

Cootamundra

New Resident Guide

Welcome to Cootamundra

The Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council area is located in the South West Slopes and Riverina Regions of New South Wales, about 390 kilometres south-west of the Sydney CBD, and about 95 kilometres north-west of the Canberra CBD.

The region boasts spectacular views of the country-side, with rolling hills and some of the country's best farming and cropping locations.

Combined with gorgeous architecture, streetscapes and views to keep the most ardent culture vultures and photography lovers intrigued.

The regions main industries are agriculture, meat processing, renewable energy, tourism, manufacturing and health and a growing dedication to coffee, great pub food and independent boutiques to attract the envious glances from Sydney, Melbourne and Canberra!



Humble beginnings

The traditional owners of the area where present day Cootamundra exists are considered to be the Wiradjuri people, with the name "Cootamundra" probably deriving from the Wiradjuri language word guudhamang for "turtle".

Cootamundra was founded in 1830 as a livestock station. The town, proclaimed in 1861, was made a municipality in 1884. Cootamundra was incorporated as a township on 9 August 1861, and the first settlers bought their lots in early 1862, and a shire in 1975. |

Like many other towns in the Riverina, it was originally populated by those attracted by the gold rush of the 1860s but became a quiet yet prosperous agricultural community after the local deposits were exhausted.

It is considered one of the oldest towns in Australia.



Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council acknowledges the Wiradjuri people, the Traditional Custodians of this Land. As a community, we pay our respects to elders past and present and to future generations. We also acknowledge and recognise the strength, resilience and capacity of all Aboriginal people of this Land

MWANG NGANGAANHA-GU NGURAMBUNG-GU - TOGETHER CARING FOR COUNTRY.

A collaboration between the Cootamundra Development Corporation and the Cootamundra Aboriginal Working Party- CAWP and funded by Eastern Riverina Arts, this mural demonstrates the journey of Country around Cootamundra with both Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people. Gudhamanghuray and Wiradjuri symbols depict the connections made between people and Country and how our custodianship continues for the areas of cultural significance in our community.

The mural was beautifully painted by the Cootamundra Aboriginal Working Party and community members including Peter Beath, Leigh Bowden, Anissa Jones, Pauline Hancock, Kieran Hearne, Peter Hearne, Joy Horton, Murray Izzard, Amanda Levett, the Magrath Family, the Sannazaro Family, Jason Manning and Colina Meadows.

Paul Deep Kevin Deeps Clothing provided the space for the work and the project would not have been possible without the help of Leah Sutherland (Manager CDC), Coota Signs, Cootamundra Mitre 10, the Cootamundra Paint Centre, Tegra Australia, Steven Lowe, Wayne Bennett and the Planning staff from Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council, Luke & Austin Piotrowicz.

