

LOCKHART SHIRE NEWSLETTER

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Aqua Exercise

The proven benefits of water based exercise for older people include...

- increased balance
- increased strength
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LOCKHART SWIMMING POOL

2pm Tuesday 15th November 2022

Contact Lorraine Hoffman on 6920 6233

Or 0427 204 051

WOMEN'S HEALTH NURSE

Visiting **LOCKHART**

When: **Tuesday 15 November 2022**

Where: **Lockhart Community Health**



Art by Natalie William and commissioned for the MLHD Women's Health Nurses

ALL WOMEN WELCOME

Please call the Centralised Intake Service

T: **1800 654 324** to make an appointment

Nominations Now Open

Lockhart Shire Council
Citizenship Awards to be
presented on Australia Day,
Thursday, 26 January 2023,
are now invited.

Recipient categories are as
follows

- **Citizen of the Year**
- **Young Citizen of the Year**
- **Sportsperson of the Year**
- **Australia Day Awards**

Award criteria, guidelines and nomination forms are available from Council's Administration Office, Council's website www.lockhart.nsw.gov.au or from Councillors themselves.

Nominations close 5.00pm,
Wednesday, 30 November 2022
and must be submitted, on the
forms provided, to:

The General Manager
Lockhart Shire Council
PO Box 21
LOCKHART NSW 2656



Australia Day

Reflect. Respect. Celebrate.

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Mayoral Report

Hello everyone, how great was it to see The Spirit of the Land spring back into life with great weather, plenty of stalls and great entries in the sculptures, art and photography. Congratulations to all the winners and all those who put in entries. Special thanks to the organising committee and volunteers for putting on a wonderful festival.



Congratulations also to Lockhart Central School on celebrating 125 years of public education in Lockhart. Principal Janine Dunne and her staff should be very proud of the effort they put into the event. It was great to see so many old students visiting and looking at the new technologies available to students. Our teachers and support staff are important members of our community and we should continue to support them whenever we can.

On Sunday 25 September I attended the Lockhart Show which had resumed after a 2-year hiatus. It was great to catch up and meet with many people including Sally Bryant from ABC Riverina who opened the show. The Rock Show has now been moved to 12 November. I also had the privilege to attend the Lockhart Picnics as a guest of Lockhart and District Community Bank - Bendigo Bank and listen to Kurt Fearnley speak. He is such an inspirational speaker and gave freely of his time to talk to many people and also assist Bob Matthews in the Fashions on the Field. It was a great day and well supported considering there were no races. Congratulations to Lockhart and District Community Bank - Bendigo Bank on celebrating 20 years as a Community Bank and for the initiative of having such a well credentialed guest.

In other good news Telstra have advised they will be providing a small cell solution at Yerong Creek this financial year which should hopefully improve mobile coverage around the community. Special thanks also to our outdoor staff who are battling the elements to patch roads, cut grass and keep the communities as pristine as possible, I continue to receive many complimentary reports about the presentation of our Shire. Special thanks also to our SES and RFS volunteers who have been assisting throughout recent rain events, whilst many communities across the state are suffering from serious flooding which is placing great strain on our volunteers, they still turn up even though it was not that long ago we were fighting bushfires.

Later this month the General Manager, Cr Sharp and myself will be attending the Local Government Conference in the Hunter Valley. There are many interesting topics especially the issue of RFS assets. Council along with over 50 other Councils believe these assets are the responsibility of the RFS not Council. This will certainly be an interesting debate along with roads, rate pegging and cost shifting.

The Weather Bureau advise that we can expect the wet weather to continue for some time so please follow advice from SES and don't drive through floodwaters.

Until next time take care of yourself and one another.

Cheers

Greg

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ENGINEERING AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT

Works Report

Floods November 2021 and January 2022: Emergency works for the November 2021 flood event have been completed with emergency works for the January 2022 flood event nearing completion.

Prichard Pl: Minor drainage works will be carried out when weather permits to complete the project.

Lockhart Kywong Rd – 1.25km North of Slocums Ln: Three structures now completed. Minor roadworks will take place to complete the project, as weather permits.

Mittagong Yerong Creek Road: Funding secured through the Fixing Local Roads program to increase the capacity of two culverts and add additional width on Mittagong Yerong Creek Road. Culverts have been ordered and construction scheduled to commence in November 2022, weather permitting.

Unsealed Roads: Maintenance of Shire gravel roads has been conducted on Adams Lane, French Park Bullenbung Road, Slocums Lane, Fergusons Lane, Geddes Lane, Jim Willis Nth Road, Kilbrae Road, Meltons Lane, Munyabla Road, Munyabla Munyaplah Road, Seeligers Lane, Scheetz Lane, Sly's Lane, Willis Lane, Wolters Lane, Zwecks Lane

Maintenance Crews:

The concrete crew have been working on the Pleasant Hills school pedestrian/bus stop, the seal will complete the project when weather permits.

The Galore Hill summit road is well under way, excessive vegetation removed for better access, gravel spread and compacting a seal will complete the project.

The concrete crew has setup a second bitumen patching crew.

