

# LOCKHART SHIRE NEWSLETTER

March 2024



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# CLOCKWEED



*Oenothera curtiflora*

**Other Common Names:** Velvetweed, Velvetleaf Gaura, Lizard-tail Gaura, Willow Gaura, Small-flowered Bee-blossom, Downy Gaura, Velvety Gaura

**Description:** An annual garden escape that has become an invasive weed particularly along roadsides, creeks, and waterways.

An annual hairy herb growing to 1 m high. Native to North America, except for Canada and the Northeast.

**Stems:** Erect and usually unbranched, softly hairy with both glandular and long simple hairs.



**Leaves:** Oval shaped, up to 12 cm long and 4 cm wide and have tiny teeth along the margins.

**Flowers:** White flowers are very small with petals only 2-3 mm long. They open around sunset and last less than one day. They become reddish or yellow with age. Flowers in summer.

**Fruit:** A stiff capsule, 10 mm long and 2 mm wide. The fruit is dry but does not split open when ripe.



**Priority weed:** Clockweed is considered a priority weed in the Lockhart Shire.

This plant should not be sold in parts of NSW.

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](http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/agriculture/pests-weeds/weeds)

# Mayoral Report

Hello again and what a wonderful sound it was the rain on the roof bringing an end to a long dry spell and providing a great tonic for our trees and pastures. There appears to be an average of around 30ml throughout the Shire which was greatly appreciated. Whilst it may not be the autumn break we are all seeking it is certainly a good start.



Council has certainly been busy with a number of strategic plans being adopted. Firstly, the Brookong Creek Masterplan was adopted by Council after a long and positive round of public consultation. The plan provides a blueprint for nature based visitor experiences that cater for a range of visitors. It will also enhance and protect conservation of endangered species, indigenous heritage and enhance the health and wellbeing of Shire residents. Special thanks to all those involved especially the Tourism and Economic Development Steering Committee and all those who made submissions.

The second major issue was the adoption of the Integrated Water Cycle Management Strategy. Much discussion took place on this issue and following strong representations from residents of South Lockhart a caveat was put in place that any decision on sewerage South Lockhart requires full and open consultation with the residents. I congratulate Steve and Amanda Matthews and the South Lockhart residents who attended the Council meeting to air their concerns.

Anzac Day will soon be upon us and Councillors have been allocated to attend services at The Rock, Lockhart, Pleasant Hills and Yerong Creek. This important day is always well supported by the community which clearly shows a great respect for the men and women who served and continue to serve our country.

Our works crews are continuing their role of repairing and improving the Shire roads. The Mangoplah Rd is looking good and work has commenced on shoulder widening of BoreeCreek-Kywyong Rd and grader crews are pushing ahead with the maintenance of our gravel roads. Congratulations also to The Rock RSL Sub-Branch and Council staff regarding the installation of new seating in the Avenue of Honour. The seats really compliment the Avenue.

Council also held a prebudget workshop to identify projects for inclusion and the challenges arising out of recent and future cost increases. These include a 3.5% Award pay rise for staff, a \$30,000 increase in our external audit costs and additional \$53,000 for Internal Audit and Risk following changes to government requirements. These along with many other issues will be determined at future budget workshops.

I was privileged along with the General Manager to have sneak preview of the new Rural Fire Service facility at The Rock. This modern complex will greatly enhance conditions for our volunteers and will provide a great training facility. On 27 March I will be attending the launch of the History podcast of the Pleasant Hills Football Club which ceased in 1955. I believe some of the members of the last team will be in attendance which should make for some great stories.

With the Easter Season fast approaching I wish all residents a safe and blessed Easter and hope that you may find some time to reflect on the importance of the occasion.

Until next time

Regards

Greg

# Council Snippets 18 March 2024

## ***Brookong Creek Masterplan***

Council at its meeting held on 18 March 2024 adopted a Masterplan for Brookong Creek and surrounds in Lockhart to guide the development of passive recreation opportunities in the area.

Council has received grant funding totalling \$140,000 under Round 5 of the Stronger Country Communities Fund to implement the first stage of improvements under the Masterplan. Adoption of the Masterplan will enable the first stage of improvements to be scoped and implemented using this grant funding.

