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Mayoral Report

Hello everyone.

Winter is now well and truly upon us with frosts, fog and cold days, but it is winter and probably more normal than we have experienced in quite some time.

Life progresses as normally as it can in these times of COVID-19 with people for the most part practicing social distancing and good hand hygiene in an effort to keep this pandemic at bay. More spots have been found throughout NSW this week where people have tested positive to COVID-19 so we must all be very careful how we behave in our everyday duties and activities.

A COVID-19 stimulus package provided by the Federal government to help work and employment opportunities within the Shire called the "Local Road and Community Infrastructure Program" and amounting to some \$846,500 was discussed at a workshop of Council to identify projects that would benefit residents across the Shire. Council identified some 14 projects right across the Shire that would fit within the guidelines and would improve our communities.

You will be aware from my previous mayoral reports that the development application for that component of the Lockhart Renewable Energy Project that involves the establishment of a solar farm and battery storage has been approved. I remain in regular contact with Gordon Hinds of Better Energy Technology and other aspects of Stage 1 of the Project have now also been completed including detailed design, a procurement plan and financial modelling for the project. The focus is now on securing a connection agreement with the electricity grid operator, Essential Energy. This is a complex and time consuming process but the project continues to move forward.

On another subject the Lockhart Showground Management Committee has erected a new sign at the entrance to the Showground which has greatly enhanced the look of the entrance.

Also very recently Mrs Heather Trevaskis, President of the Greens Gunyah Museum was presented with the Premier's Community Service Award for her service and work toward the expansion of the Museum along with her Committee and members. Well done Heather.

Some late news is that I believe that the Lockhart Picnic Races have been cancelled for this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Grading and road maintenance continues throughout winter with all programmes on track and on time. Road widening of the Lockhart to Urana Road will recommence late August/ early September subject to weather conditions.

That's it from me for this month, be good and stay safe.

Cheers Rodg.

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Engineering Report

Works:

- Urana Road (MR 59): Approximately 10.7 kilometres of Urana road shoulder widening works completed to date. Works are scheduled to continue in late August/early September subject to weather conditions.
- Flood Detour Road: Project completed.
- Western Road: Sealing of 3.7km of Western Road is completed.
- Urana Road and Narrandera Road Intersection: Project completed.
- Culvert upgrades: Culverts installed at Flood Detour Road and Grubben Road.
 Culverts delivered for Lockhart-The Rock Road and The Rock-Bullenbong Road (currently finalising quotes from suitable contractors).
- Grading and minor gravelling of unsealed roads: The 2020-21 programme has commenced. Recently completed resheeting and maintenance grading on Tootool-Mittagong Road. Grading completed on Boyds Road, Humphrys Lane, McGeachies Lane, Chaplin Lane, Braithwaites Lane, Moores Bus Route and Tuttys Lane.

Road Safety

Council's Road Safety Officer undertook the following:

- Installed speed board on Green Street (at ambulance station) to slow down traffic coming into Lockhart.
- Assessing possible roads suitable for Safer Roads/Blackspot grant applications (Closes 31 August 2020).
- Parking banners supplied by Transport for NSW to be delivered to schools within the Shire.
- Fixing Country Roads 2020 grants programme submissions available via the online portal (closing date TBA).

Naming of Bridges and Culverts

Council advertised in the Lockhart Shire Newsletter, May 2020 inviting proposals for names for the new bridge on Urana-Lockhart Road and the culvert over Brookong Creek, Lockhart. The proposals received were considered by Council at its July Council meeting. Council resolved to submit the following names to Transport for NSW for approval: -

- Proposes the bridge on Urana Lockhart Road be named Brookong Creek Bridge; and
- Proposes the culvert over Brookong Creek in Green Street, Lockhart, be named Greens Gunyah Bridge, Brookong Creek.

Streetscape

Two Victorian light posts fabricated by Furphy Foundry located on the pedestrian crossing in Green Street Lockhart were damaged beyond repair following a vehicle accident in April this year. Furphy Foundry no longer makes the same light posts nor have any stock. Council officers contacted other custom light designers and after

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considering a number of alternative options Council has resolved that the lights be replaced, as far as possible, with like-for-like.