The bitumen crew have been kept busy with an increase of pavement failures due to the weather, while routine maintenance has continued on our Local and Regional Roads.

Parks & Gardens

Athel Pine

Athel Pine (*Tamarix aphylla*) a Weed of National Significance, is a fast-growing tree with serious impacts along waterways in arid and semi-arid Australia. It is regarded as one of the worst weeds in Australia because of its invasiveness, potential for spread, and economic and environmental impacts. It increases surface soil salinity changing ecosystems, shades and competes with desirable species.

This species was used as a street specimen by Council many years ago; most have been removed due to poor health and aesthetics but there are still a small number on Council controlled land.

Athel pine is a declared weed in Lockhart Shire, removal is not required but seedlings must be controlled. While there has not been evidence of these specimens spreading, after full consideration of their impact on the surrounding environment all Athel Pine on Council controlled land, including approximately 19 along East Street, Lockhart (Albury

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Rd) north of the railway line, will be removed and replaced with a more suitable species when conditions and resources permit.

Enquiries regarding identification or control of this species on private property can be directed to Council's Manager Parks & Facilities or Environmental Officer.

Gazania

Gazania (*Gazania linearis*) is regarded as an environmental weed in Victoria, Tasmania and South Australia and as an emerging or potential environmental weed in parts of Western Australia and New South Wales.

Gazania have been spreading in the Shire's towns and along the roadsides for many years and have the potential to become a much bigger problem. Their seed is dispersed via wind and water. Storm water movement has resulted in a large infestation along Brookong Creek in Lockhart township. Any assistance from residents to control this weed would be appreciated, including removing it from or not planting it in your garden or nature strip. Mowing before the flowers produce seed can also help slow the spread. Please do not cultivate or share these plants.

Gazania hybrids are very hardy and are still sold in nurseries; hybrids with sterile seed are now available, please ask the nursery before purchasing them.

For advice on controlling this weed or help with identification please contact Council's Environmental Officer.

Lockhart Caravan Park Entrance, Green St

Replacement of the old granite path with paving has been completed and the pebble surface has been replaced with pea granite.

This area is already the home of the annual winner of Spirit of the Land sculpture and is now also the permanent home of the 'Spirit of the Land' Frame Sculpture, kindly donated by its creator David Fenwick of Weathered Garden Art, Mangoplah. The frame was very popular at the recent Spirit of the Land Festival with many visitors posing behind it for photos; its permanent inclusion in this position will allow visitors to take photos of themselves with the caravan park and creek backdrop throughout the year.

Parks and Gardens

Ongoing garden maintenance including weeding, spraying, pruning, deadheading, and mulching has been conducted to prepare Council facilities for spring and the event season.

Weed Control

Weed control by mechanical and chemical methods is being conducted within urban areas as resources and conditions allow. Pesticides commonly used are Glyphosate and Dicamba. Signage will be placed at property entrance when spraying is in progress.

Freehand herbicide has been trialled in several lawn situations to test its ability to suppress the germination of khaki weed and Caltrop (bindi/cathead) seed. Freehand is for pre-emergent weed control of annual grasses, susceptible sedge species and many small-seeded broadleaf weeds in ornamental landscape and warm season turf

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situations. The trial appears to have been quite successful; use will be extended in the upcoming season.

Mowing and Slashing

Spring growth rates are with us; slashing in towns and villages is being conducted as required and where access for machines is available. Council asks for your patience as regular rain and saturated roadsides are delaying customary scheduling. Resources have been concentrated around high-profile areas frequented during the recent shire and regional events.

Growth rates of irrigated lawns have also increased and are returning to spring scheduling.

Trees

The tree maintenance program has continued, with a focus on under pruning older trees and formative pruning of younger street trees.

Watering of any trees planted in the last two years has not commenced, due to regular rain. Watering requirements will be monitored as trees come back into leaf and the weather continues to warm up.

Biosecurity

Weed Control Program

Priority has been given to the control of Horehound (*Marrubium vulgare*) on roadside reserves and council managed land, and fire hazard reduction of roadside shoulders.

DrumMUSTER

The September drumMUSTER collection event occurred at Lockhart on Tuesday, 13 September. 4190 drums were inspected, raising \$1290.52 for St. Joseph's School. The Rock collection event occurred on Thursday, 15 September. During this event 2143 drums were inspected, raising \$600.04 for The Rock Men's Shed. drumMUSTER collection events have been tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, 14 March 2023 for Lockhart and Thursday, 16 March 2023 for The Rock.

Henty Machinery Field Days

Council's Environmental Officer represented Riverina WAP (Weeds Action Program) at the Henty Machinery Field Days.

The display of live plants was again present at the site, containing examples of priority weeds, environmental weeds, and biological control specimens. While the priority weed live species are always a valuable tool for identification, the inclusion of live environmental weeds was a great initiator of conversation and interaction with the general public, with large numbers of people stating that they have these plants present in their gardens.

A high volume of people visited the Riverina WAP and Murray WAP site this year. Other interactions with members of the public included: the identification of weed species, with many people bringing samples or photos; tips to distinguish between plant species that are similar; appropriate weed control and management; and successful biological controls available for various weed species.

