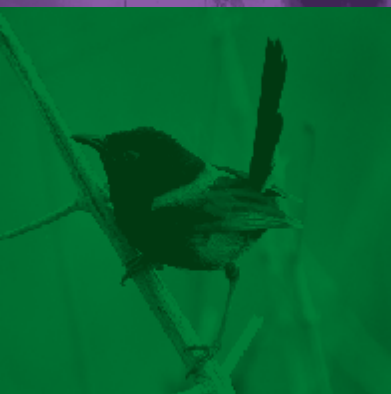


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RECYCLED CHRISTMAS TREE A GIFT TO LISMORE COMMUNITY

Lismore is now the proud owner of a new recycled Christmas tree on the corner of Magellan and Keen Streets.

The tree was dreamed up by Council's executive committee, which decided Council should give the Lismore community a gift for Christmas that represented the city's values as well as being fun and different.

The new tree is made entirely from old bikes from the Revolve Shop, which would have ended up as scrap metal. These were welded onto the steel frame at the Council metal shop and the structure was then painted all colours of the rainbow by Council staff and their families, in their own time.

"Recycling represents Lismore in so many ways and is a big part of who we are – one of our community visions was to become a model of sustainability and we are well on the way to becoming the recycling capital of this country," General Manager Gary Murphy said.

"This tree really represents everything Lismore is about. We're sustainable, we're resourceful, we're colourful, we're unique and we aren't afraid to do things differently!"

The Christmas tree was made with parts from more than 90 bikes, 50 litres of white paint, almost half a tonne of steel, around \$30 worth of coloured mis-tints from the paint shop, and a lot of love and Christmas spirit.



Christmas operating hours

Lismore City Council

Closed from Friday, 25 December until Monday, 4 January.

Richmond Tweed Regional Library

Closed from Friday, 25 December until Monday, 4 January.

Lismore Memorial Gardens office

Closed from Friday, 25 December until Monday, 4 January.

Recycling facilities and services

Lismore Recycling & Recovery Centre

Friday, 25 December	Closed
Saturday, 26 December	Closed
Sunday, 27 December	Open
Monday, 28 December	Closed
Friday, 1 January	Closed

Revolve Shop

Closed from Friday, 25 December until Tuesday, 5 January.

Brewster Street Drop-off Centre

Open every day during the holiday period.

Kerbside Collections

Kerbside collections will be as normal during the holiday period. Please place bins out the night before collection as collection times may vary during this period.

Nimbin Transfer Station

Saturday, 26 December – Closed

Goonellabah Sports & Aquatic Centre

Thursday, 24 December	5.45am to 5pm
Friday, 25 December	Closed
Saturday, 26 December	Closed
Sunday, 27 December	10am to 3pm
Monday, 28 December	10am to 3pm
Tuesday, 29 December	10am to 3pm
Wednesday, 30 December	10am to 3pm
Thursday, 31 December	10am to 3pm
Friday, 1 January	Closed
Saturday, 2 January	Normal hours resume

Lismore Memorial Baths

Thursday, 24 December	6am to 5pm
Friday, 25 December	Closed
Saturday, 26 December	Closed
Sunday, 27 December	9am to 5pm
Monday, 28 December	9am to 5pm
Tuesday, 29 December	6am to 5pm
Wednesday, 30 December	6am to 5pm
Thursday, 31 December	6am to 5pm
Friday, 1 January	Closed
Saturday, 2 January	Normal hours resume

Visitor Information Centres

Lismore Visitor Information Centre

Closed Christmas Day and Boxing Day only.

Nimbin Visitor Information Centre

Closed Christmas Day only.



NEW HOIST PROVIDES POOL ACCESS FOR ALL

People with a disability now have easier access to the Lismore Memorial Baths thanks to the initiative of Lismore City Council's Access Committee and the help of a local business.

A new pool hoist at the Baths allows people with mobility issues to be lifted from their wheelchair to the pool change table and be lowered into the pool – a task previously undertaken by carers.

The Access Committee identified that while the Baths is wheelchair accessible, this was a significant gap, as the task is an onerous one for carers and could put them physically at risk.

Local company Northern Rivers Mobility and Scooter Solutions went above and beyond to assist Council to find a portable pool hoist, which will reside at the Baths during summer and be transferred to the Goonellabah Sports & Aquatic Centre for winter.

Access Committee member Luke Clibborn, a 21-year-old Lismore man who was severely injured in the Army and is now a paraplegic, said the pool hoist was breaking down barriers to inclusion.

“Lismore isn't the most chair-accessible town, and so this is a real step in the right direction,” he said. “If it's a really hot day and someone who is chair-bound wants to go and cool down with mates, now they can do that easily. Anything we can do to give chair-bound people access to everyday community facilities is a fantastic step forward.”

Fellow Access Committee member Jenny London said the pool hoist was already being well used.

“All the lifeguards at the Baths have been trained and they report it is used regularly. Having said that, even if it was only used by one person a month it would be worth it,” Jenny said.

