

Council Corner

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OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE CARRATHOOL SHIRE COUNCIL MARCH 2020

CARRATHOOL SHIRE COUNCIL COVID-19 UPDATE

In accordance with the most recent directive from the Prime Minister's Office, Carrathool Shire Council will be closing the Hillston Library until further notice from 5.00pm, Wednesday 25 March 2020.

For anyone who is self isolating, under quarantine or just taking a break from the world our Library provides a range of free e-resources that you can access anywhere! <https://www.wrl.nsw.gov.au/elibrary/> (more information on the next page).

All essential Council services will remain fully operational and Council can be contacted on 02 6965 1900 from Monday - Friday, 8.30am - 4.15pm.

Carrathool Shire Council will be observing all federal and state government requirements and mandates to keep our residents safe and healthy. We will endeavor to provide regular updates regarding changes to services on Councils website and Facebook page.

Council urges residents to observe all public health recommendations and mandates from the Federal and NSW State Governments which you can stay up to date with through government websites such as <https://www.health.nsw.gov.au> and to put the health and safety of yourselves, your families and the wider Community as a priority.



EASTER 2020 CLOSURES

Notice is hereby given that the Carrathool Shire Council offices at Goolgowi and Hillston will be closed from Friday 10 April 2020 reopening Wednesday 15 April 2020.

GARBAGE COLLECTION

High Street Business Collection: Thursday 9 April 2020 instead of Friday 10 April 2020.

Hillston Garbage Collection: Wednesday 15 April 2020 instead of Tuesday 14 April 2020.



TIP CLOSURES

Goolgowi Tip: Sunday 12 April & Tuesday 14 April 2020.

Carrathool Tip: Saturday 11 April & Sunday 12 April 2020.

Hillston Landfill: Friday 10 April, Sunday 12 April & Tuesday 14 April 2020.



ANZAC DAY 2020

Due to COVID-19 restrictions there are currently no ANZAC marches or services organised in our Shire.

REMINDER ~ SEWER CHOKES

Council would like to remind residents not to flush down the toilets anything that does not dissolve in water.

These items include the following:

- Paper towels
- Tissues
- Wet wipes
- Latex gloves
- Any type of plastic
- Nappies
- Sanitary Products
- Plastic bags
- Cotton make up pads/Q-tips



For current information regarding COVID-19 in our area please visit www.mhhd.health.nsw.gov.au.

Hillston

MEETING MATTERS

Triathlon Support

At the March meeting of Council it was resolved to cover the costs of traffic controllers at the 2020 Hillston Triathlon to support the community event.

Hillston Lions Club

It was decided at the March meeting to allow in principle the Hillston Lions Club to use the Real Café building for their op shop activities subject to an agreement which covers Council's future requirements.

Drought Community Funding

The Councillors endorsed the final list of projects to be supplied to the Drought Community Funding Authority as follows:

- Goolgowi Hall Upgrade
- Merriwagga Hall Upgrade
- Rankins Springs Caravan park
- Goolgowi SES Shed
- Hillston Netball Fencing
- Merriwagga Amenities
- Carrathool Amenities
- Goolgowi Amenities (Replace)
- Kerb and Guttering - Hillston
- Rankins Springs Cemetery / Water
- Hillston Pool
- Community Event
- Adverse Risk Plan
- Carrathool Racecourse
- Rankins Springs Transformer

Charles Sturt Scholarships

Council received 7 applications this year for the Charles Sturt University Scholarships on offer. We would like to thank all applicants and encourage all eligible applicants to reapply next year.

The 2020 Scholarship recipients were Adela Neal & Chloe Power. Congratulations and good luck with your future studies.

WATER METERS

Residents are asked to become familiar with your water meter and if you find a leak (wet patch) around the meter the photo below shows what is considered Council's side and the land owners side of a water meter.

If the leak is on the land owners side, it is the land owners responsibility to engage a qualified person to repair the leak. If the leak is on the Council side of the meter please contact 6965 1900 and report the leak.



**COUNCIL'S
SIDE**

**LAND
OWNERS
SIDE**

INFRASTRUCTURE NEWS

Flushing of Bore 5 Update

The flushing of Bore 5 (Hillston) has now been completed. A report with all the water quality results will be submitted to the Public Health Unit for further recommendation.

Sewer Mains Conditional Assessment

Council have engaged RSP Environmental Services Contractors to assist in carrying out a condition assessment of various sections of the Hillston Township Sewer Main. Work is tentatively scheduled to commence mid April and properties that may be affected by the works will be notified and consulted in due course.

Goolgowi Potable Water Supply

Pump station upgrades under the Capital Works Program are well underway and expected to be completed in the upcoming weeks.

Carrathool Road Pave & Seal

The gravel overlay is expected to be completed this week with sealing due to begin early next week.

Maintenance Grading

Our maintenance grading schedule has been deferred due to dry weather, the situation will be reassessed regularly moving forward.

McGee Street Update

Watermain construction is now completed and road works have begun.



Hillston

ROAD WORKS MCGEE STREET, HILLSTON

Council will be carrying out road maintenance as part of the McGee Street Rehabilitation Project it is expected to take around nine (9) weeks to complete.

During this time sections of McGee street will be closed to traffic. The closures will occur in stages:

- Stage 1 - Hillston Motel to Mobil Service Station
- Stage 2 - Mobil Service Station to Molesworth Street
- Stage 3 - Molesworth Street to High Street

LACHLAN RIVER ROAD, HILLSTON

Council will be undertaking a 1.6km section of new pave and seal on Lachlan River Road. Work is scheduled to commence on Monday 23 March 2020 and is expected to take approximately four (4) weeks.