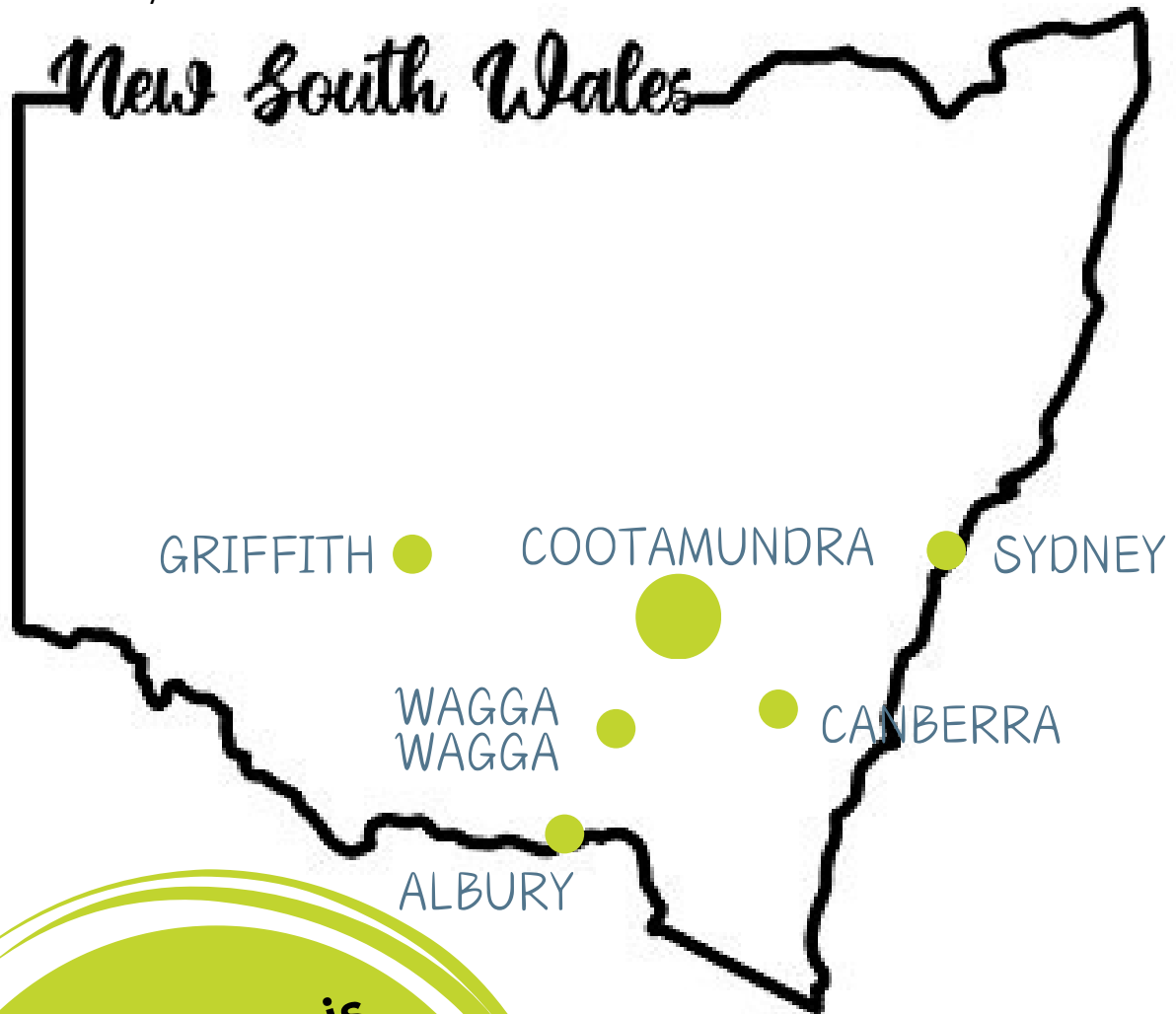
The CDC also thanks Nina Piotrowicz for her tireless work on this project. Nina was the driver, and has made this happen.

It is a wonderful addition to our Main Street and an example of true community collaboration.

Visit Cootamundra Cootamundra Development Corporation Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council Eastern Riverina Arts



Experience the best of both worlds in Cootamundra, where you can embrace a peaceful rural lifestyle without sacrificing essential amenities. From schools, medical facilities, supermarkets, to recreational activities, everything you need is easily accessible. For specialised services, the major cities: Wagga Wagga, Canberra and Sydney are conveniently close.



Cootamundra is accessible by road, rail, and bus from both regional centers and capital cities.

- Canberra - 173 klms
- Sydney - 379klms
- Melbourne - 561 Klms
- Orange - 208klms
- Hunter Valley -
- South Coast - 369klms
- Blue Mountains - 306 klms
- Snowy Mountains - 150klms

CLOSEST AIRPORT
 Wagga Wagga 97 klms
 Flights to and from
 Melbourne & Sydney &
 chartered flights .



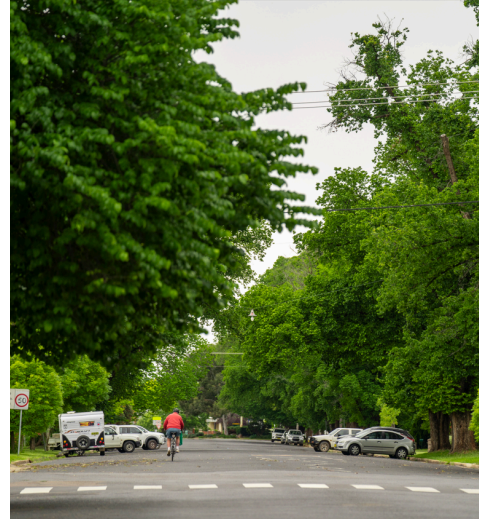
COOTAMUNDRA TRAIN STATION
 Daily XPT service to and from
 Sydney & Melbourne (stopping
 in Wagga)

COOTAMUNDRA BUS SERVICES
 Daily bus service to and from
 Canberra
 Map not to scale

