



LOCKHART SHIRE NEWSLETTER

Our Values - Leadership; Integrity; Progressiveness; Commitment; Accountability; Adaptability

Photo courtesy of Tracy Hounsell

February 2019

AUSTRALIA DAY 2019

LOCKHART SWIMMING POOL COMPLEX



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Lockhart Business Centre Master Plan

In support of future planning, Lockhart Shire Council is facilitating the development of a master plan for the Lockhart Business Centre to address the future needs for this area. The study area for this project extends along Green Street between the Lockhart Caravan Park and Day Street. Classified by the National Trust for its' turn of the century architecture, it is important that Lockhart's current strengths are retained, while making improvements that meet the current and future needs of residents and visitors.

Lockhart Shire Council is preparing the Lockhart Business Centre Master Plan and want to hear from you on how they might improve the town centre to best cater for the needs of our community into the future. The *Lockhart Business Centre Master Plan Preliminary Concepts* are available for review at www.lockhart.nsw.gov.au. There are several ways that you can have your say about the *Preliminary Concepts*.

Community sessions	<p>Join us at one of the community drop-in sessions to find out more about the <i>Preliminary Concepts</i> and provide feedback. All welcome!</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="434 536 994 715"> <tr> <td data-bbox="434 536 714 715"> <u>Community session 1.</u> From 6 to 8pm, Thursday 14 February Council Chambers, Green Street, Lockhart </td> <td data-bbox="714 536 994 715"> <u>Community session 2</u> From 1 to 5pm, Friday 15 February 2019 Outside IGA, Green Street, Lockhart </td> </tr> </table>	<u>Community session 1.</u> From 6 to 8pm, Thursday 14 February Council Chambers, Green Street, Lockhart	<u>Community session 2</u> From 1 to 5pm, Friday 15 February 2019 Outside IGA, Green Street, Lockhart
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Online survey	<p>Can't make the community sessions? Visit www.lockhart.nsw.gov.au to complete the online survey. The survey will be open from 7 to 28 Feb 2019.</p>		
Face to face consultation	<p>If you live or work in Lockhart's Business Centre, we will come to you to talk about the <i>Preliminary Concepts</i>. You can expect us to visit you between 10am and 4:30pm on Wednesday 13 and Thursday 14 February 2019.</p>		
Written submissions	<p>Written submissions can be made by email or in writing. Written submissions must be clearly marked as '<i>Lockhart Business Centre Master Plan Preliminary Concepts</i>' and will be received up until Thursday 28 February at 5pm. Submissions can be lodged by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emailing mail@lockhart.nsw.gov.au • In writing to Lockhart Shire Council, PO Box 21, Lockhart, NSW, 2656 • Delivering to Lockhart Shire Council office, 65 Green Street, Lockhart, NSW, 2656 		

What happens next?

Once Lockhart Shire Council have collated your thoughts and ideas, the project team will prepare a *Draft Lockhart Business Centre Master Plan*. There will be another opportunity to provide feedback on the draft Master Plan, which is anticipated in April 2019.

For further information, please contact David Webb on 02 6920 5305

Mayoral Report

Hello everyone.

Well we have now all started into 2019 and things certainly don't appear to be slowing down, which in many ways is good. The Council started its year off with the Shire's Australia Day celebrations, this year held at the new Lockhart Swimming Pool complex. All those in attendance enjoyed our young Ambassador, Ethan Butson, a scientist and inventor who has gained world attention for some of his medical problem solving solutions. He and his father Martin enjoyed the day along with all in attendance, swimming and eating thanks to the efforts of the Lockhart Football Netball Club who catered very well and made the day great.

Congratulations to our Citizen of the Year, Margie Jacobsen from Pleasant Hills and to John Fox and Shirley Morgan from Lockhart and John (Macca) McLachlan from The Rock, who were shown to have done incredible work for their communities over many years, being awarded an Australia Day Award. Well done and thank you to them.

Work will continue throughout the Shire with grant funding being received for ongoing projects. The creek crossing in Green St Lockhart is now a construction site with a new culvert crossing being installed which is longer, wider and higher than the original which will aid water flow in the creek and also allow higher mass limits (bigger trucks) to cross, along with many more throughout the Shire earmarked for upgrades also for higher mass limits.

Stage 2 of the flood mitigation works in Lockhart (East of the Industrial Park) will commence mid-year and the mitigation works at The Rock, which is now 75% complete, will finish hopefully about April /May.

We were successful in gaining funding for tree lopping throughout the Shire to allow higher and wider vehicles to travel with less obstructions on our roads and that amounted to some \$249,000.

Funding has also been approved to allow Council to continue its voluntary purchase program for flood affected homes for the next 3 years.

We also have grant applications in for the upgrade and widening of MR59 (Lockhart-Urana Rd) to

greatly improve traffic movements on that very busy road.



A future project, the plans for which are about to go out on public exhibition, for the upgrade of the Lockhart CBD is a very exciting project that will take our town through to the next century with cool pedestrian areas and electric vehicle charging points all designed to attract people to our area, thus ensuring the longevity of our town and Shire.

I am very often approached by people passing through our Shire (and visitation numbers are going through the roof) who compliment myself and other Councillors on just how great our Shire is. This Shire is growing at 2% which is against the trend and, based on the ratio of volunteers, we were declared the "kindest" shire in the state in an independent study by Bond University. Developments are continuing throughout the Shire and our parks and passive areas are cool and inviting. Our townships are well serviced with the swimming pool developments and sporting field developments continuing to improve the places in which we live and work. Our road infrastructure I believe is as good as any other shire and yet some continue to grumble about how they don't like this, or that should change. Maybe those who criticise most should travel elsewhere and compare our Shire's services, our roads and our parks and appreciate just how well off we all are.

In the scheme of things we live in a Shire that is for the most part warm, welcoming and friendly and has the ability to provide you the residents with most of what you require, and we will continue to try and improve on those very things. I know I am very pleased to live where I do.

I hope this year will be kinder to those farmers and businesses in our Shire with the arrival of much needed rain, a year that is less stressful for all and a year that delivers some "normality" for all so that we can just do what we do peacefully.

We will chat next month.

Cheers Rodg.

SCHOOL ZONE OFFENCES



NO PARKING
Disobey no parking sign.

