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Visit our website www.cgrc.nsw.gov.au**1300 459 689****FEEDBACK REQUEST FOR COWBOY STATUE:**

Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council (CGRC) is calling on residents to provide feedback on a proposal to commission a life-sized statue honouring legendary local cowboy, Mr Bob Holder.

Commissioning a statue in Mr Holder's honour was considered as a unique opportunity for CGRC to pay tribute to a living legend who has represented Cootamundra with distinction. This tribute would act as a permanent recognition of his lifetime of achievement and character, cementing his legacy in the heart of the community that shaped him.

CGRC mayor Cr Abb McAlister said the proposal aligns with how CGRC has recognised other icons and the benefits of such a project are significant.

"I urge residents to participate in the community feedback sort for this project, honouring Bob not only celebrates his extraordinary achievements it also recognises what makes Cootamundra truly special," Cr McAlister said.

Community feedback can be submitted by visiting the CGRC website and follow this link www.cgrc.nsw.gov.au/community-engagement to complete the survey or scan the QR code.

**REVEGETATING MORELY'S CREEK:**

Gundagai locals will be noticing a lot of work being undertaken along the Morely's Creek precinct.

The revegetating of the creek is being co-ordinated by Local Land Services and has continued with the Brungle Tumut Local Aboriginal Land Council work team undertaking a planting day along the creek between the Otway Street and the Sherwood Forest works.

The planting of native, mainly understorey vegetation to the banks of the creek will benefit the biodiversity and habitat recovery to the area.

Local school students have undertaken another planting session in the vicinity of the Morely's Creek Pontoon.

The project is being undertaken with the assistance of The Refreshing Rivers program that is addressing land use and land management issues in a number of ways, working hand-in-hand with landholders, partnering with community organisations, and connecting to national sustainability and stewardship schemes.



Pictured above: The new cricket nets in Gundagai will deliver benefits to local cricketers in a joint venture with Council and Gundagai Cricket Club.

CRICKET NETS FOR BUDDING STARS:

CGRC in a partnership with the Gundagai Cricket club have commenced works to replace the old cricket nets at the Stan Crowe Oval precinct.

New posts and chain wire netting have been installed. The forming and preparation for the pouring of the concrete base slab has commenced.

The partnership was formed to deliver new practice nets to meet the clubs demands into the future.

Funding for new nets was secured through Council's Capital works budget allocation of \$27,500 and a co- contribution to the project of \$27,500 from the Gundagai Cricket Club. The completion of the new nets is due to be completed prior to the commencement of the 2026 cricket season.

AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS NOMINATIONS NOW OPEN:

Do you know someone who has gone above beyond the call of duty?

Someone who achieved outstanding results.

A coach, a player, a team who have accomplished great success.

A young person, who leads by example, is involved in the community?

Nominate them for the 2026 Australia Day award it's very easy and gives recognition to those in our community who enrich our area through their community service and outstanding achievements. Council is calling for residents and community organisations to nominate deserving people within the region for the 2026 Australia Day Awards.

Nominations are now open and will be received by Council until the 7 November 2025.

Council in conjunction with the Australia Day Council, proposes to present its Annual Australia Day Awards on 26 January 2026, at two separate ceremonies: one to be held in Gundagai and one to be held in Cootamundra. Nominations are being invited for each of the following categories:

1. Citizen of the Year.
2. Young Citizen of the Year.
3. Sportsperson of the Year

Sports Achievement.

Nomination forms can be found on the CGRC website at www.cgrc.nsw.gov.au/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/Australia-Day-Nomination-Form-2026.pdf

Or at Council Administration offices in Cootamundra and Gundagai.



Pictured above: Lorraine Gallagher and Deputy Mayor Ros Wight. *Pictured left:* Carol Harris. Lorraine and Carol were the recipients of the 2025 Citizen of the Year awards. Nominations are now open for the 2026 Australia Day Awards.

OCTOBER IS MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS MONTH:

This month is used as a celebration of motorcycling and for drivers to #lookoutformotorcycles. The month aims to raise awareness about motorcycling and educate drivers to look out for motorcycles on the road.

Two events will be hosted by CGRC during to month to highlight motorcycle safety and reinforce the message to motorists – Look out for motorcycles.

The Max Whitteron Gardens in Wallendoon Street Cootamundra on 1 October will see a number of local motorcyclists assemble from 10am.

Carberry Park in Sheridan Street Gundagai will also come alive to the rumble of bikes on 15 October. Residents are welcome to look over the bikes, chat to the riders and partake in an expertly cooked sausage sizzle. There will be free

giveaways and important information for motorcyclists and motorists alike.

Both events will be held from 10am to 12 noon.

For information phone 1300 459 689.

Pictured right: An impressive line up of motorcycles on display at the 2024 event.



WHAT'S THIS:

It's a fatberg and is a congealed pile of wet wipes, fats and other rubbish that accumulate in sewer mains and become a hard solid mass. They cause a back flow of sewage that leads to sewage overflows blocking the sewage system or lead to a backflow of sewage into households. A reminder to residents, don't flush wipes or other debris down the pipes. *Pictured left:* The CGRC Water & Sewer team removed this fatberg from the system recently.

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING: Notice is hereby given of the CGRC Ordinary Council Meeting to be held on **Tuesday 28 October 2025, commencing at 6:00pm in the Alby Schultz Meeting Centre Cooper Street Cootamundra.** Refer to Council's website for business paper.