

International Women's Day in the Shire

The 107th International Women's Day 2015 was celebrated in style by over 40 locals and visitors at Greenwich Park who enjoyed a scrumptious "High Tea" and a variety of guest speakers and musical entertainment filled afternoon at the historic Greenwich Park Shearing Shed.

The event was sponsored by the Upper Lachlan Shire Council, and amongst the guests who attended were The Honourable Pru Goward, Minister for Planning, Minister for Women and Member for Goulburn; Upper Lachlan Shire Council Lady Mayoress Mrs. Suzi Shaw; and the Hume Federal Member's wife, Mrs. Louise Taylor.

The Greenwich Park Shearing Shed forms part of the original Greenwich Park property, which was established around 1822. It was a wonderful backdrop to consider International Women's Day, especially Australia's pioneering women.

"Thanks goes to the Greenwich Park property owners for allowing the community to utilise the Shearing Shed for this important event," said Jenny Hill, Greenwich Park resident and one of the event organisers.

With entertainment from local singer/songwriter Juliette Bass performing songs from her latest album "My Life"; and a talk from Ms. Leonie Hosey, a Greenwich Park resident who spoke of her early life growing up; her successful business career; marriage; family; and working with women getting their lives back on track in the NSW Prison system. She also spoke with feeling of the love she has for her alpaca herd which she breeds and shows (Golden Range Alpacas).

Mrs Suzi Shaw, Upper Lachlan Shire Lady Mayoress also provided an interesting perspective on her support role to her husband, Mayor John Shaw who has been involved in local government for some 35 years, as well as family life and her career as a primary school teacher.

The event also raised \$700 for the McGrath Foundation.

The scrumptious "High Tea" event was organised by Jenny Hill and assisted by Nerina Eagles, two Greenwich Park locals, and their family and friends.

Men in "pink" ties waited on tables and served drinks, helping make it



such a wonderful way to celebrate International Women's Day.

Thanks must also go to the generous local businesses who supplied prizes for the raffle - The House of Alpaca; Images Hair Salon; Lilac City Theatre; Farmer Fields; Shepherd's Hill Nursery (Marulan) and local Historian Lorna Parr.

New Addition to Sports Hall of Fame Unveiled



Above: Elaine and Noel Plumb, grandparents to Emily Smith proudly unveiled the signed and framed Australian Hockeyroo's Womens Uniform, the new addition to the Sporting Hall of Fame in Crookwell.

The new addition to the Crookwell Sporting Hall of Fame has been unveiled. Crookwell's Golden Girls of Hockey, Emily Smith and Kellie White, have presented Upper Lachlan Shire Council with a signed hockey uniform from the XX Commonwealth Games held in Glasgow, Scotland in July 2014. The girls were part of the Australian Hockeyroo's Women's Hockey team who won gold in the women's hockey final against England during the Commonwealth Games.

The signed number "16" uniform has been mounted and framed with a photo of the girls with their gold medals taken at the Crookwell Street Parade held in August last year. The framed uniform is one of Kelly White's, who played as number "16" in the Australian Women's Hockey team during the XX Commonwealth Games held in Scotland, and was still as new as it had not yet been worn. Emily Smith played as number "26" in the Hockeyroo's side who won gold at the XX Commonwealth Games.

"Council was thrilled to receive the signed uniform from Emily and Kellie. It will take pride of place in the Crookwell Sporting Hall of Fame amongst the other local athletes who have proudly represented Australia and the region since 1922," said John Bell, Upper Lachlan Shire Council's General Manager.

The Crookwell Sporting Hall of Fame located in Crookwell Memorial Hall, was formed as part of the Crookwell Country Weekend in 1999 by the Sporting Committee (featured in photo on right) comprising of Greg Seaman, Dianne Laydon, Don Southwell and John Bell to recognise local athletes who have represented Australia in various sporting fields including hockey, polo cross, rifle shooting, rugby union.



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From the Mayor's Desk – Cllr John Shaw

The year is off to a great start in the Upper Lachlan Shire with many community events and regional shows happening in the towns and villages around the Shire. I recently attended the Crookwell Show, and the Hon. Katrina Hodgkinson officially opened the new camp kitchen at Crookwell Caravan Park. This was Katrina's final official opening in her role as Member for Burrinjuck, and it was an emotional day for everyone. Katrina has been very supportive of the Upper Lachlan Shire and has assisted Council to achieve infrastructure and community improvements for the region. Her drive and dedication will be missed by all within the Burrinjuck electorate.

The Councillors and senior Council staff recently took a bus trip around the Shire to inspect road works that Council has completed and/or that are required or are in progress; and also to inspect proposed developments including the two moto cross sports developments. These inspections allow Councillors to proposed development locations and consider the implications these developments will have on the Shire and its community. It provides an important opportunity for Councillors to ask Council staff questions regarding the developments and the works in progress, to ensure informed decisions are carried through by Council. The Centenary of ANZAC commemorates 100 years of service and sacrifice by Australian service men and women in all wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations since World War One. I would like to encourage everyone to commemorate and participate in this significant occasion by attending one of the many ANZAC events being held around the Shire leading up to and on ANZAC day - Saturday, 25 April 2015.

On the weekend of the 11 and 12 April, the town of Gunning will again play host to "Haulin' the Hume", which will see hundreds of trucks taking a nostalgic trip retracing the Old Hume Highway, south out of Sydney and relive some of the sounds, sights and smells of the pre-emissions era. The trucks will drive through Gunning on their way to Yass, and stop in for afternoon tea. The event is held biannually and will no doubt be another wonderful success and showcase the town of Gunning.



As Mayor, one of my duties which I am most honoured to be involved in is presenting Australian Citizenship to people who choose to make the pledge to become a citizen of this great country. Recently, in a short ceremony in Council Chambers, Charli Liang from Crookwell (in photo on left) became an Australian Citizen. Charli was present-

ed with a certificate and a welcome letter sent by the Immigration Minister who congratulated Charli on becoming an Australian Citizen. Charli was born in Southern China, and is currently studying Electrical Engineering and IT at the University of Canberra. We congratulate Charli on his citizenship.

