

OF UPPER LACHLAN SHIRE, THE SHIRE OF VILLAGES

AUGUST 2018

Garden Waste Service to be Rolled out Across the Shire



From next month, it will be easy being green with a kerbside garden waste collection service to commence for those households across the Upper Lachlan Shire which currently receive kerbside waste and recycling collection.

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The new service and purchase of a 240 litre garden waste bin will come at no additional cost to ratepayers. The cost will instead be incorporated into the existing Domestic Waste Management annual charge.

Council's Acting General Manager Gary Woodman said delivery of the green-lidded bins began in late July, with the service to commence from 5 September 2018.

"The service will include fortnightly collections in autumn, spring and summer and no collections in winter," Mr Woodman said.

"The new collection calendar has been created to maximise Council's current resources.

"This will mean that the Crookwell recycling collection will be moved to Monday and Tuesday and the Binda/Lost River recycling collection will be moved to Friday.

"Grass clippings, leaves, flowers, small prunings and weeds can all go in the green-lidded bin.

"Educational material, including information on what can and can't go in the green-lidded bin will be mailed out to households in the coming weeks."

Please see page 7 for the garden waste and recycling calendar.

It is estimated the new service will cost Council approximately \$70,000 per annum with an additional \$115,000 required for the purchase of bins to commence the service.

For further information about the new garden

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FROM THE

Welcome to the August 2018 edition of The It's been a great privilege filling the General Voice.

As reported on page 1, in a first for the Shire, a kerbside garden waste service will commence from next month.

The service will be provided to residents who currently receive kerbside waste and recycling collection.

By now, many of you will have received a green-lidded bin and information pack explaining what can go in the bin.

I urge all residents to familiarise themselves with that information, including new collection times, to ensure the success of the new service.

For enquiries, contact Council's Works and Operations Department on 4830 1000.

FROM THE

Manager's role while John Bell has been on leave.

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I have been very impressed with my experience in the Upper Lachlan Shire, specifically the strong sense of community spirit.

It has been wonderful getting to know the region and its marvellous community groups, business owners and residents and getting to explore the region and its breathtaking scenery.

As I enter my final month in the role I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the Mayor and Councillors, Council staff and, of course, the local community for making my time here such a wonderful experience.

Government. At the meeting, the Bozhou

be interested in visiting the Shire with a

view to possible beneficial discussions

Friendly relationships, including 7 Sister City relationships, have already been

established between Bozhou and 12 cities

Council's Acting General Manager Gary

Woodman said the Sister City relationship

was an exciting opportunity for the Shire.

"The Sister City Relationship with Bozhou

million people, opening the possibility for

business, tourism and other economic

opportunities," Mr Woodman said.

Council has extended an invite for

will showcase the Shire to a population of 3

around economic opportunities.

in 11 countries around the world.

Municipal Government indicated they would

Council welcomes an **Acting General Manager**

Highly-experienced local government manager Gary Woodman has been the Acting General Manager of Upper Lachlan Shire Council since May while Council's permanent General Manager John Bell is on long service leave.

Mr Woodman brings almost 32 years of local government experience to the role, including almost six years as General Manager of Cobar Shire Council and Secretary of the Cobar Water Board.



Council's Acting General Manager Gary Woodman.

During his career Mr Woodman has been involved in most aspects of local government operations and services. This experience has included almost nine years as Manager of Engineering Services at Warren Shire Council and over seven years as Director of Operations at Singleton Council.

Mr Woodman is also a Fellow, current Director of Membership Services and former Vice President of the Institute for Public Works Engineering Australasia, as well as a Registered Professional Engineer and a Civil Assessor for the Registered Professional Engineer Scheme for Professionals Australia.

He is also a current Member and a member of the Committee of Management of the Local Government Engineers Association, a Member of Local Government Managers Australia and a Graduate Member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

Mr Woodman said his time at Upper Lachlan Shire Council has allowed him to work in collaboration with Council staff to deliver key outcomes for the community.

