



## FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT – WINDFALL FOR LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

Member for Cootamundra Ms Steph Cooke MP announced a further \$2.7 million in funding will be injected into our community. Council secured the NSW Government funding under the Stronger Country Communities Fund for upgrades to sporting and community facilities within the Council area. 27 projects to the value of \$2,782,938 will be completed over the next two years. Gundagai Pony Club, Cootamundra Arts Centre, Cootamundra Blues AFL Club and Muttama Hall are just a few of the major projects valued over \$100,000 each. The villages of Wallendbeen, Stockinbingal and Tumblong have received grants to upgrade sporting and community facilities. Council will be in touch with all successful groups in the coming weeks.

## 2018-2019 RATES INSTALMENT

Ratepayers are reminded the 2nd instalment of 2018/2019 Rates is due for payment by 30/11/2018. Payment options are outlined on the Instalment Notices issued in October. Should you be experiencing difficulty in paying Council Rates and charges by the due date, please contact Council's Rates Department to discuss arrangements for payment. Many ratepayers are taking advantage of Council's direct debit facility for payment of rates, and water & sewer charges. Direct debit payments can be made weekly, fortnightly or monthly to assist with household budgeting. Please contact Council if you wish to discuss the direct debit facility further. Council's Water & Sewer team are currently reading water meters for the next Water & Sewer accounts, to be issued the end of November. Property owners are reminded clear access to the water meter must be available to Council officers. The area must not be locked up and must be kept free of vegetation or other material. Animals that may inhibit access to the meter must be secured away from the area.



Movie Night – Free Entry

## Safe Haven

By Nicholas Sparks  
Rated M

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2018

The Arts Centre Cootamundra

**TACC** 7pm

I will Stand up, Speak Out and Act to  
prevent domestic violence



## Fabric Stars

Cootamundra Library

Friday 30 November  
2.00pm-4.00pm

COST: \$5.00

## CELEBRATIONS HONOUR GRANDPARENTS

Council hosted events recently to celebrate 2018 Grandparents Day. A picnic celebration was held at Cootamundra Nursing Home, where residents, family members and children gathered to enjoy the sunny afternoon with balloons, party food and storytelling. Gundagai's Carberry Park held a Fun in the Park afternoon, with storytelling, games, jumping castle and clowns, followed by a family movie in the park and a Beeswax Food Wrap workshop. There were plenty of laughs and interesting stories told on what it means to be a grandparent and what grandparents mean to the younger generations. NSW Grandparents Day is presented by the Department of Family and Community Services



**MIRABOOKA CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY** ~ Monday 10 December 10.00am. Storytime, paint n play, craft and singing for everyone! Please book in as Santa will bring a gift for everyone.



The draft **Gundagai Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan** is on Public Exhibition. Comment is invited until 5pm 29 November 2018. Documents are available from Councils website or offices

## RURAL LANDS STRATEGY COMMUNITY CONSULTATION SESSIONS

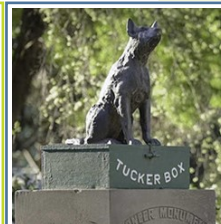
Council will be holding community consultation sessions in regard to the Rural Lands Strategy to foster discussion in relation to all aspects of Strategy. Session times are as follows: Cootamundra – Alby Schultz Centre - Tuesday 13 November, 2018 - 3pm and 6pm; Gundagai – Council Chambers - Tuesday 20 November, 2018 - 3pm and 6pm. Everyone welcome. Contact Council for further information.

## BRADMAN BIRTHPLACE MUSEUM

A new range of locally focused merchandise has arrived at Bradman Birthplace, 89 Adams Street, Cootamundra. Looking to purchase that perfect Christmas Gift? Drop into the cottage and one of the dedicated volunteers will be happy to help.



