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**URANA DISTRICT
NEWSLETTER**

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Time of Your Life

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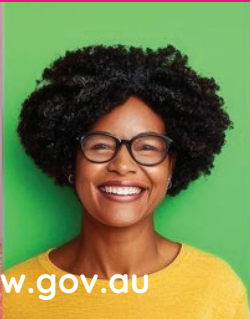
Sunday 16 March 2025, 11 am to 3 pm

@ CLUB COROWA

Stallholder Call-Out

Calling community groups, sporting clubs, businesses, age care, and health services seeking to connect with Federation Council seniors! We are looking for people to hold a stall, be guest speakers, or do a demonstration at the Time of Your Life Seniors Expo.

You can visit the Council website to submit a stallholder form or to find out more information contact the Council at (02) 6033 8999 or email communityevents@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au.



URANA NEWSLETTER

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE



Dear Readers,

Welcome to the December/January edition of the Urana & District newsletter for 2024-2025. Marking this edition as the final edition for the year.

In this edition, we advise that a suite of strategic documents are now available for your review including our Annual Report 2023 - 2024, State of the Region Report 2021 - 2024 and Financial Statements 2023 - 2024, and we seek your feedback in relation to our Long Term Financial Plan 2024-2034 and Delivery Program, Operational Plan and Annual Budget & Councillor & Staff Interaction Policy. We invite residents and businesses to explore the Christmas Lights and Decorations entered in the Light Up Federation competition, invite Expressions of Interest for our 2025 Time of Your Life Seniors Expo and provide a reminder about our Australia Day Awards and Celebrations event.

On behalf of Councillors and staff, may I take this opportunity to wish you and your families a Merry Christmas and safe and happy New Year. Holidays is a time of festivities and good cheer. Many people look forward to spending time with loved ones and friends. For others it can be a time of stress, unhappiness and loneliness. Enclosed in this edition are 10 tips to Stress Less during the Holidays from Wayahead, see page 18-19.

I would also like to thank all contributors to this newsletter over the last 12 months. Your community news and advertisements are valued and appreciated.

Kind Regards,
Cheryl Cook, Mayor
Federation Council

COUNCIL MEETINGS 2024-25

Ordinary meetings of Council are generally held on the last Tuesday of the Month commencing at 9:30am.

Federation Council is pleased to offer LIVE streaming of our monthly Council Meetings. This gives residents the opportunity to observe Council business via their computers and mobile devices.

Please visit Council's website and click on the LIVE STREAM link to watch the Ordinary Council Meeting live. For past meetings select the icon under 'Media'.

Tuesday 17 December 2024 Urana Chamber	Tuesday 21 January 2025 Corowa Chamber
Tuesday 28 January 2025 Extraordinary Corowa Chamber	Tuesday 25 February 2025 Corowa Chamber
Tuesday 25 March 2025 Urana Chamber	Tuesday 29 April 2025 Corowa Chamber
Tuesday 27 May 2025 Corowa Chamber	Tuesday 24 June 2025 Corowa Chamber
Tuesday 29 July 2025 Urana Chamber	Tuesday 26 August 2025 Corowa Chamber
Tuesday 30 September 2025 Corowa Chamber	Tuesday 28 October 2025 Corowa Chamber
Tuesday 25 November 2025 Urana Chamber	Tuesday 16 December 2025 Corowa Chamber

Digital versions of the Urana District Newsletter are available on Federation Council website.

www.federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au/Council/News-Media/Urana-District-Newsletter

PUBLIC FORUM

Members of the public have the opportunity to address the Council prior to Ordinary and Extraordinary Council meetings. The forum allows for verbal submissions/presentations from community members on items of business to be considered at the meeting. Conditions are outlined in Council's Code of Meeting Practice. Council holds Public Forums on the Monday before the Council meeting at 5.30pm. To apply to make a presentation at a public forum, please submit your request via the online form available from Council's website.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR



During the Christmas Holiday period, Council offices and services will have altered operating hours and public holiday closures.

Kerbside bin collection dates for all towns will be as usual over the Christmas and New Year period. Residents are reminded to place their bins out for collection the night before as collection may occur earlier.

Over this time, Federation Council encourages residents to submit any non-urgent requests via the online form available from Council's website.

The requests will be reviewed and actioned from Thursday 2 January 2025. The After Hours service for urgent matters will operate during the closure period as normal. Phone 1800 110 088 to access this service.

Federation Council Councillors and staff would like to wish you and your families a Merry Christmas and happy New Year!

Full details are on the back of this edition or available from Council's website.

ON EXHIBITION

A suite of Federation Council key strategic documents are now available for the community to review on public exhibition as follows:

- Draft Delivery Program, Operational Plan & Annual Budget. Feedback closes 5pm, Tuesday 24 December, 2024.
- Draft Long Term Financial Plan 2024 – 2034. Feedback closes 5pm, Tuesday 24 December, 2024.
- Draft Councillor & Staff Interaction Policy. Feedback closes 5pm, Friday 27 December, 2024.
- Draft Councillor Expenses & Facilities Policy. Feedback closes 5pm, Monday 6 January, 2025.

Council invites residents to review the draft documents from Council's website or at any Council office and provide feedback. Anyone interested in providing feedback should do so in writing, addressed to the General Manager, PO Box 77, Corowa NSW 2646 or email to council@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au.

Scan the QR code below or visit Council's website to view each document or to find out more.



COUNCILLORS ENDORSE TO PROGRESS WORK ON SPECIAL RATE VARIATION PROJECT



Federation Council has resolved to endorse the progress of work required for an application to the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) for a 69.94% permanent Special Rate Variation (SRV) over two years commencing 1 July 2025.

It is important to note that these increases effectively include the temporary 19% increase applied in 2023/24 and temporary 17% applied in 2024/25.

The motion put to Council's November Council meeting endorsed the updated 10 year Long Term Financial Plan to be placed on Council's website and public exhibition seeking community feedback for a period of 28 days. Council also adopted the recommended changes to the Delivery Program 2022-2026, and for the updated Delivery Program 2022-2026 to be placed on Council's website and public exhibition seeking community feedback for a period of 28 days.

Council resolved to continue to explore opportunities for financial initiatives through cost containment strategies, productivity improvements and revenue opportunities.

Federation Council has been on a financial improvement journey since it was formed in May 2016 from the merger of Corowa Shire Council and Urana Shire Council.

There has been community engagement on a future Special Rate Variation since mid 2021. Feedback from IPART in June 2023 detailed improvements that could be made to Council's community engagement around the proposed increase to general rates, with improvements since implemented. Comprehensive community engagement was undertaken in May 2024 and July 2024 on the need for the proposed SRV increase and the impact that it would have on ratepayers and the ability to renew assets that are important to the community.

Residents are encouraged to view the SRV project information available on Council's website or scan the QR code below.



2024-2025 YOUTH COUNCIL MAYOR & DEPUTY MAYOR ELECTED



The Federation Council Youth Council at its December meeting elected the 2024-2025 Youth Mayor and Youth Deputy Mayor for the term. Max Sampson has been elected as Youth Mayor and Dayna Carter, will continue as Deputy Youth Mayor.

Max who will be 13, when he serves his term, is passionate about the environment, jobs of the future, and young people being encouraged to do more with the arts.