“We will move this one to GSAC during the winter months but the dream would be to have one permanently at each pool.”

DON'T LET CHRISTMAS GO TO WASTE!

Okay, so we don't want to be the fun police, but the reality is that Christmas can be a very wasteful time. Too much food is cooked, there is excess packaging, and we see a huge spike in waste during December and January.

We don't want people to stop having fun with family and friends of course, but there are ways you can limit your waste at Christmas.

Here are a few tips to help you remain a good recycler during the silly season.

- Steer clear of goods that are over-packaged and make gift choices that will outlast the holiday period.
- Toy packaging: Cardboard and hard plastic packaging can be placed into the recycling bin loose, while small wire ties should go into your waste bin. Please do not put string, wire or anything else that can get tangled up into your recycling bin – this causes major headaches for our Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) staff and is certainly not on their Christmas wish list!
- Soft plastic packaging and plastic bags should be placed into a plastic bag. When it's full, tie it up and place it in your recycling bin.
- Preserve wrapping paper if you can, or use newspaper instead. Otherwise place it in your recycling bin.
- Place your beer bottles, wine and champagne bottles into your recycling bin loose – not in empty beer cartons or bags as our MRF cannot separate the bottles from the cardboard.
- Use your leftovers! Freeze what you can't eat or check out www.loveyourleftovers.nsw.gov.au for recipe ideas. Any unusable food, used napkins or paper plates should go in your organics bin.
- Set up an easy-to-use waste system for your visitors – if you have a lot of people coming and you will be outside, set up three containers side by side so your guests can easily dispose of their waste correctly. This will save you a lot of hassle and ensure you have sufficient space in your bins.

- With new computers, tablets and game consoles often on the gift list, you can take your old, unused computers to SORT – a not-for-profit organisation that data wipes, restores and recycles computers and then re-gifts them to underprivileged families. SORT is located at the corner of County and Eggins Lanes in the Lismore CBD (within the Back Alley Gallery).
- Dispose of any excess recyclables at one of our Drop-off Centres at either Brewster Street or the Lismore Recycling & Recovery Centre. This is also a great way to dispose of bulky recyclables such as large cardboard boxes and polystyrene.



And please remember, kerbside collection days will remain as normal over the holiday period. Please put your bins out the night before collection as collection times may vary during this period.



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.

DA No.

15/4-3 154 and 154A Ballina Road, Lismore

Section 96(2) modification to build the development in two stages, reduce the number of dwellings to 10 comprising 2 x 2-bedroom and 8 x 1-bedroom studio dwellings and alter associated conditions of consent.

15/131-2 14 Dunromin Drive, Modanville

Section 96(1A) modification to allow raw food classes on Saturday in addition to Monday to Friday.

15/132 9 Doyle Place, Goonellabah

Retaining wall.

15/178 11 Dalley Street, East Lismore

Dwelling, carport and tree removal.

15/182 10 Tamarind Close, Richmond Hill

Stabilisation and rectification of existing cut and fills and the erection of retaining walls.

15/203 40 Rayward Road, Dunoon

Detached dual occupancy.

15/216 138 Elliot Road, Clunes

Dwelling.

15/225 3 Minshul Crescent, North Lismore

Shed.

15/253 1A Military Road, 66 Rifle Range Road and associated parts of Rifle Range Road, East Lismore

Roadworks within Rifle Range Road and Cynthia Wilson Drive road reserves associated with alterations to the bus route through Southern Cross University campus to incorporate one bus stop, two bus bays and removal of 28 trees.

15/254 367 Cosy Camp Road, Bexhill

Inground swimming pool.

15/259 144 Orion Street, Lismore

Demolition of existing roof over outdoor area and construct new elevated addition including an ensuite bedroom and dining area.

15/261 26 Emerson Road, Rosebank

Demolition of existing decks/steps and additions to an existing dwelling including separate garage, swimming pool, deck and minor alterations.

15/278 32 Woodland Avenue, Lismore Heights

Alterations and additions to existing dwelling.

15/281 43 McLeay Road, North Lismore

Extension to existing farm shed with a building line variation to 9.39m to McLeay Road.

90/341-3 186A Keerrong Road, Blakebrook

Section 96(2) modification to temporarily decommission the existing bitumen plant and install a mobile asphalt plant.

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 NUMBER: 15/300

LOCATION/DP LOT: 9 Fredericks Road, Caniaba (Lot 217 DP 1169314).

APPLICANT: Newton Denny Chapelle.

DESCRIPTION: Vegetation removal of 75 native trees plus 1200m² of fragmented and isolated area of dry sclerophyll forest.

CLOSING DATE: 23 December 2015.

DA NUMBER: 15/314

LOCATION/DP LOT: 23 DA Olley Drive, Goonellabah (Lot 97 DP 776987).

APPLICANT: WJ Townend Town Planning.

DESCRIPTION: Group Home (Permanent).

