AUGUST 2023

Speed display units going up across the Shire

Over the next few weeks, speed display units will be in place at all of the villages and towns in the Upper Lachlan Shire.

Five speed display units are already on display (one each at Gunning, Dalton, Grabben Gullen, Crookwell and Laggan) and 17 more have just been delivered to be installed in coming weeks.

"These 22 speed display units are to be displayed at either end of the 11 villages and towns in the Upper Lachlan Shire," Acting CEO Andrew Croke said.

"They will be installed where speed limits reduce from 100km to 50km and their purpose is to give drivers clear and timely feedback regarding their speed, encouraging them to reduce their speed to the sign posted 50 km/h speed limit as they drive into our villages."

Mr Croke said that the display signs will be solar powered and are expected to be in place within the next two months.

Two speed display units will be installed at each of the following villages:

Binda, Bigga, Breadalbane, Collector, Crookwell, Dalton, Grabben Gullen, Gunning, Laggan, Taralga and Tuena.





Rainbow story time a big hit with Shire participants

Rainbow story time with drag artist Miss Betty Confetti was a huge success with over 40 children attending across two libraries in Crookwell and Gunning.

With sparkle, songs and stories about inclusion, diversity and acceptance, there was nothing but smiles from both parents/guardians and children.

Topped off with rainbow sprinkled biscuits, cakes and craft, the libraries came alive with laughter and joy, which was in stark contrast to the objections made by a small minority last month.

CEO Alex Waldron took the opportunity to praise the staff and the performer for creating a great atmosphere.

"I'd like to thank all of our amazing library staff for ensuring the libraries were so brightly decorated and Betti Confetti for performing such a fabulous story time," she said.

"Everyone enjoyed the event, I certainly enjoyed it and honestly I was a little moved by one of the stories. All of my children have attended various story times, and this was something special, they loved it.

"With a large turnout for our libraries, it just shows there's support for not only the love of reading but for diversity, inclusion and choice."

Ms Waldron was very happy with the turn out and how much those who attended enjoyed the story time.

"With letters and emails of support from the community and unwavering support from Councillors, it was clear the day would be a success," she said.

"I couldn't be more proud to say I live in such an inclusive place as the Upper Lachlan, which is why I invited Betti Confetti to our Shire in the first place."





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

Council Website www.upperlachlan.nsw.gov.au

Council Facebook www.facebook.com/UpperLachlanShireCouncil/

Upper Lachlan Visitor Information Centre Website: https://www.visitupperlachlan.com.au Facebook: www.facebook.com/upperlachlantourism Instagram:https://www.instagram.com/upplachtourism

Briefs from Ordinary Meeting of Council 17 August 2023

Apologies

An apology was received by Ms Alex Waldron, Chief Executive Officer.

Mayoral Minute

Council received and noted the activities attended by the Mayor in the period since the last Monthly Ordinary Meeting of Council. Council also received and noted the statement read out to the meeting by Mayor Pam Kensit regarding the achievements of Terry Knight on his 50 years of service to Council, as recognised in NSW Parliament by Member for Goulburn Wendy Tuckerman.

Reports received and noted

- Development Statistics Report
- Biosecurity Report
- Investments for the month of July 2023
- Bank Balance and Reconciliation July 2023
- Rates and Charges Outstanding for the month of July 2023
- Library Services 4th Quarter Report 2022/2023
- Grants Report
- Action Summary Council Decisions

Upper Lachlan Shire – Update of Planning Proposals

Council received and noted the report as information.

Council contribution for Flood Warning Systems

Council resolved to allocate \$50,000 from unrestricted cash reserves as a co-funding contribution required for a grant application for the Flood Warning System under the 2023-2024 Floodplain Management Program. The total project cost in the grant application is \$250,000.

2022/2023 revotes to carry forward to Internal Restricted Reserve

Council approves the 2022/2023 transfers to the Council internal restricted reserve fund totalling \$6,134,968 including revote of uncompleted expenditure projects and internal reserve fund movements.

Disclosure of Interest returns by Councillors under the Code of Conduct

Council notes the tabling of the Disclosure of Interests Returns by Councillors and receives the report as information.

Reports from Committees for the month of July 2023

Stonequarry Cemetery Committee – Minutes from Annual General Meeting held 27 May 2023.

Council accepted the Stonequarry

Cemetery office bearers President Brian Moloney, Secretary Maureen Long and Treasurer Tim Dowsley voted in as per the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held 27 May 2023.

CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

Tender for Gunning Swimming Pool Amenities Block

Council declined to accept all tenders received and discontinued with the tender process with respect to the construction of the Gunning Pool Amenities Block.

Council delegate authority to Acting Chief Executive Officer Andrew Croke to develop a negotiation strategy and enter into direct commercial negotiations with the preferred tenderer, Greenwich Build Pty Ltd, for refurbishment and construction of the Gunning Pool Amenities Block.

In the event direct negotiations are not successfully concluded and a contract is not agreed to, Council authorised Acting Chief Executive Officer Andrew Croke to retender the Gunning Pool Amenities Block project in the near future.

The Meeting closed at 2:14 PM. Next meeting to be held on 21 September, 2023.

Library Biz with Susan McIlroy - Manager, Library Services

Every Bird has a Story

Where: Crookwell Library

Who: All Ages

with thanks to Upper Lachlan Landcare.

When: Friday 1 September, 1:30pm to 2:30pm

Cost: Free

Upper Lachlan Shire Library Service COMING EVENTS - August 2023

Father's Day Craft - Crookwell

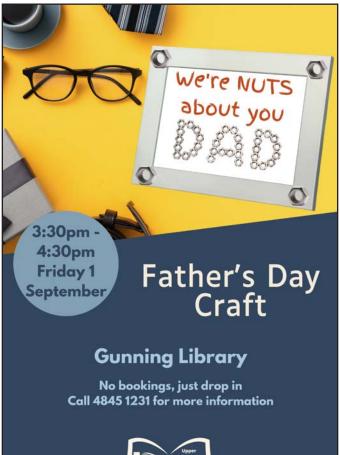
Father's Day is nearly here! Treat your dad, grandad, or other special bloke to a great gift with our Father's Day craft. Use paint, paper, and your imagination to create a money box decorated with everything dad loves best!

Where: Crookwell Library When: Friday 1 September, 3:30pm to 4:30pm Who: All Ages. Cost: Free No bookings required. Call 4832 1048 for more information.

Father's Day Craft - Gunning

Father's Day is nearly here! Treat your dad, grandad, or other special bloke to a great gift with our Father's Day craft. Take a photo frame and decorate it with nuts and bolts so that you can say you're absolutely nuts about dad!

Where: Gunning Library When: Friday 1 September, 3:30pm to 4:30pm Who: All Ages. Cost: Free No bookings required. Call 4845 1231 for more information.





Dungeons and Dragons continues in the Library! We're running a series of one-shot sessions each month for the rest of the year and we'd love to have you come along. This is a great chance to get a feel for this adventurous fantasy role-playing game, whether you're a brand new player or a seasoned expert. Bring your own drinks and snacks.

Join McComas Taylor (co-author of Field Guide to the

Birds of the ACT) for a fun and informative presentation exploring some of our local birds. Afternoon tea to follow,

Where: Crookwell Library When: Saturdays 2 and 23 September, 12:00pm to 5:00pm Who: Teens and Adults. Cost: Free Bookings essential. Call 4832 1048 or book online

Book Chat

This month's Book Chat includes the literary mocktail 'A Sidecar Named Desire'. Combining ginger beer, lime and ice, this is a refreshing drink to enjoy while talking about your latest reads. Drop in for a chat and go home with recommendations for new books to enjoy!

Where: Crookwell Library When: Monday 4 September, 1:00pm to 2:00pm Who: All Ages. Cost: Free No bookings required. Call 4832 1048 for more information.

Sensory Storytime

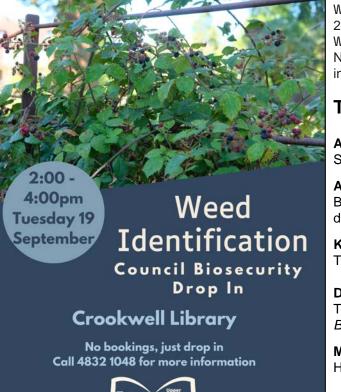
Join us for a special storytime that's a treat for all the senses! As well as picture books to look at and listen to, we'll have interesting textures to feel, tastes and smells, and dancing to get your body moving.

Where: Crookwell Library When: Thursday 21 September, 10:30am to 11:30am Who: Preschoolers Cost: Free No bookings required. Call 4832 1048 for more information.

Where: Gunning Library When: Friday 22 September, 10:00am to 11:00am Who: Preschoolers Cost: Free No bookings required. Call 4845 1231 for more information.