Mayor Cheryl Cook, who joined the meeting as the Councillor delegate congratulated the Youth Council, "Participating in the Youth Council is a wonderful chance to provide input into our community's future. It is an important platform for young people to participate in local decision making and provides opportunities to take on leadership roles. I look forward to hearing what they have to say and seeing the outcomes of their work this year."

The Youth Council is a formal advisory committee of Council and is made up of young people aged 12-25 from across the Council area. The Youth Council provides a voice for young people and advocates on their behalf on local issues, projects and initiatives. The Youth Council provides opportunities to participate in the community by organizing events, and working on projects that support and encourage young people.

Over the last twelve months the Youth Council have hosted the Halloween Party and Disco in Corowa, hosted an outdoor cinema in Oaklands, assisted with Youth Week activities in Mulwala and Rand, represented the Council at the 2023 Federation Australia Day Awards and Community Celebration, Hay Youth Summit and the 2024 Youth Conference in Sydney. Along with provided feedback on Council's strategic documents including the Community Strategic Plan, Community Engagement Strategy, and the Child, Youth and Family Strategy. Members sat on the Council's John Ford Oval Facility Advisory Committee and Corowa Aquatic Centre Consultative Committee.

2024-2025 Youth Councillors are Max Sampson (pictured), Youth Mayor, Dayna Carter, Deputy Youth Mayor, Youth Councillor Alyssa Walda, Bel Carrol and Neveah Rosmulder.

ANNUAL REPORT 2023-2024



Federation Council is pleased to present its Annual Report for the 2023-2024 financial year.

The Annual Report provides an overview of Federation Council's operational and financial performance during the period 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024.

Read the full report from Council's website along with previous Annual Reports.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2023-2024



Federation Council is pleased to present its annual Financial Statements 2023 - 2024.

The financial statements set out the financial performance, financial position and cash flows of Council for the reporting

financial year period.

The format of the financial statements is standard across all NSW Councils and complies with both the accounting and reporting requirements of the Australian Accounting Standards and requirements as set down by the Office of Local Government.

Read the statements from Council's website.

STATE OF OUR REGION REPORT 2021-2024



Federation Council is pleased to present its State of Our Region Report 2021 - 2024.

The State of our Region Report covers the three-year term of the previous Council and tracks Council's progress against the Community Strategic Plan (CSP). The report provides information that sets the scene for the new council and includes achievements to date and highlights future work to be undertaken.

Read the full report from Council's website.

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 these opportunities is for you:

- **Casual Labourer Facilities:**

In this casual role you will provide general labour efficiently and effectively across the Facilities area of operations in the Northern area of Federation Council, focusing on Oaklands Swimming pool over the swim season from November to April annually and other facilities for the remainder of the year.

- **Operations Officer (Plant Operator):**

Federation Council are offering exciting opportunity for you to join our supportive and friendly team, and make a real meaningful difference in the Urana and surrounding communities.

In your new role as Operations Officer, you will operate Council's plant safely and effectively to support the road maintenance and construction teams with the commitment to developing and maintaining a safe transport and road network.

- **Leading Hand Sundry:**

We have an opportunity for a Leading Hand Sundry to join our Operations Team based in Urana. This role is responsible for supervising the day-to-day operations of the Council Works Sundry Team and assist the Works Overseer to ensure the team operates in compliance with Council's corporate goals, objectives and standards in the construction of quality infrastructure services for Federation Council.

Visit Council's website or scan the QR code below for my career opportunities.



AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS & CEREMONY



Come along and celebrate Australia Day at the Federation Council's Day Awards & Ceremony held at Lowe Square in Howlong. Live entertainment from Swag 'n' Billy Bush Band and a complimentary bush tucker infused lunch will follow the ceremony. Event starts 10am, Sunday 26th January 2025.

Visit Council's website to find out more.

CURRENT TENDER OPPORTUNITIES

All current Tenders, Quotations and Expressions of Interest are listed below and can be viewed from:

<https://app.eprocure.com.au/federationcouncil/home/public>

Request for Tenders

Federation Council invites qualified and experienced businesses to participate in our Request for Tender (RFT) process to deliver the project outlined below.

Federation Way Daysdale Stage 2 to 5

- Closing Date: Tuesday 10 December, 2024 - 4pm
- RFT: 2024-215

Request for Expressions of Interest

License to Crop and Operate Irrigator on Council Land

Federation Council invites Expressions of Interest (EOIs) for the Licence to crop and operate irrigator on council land being 2 lots of approximately 83ha and 36 ha described as Lot 2 DP 852272 and Part Lot 31, DP 1049834, 311 Redlands Road, Corowa.

The successful applicant will be permitted to crop and operate the irrigator for a period of 60 months (5 years) commencing 1st January, 2025 and terminating on 31 December, 2029.

Applicants are encouraged to inspect

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the area prior to submitting an EOI. An inspection afternoon will be planned subject to interest. Please email or call Narelle Donovan before Monday 2 December, 2024 to register interest, phone: 02 6033 8999.

EOI's close at 4.45 pm on Friday 13 December, 2024. EOIs can be delivered to Federation Council Office, 100 Edward Street, Corowa 2646 (PO Box 77, Corowa, 2646) or email: council@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au on the form available from the information pack.

CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM UPDATE



Council has an ongoing program of capital works and upgrades to buildings, parks, playgrounds and roads across the Federation Council Region.

Scan the QR code to see the latest or visit Council's website.



NORTH OF THE MURRAY EVENTS CALENDAR



North of the Murray plays host to a range of year-round regular and one-off events. We've got everything from wineries to markets, live music to art exhibitions!

Whether you come for the fun or just discover it on your adventure, you will enjoy the North of the Murray events.

North of the Murray produce a monthly events calendar which can be downloaded on www.northofthemurray.com.au or scan the link below to see the latest!



LIGHT UP FEDERATION 2024



A wonderful response has been received to 'Light Up Federation' competition with entries received from across the Federation Council area in all categories.

Spread the Christmas cheer and get out and about to see the most beautiful light and decoration displays in our region!

Voting for the Peoples Choice Award is open from Monday 9 December to Saturday 21 December, 2024.

Don't forget to get the flyer and online map to plan your trip, see all the displays, and find your new favourite from Council's website.

SIGN UP TO ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTERS

Federation Council produces a number of electronic newsletters to engage with our community and visitors regularly and to showcase the vast array of Council projects and updates. Subscribe now, by visiting Council's website or scanning the QR code below.



FEDERATION FESTIVAL THROUGH THE YEARS EXHIBITION



Step back in time and immerse yourself in the grandeur of Corowa's annual parade, a beloved tradition that has captivated audiences for generations. The 'Federation Festival Through the Years' exhibition showcases a treasure trove of archival photographs, costumes, memorabilia, and props from the Corowa Federation Museum that honours Corowa as the birthplace of Federation. The exhibition is presented by Corowa District Historical Society (CDHS), a volunteer group who collect, store, maintain, restore, record and promote collections at the Federation Museum to preserve the Corowa District's rich history.

On display at Corowa Art Space from 16 January to 2 February. Entry is free and opening times are Wednesday to Friday 10am – 4pm and on weekends 10am – 2pm.

Find out more on Council's website.

