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CALLING AUSTRALIA HOME



In the first of two Australian Citizens Ceremonies held recently across the Council area, Tumblong resident Anne Bayford, took the Pledge and was presented with her Citizenship Certificate by Mayor Cr Abb McAlister. Ms Bayford was gifted with an Australian Native plant at the small ceremony held in the Council Chambers at Gundagai. Anne came to Australia in 2008, after spending five years in Zurich Switzerland. Born in the United Kingdom, Anne made her home in Tumblong after spending a few years travelling and living around the country. The second ceremony took place in the Meeting Room at Cootamundra. Cootamundra resident Cho Thae Win Cohen, who was accompanied by her delightful family, husband Danny and three children, Ester, Benjamin and Daniel, also took the pledge. Mrs Cohen was born in Burma, she met her husband Danny in Cambodia where they both were teaching. In 2009 Win and Danny came to Canberra and after six months in the nation's capital, they made the move to Cootamundra.





KIM HODGES "GIRL OVER THE EDGE"

A must for anyone who has struggled with anxiety or depression

Gundagai: Fri July 6, 3pm Coota: Thurs July 26, 2pm



Thursday 19 July 2.30pm-3.30pm

Cost: \$5.00 for adults and children

Ladies and gentle stems, bulbs and girls, it's thyme to SHAKE YOUR STEMS, DO THE JUMPING BEAN and TWIST AND SPROUT with the freshest bunch in town!!!

These award winning musicians are on a radical mission — to get kids to fall in love

Join Coder Academy for a FREE Introduction to Makerspace PD designed to highlight the joint STEAM project alongside Matriark Theatre Company

The future is here and teachers need to be comfortable facilitating classes that include STEAM skills! Tinkering and making are vital activities to teach computational thinking, problem solving, and team collaboration.

Join our expert team of educators as we help K-10 teachers learn how to engage their students and make their subjects better to teach with electronics, robotics and virtual reality. You will be set a few mini projects to develop, targeted to the age group(s) and subject that you teach.

Use the most up to date technology including Sphero, Cozmo, 3D Art, Circuits, Mixed reality and more...

3rd July Makerspace for K-6 - How to introduce the Maker Mindset with the new Science and Technology syllabus

4th July Makerspace for Yrs 7-10-Making and Designing for DT/TAS/Art and Technology teachers

Where Cootamundra Arts Centre - 18-20 Wallendoon St, Cootamundra

Cost This is a free event funded by the NSW Department of Education

Book now at http://bit.ly/cootamundra















Work is nearing completion on the Burley Griffin Way upgrade through Stockinbingal. The last section of pavement is currently being trimmed with the expectation it will be sealed in the next week. The parking area into the rest area and old Railway Station will be sealed at the same time. The replacement of guard

rails is nearing completion with only some minor delineation required on the new section. Final delineation and line marking will be completed by early July. Again council wishes to thank residents for their patience and co-operation during the works. Stabilising work are complete on Muttama Road. Final line marking and delineation is due to be completed in the coming weeks. Maintenance grading is now underway on gravel roads in the Coolac and Jugiong areas. Crews will continue to other gravel roads in these areas over the coming weeks. Bitumen shire road maintenance including patching is being undertaken on roads around the shire area as required. Work is progressing on the



construction of Rathmells Lane. Crews are currently shaping table drains and the subgrade pavement. The next stage will see road base material brought in and compacted to form the base layer. A section of kerb has been replaced in Ursula Street between Hurley Street and Southee Circle. This section of kerb was prioritised for repairs due to deterioration and lifting from tree roots. Concrete crews have been repairing sections of damaged footpath in the Gundagai township. Drainage culverts have been installed in Pinkerton Road near the railway line. This work was undertaken to improve the stormwater flow in the area. Finalisation of the stormwater pits at each end of these culverts is scheduled by end June. Culvert works are underway on Beggan Beggan Road to address damage caused by the 2016 flood event. Additional culverts are being installed to increase the flow of water under the road.

