

# COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

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# **COUNCIL MEETINGS**

The next meeting of Council is scheduled for:

Date:

Monday, 21 January 2013

Time:

12noon

Location: Council Chambers,

32 Salisbury Street Uralla

"Have Your Say" from 1:30pm.

Council's Meeting Agendas and Reports are available for public viewing at:

Bundarra General Store Invergowrie General Store Kentucky General Store Kingstown General Store Uralla Shire Council Chambers Uralla Visitor Information Centre Uralla Public Library Council's website: www.uralla.nsw.gov.au

Local children enjoying the hot weather and learning to swim at the Uralla Shire Council Swimming Pool

(Left to right) Bree Armstrong, Oscar Armstrong, Aaliyah Bell, Hunter-Rose Armstrong and Cayden Bell.

### **NEWS**

# Australia Day - 26 January 2013

Celebrations will commence with the street procession at 11:00am then proceed to Alma Park for the remainder of the activities which include flag raising and National Anthem. address by Ambassador Noeline Brown sponsored by Woolworths, Australian Citizenship Ceremony, presentation of school children's poster competition awards and citizen and sporting awards.

The Thong Throwing competition in both adult and children sections will once again be a feature as will the jumping castle and lolly scramble.

Entertainment will be provided by the Armidale Pipe Band and the band Flashback.

Barbecue food, drinks, tea, coffee, damper. sandwiches and slice will be on sale.

The Australia Day Committee would like to acknowledge and thank our sponsors. Uralla Shire Council, Uralla Bowling Club and Uralla Rotary Club.



Noeline Brown **Media Personality Ambassador for Ageing** Uralla's Australia Day Ambassador

# **NEWS**

#### Water Restrictors

Water restrictors will now be installed at properties which are in arrears of their water billing. Exemptions will be given if the owner/occupier demonstrates health reasons for non-payment or if payment arrangements have been made with Council.

# **Christmas Lights Competition**

Congratulations to the winners of the 2012 Uralla Christmas Lights Competition:

Best Residential Display: Winner - 7 Bridge Street Runner-up - 43 Queen Street

Best Business / Commercial Display: Winner - Uralla Newsagency Runner-up - The Sweet Place

Most Creative Display: Winner - 7 Bridge Street Runner-up - 4 Duke Street

For the 2012 Competition all homes and businesses were automatically entered and the community was given the opportunity to vote for their favourite displays. One voting entry was allowed per household, with Margi Moore the recipient of the voting prize draw.

Uralla Development Association and the Uralla Shire Council thanks all participants and sponsors for their contribution to the Christmas spirit in Uralla.

### Uralla RSL Sub-Branch AGM 2013

The Uralla Sub-Branch will hold their AGM for 2013 on Friday, 1 February at the meeting room of the Uralla Literary Institute, commencing at 10:00am. All welcome.

P McCarthy Hon. Secretary Uralla RSL Sub-Branch

#### **NEWS**

#### 2013 Street Stall Allocations

A rent-free store is made available as Council's contribution to local Community organisations.

During the months of January and February 2013, the following organisations will be holding local Community Stalls:

- Uralla Show Society week ending 13/1/13
- Australia Day Committee week ending 20/1/13
- Lodge of Peace week ending 10/2/13
- Uralla Netball week ending 17/2/13
- WIRES week ending 24/2/13

#### Bundarra Alcohol-Free Zone

Council is currently accepting submissions to a proposal for a Bundarra Alcohol Free Zone from Bendemeer Street (Anglican Church) to the Bundarra Sport and Recreation Club, and Court Street from the Bundarra Showground to east Court Street.

All submissions, in writing, will be considered prior to a final determination. Submissions should be addressed to the General Manager and are due 1 February 2013. Should Council agree to this proposal the zone would be in force for three years.

#### **Pool and Spa Barriers**

Pool and spa owners are reminded that pool barriers must meet the requirements of the Swimming Pool Act & Regulation.

A Swimming Pool Laws Brochure and Home Swimming Pool Safety Checklist can be found on the Department of Local Government website at www.dlg.nsw.gov.au.

The NSW Department of Fair Trading has a spa pools safety guide available at www.fairtrading.nsw.gov.au.

For more information contact Council's Technical Services Department on 6778 6314.

