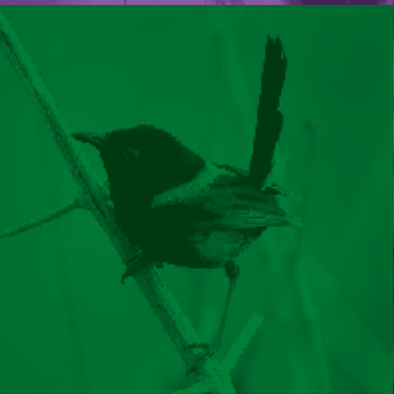




LOCAL MATTERS

LISMORE CITY COUNCIL NEWS
ISSUE 173, 9 SEPTEMBER 2020



WWW.LISMORE.NSW.GOV.AU



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT YOUR GALLERY

BODY LANGUAGE: A touring exhibition from the National Gallery of Australia **29 August – 8 November, Lismore Regional Gallery**

Lismore Regional Gallery will, for the first time, present a touring exhibition from the prestigious National Gallery of Australia. *Body Language* is a major travelling exhibition developed by the National Gallery of Australia, featuring works created by more than 30 artists that explores the cultural identity of Australia's diverse Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and communities.

"The National Gallery of Australia has almost 160,000 works of art in its care and holds the world's largest collection of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander material. It is really exciting for the Lismore Regional Gallery to be sharing this collection with local audiences for the very first time. This is an incredibly rich exhibition, depicting the diversity of contemporary First Nations practice," Lismore Regional Gallery Director Brett Adlington said.

Kelli Cole, the curator of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art at the National Gallery of Australia said: "For many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, identity is a source of strength and resilience. There are many ways in which we identify, what we believe in, how we look, how we feel and how we see ourselves in society, and language is fundamental to the expression of our culture identity. Before the arrival of the British colonisers in 1788 there were over 250 Indigenous Australian languages, including 800 dialects, but today those numbers have dramatically declined to under 50 spoken languages."

"Aboriginal people traditionally painted on rock surfaces, barks, on the body, and engraved symbols in scar trees to tell the stories of ancestors and creation. We drew symbols in the sand representing maps, waterholes and food to teach about hunting and cultural knowledge. Symbols are an essential part of a long artistic tradition in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander art and remains the visual form to retain and record significant information.



Photo: Denise Alison ▲

"As Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people we did not have a written language but our oral stories were shared throughout generations, keeping our culture alive. *Body Language* explores the iconography of language as expressed through symbols and patterns and includes works that explore themes such as identity or representation, mark making, spiritual beings and ceremony withing song and dance."

PENNY EVANS: Language of the Wounded

22 August – 1 November, Lismore Regional Gallery

Online artist in conversation: Penny Evans in conversation with Pat Hoffie
Thursday, 24 September at 11am

Language of the Wounded is an exhibition of powerful new work by Penny Evans, a Northern Rivers artist of Gomerioi descent. Referencing bones or keloid scars, Evans' ceramic wall installation explores a system of signs, a hieroglyphics-like language strewn across the gallery wall.

Each piece is striated and scarred, exploring the widespread traditional Aboriginal practices of body scarification like a history inscribed on the body, where each deliberately placed scar tells a story of pain, endurance, identity, status, beauty, courage, sorrow and grief.

Admission to Lismore Regional Gallery is a suggested \$5 donation.

Gallery opening hours: Wednesday 10am – 4pm, Thursday 10am – 6pm, Friday 10am – 4pm, Saturday and Sunday 10am – 2pm. Monday and Tuesday closed.

Lismore Regional Gallery has a COVIDSafe plan in place. For more information, visit www.lismoregallery.org.



Photo: Michelle Eabry ▲

EARLY BUSHFIRE SEASON DECLARED FOR THE NORTHERN RIVERS

A Bushfire Danger Period has been declared across the Lismore Local Government Area and Northern Rivers. This means anyone wishing to light a fire must first obtain a fire permit.

Permits, which are free, ensure that fire is used safely and minimises the danger to landholders, their property and the community.

While hazard reduction burns are an important part of preparations, landholders need to be extremely careful.

Never leave a fire unattended. If a fire does escape, make sure you call Triple Zero (000) immediately.

Have a Get Ready Weekend

Lismore City Council is encouraging families, friends and neighbours to use the NSW Rural Fire Service Get Ready Weekend to prepare for bushfire season and start a broader conversation about being aware of and prepared for all hazards.

