

Council Corner

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OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE CARRATHOOL SHIRE COUNCIL SEPTEMBER 2020

2020-21 MAYORAL ELECTION

With the postponing of the Local Government General Election until September 2021 due to COVID restrictions, elections were conducted at the September Ordinary Meeting for the positions of Mayor and Deputy Mayor for the 2020-2021 term of office.

Cr Darryl Jardine was declared elected unopposed to serve as Mayor and Cr Scott Groat was elected unopposed as Deputy Mayor.

For more information regarding the 2021 Local Government Elections visit www.carrathool.nsw.gov.au/council/council-elections.





COUNCILLOR RESIGNATION

The September meeting of Council saw the resignation of Cr Brett Lewis effective 2 October 2020. Cr Lewis was elected in 2016 and served four years as a Councillor within 'A' ward.

Councillors and Staff would like to wish Brett all the best with his future endeavours.

LET'S (HOPEFULLY) GET BADD IN HILLSTON

After two successful meetings at the Hillston Ex Servicemen's Club our Economic Development Unit and a group of local youths have come forward with the idea of getting 'BADD' This funky buzz name translates as a **BUSH DASH AND DANCE**.

The Bush Dash is essentially a Farmer's Challenge where the young wannabe champions of the district have to complete a number of farm-related tasks such as knocking a fence post in, rolling a hay bale, tying a swag, lugging a bag of wheat 100m, downing a hot tallie and chowing down on two cold pies. And of course, the best time wins.



The Bush Dance is just as energetic, but it's done at night with a live bush band for music, some bootscooters and maybe even some fancy line dancing.

This idea is the core activity for a funding application by Carrathool Shire Council to the NSW Govt's Youth Opportunities Program. The Youth Opportunities Program (YOP) provides one-off, time-limited grants between \$10,000 and \$50,000 to local councils for youth-led and youth-driven community projects. The program's targeted age range is 12-25 years.

The aim is to host the event later in 2021 and Council will keep you updated as we go!

TEMPORARY CHANGES TO GOOLGOWI POSTAL SERVICES

Due to unforeseen circumstances as of Friday 18 September 2020 the Goolgowi Post Office has ceased operations. While a permanent solution is being sought a Community Post Office will be available at the Goolgowi Administration Office from 9 am to 4 pm Monday to Friday.

The Community Post Office will offer basic postal services, including:

- Letter and parcel collections
- Stamp sales
- Mail lodgement

Residents can continue to access a full range of postal services at one of the following locations:

- Griffith Post Office 245 Banna Avenue Open Mon Fri 9 am to 5 pm, Sat 9 am to 12.30pm
- ♦ Rankins Springs Post Office 2a Boomerang Street Open Mon Fri 9 am to 5 pm
- Hillston Post Office 154 High Street Open Mon Fri 9 am to 5 pm



MEETING MATTERS

The following resolutions were made at the Ordinary Council meeting held in Hillston on 15 September 2020.

Request to go to tender

It was resolved that Council use the selective tender method for the development of a Integrated Water Cycle Management Strategy and report back to Council with a summary of tenders.

Acceptance of tender

Council resolved to award tender 2021-003 Jacksons Bridge Design and Construction to Murray Constructions for \$71,000 (ex. GST) for the design component and \$1,165,500 (ex. GST) for the construction component pending funding through 'Fixing Country Bridges' or other suitable funding stream.

Rankins Springs and District War Memorial Hall

The Rankins Springs and District War Memorial Hall Committee Meeting minutes including amended fees and charges were noted by Council. The amended fees and charges are now on Public Exhibition closing at 4.15pm on Monday 19 October 2020, prior to adoption of the fees and charges Council will take into consideration any submissions received. To view the amended fees and charges visit the Goolgowi Administration Office, Hillston District Office, Rankins Springs Post Office or www.carrathool.nsw.gov.au.

