

# SEPTEMBER 2018

## URALLA SHIRE COUNCIL NEWSLETTER



### 2018 FOX CONTROL PROGRAM

Council will commence fox control programs at both **Racecourse Lagoon, Uralla** and **Thomas Lagoon, Arding** from **17–20 September 2018**. These lagoons are examples of Upland Wetland environments and are listed as Endangered Ecological Communities, requiring effective management including fox control to prevent Key Threatening Processes.

The programs supplement the adjacent landholders' fox control programs, helping to maintain the ecology of the lagoon by protecting waterbirds and other wildlife from fox predation. The program uses soft-jaw leg hold traps, which are set over four consecutive days and checked each morning by an accredited contractor. Any native animals accidentally caught will be released.

Notices advising of the activity will be erected at the public entrances to the lagoon sites during the control program. While the program is being undertaken, Council requests that visitors remain in areas where grass has been mowed and the ground is clearly visible. For enquiries please contact Council's Environmental Management Coordinator on **6778 6315**.



### ACTIVITIES AT MCMAUGH GARDENS

Residents and staff celebrated Christmas in July with a White Christmas theme. Entertainment by "Strawberry Jam" was followed by a delicious roast lunch and traditional Christmas pudding.



And a visit from Paragon was a very special event. Thanks to staff member Cathy for bringing in her 8yo miniature horse, who brightened everyone's day!



### COUNCIL CONTACTS

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0488 752 520

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0424 299 614

#### Councillors

Cr Robert Bell                      Cr Bob Crouch  
Cr Mark Dusting                  Cr Natasha Ledger  
Cr Levi Sampson                  Cr Tara Toomey  
Cr Kevin Ward

#### General Manager

Mr Andrew Hopkins

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#### Council Website

[www.uralla.nsw.gov.au](http://www.uralla.nsw.gov.au)

**Tourism Website** [www.uralla.com](http://www.uralla.com)

#### Community Services Website

[www.communityservices.uralla.com](http://www.communityservices.uralla.com)

#### Bundarra Works Depot:

Ph. 02 6723 7262 or 0428 406 517

#### Emergency Contacts

#### After-Hours and Public Holidays

Overseer:                              0427 784 982  
Water / Sewer:                      0427 784 304  
Report all Fires:                    000  
Fallen Trees and SES: 132 500

### COUNCIL MEETINGS

The next scheduled Council meeting is on **Tuesday, 25 September** at 12.30pm.

The next Uralla Township & Environs Committee meeting is on **Tuesday, 11 September** at 6pm in the Council Chambers.

These meetings are open to the public. Council meeting agendas and reports can be viewed and downloaded from our website: [uralla.nsw.gov.au](http://uralla.nsw.gov.au)

## WHAT'S ON IN URALLA SHIRE September

- Wed 1 Sing for Fun. 10.00am at the Uniting Church Hall
  - Thu 2 Uralla Monthly Poultry Auction – Showgrounds
  - Sat 15 Sing for Fun. 10.00am at the United Church Hall
  - Sat 15 Bundarra Markets – Bendemeer St
  - Tue 18 Book Discussion Club – Uralla Library
  - Thu 20 Uralla Cancer Support Group – Community Centre
  - Thu 20 My Health Record – Info Session at Community Centre
  - Fri 21 Author Talk – Scrublands – 5.30pm at Library
  - Sat 22 Colour Run. 9.30am at Uralla Sporting Complex
  - Sat 29 Sing for Fun. 10.00am at the United Church Hall
  - Sat 29 Bundarra Races, 11am
- Check <http://uralla.com/events> for your local calendar of events

## CARDBOARD COLLECTION

Invoices for the commercial cardboard collection service will be issued every 2 months during the current financial year. Invoices for July and August will be issued to local businesses during September. As per the adopted 2018-2019 Fees and Charges, a weekly pick up is \$20 and twice-weekly service is \$40. In lieu of using the cardboard collection service, businesses may request an additional kerbside recycling service and bin. Cardboard can also be deposited for free at the Uralla Landfill and Community Recycling Centre. To request an additional kerbside service, please contact the Uralla Shire Council Revenue Coordinator.