Prepare for bushfire

Following the devastating 2019/20 bushfire season, communities are understandably keen to know more about getting ready in the lead up to the 2020/21 season.

To support early planning and preparation, the NSW Rural Fire Service will once again host their annual Get Ready Weekend from 19-20 September, in person and online.

Please follow your local RFS brigade's Facebook page for information as it becomes available. You can also visit www.rfs.nsw.gov.au for more information.

Talk to family, friends, neighbours

Each year, communities across NSW experience a range of emergencies, including bushfires, home fires, floods, storms, heatwaves and power outages.

This year we've seen an unparalleled number of events impacting large areas of NSW happen in quick succession, highlighting the importance of being prepared for all hazards.

Please use the RFS Get Ready Weekend as the start of a broader conversation with family, friends and neighbours around being prepared for the multiple hazards.

Get Ready in five simple steps

1. Know your risk – think about the area you're in and the types of disasters that could affect you.
2. Plan now for what you will do – sit down and talk with your family and plan for what you will do if a disaster affects your area.
3. Get your home ready – prepare your home by doing general home maintenance and checking your insurance coverage.
4. Be aware – find out how to prepare, what to do if there is a disaster in your area and connect with NSW emergency services to stay informed.
5. Look out for each other – share information with your family, friends, neighbours and those who may need assistance.

PLEASE SLOW DOWN... KOALAS ABOUT

Lismore City Council is urging motorists to slow down on the road and watch out for koalas now that they are taking advantage of the spring weather to venture out in search of food and a mate.

Spring has sprung and koalas are actively moving around trying to find territory with enough food and opportunities to breed in the ever reducing and fragmented koala habitat areas.

Unfortunately, during this time each year the Friends of the Koala (FOK) receives an ever-increasing number of calls about injured or dead animals. In the past 10 days alone, seven koalas have been hit by cars around Lismore.

While we are lucky to live in an area with a significant koala population, it is up to all of us to help protect them, particularly after last season's devastating bushfires.

Koalas are vulnerable to extinction in NSW and many of our roads cut right through some of their prime habitat.

People need to be especially careful in areas that we know are hotspots for koala vehicle strikes. For example, on Wyrallah Road, Coraki Road, Bruxner Highway and Ballina Road, Rous Road, Bangalow Road, Dunoon Road, Nimbin Road, and near The Channon and Rosebank.

Koalas are most active and on the ground between dusk and dawn, but it's important that motorists are vigilant at all times.

Please slow down and watch out for koalas. If you see a koala that is sick or injured, phone FOK's 24-hour rescue hotline on 6622 1233.

Lismore City Council will place variable message signs at hotspots over the coming months to remind drivers to be vigilant when driving through koala habitat.



BARGAIN HUNTERS REJOICE!

The popular Lismore Revolve Shop at the Lismore Recycling & Recovery Centre re-opened last week after it was closed due to COVID-19.

The shop will open on Wednesdays and Fridays between 9am and 2pm and on Saturdays between 9am and 1pm.

This is something that our community has been eager to see re-open.

The safety of the community and our staff must always be our number one concern and Council would like to thank the community for their patience as our staff put COVID-19 safety measures in place.

Due to COVID-19, the shop can only accept EFTPOS transactions – strictly no cash. We also ask customers to practise social distancing.

Located at the Lismore Recycling & Recovery Centre, the Revolve Shop sells household furniture and crockery, lamps, nick knacks... you name it. There are children's toys, quality tools, clocks, speakers and even skiing gear. Out the back in the Revolve Shop yard it's just as diverse, with lots of building and renovating materials right through to machinery such as whipper snippers and mowers, chairs and tables, bikes for the kids, and lots more.

It's all there (including the kitchen sink!) for a fraction of what you'd pay somewhere else. Come for a visit and help us re-use, recycle and reduce waste.



The Lismore Recycling & Recovery Centre and the Nimbin Transfer Station have new operating hours from Monday, 31 August.

*** The new hours at the Lismore Recycling & Recovery Centre at 313 Wyrallah Road are Monday to Friday from 7.30 am to 3.30pm and Saturday 9am to 4pm.**

*** The new hours at the Nimbin Transfer Station are Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 8am to 3pm.**



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.

DA15/165-6 10 Sawyers Avenue, Goonellabah: Section 4.55(1A) modification to the lot configuration within stage four to remove cul-de-sac with tree in turning head and minor amendment to stage boundaries.