On page 9, the dates and locations for the upcoming Community Outreach Meetings are available. The meetings are held annually around the Shire to assist Council, and to gather feedback from residents on future plans for the region that is used to develop the Draft Operational Plans for the upcoming year. This year they are particularly important as Council is looking for support and feedback from the sessions that will be used in Council's road map for the "Fit for the Future", which is part of the NSW Government process to reform Local Government in NSW. I urge everyone to consider attending at least one of these sessions to support Council in its stance against amalgamation and also to have your say in the future of the Upper Lachlan Shire.



General Manager John Bell and Mayor John Shaw at Parliament House Canberra at a recent meeting of CENTROC

From the General Manager – John Bell

Council has been very productive in attaining funding to assist with it providing new infrastructure and improved services for Shire residents. The funding received by Council for important projects include: \$675,000 from the NSW Government's "Fixing Country Roads" and \$762,000 from the Federal Government's "Bridges to Renewal Programme" to replace the Abercrombie River Bridge on Main Road 256; \$15,000 from the "Community Building Partnerships" program to replace the roof of the Taralga Memorial Hall; the \$10 million funding boost from the NSW Government to complete Main Road 54 (refer to page 7 for an update); funding from the NSW State government to prepare Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan for the Shire to reduce the impact of flooding (refer to page 10); the new Southern Phone grant program has provided funds to restore the Binda Hall floor and improve the Senior Citizens Building in Crookwell; \$4,000 was received from the "ANZ Seeds of Renewal" program by the YAMAD Youth Council for the "Beating the Blues in the Bush" Project (refer to page 5); and Council is hoping to be successful in receiving the funding necessary to replace the Crookwell Water Filtration Plant. Council has prepared grant applications for the "Restart NSW Programme" and the "National Stronger Regions Programme" from the Federal Government as well as Council committing funds to make the \$7 million project a reality. Confirmation of the funding is expected in May 2015.

Council is continuing to work on the "Fit for the Future" submission due to the NSW State Government on 30 June 2015. The process is part of the NSW Governments plan to reform Local Government in NSW. Council's road map for the Upper Lachlan Shire is to justify its current structure and through the "Council Improvement Proposal" show how Council will achieve sustainability in the future. Community consultation is an important part to gathering information for the submission, and recently Council commissioned a telephone survey of a range of residents conducted by Piazza Research which showed that 79% of residents were opposed to Upper Lachlan Shire Council merging with another council. This is the direction that Council is working toward in preparation for the "Fit for the Future" roadmap.

The next stage of community consultation in the "Fit for the Future" process, and that is also part of Council's annual preparations of the Draft Operational Plans, involves a number of Community Outreach meetings to be held in four locations around the Shire during May. Refer to page 9 for dates and locations. I encourage every resident to strongly consider attending one of these consultation sessions to hear what Council's plans are for the future of the Shire and to most importantly have your say in the final plans. It's your future - be a part of it.

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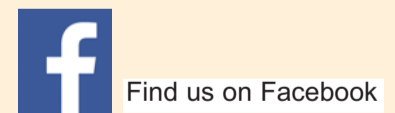
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LIBRARY BIZ with Michaela Olde

Welcome Michaela! Council's New Library Manager



Michaela has been working in the Library and information industry for 22 years, working in libraries in universities, schools and the public service organisations. More recently she worked in a number of public service departments on special information management projects and in records management at the National Archives of Australia. A year 10 work experience placement at the University of New England Dixon Library sparked an interest in libraries. Michaela has relocated with her family from Canberra to be a part of the Upper Lachlan community.

What's New...

Public Libraries are at the heart of the community, providing traditional library services, as well as offering other services such as the Internet, DVDs, eBooks, eAudio books, eMagazines, and free wi-fi. If you have any suggestions on new services please drop in and share your views or email library@upperlachlan.com

Last year the Upper Lachlan's libraries at Crookwell and Gunning received a \$16,000 grant from the State Library of NSW Revitalising Regional Libraries program. The money has been used to buy some new computers for Crookwell and Gunning libraries, as well as new picture book racks, display cubes and new book trolley for patrons. New card making machines will also be purchased for both Gunning and Crookwell libraries for school holiday activities and other activities. The children's area at Crookwell Library was re-organised to accommodate the new picture book racks. The display cubes have created new areas for displaying items, including a new area

for displaying new DVDs added to the collection. The Crookwell Library DVD collection is being re-organised and the DVD covers are changing to slim line DVD covers to create space for more DVDs. To make it easier to find DVDs the first letter of the DVD title is being placed on the front cover. There is something for everyone, from movies to documentaries and television series. So if you are looking for something to watch in the evenings visit the DVD collection. DVDs can be borrowed for three weeks. DVDs can also be borrowed from other libraries in the Southern Tablelands Library Co-operative network.

Crookwell Friends of the Library

The Crookwell Friends of the Library (CFOL) Annual Book Fair was a huge success. Thank you for your generosity in donating and buying books, DVDs, videos and magazines. The sale raised more than



\$2000. Proceeds from the sale will go towards funding extra services at the Crookwell library, including StoryTime, school holiday activities, magazine subscriptions, and events such as 'Lunch in the Library'. The CFOL is holding a library talk in the Art Gallery on Tuesday, 31 March 2015 from 10:30am until 12noon. The topic will be "The Whole You Healthy" with guest speaker Shandara Holman, a holistic healer. Morning tea/lunch will be provided by the Friends.

In May, the CFOL will be hosting a trip to Canberra to visit the National ANZAC Exhibition and also the new display at the Australian War Memorial. Contact the library for more information.

The first Tuesday of each month, there is Scrabble at the library from 1.00pm, and afternoon tea is provided. All are welcome.

Computer training classes are being scheduled for 2015.

Coming Soon - Computer Training Classes

If you have not put your name down, please see one of the library staff or email: library@upperlachlan.com

Opening Hours Crookwell Library

Open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
10:30am – 5.00pm, Wednesday 1.30pm – 5:00pm
Saturday mornings from 10:00am – 12:00noon.

