

# THE UPPER LACHLAN SHIRE COUNCIL BULLETIN

APRIL 2023

## Endeavour Park inclusive playground officially opened



The new and inclusive Endeavour Park equipment in Gunning is now open for play.

Member for Goulburn Wendy Tuckerman, Gunning District Association representative Graham Dyer, Upper Lachlan Shire Council Mayor Pam Kensit and Deputy Mayor Mandy McDonald, Cllr John Searl and Cllr Lauren Woodbridge marked the completion of the fenced and accessible playground earlier this week – with Cllr Woodbridge’s daughter eager to put the new equipment to the test.

Mrs Tuckerman said the inclusive play space at Endeavour Park was funded

through the valuable Stronger Country Communities Fund which has seen significant improvement to many community facilities across regional NSW.

“Gunning is already a vibrant and active community and the inclusive play space will only leverage the recent works undertaken at Endeavour Park including the lighting, seating, community gym, footpath and the skate park – as well as the new amenities building coming soon.

These are all projects which make such a big difference to everyday life in Regional NSW,” Mrs Tuckerman said.

Mayor Pam Kensit said Upper Lachlan Shire Council is focused on continuing the infrastructure program across Gunning, with topsoil recently added to the sporting field and construction commencing this week on the amenities building.

The project, initiated by Gunning District Association was successfully financed by the NSW Liberal Government’s Stronger Country Communities Fund in 2021 to the value of \$399,976.

The remaining funding and construction costs of the \$414,460 project will be covered by Upper Lachlan Shire Council.

# Briefs from Ordinary Meeting of Council 16 March 2023

## Apologies

An apology was received from Cr D O'Brien.

## Mayoral Minute

Council received and noted the activities attended by the Mayor in the period since the last Monthly Ordinary Meeting of Council.

## Meeting with RFS, SES and Bushfire Management Council

Council resolved to call a meeting with RFS, SES and Bushfire Management Council to discuss how to advocate on their behalf for better recruitment and support services.

## Recognition of Councillor Culhane's 15 years of service

Councillor Culhane was presented with a special certificate of service signed by the Office of Local Government NSW for 15 years of Service as a Councillor.

Mayor Kensit described Councillor Culhane as an active advocate for local sport and the community and a voice for his constituents, and praised his hard work alongside his fellow Councillors and the staff of Council.

## Recognition of soccer representative Lillian Skelly

Cr Culhane and Councillors wished Lillian Skelly all the best with her upcoming soccer representative commitments with under 17 Australia Matildas selection.

## Recognition of Royal Easter Show achievements



Mayor Kensit offered congratulations to all those who received awards and were involved in the Royal Easter Show from across the Shire.

## Reports received and noted

- Development Statistics Report
- Investments for the month of March 2023
- Bank Balance and Reconciliation – March 2023
- Rates and Charges Outstanding for the month of March 2023
- Grants Report
- Action Summary – Council Decisions

## Council related Development Application Conflict of Interest Policy Review

Council endorsed the draft policy Council-related Development Application Conflict of Interest and will exhibit the draft policy for a minimum of 28 days in accordance with the provisions of Council's Community Participation Plan.

A further report will be presented to Council if there are any substantial changes to the draft policy arising from the public exhibition. Where no substantial changes arise from the public exhibition, the draft policy be considered adopted and published to Council's website and

Council will amend the Community Participation Plan to reflect the exhibition period for Council-related development applications, being 28 days.

## Proposed road closure – Devil's Elbow upgrade, Grabben Gullen Road

Council resolved to close two sections of public road of approximately 6991 m<sup>2</sup> near Devil's Elbow on Grabben Gullen Road, Merrill. Upon closure of the two sections of road, Council will transfer the closed roads to the adjoining owner as compensation for land acquired for road opening at this location.

## Council Contacts

### Crookwell Office: 44 Spring St, Crookwell

Open Monday to Friday 9.00am to 4.00pm  
Ph: 4830 1000 (including after hours).

### Gunning Office: 123 Yass St, Gunning

Open Monday to Friday 8.30am to 4.00pm  
Ph: 4830 1000 (including after hours). Fax: 4845 1426

### Taralga Community Service Centre: 29 Orchard St, Taralga

Open Monday to Friday 9.00am to 5.00pm  
Ph: 4840 2099. After hours: 4830 1000. Fax: 4840 2296

### Council email address:

[council@upperlachlan.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@upperlachlan.nsw.gov.au)

### Council Website

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

### Council Facebook

[www.facebook.com/UpperLachlanShireCouncil/](https://www.facebook.com/UpperLachlanShireCouncil/)

### Upper Lachlan Visitor Information Centre

Website: <https://www.visitupperlachlan.com.au>

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/upperlachlantourism](https://www.facebook.com/upperlachlantourism)

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/upplachtourism>

**Reallocation of plant replacement budget**

Council resolved to replace one prime mover instead of the backhoe which is scheduled for replacement in the 2022/23 Operational Plan budget.

