



FESTIVAL PROGRAM 2023

A REGIONAL FESTIVAL LIKE NO OTHER

PROGRAM FRI-SUN ■ MAR 17-19 ■ 2023

FRIDAY 17 MARCH

GOULBURN STREET WELCOMES YOU!

9am - 4pm	LINDNER SOCK SHOP & FACTORY - 02 4832 0202 A trip to Crookwell just isn't complete without a visit to see these 10th generation sock makers crafting quality socks on site using vintage machinery. You might even bag a bargain!
5.30pm for 6pm start	ENSEMBLE & CO 0418 483149 This unique collective of boutique traders will stay open late for a fashion parade with champagne & nibbles included in the \$20 entry. Donation to Crookwell Auxiliary
5:30pm - 12.00am	CRITERION HOTEL 02 4832 2735 Come and enjoy a great bistro meal with live country music by local talent Georga Mae at this classic local pub. Book to avoid disappointment!
7.00pm - 12.00am	CROOKWELL SERVICES CLUB 02 4832 1265 Bring your family for a meal and enter the meat raffle at this community hub, where you can enjoy listening to the fantastic Wayne Ryder Duo.

SATURDAY 18 MARCH

FREE STREET ACTIVITIES! (Plus boutique shopping from 9am-5pm)

8.30am - 3pm	BUSKING COMPETITION The pavements of Goulburn Street & Spring Street will be lined with Australia's best buskers, performing throughout the morning for lucrative prizes. Who's your discovery?
10am - 12.30pm	ABSOLUTE BEAUT UTE COMPETITION What would a celebration of rural life be without paying homage to the iconic ute? Ute owners will come from far and wide to show off their four wheeled beast for a cash prize. Judging from 11.30am.
10am-11am	STREET PARADE Get prime position for this dazzling parade of community floats, vintage cars and motorcycles, performers and so much more, along Goulburn Street from Colyer Street to Roberts Street.
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Saturday & Sunday 10am - 5pm	CROOKWELL HERITAGE RAILWAY (CHR) Immerse yourself in history at this heritage listed railway station, where you can inspect a fascinating display of infrastructure and artefacts, including a working turntable, a range of railway fettleer trikes and a two-seater Rail Explorer rail bike. Members will be on hand to explain how it all worked back in the day.
10am-4pm	GET CREATIVE - ART LESSONS Channel your inner fledgling artist or take your creativity to the next level! Visit for a lesson in any of the mediums they have on hand for you to try: acrylic & water colour paints, acrylic pens, gladded pencils or pastels. Art is fun!
10am - 5pm	TASTINGS AT CROOKWELL EMPORIUM 0447 282 801 One of Goulburn Street's jewels, this charming emporium has something for everyone, specialising in artisan products sourced locally. Today, you can taste test before you buy!

SATURDAY 18 MARCH - AFTERNOON

MUSIC FESTIVAL AT CROOKWELL SHOWGROUND! Tickets \$25-\$75 through trybooking.com. Group bookings, senior & concession discounts available.

12:30pm gates open	Gates open (bring your picnic blanket/chairs!)
2:00pm - 10:30pm	CONCERT + FIREWORKS Limited reserved seating and wheelchair section available for people with disabilities. Ross Wilson, Shannon Noll, Isaiah Firebrace, Catherine Britt, The Bushwackers and Brittany Maggs. Celebrate the night with The Colours of the Outback - the awe-inspiring pyro-musical featuring live music by Top End didgeridoo legend eMDee.
12:30pm - 10:30pm	STOCKADE BREW CO BAR & FOOD TRUCKS Enjoy a selection of boutique wines, beers and spirits at the Stockade Brew Co Bar, treat yourself to delicious food and beverages from the array of food trucks.
12:30pm - 10:00pm	MERCH STAND Come and check out the cool CCW & Artist merch! There's something for everyone.

SUNDAY 19 MARCH - SHOWGROUND

FAMILY FESTIVAL 9am-4pm

Tickets \$5-\$10 through trybooking.com or at the gate
(Bar, food trucks & merch stand open all day)

10.30 - 11.30am	CELEBRITY BOOK SIGNING! Come and meet the amazing Isaiah Firebrace, who will be at the Visitor Information Centre Stand, signing copies of his best-selling children's book, Come Together: Things Every Aussie Kid Should Know About The First Peoples, with copies available to purchase.
10.45am-11am 3.20pm-3.35pm	A DESPERATE AFFRAY - BUSHRANGER RE-ENACTMENTS Watch in awe as the 7th Light Horse Gundagai Troop, depicts an infamous bushranger holdup, utilising a genuine Cobb & Co Royal Mail Coach. Be on alert in the crowd as you may just get arrested for being a sympathiser and thrown in the gaol cage!
9.45-10am 11.30-11.45pm 1.30-1.45pm	BUSH POETRY Are you sitting comfortably? Don't miss one of these poetry reading sessions featuring local poets reading bush poetry.
10.30-11am 12.30-1pm 2.30-3pm	THE LAGGAN WARBLERS These local bush musos will amaze you with their accordion, spoons and washboard techniques. They'll even give you a go!
3.40pm-4pm	COUNTRY ANIMAL PARADE FINALE All the fun of the fair, with a mesmerising parade of Australian heritage working animals and their wagons, including Ron McKinnon's Australian Heritage Bullock Team, Marlie Draught Horses and Oakfield Ranch Camel Team. They will be joined by Hephner the Alpaca, Charlie the Brahman and 7th Light Horse Gundagai Troop Bushrangers and the Travelley Horse Drawn Cobb & Co Royal Mail Coach.

ALL DAY FUN IN THE SHOWGROUND

9am-4pm	Roving bushrangers Hephner The Alpaca Charlie The Brahman & friends Hay cart rides Camel rides Cobb & Co Mail Coach rides Working draught horse demos Australian Heritage Bullock demos Vintage machinery display Crookwell Potato Association display Australian Heritage Gold Camp & Soldier Camp display NSW Rural Fire Service Display Roving jugglers, scarecrows, stilt walkers and acrobats You Beaut Ute Competition finalists display Vintage car display Historic photography exhibition Mechanical bull rides Face painting Kids inflatable fun zone Boutique and artisan market stalls along the Market Walk & Market Hall Waste to Art workshop with Al Phemister Crookwell Potato Production Past to Present Historic Gold Camp and Military Camp Re-enactment
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SHOWGROUND MAIN STAGE

9.30-10am 11.15-11.45am 2.50-3.20pm	CROOKWELL AMATEUR DRAMATICS SOCIETY (CADS) We're so proud of our CADS, who are renowned for nurturing local talent and entertaining the community with their theatrical productions. They're giving three performances of their amusing short play, Once Upon A Jumbuck. Not be to missed!
10.15-10.30am 1.15-1.30pm	eMDee We couldn't bring him all the way from the Top End for only one show! Don't miss the incredible talent of this unique didgeridoo performer.
11.50am-1.10pm	THE BUSHWACKERS These legends are Australia's most-loved bush band and played the first ever Crookwell Country Weekend in 1983! We're honoured to have them take the stage again. Get ready to dance!
1.45pm - 2.45pm	BUSKING FINALISTS And the winner is ... don't miss seeing the talented finalists from Saturday's busking competition perform one more time for big prizes! Judges are industry experts & musicians: Catherine Britt, Geoff Bell & Roger Corbett.

Free shuttle service between Showground & main street during Festival hours

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