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Above: A resident Kookaburra takes a drink from Water Bubbler outside CGRC offices in Wallendoon Street. Photo taken by a member of Council staff.

GUNDAGAI LIONS PROVIDE SEATS

The Gundagai Lions Club have supplied two seats for Gundagai's Lindley Park and the walking track between Punch and Sheridan overlooking Jones Creek. The seats made from environmentally friendly recycled plastic slates will provide a welcome place for parents to watch over their youngsters whilst playing in Lindley Park and a respite spot along the picturesque walking trail.



The seats are an Australian manufactured Sustainable Wood Plastic Composite (WPC) and are durable, low maintenance and environmentally friendly.

Gundagai Lions Club spokesperson Lion Des Manton said the club had allotted many structures to public places over the years. "Our public seating project has been going since 1973, we like to work with Council to identify spaces and provide the structures that the community can use and benefit from," Lion Des said.

CGRC, mayor Cr Abb McAlister said the Lions Club gesture has enhanced these spaces. "This gift from the Lions Club is a great example of community organisations working with Council to enhance public spaces and add a little comfort for those who use them.

Along with all I applaud the Lions Club for their collaboration with Council and the supply of these seats," Cr McAlister said.



POSITION VACANT

Re-advertised PLANT OPERATOR – GRADER / TECHNICAL TEAM LEADER COOTAMUNDRA –

Applications are now invited from interested persons for the above full-time position based at our Cootamundra Depot. This role is required to operate a Grader to undertake Council works as directed by the Works Supervisor and contribute to the manual labour pool with the Operations function. This role is also required to provide guidance, instruction, and direction for the purpose of achieving a key result for Council. Key responsibilities include: Ensure that all plant is operated effectively and efficiently to achieve Council's goals and objectives. Ensure plant is operated safely when working in the proximity of overhead or underground utility services. Ensure that the civil works crew are operating and maintaining plant effectively and efficiently to achieve Council's goals and objectives. Ensure that civil works crew are operating plant in a safe manner and following safe work method statement's and manufacturer's instructions. Ensure all Safe Work practices are followed including traffic control signage is appropriately positioned. Knowledge and understanding of capabilities of all civil plant and construction techniques. Ensure all appropriate records / forms / sheets are filled in correctly and / or electronic records data has been completely entered. Abide by legislation and policy in regard to Work Health & Safety, Environmental, Equal Employment Opportunity, Privacy and the Local Government Act and regulations and authorising bodies. Benefits, Salary range of \$1,130.08 - \$1,322.20 gross per week. 9.5% super guarantee levy payable by Council. 9-day fortnight working arrangement. Further information and a Position Description is available by contacting Human Resources on 1300 459 689 or Council's website www.cgrc.nsw.gov.au. NOTE: Applicants must adequately address the essential criteria contained in the Position Description and include an up-to-date resume. Failure to do so may result in your application not being considered. Applications, addressed to the General Manager should be submitted by 5p.m. on Friday, 5th March 2021 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

WEED MANAGEMENT IS EVERYBODY'S RESPONSIBILITY.

We can all work together to protect our LGA and the unique bushland, swamps and waterways of the Area. **Council's obligation.** Weeds are plants that do not occur naturally in the bush. They compete with native plants and often dominate or replace them. They degrade and destroy the habitat of our native animals. Under the Biosecurity Act 2015 CGRC as the Local Control Authority has a legal obligation to manage the biosecurity risk posed or likely to be posed to human health, the economy, community, and environment by Priority Weeds. Council meets these obligations through programs to: Control Priority Weeds on Council managed land. Inspect private lands to ensure owners of land carry out their obligations. Council's Biosecurity Regulatory Officers take a co-ordinated approach working with residents, community groups and other agencies.



