ISSUE



Balranald Shire Council

BALRANALD SHIRE COUNCIL 70 Market Street PO Box 120 **BALRANALD NSW 2715** 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





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 (all year extended trial) Tuesday & Thursday 4pm-6pm 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 DrumMuster available @ Balranald

Federal Members Visit Balranald Community

As part of the Drought Communities Support Program the Hon. Barnaby Joyce MP and, Member for Farrer, the Hon. Sussan Ley MP flew in to our region on Thursday 11 April 2019.

Barnaby and Sussan met with members of our community at the Homebush Pub and then the Shamrock Hotel. The purpose of this visit was to talk with community about the impact of drought on our local economy and rural property owners.

Members of the community including farmers, business owners, Local Land Services, as well as representatives from advocacy groups including Isolated Children's Parents' Association NSW, NSW Farmers, and land care groups were in attendance. Many in attendance spoke, presenting their concerns around areas including water management policy, impacts on education, cost of feed, lack of crops and other related issues.

The conversation stimulated from the engagement gave representation to the wide reaching effects of the drought in the lives of those in our region, highlighting some of the hard decisions that our farming families are facing as the drought conditions continue.

Council appreciates the strong turn out that was received on short notice for both events and the constructive discussions on how best to respond if things continue to stay bad. We are now looking to Government to respond positively to this latest approach to ensure that Balranald Shire qualifies for Drought Community Support.

While in Balranald Sussan also visited the Bidgee Haven Hostel residents and had a chat about the new capital grant for the 15 bed dementia wing.





Pictured: Hon Barnaby Joyce Hómebush Hotel with members of the members community, '1\' Hon Sussan Ley MP addresses gathering Shamrock Hotel.



ADDITIONAL RANGER SERVICES ACROSS THE SHIRE

Council has recently had a spike in the number of complaints received regarding roaming animals. Of even more concern are anecdotal reports of dog attacks against community members and pets out walking.

Council reminds residents of their obligations to contain all animals within property boundaries, additionally Council urges community members to report dogs at large.

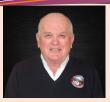
Council will be enhancing our ranger (dog catcher) services through a contracted service provider and community members can expect to see more ranger activity in the coming months.

Please ensure your pets are securely contained in your yard, don't let your loved family pet be impounded.

Council reminds residents that all dogs over six months of age must be registered. Registration forms are available from Council or the process can be completed online at https://www.petregistry.nsw.gov.au

Microchipping and registering your pet gives them the best chance of being returned to your family.

For further information about registering your pet, or to report roaming animals, please contact the Council Office on 03 5020 1300.



From the

Mayor's Office

Hoping you all had a restful and joyous Easter holiday.

I am pleased to announce Councillor Leigh Byron has recently been elected to the position of President of the Western Division of Councils. I congratulate him on this achievement. Western Division is such an important organisation lobbying for the interests of our region.

I recently attended the Murrumbidgee Fishing Classic and immensely enjoyed the event. Balranald is so fortunate to be able to enjoy regular competitions and social functions of this kind, and I extend my thanks to the outgoing committee and deep respect for your efforts in putting together this event. I hope to see new volunteers step up and form the committee to continue it into the future. Such community spirit is what makes our townships the wonderful places that they are.

In another stellar example of community spirit, long-time resident Claire Butler has recently been appointed as the NSW President of the Isolated Children's Parent's Association (ICPA). The ICPA strives for equity of access to an appropriate education for children in remote areas like our rural farms. Congratulations Claire, you are to be commended for your work.

It was the first round of football and netball for the season on the weekend, good luck to all our players across the Shire participating in sports this season. Wishing you a fun and successful season. Make us proud!

Congratulations to all the children who had art in the Waste to Art competition. The Balranald and surrounding tips have never been so popular, with children looking for recyclable materials.

Next Ordinary Meeting of Council

The next meeting will be on: Tuesday 21st May 2019, 5pm



From the

Youth Mayor

On April 10th I attended the Opening of Youth Week with other Youth Councillors and staff from the Balranald Shire Council, we had a great turnout, and we are pleased with the positive feedback from a successful opening exhibition in cooperation with the Art gallery. At this grand opening Jamie Barrett hosted a cup-cake decorating workshop, we would like to thank her for the great job she did and the smiles she put on the kids' faces.