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AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT MOBILE SERVICE CENTRE

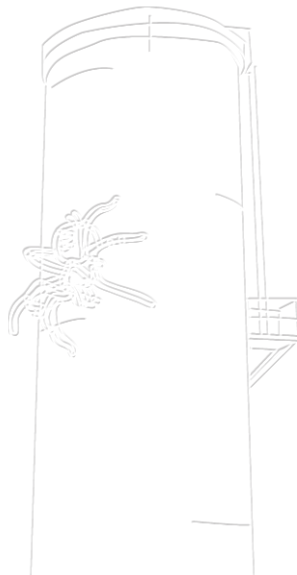
The Australian Government Mobile Service Centre is coming to our region.

- Urana: Thursday 16 January, 9am-4pm, Anna Street
- Corowa: Friday 17 and Monday 20 January, 9am-4pm, River Street
- Howlong: Tuesday 21 January, 9am-4pm, Hawkins Street

Visit the Mobile Service Centre to get assistance with your family with payments and services for Medicare and Centrelink, as well as information about Department of Veterans' Affairs and the National Disability Insurance Scheme programs and services.

They can also help you create a myGov account. myGov is a simple and secure way to access government services online.

Find out more from the Services Australia website: <https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/mobile-service-centres>



TIME OF YOUR LIFE SENIORS EXPO



The Federation Council is inviting residents aged over 60 to have the time of their lives at Club Corowa on Sunday 16 March 2025.

Running from 11 am to 3pm, the Time of Your Life Seniors Expo is an event designed to empower residents aging in the Federation Council community with valuable information, support, and resources about local organisations, clubs, groups and service providers to be able to aged well in the Federation Council area.

The one-day program will consist of guest speakers, interactive stallholders, demonstrations, and health screenings. A complimentary two course lunch will be available for pre-registered guests. There will be stalls from Government, aged service, health and wellbeing, legal and advocacy providers, along with community, social, and fitness groups.

The expo is free to attend for Federation Council residents aged over 60. Tickets go on sale on Wednesday 12 February 2025 at 9:30 am. Complimentary bus transport is available from across the Council area to and from the event. If you want to catch the bus, make sure you book one ticket for lunch and one ticket for the bus.

The NSW Seniors Festival runs from 3 -16 March 2025 and is about getting out and about, pick up new skills, learn what activities and services are available, join local clubs and groups in the community, meet others, and most importantly, have fun.

Proudly brought to you by the Federation Ageing Well Advisory Committee and the Federation Council. Supported by the NSW Government.

For more information visit the Council website. It is time to shine at the 2025 Time of Your Life Seniors Expo!

Council calls for expression of interest for the 2025 Time of Your Life Seniors Expo

Are you a community groups, sporting clubs, businesses, health and wellbeing, or age care provider seeking to connect with local people aged over 60?

Federation Council is inviting Expressions of Interest to participate in the 2025 Time of Your Life Seniors Expo.

Find out more on the inside front cover, visit Council's website, call Council on 02 6033 8999 or email communityevents@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au.



URANA & OAKLANDS SWIMMING POOLS - SUMMER OPENING

FEDERATION POOLS
NOW OPEN!



The Urana War Memorial Swimming Pool and Oaklands Swimming Pool are now open!

Access Fobs for both the Urana and Oaklands pools are now available from the Urana Council Office.

- Open daily 7am - 7pm
- Single season ticket entry \$50
- Family Season ticket entry \$75

Upon paying your membership, a waiver form is required to be completed along with the collection of a access fob. Forms and fobs available from the Urana Council Office.

Urana War Memorial Swimming & Oaklands Pool facility features:

- 33 metre pool.
- Toddlers pool.
- Kiosk.
- Change rooms with hot showers.
- Plenty of grass and picnic facilities.

Locations:

- The Urana War Memorial Swimming Pool is located at Federation Way, Urana.
- The Oaklands Swimming Pool is located at 3 Hunter Street, Oaklands.

FEDERATION LIBRARIES UPDATE



Christmas Storytime & Craft Sessions

Federation Libraries are spreading holiday cheer with a Christmas themed storytime and craft sessions to close the year out for your little ones!

Storytime:

- Mulwala Library 11 December 10.30am
- Corowa Library 13 December 10.30am

Craft Sessions:

- Mulwala Library 12 December 10am - Christmas Trees made from Air Dry Plaster
- Corowa Library Friday 20 December 10.30am - Making Christmas stars
- Howlong Library - a special Christmas craft table will be set up during the month of December

Contact Corowa, Howlong or Mulwala Libraries for more information.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF PET OWNERS



Whether you consider yourself a dog person or a cat person, we all have a responsibility to our companion animals. Residents are reminded of the responsibilities of pet owners to ensure the safety of companion animals and the community.

- If your dog is in a public place it must be under the effective control of a competent person by means of an adequate chain, cord or leash. The exceptions to this are; dogs exhibited at a show or engaging in obedience or agility trials or a dog secured in a cage or vehicle or in an approved off leash area.
 - If your dog is being exercised in an approved off-leash area it must always be under effective control of a competent person.
 - You are not permitted to walk more than four dogs at any one time in an on-leash or off-leash area.
 - Just like all breeds of dogs in NSW, greyhounds will still be required to be on a leash while in public at all times.
 - If your dog is in a public place it must be under the effective control of a competent person by means of an adequate chain, cord or leash. The exceptions to this are; dogs exhibited at a show or engaging in obedience or agility trials or a dog secured in a cage or vehicle or in an approved off leash area.
- If your dog is being exercised in an approved off-leash area it must always be under effective control of a competent person.
 - You are not permitted to walk more than four dogs at any one time in an on-leash or off-leash area.
 - Just like all breeds of dogs in NSW, greyhounds will still be required to be on a leash while in public at all times.
 - A greyhound will still require a muzzle in an off-leash area if it has not undergone an approved retraining program. Greyhounds that have completed this program will continue to wear identifying green collars, or, alternatively the person in charge of the animal can carry a completion card.
 - If your dog defecates in a public place it is an offence not to remove the faeces.
 - Dogs are prohibited in children's play areas, food preparation/consumption areas, reception areas, public bathing areas, school grounds, child care centres, shopping areas and wildlife protection areas.

ROYAL LIFE SAVING NSW SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Registrations are now open for the Royal Life Saving's SwimVAC program hosted at the Howlong Swimming Pool in January 2025.

- Monday 13 January - Friday 24 January, 2025

SwimVAC is targeted at children from 6 months - 14 years of age with the aim of getting as many children as possible to the 6 and 12 year-old national benchmarks for swimming and water safety. Register today from the Royal Life Saving's website: www.drowningprevention.org.au/swimvac

COROWA AQUATIC CENTRE



Discounted Family Entry

Bring the whole family to the Corowa Aquatic Centre and ask our friendly staff about the Discounted Family Entry from Monday 23 December - Sunday 5 January for just \$15!

This promotion will also be available on Saturday 25, Sunday 26 and Monday 27 January, 2025.

Make a splash and save this summer!

Summer Intensive Learn to Swim Program

Young swimmers will have a chance to further grow their skills and confidence in the water with the Learn to Swim Summer Intensive Program set to commence at the Corowa Aquatic Centre during January 2025. One week, Monday 6 - Friday 10 January, 2025.

Students will participate in daily lessons each day for five days - Monday to Friday.

