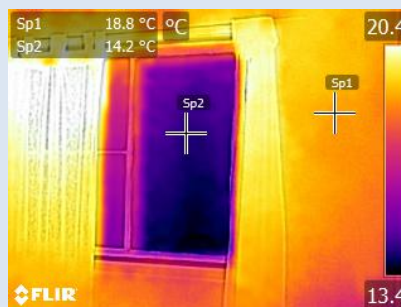
Council resolved at the 17 April 2018 meeting to support the NSW Rural Doctors Network’s Bush Bursary and CWA Scholarship Program to bring a NSW medical student to Uralla to work at the Uralla Clinic for two weeks.

Brydie Willburger, a second year medical student from Wollongong University enjoyed a successful two weeks working at the Uralla Clinic from 14 to 25 January 2019. Brydie, who resided in Uralla at a local Air B&B while she was here, also spent an important learning day at McMaugh Gardens and enjoyed a great meal at the Top Pub with a Council staff member.

Z-NET URALLA NEWS

Now we are back into the swing of things for 2019, how about organising a **Home Energy Review**? These are just as relevant to help keep your home cool in the summer as they are to keep warm in winter. It is a **free** service to any Uralla Shire resident (that includes you Bundarra). We just had a Home Energy Review with some new home owners, who recently moved to town and want to do some renovations. They now have lots of different ideas and things to consider about how best to heat their home e.g. insulation, draft proofing and window treatments. They also received extra info about Z-Net’s wonderful community groups and events.

To book your free Review you can **contact Trish** at projects@zneturalla.org.au or phone on **0411 804 627** or call in to visit **Trish** at the **Uralla Library** on **Thursdays** between 2pm-4:30 pm.



Home Energy Reviews help identify where your valuable energy \$ are being wasted - windows let the heat in during summer as well as letting the heat out in winter.

COUNCIL’S COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM NOW OPEN

Council is pleased to announce the opening of **Round 2 Community Grants Program** to groups and organisations for local projects meeting the guidelines. **Applications will be received from 1 to 28 February 2019.**

Uralla Shire Council Community Grants Program offers two types of grant category:

- 1. Groups and Organisations** - can apply for non-recurrent grants of up to \$3,000 (which may include in-kind support) to undertake projects/activities/events, or purchase items, which benefit the wider Uralla community. Two rounds of funding will be available each financial year – Round 1 in August and Round 2 in February.
- 2. Individuals** - non-recurrent grants of up to \$300 are available to residents of Uralla Shire Council to pursue achievements in their chosen area of expertise; this may include, but is not limited to, significant sports and recreation, arts and culture and academic endeavours. Applications for this grant can be submitted any time of year, at least four (4) weeks prior to the planned activity.

For further information, please refer to the Community Grants Program page on Council’s website www.uralla.nsw.gov.au.


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