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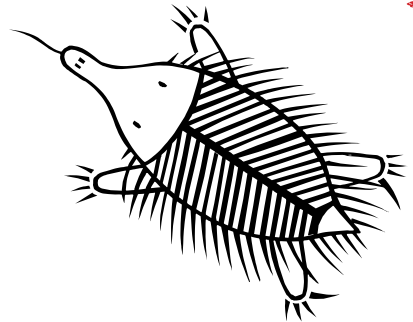


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ON RECONCILIATION



More than 3500 people enjoyed the event on 26 June, with bright winter sunshine.

The day was attended by more than 70 services providers, many of whom swapped information leaflets in favour of more kid-friendly activities such as making flower crowns and finger painting to keep the hundreds of local school students engaged.

The day also included performances by nine local primary schools and



ACTION IN ACTION



annual NAIDOC Celebration Day on
vine making for a spectacular day.

various Indigenous musicians, rides, a petting zoo and a reptile show to keep the huge crowd entertained.

The theme for 2014 was *Serving Country: Centenary and Beyond*, paying homage to the many Aboriginal servicemen and women who have fought in defence of their country.

ASBESTOS DISPOSAL DISCOUNTED... BUT PLEASE BE SAFE

From 1 July 2014 there is 30% off asbestos disposal fees for anyone who uses an approved asbestos removal contractor or purchases a Household Asbestos Disposal Kit from Council.



The Householder Disposal Scheme is a NSW EPA Waste Less, Recycle More initiative funded from the waste levy paid by all NSW councils.

The idea is to help people dispose of asbestos safely as illegal dumping can put lives at risk.

The most important thing to remember is that you need to get the right gear to remove asbestos or you're putting yourself and your family in genuine danger.

Household Asbestos Disposal Kits are now on sale for only \$120, which includes a voucher to dispose of up to 100kg of asbestos, or 10 square metres. Under NSW law, people can only remove 10 square metres of asbestos without a licensed contractor.

Council's DIY kits have everything you need – from goggles and coveralls to drop sheets and waste asbestos bags – so you can safely remove asbestos from your home.

The reality is asbestos is deadly and if your house or apartment was built or renovated before the mid-1980s (even brick) it will most likely contain asbestos in some form. Asbestos can be found in everything from kitchen splashbacks and vinyl floor tiles to downpipes and dog kennels.

The Household Asbestos Disposal Kits also eliminate danger for our workers, who are often faced with asbestos that has not been properly packaged for disposal or is mixed with other materials being dumped at the tip.

Now is a great time to get rid of deadly asbestos from your home, but **PLEASE do it right.**

Household Asbestos Disposal Kits are now available from the Lismore Recycling & Recovery Centre's weighbridge. For more information phone **1300 87 83 87.**

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LISMORE PASSPORT OUT NOW

You can now grab yourself a 'Lismore passport' and take advantage of special deals with local businesses as part of the 'art+food + so much more' campaign.

The campaign runs until 30 October and the passport features more than 80 special offers. Everything from fine dining, coffee and lunch specials to deals on 10-pin bowling, furniture and jewellery.

Keep the passport in your handbag and participating businesses will stamp your passport (with a lovely Lismore heart stamp) each time you redeem a deal.

The *art+food + so much more* campaign includes television, social media, print and online advertising, outdoor banners, a visiting journalist program, and information kiosks at the Lismore Regional Airport and Lismore Shopping Square.

The campaign is designed to encourage locals and visiting tourists to spend time and money in our CBD, supporting local business. The passport could potentially provide a huge injection of funds into the city if everyone takes advantage of the special deals.

There are over 30,000 passports to distribute to locals and visitors, with a 'first in, best dressed' approach. Grab one now from the Lismore Visitor Information Centre.

Special deals and offers are also available online for people to download at www.visitlismore.com.au.





LIBRARY NEWS

Author talk and workshop

Lismore Library is providing some literary wow factor for kids this July with an author talk and workshop on Saturday, 26 July.

The day begins at 10.30am with an author talk by Zacharey Jane, author of children's book *Tobias Blow*, which is on the Premier's Reading List.

Then from 11am-12pm the prolific Nick Earls will hold a workshop, *Word Hunt*, for 9-12 year olds. Nick Earls is the author of 19 novels and collections of short fiction for adults, teenagers and children. His books have won numerous awards in Australian and the UK, and he has appeared on bestseller lists in both countries.

Writers Panel

Goonellabah Library is hosting a Writers Panel on 26 July featuring Samuel Wagan Watson, Craig Sherborne and Ashley Hay.

Ashley is the author of the acclaimed *The Railwayman's Wife*, which was long-listed for the Miles Franklin award. Craig Sherborne's memoir *Hoi Polloi* was shortlisted for the Queensland and Victorian Premier's Awards.