Find out more on www.corowaaquaticcentre.com.au

2025 FISCHER COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP PROGRAM – HOWLONG



Federation Council is pleased to invite community members to participate in the Fischer Community Leadership Program. The 2025 program will take place in Howlong, commencing in late February.

The program focuses on leadership fundamentals, building confidence, and strengthening core skills. Participants will connect with local leaders and guest speakers, and will be supported to develop, scope, and pitch their community-led project concepts.

The program is ideal for people aged 18 and over who are aspiring, emerging or current leaders, including sporting leaders, local committee members, and emergency services volunteers. All people are welcome, and we deeply value diversity of thought and experience. Through funding, the cost to participate is only \$60.

For more information, including session dates and to apply, visit <https://avclp.org.au/fischer-community-leadership-program/>

Applications close Friday 7 February, 2025.

10 TIPS TO STRESS LESS DURING THE HOLIDAYS - WAYAHEAD

Holidays are a time of festivities and good cheer. Many people look forward to spending time with loved ones and friends and sharing celebrations. For others this can be a time of stress, unhappiness and loneliness.

Relationships can be one factor in the formula of festive stress. It may be a difficult time because family and friends cannot be with you. Perhaps they live in a different country, state, or even city. If family is close by other factors may prevent spending the time together, such as difficulties in the relationship, illness, or inability to travel. We all hope to spend time with people that make us feel happy and positive during the festive season, but this isn't always possible.

Tips for tackling the festive season

1. *Have realistic expectations of yourself and others.*

Holidays aren't a time to address long-term conflict. Try to let go of past negative feelings at least for that one day. It will help get through the holidays and enable everyone to enjoy the time together. Try to have an open mind and remain more relaxed during the celebrations.

2. *Pick who you spend time with and talk to.*

Do things with people you feel most comfortable with. Going for a long walk with a favourite relative or friend will give you time to be away from any tension or stress that you may be feeling, and allow you to spend time with someone special.

3. *Avoid known triggers.*

If politics or religion is a touchy subject, don't discuss it. If someone else brings up the topic, find a distraction and move

onto another subject. If there's a particular person you are uncomfortable around, try to sit near someone else who will not cause you stress and worry.

4. *Plan fun things to do.*

Family members are less likely to get into arguments if they are involved in activities such as board games or a cricket or soccer match in the backyard. Plan for something to do as a group and focus on things you enjoy doing together.

5. *Take time out to spend with friends.*

Take time out to spend with friends during the holidays as well as family. Allow yourself a break from spending all your time in one place so that you don't feel overwhelmed or resentful.

6. *Set aside time for yourself.*

This can be something as simple as going for a short walk, or having a nap. Having some 'me' time helps to refocus and relax.

7. *Look after your physical health.*

Getting enough sleep, keeping up with your regular activity routine, using relaxation techniques, and eating and drinking with moderation will help give you the stamina to get through the demands of the season.

8. *Set limits.*

Set limits for the amount of time you will spend with family and friends, depending if you are travelling, or they are visiting you. This makes your time together special and more enjoyable.

9. *Be grateful.*

Be grateful that you have family and friends to share the holidays with. Appreciate the small things that other people do for you and reciprocate with gestures that show your appreciation for them. This takes away the negativity and replaces it with positive thoughts and actions.

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10. Do something positive

If you are alone for the holidays do something positive for yourself. Cook a nice meal that you will enjoy, have a good book or movie to watch, go for a walk and if possible ring someone that you're not able to be with and catch up by phone or video. Consider volunteering so that you spend time with others and have a welcoming place to go.

Festive stress is normal, but if you're not coping, talk to someone. Find out more by visiting the Wayahead website: www.wayahead.org.au/get-the-facts/10-tips-to-stress-less-during-the-holidays/

NEW RESIDENTS KIT



New to the Federation Council Area?

Welcome and thank you for choosing to make the Federation Council area your home. Council has compiled a New Resident Kit to provide you with a handy reference guide to the services and facilities available from Council and within the community.

A copy of the New Resident Kit is available on Council's website as an e-book or you can download your own copy.

If you have recently moved here (or are about to) and would like to receive a New Resident Welcome Pack, you can pick one up from any Council office or contact Council on (02) 6033 8999 and we will organise one to be delivered to you.

EXTREME HEAT TIPS



As we head into the warmer summer weather, Federation Council encourages residents and visitors to look after yourself, your family and pets by following these tips:

- Stay hydrated and drink enough water.
- Keep out of the heat, look for shade, wear a hat and try not to be outside during the hottest parts of the day (11am-4pm).
- Encourage people to look after themselves and keep an eye out for the young, elderly, neighbours and friends.
- Don't forget your pets and animals, ensure they have plenty of water and shade.
- Cool your home by closing blinds in the morning before the sun gets hot.
- Never leave kids, adults or pets in hot cars as the temperature can increase quickly.

Council offices and libraries in Corowa, Howlong, Mulwala and Urana are air conditioned and provide a cooler environment.

NSW Health - Beat the heat and stay well during hot weather. www.health.nsw.gov.au/environment/beattheheat/Pages/default.aspx
Follow NSW Rural Fire Service for updates and information. - In an emergency ring 000.

URANA PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

MELBOURNE CUP AFTERNOON



There were some beautiful outfits on display this year, but Lorraine and Barry carried off the Best Dressed Lady and Man. Best Fascinator went to Cherenne O’Keefe and Best Hat was awarded to Jenny Hearn.

A big thank you to our guest judges from Ceduna. Raffle winners were: Hemp – Riverina Gourmet Meats voucher; Lorraine – scones and chocolates; Sue – peppermint crisp slice; Diane – melting moments; Janelle – stubby holder; Gerald – cream puffs. In addition to this we had lucky door prizes and horse races – oh that’s right, we also watched the Melbourne Cup being run and won!

Thanks to the Urana Bowling & Community Club for allowing us to use their facilities on the day and thanks to everyone who came along and enjoyed the great afternoon of fun and friendship.



REMEMBRANCE DAY

It was great to see about 36 people attend the Service in Macknight Park. Thanks to everyone for making it so special. Thanks also to our volunteers who ‘dress’ the Farmer and his mob of sheep – they are definitely a Urana attraction. Whilst on the subject of thanking – thank you to the volunteers who place rosemary sprigs in the RSL area at the Urana Cemetery each Anzac and Remembrance Day; and place and replace flowers many other times during the year showing care for our whole Cemetery.

MUSEUM HOURS OVER CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR

The Courthouse Museum will not be open Christmas Eve, Tuesday 24th December or New Year’s Eve, 31st December.

We will be open Tuesdays (9.30 am to 3 pm) and Saturdays (10 am to 2 pm) - apart from the above dates - or by appointment (0429 208240) as we encourage visitors to our town and community members to come along and see what we have on display from Frederick Fox hats to school items from a past era and so much more.

URANA PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

Urana Progress Association is a group of enthusiastic volunteers who give a large amount of time and energy into continuing to provide Urana with a wonderful Free-Flight Bird Aviary; regular social get-togethers; an excellent Museum and so much more in recognising and implementing anything that needs doing around town. Since 1 July, 2024 volunteers have contributed 1054 hours (ie 55.5 hours per week) – and those are just the hours that are written down!

URANA DISTRICT NEWS

We do it because we enjoy it and can see many benefits for ourselves and for others – so if you would like to join us at any time you are more than welcome. Feel free to come for a look on a Tuesday or get in touch if you would like to become involved or learn more about what we do.

