

# MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



May 2023

## Mayor's Message

I had the pleasure of celebrating Youth Week 2023, at the Mayor's Youth Forum held at the Uralla Shire Council Chambers on 27 April 2023. A special thank you to Debby Herdegen Regional Youth Community Coordinator Department of Regional NSW, Gemma Moore Project Officer, Department of Regional NSW and Katie Barnett from the Regional Youth Taskforce for their contribution to the forum this year.

I love the contribution we gain from our students during these forums and continue to be proud of their business acumen, awareness and understanding of current issues. Their ideas for the future will no doubt make the Shire a better place.



School representatives celebrate the Mayor's Forum with a large chocolate cake (GF)



Uralla Shire School representatives at the Mayors Youth Week Forum with Councillors

The dawn services this year seemed to be a special time with over 100 people attending. The march for the 11am service, along with the dawn service was proudly organised by Uralla RSL Sub-Branch President Russ French. A record number of veterans, family members, cadets and community groups attended with the Rotary Club catering to a large crowd after the service. Well done Uralla we couldn't be more proud.

**Mayor, Robert Bell**



Anzac Day march on Bridge Street



## Elders Olympics

The “Tableland Toppers” team of Aboriginal Elders from Armidale, Uralla and Walcha travelled to Port Stephens on 2 May to participate in the 2023 Annual Elders Olympics hosted by the Worimi nation at the Tomaree Sports Complex. The main event was held on 4 May and was attended by Aboriginal Elders from more than 25 NSW nations. Thank you to the teams at Healthwise, Edwards Coaches, The Primary Health Network, Hunter New England Health, Tablelands Community Transport, Tablelands Community Support and the Uralla Community Neighbourhood Centre for their assistance this year. The 2024 Elders Olympics will be held in Kempsey.



Community Neighbourhood Centre, New England Family Support Service, and The Kentucky Native Tree Nursery for their assistance in delivering Youth Week activities this year.



## STREET STORE SCHEDULE

Located at 60 Bridge St, Uralla

9 May 4 June

Uralla Neighbourhood Centre Inc

5 11 June

ZNET Uralla Inc

12-18 June

Uralla District Show Society

## YOUTH WEEK 2023

During Youth Week 2023, youth from the Uralla Shire participated in activities including a BBQ at Bundarra multipurpose courts, a glow in the dark themed disco, bubble soccer, a family fun day and the Mayor’s Youth Forum held at the Uralla Shire Council Chambers.

We would like to thank the CWA, Beca Bakes, The Uralla Showground, The Uralla Neighbourhood Centre, the Uralla Library, Jacko's Jukebox, The Uralla



Surveys were completed at the youth week activities and these provided some fantastic ideas to help benefit the youth of Uralla Shire in the future.

## Mayor’s visit to Bundarra Central School

On Wednesday 17 May the Mayor visited Bundarra Central School to attend the whole school assembly. A group of students from Bundarra Central School recently represented their school at Wingham Beef Week and the Primary Leadership team attended the Grip Leadership Conference in Armidale on Tuesday 16 May.

The Bundarra community is rightfully proud of the wonderful group of emerging young adults, congratulations Bundarra.





## What's on at the Uralla Library

Call into the library and meet our new librarian Amanda

Did you know that Uralla Library members can access a number of free resources online?

**Ancestry Library Edition** Search for your family history using this database of genealogical information including census, vital, church, court, and immigration records from Australia, The United States, UK and other countries.

**Borrowbox** Thousands of eBook and eAudio titles directly through a computer, ereader, tablet or smartphone anywhere, anytime. Includes best-selling & popular fiction, classics, biographies and lots of fun and interesting topics.

**Storytime Online** Story Box Library is an educational website, created for children to view stories by local authors and illustrators, being read aloud by fantastic, predominantly Australian and New Zealand, storytellers.

**Kanopy** Movie Streaming  
Thousands of movie titles are available including Australian and International films.

**RB Digital** Free eMagazines, eAudiobooks and eBooks. An amazing digital collection of over 80 magazine titles and more than 1,000 audiobooks. Read and listen when and where you like!

