

THE VOICE OF UPPER LACHLAN SHIRE, THE SHIRE OF VILLAGES



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Taralga Water Treatment Plant up and running

The new Taralga Water Treatment Plant is now operating and the town's water restrictions have been reduced from Level 3 to Level 1.

The new Treatment Plant arrived on 3rd February, 2021 and has been going through a process of connecting and testing in the period since. Council's tests showed that the water quality was suitable for drinking, and the final stage of external testing by a National Association of Testing Authorities accredited organisation confirmed those results.

"My first reaction is relief for the people of Taralga who've been through so much," said Upper Lachlan Shire Council General Manager, Colleen Worthy.

"They've been through so much, going back to the bushfires, then through the dam problems and then the electrical fault that caused the fire in the filtration system."

"This is one burden for the township that has been reduced as we continue to work through building a new dam."

Mrs Worthy also praised staff for their expedience in getting the new plant up and running.

"The whole process, from the fire starting back on 8th December, to this new working Treatment Plant in place, has been completed in 10 weeks," she said.

"Speaking to experts in the field, this process typically takes much longer to complete. And there haven't been any shortcuts to safety or

quality, just the committed work by our staff, our suppliers and NSW government departments and agencies to get water restored to the people of Taralga as soon as possible."

Water carting to the Taralga Reservoir has now ceased.



Water & Sewer Operator Lachlan Scott, owner operator of Highlands Water Cartage Roger Gaff, Taralga Water and Sewer Operator in Charge, Rodney Smith and Mayor Cr John Stafford on the last day of water cartage as the new Taralga Water Treatment Plant begins operation.

Mandatory changes to lodging a Development Application

The NSW Government passed amendments to the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, which will require planning applications to be lodged with Council's through the NSW Planning Portal. As a result of these changes Council is reviewing and proposing a number of upgrades to our planning application processes in the coming months to improve the customer experience.

As of the 1 July 2021, these State Government changes will require customers to submit all planning applications with Council online utilising the NSW Government Planning Portal. Therefore, Council will not be able to accept planning applications over the counter or the post.

These changes provide an exciting new era for planning across NSW, with the Planning Portal providing an easily accessible, user-friendly and transparent system for lodging planning applications.

From 1 July 2021 customers are required to use the Portal to lodge the full range of planning applications, including;

- Development applications (DAs) including modifications;
- Complying development certificates (CDCs);
- Construction Certificates (CCs);
- Occupation Certificates; and
- Section 68 applications.

It is recognised that some customers may find the required changes challenging, so Council is training staff to provide the necessary support to help with the transition.

As part of the transition Council is also integrating its technical planning systems with the Planning Portal, so once an application is submitted to the Portal it will automatically appear in Council's systems.

Council is also investigating electronic opportunities for its assessment, determination and inspection processes with an overall aim of providing an improved service for the customer with respect to the development application process.

For further information please contact Council's Environment and Planning Department on (02) 4830 1000 or visit the NSW State Government Planning Portal by the following link:

<https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/eplanning-mandate>

From the Mayor's Desk

It's good to be able to start with a positive, and one very positive note for this year has been the installation of the new Taralga Water Treatment Plant. From start to finish, it has been commissioned in record time. I feel relief for all of the residents of Taralga, and also gratitude and pride for all of the staff, government departments and authorities and suppliers who played a role in having the Plant in place so quickly.



Of course, this year will have its own challenges in store, and hopefully a bit of relief from COVID and the restrictions it has placed on our lives. Australia Day celebrations in the Shire were affected by COVID precautions, but were nonetheless events I feel we needed. The events were well supported, but it was disappointing to see some nominations down on previous years, no doubt due in part to various community groups and organisations not meeting throughout 2020 as they normally would. Let's get next year's nominations front of mind now and make sure we acknowledge as many of our community volunteers and representatives as we can.

While all levels of government interact with communities, everything would fall in a heap if it wasn't for the volunteers and groups that do so much. These champions of our communities reach out, look out for each other, go the extra mile and are the engines of our towns and villages. They always deserve our praise and recognition, but never more so than in the year we've just had.

Congratulations to Shire Citizen of the Year, Bob Anderson, and to all of the winners across the various categories in the Upper Lachlan Shire Australia Day Awards. We owe you all so much.