Climate



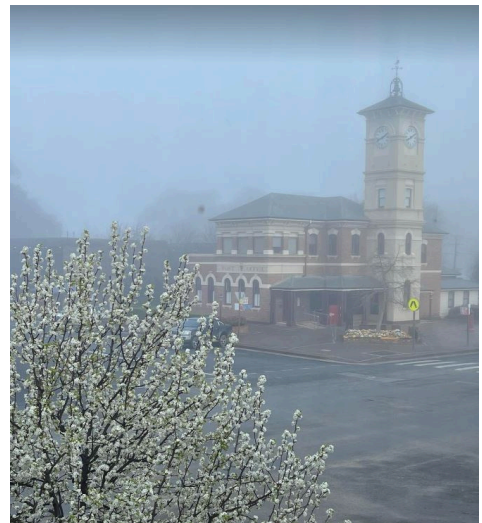
Spring (Sept - Nov)
Averages:
High - 19° Low 6.7°



Summer (Dec-Feb)
Averages:
High - 30.6° Low 14°



Autumn (March - May)
Averages:
High - 22.4° Low 7.8°



Winter (June - Aug)
Averages:
High - 10.3° Low 1.6°

ABOUT COOTAMUNDRA-GUNDAGAI REGIONAL COUNCIL

Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council was formed by Proclamation of the NSW Government on 12 May 2016. Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council provides services and support to a community of approximately 11,500 people, including residents of Cootamundra and Gundagai, as well as the villages of Adjunbilly, Coolac, Muttama, Nangus, Stockinbingal, Tumblong and Wallendbeen.

Council is focused on ensuring that the community benefits from this amalgamation, with our highest priority being to continue delivering quality local services that our communities value and rely on. It is the aim of the administration to build a united team and a united community that is inclusive, forward-thinking and lays the foundations for a strong and effective local government.

COUNCIL MEETINGS:

Council Meetings are held at 6pm on the second last Tuesday of each month, alternating between the Alby Schultz Meeting Centre in Cooper Street, Cootamundra and at the Council Chambers, 255 Sheridan Street, Gundagai. Meeting Agendas and Tabled Documents are made available online prior to the meeting. Members of the general public are invited to attend Council meetings and, with the prior approval of the Chair, may address Council in the Public Forum Session on specific topics. People wishing to address Council are asked to submit a Speaker Registration Form to Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council.

COUNCILLORS:

Mayor: Charlie Sheahan

Deputy Mayor: Cr Gil Kelly

Cr David Graham

Cr Leigh Bowden

Cr Trevor Glover

Cr Abb McAlister

Cr Penny Nicholson

Cr Logan Collins

Cr Les Boyd



WHAT DOES COUNCIL DO?

Council provides a range of services and support to the community including:

- Strategic land and town planning
- Waste management and recycling
- Pet registration and control
- Pest and weed management
- Building and development supervision
- Local road and streetscape maintenance
- Emergency and disaster planning
- Food and public health services
- Economic development
- Servicing of libraries, community centres, sporting facilities
- Maintenance of parks, pools and sporting fields
- Tourism services and many more.

SENIOR MANAGEMENT

Interim General Manager: Steve McGrath

Deputy General Manger: Operations: Matt Stubbs

Interim Deputy General Manager CCD: Paul Woods

Manager of Regional Services Cootamundra: Wayne Bennett

Acting Manager of Regional Services Gundagai: Greg Ewings

Manager of Engineering: Cootamundra: Mark Ellis

Manager of Engineering: Gundagai: Stephen Targett

Manager Finance: Zac Mahon

Manager Business: Linda Wiles

Manager Sustainable Development: Michael Mason

CONTACT US

Cootamundra Office

Phone: 1300 459 689

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NSW 2590

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2590

Email: mail@cgrc.nsw.gov.au

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TAX INVOICES & STATEMENTS:

Please send to: Accounts@cgrc.nsw.gov.au

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COUNCILLORS

The Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council is represented by nine elected Councillors. Annually, one Councillor is elected as Mayor by the Council.

In November 2020, the current Council was elected for a four-year term. For further details on our Councillors and contact information, visit our website.

<https://www.cgrc.nsw.gov.au/about-council/councillors/>

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Council meetings provide the public with an opportunity to see how local decisions are made and observe Council's democratic processes. These meetings are open to the public and occur on a monthly basis (on the fourth Tuesday of the month), alternating between the Cootamundra and Gundagai Council Chambers to accommodate citizens from different areas of the Shire.