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An emerging invasive weed is spreading through the western region of the Riverina. This weed is called Wards weed (*Carrichtera annua*). Although this species prefers lower rainfall than is experienced in the Lockhart Shire, Council's Environmental Officer was warned by other weed officers that its distribution is moving towards Lockhart Shire. Having live plants within the Henty Machinery Field Days Weeds Shed display was crucial to develop identification skills to recognise this plant should it enter the Shire. Wards weed has been included as the 'Weed of the Month' in this month's newsletter to alert the community to be vigilant in detecting new weeds on their properties, as well as developing identification skills within the community.

Riverina draft Regional Strategic Weed Management Plan 2023-2027

The Riverina Draft Regional Strategic Weed Management Plan 2023-2027 is available for public consultation. The draft plan comes after months of work gathering input from councils, the NSW Department of Primary Industries, land managers, and other stakeholders of the Riverina Weed Committee.

The plan identifies priority weeds for the region, outlines the roles and responsibilities for weed management and control, and details plans of action to tackle priority weeds within the Riverina. The Riverina Regional Strategic Weed Management Plan 2023-2027 builds on the collaborative planning and strategic implementation of weed management programs from the previous plan.

Spring Fox Baiting Program

Spring fox baiting commenced on 6 September with bait distribution occurring on the Galore Hill Scenic Reserve and Kincaids Reserve.

NSW SES announces a new era of flood warnings

The NSW State Emergency Service has transitioned to an overhauled warning system under the new nationwide Australian Warning System.

The Australian Warning System is a national 3-tiered warning framework covering emergency services organisations and all hazards.

Under the Australian Warning System's framework, there are 3 levels of warning:

- advice
- watch & act
- emergency Warning

Warnings will continue to be distributed through the NSW SES website and social media channels, as well as local ABC radio stations.

Learn more at www.ses.nsw.gov.au/warnings.

Lockhart Show Society Garden Show

The Lockhart Show Society is once again holding their popular Garden competition. This will give the locals the opportunity to showcase and show off the lovely Spring gardens. You don't have to decide which of the first 3 categories your garden belongs, the judges will do that for you. We're not looking for perfection, if you love your garden, then have a go, enter. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank the people of the Lockhart district and beyond for supporting our local Show last month after a two year hiatus, well done.

SECTION Q – GARDEN SHOW

4 CATEGORIES: (1) Formal (2) Native (3) Cottage - to be judged from the street
(4) Lockhart District Residents-photo of your favourite view of your garden.

ENTRY: \$6 (for all sections)

First Prize each category - voucher to be spent in Lockhart

Judged on Sunday 5th November 2022.

Entry forms available Lockhart IGA, *Intuition*, facebook.com/LockhartShow or
lockhartshow.com.au

Entries close on **Friday 3rd November 2022**- completed forms and \$6 entry fee
in envelope to be placed in box at Lockhart IGA

All photographic entries to be submitted to: entries.lockhartshow@gmail.com

NAME:

ADDRESS:

TOWN: POSTCODE:

Direct Deposit Details: Put your name in reference

Lockhart Agricultural and Pastoral Society

Bendigo Bank BSB 633 108

Account number: # 1206 3865 5

2022 Spirit of the Land Festival Thank You

The Spirit of the Land Lockhart Festival first began at the time of one of the worst droughts in Lockhart's history as a celebration of the spirit of those who live and work on the land.

Ironically the challenges we were confronted with for this year's Festival were the result of a weather pattern that is the direct opposite of a drought. However having endured two years of COVID related cancellations, lockdowns and other restrictions I think it is true to say that, whatever the circumstances the Festival plays an important role in celebrating the resilience of this community.

For this reason I would like to thank our hard-working committee members who forged ahead despite the obstacles, and our many volunteers who have never let us down and, when the time came, were once again there to do whatever it was that needed to be done.

I would also like to express appreciation to those who opened their gardens and co-ordinated the Farm Tour which diversifies the attractions and enhances the Festival. This year, thanks to the support of the NSW Department of Regional NSW we were also able to include some roaming performers in the form of stilt walkers as an additional attraction which proved very popular.

Thank you also to the many 'Friends of the Festival' who continue to support the Spirit of the Land each and every year. It's just another indication of how this event is embraced by the community.

The co-operation and assistance received from Lockhart Shire Council staff with respect to road closures, traffic management, waste management, parks and gardens maintenance, advertising and promotion and the like is also greatly appreciated.

With the support and co-operation of Lockhart Shire Council the 2022 National Farm Art Sculpture Award winner, "*Bin Chook*" by Grahame Edmonds, will be displayed in a public place for the next 12 months.

Thanks to the Lockhart and District Community Bank – Bendigo Bank not one, not two, but another three sculptures, will remain permanently in the town and form part of the wider collection and Sculpture Trail including "*Grass Tree – True Blue*" by David Perkins, "*Startled Geese*" by Bob Teasdale and "*For Valour – Victoria Cross*" by David Fenwick.

The Lockhart Shire Council has also continued its long-standing practice of purchasing a painting from the exhibition and as a result, this year's winner, "*Kids Ponies and Summer Holiday*" by Vicki McKoy, will now proudly hang in the Spirit of the Land Gallery in the Billabong Showroom of the Greens Gonyah Museum along with previous acquisitions.