Gunning Library

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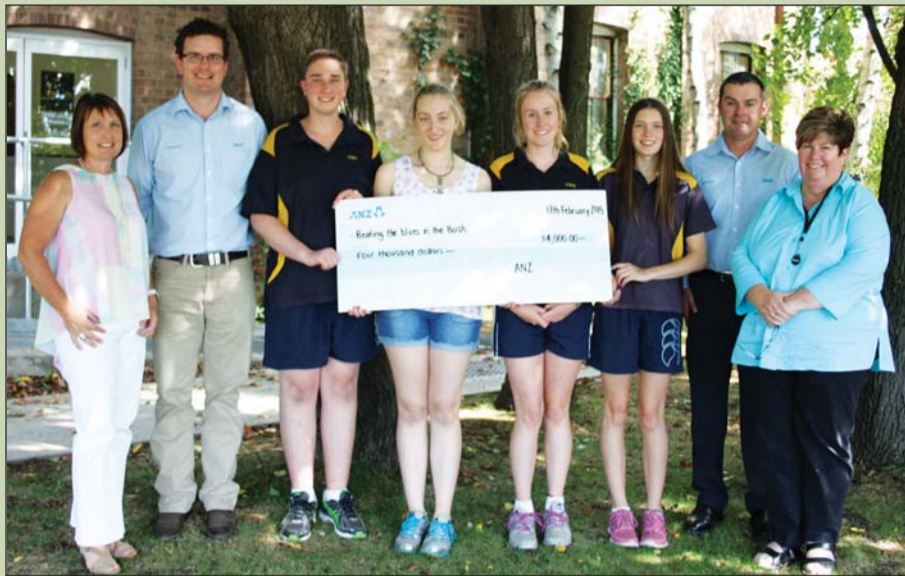
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Youth Council Win Grant Funding for the "Beating the Blues in the Bush Project"

This year the Upper Lachlan Shire Youth Council is holding Youth Week from Monday, 27 April to Friday, 1 May 2015. Our Youth Council decided to focus on Youth Mental Health, and asked all the school aged children in the Shire to write a story or poem "Why it's great to be alive". The hope is that this book will create a powerful message to the reader should they be feeling down and out.



The Youth Council receiving a cheque for \$4,000 in grant money from the ANZ Seeds of Renewal Program 2014 for the Beating the Blues in the Bush Project. From L to R: Clr Jo Marshall, Andrew Treweek, ANZ Relationship Manager, Anthony Watt, Amy Warren, Connie Marks, Ella Picker, Jason Wadley, ANZ Regional Executive; Brenda Proudman, Council's Economic Development Officer.

Last November the Youth Council applied for a grant to print the book, so all money raised from the sale of the book could go to the Wellness Centre at Crookwell Hospital, to provide a Youth Mental Health program.

Their grant application was with **ANZ Seeds of Renewal 2014 Program** for the "Beating the Blues in the Bush" project. Late November they were notified to confirm that their grant application had been successful. This was great news for the Youth Council, the Wellness Centre and the youth of the Shire.

All the entries for the book, including stories and poems, were collected at the end of last year as the submissions were also judged as part of a writing competition for "Why it's great to be alive". The book is currently being produced and professionally printed for purchase to raise money with thanks to **ANZ Seeds of Renewal 2014 Program** for the "Beating the Blues in the Bush" project. The winners and runner up will be announced at the book launch at 6.30pm on Friday, 1 May 2015 at Crookwell High School.

The Youth Council has also organised as part of Youth Week, performances for the children focussing on managing bullying, depression, and child suicide. Tony Bones Productions will be presenting their Bully Bull Ring Anti-Bullying Show to the Primary School Children on Tuesday, 28 April 2015, and the Black Dog Institute will be performing their INSIGHT program for the High School children

on Friday, 1 May 2015.

At 6:30pm on Friday, 1 May 2015, Black Dog Institute will be providing a talk for the community and school children "Breaking down Depression and Building Resilience" before the launching of the book "Why it's great to be alive" by the children of the Upper Lachlan Shire.

If you would like to attend the event on Friday, 1 May 2015 at 6:30pm, please reply to Jo Marshall email: jo.marshall8@me.com. This night should be very informative and exciting for the children to hear the results of the competition.

YOUTH WEEK EVENT & BOOK LAUNCH FRIDAY 1 MAY 2015

"Why it's great to be alive"

YAMAD (Upper Lachlan Shire Youth Council) would like to invite our schools and community members to the launch of the book "Why it's great to be alive", a compilation of poems and stories written by the children of the Upper Lachlan Shire.

DATE: Friday 1st May 2015

TIME: 6:15pm

VENUE: Crookwell High School Hall

PROGRAM

- 6:15pm Introduction to Youth Week Mental Health Program and Book Project
- 6:30 – 7:30pm Presentation by Black Dog Institute for the public "Breaking down depression and building resilience"
- 7:40pm Youth Week Book Launch "Why it's great to be alive"
- 7:50pm Award Presentations
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New Grants Officer to Provide Assistance to the Community

A NEW Grants Officer has been appointed at Upper Lachlan Shire Council.

Linus Nesbit-Hawes is a new employee at Council, and has a background in project management and customer relations, and now takes on the Grants Officer portfolio from Maria Vassallo who will continue as Council's Media Officer.

As Grants Officer, Linus will source government funding opportunities and provide advice on obtaining these funds to assist Council to achieve its goals to improve and grow the Upper Lachlan Shire.

She will be involved in the preparation of grant applications and grant acquittals, as well as working on designated projects as required.

As Grants Officer, Linus hopes to, "... provide assistance to Upper Lachlan Shire residents who are involved in a wide range of community, sporting and cultural groups. I can assist with grant applications and exploring funding opportunities that will achieve local solutions, and fund local ideas and initiatives".

Linus will be working Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from the Crookwell office and her contact details follow.

Please feel free to contact her on these days or send Linus an email and she will gladly attend to your enquiries as soon as possible.

Regular information updates regarding upcoming grants will be featured in the fortnightly Council Page within the "Crookwell

Gazette"; in the quarterly publication of Council's newspaper "The Voice"; on the Council web page and Council Face book page.

Specific mail outs or email alerts will also be sent if necessary as, on occasion, the timeframes for submission of grant applications can be very limited.

When asked about what she hopes to achieve as Grants Officer, Linus said, "I look forward to meeting people in this lovely and thriving shire and working with the Upper Lachlan Shire Council to gain grant funds to assist with Council's improvements to the Shire".

To contact Linus regarding grants phone (02) 4830 1067 or email: lnesbitthawes@upperlachlan.nsw.gov.au



Above: Council's new Grants Officer, Linus Nesbit-Hawes (standing) takes over the role from Maria Vassallo, who continues in the role of Council's Media Officer.