It's important to note that certain sections of the meeting may be closed to the public to facilitate confidential discussions, as required by the Local Government Act 1989.

You can also tune in to our Council meetings live on our website.

<https://www.cgrc.nsw.gov.au/business-papers-and-minutes/>

OUR PLACE OUR FUTURE - COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

The Cootamundra-Gundagai Community Strategic Plan 2022 is a reflection of the ideals, priorities, and values of our community. It is a collaborative effort that blends community feedback with necessary actions. The plan serves as a guide for Council's actions over the course of a decade. To ensure it is in line with community needs, the plan is evaluated every four years, coinciding with Council elections.

The document is available via the webpage at [Our Place... Our Future 2022- 2023](#)



Shopping

In the central of Cootamundra, along Parker and Wallendoon Streets, you will find some truly unique and beautiful shopping experiences

What sets these shops and boutiques apart is their unwavering commitment to exceptional customer service. Stepping inside, you're greeted with genuine warmth and hospitality by the friendly shopkeepers, who take the time to get to know you and understand your needs.

If you're searching for a specific item and it's not on the shelves, fret not—these retailers are more than happy to go the extra mile to fulfill your request. They'll tap into their extensive network of suppliers and artisans, leveraging their connections to track down exactly what you're looking for.

Shopping in Cootamundra isn't just about making a purchase; it's about forging meaningful connections and creating memorable experiences. Whether you're in search of a one-of-a-kind souvenir, a thoughtful gift, or simply a moment of tranquility away from the hustle and bustle of city life, these boutiques offer a haven of charm, hospitality, and exceptional service.



Events

Let Your Rural Spirit in Cootamundra!

Cootamundra is a hub of activity, with a dynamic calendar of ever-changing events that cater to all interests.

From sports and festivals to exhibitions, food and wine events, and a diverse range of community groups, Cootamundra has something for everyone.

Don't miss out on anything that is happening!

Head on over to www.visitcootamundra.com.au meetings are happening in the Cootamundra region.

Our Facebook pages What's On Cootamundra and Coota Local will also keep you up to date with what is happening in our local area.

Community Groups

Cootamundra is lucky to host a diverse array of community and social groups, offering activities ranging from educational discussions to casual coffee gatherings. There is certainly something for everyone to enjoy.

For notices on what is on head over to www.vistcootamundra.com.au website and bookmark our Events Calendar to keep up to date.

Updated regularly, this calendar makes finding out what events and community group



Sporting

Cootamundra boasts well-equipped sporting facilities and grounds to accommodate the increasing number of sports groups in the area.

Sports groups in Cootamundra include rugby league, rugby union, Australian Rules Football, soccer, touch football, cricket, squash, tennis, Little Athletics, swimming, golf, croquet, table tennis, volleyball, cycling, basketball, netball, dancing, and lawn bowls.

With three gyms offering a range of options from Crossfit, Body Pump, and Pilates to private sessions, we have a variety of fitness opportunities available.

Cootamundra Pool & Sports Stadium

During Summer enjoy a splash (or do laps) in the refreshing 50-metre pool outdoor . There is shallow children's pool, and a fantastic splash pad play area with water games to entertain for hours.

The pool complex is set amongst spacious lawn areas with plenty of shade available, bbq facilities and kiosk facilities.

During Winter, you can enjoy a swim in a heated indoor swimming pool. A range of aquatic programs is available year round.

The indoor stadium is a multi-purpose indoor sport and recreation complex that services a wide cross-section of community groups and organisations. A wide array of programs run year round.

Coota Indoor Rock Climb is the only indoor rock climbing facility in the Riverina. You'll find easy climbing terrain for beginners and some more challenging routes for more experienced climbers. Our wall is 8m in height, twinpoint auto belay system with 9 rock climbing lanes.



Explore the Arts

The Riverina is known as the 'food bowl' of NSW, and agriculture is big business in Cootamundra. The striking Milestones Sculptures on Parker Street pay tribute to some of Australia's finest wheat grown in the district. If you're visiting in October, you can immerse yourself in the agricultural industry at the Cootamundra Show, uniting family fun with country hospitality.

Community built and run, The Arts Centre Cootamundra is a dynamic space that hosts exhibitions, workshops and performances, from cabaret shows to painting classes. For local handmade gifts, browse Cootamundra Art and Craft Centre.