INFRASTRUCTURE NEWS

Tysons Road

Extensive drainage works have been carried out on Tysons Road to improve the existing culvert. The road pavement has also been raised to counter pavement ponding and aid with erosion.





SUMMER IS COMING!

The Hillston and Goolgowi pools will be opening for the 2020-21 season on Saturday 7 November 2020.

Work is currently underway to complete a new shade sail for the Goolgowi pool and Hillston residents will notice 4 new shade sails around the toddler pool (pictured) to enjoy this summer.



LOCAL VANDALISM

In recent weeks significant damage has occurred to road signs throughout the shire. Due to the number of signs damaged this vandalism appears deliberate and police have been notified.

Repairing these road signs (20 to date) is an unnecessary waste of ratepayers money and Council are calling for this malicious behaviour to stop immediately.

If you have any information regarding the damages or see any unusual behaviour you can contact Council confidentially during office hours.





VEHICLES FOR SALE / TRADE-IN

Plant No 1571 Toyota Hilux HiRide Dual Cab* Plant No 1322 Toyota Camry Hybrid Ascent Sedan* Plant No 1567 Holden Colorado 4x2 Tray Back Utility* Plant No 1849 Toyota Hilux 4x4 SR Dual Cab*

*40,000kms

Plant No 1848 Holden Colorado 4x4 Crew Cab**

** 45,000kms

Plant No 5118 - Husqvarna Z554 Zero Turn Petrol Mower - Approx. 350 Hours (SALE ONLY)

*Please note that Council will retain all two-way radios * Inspections may be arranged by contacting Council's Office or Bert Breuling, Manager Fleet and Town Services, during normal business hours on (02) 6965 1900 or 0429 651 348.

All quotations must be completed on an Official Council Quotation Form and placed in a sealed envelope clearly marked 'Confidential Vehicle Quotation' and clearly state the quotation name and plant number. This form can be obtained from Council. Quotations are to be received at the Goolgowi Council Chambers or by email at tenders@carrathool.nsw.gov.au by 12 noon Wednesday 7 October 2020.

All persons are advised that it is their responsibility to ensure that their quotation is received prior to the advertised closing date and time.

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

WATER METER READINGS

Readings will commence from 28 September 2020 please ensure meters are accessible to avoid an estimated bill.



ADVERTISEMENTS **POSITIONS VACANT** PLANNING & PROJECT OFFICER - GMPPO182

Located at Goolgowi, Council is seeking a responsible officer to assist in the delivery of strategic planning, management and maintenance of council infrastructure and buildings. The role would suit a candidate in the early stages of their career looking to further develop expertise in planning and managing operational and capital projects.

This is a hands-on position and the successful applicant is expected to work across all aspects of Council activity in a team environment, in this respect previous local government experience would be highly regarded.

This is a fulltime position with a commencing salary of approximately \$83,000 per annum dependent upon skills and experience. Hours of work are 35 hrs pw with a rostered day off each fortnight...

A position description can be obtained from council's www.carrathool.nsw.gov.au/council/positionswebsite vacant

For further information regarding the position please contact council's Manager Building & Regulatory Services, Jason Nicholson on 02 6965 1900.

Applications close: 4 pm Monday 28 September

PPT CARAVAN PARK ATTENDANT - GMCPA183

Council is seeking a suitably qualified and motivated individual for a Caravan Park position, based at Hillston.

The key functions are to undertake office administration. accommodation bookings, cleaning, customer service, grounds maintenance and caretaking duties at the Hillston Caravan Park.

The position will be offered on a Permanent Part-time basis. Salary will be in the range of \$24.74 to \$26.97 per hour plus allowances, is offered dependent upon skills, qualifications, and experience. Ordinary hours of work are approximately 15 hours per week.

A position description can be obtained from council's www.carrathool.nsw.gov.au/council/positionswebsite vacant

For further information regarding the position please contact council's Project Manager, Mariana Farrell on 0438 062 589.

Applications close 4 pm Friday 2 October 2020.