On the 11th of April Deputy Mayor Ben Johnstone and myself attended the drought meeting hosted by The Hon. Barnaby Joyce and The Hon. Sussan Ley, it was great to meet with them and the other community members to talk about the drought that has damaged the soul of our community.

I would like to remind everyone that we are still running our recycling program with the bottles and cans. Collection points are at; Sturt Motel, Balranald Caravan Park, Balranald Shire Depot, St Joseph's School, and Balranald Central School.

Best wishes

Jackson Bialobrzeski, Mayor Balranald Youth Council

Shop Local this Mothers Day!!

The second Sunday in May is Mother's Day. Don't forget to spoil your mum!

Council encourages residents to explore our local shops when looking for gifts for Mum and take the opportunity to support our local retailers, who are sure to be stocked up on lots of goodies with something perfect for every mum.



Euston Beautification

Our Euston Tourism & Beautification Committee have recently engaged the talented Stuart Taylor from Deniliquin to produce this amazing piece of scrap metal art. The Kangaroo has been installed at Medley Park in Euston and is a handsome sculpture of one of our national symbols added to the existing art pieces that are onsite. If you haven't been to the park lately, head down for a walk through or picnic with the family.



Young & Young at Heart

Fun for all was had during a recent visit by Balranald Central School students to the Hostel. Residents and children iced and decorated Marie biscuits.



Community Notices



Places of Pride

This Anzac Day, thousands of Australians will gather at their local war memorial to honour those who have served and are still serving in the Australian Defence Force.

'Places of Pride', the National Register of War Memorials, is an Australian War Memorial initiative to record the location and gather images of every publicly accessible memorial in Australia.

Help to build the national register by sharing photos of your local war memorial this Anzac Day to http://placesofpride.awm.gov.au

ANZAC Day Services & Road Closures

Council wishes to advise residents & visitors that Market Street will be CLOSED to traffic from the corner of We & Market Streets through to ANZAC Park, corner of Court & McCabe Streets, 10.30am to 11.30am on Thursday, 25 April 2019.

ANZAC Day Services across Balranald Shire

Balranald Cenotaph - 11am (March from Ex-Servicemen's Club 10.30am)

Euston March - 8.30am (Assemble in the Club Resort carpark at 8.15am)

Kyalite - meet at Pub prior to Dawn for Service (Bus to Kyalite from Balranald Ex-Servicemen's Club departing 5am, bookings from Moore's Bus Service)

ANZAC Day Luncheon

Returned Services Balranald Sub-Branch invites you to attend the ANZAC Day Luncheon at Balranald Ex-Servicemen's Club immediately following the March. Cost \$15/head bookings essential, contact the Club Ph 03 5020 1205.



Mildura Dragons visit Euston

Mildura Dragon Boat Club recently held a successful "Come and Try" day on the Euston Club lawns in perfect weather conditions. The club had over 20 prospective members enjoy a paddle on the Murray River. The sport of dragon boat racing has become a popular and growing sport in Australia; the local club celebrates their 10th year of participation in 2019. It is hoped with enough interest in Euston, Robinvale & surrounds, a club could be formed with support from Mildura Dragon Boat Club. For anyone interested in a future paddle and further information, please contact 0427 801 705.





Balranald Health

41-43 Court Street

For more info contact Ben Corio: ben@yfoundations.org.au



Balranald Police Update

23rd February 2019 Police intercepted 2 male and 2 female offenders who were trespassing and illegally hunting in the Yanga National Park. A number of Infringement Notices were issued to all person with a total fine value of over \$9,000. Police seized a number of chest plates and tracking collars from dogs that were in the vehicle at the time.

3rd March 2019 a 54 year old female from Balranald was charged with Stalk/Intimidate, she will appear at Hay Local Court on 6th May 2019.

29th March 2019 a 33 year old male from Kyalite was charged with Domestic Violence Assault, he will appear at Hay Local Court on 6th May 2019.

Police would like to remind residents they are now conducting random drug testing as well as random breath testing. If you are stopped for a random drug test, please be patient as the test will take approximately 3 to 5 minutes.

SAFE STORAGE INSPECTIONS FOR FIREARMS

Firearms owners across the district, who have not had their firearms inspected recently please contact Balranald Police Station on 03 5020 1404 or Euston Police Station on 03 5026 3101 to arrange an appointment for your inspection.

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

Roads and Maritime Services advise of changed traffic conditions on **Swan Hill Bridge** for essential maintenance work.

