



# Balranald Shire Council

## NEWSLETTER

### BALRANALD SHIRE COUNCIL

70 Market Street  
PO Box 120  
BALRANALD NSW 2715  
[www.balranald.nsw.gov.au](http://www.balranald.nsw.gov.au)  
Office Hours  
8.30am to 5pm  
Monday to Friday  
Ph 03 5020 1300  
After Hours Emergencies  
0418 322 902

### RELATED SERVICES

#### BALRANALD LIBRARY

Monday & Friday 2pm-5.30pm  
Wednesday 9am-5.30pm  
(Closed for lunch 12pm-1pm)

#### BALRANALD VISITOR

#### INFORMATION & DISCOVERY CENTRE

Cnr Market & River Streets  
Open Daily 10am-4pm  
Ph 03 5020 1599  
[www.visitbalranald.com.au](http://www.visitbalranald.com.au)



CountryLink tickets and fishing licenses can be purchased here

#### BALRANALD MUSEUM

Access via Visitor Centre, 7 days

#### SERVICE NSW

#### (formerly RMS/RTA)

Balranald

9.30am to 4pm

Tuesday to Friday

(Closed for lunch 1pm-1.45pm)

Euston

11.30am to 3pm

2nd and 4th Thursday of month

(Closed for lunch 12.15pm-1pm)

SNSW Call Centre 13 77 88

#### TIP HOURS

Balranald (1 October — 30 April)

Tuesday & Thursday

5pm-7pm

Saturday 10am-1pm

Sunday 10am-3pm

Euston (all year)

Tuesday & Thursday 1pm-6pm

Sunday 9am-3pm

Tokens available from Council Office, Visitor Centre, Café Cassaro & Euston Post Office

## Drought Assistance

**Council wants to assist the farmers in our Shire who have been impacted by the drought. If you are living on a rural property within our shire and are in need of potable water for human consumption please contact General Manager Michael Kitzelmann at Balranald Shire Office, phone 03 5020 1300.**

Council is in the process of having our Local Government Area declared as a drought stricken area. In order to have this completed we need some rainfall statistics.

If you live on or own a rural property within Balranald Shire Council, Council would appreciate if you could please provide Council with your rainfall statistics for the last two years, and also with a brief outline of the condition of your property and the impact this water shortage is having on your property and family life. This information should be emailed to [council@balranald.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@balranald.nsw.gov.au) or by post to PO Box 120 Balranald.

## Mayoral Elections

The Mayor & Deputy Mayor election was conducted at the Ordinary meeting of Council held on Tuesday 18 September 2018, with Councillors electing a new Mayor and Deputy Mayor for the next two years.

Michael Kitzelmann acted Returning Officer for the elections with Balranald Central School Captains assisting. Nominations for the position of Mayor were Cr Alan Purtill and Cr Trevor Jolliffe, whilst Cr Leigh Byron and Cr Trevor Jolliffe nominated for the position of Deputy Mayor. Cr Purtill was elected as Mayor and Cr Byron was elected as Deputy Mayor until September 2020.



Pictured (L-R): Cr Byron, Kobe Lloyd, Jordan Jolliffe, Mayor Purtill

## Donations to Community Groups

Council is pleased to report that following its round one allocations of funding \$5,895 has been donated to various community organisations across the Shire. This money went to funding excellent programs including the purchasing of sporting and play equipment, the hire of an inflatable screen for Euston Public School's Outdoor Cinema Night, and towards Clare School's Canberra excursion.

Round two funding allocation will take place at the February 2019 Council Meeting, all donation applications must be received no later than close of business Thursday 31st January 2019. Council's Donations Policy and application form are both available on Council's website.

## Regional Development Australia Visit

On 10 September 2018 Council was visited by Edwina Hayes from Regional Development Australia (RDA) - Murray Region. RDA is an Australian Government initiative that brings together all levels of government to enhance the development of Australia's regions. Edwina Hayes is our local representative and she journeyed around our area meeting with Council's General Manager, several Councillors and making contact with many local people representing various community matters.

Pictured below (L-R): Edwina Hayes with the Visitor Centre Frog, and on site at Limondale construction works; Michael Kitzelmann, Edwina Hayes and Cr Byron.





## From the Mayor's Office

As the time for Mayoral election has come around I wish to advise that I have made the decision to step aside. Although I will remain a Councillor, I will not pursue re-election to the position of Mayor due to family commitments. In my final mayoral column I have some closing comments.

First and foremost, I would like to thank you, the community, for all your engagement during my time in office. It has been my privilege to serve as your Mayor and to lead our Council in this time.