We are also very fortunate to have some resilient sponsors who have stuck with us through thick and thin and without their generous support we would not be able to hold this event. In this regard I would like to acknowledge: -

Lockhart Shire Council, Lockhart and District Community Bank – Bendigo Bank, Riverina Water, Lockhart Anglers Club, Lockhart Ex-Servicemen's Club, Lockhart IGA, Delta Agribusiness, Friedlieb Fox McLeod Solicitors, Lockhart Lions Club, OldnDaze, Coates Hire, John Bance and Son Funeral Directors and Bush and Campbell Accountants.

Once again thank you to everyone involved. It was good to have the Festival back and I look forward to another successful event next year.

Peter Veneris

President

Spirit of the Land Lockhart Inc.



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register in advance with this QR Code

RSVP Essential: register by 1 November to 0427 205 526 or email: franday@bigpond.com

Friday 4 November

4pm - 7pm **Barefoot Bowls & Pizza** (all ages welcome) Lockhart Bowling Club

Tuesday 8 November

Seniors Expo 9.30am-10.00am - Light exercise - enjoy a stroll in the park
10.00am - 12.00pm - Lunch, health checks and lots of info

Walter Day Park
Lockhart Ex-Servicemen's Club

Family Expo 12.30pm - 1.00pm - Light Exercise - enjoy a stroll in the park
1.00pm - 3.00pm - Lunch, info for Mums & bubs
Pilates, Health Professionals and much more!

Walter Day Park
Lockhart Ex-Servicemen's Club

FOR OUR SCHOOL KIDS:

Lockhart LHAC are also proud to support the following schools by providing health and wellbeing activities

Friday 4 November

9am - 11am Lockhart Central School
12pm - 2pm St Joseph's Primary School

Monday 7 November

9am - 11am The Rock Central School
12pm - 2pm Yerong Creek School, Pleasant Hills School
and Boree Creek School

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See next page for more details



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DON'T MISS OUT! COME AND JOIN US!

**MAKE SURE YOU TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS VERY SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY
TO LEARN MORE ABOUT HEALTH & WELLBEING IN OUR COMMUNITY**

Residents of the Lockhart Shire!

You are invited to join these FREE community events:

Come along to any of these activities to find out how you can improve your health and wellbeing.
Hear from health professionals and learn some great tools and tips!

STALLHOLDERS AT EXPO

Tuesday 8th November 2022 (please see front page)

Seniors (morning) 9.30am

Families (afternoon) 12.30am

BODY DYNAMICS WAGGA – EXERCISE PHYSIOLOGIST –
MUM'S & BUBS PILATES, PILATES, GENTLE EXERCISE
BUSH & CAMPBELL – INVESTING, FINANCIAL & ESTATE PLANNING
FRIEDLIB FOX MCLEOD SOLICITORS LOCKHART
HEALTH AND PROMOTION MLHD – TAI CHI AND AQUA EXERCISE
HEADSPACE WAGGA – MENTAL HEALTH WORKER & DIETITIAN
LOCKHART BENDIGO BANK – BANKING NEEDS
LOCKHART CENTRAL SCHOOL – DIGITAL PHONE/COMPUTER LITERACY SUPPORT
LOCKHART COMMUNITY NURSE (FREE HEALTH CHECKS), TALKING TO NEW PARENTS TO
THE ELDERLY PROMOTING POSITIVE HEALTH

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St Joseph's School News

J Factor – On the last day of Term 3, we held the 'J Factor'. This production is totally organised and run by the students who present acts which included dancing, reciting, instrumental pieces, interviews and singing. They also compere, do the props and staging and organise the music. It was also wonderful to see so many parents join us for this afternoon.



Visits to Our School – In the first week of Term 4, we had visits from the Life Education van and the Enviromentors. These programs both inform the students about maintaining a happy and healthy lifestyle as well as looking after the world that we live in.

Lockhart Central School News



What a wonderful day was had by all at the school's 125th Celebrations. Thank you to Dr. Joe McGirr MP, Aunty Gail Manderson, Lockhart Shire Council Mayor Cr Greg Verdon, Rodger Schirmer for their formal welcome and messages about public education. A big thank you to

everyone that came to celebrate, remember their time at Lockhart Central School and to wander through our beautiful school. The rain did not dampen the spirits of our guests and the sun came out for the afternoon festivities. The musicians were fantastic and the quality of singing was far beyond our expectations. Thankyou to our artists, Montana Pertzell, Millie and Harry, Hannah Grace and Isaiah Firebrace. Thank you to the staff and P&C of Lockhart Central School for all the hard work preparing for this amazing celebration and the support of the Lockhart Shire Council.

Ms Dunne, Principal

Pleasant Hills public School News—Term 3

ALPHABET OF AWESOME SCIENCE - We attended this brilliant theatre production at the Civic Theatre in Wagga. Students were treated to some fantastic vocabulary, songs, booming bangs and busting balloons.