## ***Integrated Water Cycle Management (IWCM ) Strategy – Sewerage Schemes***

Council publicly exhibited a draft IWCM Strategy which all councils that manage water or sewerage schemes are required to develop.

The main priority identified in Council's IWCM Strategy, which has a 30 year horizon, was the need to upgrade the Lockhart Sewerage Treatment Plant. The Strategy also included reference to the extension of the Lockhart sewerage scheme to South Lockhart. However after considering submissions received from residents Council adopted the Strategy with the inclusion of a caveat that any proposal to extend the sewerage scheme would be subject to further consultation.

Council's efforts will now be focused on securing government funding for the upgrade the Lockhart Sewerage Treatment Plant.

## ***Works***

*Local Sealed Roads:* Boree Creek-Kywong Rd shoulder widening has commenced. Culvert widening on Mittagong Yerong Creek Rd - the northern culvert completed and the southern culvert are well under way. Vegetation, drains and shoulder grading have been completed on the Alma Park Rd and Henty Ryan Rd.

*Unsealed Roads:* Maintenance of Shire gravel roads has been conducted on Meltons Lane, Murphys Lane, Hendersons Road, Crowes Lane, Browns Lane, Old French Park Road and French Park town streets.

*Maintenance Crews:* The Bitumen Crew have been kept busy with routine maintenance on our Local and Regional Roads. Maintenance crews have been assisting with the shoulder widening on Boree Creek-Kywong Road, extending box culverts.

## ***Parks & Gardens***

The Rock staff have installed remembrance seating in the Avenue of Honour and they do look amazing.

Staff have been busy hand watering street trees and non-irrigated garden beds. Staff are also preparing to close down our two pools for the off-season while also carrying out maintenance of buildings and the surrounds.

We have welcomed two new members of staff to our parks and gardens team in February and both have fitted in well and are having an immediate impact on work rosters.

Our sports fields will get some extra attention as the football season draws closer and preparations are in place to ensure our war memorials are ready for Anzac Day commemorations.

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## **Biosecurity**

### Weed Control Program

Priority has been given to the control of Silverleaf nightshade (*Solanum elaeagnifolium*), Horehound (*Marrubium vulgare*), Bathurst burr (*Xanthium spinosum*), Feathertop Rhodes grass (*Chloris virgata*), and Purple-flowered devil's claw (*Proboscidea louisianica*) on roadside reserves and council managed land.

Bathurst burr (*Xanthium spinosum*) was controlled on Bahrs Lane, Benders Lane, Boyds Road, Crowes Lane, Dunleveys Lane, Frank Westblade Lane, Humphrys Lane, Jaegars Lane, Klimpschs Lane, Krauses Lane, Maffra Lane, Moores Bus Route, Richters Lane, The Rock Collingullie Road, Tuttys Lane, Vennells Lane, and Wide Lane.

Feathertop Rhodes grass (*Chloris virgata*) was controlled on Albury Road, Soldier Settlement Road, and Yuluma Road.

Horehound (*Marrubium vulgare*) was controlled on Albert Smiths Lane, Alma Park Road, Bankvale Road, Calare Lane, Carns Lane, Carrolls Lane, Clancys Lane, Dick Knobles Road, Dunleveys Lane, Ellis Lane, Figtree Road, Fletts Lane, Forcks Lane, Krauses Lane, Lehdeys Lane, Long Park Road, Lockhart Kywong Road, Maffra Lane, Munyabla Munyaplah Road, Osborne Pleasant Hills Road, Pleasant Hills Road, Richters Lane, Scheuners Lane, Scotts Lane, Semlers Road, Spurrells Road, Tara Boundary Road, Woodend Fiveways Road, Wolters Lane, and Zwecks Lane.

Purple-flowered devil's claw (*Proboscidea louisianica*) was controlled on Webbs Lane.

Silverleaf nightshade (*Solanum elaeagnifolium*) was controlled on Crowes Lane, Frank Westblade Lane, French Park Bullenbong Road, Hendersons Road, Mortons Lane, Old French Park Bullenbong Road, Urana Boree Creek Road, and Wide Lane.

St. Barnaby's thistle (*Centaurea colstitialis*) was controlled on Jaegars Lane and Klimpschs Lane.

