



# COMMUNITY NEWS

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COOTAMUNDRA-  
GUNDAGAI REGIONAL  
COUNCIL

## AUSTRALIA DAY AMBASSADORS

### COUNCIL ELECTION RESULTS:

**Abb McAlister:**

Second term.

**Charlie Sheahan:**

Second term.

**Gil Kelly:**

Second term.

**Les Boyd:**

First term.

**Leigh Bowden:**

Second term.

**Penny Nicholson:**

Second term.

**Logan Collins:**

First term.

**Trevor Glover:**

First term.

**David Graham:**

Second term.

**Cootamundra: Mr Bryce Collins. Junior International Athletics Champion – Hurdles.**

Starting at age 10 in Little Athletics, Bryce has forged his way to become an extremely successful athlete competing in the 400m Hurdles. Bryce combines this athletic ability with his past studies and a successful career. He studied a Bachelor of Civil Engineering. Since graduating, Bryce is working as a Civil Engineer at Arup, working on a range of city-shaping projects while continuing with his athletics career. Bryce has also acted in a range of ambassadorial roles. He has represented the NSW Government as an Australia Day Ambassador since 2018.

He also acted as a scholarship ambassador at UNSW, attending a range of events and speaking about the benefits of the university and the scholarships program.



**Gundagai: Ms Cheryl Koenig OAM. Author, Motivational Speaker and 2009 NSW Woman of the Year.** A Sydney-based writer and motivational speaker. In 2009 Cheryl was named NSW Woman of the Year, and in 2014 received the Medal of the Order of Australia for service to people with disabilities, their families and carers. Her involvement with disability services arose out of caring and advocacy for her son, Jono, who was severely injured in a vehicle accident. Cheryl continues to volunteer her time to improve health care services, which she combines with her passion for writing.

Cheryl has developed a high profile as a speaker to a diversity of organisations and audiences from community groups to being a keynote speaker at the University of New South Wales Graduation Ceremony. Cheryl devotes much of her public speaking to advocating for the disability arena and the rights of carers.



YOU'RE INVITED TO

# Australia Day in the Park

WEDNESDAY 26 JANUARY 2022

CARBERRY PARK GUNDAGAI or JUBILEE PARK COOTAMUNDRA

FESTIVITIES START  
AT 8:00AM

WITH BREAKFAST

FOLLOWED BY  
ENTERTAINMENT

SPEECHES

AUSTRALIA DAY  
AMBASSADOR

PRESENTATION OF  
AWARDS



### NEW YEAR OPERATING HOURS:

Residents are advised that CGRC Administration Offices will reopen from 9am Monday 10 January 2022. In the event of an emergency or emergency assistance during the closure period Council can be contacted by calling 1300 459 689.

**POSITION VACANT**

**ROAD SAFETY OFFICER:** Full Time-Grant Funded up to 30 June 2025. We are currently looking for a motivated Road Safety Officer to cover both our Cootamundra and Gundagai areas. You will have a strong customer focus and enjoy working with community groups and government agencies. The function of this role includes developing, implementing, and promoting: \*Effective community road safety programs in conjunction with key stakeholders. \*A Road Safety Plan to encourage residents to be safer drivers, pedestrians, and road users. \*A range of strategies which will promote road safety in the local area in consultation and/or in conjunction with other road safety stakeholders. This position is currently co-funded between Council and TfNSW. Extension to this term will be subject to recurrent funding performance and operational requirements. Further information and a Position Description is available by contacting CGRC Human Resources on 1300 459 689 or on CGRC website: NOTE: Applicants must adequately address the essential criteria contained in the Position Description. Failure to do so may result in your application not being considered. Applications, addressed to the General Manager should be submitted by 5pm on Friday 21 January 2022 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](mailto:mail@cgrc.nsw.gov.au).

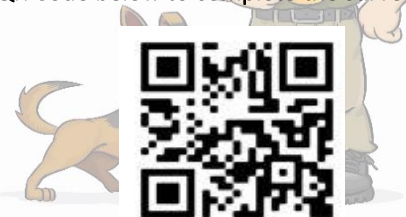
**EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING:** Will be held on 10 January at the Gundagai Council Chambers, starting at 6pm. Livestreaming of the meeting will commence at 6.00pm.

**ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING:** Residents are advised that the next Ordinary Meeting of Council on 25 January 2022 commencing 6.00pm. Meeting Agenda will be available from Council Offices or website prior the meeting. Livestreaming of the meeting will commence at 6.00pm.

**TRANSFER STATION UPGRADE:** Council will be implementing upgrades to existing Waste Transfer Stations around the villages of Muttama, Coolac, Nangus and Tumblong. New electronic and surveillance systems are being installed. Once the infrastructure installation has been completed, Council will commence the formal change over. The intention is to have a gradual transition over to the new system, taking about 3 months to complete. Council will be contacting the existing Waste Transfer Station key holders to arrange the exchange. Once this has been completed, applications for new access swipe cards will be advertised and relevant Council services provided to service the demand.

**ORGANISATIONS WISHING TO HOLD STREET STALLS IN GUNDAGAI IN 2022:**  
Please lodge your application with the Gundagai Administration Office as soon as possible to ensure allocation of dates.

**COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN 2022/2032:** We invite community members to visit us at one of the key information stands across the region. Wednesday 12 Jan 12pm – 6pm Family Hotel Gundagai: Thursday 13 Jan 2pm – 6pm Wallendbeen Hotel: Residents are encouraged to complete the CSP Survey on the CGRC Website. Alternatively scan the QR Code below to complete the survey.



**COOTAMUNDRA LIBRARY NEWS:** The library will reopen at 9am on Monday January 10. Online library services, including reservations, renewals, eBooks and eAudio, are available at our website: [www.rrl.nsw.gov.au](http://www.rrl.nsw.gov.au). Holiday programs: Summer Reading Club - pick up a free showbag and win prizes for every 10 books you read! The Great Book Escape library treasure hunt - January 10-21, prizes every day, \$1 per child. Fairy Doors craft session - January 13, 10am, \$5 per child. Holiday Storytime - 'horses' theme, January 19, 10am, free. Shadow Puppets workshop - January 21, 2pm, \$10 per child. Bookings essential for all programs: ph. 6940 2200. January Adult Creative Session: Glue Yarn Balls. January 25, 2pm, \$5. Ph 6940 2200 to book. Book Club 2021: get 10 friends together or join as an individual. Ph 6940 2200 for more information.

**SHADOW PUPPETRY WORKSHOP**  
Watch as your drawings leap to life, off the page and onto the stage!  
**FRIDAY 21 JANUARY 2.00pm-3.00pm**  
For school children in Kindy to Year 6  
\$10 each - to be paid at time of booking  
COOTAMUNDRA LIBRARY  
PLACES ARE LIMITED  
BOOKINGS 02 6940 2200

**CHANGES TO PUBLIC HEALTH ORDERS:** CGRC acknowledges the recent changes to public health orders in respect to the COVID-19 pandemic. Whilst QR Code check in, and mask wearing is no longer mandatory in many of the settings that Council operates. Council will continue to offer QR Code check in, hygiene stations, which include availability of face masks, at CGRC facilities. The decision to use the above is entirely up to the visitor to the facility, however Council does respectfully request, that social distancing and hand hygiene continued to be practiced providing a safe workplace for staff and visitors alike.

Cootamundra Gundagai Local Government Area was severely impacted by a wind storm natural disaster occurring Saturday 18/12/21. Crews are removing fallen limbs Efforts are being made to make roads & streets safe, some debris in rural areas may not be removed until early 2022.

Do You Have a Unique hobby or collection?  
WOULD YOU LIKE TO SHARE IT WITH THE COMMUNITY OVER MORNING TEA?  
Then We Want You!  
The Cootamundra Library is looking for CGRC residents with unusual collections or pastimes who would enjoy the opportunity to share with others over a social morning tea in 2022.  
If this sounds like you, please contact us! Ph: 6940 2200  
Email: [cootamundra.library@cgrc.nsw.gov.au](mailto:cootamundra.library@cgrc.nsw.gov.au)