BOOK WEEK - Pleasant Hills Preschool children joined us for a Book Week parade and sausage sizzle, and parents donated books to our school library.

CWA VISIT - Students studied the country of Latvia as part of the CWA Country of Study and members of the Pleasant Hills CWA Branch cooked and served us Latvian food which we all thoroughly enjoyed.

GYMASTICS – A visit to Albury for gymnastics was enjoyed by all our students.

FOOTY COLOURS DAY – Lots of Swans and Pies were present at school this day where students and staff raised money for Kids Cancer!

VEGETABLE GARDEN – Students have loved planting tomatoes, spinach and beans in the school vegetable garden, and watching them grow!

RIVERINA ATHLETICS - Jesse, Milly, Charlotte and Caitlin competed in the PP5 Relay team in Albury at the Riverina Athletics Carnival.

SCHOOL BUS ZONE - Thank you to Lockhart Shire Council for making our School Bus Zone a safe place for students and parents. It looks amazing, and our students loved watching the council workers using the equipment to make this space.

MASSIVE THANK YOU - A massive thank you to everyone for your efforts, with the Henty Machinery Field Days. You are absolutely amazing and the amount of work and organisation that has gone into putting together a wonderful fundraising opportunity hasn't gone unnoticed!! Thank you to you all.



LASCI – Lockhart Amateur Swimming Club Inc.

Your local Swim club LASCI will be commencing in **November 2022**, and we can't wait to get back in the pool and have some fun. To kick start the season for lap swimmers (Intermediate & Advanced) there will be a Development session with Billy Nicholson from NSW Swimming on Sunday 6th 2pm – 5pm. RSVP to Penny.

Juniors commence Tuesday 8th November 4pm.

Tuesdays: Junior Swim Club 4 to 4.30pm

Lap Swimmers 4.30 to 5.30pm (Time Trials)

Thursday: Lap Swimmers 5 to 6pm (Training)

Sunday: Lap Swimmers 11am -12 (Laps)

Junior Swim Club - water confidence building, games & stroke development. (Prior swimming lessons a prerequisite, minimum 5years old.).

Lap Swimmers (all ages) - improving strokes, technique, and PB times.

Registration details available on commencement. For more information contact Penny Lane 0407 753 431.



Updated Information for Households

Food Organics Garden Organics (FOGO) Green-Lid Bins

The NSW Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) is introducing new regulations that govern what can and can't be placed in the green-lid FOGO bins.

The change by the NSW Government prohibits disposal of many items previously allowed under the current FOGO organics recycling service.

Residents and businesses with a FOGO service will only be permitted to dispose of organic kitchen scraps and garden waste under the new regulations..

This means items such as food-soiled paper and cardboard packaging, certified compostable packaging and cups, teabags, tissues, coffee filters, vacuum cleaner dust, hair, animal droppings and cat litter will no longer be permitted.

These items must now go in the red-lid landfill bin. The only permitted exception is the use of certified compostable bags, or paper for lining kitchen caddy bins.

According to the EPA the reasons for the change relate to specific concerns that have been raised about the long-term impacts of accumulated bio-plastics and substances commonly used in the manufacture of compostable food packaging.

The only material that can be placed in the green-lid FOGO bins now is:

- Food
- Garden organics
- Compostable plastic kitchen caddy liners that comply with Australian Standard AS 4736-2006 (for commercial composting) used to collect and transfer food waste to the FOGO bin
- Fibre-based kitchen caddy liners (e.g. paper or newspaper) used to collect and transfer food waste to the FOGO bin.

For more information on the new FOGO regulations, visit the NSW EPA website at www.epa.nsw.gov.au.

Youth Officer

With the end of the year fast approaching, Lockhart Shire council will be planning activities for Youth and Young people to enjoy over the Summer Break.

Even though it appears that the wet weather appears to be set in until the end of 2022, Lockhart Shire Council will be hosting movie nights at the Lockhart Shire & The Rock Swimming Pools which will be a fantastic way for young people to spend the Summer evenings. So keep your eye out on Lockhart Shires Council page for dates and come along and enjoy a new release movie while you swim.

Lockhart Shire Council received an overwhelming response for applications for the Youth Advisory Committees. The second phase of the Committee establishment will be held at both The Rock and Lockhart Central Schools in Term 4. Nathan Hulls was schedule to return to Lockhart on the 22nd September however, due to the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, Nathan's visit has been rescheduled to a later date. Lockhart Youth Services is looking forward to attending both School's first Youth Advisory Committee meeting and will eagerly continue to advocate for young people in Lockhart Shire.

Adulting 101 Courses for RSA & RCG have been rescheduled until November 2022. All those who have registered their interest were notified of October's cancellation due to conflicting with The Spirit of the Land Festival which was recently held in Lockhart. All participants will be notified when the course dates are confirmed with TAFE NSW in upcoming weeks.



Lockhart Shire Youth Services wishes all Year 12 students the best of luck in their Higher School Certificate examinations in the following weeks & the all the best for their future endeavors.

Adulting 101 –

Lots of Courses coming up next term in the Lockhart Shire with students participating in Auto, barista and RSA Courses. These courses will be held at the Wagga TAFE campus and will be a wonderful experience for those students looking to gain some in demand workplace skills and accreditations.