Biosecurity and Environment

Property Inspections

Inspections were carried out on residential, rural and commercial properties, which were selected due a change in ownership or to assess the effectiveness of applied control methods.

The weeds most commonly found were Bridal creeper (Asparagus asparagoides), Bathurst burr (Xanthium spinosum), Horehound (Marrubium vulgare), Lippia (Phyla canescens), Prickly pear (Opuntia sp.), and Privet (Ligustrum sp.).

Control Program

Priority has been given to the control of Bridal creeper (Asparagus asparagoides), Horehound (Marrubium vulgare), and Coolatai grass (Hyparrhenia hirta) on roadside reserves.

Parks and Gardens

The Rock Medical Centre

Works undertaken at The Rock Medical Centre include the excavation of the nature strip between the footpath and the kerb, installation of crushed granite, boxing out tree sites, planting and mulching new trees has been completed along with some landscaping to tidy up a small section of the premises adjacent to the laneway.

Mowing and Slashing

The winter mowing schedule is continuing in urban areas where accessible after the regular rain has left many areas waterlogged. Growth of irrigated lawns has slowed significantly now that the cooler temperatures have arrived. Mowing will be scheduled as required.

Weed Control

Regular spraying and weeding of winter weeds will continue in urban areas.

Trees

The watering of street trees has been relaxed due to recent rain and cooler temperatures. Many of the trees are now dormant. Pruning of street trees and lanes has commenced and will continue over the winter months.

Sculpture Trail

The concrete crew has just completed an artistic challenge to recreate the wool bales of the Lockhart Showground gates to place Lockhart Community Bank's purchase of the Shears sculpture from last year's Spirit of the Land Festival. The Showground Committee are planning to repaint the gates and will paint the new bales to match.

Urana St, Lockhart

The beautification of a section of nature strip on the eastern side of Urana Street has commenced. Works will include the excavation of the nature strip between the footpath

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and the kerb, installation of crushed granite, boxing out tree sites, planting and mulching new trees, similar to recently completed areas in Halliday Street and The Rock Medical Centre.

Corporate and Community Services Report

The 2017-2021 Delivery Plan and the 2020-2021 Operational plan incorporating the 2020/21 budget estimates and Revenue Policy were adopted by Council at its July council meeting after placing the documents on public exhibition. The 2020/21 Budget incorporates an increase in Council's general rate income of 2.6% in accordance with the rate peg.



EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST LEASE OF SWIMMING POOL COMPLEX THE ROCK

Expressions of interest are invited and will be received up to **4.00pm Monday**, **17 August 2020** for the lease of the Swimming Pool Complex at The Rock for the 2020/2021 to 2023/2024 seasons. Some qualifications are required including a person with current Pool Lifeguard and First Aid Certificates. A qualified person is to be present at all times the pool is open to the public.

EOI documents are available on Council's Website under "Tenders" at www.lockhart.nsw.gov.au

Further details can be obtained by contacting Council's Director of Engineering, & Environmental Services Johan Louw on (02) 6920 5305.

Expressions of interest may be submitted marked "Lease of Swimming Pool Complexes" via the following:

Post: General Manager

Lockhart Shire Council

PO Box 21

LOCKHART NSW 2656

Email: tenders@lockhart.nsw.gov.au

Peter Veneris PO Box 21

General Manager LOCKHART NSW 2656 Phone: (02) 6920 5305

Your Rates Notice and New Valuations

Each year Council issue rates notices to landowners in the Shire. The rates calculation is based on your land's valuation. These valuations are provided to Council by the NSW Government Valuer General.

Updated valuations are provided to councils for rating purposes every four years. Therefore, every four years there is a redistribution of the rate burden based on the change in an individual ratepayer's property value relative to changes in everyone else's valuation.