"My goal has been to provide a steady course in the General Manager's absence, while offering a fresh perspective on how we can continue to meet the needs and expectations of our ratepayers," Mr Woodman said.

Council Embarks on Sister City Relationship representatives from the Bozhou Municipal

Upper Lachlan Shire Council will establish a Sister City relationship with Bozhou, China.

A city of Anhui, Bozhou is known for its medicinal herbs with 500 variations of Chinese medical herbs cultivated across 165.000 acres. Bozhou has around 100 Chinese medicine related industries which employ around 1 million people and has an annual turnover of around \$4.25 billion.

In April 2018 Council's General Manager John Bell travelled to China as part of the Regional Development Australia Southern Inland delegation. The delegation was tasked with identifying economic opportunities and connecting with international trade partners and future investors.

During the trip the delegation met with

Council's Mailing Address

Council wishes to advise the community that **all correspondence** should be mailed to: PO Box 42, Gunning NSW 2581.

Any mail posted to PO Box 10, Crookwell and 44 Spring Street, Crookwell will be

Emergency after hours contact numbers:

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Postal address: (For all offices)

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THE VOICE

LIBRARY BIZ with Michaela Olde Manager, Library Services

What's New Service Level Agreement

Upper Lachlan Shire Council has signed a service level agreement with Goulburn Mulwaree Council for the provision of library services for a further three years. The agreement commenced on 1 July 2018.

Council's Acting General Manager Gary Woodman said the agreement satisfied both parties, and most importantly, would ensure library users' needs continued to be met.

"The signing of the three year agreement will enable our library users to continue to have access to the vast library catalogue of Goulburn, Crookwell and Gunning libraries," Mr Woodman said.

"Library users will still be able to borrow, renew, return and reserve items from all three library locations as they do now."

In the past 12 months the Upper Lachlan Shire Library Service has launched a new library website (www.upperlachlan.nsw.gov.au/ community/library); re-branded the library's Facebook page, brochures and forms; and issued new library cards free of charge. If you haven't replaced your library card with the new one it isn't too late - simply drop into your local library.

eAudiobook and eBook Service

Upper Lachlan Shire Libraries now have access to more eAudiobook and eBook titles through Bolinda BorrowBox. BorrowBox is easy to use and there are lots of Australian best-selling and international authors. To access BorrowBox go to: http://library.bolindadigital.com/upperlachlan What you will need:

• Your Library Card and pin number

• An email address

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• A device capable of running Apps, such as a tablet or smart phone

• Your Apple ID or Google account details so you can install the App.

To install the App, search for BorrowBox in the Google Play Store/Apple App Store on your device. When you open the App for the first time you will need to tell it that you are connecting to the Upper Lachlan Shire Library Service.



Crookwell Library Lego Club

The free Lego Club for kids aged 5 and up will run from 3.30pm-4.30pm on Thursdays at Crookwell Library during the

3 and 4 school terms.

There will be a mix of guided themes and free play sessions to encourage design, creativity, sharing and collaboration, with the creations to be displayed within the Library.

To supplement the Lego purchased, the Library will gladly accept donations of genuine Lego or Duplo.

The Lego Club has been made possible through the support of the Crookwell Friends of the Library.

Annual Book Fair

This year's Crookwell Friends of the Library Annual Book Fair was a huge success,

raising \$2,332.45 for Crookwell Library.

The funds will be used to renew the Library's *Choice* magazine

subscription and allow the Library to continue to receive the seasonal *Graziher* magazine. The funds have also been used to buy Lego for the new Lego Club.



Coming soon Talking Suicide

Prevention - talk by Malcolm Maloney, Suicide Prevention Network Australia Where: Gunning Library When: 11.00am-11.45am, Saturday 25 August 2018 Cost: Free

The Crookwell Friends of the Library Garden Book Sale

Crookwell Friends of the Library will be holding a book sale at the Crookwell Memorial Hall Foyer on from 9.00am-3.00pm on Saturday, 10 November 2018 and 10.00am-2.00pm on Sunday, 11 November 2018 to coincide with the Crookwell Garden Festival weekend. Grab a bargain! Everything is \$2 or fill a bag for \$10.