**Integrated Planning and Reporting – adoption of Draft Plans for Public Exhibition**

Council, in accordance Sections 403-406, of the Local Government Act 1993, and Sections 8A-8C, of the Local Government Act 1993, place on public exhibition the following suite of draft plans:-

Operational Plan 2023/2024;  
 Delivery Program 2023/2024 – 2026/2027;  
 Resource Strategy documents including:-  
 – Long Term Financial Plan 2023 – 2032;  
 – Infrastructure Plan 2023 – 2032;  
 – Workforce Plan 2023/2024 – 2026/2027.

The public exhibition period commences Friday, 21 April 2023 to Thursday, 25 May 2023 inclusive, with copies of each plan available for viewing at Council administration offices and libraries, on Council's website and a link is provided to Council's Facebook Page.

**Review of Corporate Credit Card Policy**

Council adopted the reviewed Corporate Credit Card Policy.

**Reports from Committees for the month of April 2023**

Southern Tablelands Arts – Delegate Report – Dec 2022 to Jan 2023

Sports Section 355 Committee Minutes

**Meeting regarding water leakage on Crookwell Memorial Oval**

Council resolved that the Acting General Manager will coordinate a meeting with the President of the Crookwell Rugby Union Club and Coordinator of Parks and Gardens to facilitate an investigation into the constant water leakage at the north-east end (railway end) of the Crookwell Memorial Oval.

**Tourism and Event Management Advisory Committee**

Council established a Section 355 Tourism and Event Management Advisory Committee.

**Economic Development Advisory Committee**

Council established a new Section 355 Economic Development Advisory Committee.

**MATTERS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED COUNCIL****Bridge over Curraweela Creek on Taralga Oberon Road Tender**

Council resolved to discontinue the current tender process and to decline to accept all tenders received due to the lack of any commercially advantageous submissions.



Councillor Paul Culhane was presented with a special certificate of service signed by the Office of Local Government NSW for 15 years of Service as a Councillor.

Council delegated to Council's Acting General Manager the authority to enter into direct commercial negotiations with both Bridge and Marine Engineering and Saunders Civilbuild Pty Ltd with the intent to enter a contract with one supplier for construction of a new Bridge over Curaweela Creek as their alternative submissions are within budget and meets Council's requirements.

**Purchase of substation for MAAC**

Council resolved to delegate to Council's Acting General Manager authority to enter into direct commercial negotiations with Three Phase Services a division of KW360 (ABN 12 153 143 959) Supplier of Substation: Eleserve for the procurement of 500 KVA substation for the MAAC project. 2.

Subject to legal advice, Council's Acting General Manager was delegated authority to enter into a contract with Three Phase Services a division of KW360 (ABN 12 153 143 959) Supplier of Substation: Eleserve for the procurement of 500 KVA substation for the MAAC project.

**The Meeting closed at 3:34 PM. Next meeting to be held on 18 May, 2023.**



**Library Biz** with Susan McIlroy - Manager, Library Services**Upper Lachlan Shire Library Service  
COMING EVENTS - May 2023****Earring Making Workshop**

Calling all earring lovers! With Mother's Day just around the corner, why not treat yourself to a fun earring making workshop at Gunning Library on Wednesday 3 May from 2 to 3pm. Join Ellen and Jess from Bandicute who will help you design 3 pairs of unique and stylish earrings for you to take home, gift to your Mum or someone else special in your life. Using Posca acrylic pens, you'll paint designs onto timber shapes, with examples provided as a guide so you can create some fun earrings to match your style! For the third pair of earrings, you'll choose from a variety of acrylic shapes to make some beautiful dangle earrings. All materials will be provided.

Where: Gunning Library

When: Wednesday 3 May, 2pm to 3pm

Who: Adults Cost: \$10

Bookings essential. Call 4845 1231 or book online <https://tinyurl.com/ULSLEarring>.



**2 -3pm  
Wednesday  
3 May**

## Earring Making Workshop

**Gunning Library**

**Mothers Day Craft**

Join us in the Library to create a craft gift for the special woman in your life! Create a beautiful card with a bouquet of blossoms in multi-coloured dots.