Movies at TACC

TACC is now into its fourth year of screening new release films. The content can be enjoyed by all of the residents of the shire ranging from art house to kids movies during the school holidays. Cootamundra is so lucky to be able to host new movies, even though we are classified as a sub-run theatre so we cannot screen during the first few weeks of release.

www.theartscentrecootamundra.org.au



Schooling

COOTAMUNDRA EA SOUTHEE PUBLIC SCHOOL

We provide a quality education by establishing a stimulating learning environment where children are known, valued and cared for. Our belief is that learning best occurs when home and school work in partnership and share common expectations for the children.

<https://easouthee-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/#>



COOTAMUNDRA HIGH SCHOOL

The school has an established reputation of academic, sporting and cultural success and enjoys close ties with the community.

Cootamundra High offers a broad curriculum incorporating an extensive and free VET program within the school and in conjunction with the local TAFE facilities.

www.cootamundra-h.schools.nsw.gov.au



COOTAMUNDRA PUBLIC SCHOOL

Cootamundra Public School's vision is to ensure that students realise their potential through a focus on achievement, striving for personal best and positive relationships. Students are supported by expert teachers working together to ensure learning is relevant and engaging. The school is committed to increasing the level of student proficiency in literacy and numeracy with specific programs.

www.cootamundra-p.schools.nsw.gov.au



SACRED HEART CENTRAL SCHOOL

Sacred Heart is a place where everyone in the community is encouraged to learn, to grow and to work towards their best selves. Our school motto 'Faith and Knowledge' challenges us to be a community that serves others, provides academic excellence, and nurtures relationships. We adhere to a vision of Learn, Lead, and Live as a way of life for our entire community. The school caters for students in Kindergarten – Year 10

www.sh-coota.nsw.edu.au



Village Schooling

STOCKINBINGAL PUBLIC SCHOOL

The welcoming, friendly, inclusive nature of the school is a standout feature that allows students to develop as strong, confident individuals in a safe, accepting environment. Stockinbingal Public School is very well resourced, with Interactive White Boards in all classes, a high ratio of computers to students and wireless access throughout.

<https://stockinbin-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>



WALLENBEEEN PUBLIC SCHOOL

The school aims to provide an education that develops its students' intellectual, physical, social and emotional needs. Its motto, "From Small Beginnings", reflects the belief that students from Wallendbeen Public School will go forth and achieve well after attending the school.

<https://wallendbee-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>



Special Schooling

ELOUERA SPECIAL SCHOOL

The Elouera Special School is an educational centre of excellence providing individualised supports to students with a disability from Kinder to Year 12. Built on large grounds with room to expand, we have developed facilities that are second to none in the region.

Elouera provides individual tailored programs to all of its students in the Junior, Middle and Senior class rooms, Elouera Special school caters for students from Kinder Early Stage 1 to Year 12 Stage 6 Life Skills Curriculum and is fully registered with NESAs. <https://elouera-association.com/special-school.htm>



Medical Services

COOTAMUNDRA FAMILY MEDICAL CENTRE

When choosing healthcare for you and your family, nothing is more important than being able to trust the medical advice and service you are given and knowing you are receiving the highest standard of care. We offer:

- Quality Healthcare
- Highly Qualified Professionals
- Integrity & Respect
- Delivered With Kindness
- Most Affordable Care
- Emergency & Urgent Care

148 Parker Street, Cootamundra

02 59377307

info@cootamundrafamilymedical.com.au

COUNTRY MED GROUP

We offer a close and personalised health care experience. We are able to offer many services to our patients depending on their needs. Apart of having well experienced Lady Doctors, we have a friendly and dedicated team. We also provide Allied Health services which are all Bulk Billed including 2 in-house highly experienced psychologist and 1 Audiologist.

42 Cooper Street, Cootamundra

02 69421011

admin@countrymedgroup.com.au

COOTAMUNDRA MEDICAL CENTRE

Our aim is to give our patients the highest possible quality of care, by ensuring excellence in all aspects of our practice. We endeavour to provide patients with the best and most current treatments, methods, materials and equipment within our resource capabilities to ensure that the patients receive the high quality of service they have come to expect.

118-132 Mackay Street Cootamundra

02 69420222

<https://www.hotdoc.com.au/medical-centres/cootamundra-NSW-2590/cootamundra-medical-centre/doctors>



Cootamundra Hospital

The Cootamundra Health Service provides a 24-hour accident and emergency and includes a 30-bed hospital with 27 hospital beds and 3 maternity beds, as well as a range of allied health and general practice services.

