



COOTAMUNDRA YOUTH HUB OPENING

Saturday 23 March 2024. Old District Hospital, Mackay St Cootamundra 9.30am. check out the new Youth Hub. Open till 3.30pm. Free Sausage Sizzle!!!

RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF ALCOHOL-FREE ZONES IN COOTAMUNDRA

Under Section 644 of the Local Government Act, Council is proposing to re-establish alcohol free zones in Cootamundra. A copy of the map can be viewed on Council's website at www.cgrc.nsw.gov.au. Therefore, notice is hereby given under Section 644 of the Local Government Act that Council proposes to re-establish the above alcohol-free zones. If accepted after due process, it is intended to re-establish the alcohol-free zones for a further four-year period. A public consultation period applies to the establishment of alcohol-free zones, therefore interested parties are invited to make representations or objections about this proposal. These representations or objections must be received in writing by Council by Friday April 19 2024.

LIBRARY NEWS:

Author talk: Dr Anne Ring - Engaging with Ageing. What matters most to you as you grow older? Morning tea supplied. Thursday March 21, 10.30am, Alby Schultz Rooms (Cooper St). RSVP to Coota Library on 69402200. Friday March 22, 10.30am. RSVP to Gundagai Library on 69 440 270.
Author talk: Andrew Skeoch - Deep Listening To Nature. Join of Australia's best sound recordists for this dive into the natural world. Morning Tea provided. Tuesday April 9, 10.30am, Coota Library. Bookings to 6940 2200. Friday April 12, 10.00am, Gundagai Library. Bookings to 6944 0270.
Coota Library services: during the renovations in March, the library remains open in the Stephen Ward Rooms adjacent to the main building. Borrowing, printing, copying, and public computer services are available as usual.

COOTAMUNDRA ROAD WORKS:

Heavy patching work continues on Old Cootamundra Road, and Stockinbingal Road. Motorists are requested to drive to conditions, obey traffic signals and slow down.

EASTER TRADING HOURS:

The Cootamundra Waste Facility will be closed on Good Friday (29 March 2024) and Easter Sunday (31 March 2024). The facility will also be closed Anzac Day 25 April 2024. Administration offices in Cootamundra & Gundagai will be closed for Easter - 29 March to 1 April 2024. The Gundagai Visitor Information Centre hours of operation - Good Friday: 10:00am – 3:00pm - Easter Saturday: CLOSED, Easter Sunday: CLOSED, Easter Monday: 10:00am – 3:00pm Emergency Contact Number 1300 459 689

CAPTAIN MOONLIGHT & JAMES NESBITT GRAVES

Heritage Council of NSW gives notice of its intention to consider listing *Captain Moonlite and James Nesbitt's Graves* on the State Heritage Register (SHR) in acknowledgement of its heritage significance to the people of New South Wales. This advice is in accordance with section 33(1)(a) of the *Heritage Act 1977* (NSW). Any members of the community, or other interested parties are invited to make a written submission. Submissions should be posted or emailed to the Heritage Council of NSW during the public submission period commencing on 14 March 2024 and closing on 11 April 2024: For further details on the nominated item and how to make a submission, go to the NSW Government Environment and Heritage website: <https://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/topics/heritage/request-a-heritage-listing/nominate-an-item-for-listing-on-the-state-heritage-register/comment-on-nominations>.

ORDINARY MEETING MARCH 2024:

Will be held on Tue 26 March 2024 at the Council Chambers, Sheridan Street Gundagai. Starting at and livestreamed from 6pm. Refer to Council's website for agenda. Members of the public may address Council on matters related to associated agenda item only, as part of the Public Forum.

CHECK OUT THE CGRC WEBSITE FOR NEW CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES:

Check out the link on the website: [Events for the Regions Youth | Cootamundra Gundagai Regional Council \(nsw.gov.au\)](https://www.cgrc.nsw.gov.au/Events-for-the-Regions-Youth-Cootamundra-Gundagai-Regional-Council-nsw.gov.au)

ROADWORKS ANNIE PYERS DRIVE:

Work continues on Annie Pyers Drive in Gundagai. Traffic control will remain in place. Motorists are urged to drive to conditions & obey traffic signals in place.

DEMERGER TRANSITION & FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY PLANS:

Council adopted at an extraordinary meeting on 19 March 2024 to lodge Detailed Transition Plan (DTP) and Financial Sustainability Plan (FSP) prepared to demonstrate Councils ability to demerge and form two separate Councils, (Cootamundra Council and Gundagai Council) to the Minister for Local Government the Hon Ron Hoenig MP. Council will develop and deliver a communications plan designed to inform the community of the details within the plans, the financial and social impacts associated with the demerger and to assist the community in understanding the long-term sustainability goals of both new councils following demerger. The DTP and FSP are the pathways CGRC and the two new Councils will follow to achieve the financial sustainability whilst maintaining the level of services the community expect. The profiles of the proposed new councils (former Shires of Cootamundra and Gundagai) are somewhat different, resulting in the need for different interventions.

- Both Councils support roughly the same asset base with similar overheads. Gundagai has roughly half the rate revenue to that of Cootamundra.
- Substantial infrastructure upgrades such as the Sewage Treatment Plant and Sheridan Street upgrade in Gundagai contributes to increases in operating and maintenance costs. All residents and rate payers are urged to read the reports. They will be available at the CGRC Administration offices in Cootamundra and Gundagai and on the CGRC website at [Demerger News | Cootamundra Gundagai Regional Council \(nsw.gov.au\)](https://www.cgrc.nsw.gov.au/Demerger-News-Cootamundra-Gundagai-Regional-Council-nsw.gov.au)