COMMUNITY MORNING TEAS

There will not be a Community Morning Tea in January 2025. Community Morning Teas will commence on Tuesday, 4 February, 2025 at 10 am. Alison Luelf will be joining us to speak about dementia and other topics. We can guarantee this will be a most informative morning and Alison loves the sound of what we do and is looking forward to being with us. Please come along and meet Alison.

Community Morning Teas are held at the Urana Courthouse Museum at 10 am on the first Tuesday of each month and always provide a friendly, happy atmosphere. Unfortunately, due to rising costs, we

will need to increase the cost of our Community Morning Teas from February 2025 to \$10 and our Easter and Christmas lunches to \$20 - Exercise and Friendship Group costs are still covered by Group funds. We will still provide the usual array of home-made treats, tea or coffee, plenty of conversation and lots of laughs so it is still great value and we encourage everyone to come along.

2025 will feature guest speakers and 'different' things for some of our Morning Teas, so be prepared for some surprises!

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS ON THE PLAINS

This is a term coined by truck drivers who were welcomed by great light displays in Urana over the festive season. We, and truck drivers, look forward to seeing these wonderful displays come to life in and around Urana in the near future. You don't have to be extra creative to put up something that looks pretty and we encourage everyone to show their Christmas spirit in this way.

RIVERINA REGIONAL LIBRARY - MOBILE SERVICE

RAND 12:15pm – 1:15pm	Tuesday, 10 December 2024	Tuesday, 24 December 2024	Tuesday, 7 January 2025	Tuesday, 21 January 2025
URANA 1:45pm – 5:00pm	Wednesday, 11 December 2024	Wednesday, 8 January 2025	Wednesday, 22 January 2025	Wednesday, 5 February 2025
OAKLANDS 9:00am – 11:00am	Wednesday, 11 December 2024	Wednesday, 8 January 2025	Wednesday, 22 January 2025	Wednesday, 5 February 2025
BOREE CREEK 1:30pm – 3:00pm	Tuesday, 17 December 2024	Tuesday, 14 January 2025	Tuesday, 28 January 2025	Tuesday, 11 February 2025



**YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN THE BOREE CREEK COMMUNITY COMMITTEE
(BCCC) ON**

ANZAC DAY 2025

to celebrate the 100 year anniversary of the Boree Creek S.S. Memorial Hall.

A Dawn Service will commence at 6.00 am in the Tim Fischer Community Park (please bring your own chair and or torch), followed by breakfast at the Boree Creek S. S. Memorial Hall.

Morning Tea will be served around 10.00 am. The Hall will remain open until 12.00 pm.

You are welcome to join us at any time during the morning to wander around the Hall and share your memories of the Hall and the significance of it's place in the Boree Creek community.

For catering purposes, please let Secretary Jodie Green know if you will be attending. aloeburn@aloeburn.com.au or 0448 132 432

The BCCC is a Section 355 Committee of the Federation Council



SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA TOUR 2024

MELBOURNE GRAMMAR SCHOOL



Morundah Bush Entertainment Committee Inc.



7.30pm
Thursday 19 December

Paradise Palladium Theatre - Browley Street Morundah

\$25 per ticket - call Morundah Hotel 02 6959 7414 after 3.00pm

Includes orchestral favourites by Dvorak and Mozart.

Tickets are available at the door, or via mgs.vic.edu.au/events

All proceeds from the performance will be donated to charity.



REMEMBRANCE DAY

A representative group from Urana & District together with children and teachers from the Urana Public School supported by W02 David McWilliams, Kapooka and members of the catafalque party attended the Remembrance Day at Macknight Park in Urana on 11th November 2024.

School Principal Michael Mendes spoke briefly introducing the speakers. School Captain, Alexis Finch, read the opening prayer, then W02 David McWilliams in his address said:

“The First World War ended more than a century ago. The fighting stopped when an armistice between the Allied powers and Germany came into effect at 11 o’clock on the morning of 11th November 1918.

Millions had lost their lives during the war, among them more than 60,000 Australian service personnel, about one in five of those who served overseas.

Many thousands more were wounded in body and mind. During the war and after its end, survivors returned home to a country both grateful for their service and traumatized by the war’s enormous cost.

In time Australia’s war memorials would come to honour the fallen of the Second World War and of the many other conflicts and operations in which Australians have served.

Today, the Australian War Memorial’s Roll of Honour lists the names of over 103,000 Australians who have lost their lives in war and conflict. As we pause today on this Remembrance Day, our thoughts turn to the war’s enormous cost and the toll it took, not only on those who fell but on all who served”.

Wreaths were laid by the Army, Federation Council, Public School [Max Fealy & Scott Smith] and Community members.

Ode of Remembrance, Cr Pat Bourke, Raising of the Flag, Alexis Finch & Max Fealy, The Last Post and One Minute Silence.



URANA DISTRICT NEWS



CWA OAKLANDS NEWS OCTOBER 2024



The Commonwealth Bank & CWA of NSW partnered to provide information sessions how to protect ourselves from scams & fraud. Staff from Cobram Branch attended Oaklands. The Little Black Book of Scams is available in pocket size from the Australian Competition & Consumer Commission.

A Food Handling Certificate may be gained online at NSW Food Authority www.foodauthority.nsw.gov.au

Also Working With Children Check may be renewed online. Otherwise visit the Service NSW Red Bus with 3 identity documents for on-the-spot renewal

SAVE THE DATE FOR CWA Women's Dinner Wed 5th March 2025. Details will be available in the new year. Donated items will be gratefully received to raffle.

Christmas lunch will be held at the Oaklands Hotel on Tues 3rd December, \$25.00. Please bring a gift to share up to the value of \$10. Noon start. Names to Elizabeth Kerr 0260 354 406.

ALL WELCOME

\BEST WISHES TO ALL FOR A SAFE & HAPPY CHRISTMAS

Oaklands Branch will be in recess until the next meeting Tues 18th February 2025. Start 1.30pm. ALL WELCOME Contact Heather Kerr 0447 335 201

Sloane's Froglet is endangered, a species endemic to Australia, up to 25mm in length.



Congratulations to CWA Oaklands for their nomination for the Community Achievement Awards NSW/ACT.

The Community Achievement Awards started in 2002 and are designed to encourage, acknowledge and reward the valuable contributions that individuals, communities and businesses make throughout NSW & The ACT. These awards aim to recognise their success and achievements, which contribute to making NSW & The ACT a better place.



SAVE THE DATE!
Saturday 14th December 2024
Evening, about 6pm
DAYSDALE HALL COMMUNITY XMAS PARTY!

Spit roast & BBQ available!
Bring a small salad or sweets to share
Santa will visit!
Supply a small gift for children if you wish

Games | Raffles | BYO Drinks



Any further information contact:
Janet 0419 572 350
Deb 0416 091 058
Val 0438 866 607 / (02) 6035 0216

**HOSPITAL AUXILIARY
THANK YOU**

The Urana Hospital Auxiliary held a very successful Fete
in conjunction with the Vintage Machinery Rally
which returned the Auxiliary in excess of \$10,000.

Many thanks to all the volunteers who helped on the day and special thanks
to the teenagers who so capably served the barbeque with little supervision.