Council Implementing Innovative Road Safety Project

Upper Lachlan Shire Council is currently in a pilot program that will improve both driver safety and assist in the conservation of wildlife for residents and visitors who utilise Main Road 54 to access Goulburn, Tuena and Bathurst.

The project had its origins in the recent drought where it was noted certain sections of Main Road 54 were identified as being prominent wildlife corridors. The pilot program involves the re-establishing of roadside clearzones through the selective removal of vegetation re-growth which in turn provides:

- Improved sight distances and driver response times to oncoming and turning vehicles, pedestrians, hazards and wildlife;
- Reduces the risk of collision to encroaching and turning vehicles, pedestrians and wildlife;
- Allows enhanced 'pull over' areas for driver emergency breakdowns;
- Reduces the amount of shadowing over the road and improves the road surface performance in icy and wet conditions.
- Significantly reduces fuel loads and the risk of bushfires starting from vehicle related ignition sources.

The program has been completed in the vicinity of Allison Hone Reserve through to Woodhouselee Road (Goulburn) and between the Bigga Road turnoff through to the reconstruction works on Segment 475.

By undertaking these works Council is endeavouring to ensure conservation needs are balanced with road safety.



Above: Improved sight distance near Bridge Creek road through to reconstruction works at Junction Point Road.



Above: View of the area near Bridge Creek Road where the kangaroos were being hit and killed on a regular basis. The removal of the re-growth, weeds and wattles has improved the sight distance through here allowing the motorist to see any potential fauna hazards.



Left: Aaron Willis, Council's Site Supervisor and Team Leader - Ganger working with contractor Tim from Braidwood Earthmoving removing vegetation along Main Road 54 to establish roadside clearzones as part of the pilot program to improve driver safety and assist in the conservation of wildlife.

Inspection of Proposed Developments and Works



Inspecting the location of the proposed moto cross sports development on Lade Vale Road (L to R) Director of Works, Phil Newham; Clr Searl; Clr Wheelwright; Clr Shaw; Clr Barlow; Director of Finance, Andrew Croke; Clr McCormack; General Manager, John Bell.



Inspecting the location of the proposed moto cross sports development on Pomeroy Road are: (L to R) Director of Environment and Planning, Tina Dodson explaining the details of the proposed development to Clr Barlow; Clr McCormack; and Clr Wheelwright.

Upper Lachlan Shire Councillors and Council Senior Staff recently took a bus trip around the Shire to inspect road works that Council has completed and/or that are in progress; and also to inspect proposed works and developments including the two moto cross sports developments. These inspections allow Councillors to inspect the actual locations of proposed developments and consider the implications these developments will have on the Shire and its community. It provides an important opportunity for Councillors to ask Council staff questions regarding the developments and the works in progress, to ensure informed decisions are carried through by Council. The tour included inspections of the following: the location of the proposed moto cross sports development on Pomeroy Road; culvert replacement sites on Bannister Lane; new roadworks on Gurrundah Road and Mullins Creek Road; Breadalbane Road repairs; rehabilitation work on Gundaroo Road; location of proposed moto cross sports development; Jerrawa Road roadworks; sections of Range road; streets and flood zones in Collector; and the proposed site for the new Crookwell Water Filtration Plant. Council participates in an inspection of the Shire annually to allow them to make more informed decisions and ask questions to clarify any issues they have with upcoming development proposals and planned works.



The newly constructed concrete plinths at Crookwell cemetery were completed by Council's outdoor works staff to increase the capacity of the cemetery and service community needs.



Inspecting the rehabilitation road works in progress by Council staff on Jerrawa Road are: (L to R) Clr Shaw; Director of Works, Phil Newham; Clr Searl; Overseer Maintenance - Gunning, Ted Alchin.

Council's Works Program Linking Communities

In August 2014, the Minister for Roads and Freight, Duncan Gay announced \$10 million would be allocated in the 2014/15 state roads budget to complete the link work on Main Road 54 (MR54) between Crookwell and Bathurst. The funding is to complete three unsealed sections along MR54 totalling 10 kilometres that is scheduled for completion by 2018.

Upper Lachlan Shire Council in conjunction with the Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) will complete the works that will improve safety for motorists, improve freight efficiency and provide a sealed road from Crookwell to Bathurst. Council's works staff and contractors have been working on the project since October 2014.

The photos show the progress that has been made on the construction of road segment 475, Junction Point Road. Earthworks are now complete and topsoiling and revegetation of disturbed areas underway. Pavement construction will commence in March 2015, with sealing of the road segment and completion of this part of the project expected in late April 2015.

Detail survey and design of the next road segment on MR54 (segment 518) to be reconstructed is complete, and have been presented to RMS for approval. Consultants have been engaged to complete the review of environmental factors for segment 518 and this is due at the end of April 2015.

The detail survey of the third and final road segment on MR54 (segment 600) is complete and Council will undertake detailed design of this segment shortly.



Left:
Completed roadworks on segment 475 near Junction Point Road on Main Road 54.

Right and Above:
Works on the reconstruction of segment 475 near Junction Point Road Main Road 54.



Works in Progress

Reconstruction of "Tarlo Hill" – Main Road 256

Council will be continuing with the reconstruction of Tarlo Hill. Kerb and gutter on the western side of the road is complete and reconstruction of the pavement has commenced.

Works are expected to be completed by the end of April 2015.

This project is part of road safety improvements on Main Road 256 and associated with the heavy haulage transport route to the Taralaga Windfarm Development.

Reconstruction of Jerrawa Road



Works are progressing on the reconstruction of Jerrawa Road between Carnell's Lane and Oolong Road. Earthworks are complete and pavement reconstruction well underway. Bitumen sealing of this section is scheduled for March 2015.

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Routine Grading Maintenance

Councils proposed maintenance grading program for the upcoming month is as follows. It should be noted that due to the dry conditions water supply is becoming scarce in some areas. If rainfall does not replenish water supply, Council may have to further reduce its grading program until useful rainfall occurs:

Works in Progress: Middle Arm then Woodhouselee Road; Grabine and Foggs Crossing Road; Wombeyan Caves area; Bannister area.

Scheduled Works: Reids Flat and Greenmantle Road; Carrabungla and Tyrl Tyrl Road; Peelwood area; Pejar area.