Where: Crookwell Library

When: Monday 8 to Friday 12 May, during Library opening hours. No bookings required. Call 4832 1048 for more information.

**8 - 12 May  
in Library  
hours**

## Mother's Day Craft

**Crookwell Library**

**Mothers Day Craft**

Join us in the Library to create a craft gift for the special woman in your life! Using coloured paddle-pop sticks put together a sign with all the reasons you love your mum, grandma, aunty, or other special lady.

Where: Gunning Library

When: Tuesday 9 May, 3:30 to 4:30pm

No bookings required. Call 4845 1231 for more information.

**Digital Mentoring**

Book in for a 30 minute one-on-one chat with a technology expert from NBN Co! Get all your technology-related questions answered, and bring along your own device or use a Library computer to learn new skills like using the Internet, setting up email, installing apps, and more!

Where: Crookwell Library

When: Tuesday 16 May, 11:00am to 1:30pm

Who: All ages

Cost: Free

Bookings essential. Call the Library on (02) 4832 1048 or book online

Where: Gunning Library

When: Tuesday 16 May, 2:30pm to 4:00pm

Who: All ages

Cost: Free

Bookings essential. Call the Library on (02) 4845 1231 or book online



### Simultaneous Storytime

Join us in the Library to read this year's Simultaneous Storytime book – *The Speedy Sloth!* This lovely story from Australian Author Rebecca Young encourages doing your best and celebrating your own success.

The other sloths said it couldn't be done, but Spike didn't care, she was ready to run!

Where: Crookwell Library  
When: Thursday 25 May, 10:30am to 11:30am  
Who: Preschoolers Cost: Free  
No bookings required. Call 4832 1048 for more information.

Where: Gunning Library  
When: Friday 26 May, 10:00am to 11:00am  
Who: Preschoolers Cost: Free  
No bookings required. Call 4845 1231 for more information.

### This month's charts

#### Adult Fiction

*The Secrets she keeps* - Michael Robotham.

#### Adult Non-Fiction

*Cloud land: the dramatic story of Australia's extraordinary rainforest people and country* - Penny Van Oosterzee.

#### Kid's book

Michaela Mason's big list of 23 worries - Alexa Moses.

#### DVD

*The Borgias* - The second season.

#### Magazine

*Australian Women's Weekly* - Feb 2023.

#### Visit the Library online at

<https://upperlachlan.spydus.com>

#### like us on Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/ULSLibraries>

#### and like us on Instagram

<https://www.instagram.com/ulslibraries>

## Removing woody weeds from Oolong Creek, Dalton

Upper Lachlan Shire Council was successful in applying for \$10,000 of funding for the removal of woody weeds in Oolong Creek Dalton.

The project is a combined effort of Ozfish and local volunteers who are taking the lead on the project.

The first weekend of removing woody weeds from Oolong Creek was a huge success. Ten local volunteers, plus one volunteer and one OzFish Unlimited staff member from Dubbo got stuck into work on the weekend of 25 and 26 March.

The team cleaned up a large area adjacent to Garry Cosgrove Bridge. The main target was blackberry and elm suckers. They discovered that welding gloves were extremely useful when dealing with blackberry!

Removing weeds is a critical first step in the objective of establishing appropriate native vegetation to enhance habitat for our local endangered Southern Pygmy Perch.

Two more opportunities have been scheduled to help out – on Sat/Sun 22 & 23 April (already completed), and Sat/Sun 27 & 28 May.

OzFish Unlimited will again provide the fully equipped River Repair Bus and a staff member to facilitate the clean-up.

Even an hour or two is much appreciated.

For inquiries please email council at ATTN: Oolong Creek.



## PUBLIC EXHIBITION: Draft Operational Plan 2023/2024

Notice is hereby given that Council, in accordance with Sections 8A-8C and Sections 403-406, of the Local Government Act 1993, place on public exhibition the following suite of draft integrated planning and reporting plans:-

Operational Plan 2023/2024  
 Delivery Program 2023/2024 – 2026/2027  
 Resource Strategy documents including:-  
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 – Infrastructure Plan 2023 – 2032  
 – Workforce Plan 2023-2027

Supporting notes and a summary of the Draft Operational Plan can be found here.

The public exhibition period commences Friday, 21 April 2023, with copies of each plan available for inspection on Council's website, Council's Facebook Page, available to view at the three Council Administration Offices at

Crookwell, Taralga and Gunning and at Crookwell and Gunning libraries.