## VOLUNTEERS FOR NEWSLETTER DELIVERY

Volunteers have been assisting with delivery of the newsletter to some localities not covered by mail delivery. If you can help deliver newsletters to Boorolong, Dangarsleigh or Briarbook, please contact us at **6778 6300**

**INJURED WILDLIFE?** Call Northern Tablelands Wildlife Carers - 24 hr Hotline: **1800 008 290**

Council will soon issue green waste service invoices for the current financial year. As per the adopted 2018-2019 Fees and Charges the charge for a kerbside green waste service is \$82 for the current financial year. Residents who wish to use the service for the *first time* can opt in at any time during the financial year on a pro rata basis.

## GREEN WASTE COLLECTION DATES 2018/2019



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NSW Public Holidays

Green Waste Collection Dates

The Greenwaste collection service is available as an opt-in service for residents in Uralla township *only*. To access the service residents need to purchase a bin from Council as well as paying the service fee. Please contact the Uralla Shire Council Revenue Coordinator on ph **6778 6300**.

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READ  
SHARE  
DISCUSS

A DEAD RIVER.  
A DYING TOWN.  
A KILLER'S SECRETS.

SCRUBLANDS

URALLA LIBRARY  
21 SEP 5.30PM

AUTHOR TALK

Hear author Chris Hammer talk about  
"Scrublands" at Uralla Library from 6pm,  
refreshments provided at 5.30pm.  
Bookings essential, phone 6778 6470

Collect a copy of "Scrublands" by Chris Hammer from your library. Read, share & discuss the book with other readers. Hear Chris Hammer talk at Narrabri, Tamworth and Uralla. full details at: [www.cnl.nsw.gov.au](http://www.cnl.nsw.gov.au)

follow and take part in this event by using the social media hashtag: #onebookoneregion

Z-NET NEWS

All going to schedule, by mid-September Uralla Shire residents will be in the middle of a consultation period to discuss and consider how a community benefit sharing initiative from the proposed New England Solar Farm (east of Uralla) should be designed. This is a significant opportunity for our community and Z-NET Uralla encourages Shire residents to have their say at the open Consultation Workshop on 15 September, 1pm at the Community Centre, 9 Hill St, Uralla. People can also pass on their thoughts to the locals on the Community Reference Group or via the feedback form [www.newenglandsolarfarm.com.au/community](http://www.newenglandsolarfarm.com.au/community). This consultation process is not about the commercial development itself, but is focused on how benefit sharing funds could be put to use in the community should the development proceed.



Figure 1. Community consultation works best when many local people share their innovative ideas to set an agreed direction.

PUBLIC NOTICE

At its Ordinary Meeting on Tuesday, 28 August 2018, Uralla Shire Council resolved to place the following documents on public exhibition for a period of 28 days:

- Draft Plan: Corporate Governance Improvement Action 2018
- Draft Plan: Privacy Management 2018

Both documents can be inspected at the Council Chambers and Administration Centre at 32 Salisbury Street, Uralla, or accessed from Council's website at [www.uralla.nsw.gov.au](http://www.uralla.nsw.gov.au).

Written submissions can be made to Council until 5pm on Friday, 5 October 2018. Submissions can be made by email to [council@uralla.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@uralla.nsw.gov.au) or by letter to:

The General Manager  
Uralla Shire Council  
PO Box 106  
Uralla NSW 2358

Enquiries can be directed to Council's Coordinator Governance and Risk, Mr Cian Middleton, on ph 6778 6331 or via email at [council@uralla.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@uralla.nsw.gov.au).