DA16/100-5 6, 8, 9 and 11 Willow Tree Drive, 5 and 5A George Drive and 123 Taylor Road, Chilcotts Grass: Section 4.55(1A) modification to enable the creation of a development lot as part of subdivision release 1A.

DA19/412 268 Richmond Hill Road, Richmond Hill: Detached dual occupancy.

DA20/88 47 Walmsley Road, Bexhill: To undertake: a) change of use of dairy bales to a dwelling to create a detached dual occupancy and associated alteration and addition to create a living room and deck; and b) to use an existing cabin as tourist and visitor accommodation.

DA20/124 9A and 9B Woodlawn Road, North Lismore: Installation of a lift and lift landing at the Lismore Turf Club.

DA20/187 2/38 Carrington Street, Lismore: Change of use to hairdressers and beauty salon.

DA20/203 27 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah: Commercial addition (deck).

DA20/235 14A Roder Place, Richmond Hill: Dwelling additions and alterations.

DA20/237 53 Fischer Street, Goonellabah: To undertake alterations and additions to convert an existing shed to a dwelling (detached dual occupancy) and the construction of a carport and new driveway to Luke Place.

DA20/244 4A Tamarind Close, Richmond Hill: Shed addition (carport) and retaining wall.

DA20/248 13 Remnant Drive, Clunes: Inground swimming pool.

DA20/251 16 Sheridan Drive, Goonellabah: Use of a garage which has been converted to a bedroom, bathroom and laundry without prior consent of Council.

DA20/253 463 Jiggi Road, Goolmangar: Inground swimming pool.

DA20/257 41 Henson Road, Wyrallah: Dwelling addition (ensuite).

DA20/262 10 Esyth Street, Girards Hill: Tree removal and pruning in a heritage conservation area.

DA20/281 28 Roder Place, Richmond Hill: Inground swimming pool.

DA20/283 197 Richmond Hill Road, Richmond Hill: Shed and removal of one silky oak tree.

DA20/288 9 Murray Street, East Lismore: Dwelling addition (carport) with a building line variation to 2m to Murray Street.

DA20/290 11 Walker Street, East Lismore: Shed.

DA20/297 872 Koonorigan Road, The Channon: Inground swimming pool.

DA88/330-4 110 Chelmsford Road, Rock Valley: Section 4.55(1A) application to modify condition 2A of development consent 5.1988.330.3 by reducing the upgrading requirement of the 'unnamed road' from a 6m pavement on an 8m formation (for a length complying with the safe intersection distance as specified in Austroads either side of the intersection with the sites primary vehicular access) to a 4m pavement on a 5m formation for a total length of 24m.

DA91/216-3 157 Keen Street, Lismore: Section 4.55(1A) modification to include a tattoo studio.

DA93/422-2 2 High Street, Nimbin: Section 4.55(2) modification for the addition of a sixth bedroom with ensuite and include as built internal alterations for the dwelling, change of use of the guest common room to the caretaker residence including new bathroom, office building, pool hut and deck.

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

DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT

As the consent authority, Council has received the following development applications for consideration.

DA NUMBER: 20/320

LOCATION AND DP LOT: 313 Wyrallah Road, Monaltrie (Lot 2 DP 1213261).

APPLICANT: Newton Denny Chapelle.

DESCRIPTION: Alterations and additions to Materials Recover Facility (MRF) shed.

CLOSING DATE: 23 September 2020.

If you wish, you may make a submission to the Council in relation to the development application.

The above development applications and Statement of Environmental Effects may be inspected at Council's Corporate Centre, 43 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah, with prior appointment during ordinary office hours 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 at www.planning.nsw.gov.au.



TENDER T20/17: MINOR CONCRETE WORKS

Council is inviting submissions from suitably qualified and experienced tenderers to undertake various minor concrete works within the Lismore LGA.

The contract is for an initial 12-month period with an option for two additional 12-month periods.

Tender submissions close at 2pm on Thursday, 1 October 2020.

Interested parties are required to register at Council's eProcurement portal www.tenderlink.com/lismore to access relevant documents. Submissions may also be lodged at this site in the electronic tender box.

If you experience any difficulties with accessing the above website or require further information, phone the Tenderlink helpdesk on 1800 233 533.



FUTURE WATER: LAST CHANCE TO MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD

The public exhibition period for Rous County Council's Future Water Project 2060 closes at midnight on Wednesday, 9 September 2020.