What Men Can Do to Stop Violence Against Women - talk by Daniel Strickland, White Ribbon Ambassador Where: Gunning Library When: 11.00am-11.45am, Saturday, 17 Nov



11.45am, Saturday, 17 November 2018 Cost: Free

Library Opening Hours

Crookwell Library, **Denison Street**, **Crookwell | Phone: 4832 1048** Open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 10.30am – 5.00pm; Wednesday 1.30pm – 5.00pm; and Saturday mornings from 10.00am – 12.00 noon

Gunning Library, Yass Street, Gunning | Phone: 4845 1231

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TOURISM HAPPENINGS from the Upper Lachlan Tourist Association



The Busy Year in Tourism Continues

Events lead the way Visitation to the Upper Lachlan has always been

heavily tied to events from one side of the Shire to the other. Whether the event is based around food, sport, agriculture, craft, heritage or the arts, people love coming to the Southern Tablelands and enjoying the country hospitality and sense of fun and relaxation.

Congratulations to the organisers of the Collector Village Pumpkin Festival, staging an event for 16,000 people in a village of 300 was no mean feat. May proved to be quite a busy month for events and this year Crookwell played host to Costa Georgiadis, presenter of ABC TV's Gardening Australia and Get Grubby TV at the annual Crookwell Potato Festival. Costa was kind enough to also open the community garden and visit the public school.



Costa Georgiadis at the 2018 Crookwell Potato Festival. Photo: aboutregional.com.au

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June was no less busy with the Taralga Art Show deemed a huge success with increasing numbers of attendees and artworks, including some by artists new to the Show. The Gunning Patchwork Weekend was also as popular as ever. The events continued into July and culminated in the final shows of Crookwell Amateur Dramatic Society's production of Lady Godiva – a romp through 11th century England, which attracted many theatre goers from Goulburn.

International visitors on the rise Visitation from around the world but particularly from Asian countries is on the increase across the region. In June, Crookwell was visited by another group of Chinese tourists who were keen to explore rural Australia and were particularly intrigued by farm animals of all kinds. Crookwell has the ideal drawcard in Alpaca Products Australia where visitors could hand feed, touch and take selfies with the inquisitive alpacas.

Susan Reynolds of Alpaca Products Australia said the group outing was the result of social media promotion on WeChat, the preferred social media platform supported by the Chinese community, replacing our "bush telegraph" technology. "One family had been to the farm and mentioned it on WeChat, which spread the word, forming a group of well over 90 visitors," she said.

Upper Lachlan in the media The Argyle Inn in Taralga is proving a huge hit

with foodies from across the region and further afield. The Inn was recently featured on food and entertainment website Broadsheet, which

gave the establishment a rave review and was amazed that "a former Sean's chef and purveyor-turned-publican would open a sophisticated public house in the middle of nowhere". If you haven't had the opportunity then grab some friends and enjoy the Shire's latest culinary delight.

With the assistance of Upper Lachlan Tourism, Destination NSW and Destination Southern NSW media coverage of the Shire will continue to ramp up over the coming months. Both the Argyle Inn and Lindner Sock Factory appeared on Australia's favourite travel show - Sydney Weekender on 22 July 2018. Mike Whitney and the crew were in Crookwell and Taralga in late June shooting footage to tell the full story



Mike Whitney at the Lindner Sock Factory.

of paddock to product and paddock to plate. It may be cold now but major events will ramp up very quickly across the Shire starting with the annual Grabine Freshwater Fishing Tournament in August followed closely by the

54 Cheers! Final Section of Main Road Between Goulburn and Bathurst Now Sealed



R) Cr John Searl, Council's former Director of

access to the Tablelands and facilitates the movement of freight and livestock," Ms Goward said.

"This package of work was completed three months ahead of schedule and resulted in safer conditions for the people who use this road each day.

"It has also improved access for all road users by providing an all-weather and more durable road surface, as well as reducing maintenance costs."