**PROPOSED WEST/SHERIDAN STREET INTERSECTION:** Gundagai residents wishing to make comment on the proposed changes to the intersection at Sheridan and West Streets in Gundagai are still encouraged and have time to do so. Council has recently exhibited plans for proposed improvements to the intersection of Sheridan and West Streets in Gundagai. These plans are on display at the Council offices 255 Sheridan Street Gundagai. The plans aim to address traffic safety, speed related issues, and cater for large vehicle turning movements (including B Doubles). The plan will attempt to reduce vehicle speed close to the intersection by lane width reduction (A RMS Gateway approach). The plan will also incorporate landscape features as a continuation of the Main Street Entry Enhancement. At the last meeting of Council held on Tuesday 30 October, Council discussed various resident concerns, particularly related to the loss of some residential on-street parking spots. CGRC officers have been committed to taking on board those concerns, and refining the design if appropriate. Any resident who may have direct concerns please phone Project Engineer Tim Morris 0427273169 to discuss. Written submissions will still be accepted.



Council is seeking Expressions of Interest (EOI) for the development and enhancement of the famous national icon **"THE DOG ON THE TUCKERBOX"** monument and surrounds at Gundagai NSW.

EOI documents can be found at <http://www.cgrc.nsw.gov.au/news-and-media/tenders-and-quotations/> or by contacting Council.

EOI Closes 7 December 2018



## OPERATIONS REPORT

**Civil Works Section**—Maintenance grading will continue over the next few weeks on roads in the Wallendbeen and Cullinga areas. Gundagai crews will be working in the Muttama area. Work is continuing on the rehabilitation of a section of the Old Hume Highway. This work involves the reconstruction of the existing pavement. The first stage of the works have now been sealed with progression towards the next stage moving along well. Bitumen shire road maintenance including roadside weed spraying has continued around the shire areas. Footpath replacement works are continuing in Cootamundra with work on the Cooper Street footpath adjacent to the Public School about to recommence in the next week. Work on the Byron Street footpath in Gundagai is now complete with the crew now working on the footpath in Virgil Street. The Cootamundra water main replacement works are well underway with work initially taking place on the balancing main between the two reservoirs. So far they have progressed from reservoir 1 down Florence Street to Gundagai Road. Works are also underway along Hurley Street. Works are nearing completion on the Yass Road shoulder widenings to cater for the new fuel depot. The current works are being conducted on the shoulders along the Barnes Street side and a section between Blackie's Power Equipment and the new fuel depot has now been sealed. The final section from Barnes Street down past the old service station will be undertaken over the next two weeks. While these works are underway, motorists are asked to abide by the traffic control measures and speed restrictions which are in place. Interflow are currently undertaking more sewer mains lining in the Cootamundra Township. Residents will be advised when they are working in those areas. Council's resealing contractor, Boral, is expected to commence resealing in the Gundagai area in the next couple of weeks.

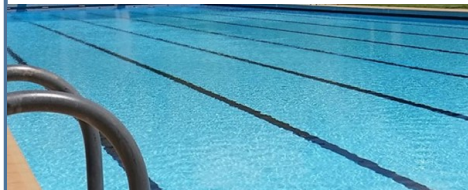
**Parks & Recreation**—Staff completed the usual daily jobs involving CBD Street sweeping, litter removal, mowing, whipper snipping, edging, hand weeding, cleaning barbecues, tree maintenance and actioning on customer requests. Spraying of broadleaf weeds has been carried out on various sporting grounds around Cootamundra. The fields sprayed to date are Albert Park, Mitchell Park, Bradman Oval and Clarke Oval. Staff have also line marked sporting ovals for the beginning of the touch football season. Staff have also freshened up the Pioneer Park entrance with repainting of the entry sign. Carberry Park garden beds have been planted with some extra colour. Street tree watering has been taking place due to the dry weather adding some much needed moisture to the ground. Gundagai park furniture has been repainted freshening up the areas for summer. The main street furniture has also received a fresh coat of stain as well as the stainless steel handrails being cleaned and polished. The new retaining wall is nearing completion with preparations being made for the installation of an irrigation system in readiness for a new hedge. Maintenance works are nearing completion at the Cootamundra Swimming Pool as the summer swim season approaches. The pools have been filled and final checks are taking place.



### SWIMMING POOL NEWS

**Gundagai**— Monday 29 October 2018 to Sunday 24 February 2019; 11.30am to 6pm.  
Early swim sessions Monday, Wednesday, Friday 6.30am to 8am to commence November through to end February.