As we face another year together in the Shire, none of us knows what lays ahead. Even without a crystal ball, I think we can safely assume there'll be some tough times and challenges in store in 2021. And I also think we can be certain that our

From the GM's Desk

I've just notched up my first full year in Crookwell and you definitely can't say it's been uneventful.



We're all well aware of the floods, droughts, fires and COVID that have been thrown at us. And then, here in the Shire, we also had a Dam in danger of breaching, and a Water Treatment Plant burn down due to an electrical fault.

But through it all, I've been continually encouraged and energised by the sense of community in the Shire, the resilience of the people and the dedication of our Council staff to react quickly to any crisis and to work through all of the day to day requirements of Council.

By any measure, this year is a big year for Council. The final stages of the Staff restructure which commenced in 2019 will be implemented.

Stage one of the biggest social infrastructure projects undertaken by Council for many years, the Multipurpose Aquatic and Activities Centre in Crookwell, will commence and be completed this year, and in September this year, our current Councillors are up for re-election.

The point I most want to make is that Council isn't something separate from you. It's YOUR Council.

If you see a job vacancy advertised at Council and your are suitably equipped, consider applying for it.

If you believe you have something to offer as a Councillor, consider putting your hand up in the election.

When Council is seeking feedback and ideas, please feel free to provide them. It's a genuine request.

Many community suggestions change the way Council does things so have your say.

Council staff are working in your streets, on your roads, maintaining services and offering help in a range of areas. They live alongside you in the various villages of the Shire, experience the same hardships as their communities and do their best to keep maintaining and improving the Shire.

If there's something you think we need to do better, let us know because we've got the same aspirations for this Shire as you.

Council Services

Emergency after hours contact numbers:

Crookwell / Bigga / Binda / Tuena / Grabben Gullen / Laggan / Taralga and Big Hill areas:

Roads, bridges and tips, water and sewer: **0429 786 659**

Gunning / Dalton / Breadalbane / Collector / Jerrawa areas:

Roads, bridges and tips, water and sewer: **0427 454 206**

Postal address: PO Box 42, Gunning NSW 2581 (for all offices)

Council Offices:

Crookwell Office: 44 Spring St, Crookwell - Open Monday to Friday 9.00am to 4.00pm | Ph: 4830 1000, Fax: 4832 2066

Gunning Office: 123 Yass St, Gunning - Open Monday to Friday 8.30am to 4.00pm | Ph: 4845 4100, Fax: 4845 1426

Taralga Community Service Centre: 29 Orchard St, Taralga - Open

Monday to Friday 9.00am to 5.00pm | Ph: 4840 2099, Fax: 4840 2296

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Justice of the Peace
Justices of the Peace in NSW serve the community primarily by administering oaths or affidavits and taking statutory declarations and affirmations; witnessing signatures; and attesting and certifying documents. Upper Lachlan Shire Council have people serving the community in this capacity at our Council offices in Gunning and Crookwell.

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LIBRARY BIZ with Michaela Olde - Manager, Library Services



What's New

Library update

Our Libraries are excited to welcome you back for events and activities from March. We have made some changes to keep us all COVID-19 safe, so please follow staff directions and do not attend if you or your family are unwell. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, we can only accommodate a limited number in the library space for events and activities. To secure a spot please book with the library.

When you arrive for an event or activity please:

1. Sanitise your hands
2. Scan in with the QR Code or provide your contact details to library staff
3. Maintain social distancing (1.5m distance away from people you don't live with)

We are no longer quarantining returns. However, please continue to return all your items in the returns chute/box at the entrance of each library.

Our libraries will continue with the new operating hours to allow for extra cleaning. The following hours will continue to apply.

Crookwell Library:

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 11am – 5pm
Wed 2 – 5pm
Sat 10am – 12noon

Gunning Library:

Tues, Wed 2:30 – 5pm
Thurs 1:30 – 5pm
Fri 10:30am – 4:30pm
Sat 10am – 12noon

Upper Lachlan Libraries continues to follow the latest guidelines from NSW Health and the Australian Library and Information Association and will continue to adhere to the strict health procedures to reduce the spread of COVID-19.

Note: At any stage our libraries may need to restrict the services and events offered depending on the level of risk posed by COVID-19 to our community and surrounds, as well any advice or public health orders from the NSW Department of Premier and Cabinet.

Storytime

Come along to help your child develop those crucial language skills and social connections.

The themed sessions run for approximately 45 minutes and consist of stories and an age relevant craft activity.