I would also like to thank the dedicated staff in the Council offices, without whom Council would not exist, for all of your work. Your professionalism and dedication to our community is deeply appreciated.

Finally I would like to thank my fellow Councillors for your support, it has been an honour to work alongside you in pursuit of Council objectives for our community. During my term as Mayor the Council has faced numerous challenges, however I look to the future with optimism.

So I pass the baton to Cr Alan Purtill and extend my warm congratulations on his election to the role. I trust under his leadership we will achieve much together over the next two years.

I wish community, staff and fellow Councillors all the very best.

### Next Ordinary Meeting of Council

The next meeting will be on:  
**-Tuesday 16th October 2018-**

## Council News



Council would like to thank the community for engaging with our Facebook page and new livestreaming facility. Council is pleased to report that the August Council meeting has now received 1.4k views and numerous comments. The September Council meeting received 184 views by 6.30pm on the evening of the meeting.

To view the meeting livestream please find Council on Facebook:  
<https://www.facebook.com/BalranaldShireCouncil/>

### Youth Council

Council is working together with the schools in our district to establish a Youth Council. The Youth Council will have representatives from each school and be joined by staff member Emma Scott representing Balranald Shire Council, all working together to better engage with the youth of our area. More news to follow as this undertaking develops.

### Career Opportunities

Balranald Shire is entering a period of growth, to ensure Council is well positioned in moving forward through this exciting period Council is looking to expand our team and is currently recruiting for the following positions:

Finance Officer – General  
Finance Officer – Payroll/Creditors  
Finance Officer – Rates and Debtors  
Finance Trainee  
Directors' Executive Assistant

Application instructions and position descriptions are available on Council's website. Enquiries should be directed to Terri Bilske, Director Corporate & Community Services. Applications for the above positions close 5pm Monday 8th October 2018.

**Rotary Country Market**

- Children's clothing & accessories
- Candles
- Cards
- Honey, Dried fruits, Nuts & Oils
- Products
- Jewellery
- House & Garden wares
- Toys
- Handbags
- Choochs
- Homemade Sweets & Cooked Foods
- Fresh fruit & vegetables
- Children's Activities
- Musical entertainment
- Hot Tea & Coffee
- BBQ & hot foods
- Homemade Sauces & pickles
- Hand crafts & hand knitting
- Cleaning products
- Garden plants
- Fresh flowers
- Homemade cakes
- Donuts
- Baked goods
- Homemade Jam & Breads

**Saturday October 13...2018 at**  
**On the grounds of the Euston Club 10am - 7pm**  
**Enquiries Ph. 0438 363 095**



**Saturday October 13, 2018**

**ENTER YOUR HOMEMADE SALAMI INTO THE COMPETITION**  
**\$2,000.00 IN PRIZES UP FOR GRABS**

Download your entry form from our website  
<https://murrayriversalamifestival.com.au/>  
and follow the steps listed on the form

**Salami Entries Close October 5th, 2018**

Euston Club Resort Riverfront Reserve | 10am to 7pm | Free Entry  
Please contact Guy Fielding | 0409 365 379 | [info@murrayriversalamifestival.com.au](mailto:info@murrayriversalamifestival.com.au)  
[murrayriversalamifestival.com.au](http://murrayriversalamifestival.com.au) | [facebook.com/murrayriversalamifestival](https://www.facebook.com/murrayriversalamifestival)

## BALRANALD'S 5 RIVERS OUTBACK FESTIVAL

**5-7th October 2018**

FOR REGULAR UPDATES & TICKETS VISIT OUR FACEBOOK PAGE OR  
**[www.5riversoutbackfestival.com.au](http://www.5riversoutbackfestival.com.au)**

**ADAM BRAND · CODE 5 · REVIVE BAND · OVERDRAFT · SCOTT LESLIE · JETT CHARMAN**  
**MUSIC · MARKETS · 4WD MUSTER · PROGRESSIVE DINNER · BAREFOOT BOWLS AND MORE**



**EARLY BIRD TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE UNTIL SEPTEMBER 8TH**



## Gone Fishing Day Balranald

NSW Gone Fishing Day is on again! Balranald District Ex-Services Memorial Anglers Club will be running a local event on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2018 to celebrate the love of fishing and encourage everyone to get out on the water. It doesn't matter if you haven't fished before or if you're the keenest of anglers, Gone Fishing Day is for everyone!



**What?** Free fishing and baiting instruction, a casting competition, prize packs, fishing tips by local experts and fishing and waterways information, and other stuff on show.