Your obligation. Under the Biosecurity Act 2015, all landowners or land managers have a 'General Biosecurity Duty' to prevent, eliminate or minimise the Biosecurity Risk posed or likely to be posed by Priority Weeds. What is a Priority Weed? Priority Weeds or Biosecurity Matter can impact on human health, the economy, the liveability of our city and the environment. Impacts can include allergies and other health issues, costs of control, loss of tourism value, degradation of natural landscapes, parks and recreation facilities, reduction of useful agricultural land and loss of primary production, loss of biodiversity and water quality. For further information please check Council's website www.cgrc.nsw.gov.au to view the NSW Government - Local Lands Services - Riverina Regional Strategic Weed Management Plan 2017-2022 or visit NSW Government Department of Primary Industries - NSW WeedWise or download the WeedWise app its free!

OTWAY AND SHERIDAN STREET UPGRADE

Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council (CGRC) is currently undertaking an upgrade of the Otway and Sheridan Street intersection in Gundagai. The upgrade will replace the damaged kerb and gutter and pavement.

The design phase has identified trees within the upgrade area will be removed due to disease, pest infestation and have caused damage to the existing pavements and kerb and guttering.

The existing trees have been categorised as a potential high risk safety hazard to pedestrians, vehicles, and infrastructure. As part of the redevelopment of this area, staff will create new garden beds and plant appropriate mature trees in accordance with the Gundagai Street Tree Master Plan.



BRADMAN'S BIRTHPLACE IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!

Cootamundra's iconic Bradman's Birthplace is looking for volunteers to greet visitors. Volunteers make an extraordinary contribution to our society and are the lifeblood of our community. Bradman's Birthplace Museum and the adjoining Memorabilia Cottage attracts a huge number of visitors to our region every year and is manned by volunteers who enjoy the interaction with visitors from all walks of life.



Volunteers are wanted on a fortnightly basis for Thursday and Friday afternoon shifts from 1pm to 5pm, and the Thursday shifts could commence from Thursday the 1st of April. The Friday shifts would commence from Friday the 5th of March. Duties include greeting customers and visitors to Bradman's Birthplace, cash handling and eftpos, selling souvenirs and stocking shelves, light cleaning duties and selling Cootamundra as a town and all things Don Bradman and Cricket! Training will be provided. Bradman's Birthplace would love to have you join their team; no experience required!

For more information, please email info@visitcootamundra.com.au or call Council on 1300 459 689.



TO CELEBRATE INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY 2021. The Cootamundra Development Corporation will launch the Cootamundra Women in Business Networking Group. Come along for drinks and canapes with special guest speaker Rachel Wilson at the The Rusty Table, 37 Hurley St Cootamundra on Monday 8 March 2021 from 5.30pm to 7.30pm. For more information and bookings please call the CDC on 02 69421 400

COOTA CO-OP MONSTER GARAGE SALE – Being held to cover initial set up costs. Saturday 6 March 8am-1pm, Ned Steiger Pavilion Cootamundra Showground. For more information and donations please call Leigh on 0405 381 038.

ALGWA (AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WOMENS ASSOCIATION) NSW - Council is hosting a Women's Forum to be held in Gundagai Council Chambers on Sunday, 11 April 2021. Please call 1300 459 689 to register your interest. For more info visit: ALGWA - Individual Membership Forums

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COOTAMUNDRA SWIM CLUB HOSTS SISA SWIM CHAMPIONSHIPS AND SPEEDO SPRINTS.

On 6 & 7 February 2021, Cootamundra Swimming Lifesaving Club hosted the 2020/2021 Southern Inland Swimming Association (SISA) Long Course Championships and Speedo Sprints for the Region. This is the biggest Swim meet on the Summer Calendar for the Region. The Southern Inland Swimming Association is one of the biggest regions in New South Wales, covering a geographical area of the majority of southern NSW. Cootamundra welcomed 300 swimmers from 23 Swimming Clubs from the region. Overall winners of the Southern Inland Swimming Association Long Course Championship Meet were 1st Wagga Wagga Swim Club. 2nd Griffith Swim Club and Cootamundra Swimming Lifesaving Club in 3rd place. The Speedo Sprints was officially opened by special Guest, Mayor of Cootamundra Gundagai Regional Council - Mr Abb McAllister.