Children from ages 0-5 years are welcome to attend Storytime.

When:

Crookwell Library every Thursday at 11:30am during the school term.

Gunning Library at 11.00am every first and third Friday during the school term.



Scrabble at Crookwell Library

Come and join the fun of the Crookwell Library Friends' monthly Scrabble Afternoons.

Scrabble is held in the Crookwell Library every first Tuesday of the month from 1pm, followed by afternoon tea. Everyone is welcome to join in the fun.

Cost: Please bring a gold coin donation for afternoon tea.

Knitting at Gunning Library

The Gunning Library Knitting Circle is held on 1st and 3rd Friday of each month from 1.30pm - 2.30pm. All welcome.

Design, build, create and play at Crookwell and Gunning Libraries Lego Club

Join in the fun at Lego Club play sessions which encourage design, creativity, and collaboration. Lego Club is a FREE program for ages 5 years and up. To help keep our creative builders safe each child will have their own small box of mixed Lego bricks to build (no sharing) labelled with their name.



When:

Crookwell Library Thursday afternoons from 3:30 – 4:30pm during the school term.

Gunning Library Wednesday afternoons from 3:30 – 4:30pm during the school term.

eSafety websites with information about keeping you and your family safe online

The *eSafetyCommissioner*

(<https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents>) website is a place where parents can learn about the digital environment and keep updated on their children's technology use. Here you can find guidance for using safety settings on your family's web-connected devices, tips for choosing movies and games and strategies for keeping young people safe online.

ThinkUKnow (<https://www.thinkuknow.org.au/>) website is aimed at parents, carers and teachers and contains cyber safety presentations that sensitively cover a range of topics. Some of these topics include: sexting, cyber bullying, online child exploitation, online privacy, and importantly what to do when something goes wrong.

The Scamwatch (<https://www.scamwatch.gov.au/>) website is run by the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC). It provides information to consumers and small businesses about how to recognise, avoid and report scams.

What's On

CROOKWELL FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK SALE

The annual Crookwell Friends of the Library book sale will be held on Saturday 17th April from 9am – 4pm, and Sunday 18th April from 10am – 2pm.

There will be Adult and Young Adult fiction, non-fiction, large print, children's books, magazines and lots more. Grab a bargain! Everything is \$2.00 or fill a bag for \$10.00.

Proceeds from the sale of books will go towards funding extra services at your library, including Storytime, school holiday activities, magazine subscriptions, and library events.

When: From 9am – 4pm on Saturday 17th April and then during library opening hours until Friday 30th April.

Where: Crookwell Memorial Hall foyer, Denison Street, Crookwell

THE HISTORY OF THE PERUVIAN POTATO AND BOXED LUNCH AT THE CROOKWELL LIBRARY

Join the Crookwell Library in celebrating the Crookwell Potato Festival with a talk on potatoes by Evelyn Quispe.

Evelyn, an Indigenous person from around where potatoes were domesticated in the High Andes of south-eastern Peru and north-western Bolivia almost 8,000 years ago will share her knowledge of the culture, lifestyle, history and importance of the humble potato to the Andes people.

Where: Crookwell Library/Crookwell Memorial Hall. Details to be confirmed closer to the time.

When: 11am Monday 19th April, followed by lunch in the Crookwell Library

Cost: Free

Sponsored by the Crookwell Potato Festival and the Crookwell Friends of the Library.



REVISED OPENING HOURS

CROOKWELL LIBRARY Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

11 am – 5.00 pm

Wednesday

2 pm – 5:00 pm

Saturday mornings

10:00 am – 12:00 noon

GUNNING LIBRARY

Tuesday & Wednesday

2:30 pm – 5:00 pm

Thursday

1:30 pm – 5:00 pm

Friday

10:30 am – 4:30 pm

Saturday mornings

10:00 am – 12:00 noon

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TOURISM HAPPENINGS from the Upper Lachlan Tourism Unit

A busy year ahead for Upper Lachlan tourism staff

What a relief to see the end of 2020 and finally make it to 2021! A mild summer and some wonderful rainfall have resulted in an enviable start to the year, reminding us that we are lucky enough to live in one of the most beautiful places in Australia.

Unfortunately, COVID-19 continues to linger across the country and forcing the shutdown of some of our most favourite events, in many cases for the second year in a row. The resilience of our local businesses and the support they have received from both near and far has been truly inspiring. We look forward to this continuing as we all work together for what will surely be a successful new year.

