



# Council Corner

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## OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE CARRATHOOL SHIRE COUNCIL MARCH 2024

### ANZAC DAY SERVICES

The following Anzac Day Services will be held throughout the Shire. Residents and visitors are encouraged to attend their local service to commemorate this important National Holiday.

#### Hillston:

Dawn Service will commence at 5:45am

March will commence from the Hillston Ex-Servicemen's Club at 10:30am, with the services conducted at the Hillston Cenotaph in Memorial Park.

High Street will be closed to traffic from 9am-12:30pm.

#### Goolgowi:

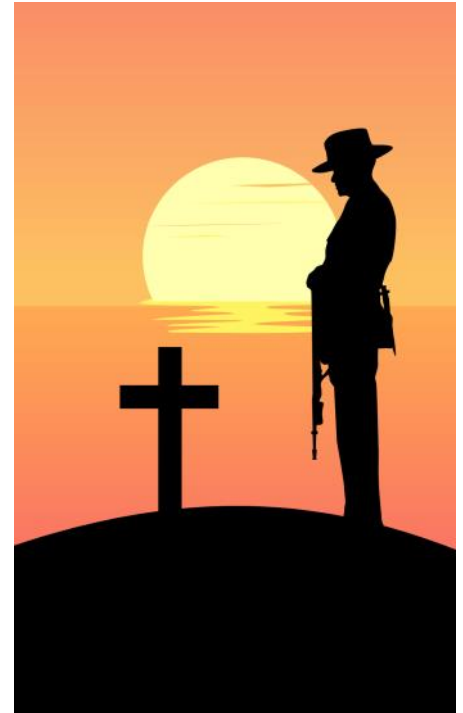
March to start at 3:00pm, from the Goolgowi Public Hall down to the Cenotaph next to the Goolgowi Ex-Servicemen's Club.

#### Rankins Springs:

March to start at 7:45am from the Alan James Park to the Rankins Springs Memorial Hall, service begins at 8:00am.

#### Carrathool:

March to start at 6:00am from Wade Street park entrance to the Cenotaph behind the Memorial Hall for Service.



### LAKE WOORABINDA FESTIVAL

Council would like to thank everyone who attended and celebrated the Lake Woorabinda Festival on Saturday 9 March 2024. What a wonderful opportunity to come together and celebrate our community.

A massive thank you to the businesses, community groups, stall holders and entertainment who participated in the day, as their contribution made the day that much more special and enjoyable for everyone.

For more photos you can head to Council's Instagram to view our Lake Woorabinda Festival highlight at [Instagram.com/carrathoolshire](https://www.instagram.com/carrathoolshire).





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## MEETING MATTERS

### Support & Donations

At the March meeting, Council received a letter of thanks from Hillston Swans Football & Netball Club, congratulating Council on a successful Australia Day event and the improvements made to the lighting at Stan Peters Oval.

In response to a donation request from Rankins Springs P & C Association, Council resolved to provide a \$500 donation for the upcoming 44th Annual Golf Day.

Council will waive 50% of community hall hire fees to help support the Hillston Junior Basketball Association.

### Infrastructure News

Flood Damage Funding - Cannards Road culvert installations have been completed and is open to all traffic, along with Barry Scenic Drive gully erosion. Flood damage works have commenced on Lowlands Road and Lachlan Valley Way East.

Camerons Lane gravel resheets are underway, this is to compliment the Polytahr stabilisation treatment completed this year.

Council replaced and commissioned 1,5 kilometers of PVC water main successfully on the Melbergen Water Scheme.

### Finance Facts

Cost Shifting from State Government to Local Councils. A report prepared for LGNSW for the 2021/22 financial year found that \$1.36 billion of expenses were passed onto Councils, averaging an extra \$460.67 for every rate payer across the state. The full report is in the March Business paper item 10.12, snippets of the report will be placed on Council's website.

### Community Development & Project Management

#### Hillston Water Tower Mural Project

A mural design has been chosen for the water tower, with the artist to commence the project within the next 4 weeks.



## INSTAGRAM

Council now has an active Instagram Page! Give us a follow as we highlight projects, events and tourism in the Carrathool Shire.