St. John's wort (*Hypericum perforatum*) was controlled on Jaegars Lane, Klimpschs Lane, and Lockhart Kywong Road.

The back lanes of The Rock and Yerong Creek townships were also sprayed.

### Riverina Regional Weeds Committee Meeting

On February 7 Council's Environmental Officer attended the Riverina Regional Weeds Committee Meeting, held in Wagga Wagga. Issues raised included:

The use of social media for weed detection

Delegates reports showed most councils, including Lockhart Shire Council, have experienced multiple germinations of Silverleaf nightshade (*Solanum elaeagnifolium*) and St. John's wort (*Hypericum perforatum*) due to continuous rainfall events in spring and early summer.

CSIRO has begun African boxthorn (*Lycium ferocissimum*) biocontrol trials at Hay.

Alligator weed (*Alternanthera philoxeroides*) has been found in the ACT in waterways that feed into the Murrumbidgee River system.

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Weed risk assessment of Sticky nightshade (*Solanum sisymbriifolium*) and proposed inclusion in the regional priority weeds list, with the category eradication.

Review of the regulatory status of Frogbit (*Limnobium laevigatum*) and potential removal from the prohibited matter list.

The use of drones in weed inspections.

Guest speaker was representative of Rapid Logix Technologies, regarding universal spray flow tracking, recording and mapping technology that may make record keeping and weed control activities easier.

## Social media

Emphasis has been made of the use of social media as an avenue for weed distribution. Many discoveries of weed plant matter have occurred on Facebook, Gumtree, Ebay, and Buy, Swap, Sell sites. Weed plants and seeds have been found for sale, as well as offered for free. Searches on Facebook's Lockhart Buy, Sell and Swap Group did not lead to the discovery of any weeds but interestingly one resident who regularly applies for the firewood collection permit is selling firewood commercially. As such, future applications for firewood collection will be denied.



## Expressions of Interest

### Removal of two (2) Dwellings in Lockhart

Council is inviting expressions of interest from interested persons for the removal of dwellings at 3 Urana Street and 77 Urana Street, Lockhart

Written expressions of interest should be received by 5.00pm on **Friday 12 April 2024**

Following Expressions of Interest, applicants will be contacted to arrange inspection times.

Expressions of interest may be lodged as follows:

Email: [mail@lockhart.nsw.gov.au](mailto:mail@lockhart.nsw.gov.au)  
Post: PO Box 21 Lockhart NSW 2656  
Deliver: 65 Green Street Lockhart NSW 2656

Austin Morris  
Director of Engineering

## **Lockhart - 25 Years as a Peace Town**

Lockhart was declared a Peace Town on 23 February 1999 as part of a broader Rotary International initiative.

The declaration was commemorated by the unveiling of a plaque at Hodgson Park.

The concept of Rotary District D9700 Community Peace Cities/Towns was conceived in Wagga Wagga by Rotarian Tony Quinlivan. The City became the first Peace Community on 23 February 1993. There are now more than 60 peace counties, cities and towns in 20 different countries around the world.

An event was held at Hodgson Park on Friday 23 February 2024 to mark the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the declaration. Representatives of Rotary Clubs in the region, specifically Wagga where this international movement was initiated, attended along with local parliamentarians and other guests.



Photo left to right – Peter Veneris, General Manager Lockhart Shire Council - Dr Joe McGirr MP, Member for Wagga – Cr Greg Verdon, Mayor Lockhart Shire – Fred Loneragan, Rotary Peace Community Committee Chair and Past Rotary District Governor - Colin Wiese, former Lockhart Shire Mayor and Rotarian.




**Give kids the freedom to move, play and create.**

The NSW government is making it easy for kids to be active and creative while helping you save money.

The new Active and Creative Kids Program is offering families one \$50 voucher for each eligible child issued in Term 1 and Term 3. The vouchers can be redeemed on a range of activities by registered providers.

Vouchers can be used towards registration and participation costs.



## HOW TO APPLY FOR YOUR VOUCHERS

Check your eligibility and apply today for your Active and Creative Kids voucher at [service.nsw.gov.au](http://service.nsw.gov.au)

You'll also find a list of registered providers where you can redeem your vouchers.