Samuel Wagan Watson is an Aboriginal poet. The judges of the first writing competition he ever entered felt his prose was 'ill-conceived and probably the worst writing they'd ever read...' His collected works of poetry have since achieved wide acclaim and are translated into seven languages, musical compositions, film, television and art projects.

The Writers Panel is on 26 July from 3-4pm at Goonellabah Library.

All events above are free. Bookings are essential. Phone 6621 2464.

Goonellabah Library opening hours

Changes to Goonellabah Library opening hours take effect in August. From 1 August 2014 Goonellabah Library will be closed on Saturday and open Monday to Friday from 9.30am-12.30pm and 1.30-5pm.



KIDS! VOTE FOR YOUR BEST BOOKS EVER

The old saying that kids should be seen and not heard doesn't wash with the folk at Lismore and Goonellabah Libraries, who want kids to tell them loud and clear what their favourite books are.

Kids are being invited to vote for their best-loved books in the annual KOALA Awards. Every year, young readers from all over NSW judge these literary awards and all books are short-listed by kids.



By voting in the KOALA Awards, kids can reward the Australian children's books that have most inspired, amused, terrified, enlightened and engaged them.

The library is encouraging the kids to take home and read as many of the shortlisted titles as they can before casting their vote.

Shortlists can be found at the Lismore and Goonellabah Libraries along with the books themselves and voting facilities. Categories range from 'Picture Books' to 'Years 7-9 Young Adult Literature'.

Parents/carers reading to younger children can vote on their child's behalf – but you must be true to the child's preferences, even if you feel differently!

Children can reserve books using their library card and these will be sent to the branch of their choice as soon as they become available. Voting finishes mid-September, so start reading now and make sure young voices are heard!

If you're not a library member, why not join up? Library membership is free to all residents of the Lismore Local Government Area. All you need is proof of your name and address, or if you're under 18, a signature from a parent/guardian.

Parents, also ask about our free preschool and school holiday programs.



DEVELOPMENT CONSENTS ISSUED

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT

In accordance with the provisions of Section 101 of the Act and Clause 124 of the EP&A Regulation, notification is given that the undermentioned developments have recently been granted consent.

05/543-3 18 Union Street, South Lismore

Educational establishment, place of assembly and refreshment room.

08/178-2 15 Blue Hills Avenue, Goonellabah

Section 96(1A) modification to extend hours of operation approved for medical centre.

10/542-2 10 Esyth Street, Girards Hill

Section 96(1A) modification to floor plan.

12/85-2 18 Robinson Avenue, Girards Hill

Section 96(1A) modification for minor internal alterations.

13/183-2 12 Brewster Street, Lismore

Section 96(1A) modification to floor plan.

13/319-2 36 Clare Street, Goonellabah

Section 96(1A) modification to delete condition 3 pertaining to a permanent fixed privacy screen.

14/61-2 5 Reserve Street, Goonellabah

Recreation area lighting.

14/68 117 Dawson Street, Lismore

Change of use of a building to audio sales and installation and carport with a building line variation.

14/97 469 Skyline Road South, Wyrallah

Subdivision (to create 1 additional lot).

14/101 890 Bangalow Road, Bexhill

Shed with a building line variation.

14/108 14 Livotto Drive, Richmond Hill

Shed.

14/111 1443 Bangalow Road, Clunes

Shed with minor earthworks and retaining wall.

14/127 56 Cullen Street, Nimbin

Advertising sign.

14/129 775 Mountain Top Road, Stony Chute

Conversion of part of existing shed to a dwelling, 2-storey addition and construction of inground swimming pool.

14/132 6 Melaleuca Court, Caniaba

Dwelling.

14/134 28 Clare Street, Goonellabah

Dwelling.

14/135 22 Clare Street, Goonellabah

Dwelling addition (covered deck).

14/136 9 Livotto Drive, Richmond Hill

Dwelling with a building line variation.

14/139 12 Brewster Street, Lismore

Advertising sign.

14/143 23 Crown Street, Lismore

Dwelling alterations including raising floor height.

14/145 25 Daniel Drive, Goonellabah

Carport.

14/155 156 Bruxner Highway, South Lismore

Storage shed (garden and maintenance equipment).

Details of applications and consents, together with conditions attached, may be inspected at Council's Corporate Centre during business hours or via DA Tracking at www.lismore.nsw.gov.au.





DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT

As the consenting authority, Council has received the following development applications (and/or applications for modifications to existing consents) for consideration.

DA No. 14/128 (DP Lot: Lot 2 DP 260440).

LOCATION: 4 Pignat Place, Goonellabah.