The project between Crookwell and Bathurst involved rebuilding narrow and tight curves to the north of Crookwell to improve safety and provide better access for longer vehicles.

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Upper Lachlan Tourist Association

What's On in the Shire of Villages

The Rat Bags - Come Fly With Us Frank Sinatra/Dean Martin Tribute Crookwell RSL Club Saturday 18th August, 7 p.m. (02) 4832 1265

Grabine Freshwater Fishing Comp. **Reflections Grabine Lakeside Park** Friday 24th - Sunday 26th August www.grabinefishing.com.au

Zen and the Art of Pause Tea House & Gallery, Crookwell Saturday 25th August 9.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m. 0403 981 055

High Tea & Talk

Gunning Fireworks Festival Gunning Showground Saturday 8th September 3 p.m. www.gunningfireworksfestival.com.au

Introduction to Korean Culture Tea House & Gallery, Crookwell Saturday 15th September www.teaguildofaustralia.com

Well Being & Self Realisation Saturday 15th September Voice - Soul - Movement Retreat Sunday 16th September Willowtree Art Workshops Sat 22nd to Sun 23rd September Soulfulness in Nature Retreat

Works and Operations Phil Newham, Cr Pam Kensit, Member for Goulburn Pru Goward, Council's Manager of Works Garry Anable, Mayor Brian McCormack OAM and Council's General Manager John Bell at the official opening.

After almost four years of work, Main Road 54 connecting Goulburn and Bathurst via Crookwell - is now fully sealed.

Member for Goulburn Pru Goward, who attended the official opening in May, said the NSW Government provided \$10 million to upgrade and seal the final 10 kilometres of gravel road between Crookwell and Bathurst.

"Main Road 54 provides locals and tourists

Upper Lachlan Shire Council Mayor Brian McCormack OAM thanked the NSW Government for their significant funding contribution, which brought the project to fruition.

"On behalf of Council and the community, I would like to thank the NSW Government for their \$10 million contribution to this project, which is an investment in our future," Cr McCormack said.

"Better roads mean more opportunities for business, tourism and population growth.

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Crystal Brook Gardens, Laggan Sunday 26th August, 2.00 p.m. (02) 4843 3333

Well Being & Self Realisation Saturday 1st September Living Lovingly Sunday 2nd September Willowtree Sculpture Garden (02) 4837 3046

Developing E.S.P Retreat Sunday 30th September Willowtree Sculpture Garden (02) 4837 3046

Art Off Your Wall Crookwell Art Gallery Friday 28th Sept - Monday 1st Oct (02) 4832 0932

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> **Crookwell Visitor Information Centre** 36 Goulburn St Crookwell - 4832 1988 info@visitupperlachlan.com.au



Gullen Range Wind Farm Funds Community Projects bags and undertake

Gullen Range Wind Farm is owned by BJCE Australia and provides funding grants for a variety of community projects through the Community Enhancement Fund. The grants aim to provide facilities and services for Crookwell and are focused on projects that will enhance community wellness.

BJCE Australia Deputy General Manager Derek Powell said \$209,481.35 had been delivered to the local community and outlying villages in the Fund's first three years.

"Our most recent Community Enhancement Fund grants round provided funding for seven projects, totalling \$70,905 and we look forward to seeing these projects progress in the coming months," Mr Powell said.

Upper Lachlan Shire Council coordinates the Community Fund Committee, under its Section 355 provisions. The Committee is responsible for assessing applications and awarding funds. Gullen Range Wind Farm has one member on this committee, which also includes members of Upper Lachlan Shire and Goulburn Mulwaree Councils and two community members. The project applications must demonstrate a direct and indirect community

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Mental Health Worker for the Upper Lachlan

A significant community fundraising effort, led by the Upper Lachlan Youth Council, has secured a mental health worker for the Shire.