Supporting Local Tourism Businesses

Within Council's Tourism Unit we have continued to work hard to help local businesses and community groups deal with seemingly never-ending challenges.

Our monthly e-news bulletin disseminates up-to-date and useful information, such as the latest COVID regulations, how to apply for new initiatives like the Dine and Discover NSW program, any changes to legislation that could have a local impact, for instance those relating to short term rental accommodation, and upskilling opportunities.

If you think that our industry e-news could be of benefit to your business or group, please send us an email to info@visitupperlachlan.com.au and we will add you to the list.

Our new Discover the Shire of Villages campaign is live!

We are thrilled to have officially launched our new Discover the Shire of Villages campaign in January! Head to our Youtube channel, www.youtube.com/user/UpperLachlanTourism to enjoy the series of our sensational promotional videos shot across the Shire.

The campaign will be hard to miss with heavy promotion through Facebook, Instagram and Youtube. We were also very happy with our Discover the Shire of Villages liftout that appeared

in the Canberra Times in January and we have had visitors to the region specifically referencing that promotion.

In addition, with COVID-19 restrictions in place we have seen the caravanning and camping market booming and we are partnering with the Caravan, Camping and Motorhome Association and others to make sure we are talking directly to that market over the next few months.

We remind you that everyone can be part of the campaign and spread the word.

So that we build upon established hashtags and integrate with the Love NSW campaign, when creating and sharing content through marketing channels, we are asking everyone to:

1. Capture photos that depict an experience a visitor can enjoy when in the region, it could be a vista, an activity, a drive, character filled accommodation, the sky is the limit.
2. Share the photo or video on social media with the hashtag #Visit (insert name of location) eg #VisitTaralga and tag @upplachtourism. To gain awareness in the Destination NSW and Tourism Australia campaigns we also want to use #LoveNSW #HolidayHereThisYear and tag @VisitNSW.
3. Encourage friends, family and visitors to do the same.

This campaign has been made possible through the financial support of the Commonwealth and New South Wales governments through the Bushfire Community Resilience and Economic Recovery Fund.

Next edition of our Destination Guide in the pipelines

Staff have started working on the next edition of our Visit Upper Lachlan Destination Guide. We have loads of excellent new imagery and are excited to be thinking about how to best showcase our great Shire. We are now working with local tourism businesses and community groups to discuss opportunities to promote their business or service in the revised guide. If you haven't yet heard from us and want to be involved, please email us at info@visitupperlachlan.com.au.

Planning an event? Remember to let us know!

It's exciting to see some events are making a comeback in the Upper Lachlan Shire, and if you want to spread the word, make sure you tell us about it at Council's Tourism Unit. Send us an email, give us a call, or pop in and notify us in person: info@visitupperlachlan.com.au, 02 4832 1988, or 36 Goulburn Street, Crookwell.

Did you know we also have a monthly 'What's On' email we send to prospective visitors to our Shire? We include the latest information on upcoming events, new experiences and offers from our region. Visit our website to subscribe: www.visitupperlachlan.com.au.

You can also keep up to date with what's on in the Upper Lachlan by subscribing to our social media channels:

- via the Visit Upper Lachlan Facebook page (@upperlachlantourism)
- or the Visit Upper Lachlan Instagram feed (@upplachtourism)

All events must be COVID safe! Let us know if you need help with this part of your event planning.

ADVERTISING FEATURE



Merino Cafe, Gunning (main photo), The Argyle Inn, Taralga (top right), Greenridge Glen, Crookwell (centre right), and Taralga Wildlife Park (bottom right). Photos: Supplied.

Upper Lachlan is the Shire of Villages

ON YOUR DOORSTEP

WHY don't you make a New Year's resolution to discover the great diversity of experiences right on Canberra's doorstep? From award winning wines in Collector and potato farming in Crookwell to the gold history of Tuena, the Shire of Villages is dotted with fascinating and historic pioneering villages that each have a story to tell and

and simple and delicious food which can all be experienced in the lovingly restored 1875 building. To learn more or better still to book, note that you can also stay the property, go to www.theargyleinn.com.au.
Laggan Pantry
Speaking of local produce, it doesn't get more local than at Laggan Pantry where their kitchen garden is the source of the

possible.
Some Café share their building with Gourmet Traveller Wine's 2020 winner of Star Cellar Door, and Best Small Cellar Door, Collector Wines. Winemaker Alex McKay grew up in the area and now produces a collection of highly renowned wines across a variety of styles that you just have to try for yourself. For all the details go to www.visitupperlachlan.com.au.