Weed Spraying Notice Council wishes to advise residents across the region that weed spraying will be undertaken. Notification is made in accordance with the Pesticide Regulation 1995. Herbicide application will occur during the months of July 2020 to December 2020 in the town and village streets and lanes, for the eradication of weeds on the roadside and culverts, as well as weed control in public spaces.

2021 NSW LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS – Saturday 4 September 2021. There are six steps to becoming a candidate at the election. To find out more please visit: www.elections.nsw.gov.au

GUNDAGAI COMMUNITY WELLBEING DAY – 28 March 2021, Carberry Park Gundagai, 1pm – 4pm, bring a picnic rug or chair, and the family to enjoy a fun day and thank all the wonderful people who helped with 2019-2020 bushfires. Free BBQ, Free Music, Free Refreshments, Free Family Entertainment. A joint initiative of Gundagai Neighbourhood Centre, Gundagai Visitor Information Centre, CGRC and local businesses. Funding support has been provided by the Rural Resilience Program and Department of Primary Industries. A COVIDSafe event.

WHATS ON AT OUR LIBRARIES - COOTAMUNDRA – Beginners Conversational French Language Lessons for Adults. March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31. 10am to 11am. Cost \$30 per person, booking essential. Storytime for 2-5 years has recommenced on Wednesdays. Note the new start time of 10am. Free program - no booking required. Tech Savvy Seniors, a free and fun technology training for seniors will be held over 6 sessions from Wednesday 17 March 2021 until Friday 26 March 2021. Learn how to use an iPad to navigate the digital world. Topics covered include basic device use, email and social media, cybersafety and internet. Chess, free lessons and social games, Tuesdays at 10am. Free Computer Tutoring, solve your computer problems and lose your technology fears. Tuesday and Thursday 10am-4pm, bookings essential. Free QR Code Help Sessions, we will set up your phone and teach you to use it to check in to venues with QR codes. Tuesday & Thursdays, appointments invited. The Cootamundra Library now has a direct phone line, please call 6940 2200 for all library enquires.

GUNDAGAI - Free membership and access to the Riverina Regional (RRL) network of libraries, books and resources! Now is the time to join one of our many Book Clubs. It is a wonderful way to enjoy books. Storytime every Thursday during the school term at 10.00am. Free home delivery, available to members. Your book choice or let us select a 'grab bag' for you. Free WiFi in the library and surrounds. No booking required Flix N Pix film club, monthly movies ranging from the first black and white features to foreign cult classics. Mah-jong every Thursday at 3.00pm, beginners welcome. Family and local history study room and resources. April School Holiday program coming soon. Checkout out the Gundagai Library Facebook page for more news and events.

COUNCIL MEETING NOTES At the Ordinary meeting held 23 February 2021. Council resolved issues as listed below.

Council Approved DA2020/191 for the construction of a shed at Lot A DP384426, 37 Crown Street Cootamundra with an increased set back of 2.5m from the Queen Street frontage subject to the conditions detailed in the Minutes.

Council endorsed the removal the London Plane trees and Liquid Amber trees at the Otway and Sheridan Street intersection for planned upgrade works as identified within the report.

Council is submitting proposed street names for the Boundary Road Subdivision to the Geographical Names Board for approval.

THE ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL will be held on Tuesday 30 March 2021, at the CGRC Council Chambers, Gundagai. The meeting Agenda will be available from Council website prior the meeting. Livestreaming will commence at 6pm.

COOTAMUNDRA TOURISM ACTION GROUP AGM - Section 355 Committee. Interested residents are cordially invited to attend the AGM of the Cootamundra Tourism Action Group 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 4 March 2021 commencing at 4:30pm.

GUNDAGAI YOUTH COUNCIL- The Amazing Race is back in Gundagai. Start preparing, registrations open soon! April school holiday planning is in full swing so keep checking the GYC Facebook page for updates. Any youth interested in joining please contact us on gundagaiyouthcouncil@gmail.com