Raffle winners on the day:

\$500.00 Coles/Myer Voucher

Pamper Pack/Cake Stall

Crochet Rug/Cake Stall

Crochet Rug/Flower Show

Hospital Hamper Raffle

Jony Beck

Marj Ferguson

Sueanne Pettigrew

Jacinta Dore

1st Sarah Gooden

2nd Sherryn Ferguson

Thanks also to those who made donations and were not able to attend.

Marj Ferguson
Secretary

Service NSW is coming to our community



**We're bringing NSW Government services to:
Oaklands Thursday 12 December 2024**

9AM - 12PM

Urana Thursday 12 December 2024

1PM - 3PM

Visit our Mobile Service Centre to access services like:

- Driver Knowledge Tests
- driver licence, mobility parking and photo card applications
- Working with Children Checks
- NDIS Worker Checks
- birth, death and marriage certificates
- cost of living support and more.

Call **13 77 88** or visit service.nsw.gov.au to check our latest timetable.

Severe weather may mean our timetable has to change at short notice, we strongly recommend you check on the day.

 **Find us at:**

MacKnight Park
Anna Street

 **Find us at:**

Oaklands RV Park
Milthorpe Street





Dance at the Dam
RAFFLE

DISCOVER URANA

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URANA CARAVAN PARK IN A DELUXE CABIN
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MEAL OR DRINK VOUCHER AT THE
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Dance at the Dam

SAVOURY FOOD PLATTERS

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\$30.00 for a 2 Person Platter
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All platters are to be pre paid by 19th December 2024.
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Reference: NYE Platters - Buyers Surname

Pre Order your platter today by texting Pauline Mallon on 0437208196. Please include in your text your name, how many platters you would like to order and a contact number.
Thankyou for your ongoing support.



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Dance at the Dam

TUESDAY 31ST DECEMBER 2024
WATERFRONT PAVILION, URANA NSW 2645
5:30PM-12:30AM

LIVE MUSIC - ONE SHOT TO MANY
BAR - STRICTLY NO BYO
FOOD AVAILABLE
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ADMISSION PRICE:
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TICKETS TO BE PURCHASED AT THE GATE

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A DIFFERENT VIEW OF CHRISTMAS

T'was the night before Christmas, he lived all alone in a one bedroom house made of plaster and stone. I had come down the chimney with presents to give, and to see just who in this home did live. I looked all about. A strange sight I did see; no tinsel, no presents, not even a tree.

No stocking by the mantle just boots filled with sand, on the wall hung pictures of far distant lands. With medals and badges, awards of all kinds, a sober thought came through my mind. For this house was different, it was dark and dreary. I found the home of a soldier, once I could see clearly.

The soldier lay sleeping silent, alone curled up on the floor in this one bedroom home. The face was so gentle the room in disorder. Not how I pictured an Australian soldier. Was this the hero of whom I'd just read? Curled up on a poncho the floor for a bed?

I realised the families that I saw that night, owed their lives to these soldiers who were willing to fight. Soon round the world the children would play and grownups would celebrate a bright Christmas Day. They all enjoyed freedom each month of the year because of the soldiers like the one lying here.

I couldn't help wonder how many lay alone on a cold Christmas Eve in a land far from home. The very thought brought a tear to my eye. I dropped to my knees and started to cry. The soldier awakened and I heard a rough voice, "Santa, don't cry, this life is my choice.

I fight for freedom, I don't ask for more. My life is my God, my Country, my Corps." The soldier rolled over and drifted to sleep. I couldn't control it, I continued to weep. I kept watch for hours, so silent, so still and we both shivered from the night's chill.

I did not want to leave on that cold dark night, his guardian of honour, so willing to fight. The soldier rolled over, with a voice so soft and pure, whispered, "Carry on Santa, it's Christmas Day, all is secure."

One look at my watch and I knew he was right. Merry Christmas my friend, and to all a goodnight.

This poem was written by an Australian Peacekeeping soldier stationed overseas.



Alistair Clark from Southern Riverina Physiotherapy will be visiting Urana Community Health for all your Physiotherapy needs.

CONSULTATIONS ARE FREE WITH A WARATAH REFERRAL FROM YOUR GP.

VISITING DATES:

Thursday

19/12/2024

Please phone or email for an appointment:

Alistair Clark (MPhysio APAM, BExercise & Sports Science)

27-29 Chanter Street Berrigan NSW 2712

Urana Community Health Building

alistair@srphysio.biz or 03 5845 7050

Child and Family Health Nursing

Supporting Children to be Healthy

It is important to monitor your child's growth and development and the Blue Book helps to keep track of how this is going.



Be sure to take your child to visit your child and family health nurse or doctor at certain ages. If you have any concerns about your child's growth and development at any other time, you should consult your doctor or child and family nurse.

Remember to take your child's Blue Book as the health professional will make notes about your child's health, making it easier to share information.

Children should receive a routine check by a health professional at: Birth, 1-4 weeks, 6-8 weeks, 6 months, 12 months, 18 months, 2 years, 3 years, 4 years

Appointments with the child and family nurse can be made through the Community Care Intake Service on **1800 654 324**

or On-Line booking with QR code.



← ONLINE booking form

www.mlhd.health.gov.au/CFHN-Form

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URANA & DISTRICT COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES



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By calling one number the health professional on the end of the line will help you access the service you need.

Call 1800 654 324
(1800 MLHD CH)



<p>Community Nurses:</p> <p>Karen Brooks</p> <p>Tanya Gleeson</p>	<p>Community care central Intake 1800 654 324 Urana Community Nurse 0427 892 146 Urana Community Health (02) 6930 9224 Urana Hospital (02) 6930 9200</p>
<p>Child & family Nurse:</p> <p>Jacinta Dore</p>	<p>Community Care Intake Service 1800 654 324 Urana Child & Family Nurse 0436 629 328 Urana Community Health (02) 6930 9226 Urana Hospital (02) 6930 9200</p>
<p>Childhood Immunisations - NSW Childhood Immunisation Schedule.</p>	<p>By Appointment on the above numbers.</p>

LOCKHART HEALTH SERVICES

The following services are visiting Lockhart regularly:

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PODIATRIST

Wagga Foot Clinic visits the Lockhart Community Health building every 4 weeks for appointments please phone the Wagga Foot Clinic on (02) 6921 1783.

PHYSIOTHERAPY

Every Wednesday (is required referral). For appointments please phone Lockhart & District Hospital on (02) 6920 5206.

X-RAY SERVICE

X-ray services are available every 2nd Monday and undertaken at the Lockhart & District Hospital.

A referral from the doctor is required. For appointments please phone Lockhart & District Hospital on (02) 6920 5206.

Should you require transport to/from any of these services please contact Lockhart & District Community Services to arrange on (02) 6920 4162.

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**Please note opening hours and days of
operation for Urana and Oaklands Medical
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Tuesday at Oaklands 9:00am – 5:00pm
Wednesday at Urana 9:00am – 5:00pm
Thursday at Oaklands 9:00am – 5:00pm
Friday at Urana 9:00am – 1:45pm**

Oaklands Medical Centre
2 Hunter Street, Oaklands NSW
2646
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31 William Street, Urana NSW
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If you are an older person wanting to get involved, very affordable classes are now running in your area.