Lockhart Shire Council recently received updated valuations that are required to be used for rating purposes in 2020/21 for the first time. This means that there will be a redistribution of the rate burden in 2020/21. It also means that, even though the increase in Council's total general rate income is limited by legislation, and regardless of the rate increase Council resolves to adopt, individual ratepayers' rates may fluctuate up or down by varying amounts that will not necessarily reflect the change in Council's total rate income.

The rate peg, as it is commonly known, is the maximum percentage amount by which a council may increase its general rate income for the year. The rate peg applies to general rate income in total, and not to individual ratepayers' rates. The rate peg does not apply to sewerage charges or waste management charges. The rate peg is determined on an annual basis by the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART). The rate peg for the 2020-2021 rating year has been set at 2.6%.

It is noted that on average land valuations increased by approximately 50% across the Shire. However broad acre farming land in the western part of the Shire increased by over 70% on average.

Next Council Meeting Monday 17 August 2020



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



FOR RENT—YOUTH FLAT

Exclusive to our community's youth*, the Council owned and maintained flats in Drummond Street LOCKHART tick all the boxes for tenants:



- ✓ INDEPENDENCE: One bedroom self-contained flats with reverse cycle air-conditioning
- ✓ LOW COST LIVING: Only \$90 per week or even less for Apprentices, Trainees or those who qualify for Rental Assistance
- ✓ LOW MAINTENANCE: Lawns & gardens maintained by Council
- AMENITIES INCLUDE: A carport & clothes line per flat, Council provides each tenant with a refrigerator & washing machine where required.

*Flats are available for youth gaining employment in Lockhart Shire For enquiries, or to arrange inspection please call Council on 0269 205 305



Lockhart Preschool Kindergarten Inc.

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 Frin Schirmer 0429 873 246

Lockhart Caravan Park



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.

Important COVID information

There are a few rules to be followed

You must call the manager before setting up .

You must sign a form with 3 simple questions (this is set under guidelines from NSW GOV)

You will be given a booklet with all information you need and what s required in the park

Booking is the best option atm as we are running on 10 p\s

Amenities are open , bbq area is limited to 4 in there at any one time

Contact the Manager on 0458 205 303



MOBILE LIBRARY TIMETABLE

August 2020

Lockhart

4th, 11th, 18th & 25th

9am - 12.30pm

Milbrulong

6th & 20th

9am - 10am

Pleasant Hills

3rd. 17th & 31st

1.15pm - 2.30pm

Yerong Creek

5th & 19th

3pm - 4pm

The Rock

6th & 20th

10.30am - 12.00pm

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

www.rrl.nsw.gov.au

Do you want a say in Lockhart's future? Your voice will be heard if you are a member of The Lockhart Progress Association

- A forum to meet and discuss important issues affecting you, the community and local businesses
 - A united, strong group to lobby the Council and Government agencies to ensure a successful, prosperous future for Lockhart
 - Networking/Marketing opportunities

Our current projects:

Tim Fischer memorial statue

Protection and maintenance of our unique heritage streetscape Personalised pavers at the Lockhart Central School for the 125 year Quas-Centennial in 2022.

Investigation into improved security for the Main Street Investigation into facilities for youth

Hello Lockhart, my name is Tamra Tonkies and I would love to take this opportunity to introduce myself as a new member of the Lockhart Progress Association Committee. I moved to Lockhart a couple of years ago after an extensive search for the perfect town to call home. Lockhart's history and sense of community made my family and I fall in love with it. I am interested in seeing Lockhart grow and become a destination for tourists and new families to call home. I look forward to meeting and sharing ideas with you all, so come and join us and have your say in our wonderful town.

The committee appointed at annual AGM is as follows:

President: Ms Tamra Tonkies Vice President: Myra Jenkyn Secretary: Mrs Sylvia Mullholland Treasurer: Mrs Shirley Morgan

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Monday August 3, 2020, 2pm at the Lockhart Ex-Servicemen's Club For more information Phone: 69 205577 Everyone welcome!

