



COMMUNITY NEWS

BSC'S MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

AUSTRALIA DAY

Congratulations to all the outstanding award recipients!



SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Colin Jacka, Peter Barrett and Vic Pope (Balranald),
Justin Griffiths (Balranald)
& Tom Lister (Euston)

COMMUNITY EVENT OF THE YEAR

Homebush Recreation Club Rodeo

SPORTING TEAM OF THE YEAR

Balranald Football Netball Club A Grade Team
Balranald Football Netball Club Under 18s Team



Citizen of the Year - Jan Lawler

YOUNG SPORTSPERSON OF THE YEAR

Grace Morton (Balranald) & Matt Phajongdee (Euston)

SPORTSPERSON OF THE YEAR

Jess Parry

YOUNG CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

Isla Taylor (Euston) & Jackson Bialobrzieski
(Balranald)

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

Jan Lawler



Young Sportsperson of the Year - Grace Morton

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Young Citizen of the Year - Isla Taylor



Community Event of the Year - Homebush Rodeo



Special Achievement Award - Justin Griffiths



Performance by Ron & Sarah Murray



Young Citizen of the Year - Jackson Bialobrzkeski



Special Achievement Award - Tom Lister



Sporting Team of the Year - Balranald Football Netball Club's A Grade & Under 18s Team



Special Achievement Award - Colin Jacka, Peter Barrett and Vic Pope

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Balranald Shire Council



Council Services Opening Hours

Shire Office: Monday to Friday 9am to 4.30pm

Balranald Pool: Free Entry - Tuesday to Friday 3pm—6pm, Saturday & Sunday 11am—6pm

Closed Mondays except on Public Holidays (11am-6pm)

Closing times will extend to 8pm during School Holidays

Balranald Library: Monday & Friday 9.30am - 5.30pm, Wednesday 9am-5.30pm (closed for lunch 12pm-1pm each day)

Balranald Landfill: Tuesday & Thursday 4pm - 6pm, Saturday 10am-1pm, Sunday 10am-3pm

Euston Landfill: Tuesday & Thursday 1pm-6pm, Sunday 9am-3pm

Service NSW in Euston

Every second & fourth Thursday of the month

12.30pm –3.00pm

At the Old Court House on Murray Terrace, Euston



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YOUTH COUNCIL CORNER



by Jackson Bialobrzkeski - Youth Council Mayor

Hi Everyone,

Firstly, Happy New Year! And may 2022 be a beacon of hope and a signal of what's good to come. It's an honour to be entering my fourth year as Youth Mayor, and I want to thank the community for its continued support.

The Youth Council is hard at work developing our 2022 action plan, and first up on the agenda is Youth Week 2022. We are hard at work preparing our 2022 schedule of events for Youth Week and can't wait to announce our plans to you all. We hope you are as excited for Youth Week as we are! Remember, save these dates: April 4th to April 14th, 2022, for an exciting Youth packed series of events.

On Australia Day, we had an action packed day. Youth Council was honoured to be part of the organising of this event with the Australia Day Committee. We would like to congratulate all the award winners and acknowledge all the other nominees for their tireless dedication to our community. We would also like to thank Ambassador Jay Allen OAM, Co-Founder of the Australian Skin Cancer Foundation. It is an honour every year to be part of the Ambassador program, and to bring someone to our Shire to celebrate this amazing day.

We look forward to the programs to run, the projects to take part of and the events to be held, that will come in 2022, hopefully uninterrupted by COVID. Whilst we must always remain vigilant to this ongoing concern, we need to focus on the future and life with the virus. I thank our communities for their ongoing support and wish everyone the best for 2022.

As always, best wishes and stay safe.

Jackson Bialobrzkeski
Mayor – Balranald Shire Youth Council

HOSTEL CORNER

HOSTEL NEWS

What a busy festive season we have had at the Hostel. Residents and staff were busy over Christmas and the New Year and celebrated Australia Day recently. We have busy year ahead and all are looking forward to it!