PENALTY
\$187
+ 2 DEMERIT POINTS



NO STOPPING
Disobey no stopping sign.

PENALTY
\$337
+ 2 DEMERIT POINTS



BUS ZONE
Stop in bus zone.

PENALTY
\$337
+ 2 DEMERIT POINTS



DRIVEWAY & FOOTPATHS
Drive on nature strip and/or path.

PENALTY
\$488
+ 4 DEMERIT POINTS



REVERSING
Not reverse vehicle safely.

PENALTY
\$263
+ 3 DEMERIT POINTS



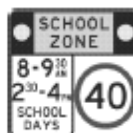
INTERSECTION
Stop within 10m of intersection with no traffic lights.

PENALTY
\$488
+ 2 DEMERIT POINTS



PEDESTRIAN CROSSING
Fail to give way to pedestrian on pedestrian crossing.

PENALTY
\$561
+ 4 DEMERIT POINTS



SPEEDING
Double demerits also apply.

PENALTIES UP TO
\$3,821
+ 7 DEMERIT POINTS



MOBILE PHONE
Drive using mobile phone when not permitted. Double demerits also apply.

PENALTIES FROM
\$448
+ 3 DEMERIT POINTS



OBSTRUCTING PATH
Obstruct access ramp/path/passageway.

PENALTY
\$337
+ 2 DEMERIT POINTS



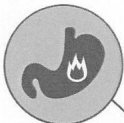
*Fines current as at 17 September 2018. Fines and demerit points are subject to change. For more information check the NSW Centre for Road Safety website.

Ovarian Cancer

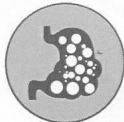


February is
Ovarian Cancer
Awareness Month.

The symptoms of ovarian cancer can be vague and hard to recognise so it's important that women are aware of them. If you have concerns see a doctor and get it checked out.



Heartburn and
nausea



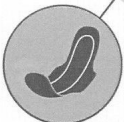
Swollen, bloated
abdomen



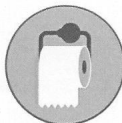
Tiredness
and loss of
appetite



Pressure,
discomfort
or pain in the
abdomen or
pelvis



Changes in
menstrual
pattern or
bleeding after
menopause



Changes in
toilet habits



Unexplained weight
loss or weight gain



Pain during sex



World Day of Prayer—March 2019

SLOVENIA

'Come—Everything Is Ready'



Date Friday 1st March
Time 10.30am
Place Lockhart Uniting Church



Brookong Nook

Craft Shop

Green Street

Lockhart



Stocking locally made wares for sale.

An abundant variety of delicious home made **Jams, Pickles, Relishes and Lemon Butter. Local Honey, Free Range Eggs, Olive Oil & Goat Soap.**

Mouth watering, home baked **apple or apricot pies, small tarts, biscuits slices and succulent mixed fruit cakes.**

An array of gorgeous handcrafted knitted and sewn items.

Great place for that special gift at reasonable prices.

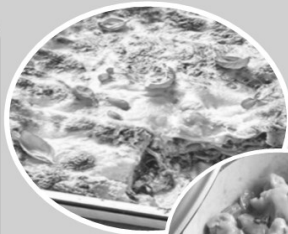
Orders taken if unavailable on the day.

Community Group Fundraising Opportunity

**Council is seeking E.O.I. from Community Groups
to cater for Council's Monthly Council Meetings
(three meetings in a row)**

**Council has recently revised requirements and
Community Groups will be paid at a rate of \$20.00 per
head, to include:**

**A choice of
2 main
meals;
casserole,
tray bake
or meats**



**With
accompanying
side dishes;
salad, potato,
rice, etc.**



**&
fresh
bread
rolls &
fruit
juice**



For further information please phone Leonie on: 6920 5305

Lockhart & District Little Athletics receive grants totalling over \$5000

Lockhart Little Athletics have recently received 2 grants, the first grant announced by local based Nationals MLC, Wes Fang for over \$4,000 has been awarded from NSW Government funding to upgrade vital equipment. The grant will allow the Little Athletics Centre to purchase a new line marker and trailer and help to subsidise uniforms and registration fees. The second grant of over \$1,200 comes from funds raised by Coles from selected Community Bags. Funds for the grants are raised through the sale of specially-marked chiller bags designed by Aussie kids. For every bag sold, 25 cents is directed to the Coles Little Athletics Community Fund to provide sport equipment grants. The Lockhart and District Little Athletics Centre told Coles they would like to

receive a grant to buy discs, shot puts and a multi-lane timer and Coles were delighted to help because these are an essential part of Little Athletics to support young budding athletes.

Pictured, left to right: Shirley Morgan, James McLaurin, Janelle McLaurin, Wes Fang MLC, Judith Peel, Members of Lockhart Little Athletics



Lockhart & District **Community Bank**[®] Branch

Invitation

Community Grants Forum

When: Wednesday 20 February 2019 at 6 pm

Venue: Lockhart Ex-Servicemen's Club (Auditorium)

RSVP: by Friday 15 February 2019 to Lockhart & District **Community Bank**[®] Branch on 6920 4244

The Lockhart Community Grants Program is a management account of Community Enterprise™ Charitable Fund.
ABN 12 102 649 968. The Bendigo Centre, Bendigo, VIC, 3550. CEF27 (449345_v1) (31/01/2019)





PLEASANT HILLS PRESCHOOL

Open Tuesday & Wednesday

8.30AM – 4.00PM

For children aged 3 – 5yrs

As little as \$10 per day

For more info contact Megan 6929 6407 or (M) 0407 492 062

Email: phpreschool@gmail.com



LOCKHART MEMORIAL HALL HALL HIRE

FULL DAY \$200.00

HALF DAY \$115.00

NIGHT \$200.00

ALSO AVAILABLE FOR HIRE:
Tables & Chairs

Please contact Lockhart Shire Council
Phone: (02) 6920 5305

"Kengal Krafters Inc"

The Rock Craft Shop

@ the CWA Rooms

128 Urana Street, The Rock—Open

Wednesday to Sunday 10am - 2pm

Selling a large variety of locally made items including:

Free range eggs, jams, relish, pickles, baked goods, hand painted gifts, baby wear, children's clothing, toys, knitting and patchwork items, kitchen and bathroom accessories, ladies bags, jewellery, scarves, aboriginal artwork.