**Where?** River Bend Reserve, Memorial Drive, Balranald, Enter via We or Cally Streets.

**Time?** 9.00am - 2.00pm

**What to bring?** Just yourself, family & friends, sunscreen, hat, water bottle. All activities are free. No need to register for the event. No fishing licence will be required on the day. Fishing and casting tips are available throughout the day. A BBQ sausage sizzle lunch will be provided to activity participants.

**What's happening in other areas in NSW?** Other fishing clubs across the State will also be running their own Gone Fishing Day community fishing events in their local areas. For more info call (02) 4424 7428 or email [gofishing.nsw@dpi.nsw.gov.au](mailto:gofishing.nsw@dpi.nsw.gov.au). Gone Fishing Day is supported by the Recreational Fishing Trusts and NSW DPI. Local contact for Gone Fishing Balranald Day 2018 Anglers Club Secretary, Bill Harben

## The "Bal-Archies" Are Coming!

In conjunction with the 5 Rivers Festival, the 2nd Annual "Bal-Archies" exhibition opens on Friday 5th October from 5.30pm. The cost of the gala opening, including finger food and wine, is \$10, with free entry over the remainder of the festival and until closing of the exhibition on November 4th.

A \$2000 acquisitive award has been sponsored by the Balranald Shire Council. This exhibit will become part of the Balranald community's permanent collection. We sincerely thank also our other major sponsors- Balranald District Ex Servicemens Memorial Club, Lake Paika Accommodation, L V Bodinnar, Field Financial Consulting & Friends of The Gallery, with the total amount of prize money amounting to \$5,600. There are great prizes to be won for painting, photographing, sculptures etc., including special kids sections.

Entries may be lodged online, or for more information, visit [www.balranaldartgallery.com.au](http://www.balranaldartgallery.com.au) or email [thegallery5@bigpond.com](mailto:thegallery5@bigpond.com) phone enquiries 0488 728 986.

## Balranald Hospital Auxiliary

The Balranald Hospital Auxiliary would like to say thanks to the Balranald Community for their continuous support. For the 2017/2018 Financial Year we were able to buy the following for the Hospital and its Residents:

- Trolley for the Blanket Warmer in the Emergency Department
- iPads for the Residential Care Clients
- Clocks for the Hospital
- Electric Frypan for the Residential Care Kitchen Area

**Save the date: 7 Dec 2018: Balranald Hospital Auxiliary Christmas Street Stall.**



## Balranald & Euston Police Update

David Ford, Senior Constable

5 August (Balranald) Police attended a vehicle where a driver was observed to change seats, a male British National now occupying the passenger seat made admissions to having never held a drivers licence. The male was issued a court attendance notice for Hay Court on 17th September.

5 August (Balranald) female driver was given a formal caution and reminded to pull over immediately when police activate the lights and sirens. Sometime between the 18 - 31 August unknown person(s) have attended a property at Hatfield. 1200 litres of fuel was emptied from a holding tank at the location. Police ask that anyone who has information in relation to this contact Balranald police or Crimestoppers.

A driver holding a SA drivers licence was recently stopped in Euston. He returned a reading of 0.054 and was issued a court attendance notice for drive with low range prescribed concentration of alcohol. He was further issued with an infringement notice for consuming alcohol whilst driving.

19 August (Balranald) a vehicle and occupants were subjected to a search with a foil package containing cannabis being located in the band of the drivers boxer shorts. He was issued with a court attendance notice for the charge of possess a prohibited drug.

20 August (Euston) a QLD male was stopped, a subsequent search located a small resealable bag containing what police allege was 0.6 grams of ICE. Male issued court attendance notice for possess prohibited drug and an infringement notice for driving an unregistered vehicle.

21 August police were made aware of a EPIRB (Emergency position indicating radio beacon) activation following a motorcycle crash. Police conducted a search for several hours in the Ivanhoe Menindee areas due to incorrect GPS coordinates being provided. Eventually a 64yr old male was located at Clare Hall and taken by ambulance to hospital. X-rays reveal a broken tibula & fibula which required surgery.

22 August (Euston) a 17yr old Euston male was observed riding an unregistered motorbike. He was issued a court attendance notice for being an unlicensed driver/ rider and an infringement notice for riding an unregistered vehicle on the road.

23 August a rock was thrown through the front window of a Dowling St, Balranald residence. The rock was located on a child's bed inside. Fortunately there was no child in the bed at the time of the incident. Anyone with information is asked to contact Balranald police or Crimestoppers.

24 August (Balranald) a 43yr old male was issued a court attendance notice for driving with low range prescribed concentration of alcohol.