INFRASTRUCTURE REPORT

Road Construction and Maintenance

Marma-Box Creek Road

Work has recommenced after the Christmas break with further maintenance grading of the road towards Mungo National Park.

Weimby Kyalite Road

Low level powerlines have been lifted, allowing the raising and sealing work to recommence on the final 1km of this road project in the near future.

Water, Sewerage and Drainage

A new sewerage pump was installed at Balranald Sewerage Pump Station before Christmas.

Buildings and Facilities

Football Club Changerooms

Building work on the new changerooms is progressing. This new facility will have separate male and female team changing rooms and bathrooms, male and female umpires' rooms and a coaches' room.



Football changerooms under construction at Greenham Park

Balranald Creative Learning Centre

Work is completed on the building and a Gala Opening event is planned for 12th February 2022.

The car park sealing will hopefully be completed in February – subject to contractor availability



Fencing Nearly Complete on New Artificial Surface Tennis Courts

Tennis Courts

The four newly surfaced tennis courts now have line markings and nets. New fencing has been installed around these courts, with gates still to be added.

Funding has been applied for to install floodlights to these four all-weather courts and make them accessible for tennis all year round.

Resurfacing of the carpark will hopefully be carried out in February – subject to contractor availability.

Balranald Riverfront Precinct

Outdoor gym equipment has been installed along the river at the end of Mayall Street. This area is completed with the installation of furniture and a weight-lifting frog sculpture except for 1 item that we are still waiting for the part to be delivered. The drinking fountain, rubbish bin and doggy bags dispenser will be installed soon.



Outdoor Gym Equipment in Balranald now available for Use

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Euston Recreation Reserve Playground

Installation of the new playground equipment has been delayed by the contractors.

Fish Cleaning Station

A new fish cleaning facility has been installed close to the Balranald Caravan Park boat ramp.

Balranald Cemetery Toilet

A new modular toilet building has been installed in a discreet, but accessible corner of Balranald Cemetery.



New Toilet Facility at Balranald Cemetery



Fish Cleaning Station at Balranald Boat Ramp

CURRENTLY ON EXHIBITION

Draft Documents

For most current list and full details please visit:

www.balranald.nsw.gov.au/council-documents/exhibition-of-draft-documents/

Development Applications:

DA 23/2022 – Proposed Irrigation Pump Station – Bank of Murray River, Sturt Highway Euston
(Applicant: Price Merrett Consulting)

For most current list and full details please visit:

www.balranald.nsw.gov.au/environment-and-planning/developments-on-exhibition/

COUNCIL NEWS

S355 COMMITTEE HOSTEL

Council is seeking applications from qualified persons to establish a S355 Committee to assist Council in the management and operations of the Bidgee Haven Hostel.

Application forms and qualification requirements are available on Council's website.

Applications close 5pm Friday 4th February 2022.

POSITION VACANT - GENERAL MANAGER FOR BSC

Over the past six month period, Council has employed an Interim General Manager to work with the Administrator, Staff and the Community to bring Council to a higher standard of compliance and to look towards improvements in the future service delivery for the community.

Under legislation, Council must employ a permanent General Manager. Council has therefore commenced a search for a full time person who is suitably qualified to deliver a strong council and to ensure that services being provided will be in line with the community thinking and legislation requirements.

Council will be looking for a person with a very high level of financial knowledge and an ability to work with and talk to the staff and the community. Advertising for this position commenced in January.

SERVICE NSW VAN

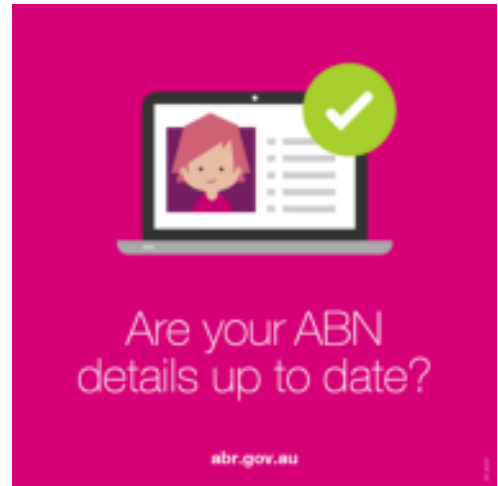
Service NSW is returning to Euston on Thursday, 24th February 2022 in the Mobile Service Centre at the Euston Club Car Park.

