

COMMUNITY NEWS

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A WORKING DOG'S LIFE

This lovely photo taken by CGRC Ranger Nicky Godber was taken after a hard day's work. Did you know that by law you must have your working dog microchipped and registered?

The Companion Animals Act 1998 defines a working dog as a dog as used primarily for the purpose of droving, tending, working or protecting stock this includes a dog being trained as a working dog. However the dog must be living on rural production land.

Do working dogs have to be microchipped and registered? YES! All working dogs must be microchipped and registered however there is no fee to register a working dog, living on rural production land. Working dogs still must be microchipped by 12 weeks of age or before being sold or given away.

In NSW, you must microchip your cat or dog before it is 12 weeks old or before you sell or give it away (whichever happens first). Make sure you transfer ownership. When you are happy you have found a good home for your dog, you need to transfer ownership to the person buying or adopting your pet. It is important that you check that this has been done and the person has accepted ownership. You as the owner, must complete the paperwork and hand it to Council. For further information on how to transfer cat or dog ownership please visit www.olg.nsw.gov.au/ pet-ownership or call into CGRC offices in Gundagai or Cootamudra.

SEATBELTS SAVE LIVES.

CLIP EVERY TRIP.



Seat belts are the focussed campaign in the region after the recent spate of fatalities that have occurred because of road users not wearing seat belts.



TAKE IT EASY ON THE ROADS THESE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS.

FREE CUPPA FOR DRIVERS COMBATS FATIGUE ON OUR ROADS.

The "Free Cuppa for the Driver" campaign was launched in Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council LGA. The initiative of CGRC and Transport for NSW (TfNSW), the campaign runs each year from 1 March to 31 May and takes in the busy Easter and school holiday periods.

If you are planning a trip away during March to May, check out the Free Cuppa for the Driver website and map your journey with participating venues. Drivers claiming a free cuppa can also go into the draw to win fuel vouchers travel vouchers or a coffee machine.

ANZAC DAY WASTE DEPOTS HOURS:

Cootamundra 1pm – 5pm Gundagai 1pm-5pm Stockinbingal CLOSED Wallendbeen CLOSED. Council apologises for any inconvenience.

WEED OPEN DAY HUGE SUCCESS

Over 100 people attended the CGRC Weed Information Day, held at the Cootamundra Sale Yards on Wednesday 24 March. Feedback on the day was excellent and farmers were very appreciative of the expertise that was on hand to answer a myriad of questions in relation to weed control, identifing weed species, drumMUSTER, Pest Animal Control and chemical applications.

The DPI and LLS and Corteva Chemicals provided a huge amount of weed info in their published brochures and they were giving away, Biosecurity Farm Gate Signs, Shirts, and other merchanise.

The plan is to hold further weed information days, at various locations within the LGA. CGRC Rangers had enquiries regarding working dogs and microchipped 10 working dogs on the day.

Overall a very successful day, with a BBQ and refreshments being provided.



A host of information was on hand at the Weed Information Day held at Cootamundra Sale Yards on 27 March 2021

THE ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL will be held on Tuesday 27 April 2021, at the Alby Schultz Meeting Centre, Cootamundra. The meeting Agenda will be available from Council website prior the meeting. Livestreaming will commence at 6pm.



BURLEY GRIFFIN WAY CLOSED AT WALLENDBEEN

The Burley Griffin Way, between the Olympic Highway at Wallendbeen and Millvale Road at Temora is closed to all traffic until further notice. The road was closed after damage was discovered on the railway bridge and road surface. The bridge has been demolished. Motorists are asked to detour via the Olympic Highway and Goldfields Way and to drive to the conditions, plan ahead, and follow the directions of signs and traffic control.



REVIEW OF WASTE DEPOT HOURS

Council resolved to place on public exhibition a review of the Council's Waste Depot opening hours in Cootamundra Landfill.

Data from weighbridge analysis has shown when the demand for Waste Depot use is at it's highest and lowest. In the interests of meeting public demand and maximising efficiencies **Council proposes** to open the Waste Depot in Cootamundra on the following hours:

Monday to Friday 7.30am to 3.30pm.

Saturday and Sunday 9am - 2pm.

Submissions/feedback from residents is invited and should be forwarded and submitted by 21 April 2021 to the General Manager CGRC 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

The Draft Cootamundra Landfill Waste Depot Hours documents can be found on Council's website:

https://www.cgrc.nsw.gov.au/connect-with-us/have-your-say/documents-on-public-exhibition

ON AT OUR LIBRARIES WHATS **COOTAMUNDRA** – Free computer training at Stockinbingal. For beginners will run at Ellwood's Hall in Stockinbingal on May 4, 11, 18 and 25. Limited places – bookings essential. QR Code help sessions. Learn to use a QR code to check in to venues. Free help sessions on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Appointment required: Free computer help in Cootamundra. Learn computer basics or get help with specific computer problems. Free appointments on Tuesdays and Thursdays, bookings required. The Vegetable Plot. Fun school holiday concert focussed on healthy eating. For toddlers and primary aged children. Thursday April 15, 2.30pm. \$5 per person, please book. Author talk: Cobb & Co. Revisit the heyday of Australia's most famous colonial mail and transport service with author Sam Everingham on Tuesday April 6 at 10.30am. Free event, morning tea provided, books on sale. Free chess lessons and social games every Tuesday at 10am. No booking required. Ancestry.com. Library members can access Ancestry.com for free from home through the website: https://rrl.nsw.gov.au/infoonline-3/. Storytime. Every Wednesday at 10am during school terms. Free program for children under 5. Parliament of Owls – school holiday craft session. Friday April 9 at 10 am. Cost is \$2. 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. Please call 6940 2200 for all library enquires and bookings.