Other Works in Progress/scheduled

1. MR248 East reconstruction is scheduled to recommence mid April 2015;
2. Range Road rehabilitation between Pomeroy Bridge and the Gullen Range Windfarm access roads;
3. Box culvert installations on Range Road and Bannister Lane associated with the Gullen Range Windfarm;
4. If fire danger is low then grass slashing will proceed in the villages of Gunning, Dalton, Binda and Bigga;
5. Vegetation maintenance on MR52 North at selected locations;
6. Drainage Maintenance in Bourke Street Collector, Binda Streets and Woodville Road.

Council Wins Funding to Replace Abercrombie Bridge

Upper Lachlan Shire Council has been successful in its applications to the State and Federal Governments for funding to replace the Abercrombie River Bridge, located on the Abercrombie Road north of Taralga. The \$1.512 million project will be a joint investment between three tiers of government - Federal, State and Local Government, with Upper Lachlan Shire Council contributing \$75,000 to the project.

Member for Goulburn, Pru Goward joined Deputy Premier Troy Grant and Minister for Roads and Freight Duncan Gay to congratulate Upper Lachlan Shire Council on their successful Fixing Country Roads funding application for the Replacement of the Abercrombie River Bridge, which will receive a total of \$675,000 from the NSW Government.

Goulburn MP Pru Goward said she was incredibly proud of the hard work carried out by Council to secure funding for the project in the region. "Upper Lachlan Shire Council must also be congratulated for contributing \$75,000 toward this project, representing a genuine working partnership with the NSW Government."

In addition to receiving this State funding, Upper Lachlan Shire Council has also been successful in securing \$762,000 from the federally funded Bridges to Renewal Programme for this project to replace the Abercrombie River Bridge north of Taralga, which is the most direct link between Oberon and Goulburn.

Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Infrastructure and Regional Development Warren Truss announced that the Australian Government will spend \$28.5 million through its Bridges to Renewal Programme on local NSW bridges – matched by funding proponents – to improve the state's road network. The Deputy Prime Minister congratulated Council on successfully securing \$762,000 under the Bridges to Renewal Programme.

The Abercrombie River Bridge is a low-level single lane timber bridge constructed during the 1950's. The bridge is showing age as well as the effects of damage received during several flood events and increasing heavy vehicle traffic in the form of B-Double logging trucks, general freight trucks and livestock transport vehicles. The funding will enable Council to replace the existing bridge with a new concrete bridge that includes a pre-stressed concrete deck and concrete substructure.

"Securing both State and Federal funding to replace the Abercrombie Bridge is a fantastic result for Council," said Mayor John Shaw. "Replacing this vital local infrastructure will result in significant economic benefits and transport efficiencies for agriculture, tourism, forestry and timber manufacturing in the region," said Mayor Shaw.

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UPPER LACHLAN SHIRE COUNCIL EASTER AND ANZAC PUBLIC HOLIDAYS WASTE FACILITY CLOSURES

Crookwell Waste Facility

Friday, 3 April 2015	CLOSED
Saturday, 4 April 2015	OPEN - 10am to 4pm
Sunday, 5 April 2015	CLOSED
Monday, 6 April 2015	OPEN - 10am to 4pm
Saturday, 25 April 2015	CLOSED

Gunning Waste Facility

Saturday, 4 April 2015	OPEN - 10am to 4pm
Sunday, 5 April 2015	CLOSED
Saturday, 25 April 2015	CLOSED

Collector Waste Facility

Sunday, 5 April 2015	CLOSED
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Taralga Transfer Station

Saturday, 4 April 2015	OPEN - 10am to 4pm
Sunday, 5 April 2015	CLOSED
Saturday, 25 April 2015	CLOSED

WASTE & RECYCLE COLLECTIONS REMAIN UNCHANGED

COUNCIL CLOSURES EASTER AND ANZAC PUBLIC HOLIDAY

FACILITY	CLOSE	RE-OPEN
<u>Crookwell</u> Administration Office and Depot	Friday 3 April 2015	Tuesday 7 April 2015
<u>Gunning</u> Administration Office and Depot	Friday 3 April 2015	Tuesday 7 April 2015
<u>Taralga</u> Community Service Centre	Friday 3 April 2015	Tuesday 7 April 2015
<u>Libraries</u> Crookwell	Friday 3 April 2015 Saturday, 25 April 2015	10.30am, Tuesday 7 April 2015
Gunning	Friday 3 April 2015	2.00pm, Tuesday 7 April 2015
<u>Crookwell Visitor and Information Centre</u>	Closed Public Holidays Only	

EMERGENCY SERVICES
Gunning/Collector Area: 0427 454 206
Crookwell/Taralga Area: 0429 786 659
For more information, please contact Council: (02) 4830 1000 or visit: www.upperlachlan.nsw.gov.au

UPPER LACHLAN SHIRE COUNCIL WASTE & RECYCLE COLLECTION SERVICES 2015



WEEKLY GARBAGE COLLECTION

TUESDAY - CROOKWELL

WEDNESDAY - GUNNING, BREADALBANE, COLLECTOR & DALTON

THURSDAY - BINDA, LAGGAN, GRABBen GULLEN, TARALGA & GOLSPIE

FORTNIGHTLY RECYCLING COLLECTION

APRIL 2015							MAY 2015							JUNE 2015						
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CROOKWELL																				
GUNNING, BREADALBANE, COLLECTOR & DALTON																				
BINDA, LAGGAN, GRABBen GULLEN, TARALGA & GOLSPIE																				

Subject to Change

ENQUIRIES PHONE 02 4830 1000 OR EMAIL council@upperlachlan.nsw.gov.au

****PLEASE PLACE BINS AT THE KERB/ROAD SIDE THE NIGHT BEFORE TO ENSURE COLLECTION. ALSO, TO AVOID BINS GOING MISSING, PLEASE RETURN BINS TO YOUR PROPERTY PROMPTLY****



Join The Lions Clubs of Crookwell, Gunning, or Taralga & Districts

We Serve

Lions Clubs International was established in Australia in 1947 with the first club being formed in Lismore NSW. Today more than 27,000 people enjoy the unique opportunity of being a member of the organisation. Locally, in our Shire, we have three clubs – Crookwell, Taralga and Gunning and they each provide a special contribution to their local communities. As a Lions Club member, you'll join a local group of service-minded men and women who are volunteering to support their community every day. Lions is a respected organization and a friend to many people in need. One of the better-known benefits of volunteering is the impact on the community. Unpaid volunteers are often the glue that holds a community together. Volunteering allows you to connect to your community and make it a better place. Even helping out with the smallest tasks can make a real difference to the lives of people and families, in need.