The draft plans are intended to set the direction of the Council in the forthcoming years.

Public submissions in writing will be received by Council during the public exhibition period until 4.00pm, on Thursday, 25 May 2023, and must be addressed to the General Manager. Before adopting the final plans Council will take into consideration all submissions received.

All enquiries in relation to the draft plans may be directed to Council by telephone (02) 4830 1000 or by email to [council@upperlachlan.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@upperlachlan.nsw.gov.au).

**Alex Waldron**  
 Acting General Manager  
 PO Box 42  
 GUNNING NSW 2581

## Building work to start on Gunning Showground Amenities Block

Work will start in the next week on the long awaited new amenities block at the Gunning Showground.

Work is made possible by a \$672,747 grant awarded as part of the state government's Stronger Country Communities Fund.

The work include demolition of the current amenities block and replacing them with a new set of public amenities and change rooms, including accessible facilities, canteen and storage area.

Council acting General Manager Alex Waldron said the modified plans ensure the facilities meet the needs of the community, sporting teams and visitors while also remaining within budget.

"More than 20,000 visitors annually use the amenities at a variety of events, including sporting fixtures, the show and markets," she said.

"Improved amenities and change rooms will encourage further participation in sports and will complement the new Endeavour Park all abilities playground due to open shortly.

Member for Goulburn Wendy Tuckerman said the need for a better facility was clear when she first visited the existing amenities block.



"Securing funding for these amenities was one of my top priorities at the previous election. When I visited the site - it was clear to see the building needed investment and expansion," she said.

The Gunning District Association and other community groups lobbied for the new facility and it has taken some time to come to fruition due to budget constraints, but Council's acting General Manager Alex Waldron said that Council remained committed to the delivery of this project.

"I'm excited to see work begin and to put an end to rumours that council had spent the money on other projects," she said.

"The timing is unfortunate being at the start of the sporting season but further delays may lead to increased construction costs in this volatile environment and put funding in jeopardy so I apologise to sporting teams but as beneficiaries, I hope they will agree this is the best course of action."

# What's happening across the Shire

## CROOKWELL ROTARY CAR BOOT SALE

Saturday 6 May - 8am until 2pm

Clifton Park, Laggan Road

Admission Free. Come and sell your surplus goods or see what bargains you might be able to purchase. No booking required, just turn up on the day. Sites available \$20. Insurance is covered, no extra charge. For more information contact Sean Proudman 0409 128 760.

## CROOKWELL MOTHER'S DAY PLATTER & PAINT

Saturday 6 May - 3pm

Crookwell Services Club, Goulburn Street

Join us for an evening filled with painting, nibbles, cocktails and lots of prizes! A perfect afternoon to catch up with friends and spoil the beautiful Mummas in our community. Tickets available at the club or call 4832 1265. Tickets on sale now for \$75 each.



## LAGGAN MARKETS

Saturday 20 May - 9am to 1pm

Laggan Memorial Hall, Peelwood Road

Local Handcrafted Products, Home-Grown Organic Produce, BBQ Breakfast & Coffee, Tea Room Open with Homemade Cakes, Scones & Sandwiches. Admission is free.

## COLLECTOR MARKETS

Saturday 20 May - 9am to 2pm

11 Murray Street

More information at [www.collectormarkets.com.au](http://www.collectormarkets.com.au) or by contacting [collectormarkets@gmail.com](mailto:collectormarkets@gmail.com). Talented local artisan merchandise, fresh produce, local café's. Admission is free.

## GUNNING BIGGEST MORNING TEA

Friday 26 May - 11am

Gunning Library, 92 Yass Street

Raising money for the Cancer Council, 4845 1231.

## GUNNING - THE LONG YARN LUNCH

Friday 26 May - 12 noon

The Old Coach Stables

For the Annual Gentleman's Lunch. Admission \$130 per head. Includes lunch, beer and wine. Bookings: [www.123tix.com.au/events/38579/the-long-yarn-lunch](http://www.123tix.com.au/events/38579/the-long-yarn-lunch). ANY questions, contact Campbell Basnett 0407 075 993 or Luke Dowling 0439 868 048

## BAKE n BREW

Saturday 27 May - 4pm onwards

Narrawa Memorial Community Hall

5484 Boorowa Road

For more information call Tristan Kensit 0407 855 874 or Hanna Hand 0427 902 093.