The Service NSW team on board can provide support across a broad range of services.

The Mobile Service Centre is a cashless facility and will accept payment by credit/debit cards or cheques.



COMMUNITY ADS



ABN holders can now include 4 additional ANZSIC codes.

Businesses can now include up to 4 additional business activities when updating their Australian business number (ABN) details on the Australian Business Register (ABR).

Previously ABN holders had the ability to register only one main business activity. This meant ABNs couldn't capture the full range of operations undertaken.

For Example:

- Bed and breakfast operation (44000)
- Book retailing (42442)
- Catering services (45130)

Events such as COVID-19 and natural disasters have highlighted the importance of accurate business information to allow government agencies and emergency services to provide tailored support and services to businesses when needed.

Take advantage of this new feature by updating your ABN details at abr.gov.au.

NSW RURAL ASSISTANCE AUTHORITY – ON-FARM EMERGENCY WATER INFRASTRUCTURE REBATE SCHEME

This program aims to provide funding for one-off rebates to eligible primary producers for the costs associated with the purchase and installation of on-farm water infrastructure that addresses animal welfare needs and improves resilience to drought.

https://helendalton.grantguru.com.au/grant/nsw-rural-assistance-authority-on-farm-emergency-water-infrastructure-rebate-scheme/?utm_code=bTdxbnpzWjlyYi42MWVhNDFIYWmxNzZIMTlyYTlmMDliNDk=

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The volunteers at "The Gallery" wish everyone all the best for 2022 and are optimistically looking forward to the opening of the new Creative Learning Centre on Saturday 12th February. A belated 40th anniversary of the purchase of the building and 140th birthday of the old Masonic Hall will also be included in the celebrations. Everyone is invited to attend from 4pm onwards, but please RSVP to Robyn on 0418 316 347 before 31st January for catering purposes.

We are also pleased to announce that the 2022 Bal-Archies will open on Friday 7th October as part of the tenth 5 Rivers Outback Festival to be held from the 7th-9th October.

Another important date to mark on your calendar and a fundraiser for the gallery, is the whole town garage sale and market day (Saturday 12th March). To register your site to be included on the town map call into the gallery or phone 0488 728 986. A fee of \$10 is payable.

A number of workshops (many of which had to be cancelled several times due to COVID issues) have been planned. Of course our most popular "Sip'n Paint" with Deb Donahue, is a first for the year and the new facility. To be held from 2-6pm on Saturday February 19th early bookings are essential. Phone 0418 316 347.

Just a reminder also that memberships are now due. Just \$20 and you can become a "Friend of The Gallery".

Pictured Jan Lawler and Ben Johnstone unpacking new stock kindly donated by Bunnings Swan Hill at the new Creative Learning Centre.



Balranald Golden Slipper Cup Race Meet
Saturday 19th March 2022
Free Entry!



2022 DATES
Riverside Day 12th March
Round 1-13th March

Standen's Enduro 2nd-3rd April
Round 2-22nd May
Round 3-10th July

The Gums Enduro - 20th-21st August
Round 4-11th September

Nothern Regional Round 8-25th September
Round 5-8th October
Ride Day - 9th October



- Business Clean Up Day - Tuesday 1 March
- Schools Clean Up Day - Friday 4 March
- Clean Up Australia Day - Sunday 6 March

Register your support HERE and receive our free e-book INSPIRING COMMUNITY ACTION - with tips how to mobilise and engage your community to clean up, fix up and conserve the environment. Upon registration you will receive further information including access to registered sites within your local government area.

<https://www.cleanupaustaliaday.org.au/resources/council-registration-of-support-2022>