Keep up to date with Council Notices, Road Closures and so much more:



[www.carrathool.nsw.gov.au](http://www.carrathool.nsw.gov.au)



## UPCOMING COUNCIL CLOSURES EASTER CLOSURES

Carrathool Shire Council Offices, Depots and Library will be CLOSED as follows:

From 4:15pm Thursday 28 March 2024

Reopening 8:30am Wednesday 3 April 2024

Emergency Contacts over the Easter Period:

After Hours Road Emergency: 0407 244 429

Goolgowi Water & Sewer: 0429 690 010

Hillston Water & Sewer: 0429 672 119

Rankins Springs Water & Sewer: 0428 661 305

The Councillors and Staff wish all shire residents and ratepayers a safe and Happy Easter.



### STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

Carrathool Shire Council Offices, Depots and Library will be closed on Thursday 18 April 2024 for a staff development day.

Council will be reopened on Friday 19 April 2024.

### ANZAC DAY CLOSURE

Carrathool Shire Council Office, Depots and Library will be closed on Anzac Day Thursday 25 April 2024 and will be reopened on Friday 26 April 2024.

### COMMUNITY SHOPPING BUS

The next Shopping Bus for April will be **12 APRIL 2024**

Bookings are essential as seats are limited.

**Call 02 6961 7600 to book your seat now.**

### POSITIONS VACANT

We are searching for the following full-time permanent roles to be based in the Goolgowi / Rankins Springs area:

**Water and Sewer Operator—ISWWW260-23**

**Plant Operator Labourer (Casual) X2—ISPOL264-24**

Apply at: [carrathool.nsw.gov.au/about-council/work-for-council/current-vacancies/](http://carrathool.nsw.gov.au/about-council/work-for-council/current-vacancies/)

### DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL

**DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION DA2024/032 LOT 1 DP814407, 39 LACHLAN STREET HILLSTON**

For more information, including supporting documents, visit [www.carrathool.nsw.gov.au/development/public-exhibition-planning-and-development/](http://www.carrathool.nsw.gov.au/development/public-exhibition-planning-and-development/)



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## PUBLIC NOTICES

Hillston Landfill has now begun new opening hours as follows:

Day	New Hours
Monday	7.30am-10am
Tuesday	7.30am-10am 1pm-4:30pm
Wednesday	7.30am-10am
Thursday	7.30am-10am 1pm-4.30pm
Friday	CLOSED
Saturday	CLOSED
Sunday	8am-2pm

### Easter & Anzac Landfill Closures

All Tips will be CLOSED Easter Sunday.  
Hillston Tip will be CLOSED Easter Sunday & Monday  
**Easter Garbage Run**  
Hillston Business House Bins will be picked up Thursday 28 March 2024 instead of Friday Tuesday 26 March 2024 will run as normal.

### Anzac Day

All tips will be CLOSED on Anzac day (25 April 2024).  
Goolgowi Garbage will be picked up Wednesday 24 April 2024.

## REGIONAL DROUGHT RESILIENCE PROGRAM

The Next Economy group have been funded to develop a Regional Drought Resilience Program as part of the planning process, they will be conducting the following information sessions and community workshops.  
People are encouraged to come along and offer feedback and suggestions.

*The primary production system across our region...*

**MERRIWAGGA  
BLACK STUMP HOTEL  
APRIL 9 2024  
5:30—7:30PM**

*How do our communities work?  
What do they mean to you?*

**HILLSTON  
EX-SERVICEMENS  
CLUB  
APRIL 10  
5:30—7:30**

**RANKINS SPRINGS  
RANKINS SPRINGS HALL  
APRIL 11  
5:30-7:30PM**

## MOBILE LIBRARY

**29, 30 APR & 1, 2 May**

### Tuesday

11.55am - 12.00pm Rankins Springs Pre-School  
12.10pm - 12.30pm Rankins Springs Public School  
1.35pm - 1.50pm Goolgowi Park  
1.50pm - 2.00pm Goolgowi Pre-School  
2.00pm - 3.00pm Goolgowi Public School