The mental health worker will be available at the Wellness Centre Crookwell, one day per week and will assist a child or young person, aged between 5 and 17 years old who lives at an address within the Upper Lachlan Shire and requires low intensity psychological interventions for conditions such as anxiety, or if they are being bullied. Therapeutic services delivered in the outreach program will consist of low intensity psychological therapy tailored to the individual presentation.

The service agreement with Ashkar and Co, which commenced on 20 July 2018, is for 12 months, with the service to be reviewed after the 12 month period. Ashkar and Co will not charge clients to access the outreach program - it will remain free for eligible clients. Six 45 minute sessions are available each Friday for residents.

The 'Why It's Great to be Alive' project was launched by the Youth Council in April 2015. It began with the release of a book by the same

benefit.



Crookwell received

\$10,000 toward the

to say no to plastic

\$16,065.95 to replace the stone steps at Pat Cullen installation of a wheelchair-friendly ramp and handrail. Lions Club of

Reserve with the

lowing projects

Kiamma Creek

Landcare Group

were funded:

received

construction of a toilet block at Clifton Park.

> Crookwell Progress Association received \$980 to encourage Crookwell residents

recycling demonstrations in Crookwell's main street. **Grabben Gullen** Hall received \$14,140 to replace external cladding of



Grabben Gullen Hall.

In the 2018/19 funding round, they will receive an additional \$15,000 to

complete the wall cladding.

Bannister District Hall Association Inc. received \$10,000 to install new kitchen facilities. This project is still in progress. In 2016/17, they received a grant to renovate the exterior



name which was created to increase awareness about mental health issues and raise money for a mental health worker. The book was a compilation of 150 stories and poems from school children across the Upper Lachlan Shire about 'why it's great to be alive'. The project continued with a re-launch of the book in November 2016 and an online crowd funding campaign in February 2017. Several fundraising events, organised by Youth Council Member and former Councillor Jo Marshall, have been held and many generous donations received.

Mayor Brian McCormack OAM said the service will be of enormous benefit to the Shire's young people.

"On behalf of Council and the community I would like to extend a heartfelt congratulations to the Upper Lachlan Youth Council for bringing this vital service to our community and make special mention of the remarkable efforts of Jo Marshall who has been the driving force behind the project," Cr McCormack said.

"I would also like to thank everyone who supported the fundraising efforts, and made generous donations - without you, this service for our community would not be available."



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Rosie's Nose Job

By Kay Muddiman, WIRES Southern Tablelands Branch

Rosie was a wombat – the only wombat in the Southern Tablelands to have had a nose job.

Now Rosie was not unhappy with her nose – it was a very nice wombat nose. The only trouble was it developed a lump after she took a tiny bit of skin off trying to escape the carry cage when she first came into care as a small joey, weighing in at 1,600g. Neither we nor our wonderful vet at Crookwell Veterinary Hospital were unduly concerned at first, expecting it to settle after a while – however, when it didn't we went back to the vet pronto.

First diagnosis was fluid, but a needle inserted into it produced nothing but a bit of blood. It was then thought maybe it was fibrous tissue, which unless it increased in size would not cause her any problem. So, the advice was to 'wait and see'. The lump didn't appear to be growing at first, but then all of a sudden it started increasing in size – plus she started developing a couple more lumps along the top of her nose. Alarm bells sounded, and on the advice of our vet we arranged a consultation with the University of Sydney's Avian, Reptile and Exotic Pet Hospital at Camden, where they specialise in our native wildlife.

First of all they did a hollow needle biopsy poor girl, it was so painful for her - she made the most dreadful noise while they were doing it, I could have cried for her. When tested this showed an infection, so they then put her under anaesthetic to do a full biopsy for culture, to determine exactly the type of infection. While doing the biopsy the vet

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discovered an abscess really deep down. We were stunned as there was no redness or anything else to indicate an abscess, and Rosie never ever showed any sign of distress with the lump, even when pressure was applied to it.

So, she came home on Baytril by injection for 14 days, and we had to keep the wound open for as long as possible by irrigating it with saline solution a couple of times a day, so it could heal from the inside out. She did *not* like that being done, and I don't blame her. Needless to say she didn't like the injections either.