Catherine's secret recipes, and not to forget the great coffee and classic milkshakes. With the best location in town right amongst the specialty shopping strip you can marry your food experience with a touch of retail therapy and support local makers. For details go to www.facebook.com/Cafe-Zest.
Insta-loving country vistas

Australia Day 2021 in Crookwell and Gunning



Shire Sportsperson of the Year Kayla Gann, Shire Citizen of the Year Bob Anderson, Mayor Cr John Stafford, Susan Reynolds (representing Crookwell Event of the Year Award winner, the Upper Lachlan Foundation for the Laggan Pig Races) and Australia Day Ambassador Sandra Bates prepare to cut the cake at the Crookwell Australia Day Awards at Memorial Oval.

A lifelong commitment to rural and agricultural work and support has culminated in Robert "Bob" Anderson being awarded the 2021 Upper Lachlan Shire Citizen of the year.

Mr Anderson's achievements include receiving the Perpetual Trophy for Outstanding Contributing to the Rural Industry, and numerous other awards and recognitions across a lifetime.

The Shire Citizen of the Year award was the climax of several awards presented at the Gunning and Crookwell ceremonies that marked Australia Day in the Shire.

The 2021 Crookwell Australia Day celebrations took place on Memorial Oval before a restricted crowd in line with COVID-19 restrictions.

Similarly, the Gunning Celebrations were forced indoors at Gunning Shire Hall due to difficulty policing COVID restrictions at Barbour Park, but while numbers were slightly down, those present enthusiastically supported the events at each venue.

The Gunning celebrations began with a community BBQ hosted by the Gunning Lions Club. Acting MC John Shaw introduced the official party which included ULSC Mayor, Cr John Stafford, General Manager Colleen Worthy and special guest and Ambassador, acclaimed theatrical director Sandra Bates.

Pastor Ellen Manwaring offered a prayer of thanks and Cr Stafford gave the official welcome and acknowledgement of Country.

In his opening remarks Cr Stafford also emphasised the importance of the Australia Day Community Awards because of the recognition they offered individuals and groups who gave so much to their communities.

Australia Day Ambassador Sandra Bates continued that theme and highlighted the resilience, ingenuity and bravery shown by regional and rural communities in a time of great adversity.

Two Gunning area residents, Mrs Jessica McNamara and Ms Adriana Toro Pinzon, became citizens in the Citizenship Ceremony during the Gunning event.

Andrew Warren acted as MC at the Crookwell event which also began with a BBQ – with Crookwell Rotary, Lions and CWA Clubs all pitching in to help.

David Johnson and Dallas Atkins provided entertainment and Reverend Wayne Landford provided a blessing for Australia Day.

Cr Stafford and Mrs Bates addressed the crowd, again emphasising the special nature or rural community life and of the often unheralded work volunteers do in our communities.

Australia Day Award Winners

Shire Awards:

- Citizen of the Year – Bob Anderson
- Young Citizen of the Year – Oscar Rose
- Sportsperson of the Year – Kayla Gann
- Young Sportsperson of the Year – Isaac McGregor
- Event of the Year – Gunning Arts Festival

Taralga Awards:

- Citizen of the Year – Glenn Elliott

Gunning Awards:

- Citizen of the Year – Rosemary Spiller

Crookwell Awards:

- Event of the Year – Laggan Pig Races
- Citizen of the Year - Ellen Seaman



Ambassador Sandra Bates with Gunning Arts Festival representatives Michelle Storey and Greg Baines, accepting the Shire Award for Event of the Year.



COVID-19 safety precautions moved the Crookwell Australia Day celebrations on to Memorial Oval, while in Gunning the celebrations were moved from Barbour Park to Gunning Shire Hall.



Mayor Cr John Stafford and Australia Day Ambassador Sandra Bates greet Jessica McNamara and Adriana Toro Pinzon as they prepared to take Australian Citizenship pledges.

In the Works



Artist Cullen Bell in front of the mural he created in Roberts Street, Crookwell.



Students from St Mary's Primary School Crookwell with Barry Murphy and Ruth Aveyard from Landcare.



A 5 km section of Wombeyan Caves Road at the Caves end was sealed in January.