APPLICANT: Alstonville Assembly of God Inc.

DESCRIPTION: Place of public worship.

CLOSING DATE: 23 July 2014.

DA No. 14/153 (DP Lot: Lot 736 DP 1078465).

LOCATION: 243 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah.

APPLICANT: Derek Gellatly Constructions.

DESCRIPTION: Industrial shed with rock retaining walls and building line variation to 2.5m to Oliver Avenue.

CLOSING DATE: 23 July 2014.

DA No. 14/175 (DP Lot: Lot 1 DP 242980).

LOCATION: 15 Star Avenue, Goonellabah.

APPLICANT: North Coast Children's Home Inc.

DESCRIPTION: Change of use of a dwelling to a group home.

CLOSING DATE: 23 July 2014.

The above development applications and Statement of Environmental Effects may be inspected at Council's Corporate Centre or via DA Tracking at www.lismore.nsw.gov.au.

Further information relating to written submissions is available on Council's website. There are laws regarding the mandatory disclosure of political donations in relation to planning matters. Political donations disclosure reporting forms are available from the Department of Planning website at www.planning.nsw.gov.au.



MEETINGS, BRIEFINGS AND INTERVIEWS

COUNCILLOR BRIEFINGS

Councillor briefings are held most Tuesday evenings so staff can provide background on issues or projects.

On Tuesday, 15 July, Councillors will be briefed on the **Biodiversity Management Strategy framework**. On Tuesday, 22 July, Councillors will be briefed on **Building Bridges**, the **Reconciliation Action Plan review** and the **Materials Recovery Facility**.

Briefings are held in the Council Chambers from 6pm. All welcome.

LUNCHTIME COUNCILLOR INTERVIEWS

Councillors are available for 15-minute interviews on the third Thursday of each month between 12.30pm and 1.30pm.

On Thursday, 17 July interviews will be conducted by Councillors Ray Houston and Neil Marks at Lismore City Library. Interviews must be booked no later than Tuesday, 15 July.

AFTER HOURS COUNCILLOR INTERVIEWS

Councillors are available for interviews on the first and third Monday of each month from 5.30pm at the Goonellabah Sports and Aquatic Centre.

On Monday, 21 July interviews will be conducted by Councillors Vanessa Ekins and Mathew Scheibel.

Interviews must be booked no later than 4pm on Friday, 18 July.

LISMORE BUSINESS PANEL

The Lismore Business Panel will meet on Friday, 18 July at the Gordon Pavilion, Oakes Oval, from 12-2pm.

For more information about meetings and briefings or to book a Councillor interview, phone Graeme Wilson on 1300 87 83 87.



POSITIONS VACANT



We are currently seeking applications for two jobs with Council.

POSITIONS:

1. Administration Support Officer – part-time.
2. Wastewater Plant Attendant – full-time.

Detailed information packages are available on our website www.lismore.nsw.gov.au or phone us on 1300 87 83 87.

BRIEFS

WATER MAIN CONSTRUCTION

Union Street, South Lismore

We are constructing a new water main along Union Street, South Lismore, between Kyogle and Casino Streets from Monday, 14 July. Works will take place from 7am to 5pm Monday to Friday. It is expected to take 20 working days.

Local traffic conditions will change including temporary road closures and detours. Traffic control will affect parking and access to some premises. Sorry for any delays and thanks for your understanding.

AUSTRALIA POST SURCHARGE DELAYED

As of 1 July 2014 all credit card payments to Lismore City Council will attract a 0.5% surcharge. However, Council has been informed that this will not take effect for payments made through Australia Post during the first 2014/15 rates instalment period.



APPLICATIONS OPEN FOR 2014/15 LOCAL HERITAGE ASSISTANCE FUND

If you live in a heritage home or in a conservation area, you can now apply for small grants to spruce up your property with a new lick of paint or other measures that preserve its character.

The annual grants are offered in conjunction with the NSW Heritage Office to carry out conservation works on listed heritage items or items within conservation areas listed in the Lismore Local Environmental Plan.

Property owners are limited to a maximum of \$2000 per application and this must be matched dollar for dollar with the applicant's own finances. Projects previously funded include reinstatement of decorative architectural features, repainting, and window, fence and verandah repairs.

The closing date for applications is Wednesday, 20 August 2014 and successful applicants will be announced in September.

Application forms and brochures on the scheme are available on our website www.lismore.nsw.gov.au or from our Corporate Centre.

Or you can phone us on 1300 87 83 87.





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Lismore City Council's Corporate Centre is located at 43 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah. We are open Monday to Friday from 8.30am to 4.30pm. Our postal address is PO Box 23A, Lismore NSW 2480. You can email us at council@lismore.nsw.gov.au



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