### Eligibility

To be eligible for the voucher, a child must be:

- A NSW resident
- Aged between 4.5 and 18 years
- Under the care of a parent, guardian or carer receiving:
  - Family Tax Benefit Part A
  - Family Tax Benefit Part B
  - Both Family Tax Benefit Part A and Family Tax Benefit Part B.



## Lockhart Show Society

### Seeking to fill executive positions

We are seeking interest from 2 motivated individuals to join the Lockhart Show Society for the positions of Secretary and Treasurer.

These positions are paid and offer an opportunity to get involved with a long running historic show in Lockhart.

Navneet Tony Choujar

President, Lockhart Show Society

[www.facebook.com/LockhartShow](http://www.facebook.com/LockhartShow)



# ANZAC DAY

## **Lockhart**

09.00 - Service at the Lockhart Cemetery

10.20 - Form up outside the Commercial Hotel ready to march

10.30 - March to the Cenotaph in Hebden Street

10.40 - ANZAC Service to commence

Service to conclude all invited back to the Ex Servicemen's Club for lunch.

## **Yerong Creek**

10.45am - March departing from Delta Ag to Stanley Galvin Park

11.00am - Anzac Service at Stanley Galvin Park

Following the service a bring-to-share lunch will be held at Yerong Creek Bowling Club.

## **The Rock**

6.00am Dawn Service at Soldier Memorial, Urana Street, followed by gun fire breakfast at The Rock Memorial Bowling Club

10.15am Congregate for march in front of The Rock Memorial Bowling Club

10.30am March to cenotaph in Urana Street

12.30pm Luncheon at The Rock Memorial Bowling Club.

## **Pleasant Hills**

9.00am Commemoration Service at Pleasant Hills Public Hall, followed by morning tea.

## **April Lockhart Hospital Auxiliary Meeting**

Lockhart Hospital Auxiliary meeting will be held at the MPS on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April at 2pm. New members are always welcome. Any enquiries please contact Lorraine Hoffmann on 69206233 or 0427204051.



# Inland Rail Workforce Development events

## You're invited to our events

Inland Rail is hosting two free events for local community and businesses to find out how to get 'workforce ready' for Inland Rail.

Event attendees will:

- learn about prospective workforce requirements and upcoming training opportunities
- learn about Australian government support for your business to take on apprentices and trainees
- build professional connections and network with employment service providers, local schools, federal and state agencies, Australian Apprenticeship Support Network providers, Regional Development Australia and other related organisations.

Come along, build your network and take steps to grow your workforce.



Inland Rail is working to support local community and businesses through the Inland Rail Skills Academy workforce development events. For more information on the Inland Rail Skills Academy visit our website at <https://inlandrail.artc.com.au/opportunities/>.

## Want to know more?

Inland Rail is committed to working with communities and landowners, state and local government as a vital part of our planning and consultation work, and we value your input. If you have any questions or comments, please let us know.

### Event details

**Wagga Wagga** Tuesday 9 April, 4pm to 6pm  
Wagga Wagga RSL Club, Corner of Kincaid & Dobbs Street, Wagga Wagga

**Albury** Wednesday 10 April, 4pm to 6pm  
Commercial Club Albury, 618 Dean Street, Albury

### How to register

To attend, or for more information, scan the QR code or visit <https://inlandrail.artc.com.au/where-we-go/projects/albury-to-illabo/events/>.



**Registrations close Monday 1 April**

☎ 1800 732 761   @ inlandrailnsw@artc.com.au   ↗ inlandrail.com.au/a2i

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RAIL**



# EnergyConnect Lockhart Community Information Session

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*Elecnor Australia (formerly SecureEnergy) is holding a Community Information Session.*

*This is an excellent opportunity to connect with the Project Team and learn more about construction activities; the Lockhart camp; employment and business opportunities and how you can stay updated on the Project.*

*Elecnor Australia has been contracted by Transgrid to deliver the NSW component of the EnergyConnect project with construction of 700km of new power lines from the SA border to the regional energy hub of Wagga Wagga.*

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**WHEN** Thursday, 28 March 2024  
11am to 3pm

**WHERE** Between Council  
Administration Building  
and CWA Park, 65 Green St,  
Lockhart, NSW.

For further information call  
**1800 49 06 66** or  
email [pec.community@elecnor.es](mailto:pec.community@elecnor.es)



## **APPROVED DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS**

Pursuant to Section 4.59 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979, the following development applications were approved, with conditions for the months of February 2024

The below consents are available for public inspection at Council's Administration Office, 65 Green Street, Lockhart, between 9am and 4.30pm weekdays.