"Our Community Voice"



THE ROCK TOWN HALL & MUSEUM

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

THURSDAY 20th AUGUST AT 6.00PM

We welcome all new members to join our great little committee & bring new ideas as we work to save the history of our village.

See you there, Nancy Smith, Secretary

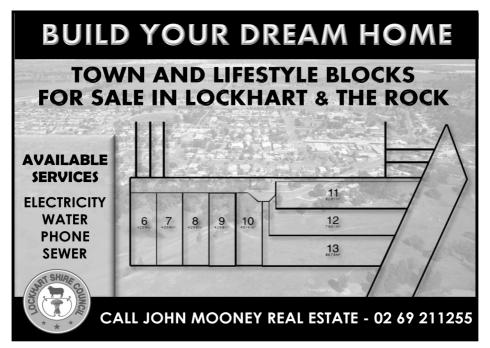


PLEASANT HILLS PRESCHOOL
Open Tuesday & Wednesday
8.30AM – 4.00PM

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





Find information on local businesses in and around Lockhart, The Rock, Pleasant Hills and Yerong Creek quickly and easily at

lockhartshirebusinessdirectory.com.au

Sick, Injured or Orphaned Native Animals

Occasionally, Council receives calls from concerned residents regarding injured animals. Below are guidelines and resources available through (WIRES)

Wildlife Information, Rescue, and Education Service (WIRES)

24/7 Emergency Hotline: 13 000 WIRES www.wires.org.au

WIRES Emergency Advice

For more detailed information, please see the <u>WIRES Emergency Advice Page</u> or the <u>Wildlife Road</u> <u>Awareness Page</u>

If you find a sick, injured, or orphaned native animal, call a wildlife rescue organization straight away. Improper rescue can hurt or distress the animal and the rescuer. It is critical to get sick and injured wildlife vet treatment as quickly as possible.

When Calling in a Rescue, Report the Exact Location

When reporting rescues to WIRES and vets, please try to confirm the *EXACT* location you found the animal. This is because many native animals are very territorial, so it's critical that, when they are ready for release, we return them "home" to ensure their best chance of survival.

In addition, if we know the exact location the animal was found, many young animals have a better chance of possibly being reunited with their parents.

Certain Animals Should NOT Be Approached

If you encounter a sick, injured, or orphaned animal on the list below, call a wildlife rescue organization straight away. These animals require specialist handling and MUST be rescued by trained wildlife rescuers.

- Snakes
- Monitor Lizards (Goannas)
- Bats (Flying-Foxes or Microbats)
- Large Macropods (Kangaroos or Wallabies)
- Raptors (Eagles, Falcons, or Hawks)

What To Do While You Wait

After calling a wildlife rescue organization you can:

1) Remove any threat to the animal.

This includes keeping all people and pets away from the native animal, to minimise stress to the animal for vet transport or until a rescuer arrives.

2) If it is safe to do so, contain the animal in a warm, dark, quiet place.

For example, gently wrap the animal in a towel and place it in a ventilated box with a lid, cover the box or container with a towel, and transport it carefully to the nearest vet or wait for the rescuer to arrive. Handle the animal as little as possible to minimise stress.

3) Do not give the animal any food or water, unless instructed to by a vet or WIRES.

Further Reading

For more information on specific species, please visit our <u>Wildlife Information</u> page.

WIRES has also developed a Free Online Community Course called <u>An Introduction to Australian Wildlife</u>. This course has been designed for people of all ages as an easy introduction to Australian wildlife for individuals and families who are unfamiliar with Australian native animals.

Service NSW is coming to our community

Service NSW Mobile Service Centres are visiting rural and regional communities to deliver access to essential NSW Government services, including:

- Driver licence, Photo Card applications and renewals
- Driver Knowledge Tests
- Working With Children Check applications
- Applying for birth, death and marriage certificates
- Cost of Living service to access more than 70 government rebates and savings including drought support. (This is a one hour consultation. No booking required.)

The Service NSW Mobile Service Centre will next be at Lockhart on Thursday, 30 July 2020 between 10am - 3pm outside the Council building at 65 Green Street.