25 August motorbikes were stolen from a Euston property and later recovered in Robinvale. A number of youths were arrested by VICPOL for thefts in the Robinvale/Mildura area and enquiries in relation to involvement in this theft. Anyone with information is asked to contact Euston police or Crimestoppers.

Police would like to advise community members that the offence of talking on a mobile phone whilst driving is a loss of 5 demerit points.

## Euston Movie Night

Euston P&C are currently fundraising toward the resurfacing of the covered outdoor learning area. Come along, support this project and enjoy a great family night out.

**EUSTON PUBLIC SCHOOL PRESENTS.**

# OPEN AIR MOVIE NIGHT

**FRI 28TH SEPT 2018**

**At euston public school oval**

**Food & Drink stalls - BBQ - Spaghetti - Tongan food - Popcorn - Lollies - Coffee - Donuts**

**Special thanks to...**

**SELECT HARVESTS**  
High quality natural products  
and  
**Robinvale Op-Shop**

**Movie: Nut 2 Job**

**8yo Chairs & Blankets**

**Gates Open 6:00pm for a 7pm start**

**NO 8yo FOOD OR DRINK**

**\$10 adults \$5 child \$30 family up to 4 kids**

**LUCKY GATE PRIZE**

**RAFFLE**

**THE BALRANALD ISOLATED CHILDREN'S PARENTS ASSOCIATION CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO:**

## HATFIELD HAPPENING

### Ladies Wellbeing Day

**HATFIELD HALL**  
**Thursday 18th October 2018**  
**9.30am start**

**Free for ICIPA Members \$5 Non-members**  
**Lunch, Morning & Afternoon Tea Provided**

**nutrimetics**  
Nutrimetics will be offering facials & hand pamper for Gold Coin donations towards the Cancer Council.

**Gold Coin Donations for Morning Tea**

**STALLHOLDERS**

- Nutrimetics
- In the Garden
- Young Living Oils
- Country Chic & Co Boutique
- Balranald Sports
- Ewe & Co. Handmade Soaps
- Skylar Stylist Sewing
- Nepal bags
- Norwex

**Please contact Fleur Turner on ph. 0429 206897 if you are interested in holding a stall**

**With thanks to:**



**Let's look after those who look after us.**  
See flashing lights on a stationary vehicle, slow down, move over.



## Councilor Contact Details

Mayor  
Cr Alan Purtill  
0429 201 301

Deputy Mayor  
Cr Leigh Byron  
0418 530 782

Cr Steve O'Halloran  
0429 619 880

Cr German Ugarte  
0407 267 087

Cr Jo Roberts  
0409 147 787

Cr Trevor Jolliffe  
0408 066 460

Cr Doug Allen  
0421 526 671





Cr Jeff Mannix  
0409 783 075

### Changed Traffic Conditions

**RMS works will affect the below bridge:**

**Swan Hill Bridge over the Murray River** will be closed **11pm to 6am** from **Mondays to Thursdays**. These works are expected to stop in mid-October 2018, to resume following harvest season in early 2019.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

28 Sept	Euston Public School Outdoor Cinema Night	
5 Oct	'Bal-Archies' Exhibition opening	
5-7 Oct	5 Rivers Festival	
13 Oct	The Great Murray River Salami Festival Euston Robinvale Country Market on the grounds of the Euston Club	
14 Oct	Gone Fishing Day Balranald	
18 Oct	Hatfield Happening	
3 Nov	Balranald Races	
17 Nov	St Joseph's Primary School Fete	
7 Dec	Balranald Hospital Auxiliary Annual Christmas Street Stall	

### What's on at Balranald Club

Mondays	Members Seniors \$5 lunch
Mon - Fri	\$10 lunch 12-2pm
Tue & Thu	Bingo: Tuesdays 7pm, Thursdays 2pm
Fridays	Smorgasbord from 6pm, Raffle and Members Draw LTPS/14/02429
Saturdays	Free Poker from 6.30pm

### Also Available @ The Club:

BISTRO SPECIALS – Tuesdays \$15 homemade chicken parmi. Thursdays homemade chicken schnitzel with gravy \$12. Every month, 2nd and last Sunday, roast lunch only \$15. New Australian dishes available. NEW @ the Club: FOXTEL, electronic dart board & new pool table for your enjoyment. Don't forget regular facilities: Keno, TAB, coffee shop, fishing licenses, pre-paid mobile phone credit, city-link passes & more can be purchased. Printing & fax services, internet facilities including desktop computers as well as FREE WiFi available at the Club. Hire equipment including PA system, tables and chairs available, ask at the office. The Club has an U18s section, when using these facilities U18s must be in the company of a responsible adult and supervised at all times.