Weed Identification

Chat with Council Biosecurity Officers about weed control on your property, see examples of weeds and how to eradicate them, and bring in your own weeds for identification and advice. Where: Crookwell Library

When: Tuesday 19 September, 2:00 to 4:00pm, Tuesday 26 September, 10:30am to 12:30pm Who: All ages. Cost: Free No bookings required. Call 4832 1048 for more information.

This month's charts

Adult Fiction Snowy Mountains Promise - Alissa Callen

Adult Non-Fiction Better Brain Food: Eat to cheat dementia and cognitice decline - Ngaire Hobbins

Kid's book The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe - *C S Lewis*.

DVD

The Banshees of Inisherin - Starring Colin Farrell and Brendan Gleeson.

Magazine Highlife - *June-July* 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

Vietnam Veterans honoured at 50th anniversary service

Around 50 people gathered at the Uniting Church in Crookwell on Friday 18 August to commemorate Vietnam Veteran's Day, which this year marked the 50th anniversary of Australia's involvement in the Vietnam War.

The commemoration was moved from the Crookwell Shrine of Remembrance in Memorial Park to the Uniting Church due to inclement weather.

The Master of Ceremonies for the service was Honorary Secretary of the Crookwell RSL sub-branch, Bev Hatch, with Upper Lachlan Shire Council Mayor Pam Kensit and Reverend Daniel Mossfield each honouring the sombre occasion with their own words.

Following prayers, wreaths were laid by local schools, service clubs, the sub-branch, Upper Lachlan Shire Council, Vietnam Veterans and other local organisations, accompanied by lone piper Ms Graily Aldridge.

Following the wreath laying, students from Crookwell High School read out the names of Crookwell and District Veterans before The Ode was read, Last Post and was played, a minute's silence observed and Rouse was played. After Reverend Daniel Mossfield delivered the benediction, the Australian National Anthem was played and the service was officially closed.

Mayor Kensit said it was great to see so many people present, particularly the school children, despite the weather as it indicated the sacrifice of Vietnam Veterans has not been forgotten and is still honoured today.



Tree-planting at Moorlands to support Superb Parrot

By MAYOR PAM KENSIT

On Sunday 20 August ABC presenter Simon Marnie visited the Upper Lachlan Shire for an Outside Broadcast for ABC 702 from the beautiful hills above the Lachlan River. His broadcast was prompted by a mass planting of trees on Moorlands, a sheep farm at Biala. Planting on this property has been a regular event over the last twenty plus years.

In recent years it has become apparent that Superb Parrots, a species listed as vulnerable, were nesting on Moorlands. This prompted Mac Cobden, a researcher from ANU, to investigate.

Mac has now completed his field work for his PhD using nests on Moorlands and in other locations. He climbs the trees (Superb Parrots nest in hollows of gum trees), monitors egg numbers and hatchling weights. Mac also attaches tracking devices to the birds and takes DNA samples. The findings from this research are significant.

Organisations including Greening Australia and Planet Ark have tapped into Mac's knowledge in their quest to save the Superb Parrot from extinction. This has prompted a plan to plant 6,000 native trees and shrubs at Moorlands each year for the next 3 years. Birdlife Australia are involved and are conducting the monitoring of all bird species numbers in this location.

Previous planting of paddock trees to aid the Superb Parrot were conducted at Moorlands starting in 2013. These plantings were helped by the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage as part of their Save Our Species project focused on those species most vulnerable to extinction.

However, given the scale scale of the planting, landowner, Vince Heffernan, has sought help from volunteers to plant some of these tubestock. Volunteers have come from far and wide, hence it was a great opportunity to showcase our Shire on ABC radio with Simon Marnie interviewing some local producers.

A nature group in Southwest Sydney, Oatley Flora & Fauna, have been previously involved in planting trees in the Shire in recent years and have coordinated volunteers from as far as field as Victoria to help this season.

Senator David Pocock organised a team from Canberra to help plant last weekend. Additionally, Rotary, through their adopt-atree initiative, are playing a major role in the project.

The plan seeks to replicate the density of the grassy woodland that once covered much of this landscape.

"This is not a forest", says Vince Heffernan.

"Rather we are planting for around 30% canopy cover when all plants are mature. It is critical we have a mix of shrubs with the trees at a ratio of four to one.

This understorey is very diverse: a dozen acacia species, lots of flowering shrubs including bottle brush, Banksia, Grevillea, Tea Tree, Dodonea, Hardenbergia, Bursaria and many more. These are vital for year-round flowering that gives both habitat and food for native insects, bats, reptiles, mammals, marsupials, and birds including the Superb Parrot. "Such diversity brings balance back to the landscape and adds great resilience in this time of warming climate."