148 Mackay Street, Cootamundra, NSW 2590
phone (02) 6942 0444

No referral required.

Virtual care (telehealth) is available at this service. Please call to book an appointment.
accessible

Wheelchair accessible

24-hour emergency



Aged Care

ADINA CARE COOTAMUNDRA

Catering to the needs of up to 62 elderly and frail residents across respite care, Adina offers high care and dementia care.

They promote and maintain the health and wellbeing of our residents by providing a living environment in which residents can feel comfortable and secure.

They establish safe, therapeutic and flexible routines that maximise each resident's potential for independence and maintain the link between family, friends and community to enrich the quality of life for all

PHONE:

02 6940 1600

EMAIL:

info@adinacare.com.au

VISIT:

121 Mackay St Cootamundra NSW 2590

WEB: <https://www.adinacare.com.au/>



SOUTHERN CROSS CARE COOTAMUNDRA

Our home offers private suites, garden views, a comprehensive range of services and the reassurance of round-the-clock care.

Our light-filled, private single suites are decorated and furnished to create an environment that delivers maximum comfort, convenience and privacy.

Featuring private ensuite bathrooms and garden views, our suites create a peaceful, private oasis for you to enjoy. Relax in style, enjoy breakfast in bed or keep the curtains closed and sleep in. It's up to you.

PHONE:

02 69422300

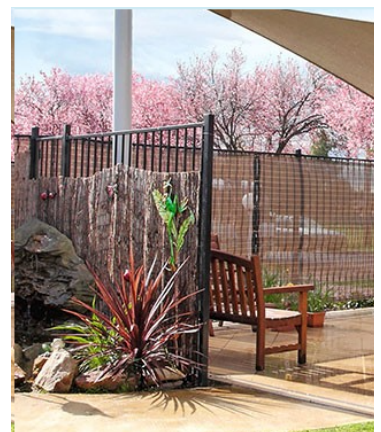
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enquiries@sccliving.org.au

VISIT:

14 Scott St Cootamundra NSW 2590

WEB: <https://www.sccliving.org.au>



Real Estate

In Cootamundra, the market is thriving, attracting investors with its promising growth, profitability and affordability and profitability.

The area boasts employment options, a growing community, and convenient access to necessary services, making it an appealing choice for those looking for stable investment returns.

The Domain Rent Report for the June quarter of 2023 highlights a substantial rise in median rents within the Cootamundra-Gundagai council region, surging by an impressive 22.6% to reach \$380.

Cootamundra has seen an annual compound growth rate of 9.5% for houses. If you are looking for an investment property, consider houses in Cootamundra rent out for \$385 PW with an annual rental yield of 5.0% and units rent for \$285 PW with a rental yield of 4.9%.

Median prices

To buy:

2 bedroom house - \$282 000

3 bedroom house - \$385 000

4 bedroom house - \$560 000

Real Estate Agents

Flemings Property Services

222 Parker Street

Cootamundra

Ph: 6942 2480

www.flemingspropertyservices.com

Landmark Real Estate

23 Barnes Street

Cootamundra

Ph: 6942 2122

www.landmark.com.au

Ron Loiterton Real Estate Agents

207 Parker Street

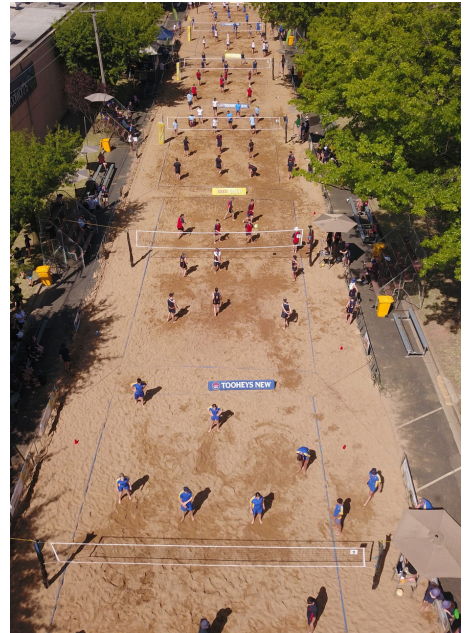
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www.cgrc.nsw.gov.au

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