We ask that drivers exercise caution and follow all roadwork signs and the direction of traffic controllers.

If you have any further queries you can contact Council on 02 6965 1900 during office hours or email council@carrathool.nsw.gov.au

ADVERTISEMENTS

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FLOOD DAMAGE PROJECT 2020/08

Council is seeking Expressions of Interest (EOI) for services of a Contract Administrator for the delivery of Councils Flood Damage Project. The proposed contract term will be for a period of 6 to 12 months.

Selective tenders will be called following an evaluation process. Applicants must have the proven capability to complete all aspects of the project including knowledge of RMS, OEM, DRFA documentation. EOIs will be received until 12.00pm Wednesday 1 April 2020.

For more information please contact Councils Director Infrastructure Services, Paul Farrell on 02 6965 1900.

VEHICLES FOR SALE / TRADE-IN

Council currently have 3 vehicles for sale/trade-in. Inspections can be arranged by contacting Bert Breuling on 02 6965 1900 or 0429 651 348:

- Plant No 1835 - Toyota Hilux 4x4 SR Double Cab
 - Plant No 1836 - Holden Colorado 4x4 LS Crew Cab
 - Plant No 1844 - Toyota Hilux 4x4 SR Double Cab
- Quotations close 12 noon Wednesday 1 April 2020.

SURPLUS ITEMS FOR SALE BY QUOTATION

Council currently have two items for sale by quotation:

- Plant 7057 Stihl 034AV Chain Saw 16" Bar
- Plant 7125 Stihl 038 Chain Saw 20" Bar
- Thermal Dynamics Cut Master 81 Plasma Cutter
- Quick Spray 1000ltr Unit with 9hp Honda

Inspections can be arranged by calling Tony Blunden on 0409 723 757 during business hours.

Quotations close 12 noon Wednesday 15 April 2020.

For more information on Councils quotation process please call the contacts above or go to Councils website www.carrathool.nsw.gov.au/council/tenders-quotations.

Please note you will only receive further contact if your quotation is successful. Faxed quotations will not be considered. The highest / lowest or any quotation will not necessarily be accepted.

YOUTH WEEK 2020 EVENT CANCELLED

Due to current advice from the Government including social distancing measures and the mandate that all non-essential gatherings be disbanded we will be cancelling our Youth Week Selfie Scavenger Hunt.

We would however still love to celebrate with you and so we are working on a virtual Youth Week celebration which you can do from home with the same awesome prizes up for grabs!

Keep an eye on Councils Facebook page for more updates.



LIBRARY NEWS LIBRARY MURAL

We've had a makeover! Our new mural was painted last month by Jennifer and Jess Forster.

Back in 2018 a Renew our Libraries campaign was launched by the NSW Public Libraries Association to advocate for increased library funding for NSW Public Libraries.

As a result of this increased State Government funding our local library now has a wonderful new mural for the community to enjoy.



St Josephs Parish School Children with artists Jennifer and Jess Forster in front of the mural.



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INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY 2020

On Sunday 8 March 2020, 42 women came together at the Rankins Springs Golf Club to celebrate international Women's Day. The event sponsored by Carrathool Shire Council along with other local business' was a great success.

The guest speaker for the event was Fiona Hart, she spoke about mindfulness and meditation she also led the group in breathing exercises and body movements to aid in stress management. The ladies were then treated to manicures and at lunch Jacqueline Thompson read some of her poetry for the attendees to enjoy.

A wonderful day was had by all with everyone looking forward to next year.



GOOLGOWI SES

Goolgowi SES would like to congratulate and introduce to the community our newly graduated Community First Responders (CFR) after months of online training and 8 intensive days with NSW Ambulance, Amy, Cheryl, Dee, Jacquie and Sandy have obtained a Certificate II in Medical Service First Response and are ready to join Lawrence, Kylie and Bill in providing this important service to the community.

CFRs are clinical volunteers who have been trained by NSW Intensive Care Paramedic Educators. They are trained in patient assessment including blood pressure, blood glucose testing and pulse oximetry. We are very proud of our new CFRs and what they have been able to accomplish over the past months.



PESTICIDE/HERBICIDE APPLICATION

In accordance with Carrathool Shire Council's Pesticide Use Notification Plan, Council hereby gives notice that pesticide/herbicide application will be undertaken within the Shire area during **APRIL / MAY 2020** as declared in the table below.

Application	Type	Purpose	Location
Glyphosate 470, Metsulphuron, SP 70	Boomless Nozzle	Khaki Weed Spiny Burr Grass	Roto Road, Merungle Road, Mossgiel Road, Mebergan Road, Black Stump Road.
Round Up Ultra Max, Grazon & Ally	Spot Spray	Woody Weeds	Kidman Way, Burley Griffin Way, The Springs Road

To be included in Council's community email list or to have your event included in this newsletter please forward your contact details and/or event information to: community@carrathool.nsw.gov.au

Connecting with Council

Mail: PO Box 12
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Phone: 02 6965 1900
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Website: www.carrathool.nsw.gov.au

Goolgowi Council Chambers
9-11 Cobram Street, Goolgowi

Hillston District Office
139-145 High Street, Hillston

W.G. Parker Memorial Library
175 High Street, Hillston

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Next Ord Meeting: 21 April 2020
Venue: Goolgowi Council Chambers
Agenda Closure: 8 April 2020
Agenda Available: 17 April 2020

After Hours Road Emergency 0407 244 429

Water & Sewer Goolgowi - 0429 690 010 Hillston - 0429 672 119 Rankins Springs - 0428 661 305