[facebook.com/clubbalranald](https://www.facebook.com/clubbalranald)

### What's on at Euston Club Resort

7 Days/week	Station46 Bistro open daily - Breakfast Mon-Thurs 7am-9.30am & Fri-Sun 7am-10am Lunch 12 - 2pm Dinner 6-8.30pm. Café open all day
Mon/Thurs	Free Bingo Mon 10.15am Thurs 7pm
Tues / Sun	Poker Tues from 6.30pm Sun from 6pm
Wednesday	Raffle night & members draw from 6pm- Members cash draw from 7pm
Thursdays	Riverina Super draw 7 - 9pm
Thu/ Fri	Members cash draw from 6pm-8pm
Thu/Sun	Social Bowls. Registration 12.45am - call John Bond on 5026 4244
Fri & Sat	Free Live Entertainment from 7.30pm
	MEGA Raffle last Wednesday of month



[facebook.com/eustonclubresort](https://www.facebook.com/eustonclubresort)

**FREE live entertainment** Friday & Sat from 7.30pm and Sunday from 1.30pm to 5pm

## COMMUNITY GENERAL INTEREST

**Adult Day Care** Monday 10am-2pm, Thursday 10am-2pm at the Hospital. Contact 03 5071 9800

**Seniors Club** every Friday 2pm Senior Citizens Hall

**Hospital Auxiliary** 2nd Monday of month 2.30pm, Adult Day Care Centre. Contact Karen 0404 842 037

**Health Advisory Council (HAC)** 4th Monday of month 7:00pm. Contact 03 5071 9800

**Baby & Child Clinic** Mon, Wed, Thu, Fri-Balranald Tue - Euston

**Balranald Immunisation Clinic** every 2nd Wed 9.30-11.00am at the Hospital. 0427 699 485 to book

**Little Bunyips Playgroup** each Thursday 10am to 1pm - corner of Market and River Street. Contact Jess 0488 697 533

**Singing Group** Friday 1.30pm Presbyterian Church all welcome

**Men's Shed** Tuesdays & Thursdays 8am at Heritage Park (behind Visitor Information Centre)

**Take Off Weight Naturally Club** Mondays 6pm, Multipurpose Centre. Contact Betty 0417 589 284

**Optometrist** (from Deniliquin) last Wednesday of month. Appointments made at Balranald Chemist

**Balranald Wool Centre** 3rd Friday of month, 10am - 3pm at the Gallery. New members welcome

**Balranald Community Arts & Crafts** Open most weekdays 10am - 4pm or by appointment. Meetings 3rd Monday of month, 2pm at the Gallery.

**Narelle's Driving School** Contact 0402 782 597

**Balranald History Group** 4th Tuesday of month from 5pm, Theatre Royal Ticketing Office

**CanAssist Balranald Branch** 2nd Monday of month 4pm - 92A Market St. **Bookshop** open Mon to Sat when volunteers available or by appointment by phoning Karen on 0404 842 037 or Kirstyn on 0448 158 709

**Vision Australia** - Phone Yann 03 5023 9500

**Sureway Employment & Training** Tuesday & Wednesday 8.30am-5pm. Contact 03 4028 4900

**Balranald Presbyterian Church** - Mon Ladies KYB 7.30pm, Last Tues of month PWA, Thurs Music Group worship 5pm, Mens KYB 7.30pm, Fri Ladies KYB 10am, 3rd Sat of the month, Bidgee Haven service 3pm Sun, Worship Service 10am (last Sunday of Month, Hospital service - 2.30pm)

**Balranald Rescue Squad** meet 3rd Thursday of month, 8pm, Rescue Squad headquarters.

**Friends of the Southern Cross Market Day** - Last Saturday of month—Woodsys corner 8.30am

**LiveBetter Community Transport** for non-urgent transport. Contact Connie on 0428 335 711

**Ability Links** Balranald Wednesday's - phone 0487 740 000

**ROAR – Reach Out and Relax** Last Tuesday of month. Contact Chris 0428 096 462

**Pony Club** please contact Emma Scott

**Reading Corner** Monday afternoons at the library, for more information phone the hospital or email [sophie.thicket@health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:sophie.thicket@health.nsw.gov.au)

## Share Our Space

Your school is a vital part of our community and we want you to use it. During these upcoming holidays participating schools across NSW will be opening up their play areas for your enjoyment.

For more details visit [schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au](http://schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au)  
Tell us what you think about the Share Our Space program by visiting [gongli62](http://gongli62)



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