Once established, these paddocks will be grazed by the sheep on Moorlands as per usual.

The Upper Lachlan Landcare Group has run similar incentives on a far smaller scale with many land holders in the Upper Lachlan. A partner project between Upper Lachlan Landcare, Southeast Local Land Services, Gunning District Landcare, and Upper Lachlan Shire Council engaged local ecologist Tony Saunders to undertake the extensive and comprehensive research and prepare the Upper Lachlan Habitat Connectivity Prioritisation Plan (ULHCPP).

The ULHCPP identifies areas where revegetation projects may provide maximum conservation benefit to enable a deliberate and strategic approach to habitat connectivity efforts.

As a Shire we are pulling our weight when it comes to sustainability.

In the Upper Lachlan there is an active Grazing Group which encourages sound ecological practises. They comprise graziers who come together to share ideas, knowledge, and experience and they support land management practices that deliver better outcomes emotionally, environmentally, and economically. The Gunning Landcare Group are actively involved with the preservation of the Southern Pygmy Perch. Southern Pygmy Perch (*Nannoperca australis*) is a small native freshwater fish that was once widespread in the Murray Darling Basin. It is now limited to a very small number of sites and in 2008 it was declared to be Endangered in NSW.

Several of the sites where it still occurs are within the Gunning area. Gunning District Landcare was very concerned about the conservation of the species, and in 2017 commissioned a Local Action Plan. Among the recommendations in the Plan is the need for on-going monitoring of local populations.

As a Shire we are proud of the work done to preserve the landscapes. We are proud of the fact that as a shire we reach ten of the United Nation seventeen Sustainable Development goals. We are fortunate in the sheer nature of our surrounds lends itself to reaching these goals.

As a community we need to continue to care and preserve our local fauna and flora and support our Landcare communities.

For all those interested in learning more about our local birds, McComas Taylor (co-author of Field Guide to the Birds of the ACT) will present a talk at the Crookwell Library from 1.30 to 2.30pm -Friday 1st September 2023.

An afternoon tea will follow the talk giving patrons an opportunity to chat informally with Mr Taylor. For information for this free event call P:0447 242 474 or Email: coordinator@upperlachlanlandcare.org.au



Upper Lachlan Shire Mayor Pam Kensit speaking with Simon Marnie during the ABC outside broadcast from Moorlands on 20 July.

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What's happening across the Shire

AAC SHEEP WEEK IN CROOKWELL

Monday 28 August to Friday 1 September Australian Agricultural Centre

3365 Goulburn Road Crookwell

Various Times and Various costs for different events. Contact Jo Marshall on 0408 976 070.

AAC Wool Ball

Friday 1 September 2023 – 7.30pm Crookwell Showground Pavilion

Includes designer fashion parade. Dress – Farmer Formal. ADMISSION: \$60, bookings www.trybooking.com.au. Contact Jo Marshall on 0408 976 070 for further details.

FAMILY HISTORY MONTH – FAMILY HISTORY RESEARCH USING DNA

Tuesday 29 August – 12.30pm to 1.30pm Crookwell Library

Exploring your genetic heritage with a DNA test kit can be great fun – but how do you use this information once you get your results back? Join local family history researchers Vivienne Flanagan and Penny Gordon to find out how to understand and use your DNA results in your own family history research. All ages, cost is free. Bookings essential. Call 4832 1048 or book online https://tinyurl.com/ULSLFHDNA.

EVERY BIRD HAS A STORY

Friday 1 September 2023 – 1.30pm to 2.30pm **Crookwell Library – Denison Street** Admission is free. To book, contact coordinator@upperlachlanlandcare.org.au or call 0447242474.

BINDA QUICK SHEAR

Saturday 2 September – 10.30am Binda Flat – Queen Street

Shearers across the country will descend on Binda. Watch as skilled shearers compete against each other to see who can shear the fastest. Cheer on your favourite competitor and see who will take home the grand prize! Funds raised go to Binda Public School. Competition in Open, Senior, Intermediate, Masters, Novice and Team Event divisions with big prizes. There will also be food stalls, entertainment, a kid's area and plenty of activities for the whole family. Spectators entry by gold coin donation, competitors encouraged to 'Reserve a spot' as our capacity is limited. Tickets – www.eventbrite.com.au. For further information www.quickshearinc.com.au.