Our association was formed to provide opportunities for crafters within the Riverina area to connect with others, grow their home based businesses and promote hand made local products.



If you would like to become a member, applications forms are available from the Craft Shop. All welcome. For more information call Joy Schultz 042856902, Wendy Flory 0429637313 or Chris Makeham 0448570227

The Rock Central School

is now taking enrolments for

Kindergarten

for 2019

Do you have a child,
or someone you know has a child,
turning 5 (or at the latest 6)
before 31st July, 2019?

please contact

The Rock Central School
on

Ph: 6920 2132

or

Email: therock-c.school@det.nsw.edu.au

to enrol

THE ROCK TOWN HALL & MUSEUM AVAILABLE FOR HIRE

Use our history display panels as a talking point for your next function

FULL DAY \$200.00

HALF DAY \$100.00

Some or all of the exhibits may be removed on request.

For information contact:

Nancy Smith (Secretary) 0427692020

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



Lockhart Caravan Park



If you know someone looking for just the right place to set up camp with a tent or caravan, or looking to hire an on-site van, then Lockhart Caravan Park is just the place.

Situated in Green Street, the caravan park is just 100 metres from the shopping area and within easy walking distance to all facilities.

There are 21 sites, three unpowered and eighteen powered sites.

Three Cabins which can accommodate up to 8 people are also available.

A modern camp kitchen is available as well as showers, toilets and a peaceful location.

**Contact the Manager on
0458 205 303**



MOBILE LIBRARY TIMETABLE

March

Lockhart

5th, 12th, 19th, & 26th

9am - 12.30pm

Milbrulong

7th & 21st

9am - 10am

Pleasant Hills

4th & 18th

1.15pm - 2.30pm

Yerong Creek

6th & 20th

3pm - 4pm

The Rock

7th & 21st

10.30am - 12.00pm

Now stopping directly across from
Emily Gardens Aged Care, Emily
Street

www.rrl.nsw.gov.au

Local Church Services

CATHOLIC CHURCH NOTICE

Lockhart, Urana & Oaklands

Lockhart: 6:00pm 1st, 3rd & 5th Saturdays

8:00am 2nd & 4th Sundays

Urana: 6:00pm 2nd & 4th Saturdays

8:00am 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays

Oaklands: 10:00am 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays

For further information contact

Father Henry on 6920 5446

Lockhart Uniting Church Services

FEBRUARY 2019

17th - 9am, No Service,
join with the Anglicans

24th - 9am, Lockhart,
Holy Communion

If there are any pastoral concerns, please
contact Lorraine Hoffman on 6920 6233 or
0427 204 051

St John's Presbyterian Church

Cnr Hebden & Day St, Lockhart

1st and 3rd Sundays - 6pm

2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays - 8.45am

Rev Craig Nicholas 6929 3129

www.hentylockhartpresy.org.au

Bethlehem Lutheran Church Milbrulong



2nd Sunday of the month -

Lay Reading with Sunday School

4th Sunday with Pastor Stuart Kleinig

Holy Communion & Morning Tea

Phone 02-69206226 with enquiries

ANGLICAN CHURCH OF AUSTRALIA

Diocese of Riverina Parish of Lockhart

St Aidan's Lockhart

Cnr Day & Drummond Streets Lockhart

Worship Sundays 9.00am

St Philip's Urana

Princess Street, Urana

4th Sunday of the month 10.00am

St Oswald's Boree Creek

*Baptisms, Marriages, Funerals & other
activities by arrangement*

Enquiries: Rev Nola Cox 0429 028 274

Diocesan website: www.anglicanriverina.com/

St Peters Anglican Church The Rock

Communion 1st Sunday

each month at 9.30am

Enquiries:

Rev Jocelyn Heazlewood 0427 198 513

Mrs M Vennell 6920 1067

St Mary's Parish, The Rock

Sunday 10.00am - The Rock.

1st & 3rd Sunday, 8.30am - Mangoplah

2nd & 4th Sunday, 8.30am - Yerong Creek

Enquiries: Fr Damian Jellett 6920 2017

The Rock Uniting Church

Ford Street, The Rock

Rev. Daniel Yang

2ND SUNDAY – 9.30AM

All Welcome

CONTACT: (02) 69202024

Or (02) 6933 1650

Christian Radio in Lockhart 87.6

Tune every day

Council Waste Disposal Centres Opening Hours

	Each TUESDAY	Each WEDNESDAY	SUNDAYS IN MARCH (10TH & 24TH)
Lockhart		8.30am - 10.30am	8.30am - 11.30am
The Rock		1.00pm - 3.00pm	1.00pm - 4.00pm
Yerong Creek	1.30pm – 3.30pm		
Pleasant Hills	10.00 am – 12.00pm		



Lockhart Lions Club Recycling

Location: Next to Uncle Toby's Shed on the northern side of railway line.

Entry from Brookong Street.

Opening Times: Daylight Hours,
Seven days a week

Items Received:

Paper/Magazines, Books (including phone books), Cardboard, Aluminium cans, Plastic bottles (rinsed) and any type of motor vehicle batteries (truck, car, tractor etc).

UNFORTUNATELY, WE ARE NO LONGER ABLE TO ACCEPT PLASTIC WRAP OR PLASTIC BAGS

Unacceptable Items:

Wax-coated cartons, Polystyrene, Light bulbs, Fluorescent tubes, Window glass, Heat-treated glass, Steel cans or drums and plastic bags or wrap.

To make our job easier

please use receptacles provided.

Thank you for supporting the Lions Club

**No cash \$\$\$ no worries.
Eftpos facilities are now available at all Council waste facilities.**



COMMUNITY RECYCLING CENTRE

Strapped for cash? Looking to tidy up your garage or shed?

There is a wide range of items that you can take to the Lockhart Community Recycling Centre (CRC) for free! Motor oil, paint, televisions and computers, batteries and old fire extinguishers & green waste are all accepted free of charge at the Lockhart CRC.

You can also drop off unwanted items that are too good to throw away, by delivering them to the Lockhart Re-use Shop, during normal tip opening hours.

For more information on waste and recycling in the Shire, visit our webpage at <http://www.lockhart.nsw.gov.au>



VALMAR
Linking Community

Our Services delivery areas encompass the Lockhart & Federation Shires. For further classification of service provision in what areas and for any queries please contact Lockhart on 02 6920 4162

The following services Valmar Support Services offer are:
We also offer a Weekly Bus Service to Wagga each Wednesday.
Social bus Trips each Friday .