**Encyclopaedia Britannica** Offers easy searching across three levels: kids, teens and adults. A great resource for school assignments.

**National Geographic** Browse this cross-searchable platform for research insight from journalism's most trusted name in exploration and discovery.

**Haynes Manuals AllAccess**  
Haynes world famous library of repair manuals online and at your fingertips in an instant.

For help accessing these resources please get in touch with our library team on 6778 6470. Not a member? That's not a problem! It's free to join so give us a call and we can sign you up over the phone.

### Uralla Library Hours:

Sunday	Closed
Monday	1pm-5pm
Tuesday	10am-4pm
Wednesday	1pm-5pm
Thursday	1pm-5pm
Friday	9:30am-12pm -> 1pm-4:30pm
Saturday	9:30am-12pm -> 1pm-4:30pm

**Book Discussion Group** – 2pm,  
Third Monday of the month  
**Children's Storytime** – 10.30 am  
Tuesdays  
**Craft Catch Up & Knattering  
Knitters** – 10am Saturdays

## SLIP INTO SUSTAINABILITY

On 15 April 'Slip into Sustainability' afternoons began. Held on the third Saturday of each month these sessions provide an opportunity for the community to come together to chat, meet others interested in sustainability, observe and participate in learning new skills to fix, repair, upcycle, mend and grow food. There will always be sewing advice and help available plus machines to use; advice and help on repairing and fixing 'stuff', catch up on what folks are doing in their gardens as well as what you can do in your home to lower your energy bills and minimise waste! Plus... a special extra activity each month. So come along, feel free to bring a project or just come, 'get amongst it' and have a cuppa! See you at the next Slip Into Sustainability afternoon on;

June 17 at 12 pm -4pm, Uniting Church Hall cnr Maitland and Hill St.

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Megan Robinson putting a new cover on a doona



Carol Shantal learning the finer points of chainsaw maintenance from Peter Rasmussen



# CIVIL WORKS

## Upcoming & Ongoing over next quarter

- Sealed road pothole patching on regional and local roads
- Continuing cycle of unsealed rural road maintenance grading.
- Roadside mowing in Uralla and Bundarra
- Construction of footpath Plane Avenue Uralla
- Concrete causeway at Danehurst Road
- Kerb and Gutter installation in Roman Street, Uralla
- Gostwyck Road reconstruction – Dog Trap road to Gostwyck Station ramp
- Thunderbolts Way repair at Tarana Hill, Fairview and Two Mile Creek



Thunderbolts Way North of Lone Pine Bridge Bundarra



Dog Trap Road

## Catch up on your Council Meetings

### The Ordinary Meetings

#### In April council resolved to:

- Place the Draft Kerb, Gutter and Footpath Paving Policy on public exhibition.
- Terminate landfilling operations at the Bundarra Waste Management Facility upon reaching capacity and to hire shallow hook bins for the temporary collection to ensure continuation of service.
- Accept the offer from Campbells Fuel Services Inverell for the provision of fuel.
- Accept the offer from Valvoline for lubricant supplies.

#### In May Council resolved to:

- Express Council's strong opposition to the NSW Government's last minute decision to impose an enormous Emergency Services Levy, noting consequences of the unannounced 73% increase significantly erode the 3.7% increase that was to provide essential community services and infrastructure.
- Further progress the Draft Tree Management Policy for Council- Managed Land 2023.
- Uralla Shire Schools will be exempt from fees and charges for the use of Uralla Sporting Complex.
- Award contract to Stabilcorp for \$223,300.00 (GST incl) to provide pavement stabilisation for the Gostwyck Road Project

### 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](http://uralla.nsw.gov.au/Council/Council-Meetings)

### Ordinary Meeting of Council

Tuesday, 20 June 2023, 4:00pm Council Chambers

### Council Workshops and Public Forums

Refer to Public Notices on the Council website for details

## Your Councillors



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