LANDCARE SPRING DINNER DANCE

Saturday 9 September 2023 – 7pm until late Crookwell Services Club

Two course meal & band, Lucky Door Prize and Best Bush dance outfit award, raffles. Tickets \$60.00 per person. Bookings .www.trybooking.com.ckiew.

THE GATHERING: GUNNING LADIES LUNCH

Saturday 9 September

Details to follow - save the date

Celebrate women, food and friendship. Tickets on sale and further details available from Thursday 3 August.

KAOS – MISHMASH SHOW

Friday 15 September – Saturday 16 September (2pm) Sunday 17 September (2pm)

Crookwell Memorial Hall – Denison Street

Tickets – Adult \$20, Children's \$15, Family (2 adults, 2 children) \$40. Buy at the door or via trybooking.com.au. For more information www.cadstheatre.com.au or email rs.bill@outlook.com.

LAGGAN VILLAGE MARKETS

Saturday 16 September – 9am to 1pm Laggan Memorial Hall

Popular stalls, wood raffle, coffee, BBQ Breakfast, eco products, homemade relishes, jams and cakes, plants, handcrafts. Tea room open with homemade cakes, scones and sandwiches. For more details, contact Amanda or Karin Schafer (4836 5234 and 0428 667 677) karin368ps@gmail.com..

COLLECTOR MARKETS

Saturday 16 September – 9am to 2pm 11 Murray Street, Collector

Talented local artisan merchandise, fresh produce. For further details contact collectormarkets@gmail.com or go to the facebook page https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=1000640643517 49 or the website www.collectormarkets.com.au.

ACACIA QUARTET

Saturday 16 September 2023 – 3pm **Gunning Courtroom** Admission: \$25 - \$40. Tickets at www.events.humanitix.com. Contact the Gunning Focus Group on 4845 8217 for details.

HANDLE WITH CARE (The Men's Shed)

Friday 22 September – 5pm to 8pm (supper provided) Saturday 23 and Sunday 24 September (10am to 4pm) Crookwell Art Gallery – Denison Street Entry by donation. For further details www.crookwellartgallery.com or email secretary@crookwellartgallery.com.

PAINT THE TOWN STREET ART FESTIVAL (Southern Tablelands Arts)

Saturday 23 September – Sunday 8 October (Various times)

Various locations across the Southern Tablelands. For more information, contact the Crookwell Visitor Information Centre on 4832 1988, go to the website www.southerntablelandarts.com.au.

LAGGAN REVISITED

Saturday 30 September – Monday 2 October (Various times)

Laggan (various venues)

Admission: Gold coin donation plus purchase of any food or drink. For information contact the Crookwell Visitor Information Centre, go to the facebook page www.facebook.com/upperlachlantourism or call Elaine on 0438 446 217.

Development Applications approved by Council - 1 July 2023 to 31 July 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 | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|---------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 160 / 2022 | Boundary Adjustment | 241 Hillcrest Road, MYRTLEVILLE Lot 17 DP 8040 | | | | | | | | |
| 189 / 2022 | Alterations and additions to dwelling | 1766 Sapphire Road, BIALA Lot Lot 1 DP 1188760 | | | | | | | | |
| 194 / 2022 | Dwelling | Coolalie Road, JERRAWA Lot A DP 374713 | | | | | | | | |
| 197 / 2022 | Alterations and additions to dwelling | 7 Wade Street, CROOKWELL Lot 2 DP 1052018 | | | | | | | | |
| 201 / 2023 | Home business - hair salon | 85 McIntosh Road, CROOKWELL Lot 1 DP 819796 | | | | | | | | |
| 202 / 2023 | Garage | 15 Bourke Street, COLLECTOR Lot 2 Sec 10 DP 1220908 | | | | | | | | |
| 210 / 2023 | Dwelling | 3583 Junction Point Road, CROOKED CORNER Lot 1 DP 1220908 | | | | | | | | |
| 214 / 2023 | Shed | 60 Biala Street, GUNNING Lot 17 Sec 8 DP 758493 | | | | | | | | |
| 71 / 2022.3 | Shed | 84 Kangaloolah Road, BINDA Lot 2 DP 837565 | | | | | | | | |

UPPER LACHLAN SHIRE COUNCIL WASTE, RECYCLE & GARDEN WASTE COLLECTIONS

2023

| WEEKLY GARBAGE COLLECTION TUE SDAY - CROOKWELL WEDNESDAY - GUNNING, BREADALBANE, COLLECTOR & DALTON THUR SDAY - BINDA, LAGGAN, GRABBEN GULLEN, TARALGA & GOLSPIE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| CROOKWELL GARDEN WASTE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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