We got the results of the culture four days later, which showed a staph infection. I was horrified as I always take great care with hygiene. However, the vet at Camden said it was nothing to do with that, they can carry the bacteria on their skin without any effect, it's just when it can get 'in' that you have a problem. The good news was that Baytril was right for it, so we didn't have to start a fresh round of 14 injections of any other med. By the time she had finished the injections the wound was healing well, and she was more full of beans than ever. From then on Rosie thrived, with nothing but a small scar to show for her nose job. After a further ten months rehabilitation she was able to be released back into the wild to embrace her freedom.

What did I learn from all this? A lot. Such as how difficult it is to give a wombat an 'under skin' injection – they are such a ball of muscle



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and just don't have any loose skin to grab hold of. It is definitely a two person job. Also, it is important to investigate any problem thoroughly, as things are not always what they seem. An accurate diagnosis is essential before any medication is administered, to ensure correct treatment. I learned not to 'wait and see' for too long. I learned how wonderful the folk are at Camden – thorough, caring and compassionate. I also learned how loving and forgiving Rosie was – no matter what we had to put her through, she always forgave us and was ready for a play and a cuddle. She was quite simply, a sweetheart.

Should you need advice or help with injured or distressed wildlife, please ring the WIRES Rescue Number 1300 094 737. Your call will be logged and directed to the appropriate branch electronically when our volunteers will



Main picture: Rosie the wombat post-surgery. Inset: Rosie before her nose job.



Recycling Service for Bigga and Tuena

Residents of Bigga,

Tuena and surrounds will soon be able to dispose of their co-mingled recycling at the Bigga and Tuena Transfer Stations.

Yellow-lidded, 240-litre recycling bins will be installed at the Transfer Stations, with recyclables to be collected on a fortnightly basis.

Upper Lachlan Shire Council has allocated

\$35,000 in the

2018/2019 Operational Plan to provide the recycling services. A further \$5,000 has been allocated to fund capital costs associated with the project.

Council's Acting General Manager Gary Woodman said the decision follows a petition from the Bigga community for the introduction of a recycling service.

"In addition to the roll-out of recycling services at the Bigga and Tuena Transfer Stations, Council will seek NSW Government support to extend the Return and Earn program to further encourage recycling across the Shire," Mr Woodman said.

The recycling service is expected to be implemented by September 2018.

Council adopts 2018/2019 Budget and Integrated Plans

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Upper Lachlan Shire Council's 2018/2019 Budget and Integrated Plans took effect from 1 July 2018. They include the:

- Operational Plan 2018-19
- Delivery Program 2018-19 to 2021-22
- a Infrastructura Dian 2018 2027

\$309,610."

The Operational Plan 2018/2019 includes a comprehensive capital expenditure works program for the Shire, totalling \$15.3 million.

Notable increases in fees and charges include:

- Infrastructure Plan 2018-2027
- Long Term Financial Plan 2018-2027
- Workforce Plan 2018-19 to 2021-22

Council's Acting General Manager Gary Woodman said a series of community outreach meetings held in Taralga, Gunning, Crookwell and Collector and a five-week exhibition period helped inform the final Plans.

"These Plans set out Council's future funding priorities, so it was essential that we consulted with the community to ensure they were in-line with expectations," Mr Woodman said.

"Council has tried to address the needs of all sections of the community while ensuring we maintain an operating budget surplus and remain fit for the future. The operations budget surplus projected is • 2.3% increase in Ordinary (General) Rates

- 2% increase in Water Usage (Consumption) Charges
- 2% increase in Domestic Waste Management Annual Charges
- 2% increase in Commercial Waste Annual Charges
- 2% increase in Rural Waste Annual Charge and Domestic Waste Management Availability Charge

There will be no increase in the following fees and charges:Water Supply Access Charge and Water Availability ChargesStormwater Annual Charges