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At Urana Hospital (Community Health)

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**Contact Harry on (02) 6920 8374 or Marge
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VALMAR COMMUNITY TRANSPORT BUS TRIPS

Urana to Albury Bus – 2nd Tuesday of the month \$10

- Urana Hospital pick up at 8.00am
- Oaklands General Store at 8.30am
- Daysdale at 8.45am
- Arrive Albury QEII Square Dean Street at 10.00am
- Depart Albury QEII Square Dean Street at 2.00pm

Urana to Wagga Bus – 3rd Wednesday of the month \$10

- Urana Hospital pick up at 8.00am
- Lockhart Post Office at 8.30am
- Milbrulong at 8.45am
- The Rock Post Office at 9.00am
- Uranquinty at 9.30am
- Arrive Wagga Sturt Mall at 10.00am
- Depart Wagga Sturt Mall at 2.30pm

Urana to Wangaratta Bus – Bi-Monthly 4th Thursday of the month \$10

- Urana Hospital pick up at 8.30am
- Oaklands General Store at 9.00am
- Arrive Wangaratta approx. 10.30am
- Depart Wangaratta approx. 2.30pm
- Dates for 2024: 22nd February, 25th April, 27th June, 22nd August, 24th October, none in December 2024.

Urana to Shepparton Bus – Bi-Monthly 4th Thursday of the month \$10

- Urana Hospital pick up at 8.00am
- Oaklands General Store at 8.30am
- Arrive Shepparton approx. 10.30am
- Depart Shepparton approx. 2.30pm
- Dates for 2024: 28th March, 23rd May, 25th July, 26th September, 28th November (last for the year)

Urana and Oaklands Ladies Social Bus Trips – 3rd Friday of every month Urana, Oaklands and Lockhart Men's Social Bus Trips – 2nd Friday of every month

Bookings are essential.

For all transport bookings and enquiries please phone the office on (02) 69204162



VALMAR

VALMAR SUPPORT SERVICES LOCKHART OFFICE

Our service areas encompass the Lockhart & Urana Riverina/Murray areas. The following services Valmar Support Services provide are:

- Home Care Packages
- Community Transport
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- Domestic Assistance
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- Personal Care
- Ladies Social Support Bus Trips
- Men's Social Support Bus Trips
- Frail Aged (65 years & over)
- Independence at home is at risk
- A carer of frail aged
- Isolated, Transport Disadvantage
- From a culture distinct community, financially disadvantaged.

For further information or for any enquiries contact us on: **Lockhart (02) 69 204162.**

HEALTH SERVICES



Urana Local Health Advisory Committee.

Your Communities voice with the

Murrumbidgee Local Health District and Urana Multi Purpose Service.

We meet bi monthly on the last Wednesday of the month.

To get involved or to find out more contact the chair at,

urana.lhac.chair@gmail.com

Enquiries are always welcome



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Urana Hospital Auxiliary.

Serving the Urana MPS and local community.

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To find out more.



Contact the Auxiliary secretary at,

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Federation Council - Urana Office
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Ph: (02) 6930 9100

No food or drink to be consumed near the computers. Please adhere to the 30 minute time limit!



WATERFRONT

Pavilion



Photo by Georgie James

For all function room enquiries & bookings please contact
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WATERFRONT

Fitness

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Urana Sunday 1st, 3rd & 5th
8.00am

Urana Saturday Virgil 2nd & 4th
6.00pm

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10.00am

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URANA

POST OFFICE

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WESTERN UNION MONEY TRANSFERS.

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Urana NSW 2645

ABN 50 077 875 593

LIVESTOCK CARTAFE | BULK HAULAGE | WATER DELIVERIES



Urana CARAVAN PARK

Federation Way
URANA NSW 2645
Phone: (02) 6920 8192

The Urana Caravan Park and Aquatic Centre provides excellent amenities for camping, water skiing, fishing, bushwalking or just relaxing in the quite surroundings

Facilities

- Cabins
- Powered Sites
- Unpowered Sites
- Tent/Camping Sites
- Shower
- Toilets
- Dump Point/Sani Dump
- Equipment Hire
- Boat Ramp/Boat Launch
- Laundry
- BBQ Facilities
- Water Supply

Come along and enjoy the experience of the
Federation Council
"In the Middle of Everywhere"

www.uranacp.com.au



CALTEX URANA FUEL DEPOT

Fred & Helen Finch
48 William St, Urana, 2645
B.H. (02) 6920 8122
A.H. (02) 6920 8165

Cement & Domestic Gas
Caltex Distributor for Fuel & Lubes
Bulk Farm Deliveries

ROBSON ENGINEERING URANA

ABN 95 836 906 896

Steel sales, Steel cut to size
Light Fabrication, Repairs a speciality
Mobile welding (not in fire season)
Open most weekdays
Rear of 84 Coonong Street, Urana
(access off woodhouse Street)

Ph Mick 0438 824 320



Stocking all your rural farm supply
needs!

Farm chemical, animal health, dog and
cat food, produce, pipe fittings, salt and
molasses blocks, work boots, tyre
repairs, Fuchs oils, spray nozzles.

37-39 Kindra Street, Rand, NSW, 2642
Phone/fax: (02) 6029 5203
Mobile: 0407 322 829
Email: sara@randfarmsupplies.com.au
Opening hours: 8:45am – 5pm Monday to
Friday

NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING & WASTE FACILITIES

In accordance with Federation Council's 2024/2025 budget, advertising in the Urana and District Newsletter rates are noted below. The following rates are applicable for advertisements placed in the Urana District Newsletter. To make an enquiry email communication@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au

	Council Compiled per month	Customer Compiled per month
Full page	\$78.50	\$54.50
Half page	\$54.50	\$42.50
Quarter page	\$40.00	\$24.50
Classified	\$12	
Thank you notices	\$12	
Community organisations outside of Federation Council	Charges as above	Charges as above
Community organisations within Federation Council	No charge	No charge

WASTE FACILITY OPENING HOURS

	COROWA	MULWALA	HOWLONG	URANA	OAKLANDS
TUESDAY	9:00am - 12:00pm	-	1:00pm - 4:00pm	-	-
WEDNESDAY	-	9:00am - 12:00pm	-	-	-
FRIDAY	-	-	-	-	-
SATURDAY	-	-	-	-	-
SUNDAY	1:00pm - 4:00pm	9:00am - 12:00pm	9:00am - 12:00pm	11:00am - 4:00pm	8:00am - 12:00pm

WASTE FACILITIES & CHARGES

Household waste accepted only (not commercial origin), not accepted at Mulwala Transfer Station, Putrescible waste (food scraps) not accepted at Corowa Waste Facility.

Skip bins available 24 hours at the Urana, Victoria Park Recreation Ground.

URANA COMMUNITY RECYCLING CENTRE

Federation Council and the NSW EPA have recently opened two Community Recycling Centres (CRC's) in Corowa and Urana.

Many familiar products you use in your home, car, garage and shed can be hazardous to other people and the environment. Because of this, they cannot be disposed of in your red, yellow or green lidded bins.

These include:

- batteries (household only).
- motor & other oils (5-20 ltrs motor oils and other oils).
- paint.
- smoke detectors.
- fire extinguishers.
- gas bottles.
- fluro lights.

Once you no longer have a use for these products, they become household problem waste. If disposed of incorrectly, or released into the environment, these products can pollute our soil, contaminate our water and even cause physical harm to people and animals.