Work commencing on 394 metres of new pathway in Binda under the Stronger Country Communities Fund.



Before the new Taralga Water Treatment Plant could be installed in place and commissioned, the old Plant had to be removed.

Free household waste disposal this Clean Up Australia Day

To coincide with Clean Up Australia Day on Sunday 7th March 2021, Council is offering Upper Lachlan residents, free disposal of household goods at its Waste Management Centres between 10.00am and 4.00pm.

Waste accepted at no charge will be:

- domestic waste
- furniture
- E-Waste (televisions, computers, printers, electricals etc.)
- recyclables
- garden organics

Items of interest will not be stockpiled for people to scavenge. No items are to be left on-site for people to remove.

Please be aware that the following items will not be accepted:

- chemicals, paints, pesticides, poisons, cooking oil, liquids, smoke detectors, gas bottles and fire extinguishers
- tyres
- asbestos

Due to the costs associated with recycling mattresses, Council will charge the scheduled fee of \$40 per mattress on the day.

The Taralga and Collector centres are only able to accept small household waste.

Large items, such as furniture, must be taken to either the Gunning or Crookwell facilities.

Residents are reminded that **the following items can be taken to most of the Shire's Waste Management Centres, free of charge, throughout the year.**

These include:

- Scrap metal – fridges, freezers, washing machines, iron, wire, wrecked cars
- Engine and hydraulic oil
- Car and truck batteries
- Plastic, glass, cardboard, paper
- Grass clippings, leaves and small prunings

Printer cartridges and mobile phones can be taken to any Council office or participating Australia Post outlets to be recycled, free of charge.

For more information about the free household waste disposal, please contact Council's Water, Sewer and Waste Division on 4830 1000.

Some local groups are co-ordinating "Clean Up Australia Day" events within the Upper Lachlan Shire. The Community are encouraged to register on the day at the following locations:

Rotary Club of Crookwell

Spring Street outside Council Office
8am – 12pm
Contact:- Sean Proudman 0409 128 760

Taralga Progress Association

Goodhew Park
9.30am – 12pm
Contact:- Prue Burfitt

Bags will be supplied to everyone who registers.

Any other Community groups that would like to co-ordinate an event in their area, can refer to the "Clean up Australia Day" website www.cleanup.org.au or contact Council.

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Upper Lachlan benefits from bridge replacement funding

MEDIA RELEASE SUPPLIED BY THE OFFICE OF MEMBER FOR GOULBURN WENDY TUCKERMAN

Seven bridges across the Goulburn electorate will be replaced under the NSW Government's \$500 million Fixing Country Bridges program to better connect regional communities and increase resilience to natural disasters.

Member for Goulburn Wendy Tuckerman said replacing old timber bridges means improved community connections to schools, towns and jobs, allowing easier movement of freight and delivering better outcomes for road safety.

"This program is easing the financial burden on councils, and will create thousands of local jobs across regional communities in the state – and coming at a time when it's most needed," Mrs Tuckerman said.

The following bridges have been awarded funding under the program:

- \$691,740 for Crookwell River Bridge (Julong Road)
- \$497,352 for Peelwood Creek Bridge (Cooksvale Road)
- \$431,753 for Burra Burra Creek Bridge (Blue Hill Road)
- \$458,806 for Narrambulla Creek Bridge (Carrick Road)
- \$1,224,000 for Burrawang Creek Bridge (Belmore Falls Road)
- \$400,000 for Ritters Creek Bridge (Meryla Road)
- \$288,000 for Bango Creek Bridge (Bango Lane)



Three bridges in the Upper Lachlan Shire received a combined \$1,620,845 in state government funding from the Fixing Country Bridges Program.

Deputy Premier and Minister for Regional NSW John Barilaro said round one of the program will see more than 400 ageing bridges replaced by safer, modern bridges that will better withstand events like floods and bushfires, and ease the burden of maintenance for local councils and ratepayers.

"Regional councils maintain more than 1,800 timber bridges across the state, and we're delivering on our promise to help them replace ageing bridges."

Minister for Regional Transport and Roads Paul Toole said the NSW Government had accelerated funding for the program with more than \$290 million shared across 54 councils to replace 424 bridges in round one.

"That's hundreds of fast-tracked projects that will start across the state in the next 12 months, helping councils to create and support jobs, drive productivity and keep our regional communities connected," Mr Toole said.