The bridge will be temporarily closed Monday to Thursday nights, between 11pm and 6am from Monday 29 April to the end of August 2019. The work involves strengthening the bridge structure to remove the current width restriction.

Motorists will be detoured via Nyah Bridge on the Speewa Road.

Heavy vehicle restrictions will apply throughout the work to protect Swan Hill Bridge from heavy loads. The bridge will be restricted to semi-trailers at 42.5 tonnes, with B-doubles prohibited. The 24-hour detour for B-doubles is via Tooleybuc Bridge. Please refer to NSW heavy vehicle maps.

Sensors & cameras will monitor the bridge's load capacity and heavy vehicle inspectors will have an increased presence in the area to monitor compliance.

Pedestrian access will be maintained at all times.

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council@balranald.nsw.gov.au or phone 03 5020 1300.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Waste to Art Exhibit closes don't miss this great display @ The Gallery
 May
 BFNC Round 4 – Balranald v Tooleybuc Man - Ladies Day during the senior game.

ANZAC Day - Service details inside

12 May Mother's Day

25 Apr

18 May Federal Election 2019

BFNC Round 6 – Balranald v Tyntynder –

1 Jun Annual Roo Ball with music by The Drowning Sorrows.

BFNC Round 8 – Balranald v Kerang - RE-15 Jun UNION of the 1969, 1970, 1989, 1990 and 2009 Premiership teams.

Submit your upcoming events to council@balranald.nsw.gov.au

30 Nov Save the Date: St Joey's Fete

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 6.30pm registration 7pm start

Also Available @ The Club:

BISTRO SPECIALS - Every Tuesday \$15 Homemade Chicken Parmi. Every Thursday Homemade chicken Snitzel with gravy \$12. Every month, 2nd and last Sunday, Roast Lunch only \$15. New Australian dishes available in the Bistro. Don't forget our regular facilities Keno, TAB, Coffee Shop. Reminder that Fishing Licenses, Pre-paid mobile phone credit and citylink passes and a host of other pre-paid facilities can be purchased at the Club. Printing & Fax Services are available, plus we now offer hire on equipment such as PA system, tables, chairs, and a host of other goods...ask at the office to make arrangements and find out what is now available. Internet facilities available at the Club - Come on in and connect with your friends & family or simply do some surfing. Desktop computers available as well as FREE WiFi. Come and join the sewing Group every 2nd week on Sundays. UNDER 18'S are allowed in most areas of the club except TAB and Pokie Area and the must be in the company of a responsible adult and must be supervised at all times.

facebook.com/clubbalranald

	What's on at Euston Club Resort
7 Days/	Station46 Bistro open daily - Breakfast Mon-
week	Thurs 7am-9.30am & Fri 7am-10am Sat & Sun
	7.30am to 10.30am, Lunch 12pm - 2pm,
	Dinner 6pm-8.30pm. Café open all day
lon/Thurs	Free Bingo Mon 10.15am Thurs 7pm
ues / Sun	Poker Tues from 6.30pm Sun from 6pm
ednesday	Raffle night & Members Draw from 6pm
Thu/ Fri	Members Cash & Prize Draw from 6pm-8pm
Sun/Wed	Social Bowls. Registration 9.45am for 10am
	Start - call John Bond on 5026 4244
Fri & Sat	Free Live Entertainment from 7.30pm MEGA Raffle last Wednesday of month

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

COMMUNITY GENERAL INTEREST

Swim Club—Tuesdays 4.15pm—6pm, training Tuesdays, Club Swims once a month. Contact Lou Ph 0409 026 881

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 week-days 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 **Can Assist Balranald Branch** meeting 2nd

Monday of the month 4p.m. at the Book Shop 92a Market Street. The Second-Hand Book shop will be open when volunteers are available. Contact numbers for the book shop are Karen on 0404 842037 and Connie on 0400 123940. (Can Assist is a confidential service). *Vision Australia* - Phone Yann 03 5023 9500

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

Balranald Presbyterian Church - Monday Ladies KYB 7.30pm @ the hall, Thursday Music group worship prep 5.30pm, Men's KYB 7.30pm @ the Manse, PWA (last Thurs month) 2pm, Friday

Ladies KYB 10am @ the Manse, Youth Bible Study 7.30pm (school terms), *Sunday* Prayer meeting 9.15am (Sunday school room), Worship service 10am. Contact Dennis Rayson 0428 830 276

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