And volunteering is a two-way street: It

can benefit you and your family as much as the cause you choose to help. Dedicating your time as a volunteer helps you make new friends, expand your network, and boost your social skills. Our volunteer projects unite Lions around Australia. Lions help wherever, whenever and however we can. Lions Clubs are involved in establishing and managing foundations for the purposes of raising funds and making grants for Medical research; Health care; assisting adults and children with disabilities; emergency response; and other purposes including: Youth of the Year Programs; Community Needs; Local Schools; Local Hospitals. When a natural disaster strikes, Lions are among the first to offer volunteer relief. Lions were there to provide immediate and long-term disaster relief when we had Bush Fires around Australia, Floods or the effects of the long term Queensland Droughts took hold. "We are not just Lions, we are not just friends, "we are a family". It can be everyone, because that's really what community is – it's everyone.



Can you see yourself being able to assist us? We would love to hear from you! Lions contacts as follows:
Crookwell:
(02) 4832 0047
Gunning:
(02) 4845 1049
Taralga & District:
(02) 4843 2323

Council Needs Your Support to Say "No" to Council Merger

Upper Lachlan Shire Council wants to hear from you! In fact, Council would like to hear from as many Upper Lachlan Shire residents as possible when it hosts its annual Community Outreach Meetings in May. This is your opportunity to support Council to remain as a standalone Council and maintain our local identity and our local voice, rather than merge with another Council. Council has been preparing the "Fit for the Future" submission to the Office of Local Government as part of the NSW State Government's reform of Local Government. Council has taken the stance to remain as a standalone Council that is, not merge with another Council, and is preparing a "Council Improvement Proposal" which justifies its current structure, and how it will achieve sustainability in the future. In order to do this, we need your support. The Community Outreach Meetings are a forum for further community consultation to support Council's Fit for the Future submission to the Office of Local Government. It's your future – so why not be a part of it!



In addition, the Community Outreach Meetings are an opportunity to meet Upper Lachlan Shire Councillors and senior Council staff to discuss Council related matters, in particular, relating to the 2015/2016 Operational Plan and other suite of Council integrated plans.

Council is currently preparing the draft 2015/2016 Operational Plan and other suite of Council integrated plans which will be on public exhibition from 20 April 2015. Council sets its direction for the future using the Integrated Planning and Reporting Suite of documentation. You can have your input into Council's future plans by attending one of the four scheduled Community Outreach Meetings. Everyone is encouraged to attend and discuss issues, concerns and contents of the draft Integrated Plans and all other localised issues. Below are the dates and locations for the Upper Lachlan Community Outreach Meetings:

Locality	Day	Date	Time	Venue
Bigga	Tuesday	5 May 2015	6.30pm	Bigga Golf Club
Crookwell	Wednesday	6 May 2015	6.30pm	Crookwell Council Chambers
Gunning	Tuesday	12 May 2015	6.30pm	Gunning Council Chambers
Taralga	Tuesday	19 May 2015	6.30pm	Taralga Sports Club

For more information, contact Council on: (02) 4830 1000 or visit Council's website: www.upperlachlan.nsw.gov.au

Landholder Grants

Funding projects that benefit our wildlife, land and natural resources



\$300,000 of funding is available for any landholders who want to get involved in protecting and restoring natural connections in priority areas of the Kanangra-Boyd to Wyangala (K2W) Link - a conservation project that is working to relink the landscape between the Greater Blue Mountains and Wyangala Dam.

Projects eligible for funding through the K2W Grants Program are:

1. Protecting landscape connectivity
2. Managing threats to new and existing conservation mechanisms
3. Restoring connectivity through revegetation
4. Managing invasive animal threats to connectivity and threatened species
5. Management of priority weed outbreaks

Anyone who shares the vision of a healthy and connected landscape should apply! To download the full package visit www.greateasterranges.org.au/k2w or call Mary Bonet on 0459 352 892.

Funding for Landholders to Reconnect the Kanangra Boyd to Wyangala Link for Native Wildlife

Landholders in the Abercrombie river catchment are being offered a second chance to be part of one of the largest wildlife corridor projects in Australia.

The Great Eastern Ranges Initiative has announced a call for expressions of interest from individuals and community groups who are interested in proposing habitat restoration projects. Funding is being made available for grants valued at \$5,000-30,000 in the Kanangra-Boyd to Wyangala Link landscape corridor.

The Great Eastern Ranges Initiative (or 'GER' for short) is a major collaborative effort to link and protect habitat for native plants and animals along the Great Dividing Range. The GER has a vision to protect and restore natural wildlife corridors from the Grampians in western Victoria, through New South Wales and the ACT, to tropical far north Queensland. The Kanangra-Boyd to Wyangala Link is an important natural corridor for native species between the Kanangra-Boyd and Blue Mountains national parks, along the Abercrombie River, to Wyangala Dam.

landholders who are wanting to protect or restore habitat, including where this involves managing invasive animals and weeds in key areas within the Kanangra-Boyd to Wyangala Link" said GER K2W facilitator, Mary Bonet.

"The project is all about working with local people to help protect the natural values of the Kanangra-Boyd to Wyangala Link", "Local groups, including Aboriginal groups, Landcare and amateur naturalist groups have already achieved an enormous amount to maintain habitat for species that migrate through the area every year".

"The funding announced this week will provide individual landholders with support to work together in getting on top of problems that affect production and corridor values in the Abercrombie catchment upstream of and around Wyangala Dam" she said.

Information about the grants is available from the GER website at:

www.greateasterranges.org.au/k2w or by contacting Mary Bonet on: 0459 352 892 or mary@upperlachlanlandcare.org.au

Applications close on Tuesday, 14 April 2015.