<b>DA/CDC No.</b>	<b>Development</b>	<b>Site of Development</b>
DA29/24	Subdivision of 2 Lots into 6	38-50 Emily St, The Rock
DA36/24	Subdivision of 1 Lot into 3	21 Milne Rd, The Rock
DA42/24	Demolition of Existing Dwelling & associated buildings	107- 109 Reid St, Lockhart
DA43/24	Alterations & Additions to Dwelling & Installation of new Carport	73-75 Reid St, Lockhart
DA45/24	Demolition of Existing Dwelling	15 King St, The Rock
DA46/24	Detached Steel Shed	8 Veneris St, Lockhart
CDC47/24	New Inground Swimming Pool	6 Bond St, Lockhart
DA51/24	New Inground Swimming Pool & Retaining Block Wall	8 Bond St, Lockhart

Peter Veneris  
General Manager

## **SAVE THE DATE**

LOCKHART HOSPITAL AUXILIARY WILL HOST



FRIDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2024

AT LOCKHART EX-SERVICEMEN'S CLUB COMMENCING 1.30PM

TICKETS \$10 FOR 20 GAMES, LUCKY DOOR PRIZE & AFTERNOON TEA

ALL WELCOME

# 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.

# School News

## **Pleasant Hills Public School**

We trust you all had an enjoyable break and we look forward to a wonderful year of learning, creativity and courage! It is wonderful to see the children all playing together again and catching up on the holiday escapades.

A special welcome to Connor Barker as he starts his education journey!

## **GK & SRPSSA Swimming Carnivals**

Our recent Swimming Carnival was a day filled with fantastic feats of athleticism, camaraderie, and spirited participation! Well done everyone! Our swimmers showcased their determination in every stroke, from freestyle sprints to exhilarating relay races! Every participant, regardless of skill level, contributed to the vibrant atmosphere, demonstrating courage and enthusiasm in every lap contributing to PHPS being crowned the Overall Champion School!

Congratulations to Samantha, Caitlin, Isabelle and Sam who represented our school at the Southern Riverina PSSA.

## **Virtual Assistant Principal Curriculum and Instruction (vAPC&I)**

Rebecca Thompson has been appointed our 2024 vAPC&I and takes over from Carolyn Harloff. We thank Carolyn for her enthusiasm and instruction in 2023 and look forward to our partnership with Rebecca in 2024.

## **Harmony Day**

Our school will be travelling by bus to Yerong Creek Public School for Harmony Day on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March. We will celebrate this day with Boree and Yerong Creek schools.

## **Flyaway Gymnastics**

We have received another School Sporting Grant for Term 1 2024 and are looking forward to our Gymnastic sessions at school and visiting the Flyaway Gymnastics Centre in Albury on the 22<sup>nd</sup> March.



# School News

## **St Joseph's School News**

We are very excited that our new court surface has been completed and will be ready for marking over the holidays!!!

Our school captains were invited by the Mayor, Cr Greg Verdon to represent St Joseph's at an event at Hodgson Park marking 25 years since Lockhart was declared a Peace Town in 1999.

## **Sporting Schools Grant**

This year, Alison procured a Sporting Schools grant to allow all of our students to participate in a series of tennis clinics. These sessions are going for 4 weeks and are giving everyone the opportunity to participate in a sport that may be a little bit out of their square.

## **Woodhaven Visits**

Once again this year, we are visiting the senior citizens of our community at the Lockhart Hospital and Woodhaven. Year 5/6 have started us off and the other classes will be following.

## **Diocesan AFL Trials**

Well done to our Year 6 boys who represented us at the Diocesan AFL trials. Liam and Hamish have made it to the next level and Gideon only just missed out. Great effort boys!!!

## **Diocesan Swimming Team**

Well done to our Diocesan Swimming team who competed in Wagga. A great effort by them all!