Service NSW Mobile Service Centres are fitted with a ramp for easier access for all members of the community. It is a **cashless** service and will accept payment by cheque, EFTPOS or credit card. Customers are advised to check service.nsw.gov.au/msc on the day for final confirmation or call **13 77 88** for further information.



School News

2019 Lockhart Central Dux—Olivia McDonnell

A small ceremony was held in recognition of Olivia's achievement in receiving the 2019 Lockhart Central School Dux.



Police and Community Consultation Group

The Lockhart Shire Council convenes a Police and Community Consultation Group for the purposes of providing a conduit between the Council, community and the Police. The Committee provides a forum for Police to gain information about anti-social behaviour in the community and other Police matters. Conversely it also provides Council and the community an opportunity to raise matters of concern that may be resolved by Police attention.

Expressions of interest are being invited for a community representative from The Rock to join the Committee. If you are interested in participating in this Committee please contact Council on (02) 6920 5305 or mail@lockhart.nsw.gov.au.

Brookong Nook CRAFT SHOP

Stocking homemade local wares, jams, pickles, relishes, butters, local honey, eggs, olive oil & goat soap. Mouth watering, home baked apple or apricot pies, small tarts, biscuits, slices and mixed fruit cakes. A large array of handcrafted knitted and sewn items. Great place for that special gift at reasonable prices



Kengal Krafters Inc

The Rock Craft Shop CWA Rooms, 128 Urana St. The Rock Open Wednesday to Sunday 10am to 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, quilting and patchwork, knitted and crochet items, kitchen and bathroom accessories, ladies bags, jewellery, scarves, aboriginal artwork.

Our association was formed to provide opportunities for crafters within businesses and promote hand made local products. If you would like to Chris Makeham 0448570227

LOCKHART MEMORIAL HALL HALL HIRE

FULL DAY \$200.00 HALF DAY \$115.00 \$200.00

NIGHT

ALSO AVAILABLE FOR HIRE: Tables & Chairs

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

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./ TheRockHallMuseum/



Local Church Services August 2020

Lockhart Uniting Church Services

Services are not resuming at this stage.

If there are any pastoral concerns, please contact Larraine Hoffmann on 0427 204 051 or Dorothy Creek on 0427 207 233

The address for the Riverina Presbytery website is https://riverina.unitingchurch.org.au There are several options for Sunday worship and some of them can be accessed at any time.

Anglican Church of Australia

Diocese of Riverina Parish of Lockhart

St Aidan's Lockhart

Cnr Day & Drummond Streets Lockhart

Worship: Friday 10am & Sunday 9.00am

Diocesan website:

www.anglicanriverina.com/

Christian Radio in Lockhart 87.6 Tune every day

The Street Library on the verandah of Lockhart Uniting Church is expanding with the books changing over all the time. If you have not visited yet, why not have a look and find something to take home with you. Any enquiries, please contact Larraine Hoffmann on 69206233 or 0427204051.

Environmental Services

PLANNING MATTERS AVAILABLE ONLINE

Council is now able to notify the community of local planning matters online, to ensure the public receives the most accurate and up-to-date information during the COVID-19 pandemic. Visit the 'Building and Development' page of Council's website to view development applications and other planning matters that are currently under exhibition:

https://www.lockhart.nsw.gov.au/development/building-development.aspx'



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

•	Home Care Package Provider
•	Individual & Group Social Support
•	Home Modifications
•	Meals on Wheels
•	Domestic Assistance
*	Community Transport
*	Personal Care
•	Flexible Respite
•	Craft Group- 10am-12pm
•	Day Club- Tuesdays 10am-3pm
•	Home Maintenance
•	Brokered Services NDIS

offer are:

We also offer a Weekly Bus Service to Wagga each Wednesday.

Social bus Trips each Friday .

Contact 02 6920 4162



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

Unfortunately the Tai Chi classes are not able to be resumed at this time. However, the local group is focused on trying to get as fit as they can and so another month of 5000 steps starting July on keep encourage them to moving these cold in months.