Lockhart Youth Advisory Committee.

Nathan Hulls will be returning to both The Rock & Lockhart Central School on September 22 to finalize the establishment of the Youth Advisory Committees for Lockhart Shire.

This is very exciting news as there has been an over whelming amount of interest in joining the Youth Advisory Committees and becoming the advocates for Young people of Lockhart Shire.

Lockhart Shire Council Youth Development look forward to continue to provide opportunities for growth and be positive advocates for the Youth of Lockhart Shire.

No smoking near entrances to or exists from a public building (the 4 metre law)

The Smoke-free Environment Act 2000 makes a number of outdoor public places smoke-free. Smoking is banned within 4 metres of a pedestrian entrance to or exit from a public building in NSW. This law is called the '4 metre law'.

The '4 metre law' was delayed for licensed premises and restaurants until 6 July 2015. This delay was allowed to support consistent application of the smoking ban on commercial outdoor dining areas from 6 July 2015.

What types of public buildings are covered by the 4 metre law?

Smoking is already banned in enclosed areas of public places in NSW. The law extends the smoking ban to cover the area within 4 metres of a pedestrian entrance to or exit from a public building, such as:

- shopping centres, malls and plazas
- schools, colleges and universities
- childcare facilities
- community centres, halls and places of worship
- theatres, cinemas, libraries and galleries
- accommodation hotels and motels
- professional, trade, commercial and other business premises
- fitness centres, bowling alleys and other sporting and recreational facilities
- local, NSW and Federal Government premises
- licensed premises including clubs and hotels
- restaurants and cafés.

Does the smoke-free law apply to someone walking along the footpath while smoking as they pass within 4 metres of an entrance to a public building?

No. This situation is not considered an offence, so long as the person does not remain in the smoke-free area while smoking. The purpose of the ban is to stop smokers from congregating immediately outside entrances to or exists from public buildings.

For more information

Please contact the Tobacco Information Line on 1800 357 412 or visit the NSW Health website: www.health.nsw.gov.au/tobacco. The Tobacco Information Line can be accessed by non-English speaking people via the Translating and Interpreting Service (TIS) on 13 14 50.

Building & Planning Services

APPROVED DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

Pursuant to Section 4.59 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979, the following development applications were approved, with conditions, from 1 September to 30 September 2022. The below consents are available for public inspection at Council's Administration Office, 65 Green Street, Lockhart, between 9am

DA/CDC No	Development	Site of Development
09/23	Farm Shed	610 Janetskes Ln, Henty
11/23	Garage	20 Station St, Milbrulong
14/23	Shed	47 Galore St, Lockhart
CDC17/23	Swimming Pool	57 Scott St, The Rock

and 4.30pm weekdays.

Peter Veneris, General Manager

NSW Planning Portal

Lockhart Shire Council uses electronic lodgement of Development Applications (DA), Construction Certificates (CC), Complying Development Applications (CDC) & Section 68 through the [NSW Planning Portal](#). Applicants will need to establish their own account and then lodge their DA's, CC's and CDC's. For further information or for assistance please contact our Planning & Building team.

This is the process that Council recommends you follow:

- Contact our Planning Team on 02 6920 5305 to discuss your application or to arrange a pre lodgement meeting if required.

Visit the [NSW Planning Portal](#) to [Register](#) for a NSW Planning Portal account to start your application. This will enable you to access your dashboard, view, manage, track and progress applications, pay state agency fees and submit documents. You will also receive email notifications at key stages of the application process.

[Log in](#) to complete the online application form.

- For DA's and CC's you will need to submit a State of Environmental Effects, owner's consent, cost estimate report as well as all supporting plans and documents.
- For CDC's you will need to submit a certificate of title, site plan, design plans, structural plans and building specifications.
- Once we receive your application, Council will do a preliminary assessment and contact you to arrange payment of fees or request additional information.
- Once Council is satisfied with the information provided and fees are paid, your application can be lodged.

Council encourages all applicants to arrange a pre lodgement meeting with the Planning & Building team to ensure all required paperwork is ready before lodgement.

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

Lockhart Seniors News

All meetings and gatherings are held at the Lockhart Ex-Servicemen's Club.

Monthly meetings are held the 2nd Monday of the month at 1.30pm, followed by bingo.

Bingo is also held on the 4th Monday of the month at 1.30pm.

Cards are held on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Mondays of the month at 1.30pm.

Seniors BBQ is held on the 3rd Sunday of the month at 11.30am.

New members always welcome.

Betty Quee, Secretary

Lockhart Recreation Ground Booking Officer

Shirley Morgan - Email: cooinda75@bigpond.com

Home phone: (02) 6929 5237 - Mobile: 0457644772



MateKeeper



ROC

RURAL OUTREACH COUNSELLING

Rural Outreach Counselling Inc. (ROC) is a community-minded mental health charity working out of the Riverina region of New South Wales servicing the Riverina, Hume, Snowy Valley and beyond.