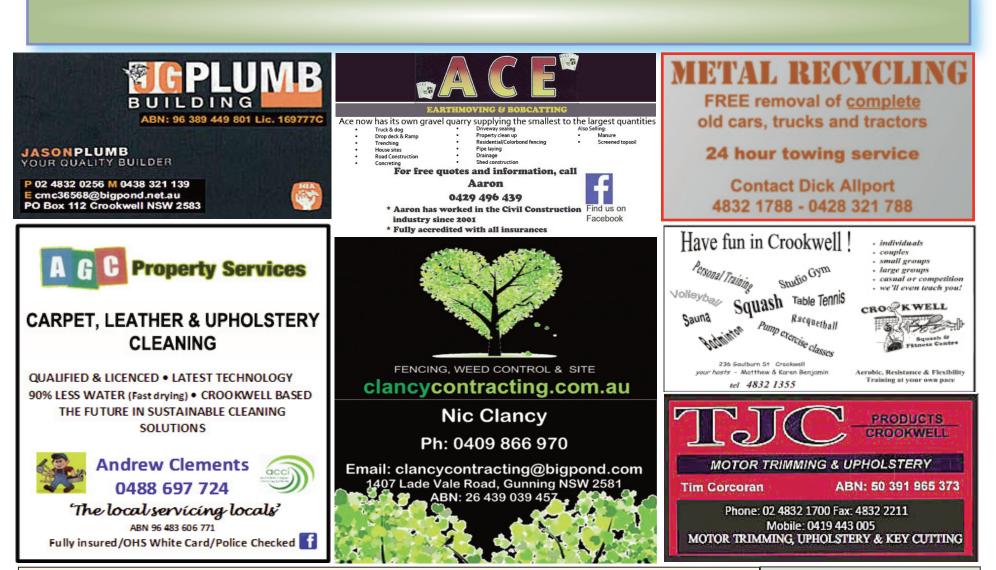
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To view the 2018/2019 Budget and Integrated Plans, please visit: www.upperlachlan.nsw.gov.au/integrated-plans-2018/2019

Enquiries: Council's Director of Finance and Administration, Andrew

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Reminder: Safe Disposal of Asbestos

Council wishes to remind the community that asbestos must be disposed of in a safe and lawful manner.

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It follows the discovery of illegally dumped asbestos materials at the Bigga, Taralga and Gunning Waste Transfer Stations and at the Crookwell Landfill.

Council's Acting General Manager Gary Woodman said cutting corners by dumping asbestos illegally puts lives at risk.

"The dangerous nature of asbestos is widely known. Breathing in asbestos fibres can cause asbestosis, lung cancer and mesothelioma, which is why proper handling and disposal of asbestos waste is critical to avoid any possible risks," Mr Woodman said.

"Illegally dumped asbestos has the potential to jeopardise the health and safety of Council staff and

any members of the public who happen to come into contact with it. The costs to Council are also substantial with significant resources and money required to remediate the site.

"It is important to remember that anyone handling 10sqm or more of asbestos must hold a licence and any demolition work involving asbestos removal requires a DA to be approved by Council before work can begin.

"Asbestos material is only accepted at the Crookwell Landfill and an appointment must be made to arrange disposal. All asbestos material must also be properly wrapped."

For more information about asbestos disposal, including fees, please contact Council's Operations Division on 4830 1000.

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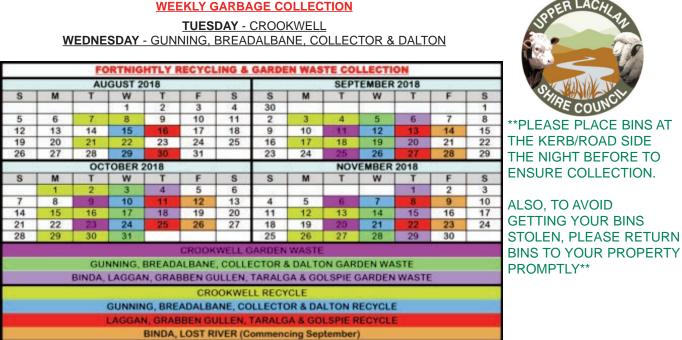
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Upper Lachlan Shire Council Waste, Recycling and Garden Waste Services*



*Subject to change WEEKLY GARBAGE COLLECTION TUESDAY - CROOKWELL





Changes to collection times are published on Council's website: www.upperlachlan.nsw.gov.au/news and Facebook page.