## **MacKillop Carnival**

Congratulations to Eva and Kobe for making it to the MacKillop Carnival in Sydney in April.





## **Lockhart Playgroup**

**All Welcome**

Monday 9am at the

Lockhart Preschool

Ages Birth – 5 years

Please bring morning tea to share

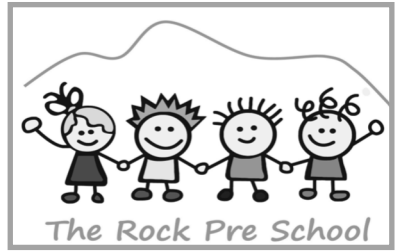
Tea/Coffee provided

Cost \$20/family/year

For more information

visit our Facebook Page:

**Lockhart Playgroup!**



**Open Monday – Friday**

**8am-3:30pm**

**95 King Street The Rock**

Phone 69202455 or

email [therockps@gmail.com](mailto: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.



Lockhart Preschool  
Kindergarten Inc.

**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](mailto:director@lockhartpreschool.com.au)

## **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](mailto:phpreschool@gmail.com)**





THE ROCK CENTRAL SCHOOL



# KINDERGARTEN - YR 10 ENROL NOW FOR 2024



Play-based learning



Developmentally appropriate curriculum



Outdoor play

Our experienced teachers and engaging curriculum offer children the opportunity to learn and grow in a safe, nurturing environment.

Please contact us for information on the Transition Program for Kindergarten and learn more about the enrolment process.

[www.therock-c.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.therock-c.schools.nsw.edu.au)

**ENROL NOW**

More Information

0269 202 132



Facebook



# HOW ARE ewe DOING?

Today I'm feeling...

positive or calm

stressed or overwhelmed

hopeless, angry or frustrated

When I feel stressed I'm...

still staying healthy and active

avoiding activities

not sleeping or drinking more than I should

Lately I've been...

talking to friends and family

irritated or frustrated with others

isolated or avoiding people



ewe are staying on track, well done!



ewe can talk to us for support



We can help ewe access the right support



Lockhart Shire Council

TheRockOOSH



## Before, After and Vacation Care

### TAKING ENROLMENTS FOR 2024 NOW!!

✓ CCS approved

Opening hours

Before School care  
7am - 8:30pm

After school Care  
3pm till 6pm

Vacation  
7am-6pm

Contact

Erin Birch - 0436303080 or for an electronic enrolment please email [therockoosh@lockhart.nsw.gov.au](mailto:therockoosh@lockhart.nsw.gov.au)

### Farming Community Counselling

is free, local and friendly one-on-one professional support.

Contact Jenn Pegler on 0436 942 104

Or email: [Jennifer.pegler@health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Jennifer.pegler@health.nsw.gov.au)



## 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

AGM was held 12th February 2024 at the Lockhart Ex-Servicemen's Club.

Monthly meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of the Month, followed by bingo. Bingo also on the 4th Monday of the Month. Cards held 1st, 3rd & 5th Mondays at 1.30pm.

Chinese luncheon at the Club on the 3rd Sunday Monthly.

All Welcome

Yvonne Kurrle, President

## Lockhart Recreation Ground Booking Officer

Tracy Hounsell - Email: [thounsell@lockhart.nsw.gov.au](mailto:thounsell@lockhart.nsw.gov.au)

Phone: 6920 5305



# 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](mailto:matekeeper@ruraloutreach.com.au)



## Next Ordinary Council Meeting

**Monday 15th April 2024**

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



### Rates 4th Instalment

If paying by instalments, the 4th instalment is due by 31st May 2024

Lockhart Shire Council accepts payments for Rates Assessments by the following options:

- eNotices - Your eNotices reference number is on the bottom of page 1 of your rates notice.
- B-PAY – Your BPAY details are listed on your Instalment Notice
- By Mail - Cheque Payments Only
- In Person at Lockhart Shire Office
- Australia Post – Pay at your local Post Office or Online

If you need any assistance, please Contact Council at [rates@lockhart.nsw.gov.au](mailto:rates@lockhart.nsw.gov.au)



## MOBILE LIBRARY TIMETABLE

**April 2024**

**Lockhart**

2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th

**9am to 12.30pm**

**Milbrulong**

3rd & 17th

**2.15pm to 3.15pm**

**Pleasant Hills**

4th & 18th

**10.30am to 11.30am**

**Yerong Creek**

10th & 24th

**9.30am to 10.30am**

**The Rock**

4th & 18th

**12.45pm to 2.15pm**

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

# Tai Chi

Tai Chi classes are held every Monday morning at the Uniting Church Hall at 9am and at 9.30am for Beginners. You are very welcome to come along and try some gentle exercise to help your balance and your sleep. Any enquiries, please contact Lorraine Hoffmann on 69206233 or 0427204051.