ROC Services:

- FREE Suicide trainings and workshops (QPR)
- Counselling
- MateKeeper program



Contact our MateKeeper Coordinators for further information on
0418 762 255 or matekeeper@ruraloutreach.com.au

The Rock Op-Shop
Hours: Sat/Sun 10am - 2pm, Tues-Friday 11.30am - 3.30pm
Contact Lynly Boyle 0414 759 311

THE ROCK & DISTRICT MEN'S SHED

MEETS EVERY WEDNESDAY

Ford Street THE ROCK 2655

FROM 8.30AM TO APPROX 3PM

\$8 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

Rod - Secretary 6920 2154 or
0402 216 198

THE ROCK TOWN HALL & MUSEUM
AVAILABLE FOR HIRE

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

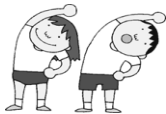
- **FULL DAY \$200.00**
- **HALF DAY \$100.00**

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

For information contact:

Nancy Smith (Secretary) 0427692020

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



Attention!!! Attention!!! Attention!!!

THE ROCK COMMUNITY EXERCISE CLASSES!

Classes have started again on

Monday afternoon at 3.00PM at The Rock Town Hall & Museum

The proven benefits of gentle exercise for all people include - Increased balance - Increased strength - Increased flexibility - Increased fitness

Helps with Mental Health - Improves breathing - Friendship

These classes are for all ages and very affordable.

ALL WELCOME, COME ALONG WHENEVER POSSIBLE AND MEET NEW FRIENDS WHILE DOING GENTLE EXERCISES.

Contact: Nancy Smith on 0427 692 020 or 6920 2034



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:

◆ 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

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 2pm at the Rock Memorial Bowling Club

For further details please contact Vicky 6920 2500

Tai Chi

Tai Chi Classes are held every Monday morning at Lockhart Uniting Church Hall at 9am.

Everyone is welcome.

The class members are currently taking part in a 5000 Steps Daily challenge to increase their fitness in preparation for the warmer weather.

All enquiries please contact Lorraine Hoffmann on 69206233 or 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)



Health
Murrumbidgee
Local Health District

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.

Douglass Hanly Moir Pathology (DHM) have opened a pathology collection centre within Lockhart Medical Practice. We are collecting from all patients on a Wednesday morning between 9am to 12noon. This Centre establishes DHM's presence in the Lockhart community and marks our long-term commitment to provide the premium pathology service which it deserves. We can collect most tests locally that previously you would have had to travel to Wagga plus almost all blood tests requested by your GP or specialist. We also accept all request forms. If you have any questions regarding any tests, please feel free to talk to us at our collection centre within the medical centre or phone us on 6932 6700.

The Anglican Church of Australia

Diocese of Riverina

Parish of The Rock

Service date and times

St Peters The Rock

1st and 3rd Sundays of the month 9:30am

St Cuthbert's Uranquinty

2nd and 4th Sundays of the month 9am.

For more information contact:

Rev. Jocelyn Heazlewood

0427 198 513

St John's Presbyterian Church Lockhart

58 Hebden Street Lockhart.

Service times: 8:45am each Sunday

For information please contact Rec Craig

Nicholas on (02) 6929 3129 or 0412 058

444 or

email craig@hentylockhartpresy.org.au

or visit our website <http://>

www.hentylockhartpresy.org.au/

ST AIDAN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

Lockhart

Cnr Day & Drummond Streets Lockhart

10am SUNDAY

HOLY COMMUNION - 1st & 3rd Sundays

Morning prayer - 2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays

Rev Mike Perrott - 0417 207 993

Parish Secretary - 0429 028 274

St Mary's Parish

The Rock

Mass Times

Sunday - 8am & 10am

Monday - 7am

Tuesday - 6pm

Wednesday - 7am

Thursday - 7am

Friday - 6pm

Saturday - 8.30am

For more information contact:

Fr Ledinich 6920 2017

Lockhart Uniting Church Services

November 2022

6th, 9am - Lockhart

13th, 9am, Lockhart

20th - No service, join with the Anglicans
at 10am

27th, 10am Zoom service with Rev
Yvonne Gharvalis

If there are any pastoral concerns, please
contact Dorothy Creek on 0427207233

or Lorraine Hoffmann on 69206233 or
0427204051.

The Rock Uniting Church

Ford Street, The Rock

All welcome to attend

Morning Tea served after service

Contact:

Ann Taylor Chairperson – 0407 554 880

Joy Schultz – Secretary – 0428 566 902

Christian Radio in Lockhart 87.6 Tune every day

Learn through Play



Enrolments are now welcome!

Make a time to come and meet our Educators
and have a tour of our beautiful Preschool

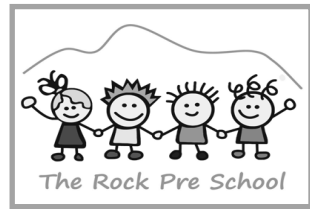
Open Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

8:00am-3:30pm

3-5yr olds

Phone Kristin on 6920 5156 or

Email: director@lockhartpreschool.com.au



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.



Next Ordinary Council Meeting

Monday 21 November 2022

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

Council Newsletter Deadline

Placement of articles is subject to
suitability and available space. Email
articles for inclusion to:
mail@lockhart.nsw.gov.au no later than
4pm Friday 18th November 2022.