Contact 02 6920 4162

- ◆ Community Transport
- ◆ Individual & Group Social Support
- ◆ Home Modifications
- ◆ Meals on Wheels
- ◆ Domestic Assistance
- ◆ Personal Care
- ◆ Centre based Respite
- ◆ Flexible Respite
- ◆ Craft Group– 10am-12pm
- ◆ Day Club– Tuesdays 10am-3pm
- ◆ Home Maintenance
- ◆ Brokered Services



Meals on Wheels

**The Rock & District
Meals on Wheels
Association Inc.**

Help support your local Meals on
Wheels Service

Everyone can assist us, just by having a conversation with a neighbour living alone, parents or grandparents or with the person with time on their hands. We offer freshly cooked hot meals daily, an extensive frozen meal menu, prepared locally in Wagga, centre based meals twice a week as well as outings, entertainment and various activities to people over 65.

**Social club operates every Tuesday
and Thursday from 10 am till 3pm
at the Rock Memorial Bowling Club**

**For further details please contact Vicky
6920 2500**

**Valmar Community Transport
Lockhart to Albury Bus**

1st Tuesday of the Month

Depart Lockhart	8:00am
Arrive at The Rock	8.30am
Arrive at Yerong Creek	8:50am
Arrive at Henty	9:15am
Arrive at Albury	10.15am

Depart Albury	2.30pm
Henty	3:30pm
Yerong Creek	3:55pm
The Rock	4:15pm
Lockhart	4:45pm

These times are an estimated time.

**All destinations are available from Lockhart and we encourage new clients to ring to make enquiries on pick up points. Enjoy a trip with friends or go on your own and make new friends. New clients always welcome
Children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult.**

\$10.00 RETURN TRIP

**BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL.
Please contact our Lockhart Office
Ph. 02 6920 4162.**



Open Wednesday, Thursday & Friday

8am – 3.30pm

Expressions of interest now open for 2019 and 2020

Phone Kerri 69 205 156 or email

director@lockhartpreschool.com.au



Lockhart Playgroup

For all children from birth – 5 years and all carers parents & grandparents

Enjoy a coffee and morning tea while the kids play in a safe and secure environment.

Also a great opportunity for the children to become familiar with the preschool surrounds.

When: Every Tuesday during the school term

Where: Lockhart Preschool, Day Street

Time: 9am – 11am

Cost: \$20 annual fee per family

BSB: 633-000 A/C # 159 006 238

A/C name: Lockhart Playgroup

For more information contact
Rachel Day 0429 741 226 or
Erin Schirmer 0429 873 246

Lockhart Preschool Kindergarten News

On 17 October 2018 the Lockhart Preschool Incorporated held it's A.G.M, a new committee was elected, Emma Lane – President, Michelle Gleeson – Vice President, Erin Schirmer – Secretary, Rachel Day – Treasurer, Jenny Geppert – General committee member and Steve Ballard – General committee member.

A huge thank you must go to the outgoing committee who have done an enormous amount of work, Cheree Gooden, Carissa Schneider and Alana Urquhart. All these ladies have given 100% to their role on the preschool committee, whilst juggling families, work commitment and house renovations!!!

As we begin the year at Pre-School the staff, committee, parents and children are looking forward to a fabulous year. Among other things the children will enjoy cooking, playing in the sandpit and doing yoga via our new smart TV.

A wonderful addition to our facility has been an update to the current toilet and the addition of a new disabled toilet. These add to our preschool to make it a welcoming environment for any child and for any member of the community – whatever their needs are. The Preschool committee employed a local builder, Simon Hounsell to complete the project. We were very happy with his professionalism and work. It has resulted in a great facility we are very proud of, so thank you to Simon and his tradesmen he worked with. We are so grateful to the Lockhart Branch of the Bendigo Bank and the NSW State Government for their generous grants and their enthusiasm about our project.

Lockhart Preschool is open 8:00-3:30 Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

St Peters Anglican Church Celebrates 100 years of service to our community on 21/08/2019.

We are seeking a loan of any memorabilia, eg photos or items from the past to be used to help us commemorate this special occasion.

Please contact : Rev Jocelyn Heazlewood 0427 198 513 or Mrs M Vennell 69201067

NOW SELLING

RESIDENTIAL & LIFESTYLE BLOCKS NEW RELEASE INDUSTRIAL LAND

CONTACT: LUKE FOLEY,
JOHN MOONEY REAL ESTATE - AGENT FOR COUNCIL
PHONE: 02 69211255



Service NSW

Driver Testing

The next Service NSW driver testing visits to Council will take place on the 14th March 2019

In order to make a booking for your driving test you need to call **8059 3770**

NEWSLETTER DEADLINES

All articles for the next Newsletter need to be received no later than 4pm on

Friday 15th March 2019

Placement of articles is subject to available space.

Ph: (02) 6920 5305

Fax: (02) 6920 5247
or mail@lockhart.nsw.gov.au

Next Council Meeting Monday 18th March 2019



Notice is given that Council's Meeting for March will be held in the Council Chambers, Green Street, Lockhart, commencing at 5.00pm

Members of the community are most welcome to attend.

Health & Associated Services



Do you need a Community Health Service?

You can now access Community
Health Services such as:

- Community Nurse
- Child and Family Health Nurse
- Generalist Counsellor
- Occupational Therapist
- Dietitian
- Physiotherapist
- Speech Pathologist
- Palliative Care Nurse
- Diabetes Educator
- Chronic Care

By calling one number the health professional on the end of the line will help you access the service you need.

Call 1800 654 324
(1800 MLHD CH)



Health
Murrumbidgee
Local Health District

04711596 06/17

Murrumbidgee Primary Health Network have a counsellor providing counselling on the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month at the Lockhart Medical Practice. Referrals are needed. Just call the surgery on 69205249 to make an appointment.