CLOSING DATE: 23 December 2015.

DA NUMBER: 15/309

LOCATION/DP LOT: 273 Lindendale Road, Lindendale (Lot 24 DP 1034165).

APPLICANT: The Buttery Ltd.

DESCRIPTION: Staged change of use from a recreational establishment (health farm) to a community facility.

CLOSING DATE: 23 December 2015.

The above development applications and Statement of Environmental Effects may be inspected at Council's Corporate Centre, 43 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah 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. Political donations disclosure reporting forms are available from the Department of Planning at www.planning.nsw.gov.au.



CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

*Don't forget
Carols by Candlelight
this Sunday,
13 December at
Oakes Oval in Lismore.*



Gates open at 4pm, with entertainment from 6-8pm and fireworks to conclude the evening. The event is free and everyone is welcome.

Carols by Candlelight will be hosted by Peggy Popart and include visits by Santa and NBN's Big Dog with music from Luke Vassella, The Batten Twins and Sophistication.

There is a Kids Zone for children, with glowsticks and refreshments for sale, and funds will be used by the YWCA to brighten the lives of disadvantaged children in the 2480 postcode.

Remember, it's free and open to everyone, so come along for a wonderful afternoon and evening of carols, music and community spirit.

Carols by Candlelight is sponsored by SHOPBABY, Summerland Credit Union, Lismore Shopping Square, Chandlers Betta Home Living, The Northern Star and NBN.



ABORIGINAL ADVISORY GROUP NEWS

In 2013 Council developed a Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) and from this plan an Aboriginal Advisory Group was re-established. The Aboriginal Advisory Group provides specialised advice to Council on matters affecting the Aboriginal community.

The Aboriginal Advisory Group would like to welcome Lee-Ann Emzin back to Lismore City Council in her role as Partnering and Community Engagement Officer. Lee-Ann previously worked at Council three years ago as the Community Development Officer (Aboriginal), and the Aboriginal Advisory Group would like to wish her well in her new position.



The Aboriginal Advisory Group members are appointed to Council via an Expression of Interest process. Council will call for Expressions of Interest in 2016 from Aboriginal community members.

If you are an interested Aboriginal community member who lives in the Lismore Local Government Area, phone 1300 87 83 87 for more information or a nomination form.

PESTICIDE NOTIFICATION

Council will be spraying chemicals at Nielson Park, E2 Soccer Field (Bill Harris Field), Richards Oval Soccer Field and South Soccer Field from 14 December 2015 to 31 January 2016. The chemical to be used is the post-emergent grass herbicide Crowbar, which targets Crowsfoot grass (*Eleusine indica*). This chemical is registered for turf use. For more information phone Kevin Copas on 1300 87 83 87.



POSITIONS VACANT

We want skilled, passionate people in our workforce who will strive to make the Lismore Local Government Area the best place it can be for our diverse and unique community.

Please find below our latest employment opportunities:

Position	Salary	Closing Date
IT Business Systems Administrator (part-time)	\$28.59 to \$32.88 per hour + super	17 January at 4pm
Graphic Artist (part-time)	\$35.62 to \$40.96 per hour + super	18 January at 4pm
Electrical SCADA/PLC Technician	\$1,037.70 to \$1,193.36 per week + superannuation	30 January 2016 at 4pm
Grass Cutting Team Member	\$826.40 to \$950.36 per week + super	13 December at 4pm
Traffic Controller x 4	Entry pay rate \$770.50	17 December at 4pm

For further information or to apply please visit www.lismore.nsw.gov.au.

HALF-DAY COUNCIL CLOSURE

Lismore City Council’s Corporate Centre, the Lismore Recycling & Recovery Centre, Blakebrook Quarry and all other Council depots will be closed from 12pm on Friday, 11 December. This does not apply to the Richmond Tweed Regional Library, Goonellabah Sports & Aquatic Centre or the Lismore Memorial Baths, which will be open as normal. Regular operating hours will resume on Monday, 14 December. Sorry for any inconvenience folks.



ONE-WAY STREET PROPOSALS

Gaggin and Shepherd Lanes, Lismore

We plan to change Gaggin Lane between Hunter and Diadem Streets and the nearby Shepherd Lane to one-way. That means traffic would only travel in a westbound direction, entering these lanes via Hunter Street and exiting at Diadem Street.

These streets are too narrow for two-way traffic and have been identified as needing additional ‘No Stopping’ signage and parking limits in keeping with the adjoining Lismore Base Hospital Parking Strategy.

We will be advising adjoining owners and tenants but realise these streets are used by many people including customers and those doing deliveries for local businesses. If you require any information about these plans, please contact Barry Goodwin on 1300 87 83 87.



YOUR COVER

Lily Fitzgerald, 11, from Goonellabah is one of many kids of Council staff who helped us paint our new recycled Christmas tree made of bicycles. We are overwhelmed by the response and would like to thank the community for your gracious and generous praise. We absolutely love that you love it!





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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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