#### Australia Day Holiday

The Office of the Uralla Shire Council will be closed for the Australia Day Holiday, 28 January 2013.

## Resolutions of Council

The Minutes of Council Meetings are available upon request from Council's Administration Centre, the Uralla Public Library, General Stores at Bundarra, Invergowrie, Kentucky and Kingstown, and also online at <a href="https://www.uralla.nsw.gov.au">www.uralla.nsw.gov.au</a> - click on: Your Council / Council Documents / Minutes.

#### DIARY

### Council Meeting Dates for 2013

21 January

22 April

22 July

28 October

25 February

27 May

26 August

25 November

25 March

24 June

23 September

16 December

## Kingstown Public Meeting

The future management of the Kingstown Landfill will be discussed at a public meeting to be held at the Kingstown Hall on Tuesday, 5 February 2013 at 7:30pm. A report which recommends the creation of a transfer station was reviewed and adopted at the Ordinary Council Meeting of 17 December 2012. The report is available to view at the office of the Uralla Shire Council or the Kingstown General Store. For more information please contact Kath Little, USC, on 6778 6315 or email klittle@uralla.nsw.gov.au

## COUNCIL SPOTLIGHT

# **Uralla Swimming Pool**

With summer well underway, Uralla residents can cool down at the local pool which is open seven days-a-week. Pool Manager, Mr Martin Williams, says there are a range of activities offered through the warmer months including:

Learn to Swim programs—from 7 to 17 January 2013

· weekly group swimming lessons for all ages

· morning and evening lap swimming

youth fun days with a DJ

Residents and visitors can take advantage of the BBQ facilities and picnic tables for a fun, family day out.

# **Pool Hours**

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri: 6:00am - 8:00am and 12noon - 6:00pm. Wed: 6:00am - 8:00am and 12noon - 5:00pm.

Sat/Sun: 12noon - 6:00pm.

Manager: Martin Williams

The pool season closes on 15 March 2013. For more information about pool activities please contact pool management on 6778 4413. Entry to the pool is just \$2.

## **APPLICATIONS**

#### Development Application and Complying Development Certificate Approvals / Refusals November 2012

### Approvals:

Application No.	Applicant	Property	Development
DA-39-2012	Ms L Apthorpe	75 Hariet Gully Road, Kellys Plains	Farmstay Accommodation
DA-40-2012	Mr A & Mrs L Valente	13 Wilkens Street, Uralla	Dual Occupancy Building
DA-44-2012	Mr S & Mrs L Collins	5341 Thunderbolts Way, Abington	Rural Worker's Cottage
CDC-42-2012	Natural Matters Design	Lot 159 Goodes Road, Rocky River	Dwelling and Garage
CDC-43-2012	Sekisui House Services (NSW) Pty Ltd	83 Bridge Street, Uralla	Dwelling
CDC-44-2012	Owen, Fiveash & Partners	39 McCrossin Street, Uralla	Dwelling
CDC-45-2012	Mr B Taylor	2 Fitzroy Street, Uralla	Additions to Dwelling
CDC-46-2012	Mr G Brown & Ms G Shee- han	37 Wallinga Road, Invergowrie	Rural Shed
CDC-47-2012	Mr T & Mrs R Brooks	6 Hunter Place, Uralla	Dwelling
CDC-48-2012	Mr L & Mrs L Ward	42 Queen Street, Uralla	Patio Cover

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, 32 Salisbury Street Uralla.

# **Uralla Heritage Study Stage 2**

Report by Susan Jackson-Stepowski, Heritage Planning Consultant

The gazettal of the Uralla Local Environmental Plan 2012 (LEP) in March 2012 resulted in the loss of higher order protection of the Uralla and Bundarra commercial heritage precincts; hence the NSW Department of Planning & Infrastructure provided financial assistance under the Planning Acceleration Local Environmental Plan Fund for the completion of a heritage review.

The last Uralla Heritage Study was undertaken in 1987. Since that time, what is covered by a heritage study has progressed considerably. A heritage item is defined in the standard instrument dictionary as 'a building, work, place, relic, tree, object or archaeological site', and heritage significance means 'historical, scientific, cultural, social, archaeological, architectural, natural or aesthetic value'.