Valmar Support Services are currently looking for Volunteers for Community Transport Driving in the Lockhart area.

Whether you have 3 days per week or 1 hour a week, we would love to hear from you.

Requirements as follows:

- Driving Record from Services NSW
- Police Clearance
- Fitness to drive.

Please come into the office at 93 Green Street and pick up a volunteer package with all information required. Or ring on 02 69204162



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:

◆	<b>Home Care Package Provider</b>
◆	<b>Individual &amp; Group Social Support</b>
◆	<b>Home Modifications</b>
◆	<b>Meals on Wheels</b>
◆	<b>Domestic Assistance</b>
◆	<b>Community Transport</b>
◆	<b>Personal Care</b>
◆	<b>Flexible Respite</b>
◆	<b>Craft Group– 10am-12pm</b>
◆	<b>Day Club– Tuesdays 10am-3pm</b>
◆	<b>Home Maintenance</b>
◆	<b>Brokered Services NDIS</b>

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

Social bus Trips each Friday .

**Contact 02 6920 4162**

# 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.



## 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 (please remove from boxes), 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.**

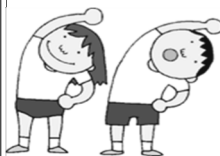
**Thank you for supporting the Lions Club**

## The Rock Op-Shop

**Hours: Sat/Sun 10am - 2pm,**

**Tues-Friday 11.30am - 3.30pm**

**Contact Lynly Boyle 0414 759 311**



## 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 - 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

## 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**

## 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 920 2154 or 0402 216 198

## Kengal Krafters Inc. The Rock Craft Shop

CWA rooms 128 Urana Street, The Rock  
Open Thursday to Sunday 10am to 2pm  
Selling a large variety of locally made items.

Including jams, relishes, baked goods,  
handmade items, babywear, quilts, cards,  
knitted & crocheted rugs, jumpers, ladies bags,  
patchwork, jewellery, scarves and much more.

If you would like to become a member,  
applications are available from the Craft Shop

### All Welcome

Call Joy Schultz – President on: 0428 566  
902

Shirley Taylor – Secretary on: 0427 061 047

Wendy Flory – Treasurer on: 0429 637 313



## Lockhart Red Cross Op Shop

Opening Hours

Monday to Friday – 9.30am until  
2pm

Saturday – 9.30am until 2pm

The Street Library at the side of  
the Uniting Church Hall is always  
open and can be accessed at any  
time. Why not have a look and find  
a new author to try. For more  
information, please contact  
Lorraine Hoffmann on 69206233  
or 0427204051.

*Lockhart Exies*

*Ex SC*

*Your 'Go To'  
Regional Community Club*



Proud to provide a “heat haven” for Senior Citizens.  
Whether the temperature is above 35°C or below  
15°C, come to the air conditioned comfort of the  
Exies Club.

Free tea or coffee available.

Playing cards available for your use.

Stay until the temperature allows you to travel home.



**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**

### **The Anglican Church of Australia**

Diocese of Riverina

#### **Parish of The Rock**

Service date and times

St Peters The Rock

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month 9:30am

St Cuthbert's Uranquinty

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month 9am.

For more information contact:

Rev. Jocelyn Heazlewood

0427 198 513

### **ST AIDAN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH**

#### **Lockhart**

Cnr Day & Drummond Streets Lockhart  
Holy Communion service times have been  
changed.

Rev Scot Mudd will be coming from Narrandera, on  
**the second Sunday of the month at 11am**

Morning prayer is still at 10am on the other  
Sundays

Contact the Church Warden on 0447 296 494 for  
further information.