Australian Unity Home Care Service **HCP Packages** **NDIS Service**

- Domestic Assistance
 - Personal Care
 - Respite Service
 - Social Support
 - Brokered Service
- Call 1300 296 835

X-RAY SERVICE

X-ray services are available every second Friday at Lockhart & District Hospital. A referral from the doctor is required. For appointments phone 6930 7100

OPTOMETRIST

Russell and Chalker Eyecare Plus visit Lockhart regularly for comprehensive consultations including glaucoma testing, cataract assessments, macular degeneration. Adults and children's assessments, and Veteran's Affairs patients welcome. Spectacle frames available.

For Appointments Phone:
(02) 6921 8833.

Tai Chi Classes

Each Monday morning at the Lockhart Uniting Church Hall at 9am for the Advanced Class and 9.45 for beginners It is a New Year so why not come along & try a gentle different exercise? Everyone is welcome.

Any enquiries please ring Lorraine Hoffmann on 0427204051.



THE ROCK & DISTRICT MENS SHED



Ford Street THE ROCK 2655

THE ROCK & DISTRICT MEN'S SHED

MEETS EVERY WEDNESDAY

FROM 8.30AM TO APPROX 3PM

\$6 INCLUDES MORNING TEA & LUNCH

BRING YOUR OWN PROJECTS AND IDEAS

OR JUST JOIN IN THE CONVERSATIONS

COME AND JOIN US

CONTACT NUMBERS

Bob President 0428 695 913

Chris Secretary 0404 914088



THE ROCK COMMUNITY EXERCISE CLASSES!!!!

MONDAY ARVO AT 3PM AT EMILY GARDENS

The proven benefits of gentle exercise for all people include:

- ◆ Increased balance
- ◆ Increased strength
- ◆ Increased flexibility
- ◆ Increased fitness

These classes are for all ages and very affordable.

ALL WELCOME, COME ALONG WHENEVER POSSIBLE.

Contact: Nancy Smith

0427 692 020

6920 2034

OR Jeanie 0438 202 468



The Rock & District Playgroup

Meets every Friday during the school term

10am - 12pm

The Rock Seventh Day Adventist Church Hall

Corner of Urana & Mixner Street, The
Rock

For all children from birth - 5yrs and all
carers, mums, dads and grandparents

**Join us for morning tea & a play in a
beautiful space.**

For more information contact Playgroup
NSW on 1800 171 882 or join our
Facebook group—The Rock Playgroup, to
be put in touch with one of our committee
members.



Monday - Thursday

8am - 3:30pm

95 King St, The Rock

The Rock Op-Shop

Open

Sat/Sun 10am - 2pm

Mon/Tues 11.30am - 3.30pm

Wed - Fri, 10am - 4pm

Mon/Tues \$5 a bag days

Contact Lynly Boyle

6920 1522

School News

St Joseph's News

Our school year began with a big welcome to seventeen new students and their families as well as welcoming all previous students, families and staff.

Congratulations to our three staff members who celebrated engagements over the holidays – to Jayde and Josh, Clare and Tom, Liz and Dave – we wish you all the best on these very happy occasions!!!

Prior to the beginning of school, all students participated in Best Start or Maths Assessment interviews which will be fundamental in determining direction for student learning and allow teachers to better support all students.

Congratulations to our new sports captains for 2019. Imogen Kurrle and Olivia Ryan will be our Nagle (Blue) captains and Nick Bowyer, Rohan Day and Isaac Gooden will be our Hanrahan (Gold) captains.



Lockhart Central School

Welcome back to school for 2019! I hope everyone has had a wonderful holiday and have survived the heat that was relentless over many weeks.

I would like to inform our School Community that I have been appointed Principal of Lockhart Central School permanently. I feel very honoured to be given this incredible opportunity to continue working hard for ongoing improvement in all areas of our amazing school.

I would like to take this opportunity to invite all of our parents and carers to join our wonderful P&C so that we can continue to work alongside our wonderful families and community.

Congratulations to all our 2018 HSC students on their results and we wish them every success in their future learning and work lives.

I look forward to the years ahead and encourage everyone to continue communication, participation and building strong relationships for the benefit of our wonderful students.

Ms Janine Dunne, Principal

Student Wellbeing - Lake Talbot

At the end of 2018, LCS paid for the cost of transport to take the whole student body to Lake Talbot for the last day of school. This gave students the opportunity to connect with their peers outside the school setting. A lot of fun was had by all.

Environmental Services



NSW PLANNING PORTAL

For all matters 'planning' the NSW Government has developed a *Planning Portal*. The Portal can be accessed via the link below, and can be used free of charge and without having to create a login.

You can do a search of your property to check the land zoning, development controls, and even determine if your development may be exempt from the planning process.

Visit the NSW Planning Portal at <https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/>



PRE-LODGEMENT APPOINTMENTS

It is highly recommended that, prior to lodging your development application, you book an appointment with Council's Environmental Services team.

Pre-lodgement appointments are a great way to go through your application with Council's staff, and can speed up the application process by ensuring that all supporting information is supplied together at the time of lodgement.

To book a pre-lodgement meeting, contact Council's Environmental Services team during normal business hours on (02) 6920 5305.

APPLICATION FOR AN OCCUPATION CERTIFICATE

Council is currently following up on unauthorised occupation of buildings and developments.

An occupation certificate issued under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 Clause 6.3 and 6.4* is required from your local Council or a Private Certifier if you intend to occupy or use a new building or change the use of an existing building.

An **occupation certificate** verifies that the principal certifying authority (Council or a Private Certifier) is satisfied that the building is suitable to occupy or use in terms of the requirements of the Building Code of Australia and relevant Development consent.