Four Villages Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan



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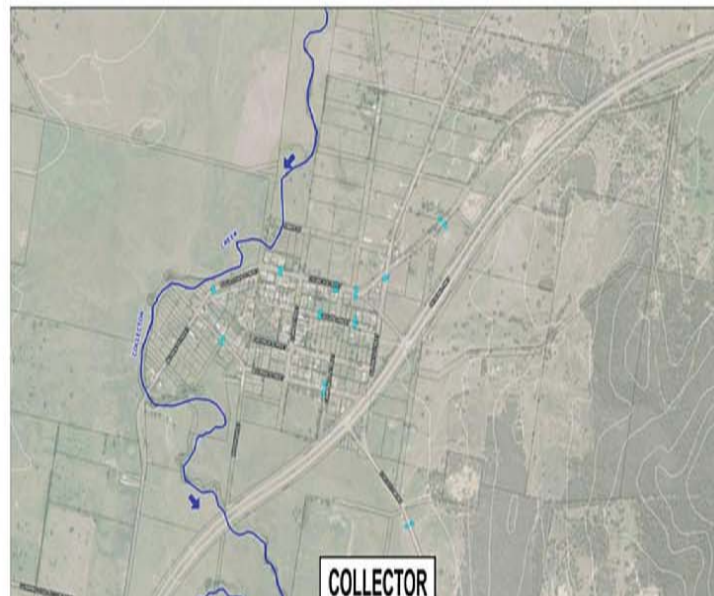


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FOUR VILLAGES APPROXIMATE STUDY AREAS



TARALGA



COLLECTOR

Upper Lachlan Shire Council has received a grant from the NSW Government's Floodplain Management program to prepare a Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan (FRMS&P) for the Villages of Crookwell, Taralga, Gunning and Collector. Council's main objective in undertaking the studies is to develop a Management Plan which reduces the impact of flooding on occupiers of flood prone property and reduces damages resulting from floods. The FRMS&P will build on the results of Flood Studies completed in 2014 which defined flooding patterns and flood levels in the creeks and overland flow paths in and around the Villages under present day conditions.

The maps below indicate the approximate study areas for the Four Villages.

Council has engaged the services of Lyall and Associates Consulting Water Engineers to:

- Survey properties bordering the creeks and overland flow paths in the vicinity of the Villages and assess damages to private and public property resulting from floods.
- Assist the NSW State Emergency Service in developing appropriate emergency response planning for flood events.
- Assess the viability of measures which could be implemented to mitigate the impacts of future floods.
- Assist Council in the preparation of policies which ensure that future development in flood prone areas is carried out in accordance with the flood risk.
- Develop a Management Plan for land in flood prone areas of the Villages.

The FRMS&P investigations will be undertaken under the direction of the Upper Lachlan Floodplain Management Committee, which comprises Government, Council, SES and Community representatives. The Office of Environment & Heritage (OEH) will supply technical and financial support. Council will in the near future issue a Community Questionnaire to residents bordering the creeks seeking information on their flood experience and their views on measures which could be implemented to mitigate the flood risk. However, any residents who do not receive a Questionnaire and who wish to contribute information are invited to contact Council using the contact details below. Please note that all information received will remain confidential. For more information, contact:

Upper Lachlan Shire Council: Tina Dodson – Director Environment and Planning. Phone: (02) 4830 1000 Email: tdodson@upperlachlan.nsw.gov.au
Copies of the Community Information flyer and Community Questionnaire are available from Council's website: www.upperlachlan.nsw.gov.au

An Emotional Opening Ceremony at Crookwell Caravan Park



Above: Mayor John Shaw with an emotional Katrina Hodgkinson at the opening of the new cooking facility at Crookwell Caravan Park.

It was an emotional day for Katrina Hodgkinson, Member for Burrinjuck who officiated the opening of the new cooking facility at Crookwell Caravan Park, as part of the Crookwell Show activities. The opening ceremony was Katrina's final official opening event as the Member for Burrinjuck, and she was overcome with emotion during proceedings.

"It is a great honour to be here opening this new cooking facility for the Crookwell Caravan Park. The Crookwell community is a warm and friendly community, and I will miss working with the people and with Council," said Minister Hodgkinson. The new cooking facility was built in the Crookwell Caravan Park by Upper Lachlan Shire Council using grant funds from the NSW Government's Public Reserves Management Fund Program. Council were successful in applying for grant funding through the program, and received \$70,706 from the State government, as well as contributing \$10,000 toward building the new facility which will provide caravan park patrons with a modern, all weather cooking facility. It has been operational since November last year and has received positive reviews and compliments from caravan park

patrons, with people extending their stay at the Crookwell Caravan Park. This in turn has helped the local businesses with visitors spending their money locally.

Council was honoured to have Katrina officially open the new facility. "It is a great pleasure and honour for Council to have Katrina here today open this new facility, especially since it is her last official event as Member for Burrinjuck," said Mayor John Shaw.

"Katrina has worked hard for the Upper Lachlan Shire and supported Council's efforts to provide better services for the community during her time as Member for Burrinjuck. Her drive and dedication will be missed by all within the Burrinjuck electorate," said Mayor Shaw.

Below: Katrina Hodgkinson (centre), Member for Burrinjuck cuts the ribbon to officially open the new cooking facility at Crookwell Caravan Park. Assisting Katrina were (L to R): Mayor John Shaw; Council General Manager, John Bell; Lucy Marshall; Council's Media Officer, Maria Vassallo; Council's Parks and Gardens Maintenance Officer, John Handley; Council's Outdoor Works Supervisor, Mick Jones; local residents including Pam Reeves; and Cllr Jo Marshall.



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Noxious Weed Talk Q and A's

Q: Why is it important to know what noxious weed species I have?

A: It is necessary to know and have the ability to identify noxious weed species on your property so that you can implement best management practice to control these infestations. Some weeds are more aggressive than others and if uncontrolled they will degrade the profitability or natural environment of your land. Early detection is key, record weed locations and have any unusual vegetation identified by Council's Weed Officers.



Q: How often should I carry out weed control on my property?

A: Frequently. Noxious weeds are persistent and the most effective way to keep infestations under control is to implement an on-going control program and remove plants whenever you find them preferably before they set seed.

Q: How do I find information about controlling noxious weeds such as Serrated Tussock, Blackberry and others?

A: Landholders wanting information on the control methods for noxious weeds can contact the local Weed Officer in your nearest Council Office. Other relevant contacts are Department of Primary Industries, Agronomists, or your local rural supplier.



Q: Can Upper Lachlan Shire Councils Weed Department visit my property to provide advice?

A: Council's Weed Officers are available to do on-site visits to help you with identification and control methods. Arrangements can be made for these visits by contacting Council's Noxious Weeds Manager, Paul Brown, on (02) 4840 2099.