### **The Rock Catholic Parish**

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Sunday Mass Times: 8am and 10am

Confessions: during the half hour before each Mass  
Weekday, Christmas and Easter Mass Times: see  
foyer noticeboard

Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals by appointment

Locals and visitors welcome

Parish Priest: Father Justin Darlow 69202017,  
0407734747

### **St Mary's Catholic Church, Lockhart**

#### **Mass Times**

**1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays of the month:**

Saturday; 6:00pm at Lockhart; Sunday; 8:00am at  
Urana; 10:am at Oaklands.

**2nd and 4th Sundays of the month:**

Sunday; 7:45am at Lockhart; Saturday: 6:00pm at  
Urana; Sunday: 10:15am at Oaklands.

For more information contact 6920 5446

### **The Rock Uniting Church**

Ford Street, The Rock

2nd Sunday of the Month

At 9.30am

#### **All welcome to attend**

Morning Tea served after service contact:

Ann Taylor Chairperson – 0407 554 880

Joy Schultz – Secretary – 0428 566 902

### **Lockhart Uniting Church Services**

#### **April**

7th, 9am - Lockhart

14th, 9am - Lockhart

21st, No service in Lockhart, oin with the Anglicans

28th, 9am Lockhart, Holy Communion

Everyone Welcome

Any pastoral concerns, please contact Dorothy

Creek on 0427207233

or Lorraine Hoffmann on 69206233 or

0427204051.

### **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](mailto:craig@hentylockhartpresy.org.au)

or visit our website <http://>

[www.hentylockhartpresy.org.au/](http://www.hentylockhartpresy.org.au/)

Christian Radio in Lockhart

87.6 Tune every day



# THE ROCK RED CROSS EASTER BUN MORNING TEA

**When:** Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2024

**Place:** The Rock Bowling Club

**Time:** 10.am      **Cost:** \$5.00

-Raffles-

-Basket of Easter Eggs-

-Lucky Door Prizes-

-All Welcome-

RSVP TO:

ANN TAYLOR

or

JOY SCHULTZ

President

Secretary

Phone: 0407 554 880

Phone: 0428 566 902



# Council Waste Disposal Centres Opening Hours

	Each TUESDAY	Each WEDNESDAY	Sundays in April 14th & 28th
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**  
**Council's Waste Facilities are closed on Public Holidays**

## Placing nappies and other contaminants in FOGO is a NO, NO

Some residents are still placing nappies and adult continence pads in BioBags and then in the Green Lidded Bin. This is a NO NO.

Please place all nappies and continence pads and other contaminants in the Red Lidded General Waste Bin.

### Nappy management in general waste bins

Nappies must go in the general waste (red lidded) bin. Nearly all bins smell a bit and particularly bins containing nappies. Here are some ways to minimise odours:

- tip nappy contents into the toilet before you throw the nappy into the bin
- wrap nappy tightly into itself and use the tabs to secure
- tie nappy in a compostable bag, removing air
- store your rubbish bin in the shade
- make sure the lid can close properly
- add odour neutralisers such as bi-carb soda to your bin.

## FOGO – Caddy Liner Bags

As part of the introduction of the Food Organics Garden Organics (FOGO) to Lockhart Shire Council's waste collection service in 2020 Council free caddy liner bags were available to residents during the three year transition period. This roll out was funded by a grant from the NSW Government.

Moving forward, to encourage the use of the FOGO service, and in line with our sustainability goals, Council will continue to provide, free of charge, **two** rolls of caddy liner bags per year to residents upon request from April 2023. A record of the bags distributed will be kept to assist in monitoring the supply.

To receive a roll of FOGO bags, please visit the Council office in Green Street, Lockhart. Or phone us on 69205305.



# THE ROCK

## WASTE COLLECTION

### SCHEDULE 2024 - 2025

- General Waste collection
- Recycling collection
- FOGO collection
- No collection—Christmas Day

- Do not overload the bins
- Place bin close to the kerb with the handle facing your property
- Place your bin out the night before your collection day
- Keep bin clear of overhanging branches and power lines
- Leave at least one metre between bins and other objects, including fences and vehicles.



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# LOCKHART WASTE COLLECTION SCHEDULE 2024-25

Includes Lockhart, Pleasant Hills, Yerong Creek, Osborne and Millbraeong

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