The good news is you can dispose of them for FREE at the following CRC's. The products are then processed and the reclaimed materials used to make other products.

The Urana CRC is located at the Urana Waste Disposal Centre, Boree Creek Road, Urana.

Operating Hours:

Sunday 11:00am – 4:00pm

The facility is closed Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Years Day, Good Friday and Easter Sunday.

WASTE DISPOSAL CHARGES

In accordance with Federation Council's 2024/2025 budget waste disposal charges are as follows:

WHEELIE BINS (240 litre bin)	Fee (incl. GST)
Wheelie Bin - Green	\$5.50
Wheelie Bin - Waste	\$12.50

* Household waste accepted only (not commercial origin)

SMALL LOAD (up to an average sedan boot or half a small trailer)	Fee (incl. GST)
Small load - Green	\$23.00
Small load - Waste	\$48.00

* Household waste accepted only (not commercial origin)

MEDIUM LOAD (up to approximately 1m3 - single axel trailer or ute tray)	Fee (incl. GST)
Medium load - Green	\$46.00
Medium load - Waste	\$96.00

* Household waste accepted only (not commercial origin)

LARGE LOAD (any volume larger than 1m3 but less than 1.5m3 0 incl. Large trailer)	Fee (incl. GST)
Large load - Green	\$69.00
Large load - Waste	\$144.00

* Household waste accepted only (not commercial origin)

TRUCK LOAD	Fee (incl. GST)
Truck load - Green /m3	\$46.00
Truck load - Waste /m3	\$96.00

CONSTRUCTION & DEMOLITION	Fee (incl. GST)
Construction & demolition - concrete & masonry /m3	\$67.00
Construction & demolition - timber /m3	\$46.00
Construction & demolition - comingled /m3	\$216.50

MATTRESSES	Fee (incl. GST)
Mattresses - Single/Double	\$56.40
Mattresses - Queen/King	\$89.30

* With or without base

ASBESTOS	Fee (incl. GST)
Asbestos up to 1m3	\$402.00
Asbestos over 1m3 - per m3	\$402.00

* Accepted only in Corowa

TYRE	Fee (incl. GST)
Tyre R<20 - each	\$22.30
Tyre R<20 to R40 - each	\$44.50
Tyre R>40 - each	\$89.00

* Not accepted at Mulwala Transfer Station

LOUNGE	Fee (incl. GST)
Lounge - 1 seat	\$11.00
Lounge - 2 seat	\$20.80
Lounge - 3 seat	\$31.80
Lounge - additional seat	\$11.00

eWASTE	Fee (incl. GST)
Household appliance	\$11.70
Whitegoods	\$22.30

POLYSTYRENE	Fee (incl. GST)
Over 1m3 - per m3	\$22.30

OTHERS	Fee (incl. GST)
Carpet roll / 0.5m diameter	\$39.50
Textiles /m3	\$39.50
Unsecured Load Penalty	\$55.30

Corowa, Howlong, Mulwala Transfer Station, Urana and Oaklands.

Visit Federation Council website for more information.

URANA DISTRICT NEWSLETTER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

14 December 2024	SAVE THE DATE: Daysdale Hall Community Xmas Party.
19 December 2024	Symphony Orchestra - Paradise Palladium Theatre.
31 December 2024	Dance at the Dam - at the Waterfront Pavilion.
16 January 2024	Australian Government Mobile Service in Urana.
17 January 2024	Australian Government Mobile Service in Corowa.
16 January - 2 February 2025	On display at the Corowa Art Space - Federation Festival Through the Years
21 January 2025	Australian Government Mobile Service in Howlong.
26 January 2025	Australia Day Awards & Ceremony in Howlong.
4 February 2025	Community Morning Tea with Alison Luelf as guest speaker. 10 am at Courthouse Museum. Cost \$10.
18 February 2025	CWA Oaklands Meeting.
4 March 2025	Community Morning Tea. 10 am at Courthouse Museum. Cost \$10.
16 March 2025	Time of Your Life Seniors Expo.
25 April 2025	Boree Creek Community Committee Anzac Day 2025 celebration.

All information in this this edition of the Urana District Newsletter is current as of 3/12/24

Deadline for February Edition

FRIDAY 7 FEBRUARY 2025, 5PM

Phone (02) 6033 8999

All articles and advertisements must be submitted either:

- In writing and sent via email to communication@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au, or

- Hand delivered to any Council Office.

Placement of articles is subject to available space.

Community groups and organisations are encouraged to keep articles to a total of 1-2 pages.

All submitted articles will be proof read for spelling and grammar and changes made accordingly.



Light Up Federation

Christmas Lights &
Decorations Competition



Spread the Christmas cheer and get out and about to see the most beautiful light and decoration displays in our region!

Don't forget to get the flyer and online map to plan your trip, see all the displays, and find your new favourite from Councils website or...

Scan the QR code above!



Wishing you & your family a
Merry Christmas
& a very happy New Year!



2024 Christmas & 2025 New Year Operating Hours

Corowa Council Office

Close 1:00pm, Tuesday 24 December 2024 and re-open 8:30am, Thursday 2 January 2025.

Corowa Service NSW Agency

Close 1:00pm, Tuesday 24 December 2024 and re-open 9:30am, Monday 6 January 2025.

Corowa Depot

Close 12:00pm, Tuesday 24 December 2024 and re-open 7:00am, Thursday 2 January 2025.

Corowa Library

Close 1:00pm, Tuesday 24 December 2024 and re-open 10:00am, Thursday 2 January 2025.

Urana Council Office

Close 1:00pm, Tuesday 24 December 2024 and re-open 9:00am, Thursday 2 January 2025.

Urana Depot

Close 12:00pm, Tuesday 24 December 2024 and re-open 7:00am, Thursday 2 January 2025.

Howlong Library and Council Office

Close 1:00pm, Tuesday 24 December 2024 and re-open 10:00am, Thursday 2 January 2025.

Mulwala Library and Council Office

Close 1:00pm, Tuesday 24 December 2024 and re-open 10:00am, Thursday 2 January 2025.

Corowa Visitor Information Centre

- Tuesday 23 December 2024 - Closed
 - Wednesday 25 December 2024 - Closed
 - Thursday 26 December - Closed
 - Friday 27 December - Open 9:30am - 4:30pm
 - Saturday 28 December - Open 10:00am - 2:00pm
 - Sunday 29 December - Open 10:00am - 2:00pm
 - Monday 30 December - Closed
 - Tuesday 31 December - Closed
 - Wednesday 1 January - Closed
 - Thursday 2 January - Open 9:30am - 4:30pm
- Visit the North of the Murray website for inspiration!

Waste Facilities

Closed, Wednesday 25 December 2024 and Wednesday 1 January 2025.

Corowa Aquatic Centre

- Public Holidays - 10:00am - 6:00pm
 - Closed, Monday 25 December 2024 - Open all other days
- Visit the Corowa Aquatic Centre Website.

Over this time, Federation Council encourages residents to submit any non urgent customer requests via the online form available from Council's website. The requests will be reviewed and actioned from **Thursday 2 January 2025**.

The After Hours service for urgent matters will operate during the closure period as normal.
Phone **1800 110 088** to access this service.

Federation Council Councillors and staff would like to wish you and your families a Merry Christmas and happy New Year!