

Council Meetings

The Ordinary meeting of Council is responsible for dealing with matters relating to finance, works, development, planning, health, building and community services. This meeting also makes a decision on Committee recommendations and is the forum for making the final decision of Council.

Residents and ratepayers are cordially invited to attend Council meetings.

2024 Council Meeting Dates:

Tuesday, 15 October Corowa Chamber (Extraordinary Meeting)	Tuesday, 22 October Corowa Chamber
Tuesday, 26 November Urana Chamber	Tuesday, 17 December Corowa Chamber

Positions Vacant

Federation Council is committed to being a quality Council with a strong focus on the delivery of services that continually meet community expectations. If you are committed to excellent customer service, being a competent team player and have a focus on results orientation that drives strategic thinking and fosters a culture of innovation, learning and continuous improvement, then one of our positions are for you! Visit our website for our detailed advertisements and position descriptions.

Labour Day Public Holiday

Federation Council services and facilities will have altered operating hours for the Labour Day Public Holiday scheduled on Monday 7 October, 2024.

Federation Council staff wish you and your family a safe and happy long weekend.

Find out more on Council's website.

Australia Day Nominations - Now Open!

Do you know someone who has given outstanding service to your community?

Would you like to shine a spotlight on a local hero in your town?

Are you a member of an amazing community group which deserves recognition?

If so, consider submitting a nomination for the 2025 Australia Day Awards, which are now open! Submissions close Monday 18 November, 2024.

The Australia Day Awards program is a way to recognise people who make exceptional contributions to our local communities.

Find out more and nominate on Council's website.



Transforming Wax and Flames into Art: Discover Sharon De Valentin's Encaustic Masterpieces at the 'Fused' Exhibition



Beeswax, a blowtorch and damar resin are the unlikely ingredients that form the basis of Sharon De Valentin's upcoming solo exhibition 'Fused', which is exclusive to Corowa Art Space.

'Fused' explores the rugged beauty of banksias, the majesty of native gums, and the lively presence of magpies. Delicate roses, vast landscapes, and intricate stag head sculptures are complemented by small works crafted from found seeds, nuts, and papier-mâché clay.

'Fused' opens at Corowa Art Space on 11 October and ends on 17 November. Entry is free and opening times are Wednesday to Friday 10am – 4pm and on weekends 10am – 2pm.

Find out more on Council's website.

Balloon Antics - Howlong & Corowa Libraries

Balloonatic Bruce is bringing lots of fun, colour, action, and excitement to the Howlong and Corowa Libraries this October!

Attend this ballooncentric show with the family for \$5 per person at the following locations:

- Howlong Library: Friday 11 October, 2024 - 10:30am
- Corowa Library: Friday 11 October 2024 - 2:00pm

Bookings are essential please call the Howlong Library on (02) 6026 5055 or the Corowa Library on (02) 6033 8941.

Mental Health Month

Mental Health Month is held throughout October across Australia to raise awareness and promote better mental health for all. This years them is "Let's Talk About It" to emphasis the significance of open dialogue and communication regarding health across various platforms and settings.

This Mental Health Month the Federation Council Libraries are hosting a number of events including:

- Macrame Feathers - Adult Craft Sessions at the Howlong Library, 23 October 2024 at 2:30pm and Mulwala Library, 24 October 2024 at 10:30am
- Macrame Feathers - Adult Craft Session & Guided Meditation at the Corowa Library, 29 October 2024 at 2:30pm

Find out more on Council's website.

Halloween Disco Trick a Treat



Federation Youth Councillors are excited to announce they are holding a disco at the Memorial Hall in Corowa on Thursday 31 October, 2024 with the theme being “Halloween.” This event is free for ages 11 – 18 years and doors will open at 7 pm.

Before the disco, there will be a Halloween Trick or Treat event from 5 pm to 6:30 pm. This event is a free family friendly event with each child receiving a bag of lollies. There will be spooktacular games to participate in and a costume competition. Get in early with your tickets to ensure you don't miss showing us your signature moves -the zombie walk, the witch's broom ride, or the fang-tastic Monster dance! It's going to be a great Halloween — We can feel it in our bones!

Halloween Trick or Treat

- Thursday 31 October, 2024
- 5 pm to 6:30 pm
- Memorial Hall, Sanger Street, Corowa
- All ages gig.

Halloween Disco

- Thursday 31 October, 2024
- 7 pm to 10 pm
- Memorial Hall, Sanger Street, Corowa
- Ages 11 – 18 years

To register visit the Council website.

Magpies Swooping

Spring often signals the beginning of the breeding season for our native birds, mainly Magpies and Plovers, which subsequently means swooping. During the nesting season, a Magpie may swoop on people, clacking its beak. While alarming, it is usually an attempt to defend its family, so it is just a warning. The good news is that a single magpie will swoop for only six weeks until their chicks leave the nest.

A list of known swooping locations is available from Council's website.



Corowa Aquatic Centre - Spring School Holidays

The Corowa Aquatic Centre has some fun activities for you and your family to enjoy during the upcoming Spring school holidays.

- The casual family entry pass will be discounted to 13 October, 2024. Instead of paying \$21 it will be discounted to \$10 per day. Yep, you heard it right! Bring your family along for just \$10 – that's a \$11 saving off the usual price!
- Don't forget the same day pass outs are also available. This means if you pay to enter on any given day you can return during the same day at no extra cost.
- The colouring in table will be available along with toys and activities available upon request from reception.

Come along and join in the fun during the school holidays. We would love to welcome you and your family! Parental guidance is required for children up to 12 years of age.

Find out more from the Corowa Aquatic Centre website www.corowaaquaticcentre.com.au

Responsibilities of Pet Ownership

Being a pet owner means there are responsibilities by law that are required to be adhered to.

Over the last few months, Council has received an increasing number of complaints in relations to aggressive dog behaviour and dogs escaping property and roaming the streets in Howlong.

To ensure the safety of your pet and the community, residents are reminded of some of the responsibilities of pet ownership to ensure your pet lives a full and happy life in our community:

- Provide a secure home environment so your dog cannot escape.
- Registration.
- Microchipping.
- Wearing a collar and identification tag with the name of the dog or cat, address or telephone number of the owner when in a public place.
- If you have moved residences, updating your contact details on your pet registration and microchipping records.
- When you take your dog to a public place they must be under the owners' effective control. This means on an adequate, leash, chain or cord. If your dog is in an off leash area, it must be under your effective control.

Stray dog sightings should be reported to Council. If you find a stray or lost animal please contact Council and a ranger will collect the animal from you. During business hours, please call us or after hours complete our online customer request form: www.federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au/Connect/Lodge-a-Customer-Request

Our furry friends are so important in our lives and at Council, there is no better joy for our rangers to be able to return your pet home safely, however, if the above items are not followed we may not know where to return it to.

Find out more from Council's website.