For further information please contact Larraine Hoffmann on 0427204051.

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)



Murrumbidgee Primary Health Network provides a counselling service on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at the Lockhart Hospital. Referrals are required, please call Lockhart Medical Practice to arrange your referral.69205249

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.

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

OR JUST JOIN IN THE CONVERSATIONS

IDEAS

COME AND JOIN US

CONTACT NUMBERS

Bob President 0428 695 913

Chris Secretary 0404 914088

The Rock Op-Shop
Has Re-Opened
7 Days a week
Contact Lynly Boyle
6920 1522



Open Monday – Friday 8am-3:30pm 95 King Street The Rock

Phone 69202455 or

email therockps@gmail.com

Friday is now open to children attending school in the following year only. It creates a smooth transition to school process for the children.

Newsletter Deadline

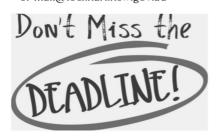
All articles for the next Newsletter need to be received no later that 4pm on:

Friday August 14, 2020

Placement of articles is subject to available space.

Ph: (02) 6920 5305 Fax: (02) 6920 5247

or mail@lockhart.nsw.gov.au



Rates Information



If paying by instalments, your next instalment is due by:

30 September 2020

COVID-19

Lockhart Shire Council acknowledges all businesses and residents in the Local Government Area for doing their bit to keep our community safe during the COVID -19 pandemic.

Protect yourself from viruses



Clean your hands with soap and water, or hand sanitiser.



Cover your nose and mouth when you cough or sneeze.



Avoid close contact with anyone with cold or flu-like symptoms.



Stay home if you are sick.



Find the facts

health.nsw.gov.au/coronavirus

As the pandemic continues to change please to check the following websites for requirements Business - https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/covid-safe-businesses General updates/information - https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19

If you have any questions please contact Lockhart Shire Council 6920 5305

Council Waste Disposal Centres Opening Hours

	Each TUESDAY	Each WEDNESDAY	SUNDAYS IN AUGUST (9th & 23rd)
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	10am - 12pm		



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

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

COOLATAI GRASS



HYPARRHENIA HIRTA

Coolatai grass is an invasive drought, fire and herbicide tolerant tussock forming perennial grass. A major invasive species, dominating pastures over a range of soil types and conditions. One of the few perennial grasses capable of invading undisturbed natural ecosystems and is a major threat to natural biodiversity.

Description: Coolatai grass is a long lived summer active perennial that produces short rhizomes forming dense grass tussocks, and grows to 1.5m. Creates large amounts of unpalatable dead leaf and stem of low nutritional value. Dominates and For further information please contact Council's displaces other plants.

native grasses, in particular, red grass and kangaroo grass.

Leaves: It has greyish-green leaves that turn orangey-red in winter, particularly after frost. Harsh to touch. Leaf sheaths are usually hairless and keeled. The leaf blade is flat, 2-3 mm wide with the ligule 2-3 mm long, and minutely toothed.

Flowers: Will flower and set seed from spring to autumn, however it will flower all year if conditions are suitable. The period from germination to flowering is approximately 90 days.

Seed: Coolatai grass has the ability to produce fertile seed from a single plant, therefore not requiring cross pollination. Seed sheds quickly on maturity. The hairy, awned seeds readily adhere to the hair and wool of animals, clothing and is easily caught on and in vehicles. Seed will germinate over a wide range of temperatures and are able to germinate and establish at the soil surface in the presence of leaf litter.

Control: If large areas have been dominated by Coolatai grass, management strategies of rotational grazing, spring burning and/or slashing will be essential.

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.

Riverina Regional Recommended Measure: Land managers should mitigate the risk of new weeds being introduced to their land. The plant should be eradicated from the land and the land kept free of the plant. The plant should not be bought, sold, grown, carried or released into the environment. Notify local control authority if found.

Environmental Officer on (02) 6920 5305 or visit Coolatai grass can be easily confused with some www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/agriculture/pests-weeds/weeds



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