For further information about Council's waste and recycling services, including the full 2018 recycling collection calendar, as well as tip locations and opening hours, please visit our website:

www.upperlachlan.nsw.gov.au/ engineering/waste-management or contact Council's Operations Division on 4830 1000.

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE TO CROOKWELL, BINDA & LOST RIVER RECYCLING COLLECTION DAYS EFFECTIVE FROM 3 SEPTEMBER 2018

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Upper Lachlan Welcomes New Citizens



Pictured left: Mayor Brian McCormack OAM shares a laugh with Alice Lin at her citizenship ceremony in Crookwell. Pictured right: Cherilyn Ellis and Miranda Sturrock take the Citizenship Pledge at Gunning. The Upper Lachlan Shire recently welcomed three new citizens.

Taiwanese born Hsiao-Ting Lin, known as Alice Lin, took the Australian Citizenship Pledge at a ceremony held at the Council Chambers Crookwell in June.

Alice came to Australia for a holiday and moved here in 2010 after meeting her now husband, Jock. Alice, who lives in Collector, said she decided to become an Australian citizen because she wants to be part of the country, which she loves for our culture and people.

Cherilyn Ellis from The Philippines and Miranda Sturrock from Canada also took the Australian Citizenship Pledge at a ceremony held at the Council Chambers Gunning in May. Both now call Gunning home.

Upper Lachlan Shire Council Mayor Brian McCormack OAM congratulated the trio on becoming Australian citizens.

"Citizenship is the common bond uniting all Australians, whether you are a citizen by birth or by choice," Cr McCormack said.

"On behalf of Council and the community I would like to welcome our new citizens to our Australian family.

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Crookwell Rotary Makes Lifesaving Donation



L-R: Council's Parks and Gardens Supervisor John Hanley, Mayor Brian McCormack OAM, Rotary Club of Crookwell's Club Services Director Sean Proudman, President Ken Leach and Past President Brian Hudson with the new defibrillator.

A new piece of lifesaving equipment is now on hand at Crookwell Caravan Park thanks to the Rotary Club of Crookwell.

Last month the Rotary Club donated a defibrillator valued at \$3,000, which is available on the wall outside the camp kitchen in the event of an emergency.

Rotary Club of Crookwell's Club Services Director Sean Proudman said the idea for the donation came from hearing a radio interview about how a defibrillator had been used to save a person's life at a caravan park in the Riverina.

"The majority of people travelling through Crookwell and using the caravan park are of an age where they could suffer from cardiac arrest," Mr Proudman said.

"I put the idea of purchasing a defibrillator to the Club and they were more than happy to support it."

Upper Lachlan Shire Council Mayor Brian McCormack OAM said the lifesaving equipment could mean the difference between life and death for a person suffering

MoU with Neighbouring Councils

Upper Lachlan Shire Council has endorsed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with neighbouring Councils Goulburn Mulwaree and Yass Valley.

Developed by senior staff from all three Councils, the purpose of the MoU is to achieve improved outcomes, efficiencies and cost savings.

Council's Acting General Manager Gary Woodman said in signing the MoU the three council's acknowledge their willingness to cooperate, collaborate and work together to achieve effective and efficient outcomes for their communities.

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Lobbying Councillors

The Independent Commission Against Corruption has produced a brochure to inform Councillors and the community about what ICAC considers to be best practice in the area of lobbying Councillors. For more information visit: www.icac.nsw.gov.au or call 1800 463 909.

"While the three Councils are committed to collaboration and provision of shared services where it is advantageous to all parties, the MoU also recognises that each of the three Councils are separate entities with separate governance and management structures. As such, each Council will continue to retain the right to local democracy and determination."

To view the MoU, please visit:

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