YOUTH WEEK ACTIVITIES - COOTAMUNDRA YOUTH COUNCIL (CYC) - 9 to 16 April 2021 is National Youth Week. Funded & supported by The Advocate of Children and Young People (ACYP) & CGRC the Cootamundra program will see a variety of events being held during April. Youth Week is an opportunity for young people to express their ideas & views. Act on issues that affect their lives, create, & enjoy activities & events. Look for registration forms & further information over the coming weeks in the lead up to the school holidays & National Youth Week. Upcoming events with the CYC. Drop in & Take Off at the Cootamundra Skate Park 1:30pm Tues 6 April. Together More Than Ever at Nicholson Park 9am Wed 7 April. Box it Out at the Cootamundra Pool 10am Wed 14 April. TaskMaster Challenge Cootamundra Hall 1pm Wed 14 April, The Vegetable Plot Cootamundra Library 2:30pm Thurs 15 April. More events at the Cootamundra Library & TACC. Check out the Cootamundra Youth Council, Facebook page. GUNDAGAI YOUTH WEEK PROGRAM 2021 & SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES - Tuesday 6 April 10.30am - 11.30am Drop in and Take Off -Scooter and Skateboard session with Al's Skate Co @ Gundagai Skatepark Ages 8+ FREE. Wednesday 7 April Mindful Warrior Session 10.00am 12- 18yrs Mirrabooka- FREE. Wednesday 7 April 10am Robot Racing Engineer design for the ultimate victory in the racing arena -8-12 yrs @ Gundagai Library. Thursday 8 April 2pm-4pm Archery Team Tag Battles -teams of 4 Carberry Park FREE. Friday 9 April 7.30pm Movies in the Dark at the Park (Movie TBA) For the whole family. Carberry Park (Food available to purchase) FREE. Monday 12 April 10am Popup Card Craft – Make some cool popup art cards. Primary age — @ Gundagai Library. Monday 12 April and hour after sundown Up the Creek! Night walk. Interested in wildlife? Want to learn about native animals living on your doorstep? Yarri Park 12-25yrs FREE. Tuesday 13 April 10.00am Creative Youth Soap Making Morning! 13-18yrs -\$5.00. Tuesday 13 April 3pm Box It Out - Box your way to a fitter you! 12-25yrs Mirrabooka -FREE. Tuesday 13 April from 9.00am Martys Music School - Six 1hr group sessions throughout the day-FREE Sessions. Primary and High School age. Call 0425 805 356 to Book a session FREE. Wednesday 14 April 9.00am Wagga Bus Trip from Gundagai 9.00am-5.00pm, permission slips at library, Booking essential limited places FREE. Thursday 15 April from 9.00am Martys Music School - Six 1hr group sessions throughout the day-FREE Sessions. Primary and High School age. Call 0425 805 356 to Book a session FREE. Thursday 15 April 10am - Water pistol art -Primary age- Load up and squirt out a picasso masterpiece! FREE. Thursday 15 April 3.00pm Learn to play Mahjong - 13-25yrs at the library FREE. Friday 16 April 9.30am Amazing Race R U ready? Registrations now open, entries at the Gundagai library or check Gundagai Youth Council Facebook page for the link. \$5.00 per team. For more information and to book for any of the activities please call the library on 0269440270.

COUNCIL MEETING NOTES

At the Ordinary meeting held 30 March 2021. **Council** will write to the Minister Local Government asking her to make a prompt decision regarding the future of CGRC. Particularly in view of the need to prepare for upcoming Council elections.

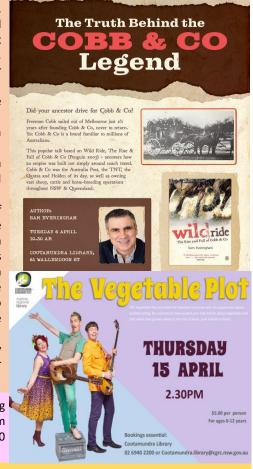
Council will submit two motions at the Australian Local Government Conference.

- 1. Seeking support to attract and retain doctors in regional areas.
- 2. That the Federal Government undertake a review of untied grant funding for local councils.

REROC – Discussion about a shortage of residential housing across the region. The demand from city dwellers, particularly in light of COVID-19 and other industries coming to the area are placing demands on regional accommodation. REROC will make representations to NSW Government to ensure Government understand the challenges and assist with solutions.

Awarded a tender for preliminary investigation and concept designs for replacement of 5 Gundagai bridges.

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. The forum is for all women in the region who are interested in local government to attend. Please call 1300 459 689 to register your interest.



The Cootamundra Aerodrome will be closed from 1pm – 6.30pm Thursday 8 April and from 6.30am – 7.30pm Friday 9 April and Saturday 10 April for a car event. (racing will finish at 6.00pm). This is a non-spectator event but can be viewed from car park.