TO APPLY: Applications addressed to the General Manager can be posted to PO Box 12, Googlowi NSW 2652 or emailed to recruitment@carrathool.nsw.gov.au

SURPLUS ITEMS FOR SALE BY QUOTATION

Council currently have the following items for sale by quotation:

- 5 x Stock Grids
- Plant 7206 HMF 450 Light Truck Crane

Inspections can be arranged by calling Council on

Quotations close 12 noon Wednesday 14 October 2020. Visit Councils website for more information.

MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICES SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

LIBRARY NEWS **BOOK WEEK 2020 - 17 - 23 OCTOBER**

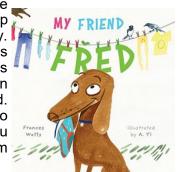
All residents are invited to participate in the Carrathool Shires 2020 Book Week activities. This year's theme is 'Curious Creatures, Wild Minds'.

Our focus author this year for Book Week is Frances Watts. Frances has written more than 25 children's books, including 'Kisses for Daddy', 'Parsley Rabbit's Book', 'Goodnight Mice!' 'The Chicken Curse' and many more. Her latest book 'My Friend Fred' has been shortlisted for Book of the Year, Early Childhood (7-12) 2020.

FINDING FRED SCAVENGER HUNT

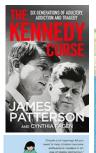
As well as our annual Book Week activities, displays and Margaret Merrylees writing competition, this year we will be conducting a scavenger hunt titled 'Finding Fred'. Fred is a much loved dachshund and the aim is to locate and record 'Fred' who will be hiding in twelve locations around the town of Hillston. The hunt will take

place during Book Week, once you find all the 'Freds' drop your entry forms to the library. There are lots of great prizes to be won and a bonus prize is awarded if you unscramble the code word. All details will be given to schools in the shire and you can also pick up a copy from the library.



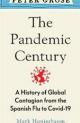
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HILLSTON LIBRARY 20 October 2020 9.30 am - 11.00 am







COMMUNITY NEWS

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R U OK CHARITY FUN RUN RANKINS SPRINGS GOLF CLUB 2PM START 10 OCTOBER 2020

AUSSIE BACKYARD BIRD COUNT 19 - 25 OCTOBER 2020 REGISTER @ www.aussiebirdcount.org.au



SENIORS 'GET ONLINE WEEK' CARRATHOOL SHIRE LIBRARY, HILLSTON 20 OCTOBER 2020 OR

21 OCTOBER 2020

During 'Get Online Week' we will be learning how to create a quality Photo book. These small books are a great way to display your memories and you will be learning valuable technology skills at the same time. Call: 02 6967 2503 for more information.



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Every Australian online.

Remember to always stay COVID safe and follow government direction and guidelines.

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 **OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2020** as declared in the table below.

Application	Туре	Purpose	Location
Amitrole, Simanex, SP700	Boomless Nozzle	Spiny Burr Grass, Khaki Weed	Lachlan Valley Way
Simanex, Round Up Ultra Max	Boomless Nozzle	Spiny Burr Grass, Clockweed	Lachlan River Road
Simazine, Amitrole, Ally	Boom Spray	Roadside Vegetation	Kidman Way, Burley Griffin Way, Mossgiel Road
Roundup Ultra Max, Cavalier	Boom Spray	Roadside Vegetation	Lachlan River Road, Erigolia Road, Murrumbidgee River Road, Melbergen Road, Cahills Road, Bradys Road, MR321, Carrathool 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

Mail: PO Box 12

GOOLGOWI NSW 2652

Phone: 02 6965 1900 Fax: 02 6965 1379

Email: council@carrathool.nsw.gov.au Website: www.carrathool.nsw.gov.au

Connecting with Council

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: 20 October 2020 Venue: Goolgowi Council Chambers Agenda Closure: 7 October 2020 Agenda Available: 16 October 2020

After Hours Road Emergency 0407 244 429

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