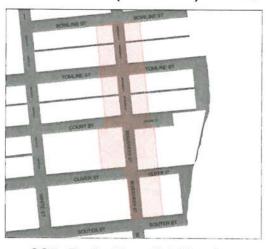
In 2009 Council commissioned Stage 1 for a draft Historic Context Report. It looked at the historic themes for Uralla Shire, including; physical environment; pre contact period; European exploration and occupation 1818-1850; transport and communication; towns and localities, mining and Thunderbolt; closer settlement; and 20<sup>th</sup> century developments.

Stage 2 has included the preparation of a heritage inventory. This included a review of the LEP, and of previous studies. It excluded Aboriginal heritage and the Rocky River Goldmining precinct. Separate studies will be undertaken for these at a future date.

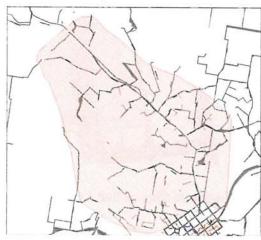
There were 88 places excluded that were identified in previous studies. There are 273 proposed items listed for consideration by Council for inclusion. This includes the current

62 items already listed in the LEP. Also recommended is an extension and an exclusion to the Uralla Commercial Heritage precinct, and 3 new conservation precincts. The existing 4 heritage precincts are:

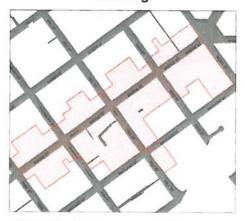
CO1 - Bundarra (commercial) Precinct



CO2 - Rocky River Gold Precinct



CO3 - Uralla (commercial) Precinct Existing



CO3 - Uralla (commercial) Precinct Proposed Alterations

#### Extension







All affected owners will be notified individually, with a copy of the inventory that has been prepared for their property. Council is asking for written submissions until Monday 4 February 2013. For further information, please contact Council's Technical Service Department on 67786314.

# **Uralla Heritage Study Stage 2**

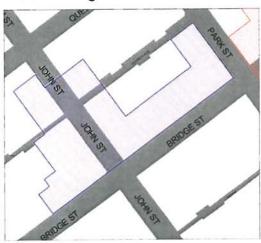
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# CO4 - Wollun Village Precinct (Existing)

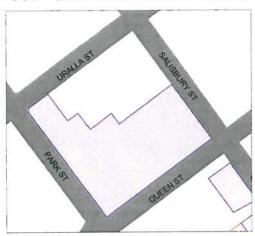


There are 3 new heritage precincts proposed.

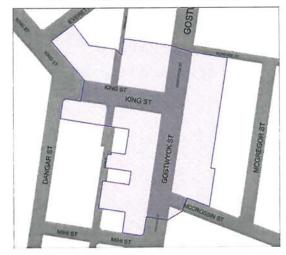
# CO5 - Bridge Street South Precinct



CO6 - Queen & Park Streets Precinct



CO7 - Gostwyck Street Precinct



Heritage consultant Susan Jackson-Stepowski, states in her report to Council that "Uralla, the town and the Shire, are scenically very attractive and retains a strong 'sense of place'.... Whilst Thunderbolt is a basis for tourism, this 'theme' provides an anchor from which other 'stories' can be told. One is the colours and forms of the wider landscape; the granite boulders and sinuous road routes...... Exotics trees are a feature of the historic context of Uralla Shire.

A key aspect as to why Uralla is so appealing is the modest scale of Uralla residential buildings that provide a collective cohesion in the urban streetscapes.... Buildings do not dominate the wider geophysical landscape or key views and vistas in Uralla town, such as to Mt Beef and Mt Mutton. Their historic importance to the layout of the wide streets and to certain key sites, remain. It is easy and inviting to walk around Uralla town streets ...and its buildings do not suffer the neglect or destruction of period buildings that typify some towns in the New England region. This demonstrates that the Uralla community has embraced its period with and adapted these buildings sympathetic alterations and additions."

Further information can be found at Council's website;-www.uralla.nsw.gov.au

Or by contacting Council's Technical Services Department or by making an appointment with Council's Manager of Planning, Libby Cumming by telephoning 67786314.

At Council's Ordinary meeting on 17 December 2012, it resolved to advertise the draft heritage study for public submissions during the period Monday 7 January 2013 until Monday 4 February 2013 and to advise all affected owners individually.

Written submissions will be received by the General Manager until close of business Monday 4 February 2013.