Taralga Wind Farm Construction Update

There are now 30 wind turbines fully installed, completed their tests and fully operational at Taralga Wind Farm. Road works, excavations and foundation pours are now underway in preparation for the remaining 21 turbines. There will also be more construction workers out and about in the lead up to installation and electrical works on site. Turbine installation is expected to re-commence in the next week, beginning with the south-eastern most turbines.

The road laying, excavation, foundation pours on site will continue to generate some local heavy traffic, however, we are working to re-use materials on site to the greatest extent possible. Turbine components will also be relocated using Bannaby Road over the next few months.

Contact details for Taralga Windfarm are:

Ph: 1800 267 988

Post: PO Box 89, Taralga NSW 2580

Email: info@taralga-windfarm.com.au



"Some Cafe" Opens in Collector



While many community halls in small rural towns struggle to stay viable, the Collector Memorial Hall is witnessing a resurgence in popularity thanks to a partnership arrangement with a local family that were keen to start a weekend cafe in the building.

The project started late last year when Jennifer Chiswell approached the hall committee with a proposal to run a coffee shop on Sunday mornings in the supper room of the 63 year old building.

Initial trials were met with great enthusiasm from the community who started coming along in numbers to enjoy Sunday mornings with their fellow residents. Following a short break over Christmas, the plans were ramped up with

Jennifer's son; Oliver taking over the running of the cafe and a move to open on both Saturday and Sunday. Oliver named the project "Some Cafe" and with a little help from "some" friends has transformed the Hall into a vibrant little cafe on weekends with its own unique character and style. While fresh brewed coffee is the main stay of the business, scones are being baked in the kitchen stove and a range of cakes and slices are also available. Meanwhile, locals have taken to playing board games like back gammon and chess while a range of weekend papers are always on the side table.

President of the Collector Memorial Hall committee, Ms Kathleen Webster said that the weekend venture has breathed new life into the building. "It has been wonderful to see so many people calling in at the Hall on the weekends to meet up with friends for a chat and catch up with what's going on around the village", she said.

"The feedback has been very positive and everyone says it has a great atmosphere that you could only find in a small rural community like Collector", Ms Webster said.

The Collector Memorial Hall committee is already discussing plans for a monthly market to compliment "Some Cafe" and maybe some exhibitions of art and craft at some further point into the future.

"Some Cafe": open weekends, 8.00am to 2.00pm at the Collector Memorial Hall on Bourke Street.



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Chemical Accreditation Training

- Prepare and apply chemicals;
- Transport, handle and store chemicals;
- National Accreditation - as required by Pesticides Act 1999;
- Training sessions at Crookwell Services Club:
 - 20 April 2015
 - 18 May 2015
 - 15 June 2015

PRE BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL

Call Andrew Harborne "**Boots**" on 0412 973804

Andrew Harborne of Greenleaf Agronomy conducts chemical accreditation courses once a month at the Crookwell Exservicemens Club. Agronomy issues on chemical and weed and soil fertility issues are discussed in a friendly, open style forum. Get your chemical accreditation from a fully qualified experienced Local Agronomist.





The Importance of Bird Baths By Kay Muddiman

It's not only us humans and our domestic animals that suffer during summer and other periods of extreme heat - our wildlife do too, as their natural water sources dry up. Indeed, water can be in short supply no

matter what the season, having regard to our Australian climate, and also our current erratic weather patterns.

Therefore birdbaths are very important, and ideally there should be at least one in every garden. Raised or pedestal type birdbaths situated by shrubs or small trees are best for our smaller birds, as this gives them some protection from predators - they can make a quick dash back into the safety of the vegetation if danger threatens.

Ground level dishes of water are also important - not only birds get thirsty, but our lizards and other small creatures do too! All birdbaths should be shallow, and preferably in a shaded area of your yard. They should be cleaned and water refreshed frequently, in addition to a daily 'topping up'. If you get a lot of birds bathing, their vigorous flapping and splashing will necessitate more frequent topping up!

If you are using steep sided or deeper bowls, or have a property with other water sources, please ensure you provide a way for smaller animals to escape if they fall in - a good option is placing a rock or stick in the bowl and in horse and cattle troughs to help smaller and distressed animals find a way out. How you can help in other ways:

- Flying-foxes are very vulnerable to heat stress. If you see a flying-fox needing help (or indeed any species of bat) do not attempt to catch or contain it, as bats can carry and transmit Lyssavirus through bites or scratches. Simply keep it under observation and call WIRES, so that one of our appropriately vaccinated volunteers can attend and rescue it.
- If you see any species of nocturnal wildlife out/on the ground in daylight hours it is often a sign of distress. Again, please ring WIRES so that the animal can be checked out and appropriate assistance given if necessary.



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- Wildlife suffering from heat stress can be offered water but will need to come into care with a trained and experienced wildlife carer for rehydration.
- Keep a few items in your car and home in case you find animals needing help. A bottle filled with water and a cardboard box lined with a towel is a great start.

For help with heat stressed or injured wildlife please ring our Branch Rescue Number - (02) 4822 3888. Our volunteers will be only too happy to assist.

Top:(Front) Grey Fantails, (Back) White-browed scrub wrens. Bottom L-R: Eastern Spinebill; Immature Crimson Rosella; White-cheeked honeyeater.

Councillor's Contact Details

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Shire of Villages Artist Trail
Various locations
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www.visitupperlachlan.com.au

KAOS "Peter Pan" Production
Crookwell Memorial Hall
Fri May 22 - Sun May 24
www.cads.org.au

Dalton School Autumn Fair
Dalton Public School
Sat Mar 28
www.dalton-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

National Alpaca Week
Various sites
Sat May 2 - Sun May 10
www.alpaca.asn.au

Bigga's Biggest Market
Bigga Memorial Hall
Sat Apr 4
Ph : 4835 2234

Team Penning & Sorting
Crookwell Showground
Sat May 2 - Sun May 3
www.crookwellshow.com.au

Jerrawa Show
Jerrawa Showground
Mon Apr 6
Ph: 02 6227 5441

Collector Village Pumpkin Festival
Collector Village
Sun May 3
www.pumpkinfestival.com.au

Haulin' the Hume Convoy
Yass St, Gunning
Sat Apr 11

Bag A Bargain Garage Sale Trail
Upper Lachlan Shire
Sat May 16
www.bagabargaintrail.com.au

Off Road Racing
Storrier's Gravel Pit
Grabben Gullen
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www.offroadracing.com.au

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