**Cootamundra**—Saturday 17 November 2018 to Sunday 10 March 2019; Monday to Friday 6:30am to 8:00am / 9:30am to 7:00pm;  
Weekends & Public Holidays – 10:30am to 6:30pm. Water Safety Day will be held at the Cootamundra Pool on Thursday, 15 November 2018. The facility will be closed to the public on this day to allow the training to take place.



### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Cootamundra Tourism Action Committee Section

**355 Committee** Interested community members are cordially invited to attend the Annual General Meeting of the Cootamundra Tourism Action s.355 Committee to nominate the executive positions for the term of one (1) year. The meeting is to be held at the Stephen Ward Rooms Cootamundra, on Thursday 15 November 2018 commencing at 4pm.

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Muttama Hall Management Committee Section 355

**Committee** Interested community members are cordially invited to attend the Annual General Meeting of the Muttama Hall Management s.355 Committee to nominate the executive positions for the term of one (1) year. The meeting is to be held at the Muttama Hall, on Wednesday 28th November 2018 commencing at 6:30pm.



25 November 2018  
Enjoy the relaxed country market atmosphere from  
**9am – 12noon**  
Contact VIC  
69440250

### WALLENDBEEN HERITAGE STUDY & KING STREET REVITALISATION PLAN

In June 2018 Council was awarded a grant for the Wallendbeen Heritage Study and King Street Revitalisation Plan. Following a period of expression of interest Council has engaged NGH Environmental as heritage consultants to produce a Strategic Heritage Study for Wallendbeen- the first milestone of the Heritage Near Me project. Council is seeking correspondence from community members who have local knowledge and historical information in relation to the village of Wallendbeen. Special emphasis is placed on military history of Wallendbeen Township and community. Information can be sent to the General Manager by post to Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council, PO Box 420, Cootamundra NSW 2590, delivered to Council's offices at Cootamundra or Gundagai or by email to mail@cgrc.nsw.gov.au

### THROW A LINE IN AT MORLEYS CREEK FISHING PLATFORM

Students from Bongongo Public School participated in a Get Hooked... It's Fun to Fish clinic on the new fishing platform at Morleys Creek, Gundagai. The clinic was implemented by NSW Fisheries. The fishing platform was constructed by CGRC with funding from a grant from the NSW Government Department of Industries, Recreational Fishing Trust. The Get Hooked... It's Fun to Fish program is made up of six teaching modules which form a Junior Fishing Code and are derived from the National Code principles. The 6 metre long pier on the Morleys Creek can be used by recreational anglers and those who teach children and others to fish. The flat level base is set away from obstacles that can make casting difficult. An added bonus for tourists and locals alike the platform has improved access to Morleys Creek, for those with limited mobility due to level and stable surface.



### Water Main Flushing

Council wishes to inform Cootamundra Residents extensive water main flushing will be undertaken across all sectors in Cootamundra Township during November. Residents may experience low water pressure, or discoloured water during this time. CGRC apologises for any inconvenience this may cause.

### Story Time at our Libraries

Gundagai-15, 22, 29 November;  
Cootamundra-14, 21, 28 November; Baby Bounce  
Cootamundra-16, 30 November



### ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

The Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held on Tuesday 27 November 2018 in the Council Chambers, Sheridan Street Gundagai. Members of the public are invited to address Council on any local government issue at the commencement of the meeting. Agendas can be obtained from Councils website or offices prior to the meeting.

**The NSW Business Connect Bus** - The Business Connect Bus delivers highly subsidised face-to-face business advice to regional areas across NSW. Experienced Business Connect advisors provide personalised support on how to start, grow or innovate your business. Visiting Cootamundra **Thursday 22**

**November 2018 - 148 Parker Street, 9am-3pm.**

<https://www.industry.nsw.gov.au/business-and-industry-in-nsw/businessconnect/extra-business-support/business-bus>



**STREET STALL DATES IN GUNDAGAI FOR 2019** Organisations desiring to seek a Street Stall allocation for 2019 are requested to lodge an application no later than 4:00pm on Friday, 7th December 2018.