Successful applications are timber bridges, located on a council-managed road which are not a heritage or truss bridge and are a priority asset to council. A second round of the program will be offered later this year.

For more information on the Fixing Country Bridges program and to view the full list of successful projects, please visit www.nswroads.work/fixingcountrybridges.



UPPER LACHLAN SHIRE COUNCIL WASTE, RECYCLE & GARDEN WASTE COLLECTIONS

WEEKLY GARBAGE COLLECTION													
TUESDAY - CROOKWELL							WEDNESDAY - GUNNING, BREADALBANE, COLLECTOR & DALTON						
THURSDAY - BINDA, LAGGAN, GRABBen GULLEN, TARALGA & GOLSPIE													
FORTNIGHTLY RECYCLING & GARDEN WASTE COLLECTIONS													
MARCH 2021							APRIL 2021						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6					1	2	3
7	8	9	10	11	12	13	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
28	29	30	31				25	26	27	28	29	30	
MAY 2021							JUNE 2021						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
30	31					1			1	2	3	4	5
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	27	28	29	30			
CROOKWELL RECYCLE													
GUNNING, BREADALBANE, COLLECTOR & DALTON RECYCLE													
LAGGAN, GRABBen GULLEN, TARALGA & GOLSPIE RECYCLE													
BINDA & LOST RIVER RECYCLE													
CROOKWELL GARDEN WASTE													
GUNNING, BREADALBANE, COLLECTOR & DALTON GARDEN WASTE													
BINDA, LAGGAN, GRABBen GULLEN, TARALGA & GOLSPIE GARDEN WASTE													
GARDEN WASTE COLLECTION WILL CEASE FOR THE WINTER MONTHS													

Subject to Change

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Determinations Issued between 1 to 30 December 2020

DA No.	Proposal	Property
23 / 2018	Dwelling	Gundaroo Rd BELLMOUNT FOREST 1 DP 754573, Lot 148 & 197 DP 754113
94/2019 (S4.55)	Relocation of Structure	3 George St COLLECTOR Lot 17 DP 727525
98/2019 (24.55)	3 Lot subdivision	Wheeo Rd, GRABBen GULLEN Lot 2 DP 203470
41/2020	2 Lot subdivision (1 primary prod., 1 residential)	265 Laggan Rd LAGGAN Lot 1 DP 136732 & Lot 2 DP 186334
81/2020	2 Lot subdivision Primary Prod.	289 Redground Rd, CROOKWELL Lot 2 DP 810987
85/2020	Transportable Dwelling & Shed	Bourke St COLLECTOR Lot 11 Sec 6 DP 1809
94/2020	Dwelling	41 Graham Cres, CROOKWELL Lot 10 DP 1253454
89/2020	Dwelling	671 Bridge Creek Rd, BINDA Lot 1 DP 1068317
98/2020	Dwelling	7 Graham Cres, CROOKWELL Lot 1 DP 1253454
100/2020	Dwelling, Pool & Carport	194 Tarlo River Rd GREENWICH PARK Lot 2 DP 849937
101/2020	Dwelling	Little Plains Rd, BUNTON Lot 1 DP 1040439
102/2020	Dwelling	19 Copeland St, GUNNING Lot 21 DP 1200509
103/2020	Dwelling Additions & Alterations	2 Ironmine Rd CROOKWELL Lot 1 DP 733359
110/2020	Dwelling	5 Green Ave, GUNNING Lot 116 DP 1250004

Determinations Issued between 1 to 31 January 2021

DA No.	Proposal	Property
69/2017 (S4.55)	Dwelling Additions & Alterations	16 Colyer St, CROOKWELL Lot 2 DP 626075
56/2020	6 Lot subdivision	Hailstone St, BIGGA Lot 1 DP 1003429
90/2020	Shed	3 George St, COLLECTOR Lot 17 DP 727525
93/2020	Dwelling	Junction Point Rd TUENA Lot 53 DP 753028
104/2020	Dwelling	2557 Gurrundah Rd. GURRUNDAAH Lot 1 DP 1242528
112/2020	Transportable Dwelling	118 Bannister Lane GURRUNDAAH
1/2021	Shed	79 Cowper Dt, CROOKWELL Lot B DP 362033
2/2021	Dwelling	Grange Rd, CROOKWELL Lot 8 DP 7269 768
108/2020	Dwelling	3 Rose St, GRABBen GULLEN Lot 404 DP 754115