This is your last chance to make a submission about the proposed plan, which aims to secure community drinking water supplies over the next 40 years and beyond.

The project identifies new water sources needed to ensure long-term water security for major parts of the Northern Rivers region. It builds on extensive investigations undertaken over the last few decades to find a viable solution for permanently increasing our water supply.

This is the community's opportunity to provide feedback on Rous' plan to secure the region's future bulk water supply. The recent drought, together with population growth, means water security should be at the forefront of our minds.

In August, the public exhibition period was extended by 28 days on top of an initial six-week exhibition period.

Read the full details of the Future Water Project 2060 and use the easy online form to provide your feedback at www.rous.nsw.gov.au/futurewater.

Handy hints for effective submissions:

- Read the available information to understand the plan.
- Be brief and succinct in stating your support or objection.
- Avoid hearsay or generalisations.
- Let us know how you came to your assertions.
- Suggest alternative solutions.



EVENTS AT YOUR LIBRARY

Young Writers Group – Lismore Library

Thursday, 10 September, 5-6.30pm

If you enjoy writing, come along and 'find your tribe' at the Lismore Library Creative Writing Masterclasses. We have a primary and a high school group run by published authors. Both include lots of laughs and great pizza.

Masterclasses are free but numbers are limited so bookings are essential. For bookings email your name, age and phone number to: zannilouise@gmail.com (primary school group) or sarah@sarah-armstrong.com (high school group).

Free Screen Writers Workshop with Belinda Chayko

Thursday, 17 September, 5-6.30pm

Lismore Library, in conjunction with the Byron Writers Festival and StoryBoard, proudly present internationally acclaimed writer and director for film and television Belinda Chayko.

Belinda's impressive career achievements include:

- Head writer for Emmy award-winning miniseries *Safe Harbour* (SBS).
- Co-writer of *Stateless*, starring Cate Blanchett (ABC/Netflix).
- Co-creator Foxtel's *Secret City*.
- Co-writer of AWGIE award-winning *Barracuda*.

Belinda has directed two feature films – *Lou*, starring John Hurt (which she also wrote) and *City Loop*, starring Sullivan Stapleton. She is currently running and co-writing a six-part anthology for ABC television, based on the 'Black Summer' bushfires of 2019.

This is a terrific opportunity to learn from an experienced industry professional. Numbers for this workshop are limited so bookings are essential. To book, email your name, age and phone number to sarah@sarah-armstrong.com.



REMINDER OF PUBLIC HEARING

Sixth Round of Reclassifications of Council-owned land

In accordance with Section 29 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, Council is holding a public hearing via Zoom on Thursday, 17 September 2020 at 5.30pm regarding the sixth round of reclassifications of Council-owned land.

What is the public hearing about?

The public hearing is about a planning proposal that seeks to reclassify from 'community' to 'operational':

- 122 Bruxner Highway, Loftville (Lot 3, DP 1261770) to rectify an anomaly and ensure the land classification is consistent with the land use as a road.
- 8 Wolstenholm Street, East Lismore (Lot 7, DP 7756) to enable the lease or sale of the land to the adjoining landowner.
- 50 Brewster Street, Lismore (Part Lot 4, DP 344444) to facilitate the expansion of the Lismore Preschool.

What is the public hearing not about?

Council has received some enquiries concerned that the public hearing is about the possible rezoning or sale of 122 Bruxner Highway, Loftville (Lot 3, DP 1261770) and the Lismore Lake Pool. The public hearing does not relate to or affect any future actions in relation to the Lismore Lake Pool or future development and management of Lismore Lake, it simply seeks to remedy an historical anomaly to ensure continued security of access to properties.

If you would like to participate in the public hearing, please register by 4pm on the day of the public hearing at www.yoursay.lismore.nsw.gov.au. Alternatively, you can phone Council on **1300 87 83 87**.

Individual presentations are limited to five minutes each.

For enquiries, please contact Council's Strategic Planner Sally Slater on 1300 87 83 87.



CONTACT US:
1300 87 83 87

Corporate Centre: 43 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah

Hours: Monday to Friday, 8.30am to 4.30pm

Post: PO Box 23A, Lismore, NSW 2480

Email: council@lismore.nsw.gov.au

Web: www.lismore.nsw.gov.au



Find us on Facebook and
YouTube or follow us on Twitter.