## TARALGA ART SHOW

Saturday 10 - Monday 12 June

Taralga Memorial Hall

- Saturday & Sunday 10:00am 'til 4:00pm

- Monday 10:00am 'til 2:00pm

- Official Opening: Saturday 6:00pm 'til 8:00pm

Saturday Workshops

Children 10:00am 'til 12:00pm

Adults 1:00pm 'til 4:00pm

Entry

\$2.00 for Art Shows

\$10 for Official Opening

\$20 Workshops

BOOKINGS: 48406101 or [taralgaartshow@gmail.com](mailto:taralgaartshow@gmail.com)

MORE INFO: <https://www.facebook.com/TaralgaArtShow/>

## 21st GUNNING PATCHWORK WEEKEND

Friday 23 - Sunday 25 June - 9am to 4.30pm

Gunning Shire Hall, Copeland Street

Come along for a fun weekend of piecing, patching, laughing, great food and friendship as well as our big celebratory dinner on the Saturday evening. This year we have a special workshop with Helen Draper - more information and booking instructions can be found on our website <https://gunningpatchworkweekend.com>. <https://humanitix.com/au/search?query=GUNNING+PATCHWORK> ADMISSION: From \$0 to \$150.00.

**Development Applications approved by Council - 1 March 2023 to 30 March 2023**

*In accordance with Section 4.59 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 and clause 124 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000, notice is given that Upper Lachlan Shire Council has consented to the following development applications:*

| DA No.      | Proposal                            | Property  |
|-------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| 24 / 2021.2 | Garage                              | 5 Holborow Street, CROOKWELL<br>Lot 1 DP 848724                 |
| 107 / 2022  | Primary and Secondary Dwelling      | 186 Greenridge Road, CURRAWEEELA<br>Lot 8 DP 1221640            |
| 116 / 2022  | Plant Nursery and 4 Lot Subdivision | 68 Laggan Road, CROOKWELL<br>Lot 1 DP 634602                    |
| 120 / 2022  | Patio                               | 7 Goulburn Street, COLLECTOR<br>Lot 2 Sec 15 DP 758263          |
| 134 / 2022  | Dwelling                            | Peelwood Road, PEELWOOD<br>Lot 2 DP 1044371 & Lot 254 DP 753039 |
| 143 / 2022  | 2 Lot subdivision                   | 209 Greenmantle Road, BIGGA<br>Lot 81 DP 753011                 |
| 152 / 2022  | Dwelling                            | 8 Leonard Place, CROOKWELL<br>Lot 9 DP 1287718                  |
| 162 / 2022  | Dwelling                            | 61 Queen Street, BINDA<br>Lot 1 Sec 20 DP 758110                |
| 180 / 2022  | Dwelling                            | 5 Leonard Place, CROOKWELL<br>Lot 7 DP 1287718                  |
| 183 / 2022  | Dwelling                            | 78 Macarthur Street, TARALGA<br>Lot 59 Sec 8 DP 976169          |
| 185 / 2022  | Garage                              | 5 Nelangalo Street, GUNNING<br>Lot F DP 36243                   |
| 186 / 2022  | Carport                             | 11 Clifton Street, CROOKWELL<br>Lot 1 DP 800526                 |

**UPPER LACHLAN SHIRE COUNCIL  
WASTE, RECYCLE & GARDEN WASTE COLLECTIONS**

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| <b>WEEKLY GARBAGE COLLECTION</b>                              |    |    |    |    |    |  |    |    |    |    |    |   |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| TUESDAY - CROOKWELL   |    |    |    |    |    | WEDNESDAY - GUNNING, BREADALBANE, COLLECTOR & DALTON |    |    |    |    |    | THURSDAY - BINDA, LAGGAN, GRABBen GULLEN, TARALGA & GOLSPIE |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| <b>FORTNIGHTLY RECYCLING &amp; GARDEN WASTE COLLECTIONS</b>   |    |    |    |    |    |  |    |    |    |    |    |   |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| CROOKWELL RECYCLE   |    |    |    |    |    |  |    |    |    |    |    |   |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| GUNNING, BREADALBANE, COLLECTOR & DALTON RECYCLE              |    |    |    |    |    |  |    |    |    |    |    |   |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| LAGGAN, GRABBen GULLEN, TARALGA & GOLSPIE RECYCLE             |    |    |    |    |    |  |    |    |    |    |    |   |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| BINDA & LOST RIVER RECYCLE                                    |    |    |    |    |    |  |    |    |    |    |    |   |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| CROOKWELL GARDEN WASTE  |    |    |    |    |    |  |    |    |    |    |    |   |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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