

FEBRUARY 2026

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BUS SAFETY WEEK 17 – 23 FEBRUARY 2026:

As part of Be Bus Aware, CGRC will be hosting events in Cootamundra and Gundagai to remind all road users how to stay safe on & around buses.

Buses are large, heavy vehicles that can take a long time to stop and have wider blind spots. Whether you're walking, driving or riding, give buses plenty of space and don't expect the driver to be able to see you or stop in time to avoid colliding. **Always meet your child at school or the bus stop. Never wait on the opposite side of the road and call them across.**

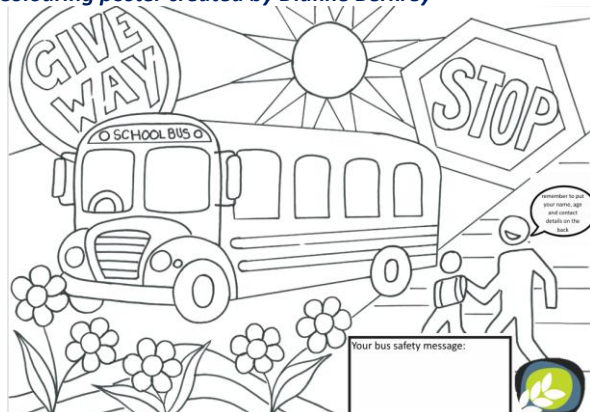
Always supervise your child when walking to and from the bus stop. Wait until the bus has gone then use a safe place to cross the road. Talk to your children about using Stop! Look! Listen! Think! every time they cross the road. Stop one step back from the kerb. Think whether it's safe to cross and keep checking until you're safely across.

Always buckle up on the bus.

CGRC is encouraging all children aged between 3 & 12 years to participate in the **Bruce the Bus Colouring Competition:** Posters will be distributed via schools & available on Council's website at www.cgrc.nsw.gov.au/be-bus-aware-2 prizes will be awarded in three age groups. 3 to 5 years, 6 to 8 years, 9 to 12 years. All completed colouring posters to be returned to CGRC Administration Offices by (closing date).

Bus Visit: the Cootamundra Library on 18 February and Gundagai Library on 19 February from 11am for a **FREE sausage sizzle**, meet a bus driver, & learn more about Being Bus Aware.

Colouring poster created by Dianne Berkrey



Pictured: Cootamundra Citizens of the Year, Sister Kathleen Hodge & Maureen Simpfendorfer with Young Citizen of the Year Olivia Godber cutting the cake. Missing from photo Sportsperson of the Year Joshua Ismay.

**AUSTRALIA DAY AWARD WINNERS:**

Pictured above and left: Gundagai Citizen of the Year, Wendy Anderson. Young Citizen of the Year, Zak Anderson. Sportsperson of the Year, William Edwards with CGRC Mayor Abb McAlister and Australia Day Ambassador Corey Payne.

**POSITION VACANT: PARKS & GARDENS TEAM LEADER – GUNDAGAI:**

Full-time position based in Gundagai. Applications close 5.00 pm, Friday 20 February 2026. Apply by post to CGRC, PO Box 420, Cootamundra NSW 2590, or email to mail@cgrc.nsw.gov.au.

Visit: www.cgrc.nsw.gov.au/positions-vacant

For more information.

STABILISATION WORKS ON WEST STREET COMPLETED:

Motorists travelling along the busy West Street in Gundagai will notice a significant improvement to the road surface following the completion of important stabilisation works by the CGRC road team.

Despite hot weather conditions, the team worked hard to complete the project adjacent to Gundagai Public School before the start of the school term.

Pictured below: New line marking and completed stabilisation works have delivered a smoother, safer road for all users.



DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION ON PUBLIC EXHIBITION:

CGRC has received Development Application DA No. 2019/143.7 (PAN-598802) from Habitat Planning Wagga Pty Ltd for land at multiple lots on Tumblong Reserve Road, Tumblong NSW 2590. The application is for a **Regionally Significant & Integrated Development**, being a **Section 4.55(2) modification** to an approved waste management facility, proposing to increase annual landfill capacity from **60,000 tonnes to 99,000 tonnes**. The application & supporting documents will be on public exhibition on the **NSW Planning Portal** from **4 Feb to 6 Mar 2026**. Submissions may be made via the Portal or in writing to Council, quoting **DA No. 2019/143.7**, by **5pm Fri, 6 Mar 2026**. Objections must clearly state reasons. Submissions may be included in public reports & accessed under the **GIPA Act 2009**. Disclosure of any reportable political donations or gifts is required under relevant planning legislation. www.cgrc.nsw.gov.au/development-applications-on-public-exhibition

WATER STANDPIPE COWCUMBLA STREET COOTAMUNDRA

OUT OF ORDER:

Please be advised the standpipe situated on Cowcumbra Street Cootamundra, adjacent to CGRC depot, is out of order. Due to a mechanical failure. The facility will be unavailable for use until the end of February 2026; Council is currently sourcing alternative units.

Alternative sources are Stockinbingal standpipe in Britannia Street, or Harden. This facility requires a credit card and can be found on Neill Street, near Bathurst Street Harden. Council apologises for any inconvenience.



GUNDAGAI'S HERO TO BE COMMEMORATED:

Work on the Richard Norden Memorial in Carberry Park has commenced. *Pictured below:* Private Richard Norden was posthumously awarded a Victoria Cross by the Governor General, Her Excellency Sam Mostyn, AC on Remembrance Day, 11 November 2024.

The memorial will provide an overview of the Battle of Coral-Balmoral and then describe the particular action which resulted in the bravery awards won by Private Norden saving the life of his badly wounded Section Commander, Lance Corporal (Joe) Kelly.



PUBLIC EXHIBITION – FINAL DRAFT GUNDAGAI HOUSING & EMPLOYMENT LANDS STRATEGY:

Public Exhibition – Final Draft Gundagai Housing & Employment Lands Strategy. Council has prepared the final draft **Gundagai Housing & Employment Lands Strategy**, which will guide future housing & employment land planning & inform amendments to the Gundagai LEP. The Strategy, developed with Habitat Planning Pty Ltd, has been updated & amended following initial community & stakeholder consultation. The final draft Strategy is being re-exhibited & will be on public exhibition during **February 2026** & can be downloaded from CGRC website. Submissions close **9.00am Mon, 2 Mar 2026**.

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

BE BUS AWARE

Slow down to 40 when lights flash



BeBusAware.com.au



MURRAY ST. COOTAMUNDRA CLOSED:

Between Bourke & Wallendoon Sts. from **Mon 9 Feb 2026** for Beach Volleyball Carnival. Reopens **Mon 16 Feb 2026**.

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING: Notice is hereby given of the CGRC Ordinary Council Meeting to be held on **Tuesday 24 February 2026**, commencing at 6:00pm in the Alby Schultz Meeting Centre, Cooper St Cootamundra. Refer to Council's website for business paper.