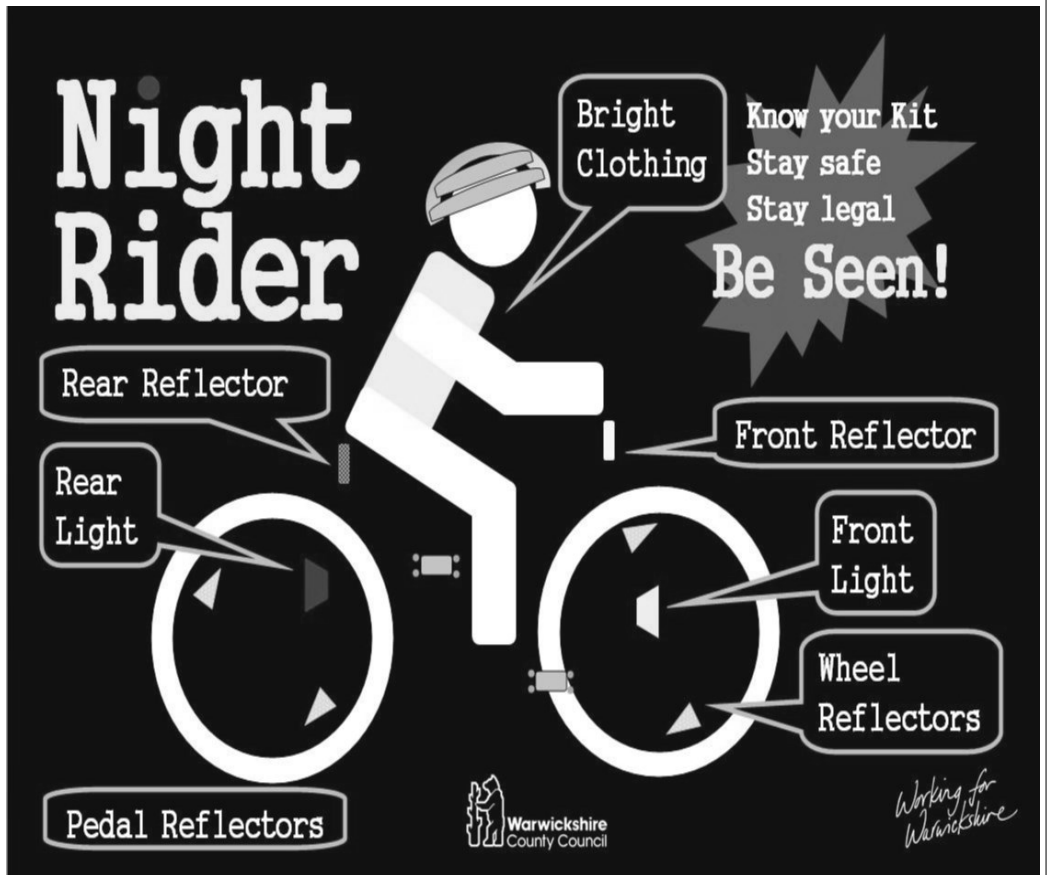
Application forms can be downloaded from council's website www.lockhart.nsw.gov.au/development/building-development

or simply get in contact with Council per phone 69205305 or email: mail@lockhart.nsw.gov.au to request a form. Please complete the form, attach all relevant certificates and return to Council.

Prior booking a final inspection ensure you have read your Notice of Determination and complied with **all** conditions listed in the development consent including connection of stormwater.

Safe riding tips

- Always wear an approved bicycle helmet, properly fitted and fastened
- Always obey the road rules, including traffic lights, stop signs and give way signs
- Allow pedestrians a metre of space on shared paths, where possible.
- Always travel at a speed that is safe for you and the pedestrians you encounter, especially if you are riding on a footpath or shared path
- When approaching pedestrians, always ring your bell, slow down and prepare to stop and give way
- Ride in a predictable manner so that other road users do not have to react suddenly to your movements
- Give hand signals when changing lanes or turning left or right
- Make yourself visible by wearing bright, light or reflective clothing
- Plan your route using quieter streets, bicycle paths or shared paths
- Always be in control of your bicycle. It is an offence to ride with both hands off the handlebars, feet off the pedals or to carry anything that prevents you from having control.



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MASTERPLAN FOR LOCKHART BUSINESS CENTRE

Council has commenced the development of a masterplan to upgrade the Lockhart business centre. The masterplan is considering a range of initiatives including heritage issues, all-abilities access to shop fronts, pedestrian access, parking, landscaping, street furniture, drainage, etc to make improvements to the street function and amenity. A Focus Group to assist the consultant with the initial set of principles for the plan was established, with a meeting held on 16 October 2018.

The consultant has now produced the first set of plans for public consultation/comment. The first community engagement sessions are set for 13-15 February 2019, with an evening session 6-8pm on 14 February at the Council Chambers and an afternoon session 1-5pm on 15 February in front of the IGA. Face to face meetings with all shop owners is scheduled for 13 February, with a separate meeting planned with the Museum committee. An online survey will also be conducted from 7 February to 28 February. Following this the plans will be revised to incorporate the community's feedback, and further public consultation is to occur in mid-April. A third round of consultation will occur mid-June 2019 to present the final plans to the community before being presented to Council for endorsement.

The adoption of a masterplan will facilitate a co-ordinated and staged approach to future upgrades of the Lockhart central business centre in future years as funds permit.

ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

Lockhart Shire Council in conjunction with Wagga Wagga City Council were successful in applying for funding under the NSW Council Roadside Reserves Environmental Grants Program. The NSW Council Roadside Reserves Environmental Grants Program aims to help Councils work towards best practice roadside environmental management. Lockhart and Wagga City Council's Project, titled *Best Management Practice of Roadside Reserve Corridors*, allowed Council to:

- ⇒ engage a consultant to undertake a rapid assessment of the current roadside vegetation condition, and provide a mapping layer to illustrate this information;
- ⇒ revise Council's Roadside Vegetation Management Plan, and have this adopted by Council;
- ⇒ establish signs for areas of significant vegetation;
- ⇒ develop templates and procedures for staff and contractors to use when

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working in significant vegetation areas;

⇒ and provide training to staff that work within this space.

Council's Environmental Officer has been working with Wagga Wagga City Council staff to develop two main documents specific to roadside environmental management – the Lockhart Roadside Vegetation Management Plan, and the Roadside Vegetation Management Policy.

CTENVIRONMENTAL undertook roadside vegetation assessment of approximately 1,415 kilometres of roadside reserves in the Lockhart Local Government Area (LGA) during December 2017 and February 2018. From this assessment, the Lockhart Roadside Vegetation Management Plan has been created.

The Roadside Vegetation Management Plan acts as an easy-to-use resource which identifies values, issues and recommendations for managing roadside reserves at both a community and operational level.

By incorporating this document into Council's project planning, staff can minimise the detrimental impact on native vegetation on Council's roadside, while protecting the integrity of Lockhart's environmental assets, increasing the conservation value of degraded vegetation, and complying with environmental legislative obligations.

To preserve the natural resources within Lockhart LGA, and to comply with legislative obligations, the Roadside Vegetation Management Policy was presented for Council's consideration.