Rates Information

If paying by instalments, the 2nd instalment is due
by 30 November 2022.

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 6% pa. Failure to
contact Council regarding overdue Rates may
result in additional and unnecessary recovery
costs which will be added to your account.

Lockhart Hospital Auxiliary meeting will be held on Friday 18th November at 2pm at Lockhart MPS. New members are always welcome.

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 6929 6407

(During opening hours)

Email: phpreschool@gmail.com



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 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. Call Joy Schultz 0428566902, Wendy Flory 0429637313 or Chris Makeham 0448570227

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



The Lockhart Street Library

The Street Library is always available at Lockhart Uniting Church Hall. Why not have a look? You may find a favourite author there. Any enquiries, please ring Lorraine Hoffmann on 69206233 or 0427204051.



Lockhart Playgroup - All Welcome

Monday 9am at the

Lockhart Preschool

Ages Birth – 5 years

Please bring morning tea to share

Tea/Coffee provided

Cost \$20/family/year

For more information

visit our Facebook Page:

Lockhart Playgroup!



MOBILE LIBRARY TIMETABLE

November 2022

Lockhart

1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th

9am - 12.30pm

Milbrulong

2nd, 16th & 30th

2.15pm to 3.15pm

Pleasant Hills

3rd & 17th

10.30am to 11.30am

Yerong Creek

9th & 23rd

9.30am to 10.30am

The Rock

3rd & 17th

12.45pm to 2.15pm

www.rrl.nsw.gov.au

Lockhart Central School



LOCKHART CENTRAL SCHOOL

Taking Enrolments for 2022

Phone 69205209

**Information Packages and School
Tours available**



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)
- 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

FOGO CADDY LINERS



Are you running out of liners for your FOGO kitchen caddy? Please drop into Council to pick up a new roll free of charge. For further assistance please call Council on 6920 5305

Council Waste Disposal Centres Opening Hours

	Each TUESDAY	Each WEDNESDAY	SUNDAYS IN NOVEMBER (13th & 27th)
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		

Council's Waste Disposal Centres do not accept Silo Bags

WARDS WEED



Carrichtera annua

Other Common Names: Ward's weed

Origin: Native to northern Africa, Asia (Mediterranean to Iran) and southern Europe.

Description: A small, upright (erect) to spreading (decumbent), short-lived (annual) herbaceous plant usually growing only 5-40 cm tall. The stems, leaves and fruit are covered with bristly hairs.

A small compact plant in the mustard family. This species can grow as a thick mat that chokes out all other species. Once the plants dry up, they can be flammable and present a fire hazard.

Leaves: Pinnately lobed and to 10 cm long.

Flowers: June to November. Borne in elongated clusters that emerge from

the leaf forks near the tips of the stems. Yellowish flowers have four petals (8-9 mm long) with purple veins.

Fruit: Small, 6-8 mm long, are borne on short stalks and are held in a drooping position. They resemble small pods, split open when mature, and are divided into two segments. The upper segment does not contain any seeds and is flattened into a spoon-shaped projection. The lower segment is rounded, stiffly hairy, and contains 3 or 4 seeds.

Seeds: Extremely high seed count, up to 30 000 seeds per square meter per year, this species is able to spread quickly. Seeds are rounded, 1-1.5 mm long and dark brown.

Wards weed has two seed banks allowing it to spread throughout the year. One seed bank is in the soil, and the other is above ground. The seed pods dry up and remain on the plant until the first rains, which cause the seed pods to burst open.

This species reproduces only by seed. These seeds are dispersed short distances by ants and other foraging animals. They may be dispersed longer distances by vehicles, on larger animals and clothing, and in contaminated agricultural produce. Bristles on seed shell help distribution via animals and clothing.

Emerging weed of concern: Currently spreading through the western region of the Riverina.

For further information please contact Council's Environmental Officer on (02) 6920 5305

2022 COMMUNITY SURVEY

NOW OPEN



ABOUT THIS SURVEY

The MLHD 2022 Community Survey gathers information from people across the Murrumbidgee region about their experience with and knowledge of services in hospitals and other healthcare facilities.

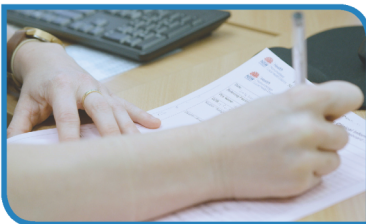
This is the perfect opportunity for you to provide feedback on how the health service can improve communication.



The survey is anonymous. Participation in the survey is voluntary and respondents cannot be identified from the information provided in this survey.

CLOSING DATE

This survey will open from 1 September 2022 and close on 30 November 2022.



PURPOSE

The 2022 MLHD Community Survey will:

- measure public awareness about services available locally
- identify gaps in the provision of information
- identify best communication channels to inform, consult and engage with specific communities



TAKE SURVEY NOW!

Go online:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MLHD-CS-2022>

<<< scan the QR code to access via your device

Hard copies are also available from your local hospital reception.



MURRUMBIDGEE
Local Health District