HERITAGE FOCUS FOR WALLENDBEEN



Council has been successful in achieving a grant of \$95,000 for a three stage project that will see the revitalisation of the Wallendbeen Heritage Conservation Area along a military service theme. The project aims to increase community pride in local heritage and increase visitor numbers to the village. The project was assisted by the NSW Government through the Heritage Near Me program. The project is the result of extensive consultation between CGRC and the Wallendbeen community. In 2017 Council initiated community consultation to create the Wallendbeen Village Strategy. This strategy recommends changes to land use within Wallendbeen to encourage economic development and a wide range of infrastructure improvements. The Wallendbeen military service theme originates with locally raised Major General Kenneth MacKay who formed the First Australian Horse unit. The Wallendbeen community honoured their servicemen and women in several ways with the construction of a cenotaph at the junction of Lackey and King Streets and construction of the Wallendbeen Memorial Hall and supper rooms. A strategic heritage study of Wallendbeen will be developed. An "Avenue of Honour" will

be established in King Street allowing improved access to the Cenotaph. The project also includes creating content for the Heritage Near Me web app for six locally listed heritage items in Wallendbeen. This project component will connect communities with their heritage through engaging stories available on a widely accessible digital platform. Overall the projects will celebrate the unique history of Wallendbeen, conserve and restore heritage items, encourage visitors to spend time in the village and generate community pride.

THREE-WAYS BRIDGE OPENS TO TRAFFIC



The Three-Ways Bridge on the Adjungbilly Road was reopened to traffic on 17 May. The bridge has been undergoing works since April, with road diversions in place. The old bridge had been under load limit restriction for an extended period due to structural concerns. The new bridge was fabricated off site, and assembled at the Three-ways site. Council was able to reuse the original bridge deck as this was determined to be satisfactory resulting in savings to the overall project. Final works to install new guard rail on

the bridge approaches are expected to be completed shortly. The work has been funded from Roads to Recovery funding, and will now allow heavy vehicles to once again use this route.

SCCF—VILLAGE PLAYGROUND PROJECTS

Council is in the final stages of planning for the Villages Playground/Fitness Infrastructure Projects that were funded through Round One of the Stronger Country Communities Fund.

Meetings will be held to select final design options, as follows:

Wallendbeen Hall – 4pm Tuesday 26th of June (Meeting to be held at the Wallendbeen Hotel)

Workshops to help local businesses prosper.

FOOTPATH / PAVER REPAIRS

Weather permitting, footpath paver repairs

will commence in Cootamundra.

There will be limited access to these locations

for approximately 4 days

Apologies for the inconvenience.

Monday 2 July 2018 - Patchwork on

Parker and The Base

Monday 9 July 2018 - The Globe Hotel

CGRC and the Riverina Business Enterprise Centre have partnered up to offer two workshops for local businesses on How to Excel in Sales and Customer Service. The workshops will be held in Cootamundra and Gundagai in July. This opportunity will enable small businesses owners in the region to learn what is needed through eight simple steps on how to sell to anyone.

Attendees can expect to learn:



- * How to achieve a positive outcome for business and customer.
- * The eight steps to sales success!
- * What excellent customer service is and how to succeed in it.

 To register please visit http://becadvice.com.au/workshops
 Riverina BEC offer free business advice, grant writing assistance and business development workshops. Their Wagga Wagga office can be

contacted on 02 6925 6588 or bus.support@becadvice.com.au. Business Connect is a state government program to support small businesses.

Cootamundra workshop will be held Tuesday 10th July 2018 from 6pm-7:30pm in the Stephen Ward Rooms. Gundagai businesses can attend Thursday 19th July 2018 from 6pm-7:30pm in the Council Chambers at Gundagai. Cost is \$25.00 per person.

WATER AND SEWER RATES NOTICES

Sunday Markets

8 July 9am-6pm

BBQ and raffle.

Contact 69423638

Stall holders welcome.

Fisher Park,

Council wishes to remind ratepayers that the Water & Sewer accounts issued for the period ended 31 May are due for payment Monday 25 June 2018. Payment options are noted on the back of your notice, alternatively can be found on Council's website. If you have any queries regarding your account, please don't hesitate to contact Council's Revenue staff.

<u>ESSENTIAL ENERGY POWER OUTAGE</u> – Sunday 5 August 2018 from 9am – 5pm the Cootamundra Pool will be closed due to a planned power outage by Essential Energy in the Murray / Bourke Street area. Any inconvenience is regretted.



THE ARTS CENTRE COOTAMUNDRA

Your Libraries are dedicated to the health of the environment. From 30 June 2018 we will no longer be handing out plastic bags for patrons to carry books. We encourage you to bring your own bag of purchase one of our snazzy reusable bags for \$2.



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