The policy acts as the driving force for implementing the Lockhart Roadside Vegetation Management Plan, thereby ensuring that all levels of Council reference the Plan during project planning and general activities in roadside reserves.

These documents are now available for public consultation at Council's Administration Building.

ENGINEERING REPORT

Shoulder widening works on Yerong Creek-Mangoplah Road and The Rock-Mangoplah Road have been completed. One grader crew is currently undertaking shoulder widening of Western Road. The second crew has commenced shoulder widening of Osborne-Yerong Creek Road. Following these projects, one crew will then continue with maintenance grading and gravel re-sheets in accordance with updated programme, while the second crew will commence rehabilitation works on Urana-Lockhart Road.

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Concrete crew is continuing with the Higher Mass Limit (HML) bridges project being the repair and upgrade of 9 bridge structures throughout the Shire. Both Egans Creek and Moreys Bridges are complete. Brookong Creek in Lockhart and Burkes Creek in The Rock works have commenced and expected to be completed by mid-February 2019. The first of the culverts upgrade on Green Street has commenced with traffic generally having access via one lane during these works.

Council has been advised that it has been successful with its grant application under Heavy Vehicle Safety & Productivity Program (HVSP) for replacement of a further 4 structures as well as Flood Detour Road upgrade. It is expected that these projects will commence mid-2019. Design works are being undertaken for Flood Detour Road, with the road to be designed to accommodate B-Doubles, as well as improving the drainage in the area. In addition, design works for the replacement of the causeways on The Rock-Bullenbong Road as well as Lockhart The Rock Road are complete.

Council has submitted a full business case grant application under the Growing Local Economies grant program for the upgrade of Urana-Lockhart Road, which would be the widening and heavy patching works on 22.5km of Main Road 59. It is hoped that Council will hear determination on the application in early 2019.

In addition, Council has recently been advised that the grant application under the Drought Relief Heavy Vehicles Access program for the trimming of trees and vegetation to allow 4.6m high access across the Shire has been successful. Council approved 4.6m access in May 2017, as well as recently granting Class 3 Drought Assistance Dimension Exemption Notice 2018 to assist farmers, allowing more efficient movement of hay and livestock by use of the higher and wider loads. All Shire roads are now gazetted as 4.6m access. The trimming of trees will not only assist with higher vehicles but also modern agricultural equipment. Council has received numerous complaints in recent times regarding overhanging branches however to date has not had the resources to deal with the matter on a large scale across the Shire.

MAJOR PROJECTS UPDATE – FEBRUARY 2019

Council is currently undertaking a number of major projects and the status of each of these is as follows:

(a) Swimming Pools Upgrade: The Rock pool upgrade works is planned to be undertaken in 2019 between swimming seasons, with the pool contactor set to commence works in the third week of March 2019.

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(b) Demolition of Voluntary Purchase Properties: Council has been successful with its grant application to continue the Voluntary Purchase of properties in Lockhart for the next three years, commencing 1 July 2019.

(c) Flood Mitigation Construction-Lockhart: Council has been successful with the grant application for Stage 2 flood mitigation works in Lockhart, being the drainage system east of the Industrial Park. Council staff are having preliminary works undertaken being Review of Environmental Factors (REF), services relocation and fencing re-alignment before going to tender. It is anticipated that the construction works will commence mid-2019 and be completed by end of 2019.

(d) Flood Mitigation Construction-The Rock: The Rock Strevens Street drainage project is 75% complete. The main drain, Mangoplah Road culvert, railway and private culvert crossings are all complete. The Contractor has now formally advised that he wishes to withdraw from the remainder of the Contract, being the Olympic Highway culverts upgrade. Council is continuing to work with the Contractor to finalise the Contract and is also liaising with Greater Hume Shire Council to undertake the remaining works on behalf of Council. Staff have advised the Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) of the situation, and it is now anticipated that the project will be completed in April/May 2019.

PARKS AND GARDENS REPORT

Swimming Pools

Council has received some great feedback regarding the new facilities but the greatest vote of confidence is shown in the numbers through the gates. Lockhart especially has had a dramatic increase in patronage, doubling last December's figures to 4,360. This figure is approximately half the whole previous season's number. A great many are visitors to the Shire including families from Albury and Wagga and school visits who have all said they'll be back.

The Council purchased pool inflatable has been very popular and was in use for the Shire's Australia Day celebrations hosted by Lockhart Football Netball Club at Lockhart Pool.

Trees

Trees planted this year and last year are being watered regularly along with a number of recently planted gardens. The watering schedule has been increased dramatically due to the extreme conditions.

Last winter's conditions were favourable for planting but unfortunately these hot dry

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conditions are very difficult for establishing trees. Any assistance from householders with watering of street trees would be very much appreciated.

DRAFT POLICY 2.54 FOR MOBILE FOOD VANS

Current trends in the food service industry include mobile food vending machines, including those in conjunction with a festival or community event, or as a recurring business opportunity in a village or town. In conjunction with the NSW Food Authority, Council staff have been facilitating the progression of mobile food vending machines into the Riverina, and with positive economic consequences.

Lockhart Shire Council supports the operation of mobile food vans to encourage diversity in takeaway food options, and therefore seek to provide a consistent framework for the operation of mobile food vans in the Lockhart Local Government Area. The Policy sets out the relevant legislative requirements for safe food handling and preparation, safe operation of food vans and trucks within Council's road reserves, car parks, parks and public land.

Approval for operation of a mobile food van is required from Council, and associated legislation will depend on whether the vehicle is located on private land, Council land, or a road reserve.

Draft Policy 2.54 for Mobile Food Vans was presented for Council's consideration and is currently on public exhibition for comment.



Rates information



If paying by instalments, your next instalment will be due by

28th February 2019

Overdue Rates are subject to daily interest in accordance with the provisions of *The Local Government Act, 1993* at the interest rate approved by the Minister for Local Government. Currently, interest is set at 7.5% pa.

Failure to contact Council regarding overdue Rates may result in additional and unnecessary recovery costs which will be added to your account.



ARE YOU KEEPING YOUR BEST MATE SAFE?

Help get your cat or
dog home safely by
registering them – visit
www.petregistry.nsw.gov.au

Why register your pet?

If your pet is registered and your details are up to date, it can be safely returned if it gets lost.