QUEEN STREET URALLA CARAVAN PARK

Expression of Interest – 2 Year Management Contract

Council owns and operates the Queen Street Uralla Caravan Park located at 17 Queen Street, Uralla, and is currently seeking expressions of interest for a Contract Manager for a 2 year management contract.

The park has 20-plus powered sites, and a large grassed area for informal, unpowered camp sites. Three permanent owner-occupied cabins and one permanent owner-occupied caravan are also located within the park.

The draft contract and details of the submission requirements is available on Council's website at [www.uralla.nsw.gov.au](http://www.uralla.nsw.gov.au).

The closing date for submissions is 30 September 2018.

Please contact Council on 6778 6300 for further information.



## DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION AND COMPLYING DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATE

### APPROVALS / REFUSALS July 2018

#### Approvals:

Application No.	Applicant	Property	Development
DA-78-2013-2	Mr M Batt	16A King Street, Uralla	Modification Staged 7x1 Bedroom Strata Title Units
DA-33-2018	Mr P & Mrs C Crago	55 Bendemeer Street, Bendemeer	Change of Use to Café, Gazebo, Unisex Disabled Toilet & Parking
DA-41-2018	Shed Boss (Ponz Australia Pty Ltd)	808 Bundarra Road, Saumarez Ponds	Shed
CDC-20-2018	Ms L Kirwan	29A Rowan Avenue, Uralla	Dwelling Addition - Verandah

#### Refusals:

Application No.	Applicant	Property	Development
DA-34-2018	Mr A & Mrs D Vanden Hoogen	24 McDonalds Lane, Rocky River	Wind Turbine

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.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Uralla Shire Council is publically exhibiting a Planning Proposal to reclassify two lots in Uralla from community land to operational land. This proposed amendment to the Uralla Local Environmental Plan 2012 is necessary to achieve appropriate alignment between the land uses and land classification.

The Planning Proposal is available to view at:

- Council’s website: [www.council.uralla.nsw.gov.au](http://www.council.uralla.nsw.gov.au),
- Uralla Shire Council Chambers, and
- Bundarra, Kentucky, Invergowrie and Kingstown general stores.

A community information session on the Planning Proposal will be held in Uralla Shire Council Chambers at 5:30pm Wednesday, 19 September 2018.

Written submissions on either of the proposed reclassifications can be sent to [council@uralla.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@uralla.nsw.gov.au), or PO Box 106 Uralla NSW 2358, from Friday 31 August 2018 until Friday 5 October 2018.

For further information. contact Council’s office on 6778 6300

## NEW TIPPER TRUCK FOR URALLA



Mayor Michael Pearce received the keys for a new Bogie Drive Tipper. The vehicle was purchased from JT Fossey and the truck body was manufactured by Uralla Metal.



## KEY COUNCIL ACTIONS DURING AUGUST

- Councillor strategic planning workshops were held to review the 10 year Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP).
- Regional meeting of Local Government NSW to discuss key issues relevant to local government in regional and rural areas.
- Board meeting of the New England Joint Organisation (NEJO) of Councils (Mayor Pearce is the Chairperson of the NEJO).
- Council meeting – key matters included: the redevelopment of Pioneer Park (Council is looking for your feedback about this – see pages dedicated to Pioneer Park in this newsletter) and the Uralla industrial land subdivision. Minutes from the Council meeting are available on Council’s website.
- The replacement of the Munsie Bridge deck is complete and the bridge is open to traffic. An official opening will follow in due course.

## DID YOU KNOW

- We have just celebrated the **30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the unveiling of the Thunderbolt Statue!**
- We will be celebrating the **20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Thunderbolt’s Festival** this year – don’t miss it on Saturday, 27 October!
- It is **70 years since Uralla Shire Council was established** in 1948, as a result of the merger of Municipality of Uralla with the surrounding Gostwyck Shire!
- 100 years ago, street lighting was kerosene or acetylene lights being lit by hand each night. **Electric lighting was then installed in 1918** – to six lamps!