### Wednesday

9.15am - 10.45am Hillston Central School  
11.00am - 12.00pm Hillston Billylids & Play 'N' Learn  
2.15pm - 2.30pm St Joseph's School

*Visits to the below locations now need to be arranged beforehand.*

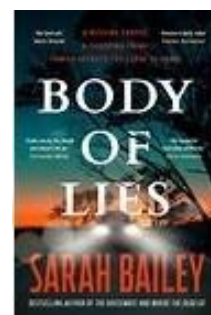
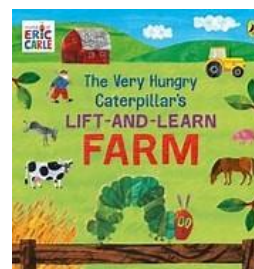
To book your visit, please call the Library on 6967 2503

**Monday** Carrathool  
**Tuesday** Merriwagga Village  
**Thursday** Hillston Home visits



western riverina LIBRARIES  
Join us for songs, stories and crafts  
**STORY HOUR**  
Tuesdays  
11am to 12pm

Story Time sessions at the library in Hillston are lots of fun. We sing songs, read stories, play games and do crafts. Currently held every Tuesday at 11am, the program is designed to introduce young children to the wonderful world of books & libraries. We have a wide focus on a range of activities to cater for children aged 0 to 5 years. Story Hour will give your child the opportunity to interact with other children of similar ages & for caregivers to get to know each other. It is free and open to all.



## NEW BOOKS/ DVD'S



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## YOUTH WEEK

Join us for a Scavenger Hunt for NSW Youth Week 2024! Meet us at the Hillston Lions Park at 10:30am on Wednesday 17 April to get the low down and get ready to hunt!

This event is aimed at youth aged 12-24, however, everyone is welcome to join in, all you need is a couple of friends, a camera phone and access to Instagram.

As always, points mean prizes, so get some extra points for your team straight up by letting us know you'll be attending. All you have to do is text your team name and team members to 0439 565 122. Following the hunt we will be providing a free BBQ, we can't wait to see you there!



# SCAVENGER



17 APRIL 2024

10.30AM MEET

LIONS PARK HILLSTON

#CARRATHOOLSHIREYOUTHWEEK2024

INSTAGRAM: CARRATHOOLSHIRE

GREAT PRIZES ON  
OFFER FOR THE  
WINNING TEAM!

## OTHER YOUTH EVENTS TO ENJOY

YOUTH ROLLER DISCO  
GOOLGOWI HALL  
APRIL 18 2024  
6-8.30PM  
ALL AGES

GAME SHOW TRIVIA  
HILLSTON  
EX-SERVICEMENS CLUB  
APRIL 18  
6-8.30PM

YOUTH ROLLER DISCO  
HILLSTON HALL  
APRIL 19  
6-6PM UNDER 12'S  
6:30-8:30PM OVER 12'S

## SAVE THE DATE

RANKINS SPRINGS P & C  
GOLF DAY  
6 APRIL 2024

HILLSTON JOCKEY CLUB  
HILLSTON RACES  
6 APRIL 2024

RIVER COUNTRY ART EXHIBITION  
HILLSTON COMMUNITY CENTRE  
12-13 APRIL 2024

DRIVER LICENCE ACCESS PROGRAM  
HILLSTON LIBRARY  
4 APRIL 2024

HILLSTON CENTRAL SCHOOL  
WHOLE SCHOOL MUSICAL  
12 & 13 SEPTEMBER 2024

HILLSTON HOGS  
LONG WHITE LUNCH  
19 OCTOBER 2024

A REMINDER THAT THE LAST DAY POOLS WILL BE OPEN IS 8 APRIL 2024  
SENIORS FESTIVAL PHOTOS WILL BE POSTED SOON

To have your community event included in the Council Corner email [council@carrathool.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@carrathool.nsw.gov.au)

## Connecting with Council

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Website: [www.carrathool.nsw.gov.au](http://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: 16 April 2024

Venue: Hillston District Office

Agenda Closure: 3 April 2024

Agenda Available: 12 April 2024

After Hours Road Emergency: 0407 244 429

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