It's also the law – pet cats and dogs must be microchipped and then registered in NSW.

Microchipping

To register your pet, it must first be microchipped by a vet or authorised identifier. Microchips are the size of a grain of rice and are implanted under your pet's skin. Each microchip has a unique number that can be read with a scanner, like a barcode at the supermarket.

Registration

How: It's easier than ever before to register your cat or dog.

- **Online:** Registrations can be completed online via the NSW Pet Registry or Service NSW using your MyServiceNSW Account.
- **Over the counter:** You can also register your pet in person at your local council or at any Service NSW Centre.

Fee: A once only lifetime registration fee applies.

Discounts are available for de-sexed pets, eligible pensioners and cats and dogs bought from certain rehoming organisations, including council pounds and shelters.

More information

NSW PET REGISTRY

petregistry.nsw.gov.au

1300 134 460

pets@olg.nsw.gov.au

Your pet's registration fee at work

Money collected goes straight back to the community by funding companion animal services:

- Council pounds/shelters
- Ranger services
- Dog recreation areas
- Education and awareness activities
- Responsible pet ownership initiatives



drumMUSTER

FUNDRAISER

Together with Lockhart Shire Council, *drumMUSTER* events will be held by successful community organisations or groups on the following days/locations:

- **Lockhart Waste Facility** on Tuesday 12th March 2019
- **The Rock Waste Facility** on Thursday 14th March 2019

What will be accepted;

- Clean drums, rinsed to the Agsafe standard
- Drums larger than 1 litre and up to 205 litre;
- Drums that have been used for agricultural and livestock production, pest and weed control;
- Drums that are not hazardous substances, used in agricultural production
 - All pesticides
 - Seed dressings
 - Drenches
 - Wetters/Stickers/Adjuvants
 - Foam markers

} *Previously not accepted*

What will not be accepted

- Drums with any residue (including lid and neck)
- Drums containing more than 100mL of rinsate

Drums that packaged the following;

- Liquid chlorine
- Household disinfectants
- Petroleum products

Triple rinsing

1. Empty the contents of the container into the spray tank and allow the container to drain for an extra 30 seconds after the flow reduces to drops.
2. Fill the container with clean water to about 20% of its capacity and replace the cap securely.
3. Shake, rotate, roll or invert the container vigorously for at least 30 seconds, so that the rinse water reaches all inside surfaces.
4. Pour the rinsate (the rinsing water from step 3) into the spray tank. Let it drain for an extra 30 seconds after the flow reduces to drops.
5. Repeat until the container has been rinsed three times.

- Containers should have caps **removed** for easy access by inspectors.
- No container will be accepted if they are crushed because it makes them difficult to inspect.
- Steel drums **must be punctured**.
- Please do not puncture plastics as some are reused
- All persons delivering drums to the *drumMUSTER* must sign a Container Cleanliness Declaration, noting the exact number of drums for delivery to *drumMUSTER*.

To ensure the *DrumMUSTER* operates efficiently and without time delay, drums will only be accepted at the facility by appointment. You may book a time to dispose of your properly cleaned chemical containers by calling Lockhart Shire Council on 02 6920 5305. **Please count your drums** and let Council know how many you have so the time allocated to you will be sufficient for inspecting.

David Webb

Director of Engineering & Environmental Services

Always ensure that the rinsed containers are drained and allowed to dry. Wash outside of container, cap and neck (both necks if twin neck).

WEED OF THE MONTH - PRAIRIE GROUND CHERRY



Physalis hederifolia

Other Common Names: Tomato weed, Sticky cape gooseberry, Chinese lantern, Ivyleaf groundcherry.

Prairie ground cherry forms dense infestations in pastures, crops and roadsides, reducing available fodder and displacing desirable species. When well established, competes with other vegetation, particularly summer crops, for moisture, nutrients and space.

Description: Prairie ground cherry originated in North and South America and is now an established weed in several temperate regions of the world as well as in parts of its native range.

An erect, spreading, summer growing perennial herb, commonly 25 to 60 cm high, reproducing by seed, creeping roots and root fragments. Seeds germinate in spring and the young plants develop an extensive root system over summer. The top growth dies off in autumn. Plants flower and fruits in the spring of their second year.

Reproduction and Dispersal: Is spread by cultivation and pieces of root longer than 1.5 cm, which have the capability to produce new plants. The fruit, while enclosed in its bladder, is dispersed effectively by wind and water. Without its bladder, the sticky fruit adheres to most objects. The fruit is eaten by birds, foxes and stock, and germination is enhanced after seeds pass through animals.

Leaves: Alternative except on the upper stems where they are opposite; light green and almost hairless with wavy margins, commonly 4 to 5 cm long and 3 cm wide.

Flowers: In the upper axils of the leaves, bell-shaped, 2 to 3 cm in diameter, with five fused yellow petals and a green, ten-angled calyx. Flowers December to February.

Fruit: When ripe a globular, orange, sticky berry, 1 to 1.5 cm in diameter, enclosed in a thin, bladdery outer cover, 2 to 2.5 cm in diameter. Sets seed January to April.

Seed: Sticky, flattened, kidney-shaped seeds, about 2 mm long; many per fruit.

Roots: Extensive, creeping root system often in excess of 1 m deep, including some horizontal roots which produce new top growth each year.

Priority weed: Coolatai grass is considered a priority weed in the Lockhart Shire.

For **All of NSW: General Biosecurity Duty:** All plants are regulated with a general biosecurity duty to prevent, eliminate or minimise any biosecurity risk they may pose. Any person who deals with any plant, who knows (or ought to know) of any biosecurity risk, has a duty to ensure the risk is prevented, eliminated or minimised, so far as is reasonably practicable.

For further information please contact Council's Environmental Officer on (02) 6920 5305 or visit www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/agriculture/pests-weeds/weeds



LOCKHART TRUCK SHOW

~ VINTAGE FESTIVAL ~

LOCKHART SHOWGROUND
SATURDAY, 2 MARCH 2019

Historic Trucks & Vehicles
100 Years of International Trucks Display
Best, Oldest, Furthest & Most Popular Truck Competitions
Wodonga Historic Car Club
West Wylong Movies Theatrette
WW2 Jeep Rides & Horse and Cart Rides
Food, Drinks, Music, Market Stalls & More



WW2 JEEP RIDES



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